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COUNTY COMMISSION

Commission deals with unique times

Infections mean balancing notifications with privacy

BY DONNA PALMLUND
Kingsbury Journal

Because the first Tuesday of the month, Nov. 3, was Election Day, the Kingsbury County Commission met on Nov. 5 with commissioners Roger Walls, Delmer Wolkow and Joe Jensen and some county employees present at the courthouse. Commissioners Shelley Nelson and Steve Spilde attended via Zoom as well as some courthouse employees and other inter-

ested citizens.

Commission meetings are open to the public and can be attended in person or through the Zoom link on the Kingsbury County website. Masks and social distancing are required. At this time, meetings are being held in the second-floor courtroom to allow for better social distancing. A high-quality video camera and microphones make it easier for people attending virtually to see and hear what is going on.

One of the main agenda items was an open discussion with county department heads regarding how to handle compensation time and overtime pay with the added

issue of COVID. Commission Chair Roger Walls said he asked for this agenda item a month ago because employees sometimes have compensation time at the end of the year that needs to be used. He added that there was nothing wrong, he just thought the commission should be aware of where everyone was at on this.

However, between the time Walls asked for this agenda item and the meeting, several changes took place at the courthouse that might necessitate paying more overtime or paying out accrued compensation time, rather than asking people to take time off. The Treasurer's office is

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Standing guard

Statues in front of the Kingsbury County Courthouse honor all branches of the military. (Photo by Donna Palmlund)

ELECTION 2020

Biden-Harris declared winners in presidential election

Trump challenges results in multiple states

BY DONNA PALMLUND
Kingsbury Journal

The counting took a bit longer than usual this year to determine the outcome of this year's presidential election, but on Nov. 6, major news networks and the Associated Press declared that Democratic former vice-president, Joe Biden, and his running mate, Kamala Harris, had secured 290 electoral votes, surpassing the 270 electoral votes out of 538 that were needed to win. President Donald Trump and Vice-President Michael Pence had 214.

Biden and Harris had 75,284,536, or 50.61 percent, of the popular vote, compared to the Trump-Pence ticket with 71,004,183, or 47.73 percent, of the popular vote. Voters in Kingsbury County cast 1,904 votes for the Trump-Pence ticket, or 69%, and 819 votes for the Biden-Harris ticket, or 29%.

Harris will be the first female to hold the office of vice-president, as well as the first black and South Asian woman.

As of this writing, President Trump has not conceded the election and has issued a statement saying, "This election is far from over." His team plans to challenge the results in various states.

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Communities win innovation award

BY KINGSBURY JOURNAL STAFF

The De Smet and Lake Preston communities were recognized with the Community Innovation Prize for their Kingsbury Journal project by Dakota Resources during its annual awards on Thursday, Nov. 5, 2020.

The Kingsbury Journal was formed when both communities lost their newspapers during the onset of the COVID pandemic. The project was recognized for its innovative collaboration of volunteers, for use of remote technology and for working together to merge their efforts into a single combined news organization serving the broader county.

Wessington Springs Area Chamber and Development was also recognized, for their Winter Park Project. The park in Wessington Springs is equipped with ice skating, sledding, a historic field house and even a ski lift! They hosted a community conversation engaging students and adults in creating a vision for Winter Park.

"With completely different approaches to innovation, these communities successfully engaged residents of all generations! They are a tremendous example of what can be done in rural communities if we work together," stated Kristi Wagner, Dakota Resources Community Coach.

Other winners announced were Anita Holan, Kimball Economic Development, as the Mentor of the Year and the Elected Official is Travis Kuehl, Hartford City Council.

Dakota Resources is a community and economic development organization dedicated to helping communities in South Dakota thrive.

COMMISSION: Voting went smoothly with 73 percent turnout across all voters

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closed to the public until Nov. 11 because a deputy treasurer was recently diagnosed with COVID, and Elaine Blachford, the treasurer, was exposed. Both employees are in quarantine with Blachford doing as much work as she can from home. Another deputy in the office was potentially exposed but is asymptomatic. She has taken on more of a workload. The office windows are closed, and she does not interact directly with customers.

Commissioner Delmer Wolkow noted that door monitors' records show which office people go to and what the usual traffic flow is in the courthouse. These records show that the Treasurer's office has, at least recently, had the most traffic.

Blachford, via Zoom, said, "It just stands to reason that when we are busiest, we are going to have more compensation time."

She noted that the end of October is a busy time of year anyway with people coming in to pay taxes, and if one person is out sick it leaves two people to do the work of three.

"These are very different circumstances," Shelley Nelson said. "I'm okay with paying it (comp time) out."

"It's one of those situations where we have to do it," Joe Jensen agreed, "not in general practice, but these are critical times."

Nelson asked whether they should have been more transparent when the Treasurer's office closed. Instead of advertising that they were closed because of "unforeseen circumstances," she wondered if they should have let people know it was because of a COVID situation. Calls are being directed to Blachford's cell phone, and she is answering them at home. She replied that they informed people who called of the situation, but said they also wanted to abide by HIPAA, or privacy, laws.

"I don't think it's a big surprise (someone having COVID)," Jensen stated. "It's not a rare thing anymore."

Walls reiterated that when he asked for this agenda item a month ago, he was simply asking people to get their compensation time taken before the end of the year, but now they are dealing with unusual circumstances.

There was also discussion on whether an employee who contracts or comes in contact with someone who has COVID would qualify for

administrative leave, or if they would have to use sick leave. Currently, the Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA) requires employers to provide up to 80 hours of leave for someone who is sick with COVID or caring for a child whose daycare has closed because of COVID.

Director of Equalization Tammy Anderson pointed out that two weeks is not enough time off for some people who get COVID. Nelson agreed they should allow administrative leave and not make people use up their regular sick pay. There was concern that some people might come to work sick when they shouldn't if they have to use their sick leave.

Walls stated that they are still learning how the virus can affect different people in different ways. Nelson agreed that they have to fine tune plans with the different offices about what they will do if illness breaks out including a written plan with every office which would include sending out alerts.

Walls pointed out that they need to balance privacy with notifying people. He said when two deputy sheriffs were diagnosed recently, he didn't hear about it officially.

"I should have heard about it here rather than at the coffee shop," said Walls.

Sheriff Steve Strande apologized, stating that at the time they were busy shuffling shifts, and that the situation was new to them. With confidentiality concerns, they were not sure what to do.

Highway Superintendent Dave Sorenson said that if anyone on his crew is not feeling well, they are sent to be tested, and they must quarantine until they get results. If results are negative, they can come back to work. He added that, of course, if someone would test positive, they have to stay home at least two weeks.

Sorenson said they have been lucky so far and also noted that most of the time his guys are each in a separate truck and able to distance from each other. He said they use hand sanitizer frequently, and he has asked the employees to slip on a mask whenever they are out in the public around other people.

In other business, Sorenson reported he had received a check from the city of Iroquois for work done there, as well as a FEMA check, and they

will be working on riprap on the Oldham grade and the Whitewood Road north of Lake Preston.

CANVASSING OF VOTES

Commissioners officially canvassed votes from the Nov. 3 election.

"Voting went smoothly; all precincts had their ballot boxes back by 8:30," County Auditor Jennifer Barnard said. "If you include inactive voters, we had about 73 percent voter turnout." She said it showed a higher percentage on the Secretary of State's webpage because they were only counting active voters (those who had voted in the last election) in the bigger number.

Barnard reported no serious issues. She said there was some confusion because on the Secretary of State's voter information portal, when people checked to find out where they should vote, it showed the courthouse rather than the 4-H building. However, they were able to direct people to the correct location. (People who voted early went to the courthouse annex, but on Election Day, people in the De Smet precinct went to the usual location, the Kingsbury County 4-H Building.)

Barnard said about 26 percent of the registered voters cast their ballots early and noted they had to toss out 13 absentee votes because of signatures not matching.

NEW FARMER

Director of Equalization Tammy Anderson requested a Beginning Farmer status for Karie A. Rottluff, who will be farming her late father's land in the Oldham area. Anderson said Rottluff qualifies for this program, which will freeze her taxes for five years. This means taxes will stay the same and not increase. The freeze would not apply to any new buildings or structures. The motion for the Beginning Farmer status was approved unanimously.

WINDOW PROJECT DELAYED

Kevin Brick, a representative of House of Glass in Aberdeen, spoke in person to the commissioners. The House of Glass was supposed to install new windows in the courthouse earlier this year, but they have asked for several extensions. At an earlier meeting, the company and commissioners

had decided on a December start date, but on Nov. 5, Brick said that with the holiday season coming up, it might now get bumped to next January.

Brick stated that they do a lot of work in the winter, and it works out fine because everything is sealed up while they are working. A tuckpointing project is planned for spring, but the new windows have to be installed before that project can happen.

Wolkow said his biggest concern was whether materials seal like they are supposed to with very cold temperatures. Brick said he had not had a problem with that.

"To be honest, let's address the elephant in room," Lonny Palmlund said. "How are we to know that when January, February and March come along, you guys are still not going to have the product? Do you have any now? You have asked for extensions before."

Brick stated that they do not have the product because a lot of companies are behind. Because of COVID, he said, some factories have had to shut down and send their workforce home.

"What we've seen is the trickle effect," added Brick.

Walls pointed out that another project (the tuckpointing) had to be put on hold a year because of the delay.

"Your competitor has reached out and said we would have gotten it done by now," Palmlund said, while reminding everyone that the company who does the tuckpointing can't put the courthouse on their schedule unless they know the window project will be completed.

Walls agreed that they require clearer communication. Council consensus was they need to have a firm date from the company in writing, and that they would stay in touch.

"It sounds like they are doing the best they can," Nelson commented. "It's been tough year."

HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM FUNDS COMPUTERS

Commissioners agreed to pay for new computers for the sheriff's office using a Homeland Security Grant. The county pays for them but will be reimbursed through the grant. Walls reminded everyone that this type of transaction needs to be approved first. The five computers totaled \$13,995.99, which is considered a capital purchase.

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Accident on Highway 14

An accident Nov. 6 between two semi trucks on U.S. Highway 14 near Manchester created a mess, but there were no serious injuries. A southbound driver with a side dump trailer on 425th Ave. crossed the highway and pulled in front of the eastbound driver who was hauling a load of corn. The eastbound driver was not able to miss the crossing truck and caught the back of the other truck's side dump, ending up on his side in the ditch. Neither of the drivers' names were immediately available. (Photo by Randy Holland)

COURT NEWS

The money collected on a \$107.50 speeding ticket is distributed to the following sources: \$39 to the school district in the county where the violation occurred, \$30 to the Law Enforcement Officer Training Fund, \$23.50 to the Unified Judicial System for court automation, \$6 to the Court-Appointed Attorney & Public Defender Fund, \$5 to the Victim's Compensation Fund, \$2 to the Court-Appointed Special Advocates Fund, \$1 to the 911 Telecommunicator

Training Fund and \$1 to the Abused and Neglected Child Defense Fund.

JACOB SMITH, Hazel, 70 in a 65 mile per hour zone, fined \$97.50.

AUTUMN COGDILL, New Underwood, 35 in a 30 mile per hour zone, fined \$97.50.

MATTHEW MUSER, Erwin, 40 in a 30 mile per hour zone, fined \$117.50.

DAVID AUGER, Falcon Heights, M.N, 70 in a 65 mile per hour zone, fined \$97.50.

JONATHON KASKI, Lake Norden, 65 in a 55 mile per hour zone, fined \$117.50.

TISHENA MARTIN-WULFF, Wentworth, pled guilty to disorderly conduct. She was sentenced to 5 days in jail and \$300.00 in fines and costs. The 5 days in jail was suspended on the conditions she pay fines and costs of \$300.00, reimburse the county for the cost of her court-appointed attorney fees and be a law-abiding citizen for 6 months.

SHERIFF REPORTS

The Kingsbury County Sheriff's Department reports nine accidents.

OCT. 29 - MACHELLE MCGARVIE-ROWEN, Arlington, was backing out of a parking spot at the Avantara Nursing Home in Arlington. As she was looking east, she did not see a vehicle next to her until she hit the vehicle. The 2017 Jeep Renegade that was struck was owned by Tabitha Jones of Gilbert, La. and suffered \$1300.00 in damages. The 2015 GMC Acadia that McGarvie-Rowen was driving had \$700.00 in damages.

OCT. 30 - KEVIN KRUSE of Sioux Falls was backing out of a parking spot at the Handi-Mart in Arlington when he struck a 2009 Chevy K-1500 parked next to him. The Chevy was owned by Steven Schuchhardt of Arlington and suffered \$1200.00 in damages. The 2019 Ford F-250 that Kruse was driving had \$1200.00 in damages.

OCT. 28 - LEXUS SPILDE of Arlington was driving west on 204th Street near 455th Avenue when a deer came from the north ditch striking her vehicle. The 2011 Ford Taurus Spilde was driving suffered \$3000.00 in damages.

OCT. 31 - ISAAC FREDRICK of Westport was driving a 2018 Chevy Silverado west on US Highway 14 near 434th Avenue when a deer came from the south ditch striking his vehicle. The Silverado Fredrick was driving suffered \$4500.00 in damages.

NOV. 1 - KOBI FICEK of De Smet was driving south on 450th Avenue near 197th Street when a deer came from the east ditch and struck his vehicle. The 2020 Nissan Pathfinder Ficek was driving suffered \$5500.00 in damages. **JERSEE POHLMAN** of Sioux Falls was driving east on US Highway 14 when a deer ran onto the roadway. The 2019 Mitsubishi Outlander that

Pohlman was driving sustained \$4400.00 in damages.

NOV. 2 - CHASE GUST of Sioux Falls was driving south on US Highway 14 near mile marker 402 when a deer came from the east side center median and struck his vehicle. The 2015 Ford F350 Super Duty owned by R&L Splicing, Inc. driven by Gust sustained \$4000.00 in damages.

NOV. 4 - GRACE WATERS of Wagner was driving west on US Highway 14 when a deer entered the roadway. The 2007 Chevy Impala Waters was driving suffered \$4500.00 in damages.

NOV. 5 - KATELYN TIMP of De Smet was driving north on 429th Avenue between 203rd Street and 204th Street when a deer ran into the roadway striking her vehicle. The 2014 Jeep Cherokee Timp was driving sustained \$1000.00 in damages.

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PRECINCT BREAKDOWN ON MEDICAL, RECREATIONAL MARIJUANA

South Dakotan voters said yes Nov. 2 on Amendment A to legalize, regulate and tax marijuana with 54 percent voting for it and 46 against. However, Kingsbury County said no with 45 percent voting yes and 54 percent voting no.

Results across precincts varied on Amendment A. Absentee voters, which were made up of people from around the county and accounted for the largest number of voters, voted 47 percent in favor. Others include Arlington, 52 percent; Badger, 39 percent; De Smet, 40 percent; Iroquois, 50 percent and Oldham, 34 percent.

Initiated Measure 26, to legalize marijuana for medical use, had much more support. Sixty-nine percent of South Dakotans voted in favor, and Kingsbury County voted 63 percent in favor.

The precinct breakdown for yes votes on Initiated Measure 26 includes Absentee, 65 percent; Arlington, 71 percent; Badger, 56 percent; De Smet, 60 percent; Iroquois, 68 percent; Lake Preston, 60 percent and Oldham, 56 percent.

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Last week's weather

Monday, November 2, 2020
High 66, Low 28

Tuesday, November 3, 2020
High 73, Low 35

Wednesday, November 4, 2020
High 78, Low 35

Thursday, November 5, 2020
High 77, Low 35

Friday, November 6, 2020
High 79, Low 51

Saturday, November 7, 2020
High 72, Low 52

Sunday, November 8, 2020
High 68, Low 50 Rain 0.03 HIGH
Wind Gust 45 MPH

PHOTO OF THE WEEK



Best buds

During that last cold snap, the kittens on Bill and Roxana Poppen's farm realized Fritz made a cozy nest. Our nation might be a bit divided right now, but the animals at the farm are not. (Photo by Beth Poppen)

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ONE OF THE THINGS I APPRECIATE most about those who served is that they didn't rely on someone else to protect freedom. Veterans didn't assume someone else would make the sacrifices so our kids could sleep safely in their beds every night. They raised their hand. They said yes to the call.

When I became governor, I told my team that I wanted to be a leader who shows gratitude to our veterans, but I don't just want to show gratitude in the words that I say. I want to take action to help our veterans. I want to enact policies that make their lives better. I want to say "thank you," both in word and in deed.

We're setting an example for the nation. We've taken action to honor our veterans. In fact, a recent study by Smart Asset named South Dakota the "Best State for Veterans." We expanded the free tuition program for veterans to include technical colleges in addition to regents institutions. We started the Fallen Heroes bridge dedications to honor our heroes killed in combat. To date, seven state bridges have been named after our fallen heroes.

We've increased property tax ex-



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emptions for veterans with disabilities. We authorized a new tax exemption for paraplegic or amputee veterans. We increased the number of beds at the Hot Springs Veterans Home, so that we can care for more veterans. And we broke ground on the first ever State Veterans Cemetery in Sioux Falls. Now, families will have a final resting place for the heroes who have defended our country.

