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Remembering a Friend, A Tribute to Judy Bryan

by Jason Sorensen, Freelance Journalist



We meet people every day and they touch us for however brief a moment, but if you really get to know them you'll develop memories that last the rest of your life.

Judy Bryan, who passed away Saturday, February 19, 2022, touched many people in Fairmont and beyond in her role as a journalist. Working for the Fairmont Sentinel twice over 20 years, she was drawn to freelance writing for the Photo Press during her retirement.

For those who knew her, Judy was a fierce advocate for the city of Fairmont. She enjoyed politics, was never shy with her opinion, and she loved to write. When asked to share their memories of Judy, several community members were happy to do so.

"I've had the pleasure of being interviewed by Judy Bryan," said Lenny Tvedten. "Her approach was always very positive and she always made me feel comfortable and confident that what she wrote would prove to be a positive piece of journalism."

Judy's passion for the city of Fairmont is also seen in comments shared by current Mayor Deb Foster and City Clerk Patty Monsen.

"Judy had a beautiful soul," said Monsen. "She was fun-loving, always had a smile on her face, and had a contagious laugh."

Judy was a gifted writer and always professional in her report-

ing, and she reported it like it was. She was not intimidated and had a spirit that would not back down.

"She loved her family and loved to share photos of her grandchildren. She will be missed by many."

"Certainly she was an advocate for Fairmont," Foster said. "She believed in our community and she really did a lot of research when she wrote articles to make sure she had all the correct information. That's what I think made her a great writer."

"She wanted to share stories of members of our community who were making a difference, and many times she would go out on interviews and two hours later she would still be sitting there because they would be talking about much more than just what she was there to write about."

"She will be missed by a great many people, and her expertise in writing will be missed by a lot of people."

Fairmont Police Chief Mike Hunter said that he always appreciated the positive focus that Judy had on stories that involved local first responders in the Martin County area.

"Even recently when some state and national news organizations took the opportunity to criticize and target first responders, Judy continued to support our local law enforcement, fire, and ambulance services."

Another memory of Judy comes from her friend Bob Wallace.

"I thought she was a tremendously gifted writer," he said. "She could take an outline of something and fill it in. She was always very discreet about what she might write about. Half the time what she heard she never wrote about, other times she would contact the individuals involved if they wanted something writ-

ten and she would do it.

"But she was a great supporter of the community of Fairmont, and I'm going to really miss her." Wallace's wife Catherine was also a close friend, having worked with Judy for several years at the Sentinel.

"She was a powerful voice for Fairmont," she said. "Judy had such a vibrant role in our community as well as a personal role, and I think she really took that role seriously."

"Good, bad, or indifferent, no matter how you felt about her, Fairmont was her love. She was honest to the core, nobody intimidated her, and I think she was a good listener and translated those skills into writing."

"A lot of people knew her in the community, but her real love was her husband and her daughters. The girls were her pride and joy, and then the grandkids came along and they were as well."

Judy is also remembered by others that she worked with.

Larry Weig, another Sentinel co-worker, shared his memories.

"For me, the biggest thing was that she felt very strongly about things and she was a great writer," he said. "She was meticulous, she was a great interviewer, and she got to know people and they trusted in her."

Sandy Gethmann, manager of the Fairmont Photo Press, said that she remembers Judy's ability to stretch herself and reach beyond her comfort zone.

"She was so political and she loved the thought of still being able to work side by side with the city. The day she came into my office and talked about wanting to do freelance, she said 'I hate fluff.' But she found that she got the most gratitude by doing these good news stories,

and she got nothing but praise."

"She said it was so rewarding and she never once thought she would want to do that in her life. But she was such an incredible asset to us, and she was so good at what she did."

As for this writer, I also have fond memories of working with Judy. Though we were on opposite ends of the spectrum in many areas of life, she challenged me, pushed me, and encouraged me. It's safe to say I would not be the journalist I am if she had not been a part of my life. She will be missed. But as her friends and colleagues can attest, she will also be remembered.





SNOW WEEK FESTIVITIES were held at Martin Luther High School, Northrop. Those in the Court of Honor were: left to right: Princess Emily Engelby, Duchess Bethany Petrowiak, Countess Harley Geistfeld, Queen Jose Clow, King Ryan Singleton, Count Lucas Rosburg, Duke Jake Singleton and Prince Zach Flohrs.

Fairmont High School CLASS OF 1962 spouses and friends will meet for lunch at 11:30 a.m. Thursday, March 10th at The Pizza Ranch in Fairmont.

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Opal Marie Kittleson

will be deeply missed... her smile, her kindness, her lovely laughter. Ted and her family thank you, dear family, friends and neighbors, for your condolences as we mourn the loss of this beautiful wife and mother.

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A ribbon cutting ceremony for Optimal Health Chiropractic and Acupuncture was held by the Fairmont Chamber's Ambassador Committee on Thursday, February 24th. The ribbon cutting was in honor of Optimal's new name and location in the Arthur Andrews building, 923 North State St., Suite 140.

Fundraiser for Ashley Walters-Hinz

Nearly five years ago, lifelong congregational member Ashley Walters-Hinz, suffered a major stroke, leaving her right side paralyzed. After several years of healing and continued therapy, technology has offered a pair of medical devices that would allow her the freedom to walk and move with more control and balance, as well as reducing the risk of falls and pain associated with stiff, immobile limbs. Of course, these devices come with a significant price tag, and we'd like to assist in off-setting some of the financial burden associated with their purchase by hosting a fundraiser meal and service auction for Ashley's benefit. The fundraiser will be held on Sunday, March 6th, 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at Immanuel Lutheran Church, 1200 N. North Avenue, Fairmont. Do you have a service, talent, or experience to share that we could auction off? Would you be interested in helping prepare and serve the meal? Are you able to contribute to the cost of the fundraiser or additional auction items? Would you continue to pray for Ashley and her family? *A taco bar meal will be served.

Ashley Walters-Hinz Benefit

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*Free-will donation (suggested donation of \$10/plate)

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Obituary Notices



Mary L. Bolster, 89,

Mass of Christian Burial for Mary L. Bolster, 89, of Fairmont, MN was held on Saturday, February 26th, 2022 at St. John Vianney Catholic Church in Fairmont. Burial was at Calvary Cemetery in Fairmont. Mary passed away on Monday morn-

ing, February 21st, 2022, at the Lakeview Methodist Health Care Center in Fairmont. Memorials are preferred to the Martin County Humane Society. The Lakeview Funeral Home and Cremation Service in Fairmont is assisting the family with arrangements.

Mary Lou (Erb) Bolster was born on April 8th, 1932 to Joseph and Alice (Jacobson) Erb in Page, ND. She graduated from Wells High School and then

attended Mankato Vot-Tech College for nursing. On April 2nd, 1955, Mary was united in marriage to Maynard "Bunny" Bolster in Fairmont. They made their home in Fairmont. Mary worked for many years at the Fairmont Hospital as an LPN in the nursery.

Mary was a member of St. John Vianney Catholic Church in Fairmont and was active with the Martin County Humane Society. Mary helped with

the Red Cross and volunteered in North Dakota during the floods. She loved reading, puzzles, crossword puzzles and cats.

Those left to cherish her memory include her three sons, Richard (Marge) Bolster of Fairmont, Jon (Tonya) Bolster of Faribault and Thomas Bolster of Fairmont; three daughters, Patricia Burnham of Mitchell, SD, Kayleen Rosenberg of NM and Teresa (Michael) Sathoff of Fairmont; thirteen grandchildren and

many great-grandchildren; two sisters, Gloria Landcaster of OH and Karen Cole of AZ; many nieces, nephews and other relatives.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Maynard "Bunny" Bolster; son-in-law, David Burnham; granddaughter, Cindy McNair; and many brothers and sisters.

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Charlotte J. Kost, 87

A Celebration of Life Service for Charlotte J. Kost, age 87, of Fairmont, MN, will be held at a later date on her birthday on June 10th, 2022, at First Congregational United Church of Christ in Fairmont. Inurnment for Charlotte and her husband, Dr. Ronald Kost will take place in Fairview Memorial Park in Fairmont. The Lakeview

Funeral Home and Cremation Service in Fairmont is assisting the family with arrangements.

