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SERVICE

Local veterans overwhelmed by Honor Flight

Three county vets get red carpet treatment in D.C. and Sioux Falls

BY DAVE FIELDS
Kingsbury Journal

Three Kingsbury County veterans participated in the latest Midwest Honor Flight on Wed., Jun.5, the 20th such trip sponsored by the organization. All three, Jim Hulbert of Iroquois, Del Trebil of De Smet and Jim Eykamp of Oldham, could not say enough about how meaningful the trip was, especially the support and gratitude shown by people they saw both in Washington, D.C., and upon their return to Sioux Falls.

Each veteran had a family member accompany them on the trip as their "Guardian." Hulbert's Guardian was his daughter Joni Larsen from Aberdeen; Trebil's was his granddaughter Becki Baker of Fulton, and Eykamp's Guardian was his daughter Jenny Vincent of De Smet.

The veterans and their Guardians met at 3:30 a.m. to catch a bus to the Sioux Falls airport, where they boarded a plane that took off at 5:30 a.m. for the roughly 2.5-hour flight to D.C.

While there, they spent the entire day visiting those memorials dedicated to honor the service and sacrifices of themselves and their fellow veterans. One of the stops was The Tomb of the Unknown Soldier at Arlington National Cemetery, where they had front-row spots to witness the Changing of the Guard.

Hulbert, who served in the Army from 1970-71, said that groups of school-aged children on field trips to Washington D.C. greeted them at the monuments, cheering for them and thanking them for their service. This outpouring of gratitude and recognition was amazing and overwhelming.

Trebil, who served in the Navy from 1946-47 and in the Inactive Reserves for eight years after that, said that the whole trip ran like a well-oiled machine. He was very impressed with the organization and scheduling of everything and

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Rain, rain ... come again another day!
Water was over the road near Esmond, with many areas in the county receiving six inches or more of rain over the last week. (Submitted photo)

De Smet man faces charges

BY KINGSBURY JOURNAL STAFF

A De Smet man is facing charges following a shooting.

The Kingsbury County Sheriff's Department responded to a shooting incident near De Smet on June 22, 2024.

Twenty-eight-year-old Dayton Robert Trujillo of De Smet was arrested without incident. There was no danger to the public.

Court documents indicate Trujillo has been charged with Aggravated Assault - Deadly Weapon following the incident. The charge is a Class 3 felony and carries a maximum sentence of 15 years

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COUNTY COMMISSION

Home construction site gets green light

BY AMY HALVERSON
Kingsbury Journal

The Kingsbury County Board of County Commissioners held a meeting at the Kingsbury County Courthouse at 8:30 a.m. on Tues., June 18.

Most of the meeting was spent with the commissioners meeting with the department heads to discuss and determine their annual budgets for the next fiscal year, but they also spent a good deal of time in Board of Adjustment, discussing a conditional use permit for Dale Brandreit of Arlington.

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT REQUEST

Joe Jensen, Planning and Zoning Officer, informed the commissioners that he had a Condition Use Permit (CUP) application from Dale Brandreit, who was present at the meeting. The CUP was for an area west of Arlington on land outside of the city limits zoned commercial that he would like to build homes on to sell.

Jensen stated that the application met all the qualifications required for a CUP, including the requirement of notifying all adjoining landowners by certified mail of the application and hearing.

The commissioners asked Brandreit to tell them more about what it was he was planning to do on the property.

Brandreit stated the property was located on the corner of 453rd and Highway 14. He has owned the property for a long time, and he has decided to start using the property to build homes on blocks like Cashway does.

The commissioners asked how many homes would be located on the property at any given time; Brandreit replied that he plans on only having two homes on the property at most.

Brandreit stated he has been working in construction for 30 years. He lives on the gravel road south of the location, so he does not want the location to look bad.

He plans to start out by building a spec home on the location for people to see what it is he does and give them something to look at when they want to purchase a home.

When the commissioners opened the floor for proponents or opponents, Andy Siek voiced his concerns as an opponent to Brandreit's CUP.

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imprisonment in a state correctional facility. In addition, a fine of thirty thousand dollars may be imposed.

Cash bond was set at $7,500. Trujillo's bond was posted, and records indicate he was released.

Trujillo is scheduled for an initial appearance in Kingsbury County Court on July 8.

The victim was not identified by authorities, and condition is not known at this time.

NEWS BRIEFS

The battle (of the burger) is almost over

Kingsbury County's Burger Battle, sponsored by American Bank & Trust, ends on June 30. Be sure to vote by 8 p.m. at the participating locations.

COURT NEWS

The money collected on a $117.50 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, $11 to the 911 Telecommunicator Training Fund, $6 to the Court Appointed Attorney & Public Defender Fund, $5 to the Victim's Compensation Fund, $2 to the Court Appointed Special Advocates Fund and $1 to the Abused and Neglected Child Defense Fund.

ERIC SOWERS, Badger, 85 in a 65 mile per hour zone, fined $157.50.

RANDALL NELSON, Arlington, violations of safety requirements, fined $182.50.

JASON BALLENGER, Sioux Falls, 20 in a 15 mile per hour zone, fined $112.50.

TA HTOO, Huron, 40 in a 35 mile per hour zone, fined $97.50.

AMBER HESSE, Lake Preston, 25 in a 20 mile per hour zone, fined $97.50.

JACOB HOFER, Fullerton, N.D., 60 in a 55 mile per hour zone, fined $97.50.





OPPORTUNITY

Couple dives into chance to see Olympic Swim Trials

BY KINGSBURY JOURNAL STAFF

When Al and Deb Vedvei boarded the airplane to attend the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association Finance Corporation Annual Meeting in Indianapolis, Ind., they thought they were going to be there for a few days of classes and the annual meeting and then head home. What they didn't plan on doing was attending the United States Olympic Swim Trials.

When the Vedveis arrived in Indianapolis, the first thing they saw was Lucas Oil Stadium, home of the Indianapolis Colts, as their hotel was right next door. They next noticed signs all over about the US Olympic Swim Trials currently being held there. It did not take them long to see several swimmers walking around in their hotel; they even rode in the elevator with two of them.

Al, on the East River Electric board, went to the National Annual Meeting to attend classes and the Annual Meeting. He attended two classes on Advanced Equity Management, the annual meeting, and both he and Deb got to listen to many inspirational speakers, including Willie Robertson from Duck Dynasty, Kansas State Men's Basketball Coach Bill Self and political analysts, including Bret Baier, David Axelrod and Karl Rove.

When they had some free time, the Vedveis went to the convention center, also known as the Aqua Zone. At the Aqua Zone, they were able to play games, get free shirts, purchase souvenirs and attain signatures from swimmers competing at the Olympic Trials or past Olympians.

The Vedveis were able to get signatures of two past Olympians, Brenden Hansen and Lindsay Benko Mintenko, and one Olympic hopeful. Hansen is a six-time Olympic medalist and a former world record holder in the 100-meter and 200-meter breaststroke. Benko Mintenko is a two-time Olympian, taking a gold medal in the freestyle relay in the 2000 and 2004 Summer Olympics.

"The athletes in the Aqua Zone were very accommodating and happy to hand out their signatures," said Al. "People were having them sign their swim caps or t-shirts, and if you didn't have anything specific for them to sign, they had a whole pile of photos of themselves they were more than happy to sign for us."

ATTENDING OLYMPIC SWIM TRIALS

After spending an evening in the Aqua Zone, Al looked at Deb and said, "When are we ever going to have this opportunity to attend something like this again?"

So, the Vedveis purchased tickets and attended an evening session. The Vedveis have two grandchildren, Paisley and Camden Olson, who swim competitively and had their grandparents on the lookout for some of their favorite swimmers during the races.

The Vedveis were able to sit on the second level in Lucas Oil Stadium and were amazed to see how the stadium went from a football field to a 10-lane, Olympic size swimming pool. They were curious to learn just how the transformation took place.

According to the Indianapolis Star, an 8.2-foot-deep pool was built over the football field to hold two million gallons of water. The pool deck covered an entire acre, which included 12 rows of the normal stadium seating. It took three weeks to build two pools, a 50-meter pool used for competition and a 25-meter warm-up pool.

The pools were built by taking up the turf and removing the goalposts. Plywood was then put down; the pool walls were built, and they laid down a thick liner of synthetic rubber at the bottom. Water was pumped into the pools from a fire hydrant.

One of the Vedvei's favorite parts of the night was the opening ceremony. They also enjoyed the introductions before every race. Watching every swimmer announced before each race as they headed to their assigned lane was something to see.

Besides the crazy atmosphere of being at an Olympic Trial, the other thing the Vedveis really enjoyed was after a final's race, when the winners knew they had just qualified for the Olympics.

The winners came out of the pool, their names were announced, and they were taken to a backdrop for an interview with a past Olympian. They were then raised on a podium, received their medals and flowers, and each winner would say, "I am a 2024 Olympian going to Paris."

The Vedveis enjoyed watching many good athletes compete.

"It was fun to watch Katie Ledecky and Lilly King, both potential gold medalists, swim," said Al, "and to see so many past Olympians like Dara Torres, a 12-time Olympic medalist and former world-record holder in three events.

"Attending the US Olympic Swim Trials was an amazing experience," he said. "To see the athletes when they were announced is something we will never forget, and the professionalism with how the meet was run was incredible - just an incredible experience."

The Vedveis also commented on the motivation that was present in the stadium, not just for the athletes going to the Olympics but also for those who didn't make it. Everyone was supportive and encouraging.

Once the Vedveis got home, they watched some of the swim trials on television, seeing some of the things that they had seen in person only a few days prior. However, they said what you see on TV is only a fraction of what you get to see while in attendance.

When asked if they ever got the opportunity to attend an Olympic Trials again, would they go?

"Without a doubt," said Al. "The view might be closer up on the TV, but the atmosphere of being there in person is simply amazing."

COMMISSION: Part-time Deputy Auditor position to be added to staffing

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Siek stated he is a property owner next to the property in question and has a list of concerns and questions regarding the proposed CUP Brandreit is requesting.

Siek's main concerns ware centered around the potential noise and trash that could come with a permanent construction site next door to his property. Although Siek doesn't currently live at the location, he plans on building a home on the property next door soon.

Siek asked that a vegetative screen of some sort be placed on the property to help with noise and to stop any trash from blowing across to his property. He also asked for work to be done during set hours.

The commissioners had Siek and Brandreit step out and have a discussion to see if they could come up with an agreement with each other.

After a short time, the two came to an agreement, and the commissioners were able to pass the CUP with the addition of a vegetative screen added.

OTHER BUSINESS

• The results of the post-election audit for the June 4 primary election, after manually counting the races, matched the election tabulator count and county canvas with 100% accuracy. The county was audited by a five-person board on the US Presidential and the SD House District 8 races in Iroquois and Lake Preston Precincts.

• Lonny Palmlund, Courthouse Maintenance, asked for and was given approval to purchase an Unger Hydropower Ultra for washing the Courthouse windows for $1,146.

• Palmlund will be getting estimates on the parking lot for striping since it has been five years since it has been done and should be done every five years. This should help to show people not to park on the new sidewalk. The commission board also requested changing two spots in the north parking lot to handicapped.

• Cindy Bau, Emergency Management, asked the commissioners if they could get a recumbent bike for the exercise room in the basement. They are typically $4700 or more, but they found one in town that they could get for $1500. The commissioners approved Bau's request to get the bike.

• The Vermillion Basin Water Development District asked to appoint a commissioner as a temporary board member, and Chairman Lee volunteered to fill the temporary position.

• Echo Steffensen, Auditor, and Natalie Remund, Human Resource Consultant, requested to hire a part-time Deputy Auditor for 20-24 hours per week at $17/hour. The commissioners approved the request to begin advertising for the position.

FLIGHT: Vets honored in D.C.

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said the entire process was "perfect" from start to finish. South Dakota's Congressional Representative Dusty Johnson and Senator John Thune came out to visit with them and pose for pictures in Washington, D.C.

Eykamp, who served in the Army from 1972-75, was overwhelmed by the support of the people they saw in D.C. as well. He also mentioned they do a "mail call" on the return flight to Sioux Falls, where they get to open and read letters from family members as well as people from across the country. The letters include thank you cards and even colored pictures.

All three men said that the absolute highlight of the trip was the welcome home they received upon their return to Sioux Falls later that night. After landing and boarding buses to take them back to the Denny Sanford Premier Center, they were accompanied by "Rolling Thunder" motorcyclists.

The buses drove them right into the building, where hundreds of family members, neighbors, friends and members of the general public cheered and shouted their appreciation. The experience was overwhelming and left many of the veterans and their guardians with tears in their eyes.



All the Midwest Honor Flight #20 veterans and their Guardians pose together in front of The Memorial Amphitheater at Arlington National Cemetery in Washington, D.C. (Submitted Photo)

The Midwest Honor Flights are completely free for the veterans, and the Guardians pay their own way. The organization is always looking for more veterans to sign up for their waitlist, as well as people willing to tag along as Guardians.

For more information or to get on the waitlist, visit https://www.midwesthonorflight.org/.

Voices

"Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble and to petition the Government for a redress of grievance."

FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE U.S. CONSTITUTION

This week's weather

Monday, June 17, 2024
High 70, Low 53, Rain 0.83"
Tuesday, June 18, 2024
High 80, Low 58
Wednesday, June 19, 2024
High 70, Low 49, Rain 0.06"
Thursday, June 20, 2024
High 65, Low 53, Rain 1.58"
Friday, June 21, 2024
High 70, Low 58, Rain 0.78"
Saturday, June 22, 2024
High 77, Low 64, Rain 0.65"
Sunday, June 23, 2024
High 82, Low 58

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PHOTO OF THE WEEK



Running for a good cause

This year's 5K color run/walk sponsored by Darin's Legacy took place on June 22. Darin's Legacy is a charity established by the Bornitz family of Carthage in memory of the late Darin Bornitz, a young man who was a sports enthusiast.

