

Great Start for BEST Robotics Club

BY DEMI TRUEBENBACH AND ALEXIS HUETTL
FASD Journalism

This year, Frederick Area High School added a new club, the BEST Robotics. This year's junior class was involved in making the robot and competing down at South Dakota State University at the Jackrabbits BEST Robotics meet. The students involved in this were; Dakotah Witte,

Miranda Sumption, Jessica Podoll, Isabelle Podoll, Dallas Johnson, and Cory Murphy.

BEST Robotics stands for- Boosting Engineering, Science, and Technology. This year Frederick Area competed in one of the five categories at the competition- the robot competition.

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What's coming up

TUES. DEC. 29

BB & GBB @ Ellendale Holiday Classic

WED. DEC. 30

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MON. JAN. 4

Frederick & Westport City Council meetings 7:00 pm

MON. JAN. 4

GBB & BBB @ Frederick vs. Aberdeen Christian 4:00 pm

SUN. JAN. 10

Holiday Winter Block Parties 5:00 pm (check FrederickSD.com for more info.)

MON. JAN. 11

School Board School Library 7:00 pm

FRI. JAN. 15

GBB & BBB @ Eureka 4:00 pm

SAT. JAN. 16

BBB @ Redfield Classic

MON. JAN. 18

Frederick Forward 7:00 pm



The first ever BEST Robotics team from Frederick High School out of 23 teams took 5th place overall in robotic competition jackrabbits BEST competition.. From left to right are team members Dakotah Witte, Miranda Sumption, Jessica Podoll, Isabelle Podoll, Cory Murphy, Dallas Johnson, and advisor Sarah Sumption.

2015 Snow Queens Crowned

BY KRISTI MIKKONEN



Pictured in the front row are Junior queen contestant Madellyne Nordine; Brooklyn Podoll, 2016 Jr. Miss Frederick Area; MiKayla Forsting, 2016 Miss Frederick Area; Kayla Clifford; Sr. talent contest winner, Sean Bickford, In the front row are the 2016 Princess and Prince, Victoriiah Nordine and Rowan Robertson."

MiKayla Forsting was crowned the 2015 Sr. Snow Queen and Brooklyn Podoll was crowned the Jr. Snow Queen at the 2016 Frederick Area Snow Queen and Talent Contest on November 28 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church fellowship hall.

In addition to the Jr. & Sr. Queen contests, there was also Jr. and Sr. talent. Winning the Jr. talentcontest was Sean Bickford and Sr. talent winner was Kayla Clifford. Both entertainers sang a musical number. The queens and talent winners will go on to represent the Frederick area at

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America's White Table

BY STEPHEN HAAS & DALLAS JOHNSON
FASD Journalism



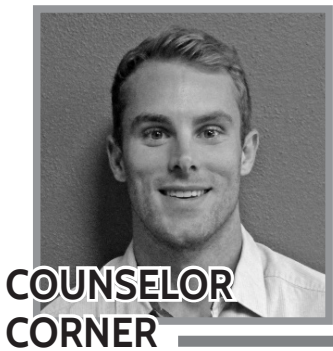
Jessica Ringgenberg, Knute Reieron, and Deb Klapperich pose with the book they read to elementary students on Veterans Day.

The Frederick Area Elementary school celebrates Veteran's Day in a special way. Principal, Jessica Ringgenberg reads "America's White Table", to the all the elementary students. As she is reading the book, she stops to have kids help her set the table as modeled in the book. Children from all different grades will come up and help set the white table and learn of its symbolism to the veterans who can't make it back home.

When finished reading, Superintendent, Knute Reieron and Business Manager, Deb Klapperich talk about why Veterans Day is so important, not only to them, but to our community. Before leaving the cafeteria, each grade comes up to the table to give a silent moment of thanks for the veterans who couldn't make it home. High school students also took a few minutes of their lunch to honor veterans by listening to a heartfelt message from Mr. Reieron and Mrs. Klapperich about the Green Light Initiative and national needs that will impact their future.



Students eagerly wait to be called on by Mrs. Ringgenberg as they go through "America's White Table".



We say farewell to 2015 and welcome the new year with open arms as we reflect on the past and look forward to the future. Looking back at the past 12 months we can learn from our many experiences and use our knowledge to progress into 2016.

We wrapped up the year in

the elementary classrooms by finishing up our Trustworthiness and Respect pillars. We had the opportunity to engage in discussion and participate in activities that stressed being dependable, polite, trustworthy, respectful and accepting of every individual. In January, our lessons will focus on the pillar of Responsibility. We will stress how we are responsible for our actions and learn about how we can become more self-reliant as we grow and learn more about the world around us.

The high school students will continue their search for the right college program as they visit with more college

representatives. Another key component in preparing for college is taking the ACT test; juniors and seniors are highly encouraged to sign up for the ACT. The next testing dates are February 6th (deadline to register is January 8th) and April 9th (deadline to register is March 4th). There are several practice tests and study materials available on frederickleolaguidance.weebly.com. Also on the website are several scholarship opportunities. Encourage your student to make time to apply for some of these great opportunities.

