

What's coming up

FRIDAY, APRIL 8

Patriot Invite track meet, 11:30 a.m. in Redfield

Warner junior high track meet, field events at 4 p.m., running events at 5 p.m.

MONDAY, APRIL 11

Frederick Area school board meeting, 7 p.m. in the school library

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13

Frederick town board meeting, 7 p.m. at the community center

THURSDAY, APRIL 14

Sisseton junior high track meet, 4 p.m.

FRIDAY, APRIL 15

Good Friday – no school at Frederick Area

SATURDAY, APRIL 16

Gettysburg high school track meet, noon

SUNDAY, APRIL 17

Easter Sunday

MONDAY, APRIL 18

Easter Monday – no school at Frederick Area

TUESDAY, APRIL 19

Britton high school track meet, 2 p.m.

THURSDAY, APRIL 21

Golf meet in Eureka, 4 p.m.

SATURDAY, APRIL 23

Ipswich high school track meet, 10 a.m.

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Progress made on faster rural internet

BY HEIDI MARTTILA-LOSURE

The availability of fiber optic broadband is coming closer to reality for rural Frederick residents.

Last fall, construction was under way for the main lines bringing fiber optic cables to the property lines of people's homes and businesses. The next step is trenching in those cables up all the way up to the buildings.

Jeff Evenson, sales and marketing manager for Northern Valley Communications and James Valley Telecommunications, said a representative has been reaching out to residents and businesses over the past few weeks to get per-

mission to do this construction work, and a first contact attempt has been made for each customer. As of the end of March, nearly two-thirds had given permission. This construction has no cost for the home or business owner.

Construction will begin as soon as weather allows. Most customers should have fiber optic up to their buildings by the end of the year. Setting up a time for installation in the home or business would be the next step.

Fiber optic broadband allows for up to 1 gigabyte per second of download speed and 200 megabytes per second of upload speed. The cost varies depending on

how much capacity is desired. Prices are listed on the website: jamesvalley.com.

Customers could also get a bundled package with TV service once fiber optic broadband is installed.

Evenson noted that the area they define as "rural Frederick" also includes some homes with postal addresses of other towns, such as Westport. Also, the town of Frederick already has fiber optic broadband service through NVC/JVT, but they do not offer TV service in town.

If residents haven't yet heard from the company about getting permission for construction, they can call 605-397-2323.



Prom paparazzi

Allena Shell, center, and other girls who attended the Leola-Frederick prom pretended to be a celebrity surrounded by photographers during the "fun" second walk through of Grand March. Nearly 90 students attended the prom on April 2, which was held in Frederick this year with the theme of Midnight Ball.

PHOTO BY HEIDI MARTTILA-LOSURE

Frederick All-School Reunion is set for June 25

The Frederick High School All-School Reunion, held every five years, is planned for Saturday, June 25.

Plans are still being firmed up, but in the works are a 5K race, caramel rolls and fruit at the school, the dedication of historical banners, a picnic in the park, a bake sale at the Frederick Area Museum, a street dance, and a car show.

The street dance will be from 8 p.m. to midnight at the new fire station on Main

Street. The band Three 57 from Fargo will play classic rock, country, and blues.

The Memory Lane Car Show is open to all people and all types of vehicles (cars, tractors, trucks, motorcycles, etc.). "Our goal is to get vehicles from each decade, not just fully restored ones," said Don Nickelson, a member of the Frederick High School Alumni Association. Those interested in bringing a vehicle should contact Nickelson at 605-

380-9610 or Nickelsonfarms@gmail.com.

Letters from the alumni association went out to alumni in late March, and registrations are due back by June 1. Picnic tickets are \$18 for adults and \$9 for children ages 6-17; children under age 6 are free. Directories are \$15 each. Email questions about the event to frederickalumni@nvc.net. Find updates on the event on the alumni Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/36874098555>

March Students of the Month



Elementary Students of the Month for March were, front row, Dawson Clark, Aria Bullock, Gabby Rojas, and Beckham Sumption; and back row, Ian Nickelson, Leah Grotelueschen, and McKenna Sumption. The trait for the month was sportsmanship.



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Junior high/high school Students of the Month for March, based on the trait of sportsmanship, were Kash Cutler, John Bretsch, Brayden Sumption, and Allena Shell.

