

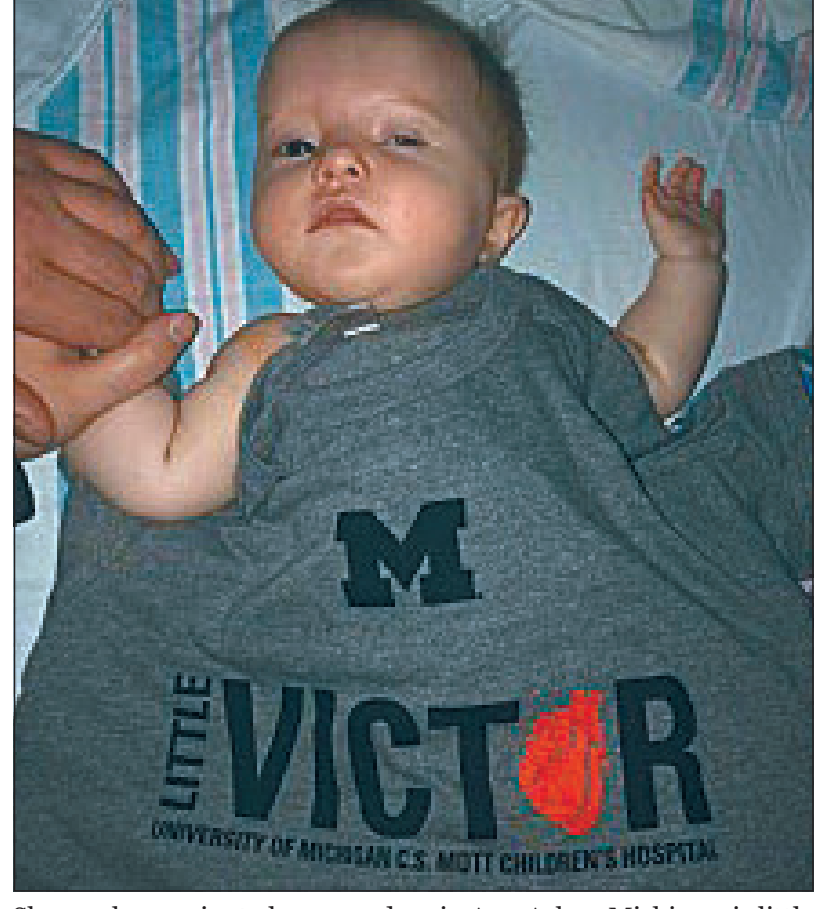
Brave Little Heart Warrior

By Emily Souvignier
This year the United States is commemorating its 57th consecutive American Heart Month. It was in 1964 that President Lyndon B. Johnson first issued the proclamation, and ever since then, it has been commemorated in the United States every February.

PDA would close on its own, but unfortunately that was not the case. "We were devastated to know that our perfect little girl that we waited so long to meet had so many hurdles to overcome," said Andy's mother, Austin. "The most scary part of all was that one of her most vital

attempted to place a device through a small vein in her leg. To their dismay, the procedure had failed. The device had gotten stuck, and Andy lost a lot of blood and needed a transfusion during the procedure. The reality of the situation became suddenly apparent: they could

first few months of her life, as well as other impairments stemming from her CHARGE Syndrome, but according to Mike and Austin, her doctors saved her life and gave her the strength to move the mountains in her path.



Shown above prior to her procedure in Ann Arbor, Michigan, is little Andy. She was flown to the hospital on Easter morning of 2018 to undergo a procedure that would help fix the PDA in her heart. Andy's parents say the difference in their daughter after the procedure was "like night and day."

organs, her heart, wasn't working like it should." At first, Andy's PDA was supposed to be a "simple fix." Her doctors wanted to give her some time to grow so they could place a device to block the hole in her heart; they didn't want the device to be too big for her. Over the next two months, Andy began to go into heart failure and started to retain water. Her heart medications were those commonly prescribed to older adults and she was breathing at 90 breaths per minute. For reference, healthy infants breathe around 30-60 breaths per minute, while adults breathe 12-16 breaths per minute.

lose their daughter, or her organs could become further damaged waiting for another procedure. To complicate these even worse, Andy also developed a blood clot. Thankfully, Andy's physician contacted a cardiologist in Ann Arbor, Michigan, who agreed to take on Andy's case and attempt to fix her heart. Mike, Austin and Andy were flown by the hospital airplane to Ann Arbor on Easter morning of 2018.

Andy has bilateral hearing loss and has worn hearing aids since she was just three months of age. She also has bilateral vision loss due to a portion of the back of her eye not forming correctly. At the present time, her vision cannot be fixed through surgery or glasses, although she does wear glasses as a form of protection. Additionally, she has facial palsy (paralysis or severe weakness of the facial muscles on one side of the face), laryngomalacia (congenital softening of the larynx, or voice box, above the vocal cords), and gets a majority of her nutrition through a g-tube.

Upon arrival, Andy was still sick with a respiratory infection, and the surgeon was uncomfortable putting her under deep sedation. Additionally, they were told that Andy also had another heart anomaly, making what would be a simple procedure an open heart procedure instead. But because of her infection, they felt that trying to place a device one more time would be the safest option. Five hours after what they were told would be a 2-3 hour procedure, Mike and Austin got word that they were able to close her PDA, with the fifth size of the last device they had at their disposal, nonetheless. Ultimately, this avoided the open heart surgery.

At first, the hope was that Andy's

According to Austin, the relief they felt was indescribable. However, the biggest surprise was still yet to come. At this point, Andy was already four months old. She had never really smiled, she didn't coo, she didn't hold up her head, she didn't mimic her parents, and she rarely cried. Her usual actions, according to Austin, were "panting" and sleeping.



After Andy's procedure at four months old, another local child, who also has a congenital heart defect, and her grandmother gifted Andy with a very special doll. The doll has a band-aid placed over her heart, with a note that says, "Heart Warrior."

It took more than a year for Andy's heart to come out of heart failure, but eventually it did. The device she had placed during the procedure was a bit too large for her, but it was the smallest available and she is still growing into it today. Eventually, it will be almost impossible to know if it is there.

Andy still goes in for heart checkups to this day. She will still see her cardiologist a couple times a year until he says he may not need to see her anymore. "Until then, we hold our breath until each appointment is over. But we trust that one day, as much as we like him, we will get to part ways with at least the cardiologist," said Austin.

Today, Andy is a three year-old "little red-headed ball of fire" with both an infectious smile and laugh. Her parents say she is very shy at first, but once she warms up to you, hold on to your hat! "She is very observant and tries very hard to be independent," said her parents. "Andy is super funny and has an amazing imagination. She loves to use her sign language, sing, read books, visit all of her grandparents and spend time with her nurse, Jennifer. She also thinks it is hilarious to run around with her pants on her head and will do so just to make you laugh. She does not like cats or dogs, including our two dogs, which she still pretends do not exist. She also isn't too keen on stuffed animals that she hasn't been acclimated to. She loves to tell you the rules just so you know she knows them while breaking them at



Three year-old Andy Rae Block, daughter of Mike and Austin Block of Canton, was born with CHARGE Syndrome. One of the complications that stemmed from her condition was a congenital heart defect. When she was just four months old, she went through a procedure that helped close a PDA (patent ductus arteriosus) in her heart. A year later, she came out of heart failure and today is thriving, happy, energetic three year old.

the same time. She is like any other kid and no other kid at the same time. She continues to surprise us and makes us laugh each and every day." Andy also is able to tell others how to hook up her g-tube, put in her eye drops, and any other type of care she requires. While she was not able to walk until 2.5 years of age and still continues to struggle with balance, today Andy is now walking and even jumping.

"All the glory and honor goes to God for healing her little heart," said Austin. According to Mike and Austin, awareness about congenital heart defects is important because more research is needed to help the thousands of children this condition affects. Their advice to others is to give



Andy Block is shown above with her parents, Mike and Austin Block. "She is like any other kid and no other kid at the same time. She continues to surprise us and makes us laugh each and every day," they said.

blood when given the opportunity. "Because of a blood donor, Andy was able to receive transfusions she needed during surgery," they said. Austin also has some advice for any parents who may have children with a congenital heart defect or CHARGE Syndrome. "The best advice we received was from Andy's pediatrician," she said. "She told us to remember that Andy is a sweet little baby girl that needs her mom and dad, and though it is easy to get wrapped up in the medical appointments and fears, we needed to just love her as the baby she is so we didn't miss out on all of the typical parent stuff and joys along the journey."

Furthermore, she says to pray and trust your instincts. "If you are given an answer that doesn't sit well with you, advocate for your baby. You know him or her best, and never feel bad for asking questions and seeking second opinions," she added. "With that said, it can be a scary and stressful time. Lean on your family and friends, and pray, pray, pray; not only for healing but for peace of mind and for the right experts to be placed in your path. Lastly, do whatever you can to not let worry consume you. This is much easier

said than done, but it helps to just take one day at a time, stop reading statistics - especially from Google, and just spend time with those you love."

Austin and Mike say they have a village of people to thank. "Andy has required many physicians, nurses, therapists and educators. She wouldn't be here today and doing as well as she is if it wasn't for the prayers, hard work and support that they, along with our family and friends, have provided and still provide," they said.

And one thing that helps them the most throughout this journey is knowing they are not alone, as there are several other children in the community who have heart conditions of their own as well.

One specific gesture from one of these children especially touched their hearts. Shortly after Andy's procedure, a very sweet little girl and her very thoughtful grandma brought Andy a doll with a band-aid over her heart, because they had been through and continue to go through heart procedures even today. "It helped us to know we weren't alone," added Austin. "They really are brave little warriors."

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Goal: \$4280000

Donations & Pledges as of 2/7/2021: \$579,337.68

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Total raised as of 2/7/2021: \$3,279,337.98

Amount needed by March 1st: \$144,662.02

Canton Area Information

2021 Grant and Scholarship Applications Due March 25

Canton-Inwood Area Health Foundation is accepting applications for Heart of the Community Health & Wellness Grants and Health Care of Tomorrow Scholarships.

Heart of the Community Health & Wellness Grants are awarded to community organizations based on their ability to promote and advance community health and wellness initiatives. The Health Care of Tomorrow scholarship program is designed to assist students who are pursuing or planning to pursue a health care degree.

Canton-Inwood Area Health Foundation was established in 2009 with funds created by the sale of Canton-Inwood Memorial Hospital, assisted living and related assets to Sanford Health. The scholarship and grant programs allow Canton-Inwood Area Health Foundation to meet its identified goals of supporting projects that impact community health, inspire additional community investments in projects that benefit health and wellness opportunities, and provide financial assistance for the education of future health care professionals. The foundation has awarded over \$180,000 in grants and \$42,000 in scholarships.

For eligibility information and application forms, visit cantoninwoodfoundation.org. All applications must be received by March 25, 2021.

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Low -14	Low -10
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William Moen II
November 1, 1945 -
February 3, 2021

William "Bill" Moen II, age 75, died Thursday, February 4, 2021 at Sanford USD Medical Center. Visitation, with family present, will be Friday, February 12 from 5-7 p.m. at Anderson Funeral Home. Mask will be required. Private family burial will take place on Saturday.

William was born on November 1, 1945 to William and Ora (Hall) Moen in Canton, SD. He grew up in Canton, graduating from Canton High School. Bill farmed in his younger years and most recently drove truck.

Bill enjoyed sports, especially the Twins and Vikings, meals with the gang at Laurie's Café, happy hour at the Wheel, golfing in his younger years, and spending time with his family. He was also never far from his dog, Charlie.

Bill is survived by his sons, Joe Moen, Sioux Falls, and Glenn (Kim) Moen, Owatonna, Minn.; daughters, Sherry Moen, Boykins, Va. and Alicia (Martin) Gerald, Ivor, Va.; brother, Glenn (Sharyl) Moen, Phoenix, Ariz.; grandchildren: Dustin Moen, Breanna Miller, Cristina Moen, Andrew Moen, Madison Moen, and Kaylee Moen; 3 great-grandchildren; along with numerous extended relatives and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents and partner, Darla Ovre. www.andersonandsonsfh.com



Richard Lien
November 17, 1928 -
February 3, 2021

Richard Henry Lien, age 92, passed away peacefully on February 3, 2021. Private family funeral services were held Monday, February 8 at Redeemer Free Lutheran in Canton. www.andersonandsonsfh.com

Richard "Dick" Lien was born in Canton on November 17, 1928 to Henry and Dagny Lien. Dick attended Canton High School and graduated in 1946.

Dick was united in marriage to Jeanette Roecker on April 8, 1951. He joined the Marines in 1951 and served in the Korean War earning several honors. One of his favorite experiences was attending the Midwest Honor Flight to Washington, D.C. in September 2019.

After returning to from the military, Dick farmed in Canton for several years and served on the Canton Fire Department. Dick also drove bus for the Canton School District and served the Lincoln County Veterans Officer until his retirement in 2015.

Grateful for sharing his life are his children: Forrest (Theresa) Lien (Ariz.), Patty Wallace, (Colo.), Mari Lien (Colo.), Jim (Jeanne) Lien (Colo.), Barb (Perry) Fossum, (S.D.) and Candace (Chad) Smith, (S.D.). Grandchildren: Nicole Noonan, Zach Lien, Jesse Lien, Lindsay Buena, Shane Wallace, Natalie Wallace, Jacob Lien, Justin Lien, Grace Lien, Leah Twedt, Josh Olson, Aaron Olson, Kennedy Fossum, Madison Fossum, Hunter Lottman, Holden Lottman and Rylee Lottman. Sister, Ardell Johnson and several nieces and nephews. He is preceded in death by his wife Jeanette, daughter, Jackie and brother Kenneth.

In lieu of flowers, any condolences can be directed to the Midwest Honor Flight: 509 4th Avenue NE, Sioux Center, IA 51250 or www.midwesthonorflight.org.



Kenneth Wieczorek
October 7 1942 -
February 1, 2021

Kenneth "Ken" Lloyd Wieczorek, age 78 of Sioux Falls, passed away on Monday, February 1, 2021 at Sanford USD Medical Center in Sioux Falls.

Ken was born in Stickney, South Dakota and started life on the family farm. He talked of driving the old farm truck thru the fields as a kid and not being able to reach the brakes. He broke both arms at once when the horse got spooked by a hose 'snake' and bucked. He smashed his sister Bev's mud pies. His mom asked him to shoot a chicken for dinner, and it was so fun he shot them all. Ken went to school in a one room country school house, 'walking up hill both ways' to get there. They moved off the farm to Sioux Falls while he was in high school and attended Washington High School. He worked as a bag boy at the local grocery store and never forgot how to pack a bag by putting the boxed goods in the corners of the bag, heavy canned goods in the middle, bread and chips on top.

After High School, Ken enlisted in the U.S. Navy and served on Midway Island in the Pacific, and at Patuxent River Naval Base in Maryland. He never served on a ship but was in charge of the company store on base. While in the Navy, he met and married Barbara Wilder, and soon after they welcomed their daughter, Dawn. After leaving the Navy, they moved to Ashtabula, Ohio, and their son Kenny was born. Ken worked for the City Urban Renewal Department as Assistant Director. He was known to salvage an odd light fixture or two prior to building demolition. Ribbon cuttings and wrecking ball days were frequent and sometimes he'd bring the kids along to watch. Ken was also very active in the local Jaycees group and helped organize the circus coming to town. He was a second father/older brother to most of the kids in the neighborhood. He'd always include whoever was around in any cleanup or construction project and made it so fun that everyone wanted to help. He would organize footraces in the alley at the end of the block and was the self-proclaimed 'Fastest Kid on the Block'.

Moving to Canton, South Dakota led to Ken eventually owning his own tax and bookkeeping firm, doing corporate income tax and bookkeeping for area farms and individuals. He went to National College in the evenings and graduated with an Associate of Applied Sciences degree, and held a Public Accountant license. Ken was a substitute school bus driver and liked to hold impromptu 'fire drills' on the country dirt roads in the

afternoon - everyone out the back door and around the side to load up again thru the front door. He missed the Canton exit once when returning home from an evening sports event and took the whole team bus right thru the interstate median crossover and up the opposite Canton exit. After his first marriage ended, Ken met and married Evie Van Dyke and they moved to Sioux Falls. He worked as an accountant for Stafford Advertising, Spaders Campers, and Gerten Adams Ice where he liked to demonstrate the steaming dry ice and singing quarter tricks.

Ken is probably best remembered for his zany sense of humor, his special talent in telling a story, his MacGyver-like inventions, his willingness to help anyone as long as you wanted to do it his way, his love of family and children, and his dogs. Ken named one dog after his cousin Nancy, another was named Trixie, then Pebbles Ann, Sabrina, and Cameo - he liked the less common names. He never really grew up and delighted in learning to play the harmonica to help with pulmonary therapy, making painting easels or sandboxes or swings for kids, and always creating fun ways to get the work done. He completely restored and updated his grandfather's 1948 Chevy. He tore out walls in houses, added doors, reversed stairways, built his own garage with his own prefab panels, and each with his own special style. He created and painted a big globe for a yard decoration, used a bike frame to make a 'riding' snowblower, whipped up a laundry basket stairway lift with pulleys and rope, and so many more Kenventions. He played cards, he planted leeks, he liked Cool Whip, he had a variety of mustaches, beards, and hair styles, and so much more. Ken gave us all so many wonderful memories.

Grateful for sharing his life are his wife, Evie Wieczorek of Sioux Falls; daughter, Dawn (Ann) Wieczorek of Little Canada, Minn.; son, Kenny Jr (Glenda) Wieczorek of Canton; grandson, Derek (Alison) Wieczorek of Canton; granddaughter, Kerry (Justin) Thomas of Tea; grandson, Grayson Wieczorek of Little Canada, Minn.; great-grandchildren, Blake, Carson, and Maverick; brother, Wayne (Dorothy) Wieczorek of Sioux Falls; sister, Beverly Libra of Sioux Falls; step-sisters, Darlene (Jim) Paulson of Mitchell; Marilyn (Terry) Hohn of Rock Falls, Ill.; step-brother, Delmar Plamp of Mount Vernon; brother-in-laws, Herb Van Dyke of Canton, Vern (Carmen) Van Dyke of Inwood, Iowa; nephews and nieces, Mike (Jessica) Van Dyke of Inwood, Iowa, Matt (Tessa) Van Dyke of Inwood, Iowa, Jeff (Jodie) Wieczorek of Eagan, Minn., Dana (Bill) Austin of Minn., Mark Wieczorek of Sioux Falls, Allen (Anne) Wieczorek of Sioux Falls, Angela (Thadeus) Openhowski of Sioux Falls; and many other relatives and friends.

Ken was preceded in death by his parents, Leonard and Evelyn (Weinert) Wieczorek; brother, LeRon Wieczorek; brother-in-law, Dean Libra; and two great-granddaughters, Madelyn Thomas and Emma Wieczorek.



