



New Rockford High School Class of 1995 (from left to right): Kent Throlson, Angie (Allmaras) Hopfau, Jean (Lies) Schuster, Jordan Meier, Christi (Packard) Schuda, Brandy (Boyle) Deutsch, Heidi (Steele) Carlson, Melanie (Gehrtz) Quinton, Amy (Weisenburger) Cudworth, T.J. Koeplin, Sarah (Yri) Zeiler, Brian Haley, Rod Swart. Courtesy photo.

Class of '95 donates to Rockford Theatre fund in memory of passed classmates

The New Rockford High School Class of 1995 held their 30 year reunion on Friday, July 4 at the New Rockford Golf Course and Event Center. The class contributed \$300 to the Rockford Theatre rebuild fund in memory of Jason Martis and Nathan Ludwig, who have passed away, and in honor of their 30th class reunion.

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RUPPELL-

the counter there for all but four years since.

Ruppell was nominated for the award by a customer who chose to remain anonymous. "Jennifer is a hard worker. She is always coming up with yummy food and treats for all the customers," the nominator wrote. "Her breakfast burritos are the best. Jennifer also helped bring soft serve ice cream to Mick's 281. It's great to have that option back in town. She always has a smile on her face and a good, happy attitude."

"It's the people" that keep her coming to work every day, Ruppell said.

"I just really love this small town and how the people have embraced my family," Ruppell said. "I feel like we belong here."

Mick's 281 Service is open weekdays from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Each day, Ruppell prepares and serves breakfast sandwiches, breakfast burritos and biscuits and gravy from 6 a.m. to 10 a.m. Then Champ's Chicken, burgers and sides are available from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Ruppell even created a lunch menu for the students at NR-S a couple of years ago. She makes barbecue burgers daily throughout the year.

The newest addition to the offerings at Mick's 281 is the soft serve ice cream machine. The idea came after the loss of the Loco Ketchup Caf   a month ago.

Customers can now get cones, milkshakes and "mickys" from the station on Highway 281. Ask for a "micky" when you want one of those tasty ice cream treats blended with candy or cookies that have another

popular yet trademarked name (rhymes with wizard).

Choose from vanilla, chocolate and strawberry shakes and malts and oreo and cookie dough mickys. They also have mint syrup if you want to add a little pizzazz to your malt or micky.

As always, Mick's 281 offers full service automotive repair, from oil changes and diagnostics to tire replacements and brake repair.

Whether you grab breakfast there occasionally or haven't been in for awhile, make it a point to stop at Mick's 281 and see what this local business has to offer.

Do you know someone who takes pride in their work, and who shows genuine care and concern for others? Nominations for Employee of the Month are always open. Employee of the Month is a program sponsored by the New Rockford Area Chamber of Commerce to recognize local people for customer service excellence. Nomination forms are available online at <https://shorturl.at/rVrgl>. Send written nominations to P.O. Box 67, New Rockford, N.D. 58356 or email newrockfordchamber@gmail.com.

AIRPORT-

The inspection brought to light numerous problems and safety concerns, such as tall crops located inside the runway protection zone, hazardous pavement damage, exposed foundation and inadequate lighting, just to name a few.

Ultimately a full "reclamation" of the runway and taxiway was recommended.

The NDAC later awarded the City of New Rockford a \$1,600,900 grant to help make the reclamation a reality, effectively paying for about 75% of the project's projected overall cost.

The city and county commissions then came to an agreement to split the remaining cost.

When the bid from Border States Paving was accepted by the New Rockford City Commission, it was said that construction would be expected to last approximately 80 days.

However, that is of course weather dependent, and during the city commission's regular July meeting, it was said that Border States Paving has been having some issues with water and wet ground.

The contract with Border States does have liquidated damages built in should the project take longer than 80 days. Specifically, the firm would be subject to \$2,100 in liquidated damages for each calendar day they spend working on the project beyond 80 days.

CITY-

talked to Eddy County Sheriff Paul Lies, and relayed to commissioners that Lies would only support the city if they had some kind of directive from the court.

In the meantime, Hirschert said he and his staff would continue to knock on doors and talk to property owners, in hopes of simply working together with them to address the designated nuisance on their property.

In other business from Monday's regular meeting, the city commission reached out to an architect who could end up working with the city on a new city hall building.

The commission hasn't yet decided between constructing a new city hall or renovating their current

building, but should they ultimately decide to build a new one, N.D. Century Code would require the city to work with an architect or engineer.

A decision on which direction they'll take could come as soon as Wednesday, July 16, when the commission has scheduled a special meeting.

That meeting will also include bid openings for five vehicles currently impounded by the city.