Charlotte Jean (Engel) Kost was born on June 10th, 1934, in Ipswich, SD. She was the daughter of Roy and Dorothy (Krucker) Engel. Charlotte graduated from Ipswich High School. She attended Cottey College in Nevada, MO, before moving to Texas with some college friends. She worked as a secretary in the Foshay Tower in Minneapolis as well as working summers in Uvalde, TX.

While living in Texas, Charlotte met Dr. Ronald Kost, a young optometrist serving with the Air Force. The couple would later marry on April 24th, 1958, in Uvalde, TX. This union was blessed with four children, Katherine, Paul, Jay, and Kari. Af-

ter living in Del Rio, TX, the couple moved to Watertown, SD, and later to Chamberlain, SD. In 1963, the family moved to Fairmont, MN, where Dr. Kost continued his optometric practice.

Charlotte was a loving mother and was proud of her homemaker talents. She was known as an immaculate housekeeper, school volunteer, and was always ready to be of help. She loved babies and was the first to offer to help with a newborn. After raising her children, Charlotte enjoyed working at Lily Creek Landing and Georgia's Fashions, both in downtown Fairmont. Along with being Ronald's lifelong, loving caregiver after his stroke, she was also devoted to caring for her mother and Ronald's mother. Before he passed away, Char-

lotte always cherished visits from her brother, Jim who was known to be a great whistler and jokester as well as her sister, Carol and family from Montana.

Charlotte was an active member of First Congregational United Church of Christ where she served as President of the Women's Association, Church Council, and as funeral chairperson for many years. She sang in the choir and was a dedicated worker with her generous spirit and willing hands. Charlotte was also a member of Chapter Y PEO, and served as President as well as in other offices in the chapter. During her free time, Charlotte enjoyed reading and watching the Twins and other Minnesota sports on TV with Ron. She most cherished the time she was able to spend with her family

and friends.

The family would like to thank the staff at the Lakeview Methodist Health Care Center for their many years of loving care and friendship to Charlotte as well as to Ronald before he passed away.

Left to cherish her memory include her children, Katherine Hogenson and her husband, Steven, Paul Kost, Jay Kost and his wife, Deanna, and Kari Koenecke and her husband, Mark; grandchildren, Jennifer Wedel, Sarah Odegaard, Danielle Fox, Chelsea Flores, Kayla Cooper, Adam Kost, Ryan Kost, Benjamin Kost, Joseph Koenecke, and Joshua Koenecke; great grandchildren, Trevor Miedtke, Olivia Wedel, Owen Wedel, Audrey Wedel, Henry Wedel, Ethan Odegaard, Danica Odegaard, Jacob Odegaard, Tanner Ode-

gaard, Addison Fox, Emmy Fox, Kenna Fox, and Silas Flores; sister, Carol Gunderson; sister-in-law, Ruth Engel; many nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends.

Along with her parents, Roy and Dorothy Engel, Charlotte was preceded in death by her husband, Dr. Ronald Kost; grandson, Matthew Miedtke; brother, Jim Engel; brothers-in-law, Gerald Gunderson, Raymond Kost, and Roger Kost; and parents-in-law, Emil and Vera Kost.

Memorials are preferred in lieu of flowers to First Congregational United Church of Christ, Lakeview Methodist Health Care Center, or to the donor's choice.

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Rhonda K. Rademaker, 63

Mass of Christian Burial for Rhonda K. Rademaker, age 63, of Armstrong, IA, formerly of Fairmont, MN, was held on Tuesday, March 1st, 2022, at St. John Vianney Catholic Church in Fairmont. Burial followed the service at Calvary Cemetery in Blue Earth, MN. Rhonda passed away Thursday, February 24th, 2022, at her home in Armstrong. The Lakeview Funeral Home in Fairmont is assisting the family with arrangements.

Rhonda was born to

Dale and June (Larson) Olson on March 15th, 1958, in Minneapolis MN. She was one of eight children. She attended Blue Earth School where she met Dennis Rademaker. The two of them started dating when they were 13 and 16 years old. They were married in Iowa on January 9th, 1975. In May of that year, Sheila was born. Two years later, Kandi was born. Finally, Dennis D. was born five years after Kandi. Dennis died April 10th, 2015. Rhonda and Dennis are now together again.

Rhonda started her work career at the 220 Café in Blue Earth as a waitress. She also waited at the A&W, Edie's, Happy Chef, and CK's Restaurants in Fairmont. Rhonda retired from the Housekeeping Department at Mayo-Fairmont in March of 2021.

She did get to enjoy two months of retirement before she was diagnosed with Stage 4 Small Cell Lung Cancer.

Rhonda was a strong trooper and was kicking cancer until right after Thanksgiving. We then learned that her cancer had spread to her brain. She again fought hard and was determined to beat it. Ten rounds of radiation on the brain, 10 rounds on the chest and one round of chemo in December and January. Unfortunately, the brain cancer took over. At the end of January, Rhonda decided it was time for Hospice. All three kids along with grandkids, took care of Rhonda during this time. We would like to Thank St. Croix Hospice, especially Miranda and Brandee, along with other staff at St. Croix.

Rhonda's pride and joy has always been her grandkids. Rhonda enjoyed big family gatherings, having everyone together, just eating laughing and enjoying the company. She also enjoyed Bingo, cross stitching, crosswords and coloring. She also loved being in

the semi and traveling with Dennis

Rhonda is survived by children, Sheila (Dan) Denton of Granada, Kandi (Kim) Timm of Estherville, and Dennis D. (Cassie) of Armstrong; grandchildren, Bethanie (Andrew) Ekstrom, Eian (fiancé, Justina) Denton, Samantha (Miles) Ballenger, Krystal and Elizabeth Sundberg, Tabitha (David) Diaz, Eric (Tammie) Timm, Melissa (Matt) Stusse, Eliza Baxter, MaKenley Rademaker and another baby Rademaker due in August; great grandchildren, Vivian, Hailley, Dominic, Carson, Wyatt, Daniel, Anita. She is also survived by siblings, Loren, Larry (Karen), Judy (Jim), Dawn (Tom), Tim (Gloria), Robin (Bruce); sisters-in-law; Pat, Sharon (Ken), Kate, and Joyce.

Rhonda is preceded in death by husband, Dennis; grandson Nathaniel Rademaker; step grandson Thomas Timm; parents, Dale and June Olson; brother Lonnie Olson; in-


laws Henry and Anne Rademaker; and many other loved ones.

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February 20 - Charlotte J. Kost, 87, Fairmont. Lakeview Funeral and Cremation Service
February 21 - Mary L. Bolster, 89, Fairmont. Lakeview Funeral and Cremation Service
February 21 - Marjorie B. Vogt, 89, Truman. Zaharia Family Funeral and Cremation Service
February 24 - Rhonda K. Rademaker, 64, Armstrong (formerly of Fairmont). Lakeview Funeral and Cremation Service
IN MEMORIAM - ONE YEAR AGO
February 16 - William Jurs, 88, Cresco, IA (formerly of Ceylon).
February 28 - Charlotte E. Murphy, 83, Fairmont.
February 28 - Winton "Sam" J. Johnson, 76, Fairmont.
February 24 - Donna M. Hansgaard, 87, Fairmont.
February 26 - Elaine R. Redington, 79, Fairmont.
February 26 - Donald L. Schley, 86, Ceylon.

REAL ESTATE SPEAK - PART 2

Guest Columnist

Gillian Tunnell, Realtor Century 21 Northland Realty



Whether you are thinking of buying or selling a home, here are a few more real estate terms to make you sound like an expert!

Multiple Listing Service (MLS) - the majority of realtors subscribe to one of these. It lists most area homes for sale in the area, and includes details and descriptions of each, plus contact information for the agent involved.

Any realtor who is a member is able to show any listing on the MLS, regardless of the originating real estate company, saving potential clients from having to realtor-hop and providing continuity in their search.

Comparative Market

Analysis - The MLS also plays a vital role in setting the selling price of a home. In order to reach a fair market price for a new listing, realtors will often perform a CMA, using information available on this invaluable tool.

Useful information, such as the listing and selling price of comparable properties and the differences between them, days on market, their locations, and much more.

After making adjustments for differences, and with knowledge gained from checking the home in person, plus input from colleagues after touring it, the realtor will arrive at a price range for the

seller. The seller then makes the final decision as to the asking price.

Pre-approval letter - Before purchasing a home, buyers can obtain a letter from the lender with an estimate on how much the bank will lend them.

