

Guelph News... *By Rose Sell*

Another busy week at Guelph! Places are getting cleaned out that haven't had attention for some time. Visitors/shoppers have been stopping by which is always a nice break, especially when they thoroughly appreciate our facility and what we have to offer. Remember we are open on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 10AM-2PM or by appt.

Hats off to our Guelph mowers who have been busy keeping the grass/weeds at a manageable length which is a challenge with the extra rain we've been dealing with.

Drew, Lindsey, Avery, Ella, Claire & Graham Courtney were in Mott, ND over the weekend to visit family. Avery was able to get her Great-Grama's famous angel-food cake for a belated birthday celebration.

Logan Sell stopped by the Sell Farm for a brief visit on Thursday, the 4th, as he was proceeding on to Okabogee from Bismarck. Claire & Merritt arrived the next day for the weekend, dividing their time between the Wagners & Sells.

The Thorpe family made its way to Fargo on Thursday, the 4th, to witness Jack receiving a scholarship from the organiza-

tion, Crosses for Cameron, an organ donation foundation. The setting was the Garden Of Healing in south Fargo. If you're interested in encouraging people donating organs, go to: crosses-forcameron.org

Active Arts Club sponsored a free concert on Tuesday, June 2, in Union Square in Oakes. The acoustic band, "Figuring It Out", from Bemidji is a family band who has performed in Medora. They performed a fabulous concert for a park full of music lovers.

Sue German and Kathie Hay and seven other members of their Pi Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma helped host the annual North Dakota DKG conference at the Gladstone Inn in Jamestown on June 3-4. The organization, comprised of educators across the state, enjoyed touring the education unit and renovated chapel at the University of Jamestown, as well as a guided tour of the new Anne Carlson Center.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: "The greatness of a community is most accurately measured by the compassionate actions of its members."

— Coretta Scott King

Unforgiveness, break through to a new you

I READ A BOOK CALLED "OVERCOMING HURTS AND ANGER." In that book it stated, "ALL WHAT HURT IS, IS ANGER TURNED INSIDE OUT. The person I had an issue in forgiving was my mother for abandoning, rejecting me when I was 3 years old, my mother left me in the night never to return. As I grew up I thought she had her hurts I HAD MINE, so LET'S JUST CALL IT EVEN. That was not how it played out. My anger, bitterness, rejection grew and festered over the years. When I was in my 30's I went on a retreat and a counselor said. Take one of your parents that you have fought with and sit them on a chair and look into their eyes and ask their forgiveness. I had a lot to say about that as I could pile up a whole lot of grievances, I had against her that she did to me. Why should I be the one asking forgiveness. There is something wrong with this picture. I prayed and said, God how can I forgive her for all the hurt and trauma she caused me. He said, "What she did to you is it as great as the sins you sent my son to die for? I had to think about that. I felt a sword go through my heart. When Jesus died, on the stake he said, Father forgive them for they know not what they do. I didn't even have to ask, Jesus had already forgiven me. His blood paid the price. He was the ransom for my sins. I proceeded to do what the counselor said and I started to cry, and cry. At that moment I felt a ton of bricks being lifted off my shoulders and I felt freedom of being delivered. One thing I found with my unforgiveness with my mom is I lived the curse of unforgiveness of rejection I had toward her. I found I carried this

burden/curse for years and didn't realize it. When my husband and I got married, whenever we got into disagreement, I was the first to walk out the door, because if anyone was going to be rejected it wasn't going to be me it had to be them. This continuously happened until the day I forgave my mom and the curse of leaving my husband stopped I was delivered. Scripture verse, "All things work together for good to those who love God and are called according to his purposes." Rom. 8:28. If my parents didn't give me up, I would not have had the man I married. The Father forgave us, as we are all sinners and fall short of the glory of God. Unforgiveness does not mean what the other person did was okay. Forgiveness is not about condoning their actions or forgetting what happened; rather, it is a choice to release the person from the debt they owe and the pain you feel. It is important to recognize that forgiveness is a process and does not imply that the wrongdoer deserves your trust or that you allow them to continue their behavior. Instead, it is about freeing yourself from the emotional burden and allowing God to bring healing and justice into your life. At the same time I read this testimony it really touched my heart in learning the spiritual lesson of how to forgive and how to execute love, and compassion. The savior gave me that mercy, grace love and compassion why couldn't I do the same. Here is the testimony .

