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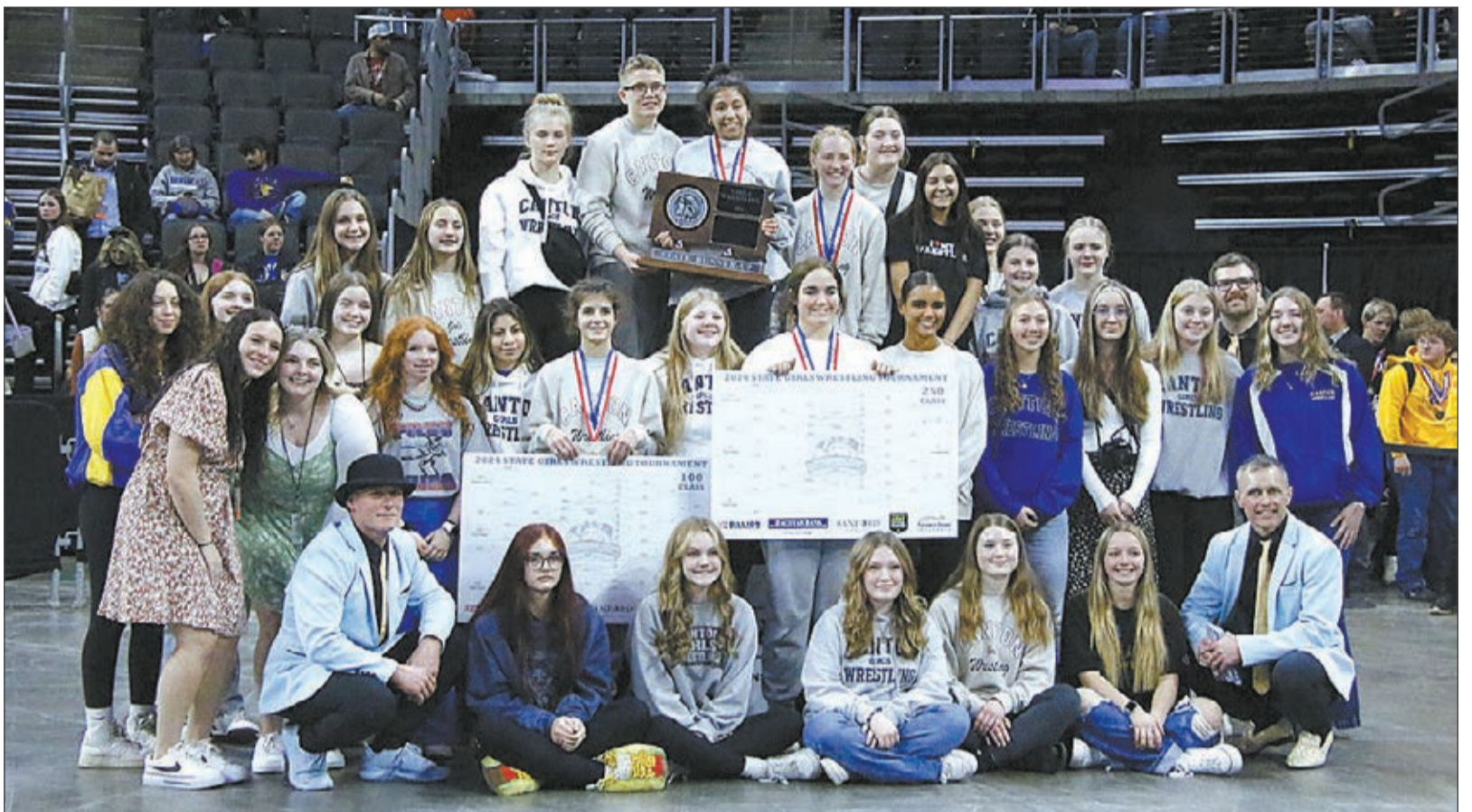


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7 Straight Wrestling Titles



The Canton C-Hawk boys wrestling team traveled to Sioux Fall for the 2024 State B Wrestling Tournament and came home with their 7th consecutive State B wrestling Championship and their 9th overall wrestling state championship. Canton held off Phillip/Kadoka Area/Wall 170.5 to 138.5 with the help of 3 State Champions and 7 placemen.



The Canton C-Hawk girls wrestling team traveled to Sioux Fall for the 2024 State B Wrestling Tournament and came home with a second place trophy. Canton was only a half point behind first place Pierre. Kiara King and Finley Evjen were the two champions along with five other place winners. See page 7 and 8 for more wrestling results.

Coach Ask Awarded for 25 Years



Coach Jeremy Ask was recognized for his 25 years of coaching wrestling in Canton. Along with encouraging many wrestlers through the years, he has helped start the girls wrestling program, inspired youth wrestlers and encouraged teamwork on and off the mat. Ask helped the C-Hawks to win 400 duals from 2000 to 2020. Fans will see him jumping up and down and celebrating with each of the wrestlers.

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Sharon Jaunice Lundberg Lunder
October 17, 1945 - February 19, 2024

Sharon Jaunice Lundberg Lunder, a beloved wife, mother, teacher, and hospice nurse passed away peacefully at the Dougherty Hospice House on February 19, 2024 at the age of 78 after bravely battling colon cancer for four years.

Sharon Lundberg was born on October 17, 1945 in the Geddes Hospital to Emil Carl Lundberg and Bernice Lillian Hockey of Platte, South Dakota. Sharon graduated in 1963 from Platte High School as a valedictorian. After high school she went to Dakota Wesleyan University where she received a Bachelor of Arts degree in elementary education. Sharon went to a nursing program at St. Anthony's Nursing School in Rockford, Ill. There she graduated at the top of her class of 49 students. Sharon's dream job was working at the Dougherty Hospice House for 35 years. She thought one was never closer to Heaven than at the bedside of the one entering Heaven until we were there ourselves. On August 9, 1969, Sharon married the love of her life, Richard Lunder, at Trinity Lutheran Church, Platte. That same weekend Richard's twin brother, Dennis, married Bonnie Lommen at First Lutheran, Sioux Falls.

Sharon is preceded in death by her parents, Emil and Bernice Lundberg; brother, Carl; and sister, Phillis Allen. She is survived by her husband of 54 years, Richard, daughters: Kristi (Jeff) Paulsen and their children Annika and Aidan; Kimberly Lunder and her son, Eian; and Kari (David) Stone and their children Molly, Arne, Samuel, Fredrik, and Anastasia; and sisters, Edith Schipper and Joyce (Bill) Langer.

Funeral services will begin at 11:00 a.m. Saturday, February 24, 2024 at Canton Lutheran Church in Canton. Family will greet visitors on hour prior to the service. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to Dougherty Hospice House, Avera Prairie Center, or Canton Lutheran Church. www.andersonandsonsfh.com



Sandra Tieszen
April 3, 1943 - February 19, 2024

Sandra Tieszen, 80, of Marion passed away on Feb. 19th at the Tieszen Memorial Home in Marion. Funeral Services will be held on Friday, March 1st, at 10:30 am at First Church of God in Marion. Visitation will be Thursday, Feb. 29th, from 5-7 pm at the church with a time of sharing at 6:30 pm.

In Loving Memory of Sandra Colleen Tieszen

Sandra Colleen Splonskowski was born to Delsie and Alphonse Splonskowski on April 3, 1943. She graduated from Marion High School in 1961 and later attended Sioux Falls College where she received her Bachelor of Art degree in 1965. She was active in choir, performing, and drama where she often played lead parts. In 1963, she was named Miss Sioux Falls.

Sandra married her high school sweetheart, Kennedy Tieszen, June 1, 1965. They initially made their home in Independence, Iowa and then moved to Minneapolis, Minn., where they both taught. In 1975, they returned to Marion, where they took over the family farm. Ken and Sandra were blessed with two children: Kendra and Chad. Sandra played the role as farmwife, mother, and later returned to teaching vocal music at Marion School District for over thirty years.

She was a faithful member of the First Church of God in Marion serving in a variety of ways including worship leader, choir director,

and Sunday school teacher, along with serving on many committees. Music was an extremely integral part of her life beginning at a young age and stretching into her more recent years. If she wasn't singing, she was humming a tune. Aside from her strong faith, her love and devotion for her family and friends was unwavering. She adored her grandchildren, putting on many miles attending most of their activities. She was a wonderful role model and made sure to share God's salvation, especially with those she loved.

As her health declined, she moved to the Tieszen Memorial Home Assisted Living where she continued to socialize with friends. The past year was spent in the Memory Care Unit; however, she remained physically active and enjoyed conversing with others. Despite her cognitive decline, her faith remained steadfast, continuing her prayer life until her last days.

Sandra went to be with the Lord on February 19, 2024. She was preceded in death by her husband (Ken Tieszen), her parents (Delsie and Alphonse Splonskowski), and her sisters (Jill Harmsen and Nyla Harris).

Grateful for having shared her life are her children; Kendra Scheidt (Randy Finch) and Chad Tieszen (Christi); her grandchildren, Shania Drey (Shayden), Sheridan Scheidt, Shaeden Scheidt (Hannah), Mason Tieszen, Lance Tieszen and Derek Tieszen; her brother Stuart Splonskowski, and extended family and many friends.



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March 7 - Pork loin sandwich, Scalloped potatoes, Broccoli, Fruit cocktail

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Teachers Encouraged to Enter Students' Work in the South Dakota State Fair

Huron, SD – The South Dakota State Fair and the Department of Agriculture and Natural Resources encourage teachers to submit student education entries for display in the Arts & Education Building for the 2024 South Dakota State Fair. In 2023, more than 100 teachers submitted 5,800 entries. Project areas include various mediums of art, literature, computer graphics, and more.

Entry forms are due to the State Fair office by April 12, 2024.

“The education division is a great way to showcase students' work,” said State Fair Manager Peggy Besch. “Parents, families, and students love seeing their projects on display in the Arts & Education Building.”

All classroom subjects are eligible, and public, private, and homeschools can enter projects. Schools interested but concerned about how to get entries to the fairgrounds should contact the fair at 605.353.7340 for assistance.

The Education Department handbook and instructions on how to enter are available online at: <https://www.sdstatefair.com/participate/competitive-exhibits/education/>. Online entry is now available.

For information about the South Dakota State Fair, contact the Fair office at 800-529-0900, visit www.sdstatefair.com or find them on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter.

Thank you

The family of Rich VanNoort would like to thank everyone for prayers, visits and kindness at the time of Rich's death. Thank you to Canton Hospital doctors and nursing staff. Special thanks to Andy McCann of Anderson Funeral Home for all his kindness and help to our family.

Karen, Stuart, Randy and Austin

MEMORY LANE

2014

The Canton C-Hawk wrestling team traveled to Freeman on Saturday for the Region 2B Tournament and came home with the team championship along with sending 9 to the State Tournament.

Canton came away with 4 individual champions along with 3 runner ups, one 3rd place and one 4th place as they held off Beresford to win the team title by 21 points as they finished the final 3 weight classes with victories to seal the team win.

Congratulations to the following students for winning a chair in the 2014 South Dakota All-State Band. Those winning a chair include, Mataya VanVoorst, bass clarinet; Jaden Wersal, clarinet; and Adam Miller, tuba. This is the 4th year that Mataya has made All-State Band

On Tuesday, February 18, the Canton Boys Basketball team traveled to Hartford to take on the Trojans of West Central (4-13). In the fourth quarter the Trojans slowly cut down the deficit to 77-62 with 1:49 left to play with the Canton substitutes in the game. The C-Hawks went on to win the game 82-67.

On Friday night the C-Hawks traveled to Alcester to take on the Alcester-Hudson Cubs (10-9). The C-Hawks won the game 66-37, making a total of 11 three-point jumpers. According to the Canton C-Hawks Boys Basketball Facebook page, “Cody Willett broke the Canton rebound record of 602 set back in 1962-1966.”

On Saturday night the C-Hawks hosted the Flandreau Indians (7-

12) on Senior Night. The seniors included Bryce Schroedermeier, Brian Jennings, Tyler Lems, Cody Willett, and Jay Lems. In the fourth quarter, it was all C-Hawks as they outscored Flandreau 19-10 and winning 92-67.

1999

Six High School band members were named to the 1999 All State Band. Members were Jostein Reiners, alto sax; Tiffany Block, trumpet; Jarrod Tuntland, percussion; Tamera Mundt, trumpet; Andrea Eben, euphonium and Becky Ramse, clarinet.

Can you spell medieval, etymology or eczema? Melanie Ramse can! She was the 1999 8th grade spelling bee champion and represented Canton Middle School at the Argus Leader Spell Down held at Augustana College.

New Police Chief, Jesse Paul, brings twelve years of personal experience and three generations of police service to the Canton force. He began the job as Canton's new Police Chief on January 11.

1974

The new owners of the Canton Theatre are holding a free grand opening movie this weekend. The free movie, “Bang the Drum Slowly” will be shown to the public on Friday, Saturday and Sunday evenings. The new owners of the theatre are R.B. Bunkers, Bob Lillibridge and Jim Franken.

