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Eido Connect's
Philosophy for 2026

Different

"Not the Shoes"



"John - don't forget the Father/Daughter Celebration Sunday night" - pretending not to hear his wife's voice - John closed the door and stepped into - hopefully to him it was many years ago when things were good - but heat hitting him in the face brought him back to reality.

The last thing John wanted to do right now was take his little daughter, Sarah, to a Father/Daughter party. Of all the stupid ideas this had to be one of the worst.

Weather extremely hot, time to cut hay, dry hot weather - not much hay - fuel prices up - crop prices down - and to top all this off he had just broken his finger while fixing fence - life couldn't be any worse.

Sunday came around all too fast for John - he wasn't ready - didn't want to go - was in no mood for a Father/Daughter party.

In fact no party would be any good but his wife Julie suggested it would be a good challenge for him - right now he had enough challenges.

Having no idea what would take place John took Sarah's little hand in his as they walked into the auditorium - the touch of her little hand - well it softened his heart long enough to remember the day she was born - made this Father/Daughter celebration just a little more bearable.

Of all the dumb things that went on that day - Cinderella - they had to watch the movie - Cinderella - and all the way home all Sarah could say was - Daddy - Daddy - can you buy me some shoes like Cinderella - over and over she questioned and finally to quiet her down he said - sure - tomorrow.

Tomorrow came - Daddy - Daddy - buy me shoes - John had to run to the elevator so promised Sarah he would pick up some shoes - must be out of my mind - but picked up a pair of shoes - Sarah put them on and around and round she danced - really did look like a little princess.

John watched Sarah and every day she would wake up - out her shoes on - still in her PJ's and come dancing down the hallway - dance around the kitchen table and say "I'm a princess - my shoes say I'm a princess."

John couldn't understand the change in little Sarah but he could see it - she was definitely different. The more he thought about it - the more he wondered - did the shoes really make that much difference - if so?

The next day John - who had only known farm boots bought himself a pair of shoes - nothing fancy - just a plain ordinary pair of shoes - felt good - felt different - wasn't sure but.

John wore the shoes - one day while in the barn he stepped on a pile of - crap all over his shoes - started to rain - poured - mud everywhere - feet soaked.

That night - after cleaning up John sat in his chair - watching the lightning fill the sky - watching and thinking about the miracle of life - smiled and realized it weren't the shoes that changed him but his attitude.



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"Heroes"

Heroes come in all makes and models but one kind of Hero we often miss are the farmers and businessmen that support how fortunate we are to live in this area. Heroes don't make money but offer a service to our communities - but if they were rich they won't be here.

Make sure you offer them your support and thankfulness - I sure would hate to pay the bills of one farmer or businessman. Think about it.

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Schedule for
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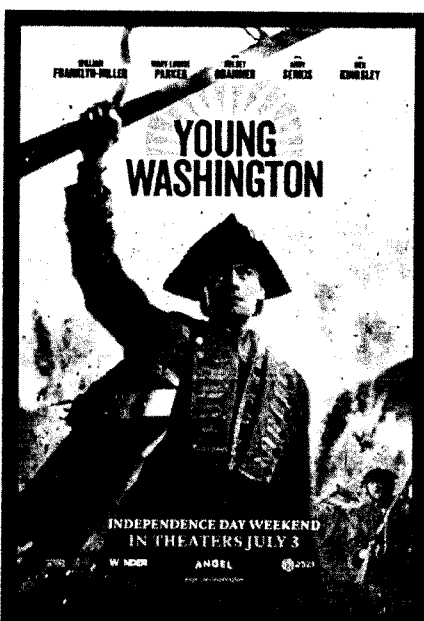
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(M) 10:00 am. Sun.

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PG-13 • War/Adventure • 2hr 5m

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Nomination Deadline: August 29



Celebrate with us on October 28 during the annual Ag Appreciation Banquet in Bowman.



Farmer/Rancher of the Year
Nominations
Now Open

(Bowman, ND) – Nominations for the 2026 Farmer/Rancher of the Year Award are now open! Nominees must be 55 years or older and located in Bowman, Slope, or Harding Counties with significant agricultural contributions. Farmers and ranchers from the region have been honored since 1989. Residents, families, and friends are encouraged to nominate a significant farmer or rancher in their life for this incredible award.

The selected honoree will be honored at the Ag Appreciation Banquet hosted by Bowman Area Chamber of Commerce

at the 4 Seasons Pavillion in Bowman on October 28, 2026. Make sure to save the date for the family-friendly, annual Ag Appreciation Banquet and enjoy a free meal while celebrating the backbone of Bowman, Slope, and Harding Counties. This significant tradition shows the deepest gratitude to all the farmers and ranchers who dedicate so much to our region.

Nominations are due August 28, 2026 and can be submitted via email to margo@swnd.com, mailed to PO Box 1143, Bowman, ND 58623, or delivered to 13 E Divide. For nomination forms and more information please email margo@swnd.org, call 701.523.5880 or visit bowmand.com/chamber/ag-appreciation-banquet.

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We are pleased to have a new sign welcoming people to Southwest North Dakota and the Enchanted Highway. Thank you goes out to Dickinson Coca Cola Bottling Company and TJ Herauf for sponsoring the sign for the Enchanted Highway Foundation. The sign was produced by Quality Quick Print in Dickinson and they did a great job with the design. You see the front side on this picture but the back side has a map of the Enchanted Highway plus information on Regent. Next week we will publish a picture of the back side. I would also like to mention

my trusty helper "Right Hand Man" Tom Williams who helped me put the sign together and up for display. We had some unexpected delays with the kiosk sign, but the last three should be up by the end of this week. The wind did not help us out. Thank you to all of the supporters of the Enchanted Highway! Your support and donations allow us to upgrade and make the sculpture sites presentable to the those who come from all over the United States to view the sculptures. Rich Wardner, Board Chair

Harding County
4-H Premium Sale

Saturday, August 15th at 2 pm
Camp Crook, SD

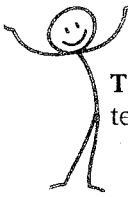
Come Support the 4H youth!

Any Questions call Spring Padden 605-641-3505.

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212 Iowa Ave.
(located in the alley)
will be open
Friday, August 14, 2026
12:00 Noon until 1:00 PM
Any questions call 824-3209

Bake Sale

Tuesday, August 11, 2026
209 6th St. N
Hettinger, ND
10:00 am - 2:00 pm
Cindy & Karen



THE ROAD TO SUCCESS is dotted with many tempting parking places.

Footprints in the sands of time are never made by sitting down.

Instead of looking at what's wrong, look at everything that is right!

In Loving Memory of Loretta Mehrer



Perhaps you sent a lovely card,
Or sat quietly in a chair,
Perhaps you sent a funeral spray,
If so we saw it there,
Perhaps you spoke the kindest words,
As any friend could say,
Perhaps you were not there at all,
Just thought of us that day,
Whatever you did to console our
hearts,

We thank you so much whatever the part.
Gilbert Mehrer and Family

Plan to attend Southwest Community Health Fair

Join your friends and neighbors at the Southwest Community Health Fair! Senior citizens, caregivers and families are invited to enjoy a free meal, connect with regional vendors and explore valuable community resources.