This will help determine what the buyers can afford, and helps give weight to any offer they make to a seller. This is particularly important in a multi-offer situation when other parties may not have taken this step.

Escrow - Lenders add money from the mortgage for the buyers' taxes and insurance to an escrow account, from which they are paid.

Private mortgage in-

surance (PMI) - is an insurance premium that the buyer pays for the lender in order to protect them (the lender) from default on a mortgage. These insurance payments typically end once the buyer builds up 20% equity in a home.

Closing costs - In addition to the accepted price for the home, there are also costs, not including any down payment, to be paid at the time of closing. Some examples of closing costs would include: **Loan processing** - the cost of which will vary between lenders, Title search and title insurance.

Abstracting fees

Closing fees to the title company/closers. Taxes

Generally, closing

costs run between 3%-6% of the purchase price. Sometimes sellers are willing to help with the closing costs, which would be negotiated at the time of the purchase agreement signing.

Knowing the costs involved will eliminate

any adverse surprises and ensure a smooth financial transaction.

Knowing real estate vocabulary will help both buyers and sellers to feel more comfortable in a situation that may be new to them.

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How to cut costs on home renovations

Do you still have an avocado green kitchen? Is your living room dank and dark? Perhaps there is only one bathroom for a family of six? Answering yes to any of these questions could serve as the catalyst for a home renovation project.

Home improvement projects come in all shapes and sizes — some with huge budgets and others that are more cost-conscious. Regardless of what homeowners hope to achieve with their renovations, a common goal across any price point is a desire to save as much money as possible. Home renovations can be expensive, but there are ways to cut costs.

Assess the merit of the project.

Remodeling magazine annually publishes a "Cost vs. Value Report" that lists the average cost and return on investment homeowners can expect of various types of projects. If you're planning to sell your home soon, it may be best to focus on repairs and renovations that will generate the most substantial ROI.

Hire a contractor

Even avid do-it-yourselfers can sometimes benefit from a contractor's expertise, particularly for complex tasks. Don't waste money by trying tough jobs yourself; rely on an experienced contractor who can get supplies for less money and will do the job right the first time. Compare bids from several different contractors and figure out the best value.

Refurbish existing features

Rather than a complete gut and rebuild, figure out where you can revitalize existing fixtures and more. For example, refinishing existing cabinets can save you up to 50 percent compared with the cost of new cabinetry, according to Angi (formerly Angie's List), a cost comparison and business review resource.

Choose midgrade materials

Certain materials may be all the rage but they come with a higher price tag. Angi reports that granite counters could be \$60 to \$100 per square foot. However, a composite or laminate that looks like granite and wears well may be

\$10 to 40 per square foot. Figure out where you can choose middle-of-the-road materials for maximum value.

Avoid peak seasons

You'll pay more to install a deck or a pool right before the outdoor entertaining season. There also may be a premium to get work done right before a major holiday. Therefore, consult the calendar to find an off time for a renovation and book it then to save.

Do some prep work

You might be able to save by doing some of the demolition and preparatory work yourself. For example, you can tear up old carpeting before the installation of new tile floors. Perhaps you can mend and patch up walls before a paint job.

Buy a display item

Former showroom kitchens and baths often are sourced at a fraction of their recommended retail prices, according to Real Homes, a home remodel guide based in the United Kingdom. Retailers often update their displays and you may score existing showroom items at a discount.

Renovations can be expensive, but there are many different ways to cut costs. SH222675

What to know about refinancing a mortgage

Historically low interest rates have made now a good time to be a homeowner. According to the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, also known as Freddie Mac, the average interest rate on a 30-year fixed-rate mortgage in mid-September 2021 was 2.86. Just ten years earlier, the average rate was 4.09. That's a significant dip, and one that's saving today's homeowners tens of thousands of dollars over the life of their mortgages. Interest rates dipped during the pandemic and have remained low ever since. That's unlikely to last forever, which has given many homeowners a sense of urgency regarding refinancing. Refinancing can be financially advantageous, but there are some things homeowners should know prior to contacting their lenders.

Refinancing does not always save money over the long haul

It's hard to blame homeowners who jump at the chance to refinance their mortgages. Refinancing is often associated with significantly lower monthly payments, and such savings can be used to finance home improve-

ments, pay for tuition or build retirement nest eggs. However, homeowners won't necessarily save money over the long haul if they're refinancing an existing 30-year mortgage with another 30-year mortgage.

The mortgage experts at Mortgage Calculator note that a Change Terms mortgage refinance is characterized by a shift to a loan charging a lower interest rate. The initial savings with such a refinance are undeniable, but changing from one 30-year to another 30-year restarts the mortgage clock, which can add years to the time homeowners will be repaying their debt. As a result, homeowners may end up paying more interest over time than they might have had they just kept their initial mortgage. Homeowners interested in a Change Terms refinance may want to look into switching from a 30-year to a 15-year mortgage. A shorter term mortgage will increase the monthly payment, but the loan will reach maturity much faster, greatly reducing the amount of interest homeowners will pay over the life of the mortgage.

Refinancing can be costly



Lower monthly payments might be the number that catches homeowners' eyes as they look to refinance, but it's important that homeowners recognize that refinancing is not free. In fact, the personal finance experts at Kiplinger note that refinancing incurs many of the same costs that homeowners had to pay when they signed their initial mortgage papers. That includes fees, taxes and appraisal costs. These costs are sometimes paid up front, but they also might be rolled into the loan balance. In the latter instance, homeowners could be paying interest on their

refinancing costs. Homeowners who are refinancing solely because of lower interest rates should know that some lenders raise interest rates to compensate for refinancing costs. That can negate the savings and end up costing homeowners more money than the original mortgage.

Refinancing is an option for homeowners who want to save money. Homeowners can speak with a financial advisor to determine if this is the best way to save money over the long haul or if refinancing will ultimately cost them more over the life of the mortgage. MM21C517

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The Salvation Army was to observe 100 years of service to the Fairmont area with a weekend celebration. Included in the celebration were the Grand Haven, Michigan Timbrel Brigade and Lakewood Temple Salva-

tion Army Brass Band.

The Fairmont American Legion was to celebrate its 78th birthday.

Prom fashions and bridal gowns were on display at the Fairmont Opera House's Bridal Extravaganza.

The 35th annual Martin County Lutheran Invitational Basketball tournament was to be at the Martin Luther High School. Teams were coming from Fairmont, Tru-

man, Lakefield, Courtland, Wilbert, South Branch, Alexandria and Northrop-Willow Creek.

The Fairmont Chamber of Commerce Ambassadors visited four local businesses: The Downtowner (formerly The Donut Shoppe), Action Sports, 308 Downtown Plaza, Fastenal Company, 218 S. Grant St., and Starz Video, 1520 Albion Ave.

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MARCH 5, 1972

Don Totzke, owner of Fairmont Appliance and TV, had a full page ad proclaiming a "million dollar" trainload of Gen-

eral Electric appliances and television sets in his big quonset building on Highway 16 at the outskirts of Fairmont.

St. James continued its unbeaten season record by trouncing the Fairmont Cardinals, 66-43 in the Fairmont gym. It was the final game of the season.

Fairmont High School's junior and senior orchestras presented a "pops" concert with the Madripops directed by Al Zinter. Oldies but goodies featured were numbers by composers Duke Ellington, George Gershwin and Glen Miller. Bill Marinac directed the orchestras.

Low-cost ways to revamp living areas

Home improvement projects require substantial financial investment. But just because a homeowner wants to bring a fresh look indoors doesn't mean he or she has to break the bank along the way.

Living rooms are some of the most frequently used spaces in a home, and they can use an update from time to time to stay on trend or to make the area more functional for a changing family dynamic. Here are some budget-friendly ideas for breathing new life into living room designs.

Establish the budget

Homeowners should figure out how many dollars they can designate to a living room makeover before purchasing supplies or hiring out the work. Figure out the scope of the remodel, visit stores or suppliers to price out materials, get estimates

from contractors, and then plan for some unforeseen circumstances along the way to determine if this type of renovation is affordable. If not, scale things back until the project more closely aligns with your budget.

Change the paint color.



Lighter and brighter colors are on trend. A can or two of paint can do wonders for updating a space without a large financial commitment. Pair that new paint color with new window cov-

erings and complementary throw pillows to pull the theme together with minimal expense.