The best mathematical equation I have ever seen: 1 cross + 3 nails -----> 4 given
A LESSON OF TRUE FORGIVENESS.... "Imagine this scene from a recent courtroom

trial in South Africa: A frail black woman stands slowly to her feet. She is something over 70 years of age. Facing her from across the room are several white security police officers, one of whom, a Mr. Van der Broek, has just been tried and found implicated in the murders of both the woman's son and her husband some years before. "It was indeed Mr. Van der Broek, it has been established, who had come to the woman's home a number of years back, taken her only child- a son, shot him at point-blank range and then burned the young man's body on a fire while he and his officers partied nearby. "Several years later, Van der Broek and his cohorts had returned to take away her husband as well. For many months she heard nothing of his whereabouts. Then, almost two years after her husband's disappearance, the hate-filled Van Der Broek came back to fetch the woman herself. How vividly she remembers that evening, going to a place beside a river where she was shown her husband, bound and beaten, but still strong in spirit, lying on a pile of wood. The last words she heard from his swollen lips as the officer's poured gasoline over his body and set him aflame were, "Father, forgive them..." "And now the elderly widow woman stands in the courtroom and listens to the confession offered by Mr. Van der Broek. A member of South Africa's Truth and Reconciliation Commission turns to her and asks, "So, what do you want now? How should justice be done to this man who has so brutally destroyed your loved ones?" "I want three things," begins the old woman, calmly, but confidently. "I want first to be taken to the place

where my husband's body was burned so that I can gather up the dust and give his remains a decent burial." She pauses, then continues. "My husband and son were my only family. I want, secondly, therefore, for Mr. Van der Broek to become my adopted son. I would like him to come twice a month to the ghetto and spend a day with me, so that I can pour out on him whatever love I still have remaining within me, for the rest of my years." "And, finally," she says with tears welling in her eyes, "I want a third thing. I would like Mr. Van Der Broek to know that I offer him my forgiveness because [Yahshua the Messiah died to forgive. This was also the wish of my husband. And so I would kindly ask someone to come to my side and lead me across the courtroom so that I can take Mr. Van der Broek in my arms, embrace him, and let him know that he is truly forgiven. "As the court assistants come to lead the elderly woman across the room, Mr. van der Broek, overwhelmed by what he has just heard, faints. And as he does, those in the courtroom, friends, family, neighbors-all victims of decades of oppression and injustice--begin to sing softly, but assuredly, "Amazing grace, how sweet the sound, that saved a wretch like me.... This is the powerful forgiveness that GOD has shown mankind. By adopting us as sons and daughters and pouring out His love and blessings on us, though we rejected, beat, spat upon and finally murdered His beloved and only Son, JESUS. Matthew 6:12; "And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors."
IN HIS LOVE LITTLE FLOCK... PSALMS 115:1.

Dickey County Commission Meeting Agenda June 16, 2026 9:00 am

Zoom link available upon request if received by 4:00 PM June 15, 2026.

- 9:00 Commission Meeting called to order
- Pledge of Allegiance/Roll Call
- Additions or Revisions to the Agenda
- Approve Minutes
- Approve Vouchers
- 9:15 Public Comment Period
- 9:45 Personnel Time
- 10:00 South Central Dakota Regional Council
- 11:00 Highway Department
- OTHER BUSINESS TO BE BROUGHT BEFORE THE BOARD
- ADJOURNMENT

ANYONE WISHING TO HAVE ITEMS ON THE DICKEY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' AGENDA, PLEASE CONTACT THE

AUDITOR'S OFFICE AT 349-8303 BEFORE 9:00 AM MONDAY, ONE WEEK PRIOR TO THE MEETING DATE.

To request an auxiliary aid or service, please contact the Dickey County Title VI Coordinator at 349-8303 at least 5 business days before the scheduled meeting.

To request a speaker card for the Public Comment Period, please contact the Dickey County Auditor's Office at 349-8303 or by e-mail at dcauditor@nd.gov before the meeting is called to order. The information included in the request should be your name, your address, and the agenda item from the current meeting agenda or the previous meeting agenda that the person seeks to address.

Dickey County Sheriff's Report

May 1, 2026
8:29 am Controlled Burn East of Ellendale; 9:58 am Controlled Burn West of Ellendale; 1:43 pm 24/7 Testing Northwest of Ellendale; 2:37 pm Grass Fire North of Oakes; 3:23 pm Fire southwest of Oakes; 5:29 pm Controlled Burn Northwest of Ellendale; 8:21 pm Traffic Stop Northeast of Ellendale

May 2, 2026
4:55 pm Reckless Driver South of Ellendale; 7:52 pm Animal Complaint South of Kulm; 9:17 pm Traffic Stop West of Ellendale; 11:56 pm Traffic Stop Northeast of Ellendale

May 3, 2026
6:03 pm Break in North of Ellendale

May 4, 2026
11:46 am 911 Hang up West of Ellendale; 9:30 pm Welfare Check North of Oakes

