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celebrated his 94th Birthday on October 11th. Cards can be sent to: 664 160th Street, Sherburn, MN 56171



80TH BIRTHDAY
An 80th birthday for Karon Johnson will be celebrated on Saturday, October 23rd at 116 W. Christina St. Please join Karon and family for an Open House from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. No gifts please.



60TH ANNIVERSARY

Rod and Diane Palmquist of Fairmont will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary on Thursday. They were married October 14, 1961. Cards and anniversary wishes will reach them at 2905 Lynn St., Fairmont, MN 56031.



THE GRANADA HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1970 recently held its 50th Reunion on September 18th, 2021, at Tami's on the Avenue in Fairmont. The last class to graduate from Granada before combining with Huntley, the Class of 1970 had 30 graduates, 19 attended all 12 years of school together at Granada and 12 attended the Reunion. Back Row L to R: Mike Egness, Mark Vander Ploeg, Richard Murphy, Gaylen Short, Eugene Voyles, Kevin Thate and Brian Brockman. Front Row L to R: Jeanne (Maday) Mortensen, Cheryl (Hanson) Satre, Diane (Smith) Hedberg, Lenore (Colby) Waldschmidt and Julie (Rebel) DuBois. Photo by Lorna Vander Ploeg

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Obituary Notices



Marion L. Peterson, 92

Funeral services for Marion L. Peterson, 92, of Fairmont, MN, were held on Tuesday, October 12, 2021, at Lakeview Funeral Home in Fairmont. Burial followed the service in Fairview Memorial Park Cemetery in Fairmont. Marion passed away Sunday, October 3, 2021, at the Lakeview Methodist Health Care Center in Fairmont. Those wishing to view the service are asked to use the following link: <https://client.tribucast.com/tcid/4778909084>

The Lakeview Funeral Home and Cremation Service of Fairmont is assisting the family with arrangements.

Marion Lorraine (Armstrong) Peterson was born on December 29, 1928, in Sioux Valley Township, rural Jackson County, MN, the daughter of L. Earl and Ella W. (Schlapkohl) Armstrong. At the age of 4, Marion moved with her family to Fairmont where she received her education and graduated from Fairmont High School with the class of 1947.

Marion held various jobs before enrolling in the inaugural class at Jack-

son Vocational/Technical College where she earned her bookkeeping degree. She then worked at various businesses in Fairmont where she worked in bookkeeping and accounting.

On February 24, 1967, Marion was united in marriage to Harold V. "Skip" Peterson in Fairmont, MN.

Marion was a member of the auxiliary of both the Martin County Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1222 and the American Legion Post 36. She had a passion for golf and spent many perfect summer days on the course at Rose Lake Golf Course where she was also a member. Marion had

a green thumb and loved tending to her flowers and creating beautiful arrangements with things grown in her garden. Friends and family looked forward to stopping by her home for a visit and to play cards and Marion was sure to have some fresh homemade cookies always on hand.

Left to cherish her memory are her children, Nancy Starkey and Donald Jorgenson and his wife, Denise; twelve grandchildren; twenty-two great-grandchildren; seven great-great-grandchildren; and two great-great-great-grandchildren; son-in-law, Duane Murray; as well as

many nieces, nephews, extended family, and friends.

Marion was preceded in death by her parents, L. Earl and Ella Armstrong; husband, Harold "Skip" Peterson; an infant daughter, Renee; son, Jerry Jorgenson; daughter, Jeannie Murray; grandson, Todd Murray; son-in-law, Chet Starkey; brothers, Donald Armstrong and Kenneth Armstrong; and two sisters, Dorothy Pederson and Doris McDonald.

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Edith "Edie" L. Martinson, 92

Funeral Service for Edith "Edie" L. Martinson, age 92, of Fairmont, MN, were held on Saturday, October 9, 2021, at Grace Lutheran Church in Fairmont. Interment will take place at a later date in Cannon Falls, MN. Edie passed away on Monday, October 4, 2021, at Vista Prairie at Goldfinch Estates in Fairmont, MN. The Lakeview Funeral Home and Cremation Service in Fairmont is assisting the family with

arrangements.

Edith Lois (Koch) Martinson was born on October 31, 1928, in Randolph, MN. She was the daughter of Alfred and Selma (Parsons) Koch. She attended Randolph public schools and graduated from Randolph High School as the class Valedictorian.

On September 11, 1948, Edie was united in marriage to Oliver Martinson in Cannon Falls, MN. The couple resided in Faribault,

MN, before moving to Fairmont, MN, in 1957. This union was blessed with six children, Larry, Pat, Randy, Dee Dee, Ron, and Linda.

Edie was a member of Grace Lutheran Church in Fairmont. She worked as a telephone operator from 1946 to 1949. Edie later began working at Ronnie's Restaurant, the Sirloin House and the Sweet Shop in Fairmont before becoming owner and operator of Edie's restaurant in Fair-

mont.

During her free time, Edie enjoyed crossword puzzles, quilting, and crocheting. Most recently, she loved watching Twins baseball.

Left to cherish her memory include her children, Larry (Mary Jane) Martinson, Pat (Byron) Bliesmer, Randy (special friend, Norma) Martinson, and Dee Dee (Gary) Terhark; 12 grandchildren; 14 great grandchildren; 6 great-

great grandchildren; and many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. Along with her parents, Alfred and Selma Koch, Edie was preceded in death by her daughter, Linda Davison; son, Ron Martinson; brother, William Koch; and sister-in-law, Althea Koch; and granddaughter Erica Carrier.

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Ryan C. Adams, 37

A celebration of life service for Ryan C. Adams, 37, of Ledyard, IA, was held on Friday, October 8, 2021, at the Chain of Lakes Yacht

Club in Fairmont, MN. A private family burial will be held at a later date. Ryan passed away Saturday, October 2, 2021, as result of a farming accident. The Lakeview Funeral Home and Cremation Service of Fairmont is assisting the family with arrangements.

