

DRAYTON TOWNSHIP TAX EQUALIZATION MEETING

Wednesday April 8, 2026 at 2pm
Drayton ND at the

Drayton Sugar Bowl Senior Center

NOTICE

Drayton Township Monthly Meeting

There will be a regular monthly meeting immediately following the tax equalization meeting.

NOTICE OF DRAYTON TOWNSHIP ANNAUL MEETING

Thursday March 26, 2026 at 3:00pm at
Drayton Sugar Bowl Senior Center

There will be an election of (1) supervisor position, review and set budget, appoint/elect clerk treasurer, other business.

All Drayton Township residents are encouraged to attend. Immediately following the annual meeting there will be a regular monthly meeting.

'TEAMWORK' CON'T FROM PAGE 1

Freeze Dry website, "Freeze drying maintains nearly all of the nutritional value of fresh food. Other methods of preservation, such as canning and dehydrating, use high temperatures that destroy much of the food value."

The website states freeze drying extends shelf life up to 25 years without refrigeration, which is far longer than other methods. Freeze-dried food rehydrates quickly and tastes fresh, making it perfect for long-term storage and emergency readiness.

The Bromfields have been doing a great deal of business online. You can order from their website at northernlightsfreeze-driedcreations.com. According to the website, the business is family-owned and operated with care, creates premium freeze-dried snacks and pantry staples, farm-fresh eggs and homegrown produce. Their products have a long shelf life and lightweight convenience, and are packed fresh in small batches.

"Whether you're stocking up for everyday snacking, preparing for outdoor adventures, building your food storage, or looking for a unique gift, we bring you flavor that shines as bright as the Northern Lights," the website states.

Lori said she started researching in 2025 and launched their website in February of 2026. She said she has been selling quite a few items and hopes business will continue.

"I do the legwork and my husband does the public relations work," Lori said. "We have to be patient because it is a new business."

Lori said everyone who has tried their items has loved them. She said she has been receiving many

positive reviews, which she is happy about. Plus, it is something she can do with the entire family.

"I think probably it's the family participation I love the most," Lori said. "It is a chance for our family to be together, get creative, and bond with each other."

Lori homeschools her children and said her kids are learning so many things through the process of running and operating a business. She said they get their school time in and then are able to learn about the business by helping out with creating and packaging items.

"They have been learning many things, including about profit margins," Lori said. "They enjoy coming out to help and have jobs suitable for their ages to work on things. Plus, they get to try everything first."

The Bromfields moved from California to North Dakota in 2021 because they wanted to live somewhere they could feel safe and at home. Lori, who worked at Drayton Public School for a time, said she gave her husband, a diesel mechanic, three options and there was a job available in North Dakota, so they decided to move here.

According to Lori, she hopes to take part in upcoming vendor fairs and will be at Riverfest in Drayton with her creations. She said that although it is stressful starting a new business, she feels very supported by friends, family members, and those who have ordered her creations online.

"I so appreciate the positive feedback and encouragement I have received," Lori said.

Please join us for the Drayton Golf Club Annual Meeting

Thursday, April 9 7:00 pm

At the Merrill EMS & Fire Hall

'OUTLOOK' CON'T FROM PAGE 4

fall, expect a normal turnout date of mid-May in the southern regions and late May in the northern regions of the state for grazing with normal pasture and hay production. If spring precipitation is normal, but the plants didn't produce many fall tillers (such as in southeast North Dakota), expect a delay in plant development and lower production due to a loss in tiller development. Further reductions will occur if pastures were grazed heavily in the fall. If spring precipitation is 130% or more above normal, expect normal to above-normal forage production in southeast North Dakota. If spring precipitation is normal to below-normal, expect reduced forage production and a decline in forage quality earlier in the season for southern North Dakota. Regardless of spring precipitation, to prevent reductions in plant health and production, pasture turnout should occur when the dominant forage species are ready to be grazed. Grazing readiness for most domesticated pastures, such as smooth brome, crested wheatgrass and orchardgrass, is at the three-leaf stage, whereas grazing readiness for most native range grasses is the three-and-a-half-leaf stage. For more information on evaluating grazing readiness, contact a local NDSU Extension agent or refer to ndsu.ag/grazing-2026.

"When production is low due to delayed tiller development, it becomes easy to run out of forage quickly if you go to full stock too early," says Meehan. "This could lead to overuse and the earlier removal of animals from pasture than planned."

This overuse during early green-up leads to reduced plant vigor and reduced leaf area, impacting photosynthesis and reducing food (carbohydrate) stored in roots.

"In the end, you may sacrifice 45%-60% of forage production for the year by grazing too early," warns Meehan.

Timely precipitation is critical to forage growth and production. Equally critical is the use of management practices that maintain healthy, vigorous plant communities capable of withstanding disturbances.

Regardless of what spring brings, NDSU Extension recommends having a drought plan in place with well-defined trigger dates.

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'TRACK' CON'T FROM PAGE 1

of 10' 0". Hoyles had set the meet record in 2025 at 9' 9". Elizabeth Fedje tied the meet record in the girls jump, winning at 5' 2". Fedje had established the meet record at 5' 2" in 2025. Fedje was second in the 600 meters with a new DVE record 1:47.63 (1:49.49 Greta Burrell 2024). Elizabeth also broke her own team record in the 60HH prelims :09.98 (:10.10 2025). The girls' 4X800 relay ran a blistering 11:08.00 to crush the Titan team record. The team was comprised of Rosalyn Fedje, Milla Fagerholt, Cynthia Schulz, and Violet Hoyles and finished sixth. The old record was 11:51.80, held by Angelina Knutson, Mikala McCoy, Brooke Gullickson, and Greta Burrell in 2023. Jocelyn Vold was fourth :10.08, and Elizabeth sixth :10.41 in the 60HH. Fagerholt placed eighth in the 600 meters 1:57.26. Rosalyn finished in a three-way tie for fifth in the pole vault 7' 0".

The Titan boys 4X200 relay ran an impressive 1:39.28, finishing fourth behind Grand Forks Central, Red River, and Fargo North. The relay team was comprised of four juniors: Carter Johnson, Theodore (Teddy) Otto, Carter Oberg and Trenten Bronson-Keena. Trenten picked up a pair of eighth-place finishes in the sprints. 60 Dash :07.43 out of 149 runners and :24.01 in the 200 out of 107 runners. Carter Oberg placed fourth in the high jump going 5' 8".

Eighth grader Shawn Patterson narrowly missed the 60HH finals by 11 hundredths of a second. Shawn ran a very respectful :10.39 in the prelims in a field of 25 hurdlers.

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