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Frederick Firefighter Fundraiser Great Success

By: Krysti Mikkonen

The Frederick Fire Department hosted a fun evening and fundraiser on the opening weekend of pheasant hunting. The department has been fighting prairie fires with very heavy outdated gear that makes fighting prairie fires more dangerous for the firefighters. The evening objective was to have some fun and raise money and it's safe to say both objectives were more than achieved.

The lack of moisture in the area and high temperatures were the perfect storm for the outbreak of prairie fires in the area in mid-October and a big reminder of why the equipment is needed.

If you bought a ticket for the evening you started with a buffet of great pork sandwiches, potatoes, great desserts and more. That ticket also bought eligibility for the rifle drawing

See **Great Success** *on page 9*

Courtesy Photo

Some of the firefighters that were available to help with this great fund raising event. Front row L to R: Dan Nickelson, Rick Adema, Troy Millard, Travis Hart. Back row: Scott Campbell, Mark Baer, Carey Siefkes, Wyatt Wolter, Eric Bergen, and Kevin Barton. Not pictured are Justin Brotzel and Dave Losure.

Fire Safety Enhancement

By Melissa Meidinger

The second grade, Colleen Wallien, and sixth grade, Melissa Meidinger, teachers were in charge of Enhancement Day on Friday, October 16. Since October was Fire Safety month, fire safety was the chosen topic of focus. The students went to the fire station and learned about

See **Fire Safety Enhancement** *on page 9*

What's coming up

FRI. OCT. 30

Trunk or Treat 5:15
& Family Halloween Dance 6:00 pm
Frederick High School.

OCT. 30-31

All-State Chorus- Sioux Falls

MON. NOV. 2

Boys Football Qtr. Final FB Playoffs
7:00 pm

TUE. NOV. 3

Girls Volleyball VB Districts
@ Arena

THU. NOV. 5

Girls Volleyball VB Districts
@ Arena

FRI. NOV. 6

Girls Volleyball VB Districts
@ Arena

SAT. NOV. 7

Boys Football, Semi Final Play**offs**
7:00 pm

MON. NOV. 9

Frederick Area School Board meeting, 7 p.m. at the school library.

THU. NOV. 12

Girls Volleyball VB Regions

FRI. NOV. 13

Boys Football, State Football
7:00 pm

MON. NOV. 16

Frederick Forward meeting,
7 p.m at Titan's Bar & Grill

Frederick News Celebrates 10 Years

When the last weekly newspaper in Frederick was published in 2004, the community lost a vital communication tool that let people know what was going on around town. In an effort to keep people informed, Frederick Forward, which had just formed as a community economic development group, started a free community newsletter.

Over the last 10 years, that small idea has grown into a great collaborative production.

"Looking at it now, I see the first issue wasn't the prettiest looking piece of news because it didn't have much for photos or even clipart," said Krysti Mikkonen, who took the lead to find and write stories and publish the news in the newsletter's first several years. "It was pretty wordy, but it was a start, but it definitely got better."

The Frederick High School journalism class was invited to be a part of the effort, and their stories were included in one of the May 2005 issues before school was done for the summer.

The collaboration with the journalism class kicked off in full in the fall of 2005. Each week articles were emailed to Frederick Forward and to the McPherson County Herald in Leola, the school district's official newspaper at that time, and later to the Groton Independent when that became the official newspaper.

The format of the newsletter migrated from an emailed document into an online version, which was one long page of news that people could scroll through each time it was updated. There were different sections for Community, School, Sports, and Arts, and it worked. It was easy to send an email blast to let everyone know when the news was updated, which during the school year was every week. There were some downsides: It was difficult to archive because the same page was used for every issue, with old content deleted before new content was added, and it didn't print well.

Frederick Area Forum

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Many Titans make it to state

INSIDE:

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BUILDING A BETTER BRIDGE

CONGRATS, GRADS!

A few yearbooks left

District can bill after negligent fires, state law says

The first issue of the Frederick News lacked imagery, but it was a welcome start and has certainly come a long way.

The online format didn't reach everyone, either. "I don't have a computer so I don't get the news," some told Frederick Forward members.

In the spring of 2012, local journalist Heidi Marttila-Losure suggested Frederick Forward take advantage of a relatively new postal service program called Every Door Direct Mail to cheaply mail a copy of the news to every household in the school district. Frederick Forward supported the cost of the first few issues, and then asked the school district if they help with printing and mailing costs.

Today the monthly newsletter is an equal financial collaborative effort between the school, Frederick Forward and the City of Frederick. The news and monthly columns are provided by high school journalism students, staff and administrators, as well as volunteer community writers. Marttila-Losure edited and laid out the newsletter for two years, a job that has now been passed on to others.

Today, more than 500 copies are printed each month, and each issue is also available on www.FrederickSD.com.

"Having a publication that can serve as a forum for news and ideas is really important for a community's identity. It reflects back to the community what it stands for," Marttila-Losure said. "Making sure everyone is informed also helps the community reach its goals. As a journalist, I'm really pleased to see the community supporting F.Y.I. as it has. It's an important part of moving Frederick forward."

Alumni BB Teams Wanted

Teams are wanted for a boys' basketball alumni tournament. Date planned is for December 19 at the Frederick School. If you are able to form a team, contact Coach Pashen at brock.pashen@k12.sd.us. Entry fee is $20 per player to offset costs of referees and pay for a social afterwards at Titan's Bar and Grill.

Crisis Training

BY MIRANDA SUMPTION
FASD Journalism

On October 8th, 2015, a few staff members from the Frederick Area School District had the privilege to attend a non-violent crisis training. This taught them how to prevent a crisis from happening, how to restrain a violent person, and most importantly, learn how to keep everyone safe. Taking into consideration everything that has happened on school grounds in America within the last 10 years, Mrs. Ringgenberg felt like this was the perfect opportunity to bring this sort of knowledge into our very own school.