Proceeds from these events go to sponsor sports opportunities for young people. This year, $850 was raised for the Howard softball team.

The day also included a bean bag tournament, held in the auditorium.

The Bornitz family, who recently installed a disc golf course at the park using funds from last year's event, had to cancel the plans for the first ever disc golf tournament because of flooding in the city park.

Almost 50 runners completed the 5K, running or walking much of the way in the rain.

Raygan Sherman and her mother, Kimberly (Bornitz) Sherman, ran into some color powder and rain during the 5K. Raygan finished first among the youth runners and was fifth overall. (Photo by Donna Palmlund)

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Keeping South Dakota agriculture on offense



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KRISTI NOEM

FARMERS ARE SOME of the biggest gamblers I know.

They go to a bank, borrow money to buy land and borrow more money to buy equipment. They go back and get an operating note so they can buy seed, fertilizer and chemical.

Then, they bury it all in the dirt. They pray that it might rain, that something might grow, and that they'll have something to sell so they can pay back those loans.

If we didn't have people willing to make that gamble, families across the country and around the world wouldn't have food to put on the table.

Their work is not easy. We have so much appreciation for our ag producers.

Agriculture is South Dakota's most important industry for good reason. We feed the world. We have more cows-per-person than any state. I am tremendously proud of that fact. About 95% of South Dakota farms are still family-owned and operated. Agriculture contributes more than $32 billion to our state's economy, which is about 30% of our economic output.

When ag prospers, South Dakota prospers; when droughts hit or markets slide, everyone feels that, too.

Thankfully, South Dakota's economy is booming, but we are not leaving ag behind in all this growth. The Governor's Office of Economic Development has identified Precision Ag and Value-Added Ag as key sectors of our economy to grow and develop. Our dairy industry is one of South Dakota's fastest-growing economic engines.

With new food production coming in, like the state-of-the-art Asian food production plant that Schwans is building in Sioux Falls, we are not slowing down.

With all the growth we have seen, it is vital that we keep farmers farming. My team is constantly focusing on ag's growth – asking questions like what's the next opportunity, the next innovation, the next risk to take?

We want to keep South Dakota ag on offense. To do that, I'm happy to play defense wherever necessary.

Attacks on ag are coming from both within and outside of our nation. The Biden Administration seems determined to put as much red tape and regulations in our producers' ways as possible. I have testified against such regulations in front of Congress, and I am working to challenge whatever unconstitutional regulations the Biden Administration puts in our way.

We decided, a long time ago, it is important that we grow our own food in this country – that we have a diverse, safe food supply that provides for our people. So, we are defending South Dakota ag from undue foreign influence.

This past legislative session, I signed legislation to protect South Dakota ag land from being purchased by six "evil foreign governments" and their agents. The Chinese Communist Party has increased their holdings of American ag land by more than 5000% in the last 10 years.

These Communist dictators are not our friends. They are not our allies. They should not be our neighbors.

My dad always told me, "Kristi, God's not making any more land." In a lot of ways, our land is our most precious asset, and we should encourage one another to be visionary about protecting our farms. We shouldn't be selling that asset to nations that hate us, and now, we have the laws in place to stop that from happening.

Ag is important to our economy and to the future of our nation. South Dakota will continue to focus on how to keep ag growing and thriving for the future.





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"Fathers , do not exasperate your children, instead bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord."

Ephesians 6:4

Arlington

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BADGER LUTHERAN CHURCH, Worship 9 a.m., Sunday School at 10 a.m. Sermons shared on Facebook

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Carthage

TRINITY LUTHERAN, Worship at 8 a.m.

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De Smet

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DE SMET COMMUNITY CHURCH, Church at 9:30 a.m.

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SPIRIT LAKE PRESBYTERIAN, Worship at 10:30 a.m., listen on 88.1 FM. or Facebook. Rev. Dick Poppen speaks at 9:35 a.m. on KWAT radio.

ST. THOMAS AQUINAS CATHOLIC CHURCH, Sunday Mass at 10:30 a.m., Friday at 9:00 a.m.

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Erwin

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST, Worship at 10 a.m. at Legion first Sunday of month

Esmond

ESMOND UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, Sunday service at 9 a.m.

Iroquois

TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, Sunday School at 10 a.m., Worship at 11 a.m. See Facebook page

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Lake Preston

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LAKE PRESTON LUTHERAN CHURCH, Worship at 9:00 a.m, Services streamed on Facebook

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Obituaries

TAMMY FOSTER



Tammy Foster, age 52, of Watertown, S.D., passed away on Fri., June 21, 2024, at Avera McKenna Hospital in Sioux Falls, S.D. Prayer Service will be at 7 p.m. on Fri., June 28, 2024, at Crawford-Osthus Funeral Chapel in Watertown. Pastor Steve Biswell will officiate.

Visitation will be from 5–7 p.m. at Crawford-Osthus Funeral Chapel in Watertown on Friday.

Tammy was born on May 25, 1972, to Alvin and Judy Nicholson in De Smet, S.D. A proud graduate of De Smet High School in 1990, Tammy carried her passion for education to South Dakota State University (SDSU), where she furthered her studies and prepared for a life of meaningful work and contribution.

On May 28, 1994, Tammy was united in marriage to Jeffrey Foster, whom she met while working in De Smet. Professionally, Tammy was known for her friendly demeanor and creative flair, which she brought to every endeavor. Jeff and Tammy owned Express Photo in Watertown for 18 years. In 2007, they purchased Woody's Sports Bar in Watertown. Tammy took great pride in her photography business and enjoyed capturing important memories for so many people. She spent many years at Woody's Sports Bar, where her infectious smile and warm personality made her a favorite among patrons and colleagues alike.

Beyond her professional life, Tammy was deeply involved in her community, always willing to lend a helping hand or a listening ear. Her compassionate nature was evident in the way she cared for her two beloved cats, Koko and Kelly, and in her interactions with everyone she met.

Tammy's legacy is carried on by her cherished step-children, Jordan Foster, St. Louis Park, Minn., and Kelsi (Brandon) Houge, Watertown, S.D.; two step-grandchildren, Emma and Bennett Houge; mother-in-law, Jeanette Foster, Estelline, S.D.; brother-in-law, Todd (Jolynn) Foster, Brookings, S.D.; sister-in-law, Carla (Tom) Clarke, Estelline, S.D.; significant other, Chad Struss, Watertown, S.D.; aunt, Betty (Jerry) Ellingson, Lake Preston, S.D., and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

Tammy was preceded in death by her husband, Jeff; her parents, Alvin and Judy Nicholson and her father-in-law, Ron Foster.

Arrangements by Crawford-Osthus Funeral Chapel www.crawfordosthus.com Watertown, Hayti, De Smet, Bryant, Arlington, Lake Preston, Oldham.

PAID OBITUARY

Elizabeth (Betty) Marken

Elizabeth (Betty) Adell Marken, age 82, of Erwin, passed away peacefully surrounded by her family in the early morning of Mon., June 24, 2024.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p..m..on Sat., June 29, 2024, at Lake Preston Lutheran Church in Lake Preston, S.D. Reverend Marjie Brewton will officiate with music provided by Lynne Brown as organist. Active pallbearers will be Rod Bell, Tim Steffensen, Dale Virchow, Rodney Olson, Glenn Blommel and Wilson Rodriguez. Honorary pallbearers will be the Chit & Chat Club and Betty's granddaughters, Macie Blommel and Maddie Rodriguez. The service will be live-streamed and recorded via the Crawford-Osthus website.

Burial at De Smet Cemetery following the service.

Visitation will be held from 5-7 p.m. on Fri., June 28, 2024, at Lake Preston Lutheran Church in Lake Preston,, S.D.

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Janelle Kay Smith

Janelle Kay Smith, age 65, of Pierre, S.D., passed away at her residence on Mon., June 24, 2024.

Memorial services will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Fri., June 28, 2024, at American Lutheran Church in De Smet, S.D. Pastor Nate Bendorf will officiate with music provided by Lindsay Nolte as pianist. The active urnbearer will be Garret Smith with honorary pallbearers being Janelle's family and her past and present After-Work Crew. The service will be livestreamed and recorded via the Crawford-Osthus website.

Burial at De Smet Cemetery following the service.

Visitation will be held from 5-7 p.m. on Thurs., June 27, 2024, at American Lutheran Church in De Smet, S.D.

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IRENE PETERSEN



Irene Petersen joined her Savior on June 23, 2024, at the Good Samaritan Society in De Smet, S.D., while surrounded by her family and friends who sat by her side, praying with her and sharing memories with each other.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. on Sat., June 29, 2024, at American Lutheran Church in De Smet, S.D. Pastor Nate Bendorf will officiate with music provided by Lindsay Nolte as pianist. Active pallbearers will be Monty Petersen, Chris Petersen, Darrin VanMeter, Justin Petersen, Jason Petersen and Josh Petersen. Honorary pallbearers will be Melissa Oelfke, Monica McGovern, Rachel Wade, Emily Sutton, Mallory Petersen, Meredith Feia, Cortney Selland, Casey Hjelm and Danielle Thornton. The service will be livestreamed via the Crawford-Osthus website.

Burial at West Bethany Cemetery immediately following the service.

Visitation will be held from 5-7 p.m. on Fri., June 28, 2024, at American Lutheran Church in De Smet, S.D.

The family requests donations be made in Irene's memory to West Bethany Cemetery and West Bethany Church in lieu of flowers.

Irene was born to Milford and Etta Mae (Standiford) Knutson on July 28, 1936, in Hughes County, S.D. She grew up in a farming family with her two sisters, Doris and Karen. During her childhood, Irene learned how to take care of the garden, cook and can produce from the garden.

Irene married her high school sweetheart, Mayland Petersen, on June 13, 1954, at West Bethany Church in Erwin, S.D. Together, they had five children whom they instilled the ethics of responsibility and hard work on the farm – a character trait that was naturally passed on to their grandchildren as well.

When all of her children were in school, Irene was hired to cook for the Carthage school. After her husband became sick, she resigned from the school to care for him and was offered a position at the Good Samaritan Society in De Smet, where she spent 26 years providing compassionate and enriching care to the elders in the community. Those who were fortunate to work with Irene recall being constantly involved in supporting the residents in a variety of activities – she always kept them busy.

Irene had a variety of hobbies. She enjoyed sewing quilts for the Lutheran World Relief, making quilts for each of her grandchildren's high school graduations, embroidering baby blankets for each of her great-grandchildren, crocheting and playing card games and board games. However, her favorite pastime was attending the activities of her children and grandchildren.

Irene enjoyed cooking for others. Her children and grandchildren still talk of her goulash and macaroni salad. If you asked her for a recipe, you quickly found out she rarely followed one.

Irene accepted Christ into her life around age 12 and spoke regularly about God's hand at work throughout her life. She did not believe in luck and explained in her writings that God is always at our side and always has his hand in our lives. She served on the church council and was instrumental in securing a new location for the West Bethany Church.

Diagnosed with asthma as a child, Irene told of an experience during an asthma attack where she feared each breath would be her last. She explained that when she woke the next morning, she knew God was real. As an adult, Irene saw God's hand again in her life when she had the opportunity to receive treatment for her asthma, causing it to go into remission.

Irene clearly saw God's hand at work in her life on the farm. She spoke of worries about dry weather, poor crops and low milk prices being frequent. In time, God provided Irene and Mayland with the jobs and homes that they needed. During Mayland's illness, Irene saw him outlive doctors' predictions, where he was able to see his children get married and meet several of his grandchildren. She explained that these years were not easy, but her family grew closer; their faith in Christ grew stronger.

Much of Irene's life was spent as a caregiver to many. Her children, nieces, nephews, husband, parents, grandchildren, local youth in the community and elders in the nursing home were blessed with her ability to provide support with compassion and dignity. Many who knew Irene spoke of her positive attitude, patience and constant desire to help people. Even in her last days, she was still providing gentle guidance to her grandchildren, coupled with an appropriate amount of firmness.

Irene is survived by her five children, Randy (Barb) Petersen, Rodney (Garnet) Petersen, Ross (Dawn) Petersen, Ryan (Lori) Petersen and Robyn (Todd) VanMeter; her 15 grandchildren, Melissa (Tory) Olefke, Monty Petersen, Monica (Clint) McGovern, Rachel (Keith) Wade, Emily Sutton, Mallory Petersen, Meredith (Andrew) Fiea, Justin (Suzy) Petersen, Jason Petersen, Josh (Sarah) Petersen, Chris (Holly) Petersen, Cortney (Matt) Selland, Casey (Joe) Hjelm, Danielle (Ryan) Thornton and Darrin VanMeter. Irene's legacy also lives on through her 25 great-grandchildren who brought her immense joy and another opportunity to make a baby quilt. Irene is also survived by her sister, Karen (Roger) Pavlis and sister-in-law, Deloris (Leslie) Ellingson.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Mayland; parents, Milford and Etta Mae Knutson and sister, Doris Sager.

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PAID OBITUARY

Sweet dreams and sewing machines



LEAVING A TRAIL

DEANN (WOLKOW) KRUEMPEL

"THERE'S A NICE breeze today, good for drying. Let's get the bedding washed."

Mom pulled back the blankets on each bed and untucked the sheets, gathering them into a big round bundle. My job was to get the pillowcases. I grabbed the closed end, held it by the corners and jerked up and down until the inside plopped to the floor.

Every pillow I uncovered that day was pretty much the same. Soft and squishy. I picked one up to toss it back on the bed, and the top flopped over. Most were encased in heavy fabric of dark blue and white stripes. The pillows on my bed had alternating stripes of light blue and tiny green vines with pink flowers interspersed.

Everyone in our family slept on feather pillows. The pillows were homemade, most likely gifts from Mom's sister. Aunt Julia raised geese, and in those days, nothing was wasted; geese provided much more than Tiny Tim's Christmas dinner!

