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Community News

Tioga Area Economic Development Corporation would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!
May you be filled with Love, Joy and Peace this holiday Season



City of Tioga special election results: New Commissioner, Kyle Ralston

A special election was held Tuesday, December 10th to elect a new commissioner to serve the remainder of previous Commissioner, Tim Christiansen's term maturing June 2026. Tioga City Hall was open for in-person voting from 10AM-7PM and absentee ballots were available upon request.

At a Special City Commission Reorganization Meeting held Monday, Dec 16th at 6PM, the City Commission approved the Election Canvass Meeting results, Administered Oaths of Office, and assigned new City Commissioner Kyle Ralston the Street Commissioner for the City of Tioga. Congratulations to Commissioner Ralston and thank you for your commitment to this community.

Election Results	
Total Votes:	114
Kyle Ralston -	61 54%
Cody Normarck -	50 44%
Kathy Neset -	1
Jim McGinnity -	1
Josh Hedstrom -	1

With the election of Commissioner Ralston, the City of Tioga has a full Commission once again and we look forward to the positive leadership they will provide to Tioga.

- Brett Rieniets, Commission President: 2024-2028
- Jaden Iverson, Finance Commissioner: 2024-2028
- Steven Dye, Water Commissioner: 2024-2028
- Jessica Steele, Police Commissioner: 2022-2026
- Kyle Ralston, Street Commissioner: 2024-2026

You can reach any of your City Commissioners via their email listed on the City of Tioga website @ www.tiogand.net

Christmas Countdown: Where to shop locally last-minute in Tioga! We've got you covered!

- **Farmer's Daughter** - Large selection of women and men's clothing, FR, hats, jewelry, purses, wallets, cologne and more
- **O'Theone Boutique** - Large selection of women's clothing, pirate gear, stocking stuffers, home decor, gift cards & so much more
- **Pinnacle Travel Plaza Tioga** - Men, women and children's clothing and shoes, winter wear, toys, etc
- **Tioga Ace Hardware** - Christmas Decor, kitchen essentials, gifts, toys, games, tools, grills, gift cards and much more
- **Backshed Treasures** - Stop over at backshed treasures for unique handmade gifts, children's pirate gifts, center pieces, etc.
- **Tioga Drug** - Toys, games, home decor, wrapping paper, kitchen gadgets, jewelry and more. Gift cards for Tioga Drug and The Soda Shoppe!
- **Hidden Beauty** - Salon products and gifts, gift cards, etc.
- **Luxe Beauty Bar** - Salon products, skin care, gift cards for hair, nails and permanent make-up
- **DA Land LLC** - Children's toys, little buster toys, if you have a cowboy or cowgirl - don't miss checking out DA Land and you'll find a gift or two for your furry pets as well!
- **Red Moose Coffee Hus** - In addition to gift cards for the best coffee/drinks in western ND, you'll also find clothing and unique handmade gifts that your family and friends will love.
- **Tioga Parts Supply** - Tools, auto parts and care, gift certificates
- **Gifts to Go** - Gift baskets, photography, wall and home decor



Benjamin Buck December

Winner!

Congratulations to our December Benjamin Buck Winner!
Benjamin Buck was found at Gifts to Go by Barb Larson.
Barb was awarded \$100.00 in Tioga Bucks!
Support your local businesses for your chance to WIN!

Christmas Service Schedule

First Lutheran Church: Dec 24th @ 7 & 9 PM
Zion Lutheran Church: Dec 24th @ 5PM
St Thomas Catholic Church: Dec 24th @ 10PM
Dec 25th @ 9AM
St Michaels: Dec 24th @ 5PM
New Hope Tioga: Dec 22nd @ 4:30PM

Mark your calendars

Dec 22nd: The Baptist Boys Christmas Concert 4PM @ First Baptist Church
Dec 25th: Christmas Day
Dec 31st: New year's Eve

Tioga School Calendar

Dec 17: GBB vs Ray 4:30PM
Dec 17th: School Board Meeting 5:15PM High school library
Dec 18th: K-1 Christmas Concert 2PM @ Central Elementary
Dec 19th: JH & HS Music Concert 7PM @ THS Gym
Dec 20th: Last Day of Quarter 2
Dec 20th: GBB vs Glenburn 5:45PM
Dec 20-Jan 1st: NO School



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Tioga Trivia

What is Tioga's population in 2024?