Lastly, as we make our New

Year's resolutions, make sure we keep them SMART. Set Specific and realistic goals, encourage your child to pick one or two areas to work on and make sure they know exactly what they want to accomplish. Try to keep the goals Measurable so the child will know when he/she has reached the goal. Set challenging goals but make sure they are Achievable and not too far out of reach. Focus on the areas to work on and keep the goals Relevant. Make sure the goals are Timely and your child has an idea of when they want to reach their goal. I am excited about a great start to 2016 at Frederick Area.

Recent School Nuggets

BY KNUTE REIERSON
Supt / AD



SUPERINTENDENT CORNER

At a recent volleyball pep rally to encourage the girls before their district tournament clash with the Warner Monarchs, I had organized for the band to play and for a motivational speaker to come speak to the students. Our speaker was Kevin Ratzsch, a former overseas professional basketball player who graduated from NSU as the last All American men's basketball player and 8th leading scorer in NSU history. Kevin's message to the students was an encouragement to all. He spoke of a having a positive mental approach and of building up the team. Don't let past failures be a crutch that you will always fail. Beat the odds. Specifically, Kevin spoke about having students focusing on playing or working successfully even if they face big odds. His

message was for students to not always worry about winning or losing. As a leader, our job is to work to make ourselves better and to help those around us to focus on getting better as well. The idea is to build up the team. Kevin went on to challenge the students to apply these 10 underlined concepts not only to volleyball or basketball, but to life. Kevin charged the students to use these habits in school starting now and to make them lifelong lessons. Kevin stressed to the older students that they have a HUGE RESPONSIBILITY to younger students as they look up to the older students and that they need to be positive role models. Finally, Kevin stressed that we must not bully others, but build them up in order to make our world a better place to live.

Semester in Review

BY JESSICA RINGGENBERG
K-12 Principal



PRINCIPAL CORNER

Season's Greetings! Just as families are busy preparing for the holidays, students have been equally as busy preparing for the end of the semester all while participating in many activities. This newsletter is full of many great events that occurred in our school over the last month. I want to thank all of the families, teachers, and staff for their support in our fundraisers, attending our events, and helping their children succeed on a daily basis.

With the close of the first semester, the second semester brings even more responsibility to students. Elementary students need to remember to bring their winter gear to school every day as we do go outside when temperatures allow. Students also show what

they know when those in grades 3-8 and 11 take the Smarter Balanced state assessment tests in April. Juniors who are planning on taking dual credit, college level, courses next year should also consider taking their ACTs this spring. Basketball and track seasons will keep our athletes' bodies as sharp as their minds. Throw in some fun activities such as prom, senior trip, graduation, and more, and bam, the year is over! Knowing what is coming up, I hope you all take the winter break as a time to relax, and enjoy your friends and family. I look forward to the new year and watching the continual growth of our students!



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Students Jump Rope for Heart

BY CHANDLER ELLWEIN AND SAVANA HINZ
FASD Journalism

The Jump Rope For Heart presentation was given by Wayne Geary to K-12 students on November 17. The American Heart Association will be giving prizes to the students for fundraising. Their message to the kids was “Eat healthy stuff, move around enough, and be tobacco free. It’s as easy as 1, 2, 3.” Aside from raising money, Mr. Morlock will be doing jump roping activities during P.E.

The money raised goes back to the American Heart Association. Depending on how much is raised, the school will receive money for P.E. equipment. Mrs. Ringgenberg said, “I wanted to have a service project that would allow the elementary students to give back.” She also notes that the kids are very excited to start collecting donations. Our goal at Frederick is to raise \$3,000.

JH Girls Gain Hoops Skills

BY KAYLA CLIFFORD AND JESSICA PODOLL
FASD Journalism

As the Junior High Girls Basketball season comes to a close, one sixth grade, five seventh grade, and five eighth grade girls will be gaining valuable experience for their upcoming high school career. Throughout the season, Coach Justin Brotzel helped the girls gain leadership skills as well as working together as a team. He wanted them to be aggressive and composed while playing. His expectations for the girls were to do their best and have fun.

The general outlook for the season was to just have fun on the court. He hopes to come back next year, and improve his coaching skills as well as teach the new upcoming basketball girls more tactics to not only help themselves, but to better the team as a whole. As the season neared its end, their record was 5 and 6.

The team played in the Britton jamboree and won all three games. In game three, they were down 21-28 in the fourth quarter with four minutes left on the clock and came back with a buzzer beater to win 32-30 over Tiospa

Zina. Throughout the year, the team improved greatly and they can’t wait to get back on the court next year!

Fitness Machine Training

BY KAYLA CLIFFORD AND JESSICA PODOLL
FASD Journalism

Upcoming 2016, the Frederick Fitness Center is offering an informational meeting to help the community learn how to use the fitness machines properly and safely. If you are interested on how to correctly use the Fitness Center machines, please contact the school and also mention a time that would be best for your schedule.

The school will be gathering a list of people that are interested and finding a time frame that would work best for everybody included. Marty Morlock would like you to stay tuned to the Frederick FYI and the school website, http://www.frederickarea.k12.sd.us/pages/Frederick_Area_School_District for a date of for this upcoming event.

What’s coming up

TUES. JAN. 19

BBB @ Ellendale ND 6:00 pm

FRI. JAN. 22

GBB & BBB home vs. Northwestern

SUN. JAN. 24

1:00pm Pot luck @ the Frederick Area Historical Society followed by the Frederick Area Historical Society meeting.