Mrs. Ringgenberg would like to stress the importance of remaining calm in a situation. She notes how the staff must be very calm, but it is also equally important that all students stay calm as well. When asked if there were any tips that others should know in a time of need she responded, "Seek help of a team. It is very important to never go into a situation alone." A crisis is something that no one in our community ever thinks of, but thanks to this training we now have certified faculty members at our school that can professionally handle the situation in a manner that will be to our benefit in the end.

"IT IS VERY IMPORTANT TO NEVER GO INTO A SITUATION ALONE."
- Principal, Jessica Ringgenberg

Engineering Success for Niva, FHS Alum

Gordon Niva graduated from Frederick High School in 1968 and from SDSU in 1973 where he turned the theories of physics into a career with defense contractors overseeing the country's missile defense system.

Working for Rockwell International and Boeing, Niva spent his entire 32-year career as a systems engineer and system engineering manager. His training at State was in engineering physics and chemistry. He went on to earn a master's in physics (1976) and a doctorate in astrophysics (1979) from the University of Nebraska.

"When I was young, I thought I would be a nuclear physicist. Then I became more interested in engineering physics and astronomy, which naturally led me to astrophysics," said Niva, who grew up on a farm between Frederick and Barnard

"In astronomy, you stay up all night, sleep all day and work with excellent people. It doesn't get any better than that," he remarked at a recognition luncheon at Nebraska in 1999.

With a doctorate in hand, Niva had a choice: do postdoctoral work or get a job in the aerospace industry, which had again started hiring. "I had graduate-student colleagues who went to California and got hired and that showed me the path. The salary was about twice that of a postdoc. Rockwell was working with the space shuttle, aircraft and missile technology. It was an exciting place to work."

Niva considers the 20 years (1991-2011) when he worked in cruise missile and ballistic missile defense to be the highlight of his career. "I got to work across a number of different systems and engineer a way to defeat the threat (of an enemy missile). The whole business of engaging and disabling a missile is all Newtonian physics, which I happened to really enjoy..

The job of systems engineer in the missile defense industry usually isn't life on pins and needles. Typical days are emails, meetings, documentation and guiding the work of young engineers. "Usually it is hum-drum engineering, but every now and then something would come down from on high," Niva said.

Working for Boeing Niva was the leader of a team that defined the global network of sensors, interceptors and command/control nodes tasked to defeat ballistic missile threats to the U.S. as well as to American forces overseas.

Niva retired from Boeing in 2011, but continues to do consulting work for Boeing and smaller technology businesses.

Niva is a member of the SDSU's College of Engineering 37th class of Distinguished Engineers (2013). He extolls the career opportunities for systems engineers. "Any engineering degree is a solid foundation for good systems engineering.

"Just about anybody who gets a degree in engineering and has the ability to see the big picture, to think outside his or her boundaries" could be a systems engineer, he said.

Now, Niva and his wife, Susan Lahr, also a Frederick and SDSU alum, operate mySmartHome, a small Internet technology business founded out of their Laguna Niguel, California, home.

"It's clear that we are in the early stages of a massive movement toward the 'Internet of Things,' where we will have situational awareness, control and lots of data from everyday items in our lives. These are all accessible from your smart devices or computers.

Niva and Lahr make frequent trips to South Dakota. He serves on the SDSU Foundation's Board of Governors and Lahr is on the Pharmacy Development Council.

NOTE: This article is an excerpt from a more indepth article written by Dave Graves in the fall 2015 publication called STATE, a publication for SDSU Alumni and Friends. To see the full article go to http://state.sdstateconnect.org/physics-and-beyond/

What's coming up

TUE. NOV. 17

Senior Citizen's Meeting, 1:30 p.m. Frederick Community Center.

NOV. 19-21

Girls Volleyball VB State

SUN. NOV. 22

Wine and Canvas fundraiser at 2:00 pm at Elm Lake Resort.

MON. NOV. 23

Frederick Area Historical Society meeting, 7:00 pm at the Museum.

GBB Begins

WED. NOV. 25

Early Dismissal 1:00

SAT. NOV. 28

2016 Snow Queen, 4:00 pm St. Paul's Hall.

MON. NOV. 30

BBB Begins

DEC. 4-5

State Oral Interp

SAT. DEC. 5

Holiday Extravaganza, 11:00 am - 4:00 pm Cookie Walk/ Vendors & Artisans/Lunch St. Paul's.

Festival of Trees, 9:00 - 4:00 pm. Frederick Museum/ Historical Society.

Basketball JVGBB@ Ellendale

MON. DEC. 7

Basketball JVGBB@ Ellendale

THU. DEC. 10

K-12 Christmas Music Concert 7:00

SAT. DEC. 12

Basketball DH @ Groton

THU. DEC. 17

Basketball DH @ Abrdn. Ch. (Arena)

FREDERICK FYI NOTICE.

The December and January Frederick FYI editions will be combined and mailed out on December 23rd.

The deadline for all Articles, Calendar and Ads is December 14. Mail to news@fredericksd.com or call 380-3770.

Football Highlights

PHOTO PROVIDED BY FASD JOURNALISM.

Jordan Haas stiff-arms the defender and picks up some extra yards against Eureka-Bowdle. Haas's breakaway ability has been missed since getting injured September 25.

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Coach Wyatt Sumption get his defense set and Coach Trevor VanTilburg listens in.

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United Against Bullying

Frederick Area School students celebrated Unity Day on October 21. For Unity Day staff and students were encouraged to wear orange "to take a stand against bullying." Taking a stand from left to right, back row, are Mrs. Donna Hoffman, Miss Liz Labesky, Amber Eclipse, Demi Truebenbach, Harry the Scarecrow, Hailey Johnson, and Will Nordine. Front row: left to right are Tristan Sumption, Zoe Cox, Preston Sumption, Westyn Thorpe, Howard Sumption, Ian Nickelson, and Nolan Jensen. Remember to just say "No" to bullies!

