



Hayden Anderson

Anderson joins NDSU Extension in Towner County

Hayden Anderson has joined North Dakota State University Extension as the agriculture and natural resources agent in Towner County.

She began the role May 1 and is based at the Memorial Building in Cando.

As the agriculture and natural resources agent, Anderson will provide weekly USDA crop reports, support local agriculture through board service and educational programs, conduct annual pesticide certification training, offer soil and plant sampling services, and assist with the 4-H youth program, including meetings and Achievement Days.

“I am excited to be an integral part of the county that I grew up in,” Anderson said. “Please stop by the office to say hello, and don’t hesitate to reach out with any questions related to agriculture or community wellness.”

Prior to joining NDSU Extension, she was co-owner and operator of Anderson Farms. She also worked for Gibbens Veterinary Services and as a barn technician at Dakota Country Swine in Cando.

Anderson is a graduate of NDSU, where she earned a Bachelor of Science degree in animal science. While at NDSU, she served as both a peer educator and a resident assistant, gaining valuable leadership experience.

“A lifelong North Dakotan, Hayden has deep roots in agriculture,” said Dena Kemmet, NDSU Extension’s central district director. “Her studies in animal science, combined with her experience being raised on and now co-owning Anderson Farms in Starkweather, make her a well-rounded and knowledgeable resource for the community.”

North Dakota Farmers Union president won’t seek reelection

North Dakota Farmers Union President Mark Watne announced he will not seek reelection to a 13th term as president at the organization’s annual meeting in December. Watne was first elected in November 2013 and also serves as president of Farmers Union Insurance and Farmers Union Service Association.

As leader of the largest farm organization in the state, Watne said, “I am convinced that strong leaders must develop new leaders of future generations for the longevity of an organization to succeed. It is time to let a new generation of capable people step forward and lead us into the future of agriculture and the success of family farms and ranches.”

Prior to being elected president, Watne served NDFU as a county president, state board member and staff executive director, dedicating 26 years to Farmers Union.

“The state of our organization is strong and effective,” he added. “I believe we have made a huge difference in the lives of family farmers and ranchers in this country. And I have no doubt we will be effective well into the future, thanks to the continued strength of our members.”

How it used to be: Harvey Held

Harvey Held, 91-years-old, of Perth, ND. We sat down and visited about how times have changed,

Harvey thinks the biggest change on the farm was getting electricity. A neighbor by the name of Joe Welton, he was one of the original pushers to get electricity into the Bisbee/Perth area. "He was a pioneer in the electrification of the area and I believe its was 1939 or 40s. The new co-op for electricity was called Baker Electric at that time. Baker Electric ran a line a 40-50 miles to the south and a little bit to the west of our farm. That is when our farm qualified for power."

"The neighbor farm to the west didn't get power until after the World War II around 1945 or 46. They ran a line to Hansboro and if you lived within a half a mile from this power line they would hook you up. With a hook up of the electricity we were able to purchase a little radio about 18 inches by 18 inches. I can remember during the World War II we would get the news on the radio as well as other commentary," Harvey said, "It was a great thing!"

Harvey said there was a little hill to the east of our farm where the road goes up over the hill. He used to walk up there to view the country side. He would count 10 or 12 farms where people lived when he was a little guy. Now there's nothing there, except maybe an old steel bin or something in the field but the farmsteads are gone. "My dad said that when he was farming, farm labor was cheap. Farm labor was easily accessible but now it's just kind of the opposite. This day and age You can't hardly find anyone that wants to work on the farm," Harvey said.

"When I was a young fella, the area farms consisted of two or three-quarter acres. Back in the day the farm machinery was small but did their job. Now the farm machinery gets bigger and bigger and because of that the hiring of farm labor is needed less. Modern farm labor has to be very knowledgeable in running this new machinery because if damage is done, the machinery could cost the farmer a lot of money, compared to fixing our bygone machinery," Harvey said.