Update the flooring

Tired, outdated carpeting or other flooring can use an overhaul. While solid hardwood flooring may be preferable, there are many types of laminate flooring that mimic the looks of popular wood colors and styles for a fraction of the cost. Plus, many are sold at home improvement retailers and even at warehouse clubs or online for reasonable prices. Laminate flooring also may be a potential DIY job for a skilled homeowner, saving even more money.

Introduce a fireplace

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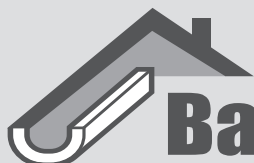
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over and the bare bones still exist that can be renovated to bring back character. There also are ventless freestanding units that are quite affordable that can mimic the look of a built-in fireplace.

Reupholster instead of replace furniture

There's no need to throw away quality furniture if the fabric is the only thing impeding design. New upholstery or even a slipcover can update designs.

Conquer clutter.

Rather than adding something to the living room, remove clutter to give the room a more airy feel. This can instantly change the look of the room. Use cord covers to tame plugs for electronics and remove unnecessary furniture from the room.

Improve lighting

Another easy and often

inexpensive fix is to change lighting fixtures, including using brighter, more energy efficient LED bulbs, and to assess lighting needs to eliminate dark corners of rooms that can make the space seem drab.

Living room spaces in need of an update often can benefit from improvements that go easy on the wallet. SH222677

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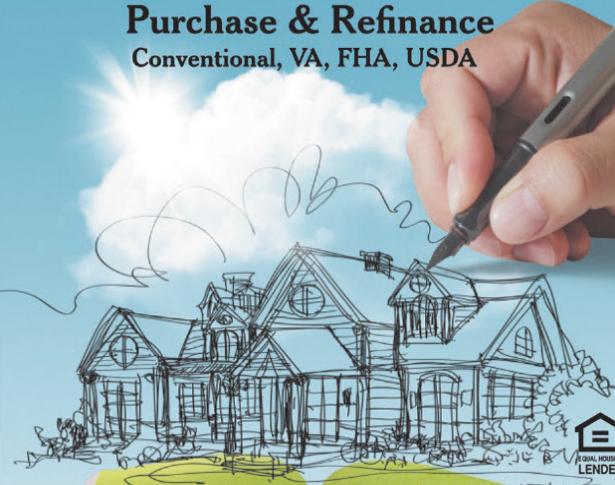


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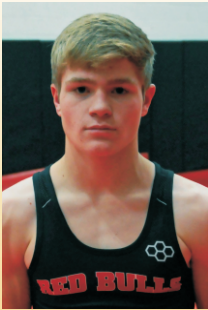


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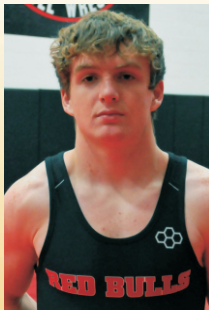
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Berent Kosbab, Fr.	113	10-29	
Rylan Cutler, So.	120	34-6	
Jesse Potts, Jr.	126	42-0	#3
Cooper Steuber, Jr.	132	23-15	
Taylor Austin, So.	138	23-18	
Kain Sanders, Jr.	145	44-5	#2
Aden Welcome, Jr.	152	36-11	
Carver Rohman, Sr.	160	41-6	
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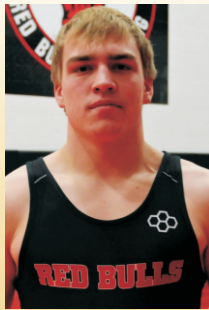
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Red Bull 5 Qualify For State

Five Fairmont/Martin County West Red Bulls qualified for the Class AA State Individual Tournament to be held Friday, March 4, and Saturday, March 5 at the Xcel Energy Center in St. Paul. 120 lb Rylan Cutler, 126 lb Jesse Potts, 145 lb Kain Sanders, 160 lb Carver Rohman and 220 lb Max Olson all won their championship matches. 132 lb Cooper Steuber finished 4th, 138 lb Taylor Austin finished 3rd, 152 Aden Welcome finished 3rd, 170 lb Gage Cyphers finished 3rd, 182 Wyatt Williamson finished 3rd, 285 lb Alec Thompson finished 6th.

Cutler 34-6, will wrestle Annandale/Maple Lake's #7-ranked Noah Gindele, 36-4. #3-ranked Potts 45-0, will wrestle Simley's #8-ranked James Salas 30-10. #5-ranked Sanders 44-5, will wrestle St. Peter's Harold Born, 25-16. Rohman 41-6, will wrestle North Branch's #3-ranked Brandt Bombard 25-3. #4-ranked Olson 41-3, will wrestle Hibbing's Ian Larrabee, 21-11.

Friday the Class AA Individual First Round will start at 9:00 a.m. Cham-

pionship Quarterfinals will start at 4:00 p.m. Saturday 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. - Individual Consolation Quarterfinals, followed by Classes Individual Championship Semifinals, Individual Consolation Semifinals / Girls Championship Semifinals. Saturday 4:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. - Individual 3rd and 5th Place, Individual Championships / Girls Individual Championships. Awards following matches.

Section 3AA Red Bulls Results:
106 Torrey Paplow (17-19) - Bye; Schwanz (Hutchinson/BLHS) won by fall over Paplow; Cons. Round - Portner (New Ulm) won by 12-2 major decision over Paplow.
113 Berent Kosbab (10-29) - Larson (Worthington) won by 11-8 decision over Berent Kosbab; Cons. Round - Hunter (Windom-Mountain Lake) won by 15-4 major decision over Kosbab.
120 Rylan Cutler (34-6) placed 1st - Cutler won by fall over Nelson (New London-Spicer). Quarterfinal - won by fall over Elijah Rieser (New Ulm); Semifinal - Cutler won by fall over Bipes (Hutchinson/BLHS); 1st Place Match - Cutler won by 6-4 decision over Clausen (DB-LQP-MU).
126 Jesse Potts (45-0) placed 1st - Potts Bye; Quarterfinal - Potts won by fall over Ourada (Redwood Valley); Semifinal - Potts won by fall over Lee (New Ulm); 1st Place Match -



Rylan Cutler



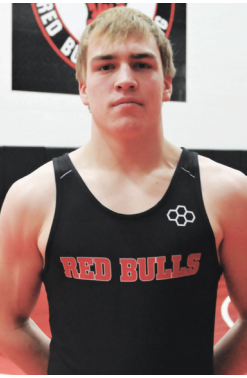
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Potts won by 11-2 major decision over Ruter (New London-Spicer).
132 Cooper Steuber (23-15) placed 4th - Steuber Bye; Quarterfinal - Steuber won by 14-1 major decision over Schickedanz (DB-LQP-MU); Semifinal - Lebrija (MAHACA) 18-5 won by major decision over Steuber; Cons. Semi - Steuber won by fall over Matson (Redwood Valley); 3rd Place Match - Nienhaus (New Ulm) won by fall over Steuber.
138 Taylor Austin (23-18) placed 3rd - Austin Bye; Quarterfinal - Austin won by 8-2 decision over Swoboda (Windom-Mountain Lake); Semifinal - Card (Hutchinson/BLHS) won by fall over Austin; Cons. Semi - Austin won by 11-2 major decision over Ourada (Redwood Valley); 3rd Place Match - Austin won by 6-decision over Hae-fner (New Ulm); 2nd Place Match - Card (Hutchinson/BLHS) won by no contest over Austin.
145 Kain Sanders (44-5) placed 1st - Sanders won by fall over Maras (Windom-Mountain Lake); Quarterfinal - Sanders received a Bye; Semifinal - Sanders won by 6-3 decision over Rose (MAHACA); 1st

Place Match - Sanders won by 13-2 major decision over Hoag (Hutchinson/BLHS).
152 Aden Welcome (36-11) placed 3rd - Welcome won by fall over Bjorklund (Windom-Mountain Lake); Quarterfinal - Welcome won by 9-3 decision over Byrne (Worthington); Semifinal - Condezo (Marshall) won by fall over Welcome. Cons. Semi - Welcome won by 9-7 decision over Rickertsen (Hutchinson/BLHS); 3rd Place Match - Welcome won by 11-4 decision over Massner (MAHACA); 2nd Place Match - Mortenson (DB-LQP-MU) won by fall over Welcome.
160 Carver Rohman (41-6) placed 1st - Rohman won by fall over Schutz (Worthington); Quarterfinal - Rohman won by 19-6 major decision over Hildahl (Quad County); Semifinal - Rohman won by fall over Wiltsccheck (New Ulm); 1st Place Match - Rohman won by 18-7 major decision over Wittnebel (DB-LQP-MU).
170 Gage Cyphers (27-11) placed 3rd - Cyphers Bye; Quarterfinal - Cyphers won by 12-0 major decision over Amundson (MAHACA); Semifinal - Gage Cyphers won by