A group of approximately 10 ladies and gentlemen met in the basement of the Senior Citizen Center on the evening of February 14 to listen to Dick Raymon, director of the three Day Care

Centers in Sioux Falls, tell about the possibilities of opening a Day Care Center in Canton.

The Northwestern Bell Telephone Company business office in Canton will be closed effective with the close of business on March 1, 1974 according to C.W. Pederson, Manager for the company. Pederson said that arrangements have been made with the Farmer's State Bank in Canton to handle payments of telephone bills.

The Lyon County Conservation Board met Wednesday to review and approve development plans for the Lake Pahoja recreational area to be constructed in the western end of the county.

1899

V.P. Lowell, E.K. Nessa, John Feldman and Steve Jones are serving as court bailiffs during the present session of court and they make very efficient officers.

Auditor Bennett and his family expect to move out to their farm in Grant township next week if the weather is favorable.

Olaf Anderson of Fairview township is going to have a sale next Wednesday.

Charles Majerus has purchased the Hotel Exchange at Beresford.

A handsome baby boy arrived at the home of Deputy Auditor and Mrs. Almer Helgerson Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ketchum entertained the Christian Endeavor Society of the Congregational Church Friday evening.

Mrs. A Milliman entertained the Ladies Guild of the Episcopal church Friday afternoon.

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HISTORY REVISITED

By Gaynor Johnson

Landmark: any prominent feature of the landscape, distinguishing a locality.

Since the landscape of Canton has recently changed with the demolition of the old Sheriff's office. I thought I would include a few stories of other landmarks in our town dating back to the late 1800's and early to mid 1900's.

When I was growing up in the 1950's and 1960's, the standpipe was hard to miss as one entered Canton. It stood where our current water tower now stands and it actually looked like a very large standing pipe. Since this was the highest point in Canton it meant that our water pressure would be the best it could possibly be.

In February of 1902 construction began on the Rudolph Hotel, a downtown Canton landmark for many decades. It occupied the space where Farmers's State Bank currently stands. It was once considered our states finest hotel and spent it's final years as the home of the South Dakota Pheasant Company. I will have more on the Rudolph Hotel in a future edition of the Sioux Valley News.

Probably the most recognizable Canton landmark, besides our county courthouse, is Old Main on the east side of town. It has proudly occupied this space for over 120 years now and hopefully it will still be there when all of us are gone. It's cornerstone was laid on July 16, 1902 and was dedicated on October 4, 1903.

According to the Sioux Valley News, "The day was beautiful. Knowing the chapel in the new building, which seats 500 people, would not be large enough, a large tent was rented which would seat 1,400 people on plank seats. So many people came, the seats were packed like sardines in a box with

men, women and children. People kept coming and all standing room was densely packed. The south wall of the tent was raised and a crowd stood outside, others sat in carriages nearby during the exercises."

"The Rev. Kildahl, President of St. Olaf College, gave the dedication speech. He spoke in Norwegian. It was a masterful speech and for forty five minutes the vast audience was spellbound. Many of the old men as well as younger men and women shed tears. While we could not understand a word he said it was apparent that he was making a powerful speech." Old main was valued at \$70,000 at that time. In the 1966 centennial edition of the Sioux Valley News it states, "The Academy plans to destroy the building in the near future." Thank fully that never happened.

Another landmark that we all probably take for granted is the 146 foot tall grain elevator that stands on the 500 block of East 5th Street. Built in 1950, it's a constant reminder of how important agriculture and our farming community is to our fair city.

Happy reading as we finish out the shortest month of the year. This means that the first day of spring is only 19 days away. Yes, it's time to start thinking about planting your garden, mowing, graduation, our new pool opening, baseball and golf. Well, I may be getting a little ahead of myself. It's still winter and we all know that March can bring more nasty weather before its all said and done. If I was you, I wouldn't put my snow shovel away until April Fools Day has passed.

The following two stories come from the July 28, 1966 Centennial Edition of the Sioux Valley News.

First Buildings Erected Here in 1867

The first buildings in Canton were erected during 1867.

On May 18, 1867, Benjamin Hill, William Hill, and Jacob Sorter took claims just west of William Hyde's ground breaking of 1866. This included the trapper's shanty tract along the river and part of Beaver Creek bottom land. Their claims reached up to the section line that is now Fifth Street in Canton.

Later that summer Marvin Craig, Josiah Weakly and his sons and Charles Swift arrived from Albert Lea, Minn. They took homesteads east and west of what is now Canton.

Fitzgerald built a sod house near the southwest corner of what is now the Courthouse square. This was the first sod house in the county. Smith built a small log cabin near the Hills in the bend in the river, Craig took up a timber tract in Dayton Township, and Weakly built a log house on his claim where Augustana Academy now stand.

As a precaution against Indians a community house, built of sod was erected. The building was also on the land were the Courthouse now stands.

A building was built next to the community house in 1868. It was torn down in 1876 after it had become a community landmark. The building had been used as a dwelling, a church, a wheelright and blacksmith shop, a printing office and a stable.

Standpipe Construction Begun After Passing Bond Issue for \$17,000

Seventy-five years ago a gift of a block of land was given to Canton and on that land stands one of the City's oldest landmarks, the standpipe.

The city council of 1890 held a special election bonding the city for \$17,000 to install a new city water system. At the same time they asked for a donation of a full city block at the highest level in the northeast part-of -town where a no-foot reservoir could be built giving the best possible water pressure to the city.

The Western Land Company of Chicago donated the land to the city for the building of the now outdated tower. For \$1 the company gave the city full title but the titled carried a reversion clause. The title was given only on the expressed condition that the standpipe be erected and maintained on the premises with a full supply of water. The title stated that if at any time the standpipe and the supply of water should cease to be maintained for six months at that location in the city, the title would revert back to the Western Land Company. The title also stated that the land shall be used exclusively for the standpipe and park but no other purposes.

Canton Library News

Tracey Zylstra, Librarian

Have you signed up for Libby AND Kanopy, our digital libraries? Give the Library a call to get signed up. Better yet, stop by the Library and view our ongoing historical displays and check out a book or two, and a jigsaw puzzle!

ADULT FICTION

Beer and Loathing by Ellie Alexander. During ski week at the Bavarian village of Leavenworth, Washington, a young doctor has a fatal fall from the ski lift, and everyone assumes it was an accident. But Sloan believes the doctor was murdered, and she sets out to prove it.

Where the Sky Begins by Rhys Bowen. London, 1940. Evacuated to the Englis countryside, Josie Banks ends up at the estate of the aristocratic Miss Harcourt, taking in survivors of the Blitz. Then Josie meets Mike, a handsome Canadian pilot, stationed nearby. She finds an inner peace with Mike, but then her overbearing husband returns from the war.

The Extraordinary Deaths of Mrs. Kip by Sara Brunsvold (LP). Aidyn Kelley, a young reporter, is given the task to write the obituary of an unremarkable woman who has just entered hospice care. Clara Kip feels God has sent the reporter to her for a reason, and if it's a story Aidyn wants, a story she will get!

The Secret by Lee Child (LP). Eight people have been found dead across the U.S. These deaths look like accidents and don't appear to be connected, until one body generates some unexpected attention. That attention comes from the secretary of defense, who calls for an interagency

task force to investigate. Jack Reacher is assigned as the army's representative. Will he bring the bad guys to justice the official way...or his way?

The McAvoy Sisters Book of Secrets by Molly Fader (LP). Seventeen years ago, a tragedy tore the McAvoy family apart. Lindy left home and never looked back, and Delia stayed and is raising a family. When their mother's health fails, Delia welcomes Lindy back and together they try to put the past behind them.

Love on the Brain by Ali Hazelwood. Bee's theory was right...forcing a scientist to work with her nemesis triggers explosive results.

Never Never by Colleen Hoover. Charlie Wynwood and Silas Nash have been best friends since they could walk, and they've been in love since the age of fourteen. But in an instant, they are complete strangers, their memories have vanished. They must work together to uncover the truth about what happened to them, and why.

Targeted by Stephen Hunter. After being accused of reckless endangerment and forced to answer to the US. Congress, master sniper Bob Lee Swagger must protect political hostages in a once-in-a-lifetime standoff.

Tom Lake By Ann Patchett (LP). Recalling the past at her daughters' request, Lara tells the story of a famous actor with whom she shared both a stage and a romance, which causes her daughters to examine their own lives and reconsider the world and everything they thought they knew.



Hermesen Celebrates 90th Birthday

Shower Marcella Hermesen with cards for her 90th Birthday! Marcella Hermesen, a longtime resident of Canton, is celebrating her 90th Birthday on February 27th. Please send greetings to:

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Happy Birthday!

March 1
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Rikka Koele, Dawn Gardner

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Bookish



By: Kala Hazelhoff

“The Women” By: Kristin Hannah

Kristin Hannah, who wrote “The Nightingale” comes back with another captivating historical fiction novel. “The Women is a richly drawn story with a memorable heroine whose idealism and courage under fire will come to define an era.”

Frankie McGrath, a nurse who decides to follow in her brother’s footsteps to serve her country, finds herself inspired to join the Army Nurse Corps to serve in Vietnam at age twenty. She is determined to make it onto her father’s wall of heroes in her home by saving lives in the war. Her parents are unsupportive in her decision, as they believe she should be home earning her “Mrs. Degree” and being a “normal” young woman. When she arrives in Vietnam, she soon learns that the war is much, much worse than the news has made it seem, and how inexperienced she is as a combat nurse. As she learns and grows into a new version of herself, Frankie finds her calling in life and forges friendships in the

trenches of Vietnam, both which will follow her for the rest of her life.

Once she comes home, she realizes her troubles are far from over. She finds herself in an America that is not welcoming towards Vietnam veterans, protests urging the end of the war, being spit on, and called a baby-killer. People, even other veterans, telling her that women were not even in Vietnam when she goes to the VA medical center for help. She is struggling with PTSD and alcoholism/addiction. Her parents do not understand her struggles or view her as a war veteran, not even wanting to hear about Vietnam. Everyone is telling her to “forget it and move on.” Over the years following her return, she goes through countless struggles, growing a little more as a woman after each one.

Trust me, the ending is worth the read. Have your tissues ready! This novel was a very quick read and if you are a fan of historical fiction, you will enjoy this one.



This is Medicine Lake up in north east South Dakota just northwest of Watertown. It is a very small lake, it is a salt lake with water coming in out of a spring and dumping these minerals and salt into it. This is about 9 to 13 miles northeast of Henry, S.D. It really isn’t good for much except some people bathe in it to soothe aching muscles - joints no animals can live in this except for possibly some salt water tiny shrimp.

Financial Focus

What should you do with your tax refund?

It’s almost that time of year when many people start receiving their tax refunds. If you get one, what will you do with it?

Of course, the answer will depend somewhat on how big your refund is. Last year, the average refund amount was about \$2,750, according to the Internal Revenue Service’s Filing Season Statistics report.

Whatever the size of your refund, you’ll want to maximize its benefit. Here are a few suggestions:

• **Contribute to your IRA.** If you were to receive about \$2,750, it would go a long way toward funding your IRA for the year — but any amount would help. You still have until April 15 to contribute to your IRA for the 2023 tax year, but if you’ve already “maxed out” on it, you could use your refund for 2024, when the annual contribution limit for a traditional and Roth IRA is \$7,000, or \$8,000 if you’re 50 or older. And by getting an early start toward fully funding your IRA for the year, you can reduce the pressure of having to come up with large amounts later.

• **Build an emergency fund.** Your tax refund could help you start or expand an emergency fund. It’s a

good idea to keep up to six months’ worth of living expenses in such a fund, with the money kept in a liquid, low-risk account, separate from the funds you use for your daily expenses. You might need to draw on this fund for unexpected expenses, such as a major home or car repair or a medical bill that’s not fully covered by your insurance. Without such an emergency fund in place, you might be forced to dip into your IRA or other retirement accounts to pay for these types of costs, and such a move could be expensive, resulting in taxes, penalties and lost opportunities for growth.

• **Contribute to a 529 plan.** If you have children or grandchildren and you’d like to help them further their education someday, you might consider investing in a 529 education savings plan. With a 529 plan, earnings and withdrawals are federally tax free, provided the money is used for qualified education expenses. Based on where you live, your 529 plan may provide state tax benefits, too. (It is possible, though, that 529 withdrawals could affect financial aid packages, depending on who

owns the account.) A 529 plan can be used to help pay for college, accredited trade school programs, some K-12 expenses and even to help repay some student loans.

• **Pay down debts.** Most of us probably wish we could reduce our debt loads. Your tax refund may give you a chance to do just that. But which debts should you tackle first? You could follow the “snowball” method by paying off the smallest of your loans or debts as quickly as possible. Or you could choose the “avalanche” route by making minimum payments on all debts and using extra funds — such as your tax refund — to pay off the debts that carry the highest interest rates. Either method could help you save money in the long term.

Your tax refund can be a valuable asset — so use it wisely.

This article was written by Edward Jones for use by your local Edward Jones Financial Advisor.