Harvey is familiar with the Bisbee/Perth area because that's where he grew up and where our farm is located. He says, "My mind wonders back to the good old days I was thinking about the people that lived there when I was young and of course, they're all gone now. Very few offspring of my neighbors have taken over their family farms."

"There was an old school about a mile north of our farm. Our neighbor to the south of us, Bernard Paul said he had a hack and he picked kids up all the way to Bisbee. They were kind of dangerous because they all had a little stove in them to keep the kids warm during the winter months. If the winter got bad to when the snow banks got high the hack did a lot of tipping over. I had a cousin that got burned on his face terrible. So they were dangerous, but that was the only way to get the kids to the school back in the day. I know I was pretty lucky during the real bad winter months, I stayed in Bisbee with some family so I didn't have to go on that hack very often. There was another option to get a ride to school. My dad would take

How It Used To Be By Kaloni Lang

me over to the Paul farm which was about two miles away, and Mr. Paul had what you called a stone boat. This was a flat sled drawn by horses with no protection of any kind. We would dress up good and warm to ride on the stone boat. I suppose maybe that was two or three times during the winter time that I did that. We did make it through these harsh winters. It wasn't a bus route it was maybe a little Model A or an older car, that neighbors would come and pick us up and take us to school."

"Right north of us about 400 yards from the school on the north side of the road was the Booth farm. I can remember they had three children and Floyd was the oldest boy. But they had two younger Booth girls, walk to school, because it was the shorter route to school." Harvey said he never had to walk to school.

"One of the biggest differences from what I see from my childhood are kids growing up with cell-phones. I don't know but we didn't have cell phones, my children didn't have cell phones. There's too much secrecy with these cell phones. You don't know who's on the other end. I watch quite a bit of TV and the most terrible things go on with these cell phones and I know it's scary. Cellphones take up all our kids' time and kids don't play outside like they used to," Harvey said.

"Well, when we went to school I went to the rural school and we learned reading, writing and arithmetic. And by God we did. I think we learned more in those first eight years than we did all through high school. That was one teacher teaching eight grades. We paid attention and we listened to the teacher or else we got slapped with a ruler. When we moved into the next grade we were prepared and we knew a little bit about what was expected for the next year.

I'm all for our local education, I think the schools probably do a pretty good job here in North Dakota. Taking the Ten Commandments out of the schools, I feel was a terrible, terrible mistake," Harvey said.

"In our little rural school, we said the pledge of allegiance every morning. Our folks saw to it that we had a religious upbringing. We knew right from wrong. We knew that stealing was a crime. We knew not to do bad things to other people, not to take advantage of other people and to be treated like we'd treat others. My opinion is some of our youth are missing something someplace along the way. If you were educated and you knew right from wrong you wouldn't be doing such terrible things, but I'm an old-school man at 91 years old and look at things differently."

Harvey said, "Cookie, my wife, is in the Cando Living Center and there's a lot of interaction with the daycare kids which makes the days enjoyable for her. I visit Cookie almost everyday for a few hours, we enjoy our time together. At my age this is the highlight of my days visiting the living center. We enjoy watching the kids outside playing, we can hear in their voices the excited fun about playing outside with their friends!"

Senior meals for week of May 12

Cando Senior Meals are delivered on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Fridays. Call Espresso Yourself Café at 968-3809 by 9 a.m. for reservation. Menu subject to change upon availability. LS = low sodium

Monday, May 12: Bread, french toast, turkey sausage, hashbrown patty, strawberries.

Tuesday, May 13: Egg roll, sweet and sour pork, fried rice, oriental

blend vegetables, pineapple.

Friday, May 16: Breadstick, spaghetti with meat sauce, seasoned zucchini, house salad with dressing, fruit with sauce.

Monday, May 19: Bun, fish fillet, corn, coleslaw, apple crisp.