The Southwest Community Health Fair will be held from 3-7 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 18, at the New Leipzig Community Center.

A free meal of sloppy joes, chips, cookies and will be served from 5-6:30 p.m.

The free event is being organized by a regional committee to bring local resources to one spot to learn about the availability of a wide range of services. Organizers hope everyone in the region puts this important event on their calendar to attend.

Learn from presenters:

4 p.m. - Low-impact exercises with Lauren Meier, True Treatment PT

4:30 p.m. - Advance Directives with Legal Services of North Dakota

5 p.m. - Hospice with HIA Hospice

5:30 p.m. - Adult Protective Services

6 p.m. - Scams with AARP
6:30 p.m. - Diabetes and

hypertension management with FNP Holly Gaugler with Jacobson Memorial Hospital Care Center

Free blood pressure and blood glucose screenings will be available from Jacobson Memorial Hospital Care Center.

Then visit with vendors anytime during the event and register for door prizes.

Sponsors include Dakota Community Bank and Trust, Jacobson Memorial Hospital Care Center, and New Leipzig and Elgin Senior Meals.

Vendors include: AARP, Adult Protective Services, AHL Distribution, Community Kicking Cancer, Edgewood Village, Grief Support Group, HIA Health and HIA Hospice, Holistic Health Solutions with Holly Ottmar, Jacobson Memorial Hospital Care Center, Legal Services of North Dakota, New Leipzig-Elgin Ambulance Service, Mott Health Care Center, N.D. Health and Human Services home and community services, N.D. Senior Career Development Foster Grandparent Program, N.D. Senior Medicare Patrol, N.D. Health and Human Services Vocational Rehabilitation, NDSU Extension, NoDak Medical Alert, North Dakota Assistive, North Dakota School for the Deaf/Resource Center, Senior meals of Elgin and New Leipzig, True Treatment PT with Lauren Meier, Western Plains Public Health and West River Health Services.

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THANK YOU

THANK YOU

We would like to take this opportunity to thank so many people who came to fight the fire last Wednesday, July 29th. It was started by lightning leaving a tree smoldering, and strong wind causing an attack on the prairie.

**To all the local fire departments that came to our

rescue: Bison, Lemmon, Meadow, Lodgepole, Prairie City, Keldron, & Hettinger. Hopefully we didn't miss any of you!

**To all family, friends, & neighbors who brought their fire fighting units to help!

**To any and all who came back for days later to monitor some hot spots and spent time to make everything safe!

**To all who brought or sent drinks and food for workers!

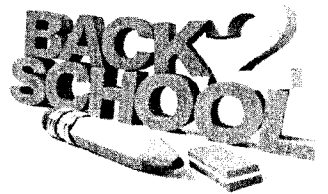
**We would like to personally thank all who worked so hard that day. If you were here and see us around, please come up and let us know you were here. We appreciate it.

It was such a team effort, and so comforting to see how everyone worked together to save our homes and as much property as you did. It was like a well-oiled machine and nothing short of miraculous for getting this fire stopped and with no injuries! We live in a wonderful community, and all the surrounding area, full of awesome people who will leave their homes and jobs to come help at a moments notice!

With our love, respect, and appreciation -- Thank you!!

Tim & JoAnne Seim
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Kel & Jean Brockel

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Second Wednesdays of Most Months • Bowman

Southwest Healthcare Auxiliary will meet on the second Wednesday of April, May, June, Aug., Sept., Oct. & Nov. at 1:30pm at the Sunrise Village. Anyone is welcome to join.

First Monday of Every Month • Bowman, ND

Bowman Lions monthly meeting and dinner at 6:30 p.m. at Bowman Lodge and Convention Center

Second Monday of Every Month • Scranton, ND

Scranton Lions monthly meeting at 6:30 p.m. at the Community Center.

Second Monday of Every Month • Scranton, ND

City Board Meeting at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall

Second Tuesday of Every Month • Bowman, ND

Southwest Cancer Survivors support group for anyone touched by cancer. 4:30pm • Bowman Regional Public Library • All are welcome to attend our meeting.

First Thursday of Every Month • Bowman, ND

NOTICE TO ALL VETERANS: Post 48 Local American Legion invites and encourages you to join our meetings. Back of the Crystal Bar at 7pm. For more info call Tom Bakken, Adjutant, 701-440-8364.

First Tuesday of Every Month • Amidon, ND

City Council Meeting at 8:30 a.m.

Every Wednesday • Scranton, ND

Scranton TOPS meet at 9:00 a.m. in the Community Center.

Third Wednesday of Every Month • Bowman, ND

The Bowman/Slope Community Cupboard is open from 3pm-5pm.

No referrals necessary.

Last Monday of Every Month • Check "Be the Light" on Facebook for the monthly location

Be the Light Suicide Support Group • 6:30pm. Everyone Welcome.

If you have a nonprofit, community event you would like published, free of charge, on the Area Monthly Community Events Calendar,

Send them to: Eido Connect, PO Box 97,
Bowman, ND 58623 by 4:00 p.m. Wednesday.

Town: MOTT



Good things about
Your Community

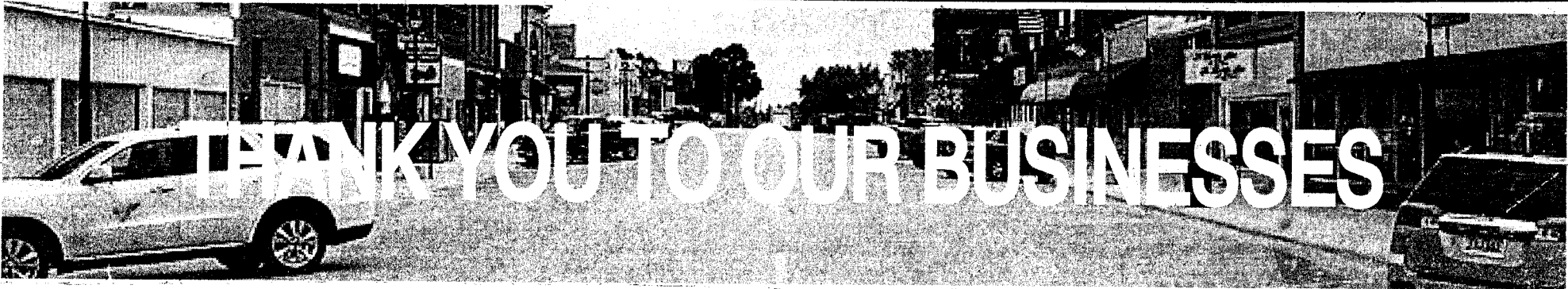


- 1 Albert &
- 2 Darlene Frey
- 3 Classic Car Show
- 4 Generous donations
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It's been a great week
By Kathy Craig Harteis

It has been a great week. My niece Sonya was here from California. She fell in love with North and South Dakota.