MON. JAN. 25

Frederick Historical Society @ 7:00 pm

THURS. JAN. 28

GBB & BBB in Leola vs Faulkton 4:00 pm

SAT. JAN. 30

GBB & BBB in Leola vs. South Border

THURS. FEB. 4

GBB & BBB home vs Aberdeen Christian

SAT. FEB. 6

GBB & BBB at Webster

Elsen named Volunteer of the Year



Sonje Oban, Brown County Fair Administrative Assistant far front left, presented 2015 Volunteer of the Year Award to Janet Elsen, front row second from left, of the Brown County Fair Board. Also pictured, back row: Shari and Andy Erickson, Jeff Dice and Daniel Elsen; front row: Sonje Oban, Janet Elsen, Heather Elsen and Owen Elsen. Courtesy photo

Janet Elsen, long time employee at Frederick Area School District was recently awarded the 2015 Brown County Fair Volunteer of the Year Award.

Elsen served as president of the fair board in 2015 and has been on the board since 2011.

2015 Snow Queens Crowned

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the state contest held in January in Aberdeen SD.

Other highlights of the event were the selection of the crown bearers which were Victorriah Nordine and Rowan Robertson. And of course, the revealing of this year's Frosty was Troy Millard. The event was emceed by Kurt Smith.

The event is sponsored by Frederick Forward and has been generously chaired by Tracy Olson for several years. This was the first time hosting the event at this venue. Organizers hoped the more intimate space would provide a better experience for contestants and those attending. The response from everyone seemed like the idea was a success.

Thank you to all who contributed with time, money and resources to make this year's event a success. Good luck to all winners at the state competition.



2015 Jr. Snow Queen Hannah Sumption and Sr. Snow Queen Briana Nordine help the little prince and princess candidates see who has the "special" item in their bag to determine the crown bearer winners.

Annual Dakota Prairie Museum Visit

BY MIRANDA SUMPTION & ISABELLE PODOLL
FASD Journalism

As the holiday season is upon us, it was time for the Dakota Prairie Museum to visit our elementary as they have for nearly 20 years. With such a large variety of objects and activities, this festivity took 2 days to cover such topics about Native American

history and other important details of America's past.

This year's theme has been "sticking to tradition." The 2nd graders have churned butter, written with dip pens, learned about teepees along with other Native American facts, and were taught about bead work for several years. After the butter was churned for the 2015 visit, they had the opportunity to enjoy it with some bread and crackers. "It was like you were in heaven," stated Milo Sumption on how he felt about tasting his butter for the first time. When they wrote with the dip pens, it was a new experience for them all. Dip pens are large feathers

turned into pens and were commonly used long ago.

One thing that the 2nd grade class found rather interesting was the bead work that Native Americans did and how they always used a spirit bead. The spirit bead was to represent a mistake made on purpose. "Everyone makes mistakes because no one is perfect," said Milo Sumption. The class seemed to be really intrigued and inspired by the bead story. Hopefully the lesson behind it is something that will last a lifetime! It's safe to say that the whole K-6 enjoyed the visit as it was a true success!

Diabetes Awareness Month

BY ALEXIS HUETTL & DEMI TRUEBENBACH
FASD Journalism

November was Diabetes Awareness Month. Not a lot of people are aware of this because people call it the silent disease. The symbol for diabetes awareness is a grey ribbon with a blood drop in the corner of the bottom of the ribbon. Typical symptoms of diabetes may include chronic fatigue,

excessive thirst, increased urination, blurred vision, unexplained weight loss and slow-healing infections.

Symptoms may develop gradually so they are not noticeable at first. However, doctors recommend if you have been experiencing these symptoms for a long period of time that you see your physician. Unmanaged diabetes can lead to serious health complications including diseases of the eyes, kidneys and coronary arteries.

Diabetes is characterized by high levels of sugar (glucose) in the bloodstream. Type 1 diabetes is the inability of the pancreas to

produce insulin. This most often occurs in childhood and young adulthood. With type 2 diabetes, which usually occurs at a more mature age, the pancreas is initially able to produce insulin, but the body doesn't use it properly. Risk factors for developing type 2 diabetes include obesity, a family history of diabetes, advancing age, and race such as, African-American or Hispanic.

Treatment usually involves weight loss, exercise, and doctor-monitored medication. If you feel you're at risk, see your doctor. Left untreated, diabetes can have devastating physical and emotional consequences.

Five Sumption Brothers Raise Crops and Cattle Together on Frederick Farm

BY LURA ROTI, FOR SOUTH DAKOTA FARMERS UNION

This article is taken from a full article featuring the Sumption Family on the Farmers Union Website.

Communication can be a challenge when five brothers farm together. Sure, weekly meetings help, but what has been key to ensuring nothing falls through the cracks on the Sumption family farm is the daily meal they share together, explains Taylor, 40.

“When you get a lot of things going on and each of us going in a different direction, it really helps that we sit down together for lunch every day and figure things out,” says Taylor of the meal his mom, Margaret, fixes for the men in a kitchen they included in the plans of a machine shop they built in 2004.

Margaret enjoys the daily meal because

it keeps her connected to her five sons and grandchildren. “I love to cook and I enjoy this because I keep up with my sons and get to know my grandchildren really well,” Margaret adds.