Only once do I remember Mom making feather pillows. I watched as she sat before her Singer sewing machine. She had bought special fabric for the pillows, pillow ticking.

"It's stronger and heavier than regular cotton," she explained, as she sewed around the edges of the softly striped rectangle. "We don't want any feathers poking us while we sleep."

When she had stitched three sides, she turned the casing right side out and snapped it flat like she did with towels before she hung them on the clothesline.

"Come help me fill it with feathers."

Out in the entry that we called a porch was stashed a stuffed flour sack we had brought home from our last visit to Julia's. I held the empty ticking bag open while Mom scooped in small white feathers and silky down. Tiny parachutes of fluff flew up and around us, tickling our noses and sticking in our hair. Mom told me that Julia only used goose feathers; she thought those made the best pillows. Soon the new case held the right amount of feathers. Mom folded the edges in on the feather-filled wrap.

"Bring me the pin cushion. I need to pin it shut, or we'll have feathers all over the place."

Mother sewed the end of that pillow shut twice. Guess she didn't want to take any chances of goose feathers taking flight.

Growing up, we took simple feather pillows for granted. Little did we know that in history, there slumbers a story of this soft, snooze-time friend. In fact, what ancient societies used for pillows would give us nightmares.

The first pillow likely originated in Mesopotamia around 7,000 B.C. Get this. It was made of stone. Its purpose: to raise the head off the ground so that insects and other critters did not crawl into the slumbering soul's hair, mouth and ears. Those ancient civilizations believed the stone pillow also provided the best support for the head. Memory Foam, beat that! However, carved stone was expensive, so only the rich rested on rocks.

A few thousand years later, the Ancient Greeks and Romans are believed to have invented filled pillows using wool, straw or feathers, but only the wealthy could afford pillows filled with feathers.

The new inventions vastly improved prospects for sweet dreams. They were also far better for pillow fights.

Not one to let sleeping dogs lie, a foreign inventor came up with the medicinal pillow. This silken headrest encased various herbs and claimed to improve hearing, keep the eyes sharp, return gray hair to original color, regrow lost teeth and cure disease.

Where is this pillow when we need it?

A set of feather pillows was Aunt Julia's traditional wedding gift. Only the soft tummy feathers and a few from the back met the Goldilocks standard - just right. No sharp shafts allowed.

I could not rest until I found out how many geese it took to provide enough feathers and down to stuff a pillow. More than one source stated that it took 25 to 35 geese to get enough feathers for one pillow.

Still, nothing beats easing one's head into the luxury of a fluffy feather pillow. It's like hugging a cloud, which makes me think I should have hugged Aunt Julia a lot more!

READ MORE STORIES

Get more stories of growing up on the farm! "Putting On the Big Boots," "Back to Forward" and "Once Upon a Midwest Sunset," compilations of the stories from the author's columns, along with her historical fiction "Promises to Keep" series, are available on Amazon. All make excellent gifts! Contact her at deannkruempelauthor@gmail.com

Clean up that grill, then try this Italian chicken



HOME GROWN

AMY HALVERSON

IF YOUR GO-TO method of cooking during the summer is grilling, it's important to make sure your grill is ready to work by having it properly cleaned.

The more debris on a grill, the harder it is for hot air to move around inside, which keeps the grill from heating up quickly and cooking evenly.

Depending on how often you use your grill, aim to clean it once to twice a month. Experts say a good rule of thumb is for every five to seven cooks, clean your grill. You should clean the grates of your grill immediately after every use, while the grill is still hot.

If you don't have time to soak your grill grates in water, the best way to clean them is to pre-heat the grill and use a ball of aluminum foil to scrub the grates clean of any buildup. Use tongs to hold the foil, so you don't risk burning your hands.

A benefit of a gas grill is that there are no ashes to clean up, but gas grills tend to get much greasier. Use a scrub brush and a few drops of dish soap in a bucket of hot water to thoroughly clean the interior of the grill. Rinse well with water and dry with a towel.

Remove the ashes from a charcoal grill after every cook. If you don't, they will absorb the grease and drippings while you cook, and it will build up in the bottom of the grill. Use a small shovel and bucket to remove the ashes and then clean the interior with soapy water.

Keep your grill clean for longer by following these maintenance tips:

- Clean the grill grates every time you grill
- Remove ashes and old charcoal from a charcoal grill before each use to prevent buildup
- Empty the catch pan or tray of a gas grill and any debris to prevent fires or overflow
- Use a grill cover to keep your appliance protected from the elements
- Clean your grill-cleaning tools after each use

Here's a quick and easy recipe for Italian chicken that you can cook on the grill any night. Enjoy!

GRILLED ITALIAN CHICKEN

1 (16 ounce) bottle Italian-style salad dressing
1 teaspoon garlic powder
1 teaspoon salt
4 skinless, boneless chicken breast halves

Whisk salad dressing, garlic powder and salt together in a shallow baking dish; add chicken breasts and turn to coat. Cover the dish with plastic wrap and marinade in the refrigerator, 4 hours to overnight.

Preheat an outdoor grill for high heat and lightly oil the grate. Remove chicken from marinade and shake off excess; discard remaining marinade.

Cook chicken on the preheated grill until no longer pink in the center and juices run clear, about 7 to 8 minutes on each side. An instant-read thermometer inserted into the center should read at least 165 degrees Fahrenheit.







Lake Preston

MENUS

60s-plus meals

The Lake Preston Café is available for dine-in and take out. Please call (605) 847-4605 to be added to the list.

THURSDAY, JUNE 27: Hamburger/ Bun, Au Gratin Potatoes, Vegetable, Fruit

FRIDAY, JUNE 28: Chef Salad w/ Dressing, Protein, Vegetables, Crackers, Fruit

MONDAY, JULY 1: Closed

TUESDAY, JULY 2: Closed

WEDNESDAY, JULY 3: Closed

NEWS BRIEFS

Volunteers wanted

Volunteers are asked to help put up and take down the annual Fourth of July Avenue of Flags at the City Park and at the Lake Preston Cemetery. Meet at the City Park at 7 a.m. and retire the Avenue of Flags at 5:30 p.m.

Oldham news

Oldham residents are excited about a new addition close to town, hoping to bring in new faces and business. Outback Campground, seasonal sites and storage, is now available north of Oldham. If interested in fishing in the Lake Preston-Oldham areas, contact them at (605) 203-3211 or (605) 203-0426.

July 2: Library Board meeting, 9 a.m.

July 16: Oldham Legion Auxiliary meeting

Oldham Museum: First and third Sunday each month this summer, 2-4 p.m. Come and enjoy the town's history.

Mark your calendars - "Oldham Potato Days," Aug. 9-11. More information to follow.

COMMUNITY

Lake Preston Forward excited for future

BY DAR DEKNIKKER
Kingsbury Journal

The membership of Lake Preston Forward met and voted to change their logo. It will no longer be LP Chamber - 4 Lakes Forward.

A NEW OUTLOOK

The group is very passionate about promoting and advertising their lakes. LP Forward's goal is to keep Lake Preston's beautiful park and campground, along with the four surrounding lakes, very visible to the community and outdoor enthusiasts. Moving forward on this new outlook, they are excited about presenting their new logo soon. The group is very thankful for the help with the design from Stacey (McMasters) Bebo with Max Media.

FLAMINGOS

Flamingos are still in circulation for residents of Lake Preston, so keep watch. The money raised goes to the Kingsbury County Cancer Walk.

PROMOTING YARD CLEAN-UP

LP Forward has come up with a new idea to help promote clean yards in town through "Yard of the Month." One or two of the members will be looking around town, choosing those that are well kept and placing a sign in someone's beautiful yard, which will be featured in the Kingsbury Journal. This group is hopeful this will encourage residents to take pride in their yards' appearance.

FAMILY FUN NIGHT

Brenda Klug and Jasper Bolin are heading up Fun Family Night. Since the theme is "Water," they encourage parents to bring an extra set of dry clothes for their children. The event will be during the BBQ on June 29 in the park. Bring family, lawn chairs and appetites.

TOWN AND COUNTRY DAYS

A new event this year is the Car Cruise "Car Hop." On Sat., July 20 from 6:30-8:30 p.m., bring your "pride and joy" out for a cruise. Music, food and ice cream available, and best dressed costume of the 50s or another era will win a prize.

FUTURE MEETINGS

Join in to be a part of things happening in the community.

There is no meeting in July due to Town and Country Days. The next group meeting is Aug. 19.

VACATION

Summer Bible Camp held in Badger

BY DAR DEKNIKKER
Kingsbury Journal

Vacation Bible School (VBS) at Badger Lutheran Church was held June 10-12, with 18 children, ages 4-12, attending.

Tasha Rolsma, Ashlyn Lemme and Pastor Brian Ricke were teachers. Audra Wilson was the music and craft leader. Joan Nelson, Renae Doescher, Christine Hussak and Donna Rolsma were assistants. Haley Wilson, Shelby Fonder, Joan and Paul Nelson and Chris Holland all provided snacks for the week.

The theme was Celebrate the Savior. During lessons, the birth of Jesus, Jesus healing a man who couldn't walk, the feeding of 5,000, the death and resurrection of Jesus and the road to Emmaus were explored.

Each day, the youth engaged in singing, crafts, games and lessons. The final day together was made extra special as Chris and Curt Holland welcomed all to their home to make s'mores and end the day with water wars. The children performed the songs they learned at VBS the following Sunday during the worship service.

A huge thank you to all the volunteers who made this week possible and successful.



Eighteen children attended the Badger Lutheran Church bible camp last week. (Submitted photo)

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Lake Preston

LOOKING BACK

1949: Trick rollerskating dancing a show in itself

10 YEARS AGO
June 25, 2014

Rodney Anderson was selected June 22 as the American Legion of South Dakota Legionnaire of the Year at the convention in Pierre. Out of nearly 21,000 members in the state, one legionnaire is selected each year for this honor. Anderson is a 43-year life member of the Porter L. Rich Post 63.

"Anderson has been one of the mentors of the post for many years, and he continues to be the one we lean on when we have questions," said **Dave Gutzmer.** "Through his efforts and mentoring, our Post has turned in 100% of our membership goal, and we have exceeded our goal for the last four years."

This is the second year in a row that a member of Post 63 has been awarded this honor; last year, it was **Bruce Beckman**.

John Schmidt, son of **David** and the late **Dawn Schmidt,** was selected with four other high school students to be a 2014 Sanford Program for the Midwest Initiative in Science Exploration PROMISE scholar.

The PROMISE program offers students the chance to complete research projects in labs during the summer between their junior and senior years at Sanford Research. Students receive hands-on training in biomedical techniques and ethics and develop projects that will impact research conducted in their mentor's lab.

25 YEARS AGO
June 24, 1999

Christopher Zeeck, son of **Merrill and Carol Zeeck**, will receive the rank of Eagle Scout in a court of honor this Sunday. Zeeck got involved in Cub Scouts in 1988, Boy Scouts from 1992-96 in Lake Preston and then in Brookings since then.

His project involved a Boy Scout display for the Lake Preston Museum, which chronicles scouting history and pays tribute to his grandfather, **Loyal Zeeck**. Loyal was involved in scouting for many years serving as both assistant and head scout master. Christopher joins five others from Lake Preston earning the highest degree.



TEN YEARS AGO: Motorcycles and ATVs lined the streets of Lake Preston during the "Riding with Tony" poker run, which began at the New Horizon Lounge. More than 410 poker hands were sold at the benefit.

Corrie Vedvei, daughter of **Alan and Deb Vedvei** and a recent Lake Preston High School graduate, is among 15 high school female athletes who received the Elite 15 Award at the Girls and Women in Sports Leadership banquet in Sioux Falls. The award recognizes athletes with the highest achievements in the area of athletic ability, leadership, scholarship and community involvement.

Jonathan Olson, the son of **Ray and Joan Olson,** is a recipient of a Schwan's Academic scholarship, a Southwest State Leadership scholarship, at the Foundation Distinguished Student and Academic Enhancement awards at Southwest State University in Marshall, Minn. Olson plans to begin courses at SSU this fall as a computer science major.

5O YEARS AGO
June 27, 1974

Seven LPHS athletes participated in winter athletics at South Dakota State University this week including instructional staff, high-school and college-level coaches as well as collegiate, and in the case of basketball, professional stars. The attendees were **Mark Koch, Mayo Muser, Mike Gates, Steve Salter, Dale Martin**, **Paul Casper and Darin Gullickson.**

Several area couples are celebrating their 50th anniversary this month (2024).

Susan Wienk, daughter of **Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Wienk,** and **Kenneth Dale Everson**, son of **Mr. and Mrs. Dale Everson,** were married June 9. **Barbara Thomas,** daughter of **Mr. and Mrs. Merrill Thomas,** wed **Philip Robinson,** son of **Mr. and Mrs Martin Robinson of Redfield** on June 15. **Dixie Doyle,** daughter of **Mr. and Mrs. Joe Doyle,** and **Allen Wilde,** son of **Mr. and Mrs. Richard Wilde,** were married June 14.

75 YEARS AGO
June 26, 1949

Beck & Walters Colored Minstrel Company entertained in the opera house on Monday evening to a good audience. The company carries 18 people and has a good band that attracted attention at 5 and 7 o 'clock. The street concerts and the program seemed to please. It was clean and well balanced with music and new jokes.

The trick rollerskating dancing was a whole show in itself. The orchestra carried by the company played for a dance following the concert, and quite a crowd remained for that part of the program.