Things we sometimes take for granted continued to amaze her.

Our friends and family stepped up to share their knowledge. Maria Frank shared with her her horses. A visit to Don and Chris Fulton's farm delighted her by letting her feed and pet the Highland cows there. She is a total animal advocate and was delighted to meet the barn cats and the goats as well.

Daughter Tiffany led a drive through TR Park where we witnessed a good sized herd of bison up close and personal as they ran right next to our cars. Pretty exciting!

In South Dakota she visited The Chapel in the Hills and Mt Rushmore.

She was totally blown away by the Medora Musical. It is excellent this year.

I also took her to Devils Tower. It's always a magical wonder to see.

Sonya has had some sadness in the past two years. I promised to make a visit here that would make her smile. She did.



by
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Last week, Dr. Anthony Fauci did absolutely nothing to dispel my personal distrust of virtually every public health professional since October, 2019. I only made it through 2 semesters of medical school myself; but, this masking "mandate" was my first head-scratch when those officials were telling us, much like holding a tennis racket in front of your face to stop a BB coming at it; and, standing 6 feet apart was somehow going to magically negate over 225 years of medical science. I was told in 1976 that masking protected the patient from us sneezing or slobbering into an open wound not vice versa. And, the first vaccine? Edward Jenner's smallpox vaccination in 1796. So, up until Fauci's pronouncements in 2021, "vaccine" meant the use of weakened/dead microorganisms administered to a patient for prevention or amelioration of infectious disease. And, post-2021, the literal translation became, "Because we said so". And, "we" became the private sector, nursing homes, hospitals, politicians, unelected bureaucrats, and, the media. Wait a minute...I thought HIPPA was supposed to prevent exactly that???

I also made the unfortunate mistake of actually reading about the COVID danger including data produced outside the United States. And, getting the Fauci "ouchi" (at least 50 different vaccines at last count), did not appear to be doing anything to either protect the recipient or the general public. Again, changing traditional medicine for no apparent reason. And, reading Bobby Kennedy's The Real Anthony Fauci over Christmas, 2021, didn't help either. I think there were over 2,000 footnotes in that book and, it

did not paint a pretty picture of Dr. Fauci, pharmaceutical companies, or our public health officials. If you asked questions, you got canceled—enough said. And, I'm sorry, but, the constant flip-flopping was mind boggling. Don't believe me? The next time you're flying, spot a pilot at the airport who looks older than age 35. Trying to boss around Alphas does not end well for you!

So, President Biden's January, 2025, last-minute "pre-emptive" pardon of Fauci seemed curious at best. Wasn't Fauci "Mr. Science"? And, didn't this pardon vindicate the critics who had been claiming that he personally profited, his crew had funded the research that created this deadly virus and, that he enabled the Chinese in Wuhan to create the virus and, unleashed it upon the world? The pardon is actually backdated to 2014—the year we banned "gain of function" virus research which Fauci is accused of outsourcing to China. And, as a lawyer, I note that Fauci's "no comment" play last week comes with peril. You see, once you get a pardon from a chief executive, you can still be hauled in front of a grand jury for perjury and, invoking the 5th some 111 times does absolutely nothing to make it look like we can close the book on this sad chapter in our history. No one can dispute that, objectively, Fauci's attempt to downplay the Wuhan link, but yet, his folks' funding of that very research, remains unexplained by Mr. Science. Yet, it is documented ad nauseum since Newsweek's investigation began in April, 2020. Really, how smart are you if you use a government email server to document your private faux pas and ego? Mr. Science sure wasn't Mr. Smart I guess. Have a great week.

Please Join us!

Saturday, August 15, 2026

**7th Annual Danny Hauge
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Happiness is not an accident. Nor is it something you wish for. Happiness is something you design.

Third Annual 3 v 3 Girls Basketball League held in Lemmon, South Dakota



Top 10 Winners from the Lemmon 3v3 League: Evelyn Ahart (Newell), Brynn Odenbach (Lemmon), Presley Buckman (Belfield), Hadley Talkington (Belfield), Palmer Simons (Bison), Maddlynn RedBear (Dupree), Tymber Benson (Lemmon), and Sienna Peterson (Lemmon). Not pictured Acalia and Ellarie Olson (Hettinger).

Eighty-two girls representing 13 communities competed in the Third Annual 3 v 3 Girls Basketball League held in Lemmon this summer. The participants had the opportunity to compete on five Monday evenings throughout June and July. Teams were randomly drawn each night, with players competing in three 15-minute games per evening. This format allows athletes with busy schedules to come as often as it works into their schedules. Individual wins were tracked throughout the summer, and the top 10 players earned a T-shirt sponsored by the Lemmon Sports Boosters.

League organizers Ryan and Jeanna Kohn, Sheri Anderson, and Merris Miller once again enjoyed hosting the event and were pleased with this year's turnout. Lemmon Head Girls Basketball Coach Ryan Kohn said, "Being located away from larger communities can limit opportunities for our girls to compete during the summer. This league not only gives them valuable game experience but also allows them to build friendships with players from neighboring communities." Kohn

noted that participants traveled from as far away as Belfield and Newell to take part in the league.

Hadley Talkington (Belfield), Maddlynn RedBear (Dupree), and Palmer Simons (Bison) each recorded 11 of a possible 15 wins to lead the league. Lemmon's Sienna Peterson and Tymber Benson finished with 10 wins, while Belfield's Presley Buckman earned nine victories.

Acalia Olson (Hettinger), Brynn Odenbach (Lemmon), Ellarie Olson (Hettinger), Evelyn Ahart (Newell), Izzie O'Donnell (Lemmon), Leighton Obonusouki (New England), and Madison Dauwen (Lemmon) tied with eight wins for the last four positions. Following a random drawing to break the tie, Brynn Odenbach, Evelyn Ahart, and sisters Acalia and Ellarie Olson were awarded the remaining T-shirts.

Events like the 3 v 3 league are only possible because of the many volunteers who generously donate their time and talents. A special thank you goes to the following individuals for helping make this year's league a success through their

volunteer efforts or donations: Todd Dauwen, Alec O'Donnell, Brett and Trigg Odenbach, Jaden Schoch, Luke Bonefield, Mike, Blake, and Grady Drayton, John Wagendorf, Chance Mistelski, Scott Reede, Leaf Bakken, Robyn Dupree, Erick Kelner, Jordyn Kohn, Olivia O'Donnell, Chel Odenbach, Miranda and Remi Benson, Alyssa and Hadley Bieber, Sara Gebhart, Ryzin Newsome, Allie Kohn, Derek and Whitney Olson, and Will Besler.

As legendary coach John Wooden once said, "Success is never final, failure is never fatal. It's courage that counts." Kohn echoed that sentiment, saying, "Congratulations to all of the girls who participated in this year's league. It can be intimidating to play with athletes from other schools, especially older players. Every time you stepped onto the court, you grew—not only by developing your basketball skills, but also by having the courage to step outside your comfort zone. We hope that you not only improved on your game but gained friendships as well."