Although they turned the business over to their sons in 2000, both parents are still involved in the farm on a daily basis. Since retirement, John has traded roles with his sons. “I run for parts, run a grain cart or drive semi during harvest and do small projects that they need done. I love to weld and do wood working I love farm work in general. Now that my sons have taken over, I don’t have to worry about the financial end of things.” John got his start when a neighbor he had worked for growing up sold him

his 480-acre farm, contract for deed. He was 17. “I couldn’t sign for it until I was 18, but he was really good to me and let me start making payments.” It was 1966 and John paid \$48,000. As he paid his farm off, John farmed with his dad, Raymond, and brothers.

“We had laying hens, pigs, geese and cattle that’s how most every farm was in those days,” John says.

Today, the Sumptions’ farm land is a mile from the land their great-great-grandfather homesteaded in 1881.

To read the full article and more images of the Sumption Family go to <http://www.sdfu.org/south-dakota-farm-ranch-families/sumption-farm-family/>



Photos By Kaylee Speck Photography

5 Sumption Brothers and their dad. Left to Right: Warren, Taylor, Chris, John, Eric, & Mark



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All of John and Margaret Sumption’s children live in the Frederick area as do their 20 children and one great grandchild.

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Boys Basketball Preview

BY MIRANDA SUMPTION & ISABELLE PODOLL
FASD Journalism

With a young team suiting up this year, there are high hopes for the Titans Boys Basketball team. With only 2 seniors on the roster this year there will be increased responsibility and playing time for the underclassmen. Coach Brock Pashen says, "We return four players who played lots of varsity minutes last year, so it's not like we are inexperienced. We want to turn that experience from last year into wins." Attention to detail and an emphasis on defense will be needed for a successful



Stephen Haas, Zach Sumption, and Jordan Haas will be returning to lead the boys basketball team this season.

season for the players and coach Brock Pashen.

This will be Coach Pashen's 1st year coaching at the varsity level for the Titans and his 3rd year coaching within the co-op between Leola and Frederick. Lots of team work will be expected this year and one of the many things that Coach

Pashen is hoping to focus on for the 2015-2016 season. It will take effort from every individual to fulfill their role and get our season heading in the right direction but with the right amount of work our boys will have just what it takes to get them the season they've been wanting.

Girls Basketball Preview

BY DALLAS JOHNSON AND STEPHEN HAAS
FASD Journalism

Girls' basketball coach Troy Podoll, in his 3rd year coaching the varsity girls, has high expectations for the girls this winter. "I expect to compete for conference and district championships.

We've developed an offseason program including weightlifting, summer camps, and summer league. Effort is the #1 variable that will determine our success. When this team doesn't give max effort, they're quite average. If we learn to play with our best effort at all times, we may have something special." Last year the team had no graduating seniors and hopes that it will pay off for this year. "We have three starters that have been with us for three or four years," Coach Podoll comments. "All of our varsity players have at least three years on the varsity level.

When this team plays to its potential, they can play with anybody. We played Aberdeen Central's varsity to a tie first half



The girls will be led by four seniors, Savana Hinz, Chandler Ellwein, MacKenzie Heilman, MiKayla Forsting, and two year starter Michaela Podoll.

in summer league. We played Sully Buttes, the #2 team in the state last year, to a 2 point loss in a summer camp. Expect to see a tough, hard-nosed, healthy group that out-hustles the competition despite the smaller size of our team."

Oral Interp Comes Alive

BY HEATHER JOHNSON & DALTON PODOLL
FASD Journalism

Oral Interpretation is a speaking competition where readers work to bring

out the characters with their own actions. Competitors from Frederick in this activity include Isabelle Podoll, Demi Truebenbach, and Cory Murphy.

Coach Caitlin Podoll says that the students did better than what she expected. "At least one or two would place at every meet we had," she said proudly. "That's pretty impressive considering we were going against A and AA schools." Demi and Isabelle qualified for regions by finishing in the top three of their categories during the District Meet in Aberdeen.

Demi's category was Serious and Isabelle's category was Storytelling. This was the first time the girls had competed at the regional level. Although no one made it to state, this group can be proud of their accomplishments.

It's Beginning to Look a Lot Like Christmas



The high school band strikes a note during their portion of the Christmas concert



A great crowd enjoys lunch sponsored by St. Paul's youth group at the 2015 Holiday Extravaganza.



The high school choir performs during the Christmas concert



Pheasant tree from Festival of Trees during Holiday extravaganza

Featured Organization of the Month

BY CONNIE GROOP

What is the name of your Organization?

Alpha Circle

What is your purpose?

The women of Alpha Circle encourage intelligent discussions of topics at their meetings. Alpha Circle was started in 1909 by Mrs. Brook Howell with the name proposed by Mrs. Emma Burnham. The group joined the State Federation of Women's Clubs. Well-informed exchange of issues in the community, nation and world were encouraged by the women. Friendships were forged as the women examined topics including foreign countries, authors, composers, famous men and women and politics. The club is no longer affiliated with the state study club organization. Members continue to explore subjects in the community through speakers and tours of local areas of interest.

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

We meet the second Monday of the month, October through May, many times in the homes of the members.

