



## Memorial Day services set for Monday

Decorating of graves, memorial services and special gatherings are all slated for Monday, May 30. Many communities throughout the county will pause to honor veterans of all wars. Several communities will have guest speakers presenting patriotic addresses as part of their Memorial Day services.

### Clark

The Memorial Day program at Clark will be held at 10:30 a.m. at the Clark American Legion Hall. Post Commander Rob McGraw will welcome those attending.

The Cagley-Smith Legion Post #60 and Legion Auxiliary members will lead the processional and the Legion Color Guard will be in charge of Posting of the Colors. The audience will recite the Pledge of Allegiance. Amy and Leah Nelson will sing the *National Anthem* and provide a musical selection. Post

Commander Rob McGraw will give closing comments. Invocation and Benediction will be given by Post Chaplain, Stan Jongbloed.

The speaker for the program will be Philip Braeger, Vietnam Veterans of America, Watertown. Several years ago a handful of Vietnam veterans got together and decided it was time to organize a local chapter. A goal of 35 members was set to meet the minimum required by VVA. Some thought that was a lofty goal, but today Northeast South Dakota Chapter 1054 has 430 members and 33 associate members.

Braeger is an important member of this group. Said Braeger, "The newly formed chapter recruited members through public service announcements and by getting articles published in local newspapers about the chapter. Members also went on radio talk shows to explain how the chapter functions and that

its purpose was to help all veterans in need of a helping hand. The group ordered black polo shirts embroidered with names on the back, the VVA logo on the front, and "Vietnam Veterans of America of Northeast South Dakota" on the back.

"We looked sharp. We designed a unique color guard uniform. We marched in parades: Fourth of July, Christmas, centennial parades, 125th-year city celebrations, and small town celebrations. Usually the Chapter 1054 Color Guard leads, flanked by guards carrying M-1s or M-16s. Members and associates walk along the crowded streets handing out small American flags."

Braeger will speak about Chapter 1054 'Restoring the Pride'.

The Color Guard will lead the group to Flat Iron Park for the annual gun salute ceremony. Wreath ceremonies will follow at Flat Iron

Park, St. Boniface Cemetery and Rose Hill Cemetery and *Taps* will be played. The Legion Auxiliary will serve lunch at the Legion Hall following the program.

### Willow Lake

Johnny Fonken Legion Post No. 113 will hold the Memorial Day service at the Willow Lake Auditorium at 10:00 a.m. Post Commander Curtis Lamb will welcome the guests and pastor Steven Johnson will be leading in prayer. The *Pledge of Allegiance* and the *National Anthem* will be led by Post Commander Lamb.

Kaylyn Hofer will provide special music and Masyn Knock will do a reading.

Commander Lamb will be the featured speaker and he will be highlighting six Willow Lake area veterans, two from World War I, three from World War II and one

from Operation Iraqi Freedom.

The post plans a memorial service at Collins Cemetery following

the program, where *Taps* will be played. A meal, put on by the Lions Club will follow at the Willow Lake Auditorium.

### Raymond

In Raymond, Baker Legion Post No. 209 Chaplain Larry Waterfall will offer the Invocation and Benediction for the program planned for 10:00 a.m. at the Raymond American Legion Hall.

Commander Roger Hurlbert will introduce guest speaker retired Col. David Lewis.

Colonel David R. Lewis enlisted in the South Dakota National Guard on December 10, 1986. Upon graduation from high school he attended Basic Training in Fort Jackson, South Carolina. After Basic Training, he attended the 31K (now

### Little Fellow Services

Residents and those interested will be making the annual trip to the grave site sign this year to remember the Little Fellow.

The services, will be held at the Memorial sign near the Mary Kranz farm located six miles east of Clark. The memorial service starts at 9:00 a.m. with a brief program led by local clergy.

If one needs a ride to the site, contact Greg Furness at 532-5772.

This is the 71st year of the Little Fellow Services.

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## Region 1A Track and Field Meet held at Clark Sports Complex

Region 1A Track and Field Meet was held last Thursday at the Clark High School Sports Complex. In year's past, the top two place-winners in each event automatically qualified for the South Dakota State Track and Field Meet to be held May 26-28 in Sioux Falls. Now, it is the top 24 places throughout the season in each event that qualify for the state meet.

