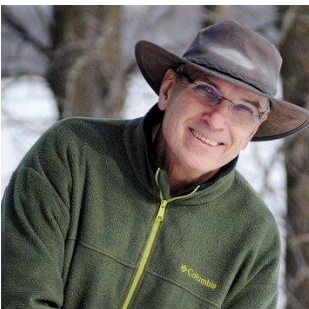


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Naturally By Al Batt

I survived the stretch of -20° weather and it looks as if you did, too. That's good news. Those kinds of temperatures are the ones we'll be telling someone about this summer.

I hear little about March coming in like a lion and going out like a lamb or vice versa. Maybe it comes in like a cardinal? There were four cardinals in a hawthorn tree in my yard. I'm still

celebrating. I've seen more than that in a tree before, but never at my place.

I saw robins. The vast majority of robins move south in the winter. However, some stick around — and move around. Fruit is the robin's winter food source. As the ground thaws in the spring, they switch to earthworms and insects. While robins may arrive when the average daily temperature isotherms reach 37°, it's because their food becomes available, not because the robins need warm temperatures. Because some overwinter here, they might not be a true harbinger of spring, but I do enjoy seeing them bob, bob, bobbing along.

I spotted a muskrat doing a walkabout. Perhaps it had run out of food and was forced to venture from its house.

Muskrats aren't rats and they (2 to 4 pounds) are much smaller than beavers (30-70 pounds).

I looked at a garden catalog that came in the mail and pictured the birds a garden brings with it. It seems as if every garden has a song sparrow to keep it company. E. B. White wrote, "The song sparrow, who knows how brief and lovely life is, says, Sweet, sweet, sweet interlude; sweet, sweet, sweet interlude."

A sign of spring is the sight of a killdeer. Killdeer are shorebirds that don't need a beach. They call out their names. Another sign is the return of the red-winged blackbirds. I love hearing the males singing "Look-at-meee" from a preferred, prominent perch. Their songs remind me of Simon & Garfunkel's "Homeward



I hope the sight of this robin brings you good luck. Photo by Al Batt

Bound," "Home where my thought's escaping. Home where my music's playing. Home where my love lies waiting, silently for me." And the females are silent because they generally return later than the males.

I rarely see gray or Hungarian partridges

near my home anymore. Once a year is about average. Sometimes they're in my yard. Years ago, there was a chukar, an escapee from a game farm, in my yard following a pair of gray partridges around. The chukar isn't a native to North America and the

other partridges were the closest things to itself that it could find. I named it Chubby Chukar. I had to.

I filled the seed dispensary units with sunflower seeds. These

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The Martin County townships annual meetings and elections will be held next Tuesday, March 9th. In a change for **East Chain Township**, the meeting place has been changed to the new East Chain Township Hall.

Happy 99th Birthday

on March 4 for Irene Umbreit - Dunnell, MN.

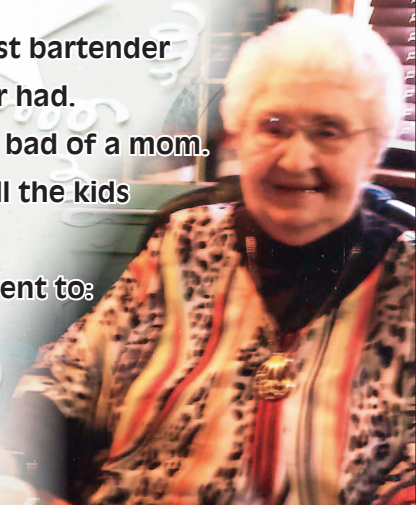
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the U-Turn ever had.

Also, is not too bad of a mom.

-From all the kids

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The Martin Luther High School, Northrop KNIGHTS4LIFE Group donated 40 Personal Care Kits to the Mankato Salvation Army. Pictured back row: Lieutenant Andy Wheeler, Lieutenant Corey Wheeler, KNIGHTS4LIFE Adviser Rebecca Oerman, Emily Sokoloski, Mallery Geistfeld, Mariah Geistfeld, Lexi Lawton. Front row: Josie Clow, Kambria Steinhaus and Alyssa Wiederhoeft. (Submitted photo)

A bridal shower will be held for **Montana Lawrence**, bride-to-be of Leyton Becker of Fairmont, on Saturday, March 13th at 10 a.m. at St. James Lutheran Church in Northrop. All family and friends are cordially invited. The couple is registered at Target and Amazon.



The Martin Luther High School, Northrop KNIGHTS4LIFE Group donated 20 Personal Care Kits to the Options Pregnancy Center in Fairmont. Pictured front row: Bethany Petrowiak, Brooke Rossow, Sarah Matasovsky, Jade Kitze-row and Brianna Petrowiak. Back row: Jacob Taylor, Anna Schultz, Jake Singleton, Options Pregnancy Director Bob Charneck, KNIGHTS4LIFE Adviser Rebecca Oerman, Lilah Hubbard and MaKenzie Weihe. (Submitted photo)

Volunteering and you

By Rob Stauter, CREST Executive Director

With busy lives, it can be hard to find time to volunteer. However, the benefits of volunteering can be enormous. Volunteering offers vital help to

people in need, worthwhile causes, and the community, but the benefits can be even greater for you, the volunteer. The right match can help you to find friends,

connect with the community, learn new skills, and even advance your career.

This is an opportunity to enliven your well-being! It can reduce stress, combat depression, keep you mentally stimulated, and provide a sense of purpose. While it's true that the more you volunteer, the more benefits you'll experience volunteering doesn't have to involve a long-term commitment or take a huge amount of time out of your busy day. Giving in even simple ways can help those in need and improve your health and happiness.

This is an opportunity to make an impact! Volunteering allows you to connect to your community and make it a better place. Even helping out with the smallest tasks can make a real difference to the lives of people, animals, and organizations in need. And volunteering is a two-way street: It can benefit you and your family as much as the cause you choose to help. Dedicating your time as a volunteer helps you make new friends, expand your network, and boost your social skills.

This is an opportunity to discover new worlds! Your volunteer work might also expose you to professional organizations or internships that could benefit your career. While learning new skills can be beneficial to many, it's not a requirement for a fulfilling volunteer experience. Bear in mind that the most valuable assets you can bring to any volunteer effort are compassion, an open mind, a willingness to pitch in wherever needed, and a positive attitude.

You will have a richer and more enjoyable volunteering experience if you first take some time to identify your goals and interests. Think about why you want to volunteer. What would you enjoy doing? The opportunities that match both your goals and your interests are most likely to be fun and fulfilling.

Are you looking to enhance your life and the lives of others through volunteering? Check in with CREST by calling them at 235-3833.

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Update on Local COVID-19 Vaccination Efforts

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

**Weekly Update: 3/2/21
Vaccination work as of 2/26/21:**

- Faribault County: 2,286 individuals have received at least their first vaccination for COVID-19. 14% of the total population has received at least 1 dose. 33.4% of the population of people age 65+ have received vaccinations.
- Martin County: 3,503 individuals have received at least their first vaccination for COVID-19. 14% of the population has received at least 1 dose. 35% of the population of people age 65+ have received vaccinations.
- Community Health & Human Services received all allocated 1st dose vaccine from the past two week time frame (which includes the 200 doses delayed due to weather) and distributed all doses by 2/26/21.
- Mayo Clinic Health System Fairmont received 420 1st doses last week and distributed all by 2/26/21.
- United Hospital District received 100 1st doses last week and distributed all by 2/26/21.
- Dulcimer Medical Center received 100 1st doses last week and distributed all by 2/26/21.