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This is the Great Salt Lake in Utah, right north of the famous Bonneville racing flats in the desert. We swam in this highly salt lake a long time ago on a trip to Reno, Lake Tahoe and California. There is no sinking, but burning sensation all over the body. There were fresh water sprinklers up on the beach to rinse the burning salt off. The only other salty lake or sea is the Dead Sea in the middle east in Israel. But Great Salt Lake is a huge Lake, although shallow in many areas. Migrating birds coming down from Canada will stop and land in the water to rest, only for a while.



South Dakota has strange water mostly in Western portions, but here and there it can happen anywhere. This is a large Artesian well spouting a lot of water into the sky. This well was up at Woonsocket, S.D. and happened quite a while ago. It looks like an oil well just drilled, but it is only water.

Letter to the Editor

Many months ago, at the very first PUC meeting in Canton, at the very end commissioner Nelson twice read, very slowly, with great emphasis, one of the criteria the commission uses to decide on an application for permit. “The PUC will respect and adhere to any regulations or ordinances adopted by local government entities.” They were telling us they are on our side when it comes to property rights. Talk to your legislator. Don’t allow the state to take away from the PUC, from us, this valuable tool.

At that same meeting there was a representative from Poet. I had the good fortune to talk with him afterward. He was very forthright and accommodating and his answers were not evasive and made without hesitation. When asked if his company struggled with their decision; yes we did. Did you do a lot of research; Yes, I did. Is there any scientific proof that the whole carbon capture and sequestration concept will have the desired effect on the atmosphere and the climate? Without a moments hesitation, NO. Then where do the scientists, the climatologists stand? About 50-50. Doesn’t that place the idea in the category of an experiment? You could say that.

When Broin got the idea to build the ethanol plants, it too, was an

experiment.

They knew they could make the product, they had already done that. But would it sell? Could they make it profitable? Would using it as fuel have enough of the right effect to support the renewable fuel standards?

But Broin, Poet, did their job well. They convinced people to invest in their experiment. They convinced producers to participate by selling them the corn, and eventually to buy all the by products to incorporate in their feeding programs. They also managed their plants well, with the investor and the producers in mind. Hence, Success.

A couple of things they did not do. They never bullied, intimidated, or threatened any one to be a part

of their enterprise. They never lobbied the government, the PUC, or the courts for permission to force anyone to participate.

Not so with Summit. Apparently their idea of the “South Dakota Way”, is to quit talking to the affected people and rather lobby the legislature to take our local control and our property rights away from us. Their idea of a “compromise” is “you do what we tell you, and we’ll do what we want to.”

I don’t know about you, but that doesn’t work for me.

Come on, Jeff Broin, be a man and stand up for the property rights of those that made you idea successful.

Tom Eiseland
Canton, SD

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This is the home of another medicine hot water spa in S.D. It is just like Evans Plunge in Hot Springs in South Black Hills. This is way out in the prairie country in the little town of Midland, S.D. The couple shown are George and Alice Stoppel. People and patients have come from all over to stay a week or more and get relief. The water coming out of ground is 119° and has to be cooled down a little for some patients.

Canton-Inwood Area Health Foundation

Health Care of Tomorrow Scholarship & Heart of the Community Grant

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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.

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Applications now available for 2024.

See website for guidelines.

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South Dakota Farm Bureau Scholarship Deadline is March 1, 2024

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Applicants can consider an agriculture-focused or community-focused scholarship, depending on their major and experience with agriculture.

Scholarships are awarded to students enrolled in a four-year program or those pursuing a two-year degree at a technical college. The scholarships from SDFB are not limited to high school seniors; students can apply at any point in their college career.

The SDFB scholarship fund was established in 2005 by SDFB past president Richard Ekstrum and his wife Agnes. Richard served as South Dakota Farm Bureau president from 1975-1995.

The scholarship application can be found at sdfbf.org by clicking on "Get Involved".



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CANTON High School SENIOR Spotlight CLASS of 2024

Kiauna Hart is the daughter of Teisha and Geno and has three siblings, Jorrie, Deana and Kiera.

She has been involved in Musical, One Act Play, Oral Interp, Band, Choir, Flags, Art and HOSA in school along with doing conservation in the Rocky Mountains outside of school.

Kiauna once got an award for being an outstanding writer out of the whole grade in middle school.

She loves chicken Alfredo pasta, her favorite color is green, her favorite movie is Fantastic Mr. Fox, "It's called: Freefall" is her favorite song and her favorite season is fall.

Most memorable moments of high school for Kiauna were finding out that she was playing Tanya in Mamma Mia and going to France and Spain for art.

After graduation she plans to take life one day at a time. She has applied to colleges and has been accepted into a few but with her back and hip diseases she is focusing on that right now and hoping that clears up and she can be back to her old self again.

Kiauna's advice for underclassmen "Go out and do things, I know it's scary and maybe you're uncomfortable but that's truly what made me my happiest was being surrounded by people in activities I did, such as musical and oral interp. I was so nervous and scared and had a lot of anxiety my first two years of high school and I wish I wouldn't have let that control



KIAUNA HART

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ANSWER:

Weekly Crossword

CLUES ACROSS

- Home of Iowa State University
- ___-fi (slang)
- Mottled green and yellow fruit
- Capable of thinking and expressing oneself clearly
- Sports broadcaster Eagle
- Midday
- Kinsmen
- Cable network
- Simpleton
- Brunch beverage
- Fed
- European capital
- Native inhabitants
- Mechanical device
- Rare geese native to Hawaii
- Bedroom furnishing
- The products of human creativity
- Mass transit option
- Made a mistake
- Sacred sound symbol
- Large N. American reindeer
- Dull and flat
- Partner to huffing
- Written works
- Monetary unit of Serbia
- Midway between east and southeast
- Peninsula of southwestern Asia
- Widely used multiuser OS
- Aggressive dog
- Varnished
- Hindu queen
- Time units, abbr.
- Farm animals
- Capital of Latvia
- Where golfers begin
- Takes to civil court

CLUES DOWN

- One who graduated
- An inspired holy person
- Electronic counter-countermeasures
- A place to store things
- Indian instrument
- Spanish saloon
- Whole number
- Not fastened
- Gives a boost
- Lounges about
- Interested in
- Remove salt
- Type of sword
- Naturally occurring solid material
- Gets involved without being invited
- Feline
- Bobby ___, NHL champ
- "Kill Bill" actress Thurman
- Hawaiian dish
- Moroccan coastal region
- Baseball statistic
- Long period of time
- Moved earth
- Central Netherlands city
- Take stock of
- Central processing unit
- Distinctive qualities one generates
- Getting stuck
- Loss of bodily movements
- Veranda
- Abrupt
- What cats do
- Expresses pleasure
- Type of cheese
- Professional STEM organization
- Automatic data processing systems

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CANTON High School SENIOR Spotlight CLASS of 2024

Lance Thompson is the son of Craig and Ronda and has one sibling Erica. He has been involved in Hockey (Sioux Falls Flyers), band, boy scouts, robotics and trap shooting.

Lance has received the following honors/awards: National Honor Society, 3 years scholastic award and scholastic pins - junior year - English III, American History, Calculus (and scored a 5 on the test), personal finance; sophomore year - Trigonometry, Algebra II, World History and freshman year - Physical Science.

Aliens is his favorite movie. He loves the song "Pin-Eye" by Jhariah. He prefers early winter/late fall. Purple is his favorite color and he does not have a favorite food.

His favorite moment of high school was getting a 5 on the AP AB Calculus exam. The most influential person in his life is his sister, "She is somebody to just ramble to about random topics."

For teacher or coach that has made a difference for Lance, Mrs. Burwitz and Mrs. Jacobs. "Mrs. Burwitz is a very understanding teacher and she prefers it that the student understands the subject rather than just fill in answers. She allows students to redo assignments for full credit if they did not understand what it was that they missed. Mrs. Jacobs because she is the teacher that kind of encouraged me to read books more while being a very understanding and fun teacher to have."

After graduation he plans to go to SDSU for biomedical engineering. His advice for underclassmen, "Stay in school."



LANCE THOMPSON

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Girls Wrestling Place Second at State

The State Wrestling meet was held in Sioux Falls last weekend with Canton taking second place behind Pierre. Pierre T.F Riggs finished with 139 points, Canton 138.5, Harrisburg 102.5, Aberdeen Central 86, Lakota Tech 81, Watertown 80.5, Bon Homme/Scotland/Avon 69, Sturgis Brown 63, Brandon Valley 59 and Rapid City Stevens 57.5.

100 Finley Evjen - placed 1st; Champ. Round 1 - Finley Evjen won by fall over Naw Htoo Ywe (Huron) 18-20 (Fall 1:58); Quarterfinal - Evjen won by fall over Annalee Pierson (Sturgis

Brown) 31-9 (Fall 1:20); Semifinal - Evjen won by fall over Shaylee Speck (Pierre T.F. Riggs) 38-12 (Fall 5:26); 1st Place Match - Evjen won by fall over Olivia Anderson (Watertown) 46-2 (Fall 4:26)

107 Brooke Warejcka- Champ. Round 1 - Warejcka won by fall over Haven Baker (Spearfish) 31-15 (Fall 5:55); Quarterfinal - Mary-Katherine Joseph (Brandon Valley) 29-1 won by fall over Warejcka (Fall 0:15); Cons. Round 2 - Brandy Marshall (Lakota Tech) 33-8 won by fall over Warejcka (Fall 2:29)

114 Sara Schroder - (34-6) placed 4th; Champ. Round 1 - Schroder

won by fall over Bailey Tekrony (Brookings) 17-9 (Fall 3:57); Quarterfinal - Schroder won by decision over Langston Huffman (Rapid City Central) 41-10 (Dec 6-0); Semifinal - Dani Ringstmeyer (Pierre T.F. Riggs) 39-7 won by decision over Schroder (Dec 5-2); Cons. Semi - Schroder 34-6 won by decision over Jocelyn Thoms (Lennox) 35-9 (Dec 5-3); 3rd Place Match - Hadley Bryant (Harrisburg) 42-9 won by decision over Schroder (Dec 2-0)

120 Jayrn Warejcka- (25-10) placed 7th; Champ. Round 1 - Ula Martin (Aberdeen Central) 21-21



won by fall over Warejcka (Fall 1:28); Cons. Round 1 - Warejcka won by fall over Aubrey Jensen (Viborg-Hurley/Irene-Wakonda) 18-13 (Fall 4:49); Cons. Round 2 - Warejcka won by decision over Lakota Rodgers (Lakota Tech) 27-11 (Dec 6-4); Cons. Round 3 - Anna Henstein (Rapid City Central) 42-15 won by fall over Warejcka (Fall 4:54); 7th Place Match - Warejcka won by tech fall over Lainey Haines (Tea Area) 22-18 (TF-1.5 3:17 (15-0))

126 Jersey Folkens- (24-17); Champ. Round 1 - Brooklynn Baird (Sturgis Brown) 41-11 won by fall over Folkens (Fall 4:24); Cons. Round 1 - Folkens won by major decision over Allison Neitzel (Aberdeen Central) 28-20 (MD 14-2); Cons. Round 2 - Hadlee Kracht (Bon Homme/Scotland/Avon) 31-17 won by fall over Folkens (Fall 1:25)

132 Lakynn Qualseth- (25-13); Champ. Round 1 - Victoria Verhey (St. Thomas More) 30-8 won by decision over Qualseth (Dec 6-1); Cons. Round 1 - Qualseth 25-13 won by decision over Daytona Paris (Burke/Gregory) 13-9 (Dec 6-4); Cons. Round 2 - Jasmine Maas (Aberdeen Central) 39-15 won by fall over Qualseth (Fall 4:24)

138 Kieonna Smith- (12-6) placed 4th; Champ. Round 1 - Tiara Faehrich (Hill City) 30-8 won by fall over Smith 12-6 (Fall 2:51); Cons. Round 1 - Smith won by tech fall over Rakyrah Wallace (Aberdeen Central) 21-21 (TF-1.5 3:24 (16-0)); Cons. Round 2 - Smith won by fall over Jaclyn Kyte (Yankton) 28-9 (Fall 1:20); Cons. Round 3 - Smith won by fall over Teagan Vining (St. Thomas More) 18-11 (Fall 0:36); Cons. Semi - Smith won by fall over Brooke Grajezyk (Webster Area) 29-8 (Fall 0:31); 3rd Place Match - Jaidynn Giedd (Kingsbury County) 23-10 won by fall over Smith (Fall 1:50)

145 Kenzie King- (20-16) placed 6th points; Champ. Round 1 - King won by fall over Samantha Dreiske (Lemmon/McIntosh) 12-13 (Fall 4:44); Quarterfinal - Sarah Rickenbach (Hot Springs) 40-4 won by fall over King (Fall 0:54); Cons. Round 2 - King won by fall over Kimberlyn Heisler (Spearfish) 17-23 (Fall 1:34); Cons. Round 3 - King won by tech fall over Hailey

Fortney (West Central) 23-10 (TF-1.5 3:47 (19-4)); Cons. Semi - Sammie Reil (Harrisburg) 33-15 won by fall over King (Fall 3:39); 5th Place Match - Lin Paw Jone (Aberdeen Central) 29-21 won by forfeit over King 20-16 (For.)