On August 29, 1984, Ryan Chad Adams blessed the earth with his presence when he was born in Fairmont, MN, the son of Byron Adams and Jackie (Schwieger) Hall. His flamboyant nature and love of pushing boundaries was evident in his youth and he loved the adventures that came from life out on the farm. Ryan attended school in Granada and graduated from Gra-

nada High School with the class of 2003. During this time, Ryan earned the nickname of Pickles and was fondly call "Pickles" wherever he went. Following his graduation, Ryan attended Iowa Lakes Community College where he studied diesel mechanics. After earning his degree, Ryan returned to Granada where he helped farm.

Ryan loved the outdoors and looked forward to yearly hunting trips. On one such bear hunting trip to Grand Marias, MN, Ryan met his most formidable hunting challenge when he met Heather Smith. The couple hit it off and learned they lived within a few miles of each other and

soon started dating. On September 29, 2007, Ryan and Heather were united in marriage at Grace Lutheran Church in Fairmont, MN. Together the couple would make their home on a farm near East Chain, MN, and would later move to Ledyard, IA, where they were blessed with two children, Ryder and Ayden.

Ryan lived by the motto of work hard and play hard. He was incredibly talented at fixing things no matter if it was electronics or completely tearing down a dirty diesel engine and rebuilding it to run perfectly, he could fix it. Ryan owned and operated Adams Ag LLC and sold seed to area farmers and was also

owner and operator of B&R Pork and Pumping. Ryan even dabbled in making his own beer that he and his many friends enjoyed trying and sharing laughs over. He treasured spending time with his family made many fond memories fishing, camping, and even bouncing across the field in the tractor. Ryan was extremely proud of his two sons, Ryder and Ayden and loved his wife of 14 years, Heather. His passion for life and adventure and his mischievous smile will be greatly missed by those who loved him and called him a friend.

Left to cherish his memory is his wife, Heather Adams; sons, Ryder and

Ayden; father, Byron Adams; mother, Jackie Hall; three sisters, Kamela (Matt) Stadler, Kasey Adams, Makayla Hall; many nieces and nephews; aunts and uncles, Donald (Linda) Adams, Karla (Berry) Bell, Ernest (MaryAnn) Adams, Karen Adams, and John (Sue) Schwieger; as well as many cousins, extended family and friends.

Ryan was preceded in death by his grandparents, Betty Lou Schwieger, Vince and Elizabeth Schwieger, and Donald and Florence Adams; baby niece, Braelyn Stadler; and father-in-law, David "Toots" Smith.

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Howard D. Abel, 86

Memorial Service for Howard D. Abel, age 86, of Welcome, MN was held on Monday, October 11, 2021, at the Lakeview Funeral Home Chapel in Fairmont.

Howard passed away Tuesday morning, October 5, 2021, at his home in rural Welcome. The Lakeview Funeral Home and Cremation Service in Fairmont is assisting the family with arrangements.

Howard Duane Abel was born on October 29, 1934, in East Chain, MN. He was the son of Charles

and Elda (Rosenberg) Abel. Howard attended East Chain public schools and later graduated from Welcome High School in 1954.

On June 24, 1977, Howard was united in marriage to Eileen Spidahl in Welcome, MN. The couple resided on the family farm where they were blessed with three children, Jodi, Lisa, and Kevin. Howard and Eileen shared forty-four years together.

Howard was a life-long dairy farmer and also harvested crops and farmed

with his brother, Edwin. He shared his love of farming as a member of 4-H with his brother, Norman. Throughout the years, Howard also worked at Glasstite in Dunnell for twenty years as well at Nelson Ice Cream.

When Howard wasn't fishing or hunting, he could be found with his brothers and sisters playing cards, especially Solo. He enjoyed watching western movies and Twins baseball along with going to casinos. Howard and Eileen were

able to travel to almost all fifty states including Hawaii and Alaska as well as a trip to Australia. Howard also loved spreading some Christmas joy by singing "Jingle Bells"...all year long. He most loved any time he was able to spend with his family.

Along with his parents, Charles and Elda Abel, Howard was preceded in death by his parents-in-law, Melrin and Inga Spidahl; brothers, Irvin Abel and his wife, Fay, and Walter Abel and his wife, Caro-

lyn; brothers-in-law, William Koons, John Reigel, Joseph Altman, Gerald Spidahl and his wife, Julie and George Decoteau; sisters-in-law, Rita Abel, Sue Abel, Millie Lang and her husband, Sylvester, and Lillian Evenhus and her husband, Gordon; nephews, Michael Abel and Jeffrey Abel.

Memorials are preferred to the Lutz Cancer Center in Fairmont or to UHD Home Health and Hospice.

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Stephen J. Young, Jr., 83

Services for Stephen "Popeye" J. Young Jr., 83, of Fairmont, MN, will be 2:00 p.m. Friday, October 15th, 2021, at the Lakeview Funeral Home in Fairmont. Burial will be held at a later date. Visitation will be two hours prior to the time of service from 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. Friday, October

15, 2021, at the Lakeview Funeral Home. Stephen passed away Sunday, October 3, 2021, at his home in Fairmont. The Lakeview Funeral Home and Cremation Service of Fairmont is assisting the family with arrangements.

Stephen "Popeye" Johnston Young Jr. was born on May 26, 1938, in South Carolina, the son of Stephen Sr. and Mildred (Smith) Young. As a young

boy, Stephen moved with his family to Pennsylvania where he received his education.

Stephen loved the open road and enjoyed working as an over the road truck driver. His abilities behind the wheel brought him to Fairmont, MN, where he helped Bettin Trucking during the construction of I-90.