What are your organization's events and activities?

The library in Frederick has always been a special project. This group worked to start the library and in 1914, the library opened. In 1937, it was named the Emma Burnham Library. The club members helped to raise



Back row, Janelle Barondeau, Margaret Sumption, Connie Groop, Becky Campbell and Judy Bretsch. Middle row, Tamie Nickelson, Sheryl Downes, Teresa Campbell. Front row, Lynette Durham, Lisa Bretsch, Charlotte Graves and Sheila Rahja.

funds to buy books and maintain the facility.

In the 1930s, the club added the Wayside Cemetery as a special project. Trees were planted and stone pillars were placed. Since 1957, the club began collection of donations from families to provide for the upkeep of the area. The club currently splits the costs of upkeep with the city of Frederick.

Planters filled with flowers on Frederick's Main Street in the summer are maintained through Alpha Circle. The group supports the Community Angel tree through

donations. We also help with projects for the Emma Burnham Library.

What are the requirements to become involved in your organization? Since we meet in homes, our membership is normally 20 or fewer women. An interest in supporting our projects and discussion is essential.

Who can they contact for more information?

Currently, Teresa Campbell is the president, Charlotte Graves is vice president and Lisa Bretsch is the secretary.

FREDERICK FYI NOTICE:

The February Frederick FYI edition will be mailed on January 29th. The deadline for all Articles, Calendar and Ads is January 20.

Mail to news@fredericksd.com or call 380-3770.

BEST Robotics: Boosting Engineering, Science, & Technology

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They finished 5th out of 23 teams. The team had met every Sunday for 6 weeks and one additional Saturday to build the robot. The team also traveled down to SDSU twice before the final competition: once for the start date and once more for a practice run through. The competition

was held down at the SDSU campus on October 31st from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Frederick High School Science teacher, Sarah Sumption was the coach and mentor for the team this year and she had stated that the team had met their goal by having a working robot and earning points down

at the competition. The team did not expect to place so well since it was their first year competing, but now they are all excited for next year's competition and for new students to join them next time as well. The team had fun and encourages more kids to try it next year with them!

Town of Frederick December Minutes

Chairman Scott Campbell called the meeting to order at 7 PM in the Frederick Community Center. Council members Scott Campbell, Richard Osborn, Thomas Meyer and Diane Bruns, Finance Officer were present with Utility Manager Richard Bakeberg, Don (Sam) Brummond, and Gary Schlosser. The November 2, 2015 minutes were reviewed and approved with motion by RO/TM. Motion Carried. The Financial Report was presented and reviewed by the board. Council member TM made motion with 2nd by RO to approve. Motion Carried.

Approval of the Accounts Payable for the month of December was reviewed with a motion made and seconded by TM/RO. Motion Carried. Don Brummond of Sam's Way Trucking presented a bill for gravel hauled. The bill was paid with a motion by TM/RO and begins January's accounts payable. Motion Carried.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:

A&B Business Solutions supplies W/G/S \$369.62; Alpha Circle Upkeep share Cemetery \$1714.84; R Bakeberg UT Mgr W/G/S \$294.34; Black Mountain Software Annual Maintenance W/G/S \$1308; Crawford & Equip Snowplow parts St \$994.80; DENR Annual Fees Lagoon \$250; D Bruns maintenance CC \$133.91; D Bruns FO Fin Off \$1000.03; Dennis

Durheim gravel St Repairs \$320.22; Farmers Union Oil diesel, fuel oil Gen'l/EBL \$323.05; FDC Econ Dev ED \$1500; GDI legals Gen'l \$41.32; JVC phones, services, Internets Gen'l/EBL/Wtr/FO \$284.62; M Cox Librarian EBL \$471.93; MDU elect Fire/Wtrtrwr/SPark/BPark/Wtr/CC/FO/Lagoon/St/EBL \$1151.44; Menards Supplies St \$77.53; RS Campbell, Chairman Gen'l \$46.18; R Osborn, Brd Mmbr \$23.09; SD Dept of Health lab Gen'l \$104; SD Dept of Rev ST Garbage \$75.40; SD Govt FO Assoc membership dues FO \$40; SDML Annual dues Gen'l \$169.21; USPS stamps Wtr/G/Swr \$147; USDA-RD AP Water Loan \$475; WEB Water 666,900 gallons Wtr \$2262.09. Total A/P \$13,577.62.

OLD BUSINESS:

Rich Bakeberg gave the Utility Report. He is going to be burning the city dump. No discharging is being done at the Lagoon.

It was noted the Dallenbach trailer has been sold and the past utility bill has been paid.

A motion was made by SC/TM to shut off water to 3 residents, all over \$200 due. Motion Carried.

Frederick Forward - may be passing on putting up Christmas decorations due to the quality of existing ones.

Historical Society- Emma Burnham Library - Furnace is repaired, still waiting on new water heater and roof getting done. Scott is checking on insurance for building. A board member

is going to ask Prairie Builders about replacing the wrapped floor with plywood. Open House is December 11, 2015. Frederick Dev Corp-

OTHER OLD BUSINESS:

A letter will be sent about the rubble pile next to the FB field.

The pile is a liability to the city. Richard Osborn and wife Sharon are going to clean the cement out of the monument in Simmons Park and paint the inside.