Recent SD Tragedies

SUPERINTENDENT CORNER

Please know that I am writing this article with hesitation based on the sensitivity of the content. School tragedies and fatalities have swept the country in recent months and years. One of the most recognized situations goes back to Columbine, Colorado in April of 1999. Recently, two of these tragedies have been in South Dakota. We were all shocked and saddened by the recent deaths of the Westerhuis family in Platte. Our thoughts and prayers go out to the families and the entire Platte community, especially the children and staff of the Platte-Geddes School District. It is difficult to fathom their suffering. Last week, there was the school shooting in Harrisburg – where the principal was shot by a student.

As I ponder these events, I have questions of what was going through the minds of the perpetrators. It shows that there were some situations that occurred where people had lost hope for a positive outcome. To me it shows a deep need that people have. What exactly was that need? Was it the need to be successful? Was it the need to gain a certain financial plateau? Was it greed? Or, was it a desire to be loved by others and given positive feedback which meets an individual's inner personal needs? I don't know the answer to these questions. But, it does give me a few thoughts which I wanted to share with you as families and parents.

Many times in my life I get so busy with my work or my responsibilities as a husband, a father, and as a provider that I forget to take the time to just sit with my wife and talk or to hang out with my teenage son and do something with him that he enjoys. Children need our time, our love, and our positive feedback. They may ask for money and material possessions, but the greatest gift we can give our children is to love them for whom they are and work to guide them in a direction which will help them improve their lives. Sometimes, as parents, we need to say "yes" and sometimes we need to use tough love and say "no."

It is a reminder to hug our loved ones tightly every day and to support our students in whatever ways we can. It is our young people who represent our best hope for a peaceful and brighter tomorrow. At Frederick we have a wonderful student body and as a community I see good support. All of us, young and old alike need to search for whom we can make a daily positive contribution.

Mr. Knute Reierson
Supt / AD
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Pictured are Isaac Sumption and Michaela Podoll, who have been the ball retrievers at the home VB games this year. They enjoy getting involved and helping. Rumor has it that they work for food.

Infant and Toddler Screenings

Hub area Birth to Three Connections offers free screenings for children birth to 36 months of age in the areas of speech and language skills, fine and gross motor skills, personal social skills and self-help skills. Developmental information and resources are also available.

Screenings can be scheduled in the child's home, daycare or in the office, at a time that is convenient to the family. Anyone interested in having their child screened should call 622-5731 or toll-free at 1-888-829-0052 to schedule an appointment.

When's Practice, Coach?

BY KNUTE REIERSON

As fall sports are winding down, plans have already begun for the winter sports seasons. With the completion of JH VB on October 26, the girls JH BB team is preparing for their upcoming season.

The following dates show practice start times for the other winter sports:

- JH GBB-Tuesday, October 27 at Frederick
- GBB-Monday, November 23 at Frederick
- BBB-Monday, November 30 at Frederick
- JH BBB-Monday, January 4, 2016 at Leola

Pictured are some of the Frederick girls listening to Mr. Justin Brotzel, the new JH GBB coach.

PRINCIPAL CORNER

As I am sure many of you noticed from the last edition of the FYI, we have cause for celebration in the Frederick Area School in regards to our student performance. I want to take this opportunity to explain in more detail the reason for our September Popsicle party. On September 23, the South Dakota Department of Education 2014-2015 Report Card was released for public viewing. This report card gives each school a score based on items such as attendance, student achievement (Smarter Balanced test scores), high school completion rates, and college and career readiness. These items are compiled together to form the School Performance Index (SPI). The Frederick Area High School received an exemplary high performance classification for achieving a SPI of 81.59 out of 100 possible points. This means our high school is ranked in the top five percent of high schools in the state! The Frederick Area Elementary School also did well; scoring a 69.22 out of 100 to receive a status school classification. This classification means that our elementary school is within the next top five percent of the state. Finally, the Frederick Area Junior High School ranked in the progressing category. This is the average category in which most schools in the state fall. The junior high received a SPI of 57.81 out of 100. Those looking for more information about the state report cards may go to the Department of Education website, http://www.doe.sd.gov/reportcard/, or the school website for the full report card posting. I am very proud of the continual hard work of our students and staff and look forward to where we go from here!

Frederick HS Class of 2015 presents

A (Family Friendly) Spook'tacular Costume Party & Dance

Friday, October 30th

Frederick School Gym

Trunk or Treat @ 5:15 - Students can trick or treat from trunk to trunk in the school parking lot or businesses & families are welcome to decorate their trunk and hand out treats.

Doors open @ 600 pm
Cosume parade begins at 6:30 pm
Dance/Games 7:00 to 10:00 pm
Prizes for Best Costumes - Adult, ages 10-18 & Toddler to age 9

Concessions will be available all night long

Tickets available in advance & at the door
Family Ticket --$20.00
Adult Ticket -- $7.00 Student/Child -- $5.00

Elementary Students will need to be accompanied by an adult for festivities in the gym.