While working in Fairmont, Stephen met Barba-

ra Schultz and the couple was married on January 9, 1977, at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Fairmont. Together the couple was blessed with three children, Jason, Jennifer, and Josh.

In his spare time, Stephen enjoyed fishing, camping, and working on cars.

Left to cherish his memory is his wife, Barbara Young; children, Josh Young, Jennifer Young, and Jason Young; eleven

grandchildren; as well as many brothers, sisters, extended family, and friends.

Stephen was preceded in death by his parents, Stephen Sr. and Mildred Young; father-in-law and mother-in-law, Herman and Martha Schultz; as well as many other family.

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Joyce H. Kabe, 90

Funeral Services for Joyce H. Kabe, age 90, of Fairmont, MN will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, October 16th, 2021 at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Fairmont. Burial will be held at Lakeside Cemetery in Fairmont following the service. Visitation will be held 5:30

p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on Friday, October 15th, 2021 at Lakeview Funeral Home in Fairmont and will continue for one hour prior to the service at the church on Saturday. Those wishing to view a live stream of the service may do so at www.splfairmont.org or on St. Paul Lutheran Church's Facebook page. Joyce was called to her heavenly home from her farm home on Thursday, October 7th, 2021. Memorials may be given to St. Paul Lutheran Church in Fairmont or Martin Luther High School. The Lakeview Funeral Home in Fairmont is assisting the family with arrangements.

Joyce Helen Christophel was born June 25th, 1931 on a farm north of Alpha, MN, Jackson County, daughter of Viola Mae (King) and Benjamin H. Christophel. She was baptized August

23rd, 1931 in the First Presbyterian Church of Alpha and was also confirmed there in 1945.

She grew up on farms and attended two country schools - District 93 in Jackson County, and District 56 in Martin County, then attended Sherburn High School, graduating in 1949. She then worked in the office of the Minnesota Egg Corp in Jackson, Minnesota until her marriage to Kenneth Kabe on February 25th, 1951 at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Fairmont because St. Paul's Lutheran Church was being built and was not completed. Rev. O. F. Krause officiated the ceremony and the reception was held in the St. Paul's Lutheran Church basement. Joyce joined St. Paul's after completing the Adult Instruction Class on March 16, 1951.

They first lived on a farm west of Sherburn and later on farms by Dunnell and Guckeen, and then to the farm north of Fairmont that has been her home for the past 58 (as of fall 2021) years.

Joyce was an active worker at St. Paul's Church and school. She was a member of Clara Circle since 1965, served on the Wedding Committee 11 years, and the Altar Guild for 21 years. She was a 4-H Sewing Project Leader over 20 years, and also kept busy with the gardening, canning and field work, and loved to sew in her spare time. Joyce enjoyed traveling when possible to relatives in the States and to other areas of interest. The trip to Indonesia when Roxane, Steve and girls were living there was very special and educational. A great enjoyment in

her later years was holding her newborn grandchildren and great grandchildren and then watching them play together as they grew. Kenneth and Joyce were also blessed with a large family during their 63 years of a faithful marriage before Kenneth was called to his eternal home on Oct. 8, 2014.

Left to cherish Joyce's memory are five children, Roxane (Steven) Malecek of Plano, TX, Randall (Jean) Kabe of Fairmont, MN, Larry (Louise) Kabe of Manawa WI, Kathryn (Chris) Carlson of Fairmont, MN, and Nancy (James) Bahr of Brandon, SD, 13. Grandchildren: Julie (Brandon) Crow-ell, Rachel (Robert) Meltzer, Jason (Sarah) Mosley, Cameron Kabe, Ashley Mosley, Jessica (Mark) Anderson, Justin Kabe (friend Kandis),

Jenna Lee (Clint) Marcy, Kyle (Kelly) Kabe, Tonya Mortensen (friend Ryan), Chad (Tonya) Carlson, Benjamin Carlson (friend Celia) and Jamielee Bahr. Also 23 Great Grandchildren, plus many nieces, nephews, and friends.

Joyce was preceded in death by her husband, Kenneth Kabe, parents Ben and Viola Christophel, brother and sisters Elsie (Rudy) Grunst, Alice (Levern) Benjamin, Lila (Jesse Paige) Prior, Harvey (Bernice) Christophel, Zola (Leroy) Hranicka, niece Marlene Prior, and grandson-in-law, Ryan Mortensen: sister-in-laws Shirley Meyer, Joyce and Steve Davis, and in-laws Ruth and Art Kabe, and Harold Danberg.

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Mary Jane Olson, 85

A private family service will be held for Mary Jane Olson, 85, of rural Sherburn, MN at Kramer Funeral Home, with Pastor Kay Rohloff officiating. Burial will be at First Lutheran Cemetery, rural Trimont, MN. Mary was called to her eternal rest on October 6th, 2021 at St. Mary's Hospital in Rochester, MN. The date for a public Celebration of Life for Mary will be announced. Personal words of comfort may be sent online at www.kramerfuneralhome.com

Mary was born October

30th, 1935, at home in Galeana Township, rural Trimont, MN, to Elmer and Bernice (Junker) Hilgendorf. She was baptized and confirmed at Immanuel Lutheran Church, Galeana Township. She grew up on the family farm and went to District 115 country school in Waverly Township through 8th grade. She graduated from Triumph-Monterey High School in 1953. She attended Mankato State College for two years before she married. Thirty years later, in 1989, she did return to get her B.S. in Home Economics from Minnesota State University.

On December 18th, 1955, Mary married Floyd Olson at the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Galeana Township. In 1957, they returned to rural Trimont to farm with her father. In 1959, they bought land and a rustic old house in Elm Creek Township. Floyd promised Mary a new house in 10 years but instead, moved his family home to their farm in 1962. They enjoyed a good life farming with their children Gala, Vicki, Steve and Linda. Mary was more

than a "farm wife," she was a farm-er, driving tractor, doing field work, hauling grain with the semi-truck. In between, she made meals, washed clothes, and cared for her family. She was an amazing mom, always the positive one, offering words of encouragement, but also giving a kick in the butt when appropriate. After "retirement," she worked part-time at the Trimont Hardware Store, Jenni Craig Weight Loss and as a para-professional at Martin County West schools where she was awarded the Friends of Education Award in 2007.