Third-Quarter Honor Roll

Ending March 2022 • grade level in parentheses

Straight A Honor Roll

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|---------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| Katelyn Bretsch (7) | McKinley Kosters (10) | Tristan Sumption (10) |
| Jax Holmes (7) | Levi Little (10) | Brendan Tschappat (10) |
| Titus Kippley (7) | Sofia Losure (10) | Nolan Jensen (11) |
| Winston Clark (8) | Olivia Morlock (10) | Kash Cutler (12) |
| Erik Losure (8) | Brayden Sumption (10) | Darin McGaugh (12) |
| Raegan Kempf (9) | Laura Sumption (10) | Ethan Morlock (12) |
| Gabby Millard (9) | Madelyne Sumption (10) | Wil Nordine (12) |
| Chloe Arneson (10) | Morgan Sumption (10) | |

A Honor Roll

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|--------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| Kalyce Achen (8) | Clayton Peterson (9) | Johnathan Bretsch (11) |
| Emily Dallmann (8) | Daniel Dallmann (10) | Anna Brotzel (12) |
| Hunter Kern (8) | Madison Dettler (10) | Mason Hinz (12) |
| Alivia Little (8) | Jocelynn Ellwein (10) | Katelyn Mehlhaff (12) |
| Milo Sumption (8) | Taylor Himanga (10) | Kierah Nickelson (12) |
| Zoe Kempf (9) | Audrey Reineke (10) | Jakob Sumption (12) |
| Noah Kippley (9) | Stephen Achen (11) | |

B Honor Roll

- | | | |
|-------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|
| Karli Achen (7) | Malona Cox (8) | Gavin Nickelson (9) |
| Gage Burns (7) | Nevan Jensen (8) | Elijah Flynn (10) |
| Samantha Dallmann (7) | Kira Knife (8) | Memphys Storm (10) |
| Natalee Foley (7) | Ayden Larsen (8) | Jericho King (11) |
| Ethen Grotelueschen (7) | Westyn Thorpe (8) | Cole Peterson (11) |
| Ella Kempf (7) | Peter Voeller (8) | Samuel Vetter (11) |
| Aubrey Kraig (7) | Skylar Anderson (9) | Agnese Gelosi (12) |
| Domenick Pool (7) | Zoe Cox (9) | Jesse Hartman (12) |
| Preston Sumption (7) | Autumn Hebl (9) | Patrik Popovics-Duzsej (12) |
| Christopher Voeller (7) | Kierra Johnson (9) | Allena Shell (12) |
| Chloe Akin (8) | Miranda Kolb (9) | |
| Mia Bain (8) | Quentin Kolb (9) | |



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Frederick Area offering Child Find screening

The Frederick Area School District is offering a free screening to parents with children ages 3 to 4 years of age. Parents must have concerns in the areas of basic concepts, fine motor, gross motor, and speech/language. The purpose of this screener is to identify children in the district with a possible disability.

If you have concerns in any of these areas, please contact the Frederick Area School District at 605-329-2145 to make an appointment for your child to be screened.

FASD job openings

The Frederick Area School District is seeking paraprofessionals to start in August 2022. There is an opening for a special education paraprofessional and a general classroom paraprofessional. Interested individuals must have a minimum of a high school diploma. Employment applications can be found on the school's website and submitted to Jessica Ringgenberg (Jessica.Ringgenberg@k12.sd.us) by April 15th.

The Frederick Area School District does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability, or age in its programs and activities.

FCCLA State Meet

FASD Journalism

FCCLA will leave April 10 to participate in the two-day FCCLA State Meet in Sioux Falls. Members will compete in different Star event categories, such as Entrepreneurship, Career Investigation, Event Management, Fashion Construction, Focus on Children, Food Innovations, Interpersonal Communications, and Job Interview among other categories. Students will also attend workshops and build team camaraderie with laser tag, archery, and canvas paintings.

"I am looking forward to getting the students out and having them experience this unique opportunity," said Mrs. Arthurs.

"We will have FCCLA next year. Since this year was the pilot year, there has been a lot of learning that will lead to growth for next year. I think we have had a successful year. I have not experienced a State meeting, so this will be a first for all of us but it's going to be very exciting."

What's coming up

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THURSDAY, APRIL 28

Faulkton Invite golf meet, 10 a.m.

MONDAY, MAY 2

Oakes high school track meet, 2 p.m.

