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Naturally By Al Batt

Another day of snow and tell. When it's frigid, birds become puffier. It helps to be fluffy. Watching birds is a fabu-

lous experience. The wonders of the universe unfold before my eyes. The birds enjoy curbside service. I filled feeders and a chickadee checked out the vending machines. A hairy woodpecker put sunflower seeds into the bark of a tree and hammered them open. This activity attracted the interest of a blue jay curious to see what the woodpecker was up to. It's like one of our species back when we filled restaurants. We looked around to see what looked good going into other people's mouths.

I have window feeders. They are great for birds and for folks prone to stir-craziness. They adhere to the window via suction cups. The window needs to be clean and it helps the suction if the glass is warm. Spread vegetable oil lightly on the suction cup rims to enhance adherence. I have a heated birdbath, a recycled dog food dish. Birds can use snow and ice as a source of water but it expends precious energy to convert it to water. Heated birdbaths don't create warm water, but keep it from freezing. If you don't

have a heated birdbath, you could offer fresh water in the early morning and right before dark. Those are the popular times birds want water. A ring-necked rooster pheasant found something to crow about. The roosters crow throughout the year. I've been grounded like everyone else, but I've been fortunate to speak at birding things in Alabama, Connecticut, Alaska, Iowa, Minnesota, Wisconsin, etc. via Zoom because roosters need to crow.

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Sometimes I look at a chickadee and I feel good about everthing. Photo by Al Batt

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25 YEARS AGO IN THE PHOTO PRESS

February 21, 1996

KSUM and KFMC were sponsoring the Sport & Boat Show 96 at the Fairmont American Legion. Twenty-nine exhibitors had signed up to participate in the three-day show, coming from as far away as the Iowa Great Lakes region and Mankato.

Funeral services were held for Lynn Kerns, 87,

of Fairmont. Lynn started as a printer's devil and apprentice at the Sherburn Advance Standard, becoming their first linotype operator. He then joined the Sentinel as a linotype operator. In 1963 he and several other colleagues formed the Fairmont Photo Press, with which he continued to be involved until his death. He also was a self-taught banjo player and played in many local bands

in Ceylon and Sherburn, with the Knovelty Knights in Fairmont, and with the Al Menke Orchestra. Then in 1934 he organized the Lynn Kerns Rhythm Club. Among the many musicians performing in the band was Dick Dale (later with the Lawrence Welk Orchestra). Some of the brightest and proudest times for Lynn were when his daughters blossomed as singers, entertaining as vocal trios and soloists with his band.

The Food-n-Fuel on South Albion Avenue was now a Powerball, Gopher 5 and Daily 3 vendor.

50 YEARS AGO IN THE PHOTO PRESS

February 21, 1971

Plans for the first building of the proposed Fairmont Junior College were to be drawn up by a Mankato architect, although the state legislature had not appropriated any money as yet. It was hoped that bids could be let by July so the project could be finished by the fall of 1973.

Ed Davis, 65, a Fairmont native who had operated the Fairmont Printing Company, died suddenly of a heart attack while wintering in St. Petersburg, Florida. He had been a reporter for the Martin County Independent until that paper was sold. He then operated Fairmont Printing Company with his wife, at the same location on South Main Street.

Fairmont-GO elected new officers: Ray Stougaard, president; Charles Gould, first vice president; George Hultgren, second vice president; Richard Danielson, secretary and I.M. Wishnick, re-elected treasurer.



ANN (FANCHER) HARTMANN will celebrate her 80th birthday on March 6th, 2021. Many people know her from the 15 years at the Hy-Vee service desk. Because of Covid-19 limitations, a card shower of this milestone will be her observance. Please send happy messages to her at 1018 N. Hampton St., Fairmont, MN 56031. (Submitted photo)



EDANELLE "EDDIE" EKSTRAND will observe her 99th birthday on March 5th, 2021. Because of COVID-19 restrictions we are unable to have an in-person birthday celebration, so we are requesting a card shower for her instead. Send cards to Eddie at Lakeview UMHCC, 610 Summit Drive, #306, Fairmont, MN 56031. (Submitted photo)



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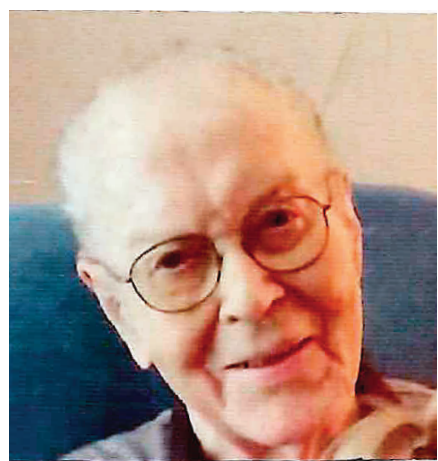
Letter to the Editor:

About three weeks ago, my husband and I were having lunch about 2 p.m. at The Ranch Restaurant in Fairmont. Outside of another young man, maybe in his thirties, we were the only people in the dining area. Shortly after, the young man got up and left.

The waitress then came over to us and said that he had paid for our lunches. We estimated our bill was probably about \$26. She also said he had done this before, anonymously paying for someone's dinner bill.

We want to thank the young man, whoever he is, for his unselfish act of kindness.

Donald and Marilyn
Schlager, Welcome



ROBERT "BOB" GALLAGHER will be 98 years old on March 6th. Cards will reach him at Truman Senior Living, 400 N. 4th Ave. E., Truman, MN 56088. (Submitted photo)

Do you have a CER story to tell?

Fairmont Community Education and Recreation (CER) has served our area for the past 48 years. The CER Citizens Advisory Council would like to collect human interest stories of how CER may have impacted your life or the special memories you may have of participating in a CER activity. What was your favorite activity? Did

you make new friends? What was your first experience with CER? Why did you enjoy sharing your talent as an instructor for a class? How did CER help you as a newcomer in our community?

Please contact the CER program to share your story - we would love to hear it! All submissions will be placed in a drawing for ten

\$15 vouchers to be used toward a CER activity. Please mail or email your written submission to CER by March 15.

For more information, contact the CER Office, located in the Fairmont Elementary School, Outside Entrance Door 15A, 714 Victoria Street, Fairmont.