- Plan for week of 2/28:**
- Community Health & Human Services is scheduled to receive 300 1st doses this week. The 100 doses are allocated specifically to E-12/childcare sector and 200 for the 1A priority population and 65+ population. Appointments are being scheduled for this week using the interest form and we are working our way through the list. Individuals who provided an email address should watch for an invitation to make an appointment. If an email was not provided, someone will call the phone number provided.
 - Mayo Clinic Health System Fairmont is scheduled to receive 440 1st doses for this week for the 65+ 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 300 1st doses this week for the 65+ population. United Hospital District expects to offer vaccines to the public on Thursday, March 4 & Friday, March 5. **These vaccines will be available to anyone 65 years and over. Those interested in scheduling an appointment can call UH's Vaccine Hotline on Monday or Tuesday morning between 9:00 a.m.-Noon at 507-526-7700
 - Dulcimer Medical Center is not scheduled to receive any 1st dose allocation this week as they will be distributing 2nd doses to clients.

- Plan for week 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. 34.7% 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.

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: 2/23/21
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. 34.7% 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. UH 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. Appointments 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. UH 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 (scmn-hc.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 distributed 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 in 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 & residents), 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



Elaine R. Redington, 79

Memorial Services for Elaine R. Redington, 79, of Fairmont, MN were held on Tuesday, March 2, 2021 at St. John Vianney Catholic Church in Fairmont. Burial was at Lakeside Cemetery in Fairmont. Those wishing to view the service may do so on the following link: <https://client.tribuncast.com/tcid/11175784>

for 90 days following the services.

Elaine passed away on Friday morning, February 26, 2021 at her home in Fairmont. Memorials are preferred to St. John Vianney Hope Shop, St. John Vianney Endowment Fund, or Martin County Humane Society. The Lakeview Funeral Home and Cremation Service of Fairmont is assisting the family with arrangements.

Elaine Regina (Moore) Redington was born on April 21, 1941 to Jerry and Regina (Korolews-

ki) Moore in Silver Lake Township, Martin County, MN. She received her education from East Chain consolidated grade school and graduated from Fairmont High School in 1959.

On Thanksgiving Day, November 26, 1959, Elaine was united in marriage to Randy Redington at St. John Vianney Catholic Church in Fairmont. This marriage was blessed with two children, Mike and Ann. Elaine began working at Martin County National Bank in 1977 and continued with Profinium

Financial, going part-time in 2006 until she retired.

Elaine was a member of St. John Vianney Catholic Church in Fairmont. She volunteered at Mayo Clinic Hospital's Gift Shop in Fairmont. She enjoyed spending time with family, having lunch with friends, reading, walking, and motorcycling.

Those left to cherish her memory include her husband, Randy Redington of Fairmont; son, Mike (Lyn) Redington of Poccatello, ID; daughter, Ann (Gary) Robinson of Tea, SD; four granddaughters,

Vanessa (Brent) Hoogenboom (and their three sons), Amme, Emma, and Katelyn; sisters, Jane Reiman of Fairmont and Judy (Don) Snyder of Rapid City, SD; sisters-in-law, Rosalyn (Dale) Spear of Eagle Lake and Kathy Moore of Fairmont; and many nieces, nephews, and other extended family.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Jerry and Regina Moore; and her brother, Gerald Moore.

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Donald L. Schley, 86

Memorial services for

Donald L. Schley, 86, of Dunnell, MN, were held on Tuesday, March 2, 2021, at St. Peter Lutheran Church in Ceylon, MN. A private family burial will be held at a later date in Lake Belt Cemetery near Ceylon. Don passed away Friday, February 26, 2021, at the Avera Holy Family Hospital in Estherville, IA. The Lakeview Funeral Home and Cremation Service of Fairmont is assisting the family with arrangements.

Donald Lewis Sch-

ley was born on April 12, 1934, in Dunnell, MN, the son of Henry and Malinda (Simon) Schley. Don attended school in Ceylon where as a senior he played center and middle linebacker for the State Champion 6 Man team in 1952 that went undefeated and beat Brice-lyn to win the title. Don graduated from Ceylon High School 1952 and enlisted in the United States Army serving his country proudly stateside and learning how to build

roads.

On March 19, 1961, Donald was united in marriage to Margery Sampson at St. Peter Lutheran Church in Ceylon, MN. Together the couple would make their home on a farm near Dunnell and were blessed with one son, Gary.

Don was passionate about farming and took great pride in raising cattle and grain. Don continued to farm even this past year, working the land both in the spring and

fall in addition to helping neighbors with checking in on their livestock. He loved working in the dirt and even purchased a backhoe and bulldozer and when not in the field, he could be found, "playing in the dirt!" Don enjoyed a good conversation over a cup of coffee and loved chopping silage. His strong will and get it done attitude will be greatly missed.

Left to cherish his memory is his wife, Margery Schley; son, Gary

Schley; grandchildren, Donovan Schley, Ellie Schley, and Garrett Schley; sister, Lenore (Bob) Blom; brother, Marvin Schley; and sister-in-law, Jeri Issacson; as well as many other extended family and friends.

Donald was preceded in death by his parents, Henry and Malinda Schley; two brothers, Henry Schley and Ralph Schley; and a sister, Jeanette O'Conner.

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William R. Jurs, 88

William Russell Jurs, age 88, of Cresco, IA, died on Tuesday, February 16, 2021, at Evans Memorial Home in Cresco, IA.

A memorial service will be held on July 5, 2021 at Washington Prairie Lutheran Church with Rev.

Jennifer Edinger presiding.

Bill Jurs was born December 23, 1932 in Ceylon, Minnesota to Carl and Evelyn Jurs. He was the oldest of three children. He is survived by his youngest sister, Carolyn. He grew up farming. His parents moved into town where the extended family congregated for holidays and special occasions. Family members might remember that he painted all the farm outbuildings a startling aqua color, with surplus paint. Bill never shied away from color.

Bill was an Army veteran. He was enlisted from 1953 to 1955 and then served in the Reserves until 1961. During his enlistment, he was stationed

in Germany. He told an entertaining story of his hitchhiking trip home, with two duffle bags and a model 70 Winchester rifle.

Bill and Joan Johnson were married in August 1958. In the years that followed, three daughters were born. The family moved several times before settling in the Decorah area in 1973. They enjoyed traveling. Some of their fondest memories are of a cruise to Alaska and a trip to Japan where their grandson was stationed in the Air Force.

Bill attended the South Dakota State University in Brookings, SD. He continued his education after being awarded a National Science Foundation award. For this, he attend-

ed classes at the University of Wyoming for three summers. He moved his family, including three small children into the UofW dorms. Adventures for all of us.

Bill taught chemistry, physics and ag at several locations. Bill also farmed, being an early adopter of no-till conservation practices. Today, the family farm near Decorah is organic.

Bill has had a life-long passion for physical fitness. He has run several marathons, countless shorter races and participated in RAGBRAI. The day he suffered his debilitating stroke, he lifted weights in his basement and walked at the fitness center.

Bill loved dogs. We had

many good dogs over the years and every one of them was his favorite.

Bill had an infectious laugh and enjoyed telling stories. He loved his family and was a friend to many. He will be greatly missed.