TUESDAY, MAY 3

Webster junior high

track meet, start time TBD

THURSDAY, MAY 5

LRC golf meet, 10 a.m. at Rolling Hills Golf Course, Aberdeen

K-12 Spring Music

Concert, 7 p.m. in the Frederick Area gym. The theme is patriotism.

FRIDAY, MAY 6

Sisseton track meet, 3 p.m.

Howard Wood track meet, start time TBD in Sioux Falls. Continues Saturday.

SATURDAY, MAY 7

Ellendale junior high track meet, 11 a.m.

MONDAY, MAY 9

Frederick Area school board meeting, 7 p.m. in the school library

TUESDAY, MAY 10

Lake Region track meet, JH and HS, 12:30 p.m. in Ipswich

WEDNESDAY, MAY 11

Frederick town board meeting, 7 p.m. at the community center

Awards Night, 7 p.m. in the Frederick Area School gym. Awards night is a reflection of the students' achievements in athletics,

academics, and arts throughout the school year. Several scholarships are awarded to members of the senior class.

THURSDAY, MAY 12

Mobridge/Pollock Invite golf meet, 10 a.m.

FRIDAY, MAY 13

Waubay Legion meet, junior high and high school, noon in Webster



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Increase in state aid is a step in the right direction

BY JEFF KOSTERS

Frederick Area Superintendent

As I write this column, we are nearing the end of March. The weather has improved the last couple of weeks, the snow is gone for the most part, and thoughts of spring are a little more realistic! When this column comes out, we will only be about five weeks shy of the end of the school year.

We had a total of three school days missed due to weather this year, with one coming on our first scheduled day back from Christmas break (January 5) and the other two being back-to-back days on February 21 and 22. There is no plan to make those days up at this time.

The legislative session ended on March 10, and the biggest item affecting education was the proposal to increase the state's aid to education by 6 percent. It has been



SUPERINTENDENT'S CORNER

quite a few years since the Blue Ribbon Task Force developed recommendations to increase teacher pay in our state, and the current recommended increase to state aid is much more than it has been for quite a few years. It will certainly be nice to receive and be a step in the right direction, but in addition to certified staff, we will also see increases in auxiliary staff costs, utility expenses, fuel, and everything else that goes into running a school district. Hopefully

increases like this can become more common for education and not be something that only happens every half a dozen years or so.

Before we completely put a wrap on the winter sports season, I'd like to recognize a few of our student-athletes for the basketball post-season honors they received. On the girls' side, Laura Sumption was named to the First Team All-LRC, and Sofi Losure was Honorable Mention. For the boys, Ethan Morlock was a Second Team All-LRC selection and Mason Hinz was Honorable Mention.

Now on to Track and Golf! Coach Marty Morlock once again leads the track program and has a significant increase in numbers compared to more recent years. He has a total of 50 kids in the program (grades 6 through 12). There are 15 boys and 10 girls in the high school, and the same

exact break down exists in junior high. Assisting him this year are Wayne Haas, Janelle Barondeau, and Megan Russo. The first track meet we attended was on Tuesday, March 22. Golf will have officially gotten its start on Monday, March 28, and there will be six participants this fall — three boys and three girls, all in high school. It will more than likely be a little while before we are able to attend any golf meets, though.

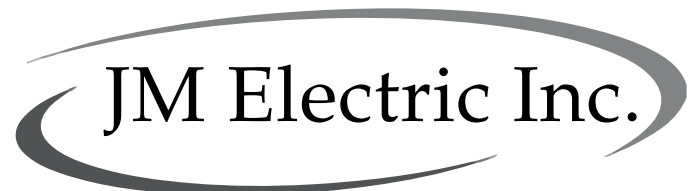
Other activities that will be coming as we near the end of the school year include the State FCCLA Convention on April 11 and 12; NSU Math Contest on April 20; K-12 Spring Concert on Thursday, May 5, at 7 p.m.; Awards Night on Wednesday, May 11, at 7 p.m.; and Commencement on Saturday, May 14, at 1 p.m. The last day of school for Frederick Area students will be Wednesday, May 18, with a regular dismissal time of 3:40.