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Update on Local COVID-19 Vaccination Efforts

Contact: Tim Langer 507-238-4757; tim.langer@fmchs.com

Weekly Update: 2/23/21 Vaccination work as of 2/20/21:

- Faribault County: 1,848 individuals have received at least their first vaccination for COVID-19. 12% of the total population has received at least 1 dose. 33% of the population of people age 65+ have received vaccinations.
- Martin County: 2,773 individuals have received at least their first vaccination for COVID-19. 12% of the population has received at least 1 dose. 34.7% of the population of people age 65+ have received vaccinations.
- Community Health & Human Services did not receive any vaccine last week as a result of the winter weather situation impacting the southern half of the U.S. where vaccine storage facilities are located. All appointments for last week are being rescheduled for this week.
- Mayo Clinic Health System Fairmont received 354 1st dose allocation last week.
- United Hospital District did not receive any vaccine last week as a result of the winter weather situation impacting the southern half of the U.S. where vaccine storage facilities are located. All appointments for last week are being rescheduled for this week.
- Dulcimer Medical Center was not scheduled to receive any doses last week.

Plan for week of 2/20:

- Community Health & Human Services is scheduled to receive 100 1st doses this week. The 100 doses are allocated specifically to E-12/childcare sector. The agency will also receive the 200 1st doses that were due to arrive last week this week, 100 for the E-12/childcare sectors and 100 for the 1A priority population and 65+ population. Appointments are being scheduled for late this week.
- Mayo Clinic Health System Fairmont is scheduled to receive 420 1st doses for this week for the 75+ population. MCHS-Fairmont will reach out to patients when it's time to schedule an appointment. Appointments fill up quickly as vaccine supply continues to be extremely limited.
- United Hospital District is scheduled to receive 100 1st doses this week for the 65+ population. UHD will reach out to patients when it's time to schedule an appointment. Appointments fill up quickly as vaccine supply continues to be extremely limited. UDH will receive the 100 doses they were scheduled to receive last week and will be making appointments this week.
- Dulcimer Medical Center is scheduled to receive 100 1st doses this week for the 65+ population. Dulcimer will reach out to patients when it's time to schedule an appointment. Appoint-

ments fill up quickly as vaccine supply continues to be extremely limited.

Community Health & Human Services will be reaching out to individuals who submitted interest on the COVID-19 vaccine survey who are over age 65 and in the order in which they were submitted and as vaccine is available to our agency. Individuals interested in receiving a vaccine can enter their contact information at this link to be added to our list by going to: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/VaxsurveyFM> OR calling our office at 507-238-4757 and requesting to be added to the vaccine interest list.

Weekly Update: 2/16/21 Vaccination work as of 2/13/21:

- Faribault County: 1,673 individuals have received at least their first vaccination for COVID-19. 11% of the population has received at least 1 dose.
- Martin County: 2,461 individuals have received at least their first vaccination for COVID-19. 11% of the population has received at least 1 dose.
- Community Health & Human Services received 200 1st doses of Moderna vaccine on 2/9. All 200 doses were distributed individuals identified in priority group 1A within 72 hours as directed by MDH. All doses were in arms by Wednesday, 2/10 at 9PM. Population served included educators and childcare providers.
- Mayo Clinic Health System Fairmont received 204 1st dose allocation last week and distributed all by Thursday to patients age 75+.
- United Hospital District received 300 1st dose allocation last week and all were distributed to patients age 65+ by Friday.
- Dulcimer Medical Center received no doses last week.

Plan for week of 2/14:

Due to winter weather situations across the nation, Community Health/Human Services has been informed our vaccine doses will be late this week. We anticipate moving our appointments for 2/17 to 2/19.

- Community Health/Human Services is scheduled to receive 200 1st dose allocation for next week. 100 is allocated specifically to E-12/childcare and the remaining 100 are allocated to completing any remaining health care providers/ first responders needing vaccine as part of Minnesota's 1A priority group and for 65+ population. Human Services will be reaching out to individuals who submitted interest on the COVID-19 vaccine survey who are over age 65 and in the order in which they were submitted. Individuals interested in receiving a vaccine can enter their contact information at this link to be added to our list: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/VaxsurveyFM>.
- Mayo Clinic Health System Fairmont is scheduled to receive 354 doses for next week for the 75+ population. MCHS-Fairmont will reach out to you when it's time to schedule your appointment. Appointments fill up quickly as vaccine supply continues to be extremely limited.
- United Hospital District is scheduled to receive 100 1st dose allocations this coming week for the 75+ population. UHD will reach out to patients when it's time to schedule your appointment. Appointments fill up quickly as vaccine supply continues to be extremely limited.
- Dulcimer Medical Center is not scheduled to receive any new 1st dose allocations this coming week.

All partnering entities listed above are part of the South-Central Minnesota Health Care Coalition. Beginning

this week, allocations for non-affiliated medical clinics and pharmacies will be allocated vaccine by the state of Minnesota through this coalition. For the week of 2/14, the 11-county region received a total of 700 doses of vaccine for distribution to clinics and pharmacies. The state will continue to allocate vaccine directly to the large ten hospital systems who will allocate their allotments of vaccine within their systems. Larger pharmacies (Walmart, CVS, Thrifty White, Walgreens) will receive direct allocations from the federal government. Local Public Health agencies also receive a separate allotment from the State of Minnesota. Information about the South Central Health Care Coalition can be found at this URL: South Central Healthcare Coalition | Minnesota (scmnhc.org)

As a reminder:

Planning is underway - if individuals would like to be contacted by e-mail, phone or mail when it is your turn to receive the vaccine, you can provide your contact information in this survey: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/VaxsurveyFM>. If you do not have access to the internet or need help completing the form, you can call 507-238-4757 and someone will take down your information and include you on the list.

Weekly Update: 2/9/21 Vaccination work

- As of 2/6/21
- Faribault County: 1,155 individuals have received at least their first vaccination for COVID-19. 8% of the population has received at least 1 dose.
- Martin County: 1,912 individuals have received at least their first vaccination for COVID-19. 9% of the population has received at least 1 dose.
- Community Health & Human Services received 200 1st doses of Moderna vaccine on 2/3. All 200 doses were dis-

tributed to individuals identified in priority group 1A within 72 hours as directed by MDH. All doses were in arms by Friday, 2/5 at 5PM.

- Community Health expects to receive 200 1st doses on 2/9 or 2/10. This allocation is designated for the K-12 and childcare provider workforce.
- Mayo Health System Fairmont is estimated to receive 204 doses of vaccine this week to provide to patients age 75+.
- United Hospital District is scheduled to receive 300 doses of vaccine this week to provide to patients 65+.
- Dulcimer Medical Center is not scheduled to receive any doses of vaccine this week.