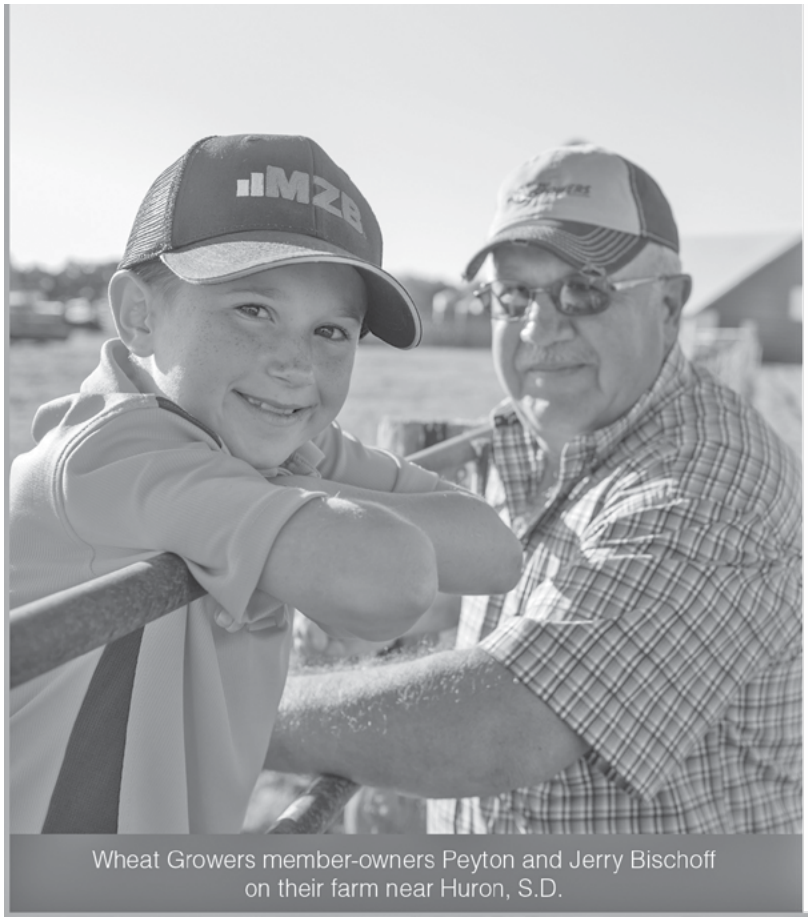
Thank you for supporting the students efforts to raise money for the Senior Class Trip!

Al Layton painted the "L" and "F" while Wyatt Sumption painted the "T" on the football field.

Photo Credit goes to Richard Achen.

2016 Frederick Area Jr. & Sr. Snow Queen

Saturday Nov. 28
4:00 pm
St. Paul's Church Hall



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Featured Organization of the Month - Pink Ladies

Pink Ladies Relay for Life Team

The Pink Ladies Relay For Life team has raised over $135,000 since inception.

What is the name of your Organization?

Pink Ladies Relay for Life

What is your purpose and tell us a little bit about your organization?

The purpose is to raise money for the Amercian Cancer Society through events and fundraisers. In the seven years the team has been around, over $135,000 has been raised by the team. That doesn't include donated items and money the group has contributed to help individual cancer patients and other awareness events.

The largest revenue generators for the team are the annual 3 on 3 basketball tournament each spring as well as the team's annual t-shirt sales which are conducted every October for Breast Cancer Awareness. A new shirt is designed each year and the team also sells shirts at their annual 3 on 3 tournament. This year's shirt sales are right on par to meet or even exceed previous year's sales.

How often, when and where do you meet and do members need to be at all meetings?

The group meets only 2-3 times per year to plan fund raising events. Much of the event planning is conducted through email. Members attend and participate in the events that work for their schedule.

What are your organization's events and activities?

The past few years the group has had 4 events each year including t-shirts sales in October/November, a 3 on 3 basketball tournament in April, the Brown County Relay event and t-shirt sales at the rodeo during the Brown County Fair. Other successful events have the group has done are a 5K road race and Wine Tasting.

What are the requirements to become involved in your organization?

The team is made up of mostly women and kids from across the region who have a vested interest in raising awareness and funds to help find a cure for cancer through the American Cancer Society. While we're called the Pink Ladies, we've had men on our team and currently have some school age boys on the team. They along with anyone else interested in the cause are welcome to join.

Who can they contact for more information?

The team captain is Stephanie Sumption. She can be reached at 605-252-0302, you can go to talk to any member of the Pink Ladies team or go to www.pinkladiesfight.com to join the team or get a 2015 t-shirt.

If you would like your organization featured in a future issue of the Frederick FYI, send an email to **news@fredericksd.com.**

Some Frederick students model the Pink Ladies 2015 t-shirts that say "I do not like cancer here or there I do not like cancer ANYWHERE" From L to R are Alexis Brotzel, Marissa Sumption, Lauren Geranen, Olivia Morlock, Miranda Lai and Skyler Cox. ALSO USE: Pink Ladies raised $135,000

Frederick Firefighter Fundraiser Great Success

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which was won by Holly XZneiski. There were several raffles throughout the evening as well as a silent auction with several items. Mike Thorpe and Jessica Hart were also lucky shotgun winners.

Fire chief Kevin Barton was overwhelmed by the success. "We will be able to purchase several sets of wildland gear with the money that was raised. Thank you everyone for your support." The Frederick Fire Department really wants to thank everyone who donated to the wildland gear fund in order to provide a lighter set of personal protective equipment to the fire fighters.

Barton also wanted to thank everyone in the department who took the time to make the event possible during this busy time of year for everyone and Titan's Bar and Grill for their support of this event. A fabulous job by the Ladies of Frederick Fire and Rescue and all others that donated food, raffle items, silent auction items door prizes .

Preliminary numbers show the buffet/raffle tickets raised $4,440. Other raffle items and silent auction brought in $3,221 and donations fetched $1,388. The total cash and checks raised from this event was a very impressive $9,049. This does not include the gaming tables and other donations. Great job everyone.

Fire Safety Enhancement

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the different trucks and equipment needed to put out fires. They then came back to the school and learned more about the gear the firemen wear. They also practiced how to escape during a fire in their home.

"I thought it was fun practicing an escape route through an obstacle course," said Aiden Nickelson, grade 6. Kenadie Brotzel in grade 2 commented, "I liked it when I got to sit in the red fire truck. It was cool!"

Town of Frederick October Minutes

Chairman R. Scott Campbell called the City of Frederick Town Board meeting to order at 7 PM, on Monday evening, October 5, 2015. Present at the meeting were Board members Richard Osborn and Thomas Meyer, Utility Manager Richard Bakeberg, Finance Officer Diane Bruns, HS Council Jim and Kay Dumire, FF President Krysti Mikkonen, Craig Larson.