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2011
Boy Scouts everywhere will be celebrating National Boy Scout Week Feb. 6-12, and Canton area boy scouts have a lot to celebrate. One celebrated element, according to Canton resident and Harrisburg Troop member Alan Braaten, is the Newton Hills Boy Scout Camp. "We are very fortunate to have the camp in the Canton area," Braaten said. The camp was recently the site of the scout's annual Klondike event Jan. 15. The Newton Hills Scout Camp consists of 224.35 acres of hills covered in a variety of trees. Of the total acres, 160 were given to the Sioux Council of Boy Scouts of America by Knute Jacobson on July 1, 1940.

For most Canton residents, the ongoing conflict in Egypt is only as close as a television screen or newspaper can bring them. Augustana student and Canton resident Hannah Weise was separated by mere miles. A junior at Augustana studying English, Economics and Classics, Weise was a member of the Augustana band trip that spent just over three weeks in Egypt on tour, based in Cairo. The band's choice to travel to Egypt was decided by a vote months ago, with no inclination of what it would hold in store for them.

1996
Bill Mikkelsen of Canton put on an art show at the Canton Good

Samaritan Center to the delight of many residents. Mikkelsen began his art career many years ago when his children were young and is best known for his walnut apple carvings.

Linda Stensland, a Canton native, announced in Canton her intentions to seek the Democratic nomination for the United States House of Representatives. She was born and raised on the family farm near Canton. She graduated from Canton High School and Augustana College in Sioux Falls.

1971
Thursday afternoon about 2:30 p.m. the Canton Fire Department was called to the home of Mrs. Lorraine Rice to answer a call. When all the smoke had cleared Mrs. Rice and her seven children had left with the clothes on their backs and not much else.

The Canton Independent School District will be receiving a new 60 passenger school bus within the next sixty days.

The twenty-second Lincoln County Crop Show was held in Hudson last week.

Four men were sworn into the Canton Fire Department at their regular meeting Monday evening. Named as new members are Gary Johnson, Larry McCann, Bob Sanderson and Bill Minor.

Canton basketball fans all came

home with smiles on their faces after the C-Hawks posted two extremely important wins over the weekend. The C-Hawks traveled to Sioux City Leeds Friday evening and came home with a 89-81 win, keeping alive their hopes for a piece of the conference title.

1906
The Canton Lutherans will erect an imposing house in which to worship. It will accommodate over one-thousand people. The plans are now being drawn. The church would have an edifice second to none other in the state. Canton has long been known as a city of beautiful homes and many churches, and this new structure will enhance our reputation both at home and abroad.

1881
Last Wednesday, eleven teams loaded with black walnut logs from the Linderman timber south of town arrived at the depot to be shipped to parties in Sioux City that will manufacture them into fine furniture.

The practice of tying sleds behind sleighs that are passing on the streets indulged in by nearly all of the young boys, is dangerous and should be discontinued. Boys don't tie to anyone's sleigh without permission from those young men who will run their horses and break your necks, "just for a little fun."

To the Hudson community, it isn't easy to ask for help, but when our need arose, you stepped up and showed us why this is such a great place to call home. Thank you to all of you and to POET for doing all the printing and taking care of the postage for the letters we sent. We have an EMT class started, not as large as we had hoped, but we are so grateful to those who have come forward to give their time to do this. Thank you, the Hudson Ambulance.

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A LOOK BACK AT THE HISTORY AND STORIES OF LINCOLN COUNTY

By Gaynor Johnson
Local organizations are an important part of any community that wishes to better itself and make life a little richer and more interesting for its inhabitants. Canton has had a large amount of these groups down through the years where folks came together to fulfill a passion or need that may have started with only one or two individuals and blossomed into a larger number over time.

It seems most of the clubs or organizations either catered to all women - The Canton Book Review Club, B.P.W., Canton Reading Circle, Pallathene Club - or all men - Sliver Star Masonic Lodge, The Grieg Male Chorus or the Canton Crow Hunt. Over the years these clubs have come and gone but one that started in 1922 is still alive and well - P.E.O. Chapter U. Others include Sons of Norway, 4-H Club, Lions Club and the Rotary Club. In fact there are a total of 30 community organizations listed in the recently published 2021 phone directory. For a town of our size I would say that's a pretty good number.

I'm sure the pandemic has affected most or maybe all of these groups in some way but hopefully things will gradually get better this year as winter turns into spring and then summer. Having been a part of a couple of area organizations for many

years I would highly recommend finding a group that you have an interest in. It can be highly rewarding and lots of fun when someone has a dream or idea and within a short period of time it becomes a reality. And if there isn't anything that really perks your interest that is currently being done in Canton and you have something that might improve life in our community you can always start your own group. You may only have a couple of people at first but over time it could turn into something quite extraordinary that could last for decades to come.

Here is the story of the Canton Garden Club that was formed in 1928. It all began with "tea" at the home of Mrs. C.B. Kennedy for those interested in flowers and gardens. Their name was listed in the 2020 phone directory but I see that it was not included in the new one. I asked Lisa Alden with the Chamber of Commerce about this and she told me the group is now defunct. I hope everyone that was a part of The Garden Club is proud of what their club achieved going way back to the late 1920's and maybe some day a new Garden Club can form and brighten up our community. The following is from the 1985 History of Lincoln County, Chapter 6 "Organizations." Happy Reading, stay safe and think spring.

The Canton Garden Club

It all began when a public invitation was issued to anyone interested in flowers and gardens to attend a "TEA" at the home of Mrs. C. B. Kennedy. A large group of women attended. The hostess had invited Mrs. Berven of Centerville, a well known garden enthusiast, to tell her guests about the many advantages of organized Garden Club work and as a result of this meeting the Canton Garden Club was formed in 1928. The first meeting was held in the Chamber of Commerce Rooms with seven ladies present, namely Mrs. C. B. Kennedy (Blanche), Mrs. Hess Lybarger (Winnie), Mrs. Al Ellingson, Mrs. Ole Ulrickson (Bell), Mrs. Bennett Rowe (Lorna), Mrs. Paul Smith (Leta Jane) and Mrs. Egil Peterson (Fran). A charter of rules and regulations were drawn up and signed by the group present as charter members. Interest grew and new members were added throughout the year until there were fifteen by the time the first Tulip Show was held in 1929. Mrs. Lorna Rowe was the first Flower Show chairman.

The first "Community Project" was the planting of shrubs and flowers at the Band Shell Park, now Centennial Park, and some of the spirea bushes are still there. Contests of outdoor decorating of homes at Christmas time was encouraged by the Club and substantial cash prizes given for the most effective displays.

"Yard and Garden" contests have also been sponsored with prizes for the garden showing the greatest improvement. In those days the ladies did most of their own landscaping and it was a challenge for members to put their knowledge gleaned from Club lessons into practice. Lilly pools, rock gardens and outdoor lighting were some of the "out-of-ordinary" projects in the 1930's. Flower arranging, a continuing learning experience, has been on the top list of activities for Club members.

Flower shows sponsored by the Club afforded the most pleasure to the public. When Canton celebrated their 100th Anniversary, the Flower Show was outstanding and added much to the festivities.

In 1949 the Club assumed the responsibility of an extensive planting at the Canton-Inwood Memorial Hospital grounds. Specimen trees including Evergreens, French lilacs, choice peonies and Dutch tulip bulbs ordered from Holland were planted. When the Good Samaritan Center was established in 1963 the Club planted Junipers, Iris bulbs and a flower island of Petunias and Chrysanthemums according to blueprints made by Betty Coplan. Later the blueprints were entered in the Sears Community Improvement Contest and won first place and a substantial cash award for the Club to continue other projects.

In 1969 the Canton Garden Club hosted the South Dakota Federation of Garden Clubs Convention, a big task for a small Club. Using the theme "Gateway to the West" the Convention was held at Augustana Academy with ample facilities to house the many delegates and visitors in the Girl's Dorm during their three day stay. There was also a State Flower Show staged at the same time.

Birds have always been of interest to Garden Club members because they are one of the best known insect destroyers. Many early morning "Bird Watches" have been enjoyed at Newton Hills and elsewhere, with Judge Mallory sharing his expertise in bird lore with Club members. The Club Project in 1983, was putting up Bluebird Houses on trees and posts from the Newton Hills into Canton, in an effort to keep the bluebirds coming to our area.

Canton Garden Club has been honored to have had one of its members, Mrs. Gladys Eiesland, hold the office of South Dakota State Federation of Garden Clubs President, and we salute our one and only charter member, Mrs. Fran Peterson, still a very active member.



Zach Richardson signs with Augustana University for football.

Pictured with Zach are Coach Lundstrom and his parents Al & Carrie Richardson.



Tracey Zylstra, Librarian

How are you doing on our Road Trip reading challenge? Every book you read about the Midwest gets you entered in a drawing for a Kindle Fire. What a great way to "travel" without leaving the comfort of your home in this COLD weather!

ADULT FICTION
Shootout at Sioux Wells by Cliff Farrell (LP). Zack Keech is an undercover agent for two of the most unusual railroad owners and the notorious Wild Bill Hickock. He's in a situation where a lot of self-declared enemies are out to gun him down and his supposed friends have to pretend he was an outlaw and a man that Sioux Wells would be better off without.

The Pity Heart: a Nick Drake novel by Dwight Holing. When an Air Force pilot from a nearby base plummets onto a refuge, Nick is plunged into a deadly showdown with the military. Murders ensue, and he turns to his Paiute neighbors to bring justice to the pitiless desert.

NON-FICTION
You Are Worth It by Kyle Carpenter. In 2010, U.S. Marine Lance Corporal Kyle Carpenter, stationed in Afghanistan,

threw himself on an enemy grenade to save a fellow soldier. This memoir tells his incredible story, and inspires readers to rise stronger from struggle.

Democracy in one book or less: how it works, why it doesn't, and why fixing it is easier than you think by David Litt. Citing the increasing voting restrictions and fall in competitive Congressional districts behind major changes to democracy in America, the author outlines strategies for reclaiming representation for all citizens.

A Promised Land by Barack Obama. In his presidential memoirs, Barack Obama tells the story of his improbable odyssey from young man searching for his identity to leader of the free world, describing in strikingly personal detail both his political education and the landmark moments of the first term of his presidency.

Die With Zero: getting all you can from your money and your life by Bill Perkins. A new philosophy and practical guide to getting the most out of your money and your life, for those who value memorable experiences as much as their earnings.

Caste: the origins of our discontents by Isabel Wilkerson. A portrait of unseen phenomenon in America as the author explores, through immersive, deeply researched narrative and stories about real people, how American today and throughout its history has been shaped by a hidden caste system, a rigid hierarchy of human rankings.

Local Student Named To Dean's List

ST. CLOUD, Minn. (February 3, 2021) - St. Cloud State University has announced the names of more than 1,300 students whose academic achievement placed them on the 2020 fall semester dean's list. To be eligible for the honor, students must have a grade point average of 3.75 or higher on a 4.0 scale.

Shaeden Scheidt, College of Science and Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, BSME

St. Cloud State University is Minnesota's second-largest university, with more than 11,000 students from our regional communities, area states, and 90 different nations. Students choose from more than 60 graduate study programs and more than 200 majors, minors and pre-professional programs that hold nearly every available national accreditation. The 100-acre campus is located about an hour northwest of Minneapolis along the banks of the Mississippi River.



Short Celebrates 81st Birthday

Please help us wish Joan Short a Happy 81st Birthday on February 14th. Cards may be sent to 1022 N. Dakota Street, Canton SD 57013.



McCann Celebrates 95th Birthday

Bill McCann will be celebrating his 95th birthday February 22, 2021. Please send birthday wishes of 420 N. Lincoln, Canton, SD 57013.

The Sad Story of Keystone

By: Governor Kristi Noem
February 5, 2021

It may seem cliché, but energy independence is a matter of national security. The United States is a net exporter of energy, which means that we can guarantee our ability to provide for our own energy needs, no matter what situation that the world may throw at us.

With that in mind, I was terribly disheartened to hear that President Biden cancelled the permit for the Keystone XL pipeline, which would have helped secure America's energy independence for years to come.

This issue strikes close to home for us here in South Dakota. Last year, TC Energy - the company building the pipeline - estimated that the project would bring 3,500 jobs to our state. Many of those jobs were already in place, as crews were laying the groundwork for the eventual pipeline itself.

But the impact to the South Dakota economy extends far beyond the direct pipeline jobs. Local businesses - hotels, gas stations, restaurants, and more - benefited from the business brought by these workers.

One such business was the Stroppe Hotel and Mineral Springs in Midland. Laurie Cox, the owner of that business, has said that the Keystone workers who stayed at her hotel for months have become like family. She says that she and other local business owners "responded to a need that was in the community" when they invested and grew these small businesses. And now, it doesn't appear that those investments will pay off for her or her neighbors.

But the impact of this decision goes beyond even the communities directly next to the proposed pipeline route. The pipeline would have helped every family in South Dakota because it would have saved them money on gas for their car, or their gas bill at home. Instead, citizens across South Dakota - and Americans nationwide - should expect to see their gas prices increase in the months and years to come as a result of the Biden administration's actions on oil and gas policy.

We all remember the days when gas was three dollars-per-gallon or higher. Thankfully, that hasn't happened since 2014. But it appears that we can expect far higher

gas prices in the very near future. Cancelling the pipeline is the wrong policy on national security. It's the wrong policy on jobs. But it's also the wrong policy on the environment.

Opponents of Keystone claim that they're supporting the environment. But the pipeline would have made it safer to transport oil from an environmental standpoint. The alternative is to transport it by truck or train - far riskier methods of transit. And the pipeline itself would have been Net-Zero emissions from the day it began operations, according to TC Energy.

Congressman Dusty Johnson is taking the lead on legislation that would get the Keystone XL pipeline reauthorized, and he has my support in this endeavor. We'll continue to fight to defend South Dakota communities from federal overreach. And I promise to work every day to help South Dakota small business owners like Laurie Cox.

The Canton Pool Committee would like to thank the following individuals, groups and businesses for their generous contributions of \$1,000 or more to the new pool project.

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Parent: Melissa Suter
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Josiah Hopkins McVay was born in Indiana in 1837. The family resettled in Iowa in 1843 east of Ottumwa. Josiah entered the military as a 2nd Lt in Company B of the 36th Iowa in August of 1862. The 1862 draft proposed by President Lincoln required the State of Iowa to supply 10,500 men. If there were not sufficient volunteers, the act required the State to draft able bodied men 18-45 years of age to fill their quota. Many men did not volunteer because it was close to harvest time and they did not have a means to secure their crops and be away from home but many did.

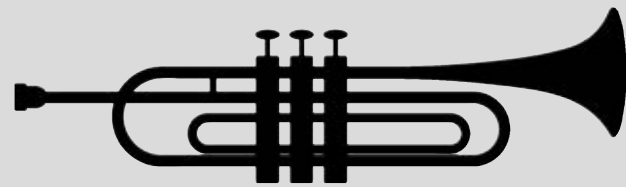
Josiah is said to have been a minister in the United Brethren Church, (which had a strong anti-slavery belief), and as a leader of men he secured an officer's commission. The annual pay for such posts in the Midwest was around \$200 annually and many of these were circuit-riding preachers riding from town to town holding camp-meetings. As an enticement, volunteering included a \$115 bounty.

Iowa not only met their quota with volunteers, they surpassed that number by over 20,000 who volunteered for a three-year term of enlistment. Altogether over 76,000 men to the war effort and over 20,000 were killed or wounded. Many more were captured and spent time in Confederate Prison camps.

**Sioux Valley Unearthed is a featured column brought to you by our readers. If you have any historical stories about the Sioux Valley you would like to share, please submit to the Sioux Valley News. Email to siouxvalleynews@vasitbb.net - Mail to PO Box 255, Canton, SD 57013 or stop by the news office.*

The Trumpet

By Emily Souvignier



I was truly saddened to hear of the passing of actor Christopher Plummer last week. Plummer was a Canadian actor known for his roles in films such as Murder by Decree (1979), The Silent Partner (1978), The Insider (1999), A Beautiful Mind (2001) and The Last Station (2009), among many, many others.

He was a two-time Emmy Award winner, a two-time Tony Award winner, and at 82 years old he became the oldest actor to ever win an Academy Award for his performance in the film "Beginners." He is quoted as saying to his Academy Award statuette, "You're only two years older than me, darling. Where have you been all my life?"

Even with that said, I know I am not the only person who will always remember him fondly as Captain von Trapp in the classic musical "The Sound of Music" (1965). Plummer is said to have publicly despised the film for many years, but then in 1982 set the record straight when he said he didn't like the original character of Captain von Trapp from the stage version, stating the character had no depth. So for the film version, Plummer and screenwriter Ernest Lehman reportedly rewrote the character to "give him more meat on his bones," he said.

In 2008, Plummer released his autobiography, called "In Spite of Myself: A Memoir," which touches on his career in theatre and film and all of the experiences along the way.

Note to self: Add "In Spite of Myself" to reading list.

"The Sound of Music" is perhaps one of my favorite musicals of all time. I remember as a little girl, my mom was a part of some movie club through the mail. She would get a catalog every month and suddenly, there would be new VHS movies every few weeks at our house for the whole family to enjoy. Some of them were newer releases, while some of them were some of my mom's favorites when she was growing up as well.

One of them was "The Sound of Music," and I'm surprised that the VHS tape didn't wear out from the countless times we watched it. I'm sure it still exists somewhere in

my parents' house, although I've already enjoyed it several times on Disney+. The musical was the winner of five Academy Awards, including Best Sound Mixing, Best Film Editing, Best Original Score, Best Director and Best Picture.

The von Trapp family depicted in the movie is actually based on an actual family and many of the events in the movie were based on actual events. In the movie, recently widowed Captain von Trapp, a naval officer living in Salzburg, Austria with his seven mischievous children, writes to a local convent requesting a governess to care for the children and run the household while he is away on military duty. The convent sends Maria (Julie Andrews) to take on the job.

Maria finds the children are unhappy and resentful; they are lonely, expected to live a strict lifestyle and have often acted out and turned other governesses away. When Maria arrives, she is initially met with some of that same hostility, but she quickly connects with the children through song and adventure. In turn, she brings much needed joy to their lives, including the Captain's life. The Captain and Maria eventually fall in love and are married.

All at the same time, Austria is quickly falling under the control of Nazi Germany, and the Captain finds himself in a situation where he may be drafted into the German Navy, while his own personal loyalty lies with Austria.

You don't even necessarily need to be a musical lover to know most of the words to songs from the movie such as "Sixteen Going on Seventeen," "My Favorite Things," and "Do-Re-Mi." They are simple classics that have been sung by generations of people and will continue to be sung for generations to come. While most of them are fun and catchy, my favorite song from the film has always been the song that Plummer sang in the movie himself, "Edelweiss."