Weekly Update: 2/2/21

- As of 1/30/2021
- Faribault County: 903 individuals have received at least their first vaccination for COVID-19. 6.5% of the population has received at least 1 dose.
- Martin County: 1,307 individuals have received at least their first vaccination for COVID-19. 6.5% of the population has received at least 1 dose.
- Community Health & Human Services received 100 1st doses of Moderna vaccine on 1/26, one day ahead of schedule. All 100 doses were distributed individuals identified in priority group 1A within 72 hours as directed by MDH. All doses were in arms by Friday, 1/29 at 4PM.
- Community Health expects to receive 200 1st doses on 2/2 or 2/3. This allocation is intended to help us complete work with the 1A priority population which includes: hospital staff, skilled nursing facilities (staff and residents), certified EMS/EMT workers, COVID testers, COVID vaccinators, assisted living facilities (staff and residents), urgent care settings/clinics, dialysis centers, dental offices, home health care (staff), group homes (staff & resi-

dents), pharmacists, correctional health care providers, school nurses, funeral home staff, specialty health care providers including optometry, audiology and chiropractic care and staff with direct client care (with no ability to work remotely) working in public health, mental and behavioral health settings.

- Mayo Health System Fairmont will receive 36 doses of Pfizer vaccine this week to provide to dialysis patients.
- United Hospital District is not scheduled to receive any doses of vaccine this week.
- Dulcimer Medical Center will be receiving 300 doses of vaccine this week to provide to patients age 65+.

Weekly Update: 1/26/21

Efforts are underway in Faribault & Martin Counties to provide COVID-19 vaccinations.

- There continues to be a very limited supply of COVID-19 vaccine in Minnesota.
- Currently, MN is receiving 60,000 doses of vaccine per week. With our population of 5.6 million, that is just 1% of the supply needed.
- As of January 22, 2021, 649 vaccinations had been provided to Faribault County residents and 822 vaccinations to Martin County residents.
- The total population of individuals who would be eligible (by age) for vaccine in Faribault & Martin Counties is approximately 25,000. This means just 5% of our counties have received vaccine as of today. We have a long way to go.
- Mayo Clinic Health System Fairmont, United Hospital District and Community Health & Human Services of Faribault & Martin Counties are partnering together in this effort with support from county emergency management and the South Central Health Care Coalition.

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Obituary Notices



Donald D. Adams, 89

Donald Duane Adams was called to eternal rest on February 14, 2021 after a short illness, dying at his home, at his request, surrounded by his three remaining children, Ned, Boni and Beth.

Donald was born February 1, 1932 in Webster City, IA to Truey and Mildred (McFarlane) Adams. He graduated from Madelia High School

in 1950. He married Frances Bethell on December 4, 1953 at the Eagle Grove Methodist Church and they were married 61 years. They raised four children in Sherburn, MN.

Don will be remembered as a loving husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather, brother, uncle, friend and neighbor. Stories abound about his barbershop, fishing, cars (owned a Model A in Madelia) and his wit. Don and his deceased wife lived and worked in Martin County for over 40 years, where Don barbered, retiring to Fairmont in 2001. Don's lifetime hobbies included an avid interest in automobiles, fishing the

Minnesota Lakes, hunting pheasants, reading, watching birds and nature, and watching sports. His family loved to visit and he was especially loving and fun around the young grandchildren. The family wishes to thank the employees of the Mayo Clinic Health System and the Mayo Clinic Hospice, for the care over the years.

Those left to cherish his memory include, Ned Adams, of Fairmont, MN; daughters, Boni Worthley, and son-in-law, David Worthley, Virginia Beach, VA and Beth Armstead, and son-in-law, Rod Armstead, San Rafael, NM; Grandchildren: Taylor Adams (Di-

ane), Williamsburg, VA; Brett Larsen (Amber, son Drake, and daughter, Hadassah) Englewood, CO; Elise Larsen (daughters, Lanea, Angelina, and Natalia) Grants, NM; Megan Daubert (Michael, daughter, Carmen, and sons, Brook and Ryland) Virginia Beach, VA; Heather Fischer (Matthew, son, Jack) Virginia Beach, VA; Preston Worthley (Anna), Richmond, VA; and Brianna Worthley, Harrisonburg, VA. Brother, Erv Adams, Sebring, FL; Brother-in-law, Carroll Hallagan, Council Bluffs, IA; and many other relatives and citizens of Martin County.

Donald was preceded in

death by his parents; wife, Francis and son, Derek; sisters, Margaret, Mary, Martha, and Beverly; brothers Edward and Larry, and beloved relatives and friends.

Cards may be received at: Ned Adams, 424 E. 12th St., Fairmont, MN 56031. Memorial contributions may be sent to LLS.org (Leukemia and Lymphoma Society) or aadaa.org (Anxiety and Depression Association of America).

Burial will occur at the Evergreen Cemetery in Clarion, IA at a later date. Messages of Sympathy may be sent to the family online at www.kramer-funeralhome.com



Margarete Maschoff, 96

Margarete (Becker) Maschoff, 96, of Fairmont, passed away peacefully of natural causes on Thursday afternoon, February 18th, 2021, at Goldfinch Estates in Fairmont, her home for the past eight years. Services were held Tuesday, February 23rd, 2021, at Lakeview Funeral Home in Fairmont. Pastor Russell Reimers of Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Ceylon officiated.

Burial was in Fairview Memorial Park Cemetery in Fairmont. The Lakeview Funeral Home and Cremation Service of Fairmont is assisting the family with arrangements.

Margarete Becker was born in South Saint Paul, Minnesota, to Carl and Amelia (Wedmann) Becker on February 15th, 1925. She graduated from South Saint Paul High School and later from the Bethesda School of Nursing where she became a registered nurse.

On October 22, 1952, Margarete married Roy Maschoff at Grace Lutheran Church in South Saint Paul. Roy and Margarete farmed in Tenhasen Township for many years. Margarete worked at various hospitals in the area and spent the last ten years of her nursing career as an industrial nurse. Roy and Margarete then moved to Fairmont building and living in their own home for several years prior to moving to Goldfinch Estates. Roy passed away November 14, 2015.

Margarete was a member of St. Paul Lutheran Church in Fairmont and a former member of Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Ceylon.

Margarete is survived by her son and daughter-in-law, Mark and Shirley Maschoff of rural Ceylon, and granddaughter, Megan Maschoff of Faribault, sister-in-law Bernice Lehmann, and many nieces, nephews and friends. Margarete was preceded in death by her parents, hus-

band, and brother, Rudy Becker.

Mark, Shirley and Megan would like to express their sincere appreciation and thanks to the staff of Goldfinch Estates for the loving care given to both Roy and Margarete for many years. Memorials are preferred to the Goldfinch Estates Heroic Caregivers Fund established to help support the Goldfinch caregivers during the coronavirus pandemic.