152 Kaylee Dean- (26-15) placed 6th; Champ. Round 1 - Dean won by decision over Chloe Fire Thunder (Lakota Tech) 25-14 (Dec 4-3); Quarterfinal - Abigail Lewis (Pierre T.F. Riggs) 41-0 won by fall over Dean (Fall 1:20); Cons. Round 2 - Dean won by fall over Devrah Meyer (Madison) 7-13 (Fall 2:46); Cons. Round 3 - Dean 5 won by decision over Daisy Munoz (Hill City) 23-15 (Dec 5-2); Cons. Semi - Marieda Kalahar (Rapid City Stevens) 44-6 won by fall over Dean (Fall 0:27); 5th Place Match - Emerson Skuodas (Harrisburg) 27-11 won by fall over Dean (Fall 4:10)

165 Natalia Long- (8-5) placed 6th; Champ. Round 1 - Long won by fall over Summer Marnette (Rapid City Stevens) 21-19 (Fall 3:30); Quarterfinal - Rhiannan Heimdal (Harrisburg) 37-10 won by fall over Long (Fall 0:36); Cons. Round 2 - Long won by decision over Eddy Atkins (Lead-Deadwood) 19-13 (Dec 6-0); Cons. Round 3 - Long won by fall over Ashley Tolsma (Bon Homme/Scotland/Avon) 18-20 (Fall 2:44); Cons. Semi - Katrina Gibson (Aberdeen Central) 39-10 won by fall over Long (Fall 4:10); 5th Place Match - Sandra Moves Camp (Lakota Tech) 26-13 won by fall over Long (Fall 0:52)

185 Kori Wallner- (19-17); Champ. Round 1 - Wallner won by fall over Rayna Miller (Viborg-Hurley/Irene-Wakonda) 30-18 (Fall 0:45); Quarterfinal - Brianna Johnson (Tea Area) 26-6 won by fall over Wallner (Fall 1:23); Cons. Round 2 - Tailie Brehm (Rapid City Stevens) 29-23 won by fall over Wallner (Fall 2:05)

250 Kiara King- (27-1) placed 1st; Champ. Round 1 - King received a bye; Quarterfinal - King won by fall over Destiny Triplet (Douglas/Rapid City Christian/New Underwood) 36-12 (Fall 2:30); Semifinal - King won by fall over Eden Hach (Watertown) 31-10 (Fall 2:54); 1st Place Match - King won by fall over Alissa Ault (Sioux Falls Jefferson) 14-3 (Fall 1:25)

Sportstalk

By Rich Beitzel

Well didn't do too much this weekend as there wasn't much going on but let me think of what I did to give you something to read. Oh yea I did watch our wrestling team win a record 7th straight State B Championship and our 9th overall and yes that is incredible to think about. I have been watching wrestling for the C-Hawks wrestling program for around 45 years or so. Now I write this for the paper and that has been going on for about 36 years and in that time I am guessing I have been to 35 state tourneys and at least enough that I don't remember the last one I didn't go to. There are two different kinds of tourneys that I have seen in all those years the ones we have had for the last handful of seasons when we send 10 to 14 guys to state and gives the paper guy like me a lot to do if I want to do my best with the story for the paper the next week. The other is the tourneys when we didn't have but 5 or less and I went to a bunch of those in my days and they are hopefully getting the best story I can write for the paper but there is a lot of down time at the state tourney. I do remember when we had two wrestlers at state and one is about 120 and the other is our Hwt and after a while that is a lot of wrestling with out a C-Hawk kid out on the mat and that makes it ten time less exciting. It was a lot easier to keep my stats for the story then and didn't take quite as long to write but this is also way more exciting with a lot of fans since the times where there were parents and me sitting in the gym at state.

Back in the day no one hated Canton wrestlers like now as you can hear a lot of towns cheering for anyone else but us but I can understand why they don't like us because we had teams we wanted to see lose before and now that we are up to 7 in a row but we hopefully aren't out there booing at the kids on the mat that just goes a little too far I think. Ok now on to this weekend at the Denny Center and a few wrestling fans getting together to see if the C-Hawks can be stopped in their run at another

state title and that answer would be NOOOOOO! This year felt like the year we might not come out on top but as they tourney went on it made it a lot more exciting when we caught Phillip and then just got on a roll and didn't stop all the way to the title. I do want to congratulate the senior boys on the team for leaving with never really having the feeling of not winning at wrestling as a team and some not too often as an individual either. Our two senior champions in Ayson Rice and Ashton Keller along with Traun Cook, Gavin Neu and Carter Kreger have felt the success with Ayson winning 4 state titles in a C-Hawk uniform and the first to do that and he joins Kellyn March to win 4 state titles with Kellyn winning one with Beresford his freshmen year but as I watch Ayson over the last few years, it always amazes me how he just spans the really good kids that are rated high in either A or B and he sure likes to tech fall them but to me it was fun to watch. Also watching Ashton was exciting because he has to have more under :15 pins than I might of ever seen and he always looks like he was having fun. I hope you two have enjoyed your time in Canton and good luck on the next level of wrestling when you move on. Gavin and Carter didn't have to many matches at state but qualifying for state is an accomplishment not every wrestler gets to feel but you gave a lot of effort all season and will be missed. Then there is Traun Cook and we were lucky that you moved to Canton and wrestled for us because you have been fun to watch and you leave with a heavyweight title and a runner up award and to me that's pretty darn good and it has been fun watching you over these last few years and winning 50 matches this year is a huge accomplishment so congrats on a great career and good luck to you as you move on.

I am sure I am missing something about the wrestling weekend because it was a busy one and a lot going on but a huge Congratulations to our wrestlers and to the wrestler's family as they have a lot to do for

the wrestlers for many years with taking them places when they are little to always being there for them when it doesn't go the way they hoped it would. I got to watch finals all day Saturday with my boys and I loved watching them wrestle and yes it drove me crazy with nerves and I think my hair was a lot darker back then till they started wrestling but I am glad I was there watching so it makes me happy when I see a lot of families watching and seeing young kids watching getting excited when its going to be their chance to lead us to the award stands.

I do have to congratulate Jeremy Ask for his 25 years of coaching award that he got over the weekend and I have had the pleasure of driving bus to a lot of the wrestling matches that he has coached here in Canton and whatever awards he gets for coaching here in Canton are so overdue because he has changed our whole wrestling attitude in Canton and if you don't know if it worked or not just look at the titles we have had and the state champion wrestlers we have coached. Now he is leading the girls and they are one of the best programs in the state and they had a good weekend too so Coach Ask congrats and hope you stay around for awhile till my great great granddaughters come up to wrestle for you. Yes that was two great!

Ok now last is the girls wrestling over the weekend and what I can't get out of my head is that they got 2nd place behind Pierre by one half of a point and yes one half of a point so one more win sometime over the weekend or something but one half of a point. We got 2 champions Saturday when our super 7th grader Finley Evjen won all her matches even the title match by pin and she seems to really love the cradle as that was her winning move in the championship match so now she is in line to join the 6 time champion list that only has 2 names on it so far but she got the big one out of the way. Congrats Finley. Kiara King was the other champion and she is the Hwt champion as she pinned her opponent in the title match in all of :36 seconds to finish 26-1 and she is a senior. Congrats to the girls for a great season and we had a great run and to come so close was exciting and with Sara, Jayrn, Kieonna, Natalia, Kaylee for also placing over the weekend.

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7th Straight and 9 overall State Wrestling Titles

The Canton C-Hawk boys wrestling team traveled to Sioux Fall for the 2024 State B Wrestling Tournament and came home with their 7th consecutive State B Wrestling Championship and their 9th overall wrestling state championship. Canton held off Phillip/Kadoka Area/Wall 170.5 to 138.5 with the help of 3 State Champions and 7 placemen.

Canton trailed PKA/W 73-61 after the first day's action with Custer 54.5, Winner 49.5 and Wagner 42.5 then at the end of day 2 the C-Hawks moved back in front with 146 after the semifinals and 4th round wrestlebacks followed by PKA/W 138.5, Custer 105, Winner 102.5, Wagner 96.5 and Kimball/White Lake/Platte-Geddes 95.5. Canton held on to the lead in the placement rounds when they won 4 of the 6 matches and 3 of the 4 matches in the Championship round to win the title with 170.5 points followed by Phillip/Kadoka Area/Wall 151.5, Custer 115, Winner 114.5, Wagner 103.5, Kimball/White Lake/Platte-Geddes 96.5, Miller/Highmore-Harold 90, Howard 68, Parker 68, Tri Valley 61, Redfield 57, Wessington Springs/Woonsocket/Wolsey-Wessington 55, Bon Homme/Avon 51, McCook Central/Montrose 51 and Parkston 45.5.



Canton sent 4 wrestlers to the Championship matches in 106 Carter Kendrick, 132 Ashton Keller, 150 Ayson Rice and Hwt Traun Cook and they won 3 of the 4 matches with Carter, Ashton and Ayson winning their weight class titles and Traun finished in 2nd place. Placing matches for the Hawks were 113 Landon Walker finished 3rd, 120 Zach Bartels finished 6th, 126 Aiden Schrempp finished 7th, 144 Teague Granum finished 5th, 157 Aidan Kranz finished 5th and 215 Hunter Richmond finished 8th. 138 Chase Adam won a match but didn't place and 175 Gavin Neu and 190 Carter Kreger both participated in State but didn't place.

State Tournament Individual Results:

106 Carter Kendrick- 1st Rd vs Webster- Won a 12-2 major decision, Quarterfinals vs Redfield- Won 7-1, Semifinals vs Burke/Gregory at 44-3- Won 6-0 after scoring 3 points in 2nd period and 3 with a 3 point near fall to win and sent Carter to the finals. Finals vs Rylan Robbins of Winner at 38-5- Won 3-2 as neither scored in the 1st period then an escape and takedown gave Carter a 3-0 lead then in the 3rd period Winner got an escape making the score 3-1 then a fleeing the mat penalty made the score 3-2 with :37 left and Carter held off takedown attempts to win 3-2 and win the 106 State Championship and finish with a 37-4 record.

132 Ashton Keller- 1st Rd vs Kingsbury County - WBF :12 as he threw him to his back from the takedown, Quarterfinals vs Bon Homme/Avon at 34-9 and Ashton won 7-2 after leading the entire match, Semifinals vs Lemmon/

McIntosh 44-9- Won 9-2 after leading 7-1 after 2 periods, Finals vs Karstyn Lhotak from Wagner at 44-3- Won 5-3 after grabbing a 2-1 lead after a TD in the 1st and Ashton got an escape and TD in the 2nd to lead 5-2 and his opponent got an escape to start the 3rd and Ashton held on to win 5-3 and win the 132 Championship to finish the season at 46-1 to end his CHS career.

150 Ayson Rice- 1st Rd vs Stanley County- WBF :40, Quarterfinals vs Faulkton Area- Won a 19-4 tech fall in 4:47, Semifinals vs Wagner 44-9- Won 25-14 decision as he scored at will with takedowns and near falls. Finals vs Phillip at 24-3- Won a 19-3 tech fall in 5:39 but Ayson controlled the match from the start with a 6-2 lead after the 1st and 14-3 after the 2nd with escape, two takedowns, near fall. Then in the final period a TD and Stalling penalty made it 17-3 so with a 2 point near fall put the score at 19-3 for the tech fall victory to give Ayson his 4th State Championship in a C-Hawk singlet and he finished the season with a 42-1 record.

Hwt Traun Cook- 1st Rd vs Garretson- WBF 1:41, Quarterfinals vs Britton/Hecla- WBF 1:00, Semifinals vs Custer at 41-8- WBF 3:25 after leading 5-0 after the 1st and the Custer wrestler tried a

throw on Traun and he stopped it and threw him to his back for the pin win, Finals vs Grady Fey from Redfield at 48-0- LBF 2:18 after a scoreless 1st period Traun started the 2nd on top and as Fey tried to get a reversal he caught Traun and drove him to his back and got the pin call giving Traun a 2nd place finish. Traun pinned Fey in last seasons title match but this season Fey finished 49-0 and Traun ended up with a 50-4 match in his final C-hawk season.



113 Landon Walker- 1st Rd vs Bon Homme/Avon- Won a 16-0 tech fall in 4:33, Quarterfinals vs Wessington Springs/Woonsocket/Wolsey-Wessington at 20-1- Won 5-2 as he led the entire match with 2 TD's and an escape, Semifinals vs Harding County at 42-0- lost 6-4 after leading 2-1 after the 1st and then the match was tied at 3-3 after the 2nd period but in the final period and escape put HC up and he followed that up with a TD to lead 6-3 but a Landon escape made it 6-4 but he couldn't get a TD to tie up the score. 4th Rd WBKS vs Clark/

Willow Lake at 38-10- Won 3-2 after 2 scoreless periods Landon scored with an escape and TD to send him to the 3rd place match. 3rd Place Match vs WSWW at 23-2- Won a 3-2 decision after leading 1-0 after 2 periods then in the third a TD with 1:00 remaining gave him the win and a 3rd place finish. Landon ends the season with a 41-5 record.