We've has deployed nearly 9,000 soldiers and airmen in support of various operations since 9/11 alone. It's always such a privilege to welcome home

units from deployment and to see moms and dads be reunited with their kids, spouses, and loved-ones. I cannot express how much gratitude I have for the sacrifices our soldiers are making to be away from their own families in service to our American family.

We also sent some South Dakota-based units out for deployment this year. In August, more than 190 soldiers with the 196th Maneuver Enhancement Brigade deployed to Djibouti to support Combined Joint Task Force - Horn of Africa, and in October, the 114th Fighter Wing began its rotation of up to 110 Airmen for deployments across the globe in support of a Reserve Component Period. The Airmen will deploy to Europe, Africa, and the Middle East. One cannot put a price tag on time away from family. There are no makeup days for missed births, first steps, meal time conversations about the day, or the birthdays and holidays that our soldiers won't be there for during a deployment.

It's because of the readiness capabilities of our active duty military personnel that our country continues to be a shining beacon of freedom to all people

around the world. Just this year, the Pierre-based 152nd CSSB won Gen. Walter T. Kerwin, Jr. Readiness Award for excellence, meaning they are the most outstanding Army National Guard battalion in the nation. They won the award last year as well, and in 2018, South Dakota's 139th Brigade Support Battalion were the recipients. You read that right; for three years running, South Dakota has had the very best Army National Guard troops in the entire nation.

As a fellow American, I am grateful to live in a nation protected by citizen soldiers who are willing to answer the call to fight terror across the world. I commend our Veterans for their leadership, bravery, and willingness to work toward peace and stability around the globe. This Veterans Day, I encourage you to take a moment and personally thank one of South Dakota's 65,000 veterans. Thank our active duty servicemen and women. Thank their families, too. And to all the veterans and military personnel reading this, thank you for your service to our state and our country. South Dakota will always honor you. God bless you, and Happy Veterans Day!

Prayers for common goals and healing after election

WE HAVE BEEN INUNDATED with coverage of the general election over this past week. Because of this, it would be irresponsible if I didn't talk just a bit about it. This is not done in an effort to show preference to any candidates who successfully won election or re-election. I do this because, as Christians, our faith calls upon us to offer our prayers for those who serve us in public office. As I stated last week, we are all children of God, both the elected officials and us. We are those who cast the votes for people who became elected to cabinet positions, representatives, senators, governors, vice president and president. Below will be a series of prayers that I offer to you to pray, if you so desire. My hope is that in doing so, you will see that even though we seem divided right now, we have unity around our

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PASTOR JONATHAN DOLAN
American Lutheran Church, De Smet

common faith in God's goodness to all people.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen!

We offer prayers first for those who were not re-elected or lost their election races. We thank them for their willingness to work on behalf of us and seek ways to improve our lives. May they be gracious in their defeat while joining their prayers with ours. We also offer prayers for those who won election or were re-elected. May they be gracious in victory and keep their focus in their new terms on ways that work to serve us. May all

people who ran for public office know that we are grateful for their service to our community, state, country and world. Hears us O God, your mercy is great.

We offer prayers for the healing of the nation. In what was a very divisive presidential election, we seek a call to be more understanding of our family members and our neighbors. Send your Holy Spirit in our midst to open our eyes and hearts to listen more deeply to one another. The great divide in our country over political views does not serve you O God. We ask that you would remind us of the common goals we share, to proclaim justice, to seek peace, to show mercy to all in need and to work on behalf of the mission of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Hear us O God, your mercy is great.

We offer prayers for us, the children of God. May we continue to live into the example that Christ has set for us. When there is an injustice around us, may we be bold to speak up. When there is division around us, may we be confident in providing unity. When we forget about the life, death, resurrection and ascension of the Son, may the Holy Spirit give us the patience to peel back the layers of our eyes to see it again. I ask all of these things in the name of Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with the Father and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Jesus said, "My peace I leave you, my peace I give you." The peace of Christ be with you always. You may conclude by saying the "Apostles Creed" and/or "The Lord's Prayer".

WORSHIP SERVICES

Arlington

CALVARY FREE LUTHERAN CHURCH, Sunday School at 9:30 a.m., Worship at 10:30 a.m.

UNITED METHODIST, Church at 9:30 a.m. (masks required)

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST, Mass at 8:30 a.m.

LAKE WHITEWOOD LUTHERAN CHURCH, See Facebook page for updates.

Badger

BADGER LUTHERAN CHURCH, Church at 9:00 a.m. Also streaming on YouTube.

Bryant

BRYANT UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST, Sunday at 10 a.m.

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

Carthage

TRINITY LUTHERAN, Can find online

services on Trinity Lutheran Church Facebook page. More information to come.

De Smet

AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH, Worship at 9:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. The service will be recorded and available at <http://americanlutherandesmet.org>.

DE SMET ALLIANCE CHURCH, Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. for all ages, Church at 10:45 a.m., Wednesday Bible Study at 7:15 p.m.— all invited!

DE SMET COMMUNITY CHURCH, Church at 9:30 a.m., Sunday School at 10:45 a.m.

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

SPIRIT LAKE PRESBYTERIAN, Drive-up Sundays at 10:30 a.m., on Facebook Live and FM88.1 SPRT radio.

ST. THOMAS AQUINAS CATHOLIC

CHURCH, Mass at 10 a.m.

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, Church at 9:30 a.m., Sunday School at 10:30 a.m. Listen in your car on 87.9 FM or Facebook

Esmond

ESMOND UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, No church services until further notice.

Iroquois

IROQUOIS TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, Sunday School at 10 a.m., Worship at 11 a.m.

FAITH MENNONITE CHURCH, Sunday School at 10 a.m., Worship at 10:45 a.m., Evening services 1st, 2nd & 3rd Sundays at 7:30 p.m.

PRAIRIE HAVEN MENNONITE CHURCH, Sunday School at 10 a.m., Worship at 10:45 a.m., Evening services first, second, and fourth Sundays at 7:30 p.m.

Lake Preston

LAKE PRESTON LUTHERAN CHURCH, Church at 10:30 a.m. Sunday School at 9:15 a.m. Can also find service on Facebook Live. First Sunday of the month, an additional service at 12:00pm, masks are required

NORTH PRESTON LUTHERAN CHURCH, Sunday School at 10:15 a.m., Church at 9:00 a.m. Can also find service on Facebook Live.

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Obituaries

WENDELL NELSON

Wendell Nelson, 94, formerly of Lake Preston, passed away Nov. 2, 2020, at StoneyBrook Suites in Brookings.

Wendell Lloyd Nelson was born March 22, 1926, to John G. and Bentena (Uglen) Nelson at their farm home south of Lake Preston. He was baptized as an infant and later confirmed in his faith at Lake Preston Lutheran Church.

He attended the Whitewood #7 School through the eighth grade and then attended Lake Preston High School, graduating in 1944. He attended South Dakota State College for one year before returning to farm with his father.

He married Helen Marie Lakness March 12, 1947, at North Preston Lutheran Church. The couple moved to the Lakness family farm in the North Preston area in 1950. The couple had four sons and spent their life working on the farm feeding cattle.

Wendell spent many years attending cattle sales and continued to be active in buying cattle even after retiring. He enjoyed getting to know the other buyers and cherished the many good friends in the industry.

He joined the North Preston Church after moving to the area and continued to be active in the church throughout his life. He held various offices within the church and served on the cemetery board. He also served on the board of directors for Wells Fargo Bank in Huron. He remained interested in farming throughout his life and often toured the fields to check the crops.

The couple retired and moved to Lake Preston in 1994 and to StoneyBook Suites



Assisted Living in Brookings in 2018.

He is survived by his wife, Helen; sons, David (Jean), Dennis (Shelley), Tom and Jon (Cathy), all in the Lake Preston area; eight grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren; a sister, Bethel (Don) Thompson of Cary, N.C.; a brother Herbert Nelson of Stillwater, Minn.; and two sisters-in-law, Bernetta Nelson of Lake Preston and Joan Nelson of Spokane, Wash.; as well as nieces and nephews and their extended family.

He is preceded in death by his parents; two brothers, Leslie and Gordon; a sister-in-law, Lorraine (Loy) Schultz and a grandson, J.C. Nelson.

A private family burial will be held at the North Preston Cemetery with the Rev. Brad Sanderson officiating. Arrangements were by Johnson-Henry Funeral Home.

PAID OBITUARY

CLAUDIA GAYLE JOHNSON

Claudia Gayle (Linderman) Johnson, 66, passed into heaven on Sunday, Nov. 8, 2020, at her home in rural De Smet, S.D. A funeral service will be held at 2:00 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 12, 2020, at United Methodist Church, De Smet, with Pastor Tia Feldberg, Pastor Dale Stoebner and Pastor Kippy Udehn officiating. Burial will follow at De Smet Cemetery, De Smet, S.D. Visitation hours are 5:00-7:00 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 11, 2020, at Osthus Funeral Home, De Smet.

Claudia was born to Arthur and Elaine (Roberta Romans) Linderman on September 4, 1954, in Aberdeen, South Dakota. The family then moved to Huron, where she attended the First Baptist Church and graduated from high school in 1972. She attended SDSU for one year. In 1989, Claudia enrolled at DSU receiving a Bachelor of Science in education. She enjoyed working with children of all ages and giving children's sermons on Sunday mornings, which she began doing in her teen years and on. Claudia taught in Hitchcock, S.D. for two years.

On July 20, 1991, she, with her children, married the love of her life, Mark E. Johnson of De Smet. She then became a high school substitute teacher. Claudia became a certified lay speaker with the United Methodist Church. She also loved speaking with her husband Mark at various local churches. Claudia continued to do her children's sermons at the De Smet United Methodist Church. She enjoyed reading, sewing, quilting and spending time with her family and friends.

Happy to have shared her life were



her husband, Mark; her children, Jon Burger (Jessalyn, Andrew), Sara and Wade Geyer (Alexandra Kolb, Emily VanderZiel, Lindsay, Wesley and Jayce Geyer), Laura and Jason Ries (Jamison, Nicholas, Logan, Kyler, Landyn, Korbryn), Amy Camin (Kara, John Raether); stepchildren, Heather and Eric Everett (Aaron, Andrew, Austin, Aliyah), Raymond and Lexi Johnson (Conner, Breiten and Kiraley); mother, Elaine Linderman of Huron; brothers, Craig and Alan Linderman of Denver, sister, Susan Linderman and her husband Mark Klumph of Leola.

Preceding and waiting for her are her father, Art; grandson, Preston; grandparents and stepdaughter, Candice Johnson. She looked forward to this joyous reunion!

PAID OBITUARY

JANET MARIE HOLLAND

Janet Marie (Muser) Holland, 81, died Nov. 2, 2020 at her home in De Smet following a long illness. Janet, the oldest of seven, was born Dec. 7, 1938, to Harold and Janet (Hamilton) Muser at their home northeast of De Smet.

Janet grew up on the family farm, and graduated from high school in 1957 and worked for ten years for the Department of Social Services. She was united in marriage to Gordon Holland on June 6, 1959, at the Congregational Church in De Smet, SD. They made their home in De Smet where they raised their four children Bonnie, Randy, Terry and Rod.

She was somewhat of an entrepreneur, managing a number of direct sales marketing businesses and enjoyed traveling to business meetings with her sisters and getting to know new people. Janet was an avid seamstress and made doll clothes and quilts. You could say she had somewhat of a green thumb, and her special pride and joy was the flower garden retreat she and Gordon built at their home. Janet lived a rich, full life surrounded by family and friends.

Her warm smile and kind heart will be missed as she looks down on us from her heavenly flower garden.

She will always be remembered for her hospitality, friendship and homemade cooking.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Gordon; son Rodney; her parents; brothers, Jim, Hermie (infant) and



Darrell Muser.

Those grateful for having shared her life include her daughter, Bonnie (Dan) Menzel and their daughters: Lacy (Rob) Sonen and children Tyler and Caleb, Chester, S.D.; Stacy (Nate) Nielsen and their children Logan, Jordyn and Ethan, Yale, S.D.; her son, Randy (Lindy) and their sons Andrew (Aberdeen) and Lane, De Smet; son, Terry (Tricia) and sons Trevin (Yankton) and Tory, De Smet. sisters, JoAnn (Ernie) Priebe, Arizona City, Ariz., June Peterson and Vivian (Bobby) Derby; sister-in-law, Rae Muser, Rapid City, S.D.; brother-in-law, Ron (Mary) Holland, Tigard, Ore., and sister-in-law, Joanne Hutt, Watertown, S.D.

PAID OBITUARY

SHIRLEY MARIE SALTER

Shirley Marie Salter, age 91, of Huron, passed away on Sunday, Nov. 1, 2020, at Avantara Huron. Her funeral service will be planned for a later date.

Shirley Marie Biever, the daughter of Louis John and Vina Mae (Rhoten) Biever, was born on November 28, 1928 in Quinn, SD. Shirley was raised on a farm north of Osceola. She attended Meyer Grade School and graduated from Bancroft High School in 1946.

Shirley married Gordon Salter on June 16, 1948, in Cavour, S.D. The couple lived in Iroquois, S.D. and Lake Preston, SD before Shirley moved to Huron in 2013. She worked for the Iroquois Bank from 1946-1949. Shirley worked as a nurse's aide for the Lake Preston Hospital for 35 years.

Shirley was a member of the Legion Auxiliary for 55 years and the Altar Society. She was a member of Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Huron. She enjoyed reading, crocheting and dancing. Shirley also loved spending time with her family and friends.

Grateful for having shared in Shirley's life are her four children, Tonye (Richard) Merkwon of Early, Iowa, Michael (Carol) Salter of Scottsdale, Ariz., Douglas (Jeany) Salter of Lake Poinsett, S.D., and Steven (Ann) Salter of Dyersville, Iowa; 13 grandchildren, Karie (Jeremiah Squires) Merkwon, Jaci McCoy, Amanda (Scott) Dirx, Tara Salter LaFave, Eric (Christy Welborn) Salter,



Ryan (Sara) Salter, Kacy (Phil) Peterson, Tory (Matt) Johnson, Jay (Molly) Salter, Liz (Steve) Wilson, Nick (Trang) Axtman, Ellyse (Matt) Ungs and Elliot (Olivia) Salter; 27 great-grandchildren; siblings, Janice Lentz of Huron, S.D., Alice (David) Ellis of Houston Texas, Wayne (Darlene) Biever of Pine City, Minn. and Larry (Helen) Biever of Fredericksburg, V.A., and sister-in-law Kathleen Biever of Iroquois.

Shirley was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Gordon "Mike" Salter; brothers, Bob (Maxine), Jerry, John and Bill Biever; brother-in-law, Al Lentz and granddaughter, Liz Axtman Wilson.

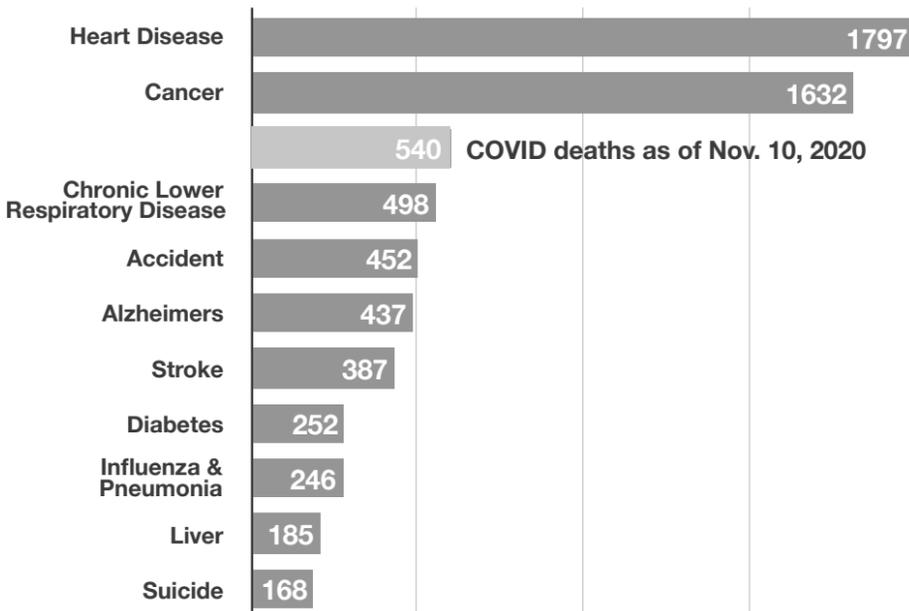
PAID OBITUARY

COVID-19

Taking a closer look: Leading causes of death

Five hundred forty people have now died with COVID-19 since the virus claimed its first victim in South Dakota nearly eight months ago, an increase of 210 deaths in the last three weeks. That would now rank the virus as the third-leading cause of death when compared with 2018's full-year total. COVID deaths are expected to continue to rise through the end of the year.

How are South Dakota's COVID-19 deaths comparing with past leading causes of death?



Non-COVID causes of death are from 2018, the most recent year for which reporting is available. Source: South Dakota Department of Health, Vital Statistics Reports, revised January 13, 2020.