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Darvin F. Roebbeke, 90

Darvin F. Roebbeke, 90, of Sherburn was called to his eternal rest at Temperance Lake Ridge on Wednesday evening, February 17th, 2021. Funeral service will be held at a later date with interment at the Sherburn Cemetery.

Messages of Sympathy can be sent to the family online at www.kramerfuneralhome.com

Darvin Fay Roebbeke was born on January 25th, 1931 to Frederick and Tilda (Jacobsen) Roebbeke in rural Sherburn, Minnesota. He attended school in Sherburn graduating

with the class of 1949. On January 7, 1951 he was united in marriage to Helen B. Smythe at the Methodist Church in Sherburn, Minnesota. After their marriage they farmed in Martin County and later was a school bus driver for Martin County West Schools until 2000 when he retired. They later moved into Sherburn.

Darvin was a life time member of St. John's Lutheran Church in Sherburn, served as president, financial secretary, served on the constitution committee and fellowship club. He also was a charter

member of Sherburn Lions Club.

Darv was an avid farmer. He loved working the land, raising cattle, pigs and also helping his children raise a calf or two or a sow with piglets. He loved going to the coffee shop to meet with his farmer friends and even shake a little dice. His friendly, outgoing spirit, made it easy for him to meet new friends wherever he went, especially in Arizona where he and Helen wintered for many years. Most of all he loved his grandchildren and great grandchildren. It is hard

to find a photo of him without one of them sitting on his lap.

He is survived by his three children, Linda (Dwight) Burman of St. James, Minnesota, Julie (Dan) Grill of Sherburn, Minnesota and Daniel (Ann) Roebbeke of Shakopee, Minnesota; seven grandchildren; thirteen great grandchildren; sibling, Phyllis Kosbab of New Ulm, Minnesota; brother-in-law, Robert (Carol) Smythe of LaGrange, Texas and sister-in-law, Carol (Richard) McClellan of St. Paul, Minnesota; nieces and nephews and other relatives and friends.

Darvin was preceded in death by his wife, Helen; parents, Fred and Tilda Roebbeke; father and mother-in-law, WB and Mabel Smythe; brothers, Lester Roebbeke, Leo Roebbeke; sisters-in-law, Bernie Roebbeke, Alice Roth, brothers-in-law, Leslie Roth and Delbert Kosbab and other relatives.

Private family service will be held for Darv and Helen at a later date.

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Jerome A. Determan, 89

A Mass of Christian burial

for Jerry Determan, 89, of Fairmont, MN was held on Tuesday, February 23rd, 2021, at St. John Vianney Catholic Church with full military honors by the Lee C. Prentice American Legion Post #36 and the Martin County Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #1222 held outside of the church at the conclusion of the service. Entombment was in Lakeside Cemetery. The service was livestreamed and is available for viewing for 90 days following the service, at <https://client.tribucast.com/tcid/11855979>.

Jerry passed away Friday, February 19th, 2021, at his home in Fairmont, surrounded by his family after a coura-

geous 12-year battle with Multiple Myeloma. The Lakeview Funeral Home and Cremation Service of Fairmont is assisting the family with arrangements.

Jerome Anthony Determan was born October 13th, 1931, in Melrose, MN, the seventh of 13 children to George and Eleanor (Zirbes) Determan. Jerry graduated from Sauk Centre High School and joined the US Navy, proudly serving as a Navy Seabee. After his service, he worked for Interstate Powder Company in southwestern Minnesota where he met his loving wife of 64 years, Donna Holinka. The couple was married September 24th, 1956 at

St. Gabriel's Catholic Church in Fulda, and the marriage was blessed with five children.

The couple purchased Deluxe Vending in Fairmont in 1969 where they worked until their retirement. The couple enjoyed many winters in Florida before Jerry's health prevented them from traveling. Jerry was a member of the Knights of Columbus and the Fairmont Chamber of Commerce. He was active in the Lee C. Prentice American Legion Post #36 and the Fairmont Planning Commission, served on the board of First Farmers and Merchants Bank and as a trustee for St. John Vianney, in addition to being

a past president of both Fairmont Growth Opportunities and National Automatic Merchandising Association.

Left to cherish his memory include his wife, Donna; children, Lori (Joel) Determan of Andover, MN, Mary Pat (Chuck) Pearson, of Eden Prairie, MN, Mark (JoRae) Determan and Paul Determan of Fairmont, MN, and Jill (Jeff) Mathiason of Granada, MN; eight grandchildren, Danielle (Jon) Seitz, Mike Determan, Cole Pearson, Celia Pearson, Erin (Cody) Moore, Miranda Mathiason and fiancé Jon Richter, Madeline Mathiason, and Eric Determan; one great-grandchild, Ethan Seitz;

brothers, Jim (Ann) Determan of Blaine, MN, and David (Jill) Determan of Grey Eagle, MN.

Jerry was preceded in death by his parents, George and Eleanor Determan; sisters, Virginia Weiss, Bernie Jernigan, Evelyn Evans, Beatrice Decker, Dorothy Pulka, Lou Ann Burns, and Jean Timp; and brothers Ralph, Robert, and Daniel.

The family request donation be made in Jerry's name to the Knights of Columbus Council 1575 Charitable Fund, P.O. Box 992, Fairmont, MN 56031.

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Dorothy M. Schultz, 99

Private family services for Dorothy M. Schultz, 99, of Fairmont, MN, will be held at the Lakeview Funeral Home in Fairmont. Burial will be following the service in Fairview Memorial Park Cemetery. Those wishing to view the service are asked to follow the livestream link at 11:00 a.m. Saturday, February 27, 2021: <https://client.tribucast.com/tcid/45430942>. Dorothy passed away Thursday, February 18, 2021, at the Lakeview Methodist Health Care Center in Fairmont. The Lakeview Funeral Home and Cremation Service of Fairmont is assisting the family with arrangements.

Dorothy Mabel (Shaw)

Schultz was born on March 1, 1921, in Deming, New Mexico, the daughter of George and Flora (Comstock) Shaw. As a young girl, Dorothy moved with her family to Minnesota where she attended country school in Fraser Township.

On January 30, 1946, Dorothy was united in marriage to Kenneth Schultz at the First Lutheran Parsonage in Trimont, MN. Together the couple began farming in Galena Township and later Waverly Township before purchasing a farm in Fraser Township where they raised their three children, Duane, Sandra, and Lynn.

Dorothy loved life on the farm and took pride in a hard

day's work. She enjoyed preparing meals for the family farm, raising her children, and baking the best frosted cut out cookies at her family's request. Dorothy and Kenneth spent many years gathering friends and family for a meal and a game of cards.