144 Teague Granum- 1st Rd vs St Thomas More- WBF 4:57, Quarterfinals vs Groton 36-5- LBF 2:40, 3rd Rd WBKS vs Faulkton Area- WBF 1:16, 4th Rd WBKS vs Winner 42-14- Lost a 7-2 decision sending him to the 5th place match. 5th place match vs Miller/Highmore-Harriold- Won by medical forfeit for 5th place and moving his record to 45-7.

157 Aidan Kranz- 1st Rd vs Bennett County- WBF :42, Quarterfinals vs Parkston 36-7- LBF 2:29, 2nd Rd WBKS vs Webster- WBF 1:24, 3rd Rd WBKS vs Miller/Highmore-Harold 40-13- Won a 5-2 decision after getting a 4-1 lead after the 2nd period, 4th Rd WBKS vs Parker 37-9- LBF 4:54 after no score for 2 periods he got thrown after trying to throw on a TD attempt. 5th place match vs Groton 27-9- WBF 3:18 for a 5th place finish after leading 3-2 in the 2nd period then from the up position he put on the cradle and won by fall. Aidan finished the season at 41-13.

120 Zach Bartels- 1st Rd vs Bennett County- Won a 13-2 major decision, Quarterfinals vs WSWW at 38-7- Lost 1-0 after giving up an escape in the 2nd period then he started the 3rd on the bottom and couldn't get an escape, 2nd Rd WBKS vs Tri Valley- WBF 4:33, 3rd Rd WBKS vs Marion/Freeman at 48-5- Won 5-0 with 2 TD'S and an escape, 4th Rd WBKS vs Phillip/Kadoka Area/Wall 42-10- Lost 3-2 after the match was tied 2-2 after the 2nd but an escape with 1:00 left gave him the 3-2 loss, 5th Place Match vs WSWW at 39-9- Lost 3-1 after trailing 1-0 in the 2nd then a TD with :11 made it a 3-1 loss for Zach and a 6th place finish. Zach finished with a 43-14 record.

126 Aiden Schrempp- 1st Rd vs Bennett County- Won a 10-0 major decision, Quarterfinals vs Moberidge/Pollock- Lost 6-2 as he gave up a reversal in the 3rd, 2nd Rd WBKS vs WSWW- Won a 8-0 major decision, 3rd Rd WBKS vs Miller/Highmore-Harold 40-13- Lost 10-6 after trailing 5-4 in the 2nd he gave up an escape and TD

and another TD at the end of the match, 7th place Match vs Redfield 35-12- Won 5-2 with an escape and TD in the final period for the win and a 7th place finish and Aiden finished the season with a 43-14 record.

215 Hunter Richmond- 1st Rd vs Wagner- Lost a 3-1 decision, 1st Rd WBKS vs Moberidge/Pollock- WBF 2:30, 2nd Rd WBKS vs Burke-Gregory 36-11- Won 3-0 after scoring an escape and takedown in final period for the win, 3rd Rd WBKS vs Phillip/Kadoka Area/Wall 28-8- Lost 5-1



after tying the score tied with :10 left, 7th place Match vs Kingsbury County 39-10- Lost a 3-2 decision after leading 1-0 after the 2nd then a clasping penalty tied the score and a reversal made it 1-3 but Hunter got an escape to make it 2-3 but couldn't get the TD and lost 3-2 for 8th place. Matt finished the season with a 32-17 record.

138 Chase Adam- 1st Rd vs Bon Homme/Avon- LBF 1:20, 1st Rd WBKS vs Tri Valley- Won 9-0 as he led the entire match for the win, 2nd Rd WBKS vs Parker 38-12 LBF 1:23 to end his tournament and season with a 31-23 record.

175 Gavin Neu- 1st Rd vs Redfield 22-5- LBF 1:25, 1st Rd WBKS vs Parker- LBF 4:45 after leading 3-0 after the 2nd period and with the loss Gavin ends his season with a 29-19 record.

190 Carter Kreger- 1st Rd vs Wagner 33-1- LBF 1:25, 1st Rd WBKS vs Lead-Deadwood 23-15- Lost a 3-2 decision after the score was tied at 1-1 after the 2nd then Carter got an escape to lead 2-1 but with :38 left Carter got taken down and lost 3-2 ending his state tourney and finished with a 31-21 record in his first year of wrestling.



The Sioux Valley News will be doing a special Section for state wrestling. The deadline for this will be March 7.

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C-Hawks Boys Basketball Team Union County 4-H News Ends Regular Season 12-8



The Canton C-Hawk boys basketball team ended their regular season on Monday as they hosted the Vermillion Tanagers and won 74-70 to finish the season with a 12-8 record and now head to Region 2A tournament to face the Tea Area Titans in Tea on Tuesday.

Canton jumped out to a 27-18 lead in the 1st quarter as they were hitting from the 3 point line and in the 2nd they outscored the Tanagers 18-10 to lead 45-28 at halftime. Vermillion outscored Canton 19-18 in the 3rd but the Hawks would still hold a 63-47 lead heading into the final 8 minutes of the game. The Tanagers started hitting long shots and Canton went cold but were able to hang on for the 4 point win after Vermillion outscored the Hawks 23-11.

Offensively the Hawks were led by Matt Anderson with 19 points as he was 8 of 15 from the field followed

by Ryan Kuper 18 and 5 of 10 from 3 point range with all the ones made were in the first half along with 15 from Braxton Mulder when he was 6 of 9 FG, Aidan Jutting 9, Julius Moore 7, Cain Wallner 4 and Pierce Mastalir 2. Moore handed out 7 assists with Andersn 4, Mulder 3, Mastalir 3, Wallner 2. Canton was 28 of 53 FG, 12 of 26 from 3pt and 6 of 9 FT while Vermillion was 24 of 66 FG, 6 of 26 from 3pt and 16 of 18 FT. Defensively Canton was led by Mulder with 11 rebounds followed by Wallner 7, Anderson 6, Moore 5, Mastalir 4 Wallner 2 and Kuper 1. Vermillion outrebounded Canton with 35-33 but they had 15 offensive boards and they had 19 steals to only 5 for Canton. Mulder had 2 steals with one apiece from Kuper, Anderson and Moore. Kuper blocked 2 shots and one from Wallner.



The Union County SoDak Showmen held their Christmas party December 10th at the Halversons. Members enjoyed a pot luck supper, played bingo and tape ball. Larissa Fossum gave a demonstration on how to make Christmas tree ornaments. A short meeting was held and new business was discussed. Upcoming 4-H activities were highlighted such as cupcake challenge, Officer training, Sioux Empire Farm Show contest, and 4-H day at the State Capitol. Members were reminded of the youth livestock literacy requirements and dates of events were given. Club community service ideas were discussed and discussion will continue at the next meeting. The SoDak Showman will hold their next meeting on February 4th at the Canton Library.

-Submitted by Finley Halverson

The SoDak Showmen met at the Canton library on February 4th. Prior to the meeting members decorated placemats in a spring theme for the Good Samaritan nursing home. The meeting started at 6:45 with flag pledges and roll call. The secretary's report was read from December. Raelyn approved the minutes and Larissa seconded. The treasurer's report was read and approved. A donation was made by Dorothy Markle and the club signed a thank-you for her. A CDM and Horticulture Skill-A-Thon will be held in Beresford on March 5 from 4-7. The statewide community service project this year is creating personal hygiene kits. There will possibly be a Buddy Show at the fair this year. Union County 4-H will be selling fruit through March 4th. The next meeting will be April 7th at 6:45 at the Sacketts.

-Submitted by Larissa Fossum

Middle School All State Band



The South Dakota Music Education Association will present the 25th Annual SD Middle School All-State Band on March 2, 2024 in the Mitchell High School Performing Arts Center at 3:00 PM. This concert will feature over 200 6th - 8th graders from across the state performing in two bands under the direction of Mr. Randall Standridge and Dr. Larry Petersen.

Canton is proud to have Hannah Fong, Ciera Ancell, and Kara Dose participating this year.

There is a \$5.00 admission fee for the concert. Tickets will be available for purchase at the door the afternoon of the concert. Students 18 and under are free.

The mission of the National Association for Music Education is to advance music education by promoting the understanding and making of music by all. SDMEA is a state affiliate of the National Association for Music Education. With over 400 members, SDMEA is the largest association of instructional musicians in the state catering to the needs of band, choral, general music and orchestral teachers.

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BIG News

This week, I traveled to Taiwan with the Select Committee on the Chinese Communist Party. It was a productive trip, meeting with Taiwan's leaders to identify ways to strengthen our partnership and tackle the China threat. During a meeting with President Tsai, we discussed the importance of trade between our two countries. After Canada and Mexico, Taiwan buys more American ag products per capita than any other country. Taiwan also produces over 90% of the world's most advanced semiconductors. Their trade relationships are critically important to the health of the global economy and preserving our partnership is vital to Taiwan's food security and national security.

Taiwan is rightfully concerned about an invasion from the Chinese Communist Party (CCP). During a visit to the Taiwan Strait, only 110 miles from China, I saw how an invasion by the CCP could play out. Our team spent hours being briefed by American military experts about how our nation is providing the training and equipment Taiwan needs to defend itself.

BIG Idea

On Monday, I was in Wessington Springs to speak at the annual Farm, Home, and Health Show that has been on a three-year hiatus. High school senior Avery had the great idea to restart the

show. She used her leadership skills to bring the show back, organizing more than 60 vendors and events throughout the day. Avery gave me the opportunity to share an update from Congress and answer questions from attendees.

BIG Update

Last April, the Biden Administration announced a proposed climate rule that would effectively require 67 percent of new car sales to be all-electric by 2032. That's a big jump from last year's 7.6 percent of all-electric car sales.

After pushback from thousands of car dealerships, industry workers, members of Congress, and concerned citizens like you, the Administration has decided to take their foot off the gas for this requirement. While this is a win for the short term, Biden plans to speed up EV benchmarks after 2030.

These EV requirements:
 Increase our reliance on China for semiconductors and chips
 Force Americans to pay more for their vehicles
 Increase government debt due to EV tax credits

This week, I joined nearly 140 House Republicans to urge the White House to stop this proposed rule and I joined Fox Business to talk about this overburdensome rule.



SENATE REPUBLICAN WHIP

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IRS Needs to Do More to Protect Taxpayer Data

In 2022, Congress passed the No TikTok on Government Devices Act. As its name suggests, this law bans TikTok on government devices due to the significant security risks that the app poses. This was an important step to protect sensitive data and government networks, but a recent report indicates that the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) has not fully complied with the law.

A recent inspector general report revealed that 2,800 mobile devices used by IRS Criminal Investigation employees and computers assigned to those employees can access TikTok. The inspector general also found that the IRS has not updated its "Bring Your Own Device" program, which shockingly allows IRS employees to use personal devices for business purposes. That means that IRS employees who are accessing sensitive taxpayer information on their personal devices are also potentially

accessing TikTok. Worse still is that the IRS won't commit to complying with recommendations to resolve the personal device issues until October 2024.

As the lead Republican on the Subcommittee on Taxation and IRS Oversight, holding the IRS accountable is an obligation I take very seriously. In response to this troubling report, I recently sent a letter to the IRS commissioner requesting information about the agency's compliance with the No TikTok on Government Devices Act, the IRS's "Bring Your Own Device" program, and the security of taxpayer information being accessed on personal devices. TikTok's close ties to the Chinese Communist Party and their troubling data practices are reasons to be concerned about the app being loaded onto or accessible on a device that also deals with taxpayer and government data. This warrants

swift action by the IRS to comply with the law and protect Americans' data.

Unfortunately, this is only the latest issue in the IRS's troubling history of mishandling taxpayer information. In the last few years alone, the IRS has inadvertently posted confidential information from 120,000 taxpayers on its website, destroyed 30 million unprocessed tax documents, and tens of thousands of Americans' tax information was stolen by an IRS contractor and wound up in the hands of the left-leaning news site ProPublica.

The American people should be able to trust that when they file their taxes with the IRS, their personal information is safe. I will continue to hold the IRS accountable for its handling of taxpayer information and ensure the agency is adequately protecting Americans' information.

POET Joins American Carbon Alliance

POET, the world's largest bioethanol producer, has officially joined the American Carbon Alliance, a coalition dedicated to advancing carbon reduction initiatives across industries. This strategic partnership underscores POET's commitment to capturing carbon at their plants, improving bioethanol's carbon index, and creating new market opportunities for farmers, bioethanol producers, and rural communities.

"The safe and responsible use of carbon capture represents a consequential opportunity to transform rural economies and benefit farm families, much like

the bioethanol industry has done over the past four decades," said Joshua Shields, POET Senior Vice President of Corporate Affairs. "Leveraging carbon capture to further decarbonize bioethanol provides new market opportunities and adds value to every bushel of corn and every acre of land."