This week's COVID numbers around the region

COUNTY	ACTIVE CASES			EVER HOSPITALIZED			DEATHS		
	As of Nov. 10	Prior week	Prior two weeks	As of Nov. 10	Prior week	Prior two weeks	As of Nov. 10	Prior week	Prior two weeks
Kingsbury Population 5,148	127	99	67	11	10	8	4	2	2
Clark Population 3,691	65	68	45	17	12	7	1	1	0
Hamlin Population 5,903	88	59	44	15	11	10	0	0	0
Miner Population 2,389	52	54	60	7	6	6	2	2	1
Brookings Population 31,965	484	350	376	59	49	31	9	6	4
Beadle Population 17,398	513	363	260	53	46	46	19	15	13

SOURCE: S.D. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, UPDATED NOV. 10, 2020; POPULATION AS OF 2010 CENSUS

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Little known facts about...ketchup and mustard

BY MARY LEE
Kingsbury Journal

What can be a more American condiment than ketchup (or catsup—your preference but really no difference) and mustard. They kind of go together like peanut butter and jelly or salt and pepper. We probably all have these in our refrigerators and can relate — whether you like or dislike them. Let’s find out a few things about these American staples.

- Mustard is a plant, but prepared mustard is a condiment—broccoli, cauliflower, turnips and cabbage are mustard’s not so distant cousins.
- Mustard has an extensive history. Egyptian pharaohs stocked their tombs with mustard seeds to accompany them into the afterlife. Romans were the first to grind the spicy seeds into a spreadable paste and mix them

with “must” or unfermented wine. This inspired the word mustard, which is Latin for “burning wine”.

- Ketchup originated more as a fish sauce. Back in the 17th century, ketchup did not contain any tomato, and its consistency was also not the ketchup we have today. Originally, ketchup was spicy pickled fish sauce comprised of fish brine, herbs and spices.
- By the late 1700s, people of New England started adding tomatoes into the fish sauce and evolved into the ketchup we know today.
- The word “catsup” entered the English language in 1690, while the spelling “ketchup” entered the English language in 1711.
- Mustard’s yellow is not from the mustard seeds that vary from light yellow to dark brown, but rather from the vibrantly colored turmeric added for a kick of spice and color.

• Ancient Greeks and Romans used mustard paste for cures of many ailments, including toothaches and general aches. Over the years, mustard has been used for appetite stimulation, sinus clearing and frostbite prevention. It’s now touted as a weight loss supplement, asthma suppressant, hair growth stimulant, immunity booster, cholesterol regulator and dermatitis treatment.

- Like wine, we have good and bad ketchup years. The type and quality of tomatoes harvested that particular year determine the quality, flavor and richness of the ketchup.
- Ketchup is found in 97% of American kitchens.
- Ketchup is one of the few packaged foods that contains minimal preservatives. It is made of pureed tomatoes, bell peppers, onions, peppercorns, garlic, mustard, celery seeds, cloves, cinna-

mon, cayenne, sugar, salt and vinegar.

- Mustard left in the back of the refrigerator for an extended period of time is probably fine. Mustard is made of a blend of spices and acidic liquid, none of which have the potential to truly spoil. Mustard’s flavor will decline over time. Unless rogue food particles have gotten into the container, there is nothing to worry about except possibly bland mustard.
- Ketchup stimulates all five senses of salty, sweet, bitter, sour and umami. It unleashes the complete taste experience — starting at the tip of our tongues where we detect salty and sweet tastes, after which it moves to the sides of our tongues, finally toward the back of the tongue where bitterness and umami are detected.

SOURCES: TASTESENCE.COM/GOOGLE AND MENTALFLOSS.COM/GOOGLE



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Library Lore

The Lost Girls of Paris by Pam Jenoff

1946, Manhattan - One morning while passing through Grand Central Terminal on her way to work, Grace Healey finds an abandoned suitcase tucked beneath a bench. Unable to resist her own curiosity, Grace opens the suitcase, where she discovers a dozen photographs—each of a different woman. In a moment of impulse, Grace takes the photographs and quickly leaves the station. Grace soon learns that the suitcase belonged to a woman named Eleanor Trigg, leader of a network of female secret agents who were deployed out of London during the war. Twelve of these

women were sent to Occupied Europe as couriers and radio operators to aid the resistance, but they never returned home, their fates a mystery.

To Tell You the Truth by Gilly MacMillan

A spellbinding book about a missing child, and about the life of a writer. Bold, suspenseful, and impossible to put down. A thriller that cleverly blends atmosphere, tarnished memories, mystery, and twisty secrets from the past into a potent, intense read that will leave you questioning everything you believe.

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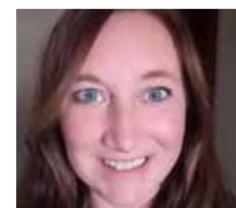
THE HOLIDAYS ARE JUST around the corner, and this is typically the time of year when my family starts planning when we’ll all be gathering for Thanksgiving and Christmas. Unfortunately, this year all of the planning for the holidays has been put on hold because of COVID.

Our big family gathering with aunts, uncles and cousins has been canceled, because some members of the family have COVID and others fear of getting it or spreading it if they come. It’s definitely hard not being able to see family and dealing with yet another change this year, but it’s something many families are facing.

I will miss our normal large family gatherings at Thanksgiving and Christmas. And, I will definitely miss everyone bringing a dish or two when we get together, seeing all the counters and tables covered in a huge buffet of all the traditional goodies. I will miss stuffing myself until I’m ready to pop, but I want everyone to be safe. On the bright side, maybe I won’t gain so much weight this holiday season!

Hopefully, we will still be able to do some small family gatherings for the holidays. I think we all need to spend time with family this holiday season, if we can. Things are definitely different this year, but at the very least I want to have the normal fixings for the holidays.

I’ll be sharing some great recipes for the holidays over the next several weeks. This week I’m sharing an easy way to make mashed potatoes. I’ve made them on the stove a few times, but once I found a way to make them



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Mashed Potato Tips:

- **Best potatoes:** Russet and Yukon gold potatoes are starchy with a floury texture that will disintegrate easily for smooth mashing.
 - **Fluffy potatoes:** If you encounter lumps, you can put your potatoes through a ricer or microwave longer to soften. To make your potatoes extra fluffy, add a pinch of baking powder. It reacts with the heat of the potatoes to form tiny air pockets that will add extra fluffiness.
 - **Add ins:** To take your potatoes to the next level, try adding garlic, bacon or caramelized onions
 - **Reheating potatoes:** Microwave potatoes on high for 2-3 minutes. Stir and repeat until hot.
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in the microwave, I’ve never gone back. If you’ve never tried making mashed potatoes in the microwave, try this recipe. Enjoy!

MICROWAVE MASHED POTATOES

- 2 pounds large potatoes, peeled and cut into small chunks
- ¾ cup milk or light cream
- 4 tablespoons butter
- Salt to taste
- Pepper to taste
- Fresh chives, optional for serving

Peel potatoes and cut into 1-inch chunks. Rinse in cold water and place in microwave-safe bowl or casserole dish. Cover bowl with plastic wrap and poke a hole to allow steam to escape. Microwave on high for 10-12 minutes or until potatoes are fork-tender. Remove the bowl from the microwave (the bowl will be hot so use oven mitts). Add butter and milk/cream and mash potatoes using a masher or hand mixer until smooth and creamy. Season to taste.

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Some years are like that — you just have to keep going

A DRIVE THROUGH THE COUNTRY. This was not the typical leisurely Sunday drive. No, this trip was different. Early that morning, a hailstorm had ripped through the area. It began with an occasional clunk here and there on the roof. Then the pounding grew to a dreadful, deafening racket that sought to smother us as we sat in the kitchen, waiting, willing it to stop. The horrible clatter went on for more than twenty minutes.

Dad's face was solemn as we turned down the road that led to the fields. Less than a half mile and we came upon the storm's devastation. What had yesterday been a lush field of green plants with shiny long leaves reaching for the sun had become a tattered carpet from which protruded tarnished sticks, what was left of the young corn stalks. A sour smell drifted into the car's open windows as the remnants of hailstones turned to haze in the morning sun.

From the back seat, I saw Mom steal a look at her husband, love and concern glistening through the wetness in her soft blue eyes. We drove on in silence to another pillaged field. Finally, I could stand the ominous stillness no longer. "Will we be all right, Dad?"

His quick glance in the rear-view mirror revealed six somber faces. A slight smile lit his face, and he an-



NOOKS AND CRANNIES

DEANN (WOLKOW) KRUEMPEL

swered softly, "Yeah, we will be all right." He drove on for a few moments in thought, then went on. "We'll have plenty of hay for the livestock. And maybe we can still get a crop of millet from this field." Spirits lightened as we released a collective sigh of relief. The message came through, loud and clear: you just keep going.

My brother-in-law tells the story of a disastrous storm near Platte, South Dakota. He was working with his dad in the field when a huge black cloud hurtled into view. They raced for home in their '48 Chevy pickup, but the hail did not wait. The golf-ball sized ice chunks slammed into the windshield, shattering the entire surface in seconds. The man and his son held their farmer straw hats against the surface in front of them to prevent flying glass

splinters from striking their faces.

Fortunately, years of total crop loss from hail were few and far between, but nearly every year the rain stopped for some period of time in eastern South Dakota during the fifties and sixties. Corn leaves turned brown far too soon as small ears emerged. Some years, drought allowed little growth on oats, and it ripened barely six inches tall. I remember Dad and my brothers discussing whether or not the combine would be able to pick up the light windrows.

Our parents grew up on farms during the Great Depression and the continual drought of the thirties. Sometimes they would reminisce of the hardships endured, but they always added a positive note. "We never went hungry." "Sometimes at school, the town kids had no food to bring, but we always had something in our lunch pails." One of Mom's friends announced one day that she was going to marry a farmer. "They always have something to eat!"

Dad used to speak of the farms that were lost during that desolate time in history. "If those farmers could have just stuck it out another year or two, they would have made it," he conjectured. "There were good farming years after that."

My sisters tell of happy times amidst the devastation of nature's defiance. Sometimes, after weeks of hot weather without a drop of rain, we

were allowed to run and splash when the welcome downfall finally came. Once, after a hail storm, the girls gathered the small pebbles of ice in buckets and we used them to freeze ice cream in the old crank freezer. "When life gives you hail...."

One day a battered pickup pulled into the front yard as our father was about to climb up onto the Owatonna windrower. Dad walked to the driver's window. The young man rented a farm a few miles south of us. The conversation turned to crops, and the visitor shook his head as he grumbled, "This year my corn got set back by a late frost. Then it didn't rain for a month, and the wind came up and blew dirt that sliced off the plants. Then what was left got riddled with hail. Don't know if there will be a crop or not." He pounded his fist on the steering wheel and hung his head. "What do ya do?"

Dad leaned against the dusty pickup fender, just next to the window. His eyes took in our quonset, the chicken coop, barn and windmill. He heard the gentle calls of calves romping in the nearby pasture. Finally, he looked up at the house as two chattering youngsters emerged, chore buckets in hand. Then he cleared his throat and replied, "Some years are like that. In farming. In life. You just have to keep going."

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Elaine Blachford, Kingsbury County Treasurer

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MONDAY, NOVEMBER 16: Chicken Strips, Au Gratin Potatoes, Vegetables, Fruit, Bread

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 17: Roast Beef, Mashed Potatoes/Gravy, Corn, Fruit, Bread

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18: Cream of Potato Soup, Egg Salad Sandwich, Fruit, Crackers

School Lunch

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12: Beef Burgers on Bun, Green Beans, Oranges

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13: No School

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 16: Hotdog on Bun, Baked Beans, Peaches

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 17: Sliced Turkey, Mashed Potatoes, Fruit, Roll

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18: Chicken Patty on Bun, Peas, Pineapple



Snowflake contestants

Lake Preston kindergarten and first-grade girls competing Nov. 15 for the title of "Little Miss Snowflake" at the Kingsbury County Snow Queen Festival are Kinzlee Olson, rear left, Araya Hein, Charli McDaniel, Aubree Exey and Avery Hesby; Harper Hill, front left, Joslyn Blachford, Cambree Holt and Madi Casper. (Submitted photo)

VETERANS DAY

Brave and spirited boys served their country

BY DAR DEKNIKKER
Kingsbury Journal

Starting in the 1950s and lasting until 1975, the Vietnam War era was an uncertain time. "Why are we here?" was a question many soldiers asked one another. Often, there were trust issues between those in charge and those who fought. Add to that the protests that took to the streets at home and the protest music heard around the world. However, despite the uncertainty and the resistance, like all areas of the country, ours had its brave soldiers who did sacrifice for our freedom.



LANNY OLSON, a proud Navy veteran, served our country from 1965-1969. Olson joined after graduating from high school. During

his tour of duty, he was sent to Guam. He was stationed on a Sub Tender, a large ship that supplies and supports submarines. Olson was in the weapons department for three years. He worked on torpedoes and missiles.

"I did enjoy getting chocolate chip cookies from my mom," chuckles Olson. "She packed them in popcorn to stay fresh."

To keep his mind off things he would go to chicken fights and play basketball. While in San Diego, he felt compelled to go to the Balboa Hospital to donate blood. He also visited the soldiers in the amputee ward, trying to lend some moral support.

In a changed voice, Olson said, "That is one place where you go and see what our freedom cost ... in that amputee ward, but that isn't the only place!"



MERRILL ZEECK had never seen the ocean when he joined the Navy. Before joining he attended Nettleton College in Sioux Falls for two years.

Zeck was an Ocean Systems Technician, using sonar designed to detect submarines.

Zeck said that era was unsettling, to say the least. He shared that you didn't want to come through the United States during that time wearing a uniform. There was extreme verbal abuse; in some places they would even throw stuff at you.

"I saw it happen," expressed Zeck. "I got smart quick; I was the last one off the bus, and by that time, they had nothing to throw!" He added that New York and Pennsylvania were the worst.

Zeck was relieved to get stationed at Newfoundland, an island off the coast of Maine. He was there for six years during the worst part of the war.

"The people were very kind in Newfoundland, and that is where I met my wife, Carol," said Zeck.

Merrill Zeck served our country for 23 years.



BLAINE W. MILLER, a Lake Preston graduate, volunteered to join the Army on March 30, 1970, after completing a semes-

ter at South Dakota State University in Brookings. He rode to Sioux Falls with some Oldham boys.

On the basketball court they were rivals, but when they got sworn in that day, they were like brothers. They were young boys going off together to fight a fight that no one knew who would win.

Miller went to Ft. Lewis, Wash. for his basic training, then he was off to Fort Sill, Okla., for another eight or nine weeks. After a two-week furlough at home, he was sent to Zirndorf, Germany, where he spent 18 months. The Rocket outfit he trained for had moved to a different location, but he was still sent there. His duty then became Battery Liaison Tanks, putting communication out to other tanks.

Miller and another young soldier from their platoon of 60 men had the opportunity to qualify for special forces. Blaine respectfully declined the opportunity, stating he would have had to enlist for longer, and the training was something he didn't care to be involved in.

He was stationed very close to Nuremberg, Germany, where Nazi trials were held. The rumor at the time was that Hitler was going to have all the leaders from all over stay at that prison once he had conquered it.

Miller's most gratifying part was "mail call" because you didn't realize how many friends you had until you got boxes of cookies from home.

"Everyone was your friend," he chuckled. In a more serious tone, Miller said, "The Vietnam era was

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Lake Preston

LOOKING BACK

1945: Carnival admission only 20 cents, tax included!

10 YEARS AGO

November 10, 2010

The LPHS Competitive Cheer team is headed to state in hopes of a repeat performance as Champions. **Chelsey Buss, Tangi Anderson, Allison Strande, Cierra Jensen, Erin Bruns, Nicole Ure, Kelli Garrey, Marly Vendrig, Brooke Virchow, Cailey DeKnikker, Kiana Hof and Coach Lynne Brown** will be in Dell Rapids for the competition.

Maynard and Ellen Gilbertson of Erwin were featured in the Face of Kingsbury County for the week.

25 YEARS AGO

November 9, 1995

Several young ladies will compete for the title of Little Miss Snowflake in the 1995 Snow Queen Festival on November 19. They are **Heather Salazar, Amanda Cass, Brittany Anderson, Marissa Johnson, Courtney Slight, Ethanie Odden, Stacy Olson, Khrysta Casper, Abby Swanson, Brandy Cuthbertson and Paige Virchow.**

The Lady Divers Volleyball Team were crowned District 4B Champions at Volga after first defeating the Esteline Lady Redmen and then going on to defeat Deubrook for the 3rd time to win the title. Was a trip to State in the



TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO: Competitors for the title of 1995 Little Miss Snowflake are first graders Heather Salazar, back left, Amanda Cass, Brittany Anderson, Marissa Johnson, Courtney Slight, Ethanie Odden and Stacy Olson. Front left, Khrysta Casper, Abby Swanson, Brandy Cuthbertson, and Paige Virchow.

cards? Unfortunately, the Castlewood Warrior team took control early in the game and ended the season for the Divers.

50 YEARS AGO

November 12, 1970

Susan Sass will join **Ann Stewart** in her beauty shop on November 23.

The school gymnasium was alive with activity as the boys geared up for the coming basketball and wrestling seasons. As the football season ended, the teammates selected **Klark Thomsen, Don Brandner, Kent Thompsen, Jamie Mogler, Kevin Isaacson and Leigh McMasters** to the honor team.