Minutes of the September meeting were reviewed with a motion by RO/TM to approve. Motion Carried.

Minutes of 2nd Reading of Ordinance #196 were approved with a motion by TM/RSC. Motion Carried.

The Financial Report was approved with a motion by TM/RO. Motion Carried.

Approval of A/P for October was made with a motion by TM/RO. Motion Carried.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:

Aberdeen Asphalt St Repair Sts $28,290; R Bakeberg VA sts/wtr/swr $75; R Bakeberg UT Mgr sts/wtr/swr $432.67; D Bruns Sup/mileage $86.64; Dak Sup Group Meter Parts wtr $133.95; Dependable Santation Garb/ 3rd Qrtr garb $3983; D Bruns, wage CC $115.44; D Bruns wage FO $92.20; Dennis Durheim gravel St Repair $920.97; E Head wage LF $230.87; Farmers Union heat EBL $283.50; FDC economic developement Econ Dev $1500; GDI minutes/resolution Legals $54.08; J Moore mowing Genl $207.79; J Moore mower use Genl $300; JVT phones/ internet/services Genl/EBL/Wtr/FO $297.18; JD Financial parts Genl $42.19; M Cox wage EBL $471.93; MDU elect Fire/WtrTwr/S Park/Ballpark/CC/FO/ Lagoon/St $1047.88; RS Campbell, Chairman mtgs Genl $92.35; R Osborn BM mtgs Genl $46.18; SD Dept of Rev garb ST Garb $80.80; SD Dept of Rev lab Swr $181; T Meyer BM mtgs Genl $46.18; USPS stamps Wtr/Garb/Swr $98; US Treasury 941 3rd Qrtr Genl/ Wtr/St/Swr/CC/FO/EML/LF/Cem $1674.82; USDA-RD AP loan Wtr $475; WEB Wtr 793,800 gallons $2566.27; Weismantel Rent-All rental S Park $79.50. Total A/P $44,805.39

OLD BUSINESS:

Utility Report - Utility Manager Bakeberg reported no water flowing in manholes all Summer; has discharged at the Lagoon 4 times last month and all samples have come back good; is going to put in circulating pump under Water Tower getting ready for Winter; will be shutting down the restrooms in the Park this month.

Frederick Forward - K Mikkonen asked about the city sharing the costs of street flags and suggested maybe the EBL apt could be used as a Daycare. She talked about the betterment of Frederick including community engagement with Barnard and Westport, and about supporting new or expanding old businesses . She mentioned the City of Aberdeen may be giving their old Christmas decorations to the Town of Frederick.

Historical Society - There was a good turnout for the dinner and auction last Sunday at the Frederick Historical Society, standing room only. Jim and Kay Dumire asked if it was feasible for the town to clean out the monument in the park now that the new granite top is on. It is quite an undertaking and is not in the budget for now but may get a start on Champion Day. The HS is holding the artifacts that belong in the monument. J Dumire said they are building a ramp onto the HS building. JD is also donating a new flag for the park.

Emma Burnham Library - The ok was given for the roof to be repaired by Grote Brothers w/payment made in 2016 by the city and with contributions from fund raisers in the past by the EBL; the furnace will be inspected by Heartland Heating; trees on W side to be cut making room for a reading park.

FDC - no representation

Also in Old Business was discussion of Aberdeen Asphalt bill. It was decided to pay the total bill this year; gravel needed on RR where Sam's Trucking will be called; No response to Junk letter sent, decision is to call Salvage yard to pick up 2 vehicles; No response yet for NECOG Ordinance on city limit tax changes. A letter is to be sent to new residents about too many unlicensed vehicles in yard.

NEW BUSINESS:

The 3rd Quarter EBL Report was approved with motion by TM/RO

Verbal agreement was given to temporarily leave boundary lines as is. The Brown County Planning and Zoning Board will do 1 Resolution for all county towns changing lines to match roads or section lines.

Sewer Rates will be rising again. The 1st Reading will be at the November meeting with the 2nd reading in December. The sewer rate will increase from $16 to $22 and take effect in January 2016.

Jim and Kay Dumire donated a new flag for Simmons Park.

It was verbally agreed that the Community Center could order a Flag and new flagpole.

CORRESPONDENCE:

SD Housing annual Housing 2015 Conference is October 27-28, 2015, in Pierre, SD

Dakota Fence Company playground flyer was shown

Flood line boundaries may change due to a meeting held by FEMA in September

Miscellaneous discussion was held on - parking for Sr. Citizens this winter at CC; ice on Main Street this winter; Branches that need to come down on 3rd Ave and 4th Street; animal limits; weeds in cracks of streets; gravel to be hauled to washout on 2nd street.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to discuss at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 PM with a motion by RO/TM. Motion Carried.

If you would like to be scheduled for the next Frederick Town Board meeting on November 2, 2015, contact the Finance Office. SDCL 1-25-1

Diane Bruns, Frederick Finance Officer

Frederick Forward Minutes

October 25, 2015
At Emma Burnham Library

Called to order at 7:12 PM on Sunday, October 25 by Co-Chair, Krysti Mikkonen at Frederick Library. Present: Krysti Mikkonen, Tracy Olson, Donna Sumption, Thersia Cox, Kay Dumire, Fr. Don Glover, Dorothy Smith, Heidi Martilla-Losure.

Motion by Donna seconded by Thersia to approve the minutes of Sept. 21, 2015. Motion carried.

$18,806.42 in Checking Account. $3,623.64 that is designated. $15,182.78 available balance. $5,198.68 in CD. A/R: $1600 outstanding. A/P: Mariah Mikkonen for last movie share, Sauna needs to paid out yet. Motion to approve report by Thersia, seconded by Dorothy. Motion carried.

