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Kindergarten Roundup

Parents of children in the Canton School District who will be age 5 on or before September 1, 2025, are asked to call Lawrence Elementary School at 605-764-2579 to add their child to the Kindergarten roster for the 2024-2025 school year.

Kindergarten Roundup will be held on Monday, March 3rd, 2025 at 6:00 pm. at Lawrence Elementary School. Parents who are interested in KinderPrep should also attend Roundup.

Kindergarten screening will be on Tuesday, March 4th and Thursday, March 6th from 4:00-8:00 pm. All screening times will be scheduled. Please call 605-764-2579 for an appointment.

News Items

Remember, you can email, phone, drop off or mail any news items to the Sioux Valley News. Reach the News at 605-764-2000, svn@midconetwork.com, PO Box 255, Canton, SD 57013 or 213 E. 5th in Canton. A drop box is available for use when the office is closed.

Firefighters Wanted

The Canton Volunteer Fire Department needs firefighters.

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Weather



Thursday	Friday
High 42	High 40
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Saturday	Sunday
High 15	High 8
Low -4	Low -8
Partly Sunny	Partly Sunny



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Shop Small, Shop and Support Local



As we are getting past the holidays, keep in mind how important and meaningful it is to small business owners for locals to keep shopping at their businesses. With the inflation in the economy, some shoppers have not been shopping as much. High inflation has led to higher operational costs for some small businesses, which in turn makes it harder to keep profit margins where they are without raising prices. The ever-growing online presence of online stores puts pressure on small businesses, as more people are continuing to shop online.

Although for some consumers it may be beneficial for them to order products online for cheaper prices, that money is not coming back in the community. However, if customers were to purchase locally, that money would keep circulating throughout the Canton community and directly support Canton small businesses. These businesses may also create local jobs for locals to apply for personalized customer service, stimulate the local economy, and support our local business owners' livelihoods.

During the pandemic, small businesses were hit hard by people not being able to go into them, or for fear of going out to buy items. Now that our community is on the other side of the pandemic, it is important to remember to "shop small, shop local" where you can. Some residents claim it is easier to drive to Sioux Falls to get cheaper prices, but with inflation and gas prices where they are, you may save that much money by shopping locally and putting that money back into the community. This can also help the environment by reducing the release of extra carbon emissions from driving vehicles.

"Small businesses need support now more than ever. Stores everywhere are being forced to close their doors. Small businesses in town donate to sports programs, after prom and local charities. These small businesses count on your business so they can continue to provide for their families as well as community programs. The Canton Small Business group is a group of small business owners that gather on a monthly basis to discuss ideas on how to keep our small business community moving forward. We strive to work together to keep customers local." – Kari Elrod, local business owner of "Kari's Kreations" in downtown Canton.

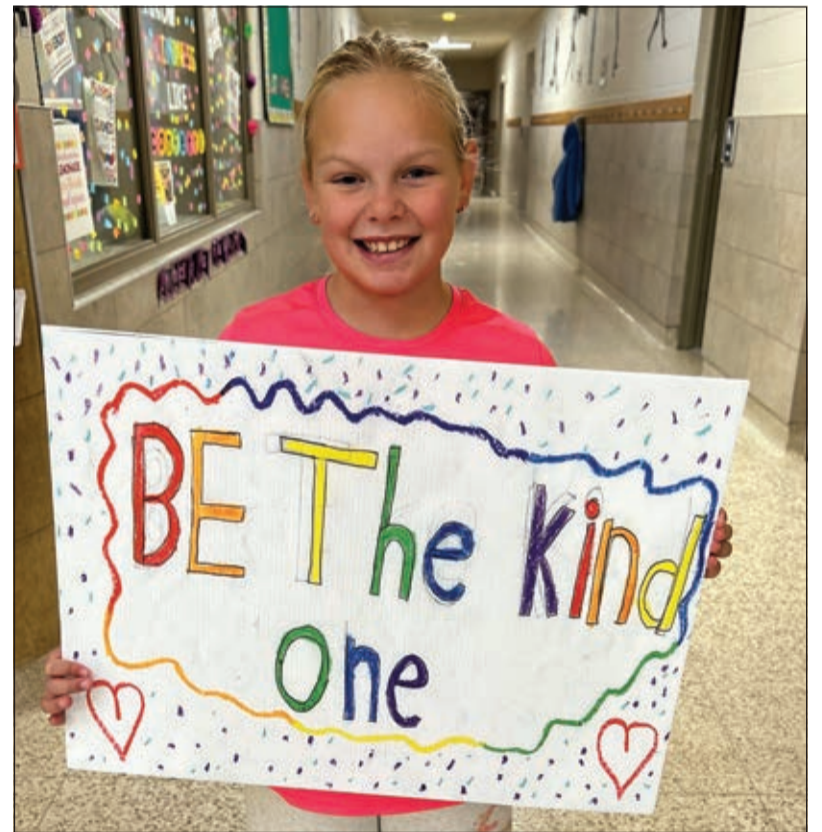


Canton American Legion Donates to Lawrence Elementary



The Canton American Legion Auxiliary Unit #53 donated \$200.00 to the Lawrence Elementary Student Council to help with the Kindness Day activities that they plan throughout the year. Pictured in the photo are Sharon Mitchell (Auxiliary Officer), Mr. Gabe Devitt (Lawrence Elementary School Principal), and Kathy Johnson (Auxiliary Member).

Pictured at right: Emmerson Paulson was last years winner for the Kindness sign challenge.



Leegard Named as New Chief of Police

Korben Leegard was named as the Chief of Police at last weeks City of Canton Commission meeting. Multiple candidates applied for the position, both inside and outside of the department. Chief Swenson announced his retirement last October and the hiring process began in November.

Leegard joined the Canton Police Department in August of 2019 and was promoted to Sergeant in June of 2020. "This promotion represents not only a personal milestone in my career, but also a profound responsibility to serve and protect the citizens of Canton," commented Leegard. "It signifies a commitment to upholding the law, fostering trust between the police department and the community, and ensuring the safety and well-being of everyone we serve."

The promotion to police chief is more than just a title to Leegard, it is about the opportunity to make a positive impact on our community. He is committed to leading the department with integrity, professionalism and a relentless focus on serving the citizens of the community.

"Thank you for your trust and support as we embark on this journey together," added Leegard.

The goal he has is to build a family environment in the police department where officers can support each other and help each other develop into their best selves, not only as officers but as men, fathers and husbands. He wants to become more involved in the community as a department. Officers will be encouraged to stop by and have coffee with citizens, go to the Friday night football games and engage in any events in town.

If you see Chief Leegard around, don't hesitate to stop and introduce yourself to him and share any concerns you may have.

Last year the Canton Police Department responded to 2,904 calls for service with seven officers. This equates to 415 calls per officer per year and on average 8 calls per day, serving the community around the clock.





Bonnie Jean Soderquist
November 28, 1952 -
January 9, 2025

With great sadness, we announce the passing of Bonnie Jean Soderquist from Sioux Falls, South Dakota. She peacefully departed from this world at home from natural causes on Thursday, January 9, 2025, at the age of 72.

Bonnie Jean Chase was born on November 28, 1952, as the fourth of five children in the loving home of Donald and Rowena (Hendricks) Chase in Bertrand, Nebraska. Her early years were spent in Weldona, Colorado, where she was nurtured in a close-knit family until the ninth grade. The family then moved to Minden, Nebraska, where Bonnie graduated from high school in 1970, laying the groundwork for a life full of cherished moments.

After graduating, Bonnie dedicated herself to her family's restaurants, where she would meet the love of her life, Keith. On August 1, 1971, they were joyfully united in marriage. Together, they began their journey in Colorado Springs, Colorado, while Keith served at Fort Carson. The couple was blessed with their first son, James Edward. In 1973, they decided to return to Nebraska to be closer to family, and they were blessed with their second son, Jayson Dale.

Bonnie poured her heart into raising her sons, choosing to stay home and provide them with the love and attention they deserved. Her passion for children and her patience were evident in every interaction. A few years later, Bonnie's entrepreneurial spirit led her to open her in-home daycare, a venture she managed lovingly for about five years. In 1984, the family moved to South Dakota, where Bonnie continued her mission

by establishing another at-home daycare for ten more years. In 2000, the family relocated to Prior Lake, Minnesota, and once again, Bonnie opened her doors to children, running her daycare there for about five years. After 20 devoted years in the daycare industry, she retired to focus on what mattered most: her family.

While they lived in Minnesota, Bonnie and Keith formed deep, lasting friendships that they treasured. Eventually, they settled in Sioux Falls to be closer to their beloved sons.

Bonnie's greatest joy in life was undoubtedly her family. She found immense happiness in watching her grandchildren grow, as well as in nurturing her love for reading and tackling daily crossword puzzles. She was a devoted and loving wife, mother, and grandmother, and she also had a special bond with animals, having cared for many pets throughout her life. Among them, two stood out: Heather Baby and Sugar, who held a particularly special place in her heart.

Bonnie is survived by her devoted husband of 53 years, Keith Soderquist of Sioux Falls; her beloved sons, Jim (April) Soderquist of Hudson and Jay (Tina) Soderquist of Colton; and her six cherished grandchildren, Calvin Riffey, Cody Soderquist, Wyatt Riffey, Cassie Soderquist, Mya Soderquist, and Grace Soderquist. She is also lovingly remembered by her brother, John Chase of Omaha, Neb.; her sisters, Donna (Denis) Lovewell-Wood of Superior, Neb., and Carol Dolan of Kearney, Neb.; brother-in-law Carroll (Janice) Soderquist of Axtell, Neb.; sister-in-law Karen (Jerry) Gilbreath of Pickrell, Neb.; and a host of nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Bonnie is preceded in death by her caring parents, Donald and Rowena Chase; her brother, Larry Chase; and brothers-in-law, Dave Lovewell and Larry Dolan.

A funeral service to celebrate Bonnie's beautiful life will be held at 11:00 AM on Friday, January 17, 2025, at Peace Lutheran Church, 5509 West 41st Street. Friends and family are invited to a visitation on Thursday, January 16, 2025, from 5:00 to 7:00 PM at Miller Westside Chapel, 6200 West 41st Street. Interment will take place at the South Dakota Veterans Cemetery in Sioux Falls, SD, as we honor Bonnie's loving spirit and the cherished memories she leaves behind.



By Jim Speirs
Executive Director

Public broadcasting is a vital partner

In a state as large and diverse as South Dakota, no one organization can advance our creative environment singlehandedly. One of Arts South Dakota's most significant partners in the daily challenge of providing arts advocacy and arts information is South Dakota Public Broadcasting (SDPB). With 98% coverage throughout our state's 77,000 square miles, SDPB is a vital link in bringing arts programming to every community.

From interviews with South Dakota artists to broadcasts of the SD Symphony Orchestra to Jazz Nightly, SDPB covers creative expression as thoroughly as they cover the state. Rural communities, reservations, small school districts and homes across South Dakota are entertained, informed and connected by the dedicated, professional and locally oriented programs of SDPB.

Our partners at SDPB face an unprecedented budget cut in the Governor's 2025 budget proposal. These cuts could lead to a drastic reduction in local programming,

which means a reduced focus on the celebration of our state's creative community. We believe that every South Dakotan will lose a vital resource if SDPB is limited in its ability to reach across the state as it has in the past. This cut would disproportionately affect rural coverage, where SDPB's programming and outreach are highly valued.

Arts South Dakota is proud to partner with SDPB, recognizing the importance of their network in helping us advance the arts in South Dakota by connecting, advocating and educating. We urge everyone who understands the mission of SDPB to learn more about this legislative issue by visiting the SDPB Friends advocacy page at sdpbfriends.org/advocacy/. If you believe in access to the arts for all South Dakotans, tell your legislators. Let them know that SDPB is a vital resource for our state.

For more about partnership and growing the arts in South Dakota, visit www.ArtsSouthDakota.org.

2025 Recipients of the South Dakota Governor's Awards in the Arts Announced

Arts South Dakota and the South Dakota Arts Council celebrate the 27th biennial Governor's Awards in the Arts on Wednesday, February 12, 2025 at Drifters Bar & Grille, Fort Pierre.

Recipients of this year's awards are: **Roger Broer**, Hill City, for Distinction in Creative Achievement; **Paul Schiller**, Sioux Falls, for Outstanding Support of the Arts by an Individual; **Mary Wipf**, Deadwood, for Outstanding Service in Arts Education; **Sanford Health**, Sioux Falls, for Outstanding Support of the Arts by an Organization or Business; and **Dream Catchers Artists Guild**, for Outstanding Support of the Arts to Native Nations with Lands in South Dakota.

The biennial awards presentation honors the achievements of South Dakota's fine artists and arts leaders. Award winners are selected from nominations submitted in the five categories reflecting the work of professional artists and arts educators and the support of individuals, businesses, and organizations that encompass South Dakota's arts community.

Festivities will begin with a reception at 5:00 pm on February 12, followed by a banquet honoring the award recipients. Arts highlights include music by Paul Larson, Kenny Putnam, and Boyd Bistrow and an exhibition featuring artworks from the Governor's Student Art Competition.

The Governor's Awards in the Arts are sponsored by Arts South Dakota and the South Dakota Arts Council. South Dakota Arts Council support is provided with funds from the State of South Dakota, through the Department of Tourism, and the National Endowment for the Arts. Additional support comes from the Bush Foundation, First Premier Bank, Delta Dental, BankWest, CorTrust Bank, Architecture Incorporated, Koch Hazard Architects, and Click Rain.

Grant Funding Available For Art Projects & Programs

PIERRE, S.D. – The South Dakota Arts Council (SDAC) announces grant funding is available for South Dakota artists, arts organizations, and other nonprofits for arts projects and programs throughout the state. The application deadline is March 1, 2025.

Applicants should begin the process by visiting SDAC's Applicant Portal to review the Guide to Grants, eligibility requirements, granting criteria, and the application procedure before starting the application process. A link to the Applicant Portal is also provided on the front page of SDAC's website at artscouncil.sd.gov.

South Dakota artists may apply for funding in one of the following five grant categories:

- **Artist Fellowships** of \$5,000 are awarded to South Dakota artists of exceptional talent in any discipline or medium to recognize past artistic achievement and encourage future artistic growth. No match required;
- **Artist Project Grants** of up to \$2,000 support individual artist projects that have an accessible public engagement component. A cash match is required;
- **Artist Collaboration Grants** non-matching grants of \$6,000 encourage South Dakota artists to collaborate with other artists in the creation of a joint project or activity that will significantly benefit the artists and the state;
- **Traditional Arts Apprenticeship Grants** promote the continuation of folk and traditional arts and culture by providing up to \$5,000 in support of a master folk artist to teach qualified apprentices; and
- **Artist Career Development Grants** of \$2,000 support individual artists' development and career advancement opportunities. No match required.

South Dakota 501c3 nonprofit organizations and government entities may seek funding support in only the Project Grant category:

- **Project Grants** for nonprofit organizations support programs and activities with accessible public engagement components. A cash match is required, so organizations may request up to \$5,000 in funding, covering no more than 50 percent of the total project costs.

