



Powers Lake held a Hunter Education class the week of May 5-9. Ten students successfully passed the course, eight from the Powers Lake area and a mother and son joined from Minot. Instructors included Brooks Holmen, Jim Breeding, and new instructor Derrick Hyshlen joined as he was just certified in April. Kids learned firearm safety, wildlife conservation, and Game and Fish laws and ethics.

📄 Powers Lake

Eunice Ryan shares:
I recently attended and enjoyed very much the Holy Cross Lutheran Church Annual Spring Tea in Powers Lake. The program was excellent.
I live near the church but needed to drive over as I cannot, even with my walker, walk any long distance. I had my friend, Janice Hegstad drive me over in case there was no close parking.
It was a beautiful day, so when we left the church, I told Janice that she need not drive me home as all I had to do was drive into my garage. So she left me, as she too, lives near and not far to walk.
After she left, I remembered

I had my walker and needed to put it in my car. I decided I would try to put it in the car on my own, despite knowing I am not strong and do not have good balance.
I could not get it to fold down, so I attempted to put it in without folding. I was struggling when I heard this soft voice say to me, "Can I help you?"
I looked down to see beautiful blue, innocent eyes on this little girl. I recognized her as Emery Thorlaksen, and I was surprised that this little lady was right there to offer me help.
Emery offered to take the walker to my house. Her older sister, Stella and another friend came out of the church, and together, took the walker to my home. I stood and watched all the while until they returned.

They even told me exactly where they had left my walker.
I decided I was going to give Emery and the other girls a little reward for their kindness. I had quarters on my table at home, ready to be wrapped and decided to drive home and put some in plastic bags and give it to them.
Their mother came out of the church before I had driven off, and I told her the story. She said I did not need to pay them, but I told her I did it because I wanted to.
What totally touched my soul was that someone of Emery's age would reach out to me in such a sweet, kind way. My first thought was what terrific parenting that youngster must have, what a delight she must be to her teacher, and what a role model must she be to her friends.

📄 Bowbells

Wednesday, Hazel Herman and Mike attended the open house appreciation luncheon for God's Child where Hazel donates her baby afghans. They are sent to Guatemala for missions. While in Bismarck, they stopped at the Heritage Center Museum as Mike had to take care of some Burke County Historical Society business.
Brenda Peterson visited cousin, Janette Peterson on Monday.
Sunday brunch guests of Lyann Olson were Clara Olson, Geran, Whitney, Wesley, Elliot and Jacob Rick. Of course pancakes were on the menu.
Janel and Jerome Hoheisel brought pizza for dinner on Saturday to Janette Peterson's and stayed to visit in the afternoon. Diana Jacobson visited afterwards.
Seniors received quilts made by the quilting ladies at Bethlehem Lutheran Church Sunday worship. Cake and coffee were enjoyed in honor of the soon to be graduates.
On Mother's Day, John Peterson picked up mom, Janette and went to Kenmare to Shelley and Craig Ellsworths' for dinner.
Tuesday, Hazel and Michael Herman were in Crosby to attend the Meadowlark series. They met Anne Brodal for supper at the Bypass before the concert.
The Crimson Cruiser Red Hats met Tuesday at Caddy's Shack. Afterwards they went to Dee Haley's to celebrate their 20th anniversary of Red Hats with an anniversary cake, ice cream and coffee. They had a drawing for Red Hat items and lots of reminiscing. They had a wonderful evening. Those celebrating were Ardelle McIntyre, Dee Haley and Colleen Durward of Bowbells; Wanda Rodin, Dorothy Ankenbauer and daughter Donna, Diane Skalicky, Vi Bauer, Pam and Joanie Skaar, Shirley Chris-

tensen, all of Kenmare; Mary Ann Michel of Donnybrook; and Teri Alexander of Tolley.
Bonnie Nielsen, Hazel Herman and Gen Aufforth met at the Cenex and had pizza for lunch one day last week.
On Sunday for Mother's Day, Jack took Gen Aufforth to the 109 in Lignite for the lunch buffet. JR Aufforth delivered supper over to Gen and the family that evening.
Saturday afternoon Hazel Herman joined nine other ladies for the Bowbells Paint Party at the Memorial Hall. She had a lot of fun, and they all painted wooden signs.
Dee Haley had all four of her Bowbells grandsons come over on Sunday and make wraps to eat. Next they mowed her grass, played cards and they all enjoyed cocoa and bars. Dee said it was a wonderful day.
Thursday, Hazel and Mike Herman were in Crosby for the spring concert for her great grandsons, Deklan and Liam Pulvermacher and Emil Frand-sen.
Sunday evening Michelle and David Redmer went on a four-wheeler ride and enjoyed the countryside. Just for some excitement they ran out of gas. Michelle almost had to walk home except it finally started and they made it home.
Cindy Winzenburg picked up Ardelle McIntyre and went to the 109 in Lignite for lunch. They also met Jazmin, Marnel Winzenburg and friend, Rose. On the way home Cindy and Ardelle stopped to see Daniel and Jazmin's new home. Ardelle enjoyed the tour.
Saturday, Kenny and Bonnie Herman visited at Hazel Herman's and they had supper together.
Celebrating Jacob Rick's fourth birthday last Tuesday in Lignite with his family were Mary Pandolfo, Lyann Olson, Bernnie Linster and Brooke Watterud and girls.
Sunday, Hazel Herman and Michael met Steve Herman in Minot for a Mother's Day dinner.