Dorothy was a member of the St. James Lutheran Church in Northrop where she was active in Ladies Aid. She also enjoyed gathering with friends at the Ladies Social Club. Dorothy loved working on afghans and baking her grandchildren homemade pies. In her later years, she enjoyed playing cards at the Senior Citizens Center, word searches, crossword puzzles

and Hallmark TV. She was a wonderful mother and had a special place in her heart for her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She will be greatly missed by those that loved her and we look forward to celebrating what would have been her 100th birthday.

Left to cherish her memory are her children, Duane Schultz of Fairmont, MN, Sandra (Everett) Rettig of Jackson, MN, and Lynn (Steven) Harris of Fairmont, MN; grandchildren, April (Todd) Hartzler of Clive, IA, Jason (Jennifer) Harris of Fairmont, MN, Joshua (Elizabeth) Harris of St. Peter, MN, Courtney (Michael) Steubs of Edina, MN, and Tyler Rettig of Sioux Falls, SD; great-

grandchildren, Sophia, Alaina, Kaitlyn, Addison, Grayson, Julia, Parker Kenneth, and Eve; sister-in-law, Elaine Johnson of Trimont, MN; brother-in-law, Daryl (Lois) Schultz of Trimont, MN; as well as many nieces, nephews, extended family and friends.

Dorothy was preceded in death by her parents, George and Flora Shaw; husband, Kenneth Schultz; three brothers, Everett (Helen) Shaw, Robert Shaw, Harold (Evelyn) Shaw; sister, Gladys (Harold) DeBoer; father-in-law and mother-in-law, Fred and Meta Schultz; two brothers-in-law, Oliver Schultz and Roger Johnson; as well as many other extended family.

Obituary Notices



Lucille K. Neusch, 100

Private family services for Lucille "Lucy" K. Neusch, age 100, of Fairmont, MN, are being held at the Lakeview Funeral Home in Fairmont with interment in Fairview Memorial Park in Fairmont. Lucy passed away peacefully of old age and hard work on Thursday morning, February 18, 2021, at the Lakeview Methodist Health Care Center in Fairmont. She was watched

over by her second family, the loving staff of Lakeview, who had taken great care of her for the past 7 years. The Lakeview Funeral Home is assisting the family with arrangements.

Lucille Kathrine (Kruger) Neusch was born on April 15, 1920, at the family farm five miles east of Fairmont. She was the eighth child born to Emil and Gazena (Kuhn) Kruger.

Lucille was united in marriage to Donald Neusch on February 27, 1943, in Santa Ana, California while Donald was serving in the US Army Air Corps. Following Donald's discharge in 1945, they farmed in the Ringsted and East Chain area, finally mov-

ing to the Fairmont farm that is still being actively farmed by son, Bob, grandsons and great grandsons.

Lucille was a member of St. Paul Lutheran Church in Fairmont as well as the Martin County Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary Post 1222. She loved her farm life, cooking for the help, running for parts, helping raise baby calves and even geese on occasion. Lucille enjoyed taking all the grandkids to the Missouri farm and watching them have so much fun even if sometimes it became a little naughty, tending to her flowers at Oak Beach Drive, and family Christmases where one time more than forty family members gath-

ered. What Lucille loved most was picking chickens and it wasn't unusual to have done 100 in a morning. By supper she'd have made from scratch, including noodles, the best homemade chicken noodle soup you could ever ask for and then her famous apple pie for dessert. Lucille also loved all of her farm neighborhood "kids."

Lucille is survived by her son, Robert (Diane) Neusch, and daughter, Linda (Bryan) Gregor all of Fairmont; son-in-law, Larry Kolda of Utica, SD; daughter-in-law, Mary Jo Neusch of Fairmont; 12 grandchildren, 30 great grandchildren; 4 great-great grandchildren; special niece, Nan

Milbrandt; and many more loved nieces and nephews.

Along with her parents, Emil and Gazena Kruger, Lucille was preceded in death by her husband, Donald "Shorty" Neusch; all seven of her siblings; Jamie, newborn grandson of daughter Peggy; Joey, two-year old great granddaughter and Tyler, great grandson, both children of grandchildren, Jessi and Tracy Kotewa; in June of 2020, she lost her daughter, Peggy Kolda and then in September of 2020, her son, Charles Neusch.

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Diane R. Miles, 81

Graveside Services for Diane R. Miles, age 81, of Fairmont, MN, will be 1:00 p.m. on Friday, February 26th, 2021, at Lakeside Cemetery in Fairmont. Visitation will be 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 25th, at the Lakeview Funeral Home in Fairmont. Due to COVID restrictions, masks are required and the number of attendees will be monitored.

Diane passed away on Sunday morning, February 21st, 2021, at Mayo Clinic Health System in Mankato, MN. The Lake-view Funeral Home in Fairmont is assisting the family with arrangements.

Diane Rose (Grabinoski) Miles was born on September 21st, 1939, in Armstrong, IA. She was the daughter of Peter and Arlene (Anvick) Grabinoski. She attended Armstrong Area Schools.

On April 2nd, 1956, Diane was united in marriage to Robert Miles in Mitchell, South Dakota. The couple resided in Fairmont and were blessed with four children, Lon, Kandi, Todd, and Margo. Diane and Robert shared over sixty-four years together.

Diane worked at various places over the years including Wallace's Department Store, Fairmont Flowers, and

as a polling place worker. She worked for many years as a bookkeeper with Robert for Bob's Dairy. Diane found enjoyment spending time with family and friends and had a passion for decorating their home for every season and holiday.

Diane was a member of Grace Lutheran Church in Fairmont where she was active with the Sarah Circle and Bell Choir, the Interlaken Golf Club, as well as the area Red Hats, and as the historian for the Fairmont Concert Association. Diane also volunteered at the Fairmont Community Hospital. During her free time,

she enjoyed getting together for coffee, playing Bridge, cross-stitch and embroidery, as well as tending to her flower garden. Diane loved keeping well-organized photo albums and family history. Her family was very important to her and she never forgot a birthday.

Left to cherish her memory include her husband, Robert Miles of Fairmont, MN; children, Lon (Athena) Miles of East Bethel, MN, Kandi Menne (Tom Donnelly) of Fairmont, MN, Todd Miles of Mankato, MN, and Margo (Darryl) Larsen of Mankato, MN; 13 grandchildren; 20 great grandchildren; 2 great

great grandchildren; brother, Mark (Cathy) Grabinoski; sister, Lorae (Dave) Radunz; sister-in-law, Judy (Ronald Grabinoski) Hansen; and many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Along with her parents, Peter and Arlene Grabinoski, Diane was preceded in death by her brother, Ronald Grabinoski; nephew, Jason Radunz; and parents-in-law, Harold and Edythe Miles.

