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GOVERNOR GOES BACK TO SCHOOL

Gov. Burgum made a surprise visit Wednesday to Beulah High School as part of the Shadow a Student Challenge. The governor - who has made transforming education one of his administration's five strategic initiatives - spent the day shadowing junior Phoebe Garman, leaning about current classroom instruction and culture as he continues to support innovation in North Dakota's K-12 education system. Earlier in the week, Burgum also announced the K-12 Education Innovators Fellowship, with applications being accepted through May 18.

OFFICIALS UPDATED ON RED RIVER VALLEY FLOOD PROTECTION

Burgum joined U.S. Sen. John Hoeven, and local officials in Fargo Thursday for an update on efforts to achieve comprehensive flood protection for the Red River Valley. Those efforts include ongoing work to secure a permit for a revised Fargo-Moorhead Area Diversion Project borne of recommendations by the F-M Area Flood Diversion Task Force formed by Burgum and Minnesota Gov. Mark Dayton last October.



ARBOR DAY CEREMONY HONORS WWI VETERANS 100 YEARS LATER



Gov. Burgum marked Arbor Day in North Dakota on Friday by signing a proclamation and participating in a tree-planting ceremony on the Capitol grounds with State Forester Larry Kotchman, North Dakota World War I Centennial Commission chair Darrell Dorgan, military veterans and others. North Dakotans are encouraged to plant trees throughout the year to commemorate the end of World War I a century ago and to honor those who served during The Great War and all veterans.





LT. GOVERNOR BRINGS MAIN STREET DISCUSSION TO LINTON, NAPOLEON

Meetings with communities interested in the Main Street Initiative continued with Lt. Gov. Brent Sanford leading community roundtable discussions Wednesday in Linton and Napoleon. Topics included youth engagement, infrastructure, workforce recruitment and retention and, of course, kuchen. Learn more at www.MainStreetND.com, and if you haven't yet, be sure to read and share the article "8 Reasons to Move to North Dakota" by Livability.com.



FIRST LADY JOINS N.D. GROUP AT RECOVERY SUMMIT

First Lady Kathryn Helgaas Burgum joined advocates from across North Dakota, including team members from the Department of Human Services and the Office of Recovery Reinvented, at the Bringing Recovery Supports to Scale Technical Assistance Center Strategy (BRSS TACS) summit in Rockville, Md. A federal initiative, BRSS TACS helps states, tribes and others as they implement effective recovery supports and services for people of all ages and diverse populations with mental or substance use disorders.