Last Weeks Answer: 1904

Bible Verse of the Week

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth, peace and goodwill toward men.

-Luke 2:14

A Little Chuckle

How much did Santa pay for his sleigh? Nothing, it was on the house.

Today in History:

1620: Mayflower arrives at Plymouth Harbor
1932: First NFL playoff game is played indoors

Community News

TIOGA MEDICAL CENTER RECOGNIZED FOR PERFORMANCE EXCELLENCE

(Tioga Medical Center has earned a 2024 Performance Leadership Award for excellence in Quality. Compiled by The Chartis Center for Rural Health, the Performance Leadership Awards recognize top quartile performance – 75th percentile or above – among rural hospitals in Quality, Outcomes and/or Patient Perspective.

“Quality and compassion are at the forefront of the care we deliver to our patients day in and day out,” said Jamie Eraas, Tioga Medical Center president and CEO. “This award symbolizes that commitment, and we are honored to receive it.”

The Performance Leadership Awards are based on the results of the Chartis Rural Hospital Performance INDEX®, a comprehensive and objective framework for assessing how rural hospitals are performing. INDEX benchmarks are relied upon by rural hospitals, health systems with rural footprints, hospital associations, and state offices of rural health to measure performance across multiple areas impacting hospital operations and finance.

“The Performance Leadership Awards capture the commitment, diligence, and innovation with which America’s rural hospitals approach the delivery of care within their communities,” said Troy Brown, Network Consultant, The Chartis Center for Rural Health.

Tioga Medical Center also received the recognition in 2023.

A nonprofit healthcare system, Tioga Medical Center proudly serves the communities of northwest North Dakota with clinics in Tioga, Ray and Powers Lake; a 25-bed critical access hospital;

a Long-Term Care center; and Independent Living apartments.



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Tioga Historical Society/Norseman Museum is expanding...and you can help! - Glenda Lovdahl

Tioga Historical Society/Norseman Museum have started their fundraising for the new museum expansion project.

The building project is right across the street from our current location. The property was purchased in 2022 because of a generous donation. In 2023 we had the old house and garage moved off the location. In 2023 we also had dirt work completed to fill in a large 7ft slope on the property.

This year in 2024, we have started on some infrastructure work which includes electrical lines, water lines, sewer and some foundation work. The new building will be 80 x 100 ft and will be purchased from Goodon Buildings of Rugby, ND.

We are in need of more room to display items that are still in storage from the old location and also some that have been kindly donated by members of our community. This will be a wonderful addition to Tioga and our surrounding areas.

The new expansion will have a Mainstreet type display along with farm machinery and old vehicles. History is such an important part of all communities and Tioga and surrounding areas will benefit from this expansion for generations to come.

The new building will also have a large gathering area for use by the community at no charge.

We are also currently selling raffle tickets as a fund raiser and we are hosting an event on January 24, 2025 called A Night at the Museum. This event is from 5pm - Midnight.

We will be serving Chili dogs with all the toppings and popcorn. We will be showing the movie, A Night at the Museum along with games for everyone!

We will have Chicken Bingo (starring Margie & Meagan), pinochle, cornhole, toy walk (like a cake walk), and regular bingo.

Mark your calendars for this fun event next month and come support your local museum!

If you have any questions or would like to make a donation please contact:

Glenda Lovdahl, secretary @ 701-641 3182 or Veronica McGinnity, treasurer @ 701-641-1184

**Pictured is the model that Bruce Lovdahl made that is an exact replica of what the actual building will look like and it is on display for anyone to come and see at the Norseman Museum



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