100 YEARS AGO
June 23, 1924

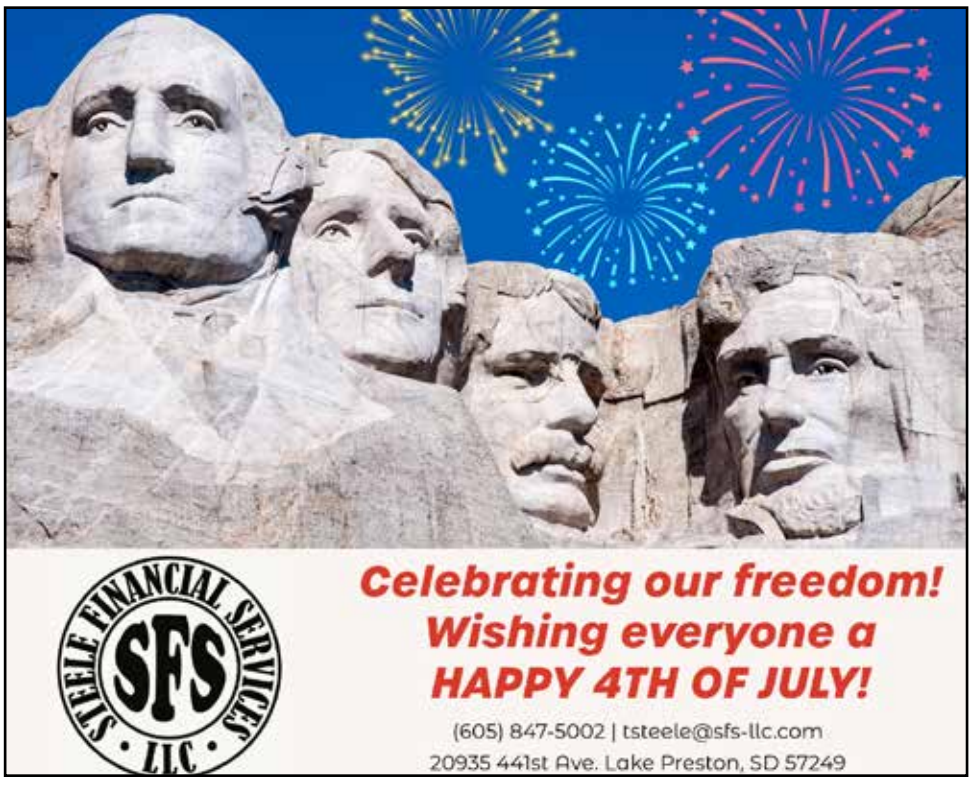
Lake Preston is to have some new sidewalks.

The city council met with Mayor **Gordon Maxam** on Monday evening and approved resolution #127, which provides for the construction of concrete sidewalks throughout the city this summer wherever needed.

The North Star chapter #46 Order of Eastern Star celebrated its 50th anniversary on June 13.

Gambles advertised a Coronado refrigerator for $204.95.







De Smet

MENUS

60s-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, JUNE 27: Pasta w/Meat Sauce, Vegetable, Fruit, Dessert, Bun

FRIDAY, JUNE 28: Taco Salad w/ Lettuce, Tomato, etc., Fruit, Dessert, Bun

MONDAY, JULY 1: Swedish Meatballs, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Fruit, Bun

TUESDAY, JULY 2: Tater Tot Casserole, Vegetable, Fruit, Bread

WEDNESDAY, JULY 3: Chef Salad w/protein, Vegetables, Cheese, Carrots, Fruit, Crackers

NEWS BRIEF

Fireworks set

The annual Fourth of July fireworks display will begin at dusk on Thurs., July 4, near the city shop at the northwest corner of De Smet. Rain date will be July 5.

Post 138 will be putting up the parade of flags on July 4 at 7 a.m. and taking them down at 5 p.m. Any help is appreciated.

Bryant Cinema
June 28: Summer Camp (PG-13)
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July 12: Despicable Me (PG)
July 19:Twisters (PG-13)
July 26: Twisters (PG-13)
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LIW PAGEANT

Pageant script explores more of the LIW story

BY DONNA PALMLUND
Kingsbury Journal

This years' Laura Ingalls Wilder Pageant, "Prairie Girl, Laura's Dakota Stories" includes insight into Wilder's writing process.

This year's script, written by Snookie Stoddard, takes place during the same time period as Wilder's book, "By the Shores of Silver Lake." And the performance includes a backstory. Actors playing an older Wilder and her daughter Rose, who edited her mother's writings, will be on stage throughout every scene. Viewers will see Laura and Rose working on the manuscript and learn why they may have decided to leave certain people and events in, and why other things were left out, along with some embellishments.

A public event, "On the Page and Stage," is planned July 12-13 to celebrate the new script and recognize writers, historians and researchers who help make the sharing of South Dakota heritage, including the history of the Ingalls family, possible. Events include a poetry workshop for all ages on July 12, and presentations and book signings on July 13 by various authors and researchers. Watch the paper for more information about these opportunities.

The pageant takes place July 5,6,7, 12,13,14, and 19,20 and 21 at the pageant grounds east of De Smet. The gates open at 6 pm and the performance begins at 8 p.m. Wagon rides and face painting are available prior to each performance, and there will be live music prior to each performance. Concessions will also be available. A free community night, aka dress-rehearsal, is planned for 8 p.m. July 3.

The prairie nights can get cool after the sun goes down, Be sure to bring a jacket or blanket. Lawn chairs are welcome, but bench seating is also available.

BOOK REVIEW

Little House actor tells story in 'Prairie Man'

BY AMY HALVERSON
Kingsbury Journal

Dean Butler has released a memoir called "Prairie Man: My Little House Life & Beyond," which was released on June 25 to help celebrate the 50th anniversary of "Little House on the Prairie."

I was surprised and thrilled when I received an advanced reader's edition of Butler's book at the newspaper office a couple weeks ago.

As a long-time "Little House" fan and girl who grew up having a crush on Almanzo, it was exciting to be one of the first to read his book.

PRAIRIE MAN

Dean Butler is not only a talented actor, producer and director, but he, proven by this book, is a talented writer as well. It doesn't take long before Butler has you hooked and unable to put down the book until you reach the end of his story.

If you are a fan of "Little House on the Prairie," it is a definite must-read as Butler shares so much insight on how the show came to be, the various actors then and now, some shocking revelations about what went on behind the scenes and stories of what went on during the filming of the show.

If you aren't a fan of "Little House," which I'm struggling to imagine, but just in case, this book isn't just about the Little House show. It's about so much more.

Butler shares all about his life in his memoir, and his acting career as Almanzo in "Little House" is only a small portion of his story.

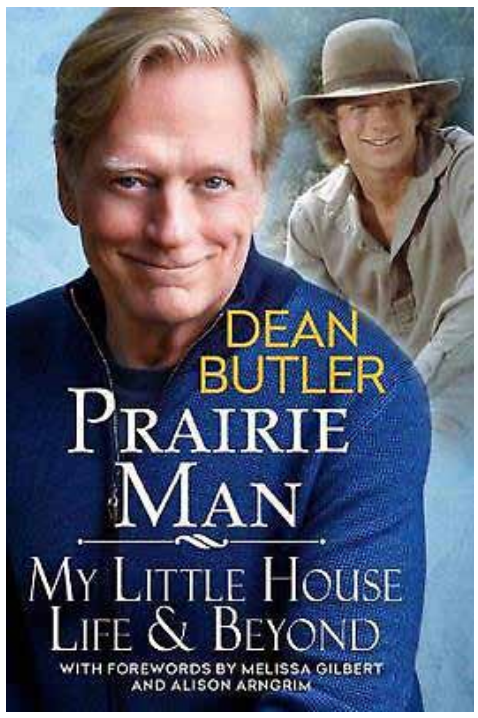
Butler tells about growing up as an awkward teenager, his troubled relationship with his father and how he struggled to get into acting while attending the University of Pacific in Stockton, Calif.

He gives a candid account of his career as an actor in all his roles from his first movie "Forever" to his time on Broadway in "Into the Woods."

Butler then shares how he transitioned from acting to behind the scenes in directing and producing from documentaries over 10 seasons of David Feherty's talk show on NBC's Golf Channel.

Butler also shares honest and, at times, not so favorable accounts of his relationships over the years.

Whether you are a fan of "Little House," of Dean Butler, or are just looking for a good book to read over the summer, I would suggest you pick up "Prairie Man."



Dean Butler's new book "Prairie Man: My Little House Life & Beyond" was released on June 25, 2024. (Submitted Photo)



On the Page & Stage
Writing Laura's History July 12 & 13
Celebrates our new script, *Prairie Girl: Laura's Dakota Stories*!
Presentations by historians and award-winning authors!
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Meet nine local writers and authors of novels, guidebooks, childrens' books, history, Chicken Soup for the Soul series, cookbooks and more.
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De Smet

DAYS GONE BY

1999: Ninety-three teams play in 3-on-3 tourney

10 YEARS AGO
June 25, 2014

South Dakota's Office of Highway Safety reminds drivers that a statewide ban on texting while driving takes effect on July 1.

"Texting while driving, like other forms of distracted driving, has always been unsafe and a bad idea," said **Lee Axdahl**, Director of the Office of Highway Safety.

Several people involved with Dakotaland Federal Credit Union, the De Smet Development Corporation and the building project were on hand June 14 when ground was broken for the new DCFU building on the corner of Highways 14 and 25.

25 YEARS AGO
June 23, 1999

Al and Katie Siver don't want a cattle feed yard adjacent to their mobile home court in the north part of De Smet. So, the city council has ordered an investigation into whether **Dick Halverson** can run cattle on land he recently purchased.

Council members also discussed what to do with people who don't mow or maintain their lots. If someone doesn't keep their lawn mowed, the city will mow and charge the owner $100 against his taxes.

However, several lot owners seem to ignore warnings from the city, and council members next month will discuss specifics on how a lot must be maintained.

Mayor **Mark Hoek** was upset by the entire discussion.

"If people own a lot, they need to maintain it, sell it or give it to charity. But they've got to mow it," he said. "We've got more important things to do than warn these people to mow their damn lots."

Ninety-three teams came to De Smet on June 19 for the 3-on-3 Back to the Street Basketball Tournament.

It was the first year for a single-day event, and tournament organizer **Patti Ward** said most players like the idea of a one-day tournament.



FIFTY YEARS AGO: Local youth group off to Europe Eleven De Smet youth and their advisor, Lorraine Maguire, leave from Chicago, Thurs., July 4, on a 28-day tour of Europe. The group, which includes Donna Cronkhite, Bill Halverson, LuAnn Klinkel, Cindy Logan, Susan Muser, Bob Pratt, Joann Sorenson, Julie Ward, Cheryl Washburn, Connie Widman and Margene Kracht, will participate in a comparative cultures program sponsored by Educational Services, a subsidiary of The Reader's Digest. The countries they will be visiting and studying are England, France, Austria, Italy and Spain. Some of the highlights are tours of London, Paris, Austrian Alps, Rome, Madrid and Barcelona. The group will return to Sioux Falls by plane on Aug. 1.

50 YEARS AGO
June 26, 1974

The opening performance of The Pageant Saturday evening drew an attendance of 1,200 – exceeding that of previous years, and the Sunday evening crowd numbered 1,400.

Directing the production in her fourth year is **Beverly Wolkow**, pleased with the new location and the space and site it provides.

Approval of the new site came from its accessibility, easily reached from US 14 by two access roads, with two admittance gates, with ample car parking extending the depth of the stage and seating, and with plank and bleacher seating beyond the need either night.

75 YEARS AGO
June 23, 1949

The Arlington girls softball team made it old-home night at Arlington Tuesday evening, when they bombarded De Smet Redbirds 38 to 17 in a runaway game. The locals threw a scare into the Arlington club in the opening three innings by taking the lead, but the winners brought out their heavy artillery and won the contest going away.

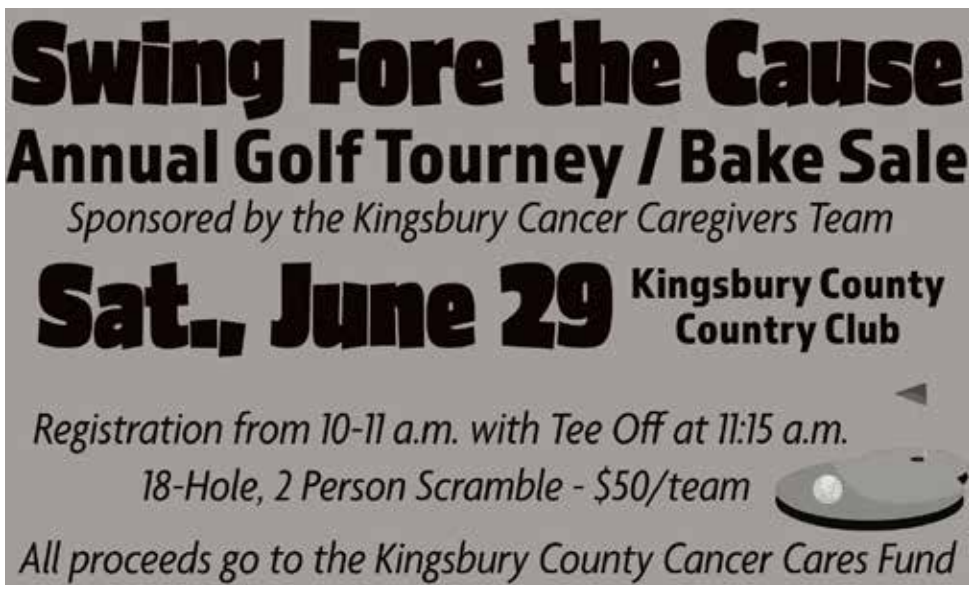
Esther Stubbe and **Mrs. Ralph McNutt** did the hurling while **Marjorie Johnson** caught.

In another game last night, the local girls again were defeated 20 to 5 by the Riverside girls at Huron. **Mrs. Grover Denman** started on the mound but was relieved by **Mrs. Ralph McNutt**. **Doris Madsen** was behind the plate.

Mr. and Mrs. Olaf Skyberg left on a vacation trip to Hartford, Conn., Wednesday. They made the trip by plane in 12 hours. While there, they plan to visit the place where their son **Julius George** was killed during the war.