After cleaning it up they will replace the artifacts that have been at the Historical Society for safe keeping.

Chairman Campbell is still waiting on an example ordinance to reclassify the city tax for a local resident. He will contact the city's attorney to get an Ordinance drawn up and passed during the 1st quarter of 2016.

Sanding was done on Main and 3rd Ave during the last snow fall. Hopefully it helped our residents get around a little easier.

NEW BUSINESS:

The 2nd Reading of Ordinance #197 Sewer Increase was held.

After final review from the board the Ordinance was passed with a motion by TM/RO. The sewer rate will be \$22 beginning January 1, 2016.

Roll call vote: Campbell - aye, Meyer - aye; Osborn - aye. Motion Carried.

It was decided to move up with technology and possibly purchase new Trimble Reader. Bakeberg has a quote from Meter and Technology Solutions and a

representative may come to explain the new system for reading and billing water usage.

Frederick joined only the FO Association of the SDML Affiliate memberships.

The joint meeting with the Brown County Planning Commission is Tuesday, December 15, 2015 in the Public Safety Building at 7 PM. They will be approving or not the Preliminary and Final Plat for Highway property to the N of Frederick. They will also be granting a Variance to lot Size and a Variance to Lot Frontage Width on the same property. All board members are to be in attendance.

CORRESPONDENCE:

The letter for Environmental Fees was reviewed; the 2016 Annual Report Workshop for FO and board members is January 28, 2016 which FO Bruns will attend; US Dept of Interior/National Wildlife Federation sent letter on the transmission line proposed to cross Brown County; Urban Forestry Comprehensive Challenge Grant Funds are available; Join International League of Cities, no. Will stop payment on 2014 check and reissue for \$32.22.

No employee bonuses. Council member Osborn made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 PM, Council member Meyer seconded. Motion Carried.

Diane Bruns
Frederick Finance Officer

Frederick Forward Minutes

Called to order at 7:00 PM on Monday, November 16th by President, Krysti Mikkonen at Titans.

Present: Krysti Mikkonen, Tracy Olson, Donna Sumption, Kay Dumire, Dorothy Smith.

Motion by Donna seconded by Dorothy to approve the minutes of October 25, 2015. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: \$100 deposit for the Dunk Tank, \$64 revenue at culture fest, \$425 ads invoiced for FYI and \$90 out of town subscriptions and forwarded dollars to School for \$679. Expenses: \$175 for movie theatre, \$200 on store account and paid for ad in the Frederick Community Calendar, \$500 for SnowQueen - \$1,415.00 total expenses. \$18,070.42 Checking Account and \$3600 is designated.

\$5,198.68 in CD.

Dorothy made a motion to approve. Seconded by Kay. Motion carried.

Partnerships With Community Organizations:

FYI Update: Combined deadline for the Dec/Jan. edition of Dec. 14th. Do a thank you to the sponsorships received. Send reminders on annual fees to the emails we have for subscribers. Featured group this issue is the Alpha Circle. Trunk or Treat: 12 different trunks. Had a lot of games set up. Well attended event.

Banners/Christmas Decorations - Fr. Don got the Christmas decorations for the pots for Main Street.

Approx. costs of \$100-\$200. Will order

banners from Geoff Dog. Will look to see what we have for

Christmas for the poles and what can be refurbished - invite others to be part of this. Thursday, Nov.

19th at 7:00 PM - will pull them out and look at what we have.

Beautification, Park Improvements & Main Street Decorations: Compare notes with Oakes, Langford

on where equipment came from. What if Student Council could be involved. Look for grant opportunities.

Dream big would like walking/biking paths.

Community Engagement: No new updates

Snow Queen - Nov. 28th 4:00 PM Include Little Ms. And Mr. in photos Could Oral Interp be part of the program? Tamie made a motion to purchase 50 acrylic 5x7 table tents to use to promote events at tables throughout the community. Donna seconded motion.

List of upcoming events to the MC. Thank you for the Scholarship received and the sponsoring foundation.

Culture Fest was held Nov. 6th Friday at NSU. Was very well attended. Finnish cookies and Pulla bread served at our booth. Promoted wife carrying. Moilky game. Need a vendor booth sign. Finnish student from NSU at our booth.

Holiday Extravaganza - Dec. 5th. 9:00

AM Historical Society....11- 4:00 PM
 Cookie Walk
 Historical Society will have festival trees and bazaar.
 8 Vendors at Church - Donna - ask vendors to make a donation.
 Have a Frederick Forward table with our items for sale
 Krysti will run an ad in Ellendale, Frederick
 Youth group will do a lunch for their trip.
 Cookie Walk - Dorothy Smith, Pat Mikkonen and Judy Schultz to help make

calls. Members to help serve if available
 Community Calendar - send a letter to the various organizations to communicate via web/news
 Winter Block Parties - Jan 10th Sunday 5-7 PM. Next meeting script/ice breaker. Be sure we include newcomers invitation to these events. Maybe put an invite in the Water Bill. Reserve Community Center for the City of Frederick gathering.

Annual Meeting - St. Urho - March 13th - Sunday 5-7 PM. At Titan's if ok.

on highway near Frederick sign.