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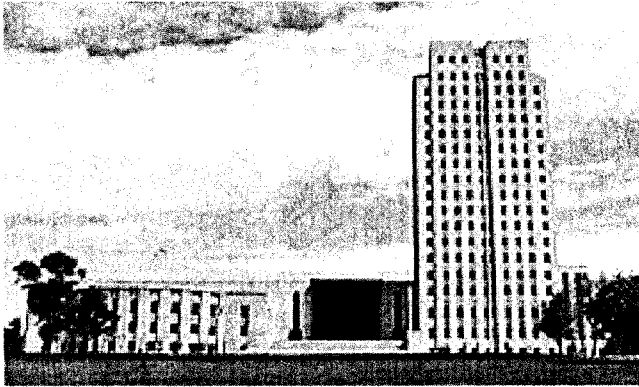


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North Dakota Facts and Figures



by Rich Wardner

SPECIAL FUND SPENDING: NORTH DAKOTA VS SOUTH DAKOTA

North Dakota's Special Fund two year spending is \$7,681 million (\$7.68 billion) and the one year (2026-27 fiscal year) spending is \$3,840.5 million (\$3.84 billion). South Dakota's Other Funds (Special Funds) spending for the 2026-27 fiscal year is \$1,786.5 million (\$1.79 billion). Those that keep bringing it up that North Dakota Spends more than South Dakota are correct. The difference is \$2,054 million (\$2.1 billion) which is the amount that North Dakota is currently spending more than South Dakota in the Special Fund Budget per year. Before you jump up in the air and yell, "I told you so!" **lets check out the REST OF THE STORY!**

So that the article does not get too long I will lay out the rest of the story over the next two additions of the Eido.

Fact #1: South Dakota does not have a State Bank. The budget for the **Bank of North Dakota is \$48.7 million this year.** The revenue to run the Bank of North Dakota comes from the bank's earnings.

Fact #2: South Dakota does not have a State Mill and Elevator. The budget for the **mill and elevator is \$54.2 million this year.** The revenue to operate the State Mill and Elevator comes from the mill's earnings.

Fact #3: South Dakota does not have a state Workforce Safety Insurance. The budget for **WSI is \$40.2 million this year.** The revenue comes from premium dollars that the employers pay in North Dakota. South Dakota employers buy their Workers Comp on the private market.

Fact #4: South Dakota does not have a Department of Min-

eral Resources. The budget for the Department of Mineral Resources is **\$20.2 million this year.** The revenue comes from oil taxes.

Fact #5: South Dakota does not have an Industrial Commission. The budget for the **Industrial Commission is \$73.8 million this year.** The revenue comes from the different agencies under their supervision mainly oil tax revenue.

Fact #6: South Dakota does not include the tuition collect at each university campus in their state budget. North Dakota starting in the 2017 legislative session includes all of the tuition and fees in the special funds at each campus which are reflected in the state budget. The **University's tuition dollars collected this year is \$1,200 million (\$1.2 billion).** The \$1,200 million is the tuition and fees from eleven institutions that stays with those institutions, but is counted in the North Dakota Special Funds budget.

If you total the budget numbers for North Dakota agencies that South Dakota does not have it equals \$1,437.1 million or \$1.44 billion. The \$1.44 billion cuts deep into the difference of \$2.1 billion between North Dakota and South Dakota state spending. The North Dakota agencies list above generate their own revenue. There are no individual taxes like income or sales tax involved in funding of these agencies and as they say in the legislature, "these agencies eat their own road kill". **The real questions:** Should North Dakota eliminate the State Bank? Or the Mill and Elevator? Or leave the University System's Tuition and Fees off budget? I am not done comparing and there will be more facts and comparisons to look at next week.

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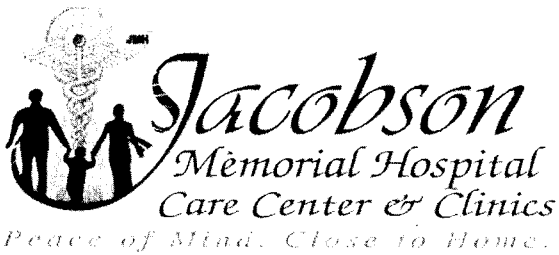
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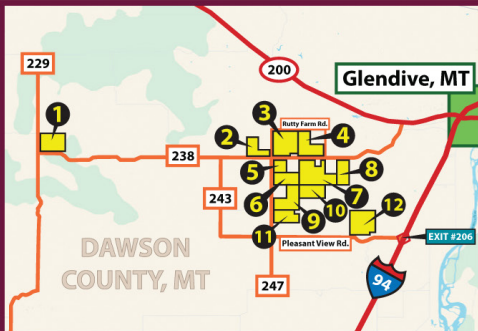
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Sloth is indifference to God and the things of God – passion is commitment to God and the things of God. Passion is obedience, loyalty, devotion, and a willingness to follow. It's praying daily, "Have Thine own way, Lord; have Thine own way! Thou art the Potter, I am the clay!"

[Deut. 34.7] He was as healthy as a horse! He could see – his passion was not gone – there was spring in his step!

When I die, there will still be unanswered emails, unanswered texts, unresolved differences with people I love. I'm not gonna get everything done I want to, and my bucket list will still be mostly empty. Jesus got everything done He was sent to do [ref. John 19.30], but I'm not gonna get it all done – so, even though I'm not aiming for completed tasks, I am aiming for faithfulness! I want to fight the good fight, to finish the race, to keep the faith. [ref. 2Tim 4.6-8] I want to still have the desire and longing for Jesus in my heart – even though at the end, my body may not allow me to do all I want. It's that passion for Jesus and the things of heaven I'm talking about.

Another meaning of the word passion is from the Latin "passio," which means suffering or

Cloud Seeding Operations Summary for July 27-August 2, 2026

BISMARCK, N.D. – The heat continued last week with southwestern North Dakota seeing several days of high temperatures topping the century mark. Showers and thunderstorms brought some precipitation to the area; however, rainfall totals were only around a quarter inch for many locations.

In the District 1 operations area, which includes Bowman and part of Slope Counties, ten operational flights were flown last week. There were five flights for hail suppression, four flights for repositioning of aircraft, and one flight for reconnaissance.

A change in the weather pattern this week should bring relief to southwestern North Dakota in the form of cooler temperatures. A cold front passing through the region will moderate temperatures through the work week with high temperatures in the 80s. The upper-level ridge is forecast to build back into our region by the weekend with temperatures heating up once again.

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Expressions of HOPE
Reflections on the Words of Life
by Pastor Paul Ferrie, Grace Reformed Church of the Lord Jesus, New Leipzig

Last time in 1 Peter 4:1, we saw the necessity for the believer in Christ to leave his or her ungodly way of life behind. The next verses elaborate on how this looks in the believer's life. Verse 2: "That he no longer should live the rest of his time in the flesh for the lusts of men, but for the will of God." Verse 3 gives a description of living for the lusts of men: "For we have spent enough of our past lifetime in doing the will of the Gentiles—when we walked in lewdness, lusts, drunkenness, revelries, drinking parties, and abominable idolatries."