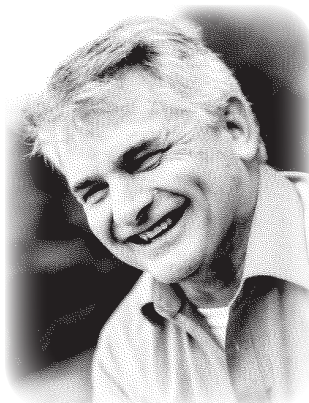
In lieu of flowers or memorials, please send donations to the Decorah Humane Society or the Washington Prairie Cemetery Fund.

William is survived by his wife Joan. Daughters: Jorja (Paul) Iwaszko, Little Canada, MN; Faith Jurs, Kotzebue, AK; Gretchen Jurs, Spillville, IA. Grandchildren: Justin (Niki) Bancroft, Tyler (Heather) Bancroft, Jacob (Jennifer) Pavlovic, Kristy Callaway and Laurel Ellsworth. Ten great grandchildren.

Sister: Carolyn Struck, Sherburn, MN. Brothers and sisters-in-law: Lorraine Holt, New Hampton, IA; Roger Johnson, New Hampton, IA; Linda (Gerald) Bakke, Buffalo, MN; Bernis (Tom) Benzer, Buffalo, MN; Rick Johnson, Lawler, IA and Gary (Ann) Johnson, Lawler, IA along with many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents: Carl and Evelyn (Larson) Jurs. Sister: Phyllis (LeRoy) Schultze. Father and mother-in-law: Alvin and Theone (Fouberg) Johnson. Sisters-in-law: Nancy Reyerson and Thelma Johnson. Brothers-in-law: Stanley Holt and Sylvan Struck.

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James Olinger, 58

James Olinger (Jamie), age 58, of Shorewood, MN passed away unexpectedly on Wednesday, February 17, 2021. Jamie was born on January 12, 1963,

in Fairmont, MN.

Services were held on Friday, February 26th at Wooddale Church in Eden Prairie, MN.

He is survived by his wife, Diane; daughter, Jessica; son, Michael; mother, Carol Jensen (Russell); sister Julie Dreke (Jeff), and many other close family and friends. He was preceded in death by his father, James Olinger (Jim); father-in-law, Sylvester Klous (Sonny), and nephew, Derek Klous.

Jamie's favorite thing was being a dad and spending time with his family, friends, and dog Titan. He loved hunting, golfing, ice fishing, ski-

ing, building/remodeling houses, and so much more. Like his dad, Jamie was one of the friendliest people you'd ever meet, and everyone who knew him loved him.

Jamie worked at Plekenpol Builders for what

would have been 37 years this April. Building was his passion, and he loved his job; he was the best at it. Besides his children, his work is his legacy. We are so fortunate to have the many things he has built (our house) and

many more as constant reminders of him.

Jamie was the most compassionate, hard-working, generous, and

loving person. We will miss him every day, but he will be in our hearts forever and continue to live on through us all.



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DEATH notices

February 16 - William Jurs, 88, Cresco, IA (formerly of Ceylon). Schluter - Balik Funeral Home, Decorah, IA 52101
February 28 - Charlotte E. Murphy, 83, Fairmont. Lakeview Funeral and Cremation Service
February 28 - Winton "Sam" J. Johnson, 76, Fairmont. Lakeview Funeral and Cremation Service
February 24 - Donna M. Hansgaard, 87, Fairmont. Lakeview Funeral and Cremation Service
February 26 - Elaine R. Redington, 79, Fairmont. Lakeview Funeral and Cremation Service
February 26 - Donald L. Schley, 86, Ceylon. Lakeview Funeral and Cremation Service



Obituary Notices



Donna M. Hansgaard, 87

Funeral Services for Donna M. Hansgaard,

87, of Fairmont, MN were held on Monday, March 1st, 2021 at Lakeview Funeral Home in Fairmont. Burial was held at Lakeside Cemetery in Fairmont.

Donna passed away on Wednesday evening, February 24th, 2021 at Abbott Northwestern Hospital in Minneapolis, MN. In lieu of memorials, please take the time to reach out to your isolated loved ones during this Covid-19 pandemic. The Lakeview Funeral Home and Cremation Service of Fairmont

is assisting the family with arrangements.

Donna Marie (Morgan) Hansgaard was born on January 9th, 1934 to Peter and Mildred (Udy) Morgan in Blue Earth, MN. She graduated from Frost High School in 1953.

On October 4th, 1953, Donna was united in marriage to Donald Hansgaard in Fairmont, MN. This marriage was blessed with four children, Carolyn, Doug, Mitch and Dawn. They lived in Fairmont and surrounding areas while Don relocated for work. After his passing, Donna enjoyed traveling and lived in various states. She was often referred to as "Highway Mama/

Grandma". She knew every road to everywhere.

Donna was a member of the American Legion Auxiliary and VFW for many years. She was also a member of United Methodist Church in Fairmont, MN. Donna enjoyed traveling throughout her life and loved to experience the changing sceneries and landscapes. She loved camping, fishing and cooking meals for her family. She always kept a clean, tidy, organized house and you could always find her doing dishes throughout the day by hand. Donna was an avid thrifter and garage sale go-er! She was often the first one out of the car

to find the best deal. Family time, laughs and Diet Coke made her day! Her light-hearted nature drew people to her.

Those left to cherish her memory include her four children, Carolyn Hansgaard of Wallingford, IA, Doug (Jane) Hansgaard of Gold Canyon, AZ, Mitch Hansgaard of Estherville, IA, and Dawn (Larry) Petrowiak of Fairmont, MN; grandchildren, Eric Hansgaard of Loveland, CO, Jason (Alicia) Hansgaard of Mesa, AZ, Mike (Toni) Hansgaard of Corpus Christi, TX, Wyatt (Nicole) Hansgaard of Phoenix, AZ, Heather (Jeremy Redinius) Hansgaard of Wallingford, IA, Celia

Petrowiak of Fairmont, MN, Maria Hansgaard of Wallingford, IA, Macy (fiancé, Chris Kahler) Petrowiak of Sherburn, MN and Holly Petrowiak of Fairmont, MN; thirteen great-grandchildren; two sisters, Geri Peterson of Truman, MN and Gloria Adams of Fairmont, MN; and several nieces, nephews and other extended family.

She was preceded in death by her late husband, Donald Wesley Hansgaard, her sister Marvel Johnson and her parents, Peter and Mildred Morgan.

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Ronnie K. Gilmore, 88

Funeral Services for Ronnie "Ron" K. Gilmore, 88, of Fairmont, MN will be at 2:00 p.m. on Friday, March 5th, 2021 at

Lakeview Funeral Home in Fairmont. Military honors by the Lee C. Prentice American Legion Post #36 and the Martin County Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #1222 will be held outside the funeral home immediately following the service. Burial will be held at Calvary Cemetery in Fairmont. Visitation will be held one hour prior to the service from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. on Friday, March 5th, 2021 at Lakeview Funeral Home. The family asks that people are mindful of social distancing guidelines, wearing masks and best practices in helping to reduce the spread of COVID-19. The number of

people in attendance will be monitored.

Ronnie passed away on Thursday evening, February 18, 2021 at Hillcrest Rehabilitation Center in Mankato, MN. The Lakeview Funeral Home and Cremation Service of Fairmont is assisting the family with arrangements.