Meeting Notice

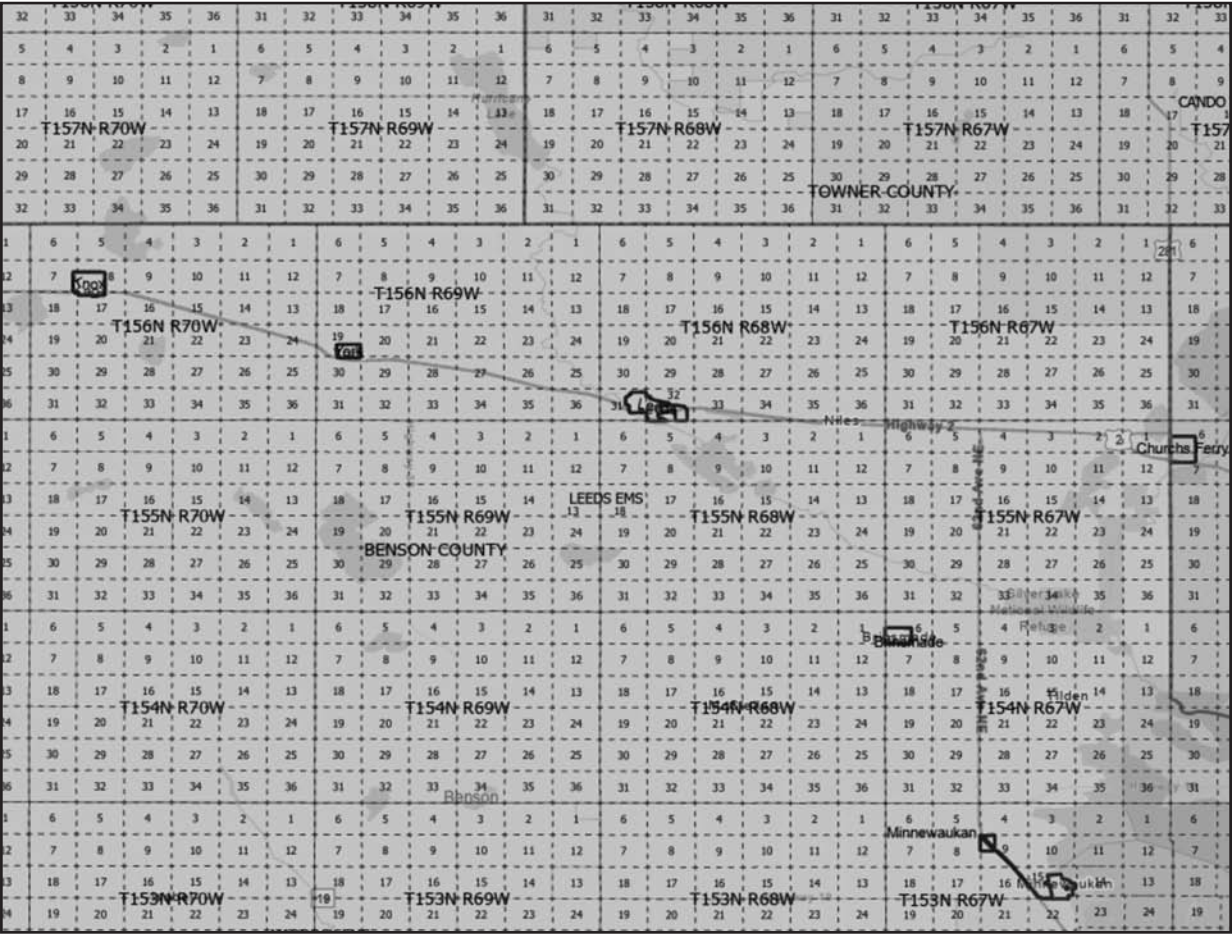
Notice of Public Organizational Meeting and Election
Leeds Rural Ambulance District
Notice is hereby given to all qualified electors living within the boundaries of the district, May 21st 2025 at 6:00 pm at Leeds Fire and Ambulance Facility, 130 1st Ave NE, Leeds, ND 58346 an organizational meeting will be held to elect Leeds Rural Ambulance District Board of Directors. Immediately following the organizational meeting, the District's Board of Directors will hold a public meeting with the following agenda.
1. Call the Meeting to Order
2. Nomination and Election of officers
3. Current ambulance service overview to District Board