Mary did get her new house in 1998 when she and Floyd built on Fox Lake where she resided until her death. As retirees, Mary and Floyd traveled to Germany, Italy, Panama, Hawaii, and Alaska and spent winters in Arizona and Florida. She carried on Floyd's passion making "Fox Lake Wine." They fell in love with Fisherman's Wharf on Pine Island in the Florida gulf. Even after Floyd passed, she went back to enjoy many winters with her family of friends there.

Dan and Sandy, Ron and Dort, Frank and Janet, Gene and Pat, and many so many others...she loved and cherished you!

Her only sibling, Ruth, says Mary was a tomboy and was always chosen first because of her athletic ability. Mary did love sports. She enjoyed comparing her March Madness "brackets" with her grandchildren. She and Floyd rarely missed any sporting event that featured their grandchildren, all who played sports. She remained a fervent MCW Maverick fan, and treated hundreds of players to "Mary's bars." She was an avid golfer at the Fox Lake Golf Club. Even when she needed a cane, she did not give up the game.

Always a musician, she grew up playing saxophone, piano, and organ. Mary was a faithful organist at the First Lutheran Church and only declining health could force her to quit playing for church. She was a Sunday School teacher, served many roles on the WELCA and ELCA Women's group. She served on the Trimont Hos-

pital Board.

Mary loved entertaining, whether it was with her family, neighbors, classmates or her famous "wine therapy" groups which she hosted for Trimont, Sherburn, and Florida friends.

Mary is survived by her son, Steven (Deb) Olson of Trimont; daughters, Gala (Ken) Beckendorf of Nicollet and Linda Sandberg (Per Nielsen), of Windom. She leaves 12 grandchildren, Reid (Laura), Rusty (Heather), and Rod (Kayla) Olson; Jessica (Cal) Schmidt and Lindsey (Kevin) Borst; Spencer (Sam), Walker (Krista), Hunter (Missy Viesselman) Olson, Taylor (John) Elverson; and Danielle (Justin Borchardt), Nicholas and Brooke Sandberg (Clay Lindscheid); and 11

great-grandchildren, Roman, Richie, Ryan, Ahvah, Aylah, Axton, Callan, Blaine, Kennedy Olson; Julia Borchardt, and Hans Schmidt. Mary is also survived by her sister, Ruth (Irv) Weber, sisters-in-law, Marian Gottschalk and Marie Anderson; nieces and nephews; and wonderful friends of all ages.

She was preceded in death by her beloved husband, Floyd Olson, and daughter, Vicki Rosenberg; parents, Elmer and Bernice Hilgendorf; and stepmother, Catherine Hilgendorf.

In lieu of flowers, memorials will go to Mary's favorite charities: United Hospital Hospice, Martin County Relay for Life and MN Ovar Cancer Alliance.



Margery F. Schley, 82

Memorial Service for Margery F. Schley, age 82, of Dunnell, MN, will be 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 14, 2021, at St. Peter Lutheran Church in Ceylon, MN, with inurnment in Lake Belt Cemetery in rural Ceylon. Visitation will be two hours prior to the time of the service from 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 14, at St. Peter Lutheran Church. Friends are invited to join the family at Legend's II in Ceylon following the burial to celebrate and remember Margery. The family asks that people are

mindful of wearing masks and best practices in helping reduce the spread of COVID-19.

Margery passed away on Monday morning, October 11, 2021, at the Daugherty Hospice House in Sioux Falls, SD. The Lakeview Funeral Home and Cremation Service in Fairmont is assisting the family with arrangements.

Margery Fern (Sampson) Schley was born on January 13, 1939, in Estherville, IA. She was the daughter of Edwin and Rachael (Ross) Sampson. She attended Dolliver, IA, public schools and graduated from Dolliver High School in 1956.

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

Margery and Don were truly partners as well as spouses to each other. Margery worked right along side Don as they sorted and cared for cattle and hogs. When it came to field work,

Margery could be found in the combine helping with the harvest as well as just about everything else that farm work calls for. Margery and Don shared nearly sixty years together before Don passed away on February 26, 2021, just before their 60th wedding anniversary.

When she wasn't busy working with Don on the farm, Margery enjoyed being an active member of St. Peter Lutheran Church. Along with working with the ladies' aid and assisting with funeral lunches, she also made the altar coverings and other things that are still hanging in the church. Margery most loved the time she was able to spend quilting.

Left to cherish her me-

mory include her son, Gary Schley; grandchildren, Donovan Schley, Ellie Schley, and Garrett Schley; special family friend, Lisa Scheele; sister, Jeri Issacson; sisters-in-law, Lenore (Bob) Blom, and Lois Schley; brother-in-law, Marvin Schley; as well as many other extended family and friends.

Margery was preceded in death by her parents, Edwin and Rachael Sampson; husband, Donald Schley; brothers-in-law, Henry Schley, and Ralph Schley; and sister-in-law, Jeanette O'Conner.

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October 10 - Dorene L. Campbell, 98, Fairmont.



Lori L. Marushin, 58

Funeral Services for Lori Lee (Cobb) Marushin, 58,

of Fairmont, MN, will be held 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, October 14, 2021 at First Congregational United Church of Christ in Fairmont. Burial will be held following the service in Fairmont. Visitation will be held 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, October 14, 2021 at First Congregational United Church of Christ in Fairmont. The family requests that people follow the CDC recommendations of wearing masks and be mindful of social distancing.