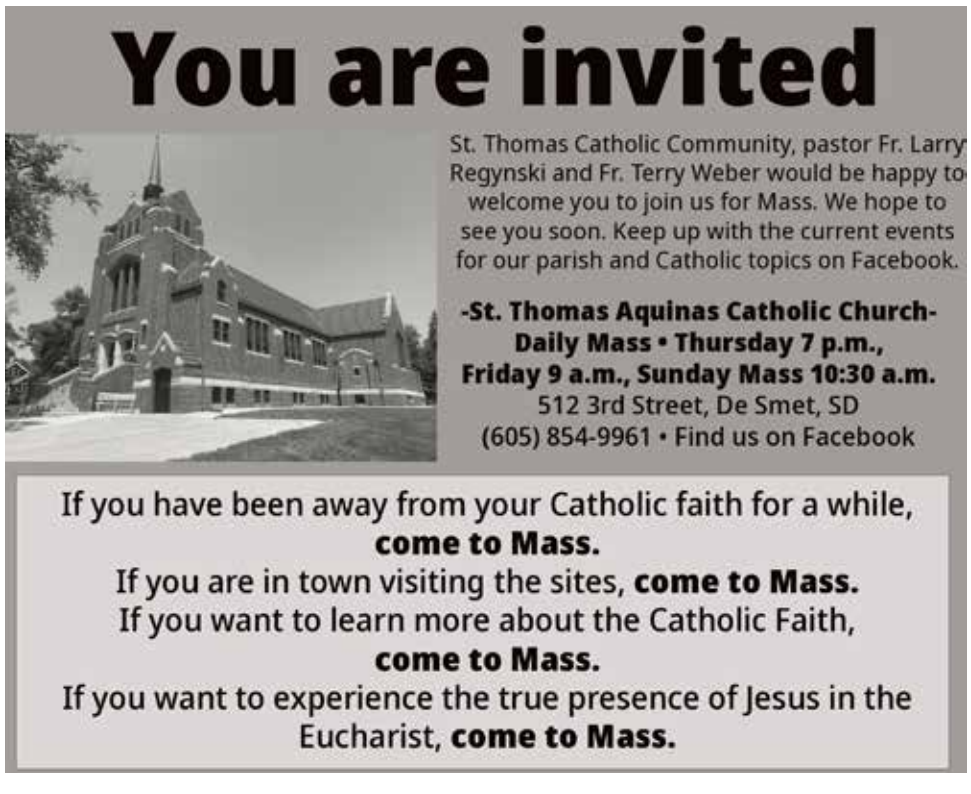
110 YEARS AGO
June 26, 1914

The city has built four refuse burners, locating one in the center of each of Blocks 1, 2, 3 and 4. On the street there are several galvanized iron cans in which paper can be put. Occasionally, these will be emptied into the burners. There is now no excuse for paper being dumped into the streets, and any person who persists in doing so will be interviewed.









SPIRIT LAKE NEWS

Spirit Lake Presbyterian church worship service: Sunday, 10:30 a.m. FM 88.1 Live Facebook. Pastor Dick Poppen speaks on KWAT radio Sunday: 9:35 a.m. Women's Bible Study: Monday, 7 p.m.

PARKVIEW ASSISTED LIVING

Delores Barker had a doctor's appointment in Watertown on Thursday.

Illdena Poppen visited Cork Poppen on Thursday at Good Samaritan Society in De Smet.

Dorothy Haug visited Dorothy Evenson and Illdena Poppen on Friday. Gail Evenson was a visitor of Dorothy Evenson.

Janice Efraimson attended a wedding this weekend.

We have a new resident, Mimi Olson.

Gordon and Chrystal Poppen of Sioux Falls took Illdena to visit Cork on Sunday.

Sherrie Tellinghuisen took her mother Dorothy to Lorraine Warne's birthday party.

Mimi Olson was out with her family on Wednesday.

Janice Stoebner took Illdena to see Cork on Tuesday.

Linda Brown's sister took her out for dinner on Wednesday.

Jayne Jensen visited her mother Myrta Rossel on Wednesday afternoon.

Delmer Tobey's grandson Daron Fedt joined him for dinner on Monday.

We have been getting rain over the entire week – 2+ inches.

— ILLDENA POPPEN

CARTHAGE

Trinity Lutheran Church worship: Sun., June 20, 8 a.m.

Trinity Women of the ELCA met on June 20 at Lorelee Nelson's. Connie Hattervig was hostess. Harriet Hattervig conducted the business meeting and presented the program "Heart Smart." The next meeting will be July 18.

Connie and David Hattervig were in Sioux Falls last Friday. Logan and Danielle hosted a family gathering in honor of Father's Day.

Russ Stroud, Huron, drove his mother Shirley Stroud to Mitchell on Tuesday for a medical appointment.

Did you know? From "Carthage, Gem of the Redstone" by Sally Madison "Tidbits from Early Day History"

The picture of the first tornado taken by the National Weather Service was taken near Carthage on Aug. 28, 1884. It is part of a collection of the National Weather Service and appears on its website. A copy of the tornado picture hangs on the wall of the Campbell Straw Bale Museum.

The Broom Factory in Carthage made brooms from prairie grasses gathered by children in the area.

Water was taken from the creek for the town. Lumberman Ochsner installed a force pump to bring water from Redstone Creek in 1884. Water was stored in a tank, and it was noted that anyone who did not replace the cover on the town tank would be fined.

There is also mention of a spring two and one-half miles northeast of town from which drinking water was obtained. Private wells were being sunk, and cisterns dug.

— LORELEE NELSON

BANCROFT NEWS

How a town grew ... a few short years ago

BY ROSE GROTHE

Retired Reverend Tom Peyton was the speaker at church on June 23, speaking on the "meanest member of the church."

The text was James 3: 1-12, where James was speaking about the tongue, one of the smallest members of our bodies, yet it is used for either good or evil. It cannot be used as both at once but can be used for either separately.

We can go to church, and the tongue is used for good, singing hymns, praising God, offering prayers for the health of a loved one, greeting friends and more. The rest of the week it is used to tell tales about other people, not necessarily true, starting rumors that hurt other people and can be used to commit crimes as well. The tongue is very small but can cause great harm to others, not only by words, but by the tone in which they are uttered.

Everyone has this struggle in life with keeping the tongue to speak only good, and everyone stumbles and falls in the struggle. The good news is that there is One who can help us control this nasty little thing and forgive us when we confess that we cannot keep it under control. No one is exempt, just some much more than others.

Ask the Lord Jesus to help you control this mean member of our body, and He will.

Gayle Grothe was a Tuesday visitor at the home of Rose Grothe.

On Wednesday, Linda Perry and Rose Grothe made a business trip to Madison.

Beverly Geyer visited her 98-year-old aunt, Lois McMillan, in Huron on June 19.

I heard today of some people who have water and sewage in their basements. My heart goes out to them as either of these can cause a lot of damage.

Some roads have been underwater and impassable, so make sure you can get to where you want to go before you start out. Some places in the southern part of the state have reported 16 inches of rain. Wow!

The story is told about two women whose families had lived as very close neighbors for a great many years. The water was covering the bottom floor in both houses, and the ladies were both in the upstairs bedrooms, which faced each other, talking on the telephone.

One says that there is something very funny going on in her line of vision. A white hat is going back and forth in the other's yard. Did she know anything about it?

"Oh! That's my husband," said the first. "He said yesterday that 'come hell or high water,' he was going to mow the yard today, and you know how stubborn he is!"

HOW A TOWN GREW

A few short years ago (1880s), this country was an open country, and settlements here began. It started with a post office, and soon other things were added to it.

Little did the town of Bancroft realize that the railroad that brought it to life one day would also be replaced by those new-fangled horseless carriages. They would begin to take businesses out of town and its people to other places.

It was not always that way. From 1888 until the 1940s, the town did grow. It did so to the point where the population peaked at about 175 people, and no houses could be found to live in. All the houses on Main, Costello and Water Streets were filled, and people were enjoying what they had achieved.

The railroad brought business to town from area communities as can be seen in the following taken from the April 11, 1912, Register: Charles Dawley was here from De Smet on Sunday after two loads of household goods shipped over the Great Northern.

People came from miles around to stay at the Delmonico Hotel and the Aragyle House and to see the shows on the tip of the Agnew store, where magicians performed their tricks or where on a given night a dance would be held.

Down the street at the community hall, silent movies were being shown or perhaps a person simply desired to stay overnight and be off the next day again to go to Huron, Watertown or some other destination easily reached by rail. This is how one town grew.

(Taken from "Bancroft South Dakota 1889-1971" by Gary Lee Jerke)

The best way to stay hitched is to have good horse sense, stable thinking and a bridle on your tongue.

ESMOND NEWS

Esmond Homecoming scheduled for June 30

BY MARLIN CLENDENING

Vicky Aughenbaugh attended the National Day Lily Convention held recently in Oklahoma City, Okla.

Phylis Mann, Vicky Aughenbaugh's mother, recently returned home to Meza, Ariz., after her and her sister Dar's extended stay at the Aughenbaugh's.

Charemon and Annette Dunham attended the South Dakota State American Legion Convention held last Thursday through Sunday in Pierre.

The Bornitz families and the Holtner family of Brandon spent last week preparing for the "Darin Bornitz Legacy" event held Saturday in Carthage. The run with 50+ runners was held in the rain, and the bean bag tournament was held in the Carthage Auditorium; the disc golf course was not useable because of the high water.

Marlin and Jeanette Clendening had dinner with Jeff Clendening and Hannah Wehlander last Wednesday in Mitchell and then attended great-granddaughter Torree Olinger's ballgame held in Wessington Springs that evening.

Marlin Clendening attended the Darin Bornitz Legacy fundraiser last Saturday in Carthage.

Curt, Lori and Rosalie Wehlander spent a few days in Rapid City, visiting Erik and Amy Wehlander. Curt, Lori and Rosalie, along with Roy, Baylee and Abbey Clendening and Nicole Lorenz, attended the play at the Black Hills Playhouse.

Word was received of the passing of Irene Petersen of De Smet; her husband Mayland worked for the Lorenz faming and cattle operation for nine years in the 70s and 80s at Esmond, and their boys and grandchildren return every year for opening day of pheasant hunting at the Clendening farm.

Don't forget the Esmond Homecoming will be held this coming Sun., June 30. Church service at 10:30 a.m. with a catered meal to follow. Everybody is welcome to attend church services or meal or both. You never know whom you may see.

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HISTORY NOTE: 1880'S

It was reported that Old Settler's Day of De Smet was a great success, with people coming from all directions. At about ten that morning a procession that seemed to be a mile in length was seen coming from the west. This was the delegation from Esmond. It was headed by six white horses, drawing a carry all containing 42 ladies, dressed in costume, representing the 42 states of the union. Driving the team was Ross Clendening, and this was entered in the parade that was held that day. Bessie Clendening and Chauncey Hannah were members of the Esmond Wagon Train.

Old Settler's Day continued in De Smet on the 10th of June until De Smet decided to celebrate the weekend before or after the 10th.

1899 – During May, Esmond was planning on holding Old Settler's Day on the 10th of June. Committees were appointed, hoping to have an excursion train coming from Arlington, and then it was called off and hoped to be held later but never found where they ever held it.

IROQUOIS NEWS

1924: Tent packed first night of Chautauqua

June 27, 1884

All interested in organizing a Catholic Church in Iroquois are requested to meet at the law office of **Karl Gerner,** on Sat., July 5 at 2 o'clock p.m.

Dakota Territorial News

A herd of 15 buffalo has been seen in Faulk County. Buffaloe are reported swarming over the ranges west of the Black Hills, and hundreds of cattle are mingled with them. At Cooperstown, 250 tons of buffalo bones are awaiting shipment.

The Canning News says a wolf in that vicinity has killed many colts and young cattle. (Note: Canning is an unincorporated town in Hughes County.)

The Fourth of July will be celebrated at Ordway by laying the corner stone of the new Methodist University. (Note: Ordway, platted in 1881, was the northernmost town on the CNW Railroad line. It was named after the seventh territorial governor **Nehimiah G. Ordway** and had great hopes to become the capitol of Dakota Territory and home of a large Methodist University. Neither transpired. As the railroad continued north, Bismark became the capitol of Dakota and Mitchell became the home to the Methodist University. Ordway is now an unincorporated town located north of Aberdeen.)

Mrs. George Wilcox, living near Clyde Post Office in Kingsbury County, was killed by lightning while standing by the stove preparing the evening meal.

June 25, 1914

Fisher & Greer have disposed of the carload of Studebakers received last week. **F. C. Moore** purchased one of the six-cylinder machines, and **Albert Taschner** of Bancroft bought the four cylinder. **Mr. McCallister** of Manchester took the other six.

The train from the east Sunday night was 10 hours late owing to a cloudburst between Tracy and Winona that washed out a portion of the track.

At the Iroquois Opera House Saturday night, June 27, at 9:30 p.m., **Chas. Miller,** middle weight champion of South Dakota, will wrestle **Karl Hanson** of Pipestone, Minn. Best two in three to a finish. These two men are evenly matched, Miller weighing 158 pounds and Hanson 160 pounds. Come out and witness the match. Admission 50c, ringside 75c, children 25c, and the ladies go free.

A bunch of expert fishermen, consisting of **Jesse Fisher, Ed Emmelius, Frank Richards, Hugo Schultz and J.F. Halladay** left for Big Stone Lake last Saturday morning via the automobile route. They took money enough with them to pay the farmers for pulling their machine out of the mud and also to prepay express charges on the boxes of game fish they expect to ship to their friends.