TERRITORY OF THE LEEDS RURAL AMBULANCE DISTRICT				
County	Township	Township/Range		Sections
Pierce		157	69	13-36
Towner	Springfield	157	68	NW ¼ of 3, 4, 5 excluding NW ¼, 6 excluding NW ¼, 7-9, NW ¼ of 10, SE ¼ of 11, S ½ of 12, 13 excluding SW ¼, 14 excluding NW ¼, 15-36
	Knox	156	70	1-36
	York	156	69	1-36
	Leeds	156	68	1-36
Benson	Irvine	156	67	5-8, 17-36
	Twin Lake	155	70	1-6, 10-15, 22-29, 32-36
	Beaver	155	69	1-36
	Lake Ibsen	155	68	1-36
	Normania	155	67	1-36
	Broe	154	70	1-5, 8-17, 19-36
	Butte Valley	154	69	1-36
	McClellan	154	68	1-36
	Riggin	154	67	1-12, 14-23, 26-35
	Albert	153	69	NW ¼ of 1, 13,
	West Bay	153	67	2-10, 16-18

4. Present draft governance bylaws for board review
5. Mill Levy authority - consideration and resolution
6. Set next meeting date
7. Adjourn

May 3 and 10, 2025

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All of the City of Leeds
All of the City of Brinsmade



SD BAND

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Health and Health Sciences programs in the University of South Dakota's School of Health Sciences, the University of South Dakota's Center for Disabilities, and LifeScape -a Sioux Falls-based non-profit organization- launched the Applied Behavior Analyst (ABA) two-year graduate program. This program aims to expand South Dakota's behavioral health workforce and contribute essential public health services across the state. Students who complete the USD ABA graduate program must independently complete 2,000 hours of ABA supervised fieldwork experience. When you consider that most BCBAs in South Dakota live near the state's larger population centers, Sioux Falls and Rapid City, it's apparent that those supervised fieldwork experience hours are mostly completed where supervision is available. This barrier creates limited access to BCBAs in rural communities but highlights a great opportunity: addressing disparities in access to specialists in rural areas. South Dakota continues to experience critical shortages of professionals trained to support individuals with autism and other developmental disabilities.

The South Dakota Behavior Analyst Network Development (SD BAND) was formed to address the critical need for enhanced behavioral health services and the greater integration of BCBAs throughout the state, especially in underserved rural communities. This network of state partners includes the University of South Dakota (USD), Community Healthcare Association of the Dakotas (CHAD), South Dakota Department of Social Services (SD DSS), South Dakota Department of Human Services (SD DHS), and the Community Support Providers of South Dakota (CSPSD). SD BAND is tasked with expanding the presence and collaboration of BCBAs within community health centers and other health care settings across South Dakota, to raise awareness among health care providers, adult service providers, and the broader community about the crucial role of BCBAs, and to facilitate their integration into existing service delivery options. Ryan Groeneweg, Ed.S., BCBA, Mr. Groeneweg has been the Director

of Community Education at the USD Center for Disabilities since January 2019. In this role, he is the principal investigator (PI) for the South Dakota Department of Education Training and Technical Assistance Grant (2019 to present), and the South Dakota State Autism Grant (2019 to present). He is also an assistant professor at the USD School of Medicine and the program director for the USD School of Health Science Master in Health Science, with a Specialization in Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA), and the USD ABA Certificate Graduate program. Follow The Prairie Doc® at www.prairiedoc.org, and on social media. Watch On Call with the Prairie Doc, most Thursday's at 7PM streaming on Facebook and listen to Prairie Doc Radio Sunday's at 6am and 1pm.

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