With family at her side, Lori went to be with the

Lord Saturday evening, October 9, 2021, at Mayo Clinic Methodist Hospital Rochester, MN. The Lakeview Funeral Home and Cremation Service of Fairmont is assisting the family with arrangements.

Lori was born on February 3, 1963 at Fairmont Community Hospital, daughter of William "Bill" Willis Cobb and Judith Gayle (Mackey) Cobb. Growing up, her family lived in St. Paul and Prior Lake before Lori moved to Fairmont.

At just 16 years old, she met the love of her life,

James (Jim) Marushin. She rearranged her life to be with him and they were inseparable ever since. They married on May 11, 1985 in a private ceremony at First Congregational UCC. She completed high school in Fairmont and went on to get an Associate's Degree in Accounting from Minnesota West Community College in Jackson, MN. She worked for Redi-Haul Trailers for over 25 years in key operational roles.

The great joys of her life were her husband, Jim, and children, James, Morgan, and Jami. Lori loved being

a grandmother and spending time with friends and family. She also enjoyed road trips, crafting, fishing, sitting by the lake and cheering on her favorite sports teams.

She was preceded in death by her parents, William Cobb and Judith Cobb; brother William J. "Bill" Cobb; Jim's parents John Marushin and Ellen Marushin; Jim's siblings, John (Lynn) Marushin, Joe (Karla) Marushin, and Cindy (Will) Turcott.

Survivors include her loving husband Jim Marushin, son James (Me-

gan) Marushin, daughter Morgan (Joe) Christensen, daughter Jami (Shaun) Wahl; sister Nanette "Joey" (Doug) Beech; grandchildren Wilhelmina Marushin, Raelee Christensen, Oakley and Harley Wahl, sisters-in-law Max Wagner, Candace (Marushin) Shahan, Lynn Marushin and Karla Turcott, along with nieces, nephews and many friends.

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Roger L. Welchlin, 77

Roger Lloyd Welchlin, age 77, of Fairmont, MN, passed away at his home on Saturday, October 9, 2021, while under the care of Hospice and his family. Roger was born on August 9, 1944, in Fairmont, MN, the son of Harry and Floy (Pegla) Welchlin. He graduated from Fairmont High School in 1962 and was united in marriage to his high school sweetheart, Cheryl Mathiason, on June 10, 1965.

Following graduation, Roger continued his education, receiving a Bachelor of

Science Degree at Mankato State College (now Minnesota State University Mankato), and a Master's Degree at Drake University. Roger began his teaching career at Truman High School where he taught for two years, followed by teaching Biology and Life Science for 34 years at Fairmont High School, before retiring in 2001.

Roger enjoyed many hobbies and interests throughout his lifetime, which included hunting and fishing, a stamp collec-

tion, a very unique and fascinating rock collection, vacationing in the mountains, and as well, he graciously assisted his wife in her beautiful flower gardens.

Those grateful in having shared his life, include his wife, Cheryl, of 56 years; brother, Morris ("Mo") and wife, Sandra, of Billings, MT; two daughters, Heidi Welchlin, of Cary, NC, and Wendy Holden of Minneapolis, MN; two grandchildren, Noah Holden and his wife, Krista, of Duluth, MN, and Quinn

Holden of Ames IA; as well as many other extended family and friends.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Edward and Frieda (Reim) Peglau; parents, Harry and Floy (Pegla) Welchlin; an infant baby girl; father-in-law and mother-in-law, Raymond and Helen Mathiason; and two brothers-in-law, Joe Feldhake, and John Parcelewicz.

A private "Celebration of Life" service will be held for the family at the Lakeview Funeral Home, 205 Albion

Ave., Fairmont, MN. Visitation for family and friends will be at the Lakeview Funeral Home, from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Saturday, October 16, 2021. Casual dress is suggested.

If you wish to express your love and support in remembrance of Roger, the family suggests that memorials be made to a charity of your choice.

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"Hair" Today, Gone Tomorrow

Guest Columnist

Lenny Tvedten, Director, Martin County Historical Society



Schools and education serve as ongoing topics of discussion, opinions, and disagreements in all communities. Priorities and standards evolve. Today, controversies regarding schools seem to be centered on mandates regarding masks and vaccinations for COVID-19. However, looking back in local history the heated controversies at one time involved what was considered to be appropriate clothing and proper hair length. Those topics sparked protests, sit-ins, and somewhat heated discussions. Were these polarizing differences of opinion? Very probably, but apparently not nearly to the extent witnessed today.

In November of 1956, a Sentinel headline read "City School Officials Give 'Hitch to Students' Pants." The lead sentence to that story stated, "Fairmont junior high boys seeking that long, lean, sloppy look in blue jeans got their pants pulled up by school officials." This style of attire, according to the article, was said to be the mark of "young hoodlums" in schools of some of the larger cities and was, consequently, outlawed by Fairmont schools. The concern was that some of the boys, reportedly, were actually sitting on their belt loops. One young man at one point apparently looked down to see his

belt around his ankles! School officials quickly acknowledged that was entirely too low. The Fairmont junior high principal at that time, Gerald Barger, was quoted as saying: "I understand the so-called juvenile 'hoods' wear their trousers that way in large cities." He went on to say, "It's kind of a badge, I'm told. But it's one badge that won't be allowed in the school here." Apparently that style of trouser wear has, to some degree, met the test of time as it is sometimes seen yet today.

The school had previously banned girls' slacks or slack type clothing including Bermuda shorts. However, this was the first instance regarding what was considered offensive clothing worn by boys. The story made the following analogy regarding the low slung jeans: "Up to now a low belt meant a broken down, middle aged or elderly man using the belt to hold up a stomach that would look better inside a girdle." It would seem that this caustic description might well be viewed quite indignantly by some men seeing themselves, at least in part, as fitting a small part of that rather unflattering description.