Partnerships With Community Organizations:

FYI Update: City $2800, School $2800 and Frederick Forward $2800 plus add revenue and donations should cover the expenses for the year. Cole Hinz did Sept/Oct and this issue will be outsourced for $300 though it is not local. Dec/Jan issue will be combined. 10 issues vs. 11 issues for the advertisers. Donna shared thank you notes from FYI subscription holders. Featured organizations this time: Pink Ladies. Library and Alpha Circle next.

Trunk or Treat: 10/30 Senior Dance and Trunk or Treat. Friday night. 5:15 to 6:00 PM. Set up at 4:30 PM. Call and reserve a spot. We will promote to the Frederick Forward group.

Beautification, Park Improvements & Main Street Decorations: Volunteers doing community service have a plan – will email it out.

Banners/Christmas Decorations – Donna reported that she spoke to Geoff Dog and Ellendale vendor. Banners only last 2-3 years from Geoff Dog. Ellendale vendor is more expensive. Marine fabric – brackets are what breaks. $60 for the banner, $30 for brackets. $100 for each. If you go with a stock banner less expensive than a custom banner. 10 poles – plus a spare. Father Don suggested Christmas decorations mounted to the flower pots that are lit/maybe solar? Motion by Tracy/ Seconded by Thersia/Krysti to invest up to $1500 in flags, brackets and Christmas decorations. Motion carried.

Will look to use our Frederick logo.

Community Engagement: Heidi reported that we submitted the grant. We will hear end of Dec. That would get us through the first year. Grant would cover the first year and then we would apply for a grant for the second year. Minimum of 2 years with Dakota Resources. Asked for us to write 2 letters – voice of support to the state and agree to use the funds to work with them. How do we get the excitement of Horizons back. Gap is $1500 for first year. Second year is $5000. Tracy made a motion for $1500 gap for year 1, not sign contract for 2 years. Thersia seconded motion. Work with Barnard and Westport to get them involved. Regardless Frederick to move forward. Motion carried.

Events:

Culture Fest will be held Nov. 6th Friday at NSU. $35.00 entry fee. Agreed to be present at event. Kaye will help get things ready for the event. Heidi will work 10-2 shift, Donna and Krysti will work 5-8 PM shift. We will set up Moillkey and order FinnBread to have samples to taste.

SnowQueen – what if venue is at St.Paul's – decorate Wed. the 25th....

Leola's State Queen....could she help and speak on her experience or a panel.

Motion by Thersia Cox, seconded by Heidi to pay the $500 SnowQueen fees. Motion carried.

Holiday Extravaganza – Dec. 5th. 9:00 AM Historical Society....11– 4:00 PM Cookie Walk

Historical Society will have festival trees 9. Vendors at the church if they want. Youth group maybe do a lunch

for their trip. Cookie Walk – Dorothy Smith will find bakers - Community Calendar – to avoid overlap in events, it was suggested a letter be sent to the various organizations to communicate their upcoming events and check into a central calendar via web/news or calling a Frederick Forward member

Winter Block Parties – Jan 10th Sunday 5-7 PM. Next meeting script/ice breaker. Discussed maybe a township chili cookoff and then would hold it Sat., Jan 9th and have each township winner come to Frederick for overall winner competition. More details and final decision at the next meeting. Be sure we include newcombers invitation to these events. Reserve Community Center for the City of Frederick gathering.

REPORTS:

Welcome Wagon: gave out 12 new bags to new residents.

Marketing/Communications: Krysti will follow up with City on status of lights on highway near Frederick sign.

Historical Society: Kay reported they made $1500 on their recent auction and pie/music social. Next meeting Monday, October 26th

Library: Thersia shared vision/plans for the library. City will be putting a new roof on. Will be getting an estimate to look at opening up the library to the apartment behind to have added space, bathroom and kitchen access. Need to make repairs to floor and connecting walls to make this possible. Did a tour of the back apartment and view of scope of project.

Next meeting November 16, Titan's Bar & Grill

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 PM.

OFFICIAL BOARD PROCEEDINGS
FREDERICK AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT #6-2
OCTOBER 12, 2015

The meeting of the Board of Education of the Frederick Area School District #6-2 was called to order on October 12, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Rich Schlosser with Jeff Forsting and Dan Nickelson present. Others present were Knute Reierson, Jessica Ringgenberg and Deb Klapperich.

The meeting began with all present reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Action 15-30 Motion by Forsting second by Nickelson to approve the agenda. All aye, carried

Action15-31 Motion by Nickelson second by Forsting to approve the consent agenda which included the following items:
A. Minutes
B. Financial Statements as presented.

	GENERAL FUND	C.O. FUND	SP. ED. FUND	PENSION
Beginning Checking Bal	$256,676.22	$434,501.46	$188,417.47	$92,842.49
RECEIPTS:				
Taxes	$2,452.28	$1,414.15	$875.44	$141.77
Local Sources			$19.60	
Interest	$3,429.69			
Federal & State	$40,888.00			
Investments	$826,948.28	$40,429.40	$256,175.05	$45,189.23
Disbursements	$138,475.02	$45,343.77	$22,132.17	
CLOSING BALANCE	$991,919.45	$431,001.24	$423,355.39	$138,173.49

	TRUST & AGENCY FUND	ENTERPRISE DRIVERS ED	FOOD SERVICE FUND	UNEMPLOYMENT FUND
Beginning Balance	$88,964.34	$275.09	$9,436.84	$19,090.52
Receipts	$3,103.04	$0.00	$6,162.60	
Disbursements	$6,867.19	$0.00	$8,801.96	
CLOSING BALANCE	$85,200.19	$275.09	$6,797.48	$19,090.52

Bills All aye, carried.

See attached list for monthly claims presented.

