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## MISCELLANEOUS

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**HAVE A NEWS** release or other information that needs to reach all ND newspapers? ND Newspaper Association can help! One call does it all. 701-223-6397. (N)25p

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF  
NELSON COUNTY, STATE OF  
NORTH DAKOTA

In the Matter of the Estate of  
Norma M. Vasichek, Deceased.  
Court File No. 32-2026-PR-0003

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned have been appointed Co-Personal Representatives of the above estate. All persons having claims against the said deceased are required to present their claims within three months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must either be presented to the attorney listed above, to Laurie Vasichek and/or James A. Vasichek as Co-Personal Representatives of the Estate at 5643 Oliver Avenue S., Minneapolis, MN 55419, and/or PO Box 51, Michigan, ND 58259, respectively, or filed with the Court.

Dated this 13th day of April, 2026.  
/s/ Laurie Vasichek  
Laurie Vasichek  
Co-Personal Representative  
of the Estate of  
Norma M. Vasichek, deceased  
5643 Oliver Avenue S.  
Minneapolis, MN 55419  
/s/ James A. Vasichek  
James A. Vasichek  
Co-Personal Representative  
of the Estate of  
Norma M. Vasichek, deceased  
PO Box 51  
Michigan, ND 58259  
First publication on the 16th day  
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# Ticks are to blame for Lyme disease transmission



The arrival of warm weather can be a welcome relief for those who experience a winter's worth of snow, ice and sub-freezing temperatures. While a spring thaw may usher in the return of flowers and more time spent outdoors, warmer seasons also mark the return of pests that can cause illnesses.

## Tick territories are expanding

Ticks are prevalent in many parts of the country and their territories are expanding due to climate change. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention says tick territories are rapidly expanding into higher altitudes, and even stretching into Canada. Milder winters and increased wildlife hosts are two reasons. This has led to a surge in Lyme disease in recent years.

## What are ticks?

The Illinois Department of Public Health says ticks are commonly thought of as insects, but they actually are arachnids like spiders. With two sets of

four legs and sharp mouth parts that cut into the skin, ticks are parasites that feed on blood. Ticks are opportunistic feeders, and will attach to pets, wild animals and people. They do not jump or fly, but rather "quest," waiting on vegetation to latch onto a passing host.

Ticks survive winter by living underground. As soon as the weather warms to 46 F (8 C), they become active again and start looking for food hosts. Ticks are usually active from March to November, says the National Institute of Health. When a person or animal brushes up against tall grass or shrubs, the

tick will grab on. They don't normally bite right away, but seek areas of soft skin. Then the tick uses its mouth parts to cut into the skin and insert a feeding tube, which also serves as an anchor. It then feeds until it is full, often swelling up several sizes in the process. The NIH says sometimes a tick can stay latched on for up to two weeks if it isn't found and removed.

## Disease vectors

Ticks are major vectors of disease. Unlike mosquitoes, ticks don't bite and then move on. When they bury their heads into the skin they can pass on illnesses; ticks can transmit bacteria, viruses and parasites into the blood. Several illnesses can be traced back to ticks, including Alpha-Gal syndrome, Anaplasmosis, Colorado Tick Fever, and Ehrlichiosis. However, most people are familiar with the connection

between ticks and Lyme disease. The CDC says Lyme disease is almost exclusively transmitted through the bite of an infected black-legged (deer) tick. There is no credible scientific evidence that Lyme disease spreads between humans via sexual contact, kissing or pregnancy.

## Avoid ticks

Wearing long pants outdoors and inspecting the body for ticks can reduce the risk of being bitten by a tick. It's also important to check pets and use repellents, as companion animals can track ticks indoors where they can end up on people, too. Making backyards less hospitable to ticks also can help. Keeping the lawn short, removing brush and leaf litter, and creating a three-foot barrier of wood chips, gravel or mulch between wooded areas and lawns can keep ticks at bay.