Although this phenomenon was also reported in some other schools throughout the state, it was primarily a junior high concern locally as only two incidents

were reported at the high school. Apparently, the schools' ability to quickly crack down on this sloppy issue nipped it in the bud before it reached new lows and became "unhinged."

Moving forward to the 1970s "hippie" era, Fairmont High School experienced a sit-in protest regarding haircut policies for student athletes. The headline in the April 22, 1972, edition of the Sentinel read: "Meeting set to pursue issues raised at sit-in." The senior high students staged a sit-in on a Friday morning in April of 1972 in the gym. Included were 203 of the school's 712 students. That garnered the attention of the school administration in an attempt to develop a plan to resolve the issue. The superintendent, L. H. Baumann, suggested that the students choose a representative group to meet with the district officials to discuss the matter further in order to come up with something that would represent the town and the school in an appropriate manner. That suggestion, and others, was rejected by the students. Some of the students' comments were as follows: "I'm not going to go out for sports if I have to get my hair cut." "We need guidelines, but not in terms of hair." "Just about all the students have long hair. If athletes have shorter hair, do they really represent the

school?" Consequently, the sit-in continued and was yet to be resolved.

The following Monday seven students and four school administrators met for two and one-half hours in an attempt to resolve their differences and establish a time for a public meeting. It was finally agreed that the students would form a committee to meet with school officials in setting a future meeting time and format.

Seventeen days later on May 9, 1972, a public meeting consisting of approximately 200 attendees made up of students, school administration, and the public was held to discuss the "hairy" topic, with students barely outnumbering the public in attendance. There was considerable give and take between all sides, including a letter signed by 100 townspeople in support of the school administration's stance; however, based on that article, no definitive resolution was reached. Consequently, whether or not "hair today" would be "gone tomorrow" was not officially resolved; nevertheless, Supt. Baumann concluded that opinions expressed would be taken into consideration for the following school year.

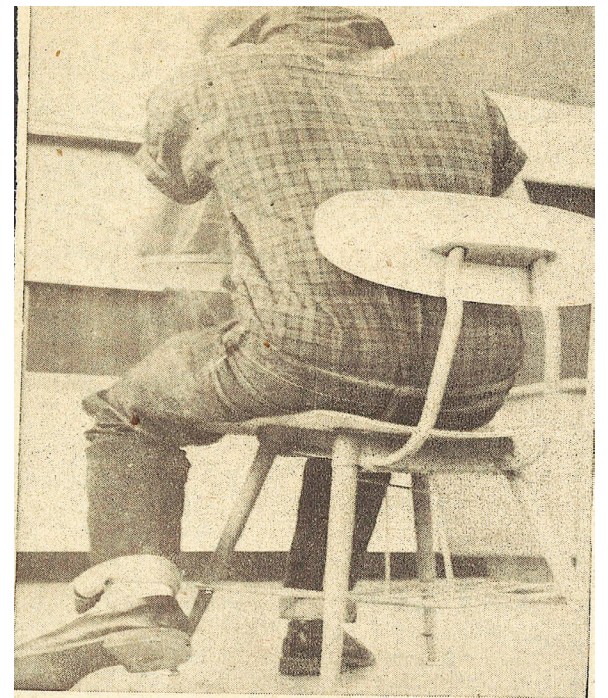
Although some may have bristled as to the discussion regarding individual coiffures, apparently, the "mane" concern pertaining to this "shaggy" conflict remained unresolved if not a bit "fuzzy." Perhaps it would have been helpful to seek the insights of the "follicular challenged" as well in order for them to get some skin, or perhaps

"scalp," in the game. Nevertheless, the two sides still seemed separated by more than a "hair" with no immediate resolution to this entanglement in sight.

The lyrics of Bob Dylan's song, "The Times They Are A-Changin'," might serve to exemplify the evolution of these issues. What was important to those living in one era may not be nearly

as significant at another time. Nevertheless, society evolves, and standards from one period in history may not necessarily be applicable to another.

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.



LOW POCKETS — Outlawed in Fairmont schools is the attire modeled here by a Fairmont student. School officials don't object to the attire exactly, they just don't like the shape of the shape. If you'll notice, the student is almost sitting on his belt loops and his pants are hanging mighty low. Objection of the school officials is that the weird dress is the mark of the young hoodlum in schools of some of the larger cities. Besides that, the pants have been known to fall off if the wearer exhales a full breath of air. (Sentinel Photo)



Part of the 200 who attended public meeting on hair hear opening remarks

Sentinel photo by Bob Schroeder

'Hairy' question remains



Fairmont Vocational Wing Groundbreaking - School Board Members - Fairmont Administration Staff - Local Financial Contributors



Fairmont Vocational Wing Groundbreaking - Fairmont District School Administration, Fairmont High School teachers and students

FREE COATS AND WINTER WEAR will be available in front of Twelve Baskets on Saturday, October 23rd from 10 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. This event is sponsored by Martin/Faribault County Disability Provider Network and Twelve Baskets. If you have gently used winter wear to donate or have any questions, please call Pat Kietzer at 507-848-5017.

Hobby artists are invited to the Red Rock Center for the Arts on Thursday, October 14th at 7 p.m., for the all new Artist's Club, a monthly networking event for artists and those interested in learning more about art. Bring a piece of artwork to share if you wish.

Ruby's Pantry returns to Sherburn

Ruby's Pantry/Sherburn distribution is Monday, October 18th from 5:30 - 7:00 p.m. We are located at Regional Worship Center, 2 Crossroads Drive in Sherburn. We are right across the road from the Kum and Go gas station. We will be having you drive through again. Ruby's Pantry is for anyone who eats. There are no income guidelines and no residential guidelines.