Senior Citizens Menus

POWERS LAKE
Call 464-5630 by 8:00 a.m. the day of the meal
Friday, May 16: Chicken fajita.
Monday, May 19: Italian beef on a hoagie.
Wednesday, May 21: Meatloaf and gravy.
LIGNITE/COLUMBUS
Call day before to reserve or cancel a meal, 596-3563
Friday, May 16: Country ham, scalloped potatoes, roasted brussel sprouts, fruit.
Monday, May 19: Pulled pork sandwich, maple sweet potato, cooked beets, apricots.
Wednesday, May 21: Cranberry meatballs, potato O'Brien, vegetable blend, plums.

BOWBELLS
Anyone over 60 who would like a meal delivered please call 377-2376 meals subject to change
Friday, May 16: Lasagna, lettuce salad, garlic toast, orange.
Monday, May 19: Chicken fried steak patty, mashed potatoes, gravy, carrots, peaches, dinner bun.
Wednesday, May 21: Pulled pork on a bun, oven tater tots, green beans, angel food cake with berries.

Card of Thanks
We would like to say a huge thank you for all the support for Lincoln and our family. Whether you helped with food, donated, or just showed up, we are so grateful.
We will never be able to thank everyone enough and are so lucky to be a part of this community.
-The Kalmbachs

PUBLIC NOTICES
A public notice is information informing citizens of government activities that may affect the citizens' everyday lives. Public notices have been printed in local newspapers, the trusted sources for community information, for more than 200 years.

North Dakota newspapers also post public notices that are printed in newspapers on www.ndpublicnotices.com at no additional charge to units of government.

City of Columbus Council Proceedings
Tax Equalization Meeting
April 7, 2025

The Tax Equalization meeting of the City of Columbus was called to order by Mayor Chris Kihle on Monday April 7, 2025, at 7:01 pm at the Columbus City Hall. A quorum was present.
Present: Mayor Kihle, Council members: Amber Nygard, Scott Sandy, Darla Westernness, and Katie Nygard. Also present were auditor, Sandy Raines; maintenance supervisor Larry Stratton; Brian Julius of Ackerman-Estvold; Vickie Damm, and Michael Herman, Burke County Assessor's Office.
Herman presented the Book of 2025 assessed values for the City of Columbus. One increase of \$16,000 for garage structure at 611 Parsons Ave, Parcel #07274000. Herman also shared information regarding the Primary Tax Credit and Homestead Tax Credit.
Public Comment: None
Motion by Sandy and second by K. Nygard to approve the assessment book as presented with the increase at parcel #07274000. The mayor called for the vote. Motion approved.
Motion to adjourn the Equalization meeting by Westernness and seconded by Sandy. Motion approved. Meeting adjourned at 7:08 pm.
{I hereby certify that this is a correct record of the proceedings of the City of Columbus Board of Equalization, City of Columbus, Burke County, ND. In testimony whereof, I here unto set my hand this 7th day of April, 2025.}
Sandy Raines, City Auditor
City of Columbus
Official Council Proceedings
April 7, 2025
The April meeting of the City of Columbus was called to order at 7:09 pm on Monday, April 7, 2025, by Mayor Chris Kihle at the Columbus City Hall with the Pledge of Allegiance.
Members Present: Darla Westernness, Scott Sandy, Amber Nygard, and Katie Nygard; Auditor, Sandy Raines; and Maintenance Supervisor Larry Stratton.
Guests Present: Vickie Damm, and Brian Julius, Ackerman-Estvold
Motion by Westernness and second by K Nygard to approve the agenda as presented. The mayor called for the vote. Motion approved.
Motion by Westernness and second by Sandy to approve the minutes of March 3, 2025, City Council Meeting as presented. The mayor called for the vote. Motion approved.
Correspondence: Notice received for the schedule of annual meetings for Northwest Rural Water on April 14, 2025, and NDIRF on May 8, 2025. Columbus will send a proxy vote.
Engineer: Julius stated that Phase I of the lead/copper inventory is completed for Columbus. Results will be added to the report and submitted to DEQ.
Uncertain of roll-out of Phase II
City Auditor: None
City Maintenance: Cleared some drifted areas to facilitate melting and runoff; Fixed the generator trailer for lift station, will need new hitch and possibly new battery; compactor assembled, and installed water meters.
City Auditor:
• **Building Permits:** None
• **Financials:** Motion by A Nygard