Salaries: General: Adm. & Teachers, 93,801.44; Support, 13,710.43; SS & Med, 24,733.76. The following benefits and salaries are included in the above totals. General: SDRS, retirement, 9203.15; Delta Dental, ins. 1087.09; AFLAC, insurance, 223.64; SDRS Supplemental, retirement, 357.50; SD District Benefit Fund, ins, 62.80; VSP, Vision, ins, 150.55; Security Benefit, retirement, 250.00; American Funds, retirement, 1182.50; Sun Life Financial., ins, 145.16; Wellmark, ins, 13,981.79; Janelle Barondeau, bus driving, 39.41; Caitlin Beckman, sub, 80.00; Jim Dumire, bus driving, 19.25; Jon Ellwein, board salary, 61.72; Jeff Forsting, board salary, 65.08; Ann Hegge, sub, 300.00; Marty Morlock, driving, 385.00; Brock Pashen, ICU, 54.90; Leroy Podoll, driving, 785.15; Carma Ruenz, sub, 500.00; Richard Schlosser, board salary, 61.30; Eric Sumption, board salary, 65.08; Michelle Sumption, sub, 40.00; Stephanie Sumption, sub, 100.00. Special Ed: Teachers, 10,290.42; Support, 4168.16; SS & Med, 3508.68;

Cross Country Wrap

by Chandler Ellwein
FASD Journalism

The region cross country meet took place on October 14th in Webster; Michaela Podoll finished in 17th place, qualifying her for the state meet. Other team members who competed were Brooklyn Podoll, who placed 22nd and Heather Johnsen, "who ran one of her better races, but didn't qualify" said Coach Barondeau.

Returning to the State Meet for the first time since her 8th grade year, Michaela Podoll hoped to finish in the top one-third of the meet. "I thought my past experience at state would have me better prepared to know when to start my warm ups and how to pace myself." The state meet was held on October 24th in Sioux Falls.

Other highlights for the season included Brooklyn Podoll, who finished in 8th place at the conference meet, allowing her to make the all-conference team. Also improving throughout the season was Heather Johnsen and Amber Eclipse, who were able to compete at longer distances by the end of the cross country season.

Suffering from some back issues, Michaela Podoll qualified for state placing 104th out of 110 runners.

A Million-plus Miles with a Friendly Smile.

by Krysti Mikkonen

If you've lived in Frederick for 25 years or more, you have an anniversary coming up with a friendly, reliable, soft-hearted partner. On November 3 you can celebrate, because you and your mailman, Tom Meyer, have been together for 25 years and there are more years to come as he's not retiring in the near future.

A tear is coming down Meyer's cheek after he's asked what about his favorite part of the job, "the people", he answers with obvious emotion. His chin quivering, he makes no attempt to hide how important the people he delivers to everyday are to him.

His customers and a passion for good service stir him. "I care about service and it's hard that we're not offering the service to these people that are my friends." Service, the way mail moves is the biggest change he's seen since he started delivering mail. "Cost cutting measures have changed the standards of moving mail from point A to B", he says with disdain. It used to take a day to send a letter 12 miles from Frederick to Ellendale, ND. "It now takes 2-3 days for a letter to get to Ellendale. It goes from Huron to Sioux Falls to Fargo to Jamestown to Ellendale. That's progress." He added shaking his head.

Meyer started off as a substitute driver in Webster for 8 years before moving to Frederick because a route opened up. He's been here ever since. He travels between 48,000 and 50,000 miles a year. Two years ago he received a Million Mile pin, which is received after 30 years of service or a million miles accident free. The toughest of those miles came in the winter of '96 & '97 when we hat 110" of snow.

But even the snow didn't stop him from delivering good service that year or any other even though he may have had struggles along the route with breakdowns or other issues. "I want to extend a big thank you to everyone that's helped out when I've had troubles on the route." Just another reason he's so emotional about the people he serves. "I've also been blessed with really good Postmasters to work with, in Lyle Podoll, Gayle Bakeberg and now Dawn Case."

If you're one that's been on Meyer's route for 25 year and it's then technically your anniversary too, don't expect him to buy you flowers. If he were to buy flowers for all the people he shares this anniversary with it would just be too much. Afterall, since Meyer has borne the brunt of the heavy lifting of this relationship to keep it going, he's the one that deserves to celebrate anyway. Happy 25th Tom Meyer!

Tom Meyer celebrates 25 years of rural mail delivery service in Frederick.

Volleyball Highlights

Demi Truebenbach
FASD Journalism

This volleyball season has started and ended with a bang. "We've gotten better with teamwork and the girls play every game with such heart." Coach Mueller stated when she was asked what the team has improved on compared to other years. "We lose seven seniors this year which is a bummer but we have another big senior class coming up next year and a few 8th graders are coming also but we will have a lot of the same girls as last year which is always nice to work with." Now with the regular volleyball season coming to end the girls are sitting 3rd in the district. The last regular season game is scheduled October 26th vs. Northwestern and the District Tournament taking place November 3rd at the Aberdeen Civic Arena.

Photo provided by FASD Journalism.

Cassandra Hinz brings down the hammer with the kill against Waubay-Summit.

Photo provided by FASD Journalism

Keely Podoll with the serve in recent home action. Playoff actions heats up with the District Tournament at the Aberdeen Civic Area November 3, 5, and 6.

Senior's Spotlight

Chandler Ellwein

Parents: Todd and Melissa Ellwein

Advice to Underclassmen: Give it your best effort and inspire others to do the same

Favorite memory: Freshmen year running out at the start of the game and MacKenzie Heilman tripped on the back of Bella's shoe and they both ended up on the ground.

Stephen Haas

Parents: Wayne and Janeen Haas

Advice to Underclassmen: Enjoy every moment like it's your last

Favorite memory: When Derrick Podoll got mad at me and we got in a fight and he threw the football at my head.

Heather Johnsen

Parents: Sara and Tim Eclipse

Advice to Underclassmen: Keep running and don't stop until you cross the finish line, and don't give up so easily.