75 YEARS AGO

November 8, 1945

The Lake Preston School will hold a carnival on November 9 with a king and queen to be crowned along with many fun activities for the entire family. There will be bingo, a fish pond, fortune telling, a free throw contest, home talent movies and more with door prizes and refreshments offered. Only 20 cents a person, tax included!

Last week's Homecoming was marred considerably by a car collision between **Marvel Thompson and Eddie Olson** by the Park Hotel corner after the parade. Waynette Sherman was riding on the fender when the accident occurred, she having her right leg fractured in two places below the knee. She was given treatment by **Dr. Bates** and then taken to the Huron Hospital.

100 YEARS AGO

November 11, 1920

Harnish and Co. are the new proprietors of the Cash Variety Store.

The Legion held a box social in **Mike Larsen's** new sales pavilion which was a success. A limit of \$2.00 was placed on baskets with the event netting \$100.00.

CITY COUNCIL

COVID precautions urged

KINGSBURY JOURNAL STAFF

The Lake Preston City Council met in the Community Room on November 2 for a regular meeting. All members were present except Gary Buer.

Deputy Nutter of the Kingsbury Sheriff's Department was present for the beginning of the meeting to address traffic concerns on South Park Avenue. There has been concern from a resident about the number of trucks using Park Avenue as a truck route. Deputy Nutter assured the council that law enforcement is patrolling that part of town to cut down on the number of trucks using that road. The council rewrote the truck route ordinance and made sure truck signs are clearly posted in an effort to reduce traffic on Park Avenue.

Deputy Nutter informed the council that the Sheriff's Department

would continue to patrol the area as part of community patrol. Any citizen with concerns about truck traffic on truck routes is encouraged to call local law enforcement.

There was discussion about nuisance properties. Councilwoman Bumann expressed frustration about what seemed to be little progress with the cleaning up of certain properties, even with the contract with Dave Miller. One of the challenges for Mr. Miller was that many properties are not clearly marked with house numbers.

The lack of house numbers has been addressed in previous city council meetings with regard to impeding the ability of emergency personnel being able to best respond to calls. The council encourages all citizens to make sure their address is clearly marked so that emergency personnel

See **COUNCIL**, page 13

LPHS announces Honor Roll students for first quarter

Students were recently named to the honor rolls for the first quarter of the 2020-21 school year. An asterisk after a student's name denotes a perfect grade-point average (GPA).

"A" HONOR ROLL: GPA 3.65-4.0

Seniors: Holly Andrews, Jasper Denison, Lynzie Ilenich, Carter Malone*, Madison Perkins, Alex Post, Myra Rhoades*

Juniors: Morgan Curd*, Brodie Hoard, Rachel Jurrens, Danielle Odegaard*, Jocelyn Steffensen*

Sophomores: Riley Casper*, Stella DeKnikker, Jake Larsen*, Gretta Larson*, Ava Malone*, Janelle Rhoades

Freshmen: Faith Steffensen
Eighth grade: Shakira Hoard*, Trinity Pirlet*, Bradley Rhoades, Benjamin Curd

Seventh grade: Hadlee Holt
Sixth Grade: Koby Hoard

"B" HONOR ROLL: GPA 3.0-3.64

Seniors: Tate Larsen, Gunner Larson

Juniors: Tucker Holland, Shelby Olson, Marissa Rober, Chris Tvin-nerheim

Sophomores: Garrett Kruger, Mackenzie Lusk

Freshmen: Andru Andrews, Amelia Greene, Kanon Hoard, Savanna Perkins, Alice Warne

Eighth grade: Ryne Greene, Amelia Holland, Benny Wuestewald

Seventh grade: Brooklun Bothun, Mallory Carlson, Brityn Davies, Lorrick Pirlet, Ella Wienk

Sixth grade: Josslyn Emery, Konner Nuzum, Callie Odegaard, Alivia Rhoades, Tanner Steffensen

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The History of the American Flag

Editorial By: Ava Malone

On January 1, 1776, the Continental Army was reorganized in agreement with a Congressional resolution, which placed American forces under George Washington's control. On that New Year's Day, the Continental Army was laying siege to Boston, which had been taken over by the British Army. Washington ordered the Grand Union flag hoisted above his base at Prospect Hill. It had 13 alternate red and white stripes and the British Union Jack in the upper left corner (the canton).

On June 14, 1777, to establish an official flag for the new nation, the Continental Congress passed the first Flag Act: "Resolved, that the flag of the United States be made of thirteen stripes, alternate red and

white; that the union be thirteen stars, white in a blue field, representing a new Constellation." Between 1777 and 1960, Congress passed several acts that changed the shape, design and arrangement of the flag and allowed for additional stars and stripes to be added to reflect the admission of each new state.

Then, the longest-serving US flag, the current flag used today, was adopted in 1960. This flag was designed by Robert G. Heft and consists of thirteen horizontal stripes, seven red, alternating with six white. The stripes represent the original 13 colonies, the stars represent the 50 states of the Union. Red symbolizes Hardness and Valor, white symbolizes Purity and Innocence. While blue represents Vigilance, Perseverance, and Justice.



The high school gym received updates in the past few weeks as HVAC units with air purifiers were installed. This should help fight off those hot and stuffy game nights!

Remembering Those We have Lost

Editorial By: Amelia Greene
On Veterans' Day, November

11, we take the time to remember the people who have fought for us to be a free country and nation. We take the time to look back and see why we have a certain day for those incredibly brave people. This is important for the many veterans that are still alive today that may live with the trauma. These people look at our country standing together as one, honoring them for their hard work and dedication to out great country. We thank all the veterans who have fought, are fighting, and all the future veterans. This country wouldn't be what it is today without the hard-working patriots who fought for the citizens of the US.



LAKE PRESTON DIVERS
November Students of the Month

Citizenship - Earning Rewards Through Hard Work - Respect for People, Property, and Social Tradition

Madison is a quiet source of positivity and caring for staff and students. Although not outspoken in the classroom, Madison is an excellent student and works to make sure her work is above and beyond what is expected of her. She shows true leadership outside of the classroom as she sets a great example as a student-athlete for the underclassmen. Madison is polite, caring, and always willing to help. She has proven herself to be a hard worker with fierce determination.

Citizenship - Earning Rewards Through Hard Work - Respect for People, Property, and Social Tradition

Brityn is a student who brings a smile and an upbeat attitude with her to every class. Teachers and students are able to count on this from Brityn. She is respectful to her classmates, other students, and teachers and always works hard and participates in class. Brityn is not afraid to share her thoughts during class discussion and will quickly volunteer to help. Her work is done on time and to the best of her considerable abilities and she demonstrates daily that she is responsible, kind, and honest.

Each month, students from the middle and high school are nominated for Student of the Month. The students are chosen based on citizenship, earning rewards through hard work, and respect for people, property, and social tradition. The students are honored through announcements and posters (pictured above).

WEIRD WHISPERS OF LPHS

"You had me at creamed corn. I love that stuff."
-Heard in the Lunch Room

"The color pink makes my eyes bleed."
-Heard in the Art Room

"Peron 1: The Yucon will go through anything
Person 2: Yeah, except a ditch."
-Heard in the Ag Room

"I mean he's annoying, but i miss him."
-Heard in the Ag Room

"I'm really getting this whole 40-year-old dad role model thing down."
-Heard in the Ag Room

"Who else wants to walk like Steve Jobs!"
-Heard in the Ag Room

Blue & Gold 2020-2021

Editor of the Week: Stella DeKnikker
Advisor: Krista O'Dea

Seniors: Myra Rhoades, Alex Post

Juniors: Rachel Jensen

Sophomores: Ava Malone, Janelle Rhoades, Stella DeKnikker, Gretta Larson

Freshmen: Amelia Greene, Savanna Perkins

8th Grade: Amelia Holland, Lane Jensen, Trinity Pirlet, Bradley Rhoades

7th Grade: M.P., Lorick Pirlet, Brooklyn Bothun

"One day I will find the right words, and they will be simple."

-Jack Kerouac

Lake Preston

VETERANS: DeKnikker family serves

FROM PAGE 11

looked down upon by a lot of people."



DAVID CASPER didn't think he'd be accepted into the military due to an accident, but he was and served in the National Guard from 1962-1968. He was

in his early twenties and was sent Fort Leonard Wood, Mo. His unit was Transportation. He was trained to drive heavy equipment into a war zone if needed. In 1965, David and three other men in his unit stocked a bomb shelter in Lake Preston that was housed in the basement of then, Salters Chevy Garage. It was stocked with food for the community. The National Guard was to stay in the states during war time to provide protection to the American citizens.



RICK DEKNIKKER volunteered to join the Army in Feb., 1967. He trained in three different places before ending up in Vietnam in 1968. He started in Ft. Bliss,

Texas, then Virginia and ended his training in Ft. Carson Colo. Rick was an engineer. "We did whatever needed to be done," he stated. I worked with cats, scrapers, built roads and amo dumps." He shared that they were made fun of and mocked. "Some guys had it worse than us; I'm not complaining. We were just doing our duty."

Rick had to wait until his brother Duane got back. **DUANE** also served in



the Army and was drafted late 1966, early 1967. Duane cleared the jungle with cats and scrapers for the Army to set up camps. He said you had to be careful for land mines and traps.

DARREL DEKNIKKER and **ED STRUM** went into the Army together on a Buddy System. Darrel wanted to go but couldn't because he had two brothers already there. This was during the Korean War. He was stationed at Ft. Sill, Okla.



The oldest brother, **KENNY**, was also in the Army during the Korean War and he was stationed in Germany.

The only Marine in the family at that time was brother, **LYLE**.

According to his wife, Cheryl, he decided on the Marines because he could get in right away. He served from 1952-1956. He was in active combat and put on the front lines. While he was over there, they rationed the soldiers food. He had to hide in tunnels and there were rats all over but they had to stay hidden. Cheryl also stated he never really wanted to talk much about it. When Lyle left Korea, he came back with only half his crew. Lyle and Cheryl met right after he got back home and dated a few years before they got married.

Rick said, "I was proud to serve. It was a family tradition. We all did it."



COUNCIL: Looking into meter locks

FROM PAGE 11

will be better able to respond in a time of need.

The council voted to renew the law enforcement contract with the Kingsbury County Sheriff's Department. They also voted to approve an ad in the Glacial Lakes magazine. Finance Officer Brenda Klug reported that she will make a video available for new residents. This video will explain the water bills and how they relate to the upcoming water projects.

As it was recently learned that the rubble site is able to accept construction debris, the council decided to establish a committee to review the rates of area communities to determine rates for the Lake Preston rubble site to be effective in 2021.

The council also approved the hiring of two part-time employees to assist with snow removal as needed. In the past, the city employees utilized the aid of citizens and sometimes needed to hire outside help to clean the streets in a timely manner.

City employee Brian Zeeck expressed concern about some citizens who have used tools to turn on their water after it was disconnected. While reading meters last month, it was determined that there is a residence where the occupants had bypassed the meter system and were getting water without charge. The council instructed Mr. Zeeck to look into a lock system for meters which will eliminate situations that might be interpreted as fraud.

The council voted to approve the renewal of on and off sale licenses for New Horizon Lounge and The Other Bar. Councilwoman Bumann was the lone dissenting vote on the renewal of the off-sale liquor license for The Other Bar. Bumann asked Councilman Verhey if he would consider relinquishing one of his off-sale liquor licenses in the event that a new business came to town. Verhey answered that he would entertain the idea, but that he would not give up a license for any busi-

ness that would be competition with his businesses.

During council concerns, Councilwoman Kristen Longville inquired as to where the city was with assigning a person to the position of city health inspector. Duties of that person would be to deem which dogs met criteria for nuisance dogs. Mayor Andy Wienk reported that he has reached out to someone in the medical field and was awaiting an answer. He added that he would follow up with that person and go on to another person if that answer was no.

Longville also asked that attention be given to the pot holes on north Main Avenue. Verhey expressed concern about trucks going down Main Avenue rather than following the truck route.

Bumann shared that the Chamber will be adding an event to the Christmas festivities this year. Individuals, families, organizations and/or businesses will be able to "sponsor" a pole on main street. The winner will receive \$50 in Chamber bucks.

Bumann also urged people to use caution given the rising COVID-19 numbers in our community. Bumann encouraged people, at a minimum, to wear a mask if they had close contact with someone who has tested positive. Longville reminded people to follow CDC guidelines including social distancing and proper hygiene. She also noted that businesses in town continue to follow the 50% occupancy guidelines even though restrictions have been lifted.

Verhey shared that the bar continues to offer curbside pickup. Maynard's Grocery offers delivery and curbside pickup. The Lake Preston Café also offers curbside service. Wienk noted that while many people are tired of hearing about COVID-19, now is the time to use precautions.

The council then went into executive session for personnel reasons.



Wind damage

High winds Nov. 8 tore the red corrugated metal facade and sign from the front of Ward's Store & Bakery in De Smet, giving people a view of the original architecture. The building, which has been a hardware store, opera house, a JC Penney Store and Ward's V Store, before it was Ward's Store & Bakery, has been in Patti Ward Slater's family since 1957. (Photos by Donna Palmlund & Patti Ward)



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NEWS BRIEFS

Blood drive successful

Twenty-four donors donated 26 units of blood Nov. 2 for the LifeServe Blood Center blood drive in De Smet. The 26 units can help save up 78 lives. Arlys Skyberg and the De Smet Event and Wellness Center sponsored and hosted the blood drive. Katherine Heller was a milestone donor at two gallons.

The next blood drive in De Smet is tentatively scheduled for Jan. 4, 2021, from 2-6 p.m. at the De Smet Event and Wellness Center. To schedule an appointment to donate, please call LifeServe Blood Center at (800) 287-4903 or schedule online at www.lifeservebloodcenter.org.

DCW sponsors annual craft and gift fair

The De Smet Craft & Gift Fair, sponsored by the De Smet Community Women (DCW), takes place from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. this Saturday at the De Smet Event & Wellness Center.

The fair is DCW's largest fundraiser of the year and helps support many local activities and endeavors. Several vendors will be selling handcrafted items and specialty merchandise. Along with crafters, a wide variety of independent sales representatives will be offering their merchandise for sale. Lunch, snacks and beverages will also be available for purchase.

Vendors and guests are required to wear face masks to help prevent the spread of COVID-19. A hand-sanitizing station will be located at the front entrance lobby, and people are asked to use hand sanitizer upon entering the building. Everyone should also maintain a minimum distance of six feet from people who are not a part of their household.

SCHOOL BOARD

Board amends quarantine policies

BY DONNA PALMLUND
Kingsbury Journal

The most-discussed item at Monday's De Smet Board of Education meeting was amending the COVID close-contact quarantine lengths.

A staff member tested positive last week, and it was determined that she had been in close contact with seven students when she wasn't wearing a mask when potentially contagious. Those seven students are in quarantine now for 14 days.

Superintendent Abi Van Regenmorter stated that a lot more students have been wearing masks. Board president Shane Roth was of the opinion that kids are resilient to the virus but agreed that they have school staff to worry about.

"I'm all for masks in certain situations, but not as a mandate," Roth said. He works part-time at Brookings Health System and stated that COVID is a very unfortunate pandemic that affects people over 50 and older more. But he thinks it is best for students to be at school. Roth said that he wears a mask when he goes out in public in Brookings, citing their citywide mask mandate.

After much conversation, the board decided that students or staff who have close contact with a positive case, either at home or at school, should follow the Department of Health recommendations and quarantine for 14 days past the time of exposure. However parents have the option to send their child back to school seven days from the time of exposure if they are symptom-free, and if they wear a mask and social distance throughout the school day if they return prior to the DOH recommended timeframe. Parents also have the option to keep their child at home for the full two weeks. And if it is determined that a student is a close contact, he or she can return to school five days from the time of exposure if they were wearing a mask at the time of exposure and if they have remained symptom-free.

BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES

The board and administrators noted a bus caught on fire at the bus barn



De Smet School Board members Jared Tolzin, left, Donita Garry, Barb Asleson, Evan Buckmiller and President Shane Roth earned the ALL Award from the Associated School Boards of South Dakota. (Photo by Donna Palmlund)

Monday. One bus was damaged extensively and there was minor damage to a couple others. There were no injuries. They have also been looking at options for improvements and renovations at Laura Ingalls Wilder Elementary School. Discussions are in the preliminary stage and options include updating the heating and air-conditioning systems, adding a secure entrance and doing several other renovations at the current building or building an addition on the existing high school.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Principal Andy Armstead reported that parent-teacher conferences were held virtually and they were successful with only a few technical glitches. He stated the middle and high school concert, with restricted attendance went well, and that oral interper students have been having mini-meets, usually with only two schools. The district contest was held virtually. The school cancelled the in-person Veterans Day program and students are compiling a video tribute to those who served in lieu of a program.

"That is sad, but it's a good choice

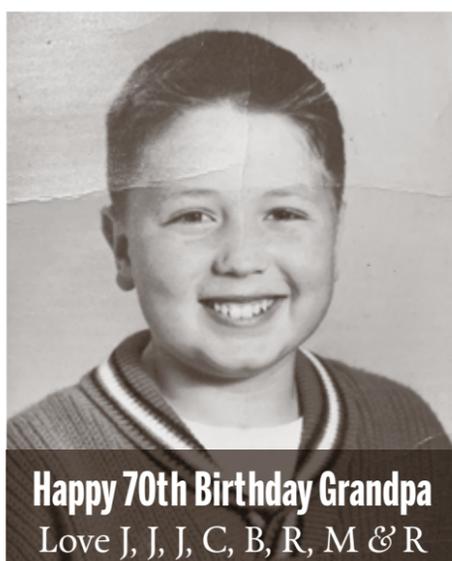
for us," Armstead said, "especially when a lot of older people attend." The elementary Christmas program will also be held virtually to protect families and staff.