Peter hits the nail on the head here, describing conditions not only in 1st century Roman Empire, but also in our 21st century world. Good and natural God-given desires are so often turned into sinful cravings. The first two sins listed in verse 3 are sexual sins: lewdness and lusts. Instead of using sex as the wonderful expression of love and intimacy between a husband and wife, as God intended, mankind has indulged in pornography, adul-

tery, prostitution, homosexuality, and just about every kind of sexual perversion imaginable. And this sin is more than widespread; it has become epidemic. It is ruining marriages, families, and lives everywhere we look.

Christians, be careful. This is a delicate area to discuss, but one that must be addressed. Satan knows it is uncomfortable and would like us to pass over it. But the truth is, many believers get caught up in sexual sins. They find that what started as something seemingly insignificant has grown into a consuming passion. It has ruined the purity of their thoughts, and they are living in a virtual cesspool of mental sin. The more lusts are fed, the stronger they grow. None of us should think we are an exception, that we can look at pictures or read books or watch shows that feed this kind of lust and avoid being entrapped.

For any who have fallen into the practice of engaging in things that feed sinful sexual desires—seek God's grace to stop immediately. Some may have become so engrossed that it seems they can never get out. But Christ can deliver. Some may have fed lust until it is like a roaring lion. But Jesus can tame the lion. Don't wait. Confess it to Him. Plead for His grace to set you free.

The next words Peter lists in verse 3 deal with another area of uncontrolled passion: drunkenness, revelries, drinking parties, and abominable idolatries. Such things can find their way even into the life of a believer, especially if the believer is deceived about the destructive potential of such

things. The devil, together with our weak, rationalizing flesh, is a master at getting us to think that sin is no big deal. Once that happens, we can comfortably go deeper into the sin until it has a stranglehold on us. Drunkenness loves company. Drinking parties and revelries cause the believer to find more people to join in sinning, making the sin easier to rationalize.

Whatever type of sin the believer might get sucked into, the essential first step in stopping it from taking over our lives is to be ruthless in our assessment of it. That means we must agree with what God's Word says about it. We must not make excuses but admit that it is an evil thing. Then we must ask God not only to forgive us through the blood of Christ, but also to enable us to put away the sin. It may mean having to go to the Lord numerous times in a day or even in a half hour.

But we must keep persisting in prayer for deliverance. We should also be much in God's Word and fill our thoughts with His truth. Solid encouragement is found in the Bible. Let Hebrews 4:15-16 motivate us: "For we do not have a High Priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but was in all points tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need."

There is abundant help for believers to be delivered from sinful patterns. But if anyone reading this has not placed his or her trust in Christ alone for salvation, that is step one. The only access to God is through Christ (John 14:6). Please do not delay. God has transformed many lives, and He can do the same today.

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- Monday 08/10/2026**
 - 10:00am Move N Grove Monday
 - 2:00pm Make and Bake Smore's Cookies
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 - 1:00 Outing to Library and The Tulip
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 - 12:30pm Bridge Players
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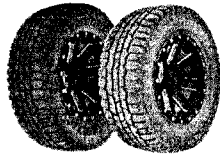
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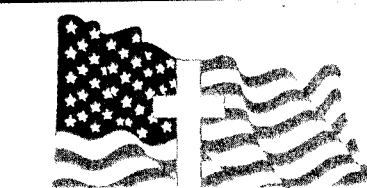
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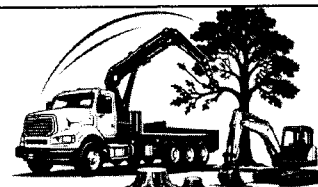
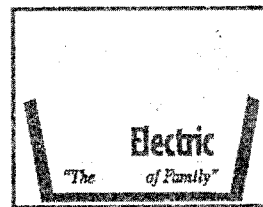
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By Marlene Kouba

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*More than 955 of Florida's oranges become juice.

*Cranberries can bounce.

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Douglas Duane Plummer Rites

Douglas Duane Plummer was born on May 4, 1936, in Ollie, Montana, the son of Patrick



and Edna (Berg) Plummer. He grew up in the Ollie area and attended school there before graduating from Baker High School in 1953.

Following high school, Doug attended Montana State University in Bozeman, where he earned his degree in Civil Engineering in 1957.

Doug married Myra Corbitt in 1957, and together they welcomed three children: Sherry, Keith, and Kevin. He began his career as a civil engineer with the Federal Highway Administration. During his career, Doug and his family traveled throughout 25 different states while working on highway projects. He was instrumental in completing Interstate 94 from Bismarck west to Montana.

Following his retirement in 1982, they moved from Mandan to Baker. Doug returned to the Ollie area after his Uncle passed away and took over the Pat Plummer ranch. Myra

passed away in 1989. Doug returned to his beloved ranch in Mandan in 1990 and married Judy Schuler in 1993.

From an early age, Doug was a gifted athlete. He played basketball for the Spartans and he competed on a regional baseball team. During college he competed in all the rough stock events and steer wrestling. He often said it was tough to get his engineering studies completed being on the road 3-4 days a week with their college rodeo schedule. He had a lifelong passion for horses, raising many outstanding horses over the years. He served as a 4-H leader and a Sunday School teacher. Doug was also recognized as an expert witness in highway design and worked tirelessly on the North Dakota Horse Racing Board to create opportunities for ND Quarter Horse breeders. He was also a Land Surveyor.

Doug was a member of McCabe Methodist Church in Bismarck, the Bismarck-Mandan Elks, and served on the Mor Gran Sou board. Above all, he treasured his family and especially loved attending his grandchildren's sporting events and activities. Doug and Judy spent their winters in Phoenix over the last several years. He did not like the cold!

Doug is survived by his wife, Judy Plummer of Bismarck; children, Sherry Plummer of Dickinson ND, Keith Plummer of Mandan, Kevin (Kim) Plummer of Baker, MT; stepsons, Cory (Lisa) Glaser of Bismarck and Jayme (Aimee) Glaser of Bismarck; sister, Loretta (Harold) Schlothauer of Fairview, MT; grandchildren,

Justin (Jessica) Plummer, Sheyenne (Jake) Hovick, McKenzie Plummer, Skylar Ehley, Kylee Glaser, and Kady Glaser; great-grandchildren, Wade, Weston, Brynlee, Tenley, Everly, Bentley, and Maverick; along with numerous extended family members and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Patrick and Edna Plummer, and his first wife, Myra Plummer.

We would also like to thank Kait M. and Katie E. and the great team at Sanford Hospice in Mandan. Dad appreciated the weekly visits from Pastor Marvin with hospice.

In lieu of flowers please donate to your favorite charity or the ND Cowboy Hall of Fame, Medora, ND.

