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Community News


From the desk of City Commission President, Brett Rieniets

We have successfully made it through Q1 of 2025. One of the many joys of being from Tioga, ND is knowing that if you get through the 1st quarter of the year, the weather is going to change for the better...eventually. The snow has all but disappeared, along with the winter coats hanging by the front door. It might actually be one of the only versions of change that a Midwesterner is totally comfortable with. Change can be a tough concept to welcome unless you know it’s going to have a positive impact on you before taking into effect. Speaking of change, we have change of our own going on at City Hall that I know will have a positive impact on our community. Wendy Lenzen accepted the position of City Auditor for the City of Tioga. We truly are blessed to have someone with her talent and professionalism accept such a critical role for our city, and I know the commissioners couldn’t be happier to have her on the team. She has only been on the roster for a little over a week, but we have already observed the meaningful and impactful change that we are continuing to hope for and are aggressively striving for. Our current commissioners are very active in their respective departments and adding a person like Wendy to the City Hall staff is only going to stack the deck in their favor towards success. The future is looking bright! Not all change is an enjoyable topic to discuss, but it is my duty to share a few items that are noteworthy from a staffing perspective. Ronica Pederson tendered her resignation from her position of Deputy Auditor, effective April 4th, 2025. We wish her all the best in her future endeavors and thank her for her many years of service to the community in that role. Jessica Steele tendered her resignation from her elected position of Police Commissioner, effective April 7th, 2025. Again, we wish her all the best and thank her for her service to the community and our Police Department. I know there was and is a strong bond between her and the PD, and it is up to us to make sure the healthy comradery between commission and department continues. One thing that hasn’t changed is our commitment to making your community everything you want it to be. I was reading through an update from earlier this year and I’m going to copy a portion of it on this one because our desire hasn’t wavered from the message: “We are actively looking at ways to get more community involvement in the decision-making processes for our city. Whether it is currently slated projects, future projects, overall “needs”, or simply just “wants”, we appreciate and cherish your input Again, without the community’s feedback, advice, and direction, it would be a daunting task to help turn your vision into reality.” Our scheduled city commission meetings are always the 1st and 3rd Monday of every month at 7pm. Come hang out, see what is going on, and offer up your feedback or advice. We’ll appreciate every bit of it.

Tioga School Junior Prom and Tioga Medical Center Senior Prom 2025!



From Tioga High School to Tioga Medical Center, Tioga was in formal wear as the Junior class of Tioga High School hosted Prom 2025 and Tioga Medical Center hosted their own prom for Long Term Care residents! Thank you to the students, staff, volunteers, and TMC employees for all of your hard work!



Mark your calendars	Tioga School Calendar
Apr 17: Airport Authority Meeting 7PM Tioga Municipal Airport Apr 20: Easter Apr 21: City of Tioga Commission meeting 7PM Tioga City Hall April 24: TAEDC Annual Member Meeting - Pour Decisions 12:00PM	Apr 15: Softball vs Stanley 4:30PM Apr 16: School Board Meeting 5:30PM Apr 17: Baseball vs DLB 4:30PM Apr 18: NO School (Good Friday) Apr 21: NO School (Easter Monday) April 24: Baseball vs Divide County 4:30PM April 29: Softball vs Rugby 4:30PM



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Inspirational Quote	Tioga Trivia	Bible Verse of the Week
You can't have a million dollar dream with a minimum wage work ethic.	At one time, Tioga was the largest primary grain market in the world True or False? <small>Last Weeks Answer: Soybeans</small>	Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life. He who believes in me, though he may die, He shall live. John 11:25
A Little Chuckle		Today in History:
What do you call a cow that runs out of milk? A milk dud		1912: RMS Titanic sinks at 2:20AM off Newfoundland as the band plays on, with the loss of between 1490 and 1635 lives



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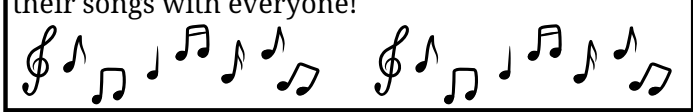
Tioga FCCLA members compete at State Conference - Sarah Carkuff

Five members from the Tioga FCCLA chapter traveled to Bismarck April 6-8th to participate in the state FCCLA conference. FCCLA stands for Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America. Students competed in STAR events, which stands for Students Taking Action with Recognition. These events focus on their proficiency and achievement in chapter and individual projects, leadership skills, and career preparation. Billee Sundhagen and Emma Melberg competed in the Chapter Service Project where they planned a Baby Shower to collect donations for the Dakota Hope Clinic. Their project collected over 150 items and \$600 in monetary donations to be used by the clinic. They received a Silver award. Madison Eraas and Marieliz Henriquez Rosa worked alongside their robotics team to introduce robots to classrooms in the elementary school. They competed in the Focus on Children event and came home with a silver award. Kenzlie Williams used the skills she learned in her Family and Consumer Sciences class to compete in the Fashion Construction event. She demonstrated 8 technical skills in an 80's themed outfit that included a denim and tulle skirt paired with a self made white t-shirt and an embellished jean jacket. She received a bronze award for her presentation.



Central Elementary Music Teacher, Mrs Rehak and students prepare for Spring Concert!

Finally spring is upon us, which means spring program time at Central Elementary! Hopefully the weather outside will match the atmosphere inside, as the students sing songs all about the sun, water and the beach! On May 6th, the 2nd and 3rd graders will be singing at 5:30pm. The 4th, 5th and 6th graders will follow at 6:30pm. On May 13th, the 1st grade will be singing at 1:30 pm, with the Kindergarten celebration to follow at 2pm. It's been a terrific year with the students. They have worked on songs, rhythm, beat, dances, note values, boom whackers, xylophones, instruments, and so much more. They are looking forward to sharing their songs with everyone!





Above: Madison Eraas and Marieliz Henriquez Rosa



Right: Billie Sundhagen and Emma Melberg



Left: Kenzlie Williams

Tioga High School Social Studies Teacher committed to continued education - Ryan Albrecht

On April 2nd, I was named a Senior Fellow for the James Madison Memorial Fellowship Foundation which involves the study and teaching of the Constitution. The James Madison Memorial Fellowship has been around since the early 90s and I am only the 25th instructor from North Dakota to be named a Fellow. By being named a Fellow, they will provide financial assistance in achieving a Masters of Secondary Teaching of American History and Government. I have recently been accepted into Ashland University to pursue my degree. I also attended a workshop at the National Constitution Center in Philadelphia, March 27-30th. I was one of 15 teachers chosen from throughout the United States to attend this all-expense paid workshop that dealt with the topic of Historic Supreme Court decisions such as Marbury v Madison and McCulloch v Maryland. The workshop allowed me to meet other instructors, how they approach their subjects and how they present them. Presenters included Professors from the University of Pennsylvania and the Catholic University of America. Professionally, the last few weeks have been a whirlwind of excitement. From being not only chosen to attend the National Constitution Center to just two days later receiving my acceptance award from the Foundation has been so exhilarating. My wife, Maggie has been extremely supportive of my efforts over the last several months and I can't thank her enough for all the guidance and support she has given.

Ryan Albrecht
Social Studies Instructor, Athletic Director, High School Boys & Girls Golf Coach, JH Boys and Girls Golf Coach , Close Up Adviser

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