Applicants have until March 1 to apply for grant support for projects and activities that will occur during the grant period of July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026. Applications must be submitted through the South Dakota Arts Council's online grants system. Hard-copy applications submitted through the mail will not be accepted.

Artists applying in the Traditional Arts Apprenticeship, Artist Collaboration, and Artist Fellowship programs may provide portions of the application via video narrative as an alternative to the written application. This option for artists in these grant categories is offered to make the process more accessible. SDAC staff will be available to assist in developing grant proposals for artists and nonprofit organizations. Contact the South Dakota Arts Council by calling 605-773-3301 or by emailing sdac@state.sd.us with questions.

The mission of the Arts Council, the State Arts Agency organized under the South Dakota Department of Tourism, is to advance South Dakota's artistic and cultural vitality through funding, connection, and resources. The SDAC receives funding from the National Endowment for the Arts and the State of South Dakota. The South Dakota Department of Tourism is comprised of Travel South Dakota and the South Dakota Arts Council. The Department is led by Secretary James D. Hagen.



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- January 21** - Beef & Noodles, Carrots, Applesauce
- January 22** - Chili, Cheese & Crackers, Cinnamon Roll, Yogurt, Peaches
- January 23** - Baked Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, Mixed Veggies, Pineapple
- January 24** - Pizza Burgers, Pea Salad, Lettuce Salad, Pears

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MEMORY LANE

2015

The Canton Volunteer Fire Department compiled its annual report, which appears below and is submitted to the citizens in and around Canton, the Canton Volunteer Fire Department, City of Canton and the Canton Rural Fire Association. The Canton Volunteer Fire Department responded to 113 alarms during 2014. Approximately 1800 man-hours were spent in fire suppression and investigation during the course of the year. Of the total 113 alarms, 66 were in the city and 47 were in the surrounding rural areas.

The Canton C-Hawk wrestling team hosted Dell Rapids and Madison on Tuesday for seniors night as they defeated Dell Rapids then Madison to improve their dual season record to 10-1 and then on Saturday the Hawks traveled to Brandon Valley for the Dan Pansch/Jesse James Invitational and finished the team competition in 5th place with 4 runner up finishers. Canton hosted a triangular on Tuesday night as they honored the senior wrestlers Chase Beitzel, Jordan Sehr, Josh Lasley, Kyle Peterson, Jake Ablett, Austin Waite, Dalton Nelson, LJ Bird and Ty Thom for their hard work over the last four years of C-Hawk Wrestling. The boys opened things up against Dell Rapids and they jumped out to a 25-0 lead then lost a decision then increased the lead to 37-3 as they cruised to a 61-14 victory.

2000

Lincoln County States Attorney Scott Abdallah displayed the new video arraignment system in the courthouse for the Lincoln County Commissioners on Tuesday, Jan. 25. The video camera system is operational, with the main terminal in Judge Bogue's office. This terminal can be moved to the courtroom, if necessary.

A presentation was conducted between Judge Bogue's office and the Minnehaha County Jail. The camera on top of the TV monitor may be moved whether by a remote control or by the sound of a voice. Judge Bogue stated he feels this is a great idea. This method will save approximately three hours per deposition of Sheriff Dennis Johnson's time.

The main purpose for purchasing this equipment is to cut down on the amount of time and money spent transporting prisoners back and forth from Sioux Falls to Canton. This system will also be a lot safer for Sheriff Johnson and the prisoner, creating less worries regarding escapes.

1975

The Canton area was hit by one of the worst snowstorms in many years Friday which continued throughout all of Saturday before moving onto areas east early Sunday. The storm dropped seven inches of snow in the area and was accompanied by winds reported at 40 miles

per hour and gusting to 65 miles during its peak. The high winds and drifting snow prevented snow plows from starting snow removal operations until last Saturday, except in extreme emergencies.

Members of the Board of Education for the Canton Independent School District No. 1 convened in regular session Monday evening and after considerable discussion adopted an activities program for grades, three, four, five and six and for the Junior High boys and girls.

Groundbeef was selling for 65¢ lb.; pork roasts were 79¢ a lb.; Swans Down cake mixes were 49¢ each and a six pack of Pepsi quarts were \$1.79.

1910

The coal supply in Canton is still rather short although a few cars have been received. The Electric Light Co. has been running only during the early part of the night as their coal has been confiscated in transit and the people have had to hunt up old lamps, lanterns, etc.

Last week a deal was closed where John and Paul Juel became the owners of the blacksmith and machine shops of Elling Ellingson. For the past twenty-five years Mr. Ellingson has been in business. J.J. Gunderson, professional horse trainer, is now here for the purpose of breaking and educating horses. Anyone desiring his services should see him at once.

HISTORY REVISITED

By Gaynor Johnson

I'm writing this on January 8 and it's hard to believe we've made it this far into our winter season without a good old South Dakota snowstorm. The small amounts we've had are long gone but we all know that one of these days it will be time to get out the snow shovels, snow blowers and the city will be plowing the streets of Canton. But everyday that passes without snow brings us that much closer to spring. I know we need the moisture but I'd be happy to receive it in the form of rain. Time will tell what the rest of our winter has in store for us. I just checked my calendar and the first day of spring, March 20, is only ten weeks away.

Recently I was looking through some old maps I've collected over the years and I came across one concerning the Lewis and Clark Expedition. It was published by the South Dakota Department of Tourism. It contains a historical timeline of their journey through what is now South Dakota from August to October 1804. It also contains info on what they experienced at Fort Mandan (ND) and their return trip in 1806. I'll be using excerpts from this for my story this week. Happy reading as we enter the middle of January.

Lewis and Clark in South Dakota

•Historical Timeline•

August 21, 1804 • The Corps of Discovery enter present-day South Dakota. Here in the "Garden of Eden", food sources were plentiful. The men feast on deer, elk, buffalo, plums and grapes. Clark discovers the tasty buffalo berry. Joseph Fields shoots the party's first buffalo. The captains record the first-ever scientific description of pronghorn (antelope).

August 25, 1804 • The explorers hike to Spirit Mound where area tribes believe that "little people" standing 18 inches tall and carrying arrows inhabit the hill. Lewis's dog, Seaman, tires from the heat and Lewis sends him back to the boat.

August 30, 1804 • The expedition has its first council with the Yankton Sioux. The explorers present the Yanktons with gifts of tobacco, flags and medals. The Yankton's prepare a feast. Mr. Dorion, the interpreter, stays behind to negotiate a peace with neighboring tribes and to arrange for the chiefs to visit Washington.

September 7, 1804 • The Corps of Discovery sees their first prairie dogs, or as they call them, "barking squirrels". The party spends hours trying to catch one by pouring water into its hole. They eventually manage to send a live prairie dog back to President Jefferson.

September 11, 1804 • After being separated from the party for more than two weeks, Private George Shannon rejoins the keelboat. Shannon, the youngest member of the party at age 19, had gotten lost on the prairie and ran out of bullets. He had gone 12 days without eating, except for some wild grapes and rabbit which he shot using a piece of a stick in place of a bullet.

September 16, 1804 • The expedition sets up camp to dry their provisions following three days of rain. Near their camp they find great quantities of plants and abundant wildlife. Lewis writes: "vast herds of buffalo, deer, elk, and antelopes were seen feeding in every direction as far as the eye of the observer could reach."

September 20, 1804 • The expedition arrives at the Big Bend or Grand Detour, a 30 mile bend in the river. Early the next morning, as they are sleeping, the sandbar where the expedition set up camp starts to give way. They quickly load the boats and shove off just as the campsite tumbles into the river.

September 23, 1804 • Three Teton Sioux boys approach the Corps campsite this evening. The captains tell the boys they would like to meet with their chiefs the next day.

September 25, 1804 • The captains hold council with three Teton chiefs at the mouth of the Teton River (now known as the Bad River). The meeting turns tense and could have become violent if not for the action of Black Buffalo, one of the chiefs. Clark's journal entry for the day includes this reference: "we discover our interpreter does not speak the language well."

October 8, 1804 • The expedition spends several peaceful days at an Arikara village. The Arikara are fascinated by Clark's black servant, York. York relishes the attention and makes himself appear "more terrible in their view than I wished," Clark writes. It seems York told the Arikara he was wild and feasted on young children.

Winter of 1804-1805 • While at their winter camp at Fort Mandan (ND) the captains enlist the help of Toussaint Carbonneau and his wife Sacagawea, as interpreters. Their infant son, Jean Baptiste, also makes the trip to the Pacific Ocean. Sacagawea dies of a "putrid fever" at Fort Manuel near present day Kenel, S.D., just six years after the trip.

September 1, 1806 • On the return trip through present day South Dakota, the explorers meet up with a group of Yankton Sioux. After realizing they are friends, the two groups smoke several pipes and exchange news of what has happened in the two years since the expedition first passed through the area.



Tracey Zylstra, Librarian

Do you value the services provided by the Canton Public Library...the programming we provide for all ages, our digital library offerings, the well-trained librarians here to help you daily. The governor has proposed drastic cuts to the South Dakota State Library, and that entity is what drives our library to be able to be such an important asset to our community, all communities across the state. It is imperative that you make certain your elected officials know what these cuts to the State Library budget will mean to you personally, and to our communities. Please tell them your library story and let them know that these budget cuts would be detrimental to our public libraries.

ADULT FICTION/NON-FICTION

The Little Lost Library by Eller Adams. Nora Pennington delivers books to Lucille Wynter's home, but when she arrives, Lucille does not answer the door. When Nora enters the house, she finds Lucille's lifeless body. The Secret, Book, and Scone Society sets out to find Lucille Wynter's killer.

The Rancher's Legacy by Susan Page Davis (LP). Rachel Maxwell and Matt Anderson: their fathers plan to have them marry and merge the two ranches. However, Rachel refuses but when she comes back from the East, she finds her father is dead and her ranch has been destroyed. Can Matt Anderson help her pick up the pieces and go on?

Just the Basics by Dallas Johnson (NF). Essential Christian beliefs in everyday language with simple illustrations, biblical references, and practical applications. This

book was donated by the author, Dallas Johnson, a graduate of Canton High School.

Code Name Helene by Ariel Lawhon. Nancy Wake is an expat living in Paris. She marries Henri Fiocca, a wealthy Frenchman, just before the Germans invade France. She now becomes a spy for the French Resistance and becomes a powerful leader. A spellbinding work of historical fiction.

Westward The Rode by T.V. Olsen (LP). A collection of short stories about convicts, cowboys and thieves in gunfights and range wars, in the deserts and the freezing mountain.

Middle of the Night by Riley Sager. A man must contend with the long-ago disappearance of his childhood best friend-and the dark secrets lurking just beyond the safe confines of his picture-perfect neighborhood.

Don't Let Her Stay by Nicola Sanders. Joanne's husband Richard has a 21-year-old daughter who has come to live with him and Joanne. At first Joanne welcomes her, but soon things start to happen that make Joanne feel like she is losing her mind. Could she be going mad, or is something more sinister happening?

Love in Disguise by Penny Zeller. Emilie Wheeler and Thad Evanson met unexpectedly on the boardwalk in Missoula, each telling half-truths, thinking they would never see each other again. But they do meet again and what happens when their true identities are revealed? Could God have a plan even the midst of a tangled web of lies?

Happy Birthday!

January 16
Doug VanZee, Mary Lease, Megan Ekle

January 17
Jacquelyn Bogue, Michele Magnuson

January 18
Nicholas Lems, John Peterson, Dr. Dan Rath, Rachelle Rock, Lori DeRyke, Abby Neu, Amanda Pederson

January 19
Charlie Johnson, David Amundson, Kelly Eilers, Samantha Feucht, Gary Kaubisch

January 20
Sheila Plucker, Robert Harris

January 21
Ginger Gard, Jodie Timm, John Schnose, Josh Reilly, Kathy Hammer

January 22
Brenda Hanson
Jenelle Sehr, Jennifer Kroger

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Education Savings Accounts: Empowering Parents, Enhancing Education

By: Dr. Joseph Graves
January 10, 2024

In her 2024 Budget Address, Governor Noem announced an educational innovation for the parents and students of South Dakota: Educational Savings Accounts (ESAs). She explained that this investment would pay for a portion of private school tuition or curriculum for alternative education for South Dakota kids. And this endeavor has my full support.

Now, I spent 38 years, well over half my life, working in public schools. I love what they do for the children of our state and nation. And South Dakota has some excellent public schools. All four of my children graduated from the Mitchell School District after receiving an education that allowed them to succeed anywhere. Which they promptly did.

So, if all that is true, why am I supporting the ESA bill? After all, some public-school advocates have boisterously voiced their objection to this concept.

First, we must empower families in their decision-making on the education of their children. For ages, educators have known that the number one factor in a child's academic success is the active involvement of their parents. That needs to begin with the selection of their preferred school option. For a myriad of reasons, some parents

view the default option, public school, as less than appealing. They want a different opportunity for their child, and they should have options.

Second, such school options should be available to all parents, regardless of ability to pay. If your immediate response is that such options already exist – private schools and homeschooling – you are correct. But they only exist for some parents: parents who have enough money to pay private school tuition or have one parent leave the workforce in order to teach at the family homeschool. Some parents don't have that ability. They struggle to pay the mortgage and put food on the table. Tuition will put their family budget in the red, as will going from two breadwinners to one. Education can be expensive, but that shouldn't mean that those without should be left with just one option.

Third, South Dakota has educational deserts, and we need to fix that. Nobody likes to talk about it, but we have parts of our state where literally 0% of students read at grade level. Most people don't concern themselves with that reality because it doesn't affect their children. But that is the sort of neglect no society should tolerate. ESAs will make academic achievement possible by providing more opportunities for their students.

Finally, we need to provide greater

competition within the educational marketplace. In every field of human endeavor, performance improves with greater levels of competition. In this way, ESAs will benefit public schools, as well. Let's unleash that powerful force for improvement on all schools.

The program is straightforward. Parents of eligible students who apply would receive access to an ESA, amounting to 40% of the allocation provided to public schools for each of their students, or about \$3,000. Parents could use the funds to pay tuition for private schools, microschools (programs in which homeschooled students gather for instruction), virtual school courses, and various materials for alternative instruction. They could also use the funds to purchase curriculum, instructional materials, and some limited technology to support their education.

The education status quo is simply not good enough. Improving it requires something new. Decades of new educational programs and increased spending have not done the trick, unless the trick is increasing taxes and ballooning federal budgets. On behalf of children and parents who currently feel left without viable options, I absolutely support ESAs.

Dr. Joseph Graves is the Cabinet Secretary for the South Dakota Department of Education.

Mental Health Memo



Prioritizing Mental Health for the New Year

About the authors: This column was written by professionals at the Human Services Center in Yankton.