and second by Sandy to pay the April bills and file the March financial statement. The mayor called for the vote. Ayes: Westernness, Sandy, K. Nygard, and A. Nygard. Nays: None. Motion approved.
Old Business:
Financial: Transition to Banyon accounting moving forward. Online training for new meter reader with Ferguson, State Auditor's office for Financial Audit.
Sewer and Water: Delinquency report reviewed; Research cost for dehumidifier for tower building and stand-alone generators for vault building and tower building.
Buildings and Grounds: Research cost on replacement flags for Main Street; Fan motor was replaced in Community Center
Roads and Streets: Cold patch ordered; Need to order load of gravel; Street signs need replacing.
• **Spring NDLC Conference:** Informative sessions on legislative bills, preparing for emergencies, social media dos and don'ts, insurance coverage, and grant writing.
• **Spring Water Training:** Maintenance attended training in Bismarck on March 31- April 1, 2025.
New Business:
• **Utility Fee Structure:** Council wishes to move forward with designing fine structure for ordinance violation and updating utility fees.
• **Fire Extinguishers:** Will be serviced and updated on April 10.
• **Grants:** Roughriders 4-H received a Round Up Grant and will be planting city planters; Applied for playground grant with Divide Wind Energy; State Forester began tree inventory and supplied information for Spring Tree grants
• **Wastewater training:** Maintenance will attend spring in-person wastewater training in Bismarck on April 28-29
• **City Wide Clean-Up:** Columbus will have a roll off dumpster available during the week of May 26, for spring clean-up.
• **Columbus Community Group:** Next monthly meeting Apr. 16 @ 5:30 pm. Columbus Easter Egg Hunt is scheduled for Saturday, April 12th from 1-4 pm.
• **Parent/Tots Playgroup:** May Play Group TBD
Announcements: Next meeting **Monday, May 5, 2025, 7:00 pm at Columbus City Hall.**
There will be no Spring Vet Clinic in Columbus only in the fall.
Adjournment: Motion by K Nygard and second by Westernness to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.
Bills to Pay: BC Sheriff \$400.00; BDEC 11.50; Burke County Tribune 122.18; Circle Sanitation 1772.50; EFTPS 1286.36, First District Health 30.00; Intuit 333.00; Jerry's Transfer 24.00, Lignite Oil 425.58; MDU 1194.77; NCC 223.12; NWRW 2324.05; Verizon 274.72; Stratton 129.03; Raines 379.80, Ferguson 1200.00; Visa Auditor 361.37, Brit Communication 1562.50; Ralph's Plumbing and Heating 719.99, New Century Ag 99.79; Jacob's Hardware 126.47 & 56.11; Solotek Inc 2535.40; Souris Basin Planning 150.00, The Country Store 86.96; WSI 404.06, Office Depot 514.81, NAPA 74.40; ND DEQ 60.00.

Sandy Raines, Auditor
Unofficial Council Proceedings
May 5, 2025
The May meeting of the City of Columbus was called to order at 7:00pm on Monday, May 5, 2025, by Mayor Chris Kihle at the Columbus City Hall with the Pledge of Allegiance.
Members Present: Darla Westernness, Amber Nygard, and Katie Nygard; Auditor, Sandy Raines; and Maintenance Larry Stratton. Absent, Scott Sandy.
Guests Present: Brian Dick and Connie Powell.
Motion by K Nygard and second by Westernness to approve the agenda as presented. The mayor called for the vote. Motion approved.
Motion by Westernness and second by A Nygard to approve the minutes of