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## Did You Know?

Lyme disease affects thousands of people every year. But instances of the disease may be under-reported. The Bay Area Lyme Foundation estimates more than 630,000 people are diagnosed with Lyme disease annually in the United States. However, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention says only a portion of those cases are officially reported through surveillance each year. Tick-borne illnesses are rising due to climate change and human expansion into forested areas. Lyme disease is just one of the many illnesses that ticks can spread. Unlike some other illnesses, Lyme disease can be contracted even if you've been bitten before. There is no immunity development in the body.

Left untreated, Lyme disease can cause serious issues with joints, the heart and the nervous system, says the Cleveland Clinic. However, if diagnosed in the early stages, Lyme disease can be successfully cured with prompt antibiotic administration. MedlinePlus says use of doxycycline is highly effective at curing the infection and preventing long-term complications. It generally takes two to four weeks of oral antibiotic administration to eradicate Lyme disease. However, while most patients make a full recovery, some may experience lingering fatigue or pain even after the infection is gone. This is known as Post-Treatment Lyme Disease Syndrome.

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## NOTICE OF ABSENTEE/MAIL BALLOT APPLICATION

Applications for absentee/mail ballots were mailed from the office of the County Auditor on **April 20, 2026**. Persons not receiving an application may obtain one from the offices of the Nelson County Auditor or at the following website: [www.vote.nd.gov](http://www.vote.nd.gov).

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and the Seal of Nelson County at Lakota, North Dakota, this 24th day of April, 2026.

**Nathan Parks**  
Nelson County Auditor/Treasurer

## Kosobud Cemetery Association Meeting

The Kosobud Cemetery Association will be meeting on **Sunday, May 3** at **John Shirek's home in Lankin**. A potluck meal will be served at **12 noon** before the meeting. Clean up at the cemetery will take place following the meeting.

*Everyone is welcome!*

## Section 324 NOTICE

In compliance with federal law, the **Nelson County Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC)**, gives notice that the **Nelson County Emergency Operations Plan** which includes the Emergency and Hazardous Chemical Inventory (Tier II) Reports and Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS's) have been received and reviewed by the Nelson County LEPC. Follow-up emergency notices may subsequently be issued.

These documents, along with the emergency response plan for Nelson County, are available for public inspection at the Nelson County Courthouse, Lakota, ND between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. on Monday-Friday.



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Please contact the Auditor's Office for more information at **701-247-2463** or by email at [naparksnd.gov](mailto:naparksnd.gov)

### SEEKING BIDS

**Nelson County Park Board is seeking bids for the purchase and/or trade of a zero-turn mower.**

Bids due to the Nelson County Auditor's office **before 4:30 p.m. on May 4, 2026**

with bid opening at **8:30 a.m. in the Commission Room on May 5, 2026**

Information on the mower for trade is available in the Auditor's Office.

### LOOKING FOR BIDS

St. Josephs Everlasting Memorial Cemetery Brocket, ND is accepting bids for the 2026 mowing season. Mowing is to be done on an as needed basis for the amount of **\$170.00 per time**. Mowing and trimming of main cemetery, headstones, adjacent ditches and fence line are included in each mowing.

Exceptions included are mowing shortly before Memorial Day, in case of a funeral and a final mowing at end of the season.

**Bids must be submitted by May 15, 2026.**

We have the right to reject any or all bids.

**Bids will be submitted to:**  
Joanne Sundeen  
P.O. Box 123, Brocket, ND 58321  
701-230-2009

# Business & Service Directory

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Phone 701-284-7555  
**First Care Rural Health Clinic**  
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Sat. 8:30 a.m. to 12 noon

## OPTOMETRISTS

**DRS. MOEN, ENDERLE & JOHNSTON OPTOMETRISTS**  
Highway 2 East, Devils Lake, ND  
Between Lake Toyota & Mr. & Mrs. J's  
PHONE: 662-4085  
HOURS: 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
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