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Corey R. Sathoff, 34

Corey Sathoff, age 34 of Truman, passed away on Thursday, February 18, 2021 due to an auto accident near Truman. Visitation will be on Friday, February 26, 2021 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Zaharia Family Funeral Home in Truman with additional visitation one hour prior to the service. Funeral service will be held on Saturday at 10 a.m. at St. John's Lutheran Church-Willow Creek with Rev. John Bennett officiating. Interment with Military Honors will follow in Willow Creek South cemetery. Zaharia Family Funeral Home is entrusted with arrangements. www.Zaharia-FamilyFuneral.com

Corey Robyn Sathoff was born November 6th, 1986 in Fairmont, Minnesota to Robyn "Rob" and Michelle "Shelly" (Kastning) Sathoff. He was an involved student in the Truman Public School and graduated with the class of 2005. He was a proud member of the Army National Guard. Corey had many hobbies that mostly took him outdoors. He loved to go ATVing and kayaking with friends. Deer hunting at the family farm with his mother and uncles, Jim and Steve (and they did bag some nice deer!) and coyote hunting with his uncle Jim. Corey loved to travel, experiencing weekend concerts; Vegas, Mardi Gras, and even trips to

Idaho to see his sister, topped his list. Corey was a master pull tab player, somehow he knew just how to find that winning ticket.

Corey was a great friend and often offered a helping hand, whenever and for whatever, he was always available; whether it was a fire department event, Truman Days, or a fund-raiser for someone he didn't even know. Corey was employed at Green Plains Ethanol Plant in Fairmont from 2010 until the time of his death and was a Process Team Leader. He was a firm believer of "Work Hard and Play Hard."

Another title Corey held was Dad! His daughter Annica was his whole world and he was an amazing father. In addition to this super title, he was proud to hold the title of Sergeant. Even after being honorably discharged, he always held his service close to his heart.

Corey Robyn Sathoff joined the 2nd Battalion/135th Infantry 34th Infantry Division, Red Bulls, Minnesota Army National Guard in March of 2004. He attended Basic Training in Ft. Benning GA. After Basic and Advanced Infantry Training, he returned to Home Station in Albert Lea MN to carry out his enlistment. In March of 2007 he deployed to New Mexico for Operation Jump Start, and later in 2007 was involuntarily ordered to active duty in support of Operation Enduring Freedom with the KFOR-9 bravo deployment to Kosovo, July 2007 thru August 2008. Corey became the 1st Platoon 2nd Squad Bravo Team leader and commanded a team of three infantry soldiers. After returning from Kosovo, Corey enlisted in the 86th Training Division United States Army Reserves out of Ft. McCoy Wisconsin, where he was an Observer Controller Trainer for the remainder of his 6-year initial enlistment,

leaving the military with an Honorable Discharge.

Corey's military medals included the Army Commendation Medal for his actions in situational awareness while on patrol. He stopped his Squad Leader from walking into a trip wire connected to an IED device. Corey's other medals included The Army Achievement medal, Army Good Conduct medal, National Defense Ribbon, Global War on Terrorism medal, Non Commissioned Officer Professional Development ribbon, Army Service ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon, Armed Force Reserve Medal w/M device, Kosovo Campaign medal w/Bronze Service Star, and the NATO medal.

Corey's dedication to the Oath he took to defend the Constitution of the United States of America, and the State of Minnesota, are of great credit to himself, his country, and his family which he loved so dearly.

Corey is survived by his mother and step-father, Shelly and Ron Lenz, of Truman; father, Rob (Deb) Sathoff of Welcome; daughter, Annica Sathoff of Truman; sisters, Heather White of Boise, Idaho and Amber Sathoff, of Shakopee; half-brothers, Chaise and Jayden Sathoff; step-siblings, Derek Lenz, Dustin (Jodi) Lenz, Megan (Mark) Herzog and Crystal (Tony) Kuczynski; grandparents, Fred and Bev Lenz of St. James, JoAnn Sathoff of Dunnell; many aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Corey is preceded in death by his grandparents Arlo and LeAnn Sager, Harvey Sathoff, Robert Kastning and great-grandparents.

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A mourning dove pair fed on fallen safflower seeds under the feeders. In ancient Greek mythology, Aphrodite, the goddess of love, was depicted by doves. Early European superstition held that the devil and witches could turn themselves into any bird shape except the dove. In Hinduism, the dove is an emblem of the spirit and its infinite capacity for love. Ancient Aztecs believed Xochiquetzal, the mother of hu-

manity, arrived as a dove after the great flood. Native Americans associated a dove with the Great Spirit. In the Old Testament, Noah released a dove after the great flood to search for land. It returned with an olive branch to show that the Biblical flood had receded.

At this moment in Minnesota, great horned owls are incubating eggs. A parent, typically the female, must keep them warm to prevent them from freezing. This early nesting

gives the owlets a head start in the spring and extra time to learn how to be a good great horned owl. The young aren't free of parental care until in October. Great horned owls have the most diverse diet of all North American raptors. Their principal prey items are rabbits, mice, voles, hares and coots, but their menu is substantial. They occasionally hunt in broad daylight and may walk on the ground to stalk small prey.

Nature news

Railroad crews used explosives to provoke small avalanches in British Co-

lumbia when an onlooker noticed an elk engulfed in a wave of white. The man and a friend went to help the elk and found its face peering out from the snow, immobilized by the weight of the avalanche. The men dug the elk free and it walked away. No tip was requested.

A two-headed bird (a ruffed grouse) was spotted in Cape Breton, Nova Scotia. The bird eats with both beaks and can fly.

The world's oldest known wild bird is a mother once again. Wisdom, a Laysan albatross, hatched a chick on Feb. 1 on Midway Atoll. Wisdom is approximately 70 years old and has hatched 30-36 chicks.

Q&A

Jay Gregerson of Albert Lea sent a photo of a house finch with an elongated bill and wondered about the cause. Many factors have been implicated in causing bird bills to grow abnormally — disease, parasites, nutritional deficiencies, genetic defects, extreme heat, environmental contaminants and structural damage caused by a colli-

sion or other trauma.

"Do feeders help birds survive winter?" Stanley Temple, a University of Wisconsin professor studied this (1982-85) and found, on average, 69% of banded chickadees with access to a feeder survived the winter (October through April) compared to 37% without supplemental food.