Help us stretch your monthly food budget. For a \$20 donation you will receive an abundance of food. Please have your trunks ready for the number of shares that you will be receiving. Follow us on Facebook, Ruby's Pantry-RWC-Sherburn. We will post the partial food list the Friday or Saturday before distribution.

To show our appreciation for all of you and our volunteers we will be serving hotdogs as you drive through until we run out. We are looking forward to serving you.

Arc Conference Cancelled

A lot of praying goes on when a loved one is hooked to a ventilator because there is nothing else you can do.

Parents of children with disabilities are too familiar with this feeling of helplessness. Because of the large increase of COVID in Martin County, The Arc Southwest has canceled our October 16 self advocacy conference at the Holiday Inn.

People with disabilities often cannot receive vaccines. If you are not yet vaccinated, please consider doing so. You will protect others and hopefully your loved ones will not have to experience your loss.

And when COVID is finally defeated, please join us at the Holiday Inn for dancing and fun. We just don't know when.

Lee Ann Erickson, The Arc Minnesota, PO Box 674, Fairmont, MN, 56031. leeannerickson@arcminnesota.org. 507 235 8580

CREST "Lunch & Learn" Event

CREST will be having a "Lunch & Learn" event on Wednesday, October 20th at 11:00 a.m. at First Lutheran Church, located at 61 Apple Street East in Trimont. The program for this month will be "Westward, Ho" and will feature pictures from the Badlands, the Big Horn Mountains, Yellowstone, and the Grand Tetons.

A meal featuring beef stew, biscuits, and an apple dessert will be served following the program. This event is open to anyone in Martin County and there is no cost to attend.

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BEV Quilters to meet

The Blue Earth Valley Quilters will hold its second meeting of the 2021-2022 program year on Monday, October 17, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. in the Blue Earth Area High School Choir Room. Please enter through Door V on the south side of the building. Dues of \$5 will be collected from those who have not yet paid.. After introductions, we will begin with show-and-tell. Our program for this meeting is Kathy Jacobson from Mankato. She will be demonstrating her method of sewing curved seams. Challenge packets for the 2022 EXPO are still available for \$15.

The Blue Earth Valley Quilters meet on the third Monday of each month (no meeting in July or December) under the umbrella of

Blue Earth Area Community Education. Each meeting consists of a brief welcome and introductions, a quilt related demonstration, show and tell, a question and answer session and a time to talk with other quilters. The Blue Earth Valley Quilters has been referred to as a guild without all the rules, a quilt discussion group, or a mini-class in quilting - it is open to everyone who enjoys quilts or quilting - quilters of all skill levels are welcome.

Dues for the 2021-2022 year are \$5. Announcements and photos can be found on Facebook under the group name Blue Earth Valley Quilters. For more information contact Jan Shaffer at 526-3979.

FACT presents "Drinking Habits" at Opera House

Fairmont Area Community Theater is proud to present its second production of the 2021-2022 season, "Drinking Habits," directed by Samantha Rosenberg. Accusations, mistaken identities, and romances run wild in this traditional, laugh-out-loud farce.

Two nuns at the Sisters of Perpetual Sewing (Ellen Germain, Christine Bauman) have been secretly making wine to keep the convent's doors open, but Paul and Sally (Josh Ensrud, Kaylee Bauman), reporters and former fiancées, are hot on their trail. They go undercover as a nun and priest, but their presence, com-

bined with the addition of a new nun (Odessa Stade), spurs paranoia throughout the convent that spies have been sent from Rome to shut them down. Wine and secrets are inevitably spilled as everyone tries to preserve the convent and reconnect with lost loves. This spectacular cast is rounded out by the talents of Lynne Burgraff, Corey Shoen, and Shawn Shoen.

Come see this delightful comedy on the Fairmont Opera House mainstage from Thursday through Saturday, October 14-16 at 7:00 p.m. and Sunday, October 17 at 2:00 p.m. Tickets are available online at fairmontoperahouse.org/tickets. General admission is \$20 and senior admission is \$15.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

You Missed It!

Many of you missed a fantastic performance on Saturday evening at our beautiful Opera House. Their depth and fullness of music was created by 2 violinists, a cello player, a guitarist, a drummer, 2 xylophone players, a vocalist on the key-board, a trumpet player and 2 more vocalists in addition to the lead - Aby Wolf. Aby's powerful voice glided between high notes and low mellow sounds.. Aby was very animated and engaged the audience. They did all original compositions. It was evident that they were filled with joy and enthusiasm just to be combining their talents to perform for a live audience.

Even though they had done a performance at Martin Luther HS and a pop-up concert at Graffiti Corner to provide an awareness of their talent and an invitation to their evening performance—the number of people in audience at the Opera House was embarrassing. If you counted, there were 12 performers which amounted to 1/3 of all present on Saturday evening.

As with any business, restaurant or entertainment venue in our town—if we don't support them, we will lose them. This leaves us with the elimination of opportunities for places to buy things we need, dining and entertainment venues. Please make a conscientious effort to attend performances at the Opera House, Red Rock, High Schools and any other entertainment opportunities right here in our town.

Supporting our Community,
Char Kahler

MCW's "Never Give Up" Night Mission Statement

Martin County West in cooperation with the volleyball parents is recognizing Monday, October 18, 2021 as "NEVER GIVE UP" night. This initiative is designed to recognize cancer awareness and raise funds for The Oncology Center at Mayo Clinic -Fairmont Community Hospital (Chemo Fund) and Relay for Life.

Dress Blue Day

On October 18th all students, staff, and the community are encouraged to dress in ROYAL BLUE to recognize "Cancer Awareness for ALL cancers."

Survivor Recognition

At the volleyball match on October 18th all interested volleyball players grades 9-12 will be introduced with a cancer survivor of their choice. This will take place immediately following the B-squad match. Cancer survivors will be admitted to the volleyball match free of charge.

