

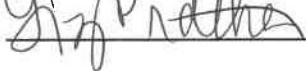
Affidavit of Publication

Liz Prather, being duly sworn, states as follows:

1. I am the designated agent, under the provisions and for the purposes of, Section 31-04-06, NDCC, for the newspapers listed on the attached exhibits.

2. The newspapers listed on the exhibits published the advertisement of: **Public Service Commission, Public Service Commission, Montana-Dakota Utilities Co, Case No PU-23-320, Case No PU-23-321** 1 time(s) as required by law or ordinance.


3. All of the listed newspapers are legal newspapers in the State of North Dakota and, under the provisions of Section 46-05-01, NDCC, are qualified to publish any public notice or any matter required by law or ordinance to be printed or published in a newspaper in North Dakota.

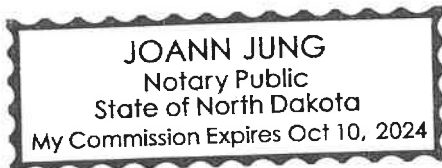
Signed: 

State of North Dakota

County of Burleigh

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 11th day of January, 2024.





Read About the History of this Area: Keith Norman

Blizzards and straw piles in 1911

I suppose one of the few things that hasn't changed in North Dakota in the last century is our winter blizzards. The storms can still be as deadly as they were in the early 1900s although we certainly are better warned about bad weather. That doesn't do much good if people don't take heed of the alerts, advisories and warnings. There was a near tragedy reported during a storm in February 1911 out in Dickey County.

According to newspaper reports, Miss Elizabeth Murray was a teacher in a rural school in Ada Township. This likely put her somewhere south and west of Guelph.

Murray evidently dismissed the class at the end of the day before heading out into what the newspapers said "practically amounted to a blizzard" just as the sun was setting.

That really isn't a good combination to be out and about in and Murray likely knew that. Still, it was only a half mile to her boarding house and she thought she could make it.

She lost her way quickly. Walking a half mile should have taken somewhere between 15 and 30 minutes even in snowy conditions. "After wandering for several hours until she was completely exhausted, she encountered a large straw stack and decided to seek what shelter it contained until the storm abated."

The straw stack would have accumulated next to the threshing machine during the harvest. Sometimes they were left for the winter as shelter and possibly feed for livestock. It would have likely been burned the next spring.

While the straw stack sheltered Murray from the wind, it didn't provide much in the way of warmth.

"All during the night she remained in the heap of straw on the open prairie," wrote the newspaper accounts. "At times walking round and round the stack to keep from falling to sleep." It turns out this straw heap was about a quarter mile from her boarding house but the visibility was only about 20 feet and Murray had no way of knowing where she was.

The next morning must have brought some better weather. The "scholars" arrived at their country school and found they were short a teacher. That started a search that found the teacher in short order. Her hands and face were frozen but with treatment the next morning, she not only survived unscathed but was back in front of a classroom in short order. Her survival in the straw stack isn't a feat that can be repeated. Modern harvesting equipment spreads the straw across the field rather than creating piles. In modern times, the best way to survive a blizzard is to stay in the vehicle or someplace where you have shelter.

Back in 1911, Murray seemed to take the whole incident in stride. "She has resumed her duties as teacher and speaks lightly of her experience," the newspapers reported. "But does not care to have it repeated."



ELLENDALE AREA EVENTS

- December 21 (Thursday): Boys Varsity vs. South Border @ 7:30 pm
- Dec. 22 (Friday): OPEN HOUSE at the new Veterans Club & Events Center - Food and musical entertainment, 3:00 - close
- December 25 (Monday): Christmas!
- December 30 (Saturday): Basketball--Boys Varsity vs. Maple River @ 1:30 pm
- January 13 (Saturday): 7th Annual Ellendale Fire Protection District Raffle & Chili Cookoff, at the New American Legion, 7:00 pm

LOST IN A BLIZZARD SLEPT IN A STRAW-STACK

Miss Elizabeth Murray, Teacher in Ada School No. 3, became Lost in the Storm Last Wednesday Night and Remained in a Straw Stack Until Morning—Hands and Face Were Frozen.