April Lynn Brooks Death Notice

April Lynn Brooks, 68, passed away peacefully at home on July 28, 2026, surrounded by her husband and three daughters after a private battle with metastatic breast cancer.

April Lynn Roskelley was born on April 8, 1958, in Challis, Idaho, to Byron and Dona Roskelley, the youngest of three children.

She married Steve Brooks on June 19, 1982. They made their home on the Brooks family ranch north of Bowman, North Dakota, where they raised their three daughters: Calli, Cassi, and Skeeter.

She embraced life with determination. An avid athlete, she competed in rodeo, track, basketball and drill team in high school and later in life ran numerous half marathons, played volleyball and hiked. She traveled extensively, both independently and with family and friends. Among her many adventures were travels to Italy, Sicily, Egypt, Thailand with Calli and Cassi, Bali, Mexico, Greece, and throughout the United States. She also treasured hiking the Tour du Mont Blanc in the Alps of Italy and Switzerland and the mountains of Torres del Paine in Patagonia with her niece Rachel. She was ecstatic to attend Olympics when they were in Vancouver, Canada.

She was on the Slope County and Bowman County Fair Boards, Cottage School Board, and she received Secretary of the Year from the North Dakota Rodeo Association after she was the secretary and timed for numerous rodeos and ropings.

At home, she loved working on the ranch alongside Steve and Skeeter, working cattle on horseback, calving each spring, tending to her beautiful lawn, flower gardens, and thriving houseplants, and spending time



with her beloved dogs, who her daughters were convinced ranked just a little higher than they did. She completed all the record keeping for the Registered Angus heard. She proudly wore the title of 'Grandma Ape' for her grandkids.

She is survived by her husband of 44 years, Steve Brooks; her daughters, Calli (Joe) Komban, Cassi (Levi) Magilke, and Skeeter (Kenzie) Brooks; her grandchildren, Rina and Sonny Komban, and Rio and Scotch Magilke; her brother, Micky (Maureen) Roskelley; her sister, Chris (Doug) James; and her nieces, Rachel Roskelley, Danielle (Micky) Pingree, Shana (Mark) Ingram, and Jace (Kristina) James and numerous beloved extended family and friends.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Dona Bradshaw; her dad, Byron Roskelley; and her father-in-law, Wayne Brooks.

She will be remembered for her adventurous spirit, determination, dry sense of humor, love of the ranch, and the friendships and family she cherished. She will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved her.

In accordance with her wishes, no funeral or public memorial will be held. Her family will honor her life by spreading her ashes at Bayhorse Lake in Idaho, a place that was always close to her heart.

Sandra Faye Hofland "Sandi" Rites To Be Held

Sandra Faye Hofland, "Sandi" passed away peace-



fully on July 30, 2026, at West River Regional Medical Center in Hettinger, North Dakota. She was 75 years old.

A Gathering of Family and Friends "Celebration of Life" will start at 4:00 p.m. MT on Saturday, August 8, 2026 at The Granary in Hettinger, ND.

Sandi was born on April 17, 1951, in Hettinger, North Dakota, to Julius and Opal Goplin. She was the third of four children and was raised in Hettinger, where she attended school,

cheered for the Hettinger High School cheerleading squad, and graduated with the Class of 1969.

Sandi met Charles Holzer, and the two were married on September 1, 1973. Together they began their life in Aberdeen, South Dakota, where Sandi attended Presentation College and earned her nursing degree. In a fitting testament to her devotion to both family and education, her first son, Charles James "C.J." Holzer, was born on May 9, 1976, the very day she was scheduled to graduate from nursing school. Their second son, Eric Paul Holzer, was born on April 10, 1979.

Following graduation, the family returned to Hettinger, where Sandi began what would become a distinguished nursing career at West River Regional Medical Center. She dedicated herself to caring for others as a registered nurse and later served as a diabetic educator, positively impacting countless patients and families through her compassion, knowledge, and encouragement.

In 1999, Sandi moved to Loveland, Colorado, where she continued her nursing career in Greeley. It was there that she reconnected with Gale Hofland. Together they moved to Rancho Cucamonga, California, where Sandi served as an RN and RN Supervisor, continuing her lifelong commitment to excellence in nursing. Sandi and Gale were married on June 22, 2002, and shared 24 wonderful years together.

After 36 years in health-care, Sandi retired from nursing in approximately 2012. Thereafter, Sandi and Gale returned home to Hettinger in 2018, where she enjoyed being close to family and lifelong friends.

Sandi will be remembered for her larger-than-life personality, infectious laughter, generous spirit, and kind heart. She had an extraordinary talent for painting and found great joy in expressing her creativity through art. She was also an accomplished softball player, playing second base and outfield for many years in both Hettinger and California, and she loved spending time at the bowling alley and the golf course with family and friends. Whether through her nursing, her artwork, or simply her presence, Sandi had a remarkable way of making people feel cared for and welcomed.

Grateful for having shared her life are her loving husband, Gale Hofland of Hettinger; her sons, Eric Holzer of Hettinger and Charles James "C.J." Holzer and his wife, Jill, and granddaughter Ava of Devils Lake, North Dakota; her sister, Joan Schmaltz of Hettinger; her sister, Carla Ecker and her husband, Dennis, of Hettinger; her brother, Jim Goplin and his wife, Joan, of Fargo, North Dakota; her stepsons, Shawn Hofland and his wife, Heather, of Chandler, Arizona, and Dustin Hofland and his wife, Kristi, of Long Beach, California; along with numerous nieces, nephews, cousins, dear friends, and extended family members.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Julius and Opal Goplin.

Sandi's compassion, strength, artistic spirit, and unwavering love for her family will be deeply missed and forever remembered by all who had the privilege of knowing her.

Condolences to Sandi's family can be sent through our website at www.evansonjensenfuneralhome.com

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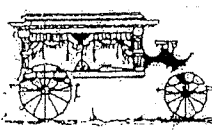
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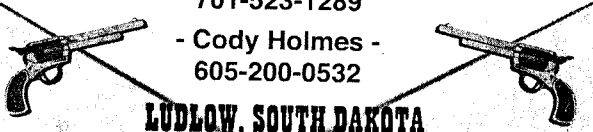
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Janice Mae Gifford Rites Held

Janice Mae Gifford, 89, of Mott, ND passed away peace-



fully with her family at her side at her home in Mott, ND.

Rosary was prayed at 8:30 a.m. MT, follow by a Memorial Mass of Christian Burial at 9:00 a.m. MT all at St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church in Mott, ND on Tuesday, August 4, 2026. Fr. Chris Kadmas officiated and following a time of fellowship and bars and coffee, burial of her ashes will take place at Sunny Slope Cemetery in Mott.

Janice Mae (Swindler) Gifford, age 89, of Mott, North Dakota, passed away peacefully at her home, surrounded by family on July 31, 2026, after a short illness.