Edelweiss is a white flower found high up in the Austrian Alps, and the song is used in the musical both as a love song as well as a way for Captain von Trapp to say goodbye to his beloved homeland as they flee



through the mountains from Nazi rule into Switzerland.

Edelweiss

Edelweiss, Edelweiss; Every morning you greet me. Small and white, clean and bright; You look happy to meet me.

Blossom of snow, may you bloom and grow; Bloom and grow forever.

Edelweiss, Edelweiss; Bless my homeland forever.

I've adored this song since the first time I heard it when I was a young girl, and it will forever be bittersweet knowing that the handsome, soothing voice bringing the song to life is no longer with us. Rest in peace, Captain.

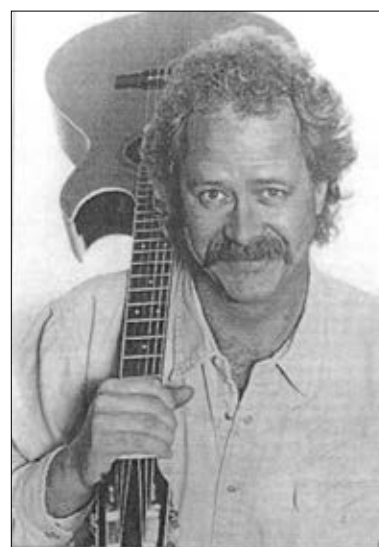
I really don't mean to sound like a broken record, but I wanted to end this really quickly with yet another update in regards to the pool fundraiser. Last week, I touched base with members of our CHS graduating class of 2006, and together we raised \$1,275.00 toward the pool fund in just two days.

In the grand scheme of things, it of course will not cover the rest of the funds needed to reach their 80% goal by March 1st, but imagine if multiple graduating classes or other groups did this?

So if you are a supporter of the new pool project, I want to propose a challenge to you. What unique groups or organizations do you belong to? It could be your own graduating class, coffee group, book club, workout/exercise group, daycare families, or a group of people from your place of employment or church. I realize that individually, we each might not have a lot to donate towards such a large project, but when you join forces with others with common goals, small contributions can turn into big contributions.

Because our class raised over \$1,000, we will now be recognized forever on the Wall of Honor to be erected at the new pool. My hope is that perhaps our class will inspire other groups to join forces together and do the same! A big shout out to the CHS Class of 2006 for making this happen for the project and our community.

OFF The Road With Jerry



This big ad along with other ads started showing up ahead of time, way ahead of Valentine's Day. This ad promoted a very good top act by Gordy Pratt from the Black Hills. This was in 1999 and Gordy had been helping entertaining out at Folk Festival etc.

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This nice ad in 1999 Sioux Valley News is asking the public to have a great dinner on Saturday February 13th from 4:30 until 7:00. This is Laurie's Cafe which was a great restaurant then and still a great place to go now. It is still located at the same location for new people in town, the cafe sets on the corner of East 5th Street and South Lincoln.

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Another early ad was this Quarry-Stone Greenhouse in 1999. Roses were very expensive even way back then. But they had a lot cheaper inexpensive gifts for sale also. They are still open this year with seasonal hours and they are going stronger. They are on East 5th Street to the south.

Dave Says: Put a little more thought into it

Dear Dave,
I don't like admitting this, but I absolutely hate my job. Last year I almost cashed out part of my 401(k) to start my own business or open a franchise, and doing something like this is still on my mind. Considering how I feel, do you think this would be a good idea?

Kurt

Dear Kurt,
In your current state of mind, this entire idea is a trap. Don't misunderstand, I love the idea of someone living their dream and owning their own business. But you just mentioned starting your own business in same breath with opening some sort of franchise. That tells me you don't really know what you want to do.

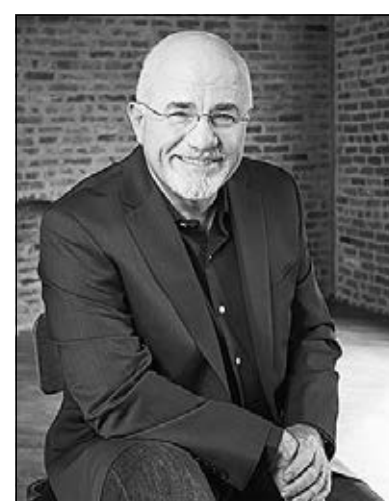
Have you ever heard someone say they're "going all in"? When you're playing cards, that means you're about to bet everything on a single hand. But here's the deal, it's never smart to go all in when it comes to small business. That's a good way to turn a dream into a nightmare.

I'm urging you to really think about this before you take action. You didn't mention anything about your financial situation, other than you have a 401(k). That's a good thing, but if it's all you have—and

you don't have any other savings set aside—you could be in real trouble. If you decided to leave your job, and your idea for your own business doesn't pan out, you've lost a chunk of your retirement savings. It's gone for good. Bankruptcy also becomes a real possibility. Opening a business just because you don't like your current job, or you're angry at "the man," is a bad idea. You need to find something you truly love doing, because to have any chance of success you'll have to live and breathe that business day and night, seven days a week.

Don't make any rash decisions about your current job right now. If you really want to start your own business, begin by doing a lot of research, saving as much money as you can, and thinking about things you could do for a living that would make you smile every day. Once you figure that out, the next step is devising a plan that will allow you to open a business without putting your entire financial world in danger. In other words, how can you start small with the money you have, instead of damaging your retirement funds or taking out a loan?

It's not an either/or proposition, Kurt. You don't have to risk it all to get away from a job you hate and into



Dave Ramsey, author of Dave Says.

one you love!

—Dave

* Dave Ramsey is a seven-time #1 national best-selling author, personal finance expert, and host of The Dave Ramsey Show, heard by more than 16 million listeners each week. He has appeared on Good Morning America, CBS This Morning, Today Show, Fox News, CNN, Fox Business, and many more. Since 1992, Dave has helped people regain control of their money, build wealth and enhance their lives. He also serves as CEO for Ramsey Solutions.

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01/27/21 08:43 Harrisburg Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts and Accessories \$400-\$1000 Under Investigation; 12:00 Failure to Report

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OUT AND ABOUT: WHAT GOAL DO YOU THINK HUMANITY IS NOT FOCUSED ENOUGH ON ACHIEVING?

In Person Concert Versus Streaming



Kieonna Smith (9) – “Poverty. There is world hunger going on and people don’t focus much on it.”



Cadence Abbas and Taryn Larson (10) – “Being kind and being a better person.”



Martayia Martin (11) “People not accepting others’ political views and realizing others can have their own opinions.”



Lexi Winger (12) – “Equality. I believe humanity has struggled immensely with equality and loving each other.”



By Kaiden Larsgaard, Sidney Wog, and Kiley Grebner.

What’s the difference between a live concert and an in person concert? Due to COVID-19, Canton high school was forced to stream their first band concert online instead of holding it in person. Now, with their second official concert of the year nearing, the decision has been made to hold it in person with limited seating. So what’s better?

Many band members reported that they actually preferred live streaming their concert more than having it in person. Their

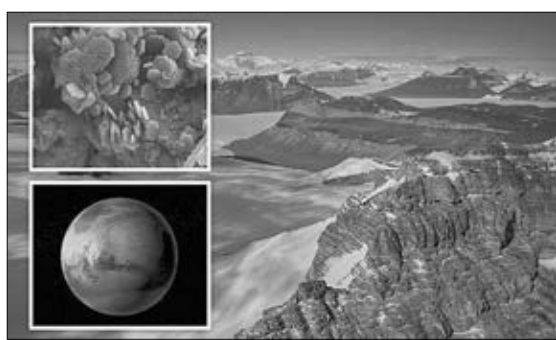
claim noted not feeling as much pressure since their performance was not in front of a live audience. Without the added pressure, band members reported to be more relaxed, made fewer mistakes, and felt more free when playing. Others mentioned that if the band did make a mistake, they could replay the song and edit the video. That would be another pro, since the band can keep doing it over and over again until they get every song perfect and they are happy with it.

On the other hand, many band members oppose virtual

concerts. One reason mentioned is because the school doesn’t have an audio recording system that can truly capture the sound of their in-person performance. Also noted was people listening at home may not have the best audio systems in their house either. Because of that, the audio of the recordings will likely not sound as authentic as in concert. Another reason people say they prefer concerts is because they like performing in front of a crowd. It takes the “magic” out of the experience when they have to preform virtually.

Jarosite – A Rare Earth Mineral

By Karri Johnson Jarosite is a yellowish brown mineral found on Mars and was discovered in 2004. It is formed in acid dust and water. But scientists have found Jarosite in our own Antarctic ice.



Giovanni Baccolo and his coworkers were in the Antarctic cutting into the ice and looking at the minerals inside the ice. After cutting out a mile-long ice core, they inspected it and found small specs of Jarosite embedded in the ice. After looking closely at the Jarosite with an electric telescope, they concluded that the Jarosite must have made pockets. Which was different on Mars, which

is found in big clumps. This is because Mars is far dustier than Antarctica, so Mars has more materials to form Jarosite.

Scientists have never seen the chemical formation of Jarosite. But finding the particles of Jarosite in the ice could be the next step to proving the theory of how Jarosite is made. According to NASA, Jarosite is also formed near volcanoes and when mining waste is exposed to water and air.

Quiz Bowl – Virtually a Success



By Natalie Johnson and Anne Rupe

The 2020-2021 quiz bowl season was online due to COVID-19. All meets happened over zoom, which made for an eccentric year. The team finished the season 16th out of 25 teams with a total of 89 points. This quiz bowl season was fun, colorful, and very different from previous years.

To celebrate the end of the season, the team is hosting a “Teachers vs Quiz Bowlers” trivia battle at Canton High

School on March 10th. Quiz Bowl team members taking part are Jordy VandeStroet, Payton Benoit, Liz Toso, Seth Gustad, Emerson Townsend, Natalie Johnson, Parker Magnuson, and Alex Gustad. They will be up against teachers Mr. Olson and Mrs. Burwitz (so far). However, there may be more teachers signing up for the competition as the date draws closer.

Students are welcome to come and watch the war on March 10th at 3:30 at the High School.

Understanding the Covid Vaccine

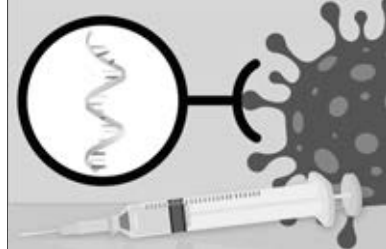
By Natalie Johnson With the COVID-19 vaccine now being distributed, the most important aspect of understanding the vaccine as a whole is knowing how the vaccine works. The vaccine helps our bodies build immunity to the virus without us needing to contract the virus. Currently, there are three main types of COVID19 vaccines.

The first is an mRNA vaccine. This version has material from the virus that causes COVID. These materials have instructions to create proteins that destroy the COVID materials. The body realizes that the protein is foreign and learns to make antibodies that will remember how to fight the virus.

The second type of vaccine is a protein subunit. This vaccine includes harmless proteins from the virus. Our immune system then learns how to fight the foreign body and will remember how to do so.

The third type of vaccine is a vector vaccine. This vaccine contains a weakened version of a live virus, which is not what causes coronavirus, that has materials from the coronavirus inserted. The inserted genetic material tells our body to create proteins based on the makeup of the vaccine. From there,

our body begins making antibodies to fight the foreign body and will remember these antibodies.



The ingredients of the COVID vaccine are 30mcg of the modified messenger (mRNA), which is what tells your body to start building what needs to be built to begin building immunity, lipids, which are just fats that naturally occur in the body and small amounts of salts and sugars that are also naturally found in the body.

Sometimes, after any vaccine, the body experiences side effects, such as fever. These symptoms are just signs of our bodies building immunity and are considered normal.

Questions and Answers with CHS Girls Wrestlers

By Martayia Martin **How is your first year of wrestling? Anything you want improve on for next year? Most fun event so far?**

Carlee Laubach - “My first year of wrestling has been a lesson. I’ve learned how to work hard and push through. I’ve learned how to improve myself individually while still helping my team improve. By next year, the biggest thing I want to improve is getting more girls interested in the sport. My favorite thing about wrestling is that even though it’s an individual sport it’s awesome to have such a close team.”

How is it compared to what you expect? Toughest part about practice?

Sidney Wog - “I expected it to be more challenging, and it is challenging, but it’s also just so fun. The toughest part about practice would be wrestling with your

friends. The only reason for that is because you feel more comfortable around them so it feels like you don’t go quite as hard.”

How is wrestling during Covid? What’s something you want to improve or work on?

Elizabeth Wallace- It’s definitely not the same with Covid. There is sometimes a struggle with restrictions and not having a crowd there to cheer you on. Sometimes our whole team doesn’t get to go to meets because of the restrictions, which really is a bummer because they put in just as much time and effort as all of us. They just don’t happen to have a match that meet. Something that I think I could improve on is probably my emotions after a match and not taking a loss so personally or critiquing a win so badly. I think as a team something we could all work on is holding each other accountable.

Canton’s Historic Excellence

By MacKenzie Bryson

The Canton School District is historically known for its excellence in education. School in Canton was first held in the winter of 1868 to 1869 in a sod house on what is now the courthouse block. In 1870 the first real school building in Canton was being built. It quickly overflowed and eight years later a two-story frame was constructed with one large classroom on each floor. The railroad came in 1879, and Canton once again was in need of a bigger school building.

Canton’s first high school was built in 1884. It was known as one of the best schools in Eastern South Dakota. It was a huge brick structure with two floors and had enough room to have all students on only the first story. However, enrollment started to climb and all classrooms were put to use.



By 1910 there were so many students that some had to be sent to the Augustana campus. The campus was not in use yet by the time of this happening. In 1923 the “old” Canton High School was built. The new building was complete with a swimming

pool, a gym, and an auditorium that could seat 900 people. Once again, Canton held one of the best schools in the Dakotas.

In 1961, two new elementary school buildings were built to replace the old, wooden buildings. Both were named after Canton citizens, C.C. Jacobsen, a teacher, and E.O. Lawrence, a physics Nobel Prize winner.

The high school that is used now was built in 1997. This school was known as one of the best in the state that surpassed other areas with technology and innovation. The newest edition of the Performing Arts Center, which officially opened in the fall of 2018, is a testament to that. Canton is still trying to find new ways to improve their schools each and every day.



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2021 Recreation Fees Approved, Canton After Prom to Conduct Raffle

By Rollie Steck
The Canton City Commission met in regular session on February 11, 2021 at 7 p.m. at the Depot. All Commissioners were present at the time of roll call.

Under Visitors to be Heard, Executive Director of Lincoln County Economic Development Association Jess Fonkert introduced herself and wanted to get her name out in the public. She noted that it was an interesting year due to COVID-19. She noted that Lincoln County is going strong and she has good visions for the future. Fonkert also noted that she and her husband love hiking at Newton Hills State Park. Fonkert thanked the Commission.

The only item under Old Business was the Public Hearing & First Reading that was conducted at the January 19, 2021 City Commission meeting for the Ordinance Correction of the rezoning at 404 Noid Road. If approved, it will be published on February 11, 2021 and effective on March 3, 2021. Motion to approve by Commissioner Todd Baldwin. Seconded by Commissioner Moses Isais. Unanimous approval.

The first item under New Business was the proposed Seasonal Wage Schedule for 2021. Minimum wage for 2021 is \$9.45/hr and employees would receive a raise of \$.25/hr for each year of service they have returned. Motion to approve by Baldwin. Seconded by Commissioner Jerry Chaon. Unanimous approval.

Advertise for Seasonal Positions was next under New Business. Direction is needed for advertising and this includes positions for City Hall, Summer Recreation and Public Works employees for the Summer. It is being recommended that the City hold off on advertising for a few months until they get a better feel for the need. A motion was made by Commissioner Tyler Larson to advertise for seasonal positions except seasonal office assistants. Seconded by Baldwin. Unanimous approval.

Next under New Business was the 2021 Recreation Fees. The Recreation Board met on January 25 and approved the following fees in the image below. Motion to approve by Baldwin.

Seconded by Chaon. Unanimous approval.

Next under New Business was FSA Changes for City Employees. With the latest COVID-19 Relief Bill, several changes were made to FSA accounts. The City can choose to implement some or all of the changes listed below.

1. Remove the cap on rollover amounts so that any and all remaining funds in the HealthCare FSA can be carried over to the 2022 plan year (currently it is capped at \$500)

2. Remove the cap on rollover amounts so that any and all remaining funds in the Dependent Care FSA can be carried over to the 2021 & 2022 plan year

3. Allow an employee who has a HealthCare FSA and whose employment terminates in calendar year 2021 to continue to incur expense and receive reimbursements from unused benefits or contributions through the end of the plan year.

4. Allow employees to make an election change to modify the amount of their contributions without regard to any change in status.

5. Allow the grace period to be extended to 12 months (from 2.5 months for HealthCare & Dependent Care FSAs) with plan years ending in 2020 or 2021.

HR Administrator Larissa Thorne said the City can adopt any or none of the above changes and does not need to decide tonight. Baldwin asked if they knew the impact for employees. It was determined that they had not researched the impact to the one employee on HealthCare FSA and two employees on DependentCare FSA. Motion to table by Baldwin until they can connect with the employees of the City. Seconded by Isais. Unanimous approval.

A new member of the volunteer for the Canton Fire Department was next on the agenda. The City needs to officially add Michael Gubbels to the roster so he is included in the Worker's Compensation policy with the City. Motion to add to the Fire Department roster by Baldwin. Seconded by Larson. Unanimous approval.

Next under New Business was a Raffle Request from the Canton After Prom. The Canton After Prom would

like to conduct a raffle to be awarded on April 10, 2021 or as soon as sold. The proceeds would go to the Canton After Prom. Tickets will cost \$50/each and they will be put into the drawing for twelve \$500 prizes. Canton After Prom Committee Member Kelly Eilers noted that there will be 12 \$500 Scheels gift cards given away and only 300 raffle tickets will be sold. All funds raised will go to the Canton After Prom. The tickets will be sold starting February 21 until sold out. Eilers said to buy early to get your chance to win with a raffle ticket. Eilers said that the drawing will occur on April 1. He also noted that tickets will be sold at local businesses in Canton and gave permission to call him at 605-366-9008 to purchase raffle tickets as well. Eilers also mentioned that this is a great way to give back to the community and support the High School Students of Canton and the Canton After Prom. Motion to approve the raffle request by Baldwin. Seconded by Isais. Unanimous approval.

The final item under New Business was the Airport Pavement Maintenance Agreement. The South Dakota Department of Transportation Air,

Rail & Transit Division is planning to perform pavement maintenance at the airport this Summer. The cost for the City for the project is \$45,000. The rest is covered by the government. Motion to approve by Chaon. Seconded by Baldwin. Unanimous approval.