During the storm Thursday afternoon, **Peter Hanson,** living south of Iroquois, was struck by lightning. Hanson, in company with four others, had taken refuge from the rain in a granary when the building was struck, and he received a portion of the bolt. It struck him in the side and ran down his leg to the floor, burning the flesh but not tearing it any. **Dr. Dickey** attended to him and reports that he will come out all right. The others were stunned but not injured. A number of people in town felt the effects of a stroke of lightning Thursday afternoon during the storm, **Mrs. Madson** being unconscious for a short time from the effects of it.

The voting contest at the Crystal Theater closed last Saturday night with **Miss Lillian Liddle** in the lead with 12,400 votes. With each admission ticket, **Mr. Gaudian** gave a vote ticket on which could be written the contestant's name, the prize being a five-pound box of chocolates.

June 26, 1924

Chautauqua opened Tuesday afternoon with a small attendance due to the threatening weather, but the skies cleared late in the afternoon and a packed tent greeted the evening entertainers. Many were forced to stand during the evening performance.

Delegations were present from Huron, Cavour, Manchester, De Smet, Bancroft, Esmond, Osceola and Carpenter, and nearly 100 cars were parked around the grounds. It was a mightily pleased crowd that left the tent after seeing "Buddies," a real play full of pep and presented by a cast of real actors who put the show over with a whoop. The play abounds in comical situations, the lines are witty and every member of the company adapted to the particular part in which they have been cast.

It was a real treat and far superior to anything in this line. "Buddies" was the opening of a week's program full of good things, all of them so good that the public cannot afford to miss any of them.

A state trap shoot contest was on the first three days of the week at Watertown, gunmen from all over the state shooting for the state championship. The Iroquois Gun Club was represented by **W. L. Jordan, C. E. Greer and Philo Bishop.**

It is a great relief to the eye to glance in the direction of the property formerly used as a blacksmith shop and owned by **Chris Wolfe.** For a long time, the corner lot and the street in front have been piled high with old junk, an unsightly and disgraceful condition. Since the building was vacated, Mr. Wolfe has painted it and slicked up the surroundings, making an improvement that is truly appreciated by everybody having any interest in the appearance of the town.

Recent electrical and windstorms were hard on the telephone companies, poles and wires being torn down, and telephones put out of commission in various parts of the state. Very little trouble was felt in Iroquois, although a few phones were put on the blink.

Tomorrow, De Smet will have a free gala day. This is a continuation of the 10th of June celebration; rain having spoiled the afternoon and evening entertainment on that day. The ball game and races tomorrow will be free, and everybody who attends will be shown a good time.



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OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS KINGSBURY COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
**** UNAPPROVED DRAFT MINUTES****
DE SMET, SOUTH DAKOTA
JUNE 18, 2024

The Kingsbury County Board of County Commissioners met Tuesday, June 18, 2024, at 8:30 A.M. in the Courtroom of the County Courthouse with Commissioners Kyle Lee, Steve Spilde, Roger Walls, Corey Lundquist, and Troy Nelson present. Chairman Lee presided.

Attending via Zoom were Amy Halverson- Kingsbury Journal, Michelle Longville – Treasurer, Tammy Anderson – Director of Equalization, Sheriff Strande and Scott Erstad.

Also in attendance were Gary Schumacher – States Attorney and Natalie Remund – HR Consultant

Chairman Lee called the meeting to order.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
Those present stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA
Chairman Lee asked if there were any additions or changes to the agenda.

Echo Steffensen, Auditor, stated she would provide an update of the post-election audit and the Mid-Dakota Water Resolution with no action needed.

Motion by Spilde and seconded by Nelson to approve the agenda with the addition. All present voting aye. Motion carried.

MINUTES
Chairman Lee asked if there were any corrections to the June 6, 2024 minutes. There were none.

Motion by Lundquist and seconded by Nelson to approve the minutes of June 6, 2024. All present voting aye. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT
Chairman Lee asked for public comment.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST
Chairman Lee asked the Board if there was any conflict of interest. There was none.

APPROVE CLAIMS
Motion by Walls and seconded by Lundquist 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. Motion carried.

ALLEN MCLAUGHLIN 12.43 SUPPLIES, TAMMY ANDERSON 110.00 TRAVEL, CENTURYLINK 222.61 UTILITIES, CENTURYLINK 971.81 UTILITIES, COOK'S WASTEPAPER & RECYCLING 60.50 UTILITIES, GOOD GUYS GARAGE 450.00 REPAIRS/MAINTENANCE, CARYN HOJER 99.96 TRAVEL, CITY OF HURON 3958.26 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES, INFOTECH SOLUTIONS 12643.39 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES/ EQUIPMEN, INTERLAKES COMMUNITY ACTION 541.33 COMMUNITY SERVICE WORKER, KINGSBURY ELECTRIC COOP 339.00 UTILITIES, JENNIFER MALONE 45.00 ELECTION, MICRO COMPUTER SYSTEMS 267.22 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES, NORTHWESTERN ENERGY 74.72 UTILITIES, NORTHWESTERN ENERGY 107.82 UTILITIES, OTTERTAIL POWER COMPANY 102.49 UTILITIES, OTTERTAIL POWER COMPANY 1011.50 UTILITIES, PALMLUND AUTOMOTIVE 617.90 REPAIRS/PROF SERVICES, MAGGIE PURINTUN 110.00 TRAVEL, ERIN RUSHER 168.18 TRAVEL, SANFORD 2100.00 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES, SD DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION 186551.69 STATE REMITTANCE SDN COMMUNICATIONS 917.00 UTILITIES, AMANDA STARNES 157.98 TRAVEL, USPS 120.00 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES, USPS 84.00 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES, USPS 136.00 SUPPLIES, USPS 2720.00 SUPPLIE, WARD'S STORE & BAKERY 20.00 ELECTION,

AUDITOR
Echo Steffensen, Auditor, presented the results of the Post Election Audit for the June 4, 2024 Primary Election. The US Presidential and the SD House District 8 races in Iroquois and Lake Preston Precincts were audited by a five-person board. After manually counting the races, the results of both races matched the election night tabulator count and County canvas with 100% accuracy.

HIGHWAY
Joyce Carlson, David Carlson, and Keith Carlson met with the Board to discuss the Self-Application of Dust Control permit application they had received. They requested further clarification on the necessity of the contract, the liability to the landowner and questioned why the contract was just being put in place.

The Board tabled the matter to July 2, 2024 for further discussion on the contract when Dave Sorenson, Highway Superintendent would be present.

MAINTENANCE
Lonny Palmlund met with the Board to request approval to purchase an Unger Hydropower Ultra for washing the Courthouse windows at a cost of $1,146.00.

Motion by Walls and seconded by Nelson to approve the purchase of an Unger Hydropower Ultra for $1,146.00. All present voting aye. Motion carried.

Palmlund informed the Board he was requesting estimates on parking lot stripping. A discussion was held on some changes that could be made now that the new sidewalk has been completed. It was the consensus of the Board to change two spots in the north parking lot to handicapped.

Palmlund discussed the General Government Building 2025 budget request with the Board.

DIRECTOR OF EQUALIZATION
Tammy Anderson, Director of Equalization, met with the Board to request travel approval to Minnehaha County to attend the July 2024 district meeting.

Motion by Lundquist and seconded by Spilde to approve the travel request. All present voting aye. Motion carried.

Anderson discussed the Director of Equalization 2025 budget request with the Board.

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT
Motion by Spilde and seconded by Nelson to adjourn from regular session and move into Board of Adjustment at 10:05 A.M. All present voting aye. Motion carried.

Chairman Lee declared the Board out of Board of Adjustment and back into regular session at 11:44 A.M.

PLANNING AND ZONING
Joe Jensen, Planning and Zoning Commission, met with the Board to discuss his 2025 Planning and Zoning budget request.

REGISTER OF DEEDS
Caryn Hojer, Register of Deeds, met with the Board to discuss the Register of Deeds, Information Technology and MP & R Fund 2025 budget request.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT
Cindy Bau, Emergency Management, to request approval to buy a used recumbent bike for the County wellness room at a cost of $1500.00.

Motion by Spilde and seconded by Nelson to approve the purchase of a used recumbent bike for $1500.00. All present voting aye. Motion carried.

Bau discussed the 911 and Emergency Management 2025 budget request with the Board.

AUDITOR
Steffensen discussed the Auditor 2025 budget request with the Board.

Steffensen presented a request from the First District Development Company in Watertown to change the Kingsbury County Revolving Loan Fund rule. Per the current Kingsbury County Revolving Loan Fund rule, which was determined in 2007, it is required that one job be created and/or retained per $35,000.00 loaned. First District requested this be updated to 1 job opportunity must be created and/or retained per every $90,000 of Revolving Loan dollars loaned and if the project business is a manufacturer, at least 1 job opportunity must be created and/or retained per every $140,000 of dollars loaned.

Steffensen read the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 2024-11

ACTION OF KINGSBURY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Date: June 18, 2024

The undersigned, all of the commissioners of Kingsbury County, hereby unanimously amend the following requirement of the Kingsbury County Economic Development Revolving Loan Fund:

BE IT RESOLVED that at least one job must be created and/or retained as a result of the project for each $90,000 loaned. If the project business is a manufacturer, at least one job must be created and/or retained as a result of the project for each $140,000 loaned. A manufacturing business is defined as a business with its primary NAICS Code in Sectors 31, 32, and 33 with all its production facilities located in the United States.

This action is taken during a meeting on June 18, 2024, by the unanimous consent of the commissioners.

Motion by Lundquist and seconded by Walls to accept and adopt Resolution 2024-11 and for Chairman Lee to sign the same.

Chairman Lee called for discussion. There was none.

All present voting via roll call. Lee – aye, Walls – aye, Lundquist – aye, Spilde – aye and Nelson – aye. Motion carried.

Steffensen reviewed an email request from Vermillion Basin Water Development District asking for the Board to appoint a commissioner as a temporary Board member. Chairman Lee volunteered to fill this position.

Steffensen along with Natalie Remund, Human Resource Consultant, presented a request to hire a part-time Deputy Auditor for 20-24 hrs. per week at $17.00/hr.

Motion by Walls and seconded by Lundquist to approve the request and to authorize Remund to begin advertising for the position. All present voting aye. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION
Motion by Spilde and seconded by Nelson to adjourn from regular session and move into executive session for personnel at 1:00 P.M. All present voting aye. Motion carried.

Chairman Lee declared the Board back into regular session at 3:01 P.M.

The Board adjourned to Tuesday, July 2, 2024, at 8:30 A.M.

SIGNED _____
Kyle Lee, Chairman
ATTEST _____
Echo Steffensen, County Auditor

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KINGSBURY COUNTY BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT
****UNAPPROVED DRAFT MINUTES****

The Kingsbury County Commission convened acting as the Board of Adjustment on Tuesday, June 18, 2024, at 10:05 A.M. in the Courtroom of the Courthouse in De Smet, South Dakota, for the purpose of considering the Conditional Use application from Dale Brandriet Pursuant to Section 4.02.02.28 Retail sales and trade to build a 64' x 36' house on blocks at the following location:

The East Four Hundred Feet (E 400') of the North Two Hundred Seventeen and Five Tenths Feet (N 217.5') of Government Lot One (1), except Lot H-1 thereof, in the Northeast Quarter (NE1/4) of Section Number Two (2), in Township Number One Hundred Ten (110) North of Range Fifty-Three (53 West of the Fifth Principal Meridian, in Kingsbury County, South Dakota
Board members present were Roger Walls, Kyle Lee, Steve Spilde, Troy Nelson and Corey Lundquist. Also attending was Joe Jensen, Planning and Zoning Officer and Gary Schumacher, States Attorney. Chairman Lee presided.
Others in attendance were Dale Brandriet, Andy Sieck and Jennifer Sieck.
Attending via Zoom were Tammy Anderson – Director of Equalization, Michelle Longville – Treasurer, Amy Halverson – Kingsbury Journal, Sheriff Strande and Scott Erstad.

APPLICANT
Dale Brandriet presented his request to build a home on blocks at the intersection of 453rd Ave and Hwy 14 to be sold and moved. The home(s) would be 1800-2000 sq. ft. Brandriet stated there would be no more than 2 houses on the site at one time.

Chairman Lee opened the hearing and asked for any questions.
The following questions were presented:
Commissioner Spilde questioned how the home would be moved and Commissioner Walls questioned if a road haul agreement would be advisable from both Denver Township and the City of Arlington.
Gary Schumacher, States Attorney, stated a road haul agreement should be required from both.
Chairman Lee closed the questions.

PROPONENTS
Chairman Lee asked for any other proponents.

There were none.
OPPONENTS
Chairman Lee asked for any opponents.

Andy Sieck, the property owner across Highway 14 from the proposed location presented his concerns to the Board.

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Sieck requested the Board require a fence or a vegetation screen to absorb noise and catch trash. Also, that the hours of operation be limited to 8 AM to 5 PM Monday through Friday, 9 AM to 5 PM Saturday and no hours of operation on Sunday.

The Board questioned the setbacks on the highway and if a vegetation screen could be placed within those setbacks.

A short break was taken to allow Commissioner Lundquist to contact the SD DOT and inquire about the setbacks.

Sieck and Brandriet informed the Board after the break that they agreed a vegetation screen would be the best solution.
Lundquist informed the Board the setbacks would allow this.
Chairman Lee asked for any other opponents.
There were none.
Chairman Lee closed the public hearing.

BOARD DISCUSSION
Board members discussed and set a minimum height of 6 feet for the vegetation screen based on safety at the intersection, agreed to the hours of operation request not to include being able to show the home and the required road haul agreements from Denver Township and City of Arlington.

MOTION
Motion by Walls and seconded by Nelsons to accept and approve the Conditional Use Application of Dale Brandriet with the conditions as stated. and for the States Attorney to draft the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law relating to the matter. All present voted via roll call. Lee – aye, Nelson – aye, Spilde – aye, Walls – aye and Lundquist – aye. Motion carried.