3-2 decision over Duke (New London-Spicer). 1st Place Match - Fiene (Marshall) won by 5-3 decision over Cyphers. 2nd Place Match - Gill (Hutchinson/BLHS) 27-14 won by 7-0 decision over Cyphers.
182 Wyatt Williamson (30-18) placed 3rd - Williamson Bye; Quarterfinal - Williamson won by fall over Austin Altmann (Redwood Valley); Semifinal - Holmberg (Windom-Mountain Lake) won by 14-7 decision over Williamson; Cons. Semi - Williamson won by fall over Jansen (Quad County); 3rd Place Match - Williamson won by 15-0 tech fall over Kwilinski (DB-LQP-MU); 2nd Place Match - Holmberg (Windom-Mountain Lake) won by no contest over Williamson.
195 Riley Allen (16-26) placed 8th - Riley Allen Bye; Quarterfinal - VanderVoort (Hutchinson/BLHS) won by fall over Allen; Cons. Round 2 - Allen received a Bye; Cons. Round 3 - Schaefer (Marshall) won by fall over Allen.
220 Max Olson (41-3) placed 1st - Max Olson Bye; Quarterfinal - Olson won by fall over Bjorklund (Windom-Mountain Lake); Semifinal - Olson won by fall over Wale-

rius (Marshall); 1st Place Match - Olson won by fall over Haas (DB-LQP-MU).
285 Alec Thompson (23-23) placed 6th - Thompson Bye; Quarterfinal - Hennings (Worthington) won by fall over Thompson; Cons. Round 2 - Thompson Bye; Cons. Round 3 - Thompson won by fall over Kellenberger (MAHACA); Cons. Semi - Sweep (Quad County) won by fall over Thompson; 5th Place Match - Rhode (DB-LQP-MU) won by Thompson.



Section 3AA Coaches of Year
Red Bull head coach Adam Williamson, left, was named Section 3AA head coach of the year and assistant coach Dusty Faber was named as the Section 3AA assistant coach of the year. ~ chirp

Bulls Face Royals At State

The Class AA #7-ranked Fairmont/Martin County West Red Bulls will be making their fourth trip in the last five seasons to the Class AA state team meet Thursday, March 3, 9 a.m. at the Xcel Energy Center in St. Paul. The 5th seeded Red Bulls will take on Class AA #4-ranked/4th seeded Watertown-Mayer in the state team quarter final Thursday, March 3 at the Xcel Energy Center in St. Paul. The Section 3AA champion Red Bulls 26-1, feature three ranked wrestlers - #3-ranked 126 Jesse Potts (45-0), 145 #5-ranked Kain Sanders (44-5) and 220 #4-ranked Max Olson 41-3. Watertown-

Mayer 22-3, features six ranked wrestlers -106 #5-ranked Titan Friederichs 38-2, 160 #2-ranked Bryce Burkett 39-3, 182 #8-ranked Tanner Burmeister 31-8, 195 #9-ranked Jackson Drahos 33-8, 220 #8-ranked Ashton Congdon 34-8, 285 #9-ranked Hunter Stein 25-10.

The winner of the Red Bulls vs Royals match will face the winner of returning champion #1-ranked Simley (24-0) vs Totino Grace (15-3). In the other half of the bracket #2-ranked Kasson-Mantorville (26-1) will take on Mora (24-6) and #3-ranked Becker (18-0) will match up with Thief River Falls (20-5).

The Team Consolation Semifinals start at 11:00 a.m. Team Championship Semifinals begin at 1:00 p.m. Team Consolation Finals and Team Third Place matches are at 5:00 p.m. The Team Championship match is a 7:00 p.m. with awards following the matches.

All ticket purchases are online at: www.mshsl.org/tickets. Session Price: \$17 /Adult, \$11/ Student (Prices include ticket, taxes and fees) Daily Pass: Available at the Venue • Price: \$32 / Adult, \$20/Student (Prices include ticket, taxes and fees) No Senior Citizen Discounts. State Tournament Coverage is provide by prepspot-light.tv, Individual: Session \$9.99 • 4 Sessions:



\$24.99 Team: • Single Match: \$9.99 • Single Class (11 matches): \$24.99 • All Classes (33 matches) \$39.99 • 3 Day Package \$49.99. Apparel is for sale on site and online. • Bag Policy:

NO BAGS are permitted inside the arena to help reduce staff touch-points and expedite entry times for guests. This includes clutches, clear bags, purses, backpacks, fanny packs, etc. Medical

and diaper bags are permitted at Gate 1 and are subject to x-ray screening. • Guests should stay home if they are sick or experiencing symptoms of COVID-19. ~ chirp

Fairmont Youth Hockey

Fairmont 10U wrapped their season up on February 12 all at home.

2/5 - 10U vs New Ulm Tie 4-4
Goals - Kylie Flanagan unassisted; Halyn Haycraft with 3 goals unassisted; Nola Hazard had 10 saves

2/6 - 10U vs Luverne Win 5-2
Goals - Halyn Haycraft with 4 unassisted; Kylie Flanagan assisted by Evie Folkerts; Nola Hazard had 30 saves

2/12 10U vs Marshall Loss 1-5
Goal - London Truesdell assisted by Halyn Haycraft; Nola Hazard had 24 saves

Fairmont 10U ended the season with a 2-2-2 district record.

Bantam Hockey District Tournament Results

The Carlson Dental

Bantam hockey team finished 2nd place in Minnesota District 4 hockey tournament this past weekend in Worthington.

Saturday morning the bantams were defeated by Worthington 9-6. Scoring for Fairmont was Tyler Kurt with 2 goals to put Fairmont up 2-0. Kurt had one assisted goal from Gavin Kester from Eric Determan. Barret Scholl had an assisted goal from Tyler Kurt, Eric Determan had a double assisted goal from Tyler Kurt, Klay Beemer had an unassisted goal from the blue line and Gavin Kester had an unassisted goal. Goalie Brandon Hector had 19 saves.

Saturday evening the Carlson Dental Bantams played New Ulm/Sleepy

Eye and defeated them 10-2. Gavin Kester put in 2 unassisted goals and 2 assisted goals with assists coming from Tyler Kurt and Eric Determan. Eric Determan put 5 goals on the board. 1 unassisted and assists coming from Barret Scholl, Klay Beemer, Tyler Kurt and Gavin Kester. Caleb Meyer had an assisted goal from Tyler Kurt and goalie Brandon Hector had 20 saves.

Sunday morning the bantams played Marshall and defeated them 9-5. Eric Determan had 3 goals with 2 double assisted goals coming from Gavin Kester from Tyler Kurt and Caleb Meyer from Tyer Kurt. Tyler Kurt assisted Determan's 3rd goal. Tyler Kurt added 2 goals with 1 assist coming from Eric Determan. Klay Beemer had an unassisted goal.

Jase Meade had an assisted goal from Determan, Gavin Kester had a double assisted goal from Eric Determan from Barret Scholl. Mack Anderson had a double assisted goal from Determan from Beemer. Goalie Brandon

Hector had 33 saves.

The Carlson Dental Bantam team will advance to the Regional tournament March 4-6 in New Ulm with their opening game at 8:15pm Friday March 4th vs Mankato.