New Year's resolutions are something that many people make, and seemingly almost as many fall short of holding to them over the entire year. Instead of focusing on traditional resolutions like losing weight or achieving career milestones, prioritizing our mental well-being can lead to more meaningful and long-lasting changes. We suggest you use this time of "resolutions" to lay a foundation for future success and happiness instead of the "one-and-done" attempts that often leave us feeling frustrated and defeated. Here are some helpful tips to get you moving in the right direction. Think one foot in front of the next. Remember, it's a continuous and ever-evolving practice! No failures, just learning and growing!

Self-care: Self-care goes a long way in maintaining mental health. It is something that is needed daily. Prioritizing sleep is a must; make sure you are getting an adequate amount of sleep every night. This will help the mind relax and be fully charged to take on the day! Exercising is another important activity that will help with self-care, even if it is walking for 20 minutes a day to get the muscles moving. Social connections and talking to friends and family to check in with one another does better than you think! Setting healthy boundaries is another thing we often overlook. This might mean saying no to activities or people that drain you of your joy and energy. Setting these limits can

prevent burnout and protect your emotional well-being.

Practice Mindfulness: Even if it is for five minutes a day of meditation or relaxation of the mind, it is proven to help reduce anxiety, achieve/maintain an inner calm in our lives, and increase our self-awareness. Listening to music, sitting in the dark with your eyes closed, taking deep breaths in and out, and praying are some examples of things you could do to create a low-stimulus and mindful atmosphere. Practicing gratitude daily is a surefire way to keep your mind in a positive space and can help keep you grounded.

Get off technology: Stop scrolling and take a break from social media. Use other outlets and resources to pass the time. Engage in other activities, such as walking, socializing, yoga, or getting outside for some fresh air. Finding a healthy hobby or two can provide great accomplishment and fulfillment while providing a healthy escape from our daily stressors!

Get help when it is needed: Everyone experiences times in their life when it feels nothing is helping them. Everything is going wrong. Contact your loved ones, friends, and mental health professionals to help you through those tough times. Don't try to take it on alone; there are plenty of people out there who are willing to help you! Please do not be afraid to reach out for help, YOU MATTER!

Call, text, or chat with a professional counselor for free by dialing 988 or visiting helplinecenter.org/988.

Lawrence Elementary Students Invite You to Their
Wax Museum!

The public is welcome to view the hard work Lawrence Elementary's 5th graders have done to prepare the Wax Museum!

Friday, January 31st
Visit anytime between 1:15 - 2:45 p.m.
Jacobson Gym at Lawrence Elementary

Please use Jacobson Gym south door entrance!

Windmill Of My Mind

by Margaret Schultz



Sometimes I think I would rather come up with a title, than a column, which makes no sense at all, because if you have a catchy title, then folks want to read what it's about. So, at the risk of all shame and no glory, I give you THE GREAT UNDERWEAR CAPER

I have recently had to admit that some of my unmentionables have become uncomfortable. I will not go into detail, but suffice it to say, it was time to buy more. (men, at this point, you may want to go to the sports section). I don't like to shop. Some people absolutely love it. Not me. Therefore, with the ease of at-home shopping, ordering and

having it delivered to my door, it is just what the doctor ordered.

Grabbing my phone, I looked up the aforementioned item which needed my size. Where's my measuring tape? I think I have one in the junk drawer in the kitchen. I dug through it like a dog digging for a bone, but could not find it. I know! Bob keeps one in a box under the sink - you know, the steel ones that pull out and then lock into place. Then when you're done, you hit the button and it re-tracks back into itself. "I don't know why that wouldn't work. An inch is an inch. Right?" I say to myself.

My measurement came between

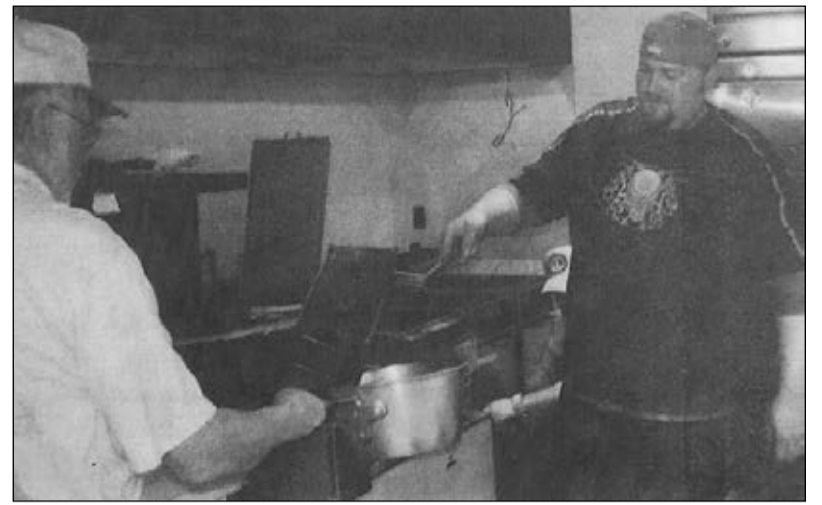
two sizes, so I ordered what I thought would be best. I placed the order.

Several days later, the package arrived and I opened it eagerly. I love getting new stuff, even if no one ever sees it. I held up one pair; my eyes the size of dinner plates! Oh, my goodness! I hung them on the handle of my oven and they almost covered the entire front of the stove! I think the leg opening would have gone around my waist and that's really saying something. I sighed. I guess I'll have to send them back. What else could I do with them? Use them as a pillow case? Or a slip cover for a chair? I could paint stars and stripes on them and use them as a flag. No, I'd better just send them back and try a different size. I wonder if it was the tape measure?

I guess if we are going to measure ourselves against someone or something, it had better be someone or something we can trust. And how do we measure our worth? I guess I'd better find the right tape measure next time.



OFF The Road With Jerry



One of the Winter events every year was the Lion's Club putting on a casino night with a hearty meal of chislic and Rocky Mountain Oysters, baked potatoes and salad with served with all the fix-ins. Shown here in this 2009 picture is Eric Zomer on the right and Richard Hill on the left.

Financial Focus

Financial considerations when changing jobs

Are you changing jobs soon? If so, you'll obviously be interested in your new salary — but you'll also want to look at other financial considerations.

Here are some of the most important ones:

401(k) — If you had a 401(k) plan through your previous employer, you'll need to decide what to do with it once you've joined a new employer. You could just cash it out, but you'd pay taxes and possible penalties. You could leave your 401(k) with your previous employer, if allowed, and if you have been happy with your plan's performance. Or you could move your 401(k) into your new employer's plan, which might be a good choice if the new plan has lower fees and attractive investment options. You'd also want to ask whether the new employer offers matching contributions. Finally, you could roll over your old 401(k) into a traditional IRA, which would give you more investment choices.

HSA/FSA — If your new employer offers a health savings account (HSA) as part of a high-deductible health plan, you may want to take advantage of it. Your contributions are made with pre-tax dollars, your earnings generally grow tax deferred and your withdrawals are tax free, as long as they're used for qualified medical expenses. Plus,

you can carry unused funds through retirement, when you can still use them for qualified medical expenses. Your employer might also offer a flexible spending account (FSA), which can pay for a variety of health care costs, such as deductibles, co-payments and co-insurance. Generally, if you're contributing to an HSA, you can't fund an FSA in the same year, except for a limited purpose FSA.

Waiting period for health benefits — You'll want to ask your new employer if there's a waiting eligibility period to enroll in its benefits plan — health insurance, dental, vision, and so on. If so, you may need to get COBRA coverage for a few months to stay in your old plan, unless you can be added to a spouse's plan. When you go on your new employer's health care plan, make sure you know what it covers. Depending on your situation, you might want to add supplemental health insurance.

Life insurance — When you leave a job, your employer-sponsored life insurance will end, unless you have the option to convert your group term life policy into an individual permanent cash value policy. So, you'll want to be sure your new employer offers at least the same insurance coverage as your old one. But you should also determine

whether the group policy offered by your employer is sufficient for your needs. Depending on several factors, such as your income, spouse's income and family size, you may need to supplement your employer's policy with an individual term life insurance policy.

Other benefits — Review your new employer's benefits package carefully to see what's available. Many employers offer tuition reimbursement for their employees, and some even provide college planning assistance for employees' children. For example, your employer might offer matching contributions to a tax-advantaged 529 education saving plan, which can be used for college, some K-12 expenses and some trade/vocational school programs.

Changing jobs can provide you with an opportunity to expand your career, learn new skills and broaden your social network. And it can certainly be financially rewarding, too — so make sure you know all the benefits involved.

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

Edward Jones, Member SIPC



Letter to the Editor

Good Afternoon,

My name is Mary Geraets, and today I am writing to you as a representative of not just my family, but of my community, my county, and my fellow state taxpayers and citizens. I want to first apologize for the length of this email, but I promise that everything that follows is of the utmost importance to our state and I know it is all essential to any decision making process you may follow. Please know I wrote this letter from both my head, and my heart.

I am here to beg you to vote no (or reject) HB 1025 and reconsider the direction in which South Dakota's prison system and government is heading. As taxpayers and citizens of South Dakota, we have serious concerns about the proposed \$1 billion prison facility in Lincoln County, a plan that seems to squander both our financial resources and the opportunity for a more thoughtful approach to prison reform.

While I understand the need to address prison overcrowding and facility conditions, there are numerous questions that remain unanswered, especially regarding the economic and social impact of this project. South Dakota could solve its prison issues for \$608 million by building 8 smaller, strategically located facilities across the state. In contrast, Secretary Kellie Wasko and Governor Kristi Noem are pushing for a single, massive prison south of Sioux Falls at a cost that far exceeds the alternatives. The decision to spend an additional \$400 million on one facility rather than addressing

the broader issues across the state is a questionable financial choice that does not serve the best interests of South Dakota taxpayers.

Furthermore, Secretary Wasko's insistence that the facility will remain in Lincoln County—despite objections from local residents, businesses, and officials—undermines the authority of the state legislature and the rights of South Dakota citizens. By declaring that the project will move forward without the potential for relocation, she effectively denies legislators the ability to represent their constituents, removing their voice in a decision that directly impacts them. This overreach also diminishes the power of the people, as their elected representatives are bypassed in favor of a top-down approach, disregarding democratic processes and citizen involvement.

Instead of rushing ahead with a project that lacks adequate consideration and public support, I encourage you to stand with your constituents and take the time to assess more effective, strategic options. Instead of pushing through a new, costly, and massive facility, there is an opportunity to create a panel of stakeholders—correctional officers, legislators, local residents, construction experts, recidivism professionals, and advocates for incarcerated individuals and their families. This group could engage in meaningful discussions to determine the best approach, whether that means refurbishing existing facilities or constructing multiple smaller, strategically located facilities. The panel could also explore potential

alternative sites or ways to address recidivism more effectively, allowing South Dakota to create a safer, more cost-effective prison system.

Please reject HB 1025, as it doesn't allow for other ideas or proposals to be discussed or acknowledged; especially when I have been approached by other landowners who have stated they would have sold the land to the DOC if they had known they were looking. There hasn't been enough discussion or conversation on what we can do to fix the actual problem of high incarceration rates and too much focus on how much money we can use to build a brand new prison. The issue here is not that we don't need updates, the issue is that we wouldn't need a new prison if we were doing better at recidivism and upkeep of what we have. The corruption within the DOC is concerning, and knowing that we could be handing them, essentially, a blank check is absolutely terrifying for South Dakota taxpayers, especially when there's minimal consideration given to crucial services like education, healthcare, childcare, eldercare, statewide library funding, and public broadcasting.

Finally, I urge you to be the voice of the citizens who elected you to represent their interests, as nearly every person I have spoken to believes that this project is a poor decision. South Dakotans believe this plan is a waste of taxpayer money and is not in the best interest of the state. We need to focus on reducing crime through thoughtful prevention, rehabilitation, and adequate support services rather than building an overwhelmingly expensive facility that may not even address the root issues of overcrowding and recidivism.

Please feel free to reach out to me at (605) 787-3410 or at my email, marygeraets93@gmail.com if you'd like to discuss this further or if you'd like to view any of the research and information I have gathered on this matter. I have dedicated much of the last year and a half of my life to researching all of the previous information (and much, much more); I promise you, there are better ways to fix this problem. Sincerely,

Mary Geraets

CANTON LIONS CLUB ANNUAL SWINGING SIRLOIN FEED & CASINO NIGHT

Canton VFW Monday, March 8 Starting at 6 p.m.

\$10.00 Advanced (see Lions members) \$12.00 at the door.

This ad was in the Sioux Valley News in advance to let everyone know \$10 was advance charge but people paying at the door was \$12. This usually started early at six o'clock for eating and then casino playing for the rest of the night.

Dart Tournament Canton, SD

Get Ready for State! Saturday, Feb. 21 2 p.m.

Bucket of Beer-5 Beers/\$9 \$5 Entry Fee 100% plus payback!

ELLA'S ACE OF SPADES

Another winter past time was dart throwing and contests held at times. Both bars had dart throwing off and on. "Ella's Ace of Spades" seemed to be the busiest gathering place. This was on South Main where Noid's Parlour is today



Ella was also open in the mornings for the coffee drinkers. This is Ella's morning coffee crowd in 2010. This was her last day before closing down the business of 23 years. She had many dances, parties and contests through out the years she was in business many customers were sad when she closed shop.