REPORTS:
 Welcome Wagon: Tami noted that she gave out 16 new bags to new residents.
 Movie Theatre/Dunk Tank: No report
 Historical Society: Next meeting Monday, October 26th

Historical Society: Kay reported
 Library: no report

Next meeting: January 18th
 Meeting adjourned at 8:36 PM.
 Respectfully submitted,
 Tracy Olson, Co-Chair Frederick Forward

Marketing/Communications: Brochure what is status? Krysti will follow up with City on status of lights

OFFICIAL BOARD PROCEEDINGS FREDERICK AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT #6-2 DECEMBER 14, 2015

The meeting of the Board of Education of the Frederick Area School District #6-2 was called to order on December 14, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Rich Schlosser with all members present. Others present were Knute Reiersen, Jessica Ringgenberg, Deb Klapperich and Bob Bergan.
 The meeting began with all present reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.
 Action 15-41 Motion by Sumption second by Forsting to approve the amended agenda. All aye, carried.

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Salaries: General: Adm. & Teachers, 91,413.20; Support, 12,949.44; SS & Med, 24,020.32. The following benefits and salaries are included in the above totals.
General: SDRS, retirement, 8860.43;

Delta Dental, ins. 1163.25; AFLAC, insurance, 319.86; SDRS Supplemental, retirement, 357.50; SD District Benefit Fund, ins. 59.47; VSP, Vision, ins. 132.68; Security Benefit, retirement, 250.00; American Funds, retirement, 1182.50; Sun Life Financial., ins. 145.16; Wellmark, ins. 13,397.78; Janelle Barondeau, bus driving, 78.82; Justin Brotzel, driving, 210.00; Jim Dumire, bus driving, 281.50; Jon Ellwein, board salary, 61.72; Jeff Forsting, board salary, 65.08; Ann Hegge, sub, 300.00; Wayne Haas, FB book, 30.00; Deb Klapperich, line judge, 90.00; Marty Morlock, driving, 71.60; Dan Nickelson, board salary, 55.00; Brock Pashen, driving, 11.26; Seth Petersen, sub, 40.00; Caitlin Podoll, driving, 22.52; Leroy Podoll, driving, 72.38; Carma Ruenz, sub, 600.00; Richard Schlosser, board salary & clock, 181.30; Michelle Sumption, sub, 160.00; Tonya Zinter, line judge, 60.00.
Special Ed: Teachers, 10,104.72; Support, 4267.92; SS & Med, 3480.44; SDRS, retirement, 1363.246; AFLAC, insurance, 15.99; Delta Dental, ins. 146.99; SD District Benefit Fund, ins. 7.13; SDRS Supplemental, retirement, 250.00; VSP, insurance, 29.73; Wellmark, ins. 1251.21; Carma Ruenz, sub, 150.00. Food Service: Support, 3920.92; SS & Med, 1042.80; SDRS, retirement, 450.05; VSP, insurance, 45.11.

The following reports were given at this time:
 A. Knute Reiersen - Superintendent/AD Enter Justin Brotzel at 7:12 PM
 B. Jessica Ringgenberg -Building Manager
 C. Bob Bergan - Grounds and Maintenance
 D. Knute Reiersen - Athletic Co-op
 E. Richard Schlosser - Hub Area Vo Tech
 Action 15-43 Motion by Sumption, second by Nickelson to appoint Richard Schlosser as the LAN representative. All aye, carried.

Action 15-44 Motion by Ellwein, second by Nickelson to set the monthly board meeting time at 6 pm for the months of January, February and March in 2016. All aye, carried.
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 Action 15-45 Motion by Sumption, second by Forsting to declare the items listed on 12-A-15 as surplus and authorize the business manager to dispose of them. All aye, carried.
 Justin Brotzel presented information concerning the need to upgrade the filtering system for the laptops and iPads. After reviewing the proposals he presented, it was determined to proceed with the purchase of Lightspeed from Connecting Point.
 Discussion was held concerning the annual maintenance contract for the geo thermal system.
 Deb Klapperich presented information about finding a new company for the school credit card. The change will be made to the ASBSD P-Card.
 Continued discussion on the purchase of the TV for displaying the school composites was held. Richard Schlosser stated that the alumni association will make a donation to this project. He also stated that they would make a donation towards the purchase of new stage curtains. Jessica and Deb will research past quotes and secure new quotes as well.
 Thank yous and congratulations were read and will be posted on the school web site.
 Action 15-46 Motion by Sumption, second by Forsting to enter into executive session at 8:08 pm to discuss student and personnel matters. All aye, carried.
 Chairman Schlosser declared executive session out at 8:37 pm.
 Action 15-47 Motion by Forsting, second by Ellwein to adjourn. All aye, carried.



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Frederick Forward Awarded \$9866 Grant

The South Dakota Community Foundation, in partnership with the Bush Foundation announced the third round of recipients of the Community Innovation Grants. Frederick Forward was awarded \$9866 to be used toward involvement in the Community Engagement process developed by Dakota Resources.

Through the participation in the Community Engagement process, with help of these grant funds, Frederick Forward will bring together the communities of Frederick, Barnard and Westport and engage community representatives to identify needs and priorities of the communities, conduct community listening sessions, and create Initiative

Teams to work on the areas and priorities identified.

