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## Community News

### Tioga Aero Center to discontinue services at Tioga Municipal Airport

Kathleen Neset, Tioga Aero Center

08.29.2024 Tioga Aero Center & Vehicle Rental Facebook post reads...

It is with extreme sadness and profound disappointment that Tioga Aero Center (TAC) is forced to suspend Fixed Base Operations at D60 - Tioga Municipal Airport. Actions of the Tioga Airport Authority have forced TAC into an untenable position that keeps our FBO from being financially and operationally viable on the field. Effective immediately, August 29, 2024 all Tioga Aero Center operations at D60 are suspended.

It is with sincere regret that we are forced, by action of the Tioga Airport Authority, to vacate Tioga Airport D60. We have thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity to support the flying public for the past twelve years and foster goodwill at the Tioga Municipal Airport. We know that Tioga Aero Center has helped to build Tioga Airport to its 2019 Airport of the Year Status as awarded by the ND Aeronautics Commission. All of us at Tioga Aero Center are immensely proud of this work and we regret the disruption to the flying public.

### Superintendent Scoop - From the Desk of Tioga Public School District 15 Superintendent, Paul Olson

New School Year

Tioga Public Schools has had another great start to the new school year! Students and staff have settled into their classrooms and are busy with beginning of the year tasks. At present, our total enrollment is remarkably similar to what we were experiencing last school year at this time. This year we are dealing with an increased number of students needing specialized services, which lends itself to the need for additional classrooms.

With the new school year beginning, the most often asked questions deal with the construction of the additional classrooms and gymnasium at the high school. Construction did begin later than anticipated due to the contractor waiting on bids from the subcontractors. This currently leaves us with a completion date of November 1st, 2025. If there are no other delays, we will look at moving the sixth-grade class up to the high school after the Christmas Break - January 2026.

Personnel with the construction firm (FCI) worked diligently to prepare a parking lot in the back of the school. There is an approach to this parking lot off 105th Avenue. We hope to have this lot paved late this spring or early summer (2025). I would like to take this time to say thank you to all of our families and TPS staff. Your patience in dealing with the parking at the high school due to the construction and dealing with the congestion at Central Elementary School with the paving of Main Street did not go unnoticed. I appreciate all of you!

Please know my door is always open for questions or concerns. We are looking forward to another wonderful year at Tioga Public Schools.

Sincerely,  
Paul



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### New in Tioga! Northwest Sportsman's Association - Kelci Hanson

Northwest Sportsman's Association is a new nonprofit organization that started in Tioga, ND. Our mission is to be able to raise money to be able to support local events, the Tioga High School shoot team, update the gun range and archery range located on the north side of the Tioga Dam and much more. We are hosting a youth fun shoot Saturday September 7th at the gun range. Youth ages 7-18 are invited. Ages starting at 11 must have taken hunter safety to shoot a firearm, otherwise you will have to shoot a bb gun. 1st place winners will win a gun and 2nd and 3rd a gift card. We look forward to getting all the kids out this year to show off their skills. Upcoming events. We are hosting a fundraiser at the Rig Lounge on Saturday September 7th starting at 7 pm. We are looking for donations for this event as we are starting from the bottom and need funds to get off the ground. Our first annual fun night "banquet" will be October 12th at the Tioga Community Center. There will be games for guns and other prizes, a live auction, and a silent auction.

Everyone is welcome for our biggest fundraiser of the year!



### Mark your calendars

Sept 2nd: Labor Day  
Sept 3rd: Tioga City Commission Mtg 7PM @ City hall  
Sept 6-8th : Tioga Farm Festival Celebration  
Sept 10th: Live Well Tioga 12:00PM @ TMC Wellness Center

### Tioga School Calendar

Sept 2nd: No School  
Sept 6th: Varsity FB vs TGU 7PM  
Sept 9th: JH FB vs Kenmare-Bowbells 4:30PM  
Sept 10th: Volleyball vs Stanley 3PM-9PM




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**Inspirational Quote**

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**Tioga Trivia**

When did the railroad first come through Tioga?

Last Weeks Answer: Dr. Robert Stobie (1906)

**Bible Verse of the Week**

He will give you into the care of his angels to keep you wherever you go.  
 -Psalm 91:11

**A Little Chuckle**

What do you call a priest that becomes a lawyer?  
 a Father-in-law

**Today in History:**

1878: 1st female telephone operator starts work, Emma Nutt  
 1939: Start of WWII, When Germany invades Poland  
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**Community News**

**Tioga will hold their 65th Annual Farm Festival Celebration - Jamie Eraas**

As summer draws to a close, our community is eagerly anticipating the 65th Annual Farm Festival, set to take place September 6, 7, & 8th. This beloved event has become a cornerstone of our town's social calendar, celebrating the agricultural roots that define our region. This year's festival promises to be particularly special, as it will honor Richard and Linda Schmidt, founding members of the Farm Festival Organization, as the Grand Marshals of the parade.

Richard and Linda Schmidt have been pillars of our community for decades, and Richard played an instrumental role in helping to establish the Farm Festival 65 years ago. In high school, Richard was the first ever president of the Tioga FFA Chapter. Shortly thereafter, the first Tioga Farm Festival was held, organized by Tioga FFA advisor, Arlo Howe. As Grand Marshals, Richard and Linda will lead the parade down Main Street at 10:30am on Saturday, a fitting tribute to their contributions.

The festival will kick off on Friday with the 4-H Livestock Show and FFA Ag Olympics. Friday evening a tailgating supper will be hosted by DA Land, LLC and D&L Paraffin followed by the Tioga Pirates varsity football team taking on TGU. Saturday morning will bring the highly anticipated parade, starting at 10:30am, featuring a lineup of floats, marching bands, vintage tractors, and local organizations.

In addition to the parade, the Farm Festival will offer a wide range of activities for all ages. Main Entertainment will take the stage on Saturday at 1pm and will feature The Bluestems, a bluegrass band from Elgin, ND. Other highlights include a kids tractor pull, inflatable games, homemade pie, the community church service, and much more.

For those that have attended the festival over the years, the event is more than just a celebration; it's a reunion of friends and family. The Farm Festival has always been about bringing people together. The event has grown and changed over the years, but that sense of community has always remained the same.

The Farm Festival has long been a source of pride for our community, a symbol of our agricultural heritage and the values we hold dear. This 65th celebration is expected to draw a crowd, not only from our town but also from neighboring communities, all eager to take part in this cherished tradition.

As we look forward to the festivities, we are reminded of the lasting impact that Richard and Linda Schmidt have had on our organization. Their role as Grand Marshals is a well-deserved recognition of their efforts.

Make sure to mark your calendars and join in the celebration of the 65th Annual Farm Festival to be held September 6, 7, & 8th. It promises to be a weekend filled with fun, memories, and a strong sense of community, honoring the past while looking forward to the future.

Tioga Farm Festival committee members are: Ryan and Jamie Eraas, Nathan and Lori Germundson, Rick Jr and Jessica Farrow, and Jeremy Carkuff.



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**JOIN TOPS! # 243 - Janice Hanson**

Tops # 243, Tioga recently installed officers for the year. This weight support group meets every Monday morning at First Lutheran Church in Tioga.

Weigh in 9:30AM, Meeting begins at 10. New members are always welcome! We stress the S in our group...it stands for Sensible.

Look for our poster on NCC Channel!



Pictured L-R: Diana Thompson - Leader, Lil Schmidt - Co-leader, Starla Liedle - Secretary, Jan Herfindahl - Treasurer, Janice Hanson - Weight Recorder - Jeanie Sheldon - Assistant Weight Recorder



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