ZED by Duane M. Abel



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Public Notices

ATTENTION DICKEY COUNTY SOYBEAN GROWERS: 2024 NORTH DAKOTA SOYBEAN COUNCIL (NDSC) ELECTION NOMINEES SOUGHT FOR DICKEY COUNTY REPRESENTATIVE

On or about December 26, 2023, the NDSC will mail a nomination form to soybean producers of record in the above-named county. To be considered, nomination forms must be filed with the County Extension Agent for the above-named county. The County Extension Agent must receive the completed nomination form by January 12, 2024, or your mailed-in form must be postmarked no later than January 12, 2024. If you do not receive a nomination form in the mail, contact your County Extension Agent or the NDSC to obtain one. Look for the green envelope in the mail.

After nominations are validated by the County Extension Agent, names of the nominees will be sent to the NDSC to be placed on the 2024 ballot. On or about February 28, 2024, the NDSC will mail to soybean producers of record an election ballot with instructions. Look for the blue envelope in the mail. Completed ballots must be post-marked by March 8, 2024. The newly elected County Representative will be notified by March 18, 2024. In late March, those County Representatives will elect one County Representative to serve on the NDSC board of directors. For more information and answers to questions, contact your County Extension Agent.

(December 21, 2023)

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. Case No. PU-23-320

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Issued: December 13, 2023
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
Sheri Haugen-Hoffart Commissioner

Randy Christmann, Chair
Julie Fedorchak Commissioner
(December 21, 2023)

ABBREVIATED NOTICE OF INTENT TO AMEND ADMINISTRATIVE RULES RELATING TO N.D. ADMIN. CODE CHAPTER 97-02 COUNSELOR LICENSING REQUIREMENTS

TAKE NOTICE that the North Dakota Board of Counselor Examiners will hold a public hearing to address proposed amendments to N.D. Admin. Code chapter 97-02 at

10:00 am Tuesday, January 16, 2024 in the Ft. Union Room at the ND State Capitol, 600 E. Boulevard Ave., Bismarck ND 58505.

Copies of the proposed rules are available for review at the Board's office at 211210th Avenue SE, Mandan, ND 58554. A copy of the proposed rules and/or regulatory analysis may be requested by writing the above address, emailing ndbce@outlook.com, or calling 701-667-5969. Written data, views, or arguments may be entered at the hearing or sent to: North Dakota Board of Counselor Examiners, 2112 10th Avenue SE, Mandan, ND 58554, or by email to ndbce@outlook.com. Written data, views, or arguments on the proposed rules must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. Friday, January 26, 2024. ATTENTION PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES: If you plan to attend the hearing and will need special facilities or assistance relating to a disability, please contact the North Dakota Board of Counselor Examiners at the above telephone number or address at least five (5) days prior to the public hearing.

DATED this 12th day of December, 2023.
/s/ Marge Ellefson
Executive Secretary
North Dakota Board of Counselor Examiners



Annual Dinner Conducted by the Lodge Raises \$2,229 to Support EHS Close Up Students

Submitted--

The members of the Ellendale Lodge No. 13, for the 38th consecutive year, sponsored a successful fundraiser for the Close Up students of Ellendale High School. On December 10, 2023 a delicious baked potato with beef stroganoff, chili and broccoli and cheese topping was served to a very nice crowd of about 205 people who came and supported the students.

A profit of \$2290.00 will be divided among the students who sold tickets. The 10 students benefiting are as follows; Ava Henning, Ariel Hagen, Brooke Olson, Aiden Miller, Carter Gibson, Evan Wagner, Greg Fuher, Lennon Hagen, Jessie Kuno and Angelina Gonzalez. Jeannine Gibson will be accompanying the students on their trip to Washington D.C. this year.