Janice was born on November 17, 1936, in Mott to John Francis and Regina Mary (Meyer) Swindler. She was the middle child of five, a place in the family that shaped her steady, dependable nature from an early age. She grew up in the Mott area and graduated from Mott Lincoln High School in 1954. She attended business college in Rapid City, South Dakota. Her first job was at the Buick dealership in Lemmon, South Dakota—a position she truly loved. Throughout her life, she held several other notable roles, including working for Tom Ward at Hettinger County Abstract and serving with the Farmers Home Administration (FHA).

On March 23, 1957, Janice married John Bernard "Jack" Gifford in Mott. Their life together took them to Grand Forks

while Jack attended college, where they welcomed their first daughter, Jodi. During Jack's military service, they relocated to Germany, expanding their family with the births of Marca, Jonathan, and James, before eventually returning home to North Dakota. Janice cherished motherhood deeply, and she often said that she loved being pregnant. Janice and Jack shared over 40 years of devoted marriage until Jack's passing in 1998.

Together, Janice and Jack were widely known for their beautiful yard and for building Cardinal Insurance and Real Estate, a staple Mott business offering insurance, real estate, and tax services. While Janice may not have been the one in charge on paper, she was the person everyone turned to when they needed an answer. Even after Jack's passing, Janice kept her yard immaculate, filled with vibrant flowers and plants she tended with immense pride. She even loved the parts most people dread — mowing and weeding. Outside of work, she enjoyed playing bridge and spending time at the golf course.

Janice created a home filled with beauty, warmth, and tradition. Reserved, elegant, and intentional in everything she did, she took great pride in creating an environment where everyone felt cared for. Holidays were her specialty, with Halloween and Christmas being her absolute favorites. On Halloween, local children knew to trick-or-treat at Janice's house, where they would find her dressed up in full costume, handing out the biggest chocolate bars she could buy. She celebrated each season with thoughtful decorations, transforming her home into a welcoming gathering place where she frequently treated visitors to her famous 8-layer bars.

Family meant everything to Janice, and she deeply cherished having her loved ones close enough to celebrate together. Her table was always set just so, her hair and nails

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were always perfectly kept, and her kindness extended to everyone she met. She never spoke ill of anyone, carried herself with grace, and possessed a wonderful sense of humor. Neat, organized, and exceptionally hardworking, Janice was a woman of faith, strength, generosity, and quiet dignity.

On January 30, 2011, Janice married James H. Geiger. They deeply enjoyed their years together until his passing in 2013.

Janice was a dedicated member of St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church in Mott, having converted from the Methodist faith. She was an active member of the St. Vincent's Altar Society, and her faith remained steady throughout her entire life.

One of the most treasured pieces of her life was a note written by her son Jonathan a year before his tragic passing at age 18. He wrote: "If we all worked as hard as you do every day—there would be no work to do in the whole world! You're the greatest mother that anyone could have. We appreciate it all! We must love each other every day—'cause someday there will be no tomorrow!" His words perfectly capture

the hardworking, deeply loving mother Janice was.

Janice is survived by her children: Jodi Olson of Mott, and Marca (Jim) Kassera of Ellsworth, WI; grandchildren: Kristen Olson, Devin (Crystal) Olson, Sondra (Josh) Bullinger, Lance (Cameo) Olson, and Caitlyn Olson, all of Mott; great-grandchildren: Jack Manolovits, Carter, Anastasia, and Adriana Forster; Hailee (Ryan Doe) and Ethan Olson; Abigail and Gabriel Bullinger; Daquiri, Maddex, and Elladine Olson; Ava, Janice, and Noelle Qualls, and Truth Olson. She is also survived by her sister, Bonnie Bieber; brother-in-law, Jeff Williams; and numerous beloved nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husbands; sons Jonathan and James Gifford; brothers Marion (Ramona) Swindler and Ronald (Jan) Swindler; sister Shirley Swindler; brother-in-law Ray Bieber; niece Yvonne Swindler Hughes; great-great-grand-nephew Clive Kuppler.

Condolences to the Gifford family can be sent through our website at www.evansonjensenfuneralhome.com

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Sunday
Adult Bible Study - 9:30 AM
Worship Service - 10:45 AM

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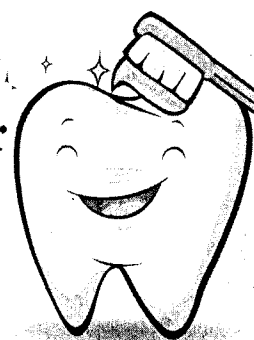
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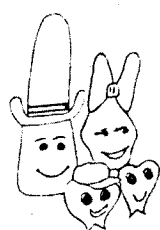
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Elgin/New Leipzig Public School

Monday, August 10
Preschool Screen 8:00 - 3:00
Pool Closed - thru August 18

Tuesday, August 11
Teacher Inservice
Pool Closed

Wednesday, August 12
Teacher Inservice
Pool Closed

Saturday, August 15
FB Scrimmage @ St. Mary's in Bismarck TBA

New England Public School
Mott/Regent Public School

Wednesday, May 12
Registration for 10-12 Grades, 9:00-3:00

Thursday, May 13
Registration for Grades 7-9, 9:00-3:00
Concussion Testing, 10:00-12:00
7th Grade Orientation, 11:30

Friday, May 14
Finance Committee Meeting, 7:00 AM

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South Dakota State announces spring 2026 graduates

BROOKINGS, S.D. -- The following students graduated after the spring 2026 semester at South Dakota State University. More than 1,600 students completed all requirements for a degree and/or certificate program.

Overall, students from 32 states and 27 nations graduated, and more than 90 students received two or more degrees or certificates from a college.

Merissa Meyer of Morris-town, South Dakota, graduated Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Science from SDSU's College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences.

Tell Mollman of Watauga, South Dakota, graduated Summa Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Science from SDSU's Jerome J. Lohr College of Engineering.

About South Dakota State University

Founded in 1881, South Dakota State University is the state's Morrill Act land-grant institution as well as its largest, most comprehensive school of higher education. SDSU confers degrees from seven different colleges representing more than 230 majors, minors and specializations. The institution also offers 39 master's degree programs, 17 Ph.D. and two professional programs.

The work of the university is carried out on a residential campus in Brookings, at sites in Sioux Falls, Pierre and Rapid City, and through Extension offices and Agricultural Experiment Station research sites across the state. SDSU's research expenditures for the 2025 fiscal year were more than \$94 million.

BSC recognizes Spring 2026 graduates

BISMARCK, ND -- More than 650 students graduated with degrees from Bismarck State College after completing the Spring 2026 semester. The graduates were recognized at the college's 86th commencement ceremony held on May 15, 2026, at the BSC Bavendick Center.

Students who completed the coursework to earn degrees from BSC in Fall 2025, Spring 2026 and Summer 2026 were eligible to participate in the 2026 BSC Commencement Ceremony.

This year's ceremony marks the first commencement held in the newly opened Bavendick Center, with seating available for approximately 2,000 guests.

The 2026 BSC student commencement speakers were graduates Tanner Wanner and Alexis Ritzman. Wanner, of Belfield, N.D., graduated with an Associate of Applied Science degree in cybersecurity and computer networks, and Ritzman, of Mandan, N.D., graduated with a Bachelor of Applied Science in finance after completing her degree in three years.