the Columbus Equalization Meeting and the April 7, 2025, City Council Meeting as presented. The mayor called for the vote. Motion approved.
Correspondence: Information about Summer Water Expo and Water Quality Certificate for 2024 received for Columbus.
Engineer: None
City Attorney: None
City Maintenance: Battery and hitch replaced on Lift Station Generator trailer; load of cold mix arrived; lawn mowers and weed eaters ready to go; cleaning gutters; brushes on street cleaner may need to be replaced. Attended waste water training in Bismarck on April 28 & 29.
City Auditor:
• **Building Permits:** None
• **Financials:** Motion by K. Nygard and second by Westernness to pay the May bills and file the April financial statement. The mayor called for the vote. Ayes: Westernness, K. Nygard and A. Nygard. Nays: None. Motion approved.
Old Business:
Financial: Transition to Banyon continues.
Sewer and Water: Tower Building Dehumidifier needed and standaloe generators for Vault and Tower Building needed.
Buildings and Grounds: Large sign needs to be repaired; new flags needed
Roads and Streets: Gravel needed for alleys and non-paved streets.
New Business:
• **Brian Dick** inquired about Columbus demolition and building permits as well as monthly utility fees.
Columbus Community Group: Next monthly meeting May 21 @ 5:30 pm. Columbus Easter Egg Hunt was held April 12th from 1-4 pm.
• **Parent/Tots Playgroup:** May Play group: TBD
• **Columbus City-Wide Cleanup will be May 26-May 31, 2025**
Announcements: Next meeting Monday, June 2, 2025, at 7:00 pm at Columbus City Hall.
Adjournment: Motion by K Nygard and second by A Nygaard to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 8:18 pm.
Bills to Pay: Intuit \$333.00; BDEC 11.50; Verizon 274.72; NWRW 2151.74; NCC 223.16, MDU 1125.78; Amazon 110.24; BC Sheriff 400.00; BC Assessor 800.00; Circle Sanitation 1830.00; First District Health 30.00; Lignite Oil 1215.06; Visa Auditor 121.88; Dakota Fire Extinguishers 179.51; Banyon Data 1934.00; New Century Ag 153.83; Stratton 101.00; Simonsen & Oien 3932.35; On the Spot 178.14; Jacob's Hardware 15.49.
Sandy Raines, Auditor
May 14, 2025

Notice of Hearing
STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
COUNTY OF BURKE
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
NORTH CENTRAL
JUDICIAL DISTRICT
Kelly Jane Swenseth,
ND Atty No. 06909
Swenseth Law Office, PLLC
418 4th Ave NE,
Devils Lake, ND 58301
kelly@swensethlawoffice.com
701.662.5058
Attorney for Applicant/ Personal Representative
Probate No. 07-2025-PR-0007
NOTICE OF HEARING:
AMENDED PETITION FOR FORMAL PROBATE, ADJUDICATION OF INTESATCY, DETERMINATION OF HEIRS AND APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE
In the Matter of the Estate of **Leonard I. Smith, Deceased.**
[¶1.] A hearing regarding the Amended Petition for Formal Probate, Adjudication of Intestacy, Determination of Heirs and Appointment of Personal Representative submitted by Andrea Gordon is scheduled to come before this Court in the Burke County Courthouse on the City of Bowbells, North Dakota, on the 8th day of July 2025, at 10:30 a.m., or as soon thereafter as Counsel can be heard.
[¶2.] Dated:
BY THE COURT:
5/5/2025 3:01:36 PM
Stacy J. Louser
Judge of the District Court
May 14, 21 & 28, 2025

More Legals on Page 6

Congratulations
Open House for **Alex Jacobson**
following graduation
Sunday, May 18 at the farm

GREATER NORTHWEST CORNER MARKET
Advertising appears in 6 area newspapers
Bowbells, Crosby, Kenmare, Mohall, Stanley, Westhope
PUBLISHED EVERY 1ST & 3RD WEDNESDAYS
For more information contact
Burke County Tribune
701-377-2626

ABBREVIATED NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT NORTH DAKOTA ETHICS COMMISSION RULES RELATING TO TRAVEL DISCLOSURE
TAKE NOTICE that the **North Dakota Ethics Commission** will hold a public hearing to address proposed travel disclosure rules at **9:30 am on July 14, 2025, at 600 E Boulevard Ave, Sakakawea Room, Bismarck, ND and on Microsoft Teams.** These are not emergency rules.
A copy of the proposed rules and a link for the hearing may be found at www.ethicscommission.nd.gov or obtained by calling (701) 328-5325. Written comments may be submitted on the Ethics Commission's website or to 600 E Boulevard Ave, Dept 195, Bismarck, ND 58505 until July 28, 2025. If you plan to attend the public hearing and will need special facilities or assistance relating to a disability, please contact the Ethics Commission at the above telephone number at least 14 days prior to the public hearing. Dated this 8th day of May, 2025. Rebecca Binstock, Executive Director, North Dakota Ethics Commission