Squirt B Hockey vs. Mason City. Squirt B win vs Mason City 3 - 2
Scoring for Fairmont: Bennett Draper - 2 goals, Ryder Thate - 1 goal
Penalties: Bennet Draper, Colton Schroeder, Emmett Olson





DRIVE BY – Cards Emma Gudahl drives to the hoop past Pipestone's #12 Kyla Hubbling and Jadyn Kor. The Section 3AA #2-seeded Cards downed the #7-seeded Arrows 71-58 last Saturday night. *Courtesy fairmontsports.com*



DEFENSIVE DOUBLE TEAM - Pipestone's Kayla Hubbling tries to put up a shot between the Cards Brylee Miller and Brittney Mosloski. The Cards (22-1) traveled to Windom Tuesday night to take on #3-seeded Minnesota Valley Lutheran (21-6). The winner will play the winner of #1-seeded Luverne (22-4) vs #4-seed Jackson County Central (17-10). The Section Championship is scheduled for Friday, March 11 at Marshall. *Courtesy fairmontsports.com*



SCOOP SHOT – Zach Jorgenson lays a shot up over Lake Crystal Wellcome Memorial's Cade Dudgeon. Cards Sawyer Tordsen looks on. Jorgensen had 24 points in the 57-50 overtime win last Friday night. *Courtesy fairmontsports.com*



FLYING BLOCK – Cards Armando Hernandez blocks Lake Crystal Wellcome Memorial's Miles Flack shot. The Cards (11-11) took on United South Central Tuesday night in Wells. The #3-seeded Cards host #6-seeded Luverne (9-13) Saturday, March 5 - 7:00 p.m. in the opening Section 3AA, South Sub-Section quarterfinal. *Courtesy fairmontsports.com*



SLAP SHOT – Cards Eli Anderson lets fly at Minnesota River goalie Mitch Kotek. Anderson had a goal and an assist in the #8-seeded Cardinals 5-2 Section 3A first-round playoff win over the #9-seeded Minnesota River Bulldogs last Wednesday night. Luke Kester, Lincoln Becker, Nate Rakness and Thomas Claeys had the other Card goals. Goalie Carson Johnson had 24 saves. *Courtesy fairmontsports.com*



POINT BLANK – Cards Alexander Moeller tries to get the puck past Minnesota River goalie Mitch Kotek. The #8-seeded Cardinals were defeated 10-1 by the #1-seeded New Ulm Eagles last Thursday night. Moeller had the lone Cardinal goal. The Cards finished their season with a 9-17 record. *Courtesy fairmontsports.com*

Feathers – The Gambler & His Pals

Guest Columnist

Lenny Tvedten, Director, Martin County Historical Society



The skyline of a community evolves over time. The 200 block of Downtown Plaza in Fairmont was at one time the location of The National Tea Company, Cal's Family Shoes, Harold's Shoes, and is currently the site of Seifried Portrait Design. However, back in the 1920s the building then on that site was inhabited by Marshall James Gibson and it was known as a "gambling house."

Gibson was described as a good natured "pot-bellied" individual. Not a great deal is known about him except that his nickname was "Feathers," most likely as a result of the fact that he made feather pillows and feather mattresses.

He allowed his upstairs to be used as a spot for the homeless, those needing a hot meal, and anyone needing a place to spend the night. He had a frugal collection of dishware and was known to use his jack knife for meat carving or as a food shovel of sorts. Nevertheless, he was known to be a fine cook.

However, there was another side to "Feath-

ers." His sparsely furnished upstairs, made up of wooden crates for chairs and candles for lighting as there was no electricity, was a dark, dreary atmosphere. Strange as it may seem, this was the meeting place for regular sessions of poker or craps.

This gambling activity taking place in what was called a "Robbers Roost" accounted for frequent raids by the local police. Those raids prompted somewhat hasty and creative exits by those participating in the gambling experience. It seems that since the stairs were blocked by law enforcement, the quickest exits were from windows, some of which caused the gamblers to fall to the roof of a lean to below where they slid to the ground vanishing into the night. That would leave "Feathers" as the only one remaining and swearing to the officers that he had been alone and "hadn't seen a soul." Unable to capture any of the gamblers, the officers would leave often chuckling about the "scare" they had given Feathers. Consequently, the follow-

ing day Feathers would counter by telling his friends that "them cops just ain't smart enough to catch me."

Then on one early Sunday morning in October of 1923, Sheriff Carver and his officers raided the "Robbers Roost." This time, Feathers Gibson was arrested, along with Thad Kelly, and charged with keeping a gambling house. However, Kelly was soon released on \$500.00 bail as there was apparently no evidence that he had any connection with the gambling house other than merely being present. Kelly and Feathers had previously been arrested for a moonshine death near Welcome but were acquitted.

Feathers appeared before the court and was charged with maintaining a gambling house. He was under the impression that the maximum sentence would not be more than 90 days in jail and a \$300.00 fine. Feathers Gibson, a large man weighing in at 240 pounds, was all smiles as the judge quizzed him on the charges leveled against him. However, his smile quickly

faded when the judge abruptly sentenced him to serve hard labor in the state penitentiary at Stillwater. Feathers felt he had been "double crossed" by both his friendly advisors and his attorney.

Then, much to his surprise, he was once again called before the court. The judge said that there had been a mistake made and that the law would not allow the court to send him to Stillwater. The new sentence was 60 days in jail and a fine of \$100.00. Once again, Feathers regained the smile that he had at the outset of the court proceedings. His attorney, L. J. Seifert, then claimed to have set the world record for getting a man out of the state penitentiary, a mere twelve hours.

M. J. "Feathers" Gibson was one of those unique and colorful characters in a community that adds to its history. He lacked fame, fortune, and allegedly a less than respectable appearance. However, he was known for his kindness, for his skilled workmanship on his pillows and mattresses, for his cooking ability, and most notably for his "gambling house" in which he never divulged the names of those poker and craps players that escaped the many law enforcement raids.

Gibson, a victim of tuberculosis, passed away in 1941. Although no one really knew for sure, he was thought to be approximately 70 years old.

For more information on this topic, or to become a member, visit the Pioneer Museum in Fairmont or its website at www.fairmont.org/mchs.

"Feathers" Of Mattress Fame Is T. B. Victim

Quaint Character Passes—Manufactured Mattresses In Fairmont



THE 'ROBBER'S ROOST' — The building at the left stood at the corner of North Avenue and Second street where the Harold Shoe store is now located. The second floor was used as living quarters and base of operation for "Feathers," an easy-going, lovable individual who delighted no end at being called Marshall James Gibson, president and sole owner of the Gibson Feather Mattress Manufacturing company.

SCHOOL LUNCH MENUS | March 1- 4

FAIRMONT JUNIOR/SENIOR HIGH

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American Classics

- BBQ Chicken Sandwich
- Baked Beans

2Mato

- Classic Pepperoni Pizza
- Classic Cheese Pizza

Grill

- Classic American Cheeseburger
- Baked Beans
- Spicy Chicken Sandwich

On the Go

- Blueberry Parfait with Granola
- Crispy Chicken Caesar Salad
- Whole Grain Dinner Roll

Extra

- Confetti Colelaw
- Fresh Celery Sticks
- Fresh Red Seedless Grapes
- Fruit Cocktail

Milk & Condiments

- 1% Low-fat Milk
- Chocolate Skim Milk
- Yellow Mustard
- Low Sodium Ketchup
- Mayo
- Light Ranch Dressing

American Classics

- Beef Nachos
- Creamy Cheddar Cheese Sauce
- Vegetarian Refried Beans
- Salsa

2Mato

- Bacon Cheeseburger Pizza
- Classic Cheese Pizza

Grill

- Classic American Cheeseburger
- Seasoned Peas
- Crispy Chicken Patty Sandwich

On the Go

- Blueberry Parfait with Granola
- PB&J and Cheese Fun Lunch

Extra

- Fresh Carrots
- Fresh Cherry Tomatoes
- Fresh Banana
- Unsweetened Applesauce

Milk & Condiments

- 1% Low-fat Milk
- Chocolate Skim Milk
- Yellow Mustard
- Low Sodium Ketchup
- Mayo
- Light Ranch Dressing

American Classics

- Teriyaki Glazed Chicken
- Asian Brown Rice
- Whole Grain Dinner Roll
- Seasoned Peas

2Mato

- Meat Lover's Pizza
- Classic Cheese Pizza

Grill

- Classic American Cheeseburger
- Seasoned Peas
- Crispy Chicken Patty Sandwich

On the Go

- Blueberry Parfait with Granola
- Ham & Turkey Chef Salad
- Whole Grain Dinner Roll

Extra

- Caesar Salad
- Sliced Cucumbers
- Fresh Orange Wedges
- Chilled Diced Pears

Milk & Condiments

- 1% Low-fat Milk
- Chocolate Skim Milk
- Yellow Mustard
- Low Sodium Ketchup
- Mayo
- Light Ranch Dressing

