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Community News

Tioga Area EDC and it’s members would like to Congratulate the Tioga High School Class of 2025!!

We’ve gathered some words of advice for our graduating seniors:

1. Every second you spend comparing your life to someone else’s is another second spent wasting yours. Don’t waste precious time comparing your life to others.
2. Laughter is the best medicine. Laugh out loud. Laugh often.
3. Take lots of pictures. You will never regret this. A moment lasts all of a second, but the memory lives on forever.
4. Eat healthy food and exercise. That’s all you will ever need to know about staying fit.
5. Never text and drive. “It takes an average of 4.6 seconds to receive or send a text message. If you’re driving 55 miles per hour, you’ll cover 100 yards in that time.” – David Mills on Pleasanton Patch
6. Don’t put anything on Facebook, Twitter, email or any social media that you wouldn’t want your grandma to read.
7. Embrace failure. We learn more from our mistakes than our successes. Thomas Edison failed 111,009 times making the light bulb. Kathryn Stockett received over 60 rejections for The Help.
8. Being lucky is hard work. Oprah Winfrey said, “I feel that luck is preparation meeting opportunity.”
9. Go the extra mile. Reach for the stars. Don’t be satisfied with good enough. Look outside the box.
10. Open a bank account. Save money. The sooner you start, the better off you will be.
11. Ask questions. What’s the worst that could happen? He who asks a question is a fool for five minutes; he who doesn’t ask a question remains a fool forever.
12. Life is better in a small town
13. Your family is always there for you
14. Integrity, great character, and honesty are priceless. Don’t trade those values in for money, it’s not worth it.
15. Call your mom. Often.
16. You can always come home
17. Surround yourself with good friends
18. Life isn’t always fair - plain and simple





News Release: NCC announces retirement of Assistant General Manager, Dean Rustad

NCC proudly announces the retirement of Dean Rustad, who has dedicated 30 years of service to the cooperative. Dean began his career with NCC as a Combination Technician and steadily advanced through the organization, taking on roles as Outside Plant Supervisor, Operations Manager, and ultimately serving as Assistant General Manager at the time of his retirement. Throughout his distinguished career, Dean’s leadership and vision were instrumental in shaping NCC’s growth and innovation. He played a key role in the modernization of the cooperative’s infrastructure, including the complete rebuild of the coaxial plant in all towns served with cable TV, the consolidation of multiple headends into a centralized system, and the introduction of HD channels along with an expanded TV lineup. Under Dean’s direction, NCC completed several major network upgrades, led the construction of 23 towers, and successfully replaced all copper infrastructure with fiber across the entire service area—ensuring reliable, high-speed connectivity for the communities NCC serves. Dean leaves behind a legacy of dedication, innovation, and service. His contributions have had a lasting impact on NCC and will continue to benefit members for years to come. His last day at NCC was May 9th. Now retired, he plans to hunt, garden, and travel with his wife, Ronda. He left us with one final bit of advice, ‘Don’t let your greatest strength also be a weakness.’ We extend our heartfelt thanks and best wishes to Dean in his well-earned retirement.





Tioga American Legion Post 139 to hold Memorial Day Service

American Legion Post 139 will host a Memorial Day service at the Tioga Community Center on Monday, May 26th at 10:30AM. Commander Scott Post shares that the service will recognize local Vietnam Veterans, speaker will be Mike Weyrauch from Ray, ND and lunch will be served following the service. All are welcome to attend.



Pick Up the Patch

NESET would like to invite you to participate in the 2025 Oil Can “Pick Up the Patch” event. This year’s event will be taking place on Thursday, May 22nd. We are looking for volunteers to help pick up trash along the roadways and donate supplies such as heavy-duty trash bags, gloves, and beverages. You can come as an individual or as a group. We will start the day meeting at NESET at 9 AM. From there you will be assigned a pick-up zone.

Lunch will be provided by Balon Valves at the NESET office at noon for all volunteers! This year’s pick-up zone will include Hwy 40 from the junction of Hwy 2 until one mile north of Tioga.

Anyone interested can contact NESET @701-664-1492 or send an email to patriciahove@nesetconsulting.com or heather.weflen@clr.com



Mark your calendars	Tioga School Calendar
May 15: Tioga Airport Authority Board Mtg May 16: Last Day of school May 18: Tioga High School Graduation 2:30 PM Tioga HS Gym May 19 th : Tioga City Commission Mtg 7PM Tioga City Hall May 22: Pick up the Patch May 26 th : Memorial Day	May 15: Tioga HS Award Banquet May 16: Last Day of School May 18: Graduation May 19-21 Region Softball - Minot South Hill May 22-24 State Track May 27-28: Robotics Camp May 27-29: Sewing Camp May 30: Cooking Camp



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Inspirational Quote

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Tioga Trivia

What will happen if the Tioga Freedom Fest committee does not get enough volunteers for the 2025 celebration?

Last Weeks Answer: 34

Bible Verse of the Week

Delight yourself in the Lord and he will give you the desires of your heart.
Psalm 37:4

A Little Chuckle

What did the duck say when he bought chapstick?
Put it on my bill

Today in History:

1942: 17 states begin rationing gasoline in an attempt to help the American War effort.

Community News

City of Tioga welcomes interest for open commission seat

The City of Tioga is accepting letters of interest to fill an open seat in the wake of previous police commissioner, Jessica Sandberg's resignation. The remaining term will serve until June 2026. Interested parties are encouraged to submit a letter of interest Attn: City Auditor via email at auditor@cityoftioga.com or in person at Tioga City Hall.



Tioga Area Economic Development Corporation seeking Economic Development Director

Are you community driven, project oriented, passionate about the growth and success of Tioga? Tioga Area EDC is seeking a dynamic individual to promote the City of Tioga. This position directs economic development initiatives to achieve the established goals and objectives

outlined by the Board of the Tioga Area Economic Development Corp and Tioga Chamber of Commerce. This individual will be responsible for attracting new business, encouraging current business retention and expansion, promoting and attracting youth retention, relationship building and collaboration with various community organizations, identifying and applying for community grants.

Complete job description and application available on [Indeed.com](https://www.indeed.com) or request via email, send resume and cover letter to president@tiogand.org. Applicant must reside or be willing to relocate to Tioga, ND. Resumes accepted until position is filled.



Tioga Lady Pirates Softball Team : Midseason Madness Champions!



Congratulations to the Tioga Pirates softball team on their Championship win at the Midseason Madness softball tournament in Fargo ND! Good luck to the Lady Pirates as they head to Minot next week, May 19 - 21 for the Region tournament!



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