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City Commission Approves City Administrator Hire, New Police Chief Named

By Rollie Steck

The Canton City Commission met in regular session for the first time in 2025 on January 6, 2025 at 7 p.m. at the Depot. Commissioner Jackie Pigors joined via phone. All other members of the Commission were present at the time of roll call. Commissioner Paul Garbers motioned to amend the agenda and move New Business Items H through L (New Hire - Police Chief, Advertise for Sergeant Position, New Hire - Maintenance Foreman, Advertise for Parks Maintenance and New Hire - City Administrator) to end of the agenda. Seconded by Commissioner Tyler Larson. Unanimous approval. With no Visitors to be Heard, the only item under Old Business the Seconding Reading - Ordinance Amending Water Rates. South Lincoln Rural Water (SLRW) has increased the bulk water rate charge to the City. SLRW has not increased the rate for the bulk water since the contract was first signed in 2017. Since the contract was signed the bulk water rate has increased, but was never added to the City's rate. The overall adjustment of rates would be \$1.10 per one thousand gallons. SLRW is willing to break the increase over two years, thus a small increase in 2026 is expected. If the Ordinance is given a First Reading, the Seconding Reading will take place at the January 6 City Commission meeting and be published on January 16 and effective February 4. The rate would take effect on the March 1 Water Bill from the City, which includes water usage from January 21 through February 20. The City bases usage on cubic feet. The average household of 4 uses approximately 700 cubic feet per month and would see an increase of about \$2.80/month to their bill. The First Reading was held at the December 16, 2024 City Commission meeting. Motion to approve by Commissioner Kris York. Seconded by Pigors. Unanimous approval. The first item under New Business was to Advertise for Pool Manager. It is being recommended to advertise for two part-time Pool Managers for the 2025 Pool season. Motion to approve by Larson. Seconded by Pigors. Unanimous approval. Advertise for a Recreation Manager was next under New Business. The Recreation Board is recommending to advertise for a Seasonal Recreation Manager to run the Day Recreation Programs at a wage of \$25.25/hr (Grade 11, Step 1). Motion to approve by Garbers. Seconded by Pigors. Unanimous approval. Next on the agenda was the Garbage Hauler License Renewal. The City has received applications from Herm's Sanitation, Novak Sanitary and A-OK Sanitary for renewal of their Garbage Hauler Licenses. The applications are in order and the fees have been paid. Motion to approve by York. Seconded by Pigors. Unanimous approval. The 2025 Election Date was next on the agenda. Should an election be needed for the Commissioner race, it will be held on April 8, 2025. The Canton School District has agreed to combine with the City if both entities have an election. Petitions can be picked up starting on January 31, 2025 and they must be returned by 5 p.m. on Friday, February 28, 2025. Motion to approve by Garbers. Seconded by Larson. Unanimous approval. An Employee Raise - Daniel Herum was next on the agenda. Water Distribution Public Works Employee Daniel Herum, having received all of his spray certificates on December 17, he is eligible for a step increase from Grade 9, Step 3 to Grade 9, Step 4. His wage will be \$23.90/hr. Motion to approve by York. Seconded by Larson. Unanimous approval. Next under New Business as the Beaver Creek Trunk Sewer Project - Change Order #2. JSA Project Engineer Devin Clay has submitted Change Order #2 for additional work and material that were required within the BNSF right of way due to contaminated soil. This contaminated soil was discovered while installing the sanitary sewer project at Beaver Creek. This Change Order increased the project by \$7,265.51 for a total contract price of \$5,009,363.63. Motion to approve by York. Seconded by Larson. Unanimous approval. The Beaver Creek Pay Application #10

was next on the agenda. JSA has submitted Pay Application #10 for the Beaver Creek trunk Sewer project. This Pay Application is for \$75,427.51. Motion to approve by Garbers. Seconded by York. Unanimous approval. Next on the agenda was the Firearm Surplus. The Canton Police Department has the following firearm that needs to be surplus: 1 Glock 17 Gen5 9mm LE Handgun. Valuations have been received from three different shareholders for the City and the average appraised value is \$325. Motion to surplus and order a trade-in duty pistol by Larson. Seconded by Pigors. Unanimous approval. Next under New Business was the Signatory Contract for William Winter. Winter has submitted a contract to be the City's Water Department Signatory in the amount of \$5,000 to be paid out over 26 pay periods. After some discussions, motion to not accept the Signatory Contract to research in more detail by Garbers. Seconded by York. Unanimous approval. Street Closure Requests were next on the agenda. The Canton Chamber of Commerce has requested to close City streets for various 2025 Summer events. The dates, times and stress are as followed:

- Celebrate Canton - Town & Country Days on July 24 - No parking on the Westside of Jack Fox Park from 4:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
- Celebrate Canton - Parade on July 26 - Milwaukee Street from 5th Street to Main Street and 3rd Street from 10:55 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
- Canton Car Show - Touch A Truck on July 26 - Broadway Street from 5th Street to 3rd Street from 12 p.m. to 4 p.m.
- Canton Car Show - Car Show on July 27 - Cedar Street from 5th Street to 8th Street to Dakota Street (This would include the entire Downtown Business District) from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Canton Canton Chamber of Commerce Lisa Hinker took to the podium to answer any questions. Motion to approve the Street Closure Requests by Garbers. Seconded by Larson. Unanimous approval. A Pool Request was next on the agenda. The Canton Chamber of Commerce has requested to host a free event at the Canton Swimming Pool on July 22 from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. for a Celebrate Canton Floatie Pool Night. The Celebrate Canton group would like to start decorating at 4:30 p.m. Motion to table the request until a Pool Manager is hired by Garbers. Seconded by Larson. Unanimous approval. Next on the agenda was the 2025 City Commission Appointments. The City of Canton must make appointments each year. Mayor Sandra Lundstrom is recommending the following appointments for 2025:

- City Attorney - Larry Nelson
- Assistant City Attorney - Sam Nelson
- City Engineer - Myron Adam - JSA Engineers
- Authorized Planning & Zoning Office - Tiffany VanDeKieft

Motion to approve all of these above except for the City Engineer so it can be discussed at a later date by York. Seconded by Garbers. Unanimous approval. The 2025 Official Depositories was next on the agenda. State Law requires that each year in January, the City is to name the official City depositories for 2025. The following are used by the City:

- Farmers State Bank
- First Bank & Trust
- The South Dakota Public Funds Investment Trust
- US Bank - SRF Loans
- Security Savings Bank

Motion to approve by Larson. Seconded by Pigors. Unanimous approval. The 2025 Official Newspaper was next on the agenda. State Law requires that each year in January the city names the official Newspaper for 2025. The Sioux Valley News is being recommended for 2025. Motion to approve by Garbers. Seconded by Larson. Unanimous approval. Next on the agenda was the Canton Municipal Airport - FAA Closeout Report - 2024 Construction Grant. KLJ has submitted the FAA closeout report for the 2024 Construction Grant

for the hangar taxilane project. This is the final invoices for KLJ's Construction Administration & Construction Observation engineering services that were performed. Motion to approve by Larson. Seconded by Pigors. Unanimous approval. Next under News Business was the Lincoln County Justice Center Sewer Line located on Lincoln County Justice Center Property. Lincoln County is currently building a Justice Center west of North West Road. The County will be constructing an 8" sewer line to service that building. The City is desirous of increasing the size of the sewer service main line to 10 inch and extending it to the west edge of the County's property. With the upsizing of the sewer service main line, the City will be able to serve areas to the west of the Justice Center. The upsized 10 inch sewer service main line will allow for additional sewer capacity together with adding approximately 365 feet of additional sewer line to the west boundary line of the County property. The estimated cost of the upsize and additional length is \$60,000 and the City will pay to the County the actual amount thereof, not to exceed the sum of \$60,000, upon installation of the upsized 10 inch sewer service main line. The City is desirous of obtaining a 48 foot easement from the County to the City for the service line. The City is also desirous of obtaining a 66 foot Right of Way to the City on the North edge of the property for future use. Motion to approve the expenditure in the amount not to exceed \$60,000 to cover the upsizing of the sewer main from 8 inch to 10 inch by Garbers. Seconded by Pigors. Unanimous approval.

The original final item under New Business was the KLJ Professional Services Agreement - Hangar Airspace Submittal. KLJ Engineer Aaron Storm has submitted a professional Services Agreement for services to provide an OE/AAA (Obstruction Evaluation/Airport Airspace Analysis) case submittal for a new private hangar at the airport in the amount of \$3,300. The hangar owner will be billed for the engineering fee. Motion to approve by Larson. Seconded by Pigors. Unanimous approval. With no Commissioner Dialogue and before discussing New Business Agenda Items H through L, motion to enter Executive Session at 7:25 p.m. pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2 for legal and personnel reasons by Larson. Seconded by Garbers. Unanimous approval. After Executive Session, motion to reconvene into Regular Session at 7:56 p.m. by Garbers. Seconded by York Unanimous approval. Next under New Business was New Hire - Police Chief. It is recommended to hire Korben Leegaard as Police Chief at \$94,436.96/year (Grade 16, Step 1). Motion to approve by Pigors. Seconded by Larson. Unanimous approval. Advertise for Sergeant Position was next on the agenda. It is being recommended to advertise internally for the Sergeant position. Motion to approve by Pigors. Seconded by Larson. Unanimous approval. New Hire - Maintenance Foreman was next under New Business. It is being recommended to hire Dalton Nelson for the Maintenance Foreman position at \$30.44/hr (Grade 12, Step 4). He will have a 90-day probationary period after which he may be eligible for a step increase. Motion to approve by Garbers. Seconded by York. Unanimous approval. Next under the New Business was to Advertise for Parks Maintenance. It is being recommended to advertise for the open Parks Maintenance position vacated by Dalton Nelson. Motion to advertise internally for two weeks by Garbers. Seconded by Pigors. Unanimous approval.

The final item under New Business was the New Hire - City Administrator. It is being recommended to hire Andrew Pietrus as City Administrator at \$115,897.60/year. Motion to approve by Larson. Seconded by Pigors. Unanimous approval. With no further discussion, motion to adjourn at 8:01 p.m. by Garbers. Seconded by Pigors. Unanimous approval.

City Administrator Andrew Pietrus Contract Approved

By Rollie Steck

The Canton City Commission met in Special Session on Thursday, January 9 at 4:30 p.m. at Canton City Hall and Teleconference. Commissioner Tyler Larson joined the meeting at 4:31 p.m. The first item on the agenda was the Signatory Contract. William Winter has submitted a contract to be the City's Water Department Signatory in the amount \$5,000 to be paid out over 26 pay periods. This item was originally not accepted at the January 6 City Commission meeting. It was discussed that the City did not want to be tied for 26 pay periods if another City Employee receives and/or is hired with the proper Water Certification level. Motion to accept the contract paid over 26 pay periods or until a suitable replacement can be found by Commissioner Paul Garbers. Seconded by Commissioner Kris

York. Unanimous approval. Next on the agenda was the City Administrator Contract. Canton City Administrator Andrew Pietrus and the City have come to a final agreement for an employment contract in the amount of \$115,987.60/year. Motion to approve by Garbers. Seconded by Larson. Unanimous approval. The final item on the agenda was the Union Contract. A final version of the Union Contract has been reached between the Union Representative and the City Attorney. The contract is effective from January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025. Motion to approve by Garbers. Seconded by York. Unanimous approval. With no further discussion, motion to adjourn at 4:42 p.m. by Larson. Seconded by Commissioner Jackie Pigors. Unanimous approval.



Protect and Strengthen America

By Rep. Dusty Johnson
January 10, 2025

BIG Update
On Monday, January 6, I attended the Joint Session to count electoral votes of the 2024 election, confirming that President Donald Trump won the election. With less than two weeks until the inauguration, I'm looking forward to having a president in the White House who will help secure the border, cut spending, get tough on China, and make government more efficient.

BIG Idea
In February 2024, Laken Riley, a University of Georgia nursing student, was brutally murdered by a Venezuelan illegal immigrant while she was on a jog. The suspected murderer had been arrested and released multiple times in the years prior. This murder should have never happened.

This week, the House passed the Laken Riley Act, with bipartisan support, to protect our communities. The bill would require Immigrations and Customs Enforcement (ICE) to take custody of illegal aliens who are convicted or admitted to committing burglary, theft, larceny, or shoplifting. We have to keep our streets safe so tragic events like Riley's murder don't happen again.

BIG News

I introduced a bill to allow President Trump to re-purchase the Panama Canal. Some think this is a crazy idea, but it is one of many excellent strategic options to safeguard North America from China.

In recent years, China has increased its presence in the Panama Canal. Not only does China have managing rights for the two ports on both sides of the canal, but they have also established Chinese companies on the land adjacent to the canal. U.S. leaders are concerned that such infrastructure presence from China could pose a security vulnerability, as ninety percent of military cargo travels by commercial ships. Further, any blockades in the canal would force ocean shippers to travel an additional 8,000 miles around South America. Any disruption in the canal would have devastating consequences for America's national, economic, and food security, and not to mention cause significant delays, higher shipping costs, and increased prices for goods.

America must project strength abroad – owning and operating the Panama Canal might be an important step towards a stronger America and a more secure globe.

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Level: Intermediate

Fun By The Numbers

Like puzzles? Then you'll love sudoku. This mind-bending puzzle will have you hooked from the moment you square off, so sharpen your pencil and put your sudoku savvy to the test!

Here's How It Works:
Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

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8	4	7	9	6	2	5	1	3
5	2	3	6	4	1	9	8	7
9	8	6	7	5	3	4	2	1
1	7	4	2	9	8	6	3	5

ANSWER:



Mid Dakota Bride of the Monster Runner-Up

The Varsity girls wrestling team went to Presho last Saturday to compete in the Mid Dakota Bride of the Monster. The team fell short and placed second behind Pierre T.F. Riggs.

Team Results:

Pierre T.F. Riggs 205, Canton 184, Harrisburg 126, Custer 113.5, Bonne Homme/Scotland/Avon 112.5, Lakota Tech 104, Lead Deadwood 66, Viborg-Hurley/Irene-Wakonda 62, Bennett County 55, Stanley County 54, Sisseton 46.5, Brookings 41, Sully Buttes 41, Kingsbury County 40, Doland 38, Tea Area 38, Hot Springs 34, O'Neill 33, Mahpiya Luca 31, Sioux Valley 29.5, Todd County 27, Groton Area 26.5, Kimball/White Lake/Platte-Geddes 24, McCook Central/Montrose 23, St. Thomas More 20, Hill City 16, Pine Ridge 12, Burke/Gregory 8.5, Mobridge-Pollock 5, Faith 4, Britton-Hecla 3, Little Wound 3, Lyman 3, Tiospa Zina 0.

Individual Results:

100 Jewel Gannon - Champ. Rd. 1 WBF 0:18 over Bon Homme/Scotland/Avon; Quarterfinal LBF 3:25 to Groton Area; Cons. Rd. 2 Won 12-6 over Pierre T.F. Riggs; Cons. Rd. 3 LBF 1:08 to Bennett County.
100 Cayli Stearns - Prelim LBF 3:28 to Custer; Prelim LBF 3:05 to Kingsbury County.
107 Brooke Warejcka - Champ. Rd. 1 WBF 0:36 over Little Wound; Quarterfinal WBF 1:22 over Stanley County; Semifinal Won MD 13-1 over Custer; Final Rd. LBF 1:37 to Lakota Tech to place 2nd.
114 Ciera Ancell - Prelim WBF 1:26 over Kingsbury County; Champ. Rd. 1 LBF 0:58 to Sisseton; Cons. Rd. 1 WBF 2:27 over Harrisburg; Cons. Rd. 2 LBF 2:14 to Nayeli Ortega (Canton).

114 Nayeli Ortega - Champ. Rd. 1 Won TF 4:14 over Custer; Quarterfinal Lost 1-7 to Brookings; Cons. Rd. 2 WBF 2:14 over Ciera Ancell (Canton); Cons. Rd. 3 Won 4-2 over Stanley County; Cons. Semi Lost 0-4 to Lakota Tech; Final Rd. Lost Sudden Victory Bennett County to place 6th.

120 Finley Evjen - Champ. Rd. 1 WBF 1:10 over Pierre T.F. Riggs; Quarterfinal WBF 1:43 over Stanley County; Semifinal WBF 0:24 over Bon Homme/Scotland/Avon; Final Rd. WTF 3:57 over McCook/Montrose to place 1st.

120 Berkley Jarman - Prelim WBF 3:38 over Mobridge-Pollock; Prelim Win by forfeit; Champ. Rd. 1 LBF 1:11 to Custer; Cons. Rd. 1 LBF 4:42 to Kingsbury County.