Capturing CO2 and extracting value from that process will create new jobs, local investments, and sustained economic growth in rural America as well as larger cities. Most importantly, capturing CO2 will ultimately increase corn basis for local farmers. By joining forces with the American Carbon

Alliance, POET aims to make sure every American comprehends the value that carbon capture can bring.

"POET's decision to join the American Carbon Alliance is a testament to their leadership in the homegrown renewable energy sector and their commitment to America's farmers and rural communities," said Tom Buis, ACA CEO. "We are excited to welcome them to our coalition and look forward to working together to advance our shared goals of building a more sustainable future and strengthening America's agriculture economy."

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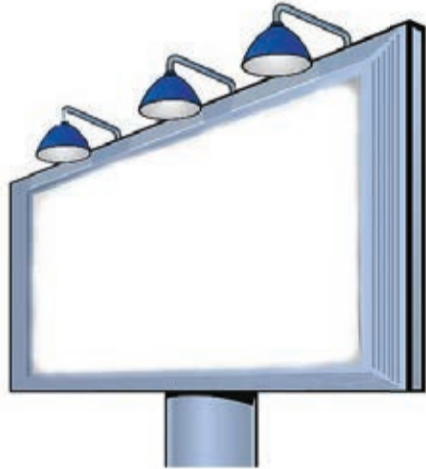
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Parcel 4: (80.19 Ac. Cropland) This is another truly high producing tract of land with the primary soils consisting of: Wentworth-Chancellor scl, Class Iw; Chancellor-Viborg scl; Wentworth scl; Egan scl; and Chancellor-Wakonda-Tetonka complex with a Surety Agri-Data PI of 87.4 with mostly 0-2% slopes or virtually level to slightly rolling topography containing 75.9 cropland acres according to FSA. Parcel 4 is sold w/ 2 rural eligibilities. Rural water is located adjacent to property along 483rd Ave. 2023 RE Taxes: \$1,639.64

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Pierre Perspective

SENATOR JIM BOLIN

The seventh week of the legislative session began on Tuesday because of Presidents Day and then concluded on Friday. There were a number of major bills that were considered during the week. SB 201 was debated on the Senate floor on Wednesday. This proposal would take away the ability of local governments to regulate pipelines and other projects that impact more than one county. After a spirited debate, the bill was passed by a vote of 23-11. I was one of the senators who voted NO on the bill as I am not convinced this entire process, designed to control carbon in the atmosphere, is economically viable without massive tax credits and incentives from the federal government. Therefore, I am skeptical of this entire project. The bill will now go to the house where it will be evaluated.

Another key bill considered was HB1231. This bill would ban the foreign ownership of land by six nations that are enemies of the United States. Those nations are China, Russia, North Korea, Venezuela, Iran, and Cuba. This bill was much more limited than the one that failed last year. That one would have put unreasonable restrictions on all foreign land ownership, even by Canadians, and was opposed by virtually every ag group in the state. On HB1231, ag groups were neutral and on Friday the bill was passed with only two dissenting votes. I was glad to support it as we should have limitations on land ownership by citizens of nations that wish us ill.

The Appropriations Committee also made many decisions on proposals that are seeking state funding or partial assistance for projects they desire. HB 1065 would grant \$4 million to the state fair for the construction of a new sheep barn. The previous one was old and was torn down to make way for the DEX building, or new beef barn. The sheep industry has raised over \$2 million to also support the project and so the committee saw fit to back this worthy project for our youth. Other projects were not so fortunate and many such as funding for the South Dakota Hall of Fame in Chamberlain were turned down. Some were kept alive by a tactic of passing the bill but reducing the amount to only one dollar. That allows for further negotiation between the house and the senate,

as each has different priorities. Two good examples of this were SB144 and SB134. SB144 involves state support for airports, especially Sioux Falls and Rapid City. As our population grows, the need for more capacity increases. Both need upgrading and have requested one-time funding from the state. Previously the federal government supported these projects, but their funding is now static. This request has now come to the legislature. We will have to see how it is resolved. SB134 would provide support for the timber industry in the Black Hills. The federal government has placed more restrictions on timber harvesting and therefore there is a shortage of trees to cut and mill. Without good forest management, wildfires can be devastating. This is another matter to be resolved over the next two weeks.

Finally, SB49 and SB50, bills for the men's and women's prisons, were voted on this week. SB50 would fund the women's prison in Rapid City and SB49 would add over \$200 million to the fund for the proposed men's prison. The current women's prison, which I have toured, is very overcrowded with some cells designed for two having 4 or 5 occupants. The need for an expanded women's facility is convincing and I supported that bill. The vote in committee for SB 49 was different. A number of people spoke against the transfer of over \$200 million in the Incarceration Construction Fund. After much discussion, the bill was advanced by a vote of 14-4. I did oppose this bill and now it will come to the senate for a vote by the full body. I will oppose this bill when it comes to the floor.

My congratulations to the many high school wrestlers who competed in the state wrestling finals this last weekend. Special recognition goes to the Canton Boys team for winning their seventh straight state title with the girls coming in second by just one-half point. Also, congrats to the Parker team for their fine finish and to Levii Wieman who was a state champion at 215 lbs. Again, thanks to the local papers who printed this column at their own expense. It is not required that they do so. Hopefully, the publication of this column will help you be a bit better informed as to what takes place in the capital city.

Legislative Report

By Kevin Jensen
REPRESENTATIVE



It seems there are some bills that will not die even though they have been voted down over and over. These bills simply come back as an amendment to another bill or completely replace an existing bill's language, hog housed. HB1198 was defeated in the house with a vote of 36 no and 24 yes if you only look at republican votes. Democrats should not be allowed to vote on an internal republican party issue. I hate to repeat a previous weekly update but this is critical. In the senate they hog housed SB13 with the language from 1198. I think it is very disturbing that our senate and house leadership are hellbent on destroying the tradition of the Republican party and willing to replace it with mob rule. I hope this bill gets the final nail in the coffin this week, once and for all.

Yet another bill the leadership is relentless on passing is SB201, which strips the counties and townships of any control over CO2 pipelines and electric transmission lines. It also nullifies any regulations currently in place over these projects. Ironically, this past week I received a letter from the US Department of Energy stating they are ready to move forward with the Swan Lake Wind Project which will place 97 wind turbines on and west of Turkey Ridge. I even received a map of the proposed layout. Are they so bold as to assume SB201 will pass? Why is our leadership willing to override local control in so many ways? At the Turner County Cracker Barrel

in Parker last Saturday, no one even knew the Swan Lake Project was being planned.

In another take-over move the state will be creating a new government office taking control of indigent funded defense attorneys, otherwise known as court appointed attorneys. This new department, or commission, is designed to reduce the cost of this service for the counties. I believe it would have been more efficient to use the 1.4 million dollars proposed for this new commission to reimburse the counties for the services already being provided locally. At the state level, that money will need to cover new office space, computers, equipment, additional staff and travel expense, among other related costs. Expanding state government is not always the most efficient way to do things.

And a fourth take-over? Yes. HB1048 requires that increases in state funding to schools goes only to teachers. Every Superintendent I contacted opposes this bill because it strips them of local control over that portion of their budget. Let me explain further by asking you the question the school boards will face. You are now on the school board. The state mandates that the entire 4% goes to only teachers, removing control over that portion of your budget. Your district is already dealing with flat or declining enrollment which directly negatively affects your total state funding. This is the reality most schools in District

16 are already facing. Now you need to give pay increases to support staff, secretaries, maintenance staff, maybe bus drivers, para professionals, teacher aids, and possibly some administrators. You also have to fund increases in health insurance, retirement and other benefits. What are you going to cut to give the support staff pay raises and increase their benefits? Will you be forced into an opt-out decision which raises local taxes? Please understand I fully support the proposed 4% or 5% increase for schools, but those legislators who have never dealt with a school budget are now telling you how to do your job.

Almost every day in debate we are encouraged to support local control. So then I have to ask, why are some of the most overreaching bills in session this year removing local control and why are they supported and pushed by our leadership? I think you, as voters, need to ask that question too. There are some things the state can do well and there are many things better left to local government. As former President Obama once said, "elections have consequences." If your government is not working for you, who are they working for?

As you read this there will be only one week left in this session, and it is shaping up to be very contentious. The word of the day in Pierre seems to be "compromise." There is no compromise when property rights and eminent domain are being used in ways the framers of the constitution never intended. I work for District 16 and you can trust me to not cave to special interests and pressure from leadership. Thank you for allowing me serve in Pierre on your behalf. If you have any comments or concerns please reach out to me at kevinj605@gmail.com.

Legislative Report

Karla Lems
REPRESENTATIVE



We have 2 weeks left of the legislative session. Here is an overview from the last few weeks:

*Revenues continue to be strong in the state. Approximately 42% of the state budget comes from the federal government, but this amount will taper off as Covid funding goes away. SB 49 passed the appropriations committee, which is moving money into a savings account for the new men's prison. This included \$10,000,000 of federal monies, \$132,449,532 from the general fund and the sum of \$95,731,352 from the budget reserve fund. The total cost of the new prison is set at \$706 million. There are several of us

that continue to ask questions on the location of the prison and the amount of money this facility will cost. There is also a lawsuit pending that will determine if the state can build in the proposed location without having to go through the county planning and zoning process.

*HCR 6008 makes clear that the proposed abortion amendment is too extreme for South Dakota. It removes protection for mothers, children, and healthcare providers.

*The foreign owned ag land bill passed. I continue to have questions on how this will affect the present pipeline project, as \$300 million is invested by TPG

Rise Climate Fund, which is tied to the Silk Road Fund. South Dakota has seen nearly a 320 percent increase in foreign-held agriculture land holdings from 2010 to 2022. This bill will now be heard by the Senate.

*SB 201 will be heard in the House Commerce and Energy Committee this week. This is a bill that would strip counties, townships, and municipalities of their ability to place ordinances on linear transmission lines and carbon dioxide pipelines that need a permit by the Public Utilities Commission. I am strongly opposed to this bill as it takes away local control.

*HB 1197 was passed in the House. This would ensure that kids only access age-appropriate books. The measures don't "ban" books, but ensure proper policies to be in place, and will be set at the local level.

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Fun Ways to Spend Extra Leap Day Hours

The sentiment that there aren't enough hours in the day may be true for busy families and individuals. However, once every four years, everyone is given an extra day on their calendars in February.

Although Leap Day is designed to move the clock and calendar more in line with the Earth's rotation around the sun, which takes slightly longer than 365 days, it also can be an exciting opportunity to relax and have some fun. The following are some ways to maximize that extra day of the year.



Learn about leaplings

A leapling is a person who was born on February 29 during a leap year. Highlights magazine reports the odds of being a leapling is one in 1,461. Find out if anyone you know is a leapling or research celebrity leaplings.

Celebrate Leap Day

Even if Leap Day isn't an official holiday, it is worthy of celebration. Figure out a theme for your party, and then invite friends over for an extra day of revelry or relaxation.

Take the day off

Make the most of Leap Day by enjoying a mental health day and taking off from work or school, if possible. Spend the day engaged in hobbies or other activities.

Leapin' lizards

Kids may enjoy reading up on or learning about the various animals that are good at leaping, which can include frogs or flying squirrels. Children and adults can take turns doing their own leaping long jumps to see who can leap the farthest.

Calculate your leap year age

Students can practice math and have fun in the process by dividing each person's age by four to determine what age they would be had they been born on a Leap Day.

Commemorate in fours

Do everything for the day in fours. Enjoy four scoops of ice cream or commit to a four-hour hike. Go out to lunch or dinner with friends and spend four hours finding out everything that has been going on in the lives of others. Watch a movie marathon that adds up to four hours of fantastic cinema.

Leap into community service

Use the extra time for doing good. Figure out where you can volunteer your services and make Leap Day all about giving back.

Leap Day is an opportunity to engage in fun or relaxing activities everyone can enjoy.

Leap Into These Leap Year Facts

Leap Year typically takes place every four years. The process of adding a day to the calendar every four years was designed to realign the clock and calendar more closely with how long it takes the Earth to rotate around the sun, which is slightly longer than the 365 days attributed to a year. If not for Leap Year, the seasons would slowly shift out of place.

There are many interesting facts to learn about Leap Year, and February 29 is the perfect time to explore them.

- It takes the Earth 365 days, 5 hours, 48 minutes and 45 seconds to circle once around the sun, says

Time and Date. Without leap years, we'd lose almost six hours every year. After a century, the calendar would be off by nearly 24 days.

- Despite 2100, the next turn of the century, being divisible by four, it will not be a leap year. That's because it is divisible by 100 but not 400, which means it will not be a leap year. This exception to the rule pertains to new century years.

- Forbes reports that it's likely the calendar will need to be changed again since the Earth's rotation rate, the axial tilt orientation and the Earth's orbital motion around the sun is not constant. Various effects, such as earthquakes and something

called tidal braking, affect the passage of time.

- Legend states that on February 29 it is alright for a woman to propose to a man, a custom attributed to St. Bridget. Bridget complained to St. Patrick that some women had to wait too long for their suitors to pop the question. As the legend goes, Patrick supposedly provided women this day to propose to compensate.