BSC Spring 2026 local area graduates include:

Samuel Andrews, Bowman, N.D., graduated with an Associate in Arts

Trevor Andrews, Bowman, N.D., graduated with a Certificate in Carpentry (Residential)

Woodrow Brenner, Flasher, N.D., graduated with a Certificate in Electronics Technology

Olivia DeFoe, Hettinger, N.D., graduated with an Associate in Applied Science in Associate Degree Nurse

Elizabeth Duppong, Glen Ullin, N.D., graduated with an Associate in Applied Science in Agribusiness

Hadly Erickson, Almont, N.D., graduated with an Associate in Applied Science in Agribusiness

Eastyn Gebhardt, Richardton, N.D., graduated with an Associate in Applied Science in Financial Technologies

Shannon Gebhart, Meadow, S.C., graduated with an Associate in Applied Science in Associate Degree Nurse

Chesney Gjermundson, Richardton, N.D., graduated with an Associate in Arts and an Associate in Science

Tailyn Kelsch, Carson, N.D., graduated with an Associate in Arts

Cassie Kindsfater, Hettinger, N.D., graduated with an Associate in Applied Science in Associate Degree Nurse

Back To School

Wyatt Ottmar, Elgin, N.D., graduated with an Associate in Applied Science in Instrumentation and Control Technology

Quintavia Polensky, Belfield, N.D., graduated with an Associate in Applied Science in Graphic Design and Communications and a Certificate in Leadership

Hope Qualls, Mott, N.D., graduated with an Associate in Applied Science in Associate Degree Nurse

Devin Septon, Bowman, N.D., graduated with an Associate in Science

Landon Skretteberg, Carson, N.D., graduated with an Associate in Applied Science in Agribusiness

Jacob Sonsalla, Lemmon, S.D., graduated with a Certificate in Lineworker (Electrical)

Claire Stafford, Bowman, N.D., graduated with an Associate in Science

Lexi VandenBurg, Flasher, N.D., graduated with an Associate in Applied Science in Agribusiness and an Associate in Applied Science in Agriculture Industry and Technology

Jennifer Verdin Martinez, Hettinger, N.D., graduated with an Associate in Science

Clarissa Voegelé, Glen Ullin, N.D., graduated with an Associate in Arts

Tanner Wanner, Belfield, N.D., graduated with an Associate in Applied Science in Cybersecurity and Computer Networks

Elizabeth Zook, Belfield, N.D., graduated with an Associate in Applied Science in Paramedic Technology

About Bismarck State College

Bismarck State College (BSC) is North Dakota's Polytechnic Institution, offering high-quality, affordable education with more than 100 career pathways, including two-year associate degrees, four-year bachelor's degrees, and short-term program certificates. Dedicated to student success since 1939, BSC prepares students for high-demand careers through comprehensive advising, flexible in-person and online course options, industry-driven curriculum, and continuing education opportunities. Learn more at www.bismarck-state.edu.

BSC is an equal opportunity institution.

Mott-Regent Public School
Registration Information

August 10-11
9:00 – 3:00 PM * New Families to the District & Wildfire K-12 Information Packet Pickup

August 12
9:00 – 3:00 PM * Gr. 10-12
Only if you have changes or questions

August 13
9:00 – 3:00 PM * Gr. 8-9
Only if you have changes or questions
10:00 – Noon * Concussion Testing, Gr. 7, 9, & 11
11:30 AM * 7th Gr. Orientation

August 17
Gr. 7-12 Locker List Posted!
4:30-6:00 PM *Community Back to School Picnic & K-6 Locker List Posted!

August 19
8:15 AM * First Day of School

August 21
3:30 PM * Last day to make schedule changes, Gr. 7-12

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Thoughts for the Week

by June Schmidt

There is an old time saying from depression era that says, 'waste not, want not' that is something that is not used these days. The premise behind the old saying is that money was hard to come by and when you bought something, you used it up until you couldn't use it anymore and if you couldn't use it, you saved it until you needed it in some future time. That resulted in clothes being passed down from the older ones to the younger ones until they basically fell apart and then sometimes they ended up as patchwork quilts. If you were lucky to be the eldest, you got new clothes and if you were unlucky to be younger, you rarely got something new except for a special occasion.

This was also true for pretty much anything in the household. Every item was well used and passed down from grandmother, to mother and then to daughter and I would bet that there are older households where these things are still to be found such as pans and colanders. Even when you didn't get something passed down

from an older generation, our generation got things for our wedding that were useful and many of us use those things for the rest of our life. Somehow the old pans make the food taste better, maybe from all those years of cooking, the essence remains and flavors the food.

But this is not what is happening in today's world. Now its out with the old and in with the new, which means that you generally have to rebuy things frequently because they wear out quicker. Clothing is cheaper, but it doesn't last as long. Styles change and of course you have to have the latest style or it isn't right. Shoes are fun to buy but the cute ones may hurt your feet and the ones that you should buy don't look as cute and they cost more money. Quality is not the same as it used to be as some things that you wash a few times look old and tatty and of course you can't wear that.

Ah but the internet has a solution. Sell your clothes online maybe for a fee, then you can take that money and buy more clothing that you will sell in the future. Some how this doesn't seem to be favorable to the person, but much more favorable to the retailer. The

more you buy, the more that they make and you get back some portion of that money by selling what you bought from them. Huh? Sounds like an online rummage sale to me.

And if you don't count the clothing, there are all the gadgets that you can buy for your house and your car that are the latest and greatest. Add in all the things that you can buy online for your pets and your

kids and pretty soon you have a house full of items and pretty soon, there are notices on facebook where people are selling those things for money. We just went from waste not, want not, to what the heck do I do with all this stuff. Then there is the problem of clearing out the house if you ever move or renting storage space to put all the excess stuff that you don't have room for anymore.

So what's the solution? We keep talking about saving the planet and decreasing the amount of waste that we have, but as far as retailers go, they don't want you to stop buying. Your kids still want the newest and the best of everything and woe to you if you don't get that for them. Besides, we all get excited about new gadgets, so I guess you either thin out your stuff before you get new stuff, or you just store it in boxes until it becomes someone else's problem. Excuse me while I stop and see this ad for something new that I don't have yet. God Bless you All.

RECIPE OF THE DAY

ZUCCHINI BAKE

6 c. zucchini, cut up or sliced and peeled
1/4 c. sliced onion
1 can condensed cream of chicken soup
1 c. sour cream
1 (8 oz.) pkg. Stove Top stuffing mix (corn bread variety)
1 stick melted margarine

Combine cream of chicken soup and the sour cream. Mix with zucchini and set aside. Mix Stove Top stuffing and melted butter in a small bowl. Using a 1 1/2 quart round casserole dish, spread 1/2 the stuffing mixture on the bottom of dish. Add zucchini mixture; top with the other half of the stuffing. Bake for 25 minutes at 350°, uncovered.



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