During Commissioner Dialogue, Baldwin mentioned that the City is looking to Highway Safety Grants for radar speed signs for four different locations in the City. He also noted that they would be looking at some strobes for the intersection at Dakota Street and Elder Street for the night time. Chaon complimented the Public Work Department on the clean-up of the City Shop for former City Employee Palmer Erickson's funeral. Mayor Sandra Lundstrom said that the Summer Recreation sign-up sheets will be going out to residents and available at City Hall. She also noted that petitions for the Commissioner Seat currently held by Isais are available at City Hall and due at 5 p.m. on Friday, February 26.

With no further discussion, motion to adjourn at 7:25 p.m. by Larson. Seconded by Baldwin. Unanimous approval.

Spring Soccer Fee Schedule			
\$25 per children (includes t-shirt)			
\$10 discount per family for volunteer coaches			
Summer Recreation & Night Ball Fee Schedule			
	Through February 29	March 1--April 1	After April 1st
Individual Night Ball Only	\$65.00	\$75.00	\$85.00
Family (2+ Children) Night Ball Only	\$130.00	\$150.00	\$170.00
Individual Night Ball & Day Rec*	\$90.00	\$100.00	\$110.00
Family (2+ Children) Night Ball & Day Rec*	\$180.00	\$200.00	\$220.00
*Must sign up for both at the same time to receive discounted rate			
Individual Day Rec Only	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$30.00
Family (3+ Children) Day Rec Only	\$65.00	\$65.00	\$65.00
Jersey - \$10 per child			
Jersey's will be provided by the City of Canton and will not need to be turned in.			

C-Hawk High School Bowling



Varsity Boys 2-1-2021	
Washington	9-0
Yankton	7-2
Canton	7-2
O'Gorman	5-4
Lincoln	5-4
Harrisburg	5-4
West Central	5-4
Roosevelt	4-5
Brookings	2-7
SF Christian	1-8
Brandon	0-9

JV Boys 2-1-2021	
Washington	9-0
Roosevelt	8-1
O'Gorman	7-2
Yankton	6-3
Lincoln	6-3
Canton	5-4
West Central	3-6
Brandon	2-8
Harrisburg	2-7
SF Christian	2-7
Brookings	0-8

Varsity Girls 2-1-2021	
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SF Christian	0-6
O'Gorman	0-9
Yankton	0-7

Varsity Boys 2-1-2021				
Name	Game 1	Game 2	Game 3	Series
JACKSON POPPENS	183	167	236	586
JACOB VANDEWEERD	168	189	205	562
DARIN SWIER	222	171	200	593
COLIN WIERSMA	201	190	198	589
TATEN AASHEIM	165	198	287	650
NICHOLAS VAKSDAL	176	179	160	515
JACOB EILERS	-	-	-	-
DEANDRE WOODSON	-	-	-	-

JV Boys 2-1-2021				
Name	Game 1	Game 2	Game 3	Series
AIDEN LOWIN	161	160	140	461
JESSE WENTZ	125	157	186	468
BRAXTON KURTZ	-	-	-	-
DALLAS KING	159	170	183	512
ETHAN VAKSDAL	134	99	126	359
TUCKER RHEAD	176	187	147	510
LANDON MC MARTIN	149	168	157	474
JASE BENSON	-	-	-	-

Varsity Girls 2-1-2021				
Name	Game 1	Game 2	Game 3	Series
JENNA VANDEWEERD	146	205	193	554
ELLERY JANSEN	178	158	133	469
ALYA TRUMM	171	139	115	425
MARTAYIA MARTIN	128	105	110	343
ZOEY MATTHIESEN	201	176	184	561
NATALIE JOHNSON	177	158	200	535
CHEZARY MARTINEZ	155	154	144	453
BAILY BOMGAARS	130	111	141	382

JV Girls 2-1-2021				
Name	Game 1	Game 2	Game 3	Series
KORI WALLNER	112	111	117	340
KAMBREE WENTZ	101	112	147	360
OLIVIA LUND	143	94	130	367

Noid's Gaming Parlour 2/2/2021

T&C Lanes	90-30
Kim's Corner	59.5-60.5
Canton Dental	55-65
Vandentop Farms	47-58
Fossum Grinding	35.5-84.5

High Individual Game

Gerald Boyer	280
Jeff Crawford	257
Chris Kayl	236

High Individual Series

Gerald Boyer	726
Jeff Crawford	677
Chris Kayl	667

Western 1/7/2021

Glen's Electric	297.5-151
Bidwell	282-162
Farmers State Bank	259-191
Town & Country	241-206
FCS Ag	144-291
Vangammeren Farms	115.5-315.5

High Individual Game

Jeff Crawford	248
Bill Vangammeren	234
Tom Hoefakker	230

High Individual Series

Jeff Crawford	693
Bill Vangammeren	647
Scott Vongroven	615

Tuesday Jr Boys 1/5/2021

Freedom	21-2
Trumpers	21-4
Ballers	21-4
Destroyers	15-10
Big Bowlers	10-15
Strikers	4-21
Candy Makers	4-21

High Individual Game

Theo Meister	141
Jett Love	130
Crayton Roberts	126

High Individual Series

Theo Meister	252
Crayton Roberts	244
Reed Wentz	220

Thursday Jr Girls 1/14/2021

Strike Ball	44-6
Rare Spares	43-7
Kids Bowling	37.5-12.5
Strike Time	37-13
The Unicorns	13-37
Bowling Girls	11-39
The Mustangs	9-41
Ground Squirrels	5.5-44.5

High Individual Game

Clair Baumenn	124
Nevaeh Lund	110
Qynn Vanbockern	109

High Individual Series

Clair Baumann	211
Qynn Vanbockern	201
Nevaeh Lund	199

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WHAT IS SOUTH DAKOTA'S OPEN MEETINGS LAW?

South Dakota's open meetings law embodies the principle that the public is entitled to the greatest possible information about public affairs and is intended to encourage public participation in government. SDCL 1-25-1 requires that official meetings of public bodies must be public and notice is to be given of such meetings 24 hours in advance of the meetings. While the open meetings law does not define "official

meeting," specific statutes relating to cities, townships, counties, and school districts define what constitutes an official meeting. In addition, the attorney general takes the position that a meeting must be open to the public if: 1) A legal quorum of the public body is present at the same place at the same time; and 2) Official business, meaning any matter relating to the activities of the entity, is discussed. Openness in government is encouraged.

WHO DOES THE OPEN MEETINGS LAW APPLY TO?

The open meetings law applies to all public bodies "of the state or its political subdivisions" that exercise "sovereign power derived from state law." SDCL 1-25-1. This includes cities, counties, school boards and other public bodies created by ordinance or resolution, such as appointed boards, task forces, and committees, so long as they have authority to actually exercise sovereign power. Although no court decisions have been issued

on the subject, this probably does not include bodies that are not created by statute, ordinance or resolution or that serve only in an advisory capacity. The state Constitution allows the Legislature and the Unified Judicial System to create rules regarding their own separate functions. **ARE TELECONFERENCES CONSIDERED PUBLIC MEETINGS?**

Yes. The open meetings law allows meetings, including executive or closed meetings, to be conducted by teleconference—an information exchange by audio or video—if a place is provided for the public to participate by speaker phone. In addition, for teleconferences where less than a quorum is present at the location open to the public, arrangements must also be made for the public to listen by telephone or internet (except for portions of meetings properly closed for executive sessions). The media and public must be notified of

teleconference meetings under the same notice requirements as any other meeting. All votes shall be taken by roll call.

HOW ARE THE PUBLIC AND MEDIA NOTIFIED WHEN PUBLIC BUSINESS IS BEING DISCUSSED?

SDCL 1-25-1.1 requires that all public bodies prominently post a notice and copy of the proposed agenda at the public body's principal office. At a minimum, the proposed agenda must include the date, time, and location of the meeting and must be visible, readable, and accessible to the public for 24 continuous hours immediately preceding the meeting. Also, if the public body has its own website, the notice must be posted on the public body's website upon dissemination of the notice. For special or rescheduled meetings, public bodies must comply with the regular meeting notice requirements as much as circumstances permit. The notice must

be delivered in person, by mail, by email, or by telephone to all local news media who have asked to be notified. It is good practice for local media to renew requests for notification of special or rescheduled meetings at least annually.

WHO ARE LOCAL NEWS MEDIA?

There is no definition of "local news media" in SDCL ch. 1-25. "News media" is defined in SDCL 13-1-57 generally as those personnel of a newspaper, periodical, news service, radio station, or television station regardless of the medium through which their content is delivered. The Attorney General is of the opinion that "local news media" is all news media—broadcast and print—that regularly carry news to the community.

WHEN CAN A MEETING BE CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC AND MEDIA?

SDCL 1-25-2 allows a public body to close a meeting for the following

purposes: 1) to discuss personnel issues pertaining to officers or employees; 2) consideration of the performance or discipline of a student, or the student's participation in interscholastic activities; 3) consulting with or reviewing communications from legal counsel about proposed or pending litigation or contractual matters; 4) employee contract negotiations; or 5) to discuss marketing or pricing strategies of a publicly-owned competitive business. The statute also recognizes that executive session may be appropriate to comport with other laws that require confidentiality or permit executive or closed meetings. Federal law pertaining to students and medical records will also cause school districts and other entities to conduct executive sessions or conduct meetings so as to refrain from releasing confidential information. Meetings may also be closed by cities and counties for certain economic development matters. SDCL 9-34-19. Note that SDCL 1-25-2 and SDCL 9-34-19 do not require meetings be closed in any of these circumstances. Any official action based on discussions in executive session must, however, be made at an open meeting.

WHAT IS THE PROPER PROCEDURE FOR EXECUTIVE SESSIONS?

Motions for executive sessions must refer to the specific state law allowing for the executive session i.e. "pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(3)." Also, best practice to avoid public confusion would be that public bodies explain the reason for going into executive session. For example, the motion might state "motion to go into executive session pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(1) for the purposes of discussing a personnel matter," or "motion to go into executive session pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(3) for the purposes of consulting with legal counsel." Discussion in the executive session must be strictly limited to the announced subject. No official votes may be taken on any matter during an executive session. The public body must return to open session before any official action can be taken. Board members could be held personally liable for the results of an official vote taken illegally during an executive session. For example, a contract approved only during an executive session could be found void and the board members could be required to repay any public funds spent under the contract.

WHAT HAPPENS IF THE MEDIA OR PUBLIC IS IMPROPERLY EXCLUDED FROM A MEETING OR OTHER VIOLATIONS OF THE OPEN MEETING LAW OCCUR?

Excluding the media or public from a meeting that has not been properly closed subjects the public body or the members involved to (a) prosecution as a Class 2 misdemeanor punishable by a maximum sentence of 30 days in jail, a \$500 fine or both or (b) a reprimand by the Open Meeting Commission ("OMC"). The same penalties apply if the agenda for the meeting is not properly posted or other open meeting violations occur. Also, action taken during any meeting that is not open or has not been properly noticed could, if challenged, be declared null and void. It could even

result in personal liability for members of the governing body involved, depending upon the action taken.

HOW ARE ISSUES REFERRED TO THE OPEN MEETINGS COMMISSION ("OMC")?

Persons alleging violations of the open meetings laws must make their complaints with law enforcement officials in the county where the offense occurred. After a signed notarized complaint is made under oath, and any necessary investigation is conducted, the State's Attorney may (a) prosecute the case as a misdemeanor, (b) find that the matter has no merits and file a report with the Attorney General for statistical purposes or (c) forward the complaint to the OMC for determination. The OMC is comprised of five State's Attorneys appointed by the Attorney General. The OMC examines whether a violation has occurred and makes written public findings explaining its reasons. If you have questions on the procedures or status of a pending case, you may contact the Attorney General's Office at 605-773-3215 to talk to an assistant for the OMC. Procedures for the OMC are posted on the website for the Office of Attorney General. <http://atg.sd.gov/>

MAY AGENDA ITEMS BE CONSIDERED IF THEY ARE ADDED LESS THAN 24 HOURS BEFORE A MEETING?

Proposed agendas for public meetings must be posted at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting. The purpose of providing advance notice of the topics to be discussed at a meeting is to provide information to interested members of the public concerning the governing body's anticipated business. Typically the public body adopts the final agenda upon convening the meeting. At this time, the governing body may add or delete agenda items and may also change the order of business. In 2012, the South Dakota Supreme Court affirmed a South Dakota Circuit Court decision which held that a preliminary agenda may be amended when the board takes action to formally adopt the meeting agenda. See *Molden v. Grant-Deuel School Dist. 25-3*, Order Directing Issuance of Judgment of Affirmance, So. Dak. Sup. Ct. # 26325, October 9, 2012. New items cannot be added after the agenda has been adopted by the governing body. Public bodies are strongly encouraged to provide 24 hours notice of all agenda items so as to be fair to the public and to avoid dispute. For special or rescheduled meetings, public bodies are to comply to the extent circumstances permit. In other words, posting less than 24 hours in advance may be permissible in emergencies. **ARE EMAIL DISCUSSIONS "MEETINGS" FOR PURPOSES OF THIS LAW?** Courts in some states have held that contemporaneous email communications among a quorum of the governing members of a public body constitute a "meeting" of the public body when the members discuss the merits of pending issues. Email participation in scheduling or similar activity would not, under this analysis, constitute a public meeting. For additional reference see *Wood v. Battle Ground School District*, 27 P.3d 1208 (Wash. 2001); 2008 N.D. Op. Atty. Gen. 0-22.

THE AUCTION METHOD SETS THE MARKET WITH EXCELLENT PRICES ACHIEVED IN 2020!

As we begin a new year in 2021, and we look back at 2020, which might be a year best described as – Challenging! For many, challenging might be an understatement, as none of us has ever experienced such a life changing and eventful year as a result of the COVID 19 Pandemic. As we move forward into 2021, we pray for an end to the Pandemic and for a return hopefully to a period of "Normalcy" in our lives. Most of us have had friends, family, colleagues and acquaintances that have been touched by the pandemic in one way or another, with some experiencing losses of someone close to us and for that, we continue to grieve and pray. 2020 brought many changes in the ways we conduct our business and interact with one another, especially in our "live in person personal property auctions," as some had to be cancelled or postponed throughout heightened periods of the pandemic. Our land and real estate auctions have continued with little interference, as social distancing is more easily employed for those attending and absentee bidding is readily implemented.

With 2020 being a year to remember, I can't express enough, the empathy that I feel and how much I look forward optimistically to a brighter and healthier future. For all of us with bonds to agriculture, may we look forward to 2021 with faith and optimism for prosperity in the coming year. May God Bless! Chuck Sutton

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Questions continue to be presented to us about the strength of the land market, it has been our observation that the land market surged upward throughout 2020. A big part of the equation as to why land values remain strong, is that in most areas there continues to be an inadequate supply of land available for purchase, hence demand outpaces supply. This is especially true for high quality agricultural cropland. It is our belief that farmland values at the end of 2020 and going forward into 2021 are STRONG and that the economic theory of "Supply & Demand" - is Alive and Well!!

In 2020 most areas in eastern South Dakota, western Minnesota, northwest Iowa and the upper Midwest experienced adequate rainfall and resulting good yields. Furthermore, economic agricultural conditions were further influenced by surging grain prices that occurred throughout the last 5 months of 2020. That increased rise in commodity prices and continued low interest rates seemed to add some rekindled enthusiasm in the land market as the year ended and as we progress into 2021. At the close of 2020 we witnessed that many land buyers remain "Sold on the Market" – especially those that had strong equity positions, as there remain many individuals that are anxious to invest in agricultural land as a safe haven for investment of their dollars. One key factor remains – That being that the economic theory of "Supply and Demand" remains in full force & effect, as it appears that there continues to be an unbalanced demand for high quality cropland, as there seems to remain a greater supply of qualified buyers in the marketplace, than there is land available for purchase.

AS FOR 2021 – It is our opinion - that if there are no major adverse economic influences, if crop production remains average to above average and if commodity prices don't erode significantly, we foresee prospects for continued strength in the land market.

Land sale results in 2020 achieved "Near Record Highs" in many instances, second only to the all-time peak values achieved in the period from 2012 to 2014. In 2020 some of the most noteworthy sales included The Boy Scout +/- 25 Acre Camp Site on Lake Shetek in Murray County, MN that sold for \$1,850,000.00 or approx. \$74,000.00 per acre; a

197.26 acre parcel of land near Sioux Falls, SD that sold for \$25,250.00 per acre and three sales of choice agricultural land in Moody County, SD – with +/- 159 acres selling for \$14,100.00 per acre, +/- 40 acres sold for \$11,850.00 per acre and another +/-162 acres sold for \$13,600.00 per acre. The majority of the farms in eastern South Dakota and Western Minnesota with relatively high or very high percentages tillable sold in the \$8,000.00 to \$11,000.00 per acre price range and in the current market it takes a tract of land of extremely high caliber to bring upwards of \$10,000.00 per acre. There were a number of good farms, depending on the locale, with mixed percentages of cropland that sold in the \$5,000.00 to \$8,000.00 range. Cropland located further west in central South Dakota and more marginal eastern South Dakota cropland sold in a range from \$2,500.00 to \$4,500.00 per acre and other non-tillable and pastureland in Eastern SD for the most part sold in a range from \$1,500.00 to \$4,000.00 per acre. Furthermore, "Good Pasture" with quality grass, good fences and a decent water supply was and is a highly sought after commodity - especially for the cow-calf operator. Values of poor quality, marginal and recreational land rebounded slightly - as landowners, investors and lenders are somewhat disinterested in parcels of land that won't generate a cash flow sufficient to sustain itself. Commercial and development land values continued to rise, partially due to the strength of agricultural land firming up a base level for development land capable of producing some crop income that might be sufficient to sustain the holding costs for a period of years, along with a realization and belief that there may be some long-term potential for upside improvements in commercial land values in the future. Cropland in many cases is still yielding a 2% to 4% return on investment – outperforming CD's and other investments. Even though the Stock Market has been performing well in many cases, some investors may be leaning towards diversification and conversion of paper investments to land and/or other tangible real estate, as it may be enticing to invest in land as an asset which affords a high degree of security, as it is a tangible investment which won't yield a negative or 0% return, due to the fact that there are ample farm operators that are ready, willing and able to rent land.

In summary, **IT IS A GREAT TIME TO SELL!** - As the Demand for High Quality Land & Pasture Outpaces Supply. As we begin 2020, it appears that the mindset of farm operators and investors alike in the market for land have a relatively high degree of optimism and remain competitive in their pursuit and acquisition of land, and that said - the auction method of marketing in conjunction with our knowledge and professional experience creates a forum that exposes your property to the maximum number of qualified buyers, resulting in the true "Fair Market Value" and "Top Dollar" for your property. Our sales are conducted in a manner where there are no "Buyers Premiums" or "Hidden Fees!"

A Sincere "Thanks" to all of the sellers we had the privilege to serve, a big Thank You also, to all of the buyers, bidders and others who attended our real estate and personal property auctions, and especially to those who continue to spread the accolades concerning our auction services and staff, our professionalism, experience, reputation and integrity. Again, THANK YOU ALL for your business and continued support! We look forward to putting our experience to work for you in 2021.