Ronnie Kaye Gilmore was born on October 8th, 1932 to Warren and Muriel Robertson Gilmore in Winnebago, MN. He graduated from Huntley High School in 1950. Ronnie enlisted in the United States Army and served from 1953-1955.

On May 17th, 1962, Ronnie was united in marriage to Elaine Weber in

Sioux Falls, SD. After their marriage, Ronnie and Elaine made their home in Fairmont and then moved to the farm near Huntley. Ronnie cut trees down in town and would take them to his sawmill at his farm. In 1963, they moved to California for over 24 years. While living there, Ronnie worked for Standard Oil and the United States Coast Guard for twenty-one years as a Motor Pool Foreman. The majority of his life he worked as a truck driver and machinist. Ronnie and Elaine eventually moved back to Fairmont where Ronnie worked in his metal shop and fabricated gas filters and barrels

for mini cannons.

Ronnie was a member of the American Legion Post #36 in Fairmont. He enjoyed going to swap meets in Le Sueur and Butterfield and watching Westerns and American Pickers. Ronnie loved to spend time with his kids, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren.

Those left to cherish his memory include his wife, Elaine Gilmore; son, Christopher Gilmore; daughter, Angela Newville (fiancé, Natalie Simmons); four grandchildren, Allison Wasson, Anthony (Ashley) Gilmore, Ariel Gilmore (Ryan O'Grady) and Ashton Gilmore; three

great-grandchildren, Ella and Kobe Gilmore and Tyson Jones; sister, Cinda (Greg) Morey; sisters-in-law, Donna Zaborowski and Kathy Gilmore; many nieces, nephews, cousins and other extended family.

Ronnie was preceded in death by his father, Warren Gilmore; mother, Muriel Gilmore; step-mother, Olive Gilmore; parents-in-law, Frank and Olga Weber; sisters, Barbara Boler and Diane Gilmore; brother, Jerry Gilmore; brothers-in-law, Kermit Nelson and Ed Zaborowski; and nephew, Terry Zaborowski.

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Charlotte E. Murphy, 83

Mass of Christian Burial for Charlotte E. Murphy, 83 of Fairmont, MN, will be 10:30 a.m. Monday, March 8, 2021, at St. John Vianney Catholic Church in Fairmont. Burial will be following the service in Calvary Cemetery in Fairmont. Visitation will be 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Sunday, March 7, 2021, at Lakeview Funeral Home in Fairmont and will continue one hour prior to the time of service at the church. The family asks that people are mindful of social distancing guidelines, wearing masks and best practices in helping to reduce the spread of COVID-19. The number of people in attendance will be monitored. Those wishing to view the service online are invited to use the following livestream link at 10:30 a.m. Monday, March 8, 2021: <https://client.tri->

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Charlotte passed away Sunday, February 28, 2021, at the Lakeview Methodist Health Care Center in Fairmont, MN, surrounded by her loving family. The Lakeview Funeral Home and Cremation Service of Fairmont is assisting the family with arrangements.

Charlotte Edna (Gerken) Murphy was born on February 23, 1938, in Sherburn, MN, the daughter of Henry and Edna (Sukalski) Gerken. She attended school in Fairmont and graduated from Fairmont High School with the class of 1956. Following her graduation, Charlotte enrolled at Mankato State University in Mankato, MN, where she majored in Education and earned her teaching degree, graduating in 1960. Charlotte worked for a short time following her graduation in St. James, MN, before taking a job with Fairmont Public Schools where she taught junior first and first grade until her retirement in 1998.

On August 19, 1961, Charlotte was united in marriage to Edwin "Eddie" Murphy at St. John Vianney Catholic Church in Fairmont. Together the couple would make their home on a farm near Fairmont where Charlotte lived until 2017 when she moved into town following Eddie's

passing.

Charlotte loved education and teaching and each of her students held a special place in her heart. In the fall, she looked forward to reading to children at the Center Creek Apple Orchard and attending the Martin County Fair. She enjoyed camping trips with family and friends and treasured spending time with her granddaughter, Chloe.

Left to cherish her memory is her son, Daniel Murphy and his fiancé, Tracy, of Fairmont; granddaughter, Chloe Murphy of Fairmont; siblings, Leon Gerken and his wife, Grace, JoAnn Bagan, George Gerken and his wife, Mary, Jean Ehler and her husband, DuWayne and John Gerken and his wife, Connie; brothers and sisters-in-laws, Michael Murphy and his wife, Mary, Joseph Murphy and his wife, Linda, Kathy McGowan; and Bonnie Murphy; as well as many nieces, nephews, extended family and other relatives.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Eddie Murphy; parents, Henry and Edna Gerken; father-in-law and mother-in-law, Wallace and Veronica Murphy; and two brothers-in-law, Patrick Murphy and Steve Murphy.

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25 YEARS AGO IN THE PHOTO PRESS

February 28, 1996

The Fairmont Eagles Auxiliary 3394 was able to donate to the Fairmont Community Hospital through grants of \$1,000 from the Max Baer Heart Fund and the Jimmy Durante Children's Funds. The grants were used to purchase heat lamps for the emergency room, and a pediatric stretcher. Pictured were Eagles Minnesota State President Harley Rosenberg of Fairmont, Hospital Assistant Administrator Wes Pruet, Hospital Director of Philanthropy Darla Philipp and Eagles Auxiliary President Janet Diekman.

Mayo One and Mayo MedAir were accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Air Medical services. Mayo One is a hospital-based emergency medical helicopter and Mayo MedAir was an air medical charter service. Mayo One was the first emergency air medical helicopter in Minnesota.

James Scott of Delavan was winner of the Vegas Drawing from Ajax Bar and Grill in Truman. Owner Betty Tow made the presentation.

Don Kliever was pictured displaying his collection of antique

fishing lures at the KSUM/KFMC Sport and Boat Show held at the Fairmont American Legion Hall.

50 YEARS AGO IN THE PHOTO PRESS

February 28, 1971


A "flash" blizzard struck mid-morning, leaving six inches of snow in four hours, piled up by a 30-mile wind. All schools were closed and many businesses closed at noon. Some areas in northeast Iowa reported up to 15 inches of snow.

Jerry and Mary Kerns of St. Cloud wrote a letter protesting a Fairmont official's idea to fill in Luedtke's Slough. Mr. Keh-

berg, a Fairmont teacher, had been using the marsh as a classroom in teaching ecological preservation, and the St. Cloud correspondents were concerned over destruction of part of their home town.

Clarence Mock of Sherburn presented to the National Kidney Foundation a check for \$10,840 representing sales of Halloween candy by eleven chapters of the Mrs. Jaycees. The women began sales of 400 cases of candy at a dollar a bag, and the receipts mushroomed over expectations. Mock himself was well known as the oldest living recipient of a kidney transplant in the nation.

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Pediatrics & Chiropractic

— A Natural Connection

Guest Columnist

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



These days, it's more important than ever for kids to receive the best healthcare that they can. Traditional medical care, of course, but also mental, physical, emotional, and spiritual care. We all know about the normal medical stuff, but what else can we do to help kids not only get back to normal, but take advantage of their unique physiological strengths and optimize their health and growth? Are these things being done on a regular basis? By the time you finish reading this, you will see how the answer is a resounding "NO!"

In over 30 years of serving this community, I have had the opportunity to treat many pediatric patients with a combination of chiropractic and functional medicine. The

most common things we see are colic, ear infections, bedwetting, and ADD/ADHD spectrum issues. Many of these issues respond very well to a combination of chiropractic and proper supplementation. Working with small children and infants is not a typical part of all chiropractic practices; it takes time to develop the experience and expertise to do it well.