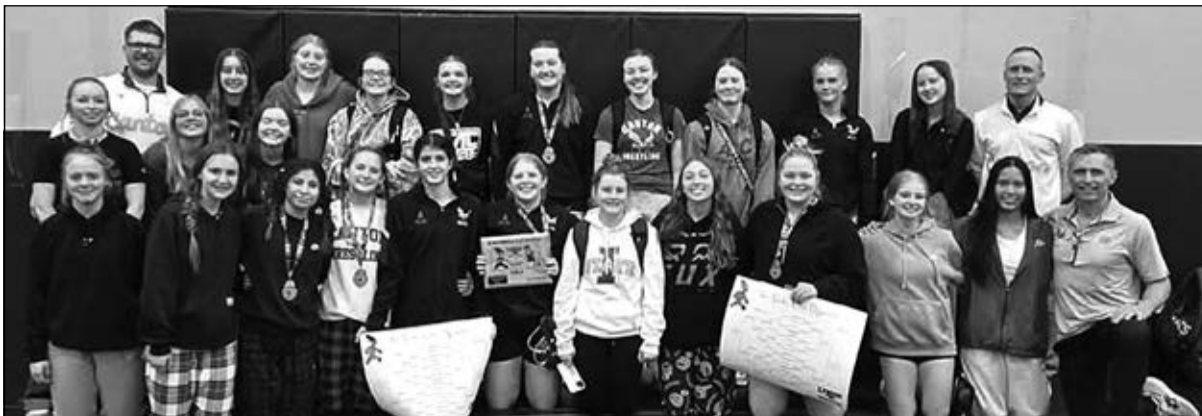
120 Rian Montgomery - Prelim Lost 8-9 to Little Wound; Prelim LBF 1:33 Pierre T.F. Riggs.

126 Kambree Wentz - Prelim WBF 1:42 over McCook Central/Montrose; Champ. Rd. 1 Lost MD 6-15 to Brookings; Cons. Rd. 1 Lost TF to Kingsbury County.

126 Marin Rhode - Prelim WBF 0:30 over McCook Central/Montrose; Champ. Rd. 1 Lost TF 2:08 to Sully Buttes; Cons. Rd. 1 WBF 0:32 over St. Thomas More; Cons. Rd. 2 WBF 4:51 over Brookings; Cons. Rd. 3 LBF 1:58 to Bon Homme/Scotland/Avon.

132 Emma Bockelman - Prelim WBF 2:45 over Lakota Tech; Champ. Rd. 1 LBF 2:44 to Bon Homme/Scotland/Avon; Cons. Rd. 1 - LBF 2:05 to Mobridge-Pollock.

132 Jersey Folkens - Champ. Rd. 1 Won MD 13-1 over Lead-Deadwood; Quarterfinal WBF 5:37 over Mahpiya Luta; Semifinal LBF 3:33 to Tea Area; Cons. Semi Won 8-3 over St. Thomas More; Final Rd. Won 7-1 over Mahpiya Luta to place 3rd.



138 Brynn Mulder - Champ. Rd. 1 WBF 1:52 over Mahpiya Luta; Quarterfinal LBF 1:16 to Sioux Valley; Cons. Rd. 2 WBF 2:38 over Erin Legg (Canton); Cons. Rd. 3 LBF 2:38 to Sully Buttes.

138 Erin Legg - Prelim WBF 0:39 over Pierre T.F. Riggs; Champ. Rd. 1 LBF 0:48 to Harrisburg; Cons. Rd. 1 Won MD 15-7 over Lead-Deadwood; Cons. Rd. 2 LBF 2:38 to Brynn Mulder (Canton).

145 Lakynn Qualseth - Champ. Rd. 1 WBF 0:52 over Harrisburg; Quarterfinal WBF 1:22 over Hill City; Semifinal LBF 1:08 to Bon Homme/Scotland/Avon; Cons. Semi WBF 3:47 over Harrisburg; Final Rd. WBF 1:56 over Hill City to place 3rd.

152 Alyssa McCracken - Champ. Rd. 1 Bye; Quarterfinal LBF 0:51 to Pierre T.F. Riggs; Cons. Rd. 2 WBF 1:18 over Mahpiya Luta; Cons. Rd. 3 LBF 4:29 to Lead-Deadwood.

165 Anna Folkens - Champ. Rd. 1 WBF 0:33 over Pierre T.F. Riggs; Quarterfinal LBF 0:36 to Harrisburg; Cons. Rd. 2 WBF 0:55 over Sisseton; Cons. Rd. 3 LBF 1:48 to Lead-Deadwood.

185 Kori Wallner - Champ. Rd. 1 WBF 0:17 over Todd County; Quarterfinal WBF 1:59 over Hot

Springs; Semifinal WBF 0:14 over Izzy Baldwin (Canton); Final Rd. LBF 0:34 to Custer to place 2nd.

185 Izzy Baldwin - Champ. Rd. 1 WBF 1:00 over Tea Area; Quarterfinal WBF 0:44 over Mahpiya Luta; Semifinal LBF 0:14 to Kori Wallner (Canton); Cons. Semi WBF 2:50 over Pierre T.F. Riggs; Final Rd LBF 1:57 to Viborg-Hurley/Irene-Wakonda to place 4th.

250 Mallory Baldwin - Champ. Rd. 1 Bye; Quarterfinal LBF 1:14 to Lakota Tech; Cons. Rd. 2 Bye; Cons. Rd. 3 LBF 2:04 to Brookings.

250 Natalia Long - Champ. Rd. 1 Bye; Quarterfinal WBF 4:27 over Pierre T.F. Riggs; Semifinal WBF 1:39 over Hot Springs; Final Rd. WBF 2:54 over Todd County to place 1st.



Canton Boys Basketball fall to Dell Rapids

The Canton Boys basketball team traveled to Dell Rapids on Thursday the 9th and faced the DR Quarriers and fell 67-39 after a slow start and fell to 0-6 for the season. They will have a game on Saturday in the Elkton Classic on the 18th then they host Elkton-Lake Benton.

Canton struggled to score early in the game with the Quarriers as they fell behind 14-5 after the first quarter then 31-15 at halftime. Canton scored 14 points in the 3rd and trailed 47-29 going into the 4th. DR scored 20 points in the final quarter as the Hawks got 10 to fall 67-39 for their 6th straight loss.

Canton was led in scoring by Noah Beatty with 15 points on 3 of 4 from 3pt range followed by Alex Rhead 8, Corbin Winquist 6, Ryder Thompson 5, Wyyette Greenwood 3, Bil Yuek 2. Canton was 16 of 43 from the field and 7 of 15 from 3pt range. The Hawks didn't shoot a free throw during the game. DR was 26 of 59 FG, 8 of 21 3pt and 7 of 9 Free Throws. Canton was outrebounded 35-24 and the Hawks were led by Beatty with 5 boards along with Yuek 4, Winquist 3, Jase Charrlin 2, Daniel Langerock 2, Andrew Ortman 1, Thompson 1, Jarius Battese 1, Theo Meister 1. Thompson handed out 3 assists along with Meister 2 and one each from Charrlin, Winquist, Rhead, Langerock. Battese and Meister each had one steal and Yuek, Rhead and Langerock each had one blocked shot.

Middle School Metro Conference



Middle School Metro Conference at Lincoln HS Results

92-95 McKenna Kettwig - Quarterfinal Bye; Semifinal WBF 0:25 over Patrick Henry; Final Rd. Won 8-5 over Jaylee Strand (Canton) to place 1st.

92-95 Jaylee Strand - Quarterfinal WBF 0:58 over Patrick Henry; Semifinal Won MD 8-0 over Memorial; Final Rd. Lost 5-8 to McKenna Kettwig (Canton) to place 2nd.

97-104 Rilan Warejcka - Quarterfinal WBF 1:02 over Edison; Semifinal LBF 1:50 to Brookings; Cons. Semi Won by forfeit over Patrick Henry; Final Rd. Lost sudden victory to Ben Reifel Middle School to place 4th.

97-104 Charlee Ann Winter - Quarterfinal Bye; Semifinal WBF 0:38 over Edison; Final Rd. WBF 2:11 over Brookings to place 1st.

98-108 Payton Barnes - Quarterfinal WTF over Edison Middle School; Semifinal Won 8-6 in tie breaker over O'Gorman Junior High School; Final Rd. Lost

4-5 to Zoey Darling (Canton) to place 2nd.

98-108 Zoey Darling - Quarterfinal Bye; Semifinal WBF 3:51 over Milbank Junior High; Final Rd. Won 5-4 over Payton Barnes (Canton) to place 1st.

109-116 Willow Feilmeier - Quarterfinal LBF 2:43 to Edison; Cons. Rd. 1 Bye; Cons. Semi Lost 2-8 to Edison.

113-123 Elaina Myburgh - Quarterfinal WBF 0:34 over Edison; Semifinal Lost TF 2-18 to Memorial; Cons. Semi WBF 1:55 over Brookings; Final Rd. Lost MD 3-12 to Edison to place 4th.

113-123 Addison McMartin - Quarterfinal WBF 0:32 over Brandon Valley; Semifinal WBF 3:00 over Memorial; Final Rd. LBF 2:34 to Memorial to place 2nd.

119-128 Audrey Smith - Quarterfinal WBF 0:45 over; Semifinal Won 9-2 over Edison; Final Rd. Won 7-5 over Brookings to place 1st.

119-128 Clair Baumann - Quarterfinal Lost 8-9 to Patrick Henry; Cons. Rd. 1 WBF 0:31 over Brandon Valley; Cons. Semi Won 6-5 over Edison; Final Rd. Won 10-8 over Patrick Henry to place 3rd.

131-140 Marlee Dougherty - Quarterfinal Won 3-2 over Brandon Valley; Semifinal LBF 0:51 to Edison; Cons. Semi LBF 1:18 to Brookings.

138-149 Lilliana Vogel - Quarterfinal Bye; Semifinal LBF 3:58 to O'Gorman; Cons. Semi WBF 0:33 over Brandon Valley; Final Rd. LBF 1:11 to Brookings to place 4th.

141-153 Sophia Larsen - Quarterfinal Bye; Semifinal WBF 2:04 over Memorial; Final Rd. WBF 2:11 over George McGovern to place 1st.

155-169 Serenity Flint - Rd. 1 Lost Sudden Victory to Edison; Rd. 2 WBF 4:05 Memorial; Rd. 3 WBF 3:39 over Edison to place 1st.

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Lincoln County Commission Swears in Otten and Putnam

The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners met Tuesday, January 7 in the Lincoln County Boardroom. All five Commissioners were present to welcome new commissioners, Betty Otten and Doug Putnam to their chairs and hear agenda items including new commissioner oath of office ceremonies, prison updates, and commissioner wages.

Judge Rachel Rassmuson was present to administer the Oath of Office to Betty Otten and Doug Putnam as they new County Commissioners. Otten will be replacing Poppens and Putnam will be replacing Jibben on the Commission.

The first order of business was to elect a Chair and a vice Chair. Commissioner Landeen was voted in to be the Chair and Commissioner Schmidt was chosen to be the Vice Chair.

Chairwoman Landeen read a public hearing to consider an application for the transfer of a Retail (On sale) Liquor License to operate outside a municipality from Raj & Son Fuel, LLC. to Larsen Logistics, LLC, at Carlson Tract 2 in the S 1/2 of the SW 1/4, 31-96N-50, 46016 SD Hwy 46, Beresford, Lincoln County, SD 57004. The applicant was not present for the meeting and there were no proponents or opponents to the public hearing. Motion by Schmidt, seconded by Arends. Motion approved.

Commissioner Otten requested a briefing on the proposed men's prison. Senior Policy Advisor for Governor Noem, Ryan Brunner, was present along with Department of Corrections Secretary, Kellie Wasko to answer any questions they were able to. "I work with

the Department of Corrections (DOC) in regard to the prison and I've been down in Lincoln County when it comes to some of the infrastructure conversations, I was at the Harrisburg City Council meeting, the Lennox City Council meeting, leading up to the decision and the selection of the site for the prison," he said. Brunner explained to the Commission that they tried to find land all over the state by purchasing land from farmers, but no landowner wanted to sell, so a decision had to be made. "The DOC did do due diligence on that property with engineers and utility providers as to what the infrastructure situation was there and if you looked at land within 20 miles of Sioux Falls in Lincoln or Minnehaha County, the infrastructure there is actually better than a lot of other locations in rural areas. The electric line is only a few feet away and the state is going to have to build a substation on this property and that substation is moving forward, the contracts have been signed, the easements have been granted, the components have been ordered," Brunner said. The substation will cost around \$4 million. Brunner turned the floor over to Wasko to give more information. "For land and design, we had authority for \$52 million, we've spent \$25 million to date, we have about \$26.5 remaining. We were appropriated or authorized \$10 of APRA money that has been expended for water and sewer," she said. Wasko did tell the Commissioners the new facility will be called the South Dakota Correctional Facility, and the 2025 Fiscal year staffing costs would be \$36.7 million, operating costs would be \$18.7 million. Total

funding available for the project will be \$628 million and as of now, the total project cost is \$825 million. "I know that this is not an attractive conversation, and I have waited a year to be able to come and talk, and I am willing to talk, and explain how we got to where we are, and how we can move forward. Right now, I must put my best foot forward to start the construction of a new facility for the safety of my staff first and foremost and for the safety of the community," Wasko said. Chairwoman Landeen opened the floor up for public hearing, reminding the speakers that it is a non-action item so no votes would be taking place today. Tom Eastland was present to speak his opinion. "Where have you been? This decision was made a long time ago. Was critical information of this plan that affects every citizen of Lincoln County intentionally and purposely withheld and kept secret. As lease holder, I was not informed until the Monday of the week that this plan was leaked to the press. There was a meeting on Thursday morning when the appraisal were presented and the land was transferred from school and public lands to the DOC. I was supposed to be informed, and I was not. I'd like to know if this was intentional. So far today, given what I know to be fact, the Department of Corrections credibility, I didn't think it was possible, but their credibility has reached a new low with me. So I will take everything they have to say here today with a grain of salt," he said. Nine residents echoed the same thoughts including questioning who is going to answer emergency calls, why does the land not have to follow the comprehensive plan, and who will take care of the roads. After hearing everyone's thoughts, Chairwoman Landeen thanked everyone and asked Wasko if she wanted to respond. Wasko told the residents she understood it was an emotional day, and she plans to come to Lincoln County again to discuss plans farther when she is able.

Emergency Management Coordinator, Harold Timmerman requested board action to approve a resolution appointing Harold Timmermann as applicant agent

for Hazard Mitigation Grant Program and Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities Grant Program. This will allow Lincoln County Emergency Management Director Harold Timmerman to apply for mitigation funding through FEMA to continue to update the Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan. With no public input, and no questions from the commission, a motion from Schmidt was made, seconded by Arends. Motion carried.