American Classics

- Cheese Stuffed Breadsticks
- Marinara Sauce
- Glazed Carrots

2Mato

- Classic Pepperoni Pizza
- Classic Cheese Pizza

Grill

- Classic American Cheeseburger
- Glazed Carrots
- Spicy Chicken Sandwich

On the Go

- Blueberry Parfait with Granola
- PB&J and Cheese Fun Lunch

Extra

- Red Bell Pepper Strips
- Fresh Cauliflower Florets
- Chilled Pineapple Chunks
- Fresh Golden Delicious Apple

Milk & Condiments

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- Fresh Red Seedless Grapes

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- Mayo
- Light Ranch Dressing

American Classics

- Beef Nachos
- Creamy Cheddar Cheese Sauce
- Salsa

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- Fresh Carrots
- Fresh Cherry Tomatoes
- Unsweetened Applesauce

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American Classics

- Crispy Chicken Patty Sandwich
- Hash Brown Patty
- Sliced Cucumbers
- Fresh Orange Wedges

Milk & Condiments

- 1% Low-fat Milk
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American Classics

- Cheese Stuffed Breadsticks
- Marinara Sauce
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- Fresh Chopped Romaine
- Chilled Diced Pears

Milk & Condiments

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Mark E. Fujan will be offering a FREE 55 Alive/ Defensive Driving course on Tuesday, March 8th, at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Fairmont. Options: Morning Class- 9 a.m. and PM class- 3 p.m. Pre-

registration is requested. If you are already registered you do not need to call, unless you cannot attend as there is limited seating; please call ASAP to register, 235-5573.

East Chain 4-H meeting

Adult leader, Jodie Geerdes called the February 6, 2022 East Chain 4-H club meeting to order at 6:00pm at the East Chain Activity Center. Pledges were led by Lysie Salic and roll call was taken by answering the question "What is your favorite candy?"

There were 30 members present, 0 visitors and no new members. Leighton Hugoson made a motion to approve the Secretary's Report, Henry Hugoson seconded that motion. Motion Passed. Brayden Geerdes made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report, Madalyn Koch seconded that motion. Motion Passed. There were no bills. There was no correspondence. There were no additions to the agenda. Henry Hugoson made a motion to approve the agenda and Zoe Hugoson seconded the motion. Motion Passed.

PDC- Horse PDC met February 2. Rabbit PDC met February 3. There was nothing for Council. Federation- Misty Geerdes reported on swine registration changes. There was nothing for Banner. Scrapbook - Ann will get tub. There was nothing for Community Pride. There was no old business.

Memorial Day Program- will recap for new members Lorie explained our commitment. Wolter Parkmowing- will explain for new members Jodie

explained our commitment and Marty offered to dig stumps out.

Kristie is leaving her position as the Martin County 4-H Educator to become the Extension Web Editor for Minnesota 4-H Youth Development. Her last day is February 20. She will be missed!

Market Beef and Dairy Steer IDs are due February 15. Poultry PDC Meeting- Thursday February 17 5:30 at 4-H office. Sewing Project Club- register by February 21 at 4H Online 2.0 under Events. Goat PDC Meeting- Thursday February 24 5:30 at 4-H Office. LQA and E Training (in person) on March 17 at SMEC Building. Register by March 14 at 4H Online 2.0 under Events. 4-H Camp Lake Shetek. Registration opens March 1. Community Meal is July 27.

Cloverbuds are welcomed to do demonstrations anytime. Remember to read the Martin County Mini-Clover Update. There are many reminders and lots of information in these publications. The club has a new email address: eastchain4martin@gmail.com. Once the meeting is adjourned 4-H is not responsible for accidents. Brayden Geerdes made a motion to adjourn the meeting Leighton Hugoson seconded that motion. Respectfully Submitted,

Avery Kurt

Fairmont Methodist Church plans FREE DRIVE THROUGH MEALS on Wednesdays, March 9th and 16th. Please drive-thru at the south end of the building, 119 E. 2nd St. Meals will be available from 5:00-6:00 p.m. or until the food is gone. Menu for March 9th is meatloaf and mashed potatoes. Menu for March 16 is cheesy chicken noodle casserole. Everyone is welcome.

NORTHROP BASEBALL

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Fish & Shrimp Fry

Fri., Mar. 11 • 5-7:30 p.m.
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Included Battered Cod, Breaded Shrimp,
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Tickets available at the door

\$22 Adults

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A portion of the proceeds will benefit
Northrop Baseball, Small Town Baseball
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PUBLIC INVITED



Sherburn Lions Club Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, March 6 • 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Martin County West High School Cafeteria

Includes: Scrambled Eggs, Sausage & Beverage

Free Willing Offering
Proceeds go to help enhance the 2022 Holiday Festival
Eyeglass Donation box will be available



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JANUARY STUDENTS OF THE MONTH - Early Risers Kiwanis, Hy-Vee and Fairmont Junior Senior High School recognize the following students as January 2022 Students of the Month. Students and families recently gathered in the Performing Arts Center to participate in this recognition and to receive a certificate and gift card. The 7th through 12th grade students include Easton Blazejak, Allison Streit, Wylee Fredericks, Brylee Miller, Tyler Heckman, Alyvia Anderson, Will Nistrath, Ella Klunder, Christian Thom, Lilly Laven and Eli Broomfield. Congratulations on making the school a better place.

The 27th annual Chain Lake Lodge #64, Martin County Area Masons all you can eat spaghetti feed, will be held on Tuesday, March 8th at Grace Lutheran Church, 300 South Grant Street, Fairmont. Please use the west entrance and parking lot. Proceeds will be used for scholarship funding for Martin County graduating senior students. Adult price is \$8, children 7 and under are free or call 5007-236-0024 for tickets. This event is open to the public.

27th Annual
Chain Lake Lodge #64
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SPAGHETTI SUPPER
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CUPID is a handsome male orange kitty. At 2-4 years old, he is a friendly, affectionate guy who loves attention and pets. He is a little picky with his feline friends but can get along with the right cat!

OLIVE an all black adult cat. She's an energetic girl with a goofy personality. Absolutely loves all the attention. Not great with other cats but she could adjust in time.

JAYLA is a 120 pound gal! A beautiful mastiff, she's a big baby, gentle and sweet. She gets along with other dogs. No cats, please.

A good looking guy, **Blaze** is a gray and white pit bull. Good with people, loves attention. His ideal home would have no cats and older kids.

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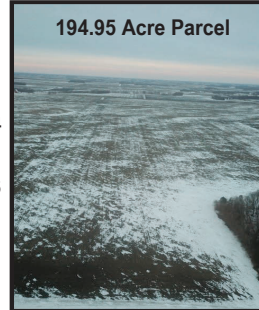
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Coaches vs. Cancer members present gift cards to the staff at Lutz Cancer Center in Fairmont. The cancer center was one of three local organizations benefitting from the Coaches vs. Cancer event

Coaches vs. Cancer Event

What a fantastic turnout and support we had for our 8th Annual Coaches vs. Cancer event.

A huge thank you to our basketball players, dancers, coaches, their families, the Fairmont community, our local businesses, the away basketball team from Blue Earth and many others that helped us with this event.

We had 56 local busi-

nesses and families donate raffle items, 271 basketballs purchased, collected \$963 from half time, \$1,432 from raffles, \$810 in donations, totaling \$5,915. These proceeds will be given to Martin County Relay for Life, The American Cancer for Pediatric Cancer and The Lutz Cancer Center in gift cards.

This community is very blessed to have so many

compassionate and caring individuals, young and old, along with many very generous local businesses, that truly care about making a difference in the lives of way too many families dealing with this dreadful disease of cancer.

May God continue to bless all of you and your families that are dealing with the effects of cancer.

Human rights discussion at the library

The third discussion of human rights for 2022 will be offered to the public on Thursday evening, March 3rd, at the Martin County Library, 110 N. Park Street, in Fairmont.

What does the phrase "human rights" mean? How does human rights affect the people of Fairmont? The Minnesota Human Rights Department explains human rights: To support human rights is to support a place where

everyone can lead lives full of dignity and joy. Eleanor Roosevelt said: "Where after all do universal human rights begin? In small places, close to home - so close and so small that they cannot be seen on any map of the world. Yet they are the world of the individual person: The neighborhood he lives in; the school or college he attends; the factory, farm or office where he works. Such are the places where ev-

ery man, woman, and child seeks equal justice, equal opportunity, equal dignity without discrimination.

Unless these rights have meaning there, they have little meaning anywhere. Without concerted citizen action to uphold them close to home, we shall look in vain for progress in the larger world." Please come to this fascinating discussion. It's free and open to all.