Armstead said the fifth-graders will still be able to participate in a planned Science Technology Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) program with the Department of Defense on Nov. 30.

IN OTHER BUSINESS

The De Smet school board was notified they had earned the ALL Award for the 2019-20 school year from the Associated School Boards of South Dakota. This award is designed to recognize school boards for their dedicated service to the students of South Dakota. Board members were presented with a plaque to note this achievement.

The board had no open discussion on these matters but approved a public school exemption for one student, approved a signed employment agreement with David Ough as a mini-bus driver and approved the resignation of art instructor April Rusche for the 2021-22 school year.



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DAYS GONE BY

2010: Lumberyard gets its first dollar of profit

10 YEARS AGO

November 10, 2010

Dr. Andrew Binamira said he didn't know he wanted to leave De Smet. "It was not something I expected," he said of his decision to go elsewhere. Elsewhere is Hilton Head, S.C., where he's obtained what looks like the perfect position. He gets to practice internal medicine without being on call or working weekends. "This was the silver platter I was looking for," Binamira said Tuesday. Avera De Smet Memorial Hospital is hosting a public gathering from 5-8 p.m. Nov. 22 at the De Smet American Legion Hall to give everyone a chance to thank Binamira for 11 years of service to the community and to wish him good luck in the future. Tears welled in Binamira's eyes as he spoke of the Nov. 22 event, saying how difficult he knows it's going to be to say goodbye to the community. Binamira said his experience here was invaluable in finding another position.

25 YEARS AGO

November 8, 1995

Two De Smet women, Denise Larson and Leila Guilbert, placed in the recent South Dakota Make It Yourself with Wool Contest. Larson placed third and Guilbert placed fourth in the professional division. In addition to other prizes, each received 2 1/2 yards of Pendelton wool. The contest is held in conjunction with the South Dakota Sheep Growers Annual Convention. Contestants make garments with 60 percent or higher wool content and then model them before a panel of judges. Participants are judged on fit, appropriateness of the fabric and style to the entrant, current fashion construction, poise and presentation. They compete in junior, senior adult or professional divisions. Mary Martin, Kingsbury County home extension agent, helped judge the junior and senior contests.



TEN YEARS AGO: Smith's Lumber got its first dollar of profit Monday during a ribbon cutting ceremony by the De Smet Area Chamber of Commerce. Participating in the event were Rita Anderson, left, development director, Kathy Hawkins, Alisha Aesoph, Andy Todd, Patti Slater, owners Heidi and Alan Smith, Karen Hansen, Chad Kruse and Amy Kruse.

50 YEARS AGO

November 19, 1970

Health care was the subject for Mrs. Lawrence Stahlecker, assistant administrator of De Smet Good Samaritan Center, as she spoke to members of De Smet Kiwanis Club at the noon luncheon meeting Monday. She was speaking for her husband, who was program chairman of the day. Health care of the elderly is a concern of all, Mrs. Stahlecker said, at least in the taxes paid for the costs. Federal and state funds fall short she said, and the burden of increased expenses fall upon the administrators and personnel of nursing homes. Both the federal and the state agencies have been operating on next year's funds, she said – a bad practice. Nursing homes are a big business in the nation, she said, there being 13,151 in the United States. Six percent of the residents of South Dakota over 65 are in nursing homes, she said. Rehabilitation of residents is one of the purposes of a good nursing home, Mrs. Stahlecker said – furthering their recovery after hospitaliza-

tion and extending their lives through participation in activities provided at Good Samaritan Center.

75 YEARS AGO

November 8, 1945

Corn pickers have brought injuries to two farmers of this area recently. Orville S. Apland of Mathews Township had a painful experience Wednesday of last week when he was caught in the gear of his picker as he crawled underneath to make an adjustment, leaving the engine running. The gear caught his clothing, wrenching his arm, dislocating it at the shoulder and bruising him badly. He was taken to Huron Hospital, returning Tuesday. His brother Will was there at the time and rescued him from beneath the machine. Bert Stewart suffered the loss of the little finger on his right hand the other day when he was caught in his corn picker.

The Farmer's Night party of De Smet Chamber of Commerce Tuesday evening proved one of the best, with a large crowd that enjoyed a program,

dancing and lunch in the large auditorium. Registration at the door reached 462 before it was discontinued – with many arriving later. The evening opened with several numbers by the school band and a movie of the Black Hills. A Watertown orchestra provided the dance music, and several circle two-steps proved the feature of the night's dancing. The lunch committee had huge stacks of sandwiches made, and people were served in a long line that passed through the kitchen. The party ended at one o'clock.

95 YEARS AGO

November 14, 1915

Iroquois is now a city and just as big feeling as any, if not so large as some. The newly elected officers are mayor, C.H. Brown; aldermen, W.L. Burge and J.W. Lane, C.W. Chambers and H. Irwin, Hans Schultz and A.C. Wilson; treasurer, D.F. Wilmarth; police justice, Chas. H. Ohlsen; city justice, F.L. Stratton.



Fire at the De Smet bus shed

The De Smet Fire Department responded to a school bus on fire in the bus garage on Monday morning. Firemen cut a small hole in the building to get water to the front of the bus. The bus appears to be a total loss. Another bus received some heat damage while the interior of the building sustained smoke damage. The cause of the fire is unknown at this time. (Photos by Randy Holland)

MENUS

60's-plus menu

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

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12: Taco Salad w/ protein and vegetables, Fruit, Dessert, Bun

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13: Loaded Baked Potato w/ Ham, Cheese, Broccoli, Fruit, Bun

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 16: Meatballs, Mashed Potatoes, Vegetables, Fruit, Bun

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 17: Tater Tot Hotdish w/ vegetables, Fruit, Dessert, Bun

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18: Chicken Wild Rice Soup, Vegetable, Meat Sandwich, Fruit

School Lunch

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12: Scalloped Potatoes and Ham, Broccoli, Pineapple Tidbits, Bread

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13: Pizza, Corn, Apple

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 16: Cheese Omelet, Mini Pancakes, Smile Potatoes, Fruit, Juice

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 17: BBQ on a Bun, Roasted Vegetables, Pear Slices

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18: Chicken Strips, Green Beans, Strawberry Cup, Bun

BANCROFT NEWS

Dusty skies

BY ROSE GROTHE

With the terribly high wind on Sunday, the air was filled with dust from the plowed fields. At times, it was so bad you could hardly see the road. Very reminiscent of the "Dirty Thirties."

The Sunday school was restarted again for the first time since the first shutdown back in April. Rev. Rickert of Brookings was the speaker on Sunday. Communion was held, and a congregational meeting was called to order after the service.

Janice White of Brookings accompanied her mother, Rose Grothe, to Aberdeen last Saturday where they visited with the Dale Martens. Mr. and Mrs. Eric Martens and family of Watertown and Mr. and Mrs. Brian Rawerts and family of Aberdeen were also present.



Confirmed in the great outdoors

James Poppen, left, was confirmed at an outdoor ceremony Nov. 1 by officiant Jerod Jordan. (Submitted photo)

SPIRIT LAKE NEWS

Outdoor confirmation

BY ILLDENA POPPEN

Spirit Lake Presbyterian Church services are held at 10:30 a.m. on Sundays. The Rev. Dick Poppen speaks each Sunday at 9:30 a.m. The annual meeting was held last Sunday.

The very first outdoor confirmation at Spirit Lake Presbyterian took place Nov. 1 when James Poppen was confirmed with Jerod Jordan, CRE, officiating. Sponsors were his godparents, Marty and Elizabeth Haufschild of Arlington, and James's parents, Aaron and Sheila Poppen. Refreshments were offered to the congregation.

Last Wednesday, Terry Johnson of Wasilla, Alaska, Dave Johnson of Spicer, Minn., and Gordon Poppen of Sioux Falls were hunting pheasants in the area and stopped for an outdoor visit at Cork and Ildena Poppen's home. The Johnson men were houseguests of Dorothy Haug of Willow Lake.

OLDHAM NEWS

'No glory like ole glory', veterans remember service

DAR DEKNIKKER

Kingsbury Journal



ROBERT LONGVILLE was drafted into the Army for two years after the Korean War. In December of 1956, he did his basic training in San Houston, Texas and Ft. Louis, Wash. In 1957, after training, he was off to Korea. Eleanor, his neighbor at the time, said she would write him letters.

After he arrived back in Oldham, they started dating. They would talk on the phone, which operated with "party lines" at the time, and one of the neighbor boys would listen into their conversations. They've been married ever since.

DUANE DRISCOLL was drafted in March 1970 in a lottery draft, a process that randomly chose numbers assigned to birthdays. His number was five. He was first sent to Kentucky and had the feeling that he was just lost in the Army shuffle for a few months.

One memory was everyone getting ready for President Nixon's arrival at Fort Knox. Duane spent six months in South Korea then seven months in Pusan. He was with the Military Police, so he remembers a lot of gate duty.

In 1970, Duane's brother, **BOB DRISCOLL**, was sent to Vietnam for 18 months. When he returned to Oldham, he met the love of his life, Minerva Anderson, a Lake Preston girl. Exposure to Agent Orange, among other chemicals, contributed to Bob's health issues in later years.

DUANE BICKETT had college plans, but three of his friends had volunteered for the draft. Duane, being 19 years old and having a low lottery number, signed up for a volunteer



program to serve in the Army. His family was surprised at his decision to experience life other than in a small town. His 9 weeks of training in Ft. Lewis, Wash., was scary at first. Then he was sent to Fort Gordon, Ga., for military police training and to Fort Bliss, Texas, for Vietnamese language training, where he had to maintain an 80% GPA.

Duane remembers flying over Vietnam and thinking how beautiful it was, lots of green foliage everywhere. Landing at the base in Long Bien was utter chaos. Thousands of GIs were coming and going. It was beyond anything this Oldham boy had ever seen before.

As he awaited his assignment, he felt apprehensive. He recalls the ground shaking beneath him and asking, "Why is this happening?" To which other GI's responded, "Get used to it, that is artillery fire going off."

He was assigned to Saigon to do "Charlie" patrol. His group included one South Vietnamese civilian police officer, one South Vietnamese military police officer and himself. He was happy to be assigned there because that meant no jungle and no base camp. However, his conditions were no cake walk. The police duties, bugs and snakes that he had to deal with weren't fun. There were shootings, bombings, GI deaths and not knowing whom to trust. Night time, with the sound of constant sniper fire, was the most unpredictable.

He concluded, "At the time, would I do it again? Yes. Would I do it today? No. However, I've had a lot of years to think about this."

RANDY C. BICKETT, 19, had one year of college under his belt at General Beadle College (now Dakota State University). He enjoyed college life but knew he wouldn't dodge the draft. Randy was drafted into the Army in December

1970. He was relieved when he got stationed in Germany.

"It was the LUCK OF THE DRAW," said Randy, "and it was better than my alternative — Nam!"

In boot camp you were trained for something specific like infantry, gunner or medic.

"They just kept shipping bodies over," Randy said. "They needed slots to be filled."

Randy was a switchboard operator in the 8th Infantry division. He worked at headquarters answering GI calls. There were six German *Frauleins* who would take the German calls.

"That was interesting," said Randy. On a serious note, he said that he felt the 60's were very turbulent times. It was scary. You made \$90 a month. You were over on foreign land and felt a lot of uncertainties. He often wondered, "Why are we here?"

His brother-in-law, Marvin Eide, was stationed there too. Married GIs could bring their wives so Randy got to see his sister, Donna. They got to travel on the weekends together.

When asked to sum up his experience, Randy, a man of few words, said, "I spent two of my birthdays over there. I got out April 1972, and after almost 50 years, I have no opinion."

Another Bickett to serve his country was **JERRY W. BICKETT**, 1965 OHS graduate. He left the farm and headed to Yankton College on a full-ride scholarship in football and scholastics. He later transferred to General Beadle College.

In November 1966, Jerry was drafted, but his father and he went before the Army draft board and got an extension so he could finish out his semester. Then the day came when he was drafted, February 14, 1967.

"I was in active combat 1 year, 11 months, and 7 days," stated Jerry sternly. "I have never celebrated Valentine's Day!"

Jerry was in the infantry for 5

months before he was transferred to long-range reconnaissance patrol (LRRP). He would be dropped from a chopper and sit there for 4 days.

"I always wanted to get into the thickest stuff," said Jerry. "Also, when you went out, you had two LRRPS and two mountain men, Vietnamese who had nothing to do with local population. They lived off the land, and they were great in the jungle. They were a lifesaver. We would walk one mountain man in front, two Americans with radios, then a mountain man in the rear."

Jerry said that mail call was a big deal. He always felt bad for the guys that didn't get any.

Blocking out the fear, smell and the memories is what Jerry did. He received some medals during his time in Vietnam but did not want to share which ones.

"When I got out of Nam, I left thinking no one was ever going to mess with me," said Jerry. He learned he was going to live one day at a time. "The greatest feeling I ever had was getting off that plane on U.S. soil, 'cuz I thought I would never get home!"

MENU

Oldham- Ramona School Lunch

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12: Tomato Soup, Grilled Cheese Sandwich, Relishes, Fruit

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 16: Chicken Tenders, Tater Tots, Relishes, Fruit, Roll

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 17: BBQ Mr. Rib on Bun, Relishes, Fruit

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18: Hot Ham & Cheese, Cheetos, Baked Beans, Relishes, Fruit

CARTHAGE NEWS

Trunk-or-Treat

BY LORALEE NELSON

The Prairie Lutheran Parish services for Nov. 15 are scheduled for 9:30 a.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church in Carthage.

Gale Poppen sent word recently from California of the deaths of two of his relatives — Gladys (Moe) Tracy (Mrs. Gene) of Ventira, Calif., and Milo Poppen of Oregon City, Ore. Both of the deceased graduated with the Carthage High School Class of 1948.

Harriet Hattervig had an outdoor visit last week in De Smet with her daughter and husband, Lisa and Mark Hinkley. The Hinkleys visited Harriet later in the week to help her with some chores and had supper with her.

About 70 children, along with parents, grandparents and friends walked Main Street in their costumes on Halloween for “Trunk-or-Treat.”

DID YOU KNOW?

In 1895, C.J. Windedahl took his black dog to Alabama. When he unloaded the car, the dog looked over the country, and not liking what he saw, made a beeline for home. He arrived in Carthage three weeks later, fatigued and footsore.

In 1891, the team landed Dr. Martin in a snowbank and took off on their own. No damage was done. In 1898, he nodded off one night coming home from a call. (An advantage of horse and buggy travel is the horse always knows the way home.) The horse hit a rough place in the road, throwing the doctor out. He managed to waken enough to keep the horse from running away or upsetting the buggy, but managed to get a broken rib in the process.

A couple of “chicken items” include, from 1924, Christian Church women had a “hen” party. Each person brought a hen chicken that was sold to the produce house with the money being donated to the church.

And, from 1925, “We like chickens and chicken eggs, but doggone it, we don’t like chasing them off our lawn and garden. People should spend time keeping them at home.”

ESMOND NEWS

Worship paused

BY MARLIN CLENDENING

Selma and Leo Dunham were home last weekend. Charemon and Annette Dunham attended the Iroquois American Legion meeting last Thursday.

Several families attended the fundraiser last Saturday evening for Reed Walter.

Due to the high number of positive COVID cases in the area, there will be no services at the Esmond Methodist Church until further notice.

HISTORY NOTE

1908 – The Business Men’s League organized in December to help promote the town of Esmond.

IROQUOIS NEWS



Veterans, you’re invited!

This preschool class took advantage of the nice weather to walk to the post office and mail letters to veterans, inviting them to the school’s program Nov. 11. Participants include Lanna Fischback, back left, Sarai Hernandez, Rina Frankfurth, Jessa Hanson, Jordyn Van Diepen; Savannah Driggers, front left, Preston Huls, and Micah Blue. (Photo by Mary Wienbar)

1910: Electric lights would be nice for the depot

November 10, 1910

Iroquois has a nice depot, but it should be lighted by electricity. During the winter months, six passenger trains arrive after dark in the evening and before daylight in the morning. If the building was lighted with electric light, the appearance would be much better. We understand the company would put in the electric lights if we had an all-night service. As the patronage to the electric light plant is constantly increasing and as there is but a gap from midnight to 5 a.m.

to fill, perhaps all-night service will come before long.

Miss Flossie Meyer will take a position in the Dakota Central Telephone office on November 15, working in connection with Miss Ilo Joes, who has charge of central.

November 13, 1930

Thursday morning fire originating in a garage destroyed four buildings on the east side of the business street of Yale. The fire started in Wm. Gaughran’s garage from the backfiring of an automobile, and this build-

ing with its contents, including two automobiles, was a total loss, as was an adjoining barber shop and its contents and two unoccupied buildings. The vacant buildings were known as the Ingle and Abbott properties.