The vehicles for sale are as follows:

- 2006 Ford Expedition
- 2007 Ford Focus
- 2011 Chevrolet Impala
- 1998 Jeep Grand Cherokee Laredo
- 1989 Ford F-250 4x4

The vehicles are currently located in the impound lot at 117 1st Street South in New Rockford, and bids must be received by the New Rockford City Auditor's Office by 4 p.m. on July 15.

Bids will be opened at the special meeting at 9 a.m. on July 16 in City Hall.

The city's next regular meeting is scheduled for 9 a.m. on Monday, Aug. 4 in City Hall.

SETBACKS-

begin as soon as late 2026, Flickertail Wind's developers are eager to begin applying for the necessary permits.

With newfound clarity on the county's setback requirements, Paul White of PRC Wind, LLC, has said they could be ready with a final design proposal in a matter of weeks.

From there, developers will begin the long process of acquiring permits from the necessary townships, counties

Community Calendar

NEW ROCKFORD SUMMER STREET MARKET on Thursday, July 17 from 4-8 p.m. in Centennial Park.

NEW ROCKFORD CITYWIDE GARAGE SALE on Friday, Aug. 1 from 4-8 p.m. and Saturday, Aug. 2 from 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.. Register your sale by Tuesday, July 22 at the Transcript or Bakers Dozen. \$5/sale.

BINGO at Ostby Hall in Sheyenne every Saturday at 7 p.m.

EDDY COUNTY MUSEUM will be open from Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day weekend. The museum buildings will open on Sundays from 1-4 p.m. Questions, please contact Patty at (701) 302-0473 or Merita (701) 947-2091.

JULY ITEM OF THE MONTH at the Eddy County Hunger Free Food Pantry is cereal. Donations can be dropped off at First Lutheran Church, 436 1st Ave. N, New Rockford.

EDDY CO. VETERAN SERVICE OFFICER Same day appointments available. Please call (701) 302-8087.

TOPS 370 is a weight loss support group. Meetings are on Mondays at 5 p.m. at First Lutheran Church in New Rockford. For more information call (701) 947-2138.

COMMUNITY AMBULANCE SERVICE BOARD meets the second Monday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Ambulance Hall, New Rockford.

LAKE REGION SURVIVORS OF SUICIDE support group meets on the second Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. in the Community Room of North Star Community Credit Union, Devils Lake. For info call Theresa at (701) 662-4790.

FOOT CARE CLINIC every third Wednesday of the month at Eddy County Public Health. Call (701) 947-5311 for appointments. Cost is \$25.

EDDY-NEW ROCKFORD LIBRARY BOARD meets on the fourth Wednesday of the month at 5 p.m.

NEW ROCKFORD POST OFFICE has a new phone number. Call (701) 505-8842. The office is open 9-11 a.m. and 12:30-4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

SHEYENNE POST OFFICE also has a new phone number. Call (701) 404-1149. The office is open 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Please contact the Transcript at nrtranscript@gmail.com or (701) 947-2417 to have your event notices listed.

ties and ultimately the N.D. Public Service Commission. The permit process could take well over a year, but the county's decision Wednesday will allow that process to begin soon.

At a regular meeting of the Eddy County Zoning Commission on Tuesday, July 8, a packed room watched as commissioners took turns sharing their thoughts on setbacks and the proposed wind farm.

It was zoning commissioner Shauna Laber that made the motion to recommend matching Eddy County's ordinance with N.D. Century Code, or more specifically, "to follow the State of North Dakota Century Code 17-04 Wind Energy Property Rights and North Dakota Century Code 49-22 Energy Conversion and Transmission Facility Siting Act requirements for Eddy County's zoning ordinances."

After a lengthy discussion, commissioners David Allmaras, Robert Hanson, Lucas Walter, Stu Richter and Laber voted "yes," with commissioners Glenda Collier and Levi Rue voting "no."

The following day, on

Wednesday, July 9, the Eddy County Commission was set to decide whether to accept the recommendation or reject it.

In a roll call vote, commissioners Jamie Allmaras and David Gehrtz voted "yes," and commission chairperson Glenda Collier voted "no."

Collier clarified that her "no" vote was because she believes it's too early to finalize the county's zoning regulations, as she wanted to give more time for project developers to continue discussions with non-participating landowners.

The commission also approved a recommendation to strike 10.1.6 from the county's zoning ordinance, which was a requirement that the minimum ground clearance, or the distance between the tip of the blade and the ground, must be 75 feet. N.D. Century Code does not have such a requirement, and the motion to approve the recommendation carried unanimously.

Moving forward, the zoning commission plans to review its fee schedule during a special meeting on Tuesday, August 12 at 8 a.m.



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