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\$11,598	ESSER II grant	10-4190-921
\$2,057	ESSER III grant	10-4191-922
\$44,963	cash on hand	
\$66,193	GENERAL FUND MEANS OF FINANCE	
CAPITAL OUTLAY:		
\$6,063	student desks/art rm tables/stools	21-1111-921-549
\$2,022	art room tables/stools	21-1121-921-549
\$2,022	art room tables/stools	21-1131-921-549
\$96,941	HVAC system upgrade	21-2535-922-520
\$90,350	71-passenger bus	21-2559-922-549
\$2,070	Learning A-Z licensing fee	21-1111-923-473
\$19,000	football field upgrades	21-6100-000-549
\$750	lounge refrigerator	21-2549-000-549
\$3,771	server (replacement)	21-2227-000-541
\$5,213	gym halls/lunchrm bathrm flooring	21-2542-000-549
\$271	band uniform pants (add'l sizes)	21-1131-000-549
\$4,042	staff laptops	21-2227-000-541
\$10,335	football field upgrades	21-6100-000-549
\$242,850	CAPITAL OUTLAY EXPENDITURES	
\$31,228	ESSER II grant	21-4190-921
\$231,156	ESSER III grant	21-4191-922
\$19,750	donations	21-1920
-\$39,284	reduction of cash on hand due to grant funds received	
\$242,850	CAPITAL OUTLAY EXPENDITURES	

All aye, carried.

Action 22-083 Motion by Sumption, second by Ellwein to approve class size caps of grades K-6 at 25 students, and to include a classroom aide at 20 students for grades K-3. All aye, carried.

The school board would like to congratulate the following students on being recognized as All Lake Region Conference basketball athletes: Laura Sumption - First Team; Ethan Morlock - Second Team; Sofi Losure and Mason Hinz - Honorable Mention.

ACTION 22-084 Motion by Ellwein, second by Sumption to adjourn at 8:56 p.m. All aye, carried.

Rich Schlosser, President • Janel Hettich, Business Manager

Town of Frederick March 9, 2022 Minutes

Frederick's town board meeting was held Wednesday, March 9, 2022 in the Frederick Community Center beginning at 7:10 PM. Attending the meeting were Chairman Scott Campbell, Board member Troy Millard, Utility Manager Rich Bakeberg, and Assistant Finance Officer Mariah Heine. Also attending the meeting was Austin Sumption, and joining for the second half of the meeting was Board member Jeff Kosters.

Chairman Campbell opened the meeting and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes of the February meeting were read and approved with a motion by Millard/Campbell; motion carried. The financial statements were reviewed and accepted with a motion by Millard/Campbell; motion carried. The March accounts payable was approved with a motion by Millard/Campbell; motion carried.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

MDU electric BP/Wtr/Mun Bldg/SP/Sts/Swr/EBL	\$1,369.12
Badger Meter meter fees Wtr	\$122.82
Century Bus Products printer Gen'l	\$93.39
D. Bruns CC	\$149.15
D. Bruns wage FO	\$1,337.60
Dakota Supply Group supplies Sts	\$175.73
Dependable Sanitation Grbg	\$1,724
EFPTS taxes Gen'l/FO/CC/EBL/Sts/Wtr/Swr	\$898.98
USDA-RD loan Swr	\$3,763

FDC Econ Dev	\$1,200
Frohling Law Office legal Gen'l	\$2,276.25
FU Oil propane EBL	\$1,474.49
J. Kosters wage Gen'l	\$46.17
JM Electric Inc repairs EBL	\$541.57
JVT phone/svc FO/EBL/Wtr/Gen'l	\$344.98
M. Cox wage EBL	\$588.13
M. Heine wage FO	\$1,126.37
Menards supplies Swr	\$127.88
R. Bakeberg wage St/Wtr/Swr	\$476.41
R. Bakeberg veh. allow. St/Wtr/Swr	\$75
R.S. Campbell wage Gen'l	\$69.26
SD Dept of Rev sales tax Grbg	\$82.84
SD Dept of Rev labs Wtr	\$15
T. Millard wage Gen'l	\$46.17
USDA-RD loan Wtr	\$475
WEB Water Wtr	\$3,366.04
USPS stamps Wtr/Swr/Grbg	\$232

OLD BUSINESS

Rich provided a utility report. New water meters are being installed in residences. One petition was turned in by Jeff Kosters for the board member vacancy. The overdue utility bills will need to be presented to the board on a monthly basis in order to give prompt notices and turn off water now that all have an accessible shut off valve.