"There is a downy woodpecker that appears to be healthy but sometimes remains motionless at the suet feeder or on the trunk of a tree. What's it doing?" Woodpeckers aren't the fastest flyers, which means the downy's best defense is to freeze in place to escape an accipiter's notice.

Thanks for stopping by "The mind that is not baffled is not employed. The impeded stream is the one that sings." — Wendell Berry

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FULL TILT - The Red Bulls Class AA's #3-ranked 138-pounder Lucas Jagodzinske goes for a take down against Waseca's Oliver O'Brien. The Red Bulls defeated the Bluejays 54-13 last Friday night. Courtesy fairmontsports.com



BACK POINTS - Class AA's #4-ranked 152-pounder Blake Jagodzinske earned a 16-1 technical fall over Blue Earth Area's Kean Hicks. The Class AA #3-ranked Martin County Red Bulls (16-1) downed the Class A #9-ranked Buccaneers (11-3) for the second time this season 44-30 last Thursday night. Courtesy fairmontsports.com

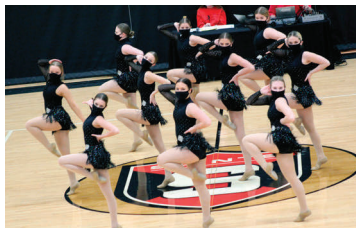
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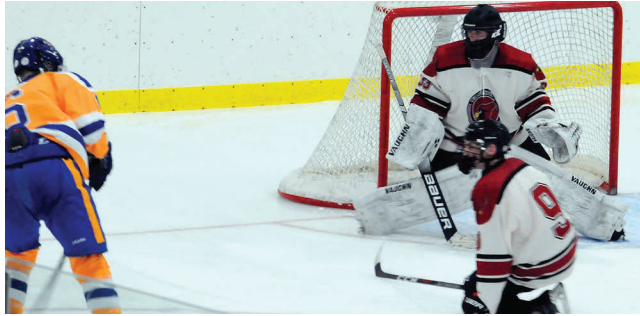


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FAIRMONT DANCE TEAM Varsity and Junior varsity participated in a competition in St. James last Saturday. (Submitted photos)



ROAD BLOCK - Cards Eli Anderson slides in to deny Windom's Alex Espenson a crossing pass as goalie Bryant Armitage looks on. Anderson had both goals in the Eagles 16-2 win last Friday night. Courtesy fairmontsports.com

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What Can Investors Learn from 2020?

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Now that we're a few weeks removed from 2020, it's a good time to reflect on such a momentous year. We can think about developments in the social and political spheres, but we also

learned – or perhaps re-learned – some valuable lessons about investing.

Here are four of them:

- A long-term perspective is essential. Volatility in the financial markets is nothing new, but, even so, 2020 was one for the books. Of course, the COVID-19 outbreak was the driving force behind most of the wild price swings. Soon after the pandemic's effects were first felt, the S&P 500, a common index of U.S. large-cap stocks, fell 34% but gained 67% by the end of the year. Consequently, investors who

stuck with their investment portfolios and kept their eyes on their long-term goals, rather than on shocking headlines, ended up doing well. And while 2020 was obviously an unusual year, the long-term approach will always be valuable to investors.

- Investment opportunities are always available. The pandemic drove down the prices of many stocks – but it didn't necessarily harm the long-term fundamentals of these companies. In other words, they may still have had strong management, still

produced desirable products and services, and still had good prospects for growth. In short, they may still have been good investment opportunities – and when their prices were depressed, they may also have been "bargains" for smart investors. And this is the case with virtually any market downturn – some high-quality stocks will be available at favorable prices.

- Diversification pays off. Bond prices often move in a different direction from stocks. So, during a period of volatility when stock prices are falling, such as we saw in the weeks after the pandemic hit in March, the presence of bonds in your portfolio can lessen the impact of the downturn and stabilize your overall returns. And this, in essence, is the value of maintaining a balanced and diversified portfolio. (Keep in mind, though, that diversification can't guarantee profits or prevent all losses.)

- The market looks ahead. The pandemic-driven market plunge may have been stunning, but it made a kind of intrinsic sense – after all, the sudden arrival of a pandemic that threatened lives, closed businesses and cost millions of jobs doesn't sound like a

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positive event for the financial markets. But the strong rally that followed the initial drop and continued into 2021 has surprised many people. After all, the pandemic's effects were felt throughout the rest of 2020, and are still being felt now, so why did stock prices

rise? The answer is pretty straightforward: The financial markets always look ahead, not behind. And for a variety of reasons – including widespread vaccinations, anticipated economic stimulus measures from Congress and the Biden administration, and the Federal Reserve's con-

tinued steps to keep interest rates low – the markets are anticipating much stronger economic growth, possibly starting in the second half of 2021.

All of us are probably glad to have 2020 behind us. Yet, the year taught

us some investment lessons that we can put to work in 2021 – and beyond.

This article was written by Edward Jones for use by your local Edward Jones Financial Advisor.

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UPCOMING AUCTIONS

FRIDAY, MARCH 5, 2021 @ 10:30 A.M. - BARE FARMLAND AUCTION - 160 Acres +/- in Rost Twp., Jackson County, MN. Sale to be held onsite at the farm-see website for details. Pike & Associates

THURSDAY, MARCH 11, 2021 @ 10:30 A.M. - Ruth Draut Revocable Trust - 80 Acres +/- of Bare Farmland Located in Section 11 of Clay Twp., Clay County, IA! Sale to be held at Royal Community Center 302 Main St, Royal, IA. Please contact Doug Wedel 507-236-4255 with any questions. WEDEL, KAHLERS, HARTUNG & PIKE

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POLLS WILL BE OPEN FROM 5 TO 8 P.M.
(Unless otherwise stated.)