May 5, 2026
5:43 am Traffic Hazard West of Ellendale; 1:23 pm Motorist Assist West of Ellendale; 3:06 pm Paper Service West of Ellendale; 7:50 pm Paper Service in Oakes; 8:01 pm Paper Service in Oakes; 8:08 pm Paper Service in Oakes; 8:15 pm Paper Service in Oakes; 8:23 pm Paper Service in Oakes; 8:31 pm Paper Service in Oakes; 8:44 pm Paper Service in Oakes; 9:02 pm Paper Service in Oakes; 9:03 pm Paper Service in Oakes; 9:26 pm Paper Service South of Oakes

May 6, 2026
7:04 pm Paper Service in Ellendale; 7:11 pm Paper Service in Ellendale; 7:16 pm Paper Service in Ellendale; 7:22 pm Paper Service in Ellendale; 7:26 pm Paper Service in Ellendale; 7:35 pm Paper Service in Ellendale; 7:40 pm Paper Service in Ellendale; 7:45 pm Paper Service in Ellendale; 7:48 pm Medical Assist in Ellendale; 8:15 pm Paper Service in Ellendale; 8:18 pm Paper Service in Ellendale

May 7, 2026
12:46 pm Controlled Burn Northwest of Oakes; 4:04 pm Medical Assist South of Ellendale, driving to Aberdeen by private vehicle; 5:12 pm Traffic Stop North of Ellendale; 6:54 pm Medical Assist in Ellendale; 11:20 pm Traffic Stop North of Ellendale

May 8, 2026
12:35 pm 911 Hang up Northeast of Ellendale; 2:11 pm Paper Service in Oakes; 2:22 pm Paper Service in Oakes; 2:28 pm Agency Assist with Edmunds County, SD; 6:14 pm Paper Service Northeast of Ellendale; 8:30 pm Paper Service in Ellendale; 9:38 pm Paper Service in Oakes;

11:01 pm Paper Service in Oakes

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May 9, 2026
12:02 am Welfare Check North of Ellendale; 1:50 pm Animal Complaint South of Kulm; 3:15 pm Paper Service in Oakes; 3:37 pm Paper Service Northwest of Oakes; 4:24 pm Paper Service Southwest of Ellendale; 5:31 pm Traffic Hazard South of Kulm; 6:52 pm Animal Complaint South of Kulm; 8:14 pm Traffic Hazard North of Oakes

May 10, 2026
4:11 pm Animal Complaint South of Kulm; 6:38 pm Paper Service West of Ellendale

May 11, 2026
8:20 am Motor Vehicle Accident in Oakes; 3:13 pm Reckless Driver North of Ellendale; 5:07 pm Prisoner Transport to Stutsman County Corrections; 6:09 pm Motorist Assist West of Ellendale; 7:36 pm Agency Assist in Ellendale; 10:52 pm Traffic Stop North of Ellendale

May 12, 2026
7:32 am 911 Misdiad Northwest of Oakes; 5:38 pm Reckless Driver North of Ellendale; 7:00 pm Traffic Stop North of Ellendale

May 13, 2026
2:26 pm Paper Service Northwest of Ellendale; 3:02 pm 911 Open Line West of Ellendale;

4:39 pm 911 Open Line West of Ellendale; 4:57 pm Motorist Assist unlock vehicle West of Ellendale; 9:54 pm 911 Hang up East of Ellendale

May 14, 2026
10:53 am Agency Assist with McIntosh & LaMoure County; 11:52 am Motor Vehicle Accident South of Kulm on Hwy 56; 5:05 pm Agency Assist in Ellendale; 5:07 pm Agency Assist with Brown County; 8:01 pm Motor Vehicle Accident Northeast of Ellendale

May 15, 2026
5:59 am Animal Complaint calf in the ditch West of Ellendale; 4:19 pm 911 Open Line North of Oakes; 5:36 pm Agency Assist with Aberdeen PD; 10:58 pm Medical Assist in Ellendale; 11:35 pm Motorist Assist in Ellendale

May 16, 2026
10:30 am 911 Open Line East of Ellendale; 3:47 pm Paper Service Northeast of Ellendale; 8:05 pm Medical Assist in Ellendale

May 17, 2026
10:56 am Controlled Burn East of Ellendale; 4:30 pm Fire Alarm Northeast of Ellendale; 7:03 pm Paper Service Southwest of Oakes; 7:57 pm 911 Open Line North of Oakes

May 18, 2026
7:57 am 911 Open Line North of Oakes; 10:32 am 911 Open Line West of Ellendale; 8:12 pm Agency Assist in Ellendale

May 19, 2026
9:11 am Reckless Driver North of Ellendale; 1:32 pm Paper Service in Ellendale; 1:42 pm Paper Service in Ellendale

