

# **BRANDING IRON**

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## Today's Program

Initiated Measure 4 Impact, Stark County Commissioner Neal Messer,

#### This week's program: Impact of Measure 4 on Stark County

tark County Commissioner Neal Messer will speak on the potential local impact of Initiated Measure 4, which seeks to eliminate property tax in North Dakota and is on the November election ballot.



#### Last week's meeting DSU football boasts 125; wrestling in HoF



Pete Stanton, athletic director, professor and head football coach at Dickinson State University (DSU), gave us an update on the university's athletics program. The program has seen significant growth, with 430 student athletes this year—an increase of 53 from last year. The team's GPA is 3.29, and 78 students have achieved a GPA of 3.5 or higher. The football team is one of the largest in

DSU's history, with 125 student athletes. Many of these athletes are from North Dakota, South Dakota, Montana and Wyoming. Seventy-five team members spent the summer living and working in Dickinson. The team has won two out of three games so far this season and will have six home games. The wrestling team will be inducted into the Hall of Fame this year. Coach Schlecht was inducted into the NAIA Wrestling Hall of Fame. The women's wrestling program has 40 students. It is the fastest-growing sport in the country. Men's wrestling also has 40 athletes.

Basketball and volleyball teams will each have 11 home games this season. Baseball and softball aim to extend their brief spring season.

Thanks to Rotarian Mary Massad for this week's newsletter content!



DSU Rodeo Team members with Coach Eudell Larsen, right, invited us to Friday's and Saturday's slack at the Stark County Fairground, beginning at 6 pm.

### Today's Meeting:

Greeters: John Heinen & Suzi Sobolik Next Week: Bill Herauf & Spirido T.

<u>Community Kindness</u>: This month we will be kind to Rotary. We will be collecting cash donations to purchase Rotary banners, table coverings and pancake costumes.

Invocation: May all voices be heard and have a mindset of inclusivity. May this be a safe space for people to express their opinions and where ideas matter. May everyone be engaged and involved. AMEN

#### Coming up:

*Week of October 7 Dictionary distribution* to third graders in Dickinson, South Heart and Belfield. Watch for sign up information.

**October 20, 8 am to noon, Pancake Karnival** our club's Polio eradication annual fundraiser breakfast at the Eagles Club.