Both the Cyclone boys and girls will be competing in the state track meet. The boys will have Tyler O'Neill in the 800 meter run and Avery Nichols on shot put. They will also be competing in the 4x200 relay, 4x400 relay, 4x800 relay and the medley relay.

The girls will compete in the sprint medley relay at state and Sara Thonvold will run the 100 meter high hurdles.

Pictured left, Kayla Jordan anchoring the winning sprint medley relay at Region 1A; center, Avery Nichols placing third in the shot put at 44'04"; and right, Valley Roebke finishing third in the high jump at 4'06".

Photos by Heather Jordan

## Your right to vote - South Dakota primary election day is June 7

The primary election is Tuesday, June 7, 2022. There is an official nonpolitical primary election ballot that is Constitutional Amendment C.

### Amendment C

Title: A Constitutional Amendment Requiring Three-Fifths Vote for Approval of

Ballot Measures Imposing Taxes or Fees or Obligating over \$10 Million.

### Attorney Explanation:

Currently the constitution requires that any new tax or tax increase must be approved either by voters or by two-thirds of the members of each legislative branch. To be approved by voters, such a measure must obtain a majority of the votes cast. This constitutional amendment requires that any ini-

tiated measure, proposed constitutional amendment, or referred measure imposing or increasing taxes must obtain three-fifths of the votes cast to be approved.

This constitutional amendment also adds the requirement that any initiated measure, proposed constitutional amendment, or referred measure obligating the state to appropriate \$10 million or more in any of the first five fiscal years must obtain three-fifths of the votes cast to be approved.

This constitutional amendment additionally requires any initiated measure, proposed constitutional amendment, or referred measure which imposes or increases fees to obtain three-fifths of the votes cast to be approved.

Vote "Yes" to adopt the amendment

Vote "No" to leave the Constitution as it is.

### Pro - Constitutional Amendment C

A yes vote on Amendment C makes it harder to raise your taxes and create more big government spending programs. It should be harder to tax and spend your money, and a yes vote on Amendment C provides greater protection for your hard earned money.

Passing Amendment C would provide protection for taxpayers by requiring that

60% of voters agree before raising your taxes and growing government.

Without the protection of Amendment C, special interest groups can use ballot measures to raise your sales or property taxes, enact a

state income tax, or create a state death tax with only a simple majority of those who show up at the polls to vote.

Amendment C is consistent with existing taxpayer protections in South Dakota law. Our South Dakota Constitution requires the consensus of 67% of our state legislature to enact new taxes or create new government spending programs. These protections have helped South Dakotans avoid the higher taxes and runaway spending that plague Washington D.C. and other states without such protections.

Inflation and the rising costs of food, gas, and other necessities make it more difficult for people and families to just get by financially. A yes vote on Amendment C protects your personal and family budget from the strain of higher taxes

and spending.

Ballot measures that take more of your hard-earned money through higher taxes and big government spending should require a 60% vote to become law. Vote yes on Amendment C.

Jon Hansen  
State Representative  
Speaker Pro Tempore of the  
South Dakota House

### Con - Constitutional Amendment C

Amendment C will lead to unintended consequences for our state. It's confusing, unnecessary, risky, and it will permanently change our constitution in ways we can't even imagine yet. If it ain't broke, don't fix it.

Here's the fine print: Amend-

ment C would permanently change our constitution to end majority rule for ballot measures, allowing a small minority to block important

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### WEATHER

Robert Cole - Official  
Weather Observer

	HI	LO	PR
May 17	75	48	0.36
May 18	66	49	0.06
May 19	75	50	0.02
May 20	73	46	0.11
May 21	56	34	0.01
May 22	47	34	0.09
May 23	58	43	0
2022 precipitation to date			7.04
2021 precipitation to date			5.22

Re-elect  
**FRED DISTRICT 4**  
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Working hard for District 4  
and South Dakota.  
I would appreciate your vote on June 7.

Paid for by Fred Deutsch for House.