At a recent conference I attended there was a whole session on treating pediatric ear infections. We were reminded that the official recommendation of the American Board of Pediatrics and the AMA is that antibiotics are NOT to be used as a first line of treatment. Quite often these only serve as a temporary help while increasing the risk of secondary infections

and the development of asthma and allergies. Yes, asthma and allergies are much more frequent in children who have used multiple courses of antibiotics. They should never be the first option for treatment in ear infections. Chronic ear infections in children are quite often due to a neurologic component that results in a tightening and blockage of the eustachian tube that normally drains the middle ear. Chiropractic adjustments of the upper spine can correct elevated nerve tone to that region and result in natural resolution without risking other diseases.

Another common thing we see is infants with colic. Colic is a neurologic-induced condition that responds very well to chiropractic care. There are a number of

studies out of Denmark and South Africa that prove that chiropractic adjustments are more effective than anything else at relieving colic. Again, the ability to adjust infants at the very gentle level that is appropriate yet effective takes years of experience and lots of practice. People who have concerns about a chiropractic doctor working on their infant should know that the pressure it takes to move a baby's spine is about the same as the pressure you would use to apply eye makeup. And when you correct the problems that lead to colic in infants, quite often you a correcting or preventing other problems that would have shown up in the future!

Bedwetting is another scourge of childhood that responds well to chiropractic. The general rule of thumb is this: if your child has ever had a dry night, then they can be dry every night. The neurologic connections are of utmost importance here. Almost all bedwet-

ters have a combination of two things: poor nerve signaling to the bladder, and very deep sleep. Most of the bedwetters we have treated need both their lumbar spine and upper cervical spine corrected. Once that is done their problem is typically solved. Alarms, holding back water before bed, etc. are notorious for not working well, if at all.

Finally, let's look at ADD/ADHD. This is another neurologic condition, and while some things are better left to a neurologist, functional neurology has been chiropractic's forte for almost 150 years. Brain function requires good communication from top to bottom. When nerve signals get "scrambled" right out of the brain, their feedback loops become scrambled as well. Kids with ADD/ADHD typically have upper cervical misalignments that affect brain function and result in various malfunctions of the nervous system, including

disequilibrium between the left and right halves. Combine that with nutritional supplementation and you have a powerful and natural way to affect ADD/ADHD. (For those of you who choose to go the medical route in treating your child's ADD/ADHD, remember that many of those medications permanently change how your child's brain is wired. Are you prepared for that?)

These kids need less drugs, not more. They need higher levels of function, not just symptom relief. Take some time to read the side effects of your child's medications. Remember that repeated doses of antibiotics raise the risk of asthma and allergies by up to four times. Remember that medication for ADD/ADHD often changes your child's brain permanently, and not for the better. Remember that the things you do for your child's health can improve their health for the rest of their life... if you choose wisely.



Ask A Trooper: Failure to Drive with Due Care

by Sgt. Troy Christianson, MN State Patrol

by Sgt. Troy Christianson of the Minnesota State Patrol

Question: My friend went in the ditch last weekend and was given a citation for Failure to Drive with Due Care. It seems to me that it wasn't his fault because the wind was blowing snow across the road making the roads slippery. Why was he issued a citation?

Answer: Speeding or traveling too fast for conditions is one of the top contributing factors in fatal and seriously injury crashes our roadways. In most cases, these tragic crashes are preventable if drivers would just slow down. Losing control of a vehicle is evidence that the driver committed a violation of a traffic or equipment law. When a vehicle loses control and leaves the roadway, a Failure to Drive with Due Care is the most common violation cited.

Many of the fatal and serious injury crashes that I have investigated are one-vehicle rollovers, or a two-vehicle crash where one of the vehicles was traveling too fast for conditions, lost control and struck another vehicle.

We all have an obligation to drive with due care and adjust our driving skills to the weather, road and traffic conditions. This is especially true in the winter when weather and road conditions can frequently change.

Other excuses for a vehicle losing control on slippery road surfaces are typically:

- Using cruise control on poor road conditions
- Following too close
- Distracted or fatigued driving
- Unsafe tires
- Driving while impaired

If you have any questions concerning traffic related laws or issues in Minnesota send your questions to Sgt. Troy Christianson - Minnesota State Patrol at 2900 48th Street NW, Rochester MN 55901-5848. (Or reach him at, Troy.Christianson@state.mn.us)

Bloodmobile visits

The American Red Cross Bloodmobile will make two stops in Martin County:

Fairmont

Monday, March 8th: 1 p.m. - 6 p.m., St. John Vianney Catholic Church, 901 S. Prairie Ave.

Important COVID-19 information for donors

The Red Cross is testing blood, platelet and plasma donations for COVID-19 antibodies. The test may indicate if the donor's immune system has produced antibodies to this coronavirus, regardless of

whether an individual developed COVID-19 symptoms. Red Cross antibody tests will be helpful to identify individuals who have COVID-19 antibodies and may now help current coronavirus patients in need of convalescent plasma transfusions. Convalescent plasma is a type of blood donation collected from COVID-19 survivors that have antibodies that may help patients who are actively fighting the virus. Plasma from whole blood donations that test positive for high levels of COVID-19 antibodies may be used to help COVID-19 pa-

tients.

COVID-19 antibody test results will be available within one to two weeks in the Red Cross Blood Donor App or donor portal at RedCrossBlood.org. A positive antibody test result does not confirm infection or immunity. The Red Cross is not testing donors to diagnose illness, referred to as a diagnostic test. To protect the health and safety of Red Cross staff and donors, it is important that individuals who do not feel well or believe they may be ill with COVID-19 postpone donation.

Each Red Cross blood

drive and donation center follows the highest standards of safety and infection control, and additional precautions - including temperature checks, social distancing and face coverings for donors and staff have been implemented to help protect the health of all those in attendance. Donors are asked to schedule an appointment prior to arriving at the drive and are required to wear a face covering or mask while at the drive, in alignment with Centers for Disease Control and Prevention public guidance.

WHAT'S COOKING

with Kathy Lloyd

Let it snow, let it snow!

I guess if it means our cold spell is on its way out I won't complain about new snow! Spring has to be around the corner. I think its safe to say that we all look forward to warm temperatures where we can be outdoors again, especially when we have been so confined to our homes! We had appointments to receive our Covid vaccine last week but was cancelled due to bad roads over much of our country and vaccine not being delivered. Hopefully we will be able to receive it this week.

My friend Anita Galkin called me last week with a new recipe using sweet potatoes. She says it's the only way she makes them now. So I tried the recipe last evening and it was very good. I'm anxious for when I can invite company for a meal and try it out on them. It's always fun to be able to make something in a different way. I hope that you will give it a try and like it too!

SWEET POTATOES WITH BOURSIN CHEESE

2 medium sweet potatoes
Olive oil, for drizzling
salt and pepper
Boursin Garlic & Fine Herbs cheese (found in small 3 inch box 5.2 oz. by the specialty cheese)
1/4 cup pecans, roughly chopped
1/4 cup dried cranberries
honey for drizzling

Preheat oven to 425 degrees.