The Masons have raised over \$87045.00 since they started serving baked potato dinners, and would like to thank the community for supporting our young people. Z's Market donated the potatoes this year; Starion Financial provided coffee cups and napkins. A special THANKS to the Masons that provided the Coleslaw,



2023 Close Up participants from EHS took a few moments with ND Congressman Kelly Armstrong on the steps of the US Capitol Building to learn a few basics about the work done on "the hill." Back Row (l to r): Saige Ducheneaux, Bernice Kotze, Anton Geller, Jack Bommersbach, Kade Schimke; Front Row (l to r): Rep. Kelly Armstrong, Destiny Broome, Chenoa Napton, Kali Norton, Kaylin Slivoskey, and Mackenzie Thorpe. Next year a new group will get to participate.

beans for the chili and meat for the stroganoff. We really appreciate the donations as this enables us to have more money to give to the students.

It is the Masons hope that the students who go to Washington, D.C. to observe our government up close will come home and use that experience to become better citizens of our country and our community.

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REVIEWS SUBMITTED BY JEANINE PAHL

Sisters Under the Rising Sun
by Heather Morris

Desperate to keep her young daughter safe, Norah Chambers places Sally on a ship leaving Singapore. Norah remains behind to care for her husband and her ailing parents knowing she may never see Sally again. Sister Nesta James has enlisted as an army nurse and also boards the Vyner Brooke Merchant Ship. Sisters in arms, Norah and Nesta fight side by side doing everything they can to help in the war effort.

The Librarian of Lost Books
by Brianna Labuskes

Three women of post WWII believe in the power of books to triumph over the darkest war moments. Althea James discovers the real Berlin which makes her question everything she knows about her hosts and herself. Hannah Brecht realizes the City of Light is no refuge from Anti-Semitism and Nazi sympathizers. Vivian Childs, after losing her husband in the war, is fighting to reveal the truth about the propaganda spread by politicians. Inspired by the true story of the Council of Books in Wartime.

The Long Weekend
by Gilly Macmillan

A group of women travel to a remote place in England for a weekend escape only to find a note saying that one of their husbands will be killed before they return home. With no phones and no cell service the situation spins wildly out of control. A story of three couples, two bodies and one secret.

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During the winter months the Oakes Public Library board has decided to follow the plan of the Oakes Public School. Snow days at the school will also mean a snow day for the library.

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Cooper's Corner by Martha MacLeod

First Snow



Last week Cooper experienced his first snow when we woke up one morning with an inch to two inches of white powder on the deck. I opened the door, thinking he might be startled by the new snow, but not Cooper. He took one sniff of the fresh air and walked into the soft snow. When it flew up around his feet he got excited and began to dance and play. He loved it.

Cooper stopped to lick the snow and eat it. After he left his little paw prints on the deck he proceeded to the stairs and looked out over the backyard. The whole landscape looked different covered in white. He carefully went down the stairs and started running big circles that threw up snow fog all around him. He was an excited Shih Tzu puppy.

After play time, Cooper came to the back door to come in. His muzzle was covered in snow crystals and by the time he got in the kitchen his mustache was dripping wet.

The next day the snow had melted slightly and refrozen. When Cooper went out he had a different experience. I had shoveled some snow into a small pile. He pawed at the snow and used both front paws in his rototiller technique to dig a hole in the snow. He chewed off a bite of crusty snow and enjoyed the sensation of cold in his mouth. Prancing around the deck he turned and without hesitating he leapt out over the steps like it was a diving board, plunged into the snow and took off running in circles. He was flying so fast his ears stuck back on his head and his mouth was open taking in gulps of fresh air. It doesn't get better than that. By

afternoon, the sun had warmed the snow and when Cooper went out he found bare patches of grass to sniff. I'd like to know what he finds there because he always comes up with something to chew on. In the process, he pokes his muzzle deep into the grass and ends up with a muddy face and black paws. The white dog with patches of tan looked like a different dog. No problem. When he came inside I dried him with a towel and he looked like himself again.

My sister, Judy, says he gets better looking with each day. She recalls that when he was a young puppy his tail didn't have much hair and he looked like a rat. Now his tail has filled out with lots of long white hair and curls over his back. It sits like a pom pom on his rump and he is handsome.

Merry Christmas to one and all.

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