Telephone calls for help were sent to Huron, Iroquois and Cavour, and the fire departments of these towns responded as quickly as possible. When they arrived, the flames had consumed the buildings mentioned and were under control to the extent that other property was not in danger.



Iroquois football team supports Coach Walter by delivering meals at his benefit. Pictured are Coach Dustin Riedel, Justin Bice, John Bice, Thackary Hansen, Rexton Blue and Coach Dustin Wagner. (Photo by Teresa Vincent)

Iroquois Honor Roll

1ST QUARTER “A”

Senior: Hayley Geyer, Sierra Kogel, Kaitlyn Maas
 Junior: Kaitlyn Konshak
 Sophomore: Paige Wagner
 Freshman: Rebecca Bich

“B”

Senior: Justin Bice, Heather Geyer, Jorja Huls, Colton Nelson, Trysten Zavesky
 Junior: Katie Dubro, Hannah Hofhenke, Harley Nelson, Samantha Torguson
 Sophomore: Lily Blue, Lexi Burma, Kaylee Morehead, Sarah Nelson, Logan Pekron
 Freshman: Kyle Burmeister, Satoya Myers, Rosalie Wehlander

MIDDLE SCHOOL “A”

Seventh grade: Natalie Cundy

“B”

Eighth grade: Kera Dubro, Shelby Pekron
 Seventh grade: Rexton Blue
 Sixth grade: Airabella Deysel

Walk in the shoes of those who face and uphill battle

WHEN I MET HER, she was younger than I am now. I was responsible for admissions to our hospital that day, and the ER doctor called me about a woman with intractable bleeding. It had been going on for several months, but she was embarrassed and unsure. She hid the severity of her bleeding from her husband, until the day she passed out in the kitchen.

Ultimately, we diagnosed her with cancer, and she started down a difficult road of surgery, chemo, radiation and more surgery. But they faced many hurdles beyond her disease.

She and her husband each had finished high school with the help of special education classes. They struggled to understand the complicated reality of her cancer, and the choices they had to make. He was on disability, but she had never worked, and she certainly was not able to now. They got by on his social secu-



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DEBRA JOHNSTON, M.D.

rity check, which was not enough to cover her medications.

Her family lived several hours away, and their relationship with his family was often combative. The steps into their home were rickety, and she couldn't navigate them with her walker. They couldn't rely on their old car to get them to medical appointments or even to the grocery store.

Fighting cancer or any life altering illness or injury is hard even for those who are financially secure and have the support of extended family. For a moment, let's put ourselves in the shoes of those who face an uphill battle just to get to neutral.

Perhaps we grew up with a parent who had an untreated mental illness or addiction, or who was abusive. Perhaps we face discrimination because of our race or religion or gender or sexuality or some other fundamental characteristic. Perhaps we struggle with poverty and the attendant evils of housing and food insecurity. Perhaps we live in an unsafe neighborhood, or we cannot easily get to a grocery store.

How, then, do we eat right and exercise safely? How do we find and keep a good job if we have limited education, or we don't have reliable transportation? How do we communicate with a doctor if we don't have a phone and can't read very well?

All these things are part of the social determinants of health. Our health and wellbeing depend on so much more than the factors we can control. Living with chronic stress, particularly chronic stress we experience as a child, impacts our physical health throughout our lives, and that stress can continue down through generations. If we genuinely want to promote wellness, for ourselves and for our society, we must put ourselves in other people's shoes and pay close attention to these underlying issues.

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SNOW QUEEN

Here's the final 'Frosty' clue

The 65th Annual Kingsbury County Snow Queen Festival, sponsored by the Progressive Community Women (PCW) of Lake Preston, is scheduled to take place at 7 p.m. Nov. 15 at the Lake Preston gym.

It is a smaller event this year with only four contestants, all seniors at Kingsbury County high schools. Also, because of the rising number of COVID cases in the county, organizers are taking the same precautions as other local contests. Audience members are required to wear masks, and they are asking that only family members attend.

Holly Andrews of Lake Preston, a daughter of James Jr. and Mable Andrews, is sponsored by Good Guys Ga-

rage; Caitlyn Brag of De Smet, a daughter of Janet Brag, is sponsored by Legend Seeds; Aria Gruenhagen of De Smet, a daughter of Tristin and Jason Gruenhagen, is sponsored by De Smet Flowers & Gifts and Jennica Weiss of Arlington, a daughter of Jody and Teresa Weiss, is sponsored by Schmidt's Bar & Grill.

The winner will be crowned by last year's snow queen, Michelle Wiese of De Smet. The new queen will be eligible to receive a \$250 scholarship and to participate in the State Snow Queen Festival next January in Aberdeen.

The night also includes the crowning of one Lake Preston kindergarten or first-grade student as Little Miss Snowflake. Last year's winner, Avery Hesby, will crown Little Miss Snowflake from among contestants Joslyn Blachford, Madi Casper, Aubree Ekey, Araya Hein, Harper Hill, Cambree Holt, Charli McDaniel and Kinzlee Olson.

Krista O'Dea will emcee the event, and Ryan Eichler will provide musical entertainment while the judges are tabulating results.

Those attending will also have a chance to guess the identity of "Frosty," the mystery snowperson, and win \$10. Clues to Frosty's identity have been given for the past two weeks in the Kingsbury Journal, with the third and final clue given below.

THE FINAL CLUE:

This is your third and final clue, do you know now? We bet you do! Balancing time for Frosty is always a battle, between playing with dogs, fencing or working cattle. So, come to Snow Queen on Sunday Eve, you could be \$10 richer when you leave

A \$10 winner will be drawn out of all correct guesses.



David Nagelhout

MD, FACC

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Public Notices

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS KINGSBURY COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS De Smet, South Dakota October 6, 2020

The Kingsbury County Board of County Commissioners met Tuesday, October 6, 2020 at 8:30 A.M. in the Courtroom in the County Courthouse with Commissioner Steve Spilde attending via Zoom. Commissioners 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

Jensen moved and Wolkow seconded to approve the agenda. 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

The Board discussed the status of the Lake Thompson Outlet Maintenance. Jennifer Barnard, Auditor, informed the Board the last of the \$10,000.00 donated to the project had been disbursed.

MINUTES

Nelson moved and Wolkow seconded to approve the minutes of September 22, 2020. All present voting aye - 5, nay - 0. Motion carried.

OPEN DISCUSSION

The Board discussed the progress of the Lake Thompson Outlet Maintenance. Sediment was removed and the work was halted on Thursday with the flow reaching the 6% limit. The sediment that was removed will be spread on fields when soybeans are harvested.

HIGHWAY

David Sorenson, Highway Superintendent, met with the Board to discuss highway matters.

Sorenson informed the Board graveling is in process for County Roads 12, 2, 8 South, 11 North and 10. Patching is also beginning this week.

Sorenson stated the striping will be done by the State crew today. There were also TS&L inspections, through the state, on two bridges in the county.

APPROVE CLAIMS

Jensen moved and Nelson 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

ALCOPRO, INC. 267.00 SUPPLIES, ALCOHOL MONITORING SYSTEMS INC 87.50 SUPPLIES, APPEARA 110.50 SUPPLIES, ASPHALT PAVING & MATERIALS 4001.09 SUPPLIES, AT&T 96.85 UTILITIES, AVERA OCCUPATIONAL MEDICINE-MI 415.55 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES, BADGER OIL COMPANY 2210.30 SUPPLIES/FUEL/UTILITIES, JENNIFER BARNARD 160.96 TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT,

CINDY BAU 60.00 UTILITIES, MARY CLAIRE BAUER 49.40 TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT, BEADLE COUNTY SHERIFF 540.00 PRISONER CARE, BEADLE COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPT 705.57 SEALING, HOLLY BICKETT 71.00 JUROR FEES, PMB 0112 6.25 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES, BOWES CONSTRUCTION, INC 1151.38 PATCHING & SEALING, BUTLER MACHINERY COMPANY 1512.44 REPAIRS/MAINTENANCE/SUPPLIES, CENTURY BUSINESS PRODUCTS 219.55 UTILITIES, CENTURYLINK 387.94 UTILITIES, CODINGTON COUNTY SHERIFF 85.00 PRISONER CARE, COLES PETROLEUM 14184.45 FUEL, COOK'S WASTEPAPER & RECYCLING 78.78 UTILITIES, RAMIE COUGHLIN 22.60 JUROR FEES, CREATIVE PRINTING 381.42 SUPPLIES, SMITH'S LUMBER 22.06 SUPPLIES, SMITH'S LUMBER 411.55 REPAIRS/ MAINTENANCE, DE SMET CITY 112.72 UTILITIES, AVERA DESMET HOSPITAL 130.00 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES, KATHY DEDEYNE 43.56 TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT, DESLAURIES AUTO GLASS 493.00 REPAIRS/MAINTENANCE/SUPPLIES, DAVID DOESCHER 76.88 JUROR FEES, BRANDON DUFFY 14.00 TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT, ELECTION SYSTEMS & SOFTWARE IN 1346.90 ELECTION, FARNAM'S GENUINE PARTS INC. 149.68 SUPPLIES, FIRST RATE EXCAVATE, INC 130000.00 GRAVEL, FIRST RATE EXCAVATE, INC. 9897.97 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES, KEVIN GROON 31.00 JUROR FEES, ANGELA GUMS 71.00 JUROR FEES, RICHARD HALVERSON ESTATE 40175.21 GRAVEL, PATRICIA J. HARTSEL, RPR 23.80 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES, HILLYARD/SIOUX FALLS 724.41 COVID SUPPLIES, CITY OF HURON 3872.18 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES, I STATE TRUCK CENTER 79.94 SUPPLIES, INFOTECH SOLUTIONS 7924.45 PROF SERV/EQUIPMENT, INTERLAKES COMMUNITY ACTION 765.34 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES, INTERSTATE BATTERY 46.00 REPAIRS/MAINTENANCE, JEBRO, INCORPORATED 66876.31 SUPPLIES/ SEALING, JOE JENSEN 89.88 TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT, CHARLES JOHNSON 131.72 CORONER FEES, KINGBROOK RURAL WATER 41.40 UTILITIES, KINGSBURY JOURNAL 10.24 PUBLICATION, KINGSBURY JOURNAL 719.00 PUBLICATIONS, LAKE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE 1050.00 PRISONER CARE, MATTHEW BENDER & CO 65.44 LAW LIBRARY, MICHAEL LUETHMERS 21.76 JUROR FEES, LYLE SIGNS, INC. 107.00 SIGNS, MARSHALL & SWIFT 2238.10 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES, MAYNARD'S FOOD CENTER 3.39 SUPPLIES, MCLEODS PRINTING & OFFICE SUPP 339.46 SUPPLIES, MIDWEST RADAR & EQUIPMENT 280.00 REPAIRS/MAINTENANCE, TOM MILLER 73.52 JUROR FEES, EASTLINE SUPPLY 996.74 SUPPLIES, EASTLINE SUPPLY 1017.93 SUPPLIES, EASTLINE SUPPLY 44.91 REPAIRS/ MAINTENANCE, RONALD NESSEIM 56.72 JUROR FEES, JANET NINAS 50.00 JUROR FEES, NORTHWESTERN 58.84 UTILITIES, O'CONNOR COMPANY 778.02 REPAIRS/MAINTENANCE, O'KEEFE IMPLEMENT 704.78 SUPPLIES, O'KEEFE IMPLEMENT 147.78 REPAIRS/ MAINTENANCE, O'KEEFE IMPLEMENT 68.28 REPAIRS/MAINTENANCE, OFFICE PEEPS INC 618.20 SUPPLIES, OUTLAW GRAPHICS 200.00 EQUIPMENT, STEVE PALMER 50.00 JUROR FEES, WAYNE PEDERSON 50.00 JUROR FEES, DOROTHY PITMAN 10.84 JUROR FEES, PRAXAIR DISTRIBUTION INC. 280.02 SUPPLIES, QUILL 440.37 SUPPLIES, DEAN REILLY 23.44 JUROR FEES, RFD NEWS GROUP 1877.78 PUBLICATIONS, WILLIAM RYDBOM 20.08 JUROR FEES, SD DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION 767.45 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES, SD UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE 135.51 3RD QTR UNEMPLOYMENT, SDACC

3896.00 4TH QTR CLERP, SD ASSOC OF COUNTY OFFICIALS 230.00 MP&R REMITTANCE, SDN COMMUNICATIONS 916.00 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES, DAVID SORENSON 15.00 SUPPLIES REIMBURSEMENT, SPENCER QUARRIES/ 1238.39 SEALING, DAVID STEFFENSEN 64.28 JUROR FEES, STEVE STRANDE 193.20 SUPPLIES, SHELLEY STRANDE 74.76 MATRON DUTIES, THYSSENKRUPP ELEVATOR CORP 173.58 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES, TRANSOURCE 4324.32 REPAIRS/MAINTENANCE/SUPPLIES, TRUSTWORTHY HARDWARE 305.12 SUPPLIES/REPAIRS/MAINTENANCE, TWO WAY SOLUTIONS, INC. 349.97 REPAIRS/MAINTENANCE, UNITED STATES TREASURY 611.10 TAX PAYMENT, VERIZON 395.33 UTILITIES, VISA 478.66 SUPPLIES/WEB PAGE/ TRAVEL, VISA 21.05 SUPPLIES, RICK WARNE 10.84 JUROR FEES, GLEN WENDEL 50.84 JUROR FEES, WW TIRE 717.80 SUPPLIES, ZELL MANUFACTURING 44.31 SUPPLIES,

END OF MONTH

COURTHOUSE SALARIES	\$50,693.99
HIGHWAY SALARIES	32,531.17

PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS

Sanford Health Plan	29,558.94
AFLAC	1,425.58
AFLAC	456.40
Office of Child Support Enforcement	403.00
The Principal Financial Group	270.81
Delta Dental	844.00
Avesis Third Party Administrators	217.22
SD Retirement Supplement Pretax	3,250.00
SD Retirement System	13,391.04
SD Retirement Supplement	525.00
AFSCME	283.20
Kingsbury County	25,314.69

OFFICE REPORTS

The Register of Deeds, Sheriff's and Director of Equalization's Reports of Fees Collected during the month of September 2020 were reviewed by the Board. Wolkow moved and Jensen seconded that the Auditor's report with the Treasurer as of the close of business September, 2020 be accepted as follows. All present voting aye - 5, nay - 0. Motion carried.

Cash on Hand	\$ 1,583.50
Checks in Treas. Possession less than 3 days	39,803.01
Credit Card	493.60
Cash Short	1,121.24
Cash Long-ISF Check	100.00
Demand Deposits	8,768.49
Savings Account	2,122,950.89
Revolving Loan Fund	295,101.55
Big Ditch MM	361,939.20
Time Deposits	1,657,523.80
TOTAL	4,489,385.28

BREAKDOWN OF MONEY BY FUNDS

County General Fund	1,953,140.59
Special Revenue Funds (Road & Bridge, E911 Fund CH Bldg, Revolving Loan, Emergency Management, Domestic Abuse Funds 24/7 & M&P Fund)	1,773,262.52
Drainage Ditch #4	188,053.70
Drainage Ditch Debt	-1,887.37
Service Cash	-1,887.37
Amount held for School Dist.	200,437.11
Amount held for Townships	99,961.05
Amount held for Cities	60,721.83
Amount held for East Dakota Water Dist.	617.14
State Remittance	138,592.45
Amount held for others	76,486.26
TOTAL	4,489,385.28

AUDITOR

Barnard presented city law enforcement contracts for renewal on behalf of Sheriff Strande. There were no changes made to the previous con-

tracts.

Nelson moved and Spilde seconded to approve the Contract Law agreements between Kingsbury County and the cities of Arlington, Lake Preston, De Smet and Oldham for 2021 and for Chairman Walls to sign the same. All present voting aye - 5, nay - 0. Motion carried.

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Jensen moved and Spilde seconded to adjourn from regular session and move into Board of Adjustment for the Variance application for Kuhl at 9:40 A.M. All present voting aye - 5, nay - 0. Motion carried.

Chairman Walls declared the Board out at 9:46 A.M.

OPEN DISCUSSION - REOPENING THE COURTHOUSE

Tammy Anderson - Director of Equalization, Jennifer Malone - Clerk of Courts, Mary Claire Bauer - Extension/4H, Cindy Bau - Emergency Management/E911, Elaine Blachford - Treasurer and Lonny Palmlund - Maintenance, met with the Board to discuss the status of the courthouse.

Nelson moved and Wolkow seconded for the courthouse to remain at limited access, for two part-time door monitors to be hired, for public notice to be made, for an additional pass-through window to be installed in the Treasurer's Office and to adopt the State Covid-19 Quarantine regulations. All present voting aye - 5, nay - 0. Motion carried.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Bau met with the Board to request Chairman Walls sign her quarterly report.

Jensen moved and Spilde seconded for Chairman Walls sign the quarterly report. All present voting aye - 5, nay - 0. Motion carried.

MAINTENANCE

Palmlund met with the Board to discuss the Preventative Maintenance proposal from G&R Controls. The previously requested breakdown of the quote had been received and provided to the Board.

Paul Doohen, with G&R Controls, joined the meeting to discuss a potential Preventative Maintenance option with the Board and Palmlund.