- Some cultures view February 29 as an unlucky day. In Greece, couples are warned against planning weddings during leap years. In Italy, the phrase, "Anno biseto, anno funesto" ("leap year, doom year") is uttered.

- Individuals who are born on February 29th are known as leaplings or leapers.

- Leap Day is not considered a legal day. Those who are leaplings have to choose February 28 or March 1 for their official and legal birthdays.

- Individuals who are paid fixed monthly incomes often work for free on February 29th because their wages will not be calculated to include the extra day.

- Guinness World Records indicates the only family it could verify as producing three consecutive generations born on leap days belongs to the Keoghs. The elder Patrick Anthony Keogh was born in 1940, his son Peter Eric was born in 1964, and his granddaughter Bethany in 1996.



The Rules About Leap Years

It's widely accepted that a year is 365 days long. However, that statement is not entirely accurate. In fact, it takes Earth a little more than 365 days (365.24223 days to be precise) to orbit the sun. A calendar cannot accommodate that small distinction every year. In order to ensure that seasons do not start drifting from the difference between the Earth's rotation and the time it takes to get around the sun, leap years were established to keep the calendar more consistent and working like clockwork. The first modern leap year took place in 1752.

Certain guidelines were established to determine which years would be leap years. A leap year typically arrives every four years. However, in terms of end-of-century years, they must be divisible by 400. That is why the year 2000 was a leap year but 1900 was not, according to Royal Museums Greenwich.

This approach is not an entirely foolproof plan since there still may be very small discrepancies in time. Leap seconds have been added to keep time ticking correctly at various points throughout the years. This occurred on December 31 in the years 2005, 2008 and 2012, and also on June 30, 2015.

In terms of adding a day to the calendar for the leap year, it is placed in February, which already is the shortest month. While February is typically 28 days, in leap years the month features 29 days. A leap year next occurs in February 2024, and then again in 2028, 2032 and 2036.



Harrisburg City Council

Harrisburg City Council Unapproved Meeting Minutes

The regular meeting of the City Council was called to order on February 20, 2024 at 6:00 pm, with Mayor Derick Wenck presiding. Council members were Tom Anez, Matt Westerman, Kevin Maxwell and Chris Kindt. Also present from the City were Deb Harris, Toby Huizenga, Monty Jenkins and Jill Johnke. A list of all others in attendance is on file at the city office.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

6:00 Public Hearing to receive public hearing input regarding Amendments to Section 6, Conditional Use Permits, of the City of Harrisburg Zoning Regulations.

No Public Comment

Motion Kindt, seconded Maxwell to add Business Item # 5 Executive Session pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2 (4) contract negotiations

Consent Agenda: Motion Maxwell, seconded Westerman to approve the consent agenda as presented.

1. Approved Agenda
2. Approved February 6, 2024 City Council Meeting Minutes
3. Approved February 20, 2024 claims.

4. Approved and authorized Mayor to sign quote for a flex wing mower in the amount of \$35,000 (Budgeted Item)

5. Approved and authorized Mayor to sign quote for Telespar from Sign Solutions in the amount of \$7,757.16 (Budgeted Item)

6. Approved and authorized Mayor to sign yearly service agreement with Dakota Pump Contract C9C2024-204 01/01/2024-12/31/2024 in the amount of \$5,689.25

7. Approved and authorized Mayor to sign quote from Matheson

8. Set annual clean up days – April 30 – May 1 from 3pm – 7pm and May 4th from 8am – 11am

9. Approved and authorized Mayor to sign Pay App 1 – Biosolids removal project to Lagoon Pumping & Dredging Inc in the amount of \$354,600

10. Mayoral Proclamation – Rare Disease Day – February 29, 2024

- A & B Business \$374.05;
- Accounts Management \$366.56;
- Ace Hardware \$1,171.05;
- American Engineering Test \$1,882.00;
- American Water Works Assoc \$376.00;
- Automatic Security \$145.00;
- Cardmember Services \$33,039.88;
- Chemtec \$399.00;
- CHS \$9,919.63;
- City of Harrisburg \$1,329.06;
- City of Sioux Falls \$435.45;
- Creepside Place \$33,510.48;
- Customeyer Signs \$520.00;
- Cutler Law Firm \$1,916.25;
- Dakota Pump \$5,360.64;
- Dept of Treasury \$14,426.40;
- Harrisburg Heritage

- \$6,694.88;
- HDL LLC \$2,745.61;
- Health Equity \$755.76;
- Health Equity \$37.50;
- Hydraulic World \$156.03;
- Innovative Office \$34.34;
- Knife River \$512.82;
- Kwik Trip \$86.60;
- Lacey's Rentals \$3,195.00;
- Lagoon Pumping & Dredging \$354,600.00;
- Light & Siren \$2,455.00;
- Lookout Plan & Code \$3,799.90;
- Menards East \$263.89;
- Midamerican Energy \$3,417.35;
- Midstates Inc \$545.54;
- Midwest Alarm \$457.80;
- NALCO \$3,225.75;
- Prairie Wind Trailers \$24,800.00;
- Runnings \$537.95;
- Rural Route 1 Services \$232.29;
- Sanborn City \$20.00;
- SD Building Officials Assoc \$5.00;
- SDPAA \$411.71;
- SDRS Supplemental \$100.00;
- SE Electric \$9,114.73;
- Sioux Falls Humane Society \$476.00;
- Soukup Construction \$17,857.18;
- South Dakota 811 \$44.10;
- Southeastern Electric \$537.62;
- Stockwell Engineering \$214,031.81;
- Tech Sales \$581.00;
- Thurston, Jason \$137.48;
- White Glove Cleaning \$247.50;
- Payroll \$43,010.85

Business Item 1. Motion Maxwell, seconded Anez to approve new hire Marcus Simonsen – Mechanic at \$30/hr. Upon roll call vote; all present in favor.

Business Item 2. Consider Contract with All Seasons Inc for mowing in the amount of \$2,912.50 per time and weed control in the amount of \$2,457.50 per time. No action taken

Business Item 3. Motion Anez, seconded Maxwell to approve quote from Traffic Solution Inc to furnish and install crosswalk sign and post, replacing one destroyed in motor vehicle accident in the amount of \$9,989. Upon roll call vote; all present in favor.

Business Item 4. Motion Maxwell seconded Anez to move the 2nd reading of Ordinance 2024-01 to March 5, 2024. Upon roll call vote; all present in favor.

Business Item 5. Motion Kindt, seconded Maxwell to move into executive session pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2 (4) at 6:08 pm.

Mayor declared out of executive session at 7:23 pm.

With no further business, a motion was made by Maxwell seconded Anez to adjourn the city council meeting at 7:23 pm. 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, March 5, 2024. Submitted by Jill Johnke, Deputy Finance Officer

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NOTICE OF MEETING OF LOCAL REVIEW BOARD
SDCL 10-11-13

NOTICE IS HERBY GIVEN That the governing body, sitting as a Review Board of Lynn Township, Lincoln County, South Dakota, will meet at the Sioux Falls Regional Livestock, 28168 Commerce Ave, Worthing, SD in said taxing jurisdiction on MONDAY, the 18th day of March, 2024, (being the 3rd Monday in March) at 7:00 p.m. for the purpose of reviewing and correcting the assessment of said taxing district for the year 2024.

All persons considering themselves aggrieved by said assessment are required to notify the clerk of the local review board no later than March 14, 2024.

Marlene Sweetter, Clerk
Lynn Township
February 21, 2024

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Notice of Hearing

City of Harrisburg Notice of Public Hearing Planning Commission

Notice is hereby given that the Planning Commission of the City of Harrisburg will hold a Public Hearing on March 12, 2024 at 5:30 p.m. or shortly thereafter at the Liberty School Board Room, 200 E Willow Street, Harrisburg, SD, to consider a zoning amendment application:

A portion of Parcel ID 270.56.00.2000 (408 N Cliff Avenue) from General Business to Heavy Industrial.

A portion of Parcel ID 270.55.76.2021 (27246 475th Avenue) from Agricultural to Heavy Industrial.

The Planning Commission invites all interested people to attend and offer their comments. Those unable to attend may submit comments in writing, prior to the hearing, to: City of Harrisburg Planning & Zoning, PO Box 26, Harrisburg, SD 57032. In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), if you need special assistance to participate in this hearing, please contact the City Planning & Zoning Administrator at (605) 767-5010. Anyone who is deaf, hard-of-hearing or speech disabled may use Relay South Dakota at (800) 877-1113 (TTY/Voice). Notification 48 hours prior to the hearing will enable the City to make reasonable arrangements to ensure accessibility to this hearing.

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Notice of Vacancy

NOTICE OF VACANCY ON SCHOOL BOARD
Harrisburg School District No. 41-2
The following school board positions will become vacant due to the expiration of the present terms of the following school board members.

Notice of Meeting

NOTICE OF MEETING OF LOCAL REVIEW BOARD SDCL 10-11-13
NOTICE IS HERBY GIVEN That the governing body, sitting as a Review Board of Fairview Municipality, Lincoln County South Dakota, will meet at the Fire Station in said taxing jurisdiction on MONDAY, the 18th day of March 2024, (being the 3rd Monday in March) for the purpose of reviewing and correcting the assessment of said taxing district for the year, 2024.

Notice for Bids

Springdale Township Notice for Bids #2
Qualified providers are invited to submit bids for Dust Control application upon the roads in Springdale Township. Please submit written bids to Springdale Township, Attn: Springdale Township Clerk, PO Box 14, Harrisburg, SD 57032 by March 24, 2024.

City of Canton Meeting Minutes

MINUTES OF CANTON CITY COMMISSION MEETING FEBRUARY 20, 2024 UNAPPROVED
The Canton City Commission met at the Depot Viking Room, on Tuesday, February 20, 2024 at 7:00p.m. Commissioners Chaon, Garbers, Larson and Mayor Lundstrom were present for roll call. Commissioner York was absent at the time of roll call. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. CONSENT CALENDAR
Commissioner Larson moved and Commissioner Garbers seconded to approve the consent calendar consisting of the following: 1) to approve the minutes from the February 5, 2024 Regular Meeting and that they are signed and published; 2) to approve the warrants to be listed at the end of the minutes; 3) to approve the month end reports for January; 4) to approve the agenda. Unanimous approval.

Fairview Township Annual Meeting

FAIRVIEW TOWNSHIP NOTICE OF ANNUAL TOWNSHIP MEETING
The Citizens of the Township of Fairview in the County of Lincoln South Dakota and who are qualified to vote at Township elections, are hereby notified that the Annual Township Meeting for said Township will be held at the home of Dale Sharon, 48459 290th Street, Fairview, SD 57027, in said Township, on TUESDAY, the 5th day of March 2024, at 7:00 p.m. for the following purposes: To elect one Supervisor for the term

Notice of Meeting

NOTICE OF MEETING OF LOCAL REVIEW BOARD SDCL10-11-13
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN That the governing body, sitting as a Review Board of Springdale Township, Lincoln County, South Dakota, will meet at the Harrisburg Fire Station, 47591 273rd Street, Harrisburg, SD 57032, on Monday, the 18th day of March, 2024 (being the 3rd Monday in March) at 7 p.m. for the purpose of reviewing and correcting the assessment of said taxing district for the year 2024.

Notice of Hearing

NOTICE OF HEARING FOR ADULT NAME CHANGE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA COUNTY OF LINCOLN IN CIRCUIT COURT SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT FILE NO: CIV 24-126 IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF: Bailey LaMoin Big Eagle Spears (Current Name) FOR A CHANGE OF NAME TO: Bailey LaMoin Big Eagle (Proposed Name) NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN a Verified Petition for Adult Name Change has been filed by Bailey LaMoin Big Eagle Spears the object and prayer of which is to change Petitioner's name from Bailey LaMoin Big Eagle Spears to Bailey LaMoin Big Eagle. On the 21st day of March, 2024, at the hour of 9:00 a.m. said verified petition will be heard by this Court before the

Notice of Meeting

NOTICE OF MEETING OF LOCAL REVIEW BOARD SDCL 10-11-13
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN That the governing body, sitting at a Review Board of City of Canton, Lincoln County, South Dakota, will meet at the Viking Room at the Canton Depot within said taxing jurisdiction on MONDAY, the 18th day of March, 2024, through Friday, the 22nd day of March, 2024, for the purpose of reviewing and correcting the assessment of said taxing district for the year, 2024.