Chuck Sutton

Considering the sale of your land? If so, contact Chuck Sutton and let him put his years of experience to work for YOU! At the close of the last decade we are proud of the fact that our firm has been a true and tried leader in the land market, having sold over 129,000 acres for the period from 2010 through 2020, thus Our Reputation and Success is Backed by Years of PROVEN RESULTS.

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79.24 Acres of Unimproved Eden Twp., Pipestone Co., MN Land	\$4,750.00/Acre	157.77 Acres of Unimproved Plummer Twp., Brule Co., SD Land	\$2,450.00/Acre
73.72 Acres of Unimproved Eden Twp., Pipestone Co., MN Land	\$6,100.00/Acre	247 Acres of Unimproved Lyon Twp., Brule Co., SD Land	\$2,525.00/Acre
41.18 Acres of Improved & Unimproved Grange Twp., Pipestone Co., MN Land	\$290,000.00	80 Acres of Unimproved Lyon Twp., Brule Co., SD Land	\$3,000.00/Acre
152 Acres of Unimproved Jefferson Twp., Moody Co., SD Land	\$7,200.00/Acre	120 Acres of Unimproved Whitewood Twp. South, Kingsbury Co., SD Land	\$5,400.00/Acre
152 Acres of Unimproved Grange Twp., Pipestone Co., MN Land	\$6,500.00/Acre	78.8 Acres of Unimproved Baker Twp., Davison Co., SD Land	\$5,800.00/Acre
151.32 Acres of Unimproved Rose Dell Twp., Rock Co., MN Land	\$6,575.00/Acre	159.08 Acres of Unimproved Lone Rock Twp., Moody Co., SD Land	\$14,100.00/Acre
102.40 Acres of Unimproved Shelburne Twp., Lyon Co., MN Land	\$6,100.00/Acre	40 Acres of Unimproved Lone Rock Twp., Moody Co., SD Land	\$11,850.00/Acre
1643.33 Acres of Improved & Unimproved Rosebud Twp., Mellette Co., SD Land	\$950.00/Acre	25.4 Acres of Improved Murray Co., MN Land – Lake Shetek BS Camp	\$1,850,000.00
486 Acres of Unimproved Rosebud Twp., Mellette Co., SD Land	\$875.00/Acre	160 Acres of Unimproved Spring Creek Twp., Moody Co., SD Land	\$9,800.00/Acre
297.85 Acres of Unimproved Mosher Twp., Mellette Co., SD Land	\$1,075.00/Acre	120 Acres of Unimproved Grand Meadow Twp., Minnehaha Co., SD Land	\$9,550.00/Acre
541.89 Acres of Unimproved Rosebud Twp., Mellette Co., SD Land	\$910.00/Acre	255.39 Acres of Unimproved Castalia Twp., Charles Mix Co., SD Land	\$4,300.00/Acre
72.62 Acres Improved Feedlot in Spring Creek Twp., Moody Co., SD	\$710,000.00	352.08 Acres of Unimproved Platte Twp., Charles Mix Co., SD Land	\$3,550.00/Acre
120 Acres of Unimproved Elkton Twp., Brookings Co., SD Land	\$6,900.00/Acre	63.05 Acres of Unimproved Humboldt Twp., Minnehaha Co., SD Land	\$8,300.00/Acre
5.84 Acres Improved Acreage/Construction Site in Riverview Twp., Moody Co., SD	\$92,000.00	267.16 Acres of Unimproved Buffalo Twp., Minnehaha Co., SD Land	\$9,250.00/Acre
93 Acres of Unimproved Jefferson Twp., Moody Co., SD Land	\$8,300.00/Acre	121.84 Acres of Unimproved Blinsmon Twp., Moody Co., SD Land	\$5,600.00/Acre
4.8 Acres Improved Acreage in Clare Twp., Moody Co., SD	\$250,000.00	153.99 Acres of Unimproved Brule Twp., Union Co., SD Land	\$7,275.00/Acre
148.66 Acres of Unimproved Summit Twp., Lake Co., SD Land	\$6,850.00/Acre	40 Acres of Unimproved Edison Twp., Minnehaha Co., SD Land	\$9,000.00/Acre
160 Acres of Unimproved NW Lyman Twp., Lyman Co., SD Land	\$2,600.00/Acre	85.93 Acres of Unimproved Grovena Twp., Moody Co., SD Wooded Land	\$3,550.00/Acre
480 Acres of Unimproved Clifton Twp., Sully Co., SD Land	\$3,375.00/Acre	80.70 Acres of Unimproved Spring Creek Twp., Moody Co., SD Land	\$9,500.00/Acre
800 Acres of Unimproved Clifton Twp., Sully Co., SD Land	\$4,025.00/Acre	81.73 Acres of Unimproved Union Twp., Moody Co., SD Land	\$10,300.00/Acre
640 Acres of Unimproved Clifton Twp., Sully Co., SD Land	\$3,850.00/Acre	141 Acres of Unimproved Buffalo Twp., Minnehaha Co., SD Land	\$7,000.00/Acre
480 Acres of Unimproved Clifton Twp., Sully Co., SD Land	\$2,900.00/Acre	81.02 Acres of Improved Spirit Mound Twp., Clay Co., SD Land	\$7,250.00/Acre
320 Acres of Unimproved Clifton Twp., Sully Co., SD Land	\$1,650.00/Acre	162.09 Acres of Blinsmon Twp., Moody Co., SD Land	\$13,600.00/Acre
637.94 Acres of Unimproved Clifton Twp., Sully Co., SD Land	\$1,300.00/Acre	140.94 Acres of Unimproved Elmer Twp., Pipestone Co., MN Land	\$10,000.00/Acre
145.68 Acres of Unimproved Grand Meadow Twp., Minnehaha Co., SD Land	\$7,525.00/Acre	78.2 Acres of Unimproved Elmer Twp., Pipestone Co., MN Land	\$8,100.00/Acre
160 Acres of Improved Rock Twp., Pipestone Co., MN Land	\$5,500.00/Acre	155.33 Acres of Unimproved Eden Twp., Pipestone Co., MN Land	\$6,800.00/Acre
43.56 Acres of Improved Split Rock Twp., Minnehaha Co., SD Land	\$470,000.00	89.79 Acres of Unimproved Elmer Twp., Pipestone Co., MN Land	\$7,600.00/Acre
147.65 Acres of Unimproved Springwater Twp., Rock Co., MN Land	\$7,600.00/Acre	611.76 Acres of Unimproved Elkton Twp. & Verdi Twp., Brookings Co., SD Land	\$9,350.00/Acre
167.38 Acres of Unimproved Spring Creek Twp., Moody Co., SD Land	\$8,500.00/Acre	160 Acres of Unimproved Elkton Twp., Brookings Co., SD Land	\$7,500.00/Acre
113.19 Acres of Unimproved Spring Creek Twp., Moody Co., SD Land	\$7,900.00/Acre	197.34 Acres of Aggregate, etc. Unimproved Wayne Twp., Minnehaha Co., SD Land ..	\$25,250.00/Acre

These auctions were conducted by Chuck Sutton & Jared Sutton and their primary associates which included Wayne Bessman, Dean Stollenberg, Terry Haiar, Tom & Ted Souvignier, Burlage & Peterson Auctioneers, Dan Uthe & Mark Joens of Fischer-Rounds Real Estate in Pierre, SD, as well as Other Cooperating Brokers, Auctioneers and Associates.

In addition, we sold over 2,500 acres via private treaty in 2020. If you are considering the sale of your land, contact, Chuck Sutton and let him and his professional associates put their years of experience to work for You!! We really need land to sell, as we have buyers in the market for virtually all types of land. Also, if you need assistance with Farm Management Services, we manage several thousands of acres of agricultural land in eastern South Dakota and Western Minnesota.

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Sincere "Thanks" to all of you who have been and are responsible in so many ways for our ongoing success – from all of us at . . .

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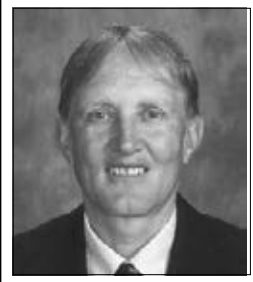
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Pierre Perspective

SENATOR JIM BOLIN

The fourth week of the legislative session was marked with a number of bills debated and a few passed. One bill that failed was SB 68, a proposal that would have allowed for the establishment of charter schools for Native American students. This bill passed the Senate unanimously last year but failed in the house. This year it was met by fierce opposition by the educational lobby and was defeated in the senate after being passed by the senate education committee. The main motivation for this bill was to help Native American students who have abysmal educational achievement levels and high dropout rates. It was sponsored by Sen. Troy Heinert, a native American from the Mission area. I voted for the bill because I do not believe the status quo should be maintained, considering the gravity of the levels of educational achievement for this largest minority group in our state. I am sure this bill will be back in the future in some form. Our approach to Indian education must change if we want improved achievement results.

One bill that will be heard on Monday will be SB 122. This is a bill that would set up a procedure for states to override the authority of the federal government when they pass laws that an individual state does not like. It would also allow states to void court decisions they do not like. This concept, known by many as nullification, was the basis of the Confederacy, and has been promoted by some for since the early part of our history. However, a famous United States Senator by the name of Daniel Webster, said it best when he declared that the adoption of such an idea would make our government as useless as a "rope of sand." This concept of nullification goes against the well-established concept of judicial review which has been established in our country since the early 1800's. That concept says that courts, not states, have the right to interpret the constitution, as to its meaning and application. That is why there is often such intense discussion when a vacancy occurs on the United States Supreme Court. I can assure you that I will oppose this bill as I consider it perhaps the most flawed bill that we will vote on this session.

One other bill that did pass the Senate was promoted by the South Dakota Farm Bureau. SB 87 would allow for the formation of an organization that would provide health care for its members who would choose to join. This novel concept is a direct result

of the incredibly high cost of health insurance today. As one speaker said, "The choice is really between this program or no health coverage at all for many farmers." In the end the bill passed narrowly in the Senate with my vote being in the affirmative. It will face a tough battle in the house.

One other question sometimes asked of me is the difference between a resolution and a bill. A resolution, in particular a concurrent resolution, is a statement of the legislature on a particular subject. It does not have the force of law. However, they are important as it allows the legislature to make a statement on a matter of interest to the general public. This last week we voted on a resolution that advocated for keeping nine members of the United States Supreme Court. This has been the number since 1869. Today, there are groups that want to increase that number for a variety of reasons. This measure passed the senate with my vote being in the affirmative and will now go to the house for debate and a vote in that chamber. There are limits on the number of resolutions that can be brought and when they can be introduced. Again, they are statements but they do not have the force of law.

Lastly, I am pleased to report to you that I was appointed as one of the senators who will be a member of the summer committee on redistricting. There will be seven senators on the committee and so achieving this appointment from the President Pro Tempore, Lee Schoenbeck, is an honor. I can assure you that I will work hard to protect the interests of Lincoln and Union counties. I believe that the citizens in Union county want to remain a whole unit just as they are today, while citizens in Lincoln county like the fact that at least one district, # 6, is entirely within the boundaries of the county. I look forward to being involved with this process in the interim and working on a map that will avoid a lawsuit, as was accomplished in 2011.

Again, I want to thank the newspapers who publish these reports in the small towns I represent. Large big city papers may be losing subscribers but I am hopeful that our weekly local papers will flourish and grow. If you are reading this and are not a subscriber, I would urge you to support your local paper. The work of the legislature will go on until the end of March. Stay in contact and I will seek to keep you informed by these weekly reports. jim.bolin@sdlegislature.gov

Democratic Leaders Column

From Jamie Smith and Troy Heinert PIERRE, SD (February 6, 2021) – Greetings from Pierre, where the fourth week of the legislative session has ended. We've heard debate on bills that we hoped to see succeed including those to take care of our neighbors and protect businesses. We've also heard debate on some bills that seem to be solutions looking for problems, that are discriminatory in nature, and take our time away from issues that really matter. Democrats are here to work on common sense solutions to create a better and safer South Dakota for all of us.

Last week, Democrats introduced SB125, to require the wearing of face coverings in the state under certain conditions, in response to the pandemic. In committee, Sanford, Avera, the SD State Medical Association, SD Nurses Association, Community Health Clinics, the Presentation Sisters, and others spoke in favor of the measure to mitigate the spread of COVID. There was no opponent testimony. The committee sent it to the Senate floor on a 5-2 "without recommendation" motion. The following day Republicans denied the bill a debate on the floor by voting against a motion to calendar the bill.

"We believe South Dakotans want to do the right thing to help each other," says House Minority Leader Jamie Smith. "This bill was an attempt to

promote better mitigation measures than what we've seen being promoted. Even though the bill failed, we hope that by bringing this discussion to the Capitol, we've raised awareness of the importance of simply wearing a mask until we can get the spread of this illness under control with vaccinations. We just want folks to be safe."

Safety is important to all of us, which is why Democrats support the Governor using our state highway patrol for her security at all times. We also support transparency in government, especially when it comes to how our dollars are being spent. HB1089 to require the disclosure of security costs for public officials, which was killed by Republicans in committee, was a good measure to ensure fiscal responsibility and government transparency.

"Our governor is always our governor, no matter which party they are from," says Senate Minority Leader, Troy Heinert. "She deserves to feel safe wherever she goes. When the governor is traveling to make appearances at national campaign events, South Dakotans deserve to know how much that costs. We don't think knowing that general amount after the fact jeopardizes safety concerns. This governor campaigned on sunlight and transparency, which this bill sought to provide."

This week, the Senate heard testimony on SB68, Troy Heinert's bill to provide for the creation and funding of Oceti Sakowin community-based schools. After passing the Senate unanimously last session, the bill failed this year on a 20-12 vote on Thursday.

"We need to create an educational situation where our native kids can learn in a safe and culturally accepting environment," says Heinert. "We need to increase the rate of graduation among these students and reduce the rate of incarceration and deaths. For forty years, I've heard that we can already do this, but it never happens. This bill would have created those schools because the system somehow became irrelevant to them. We're here to listen to our constituents, not ignore them."

Working on behalf of our constituents is a Democratic priority, which is why our representatives bring the bills they bring and fight against those that do harm. We hoped to see bipartisan support on SB89, recognizing Juneteenth as an official state holiday, but Republicans in Senate State Affairs voted against it. We were happy to see HB1076, to require that birth certificates reflect biological sex, get voted down unanimously in Senate Health and Human Services committee.

Democrats are here to work for the people, to work for you. We want to hear from you! Please contact us to share your questions or concerns about the current session. Our caucus meetings have always been open to the public each day right before floor session. We are observing COVID mitigation practices in place in the Capitol. If you are visiting, plan to allow extra time for screening at the entrance and wear a mask to keep you and others safe. Your voice matters to us, and we believe that together, we can create a South Dakota that works for all of us.

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Legislative Report

DAVID L. ANDERSON
REPRESENTATIVE



Well we have completed our 17th Legislative Day and this week we'll pass the half-way point. It sure goes by fast.

Previously I have reported on HB 1046, the Covid-19 limited liability bill for businesses, schools, churches and most everyone else. This bill was unanimously passed by the Senate Judiciary Committee on Thursday morning, February 4th and it is on the Senate agenda for Monday, February 8th. Based on the previous conversations I've had with many legislators it should pass. However, Saturday morning I heard that one of the Senators, an attorney from Watertown, is now planting seeds of doubt among some of the other Senators.

Folks that's basically lowball politics at its worst. This Senator actually serves on the Senate Judiciary Committee but was not present when the bill had its hearing. Committee hearings serve a purpose. They allow the public as well as other legislators to discuss and explain the bill and what it will do. It allows any questions to be asked and answered. That process happened and you can go to the LRC website and listen to the hearing.

Now that the bill is on the Senate floor only Senators can discuss and debate the issue. By not asking his questions in committee this Senator knows that the experts from the public are not able to respond. Sounds like something that would happen in Washington DC.

Let's move on. HB 1077 is the bill that will make it easier for many professions and occupations to have their licenses from other states be

accepted by our state. This was reviewed in last week's report. This bill passed on the House floor on a 67-3 vote and now heads to the Senate.

In House Commerce Committee we heard testimony on HB 1063, a bill to appropriate \$200,000 to set up a three-year pilot program to provide mental health insurance and services for first responders. The vast majority of first responders in South Dakota are volunteers. They are on call 24/7/365. When the pager goes off, they respond, generally not even knowing what they will have to deal with.

These folks are nearly always present when tragedy strikes. They may be trying to save a home or business from fire or save a life. Some may say that that is just part of the job and perhaps that works for them. But it can be very difficult for others to deal with those losses. As volunteers these folks are often not fully trained to deal with the emotional side of what they are asked to do. After all, this is not their profession. I believe this program will add a valuable benefit to our volunteer first responders and I hope it gets funded. The Commerce Committee passed the bill on to the Appropriations Committee on a 13-0 vote.

Remember, you have access to all of the bills and resolutions through the LRC website (SDLRC.com) and you can follow all of the legislative activity on SDPB.

As always, if you have questions, concerns or comments you can contact me at: David.Anderson@SDLRC.com

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Legislative Report

By Kevin Jensen
REPRESENTATIVE

Last week we heard some difficult bills in my committee. SB3, which passed over the Senate on a 22-13 vote, removes the sunset we put in place last March in the law for contagious disease control. Covid was added to the current law that allows legal action against anyone willingly and knowingly putting others at risk by not complying with quarantine requirements. The bill passed out of the House HHS committee on an 8-5 vote but not without a lot of debate. The action allowed by the bill was only used 10 times in the past year for Covid out of 110,000 positive cases.

I would have preferred we extend the sunset to June 31, 2022 since they claim we are on the downside of the spread and there are now vaccines available. This would have put it back in the legislature for further discussion. In order to review the data to evaluate the need for leaving Covid in the bill, someone will have to bring another bill to change the law. An amendment to extend the sunset may come on the House floor.

On Thursday we heard HB1097, a bill which has allowed for religious and philosophical exemptions for

vaccinations. Only 96 vaccine exemptions were allowed in SD schools last year. After some very emotional testimony from parents who believe their children were injured from a vaccine, there was an amendment to strike "philosophical" and leave only religious beliefs as a reason for exemption. There are only a few religions whose exemptions are allowed, leaving those who do not believe in vaccines only one choice – home schooling.

The primary objection to vaccines for religious reasons is the use of fetal tissue in the vaccines. The bill was sent to the 41st day, essentially killing it, on a 7-6 vote. We have data to know how many exemptions were granted but no data on how many were denied because a doctor must grant the exemption, not the school. I believe this would be good data to have to see if we are dealing with fifty exemption requests for religious beliefs or five hundred. Fifty would not move the needle on the 94.3% overall vaccination rate. If this data were available, it may remove the objections of the medical community.

As always you can reach me at kevin.jensen@sdlegislature.gov.