Wash sweet potatoes and peel if desired, then slice them into disc-shaped slices about 1/4 inch thick. You should have about 6 slices from each potato. Arrange sweet potatoes in a single layer on a baking sheet, drizzle both sides with olive oil and sprinkle lightly with salt and pepper.

Roast the sweet potatoes for 7-8 minutes, flip each slice over and bake another 7-8 minutes. Let sweet potatoes cool a couple of minutes, transfer to a serving platter, spread the Boursin cheese on each slice, then top with chopped pecans and dried cranberries, finish with a drizzle of honey on each slice. Enjoy!

Have a good week and stay safe!

5 ways to add fun and function to your garage

Now is the perfect time to create more living space in your home. Whether you need a place to take a break from daily stressors, get some work done or host friends and family, look no further than your own garage.

For many, the garage is simply a place to park the car, store tools and bikes, and hide old toys or off-season items that have no other place to go. But with a few easy upgrades, you can turn the garage into a productive, fun-filled place. Here are five tips to get you started.

1) Clean and organize

The first step is to look at the current state of your garage. To make the best of your space, you'll need to start with a blank canvas.

Do a deep clean, take stock of your tools and consider new ways to store and organize them. Building custom shelves to get your equipment up off the floor will not only give you a new project to take on, but it will help clear the way for a place where you can be productive and get jobs done. One key item to have in your upgraded garage shop is a Portable Electric Air Compressor, which can be used for power nailers, sanders, paint spray guns and much more - plus, at less powerful settings, it can be used to quickly blow away dust and debris.

2) Heat it up

Creating a year-round garage to enjoy will mean you'll have to take the

extra step to ensure the walls and ceilings are insulated correctly. For extra warmth, use a workshop heater like the Mr. Heater Big Maxx Garage Heater from Northern Tool + Equipment. A heater this size can easily warm up a two- or three-car garage, allowing you to work and play comfortably in your space no matter the outside temperature.

3) Let in the light

Switching up the lighting is an easy and inexpensive way to update your garage. Most garages have just one or two light bulbs hanging from the ceiling, but you'll want more than that for your new, useful space. Try an industrial-style light fixture or customizable, sleek

track lighting to make the room feel more inviting to friends for casual hangouts. Plus, it'll be easier to see when you're working on projects.

4) Bring on the entertainment

To get the most out of your new garage, make sure it is all about entertainment. Think about how you'll be using the space. The garage is a great place to hang a TV for football Sundays and video games. Adding extra speakers can provide a complete experience, whether it's watching the game or listening to music while you work on your latest project. If you plan to host regular game nights, fill the room with a poker or ping-pong table that can be easily folded up when not in use.

5) Get comfortable

One of the most important parts of your new garage space is seating. Whether you go with recliners, a sofa, stools or a combination of all three, look for furniture that fits your space. Find pieces that let you get comfortable, can stand being outdoors and are versatile.

Leather is a classic material plus it's easy to clean and maintain. For another way to add comfort - and more entertainment possibilities - set up a side bar with a refrigerator to keep cool drinks and snacks at hand.

With these ideas as your playbook, you're ready to achieve garage greatness.

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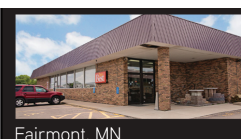
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Guest Columnist

Gillian Tunnell, Realtor Century 21 Northland Realty



In other words, a realtor is required to put their clients' interest before their own! This is called the Duty of Loyalty, and is one of the six basic duties that a realtor owes to clients, by law and through the National Association of Realtors. These duties also include confidentiality, obedience, disclosure, reasonable care, and accounting. The promise of these duties is an assurance to the client that the realtor has their best interests at heart when acting on their behalf.

The DUTY OF CONFIDENTIALITY means the

realtor must not reveal any personal information acquired as agent to the client, unless released by the them to do so.

Per the DUTY OF OBEDIENCE, the realtor must follow all legal instructions from the client. Some instructions could be illegal under Federal laws - this would include sellers' requests not to show the house to certain ethnicities, to a particular gender or marital status. The agent could face loss of license and fines should they do so!

Realtors have a DUTY OF REASONABLE CARE AND COMPETENCY, or to act in accordance with their training. For ex-

ample, a realtor should not give legal or financial advice to their clients, but instead refer them to attorneys or a financial specialist.

FULL DISCLOSURE is also a duty that realtors owe to their clients. For example, if the realtor receives an offer on her listing, she must present it to the seller, regardless of how much lower it is than the asking price, or how many offers there might be. All offers must be presented. In another example, if the agent knows of an undisclosed issue with the home that could either affect the price of the home, or could interfere with the buyers' enjoy-

ment of the property, she has a duty to disclose it to them.

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As you can see from the above duties, your realtor should take your business very seriously, and if she/he abides by these six obligations, it will help to make your house purchase a pleasant experience!

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A simple guide for planning a DIY bathroom project

Spending more time at home has put increased focus on bathrooms for homeowners, which is why one of the top home improvement trends of 2021 is adding or updating these spaces. Fortunately, remodeling or adding a bathroom DIY-style can be much easier than you may think with some planning and expert tips.

From the inspiration stage to layout planning and beyond, there are many important factors to keep in mind. DIY expert Sammy Pampani shares simple guidance and easy advice for a successful DIY bathroom project.

Discover inspiration
If you want an update but are undecided on the design, begin your search for inspiration online. For example, explore Pinter-

est and follow fellow DIYers, so you can create boards based on bathroom trends that interest you. Searching hashtags on other social media apps, like Instagram, will be helpful as well. Some example hashtags to search could be #diyathroom, #diyflooring and #bathroomremodel.

Research inexpensive alternatives

Explore inexpensive solutions that are simple enough for a DIYer to install. For example, macerating systems are options in places with no below-floor drainage that's typically required in bathrooms and/or if drainage is far away or not close by. One of these smart solutions is Saniflo's Saniflo 3, an above-floor plumbing system with the ability to not only dis-

charge wastewater from a toilet, but also a variety of other sanitary fixtures, such as a sink, a bathtub or a shower. The simple installation process avoids breaking through walls or flooring, making it possible to add a bathroom nearly anywhere you'd like.

Know technical terms

As you explore inexpensive DIY solutions for the bathroom, make sure to understand technical terminology. You don't need to be a plumbing or electrical expert to be successful, but you want to be knowledgeable so you make the right choices and take the correct steps. What's more, having a basic knowledge of technical aspects will help you describe any issues ac

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How to fight climate change from your backyard

Your backyard or local park is home to ballgames and barbecues with family and friends. But did you know that it is so much more? The trees, grass, plants and flowers in your yard, local parks and ballfields play an important role in fighting climate change.

The planet is growing warmer because there is too much carbon in the atmosphere, which acts as a blanket that traps greenhouse gases. Excess carbon is added to the atmosphere in all sorts of ways, but the easiest way to "sequester" the carbon (storing it in the ground) is through photosynthesis of trees, grasses and plants. So, the more plants, trees and grass you have around you, the more carbon is removed from the air, and the more oxygen is produced.

Also, a properly landscaped yard, including trees for windbreaks and shade, can save energy by warming your home or office building in the winter and keeping it cooler in the summer.

"Many people don't realize the positive impact they can have by adding plants and trees to their landscape and maintaining a healthy lawn," said Britt Wood, NALP CEO. "Landscape and lawn care



professionals help home and business owners create climate-friendly landscapes that clean the air and help save energy."

Help your yard become a climate change fighter

Follow these tips to boost your yard's climate change-fighting abilities.