The Finding of Facts and Conclusions of Law are available for review at the Kingsbury County Auditor Office.

Motion by Spilde and seconded by Lundquist to leave the Board of Adjustment and return to regular session. Motion carried.

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Kyle Lee

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THE FOLLOWING OFFICES WITH THE KINGSBURY CONSERVATION DISTRICT WILL BECOME VACANT DUE TO EXPIRATION OF THE PRESENT OFFICE:

• Three board positions open for 4-year term each

Individuals interested in contributing to conservation decisions within Kingsbury County are encouraged to apply for the current vacancies on the board. Members are expected to regular attend monthly board meetings and represent Kingsbury Conservations a liaison to the public, amongst other duties. Board positions are open to all residents of Kingsbury County.

Circulating for nominating petitions open January 1, 2024, and petitions may be filled in the office of the county auditor, located in the county court house during regular business hours. If the conservation district lies in more than one county, the petition shall be filed in the office of the Secretary of State, located in the State Capital Building, Pierre, SD 57501, between the hours of 8:00am and 5:00 pm central time.

The dead line for filing nominating petitions is July 1, 2024 at 5pm central time. If a petition is mailed via registered mail by July 1, 2024at 5:00pm central time, it shall be considered filed.

This notice is placed on behalf of Tanya Flegel, District Manager. If interested in applying or have questions regarding vacancy, please contact Kingsbury Conservation District at 605-854-3183.

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**CITY OF LAKE PRESTON
NOTICE OF JOINT PUBLIC HEARING OF THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION AND CITY COUNCIL ON AMENDMENT TO COMPREHENSIVE LAND USE PLAN AND ORDINANCE 466-24, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 397-02, AS AMENDED, THE ZONING ORDINANCE**

Notice is hereby given pursuant to SDCL 11-4 that on the 8th of July, 2024, at 7 o'clock p.m. in the City Hall in the City of Lake Preston, South Dakota, is the time and place when and where all persons interested therein may appear and be heard before the Planning and Zoning Commission and City Council concerning the proposed amending of the comprehensive land use plan and rezoning the real property described as: Lots 26, 27 & 28 Block 2 Original Plat, City of Lake Preston, Kingsbury County, South Dakota. After the public hearing, the Planning and Zoning Commission will submit to the City Council their recommendation as to whether or not the comprehensive land use plan and Ordinance 466-24 should be passed by the City Council. Upon receiving the recommendation of Planning and Zoning Commission the City Council may approve the amendment to the comprehensive land use plan, with or without amendments; and will hold 1st reading of Ordinance 466-24 by title and schedule the 2nd reading date.

The proposed change to the Comprehensive Land Use Plan and Ordinance 466-24 will be made available for public inspection at the City Finance Office during regular business hours. Any persons wishing to present testimony may appear at said hearing or may file written comments with the Finance Officer at 111 3rd St. NE, Lake Preston, 57249 prior to said hearing. (Pursuant to Section 11-6-17, 11-6-24, and 11-6-27 SDCL and amendments there to)

Brenda Klug
Finance Officer
City of Lake Preston

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**REGULAR MEETING OF
LAKE PRESTON CITY COUNCIL
MONDAY JUNE 10TH, 2024**

A regular meeting of the Lake Preston City Council was held at the City Hall on Monday June 10th, 2024 at 7pm. Present were: Mayor Andy Wienk, John McMasters, Donna Bumann, Jodi Hope, Joel Gerleman, Austin Strande, Rick Olson. Also, present Brenda Klug, Brian Zeeck, David Fields from the Kingsbury Journal, Cedric Hay from Banner Associates, Luke Smith, Allen Wilde, Joe Schnell, Linda Iverson, Reid McDaniels.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Wienk at 7:01 pm.

Motion by Bumann, seconded by Hope to approve the agenda. All in favor, motion carried.

Linda Iverson voiced her concern with overnight parking on 4th St., getting signs put in place. The new townhomes along 4th St., have some obnoxious weeds growing. Iverson had gotten a mixture of timelines from the owner, as to when they were going to remedy the situation.

Cedric Hay stated that Banner had prepared a substantial completion certificate for Halme. There are still some punch list items for Halme to complete. Motion by Gerleman, seconded by Bumann to approve Halmes substantial completion certificate. All in favor, motion carried.

Hay presented Rounds Pay request #10. Motion by McMasters, seconded by Jodi to approve Rounds pay request #10 for $330,065.24. Olson abstained. All in favor, motion carried.

Hay discussed the street project on 2nd Street and 5thStreet. The state has allowed us to put a change order of the work into the Phase 2A project as non eligible costs. This helps with them keeping their original costs from Phase 2A bidding. Hay presented pay request #3 for the water tower. Motion by Hope, seconded by Gerleman to approve pay request #3 from Maguire for $101,928.60. All in favor, motion carried.

Hay discussed change order #2 for the Water tower project. Motion by Bumann, seconded by Strande to approve change order #2 for Maguire. All in favor, motion carried.

Phase 2B was briefly discussed, currently they are in the planning stages- storm drain on Fremont Ave S was discussed. Hay explained the 100- and 5-year rain event, how they evaluate it. Wienk inquired about drainage on Minden and 4th N, Halme's plan is to come in and regrade the area. Put in an area inlet off the edge of the road, creating another drainage swale. Joe Schnell, Allen Wilde, Zeeck, and Hay discussed a few separate properties, drainage issues and asphalt lip issues. Hay stated that Halme would be back to get the asphalt lips leveled out with gravel, everywhere that they put the top mat on has the lip.

Motion by McMasters, seconded by Bumann to approve May 6th old regular meeting minutes. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Bumann, seconded by Hope to approve May 6th new regular meeting minutes. All in favor, motion carried.

Bumann stated that the personnel committee had met with the pool staff before opening for the year.

Zeeck stated that he had a note from Doug Bumann, council needs a plan to set some money aside for pool repairs. Council had a brief discussion about the poor floor with Zeeck. Zeeck stated that this is the year for lead and copper testing, he plans to use all the same residents as he did in 2022. The museum concrete is finished-as well as the gutters above the front doors. He is still waiting to hear from Blackburn to get some ideas to help with the water issues at the museum. Pickle ball court equipment has come in. This year they have used double the chemicals for bug spraying. Zeeck stated that Ryne our summer helper is doing a great job. A few new larger trees were planted in the park, Bob Bode volunteered his time to help.

Klug stated that she will be gone this coming week, Marla will be at the office. Klug applied for the West Nile Grant through the state, she did try for $16,000 due to the new sprayer. Plans to hit the Fall and new year funding for the band stand in the park-Deadwood Grant. The first 20 sponsorship signs at the baseball field are ready to be put up, whenever the guys get time. Klug inquired about a resident utilizing the city campground for a weekend-parked and plugged in without paying. Residents mowing out into the street and pulling weeds and throwing them out into the street were discussed. The rate study was briefly discussed, a formal explanation will be at the July meeting hopefully. So far, her findings were good.

Motion by Bumann, seconded by McMasters to approve the following claims as presented: All in favor, motion carried.

A & B Business $73.00, printer contract; Amazon $227.23, library supplies; Avera Health Plan $635.01, health ins.; Avid Hawk $98.00, website fee; Banner Ass. $12,912.30, phase 2A; Bender Sewer & Drain LLC $1,673.00, sewer outside service; Bode Const. $6,377.56, water repair/paving/museum; CCP Industries $125.54, paper towels; Cemetery Board $3,500.00, 2024 dues; Cooks Wastepaper $4,708.86, city trash/city dumpster; DANR $260.00, facility fees; DOR $268.80, taxes; Diamond Vogel $2,558.48, pool paint; FNB $200.00, use water deposits; Foley & Foley Law Office $772.50, June/additional services; GADO Designs $264.00, baseball hats; Good Guys Garage $425.00, slide window-dodge; Guideposts $21.21, mag. sub.; Hawkins $1,449.68, pool chemical; Henry Schein $20.43, Amb. supplies; HGTV $19.97, mag. sub.; Hydro Klean $6,484.00, pool cleaning; Jesser's Greenhouse $786.09, flowers-main/park; KE Dream Designs $451.00, lifeguard/summer help t-shirts/shorts; Kingbrook Rural Water $6,909.00, purchased water; Kingsbury Co. $2,080.00, contract law; Kingsbury Journal $65.00, subscription; Kramer Mechanical $168.96, spring service; The Lake Preston Café $31.10, election lunch; Lyle Signs, Inc. $2,800.00, baseball field signs; Maynard's $798.53, Gen Gov/FO/CR; McMasters Gravel $1,442.88, gravel; Northwestern Energy $725.93, natural gas; Okeefe Implement $370.35, mowers; Office Peeps $70.26, office supplies; SD One Call $46.20, 811; Ottertail $2,236.99, electric; Pioneer Research $2,313.26, sewer/streets; Prairie Ag Partners $1,930.63, city; Public Health Lab $15.00, water testing; Rambow $973.23, baseball jerseys; Readers Digest $10.62, mag. sub.; Rykhus-Nelson $824.49, museum/gen gov.; Scholastic $84.43, books; Valley Fibercom $213.71, phones/internet; Van Diest $3,841.20, west nile; Adobe $23.96, illustrator/baseball signs; Amazon $672.94, park/pool/office; Execubanc $66.20, bank fees; FNB Pool Cash $115.00, pool cash; Henery Schein $314.87, Amb supplies; US Bank $18,289.39, phase 1 payment DW&CW; USPS $169.60, water bills; Voiceshot $20.00, messaging/texting.

Motion by McMasters, seconded by Strande to approve Mays financial report. All in favor, motion carried.

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Missy Olson was present to notarize both agreements.
Motion by Olson, seconded by Gerleman to approve the American Legions operating agreement. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Bumann, seconded Olson to approve the LP Café operating agreement. McMasters abstained. All in favor, motion carried.

A building permit was reviewed.

Klug stated that Tim Austin plans to come to town this week to do a review of properties.

Motion by Gerleman, seconded by Hope to approve the second reading of ordinance 465-24. Roll call vote. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Bumann, seconded by Hope to approve the letter of understanding from 1st District. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by McMasters, seconded by Gerleman to approve the special event license for BBQ Beer & Friends on June 29th. All in favor, motion carried.

Campground usage rates were reviewed, $15 a night. Each site can have 2 tents, or 1 camper, or 1 camper and 1 tent.

Council briefly discussed a cruise night on Main St. during Town & Country Days on the evening of July 20th.

Klug stated that she had 3 residents come in and question if a resident can be raising this certain breed of dog. After she reviewed the ordinances, it did not seem to state on you cannot bread this specific breed. Schnell added that the resident probably does not plan to breed them anymore. Schnell, Iverson, and council discussed the topic more in depth.

Motion by Gerleman, seconded by Bumann to purchase 4 shade sails from Lowes for the pool. All in favor, motion carried.

Klug stated that the summer softball coach had reached out to her about having a private pool party for the summer rec kids. In the past it has been done for the football team, after some input it was decided to charge the amount of wages for the 3 lifeguards. $125. Luke Smith volunteered to sponsor the event from Aflac. Council also decided it would be best if it was a Sunday evening (when the pool is closed).

Council discussed the backroom roof in detail, Zeeck led council members out back to look at the roof. After looking at the old quote from last year, the project could be scaled back quite a bit. Klug checked the general government repair budget for the year. Although some items for the community room have not been purchased yet. Decided to get an updated quote with different phases to help with funding it.

Speed limit signs were discussed for the new townhouses area of town, all over the city the side streets are 20mph. A resident inquired about wanting a 15mph sign, after a long discussion it was decided to check with other cities. No overnight parking was discussed, signs will be ordered.

Bumann stated that it was nice to participate in city wide rummage and have nice streets to drive on. Hope inquired about the city utility bills being due on the 30th of the month instead of the 15th. The cement planters on Main St were questioned by a resident, wondering if they could be used and placed in the park. Hope inquired about the status of the canyon; Schnell stated that it should be ready in the next month. Olson inquired about Zeeck filling some holes in on Fremont Ave S. Schnell stated that the alley behind the Lutheran Church was horrible.

Wienk read his official resignation aloud, Klug presented a plaque for all his efforts. All his accomplishments form the last 8 years were read aloud.

Schnell stated that Bumann would make a great Mayor, her experience and involvement in the community. Discussion among the council members. Motion by Olson, seconded by Gerleman to nominate/appoint Bumann as the mayor to complete the 1 yr term. Strande nay. Motion carried. Bumann read her oath of office aloud.

Schnell stated that he would have interest in the empty seat for Ward II, years of experience. After a long discussion the council decided to table it to review other options. Motion by Gerleman, seconded by Strande to table the Ward II appointment. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Olson, seconded by Gerleman to go into executive at 9:08 pm for personnel.

Council came out of executive session at 9:45 pm.

Motion by McMasters, seconded by Gerleman to hire Konner Nuzum as a 2024 lifeguard at $13/hour, paying out ½ his certification in 2024-if he returns in 2025 other ½ will be paid out. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Hope, seconded by Gerleman to appoint Joe Schell to complete the 1 yr. council seat for Ward II. Strande Nay. Motion carried.

Mayor Donna Bumann declared the meeting adjourned at 9:50 pm.

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Brenda Klug, Finance Officer
Donna Bumann, Mayor

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CITY OF LAKE PRESTON
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
ON NEW APPLICATION FOR
MALT BEVERAGE LICENSE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT: The City Council in and for the City of Lake Preston, South Dakota, on the 8th day of July, 2024, at 7:00 p.m., at the City Finance Office, will meet in regular session to consider the following new license application for retail (on-off sale) Malt Beverage and SD Farm Wine License, to operate within the municipality for the 2024-2025 licensing period and to which has been filed with the City Finance Officer.

Flegel's Flowers, N 25' Lot 20 & All lot 21 Block 1 Ensigns 1st Addition, City of Lake Preston, Kingsbury County.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN THAT any person, persons, or their attorney may appear and be heard at said schedules hearing who are interested in the approval or rejection of any such application.