The voters will elect: ONE SUPERVISOR for a 3-year term
 ONE TREASURER for a 2-year term
(* certain townships may have different positions up for election and
those notices will be posted separately)

TOWNSHIP	LOCATION	MEETING TIME
CEDAR	Cedar Town Hall	8:01 PM
CENTER CREEK	Center Creek Town Hall	8:00 PM
EAST CHAIN	East Chain Activity Center-Old School	8:00 PM
ELM CREEK	Trimont Fire Hall	4:00 PM
FAIRMONT*	Fairmont Elementary School Cafeteria	8:01 PM
FOX LAKE	Fox Lake Township Hall	4:00 PM
FRASER	Welcome City Hall	8:01 PM
GALENA	Galena Township Hall/ Grader Shed	8:01 PM
JAY	Regional Worship Center, Sherburn	4:00 PM
LAKE BELT*	Lake Belt Grader Shed/Town Hall	4:00 PM
LAKE FREMONT	Lake Fremont Grader Shed	4:00 PM
MANYASKA*	Fox Lake Township Hall	8:00 PM
NASHVILLE	Nashville Township Hall	4:00 PM
PLEASANT PRAIRIE	Township Hall-Section 20 (Election 4-8)	3:00 PM
ROLLING GREEN	Rolling Green Township	8:05 PM
RUTLAND*	Rutland Township Hall	8:15 PM
SILVER LAKE	Boy Scout Camp/Iowa Lake MC Hwy 41	4:00 PM
TENHASSEN*	Tenhassen Township Hall	4:00 PM
WAVERLY	Waverly Township Hall	4:00 PM
WESTFORD	Westford Grader Shed	4:00 PM

Martin County Township Association

Fairmont City Council Meeting

By Judy Bryan, Freelance Journalist

A motion to award bids for the new public works facility failed by a 3-2 vote of the Fairmont City Council on Feb. 22.

The city received more than 130 bids on 30 different work scopes of the building in a competitive bidding process, but council members Randy Lubenow, Michele Miller and Britney Kawecki shot down the motion to award the bids. Bruce Peters and Wayne Hasek supported awarding the contracts for \$7.5 million in total building cost of the \$9.8 million project.

In another matter, the council heard a report on the Fairmont Aquatic Park's abbreviated 2020 season. The park opened July 1, a month later than normal due to COVID, with strong support from the council and the community.

Operating at 50 percent capacity because of COVID restrictions, the park recorded a net loss of \$359,000, about one-third of which was capital expenses for repairs and upgrades.

In a related matter, the council discussed the possibility of staffing the Budd Lake side of Gomsrud Park with lifeguards this summer. Betsy Steuber, pool manager and lifeguard supervisor, told the council that hiring enough lifeguards is a constant struggle in spite of the pool's good retention rate.

Adding lifeguards at Gomsrud would cost more than \$37,000 for limited hours this summer, an amount that was not included in the 2021 budget, but the council voted 4-1, with Hasek dissenting, to staff the lake if adequate personnel can be hired.

The yard waste recycling site, or city tree dump, also came up for discussion by the council. City Administrator Cathy Reynolds told the council that the site falls under the daily operations of city staff and does not require council direction, but Lubenow offered a motion to have a controlled burn at the site every year when it is closed from Nov. 1 and April 1, and Kawecki offered a second.

Peters asked if Lubenow would consider an amendment to his motion to include the words "if conditions permit," but Lubenow declined the change.

The motion passed by a 4-1 vote, with Peters dissenting.

Linsey Preuss, economic development coordinator, reported that she has been talking with a developer who is interested in building a multi-family property near Heritage Acres, on what is now city-owned land. She asked if the council would be willing to sell the land.

Miller asked if it would be sold only to the developer or if anyone could bid on the purchase.

Preuss said she was only asking whether or not the council would sell, and that the council could go into closed session to discuss the appraisal or the specifics of a sale.

The council went into closed session to discuss the matter.

In other business, the council:

- Unanimously approved a 50 percent refund to liquor license holders due to the closures these businesses faced due to COVID restrictions. The license holders already had received a 25 percent reduction in their annual fee from the first round of COVID closures. Liquor store profits will be used to cover the budget shortage from the refunds.
- Welcomed Parker Stevens, a Truman native, as the newest member of the Fairmont Police Department. Stevens was sworn in and issued the same badge number worn by his grandfather, Gary, who had been a captain with the department.
- Awarded the contract for the Grant Street water-main replacement project to Black Sheep Landscaping LLC of Jackson which had the lowest of three bids and more than \$10,000 less than the engineer's estimate of \$130,000.

Fairmont City Council meetings can be viewed on the city's website, www.fairmont.org under the "Citizens" tab or on Fairmont Cable Channel 13 at 2 and 10 a.m. and p.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays and at 7 a.m. and p.m. on Wednesdays

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DATED: 2/9/2021 /S/ Cathy Reynolds
City Administrator

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Adam R. Werner to Mallory Griffin, Lot 8, Block 1, Interlaken 4th Subd.

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POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT City of Fairmont Community Service Officer

The City of Fairmont is looking to hire a proactive, detailed oriented, and motivated individual for the newly established position of Community Service Officer. (CSO) The CSO will focus on proactive enforcement of city ordinances, parking, and animal control issues with an emphasis on service and problem resolution. The CSO is a part time position with flexible hours and shifts averaging between 24-30 hours per week. Starting pay range is between \$20.00 and \$23.20 per hour depending on qualifications. A complete job application and description is available on line at www.fairmont.org and www.fairmontpolice.org. All applicants MUST complete a City of Fairmont job application. Please submit cover letter, resume and application to City of Fairmont, Attention: Darcy Jones, 100 Downtown Plaza, Fairmont MN 56031 or to djones@fairmont.org. Completed applications will be accepted until 8:00 a.m. on March 5, 2021.

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New two bedroom apartments in Welcome, MN. Central air, attached garage, kitchen appliances furnished, snow removal and mowing provided. Available February 1, 2021. Call 507-728-8740 Monday-Friday 7:00 am-4:00pm. 8-tfn-10.

12 Other Rentals

FOR RENT: Available September 1: three 1,000 head wean to finish hog barns north of Fairmont, next to a blacktop a mile north of I-90 entrance. Cell: 507-848-1765. Ask for Glenn. 8-3tp-12

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Make sure to check our Facebook page frequently in case of CLOSURE or Hour Variations.

Picture Perfect Moments



Four Generations!
Arlene Saxton, Susan Beyer, Gina Deighton & Ella Sue Deighton



Ethan and Danica went hiking to the top of Silly Mountain near Apache Junction while visiting their Papa Gale and Grandma Rhoda



Nash is super happy seeing all the fun pictures in the paper!



Waiting for spring's first swish!
Diane Nelsen - Ringsted



Jack frost and clear blue sky-a perfect combination
Diane Nelsen, Ringsted Iowa

St John Vianney SJV Catholic School

Preschool Open House

Monday, March 1st
5:00-7:00PM

MWF ½ day program for 3 year old children.
All day, every day program for 4/5 year old children.

Kindergarten Open House

Monday, March 8th
5:00-7:00PM

Did you know that we have been able to stay open all school year? *Students learn best AT school and teachers teach best AT school! Did you know that 87% of SJV Kindergarten - 6th grade students are at grade level or above in Reading? Did you know that 80% of SJV Kindergarten - 6th grade students are at grade level or above in Math? Did you know that 88% of SJV 2nd- 6th grade students are at grade level or above in Science?

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