May 20, 2026
9:09 am Alarm South of Ellendale; 9:55 am Identity Theft North of Ellendale; 10:23 pm Traffic Stop South of Ellendale

May 21, 2026
12:51 pm 911 Misdiad West of Ellendale; 3:29 pm Agency Assist in Ellendale; 5:12 pm Motorist Assist South of Oakes; 6:08 pm Paper Service in Oakes; 7:07 pm Traffic Stop in Ellendale

May 22, 2026
9:10 am 911 Misdiad West of Ellendale; 2:12 pm Medical Assist West of Ellendale; 6:22 pm Medical Assist in Ellendale; 9:18 pm Warrant Checked by LaMoure County on Dickey County Warrant; 9:41 pm Controlled Burn East of Ellendale

May 23, 2026
3:16 pm 911 Misdiad West of Ellendale; 7:47 pm Motor Vehicle Accident West of Ellendale; 8:46 pm Agency Assist with McIntosh County on Vehicle Theft found in Dickey County

May 24, 2026
7:19 pm Agency Assist with Oakes PD

May 25, 2026
8:57 am Alarm South of Ellendale

May 26, 2026
10:20 am 911 Open Line West of Ellendale; 15:10 pm Traffic Stop in Ellendale; 8:28 pm Traffic Stop South of Oakes; 8:52 pm Paper Service in Oakes; 11:18 pm Traffic Stop in Ellendale; 11:53 pm Traffic Stop South of Ellendale

May 27, 2026
10:20 am Welfare Check South of Ellendale; 10:24 am 911 Hang up Southwest of Oakes; 3:26 pm Motor Vehicle Accident North of Ellendale

May 28, 2026
12:56 pm 911 Hang up West of Ellendale; 5:24 pm Paper Service in Oakes; 5:52 pm 911 Hang up West of Ellendale; 8:10 pm Paper Service Northeast of Ellendale; 9:22 pm Controlled Burn North of Ellendale

May 29, 2026
8:34 am Controlled Burn Northwest of Ellendale; 8:36 am Paper Service in Ellendale; 1:19 pm 911 Hang up West of Ellendale; 10:20 pm Traffic Stop South of Ellendale

May 30, 2026
11:02 am 911 Hang up West of Ellendale

May 31, 2026
7:11 pm Agency Assist in Ellendale; 7:22 pm Medical Assist in Ellendale

June 1, 2026
7:11 pm Agency Assist in Ellendale; 7:22 pm Medical Assist in Ellendale

June 2, 2026
7:11 pm Agency Assist in Ellendale; 7:22 pm Medical Assist in Ellendale

June 3, 2026
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June 15, 2026
7:11 pm Agency Assist in Ellendale; 7:22 pm Medical Assist in Ellendale

Dickey County Senior Menu Ellendale/Oakes: 742-3509

Friday: CLOSED
Monday: Sloppy joe on a bun, peas and carrots, baked potato with sour cream, fruity tapioca pudding
Tuesday: Baked cod with garlic butter, lemon dill orzo, carrots, choice of fruit
Wednesday: Turkey and dressing casserole, green beans almondine, mashed potatoes with gravy, cranberry velvet
Thursday: Cheese tortellini with meat sauce, tossed salad with dressing, cauliflower, tropical fruit, bread stick

Dickey County Public Transportation
Handicapped Accessible Vehicles

Ellendale:
Monday - Thursday
8:30am - 4:30pm
Oakes:
Monday - Friday
8:30am - 4:30pm
To Aberdeen:
The Third (3rd) Friday of each month
If you need a ride, call: 742-3509

The McIntosh County Bus goes through Ellendale on their way to Aberdeen the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month. If you would like to catch a ride call: 701-731-0072

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Probate No. 11-2026-PR-00018 IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF DICKEY COUNTY, STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

In the Matter of the Estate of Betty Jo Hvistendahl, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS (N.D.C.C. 30.1-19-01)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of the above estate. All persons having claims against the deceased are required to present their claims within three months after the date of the first publication or mailing of this notice or the claims will be forever barred.

Claims must either be presented to Loren Hansen, personal representative of the estate, at P.O. Box 192, Hecla, S.D. 57446, or filed with the Court.

Dated this 2nd day of June, 2026.
/s/ Loren Hansen
Loren Hansen, Personal Representative
602 Pine St., Hecla, S.D. 57446
605-994-2500
chc@nvc.net
(June 11, 18 & 25, 2026)

DICKEY COUNTY VETERANS SERVICE OFFICE

- Ellendale and Oakes Offices
- Open by Appointment only
- Call 349-3249 to Schedule
- Call 701-710-5575 for ride Scheduling

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