Palmlund reviewed the updated breakdown with the Board and recommended the 3-Year Software Contract option along with the Preventative Maintenance package totaling \$5,262.00.

Jensen moved and Spilde seconded to follow Palmlund's recommendation to accept the 3-Year Contract and the Preventative Maintenance package. All present voting aye - 5, nay - 0. Motion carried.

Palmlund updated the Board on the window replacement project.

The Board adjourned to Tuesday, October 20, 2020 at 8:30 A.M.

Roger Walls, Chairman
ATTEST

Jennifer Barnard, County Auditor

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REGULAR MEETING OF LAKE PRESTON CITY COUNCIL Monday, November 2nd, 2020

A regular meeting of the Lake Preston City Council was held at the City Community Room on Monday, November 2nd, at 7 p.m. Present were: Mayor Andy Wienk, John McMasters, Donna Bumann, Kristen Longville, Joe Schnell, Brian Verhey. Also, present Brenda Klug, Brian Zeeck, Doug Bumann, Matt Nutter from the Sheriffs Department.

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

Motion by Donna Bumann, seconded by Joe Schnell to approve the agenda with one addition, approve law enforcement agreement. All in favor, motion carried.

No public comments.

Park Ave - Sheriff's Department & Resident: Andy Wienk stated that the sheriff's department and the resident were not going to make it to the meeting. The resident did not want to be involved in the meeting or to be known to the public. Originally the council asked the resident and the sheriff's department to the meeting to get them together to discuss the problems on park Ave S. Typically the mayor and council members get several phone calls and messages about trucks, speeding, misc. on Park Ave. S. In which they were hoping to resolve some of the issues.

Motion by Brian Verhey, seconded by Joe Schnell to approve the October 6th regular meeting minutes. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Donna Bumann, seconded by John McMasters to approve the October 19th special meeting minutes. Brian Verhey abstained. All in favor, motion carried.

No committee reports.

Water/Sewer/Street Report: Brian Zeeck stated that they winterized the safe room, also fixed a door hinge. Plan to do some street sweeping before the snow comes to get the leaves off the roads. Discussed alleys, tending to a few certain ones before snow again. Valley FiberCom has installed everything for the city except the campground and the pool, they plan on waiting till next May. Discussed needing or not needing water in the pool over the winter months. Pool fencing was discussed, as they had planned in be here the 3rd week in October- still awaiting a time frame from them. Brian Zeeck stated that November 14th will be the last day for the rubble site to be open, gives them time to get it pushed up and burned.

Matt Nutter in at 7:14.

Finance Office Report: Brenda Klug stated that she had handed out all the tablets that were funded with COVID funds, but didn't plan to use them until the December meeting.

Andy Wienk inquired if Matt Nutter had heard that the resident was not coming. Some discussion Matt Nutter stated that they have spent hours patrolling Park Ave for several hours, multiple warmings and citations have been issued. Discussed getting the truck signs back up and the speed limit signs adjusted. Donna Bumann stated that she wanted to make sure we are doing everything we can to solve the issue but there is not much more to do, its up to the sheriff's department now.

Brenda Klug stated that minimum wage was going up, remember towards the beginning of the year. Online sales tax from online sales was discussed at a previous meeting, after some research an itemized sales tax spread sheet was found. Kristi Noem had declared Nov. 27th and Dec. 24th government holidays, an office desk was discussed- which is budgeted for the new year 2021, Tammy Anderson had sent out a letter from the county stating we will not have to pay for the GIS map this next year. Brenda Klug stated that an air cleaner had been purchased by a neighboring city, office peeps had left a quote- passing on it. Wednesday connecting point had come to clean up all the cords in the office, quoted firewall for the office. But Valley FiberCom had come on Friday, which was great- he organized cords took cords away etc. An Ambulance that had been sold to White a few years ago didn't have the correct title, the title they currently have is our bucket truck- which will need to be transferred back to us. Brenda Klug had spoken to Elaine Blachford from the courthouse to look into where the correct title is. Discussed several large bills that still need to come in before the end of the year. Liquor licenses were discussed, our town can't have any more liquor license according to the state- it goes off of population, but we can have multiple Malt Beverage- SD Farm Wine licenses as the council approves. A local business owner potentially wants to have SD Farm Wine available. Operating agreements were discussed, in which the plan is to update all the agreements together in February of 2021.

Motion by Donna Bumann, seconded by John McMasters to approve the following claims as presented: All in favor, motion carried.
A&B Business Inc. \$67.38, printer contract; Allegra \$307.08, 1000 brochures; Amazon \$218.57, books, dvds, supplies; Ambill \$1,295.00, ambulance; A&T \$196.36, phones/tablets; Avera Health Plan \$476.85, health ins.; Banner Ass., Inc \$22,348.50, W & WW project; Barrett's Flooring \$4,852.80, office flooring; Connecting Point \$55.00, ultra-service call; Cooks \$2,513.61, city trash; Core & Main \$288.13, water; Dakota Pump \$965.70, pump clogged/water; DOR \$228.67, taxes; DVL Fire & Safety \$1,406.65, fire extinguishers; Edna Mae Pearson \$227.20, ambulance bill refund; First National Bank \$100.35, petty cash; Full Throttle Design \$44.00, decals; Good Housekeeping \$20.99, magazine; Henry Schein \$212.63, ambulance; Josie Repair \$144.17, JD mower; Kingbrook \$6147.50, water purchased; Kingsbury Co. \$1885.00, contract law; Kingsbury Journal \$95.12, publishing; LP Auto \$391.85, snow equipment; M & T Fire \$80.00, water supplies; Maynard's \$24.55, supplies; McMasters Gravel \$606.84, gravel; Metropolitan Compounds, Inc \$1313.50, sewer chemical; Northwestern Energy \$119.64, natural gas; Office Peeps \$136.45, office supplies; SD One Call \$44.10, September; Ottertail Power Co \$30.07, ambulance electric; Outdoor Life \$9.98, magazine; Prairie Ag Partners \$351.16, ambulance; Runnings \$347.67, supplies; SDARWS \$420.00, membership dues; SDML \$5,290.00, workmen's comp; Tailored Structures LLC \$50,035.65; The Arlington Sun \$49.98, newspaper; The Pioneer Women \$20.00, magazine; Milbank Winwater Works \$405.80, water; Schnell Welding \$1,500.00, merry-go-round.

Motion by Donna Bumann, seconded by Kristen Longville to approve the

financial report. All in favor, motion carried.

Old Business:
No Building permits.

Nuisance Properties: Discussed what's the status on using Dave Miller for code enforcement, Brenda Klug stated that last she heard he was going to do a drive around with Andy and look at addresses. Kristen Longville stated that she thinks we should try another year before completely deciding not to use him. After lots of discussion, Brenda Klug would be contacting him to see if our "down payment" could be used for next year.

New Business:

Alcoholic Beverage License Hearing: Donna Bumann inquired if Brian Verhey would be willing to give up his off-sale liquor license at the Other Bar if another business comes to town and would like one. After some discussion Brian Verhey stated he would entertain the though after the business is publicly displayed, currently no details are being released.

Motion by Joe Schnell, seconded by Kristen Longville to approve the New Horizon Lounges retail (on-sale) liquor license. Brian Verhey abstained. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Kristen Longville, seconded by Joe Schnell to approve the New Horizon Lounges package (off-sale) liquor license. Brian Verhey abstained. All in favor, motion carried. Motion by John McMasters to approve The Other Bars retail (on-sale) liquor license. Brian Verhey abstained. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Kristen Longville, seconded by Joe Schnell to approve The Other Bars package (off-sale) liquor license. Brian Verhey abstained. Donna Bumann nay. Motion carried.

Motion by Kristen Longville, seconded by Brian Verhey to approve The American Legion (on-sale) liquor license. All in favor, motion carried. Glacial Lakes Magazine Advertising: Brenda Klug explained that 4 organizations have split the price of advertising in the past but the 3 other organizations are not participating anymore. Donna Bumann stated that the Chamber has been advertising in Prairie Tracks and has gotten really good feedback. The large Ad was forfeited for 2021 because of the October 30th deadline but could still do the membership Ad. Motion by Donna Bumann, seconded by John McMasters to approve doing the membership with Glacial Lakes magazine for \$200 for 2021. All in favor, motion carried.

Banner Bills- Grant Funds: Discussed that two bills from banner had came in adding up to approximately \$28,000, in which we could pull from our grant money. Brenda Klug stated that Jonathan Peschong from the state said we don't want to pull from the loan money to soon, was decided to submit for grant funds.

Rubble Site Fees: Council reviewed Arlington and DeSmet's current fees, in the future we plan to accept more items then what we do now. Decided to get a committee together to set pricing for the new items we will be able to accept, discussed leaving what we currently accept as free; a benefit for the residents.

Christmas Decorations: Discussed when to get the Christmas light pole lights up and the Christmas tree lighting/Christmas in Our town will be November 29th.

Employee Reviews: Discuss in execu-

tive.

Snow Removal Help: Discussed needing a few truck drivers that could just be called on a whim to help move snow, previously there had been a few that had turned in applications. Motion by Donna Bumann, seconded by Kirstein Longville to hire Ron Brown and Rick Olson at \$10.00 an hour for part-time snow removal help. All in favor, motion carried.

Employee/Council Concerns: Brian Zeeck stated that a resident hadn't had a utility account for years, now a new meter had been installed. Discussed residents being able to turn off/on their own water, because they have the tool to do so themselves. Brenda Klug and Brian Zeeck explained several hunting houses in town that haven't gotten billed for years. Now that we have caught all these accounts, they are being billed correctly. Kristen Longville stated that its not fair to the rest of the tax payers in the community; especially since the rates have went up. The few residents knew what they were doing, why would you be using water and not getting a bill. Discussed curb stops during the large water and wastewater project.

Brenda Klug inquired if she would be cleaning the new ambulance building as she does the community room. Brenda Klug stated that she planned on potentially putting together an informational video about the upcoming project, several new residents have inquired about the high water and sewer rates. Donna Bumann had been asked about the rubble site; if we plan on accepting metal, discussed everything would need to be separated out. Christmas around town will be a bit different this year, Chamber is going to be doing a basket/light pole decorating contest. Donna Bumann expressed her concern with the COVID #s rising, encourage residents to follow CDC guidelines. If you've been exposed please take responsibility for your health and the people around you. Andy Wienk stated that our COVID restrictions were 6 months to early; everyone got tired of it and now doesn't want to deal with it. If we would have waited maybe everyone wouldn't be tired of it, and now its here in town-several cases. Kristen Longville inquired if we should be implementing the restrictions again, not worth implementing now but worth discussing; at this point most businesses were never over the 50%.

Brian Verhey inquired about a pot-hole on Fremont Ave., and also lots of fertilizer trucks have been taking Main St. Discussed having signs on Main St. that state No Thru Trucks. Inquired about the trash cans on Main St., if there was a schedule to check them every week or two. Joe Schnell inquired if Donna Bumann had found any programs to help homeowners fix up houses. Kristen Longville inquired about the status of the health board person, whom would declare a dog vicious. Inquired about getting gravel at the end of Main St. and 5th St., Brian Zeeck stated that he could put crushed asphalt but not gravel; discussed putting monster blocks on that corner. Kristen Longville reminded the city workers that they need to bring their daily log books to council meetings.

Law Enforcement Agreement: Motion by Donna Bumann, seconded by Joe Schnell to approve the law enforcement agreement. All in favor, motion carried.

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Kristen Longville inquired if there had been anymore things happening in the park, if more cameras had been ordered.

Motion by Kristen Longville, seconded by Donna Bumann to go into executive session at 9:19 pm for personnel. All in favor, motion carried.

Council came out of executive session at 9:50 pm.

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

Brenda Klug, Finance Officer
Andy Wienk, Mayor

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OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS KINGSBURY COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS De Smet, South Dakota September 22, 2020

The Kingsbury County Board of County Commissioners met Tuesday, September 22, 2020 at 8:30 A.M. in the Courtroom in the County Courthouse with Commissioner Steve Spilde attending via Zoom. Commissioners Delmer Wolkow, Roger Walls, Joe Jensen, and Shelley Nelson present. Chairman Walls presided. Kingsbury County resident, Ed Goss, also joined the meeting via Zoom. 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 there were several items to add to the agenda. These include: Cindy Bau, Emergency Management, requested to remove the Quarterly Report for signature and add Sioux Falls Two Way Radio update; Barnard requested to add a second plat for Tract 1 of Moe's Addition and Covid-19 Tax Deferral.

Nelson moved and Jensen seconded to approve the agenda as edited. 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.

MINUTES

Wolkow moved and Spilde seconded to approve the minutes of September 8, 2020. All present voting aye - 5, nay - 0. Motion carried.

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDANT

David Sorenson, Highway Superintendent, met with the Board to discuss highway matters and current projects being worked on.

Sorenson stated he will need to advertise for bids for hauling rip rap to several locations in the county. The bid opening will be scheduled in the future.

Sorenson also informed the Board the Federal Signage Project is almost completed and the verification process will begin. Any corrections needing to be made will be done during the verification.

Sorenson reviewed the various portions of the Kingsbury County

Five-Year Highway and Bridge Improvement Plan with the Board. Those present for this portion of the meeting include Donna Palmund, with the Kingsbury Journal. Director of Equalization, Tammy Anderson, and county resident, Ed Goss, via Zoom.

There were no public comments regarding the proposed 5-Year Plan as presented.

Barnard read the resolution for the plan as prepared by First District of Local Government:

RESOLUTION 2020-24

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE KINGSBURY COUNTY FIVE-YEAR HIGHWAY AND BRIDGE IMPROVEMENT PLAN

WHEREAS, the South Dakota Department of Transportation Local Bridge and Improvement Grant Fund requires that in order to be eligible to apply for Bridge Improvement Grant funds, Counties are required to develop a five-year Highway and Bridge Improvement Plan, hereinafter referred to as Plan; and

WHEREAS, Kingsbury County has utilized the South Dakota Department of Transportation, County Staff, the First District Association of Local Governments, Townships, and the general public in developing the various components of the Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Plan includes maps and lists identifying an inventory of highways and bridges, project needs, and revenue sources; and

WHEREAS, Kingsbury County held a public meeting on September 22, 2020 to solicit input into the Plan, and the citizens who attended expressed an interest in the Plan; and

WHEREAS, the County will be able to use the Plan as a tool to budget for transportation enhancements and better coordinate transportation issues with other entities;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE KINGSBURY COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS THAT THE KINGSBURY COUNTY FIVE-YEAR HIGHWAY AND BRIDGE IMPROVEMENT PLAN IS HEREBY ADOPTED AND IS RECOGNIZED AS THE HIGHWAY AND BRIDGE IMPROVEMENT PLAN FOR KINGSBURY COUNTY.

Dated at Kingsbury, South Dakota this September 22, 2020.

Jensen moved and Nelson seconded to accept Resolution 2020-24 and the Kingsbury County Five Year Highway and Bridge Improvement Plan. All present voting via roll call: Walls - aye, Wolkow - aye, Nelson - aye, Jensen - aye, Spilde - aye. Motion carried.

PLANNING AND ZONING

Wolkow moved and Spilde seconded to adjourn from regular session and move into Planning and Zoning to review two proposed plats at 9:26 A.M. All present voting aye - 5, nay - 0. Motion carried.

Chairman Walls declared the Board out at 10:00 A.M.

Wolkow moved and Nelson seconded to accept the Plat of Lots 47A & 48A, McMasters Third Subdivision as recommended by the Planning and Zoning Board. All present voting aye - 5, nay - 0, motion carried.

Nelson moved and Spilde seconded to accept the Plat of Tract 1 of Moe's Addition as recommended by the Planning and Zoning Board. All present voting aye - 5, nay - 0. Motion carried.

APPROVE CLAIMS

Spilde 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 229.27 UTILITIES, CENTURYLINK 1523.46 UTILITIES, COOK'S WASTEPAPER & RECYCLING 453.57 UTILITIES, DE SMET CITY 112.72 UTILITIES, KINGSBURY ELECTRIC COOP 391.80 UTILITIES, NORTHWESTERN 49.48 UTILITIES, NORTHWESTERN 23.84 UTILITIES, OTTERTAIL POWER COMPANY 101.67 UTILITIES, OTTERTAIL POWER COMPANY 1656.75 UTILITIES, VERIZON 185.43 UTILITIES,

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Bau met with the Board to discuss various items.

Bau informed the Board Two Way Radio, in Sioux Falls, would be able to sound the tornado siren for the cities of De Smet, Arlington, Erwin, Badger, Hetland, and Lake Thompson State Park. This would eliminate the need to require individuals in these areas to leave their homes and sound the sirens, and Lake Preston, Iroquois and Oldham already participate in the system.

The cost to initiate this ability is \$1,680.00 and the funds are available in the donations from Dakota Access Pipeline.

Jensen moved and Spilde seconded to approve the use of the Dakota Access donation if the E911 funds could not be used for this purpose. All present voting aye - 5, nay - 0, motion carried.

Bau reviewed sections of the Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan with the Board.

Bau reviewed the updates to the County Plan, in particular the Civil Defense Annex.

Nelson moved and Jensen seconded to accept the updates to the County Plan. All present voting aye - 5, nay - 0, motion carried.

Bau reviewed the various program requirements for the year.