Auditor Sheri Lund was present for board action to designate three legal newspapers per SDCL 7-18-3. "The three legal newspapers that are produced in Lincoln County are The Sioux Valley News, Tea Weekly, and The Lennox Independent, so my recommendations would be to appoint those three papers," Lund said. "I would move to add an additional one beyond those three, and that would be to the Dakota Scout," said Commissioner Schmidt. "It is not a good use of tax payer money to have additional newspapers when we don't need to, in my opinion. If we have these three newspapers, people will know to go to those papers to look for the information. We do spend a lot of money on advertising," Lund responded. "If I take these three newspapers, I'm not covering where a majority of the people in our county live, and that is in Sioux Falls, and if we don't have any idea there's nothing wrong with the Sioux Valley News, there's nothing wrong with The Lennox Independent, but their readership is probably a total of 5,000 people, and may I remind everybody, that the majority of our population live up there, so it seems to me only fair that we have some means of communicating with those people and that to me is the Dakota Scout," Schmidt said. Commissioner Arends made the motion to drop The Sioux Valley newspaper for the Dakota Scout as the legal newspaper and have The Lennox Independent and Tea Weekly as the two other legal newspapers, seconded by

Otten. Motion approved 4-1.

Lund next requested board discussion with possible action to follow to reduce the budget authority in the Commission budget. Lund is asking that the Commission reduce the Board of Commissioners budget by \$181,653.19 within the personal service for the removal of the position of the Commission Administrative Officer. "Because of previous action from the Board, it has been indicated that the position of Commission Administrative Officer will not be recruited for. Because of the large amount of budget authority and previous actions the request would be to remove the budget authority from the personal service to align with Board actions," she said. Motion approved.

Human Resources Director, Traci Humphrey was present for board discussion and action to approve Commissioner's salaries for 2025. "During the budget process, the Commissioners were allocated a 5 per cent Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) for 2025. Other elected officials were approved for a 5.5 per cent COLA in November, following the allocation of a 5 per cent COLA during the budget process," she said. A motion to leave the salaries as they currently are made by Arends, seconded by Putnam. "We have three commissioners coming up in two years, I've been coming down here on my own for four years and eight months, so I know what it means to serve with a servants heart, I understand that, and I understand where Commissioner Arends is coming from as well, however, you have to be somewhat forward thinking because we're not Mayberry anymore and for you to get some people that are looking to come on board for what the pay is when we are the number one growing county in the state, I think our increase should be 5.5 per cent," Otten said. Chairwoman Landeen asked for a role call on Arends motion to leave the wages the same. Motion failed 3-2 with Arends and Putnam voting no. Schmidt made a motion to increase wages at 5.5 per cent, seconded by Otten. Motion passed 3-2.

7-18-3. Designation of official newspapers for county--Publication of board proceedings and notices.

At its regular meeting in January of each year the board of county commissioners shall designate **three legal newspapers** printed in the county as **official newspapers**. If there are not three legal newspapers within the county, then as many newspapers that are legal newspapers. No more than two newspapers within the same municipality may be designated as official newspapers by the county, if there are other legal newspapers published elsewhere within the county.

The board shall publish a full and complete report of all its official proceedings at all regular and special meetings and shall publish proceedings as soon after any meeting as practicable. The board shall pay for publishing the proceedings at a rate not to exceed ninety percent of the legal line rates for weekly newspapers and not to exceed the legal line rate for daily newspapers, as provided in chapter 17-2.

All notices required by law to be published by the county auditor shall also be published in the official newspapers. If any notice includes a legal description of property outside the incorporated limits of a municipality, the notice may include a physical description of the property from the nearest incorporated municipality.

Lincoln County Commission broke this law by voting Lennox Independent, Tea Weekly and Dakota Scout and not publishing in the Sioux Valley News.

City of Canton Meeting Minutes

MINUTES OF CANTON CITY COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING JANUARY 9, 2025 UNAPPROVED

The Canton City Commission met at City Hall, on Thursday, January 9, 2025 at 4:30 p.m. Commissioners Pigors, Garbers, Larson, York, and Mayor Lundstrom were present for roll call.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. CONSENT CALENDAR

Commissioner Garbers moved and Commissioner York seconded to approve the consent calendar consisting of the following: 1) to approve the agenda. Unanimous approval.

SIGNATORY CONTRACT

Commissioner Garbers moved and Commissioner York seconded to approve a contract with William Winter for signatory with DANR, as presented and on file, with the caveat of payment will be \$191.32 per pay period until an alternative class 2 water/wastewater operator is found and authorize the Mayor to sign. Unanimous approval.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR CONTRACT

Commissioner Garbers moved and Commissioner York seconded to approve an Employment Contract with Andrew Pietrus as the City Administrator, as presented and on file, and authorize the Mayor to sign. Unanimous approval.

UNION CONTRACT

Commissioner Garbers moved and Commissioner York seconded to approve the Union Contract for the Public Works Employees, as presented and on file, and authorize the Mayor to sign. Unanimous approval.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner York moved and Commissioner Pigors seconded to adjourn. Unanimous Approval. Kyle Cwach Finance Officer

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City of Harrisburg Meeting Minutes

Harrisburg City Council Unapproved Meeting Minutes

The regular meeting of the City Council was called to order on January 7, 2025, at 6:00 pm, with Mayor Derick Wenck presiding. Council members were Matt Westerman, Kevin Maxwell, Chris Kindt, and Pete Wodzinski. Also present from the City were Amanda Mack, Deb Harris, Toby Huizenga, Jill Johnke, Nolan Meyer and Monty Jenkins. A list of all others in attendance is on file at the city office.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited. No public comment was given

Motion Wodzinski, seconded Maxwell to approve the consent agenda. Upon roll call vote; all in favor.

1. Approval of Agenda – Declaration of any Potential Conflict of Interest

2. Approval of December 31, 2024, City Council Meeting Minutes

3. Approval of January 7, 2025 Claims

4. Establish April 8, 2025 as the Municipal Election Date

5. Authorization of preapproved monthly or as needed payments to avoid late fees

6. Approved the 2025 Sioux Empire Water Festival Subsidy -\$500.00

7. Approved and authorized public works surplus items for Purple Wave Auction

8. Approved and authorized purchase of Library Computers (Budgeted Item)

9. Approved and authorized purchase of 2 copies of Deep Freeze software for Library (Budgeted Item)

10. Approved and authorized payment to Toole Design Group LLC – Harrisburg Trail Plan in the amount of \$7,970.55

11. Approved and authorized Finance Officer to sign a Letter of Commitment – Minnehaha and Lincoln Counties Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan Update

12. Approved moving January 21, 2025 Council Meeting to Thursday January 23, 2025

13. Approved moving February 4, 2025 Council Meeting to Monday February 3, 2025

Banner Associates \$716.50; Banyon Data Systems \$2,270.00; Capfirst Equip Finance \$31,755.62; City of Sioux Falls \$435.00; Core & Main \$13,087.10; Dakota Mainstem \$4,950.00; DANR \$6,500.00; Greater Sioux Falls Chamber \$222.00; gWorks \$28,005.00; Hireclick \$159.00; Lewis & Clark Reg Water \$51,855.10; Linc City Auditor \$257,363.28; Linc City Reg of Deeds \$251.00; Linc City Rural Water \$2,860.64; Matheson Tri-Gas \$71.89; Midamerican Energy \$1,551.28; Novak Sanitary Service \$263.00; Onsolve LLC \$4,466.99; Papik Motors \$40,000.00; QPS \$845.56; SD Municipal League \$4,209.00; SDARWS \$1,265.00; SDML Workers Comp Fund \$25,371.00; SECOG \$13,590.00; SEAFOG \$200.00; Skogren, Gary \$1,530.00; Stockwell Engineering \$137,844.25; Toshiba \$402.43; Unemployment Insurance of SD

\$45.32; WEF Membership \$159.00; Xcel Energy \$25.48

Upon roll call vote; all in favor

Business Item 1. Consider request from Randy Hamilton to review water / sewer bill. Motion Maxwell, seconded Kindt to approve adjusting the late fees and Oct and Nov bills. Upon roll call vote, all in favor.

Business Item 2. Consider request from Jason & Charlen Rose to review water / sewer bill. Motion Kindt, seconded Maxwell to adjust the Nov and Dec water bill to lower tier and waive the late fee. Upon roll call vote; all in favor.

Business Item 3. Motion Wodzinski, seconded Maxwell to approve work order 2001-2025 Street Maintenance Project Financial considerations of \$135,500.00 Upon roll call vote; all in favor.

Business Item 4. Consider Work Order 24232 – SE Infrastructure Improvements Phase 2 Financial Considerations \$1,897,500.00. Tabled

Business Item 5. Motion Maxwell, seconded Wodzinski to approve Resolution 2025-01 Establishing Salaries for 2025. Upon roll call vote; all in favor.

Business Item 6. Motion Maxwell, seconded Wodzinski to enter into executive session pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2 (4) Contract Negotiations at 6:27 pm. Upon roll call vote; all in favor.

RESOLUTION 2025-01

A Resolution Establishing the Salaries for 2025

WHEREAS, SDCL 9-14-28 requires that the governing body of every municipality shall fix and determine by ordinance or resolution, the amount of salaries and compensation of all municipal officers and the time at which the same shall be paid; and

WHEREAS, the City council shall publish the salaries for compliance with the provision of SDCL,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council that the following resolution, repealing all prior salary and wage resolutions, be passed, approved and effective beginning January 1, 2025. The Mayor, City Council, Planning and Zoning Board and Park Board shall be paid quarterly, and all other officers and employees shall be paid bi-weekly at the following yearly salary or hourly wage.

Derick Wenck (Mayor) \$12,463.00/year; Matt Westerman (Alderman) \$8,215.00/year; Kevin Maxwell (Alderman) \$8,215.00/year; Chris Kindt (Alderman) \$8,215.00/year; Pete Wodzinski (Alderman) \$8,215.00/year; Ryan Berg (Parks & Rec) \$600.00/year; Taylor Berg (Parks & Rec) \$600.00/year; Bruce Bicknase (Planning & Zoning) \$1,190.00/year; Stephanie Bouza (Parks & Rec) \$600.00/year; Sarah Christenson (Library) \$600.00/year; Rob Doyen (Planning & Zoning/Library) \$1,790.00/year; Shannon Gustafson (Parks & Rec) \$600.00/year; Elizabeth Heidinger (Parks & Rec) \$600.00/year; Andrea Irish (Library) \$600.00/year; Matt Irish (Planning & Zoning) \$1,190.00/year; Chris Kontz (Parks & Rec) \$600.00/year; Jon Kraft (Planning & Zoning) \$1,190.00/year; Eve Langerock (Library) \$600.00/year; Scott Langerock (Parks & Rec) \$600.00/year; Collin McKenzie (Planning & Zoning) \$1,190.00/year; Jason Nelson (Parks & Rec) \$600.00/year; Jim Nielsen (Planning & Zoning) \$1,190.00/year; Jason Schipper (Planning & Zoning) \$1,190.00/year; Heather Stolsmark (Parks & Rec) \$600.00/year; Vitold Chernetinki (Public Works) \$24.11/hr; Cheyenne Chontos (Library Director) \$68,250.00/year; Jennifer Cleveland (Permit Tech) \$34.65/hr; Heather Crosby (PT Librarian) \$16.22/hr; Henry Graves (Public Works) \$21.67/hr; Magenta Hammond (Public Works) \$26.81/hr; Deb Harris (Finance Officer) \$93,722.00/year; Todd Harris (Public Works) \$29.13/hr; Brad Hedlund (Public Works) \$24.23/hr; JoAnn Hedlund (Librarian) \$24.01/hr; Lisa Hirschhorn (PT Librarian) \$17.99/hr; Toby Huizenga (Public Works Director) \$101,951.00/year; Monty Jenkins (IT Director) \$83,600.00/year; Jill Johnke (Utility Billing) \$36.20/hr; Shonda Kelly (PT Librarian) \$16.22/hr; Chris Kullander (Public Works) \$32.31/hr; Kelvin Lawrence (Building Services) \$37.45/hr; Amanda Mack (City Administrator) \$225,000.00/year; Bret McCarthy (Public Works) \$21.45/hr; Jessica Meyer (Admin Assistant PW) \$23.96/hr; Nolan Meyer (Public Works) \$36.92/hr; Marc Pickelman (Public Works) \$24.00/hr; Dustin Preheim (WTP Supervisor) \$85,292.00/year; David Rennick (Public Works) \$30.97/hr; Steven Robertson (Inspector) \$37.50/inspection; Marcus Simonsen (Public Works) \$31.80/hr; Adam Tejral (Public Works) \$25.31/hr; Jason Thurston (Parks Supervisor) \$82,820.00/year

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council shall determine all foregoing salaries and wages.

Dated this 7th day of January, 2025. CITY OF HARRISBURG Derick Wenck Mayor, City of Harrisburg, SD ATTEST: Deb Harris, Municipal Finance Officer Mayor declared out of executive session at 7:19 pm.

With no further business, a motion was made by Maxwell seconded Wodzinski to adjourn the city council meeting at 7:19 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 Thursday, Jan 23, 2025. Submitted by Jill Johnke, Deputy Finance Officer

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Springdale Township 27252 476th Ave PO Box 14 Harrisburg, SD 57032

Residents of Springdale Township: The Township is looking to fill an immediate vacancy, Township Clerk, on the Township Board.

Interested parties need to be residents of Springdale Township. The position is part time and a majority of the work is computer and phone work.

Responsibilities:

- Keeping meeting minutes- There are five mandatory meetings per year and any special meetings needed.

- Payroll- tax reports

- Newspaper advertising for special meetings and bids

- E-mail correspondence

- Pay bills

Interested parties may contact the Township Board.

Springdale Township Cheryl Enger Clerk cenger@sio.midco.net

605-743-2962 or 605-214-1799

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Notice Name Change

NOTICE OF HEARING FOR ADULT NAME CHANGE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA COUNTY OF LINCOLN IN CIRCUIT COURT SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT 41CIV24-011225 IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF: Danielle Christine Kappenman (Current Name) FOR A CHANGE OF NAME TO: Danielle Christine Fantroy (Proposed Name) NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN a Verified petition for Adult Name Change has been filed by Danielle Christine Kappenman object and prayer of which is to change Petitioner's name from Danielle Christine Kappenman to Danielle Christine Fantroy. On the 13th day of February, 2025, at the hour of 9:00 a.m. said verified petition will be heard by this Court before the

Honorable Mammenga Presiding, at the Court Room in the Lincoln County Courthouse, City of Canton, Lincoln County, South Dakota, or as soon thereafter as is convenient for the court. Anyone may come and appear at the time and place and show reasons, if any, why said name should not be changed as requested. Dated this 30th day of December, 2024 at Canton, South Dakota. Mammenga, Circuit Court Judge Attest: Brittan Anderson, Clerk of Court By: Deputy Published in the Sioux Valley News on January 2, 9, 16, and 23, 2025 at the total approximate cost of \$64.00 and may be viewed free of charge at www.sdpublicnotices.com.