Add more trees and shrubs. When you plant more trees, plants and shrubs in your yard, you are not only sequestering carbon, you are also producing oxygen and cleaning and filtering the air you breathe.

Ensure that your lawn is healthy. Turfgrass is excellent at capturing carbon and turning it into organic matter that improves soil quality. Keep your lawn healthy to capture more carbon and filter storm-

water. If you aren't sure how to improve your soil conditions or build stronger turfgrass, consult a lawn care expert who can help determine a care plan for your particular grass variety and soil quality.

Plant trees in the right spots. By planting trees and screening shrubs that help block the prevailing winds, you'll reduce the impact of the wind on your house, keeping it warmer in winter. And, by planting shade trees in the right places, you can cool your home in the summer.

Make the right plant choices. By choosing plants adapted to your particular climate zone and planting them in their ideal growing conditions (full sun, shade or partial shade), they will

thrive and use less water to maintain. If you aren't sure which plants are best for your yard, consult a landscape professional.

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Age-Old Real Estate Selling Tips to Ignore

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Homeowners planning to sell their home tend to get unsolicited advice from every direction. "Do this," "don't do that"; it can be difficult to decipher the good from the bad advice. As homebuyers become more informed and market-savvy, knowing which age-old advice to ignore can be important. Here are some adages which should be retired immediately.

•Spring is the best time to sell - While spring is traditionally when home sales tick upward, the real key to selling is inventory levels, which typically oc-

cur other times of the year.

•The first offer is always the best - While all offers should be considered, don't feel pressured to take a sub-par offer just because it was the first.

•Open houses sell houses - Not anymore. Only 2% of homes sell as the direct result of an open house, according to the National Association of Realtors®. Virtual tours and online photos will attract more interest than foot traffic.

•Price high so there is room to negotiate - Homebuyers are more sophisticated about pricing and will not bother with overpriced homes.

•If you don't want to make repairs then lower your price - Unless you market your home as a fixer-upper, buyers expect the home to be in reasonable condition and a low price might not be enough to encourage an offer.

•You must update your kitchen to sell - Buyers do love renovated kitchens, but keep in mind that you typically recover only 81% of the cost of a remodel when selling. Selling a home is a major life decision.

Before you begin the process of listing your home, do your research and make sure the advice you rely on is valid in today's changing environment.

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Are you thinking of putting your home on the market?

Guest Columnist

Suzi Korsmo, Cavers Realty



Are you thinking of putting your home on the market this year? Are you wondering "where the heck do I start"? As an experienced Real Estate Agent, I am here to tell you that the first step you need to take is to call an agent so they can explain how the entire process works, what YOU need to do to prepare and what THEY will do for you from the day you sign the listing agreement to the day you hand over your keys to the new buyer.

Believe me, there is a lot that happens along the way and a good agent

will educate every step of the way. In the meantime, here are a few of my tips that can get you started in preparing your home for sale.

1. **DE-CLUTTER EVERYTHING!** Prospective buyers want to see how much SPACE you have, not how much STUFF you have. Clean out closets, fold towels and blankets neatly so your space seems organized. A good rule of thumb is to remove half of what is in your closets and store the rest. Clear off countertops and bookshelves.

2. **REFRESH!** Make sure there isn't any chipping or peeling paint anywhere (a requirement for government

loans). Do windows have torn screens?

Could your kitchen or bathroom use new cabinet hardware or new appliances? Is it time to repaint the emerald green living room? Do a DEEP C

3. **CHECK YOUR LIGHTING!** Simple: UPGRADE OUTDATED FIXTURES. Make sure you have working light bulbs in every fixture.

4. **CURB APPEAL** is the buyer's first impression, make sure it's a good one! Paint or replace the front door/steps. Buy a nice welcome mat.

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curately and get potential problems solved if you need to contact the company's help center or call in a pro.

Lay out your bathroom design. Utilize basic tools to help plan the layout of your bathroom. For example, spreadsheets can provide a clear view of how designs

will come together. Keep in mind, just because something looks good on paper does not necessarily mean it will be perfect in reality. It's important to be flexible and make necessary adjustments as you go. Having a layout to guide you will be essential to keeping track of what does and does not work.

Create a timeline
How long would this

project take a professional to do? Research the amount of time it would take a professional to complete your project online through online articles and videos. Then take this number and add about 2 additional weeks since you're going the DIY route. If you're trying to hit a specific deadline, make sure to give yourself some wiggle room to account

for unexpected delays as well.

Save materials

If you have a little extra material or a product that went untouched, save it. This could include flooring, tile, paint and more. These items can come in handy in the future if you need to make a repair or can be repurposed for another aspect of your bathroom remodel.

How Can Women Overcome Obstacles to Financial Security?

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On March 8, we observe International Women's Day, a celebration of the social, economic, cultural and political achievements of women. Of course, women still tend to encounter more obstacles than men in the pursuit of financial security. Let's consider a few of them.

To begin with, women are still more likely to leave the workforce, at least temporarily, to raise children, resulting in lower contributions to employer-sponsored retirement plans such as 401(k)s. And women are often the ones who become full-time caregivers of aging parents or other relatives. Caregiving duties can exact a big financial toll: The lost wages, pensions (including 401(k)s and similar plans) and Social Security benefits that a woman loses to become a full-time caregiver amount to more than \$300,000 over her lifetime,

according to the National Academy of Sciences.

Women also may be more susceptible to financial downturns. Consider the COVID-19 pandemic: Just a few months ago, in December, women lost 156,000 jobs, while men gained 16,000, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, which also reported that women accounted for 54% of the jobs lost from the pandemic in 2020.

And women are not unaware of their circumstances and outlook. Just 41% of women are confident about retirement, compared with 56% of men, according to a survey by Edward Jones and Age Wave.

But if you're a woman, you can take steps to help improve your financial outlook. Here are a few suggestions:

Take full advantage of retirement plans. If you are still working and your employer offers a 401(k)

or similar retirement plan, take full advantage of it. Put in as much as you can afford each year and increase your contributions when your salary goes up. Also, within your plan, you'll want to choose the mix of investments that can help provide the most growth potential, given your individual risk tolerance. Also, even if you contribute to a 401(k) or similar plan, you may also be eligible to fund an IRA, which gives you even more investment choices.

Evaluate your Social Security options. You can typically start taking Social Security benefits when you're 62, but your monthly checks will be much larger if you wait until your "full" retirement age, which will likely be between 66 and 67. You might also consider whether you'd be better off by taking spousal benefits, if you're married and your spouse earned more

money than you. You're generally even eligible for spousal benefits if you are divorced, as long as you were married at least 10 years and you haven't remarried.

Look for unexpected income opportunities. Even after you've formally retired, you may still find ways to receive some earned income. Perhaps you can work part time or do some consulting. And if you're a caregiver, you might be able to receive some compensation for your work. Many local governments pay non-spouse caregivers who act as personal attendants, although the rules vary greatly by state and county. These certainly aren't the only ways you can improve your financial status, but they may prove useful to you. In any case, be aware of the challenges facing you and do whatever you can to brighten your future.

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Sad news

The number of monarch butterflies at their

winter roosting grounds in central Mexico decreased by about 26% this year after many trees were lost to illegal logging, drought and other causes. The butterflies' population covered 5.2 acres in 2020, compared to 6.9 acres in 2019 and 14.95 acres in 2018. Monarchs cluster densely in pine and fir trees, making it easier to count them by area than individually. Scientists estimate 15 acres of forest canopy is needed to sus-

tain the monarch population.

