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Sunday, Feb. 22<sup>nd</sup>  
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Each number corresponds to a letter.  
(Hint: 5 = E)

**A. 6 22 21 21 5 8**

*Clue: Sealed in metal*

**B. 1 5 22 16**

*Clue: Pairs well with carrots*

**C. 16 14 15 1**

*Clue: Liquid meal*

**D. 10 5 22 21 16**

*Clue: Legumes*

Answers: A. canned B. peas C. soup D. beans

# WORD SCRAMBLE

Rearrange the letters to spell something pertaining to canned food.

**O D G O S**

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Answer: Goods

# GUESS WHO ?

I am an actress born on February 25, 1976 in California. I attended Harvard University and wanted to become a lawyer. But I went into the arts and starred on a popular television series about the recreation department of a small town. My father was a legendary record producer.

Answer: Rashida Jones

## CANNED GOODS WORD SEARCH

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### WORDS

- BRINE
- CAN
- CANISTER
- FERMENTATION
- FILLED
- LABEL
- LID
- LINING
- OPENER
- PACKING
- PASTEURIZE
- PICKLING
- PRESERVE
- PROCESSING
- REHYDRATE
- ROTATION
- SEALING
- SHELF
- STERILE
- STOCKPILE
- STORAGE
- SYRUP
- TIN
- VACUUM

Find the words hidden vertically, horizontally, diagonally, and backwards.



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**ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS**, Garrison Hospital cafeteria (enter through ER), 8 p.m.

### EVERY THURSDAY

**AA MEETING**, Turtle Lake Methodist Church on Thursday evenings at 7 pm.

### EVERY FRIDAY

**CELEBRATE RECOVERY**, New Life Church: 519 Borchardt Ave., Underwood, ND 58576, 6:30pm starting in March, Contact: 701-707-9852

**COMMUNITY CLOTHING SHARE-EXCHANGE** at 221

### FEBRUARY 22

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### FEBRUARY 24

**PUBLIC INPUT MEETING**, Garrison Rural Water Office, 10 a.m.

**THE THRIFT STORE**, 181 Ellsworth St., Makoti, 3-6 p.m.

**ELEMENTARY FELLOWSHIP**, First Congregational Church, 3:30 p.m.

**TEENS AND ADULT CRAFT NIGHT**, Garrison Library, 6:30 p.m.

### FEBRUARY 23

**BONE BUILDERS**, Garrison Senior Center, 10 a.m.

**MAX LIBRARY STORYTIME**, Max Public Library, 10:30 a.m.

**QUILTING**, St. Paul Lutheran Church, 1 p.m.

**JOIN WASHBURN PUBLIC LIBRARY** at 10:30 a.m. for

### FEBRUARY 25

**STORY TIME**, Max Public Library, 10:30 a.m.

**THE THRIFT STORE**, Garrison Area Resource Center, 11- 5 p.m.

**STORY TIME**, Garrison Public Library, 11:15 a.m.

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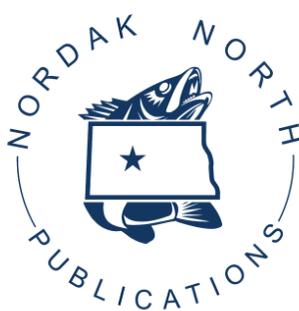
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# Garrison Community CALENDAR

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**SPRING COACHES**  
 needed for the  
**2026 Spring Season**

SPORTS:	START DATE:
Elem Track	March 15 <sup>th</sup>
JH/HS Track	March 2 <sup>nd</sup>
JH/HS Boys Golf	April 6 <sup>th</sup>
Elem Boys Basketball	March 5 <sup>th</sup>
Elem Girls Volleyball	March 5 <sup>th</sup>

For questions please call, text or e-mail:

**Sheldon Rush 701-897-6441**  
 (White Shield A.D.)  
**Srush@mhanation.com**

## Mountrail County Land for Lease

**Township 151 North, Range 90 West**

**Tract 1:** Section 8: SW1/4NW1/4, W1/2SW1/4

**Tract 2:** Section 10: E1/2  
 Section 11: NW1/4, SW1/4SW1/4

**Terms:** Rent to be payable March 15th, 2026 and on the same day each year thereafter for a three-year lease term for the years of 2026, 2027 and 2028.