A New Tax Season

As we all know by now, the COVID-19 pandemic disrupted just about every part of life – federal government agencies are no exception. One of the most frustrating realities of this pandemic was the impact it had on IRS operations.

In the spring of 2020, the IRS was processing not only 2019 tax returns but the first round of Economic Impact Payments (EIPs) a.k.a. stimulus checks. However, in response to the pandemic and efforts to lessen the spread of the virus, much of the IRS workforce was required to work remotely, resulting in a lengthy pause in the IRS mail processing.

As of today, the IRS has started bringing more employees safely back into work, but they are still woefully behind. While we know the IRS managed to provide tax returns for the majority of 2019 filers and delivered over 100 million EIPs, not every eligible person has received their due payment.

The official 2020 tax filing window opens on February 12, 2021, so below are some tips to keep in mind:

File 2020 taxes electronically. This ensures a quicker return and alleviates potential issues with paper returns getting lost or delayed.

The sooner you file your 2020 returns, the sooner it will be processed.

According to the IRS, any eligible individual who has not yet received either the first or second EIP should claim the Recovery Rebate Credit when filing their 2020 tax return.

According to the IRS, any eligible individual who has not yet received either the first or second EIP, and is typically a non-filer, should claim the Recovery Rebate Credit on their 2020 tax return by filing a zero-return.

Make sure your information with the IRS is both correct and current. Visit www.irs.gov to create an account, change an address, update direct deposit information, track an EIP, and find additional resources.

The IRS typically uses mail as the primary means of communication. If someone calls you, and claims to be from the IRS, be on alert as this is likely a scam.

As always, my office is here to help constituents as best we can. If you have questions or concerns about the 2020 tax filing season, please reach out at <https://dustyjohnson.house.gov/>.

223 +/- ACRES, LINCOLN COUNTY, SD LAND AUCTION

76.12 +/- Acres, Lincoln Township 146.88 +/- Acres, Delaware Township

Thursday, Feb 11, 2021, 10:30 AM

We will sell the following real estate at public auction at the land site from Beresford, SD, 9 miles north on I-29 to the Fairview Exit #56, 1/2 mile west on 288th St and 1/2 mile south on 470th Ave.

Auctioneer's Note: Looking to expand your current farming operation or to purchase land as an investment, don't miss this auction of highly productive southeastern South Dakota land. The land has been in a corn soybean rotation and the tracts are available to the new owner to farm in the 2021 crop year. The land is in close proximity to a hard surface road, ethanol plants and grain elevators. For drone video, maps and pictures visit www.westraatkins.com. In case of inclement weather please check our website or listen to WNAX radio.

Land will be offered in separate tracts and will not be combined.

Tract 1: 76.12 +/- Acres, Legal Description: North 40.12 acres, Lots 1 and 2, SW 1/4, 19-97-50, Lincoln County, SD and South 36 acres, N 1/2 of Lots 1 & 2, SW 1/4, Lincoln County, SD. The land has a soil rating of .814 and according to Surety/AgriData a productivity rating of 82.1. Predominate soils: and Chancellor-Tetonka complex, 0-2 percent slopes (43.2%) and Wentworth-Chancellor silty clay loams, 0-2 percent slopes (29.7%). A certified wetland determination is in the process of being completed. The FSA estimates there is approximately 76.1 acres of cropland with a 38.2 acre corn base/153 bushel PLC yield and a 37.9 acre soybean base/35 bushel PLC yield. The land includes two housing eligibilities. Taxes: \$1,665.88.

Tract 2: 146.88 +/- Acres, Legal Description: SE 1/4 except Johnson Addition, 24-97-51, Lincoln County, SD. The land has a soil rating of .863 and a Surety/AgriData productivity rating of 86.5. Predominate soils: Wentworth-Chancellor silty clay loams, 0-2 percent slopes (81.2%). A certified wetland determination has been completed. The FSA estimates there is approximately 143.3 acres of cropland with a 71.19 acre corn base/153 bushel PLC yield and a 59.21 acre soybean base/35 bushel PLC yield, 12.8 acres are enrolled in CRP with an annual payment of \$2,449.00. The CRP contract expires on 9/30/2022. The land includes three housing eligibilities. Taxes: \$3,393.22

For Terms, additional information, maps, videos and pictures visit: www.westraatkins.com

Keith and Linda Johnson- Owners
Mike McGill, Closing Attorney

Joel R Westra, Broker, Beresford, SD 605-310-6941
Joel A Westra, Broker Associate, Chancellor, SD 605-957-5222
Craig Atkins, Broker Associate, Tea, SD 605-351-9850
Pete Atkins, Broker Associate, Tea, SD 605-351-9847
Phil Eggers, Broker Associate, Renner, SD 605-351-5438
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CANTON SCHOOL MINUTES

Canton School District 41-1 Board of Education Proceedings The Canton School District Board of Education met in special session on Thursday, February 4, 2021 at 4:00 pm in the school library.

Superintendent candidate interviews. Regular session resumed at 4:20 pm 2/27/2021 T. Iverson moved, second by T. Gannon to offer a contract to Russell Townsend as Superintendent for the 2021-22 school year.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:30. The next regular meeting of the Board will be Feb. 8, 2021 at 7:00 pm.

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ADVERTISEMENT

ADVERTISEMENT 42-180-069 Structure Replacement

Lincoln County, South Dakota Sealed Bids will be received by Lincoln County, South Dakota until 10:00 AM local time on Wednesday the 24th day of February 2021 for the above referenced project.

At or shortly after the time named above and within the office of the Lincoln County Highway Superintendent, such Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

Removal of the existing #24' Single Span Steel Girder Bridge. Installation of the proposed 3 - 84" x 46'-0" Reinforced Concrete Pipes with Flared Ends.

Additional items as set forth in the Contract Documents.

Each bid shall be accompanied by a Bid Security as described in the Bidding Documents.

Bidding Documents may be examined at the locations listed: Lincoln County, SD

NOTICE OF HEARING

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING Notice is hereby given that Planning and Zoning Commission of the City of Canton will hold a public hearing on February 23rd, 2021 regarding an application for a Conditional Use Permit at the property between Cedar Street and Bartlett Street located at Sixth Street as requested by Sanford Health.

Information regarding the application is available for public review at the Canton City Hall in the office of the Finance Officer during regular business hours.

The Planning and Zoning Commission public hearing will be held at the following time, date and location: 7:00 p.m. February 23rd, 2021

IMEG Corp 104 N. Main Street Suite B150 1410 W Russell St Sioux Falls, SD 57104

Canton, SD 57013 Ph: (605) 331-2505 Ph: (605) 764-5841

The Bidding Documents may also be examined at the following locations: Sioux Falls Builders Exchange or Plains Builders Exchange both in Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

An electronic copy of the Plans and Specifications on a compact disc may be obtained from the Sioux Falls office of IMEG upon payment of \$40.00 to IMEG for shipping and handling or Plans and Specifications may be downloaded from the http://www.clark-docs.com web site upon a payment of \$20.00.

A pre-bid conference will not be held. BY: Sheri Lund Lincoln County Auditor

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NOTICE OF ISSUANCE

Notice of Issuance of Harassment Restraining Order by Publication State of Minnesota Olmsted County District Court Judicial District: Third Court File Number: 55-CV-19-3522 Case Title: Harassment Lucia Luna Petitioner vs Juan Saenz Respondent

Date: February 23, 2021 Time: 9:00 a.m. Location: Olmsted County District Court via ZOOM. Please contact Court Administration at 507-722-7264 to get the Zoom information.

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Canton, South Dakota will open bids on One (1) Used Dump Truck at 3 P.M., on the 16th day of February, 2021 at City Hall located at 210 N. Dakota, Canton, SD 57013.

Specifications are on file at City Hall, 210 N Dakota and are available upon request. In accordance with South Dakota Law, each bid shall be accompanied by a bid bond in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the bid, or a cashier's check or money order in the amount of five percent (5%) of the bid.

NOTICE OF AUDIT

NOTICE OF AUDIT OF THE FISCAL AFFAIRS OF CANTON SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 41-1

Notice is hereby given that the records and books of account of Canton School District No. 41-1, Lincoln County, South Dakota have been audited by Quam, Berglin & Post, P.C., for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020.

Internal controls was noted due to a lack of proper segregation of duties for revenues.

Recommendation: We recommend that the School District's officials be cognizant of the lack of segregation of duties for revenues and attempt to provide compensating controls whenever and wherever practical.

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2021 SPRING LOAD LIMITS

2021 SPRING LOAD LIMITS LINCOLN COUNTY HIGHWAYS Please be advised that the Lincoln County Highway Department will be posting the following load limits on designated County roads in accordance with SDCL 32-14-6.

The limits on Lincoln County Highways shall be set at seven (7) Tons per axle, 40 Tons Max, on designated asphalt surfaced highways and six (6) tons per axle on gravel roads during the spring thaw period WHEN load limit signs are in place.

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Bids must be submitted upon the printed bid form and sealed with the item being bid clearly indicated on the outside.

The City of Canton reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids and/or waive any irregularities therein.

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NOTICE OF HEARING

NOTICE OF HEARING FOR ADULT NAME CHANGE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA COUNTY OF LINCOLN ss: IN CIRCUIT COURT 2ND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT In the Matter of the Petition of Stephen Eugene Eager (Current Name) For a Change of Name to Sydney Lynn Eager (Proposed Name) CIV: 21-12 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN a

Verified Petition for Adult Name Change has been filed by Stephen Eugene Eager the object and prayer of which is to change Petitioner's name from Stephen Eugene Eager to Sydney Lynn Eager. On the 1st day of March, 2021, at the hour of 9:30 am/pm said verified petition will be heard by this Court before the Honorable John Peska Presiding, at the Court Room in the Lincoln County Courthouse, City of Canton, Lincoln County, South Dakota, or as soon thereafter as is convenient for the court. Anyone may come and appear at that time and place and show

reasons, if any, why said name should not be changed as requested. Dated this 8th day of January, 2021 at Canton, South Dakota.

Circuit Court Judge or Clerk of Court ATTEST: Kristie Torgerson Clerk of Court By: Deputy

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SEEKS PUBLIC INPUT

Lincoln County Seeks Public Input into Lincoln County Master Drainage Plan Study

Lincoln County will hold a public Open House format meeting as part of the Lincoln County Master Drainage Plan adoption process. This Open House public meeting will be held on February 18, 2021, from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. in the Commission Meeting Room of the Lincoln County Courthouse (104 N Main Street in Canton). A brief presentation will be made at the beginning of the meeting followed by an Open House discussion with the Consultant and County staff.

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full range of issues and options for drainage management according to State Statute. The purpose for the Open House is to inform the public of the study's findings and draft recommendations, and to record any specific concerns the public may have on those findings and recommendations.

For those who cannot attend the meeting or desire additional information on the study, information will be made available online after the meeting at www.lincolncountysd.com.

Notice is further given to individuals with disabilities that this open house/public meeting is being held in a physically accessible place. Any individuals with disabilities who require a reasonable accommodation

in order to participate in the open house / public meeting should submit a request to the Planning and Zoning Department at 605-764-2938 or 1-800-877-1113 (Telecommunication Relay Services for the Deaf). Please request the accommodations no later than two business days prior to the meeting in order to ensure accommodations are available.

For more information, contact the Planning and Zoning Department, at (605) 764-2938 or by email at planning@lincolncountysd.org.

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BID REQUEST

BID REQUEST NO. 21-0001 SPECIFICATIONS/BID FORM LEASING OF 154 ACRES (+/-) BID FORM, SPECIFICATIONS & CONTRACT

The undersigned shall lease approximately 154 acres (+/-) of farmland located within The Northeast Quarter (NE 1/4) of Section 36, Township 100, Range 51 West of the 5th P.M., Except the West 370.42 Feet of the East 2,132.80 Feet of the North 823.17, Lincoln County, South Dakota but not including the temporary easement on the north end consisting of 142,911 square feet from January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2022, for cash rent in the amount of \$ per year.

Envelope: Each bid must be sealed and submitted in or under the cover of an envelope no later than 10:00 a.m. on March 1, 2021. All bid envelopes must be identified with the bid number and date of opening (March 2, 2021) to be considered as a valid bid.

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CITY OF HARRISBURG MEETING MINUTES

\$280.00; Linc. Co. Rural Water System - Water for Resale (Water) \$1,640.10; Linc. Co. Treasures Office - Repairs/Maintenance (Streets, Storm Drainage) \$405.04; Malloy Electric - Repairs/Maintenance (Sewer) \$146.80; Marco, Inc. - Rentals, Supplies/Materials (Streets, Water, Sewer, Parks, Fin Admin) \$582.25; Menards-East - Supplies/Materials (Streets, Water, Sewer, Parks) \$193.98; Morrison, Cody - Customer Deposit Refund (Water) \$38.97; Pfeifer Implement - Supplies/Materials (Snow Removal) \$228.28; Pheasantland Industries - Supplies/Materials (Streets) \$887.04; Pietrus, Andrew - Customer Deposit Refund (Water) \$104.74; Productivity Plus Account (Titan) - Supplies/Materials (Snow Removal) \$870.04; Qualified Presort Service, LLC - Supplies/Materials (Water, Sewer) \$1,114.46; Rushmore Service Center - Garnishment Withholdings \$224.87; Schmidt, Dominic - Customer Deposit Refund (Water) \$76.47; Schoeneman Bros. Co. - Supplies/Materials (Govt Bldgs) \$46.20; Sioux Falls Utilities - Utilities (Sewer) \$86,881.08; Sioux Valley News - Publishing (Ord. Res., Proceedings, Election) \$368.68; South Dak Retirement System - SDRS Withholdings \$7,698.44; SD Supplemental Retirement Plan - SDRS Withholdings \$275.00; Southeastern Electric - Repairs/Maintenance (Streets) \$43.00; Stan Houston - Machinery/Equipment (Streets, Water, Sewer, Parks) \$2,550.00; Two Way Solutions, Inc. - Supplies/Materials (Streets, Water, Sewer, Parks) \$250.00; Verizon Wireless - Utilities (Sewer, Water, Engineering) \$200.17; White Glove Cleaning Services - Utilities (Govt Bldgs) \$81.25;

Business Item 3. Westside Sewer Trunk a) Approve and Authorize Mayor to Sign Final Change Order #5. Motion Tank, Maxwell seconded to approve and authorize the Mayor to sign the final change order #5 for the Westside Sewer Trunk from H & W Contracting, LLC in the amount of \$11,941.60. Upon roll call, all members present in favor.

Business Item 4. Resolution 2021-02 To Approve a Petition for Annexation of the S½NW¼ of Section 34, T100N, R50W 5th P.M., Lincoln County, South Dakota (Approximately 80 acres). Motion Tank, Maxwell seconded to approve a petition for annexation of the S½NW¼ of Section 34, T100N, R50W 5th P.M., Lincoln County, South Dakota (Approximately 80 acres). Upon roll call, all members present in favor.

Business Item 5. Approval and Authorize Mayor to Sign Purchase of ROW on Lots 5 & 6 of Blk 6 in Thorsons Addition City of Harrisburg from HEDC. No action taken.

Business Item 6. Consider Engineering Proposal for Detention and Drain Line Plans (Tiger St. & Raven Ave.) from KCDS, Inc. Motion Tank, Maxwell seconded to approve and authorize the Mayor to sign the engineering agreement from KCDS, Inc. in the amount of \$19,600.00 for the detention and drain line plans (Tiger St. and Raven Ave.). Upon roll call, all members present in favor.

Business Item 7. Consider Engineering Proposal for Sidewalk & Curb/Gutter Design for Willow Street from Railroad Ave. to Milwaukee Ave. from KCDS, Inc. Motion Olson, Maxwell seconded to approve and authorize the Mayor to sign the engineering agreement from KCDS, Inc. in the amount of \$7,850.00 for the sidewalk & curb/gutter design for Willow Street from Railroad Ave. to Milwaukee Ave. Upon roll call, all members present in favor.

Business Item 8. Consider Engineering Amendment to the Traffic Impact Study from Infrastructure Design Group, Inc. Motion Olson, Maxwell seconded to approve and authorize the Mayor to sign the engineering amendment to the traffic impact study from Infrastructure Design Group in the amount of \$8,900.00. Upon roll call, all members present in favor.

Business Item 9. Adoption of 2021-2025 Capital Improvement Plan. Motion Tank, Maxwell seconded to approve and authorize the Mayor to sign the 2021-2025 Capital Improvement Plan as prepared and presented. Upon roll call, all members present in favor.

Business Item 10. Building Permit Reports and Financial Report were provided and are available on the city website.

With no further business, a motion was made by Tank, Maxwell seconded to adjourn the city council meeting at 6:27pm. Upon roll call, all members present in favor.

The next regular meeting of the Harrisburg City Council will be held at 6:00 pm on Tuesday, February 16, 2021.

Submitted by Mary McClung, Finance Officer

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off sale) Wine and Cider - Serenity Nail Spa (225 S Cliff Ave. #7) Motion Maxwell, Tank seconded to approve and authorize the Mayor to sign the retail (on-off sale) Wine and Cider license for Serenity Nail Spa located at 225 S Cliff Ave. #7 Harrisburg, SD. Upon roll call, all members present in favor.

Business Item 3. Westside Sewer Trunk b) Approve and Authorize Mayor to Sign Final Pay Application #6. Motion Berg, Maxwell seconded to approve and authorize the Mayor to sign the final pay application #6 for the Westside Sewer Trunk - trunk sewer extension from H & W Contracting LLC in the amount of \$1,114,772.68. Upon roll call, all members present in favor.

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Business Item 7. Consider Engineering Proposal for Sidewalk & Curb/Gutter Design for Willow Street from Railroad Ave. to Milwaukee Ave. from KCDS, Inc. Motion Olson, Maxwell seconded to approve and authorize the Mayor to sign the engineering agreement from KCDS, Inc. in the amount of \$7,850.00 for the sidewalk & curb/gutter design for Willow Street from Railroad Ave. to Milwaukee Ave. Upon roll call, all members present in favor.

Business Item 8. Consider Engineering Amendment to the Traffic Impact Study from Infrastructure Design Group, Inc. Motion Olson, Maxwell seconded to approve and authorize the Mayor to sign the engineering amendment to the traffic impact study from Infrastructure Design Group in the amount of \$8,900.00. Upon roll call, all members present in favor.

Business Item 9. Adoption of 2021-2025 Capital Improvement Plan. Motion Tank, Maxwell seconded to approve and authorize the Mayor to sign the 2021-2025 Capital Improvement Plan as prepared and presented. Upon roll call, all members present in favor.

Business Item 10. Building Permit Reports and Financial Report were provided and are available on the city website.

With no further business, a motion was made by Tank, Maxwell seconded to adjourn the city council meeting at 6:27pm. Upon roll call, all members present in favor.

The next regular meeting of the Harrisburg City Council will be held at 6:00 pm on Tuesday, February 16, 2021.