Notice of Hearing

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING Notice is hereby given that the City Council of Harrisburg, South Dakota will hold a Public Hearing on Thursday January 23, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. or shortly thereafter at the Harrisburg Liberty School Board Room in Harrisburg to receive public input on the issuance of a Retail (on-off sale) Malt Beverage & SD Farm Wine within the municipality of Harrisburg. The following has filed the license application with the Finance Office in City Hall:

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), if you need special assistance to participate in this hearing, please contact the Harrisburg, City Administrator at (605) 743-5872. Anyone who is deaf, hard-of-hearing or speech-disabled may utilize 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. Deb Harris Finance Officer City of Harrisburg Published in the Sioux Valley News on January 16, 2025, at the total approximate cost of \$17.16 and may be viewed free of charge at www.sdpublicnotices.com.

The Dapper Dog 659 W Willow St Harrisburg, SD 57032 Retail (on-off sale) Malt Beverage & SD Wine All interested persons or their attorney interested in the approval or rejection of any such applications may appear and be heard.

Notice of Vacancy

NOTICE OF VACANCY MUNICIPALITY OF CANTON, SOUTH DAKOTA The following offices will become vacant due to the expiration of the present term or due to the resignation of office of the elective officer: City Commission at Large, five (5) year term Circulation of nominating petitions may begin on January 31st, 2025 and petitions may be filed in the Office of the Finance Officer located at 210 North Dakota Street between the

hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., central time not later than the 28th day of February, 2025, or mailed by registered mail not later than the 28th day of February, 2025, at 5:00 p.m. central time. Kyle Cwach Finance Officer Published in the Sioux Valley News on January 16 and 23, 2025, at the total approximate cost of \$19.66 and may be viewed free of charge at www.sdpublicnotices.com.

Notice of Hearing

NOTICE OF HEARING FOR ADULT NAME CHANGE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA COUNTY OF LINCOLN IN CIRCUIT COURT SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT 41CIV24-01179 IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF: Jace John Bendewald-Van Wyhe (Current Name) FOR A CHANGE OF NAME TO: Jace John Van Wyhe (Proposed Name) NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN a Verified petition for Adult Name Change has been filed by Jace John Bendewald- Van Wyhe to change Petitioner's name from Jace John Bendewald - Van Wyhe to Jace John Van Wyhe. The petition will be heard on the 13th day of February, 2025, at 9 a.m. by the Honorable Judge Mowery,

at the Lincoln County Courthouse, in the City of Canton, South Dakota. Anyone may appear at that time and place and show reasons, if any, why Petitioner's name should not be changed. Dated this 2nd day of January, 2025 at Canton, South Dakota. January 2, 2025 /S/ Mandi Mowery Circuit Court Judge Attest: Brittan Anderson, Clerk of Court By: LM Baker Deputy Published in the Sioux Valley News on January 16, 23, 30 and February 6, 2025 at the total approximate cost of \$58.34 and may be viewed free of charge at www.sdpublicnotices.com.

City of Canton Meeting Minutes

MINUTES OF CANTON CITY COMMISSION MEETING JANUARY 6, 2025 UNAPPROVED The Canton City Commission met at the Depot Viking Room, on Monday, January 6, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. Commissioners Pigors, Garbers, Larson, York and Mayor Lundstrom were present for roll call. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. CONSENT CALENDAR Commissioner Garbers moved and Commissioner Larson seconded to approve the consent calendar consisting of the following: 1) to approve the minutes from the December 16, 2024 Regular Meeting, and the minutes for the December 19, 2024 Special 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 agenda, as amended. Unanimous approval. VISITOR DIALOGUE: SECOND READING-ORDINANCE AMENDING WATER RATES Commissioner York moved and Commissioner Pigors seconded to give second reading and adopt an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance Amending Water and Wastewater (Sewer) Charges And Serviced Inside and Outside the Corporate Limits of the City of Canton" and that if be given a number, signed and published. Unanimous approval. ADVERTISE FOR POOL MANAGER Commissioner Larson moved and Commissioner Pigors seconded to approve the advertisement for the Pool Manager for 2025. Unanimous approval. ADVERTISE FOR RECREATION MANAGER Commissioner Garbers moved and Commissioner Pigors seconded to approve the advertisement for the Recreation Manager for 2025. Unanimous approval. GARBAGE HAULER LICENSE RENEWAL Commissioner York moved and Commissioner Pigors seconded to approve the renewal of a garbage haulers license for Novak Sanitary, Herm's Sanitation and A-OK Sanitary, as presented and on file, and authorize the Mayor to sign. Unanimous approval. ELECTION DATE Commissioner Garber moved and Commissioner Larson seconded to set the election date for April 8, 2025 and combine with the School if we both have elections. Unanimous approval. EMPLOYEE RAISE-DANIEL HERUM Commissioner York moved and Commissioner Larson seconded to approve a raise for Daniel Herum, Water Distribution-Public Works, to \$23.90 per hour for completing his spray certifications. Unanimous approval.

BEAVER CREEK TRUNK SEWER PROJECT-CCO#2 Commissioner York moved and Commissioner Larson seconded to approve CCO#2 for the Beaver Creek Trunk Sewer Project for an increase of \$7,265.51, as presented and on file, and authorize the Mayor to sign. Unanimous approval. BEAVER CREEK PAY APPLICATION #10 Commissioner Garbers moved and Commissioner York seconded to approve pay estimate #10 for the Beaver Creek Trunk Line Sewer Project to First Rate Excavating in the amount of \$75,427.51, as presented and on file, and authorize the Mayor to sign. Unanimous approval. FIREARM SURPLUS Commissioner Larson moved and Commissioner Pigors seconded to declare a Glock 17 duty pistol, appraised at \$325.00, as surplus and order its trade in. Unanimous approval. SIGNATORY CONTRACT Commissioner Garbers moved and Commissioner York seconded to not accept the signatory contract with William Winters, as presented and on file. Unanimous approval. STREET CLOSURE REQUESTS Commissioner Garbers moved and Commissioner Larson seconded to close City Streets on the days and times, as presented and on file, as requested by the Canton Chamber of Commerce. Unanimous approval. POOL REQUEST Commissioner Garbers moved and Commissioner Larson seconded to table the request from the Canton Chamber to hold an open swim night on the 22nd of July, until such time as the Pool Manager is hired. Unanimous approval. 2025 CITY COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS Commissioner York moved and Commissioner Garbers seconded to appoint the following people to the following positions. Unanimous approval City Attorney-Larry Nelson Assistant City Attorney- Sam Nelson Authorized Planning and Zoning Official- Tiffany Van De Kieft 2025 OFFICAL DEPOSITORIES Commissioner Larson moved and Commissioner Pigors seconded to name the following banks as the official depositories for the City. Unanimous approval. Farmers State Bank, First Bank & Trust, South Dakota Public Funds Invest Trust, US Bank-SRF Loans and Security Savings Bank. 2025 OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER Commissioner Garbers moved and Commissioner Larson seconded to name Sioux Valley News as the official paper of the City. Unanimous approval. CANTON MUNICIPAL AIRPORT-FAA CLOSEOUT REPORT Commissioner Larson moved and Commissioner Pigors seconded to approve the closeout report for the FAA, as presented and on file, and authorize the Mayor to sign. Unanimous approval. LINCOLN COUNTY JUSTICE CENTER SEWER LINE Commissioner Garbers moved and Commissioner Pigors seconded to approve the expenditure of an amount not to exceed \$60,000.00 to cover the upsizing of the sewer main from 8 inch to 10 inch across the County's property along with an additional 365 feet to the west end of the County's property and asks for a 48 foot easement for the maintenance of the sewer main as well as an additional 66 foot of ROW on the north edge of the County's property. Unanimous approval. KLJ PROFESSIONAL SEVICES AGREEMENT Commissioner Laron moved and Commissioner Pigors seconded to approve an agreement with KLJ for professional services, as presented and on file, and authorize the Mayor to sign. Unanimous approval. DIALOGUE: EXECUTIVE SESSION Commissioner Larson moved and Commissioner Garbers seconded to adjourn into executive session pursuant to SDCL1-25-2 for legal and personnel reasons. Unanimous approval. Commissioner Garbers moved and Commissioner York seconded to reconvene into regular session. Unanimous approval. NEW HIRE-POLICE CHIEF Commissioner Pigors moved and Commissioner Larson seconded to hire Korben Leegaard as Police Chief at \$94,436.96 per year. Unanimous approval. ADVERTISE FOR SERGEANT POSITION Commissioner Pigors moved and Commissioner Larson seconded to authorize the advertisement of the vacant Sergeant position. Unanimous approval. NEW HIRE-MAINTENANCE FOREMAN Commissioner Garbers moved and Commissioner York seconded to hire Dalton Nelson as Maintenance Foreman at \$30.44 per hour with a 90 day probation. Unanimous approval. ADVERTISE FOR PARKS MAINTENANCE Commissioner Garbers moved and Commissioner Pigors seconded to authorize the advertisement of the vacant Parks Maintenance position internally for 2 weeks. Unanimous approval. NEW HIRE-CITY ADMINISTRATOR Commissioner Larson moved and Commissioner Pigors seconded to hire Andrew Pietrus as the City Administrator at \$115,897.60 per year. Unanimous approval.

Ordinance 1128

ORDINANCE #1128 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING WATER AND WASTEWATER (SEWER) CHARGES AND SERVICES INSIDE AND OUTSIDE THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF CANTON. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF CANTON, SOUTH DAKOTA THAT CHAPTER 52: SECTION 52.01 SUBSECTIONS A & B BE REPEALED IN THEIR ENTIRETY AND BE REENACTED TO READ AS FOLLOWS: § 52. 01 WATER RATES AND SERVICES. There shall be a monthly charge to all consumers of water serviced by the city. The rates to be charged for water service shall be as follows. (A) Residential water rate. A person serviced by the city as any single-family dwelling unit in which each water service is metered independently shall be charged the following rates for water service.

serviced by the city. Base Charge; \$32.50 base charge per meter 1 to 25, 000 cubic feet; \$32.50 base charge per meter plus \$3.65 per 100 cubic feet from 1 to 25, 000 cubic feet 25, 001 to 50, 000 cubic feet; \$32.50 base charge per meter plus \$3.65 per 100 cubic feet from 1 to 25, 000 plus \$3.65 per 100 cubic feet above 25, 001 to 50, 000 cubic feet 50, 001 cubic feet and above; \$32.50 base charge per meter plus \$3.65 per 100 cubic feet from 1 to 25, 000 plus \$3.65 per 100 cubic feet above 25, 001 to 50, 000 cubic feet plus \$3.65 per 100 cubic feet above 50, 000 cubic feet BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS CITY OF CANTON, SOUTH DAKOTA Sandra Lundstrom, Mayor ATTEST: Kyle Cwach, Finance Officer (SEAL) First Reading: 12/16/2024 Second Reading: 01/06/2025 Publication: 01/16/2025 Effective Date: 02/04/2025 Published in the Sioux Valley News on January 16, 2025, at the total approximate cost of \$26.91 and may be viewed free of charge at www.sdpublicnotices.com.

Base Charge; \$25.00 base charge per meter 1 cubic foot and above; \$25.00 base charge per meter plus \$3.65 per 100 cubic feet (B) Commercial and industrial water rate. A business or other legal entity through Thursday, and 8:00 am and 12:00 pm on Fridays not later than the 28th day of February, 2025, or mailed by registered mail not later than the 28th day of February, 2025, at 5:00 p.m. (central) time. Deb Harris Finance Officer Published in the Sioux Valley News on January 16 and 23, 2025, at the total approximate cost of \$20.36 and may be viewed free of charge at www.sdpublicnotices.com.

Notice of Vacancy

NOTICE OF VACANCY MUNICIPALITY OF HARRISBURG The following offices will become vacant due to the expiration of the present term or due to the resignation of office of the elective officer: Alderman-Ward I, Three-year term Alderman-Ward II, Three-year term Circulation of nominating petitions may begin on January 31, 2025 and petitions may be filed in the office of the finance officer located at 301 E Willow Street, Harrisburg, SD 57032 between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. (central time) Monday

through Thursday, and 8:00 am and 12:00 pm on Fridays not later than the 28th day of February, 2025, or mailed by registered mail not later than the 28th day of February, 2025, at 5:00 p.m. (central) time. Deb Harris Finance Officer Published in the Sioux Valley News on January 16 and 23, 2025, at the total approximate cost of \$20.36 and may be viewed free of charge at www.sdpublicnotices.com.

Notice of Vacancy

NOTICE OF VACANCY ON SCHOOL BOARD CANTON SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 41-1 The following school board positions will become vacant due to the expiration of the present terms of office of the following school board members: Three, (3) three year terms for a school board member residing anywhere in the School District, currently held by Todd Gannon, Tanya Iverson, and Josh Otkin. Circulation of nominating petitions may begin on January 31, 2025 and petitions may be filed in the office of the Business Manager located at

800 N. Main, Canton, SD between the hours of 8:00 am and 4:30 pm, CST, not later than the 28th day of February, 2025 at 5:00 pm, or mailed by registered mail not later than the 28th day of February, 2025 at 5:00 pm. Brian J. Andersen, Business Manager Canton School District No. 41-1 Lincoln County Canton, SD 57013 Published in the Sioux Valley News on January 16 and 23, 2025, at the total approximate cost of \$23.87 and may be viewed free of charge at www.sdpublicnotices.com.

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Notice of Hearing

NOTICE OF HEARING FOR ADULT NAME CHANGE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA COUNTY OF LINCOLN IN CIRCUIT COURT SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT 41CIV24-1194 IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF: Jackie Rene Loger (Current Name) FOR A CHANGE OF NAME TO: Jackie Rene Lenderts NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN a Verified Petition for Adult Name Change has been filed by Jackie Rene Loger the object and prayer of which is to change Petitioner's name from Jackie Rene Loger to Jackie Rene Lenderts. On the 13th day of February, 2025, at the hour of 9:00 a.m. said verified petition will be heard by this Court before the Honorable Mowery owers Presiding, at the Court Room in the Lincoln County Courthouse, City of Canton, Lincoln County, South Dakota, or as soon thereafter as is convenient for the court. Anyone may come and appear at the time and place and show reasons, if any, why said name should not be changed as requested. Dated this 17th day of December, 2024 at Canton, South Dakota. Mowery, Circuit Court Judge Attest: Brittan Anderson, Clerk of Court By: Deputy Published in the Sioux Valley News on December 26, 2024 and January 2, 9 and 16, 2025 at the total approximate cost of \$64.00 and may be viewed free of charge at www.sdpublicnotices.com.