In 2008, Frederick participated in the Horizon's program a community development and poverty reduction program. Although the Horizon's program and the Community Engagement program are completely separate and different programs, participants of the Community

Engagement process may find similarities between the two programs.

Anyone interested in learning more about the grant and the Community Engagement process are welcome to the next Frederick Forward meeting on Monday, January 18 at 7:00 pm at the Titan Bar & Grill meeting room.

Yearbooks Available

2015-2016 yearbooks are currently available for purchase. Cost is \$30 before January 28th and after they are \$35. Please fill out the form below and return to the school. Any questions contact Brock Pashen at brock.pashen@k12.sd.us or call the school at 329-2145

Name _____

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Seniors Work for DC/NYC

BY CHANDLER ELLWEIN & SAVANA HINZ
FASD Journalism

The Halloween Dance hosted by the senior class was held on October 31, 2015. Stacey Sumption said, "We were very

pleased with the amount of students and parents that attended the Halloween Dance and we thank you all for your support." The night was full of games, contests, dancing, and food.

The seniors wanted to provide an event for the community that would draw a large crowd and raise money for their trip. Stacey Sumption would like to thank the senior students participating in the trip and each of

their parents for their hard work to make the event a huge success.

There are 8 students going on the trip to Washington D.C., and New York City. They will fly out of Bismarck, ND on March 31st and return April 4th. The class also hosted a Fall breakfast on November 21, 2015 where they served pancakes and sausage. "Thank you to everyone that has supported the seniors" noted Savana Hinz.

Winter Block Parties

On two different occasions, township or "block" parties have been held in the area with a very positive response from those participating. The most recent events were held in September

and some participants suggested trying a winter or holiday party. The winter Block parties will be held in townships around the area on Sunday, January 10 starting at 5:00 pm.

Not all block party host/hostess and locations have been determined. If you're willing to be a host in your township, but aren't sure what this means or how to go about it, contact

Krysti Mikkonen at 605-380-3770 or Tracy Olson at 605-290-7463. Information will be updated as it becomes available on the Frederick website www.FrederickSD.com.

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Alumni Tournament a Slam Dunk

On December 19 crowds gathered throughout the day to watch former players on boys' basketball teams of years past take the floor. Six teams young and ... not quite young took the floor to once again feel the wooden floor beneath their feet and the ball in their hands to relive the dream.

Some players were part of the Frederick-Hecla Northstar co-op, but most were former Leola-Frederick Titan players along with a staff from Frederick High School. Comments regarding the possible need for extra oxygen and fears of injury went unfounded, but for one mishap. An elbow met the eye of one

player but at his request was quickly covered with gauze and enough tape to allow him to continue play until a few stitches could be put in after the game.

The successful event was organized and hosted by the Titan boys' basketball team to raise money for future team camps and other team expenses not

covered in the regular school budget. Coach Brock Pashen. "I would like to thank Marty Morlock, Pat Lapka, Scott Campbell, and Knute Reiersen for donating their time to ref this tournament as well as everyone who donated to the boys' basketball program. Your donations are all greatly appreciated" Pashen said.



Winners of 2nd place From left to right: Eric North, Cody Bruns, Alex Bretsch, Brett Riggs, Jesse Frohling, Gabe Bruns, Seth Klipfel, and David Bretsch



Champions of the alumni tournament are Left to Right: Brian Sumption, Matt Haas, Wyatt Heine, and Andrew Hoffman. Back row: Logan Weissner, Tyler Sumption, Wyatt Sumption, and Adam Dutenhoffer.



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Raffle tickets: \$10 per ticket or \$20 for 3 tickets

May be bought prior to or at the tournament.

Raffle prizes include: Apple iPad 16GB, 32" LED flat screen TV,

1/4 Angus beef, \$500 gift card to Frederick Community Store,

50 lbs. Buffalo Meat, \$250 Running Gift Card, Apple I-Pod Touch,

Kindle Fire 8.9" HD, \$250 Cash, \$150 Cash, \$100 Cash

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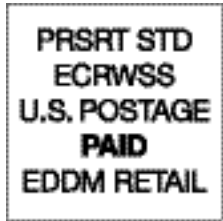
For information contact Warren Sumption (605) 216-6654 or Richard Achen (605) 216-6777

or email questions to F5fishingtournament@hotmail.com.

All SDGFP rules apply. Alternate date is Sunday, Jan. 31, 2016.



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It Really Does, Math Counts

BY HEATHER JOHNSEN AND DALTON PODOLL
FASD Journalism

Math counts, what is it? It is a competition for

higher-achieving students in math classes between other schools in the area. There are usually about 80 to 100 students that attend the competitions. It gives the higher-end students more of a challenge and to stand out in their math achievements.

This year has been successful for the Frederick students. They have been

putting all effort in. In Groton, Simon and Sean Bickford, 7th graders, individually placed in the top ten. Miranda Lai, an 8th grader, placed in the top five at Roncalli. It really shows that hard work pays off. There is one more competition coming up on January 13.



Shown here with all the winners at the Groton meet are Sean Bickford (top row middle) and Simon Bickford (bottom right) finished in the top 6.



Miranda Lai of Frederick (top row middle) is among the top finishers at the Roncalli meet shown here with other school's winners.



Isaac Sumpton with his first place finish at Roncalli.