NATIONAL NUTRITION MONTH

Guest Columnist



Dr. Scott Burtis, M.S., D.C., Burtis Chiropractic Center

Spring is just around the corner and many people are looking forward to getting outside and getting active again. For those of you who may have dropped the ball on your New Year's resolutions a few months back, this is the perfect time for a re-start - especially since March is National Nutrition Month!

Getting into shape for spring means a lot of things; it doesn't just mean losing weight. After all, you could just starve yourself for a week and lose 10 pounds, but then you would not have the energy or muscle mass to do anything other than start feeding yourself again. So let's approach it differently. You want to be in great shape come spring; you want to look good, feel good, and move well. All of that goes way beyond weight loss. Instead, it focuses on "body composition optimization," which requires a better diet, exercise, and the right nutrition to feed your body.

Since it is National Nutrition Month, let's focus on the nutrition portion. This will leave out exercise, chiropractic, supplements, and other things we know are important to overall health-for now! There are a number of things to cover for nutrition, but let's start with tossing out some of the old, outdated ideas that still seem to show up-ideas like butter is bad and margarine is good for you-that are just plain wrong! That belief was wrong when the idea first came out in the 1970s and it is still wrong; some people just haven't caught up with the science. Another outdated and incorrect piece of nutritional "advice" is that eggs are bad for you.

This whole idea that dietary fat is bad for you came out of a bad study

by Ansel Keys that led many people to believe that fat in your diet caused cardiovascular disease. Dr. Keys did a 22-country study then conveniently tossed out the 15 countries whose results did not align with his theory. It took us almost 50 years to get that bad advice out of our system. If your health care provider is telling you that butter is bad, eggs are bad, and grains and margarine are good, please move on to someone else. What is making us fat is a combination of this mistaken idea that carbs don't make you fat (some don't, most do), and that high fructose corn syrup is better than regular sugar. The fructose in high fructose corn syrup raises our uric acid, makes us insulin resistant, and gives us high glucose, high cholesterol, and high weight.

So, what makes a healthy diet? A good balance of protein (grass-fed if possible); fruits and vegetables (locally grown and organic if you can find them); no white food like white rice, white potatoes, white sugar, white bread; complex carbs (and even then, limit them); and the less processed food, the better. Forget the food pyramid and the whole "MyPlate" mess. America is fatter and less healthy than ever. One recent statistic pointed out that 63.5% of all Covid-19 hospitalizations were caused by lifestyle choices, diet being one of them. All of the comorbidities that have become such a buzzword recently? Most have been caused by lifestyle choices, especially what we eat.

The keto diet is a very healthy one which will restart the genes that tell your body to burn fat. The Paleo and Mediterranean diets are pretty healthy as

well. A good diet is one you can stay on after you have lost the unhealthy fat and still be healthy, energized, and satisfied.

One final word for now on nutrition. Even if you grow all your own food - including your own chickens, cows, etc. - you still need to be taking vitamins and supplements. Factory farming over the years has left our soil depleted in a number of important minerals, and the fresh fruits and vegetables you eat are not the same as 50 or even 25 years ago. Consider top quality pharmaceutical grade supplements to be an important part of your healthy diet.

The choices you make now have the potential to transform your health. As a functional medicine expert my passion is to help optimize your body's systems to lead you to your best health. We provide top-quality supplements, blood draws, nutritional consultations, and chiropractic care to get you there. Here's to a healthier you come spring.

Dr. Burtis, MS, DC, CFMP, has been providing natural healthcare to the Fairmont area at Burtis Chiropractic Center for over 30 years. He uses a combination of chiropractic, nutrition, and functional medicine to help individuals restore and maintain health and healing through individualized care plans. The mission of Burtis Chiropractic Center is to provide transformational healthcare that takes an individual's life to the next level. We strive to be a solution for families to experience transformational healthcare and help create vibrant and resilient lifestyles that can be passed to future generations.

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We have an amazing slate of activities coming up at the Fairmont Library. Mark your calendars for these upcoming programs!

*St Patty's Day Party:

March 17 at 4 p.m. Wear your green and join us for a fun filled family event!

*The Great Puzzle Race: March 28 at 6 p.m. Assemble your team of 4 and register at the library! All of the teams will race to see who can finish the puzzle first!

*Lapsit: Play and Read: March 30 at 10 a.m. For ages birth to 2 and an adult, enjoy stories and playtime at the library!

*Family Game Night: March 31 at 5:30 p.m. Bring the whole family for a fun game night at the library!

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Martin County Area Foundation accepting grants applications

The Martin County Area Foundation is excited to announce the start of its 2022 competitive grant cycle. The Foundation will be accepting applications from eligible organizations March 1 through May 31. It also accepts inquiries year-round for emergencies or high needs. Please refer to the grant guidelines and application form at mcareafoundation.org for information. If you have further questions or ideas, please contact the Foundation's administrative staff at 507-235-5547 or any member of our board of directors.

The Martin County Area Foundation is a community endowment founded in 1993 by a group of community residents and established by a matching grant from the Mickelson Foundation. The Martin County Area Foundation is governed by a volunteer board responsible for growing the endowment and selecting grant recipients. Per its mission, the Foundation focuses its giving in five general areas: arts and humanities, community and civic affairs, social and economic growth, environment and youth.

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- **Kitchen open at 5pm**



Registered Nurse (RN)

Windom Area Health has openings for three .8 FTE Registered Nurses, who will provide patient care to our inpatient, OB, and ER departments. Experience preferred, but will train qualified applicants. Position includes working 12-hour shifts every third weekend and holiday, as well as 8-hour weekday rotating shifts. Options for all 12-hour shifts may be available.

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STEP, Inc. is looking for direct support staff/job coaches to help people with disabilities be successful and maintain their jobs with local community employers. Part time shifts available on alternating weekend and weekdays late afternoon/early evenings. Wage differential applies to evening and weekend hours.

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80 Acres +/- Sections 22 Waverly Township Martin County, MN

BARE FARMLAND AUCTION

Wednesday, March 16, 2022 @ 10:00 A.M.

In case of VERY inclement weather—blizzards, please check our website at www.auctioneeralley.com for details.

SALE LOCATION: The auction will be held at the Knights of Columbus Hall located at 920 East 10th Street, Fairmont, MN.

PROPERTY LOCATION

From Truman, Minnesota: West on County Road 50 six miles then south on 160th Ave one mile.

PROPERTY LEGAL DESCRIPTION

The North Half of the Northwest Quarter (N ½ NW ¼) Section 22 Waverly Township, Martin County Minnesota containing 80 acres more or less.

PROPERTY INFORMATION

Crop Productivity Rating-91.7 74.27 acres tillable

For Additional Information & Personal Inspection

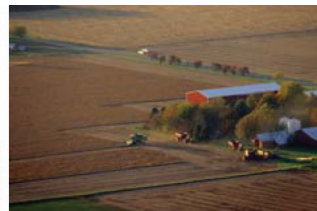
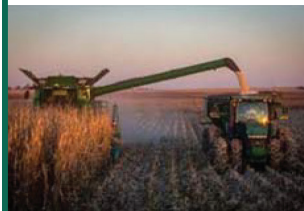
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OWNER: Roland and Adeline Hartmann
Irrevocable Trusts
Trustees: Dani Lenort and April Oachs

Attorney for the Seller
Darin Haugen; Attorney
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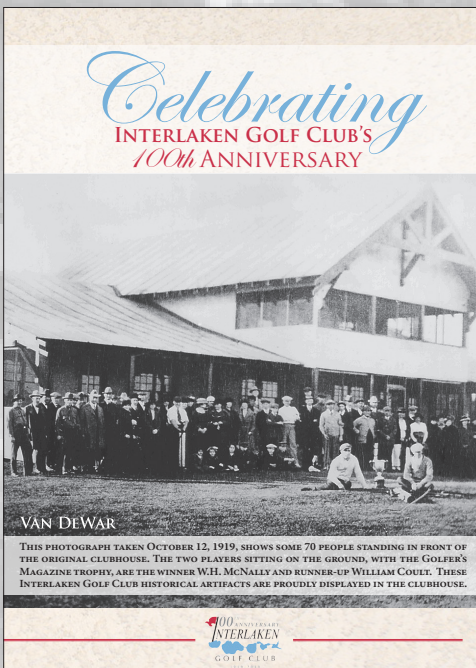
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