**Bids: \*\*Bids will be accepted for total annual dollar amount only - not per acre\*\***

Written bids will be accepted until 5:00 pm on Friday, February 27th, 2026. There will be no opportunity to raise the bid, it is a one-time sealed bid. The owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to modify the bidding requirements.

**Information:** Bids may be submitted to and further information, along with bid forms, may be obtained from:

**Ryan Haugen, Haugen Farm Realty, Inc.,**  
 3108 S. Broadway, Ste. I, Minot, ND 58701,  
 or emailed to [ryanhaugen@rocketmail.com](mailto:ryanhaugen@rocketmail.com).  
 If you have any further questions,  
 please call (701) 839-1451.



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THE MEADOWS

## Math Teacher

Washburn Public School • Washburn, North Dakota

**Washburn Public School** is seeking a qualified and motivated **Math Teacher** for the upcoming school year due to a retirement after 35 years of service. Looking for motivated candidates who will add to our already AWESOME team of professionals!

### Teaching Assignment May Include:

- Math 8, Algebra I, Algebra II, Probability & Statistics, Pre-Calculus

### Qualifications:

- Valid North Dakota teaching license (or ability to obtain)
- Strong content knowledge in secondary mathematics
- Commitment to student success and positive relationships
- Ability to collaborate effectively with colleagues

### Position Details:

- Full-time, certified teaching position
- Competitive salary and benefits per district contract
  - DOE: \$49,357.00-\$74,757.00
- Supportive school and community environment

### Application Process:

Interested candidates should submit: [www.washburn.k12.nd.us](http://www.washburn.k12.nd.us)

- Completed application, Resume, Copy of teaching license, Transcripts, Letters of recommendation (as required by district)

Applications will be accepted until the position is filled.

**Washburn Public School is an equal opportunity employer.** For more information, contact Dr. Penny Veit-Hetletved at [penny.hetletved@k12.nd.us](mailto:penny.hetletved@k12.nd.us) or 701-462-3221.

Join a great time and positive school culture by applying now. "Certified Staff" application forms may be picked up in the main office or submitted from the Washburn School District website at [Licensed/Certified Educator Position Application](http://Licensed/Certified_Educator_Position_Application) or <https://fs8.formsite.com/SFewFt/vkkubmxcl/index.html>

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Call or email Shelly at 701.462.8126

or at Shelly@nordaknorth.com



## Agriculture Education Instructor / FFA Advisor

Washburn Public School • Washburn, North Dakota

**Reports To:** 7-12 Principal

**Contract Length:** Standard Teacher Contract with Extended Contract Options Available

### Position Summary

Washburn Public School is seeking a dynamic, student-centered Agriculture Education Instructor that will inherit a comprehensive agricultural education program aligned to North Dakota Career and Technical Education standards. The successful candidate will provide engaging classroom instruction, supervise experiential learning opportunities, and serve as the advisor for the local FFA chapter. This position includes extended contract options to support FFA activities, Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE) visits, and program development.

### Primary Responsibilities

#### Instructional Duties

- Develop and deliver high-quality agricultural education curriculum aligned with North Dakota State CTE standards.
- Teach a variety of agriculture-related courses which may include, but are not limited to:
  - Introduction to Agriculture, Animal Science, Plant Science, Agricultural Mechanics, Agribusiness, Natural Resources / Environmental Science, Food Science, Horticulture
- Differentiate instruction to meet the needs of diverse learners.
- Integrate leadership, career readiness, and employability skills into instruction.
- Utilize data to monitor student progress and adjust instructional strategies.
- Maintain a safe and organized classroom, laboratory, and shop environment.

#### FFA Leadership and Advisement

- Serve as advisor for the Washburn FFA Chapter.
- Plan and coordinate chapter meetings, leadership activities, and community service projects.
- Prepare students for Career Development Events (CDEs), Leadership Development Events (LDEs), and other competitions.
- Supervise student participation at district, state, and national FFA events.
- Support student leadership development and officer team training.
- Maintain compliance with local, state, and national FFA guidelines.

#### Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE) Program

- Assist students in developing and maintaining individualized SAE projects.
- Conduct SAE supervision visits as required by state CTE guidelines.
- Maintain appropriate documentation and records of student SAE progress.
- Encourage community partnerships that support student experiential learning.