Submitted by Mary McClung, Finance Officer

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CITY OF CANTON MEETING MINUTES

MINUTES OF CANTON CITY COMMISSION MEETING FEBRUARY 1, 2021 Unapproved

The Canton City Commission met at the Depot Viking Room, on Monday, February 1, 2021 at 7:00p.m. Commissioners Baldwin, Chaon, Isais, Larson, and Mayor Lundstrom were present for roll call.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. CONSSENT CALENDAR Commissioner Baldwin moved and Commissioner Larson seconded to approve the consent calendar consisting of the following: 1) to approve the minutes from the January 19, 2021 Regular Meeting, and that they are signed and published; 2) to approve the warrants to be listed at the agenda. Unanimous approval.

Second READING-REZONE ORDINANCE-404 NORTH NOID Commissioner Baldwin moved and Commissioner Isais seconded to give second reading and adopt an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance Repealing Ordinance # 1004 of the City of Canton Zoning Ordinance to Rezone Certain Property from (GB) General Business to (LJ) Light Industrial" and that it be given a number, signed and published. Unanimous approval.

Commissioner Chaon moved and Commissioner Baldwin seconded to approve the following 2021 Seasonal Wage Schedule, as presented and on file. Unanimous approval.

ADVERTISE FOR SEASONAL POSITIONS Commissioner Larson moved and Commissioner Baldwin seconded to table action until employees are contacted about how the changes affect them. Unanimous approval.

2021 RECREATION FEES Commissioner Baldwin moved and Commissioner Chaon seconded to approve the 2021 recreation fees, as presented and on file. Unanimous approval.

FSA CHANGES Discussion ensued about the FSA changes and what it means to employees. Commissioner Baldwin moved and Commissioner Isais seconded to table action until employees are contacted about how the changes affect them. Unanimous approval.

2021 RECREATION FEES Commissioner Baldwin moved and Commissioner Chaon seconded to approve the 2021 recreation fees, as presented and on file. Unanimous approval.

ADVERTISE FOR SEASONAL POSITIONS Commissioner Larson moved and Commissioner Baldwin seconded to table action until employees are contacted about how the changes affect them. Unanimous approval.

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FOR SALE BY SEALED BIDS

(TRUCK: A) 2003 Sterling M8500 dump truck
(TRUCK: B) 2003 Sterling M8500 dump truck

All bids shall be sealed in an envelope and clearly marked "Bid on Surplus Vehicle" and vehicle identification such as "(TRUCK: A) 2003 Sterling 8500". Bids may be hand-delivered or mailed to the Lincoln County Auditor, 104 N. Main Street, Ste. 110, Canton, SD 57013.

FOR SALE BY SEALED BIDS
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners will be accepting sealed bids for the following surplus property: two (2) 2003 Sterling M8500 dump trucks.

The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids, to waive any informalities or irregularities in the bids received, and to accept the bids that are to the advantage of and in the best interest of the County.

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PUBLISHED NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND INTERESTED PARTIES

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA
SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
IN CIRCUIT COURT
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
FILE NO. 41PRO21-00005
IN THE MATTER OF
THE ESTATE OF
DEAN L. MYHRE, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that on January 20, 2021, Larry G. Myhre, whose address is 6809 Norwood Court, Sioux City, IA 51106 and Jeanne M. Roberts, whose address is 208 S. Michelson, Vermillion, SD 57069, were appointed as Personal Representatives for the Estate of Dean L. Myhre.

Claims may be filed with the Personal Representative or may be filed with the Clerk of the Circuit Court at the Lincoln County Courthouse in Canton, South Dakota, with a copy of such claim mailed to the Personal Representatives.

Dated January 21, 2021.
Larry G. Myhre,
Personal Representative
6809 Norwood Court,
Sioux City, IA 51106
AND
Jeanne M. Roberts,
Personal Representative
208 S. Michelson,
Vermillion, SD 57069
ATTORNEYS FOR PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES
HEIDMAN LAW FIRM, P.L.L.C.
Joel D. Vos (SD #3377)
Lance D. Ehmcke
P.O. Box 3086
Sioux City, IA 51102-3086
(712) 255-8838

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice to Creditors and Notice of Informal Probate and Appointment of Personal Representative

State of South Dakota
County of Lincoln
In Circuit Court
Second Judicial Circuit
41PRO21-000009
In the Matter of the Estate of
Hobart J. Cole,
Deceased.

Notice is given that on the 21st day of January, 2021, Donald W. Cole, whose address is 28705 477th Avenue, Canton, SD 57013, was appointed as Personal Representative of the estate of Hobart J. Cole.

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

Claims may be filed with the Personal Representative or may be filed with the Clerk of the Circuit Court at the Lincoln County Courthouse in Canton, South Dakota, with a copy of such claim mailed to the Personal Representative.

Dated this 21st day of January, 2021.
Donald W. Cole
28705 477th Avenue
Canton, SD 57013
Ph: (605) 351-4817
Kristie Torgerson
Lincoln County Clerk of Courts
104 N. Main St., #160
Canton, SD 57013
Ph: (605) 987-5891
Charles B. Haugland
Attorney at Law
Gubbrud, Haugland & Gillespie Prof. L.L.C.
102 West Second Street
P. O. Box 97
Aclester, SD 57001-0097
(605) 934-2140

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Notice to Creditors and Notice of Informal Probate and Appointment of Personal Representative

State of South Dakota
County of Lincoln
In Circuit Court
Second Judicial Circuit
In the Matter of the Estate of
Clarion H. Thormodsgaard,
Deceased.

Notice is given that on the 29th day of January, 2021, Timothy DeLay, whose address is 29420 478th Ave., Hudson, SD 57034, was appointed as Personal Representative of the estate of Clarion H. Thormodsgaard.

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

Claims may be filed with the Personal Representative or may be filed with the Clerk of the Circuit Court at the Lincoln County Courthouse in Canton, South Dakota, with a copy of such claim mailed to the Personal Representative.

Dated this 29th day of January, 2021.
Timothy DeLay
29420 478th Ave.
Hudson, SD 57034
Ph: (605) 351-8857
Kristie Torgerson
Lincoln County Clerk of Courts
104 N. Main St., #160
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ORDINANCE NO. 1078

ORDINANCE NO. 1078
AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE # 1004 OF THE CITY OF CANTON ZONING ORDINANCE TO REZONE CERTAIN PROPERTY FROM (GB) General Business to (LJ) Light Industrial.

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Commission of the City of Canton, South Dakota that Ordinance # 1004 be repealed in its entirety and be reenacted to read as follows:

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Commission of the City of Canton, South Dakota that notice has been duly given, hearings held in accordance with law and receipt of the recommendation of the Planning and Zoning Commission, the following real property is hereby zoned to (LJ) Light Industrial, and the Municipal Finance Officer is authorized and directed to amend the official zoning map of the City of Canton accordingly.

The following property zoned is

legally described as:
Lands in Canton W 236' of E 944' of N 275' of S 1/2 SE 1/4 - 13-98-49
Adopted by the Board of City Commissioners of Canton, South Dakota this 1st day of February 2021.
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
CITY OF CANTON, SOUTH DAKOTA

Sandra Lundstrom, Mayor
ATTEST:

Kyle Cwach
Municipal Finance Officer
(SEAL)
First Reading: 01/19/21
Second Reading and Adoption: 02/01/21
Publication: 02/11/21
Effective Date: 03/03/21

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NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE OF SALE OF TAX DEED PROPERTY EXTENSIONS

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the County of Lincoln, South Dakota, has directed the below described real property acquired by said County by tax deed proceeding to be sold as provided by law.

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the direction of the Board of Commissioners of Lincoln County, South Dakota, sealed bids shall be received by the Lincoln County Auditor, 104 N. Main Street, Suite 110, Canton, SD 57013, not later than 10:00 a.m., March 1, 2021, for the following described real estate situated in the County of Lincoln, State of South Dakota, to-wit:

Tract 16 in D&L Industrial Addition in the Southwest Quarter, Section 24, Township 100, Range 51, West of the 5th PM, Lincoln County, South Dakota,
a/k/a Lincoln Co. Parcel #100.50.64.

K016
Bids shall be publicly opened and read between 8:35 a.m. and adjournment of the March 2, 2021 Lincoln County Commission Meeting

The bid form and specifications that must be used are available from the Lincoln County Auditor at the above address or at www.lincolncountysd.gov under Notices.

Lincoln County reserves the right to reject any or all bids, waive technicalities and make awards as deemed to be in the best interest of Lincoln County, SD. If a bid is accepted, the tax deed property will be conveyed to the successful bidder by Quit Claim Deed upon payment in full.

Dated this 26th day of January 2021.
Sheri Lund
Lincoln County Auditor
Published in the Sioux Valley News on February 4 and 11, 2021 at the total approximate cost of \$32.94.

LINCOLN COUNTY MEETING MINUTES

THE LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS was brought to order by Chairman Tiffani Landeen at 8:30 a.m. on January 26, 2021 with Commissioners Joel Arends, Jim C. Jibben, Michael Poppens, and Jim Schmidt present. Deputy Auditor, Shaun Feilmeier, served as Clerk of the Board. Chief Civil Deputy State's Attorney, William Golden, was also present.

ROUTINE BUSINESS:
MOTION by Poppens and seconded by Jibben to approve agenda. Arends: "Aye" Jibben: "Aye" Poppens: "Aye" Schmidt: "Aye" Landeen: "Aye". Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND: Star Publishing, Meeting Minutes/Notices \$2,270.27; Independent Publishing Llc, Publishing \$2,608.82; Lincoln Co Treasurer, 100.50.76.1000 Taxes \$4,352.40; Midco, Phone/Video \$1,147.63; Jd's House Of Trophies, Plaque \$42.60; MetLife, Employee Life Insurance \$297.77; United Healthcare Premium Billing, Cobra Health/Wellness Credit \$23,532.85; Election Systems & Software Inc, Erm/Firmware/Maint Fees \$15,650.00; Beck, Pat, Grand Jury Transcripts \$746.75; Avera Med Group Univ Psychiatry, Forensic Evals \$4,500.00; Jurors, Fees/Mileage \$3,322.92; Price Phd, Thomas L, Crd Ordered Eval \$2,400.00; A To Z World Languages Inc, Interpreter \$29.00; Meierhenry Sargent Llp, Crd Appt Attny \$16,013.04; Multi-Cultural Center Of Sf, Interpreters \$288.75; Jeff Larson Law Pc, Crd Appt Attny \$12.88; Midameric Energy Co, Monthly Gas Usage-Crthse \$2,246.43; Mcleod's Printing, Business Cards/Envelopes \$308.80; Grainger, Lock Box \$34.00; Zee Medical Service, 1st Aid Supplies-Crthse \$166.45; Novak Sanitary Svc Corp, Garbage/Recycling-Crthse \$232.27; G & R Controls Inc, Preventive Maint Service \$4,587.25; Cintas, Mats/Wipes \$499.38; Sd Div Of Motor Vehicle, Tax/License 2021 Dodge Trv \$16.00; The Crossroads Hotel, Travel-Lodging \$150.00; Esi-Environment Sys Research, 2021 Maintenance Agreement \$7,700.00; Oakland, Jake, Diallymicals Refund \$20.00; Riverside Technologies Inc,

Supplies-Ink/Toner \$1,805.48; Sioux Falls Area Humane Society, Contract/After Hrs/Mlge-Dec \$897.40; Cdw-G Inc, Havis 3 Filler Plate/Headsets \$908.61; Streicher's, Jackets \$524.97; Fed Ex, Evidence Return \$28.19; Jack's Uniforms & Equipment, Uniform/Equipment \$305.60; Delta Dental, Ds-Cobra Dental \$135.90; Frantzen Reporting/Pgrsr Inc, Transcripts \$92.00; Auto Dynamics Inc, Repairs #15-3,20-1,19-2,14 \$1,208.98; Napa Auto & Truck Parts Of Sf, Blister Pack Capsules \$17.98; Distinct Auto Glass & Tires, Tint # 17-3 \$90.00; Ajs Automotive Llc, Repairs # 17-1, 19-2 \$251.00; Fidelity Security Life Ins Comp, Ds-Cobra Vision Insurance \$7.67; Minnehaha County Jail, Prisoner Care \$494.15; B & E Autoxworx Llc, Oil Change #19-1 \$44.95; Silverstar Car Wash, Membership-Carwash \$139.77; Thomas Scientific, Drug Pouch Evidence \$152.64; Minnehaha Co Regional Jdc, Comm Spervsn/Shelter/Juvhs \$48,995.30; Wenck Associates Inc, Project Costs \$3,814.66; Childrens Inn, 2021 Budget Allocation \$7,200.00; Help Line Center Inc, 2021 Budget Allocation \$14,000.00; The Compass Center, 2021 Budget Allocation \$12,000.00; Inter-Lakes Comm Actn Ptnrsh, 2021 Budget Allocation-Jan \$530.92; Southeastern Behavioral Hlth, Mobile Crisis Project-Dec \$304.56; Dakotabilities Inc, 10cl-Jan/Feb/Dec 2021 \$1,800.00; Friegberg Nelson & Ask Llp, Ml Board - Dec \$2,926.20; Johnson Plc, Katie, Ml Board-Dec \$4,131.65; Loving, Philip, Ml Evals \$889.18; Avera Med Group Specialty Cln, Ml Holds \$325.22; Anderson, Jennifer Marie, Ml Evals \$495.00; Canton Public Library, 2021 Budget Allocation \$6,000.00; Hudson Library, 2021 Budget Allocation \$600.00; Beresford Public Library, 2021 Budget Allocation \$4,500.00; Lennox Public Library, 2021 Budget Allocation \$6,000.00; City Of Harrisburg, 2021 Budget Allocation \$745.43; Bomgaars, Supplies/Repairs #46,47.5 \$34.98; Pro Flooring, Remove/Install Flooring 4h \$875.00; Lennox Life Enrich Fr The Edrly, 2021 Budget Allocation \$5,000.00; Beresford Faith In Action, 2021 Budget Allocation \$1,200.00; Canton Nutrition Center, 2021 Budget Allocation \$2,700.00; Beresford City Transportation, 2021 Budget Allocation \$1,000.00; Beresford Community Food Cupbrd, 2021 Budget Allocation \$1,000.00; Sd Assoc Of Weed&Pest Sprvrs, 2021 Membership Dues \$50.00; Canton Home & Farm Supply, Supplies/Repair # 12 \$7.52; Force America Distributing Llc, Repairs # 27.29, 25 \$1,008.00; Jongeling, Jerry, Mileage 011921 \$15.71; Pashby, Gary, Mileage 011921 \$18.56; Code Works, Project Costs \$624.14
HIGHWAYS: Star Publishing, Help Wanted-Hwy \$80.00; Century Business Products, Copier Maint-Hwy \$48.46;

Midameric Energy Co, Monthly Gas Usage-Hwy \$2,989.36; Lyle Signs Inc, U-Channel Posts \$776.31; Lawson Products Inc, Supplies-Washer/Handle/Scr \$753.12; Northern Truck Equip Co, Spinner Hub-Long \$103.16; Butler Machinery Co, Repair #66 \$10,422.71; Dakota Fluid Power Inc, Repair-Hose/Cylinder \$1,654.05; Jfa Inc, Plug Patched Tires/Road Salt \$2,190.63; Pheasantland Industries, T-Shirts/Sweatshirts/Caps \$2,812.90; Light And Siren, 2 Led Beacon Light \$180.00; Xcel Energy, Electricity-Hwy \$139.19; Midco, Phone/Video \$77.53; Grainger, Mat \$179.16; Avera Occupation Med-Mitchell, Remote Drug Test \$354.20; Micheal's Purple Petunia, Pump Out Holding Tank \$140.00; Zee Medical Service, 1st Aid Supplies-Hwy \$100.25; L G Everist, Riprap Crushed Qtz \$8,635.70; Midwestern Mechanical Inc, Fire Sprinkler Maint \$173.47; Novak Sanitary Svc Corp, Garbage/Recycling-Hwy \$78.04; Fastenal Company, Gloves/Batteries/Fnl Assort \$115.82; Canton Home & Farm Supply, Supplies/Repair # 12 \$127.64; Bomgaars, Supplies/Repairs #46,47.5 \$404.45; Fidelity Security Life Insr Comp, Mr-Cobra Vision Insurance \$7.67; Transcure, Repair 2019 Mack Gr64fr \$385.16; Fuzericon Connect Nwf, Inc, Monthly Service-Dec \$453.32; Greenway & Associates Ltd, Ring/Washer/Handle/Shaft \$548.20; Metlife, Employee Life Insurance \$50.83; Force America Distributing Llc, Repairs # 27.29, 25 \$1,245.84; Contech Engineered Solution,Llc, Hp 2 2/3 Gv, Band 5c Galv \$842.65; United Healthcare Premium Billing, Cobra Health Insurance Sw \$835.69; Bnsf Railway Company, Row Temp Occupancy App Fee \$800.00
911: Star Publishing, Help Wanted-911 \$60.00; Midco, Phone/Video \$148.22; Metlife, Employee Life Insurance \$29.90
EMS: Interstate Power Systems Inc, Courthouse Generators Serv \$1,196.00; Midco, Phone/Video \$60.91; Metlife, Employee Life Insurance \$1.20
24/7: Midco, Phone/Video \$23.50; Pharm Chem Inc, Sweatpatch Analysis \$513.90; Metlife, Employee Life Insurance \$2.99
DEBT SERVICE-TIF: First Bank & Trust, Annual Agent Fee \$750.00
LAW LIBRARY: Thomson Reuters-West Publ Corp, Law Library \$27.14
EMPLOYEE PREM HEALTH: United Healthcare Group Billing, Employee Health Insurance \$121,243.51
Payroll:
Commissioner's \$4,757.28; FICA 263.78, Medicare 61.70
Auditor's \$10,487.21; FICA 552.93, Medicare 129.31, SDRS 629.23
Treasurer's \$16,802.70; FICA 962.43, Medicare 225.08, SDRS 1008.15
States Attorney's \$41,536.41; FICA 2,297.68, Medicare 537.34, SDRS 2,433.42
Gen Gov Bldg \$13,431.41; FICA 701.20, Medicare 163.98, SDRS 805.88
DOE \$28,448.52; FICA 1,574.34, Medicare 368.19, SDRS 1,672.13
ROD \$7,177.72; FICA 398.92, Medicare 93.30, SDRS 392.93
VSO \$2,033.60; FICA 102.97, Medicare 24.08, SDRS 122.02
GIS \$4,902.40; FICA 264.46, Medicare 61.85, SDRS 294.14
IT \$5,723.20; FICA 333.74, Medicare 78.05, SDRS 343.39
HR \$3,012.00; FICA 176.86, Medicare 41.36, SDRS 180.72
WIC \$316.48; FICA 19.62, Medicare 4.59
Sheriff's \$67,066.63; FICA 3,990.68, Medicare 933.30, SDRS 4,659.90
County 4-H \$3,128.81; FICA 186.68,