Dated at Lake Preston, South Dakota this 24th day of June, 2024.

Brenda Klug
Finance Officer

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CITY OF OLDHAM
CANVASSING OF ELECTION
JUNE 19, 2024

Present: Gary Krogman, Jim Eykamp, Al McLaughlin, Chandra Waikel, Roger Eide (by phone), Gretchen Miller, Gary Beekman, Sandy Smith

Meeting called to order by Gary Krogman.

Results from poll workers were presented. Ballots were recounted because of close results. Counts match and were accepted.

Two year term (one opening)
Gary Krogman – 25
Al McLaughlin – 23

Three year term (two openings)
Gary Beekman – 37
Holly Bickett – 27
Jim Eykamp – 20

Motion to accept results by Waikel, second by Eykamp.

New council members will be installed at next board meeting. July 8 at 6:00

Motion to adjourn by Waikel, second by McLaughlin.

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Gretchen Miller, Finance Officer
City of Oldham SD

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CITY OF OLDHAM
COUNCIL MINUTES
JUNE 10, 2024

Present: Gary Krogman, Roger Eide, Chandra Waikel, Jim Ekyamp, Al McLaughlin, Glenn Albers, Gretchen Miller, Gary Beekman, Gale Gruenhagen

Meeting called to order by Gary Krogman. Agenda approved with additions of building permits, fire department, Oldham gym, and stump grinding. May minutes approved with correction to amount of mosquito grant, should have been printed as $1200. Motion by Waikel, second by Eykamp.

June bills and May finances were presented and approved. Motion by Waikel, second by Eykamp.

Delinquent bills were reviewed. Letters to be sent to those who are behind on payment.

Building permits for Joshua Johnson and Bill Hoffman were reviewed, both approved. Motion by Eide, second by Waikel.

Fire department has added two new volunteers. Department will be part of poker run with other local departments, requests one-day liquor license. Approved by Eykamp, second by McLaughlin.

Discussion was held on what should be added to city park. Was noted that basketball hoop is broken, replacement will cost $300. Eide to order replacement.

Much conversation was held on options regarding the Oldham gym. ORR School District has offered to give to city, more information will be requested about overhead expenses connected to building. Gale Gruenhagen presented a letter he had provided to school board at their meeting. No decision on building made at this time, will revisit at July meeting.

Stump grinding bids were presented for the 32 stumps in city park. Bid from LeRoy Roth for $2400 to remove the 32 original stumps as well as 2 more was accepted. Motion by Eykamp, second by Waikel.

Election to be held June 18, canvassing of vote will be held June 19 at 6:00

Late fees on city bills were reviewed. These had not been adjusted since water services have been moved to rural water. Due to decrease in typical monthly bill, late fees will be reduced to $10 for bills not paid by the 15th. Motion by Eide, second by McLaughlin.

Albers presented maintenance report: 6 trips have been made around town with the fogger, using 1 to 1 ½ gallons of chemical per trip. Generator needs new batteries, but is not used often. Approval was given to sign up for an account at Interstate Batteries for city use. North lagoon fence has been tightened and sign fixed. The Ranger is back from Huron. 3 inch hoses have gone missing from city garage. If anyone knows where they are, please return. Storm drain is now clear. Outfield of the ball diamond has gotten very tall due to excessive rain. Approval was given to use for hay. City building will need to cap 6 inch pipe, supplies to be obtained. Request for laptop was made and approved. Motion by Eide, second by Waikel.

June bills: Rural development loan $426; Glenn Albers payroll $1479.86; Gretchen Miller payroll $600.27; American Legal publishing $525; Badger Oil mower blades $60; Dawson Construction gravel $357.01; Glenn Albers travel reimbursement $107.72; Gretchen Miller Quickbooks reimbursement $689.24; Kingsbury Journal notice publication $16.93; Kundert Williams tractor insurance $88; Northwestern Energy natural gas $36.99; Ottertail Electricity $1170.07; Prairie Ag fuel $784.98; RotoRooter storm drain cleaning $1650.

Next meeting set for July 8 at 6:00pm

Motion to adjourn by Waikel, second by McLaughlin.

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Gretchen Miller, Finance Officer
City of Oldham SD

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NOTICE OF AUDIT
OF THE FISCAL AFFAIRS OF THE
DE SMET SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 38-2

Notice is hereby given that De Smet School District no. 38-2, Kingsbury County, South Dakota, has been audited by Schoenfish & Co., Inc., Parkston, South Dakota, for the year ended June 30, 2023. A detailed report thereon is available for public inspection, during normal business hours, at the business office of the School District, and also available at the Department of Legislative Audit in Pierre, South Dakota or on the Department of Legislative Audit website at http://www.state.sd.us/legislativeaudit/Reports/reports_all.htm

The following finding and recommendation provide a brief description of material weaknesses in internal control, legal noncompliance and

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THANKS A BUNCH! Thanks to everyone who sent a greeting for my 80th birthday. It was great to hear from you and it came as a complete surprise. -Dale Blegen

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EMPLOYMENT:

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The Auditor's office is hiring for a **part-time Deputy Auditor.** This position is responsible for performing a variety of clerical and election functions in the Auditor's office.
Starting wage is $17.00 per hour.

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If you have any questions, please call Echo in the Auditor's office at 605-854-3832.

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Full-time Food Service Assistant
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Sign on Bonus available for both Full & Part time positions!

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other matters that are described in more detail in the audit report.

Finding:
A material weakness in internal controls was noted due to a lack of proper segregation of duties for revenues. This is a continuing audit comment since fiscal year 1992.

Recommendation:
We recommend that the De Smet School District officials be cognizant of this lack of segregation of duties for revenues and attempt to provide compensating internal controls whenever, and wherever, possible and practical.

The report also contains the auditor's findings and recommendations concerning less significant deficiencies in internal control at the School District.

s/s SCHOENFISH & CO., INC., CPA'S

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NOTICE OF HEARING
STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA, COUNTY OF KINGSBURY
BEFORE THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF KINGSBURY COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA

IN THE MATTER OF THE RENEWAL APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION TO CONSTRUCT OR LAY ITS WATER PIPELINE ON, OVER, ACROSS, OR UNDER PUBLIC HIGHWAYS AND RIGHTS OF WAY FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING RURAL WATER SERVICE IN KINGSBURY COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA by Mid-Dakota Rural Water System.
To all persons, firms or corporations owning or operating electric, telephone or telegraph lines within Kingsbury County, South Dakota.
You will please take notice the Mid-Dakota Rural Water System, Inc. a South Dakota Corporation having a business office in the City of Miller, Hand County, South Dakota has filed with the County Auditor of Kingsbury County, South Dakota, its Application for a grant and renewal of any former grants from said County for a period of twenty (20) years and for as long and extended period as the Legislature may provide, granting Mid-Dakota Rural Water System the right to run an underground pipeline for transmitting water for all purposes for which said corporation was formed along any and all public rights-of-way, including all rights-of-way between all sections in Kingsbury County, South Dakota, so long as said transmission and distribution pipe is buried so as not to interfere with the building of any roads or causing any liability to the County as provided by Chapter 31-26 of South Dakota Codified Law:

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that on the 16th of July, 2024, at the hour of 10:00 o'clock A.M. in the Kingsbury County Courtroom at the Kingsbury County Courthouse, 202 2nd Ave. SE in the City of De Smet, County of Kingsbury, State of South Dakota, will be the time and place when and where said Application will be heard and considered by the members of the Board of County Commissioners of Kingsbury County, South Dakota, when and where all persons, firms, or corporations owing or operating electric, telephone, or telegraph lines on any part of the highway or highways which the proposed lines may occupy may appear, file objections and show cause why said Application should not be granted.

The said Application now on file with the County Auditor of Kingsbury County, South Dakota is hereby referred to further particulars.
Date this 10th day of July 2024, at De Smet, South Dakota

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Echo Steffensen, County Auditor
Kingsbury County

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MEDITATIONS

STUART TWITE

FEW CONDITIONS IN OUR lives remind us more completely of our utter humanness than weariness. There are, of course, many kinds of weariness. We can be head, heart or body tired or all three at the same time.

Sometimes, we may have a satisfied tiredness following a particular accomplishment, or we have a kind of tiredness that almost paralyzes us and keeps us from accomplishing much of anything.

No matter the source or duration, tiredness reminds us that we are creatures, we are human.

In the Gospel account of the calming of the storm, Jesus is this kind of bone weary. You may remember that he has been teaching to great crowds and more intimately with the disciples. At the end of the day, he gets in a boat to cross over to the other side of the Sea of Galilee and instantly falls asleep.

The disciples, some of whom are experienced fishermen, start across only to face a fast-rising, violent storm which threatens to swamp their boats.

In great fear, they wake Jesus and ask, "Don't you care about us?"

After Jesus wakes, he says to the sea, "Peace! Be Still!" All is calm.

And again, they are greatly afraid saying to each other, "Who can this be that even the wind and the sea obey him?"

It is an incredible moment on so many levels. First, the fully human Jesus, exhausted from his work, which was, as he often said, to "do the will of the Father who sent Him," to teach, live and labor for the glory of God in everything he said and did. No word or act was small or insignificant or "common" in his life.

Next, we have the disciples. They have given up everything to follow this Jesus and have seen and heard so much, and he is literally there amongst them. Yet, when the storm comes, they can only see the circumstances. They can only feel the wind and the stinging rain and violent waves, and they can only see a man sleeping in a boat.

"Don't you care about us?" they would cry in their fear.

Again, we have Jesus, fully divine, creator and sustainer of all that is, calming the storm. He has led them to this place; his sleep has brought them to remember from where their (and our) help comes, and he has shown that that help comes in love to those who will trust in him.

The human Jesus was born, lived, died and was resurrected out of love for us. He suffered the trials of being a creature, including weariness, and yet he did all, even the very smallest things, for the glory of God.

That divine Jesus, out of that same love, keeps us and sustains us in every storm.

As we grow in trust and communion with this Jesus who suffered all that we suffer and learn to do all for the glory of God, we, too, increasingly find that even the seeming insignificance of our work is glorified.

When we look to Him, our fear of circumstances fades, and our fear of our awesome God grows stronger.

In that fear is rest.

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Sports + Recreation

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Wes caught this nice pair of walleyes on Lake Sinai. One was just over 20 inches, and one was just under 20 inches. (Photo by Cody Magnuson)

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Kingsbury County Country Club events

TUESDAYS 8:00 A.M. — Senior League

TUESDAYS 5:00 P.M. — Ladies' Night

WEDNESDAYS 5:00 P.M. — Men's Night

THURSDAYS 5:00 P.M.— Couples' Night

JUNE 29 — Swing Fore the Cause golf tournament — funds go towards the Kingsbury County Cancer Cares fund - See ad for details.

JULY 4 — Firecracker Open

FUNDRAISER

Golf tourney to raise money for cancer fund

Third annual event will be held on Saturday in De Smet

BY DAVE FIELDS
Kingsbury Journal

The third annual "Swing Fore the Cause" fundraising golf tournament will be held on on Sat., June 29 at the Kingsbury County Country Club in De Smet, with all funds going towards the Kingsbury County Cancer Cares organization.

Last year's second-annual event had 25 teams compete, raising over $4,000 for the organization, which provides financial support for county residents diagnosed with cancer.

In addition to golf, the event will include a bake sale.

Due to current renovations at the country club building, a food truck will be present, run by Double Bogey's Bar and Grill.

This tournament is hosted by Avera's cancer walk team, Avera Caregivers, and is one of several different events taking place throughout the year to raise money for the Kingsbury County Cancer Cares organization, leading up to the cancer walk held every other year.

Teams from De Smet, Lake Preston and Arlington all work throughout the year to raise money for the fund and come together for the cancer walk.

The tournament will have an 18-hole scramble format, with an entry fee of $50 per two-person team. Registration will run from 10-11 a.m., with tee-off at 11:15.

For more information or to donate baked goods for the bake sale, call or text Heidi Smith at (605) 860-8940 or Arlys Skyberg at (605) 203-0140.

DRAG RACING

Local teens compete in first race of season



Andru Andrews with his trophy after the race. (Submitted photo)

BY SASHA ANDREWS
Kingsbury Journal

The first race of the season was June 15, with 13 racers in the high school division. Andru Andrews from Lake Preston and Kaleb Johnson of De Smet competed.

Both raced two qualifying rounds and were then put into the high school racing bracket, where Andrews was the second qualifier with his previous reaction times of .0085 and .0259.

In the first round, Andrews was paired against Clar Kirk from Centerville, S.D., and took the win. Hunter Antony from Taunton, Minn., went against Johnson who won, putting him into the second round.

In the second round, Johnson went against Levi Kretzschmar, where Kretzschmar took the win. Andrews was paired against Kabren Jackson of Castlewood and won. Andrews had a reaction time of .0007, dialed in a 11.23 and went aa 11.2656 being .0356 off his dial and going down the track at 118.48 miles per hour. Jackson broke out by -.0224 on his dial in of 12.35 and going 12.3276 at 108.17 miles per hour.

Andrews took his win to the semi-final round against Collin Rogers. Andrews beat Rogers to the line, going into the final race against Kretzschmar.

In the final race, Andrews took second place for the day.

POINTS STANDING

Levi Kretzschmar, Crooks, S.D.: 90 points

Andru Andrews, Lake Preston, S.D.: 80 points

Collin Rogers, Malvert, Iowa: 70 points

Hunter Wantjes, Boyden, Iowa: 60 points

Kaleb Johnson, De Smet, S.D.: 60 points

Kabren Jackson, Castlewood, S.D.: 60 points

The next race was scheduled for June 22, but due to excessive rain and flooding in the area, Thunder Valley Dragway was forced to cancel races.

The next high school race will take place July 6, weather pending.