#### Program Development and Community Engagement

- Maintain and promote a strong agricultural education program aligned with community and industry needs.
- Establish and maintain partnerships with local agricultural businesses, organizations, and post-secondary institutions.
- Assist with program recruitment and student retention efforts.
- Maintain equipment, facilities, and inventory related to the agriculture program.

#### Extended Contract Responsibilities

Extended contract days will support:

- FFA event supervision and travel, SAE site visits and evaluations, Summer leadership and training activities, Curriculum development and program planning, Equipment and facility maintenance, Student recruitment and community outreach

#### Qualifications

- Valid or ability to obtain North Dakota Teaching License with Agriculture Education endorsement.
- Strong knowledge of agricultural industry practices and emerging technologies.
- Demonstrated ability to work with students in classroom, laboratory, and shop settings.
- Ability to supervise students during travel and extended activities.
- Strong communication, organizational, and leadership skills.
- Ability to build positive relationships with students, staff, parents, and community partners.

#### Preferred Qualifications

- Previous FFA advising experience. Experience supervising SAE programs. Agricultural industry or related work experience. Experience managing agricultural mechanics or shop-based instruction.

#### Physical Requirements

- Ability to lift, carry, and operate agricultural and shop equipment. Ability to work in indoor classroom/shop environments and outdoor agricultural settings. Ability to travel and supervise students during extended hours and overnight events.

#### Compensation and Benefits

- Salary based on district negotiated agreement. Extended contract days compensated according to district guidelines. Benefits package includes health insurance, retirement, and professional development opportunities.

#### Application Process

Applicants should submit:

- Letter of interest, Resume, Teaching license or documentation of licensure eligibility, Three professional references

Apply at: <https://fs8.formsite.com/SFewFt/vkkubmxcl/index.html>

Contact Dr. Penny Veit-Hetletved with questions at 701-462-3221 or penny.hetletved@k12.nd.us.



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## TEMPORARY SUMMER POSITIONS

### Milton R. Young Power Plant

Minnkota Power is seeking qualified candidates for temporary summer positions located at the Milton R. Young Station located near Center, ND. The Milton R. Young Station is a two-unit coal-fired power plant, providing a stable energy source for our cooperative member-owners. The station is located 35 miles from Bismarck, North Dakota, a growing and progressive city with many recreational opportunities.

Wage is \$19.00 per hour & \$21.50 per hour for returning employees.

- Summer Help Warehouse (2 positions)
- Summer Help Plant Operations (2 positions in Operations & 2 positions in Coal Handling)

**Must be 18 years old to apply. On-line applications can be found at [www.Minnkota.com](http://www.Minnkota.com). Resumes will not be accepted without a completed application. Closing date to submit applications is March 1, 2026.**

Minnkota Power Cooperative is an EEO/AAP/Female/Minority/Disabled/Vets Employer



Laura Fleckenstein  
Employee & Labor Relations Specialist  
Minnkota Power Cooperative  
Milton R. Young Station  
Center, ND 58530

Office: (701) 794-7215  
lfleckenstein@minnkota.com  
minnkota.com

## HELP WANTED

*The City of Center is now hiring for the position of City Auditor*

Candidate must:

Live within 20 miles of the City of Center; Have a minimum of HS diploma; Have current Driver's license, must have accounting and budgeting skills and the ability to work with current software for billing, payroll and expenditures; prepare agendas and take minutes at council and board meetings; oversee funding and budgets for city projects; other duties as prescribed by the City Council.

**Wage: DOE Benefit package available Hours: M-F 8 am – 4 pm**

Applications available at the Center City Office  
Full job description available at Center City Office

Applications are due by **March 3rd, 2026**  
With a potential start date depending on availability

**For more information, please contact the City office at 701.794.3502**

## Dr. Kelsey Wiseman, MD

She's right here.



Coal Country Community Health Center



**Nordak North is exploring the possibility of creating a**  
**GARRISON AREA PHONE BOOK**  
**for our local emergency services and the public.**

If you are wanting your home, cell or business numbers to be included, please email [Darla@nordaknorth.com](mailto:Darla@nordaknorth.com) or call 701-463-2201.

We are requesting name, address and phone number.

You will **NOT** be included in the phone book if you don't send us your information.

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 or call 701-530-7178