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Notice to Creditors

NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND NOTICE OF INFORMAL APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA COUNTY OF LINCOLN IN CIRCUIT COURT SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT 41PRO.25-0001 IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF BARBARA J. CLEBERG, DECEASED. NOTICE is given that on the 3rd day of January, 2025, Terry J. Cleberg, of 3904 S. Benjamin Drive, Sioux Falls, South Dakota 57103 and John P. Cleberg, of 425 E. 26th Street, Sioux Falls, South Dakota 57105, were appointed Personal Representatives of the Estate of Barbara J. Cleberg. Creditors of decedent must file their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this notice or their claims may be barred. Claims may be filed with the Personal Representatives or may be filed with the Lincoln County Clerk, and a copy of the claim mailed to the Personal Representatives. Dated the 3rd day of January, 2025. Terry J. Cleberg 3904 S. Benjamin Drive Sioux Falls, SD 57013 John P. Cleberg 425 E. 26th Street Sioux Falls, SD 57105 Michael J. McGill Attorney for the Estate P.O. Box 32 Beresford, SD 57004 605-763-2057 Published in the Sioux Valley News on January 9, 16, and 23, 2025 at the total approximate cost of \$49.69 and may be viewed free of charge at www.sdpublicnotices.com.

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ADJOURNMENT Commissioner Garbers moved and Commissioner Pigors seconded to adjourn. Unanimous Approval. Kyle Cwach Finance Officer Warrants: PAYROLL BY DEPARTMENT: Commission, 519.01; Finance Office, 12073.26; Public Building, 543.39; Police, 23088.25; Street, 10364.57; Snow, 44.98; Rubble, 429.78; Sewer, 2249.68; Water, 2319.70; Parks, 2308.00; Library, 4621.05. 01-07-25: Farmers State Bank, 41521.15, payroll; First Bank & Trust, 8685.32, social security; First Bank & Trust, 4764.93, federal withholdings; First Bank & Trust, 1317.22, HSA; SD Dept of Social Services, 138.46, employee deductions; SDRS Supplemental, 1905.00, retirement; TX Child Support SDU, 150.00, employee deductions. 01-07-25: Beal Distributing, 25164.44, malt beverage purchases; Canton Sunshine Foods, 20.99, supplies; City of Canton, 235.89, water/sewer; Dakota Beverage, 28500.56, malt beverage purchases; Johnson Bros Famous Brands, 14379.33, alcohol purchases; Okoboji Wines SD, 468.00, wine purchases; Republic National Distributing, 3629.05, liquor purchases; SD Dept of Revenue, 107.56, sales tax; Southern Wine & Spirits, 4200.99, liquor purchases. 01-07-25: American Fence Company, 1266.00, services; Appears/Servall, 269.19, uniforms; Aptegy Inc, 7717.50, subscription; Borders Aviation LLC, 2433.33, manager fee; Canton Home & Farm Supply, 29.40, supplies; Century Link, 66.29, circuit; Collaborative Summer Library Program, 62.41, supplies; Core & Main, 30.03, replacement check; D-P Tools, 152.67, tools; First Rate Excavating Inc, 72427.51, pay app #10; Grainger, 346.18, filters; Hiawatha Golf Course, 1090.76, appreciation dinner; JD's House of Trophies, 55.65, name plates; Justice Fire & Safety LLC, 307.00, service; Lincoln County Auditor, 7100.82, 911 fees; MidAmerican Books, 140.71, books; MidAmerican Energy Co, 225.59, heat; Muth Electric Inc, 2780.90, alarm repair; NAPA Auto Part of Canton, 595.15, repairs; The Penworthy Company, 253.95, books; RDO Trust, 31.40, filters; Safety-Kleen Systems Inc, 175.17, service; Sanford Health, 102.00, testing; SD Dept of Labor, 116.97, unemployment insurance; SDML Work Comp Fund, 65313.00, workers comp insurance; Southeastern Council of Gov'ts, 4943.00, dues; Sioux Falls Humane Society, 96.51, service; Sioux Falls Networks, 185.35, services; Sioux Metro Growth Alliance, 11225.50, membership; South Lincoln Rural Water, 19312.51, water; Southeastern Electric Co, 88.80, electricity; Xcel Energy, 6980.08, electricity; Arlen Zomermaand, 1680.00, service. 12-31-24: AT&T Mobility, 664.74, cell phones; Badger Meters, 129.15, maintenance; Benders Sewer & Drain LLC, 5365.00, cleanouts; Bluepeak, 1210.27, phones; Burbach Aquatics Inc, 26762.36, change order; Continental Research Corp, 397.79, chemicals; First Bank & Trust CC, 2825.85, supplies/postage/training; Kanopy Inc, 57.00, services; Kemp Electric LLC, 16630.00, lights; Lacey Rentals Inc, 320.00, rental; Ryan Meister, 2513.40, tax rebate; Sioux Valley News, 753.47, publishing; Sturdevant's Auto Parts, 932.31, supplies/repairs; Titan Rentals, 4896.00, rental; US Bank Equip Finance, 155.85, copier lease; Verizon Wireless, 389.57, cell phones; Vestis Group Inc, 180.76, cleaning supplies; Xcel Energy, 1622.29, electricity. PAYROLL BY DEPARTMENT: Commission, 3161.66; Finance Office, 11213.02; Public Building, 3611.60; Police, 20469.80; Street, 9990.83; Rubble, 312.25; Sewer, 2563.85; Water, 4377.58; Parks, 2202.40; Library, 4593.93. 12-24-24: AFLAC, 644.00, insurance; Ameritas Life Insurance Co, 379.17, insurance; Farmers State Bank, 45439.01, payroll; First Bank & Trust, 9214.70, social security; First Bank & Trust, 4931.48, federal withholdings; First Bank & Trust, 1056.90, HSA; Kansas City Life Insurance, 157.71, insurance; LegalShield, 121.43, employee deductions; SD Dept of Social Services, 138.46, employee deduction; SDRS, 15012.98, retirement; SDRS Supplemental, 1780.00, retirement; TX Child Support SDU, 150.00, employee deduction; Wellmark of South Dakota, 10656.40, insurance. 12-24-24: Appears/Servall, 126.65, uniforms; Bluepeak, 12.93, phone; Bomgaars Supply Inc, 215.74, supplies; CHR Solutions, 877.85, mailings; Frieberg, Nelson & Ask, 802.50, attorney fees; Grainger, 179.97, supplies; Hawkins Inc, 50.00, rental; Jack's Uniform & Equipment, 136.89, uniform shirts; L.G. Everist Inc, 5035.86, salt/sand; MidAmerican Energy Co, 742.53, gas; Mid-American Research Chemicals, 4953.19, chemicals; Pfeifer Implement Co Inc, 289.04, supplies; Republic National Distributing, 8418.55, liquor purchases; SD DANR Div of Ag Serv, 35.00, testing; SD Dept of Health, 370.00, testing; Argus Leader Media, 60.81, paper; Toshiba Financial Services, 317.52, copier lease; Xcel Energy, 1262.56, electricity. Published in the Sioux Valley News on January 16, 2025, at the total approximate cost of \$163.80 and may be viewed free of charge at www.sdpublicnotices.com.

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C-Hawk Wrestlers Take Mid Dakota Tournament

The Canton C-Hawks boys wrestling team traveled to Presho for the Mid Dakota Monster Tournament on Friday and Saturday the 10th and 11th and came home with the team title, 3 individual champions and three 2nd place finishers. Canton will next travel to Tri Valley on Thursday for some dual matches with TV, Kingsbury Co and MCM starting at 5:00 then on Friday night the Hawks will host Winner and SF Jefferson for a triangular in the PAC Center for Senior Night starting at 5:30pm.

The C-Hawks started out on Friday and finished on Saturday and they took the team title out of the 29 team field with 246.5 points finishing the tough team field ahead of 2nd place Tea with 230 followed by KWL/P-G 225.5, Winner 206, Pierre 200, Kingsbury Co 154, Sisseton 136.5, Custer 111.5, O'Neill NE 101.5, Stanley Co 98, Hot Springs 85, St Thomas More 64.5, Lakota Tech 59.5, McCook Central/Montrose 59.5, Lyman 54, Lead-Deadwood 51, Potter Co 47, Sully Buttes 44.5, Mobridge-Pollock 25.5, Warner-Northwestern 23, Cheyenne Eagle Butte 22, Newell 17, Hamlin-Castlewood 16.5, Todd Co 16, Hill City 14.5, Faith 10, Little Wound 3.

The C-Hawks got 6 wrestlers into the finals round with 3 taking first in Seniors Landon Walker and Teague



3rd Place Match- Won 8-7 for a 3rd place finish.

113 Landon Walker- 1st Rd- Bye, 2nd Rd- Won a 18-1 TF 1:56, 3rd Rd- Won 18-1 TF in 1:16, Semis- Won 7-6, Championship match-vs Sisseton- Won a 7-3 decision and finished in 1st Place.

132 Shane Sehr- 1st Rd- Bye, 2nd Rd- LBF :49, 3rd Rd- WBF 3:10, 4th Rd- Lost 4-3 to end his tourney.

138 Camdyn Ockenga- 1st Rd- WBF 5:39, 2nd Rd- LBF Won 8-7, 3rd Rd- Lost a 17-1 TF in 4:32, 4th Rd- LBF 1:59 to end his tourney.

144 Wyatt Tuntland- 1st Rd- Bye, 2nd Rd- LBF 1:12, 3rd Rd- WBF 1:59, 4th Rd- Won 9-5, 5th Rd- LBF 2:35, 7th place match- LBF 3:52 for an 8th place finish.

150 Slayton Swenson- 1st Rd- LBF :24, 2nd Rd- WBF 1:13, 3rd Rd- Won 7-1, 4th Rd- LBF 1:52 to end his tourney.

157 Tasyon Ockenga- 1st Rd- WBF 1:44, 2nd Rd- WBF 1:20, 3rd Rd- Lost 2-0, 4th Rd- Won a 18-2 TF in 4:55, 5th Rd- Won 7-2, 6th Rd- Won a 12-0 major decision, 3rd place match- Won 7-5 to finish in 3rd place.

165 Chase Adam- 1st Rd- Bye, 2nd Rd- WBF 1:40, 3rd Rd- Won 11-10, Semis- LBF :17, 5th Rd- Won a 13-3 MD, 3rd Place Match- LBF 1:42 for a 4th place finish.

175 Aidan Kranz- 1st Rd- WBF 1:51, 2nd Rd- WBF :25, 3rd Rd- 1:32, Semis- Won 18-2 TF in 4:57, Finals Match vs Tea- Lost a 9-1 MD for a 2nd place finish

190 Teague Granum- 1st Rd- Won a 15-0 TF in 1:48, 2nd Rd- WBF :26, 3rd Rd- Won a 17-1 TF in 2:06, Semis- Won a 15-0 TF in 3:04, Finals Match- WBF 3:34 for a 1st Place Finish and put his record to 10-0.

190 Jase Kroger- 1st Rd- Bye, 2nd Rd- LBF :32, 3rd Rd- WBF 2:04, 4th Rd- Won a 17-1 TF in 3:32, 5th Rd- Won by medical forfeit, 6th Rd- Lost 4-1, 7th place match- LBF 4:50 for 8th place finish.

Hwt Hunter Richmond- 1st Rd- Bye, 2nd Rd- WBF 4:00, 3rd Rd- WBF 1:00, 4th Rd- Won a 9-1 MD, Finals Match vs Tea- Lost 7-3 for a 2nd place finish.

113 Blaise Bentz unattached- 1st Rd- Bye, 2nd Rd- LBF 1:45, 3rd Rd- Bye, 4th Rd- Won 8-3 5th Rd- LBF :54 to end his tourney.

120 Carter Kendrick- 1st Rd- Won a 19-2 TF in 1:21, 2nd Rd- Won a 17-2 TF in 1:25, 3rd Rd- Won a 9-0 MD, Semis- WBF 5:19, Championship Match vs Custer- Won a 14-2 MD to finish in 1st place.

126 Zach Bartels- 1st Rd- Bye, 2nd Rd- WBF 1:21, 3rd Rd- Won a 15-0 TF in 3:02, Semis- Won a 12-0 MD, Championship Match vs Tea- Lost 19-8 for a 2nd place finish.



Granum along with sophomore Carter Kendrick. Seniors Hunter Richmond and Zach Bartels and Junior Aidan Kranz finished in 2nd place. Canton also got 3rd place finishes from Freshman Bode Walker and Junior Tasyon Ockenga along with 4th place from sophomore Chase Adam.

C-Hawks Results from Mid Dakota Monster Tournament:
106 Bode Walker- 1st Rd- Won a 17-1 TF in 5:20, 2nd Rd- WBF 1:00, 3rd Rd- Won 8-5, Semis- Lost 15-8 to Champion from Winner, 5th Rd- Won a 10-2 major decision,



Sportstalk

By Rich Beitzel

I got to drive bus out to Chamberlain on Friday night and haul the C-Hawks girls wrestling team as they were on there way to Presho the next day for the Mid Dakota Monster wrestling tournament. It was a good drive and dropped them off at the motel and went for fuel then back to my room and parked the bus and plugged it in then off to watch some college football by myself. Got up early the next morning and off to Presho to drop them off for their day of wrestling. The boys wrestled Friday and Saturday and the girls just on Saturday. Got there Saturday morning and the boys were starting later so there were a few seats open to grab up so you had one for the day. After I parked the bus, I relaxed for awhile and then went in and watched our girls wrestle hard and that was good to see. Then a bit later the boys came in and started up with their semi finals and some wrestlebacks but man I proud to watch how hard the wrestled and that is both the boys and girls. I was glad I was wearing a Canton Wrestling sweatshirt because they all seem to wrestle with good sportsmanship because I saw some not so good from other towns so good job coaches of the C-Hawks. At the end of the day the girls had 2 champions in Natalia and Finley and the boys had 3 champs in Landon, Carter and Teague and they also had the team titles they were shooting for. The boys grabbed the lead and won by 16.5 points and that was with the help all of the wrestlers winning matches throughout the day so great team win. The girls got 2nd with only Pierre finishing ahead of them

but we are waiting to beat them at state this year.

Speaking of wrestling I hope we can have a big crowd on Friday night for the only dual matches in Canton for the boys. We will wrestle Winner and SF Jefferson in the PAC with a start time of 5:30. This is also Senior night so lets sit in some comfortable seats and watch our C-Hawk wrestlers at home which will be nice. This is the list of seniors I have and they are Cam Anderson, Zach Bartels, Teague Granum, Hunter Richmond, Landon Walker and Jesse Wentz so that a good group of guys and real good wrestlers. Go C-Hawks.

I also drove to Dell Rapids on Thursday for some basketball and the girls played first and it was a good game and they won to put their record at 4-4 and they played like a team as a lot of different players had good games and that is how you win these games. Jenna VandeWeerd is controlling the middle by the basket and she works very hard getting rebounds and scoring some short jump shots and you can bet she gets shoved around under the hoop but she just keeps working hard and trying to get the Hawks a big W. The boys have been working hard but just can't seem to get the ball to drop in the basket enough. They are working hard and hopefully that will payoff soon to get a W. Saturday they go to Colman Egan school and face off against Mitchell Christian who like our C-Hawks are looking for their first victory. That game starts at 2:00. The girls will be there at 11:00am to play 3-2 Castlewood at the same place so good luck to both teams.

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