Q&A

"Do voles come into houses?" Voles want to stay outside, prefer eating plant materials and don't do well indoors. They rarely enter houses.

"Why are they called ruffed grouse?" The name "ruffed" came from the long, shiny, black- or chocolate-colored neck feathers most prominent on the male.

"Does a bird have a

voice box?" A bird has a syrinx, a sound-producing organ, that's the equivalent of a voice box. It's at the junction of the two bronchi or air tubes leading to the lungs. This gives the syrinx two potential sound sources, one in each bronchus. The separate membranes on each bronchus produce independent sounds, which can be mixed to produce a variety of sounds.

"Why are the squirrels removing bark from a

tree in my yard?" Squirrels strip the bark from thin-barked trees because that bark is easier to remove than thick bark. The squirrels might use the bark to line their nests. Bark removal exposes a tree's cambium layer, which holds nutrients and sugars produced by the tree. That provides food for hungry squirrels in winter and early spring when other food sources are less readily available. Chewing on the bark of a tree helps

keep squirrels' teeth in good shape.

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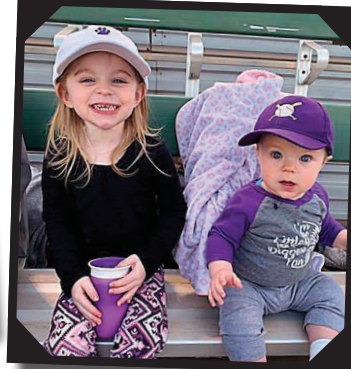
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Mrs. Pfingsten's 3rd grade class at Fairmont Elementary School enjoyed a fun afternoon of snowshoeing on Friday, February 19.



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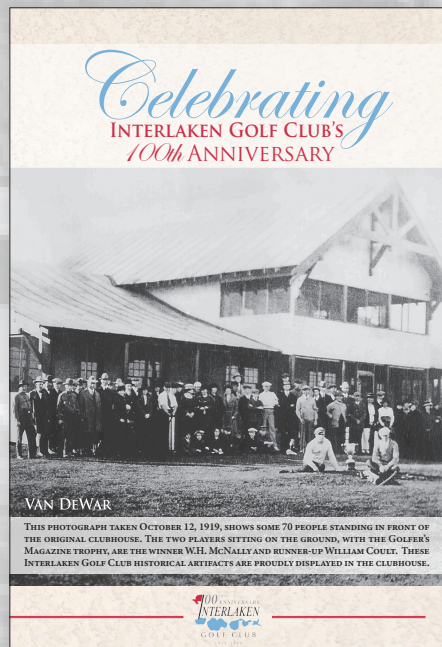


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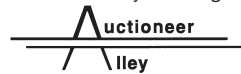
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Fairmont council green lights improvement plan, bonds

By Judy Bryan, Freelance Journalist

Following a public hearing which drew no comments from citizens, the Fairmont City Council gave unanimous approval to a five-year capital improvement plan including a new public works building at a special meeting on Wednesday, Feb. 24. The council also gave total support to a preliminary approval of bonds to cover the cost of the \$9.8 million building.

The action created a seeming juxtaposition to the council's 3-2 vote at its regular meeting just two days earlier. That vote blocked awarding bids for the estimated \$7.5 million in construction costs of the public works building.

Jessica Green, managing director of public finance for Northland Securities, the city's bond representative, told the council that capital improvement bonds can be used only to finance facilities for essential services, such as a city hall or public works building. She outlined Fairmont's specific plan which reviewed the condition of the current public works building, the overlapping debt of \$22 million for county and school district projects, a relatively unchanged operating debt with a new building and the lack of options for combining or sharing such a facility.

The capital improvement bonding process has a 30-day waiting period following the public hearing so bids, even if they had been

approved by the council on Feb. 22, could not be awarded until March 24 providing there was no petition filed requesting a public vote on issuing the bonds.

In order to create a public vote, a petition must be signed by 5 percent of the voters casting ballots in the city's last general election which, in this case, would be 265 valid signatures.

Approving the five-year capital improvement plan and the preliminary approval of the bond sale does not guarantee construction of the public works building but creates a framework to be able to finance the building within the next two years.

The construction bids received by the city are valid for 60 days.

The city has anticipated the need for a new building for several years and increased the levy the past two years, setting aside about \$2.5 million, to cover repayment on 15-year general obligation bonds at an estimated 3 percent interest rate, a method normally used to finance such a building. However, the city's financial advisors indicated that 30-year bonds at 1.5 percent would be a wiser option.

By stretching out payments at a lower interest rate, no additional levy increases would be needed to pay off the bonds.

The council will discuss options at its next regular meeting at 5:30 p.m. March 8.

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BLOCKER SAVE – Cards Hadley Artz used her blocker to deflect Windom's Toria Robillard shot as teammate Madyson Fredin trails the play. Artz had 33 saves for the Cards (3-8) in the contest. The Eagles (4-8) upended the Cards 4-2 last Tuesday night. Courtesy fairmontsports.com



SHORT JUMPER – Cardinals Bryn Miller shoots between the Saints #22 Abby Maloney and Josie Wiebusch. Miller had 13 points in the Cards (7-4) 51-42 win over St. Peter (8-5) last Friday night. Courtesy fairmontsports.com

SMOTHERING DEFENSE – The Jaguars #5 Brooke Grathwohl looks to pass to teammate Michaelah Petrowiak who's closely guarded by the Cards Cassidy Schultz. The Cardinals defeated Granada-Huntley-East-Chain/Truman/Martin Luther 57-23 last Thursday night. Courtesy fairmontsports.com



STRIKE THE POSE – The Cardinals dance team performed Friday night at halftime of the Cards vs St. Peter game. Courtesy fairmontsports.com

Fairmont Hockey results

Fairmont's **Pee Wee B** Cardinals hockey team lost to the New Ulm Sleepy Eye team 5-1 on Saturday, February 6th in Fairmont. The Fairmont **Pee Wee B** Cardinals then lost to Worthington, in Worthington, 10-1 the following day.

The Fairmont **Squirts White** team lost to the Marshall Orange team, 7-1 at Fairmont, on Saturday, February 13. The Squirts team then lost to New Ulm Sleepy Eye 9-0 at home.

The Fairmont **Squirts White** team lost to Marshall White 9-5 on Sunday, February 14th, at home.

The Fairmont **Girls 10U** hockey team defeated Luverne 14-0 at home on Saturday, February 13th. The Fairmont team is 7-3.

The **REMAX Bantam B** hockey team traveled to Windom Saturday for a district game and were defeated 4-1. Barret Scholl scored the only goal with an assist from Mathew Cone. Goalie Ilana Moeller had 28 saves.

On Sunday the **Bantam B** team traveled to Marshall for a district game and defeated them 5-1. Jace Tevelde had 4 of REMAX's goals with 2 assists coming from Tyson Pankow, 1 from Mathew Cone and 1 unassisted goal. Jace Prindle had 1 unassisted goal. Goalie Isaiah Lockwood had 21 saves.

The Fairmont **Squirts White** team tied with New Ulm/Sleepy Eye in a match on Saturday.

The Cardinal **Girls 10U** hockey team defeated New Ulm/Sleepy Eye 11-1 on Saturday. The Fairmont girls are now 8-3.



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