JM Electric has offered to sell an old utility vehicle used for their business to the city. They offered to sell it at \$8,500 with the value shown on multiple vehicle valuation websites as being between \$11,900-\$18,700. Motion to purchase the 2009 Ford F250 for a city utility vehicle from JM Electric made by Kosters/

Campbell; motion carried with Millard abstaining.

NEW BUSINESS

The Surface Water Discharge Compliance Inspection was accepted with a motion by Campbell/Millard; motion carried.

Austin Sumption attended to ask the city to act as a passthrough agent for a grant that was awarded to the Frederick Athletic Association. The North Brown Community Foundation awarded a grant to the Frederick Athletic Association to improve the baseball field by redoing the plates, especially the pitcher's mound and home plate. Motion to act as a passthrough agent made by Campbell/Millard; motion carried.

Motion to approve the first reading of Ordinance #222 with the phrase "by the Brown County Sheriff's Office" stricken from the last line made by Kosters/Millard; motion carried.

An application was received for the assistant utility manager position, and the applicant will be contacted for an interview soon.

Equalization week is March 21-25 and a meeting will be held Monday, March 21 at 7PM in the Community Center.

Motion to adjourn made by Millard/Kosters at 8:25 PM; motion carried.

M. Heine
Assistant Finance Officer



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TRACK & FIELD

Track team is off and running

FASD JOURNALISM

The Frederick Track team had their first track meet at Northern State on March 22.

Competing indoors adds some different elements for the runners. “With an indoor track being shorter in distance, athletes have to make more turns indoors than they normally would on an outdoor track,” said Coach Morlock. “We had a really good day. Kids competed well, and it gives us a good measur-

ing point of where we need to go from here.”

Highlights include Sofi Losure breaking the girls school high jump record by clearing 5 feet, 2.25 inches. The two boys 4x400-meter relay teams placed first and fifth. Johnathan Bretsch won the 800-meter run. Morgan Sumption placed first in the mile with Laura Sumption finishing third. Chloe Arneson checked in at third place in the long jump.

The next meet is set for April 8 at Redfield.



Brayden Sumption finished third in the high jump at the NSU Spring Classic on March 22 by clearing a height of 5 feet, 4.25 inches—a personal record.



Sofia Losure cleared a height of 5 feet, 2.25 inches, giving her first place in the event, a personal record, and a school record.



Chloe Arneson leaped to third place and a personal record with a jump of 14 feet.



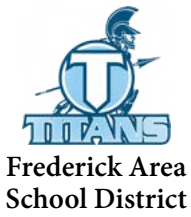
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Chloe Akin, second from left, made it to the finals in the 55-meter dash, where she finished eighth with a time of 8.61 seconds.

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North Brown Community Foundation Treasurer Scott Campbell presents a check for \$1,600 to Troy Millard of the Frederick Area Volunteer Firefighters.



North Brown Community Foundation Treasurer Scott Campbell and Amanda Wolbeck, representing the Frederick Area Booster Club, show the check for \$1,000 to support the Snow Queen contest.



Mitch Mikkonen, President of the Frederick Area Historical Society, receives a check for \$1,500 from North Brown Community Foundation President Heidi Marttila-Losure.

Foundation awards \$6,400 in grants for 2022

The North Brown Community Foundation awarded \$6,400 in grants to local organizations in March:

- \$1,500 to the Frederick Area Historical Society in support of their electrical work project
- \$2,300 to the Frederick Athletic Association (via the Town of Frederick) for improvements to the baseball field
- \$1,000 to the Frederick Booster Club (via Frederick Area School District) in support of the Snow Queen Contest

- \$1,600 to the Frederick Area Volunteer Firefighters in support of the asphalt project at the new fire hall

The North Brown Community Foundation is a community savings account of the South Dakota Community Foundation serving the area covered by the Frederick Area School District. Part of the interest that the account generates is returned to the community as grants. Grant applications are accepted in January every year. Learn more at www.fredericksd.com/nbcf.



A photo of the presentation of the FAA check will be shared once it can be arranged.



Recycling rewards

Thersia Cox has been leading recycling efforts at Frederick Area School. She signed up for a recycling program through PepsiCo called Recycle Rally. It provides incentives to increase recycling in schools. With Frederick Area's recycling efforts so far, Cox built up enough points to get a free four-piece recycling bin set. She should have enough points for another set by summer.

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