DIRECTOR OF EQUALIZATION

Tammy Anderson, Director of Equalization, requested approval for Deputy Director, Maggie Purinton, and herself to travel to Sioux Falls for their District meeting with the Department of Revenue on October 21, 2020.

Jensen moved and Spilde seconded to approve the travel expenses for Anderson and Purinton to attend the District meeting in Sioux Falls. All present voting aye - 5, nay - 0, motion carried.

AUDITOR

Barnard discussed the Covid-19 tax deferral for "Affected Employees" that has become available through a Presidential Memorandum with the Board. After prior discussion with State's Attorney Gregg Gass, no employees of the county have lost hours or pay, and thus would not qualify as "Affected Employees."

It was the consensus of the Board that Kingsbury County employees do not qualify as "Affected Employees" and no motion was made.

Barnard inquired as to any changes needing to be made to the 2021 Budget.

After some discussion, there were no changes made to the 2021 Budget as set forth in the Provisional Budget as published.

Jensen moved and Wolkow seconded to approve the 2021 Budget as is. All present voting aye - 5, nay - 0, motion carried.

G&R CONTROLES - PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE PROPOSAL

Tracy Kerkhove, with G&R Controls, and Travis Sichmeller, with Mettler Sichmeller Engineering, joined the meeting via Zoom. State's Attorney Gass and Lonnie Palmund, Maintenance, joined the meeting.

Palmund reviewed the benefits of the Preventative Maintenance option as discussed in the meeting on September 8, 2020.

Gass stated he had reviewed the proposed contract and suggested a one-year contracts vs. a three-year contract.

Kerkhove explained the cost difference between the one-year and three-year contract options.

Those present requested clarification on the various costs and for that information to be provided to the county for additional review. The matter was tabled until the meeting scheduled for October 6, 2020.

State's Attorney Gass requested to move into Executive Session for possible litigation.

Jensen moved and Nelson seconded to adjourn from regular session and move into Executive Session for possible litigation at 11:44 A.M. All present voting aye - 5, nay - 0. Motion carried.

Wolkow moved and Spilde seconded to adjourn from Executive Session. Chairman Walls declared the Board out at 12:06 P.M.

Barnard inquired if any additional protocols or resolutions needed to be put in place in preparation for re-opening the courthouse on October 5, 2020. None were made.

The Board adjourned to Tuesday, October 6, 2020 at 8:30 A.M.

Roger Walls, Chairman

ATTEST

Jennifer Barnard, County Auditor

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Kingsbury County Highway Department will be accepting bids for hauling of Rip Rap to various locations in Kingsbury County.

Contact Kingsbury County Highway Department at 605 854-3491 for the locations.

Tuesday, November 17, 2020 at 9:00 A.M. in the Courtroom of the Kingsbury County Courthouse, De Smet, SD is the time, date, and place where the bids will be opened.

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ADVERTISEMENT WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS DE SMET, SD

Sealed Bids will be received by the City of De Smet, South Dakota until 2 PM local time on Wednesday, the 18th day of November, 2020 for the above referenced project. Bids shall be prepared and submitted in accordance with the Bidding Documents. The City of De Smet reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all Bids as set forth in the Bidding Documents.

At or shortly after the time named above and within the office of De Smet City Hall, such Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud. Bids will be reviewed by the City Council at a subsequent meeting of the City of DeSmet.

The Project includes the following Work:

- F&I approximately 2685 LF of 6" PVC water main and appurtenances.
- Bore & Jack a 12" steel casing for pipeline crossing railway property.
- F&I 6" PVC water main in 16" Steel casing for pipeline crossing railway property.
- F&I asphalt surfacing and gravel surfacing for restoration of streets and driveways.
- Additional items as set forth in the Contract Documents.

The Work to be performed under this contract shall be substantially completed by August 13, 2021.

Each bid shall be accompanied by a Bid Security as described in the Bidding Documents. The Successful Bidder will be required to provide Payment and Performance Bonds as described in the Bidding Documents.

Bidding Documents may be examined at the locations listed:

City of De Smet Finance Office 218 Calumet Ave. De Smet, SD 57231 Ph: 605-854-3731	Clark Engineering 3314 Milwaukee Ave. NE, Suite 2 Aberdeen, SD 57401 Ph: 605-225-3494	Clark Engineering 1410 W. Russell St. Sioux Falls, SD 57104 Ph: 605-331-2505
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The Bidding Documents may also be examined at the following locations: Aberdeen, SD Builders Exchange; Rapid City, SD Builders Exchange; Sioux Falls, SD Builders Exchange; Plains Builders Exchange, Sioux Falls, SD; Dodge Data & Analytics, Hot Springs, AR; Construction Plans Exchange of Bismarck-Mandan, Bismarck, ND; or Construction Plans Exchange of Fargo-Moorhead, Fargo, ND.

An electronic copy of the Plans and Specifications on a compact disc may be obtained from the Aberdeen office of Clark Engineering Corporation upon payment of \$40.00 to Clark Engineering for shipping and handling or

Plans and Specifications may be downloaded from the <http://www.clark-docs.com> web site upon a payment of \$20.00. A printed 11" x 17" size set of Plans and Specifications may be obtained from the Aberdeen office of Clark Engineering Corporation upon payment of \$100.00 to Clark Engineering for shipping and handling. All payments are non-refundable. Upon request, one copy of Plans and Specifications shall be furnished, without charge, to each Contractor resident in South Dakota who intends, in good faith, to bid upon the project.

Bidders shall comply with the Equal Opportunity Clause published at 41 CFR Part 60 and Executive Orders 11246, 11518, and 11625, as amended. This requires Bidders will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin. Requirements are explained further in the specifications.

Bidders on this work shall be required to comply with Title 40 CFR 33 and Executive Order 12138. The requirements for Bidders and Contractors under this regulation which concerns utilization of Disadvantaged/Minority Business Enterprises (DBE/MBE) and Women's Business Enterprises (WBE) are explained in the specifications. The DBE/MBE and WBE goals for participation in this contract in terms of percentage of contract value are as follows:

Disadvantaged/Minority Business Enterprises	1%
Women's Business Enterprises	4%

Davis-Bacon and Related Acts wages apply to this project in its entirety. All provisions relative to those acts must be met.

The low responsive bidder will be required to certify to compliance with the **American Iron and Steel** provision of the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2014. This certification form may be found on page AIS-21 and 22 of the State Revolving Fund (SRF) General Conditions and must be included in the bid proposal.

Please be advised that waivers or exemptions from the **American Iron and Steel** provision that cite International Trade Agreements **DO NOT** comply with the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2014 as it applies to the SRF programs. Claims from suppliers that the **American Iron and Steel** provision does not apply to certain products based on the International Trade Agreement exemptions of the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2014 will not be accepted.

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Tracey Larson, Finance Officer

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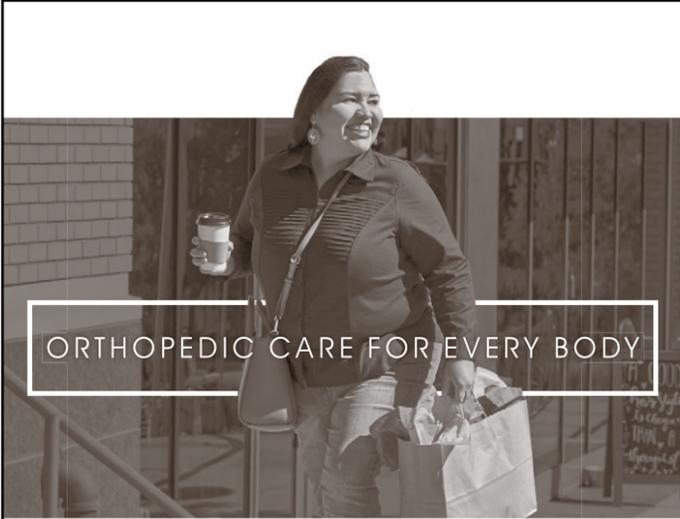
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SPORTS

FROM BACK PAGE

no more than 12 schools. If girls' wrestling is included in the tournament, it will be limited to 24 participants.

"We hope that allows those schools with small roster sizes to continue to compete," Swartos said.

GYMNASTICS

In gymnastics, the mandatory rules call for competitors' gym bags to include a reusable cloth face covering; grips, wristbands and any braces used in practice; hand sanitizer; disinfectant wipes; athletic tape; a personal water bottle; shoes; and a gallon freezer bag with chalk for personal use. Everything in the bag is to be disinfected after every practice.

VOLLEYBALL

FROM BACK PAGE

DE SMET 0 - HITCHCOCK-TULARE 3

Set scores were 16-25, 7-25 and 21-25. Stats were not available for this game.

DE SMET 3 - LAKE PRESTON 0

The De Smet Lady Bulldogs won the first round of the Region 3B volleyball tournament Monday against Lake Preston at De Smet. Set scores were 25-22, 25-11 and 25-16.

For De Smet, Kennadi Buchholz served 13/14 with one ace, hit 30/35 with 17 kills and had three blocks. Cori Birkel hit 14/16 and had three blocks.

Emma Albrecht served 14/14 with two aces, set 32/32 with 12 assists and had 12 digs. Ella Poppinga had 10 digs and Katelyn Halverson set 22/22 with nine assists.



De Smet goes up for a spike against the Divers during the first round of districts. (Photo by Kristi Curd)

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Back to school — fishing in the fall



OUTDOORS
JIM GIRARD

THE TEMPS HAVE STARTED TO DROP, the days are getting shorter, the feeling of fall is in the air, school is in session, and I love it! School for me doesn't mean a new pair of bright white sneakers and a bag of books; it means a bucket full of minnows and some new jigs! The perch are starting to school up, and this is one of my favorite bites of the year.

Perch are funny fish. At times, they'll bite on anything; other times they really need to be finessed with the smallest lures. Catching perch while trolling crankbaits is fun and a great tactic to locate active schools, but my favorite way to catch them is to anchor and vertically jig or slip bobber fish. That is why I love to perch fish in the fall.

The most effective way to find perch is to use your boat's sonar and to scan high probability areas before ever dropping a line. I can cruise through areas at 5 to 10 mph and watch for marks on the bottom. This fall, I've been finding perch (along with walleyes and white bass) in 12 to 16 feet of water. Currently, the perch have been roaming flats and haven't been relating to structure or weed lines. Perch schools like to feed on those flats, eating bugs, worms and other invertebrates that they can stir up in the mud.

Perch feeding on small critters are much more likely to bite on a down-sized presentation than a crankbait. Fishing on the flats usually means small minnows, pieces of crawlers or even wax worms or spikes. A small jigging spoon with a drop chain tipped with a minnow head or spike is a great setup to target basin perch.

When I get into an area with a lot of marks on the sonar, I will jig and move the boat (anchored with the



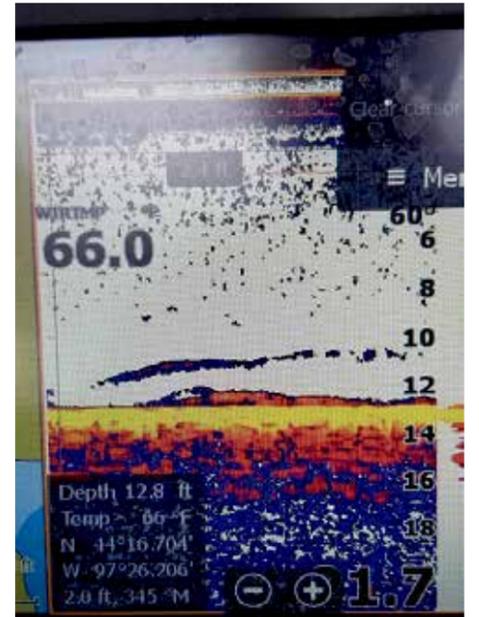
Not a lot of South Dakota lakes have big bluegills, but when they do, it isn't uncommon to catch gills and perch together. Emily Bruns nabbed this big 'gill while jigging for perch. (Photo by Jim Girard)

electric trolling motor) until the bottom shows a lot of activity. Once I find a school, I like to drop a slip bobber with a plain hook. Watching two bobbers is too boring for me. I need to be actively jigging and only watch one bobber. Really, feeling the taps on a perch bite and setting the hook is almost therapy for the soul.

My favorite advancement to perch fishing is that I rarely drop a real anchor any longer. I've got a Motor-guide electric trolling motor that allows me to "anchor" on a spot. If the fish move, I can just hit a button on the remote to move over 10 or 15 feet and try to find the school again. Most times, I don't carry a real anchor in my boat. One of my favorite places to fish is Lake Thompson, and I can store a handful of anchor points in an

area and jump from one to the next as the fish move around. It saves a ton of time (and work) as compared to a traditional anchor.

Another great piece of tech for fishing a basin is side imaging. I had a tough time convincing myself to spend the money, then I went for a few seasons not really using it be-



Jackpot! This is going to be my first anchor spot when looking for perch. If you see this on our sonar, it is a great place to stop and vertical jig. (Photo by Jim Girard)

cause I didn't know how to properly adjust the settings to get a good view. Now, I've got it. I have the brightness and contrast adjusted and the transducer properly placed to clearly see what is on the bottom of the lake. Schools of perch look like pieces of rice on the screen. I can easily drop a waypoint and anchor on top of them. A wonderful thing, I just have to make them bite.

Every angler needs to find a school before winterizing their boat. As the water cools off, the perch are starting to school up, and the walleyes are moving shallower. Take advantage of the short lines at the boat launch and get your fishing in before you need an ice auger! A lot of guys transition to hunting this time of year; the jet skis are off the lake, so now is the perfect time to get out and find some fish.

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Sports + Recreation

SPORTS UPDATE

Winter sports face virus-related rule changes

BY DANA HESS

For the S.D. Newspaper Association

PIERRE — Figuring out how to allow athletes to compete in a close contact sport, like wrestling, during a pandemic was just one of the challenges faced by the South Dakota High School Activities Association board of directors at its meeting Wednesday, Nov. 4.

“Wrestling is going to give me ulcers and turn my hair gray,” according to SDHSAA Executive Director Daniel Swartos who explained the recommended rule changes for winter sports. “In general, it involves items surrounding the event and not the event itself.

Working from guidelines offered by a 29-member task force of educators and medical professionals, the board approved rule changes for wrestling, gymnastics and basketball.

The 22-page document detailing the recommendations of the task force can be found on the association’s website at sdhsaa.com.

In the task force recommendation, sports were judged as high risk or moderate risk. Basketball and gymnastics are moderate risk sports and wrestling was deemed high risk.

In its recommendation, the task force offered mandatory, optional and impermissible rule modifications. Mandatory rule changes must be followed, optional rule changes may be used by school districts and impermissible items are not allowed by SDHSAA rule.

All mandatory rules call for social distancing whenever possible and team benches reserved for players only.

Among the mandatory rules for each sport is a notification of exposure: “In the event a competitor tests positive for COVID, schools shall



In general, COVID rule changes for winter sports involve items surrounding the contests, not the contests themselves. Above, Emma Albrecht from De Smet (left), and Ava Malone from Lake Preston compete on the hardwood. Below, Alec Dobson wrestles for the Kingsbury Knights last year. (Photos by Donna Palmlund & Angie Gilligan)



notify the school of any competitors of the positive individual during the previous 48 hours and inform them of the positive test and exposure. Participants who test positive are expected to be forthright in the close contact investigation and inform those completing the investigation of close contact with teammates and people on opposing teams.”

BASKETBALL

Basketball mandatory rules state that there will be no pre-game meeting between officials and team captains and no post-game handshakes. Officials will be at least six feet from a player on throw-ins. Basketballs used in the game will be sanitized and not used in warm-ups.

WRESTLING

One of the mandatory rules for wrestling calls for developing “pods” in which athletes and coaches interact only in that group.

“The intent is to have common practice partners,” Swartos said, to help ensure precise contact tracing. He said coaches, if they go from pod to pod, should instruct wrestlers verbally rather than physically demonstrate moves with the wrestlers.

Referees will no longer perform skin checks or grooming checks, leaving that assignment to athletic trainers or school nurses. Headgear must be cleaned between each match with no tape allowed on the headgear.

Swartos said the idea of not allowing wrestling tournaments was considered, but eventually rejected. Schools with small wrestling rosters would find it hard to find opponents for duals, Swartos said.

The recommendation for wrestling tournaments is to limit them to a maximum of 112 participants from See **SPORTS**, page 26

BULLDOG VOLLEYBALL

Volleyball season is in the books

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The De Smet Lady Bulldogs finished their volleyball season Nov. 2 with a loss to Hitchcock-Tulare at Hitchcock in the second round of the Region 3B tournament. The Lady Bulldogs defeated the Lake Preston Lady Divers in round one of the regions.

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LOOK WHAT I CAUGHT

Take advantage of the sunshine

When the weatherman says 70's and calm, it makes sense to head to the river for what might be the last trip of the year. Jim Girard (left) met up with his dad, Greg Girard, and Jackie Christiansen in Chamberlain for a day of walleye fishing. The weather and fishing were both amazing! Take advantage of the nice weather when it comes. We'll be shoveling snow sooner than later. (Photo by Jackie Christiansen)

On the hunt?

We'd love to see photos of your deer, pheasant, goose or duck along with any trophies. Submit to jim@kingsburyjournal.com