Notice for Bids

Springdale Township Notice for Bids #1
Qualified providers are invited to submit bids for delivery of base course grade gravel to comply with the SD DOT standards, to be spread upon roads in Springdale Township. Please submit written bids to Springdale Township, Attn: Springdale Township Clerk, PO Box 14, Harrisburg, SD 57032 prior to March 24, 2024. The Township reserves the right to reject

City of Canton Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Chaon seconded to approve a scope of work with Burbach Aquatics for a change in the FEMA Bathroom Roof Configuration at a cost not to exceed \$5,845.00. Unanimous approval. APPLICATION FOR ABATEMENT OF PROPERTY TAXES-THORBURN
Commissioner Garbers moved and Commissioner Larson seconded to approve the property tax abatement as requested by Jon Thorburn, as presented and on file, and authorize the Mayor and City Attorney to sign. Unanimous approval. 4H GROUNDS AGREEMENT
Commissioner Larson moved and Commissioner Garbers seconded to approve an indemnification and hold harmless agreement with Lincoln County for the remaining building at the old 4-H Grounds, as presented and on file, and authorize the Mayor to sign. Unanimous approval. EMPLOYEE RAISE
Commissioner Larson moved and Commissioner Garbers seconded to approve a raise for Alicia Riniker to \$29.67 per hour for a positive 6 month performance review. Unanimous approval. FULL-TIME POLICE OFFICER HIRE
Commissioner Chaon moved and Commissioner Larson seconded to approve the hire of Michelle Smith, Full-Time Police Officer, at \$30.39 per hour. Unanimous approval. DIALOGUE:
Commissioner Larson commented that the January Sales Tax was up 8.44% over last January. Commissioner Garbers commented that the West Road Bridge is in the early stages of being replaced and to remind the Citizens that their Ash trees need to be cut down by March 1st. EXECUTIVE SESSION
Commissioner Garbers moved and Commissioner Larson seconded to adjourn into executive session per SDCL 1-25-2. Unanimous approval. Commissioner Garbers moved and Commissioner Larson seconded to reconvene into regular session. Unanimous approval. ADJOURNMENT
Commissioner Larson moved and Commissioner Chaon seconded to adjourn. Unanimous Approval. Kyle Cwach Finance Officer
Warrants: 02-13-24: Appears/Servall, 141.84, uniforms; Aramark, 180.76, cleaning supplies; Border States Electric Supply, 87.85, supplies; Cintas, 246.81, first aid supplies; Dakota Riggers & Tool Supply, 195.00, certiffy monitors; Don LLC, 500.00, equipment removal; Jack's Uniforms & Equipment, 674.90, pistol & uniforms; JSA Consulting

Canton Township Meeting Notice

NOTICE OF 2024 ANNUAL Meeting of Canton Township ELECTORS
The citizens of Canton Township, Lincoln County, South Dakota qualified to vote at general elections are hereby notified that the Annual Meeting of Electors for CANTON TOWNSHIP will be held at the Richard Hill farm/shop residence, 28088 482nd Avenue, Canton, SD 57013, commencing at the hour of 7:00 PM, Tuesday, March 5, 2024, for the following purposes: To elect one Supervisor for a term of three years; one Township Clerk and one Treasurer, each for terms of one year; approval of the budget for the ensuing fiscal year and setting the tax levy for general fund, and establishing a levy for secondary road capital improvement fund (SDCL 31-13-3.1); approval of accounts; establish Township policies for the mowing and maintenance of ditches, including duties to remove

Notice to Creditors

NOTICE TO CREDITORS STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA IN CIRCUIT COURT COUNTY OF LINCOLN SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT ESTATE OF JOAN K. MORCK, Deceased. 41PRO24-000009
Notice is given that on February 12, 2024, Daniel Morck, whose address is 813 N. Kimball, Canton, SD, 57013 and Dominick Morck, whose address is 5000 S. Nevada Ave., Apt. 102, Sioux Falls, SD, 57108 were appointed as Co-Personal Representatives of the Estate of Joan K. Morck. Creditors of the 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 Representatives or may be filed with the Clerk and a copy of the claim mailed

Highland Township Annual Meeting

HIGHLAND TOWNSHIP ANNUAL TOWNSHIP MEETING
The Citizens of the Township of Highland in the County of Lincoln South Dakota and who are qualified to vote at Township elections, are hereby notified that the Annual Township Meeting for said Township will be held at Grand Valley Lutheran Church, 28529 SD Highway 11 at 6:30 p.m., in said Township, on TUESDAY, the 5th day of March 2024, for the following purposes: To elect one Supervisor for the term of three years; one Township Clerk,

Lincoln County Notice

NOTICE OF RESPONSIBILITY TO CONTROL NOXIOUS WEEDS AND DECLARED PESTS
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN This 1st day of March 2024 pursuant to SDCL 38-22 as amended to all owners, occupants, agents, and public officials in charge of lands in Lincoln County, South Dakota, that they are responsible for the suppression, control, and eradication of noxious weeds and declared pest infestations that may exist on such lands. Chemical, biological, and / or cultural control methods used for the suppression, control and eradication of noxious weed and declared pest infestations shall be those approved for such purposes by the Lincoln County Weed and Pest Supervisor, Agronomy Weed Field Specialist, or the South Dakota State University Experiment Station. Upon failure to observe this notice, the county weed and pest board is required to proceed pursuant to the law and have the noxious weeds or declared pests destroyed by such methods as they may find necessary, the expense of which shall constitute a lien and be entered as a tax against the land, and be collected as other real estate taxes are collected, or by other

Notice of Meeting

NOTICE OF MEETING OF LOCAL REVIEW BOARD SDCL 10-11-13
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN That the governing body, sitting as a Review Board of LAVALLEY TOWNSHIP Lincoln County, SD will meet at Township Bldg 47274 276th St. Harrisburg, SD in said taxing jurisdiction, on MONDAY, the 18th day of March 2024, (being the 3rd Monday in March) at 7 o'clock PM, for the purposes of reviewing and correcting the assessment of said taxing district for the year 2025. All persons considering themselves aggrieved by said assessment are

Notice of Meeting

HIGHLAND TOWNSHIP NOTICE OF MEETING OF LOCAL REVIEW BOARD SDCL 10-11-13
NOTICE IS HERBY GIVEN That the governing body, sitting as a Review Board of Highland Township, Lincoln County South Dakota, will meet at the Grand Valley Lutheran Church, 28529 SD Highway 11 at 6:30 p.m., in said taxing jurisdiction on MONDAY, the 18th day of March 2024, (being the 3rd Monday in March) for the purpose of reviewing and correcting the assessment of said taxing district for the year, 2024.

Fairview Minutes

Fairview Town Board of Trustees February 19th, 2024
The Fairview Town Board met in regular session on this date. President Severson called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. with all members present: Severson, Lang and London. Motion by Severson, second by London with all voting in favor to approve as read the minutes from the January 15th, 2024, meeting. Motion by Lang, second by Severson with all voting in favor to approve for payment the following bills: Jake Skinner: \$306.25; Sioux Valley News: \$16.38; MidAmerican: \$89.98; Greg Brewers: \$125.00; SDML: \$769.00; The Fillin Station: \$150.47. New business: First reading of

trees, brush and materials; and the conduct of all such other business as is required by law to be undertaken at, and such as properly may come before, the meeting. Electors may also ratify Township's membership in Canton Rural Fire Association, Inc., a non-profit corporation. Anyone desiring the agenda in advance may contact the Clerk by email, phone or in person; the agenda will be posted also at the designated meeting location not less than 24 hours in advance. Brad Dietzenbach, Clerk CANTON Township 48349 279th St., Canton, SD 57013 605-212-7821 Email: braddietzenbach@gmail.com

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to the Personal Representatives. Dated this 14th day of February, 2024.

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one Treasurer, each for the term of one year; and to do any other business proper to be done at said meeting when convened Given under my hand this 21st day of February A.D., 2024. Eric A. Eneboe Township Clerk eseneboe@outlook.com (605) 321-4783

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means as provided by law. Plant and animals designated as being noxious weeds and declared pests in the state of South Dakota are Absinth Wormwood, Canada Thistle, Hoary Cress, Leafy Spurge, Perennial Sow Thistle, Purple Loosestrife, Salt Cedar, and Gypsy Moth. In addition, Musk Thistle, Plumless Thistle, Spotted Knapweed, have been approved by the South Dakota Weed and Pest Control Commission as locally Noxious Weeds and are subject to the same suppression, control, and eradication requirements as the before mentioned plants and animals. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that upon establishing probable cause to believe a noxious weed or declared pest infestation exists upon any property in Lincoln County, a representative of the Lincoln County Weed and Pest Control board will enter upon said property for the purpose of inspecting and confirming that such infestation actually exists.

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required to notify the LaValley Clerk no later than March 14, 2024. Send such notification to LaValley Township Clerk 27402 471st Ave. Harrisburg, SD 57032 or through Lincoln County at https://appeals.lincolncountysd.org/ Doug Galbavy, LaValley Township Clerk, February 9, 2024.

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All persons considering themselves aggrieved by said assessment, are required to notify the clerk of the local board no later than Wednesday, March 13th, 2024. Eric A. Eneboe, Clerk Highland Township (605) 321-4783 eseneboe@outlook.com

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Ordinance No. 118, an Ordinance to Provide for the Regulation of Carbon Dioxide Pipelines and Carbon Dioxide Production Facilities. First reading passed on a motion by London, second by Severson, with all voting in favor. With no further business to come before the meeting body, the motion to adjourn was made by Severson, second by London, with all voting in favor. Next meeting date March 18th, 2024, at 6:00 P.M. at the Fire Station. Dianne Lang, Finance Officer

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More Time Means Everything NOPE to Hold Fundraiser as Big Decisions Remain on Hold

By Virginia Olson
Neighbors Opposed to Prison Expansion (NOPE) continues its efforts to prevent a new men's prison from being built in Lincoln County and are moving forward with a fundraiser at Gate City Events and Lodging in Canton March 1.

So far, time has been in NOPE's favor.

The Appropriations Committee's decision regarding SB 49 that would make an appropriation for site preparation for a prison facility, transfer moneys to the incarceration fund and declare it an emergency was deferred February 21. Also, there is a yet to be rendered declaratory judgement from Judge Jennifer Mammenga. Both situations are keeping NOPE's efforts alive.

SB 49 deferred

Though Department of Corrections (DOC) secretary Kellie Wasko did testify in front of the Appropriations Committee and displayed a detailed artist rendering of the proposed men's state penitentiary surrounded by trees and green space, the committee deferred action on SB 49 February 21.

Over a quarter of a billion dollars from the state's general fund and budget reserves and an additional \$10M in federal funds are requested to be placed in the state's

incarceration fund.

While the Committee reviewed the spending of the new men's prison, Wasko described the conditions of the current penitentiary.

The prison woes are many claimed Wasko.

"Operational inefficiencies. It doesn't meet contemporary codes or regulations. It is incredibly energy inefficient. We spent over \$30M on this facility's maintenance and repairs since 2013. And there is another \$30M of maintenance and repair needs that are in queue now."

She believed a new prison would provide room for therapy and education for those incarcerated.

"Ninety-eight percent of them have a substance use disorder. What can we do? What are we doing? And, what can we do better?" she asked.

But not everyone present supported the new prison idea.

What got the Committee's attention was that state corrections officials reported the men's prison cost will be around \$567M where a Nebraska men's prison for 1500 inmates will cost \$350M.

Other concerns were noted as they called for pause on the decision.

Former Republican Speaker of the House, and long-time criminal defense attorney, Steve Haugaard

Project Description: Site Plan Perspective



raised concerns over the current prison model and the rate of incarceration in South Dakota.

Eric Olilla with the State Employees Association voiced his concerns saying that even with a new facility, there is still problems with workforce.

For rural Canton resident Kyah Broders, more community involvement is necessary in this big decision.

"The elected people of South Dakota need to have a say and provide guidance to an appointed bureaucrat in one of the state's largest investments and expenditures. A vote against the bill would create a break in proceedings that could require the DOC to work with communities and residents that are slated to endure a decision of this magnitude and generational impacts."

The testimony was plenty for the Appropriations Committee to hear. Their review of the funding for the new prison would require more time.

Declaratory Judgment still to be made

More than a month ago, NOPE was in a Canton courtroom as a judge listened to assistant Attorney General Grant Flynn ask that the NOPE complaint be dismissed. In November, the non-profit filed a suit against the (DOC) and others seeking a declaratory judgement that would force the state to follow zoning laws and take its plans for the proposed men's state prison before the Lincoln County Planning Commission.

The state asked for dismissal citing eminent domain, its immunity from certain lawsuits and that state entities are not subject to local zoning or scrutiny.

The Lincoln County Judge has yet to make a ruling on the dismissal.

NOPE Lincoln County Fundraiser

With the delays in court and state decisions, Madeline Voegeli, the head of NOPE, believes the timing for a NOPE fundraiser couldn't be better.

"We continue to wait for a decision from Judge Mammenga regarding the declaratory judgment and are working at the state level to stop funding for the project by supporting a 'NO' vote on SB 49," she said.

The fundraiser will be held at the Gate City Events & Lodging at 47947 W. 5th Street in Canton from 6:30 p.m. to 12 a.m. Friday, March 1.

"The NOPE Lincoln County Fundraiser will be fun. There will be loads of activities and awesome games for all attendees. Urban Chislic will provide the food. There will be a full bar and 50/50 raffle along with a silent and live auction. Live music will be performed by Too Drunk to Fish More!"

But for Voegeli, it is more than a fundraiser for NOPE.

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