Favorite memory: The rides to and from meets and making awesome memories during those rides.

MiKayla Forsting

Parents: Jeff and Kristi Forsting

Advice to Underclassmen: Be the teammate you want to have and always give it your all.

Favorite memory: When Rachel Brandner started singing obnoxiously to the National Anthem and no one could hold in their laugh and everyone blamed MacKenzie Heilman.

MacKenzie Heilman

Parents: Robert and Michelle Heilman

Advice to Underclassmen: Hard work pays off

Favorite memory: At the Mobridge Tournament, Hannah Sumption was going to give me a piggy back ride and she had the great idea to close her eyes, which I had no idea she did so I hopped on her back and within two steps we fell forward smacking the ground and we just laid there laughing.

Headed to the Circus

BY JESSICA PODOLL
FASD Journalism

Dance, jump, and tumble! Grades K-3 got the ultimate experience of watching these things first hand when they attended Cirque Zuma Zuma, the ultimate African circus, at the Aberdeen Civic Theatre on October 13th. Cirque Zuma Zuma was a finalist on the T.V. show America's Got Talent, and it kept the kids on the edge of their seats. Peyton Johnson-Rombs, a second grader, "really enjoyed when they made a human pyramid and when they jumped through the hoops." This was an experience of a life time and will be a memory that these students will never forget.

Mikkonen Honored for her Dakota Spirit

By: Heidi Marttila-Losure

Six women in the state were named as finalists for the 2015 Spirit of Dakota award, and four of the nominees were from towns with populations of 10,000 or greater. The fifth was from Sisseton, still a good-sized regional center of about 2,500.

And the sixth finalist? That would be our own Krysti Mikkonen of Frederick, population 200.

"Someone commented how good this is for Frederick as a small town to be recognized," Mikkonen said. "I hadn't thought about it that way, but then thought, yes, it's nice to have our small community represented."

Krysti Mikkonen stands next to the Spirit of Dakota sculpture as one of 6 finalists for the 2015 Spirit of Dakota Award

The award is intended to honor "an outstanding South Dakota woman who has demonstrated leadership qualities and has been successful and admired in her community and state," according to a brochure created by the Spirit of Dakota Award Society, which gives out the award annually.

The idea for giving this award was inspired by a sculpture called "Spirit of Dakota," which can be seen outside the Crossroads Convention Center in Huron. The pioneer woman in the sculpture looks strong and steadfast even though the wind pushes against her skirt. The award has been given since 1987.

Richard Osborn of Frederick sent in the nomination for Mikkonen, who was instrumental in the formation of Frederick Forward, has served on the school board, organized Kids Voting, and has otherwise been active in improving Frederick and the broader community in countless ways. In his nomination letter he stated, "Krysti is one of the strongest supporters of the community this town has."

Mikkonen said she was confused at first when she got the letter informing her that she'd been named a finalist, as she had not heard of the award before. And then, when she understood what the award was for, she was touched.

"You do stuff in the community, and you don't do it to be recognized," Mikkonen said. "You do it because … it makes you feels good … and you do it try to make a difference. And then when someone else recognizes it and wants to ensure that other recognize it, it kind of takes you back. It was just a very, very nice surprise."

Mikkonen attended the award celebration in Huron on Oct. 1, where each of the finalists was honored. The award winner was Mary Alice Woster Haug of Brookings.

Mikkonen said the highlight of the event was the inspiration she received from the other finalists. One of them, Vivian Opsal is 97, and has more than a typical lifetime of service already behind her and is still volunteering. Age has not limited her dedication to her community.

"It was humbling and awesome to meet (these) women," Mikkonen said.

For more information about the award, go to www.huronsd.com/visiting-huron/special-events/spirit-of-dakota.

COUNSELOR CORNER

As the leaves are starting to fall I am finally feeling that we are fully in the swing of things here at Frederick Area. We have had a very eventful couple of months to start the year. Last month, with the elementary students, we learned about bullying and what we can do if we find ourselves in a bullying situation. Our STOP-WALK-TALK plan is very flexible and can be used in a lot of conflict situations, we will refer back to this throughout the year. The high school kids visited with a few college representatives, attended the College Fair in Aberdeen, and had the opportunity to attend the Big Camp Out at Lake Area Technical Institute in Watertown. Being able to experience these things has been a lot of fun for me. I am getting to know the students more and more every week; this has been a great part of being at Frederick Area.

This month we will start our Trustworthiness pillar. The younger students will learn the value of being trustworthy and how important it is to make good decisions. We will talk about how being honest affects our relationships with one another. The high school students will continue to have the opportunity to talk to college representatives and gain a better understanding of the colleges in the area if they decide to pursue a post-secondary education. We will also discuss ACT test dates and different methods to prepare for the exam. As we get progress through the year, more scholarship opportunities will present themselves. I have started a website, frederickleolaguidance.weebly.com, which has a list of scholarship opportunities. I will continually update this website and encourage students to visit the site regularly and apply for as many scholarships as they can; there are a lot of opportunities out there.

Let's have another great month at Frederick Area!

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Football Wrap-Up

BY **KAYLA CLIFFORD**
FASD Journalism

The 2015 Titans football season drew to a close with a loss against a talented Miller team. The boys of fall finished with a 2-6 record. With a rough start to the season and injuries having a big impact on how the season turned out "our boys still played their best in every way possible." When asked how the younger classmen will benefit from all of the playing time this year, Coach Morlock stated "Game experience is the most valuable item for them to have." Adding, "each player definitely needs to look at himself and see what they need to do to get better for not just them as a player, but to better the team also." Junior quarterback Austin Sumption who was sidelined with a concussion against Warner quotes, "We will work this off season to come back next year."

Photo provided by FASD Journalism.
Zach Sumption stiff arming the Miller opponent during their regular season finale vs Miller.

Photo provided by FASD Journalism.
Stephen Haas finishing off his tackle in fine form against Miller