Medicare 43.66, SDRS 187.73
P & Z \$10,953.60; FICA 646.66, Medicare 151.23, SDRS 657.21
Highway \$41,798.09; FICA 2,388.19, Medicare 558.54, SDRS 2,507.91
Communications \$23,517.46; FICA 1,349.00, Medicare 315.50, SDRS 1,411.05
EM MGMT \$2,945.40; FICA 159.88, Medicare 37.39, SDRS 176.72
24/7 \$3,016.70; FICA 156.54, Medicare 36.61, SDRS 241.34
Reports:
The December 2020 Auditor's Account with the County Treasurer was presented totaling \$16,097,482.88 as follows: Total amount of deposits in banks \$8,293,466.31; Total amount of actual cash \$14,361.52; Total amount of checks and drafts in Treasurer's Possession not exceeding three days \$188,370.08; Total Cash Items \$2,532.83; Funds Invested \$ 7,598,752.14.
The December 2020 Expenditures report was presented.
The December 2020 Revenue & Expense report was presented.
December 2020 mileage reports were presented from Buildings & Grounds and Sheriff Patrol.
A Notice of Availability of the Environmental Assessment for the Proposed South Sioux City to Sioux Falls A-Line Replacement Project from Northern Natural Gas Company was presented.
The December 2020 Clerk of Courts report totaling \$42,080.70 was presented.
CONSENT AGENDA:
MOTION by Schmidt and seconded by Arends to approve Consent Agenda items. Arends: "Aye" Jibben: "Aye" Poppens: "Aye" Schmidt: "Aye" Landeen: "Aye". Motion carried.
MOTION by Schmidt and seconded by Arends to approve Commission Minutes: 1/12/2021. Arends: "Aye" Jibben: "Aye" Poppens: "Aye" Schmidt: "Aye" Landeen: "Aye". Motion carried.
MOTION by Schmidt and seconded by Arends to approve and authorize the Chair to execute Quit Claim Deed for surplus Tax Deed Property legally described as Hudson Lot 16, Block 20, Lincoln County, South Dakota, for Randy W. Kruid. MOTION by Schmidt and seconded by Arends. Arends: "Aye" Jibben: "Aye" Poppens: "Aye" Schmidt: "Aye" Landeen: "Aye". Motion carried.
MOTION by Schmidt and seconded by Arends to approve and authorize the Chair to execute Quit Claim Deed for surplus Tax Deed Property legally described as Hudson Lot 16, Block 20, Lincoln County, South Dakota, for Randy W. Kruid. MOTION by Schmidt and seconded by Arends. Arends: "Aye" Jibben: "Aye" Poppens: "Aye" Schmidt: "Aye" Landeen: "Aye". Motion carried.
RESOLUTION: BE IT RESOLVED to declare surplus and remove from inventory the following item from the Auditor's Office: Item 2560, Calculator, Monroe Pro, broken. MOTION by Schmidt and seconded by Arends. Arends: "Aye" Jibben: "Aye" Poppens: "Aye" Schmidt: "Aye" Landeen: "Aye". Motion carried.
RESOLUTION: BE IT RESOLVED to approve Application for Replacement Warrant in the amount of \$197.57 for Avera McKennan Regional Lab, warrant number 103622. MOTION by Schmidt and seconded by Arends. Arends: "Aye" Jibben: "Aye" Poppens: "Aye" Schmidt: "Aye" Landeen: "Aye". Motion carried.
RESOLUTION: BE IT RESOLVED to approve abatement for 09.50.01. B500 in the amount of \$1,155.30 for the tax year 2020 payable 2021 due to fire destroying structure on 08/18/2020. MOTION by Schmidt and seconded by Arends. Arends: "Aye" Jibben: "Aye" Poppens: "Aye" Schmidt: "Aye" Landeen: "Aye". Motion carried.
RESOLUTION: BE IT RESOLVED to approve step increase for the following individuals in the Sheriff's Office effective the first day of the biweekly pay period following 1.21.2021: Robert Corsini - Deputy Sheriff - SO 1/Step 2 - \$23.11/hour. MOTION by Schmidt and seconded by Arends. Arends: "Aye" Jibben: "Aye" Poppens: "Aye" Schmidt: "Aye" Landeen: "Aye". Motion carried.
RESOLUTION: BE IT RESOLVED to approve step increase for the following individual in the Sheriff's Office effective the first day of the biweekly pay period following 2.3.2021: Garrett Welsh - Deputy Sheriff - SO 1/Step 2 - \$23.11/hour. MOTION by Schmidt and seconded by Arends. Arends: "Aye" Jibben: "Aye" Poppens: "Aye" Schmidt: "Aye" Landeen: "Aye". Motion carried.
OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT:
A resident from Beresford area commented on leasing as an alternative to purchasing a tracked skid loader for the Highway Department and presented cost estimates from an equipment rental company.
Commissioner Schmidt commented on the future of drones for delivery service. Schmidt also commented on the increased information listed on property tax notices congratulating the Treasurer on this improvement.

REGULAR BUSINESS:
COMMISSIONER BRIEFING: Rebecca Mathiesen, Register of Deeds, read aloud her letter of resignation to the Board.
RESOLUTION: BE IT RESOLVED to accept the resignation of Rebecca Mathiesen, Register of Deeds, effective April 2, 2021. MOTION by Poppens and seconded by Arends. Arends: "Aye" Jibben: "Aye" Poppens: "Aye" Schmidt: "Aye" Landeen: "Aye". Motion carried.
COMMISSIONER BRIEFING: Mark Isaacson of Legacy Aviation informed the Board of the necessary facts pertaining to an urgent beacon repair at the Marv Skie Lincoln County Airport.
RESOLUTION: BE IT RESOLVED to approve repair of beacon at the Marv Skie Lincoln County Airport by Sioux Falls Electric for \$6,844.75. MOTION by Jibben and seconded by Arends. Arends: "Aye" Jibben: "Aye" Poppens: "Aye" Schmidt: "Aye" Landeen: "Aye". Motion carried.
COMMISSIONER BRIEFING: John Rombough, Buildings & Grounds Superintendent, informed the Board of the necessary facts pertaining to the agreement for drinking water filtration at the Courthouse as well as a temporary facility lease agreement at the 4-H grounds. Comments were made about the proceeds of the lease agreement to go to 4-H program.
RESOLUTION: BE IT RESOLVED to approve and authorize the Chair to execute the drinking water agreement with A & B Pure Water & Gourmet Coffee for the 2021 fiscal year. MOTION by Poppens and seconded by Arends. Arends: "Aye" Jibben: "Aye" Poppens: "Aye" Schmidt: "Aye" Landeen: "Aye". Motion carried.
COMMISSIONER BRIEFING: William Golden, Chief Civil Deputy

COMMISSIONER BRIEFING: Julia Disburg, Human Resources Director, informed the Board of the necessary facts pertaining to several personnel items. Disburg also asked for direction regarding the mandatory anti-harassment/discrimination training purchase. She was directed to move forward with the presented cost of \$2,800 to Traliant. Disburg asked the Board how to proceed with the recruitment of a Register of Deeds replacement as well. Commissioners agreed that it should mirror the process to fill the Auditor's position last year.
RESOLUTION: BE IT RESOLVED to accept the resignation of Ashley Landon, Deputy Sheriff effective 1.28.2021. MOTION by Schmidt and seconded by Arends. Arends: "Aye" Jibben: "Aye" Poppens: "Aye" Schmidt: "Aye" Landeen: "Aye". Motion carried.
RESOLUTION: BE IT RESOLVED to promote Sunny Larson from Light Equipment Operator to Heavy Equipment Operator in the Highway Department at \$20.49/hr (Grade106/Step4) effective 1.24.2021. MOTION by Arends and seconded by Schmidt. Arends: "Aye" Jibben: "Aye" Poppens: "Aye" Schmidt: "Aye" Landeen: "Aye". Motion carried.
RESOLUTION: BE IT RESOLVED to promote Waylon Wellman from Heavy Equipment Operator to Heavy Equipment Specialist in the Highway Department at \$26.07/hr (Grade107/Step1) effective 1.17.2021. MOTION by Arends and seconded by Schmidt. Arends: "Aye" Jibben: "Aye" Poppens: "Aye" Schmidt: "Aye" Landeen: "Aye". Motion carried.
RESOLUTION: BE IT RESOLVED to recruit and hire a replacement Register of Deeds through application process: opened and advertised externally for one month and conduct interviews for Board appointment, appointing Commissioners Michael Poppens and Tiffani Landeen as liaisons. MOTION by Schmidt and seconded by Poppens. Arends: "Aye" Jibben: "Aye" Poppens: "Aye" Schmidt: "Aye" Landeen: "Aye". Motion carried.
COMMISSIONER BRIEFING: Shaun Feilmeier, Deputy Auditor, briefly introduced the topic of appointment to the Sioux Valley Regional Railroad Authority. Commissioner Jibben expressed his willingness to serve on said board.
RESOLUTION: BE IT RESOLVED to appoint Commissioner Jim C. Jibben to the Sioux Valley Regional Railroad Authority. MOTION by Schmidt and seconded by Poppens. Arends: "Aye" Jibben: "Aye" Schmidt: "Aye" Landeen: "Aye". Motion carried.
COMMISSIONER BRIEFING: Shaun Feilmeier, Deputy Auditor, briefly introduced the topic of appointment to the Sioux Valley Regional Railroad Authority. Commissioner Jibben expressed his willingness to serve on said board.
RESOLUTION: BE IT RESOLVED to approve repair of beacon at the Marv Skie Lincoln County Airport by Sioux Falls Electric for \$6,844.75. MOTION by Jibben and seconded by Arends. Arends: "Aye" Jibben: "Aye" Poppens: "Aye" Schmidt: "Aye" Landeen: "Aye". Motion carried.
COMMISSIONER BRIEFING: John Rombough, Buildings & Grounds Superintendent, informed the Board of the necessary facts pertaining to the agreement for drinking water filtration at the Courthouse as well as a temporary facility lease agreement at the 4-H grounds. Comments were made about the proceeds of the lease agreement to go to 4-H program.
RESOLUTION: BE IT RESOLVED to approve and authorize the Chair to execute the drinking water agreement with A & B Pure Water & Gourmet Coffee for the 2021 fiscal year. MOTION by Poppens and seconded by Arends. Arends: "Aye" Jibben: "Aye" Poppens: "Aye" Schmidt: "Aye" Landeen: "Aye". Motion carried.
COMMISSIONER BRIEFING: William Golden, Chief Civil Deputy

State's Attorney, informed the Board of the necessary facts pertaining to a request from the City of Tea via HDR for a temporary easement for upcoming 272nd St projects.
RESOLUTION: BE IT RESOLVED to approve and authorize the Chair to execute the Temporary Construction Easement Agreement for City of Tea. MOTION by Poppens and seconded by Schmidt. Arends: "Aye" Jibben: "Aye" Poppens: "Aye" Schmidt: "Aye" Landeen: "Aye". Motion carried.
COMMISSIONER BRIEFING: William Golden, Chief Civil Deputy State's Attorney, presented "Reed v. Town of Gilbert, Ariz." Pertaining to the recent interest in Lincoln County's Sign ordinance. Golden also suggested the ordinance be revised in order to be more content neutral.
RESOLUTION: BE IT RESOLVED to refer to the Planning Commission for a recommendation to amend the 2009 Revised Zoning Ordinance regulations for on/off-premises signage. MOTION by Arends and seconded by Poppens. Arends: "Aye" Jibben: "Aye" Poppens: "Aye" Schmidt: "Aye" Landeen: "Aye". Motion carried.
RESOLUTION: BE IT RESOLVED to enter into Executive Session at 9:03 a.m. for the following purposes: Discussing the qualifications, competence, performance, character or fitness of any public officer or employee or prospective public officer or employee. The term "employee" does not include any independent contractor. SDCL 1-25-2(1); Consulting with legal counsel or reviewing communications from legal counsel about proposed or pending litigation or contractual matters. SDCL 1-25-2(3) MOTION by Arends and seconded by Schmidt. Arends: "Aye" Jibben: "Aye" Poppens: "Aye" Schmidt: "Aye" Landeen: "Aye". Motion carried.
RESOLUTION: BE IT RESOLVED to exit Executive Session at 9:28 a.m. MOTION by Poppens and seconded by Arends. Arends: "Aye" Jibben: "Aye" Poppens: "Aye" Schmidt: "Aye" Landeen: "Aye". Motion carried.
Board recessed until 10:05 a.m.
SEALED BIDS were opened for surplus Highway equipment. There was one bid for the 1983 IHS crawler/loader: Steve Williams \$2,786.00. The specific equipment for the remaining dump truck bids (3) could not be differentiated: there were two dump trucks for sale, but each bid did not differentiate which of the two they were bidding on.
RESOLUTION: BE IT RESOLVED to accept the only bid submitted for the 1983 IHS loader/crawler from Steve Williams for \$2,786.00. MOTION by Poppens and seconded by Arends. Arends: "Aye" Jibben: "Aye" Poppens: "Aye" Schmidt: "Aye" Landeen: "Aye". Motion carried.
RESOLUTION: BE IT RESOLVED to reject all sealed bids submitted and readvertise for sealed bids for surplus Highway equipment, two (2) 2003 Sterling M8500 dump trucks, in such a way as to differentiate each individual equipment more easily. MOTION by Poppens and seconded by Arends. Arends: "Aye" Jibben: "Aye" Poppens: "Aye" Schmidt: "Aye" Landeen: "Aye". Motion carried.
SEALED BIDS were opened for surplus fill dirt. One bid was submitted by Michael Poppens for \$501.00.
RESOLUTION: BE IT RESOLVED to accept the sole submitted bid for surplus fill dirt from Michael Poppens for \$501.00. MOTION by Arends and seconded by Jibben. Arends: "Aye" Jibben: "Aye" Poppens: "Abstained" Schmidt: "Aye" Landeen: "Aye". Motion carried.
MOTION by Arends and seconded by Poppens to adjourn at 10:10 a.m. until 8:30 a.m. on February 2, 2021. Arends: "Aye" Jibben: "Aye" Poppens: "Aye" Schmidt: "Aye" Landeen: "Aye". Motion carried.
Lincoln County Board of Commissioners
/s/
Tiffani Landeen, Lincoln County Chair
Attest: /s/
Shaun Feilmeier, Deputy Auditor
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Canton (8-5) 63
ClarkWL (5-10) 52

Canton: Taryn Larson 3 0-0 3, Tera Lease 0 0-2 0, Laken Meister 13 0-0 13, Paige Schroedermeier 14 0-0 14, Amanda Lease 12 1-1 13, Shelby Olseth 5 3-5 8, Landree Meister 0 0-0 0, Cadence Abbas 0 1-2 1, Danica Rozeboom 6 1-2 7, Carlee Laubach 4 0-2 4, Totals: 57 6-14 63

3-point field goals: Canton-9 (Larson 1, Meister 3, Schroedermeier 4, Olseth 1)

Rebounds: Canton-37 (Larson 4, Lease 3, Meister 2, Schroedermeier 4, Lease 4, Olseth 5, Meister 2, Abbas 4, Rozeboom 8, Laubach 1)

Assists: Canton-7 (Meister 1, Lease 3, Olseth 2, Rozeboom 1)

Steals: Canton-12 (Larson 2, Meister 1, Lease 1, Schroedermeier 1, Lease 2, Olseth 4, Rozeboom 1)

Blocks: Canton-4 (Larson 1, Lease 2, Rozeboom 1)

Turnovers: Canton 21, Clark-WL 31

Clark WL: Maggie Hovde 6 7-13 13, Chayla Vig 5 0-0 5, Jada Burke 6 4-8 10, Alicia Vig 10 2-3 12, Kayla Jordan 2 0-0 2, Haylee Tormanen 5 0-1 5, Musonda Kabwe 0 0-0 0, Jaycie Forbes 3 0-1 3, Allison Kannegier 2 0-0 2, Totals: 39 13-28 52



Taryn Larson goes up for a three pointer against Clark/ Willow Lake. The team hit eight three pointers in the first half to give them a good lead to win the game.



Laken Meister dribbles the ball towards the basket. Meister scored three 3 pointers during the game.

Photos and Story by Scott Larson

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Canton High School National Honor Society



New members are pictured above. Front Row: (Left to Right) Camden Smith, Isaac Suter, Andrew Meyer, Elijah VanDeStroet, Carter Rager, Caleb Henderson, Luke Richardson, Caden Rohrich.

2nd row: Brystel Bentz, Tera Lease, Katherine Stahl, Delaney Scott, Kiana Lothrop, Aisha Trowbridge, Alexis Wiersma, Nicholas Coad.

3rd Row: Sophia Priesz, Nicole Tiemann, Carolyn Eich, Alivia Halverson, Piper Braun, Kendall Brown

Missing - Elijah Isais

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Sportstalk

By Rich Beitzel

I might have to keep this short as I ate too many smokies and chips and dip but that's what you do when your team didn't make the Superbowl. I did watch the game and it kind of turned out like I thought except I thought the Chiefs would have a bit more offense than that but my prediction of 34-28 was close for Tampa Bay. I have a lot of friends that are Chiefs fans so I won't dog then too bad. After last seasons win over my Niners all I heard was how Mahomes is the greatest quarterback ever but after watching this game I think we have seen the best quarterback ever play as Tom Brady just won his 7th Superbowl title so that alone makes him the best. As a huge Joe Montana fan I always thought he was the greatest but I can't argue with Tom's results. Kansas City will be back at it next year and right back at the top but the Bucs had a good finish to the season and for the few TB fans I know I say congratulations.

I don't want to hear how the refs won it for Brady because that's a call in the end zone with game tied at the end of the game but most of those calls were legit and TB just out played them on both sides of the ball so no excuses there. Last year my Niners just let the Chiefs back in the game and couldn't stop them in the last quarter and this year they got that

handed to them. Over all I enjoyed the game and the commercials well at least most of them. Now that the NFL is done for the year and of course I can't wait for next season because we will be healthy and ready to go but now its time for pitchers and catchers to report to spring training and as a Braves fan, we are excited and lets play ball.

It seems like a month since the C-Hawks have played or wrestled and now they get back at it as they enter the final month of their seasons. The wrestlers travel to Salem for a dual tourney with Sisseton, Faulkton Area, Marion/Freeman and McCook Central/Montrose with wrestling starting at 4pm then they head to Freeman for the Region 2B tourney starting at 10am and then its on to State in Rapid City the following weekend.

The boys basketball team hosts Irene/Wakonda on Friday the 12th followed by a trip to Madison the next day followed by a trip to Hartford to face West Central. The girls go to Madison on the 13th and then to Menno on the 15th followed by a trip to West Central the next day then follow all that with a home game against Alcester/Hudson on the 18th. Good Luck to all the teams and lets go out playing as hard as we have all year.

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