Bake Sale

There will be a bake sale at the volleyball game on October 18th. Volleyball players 7-12 will provide a bake sale item to be sold that night. This will be a free will donation for bake goods.

Silent Auction

There will be a silent auction at the volleyball game on October 18th that will include the following:

1. Numerous Gift certificates
2. Maverick Gear and punch passes
3. Hand crafted items from local talent and MUCH MORE!

Volleyball Serving Competition

After the volleyball match on October 18th, fans will be encouraged to participate in a serving skills challenge with the chance to win a number of different prizes.

T-shirts

Will be sold prior to home volleyball games to raise money and promote cancer awareness. Raffle

GIVE A TEACHER A DAY OFF RAFFLE.

Winner will receive MCW Maverick clothing and a Live Fit punch pass. The winning ticket will give one teacher the day off.

Sponsored by Fairmont Foods and Live Fit. Anyone wishing to make a donation can do so in any of the school buildings or at one of the designated events. Checks can be written to: "Martin County West Cancer Survivor Night."



Facing Danger. Protecting Lives. Thanks, Firefighters.

During Fire Prevention Week, we salute the brave men and women who put their lives on the line to protect ours as firefighters. We are grateful for their selfless service, their constant courage, and their dedication to making our community and our country a safer place. May they always return home safely.

Observing Fire Prevention Month

October has been designated as National Fire Prevention Month -- a time when public service departments across America join forces to spread the word about fire safety.

Each year, the campaign focuses on a different aspect of safety, from preventing forest fires to planning an escape route during a blaze. While the campaign lasts the entire month, most police and fire departments designate the second week of October as Fire Prevention Week, during which demonstrations and expos are held in different U.S. cities.

Sponsored by the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), Fire Prevention Month

has roots that date back to The Great Chicago Fire of 1871 that killed more than 250 people and left more than 100,000 homeless. The fire, which was reportedly started in a barn, also burned more than 2,000 acres and destroyed about 17,400 structures. The three-day fire, which started October 8, did most of its damage on October 9, 1871, which is why Fire Prevention Week is always held around that date. The first National Fire Prevention Day was declared by President Woodrow Wilson in 1922, and the week-long observance is the longest running public safety and health campaign on record.

In 2000, the NFPA

extended Fire Prevention Week to include the entire month of October, and entities such as public libraries, schools and utility companies joined in to spread the word not only about fire safety and prevention, but overall personal safety.

Fire Prevention Themes

Each year, a nationwide theme is chosen and localities gear their campaigns toward it. Some of them include:

- "Learn the Sounds of Fire Safety" (2021)
- "Practice Your Escape Plan" (2007)
- "Home Cooking Fires: Watch What You Heat!" (2006)
- "Use Candles with Care - When You Go Out Blow Out!" (2005)
- "Test Your Smoke

Alarms" (2004)

• "When Fire Strikes, Get Out!" (2003)

• "Team Up For Fire Safety" (2002)

• "Cover the Bases and Strike Out Fire" (2001) October has been designated as National Fire Prevention Month -- a time when public service departments across America join forces to spread the word about fire safety.

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ALPHA FIRE DEPARTMENT



ROSTER - (Front, from left): - Curt Endreson, John Ingebrigtsen, Justin Warmka, Brandon Haley, fire explorer Riley Endreson, Travis Cain, Brian Westfall, Tim Cain and CJ Cain. **(Back):** Gary Beseke, Dave Doppenberg, Raven Cain and Cassie Westfall. Not pictured: Logan Berkness, Lois Cain, Steve Church, Tracy Ree, Adam Weets and John Weseman. (Submitted photo)

CEYLON FIRE DEPARTMENT



ROSTER - CEYLON FIRE - Dale Leiding - 43 years, Eric Muller - 32 years, Larry Kling - 32 years, Rod Jahnke - 22 years, Ellen Kling - 20 years, Travis Leiding - 18 years, Mike Lopau - 20 years, John Gibeau - 12 years, Jordan Meyer - 8 years, Jim Plumhoff - 28 years, Mike Laue - 7 years, Chuck Marlin - 7 years, Tom Plumhoff - 27 years, Matt Berhow - 5 years, Hunter Jahnke - 4 years, Carl Meier - 4 Years, Brandon Splinter - 2 year. (Submitted photo)

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FIRE SAFETY

Cooking and heating are the leading causes of home fires and fire injuries, and winter months are the peak time for fire-related deaths. With Fire Prevention Week Oct. 3-9, 2021, it's the perfect time to review and practice fire safety.

Minimize Your Risks

The good news: Deaths from home fires in the U.S. have trended downward since the 1970s, according to Injury Facts, but even one death from a preventable fire is too many. While fire doesn't discriminate by age, it is the third leading cause of death for children 1 to 14.

When cooking,

make fire safety a priority by keeping these tips in mind:

- Be alert; if you are sleepy or have consumed alcohol, don't use the oven or stovetop
- Stay in the kitchen while you are frying, grilling, boiling or broiling food
- When simmering, baking or roasting, check the food regularly, remain in the kitchen while cooking and use a timer
- Keep anything that can catch fire away from your stovetop

Heating is the second leading cause of home fires. Follow these tips from the American Red Cross:

- Keep all flammables, like paper, clothing, bedding, drapes or rugs, at least 3 feet from a space heater, stove

or fireplace

- Never leave portable heaters and fireplaces unattended; turn off heaters and make sure fire-place embers are extinguished before leaving the room
- If you must use a space heater, place it on a level, non-flammable surface, like ceramic tile, not on a rug or carpet
- Keep children and pets away from space heaters
- When buying a space heater, look for models that shut off automatically if the heater falls over

Other top causes of fire include smoking, electrical problems and candles. To minimize risks:

- Institute a "no smoking" policy in the house
- Check all cords and replace any that are frayed or

have bare wires

- Switch to flameless candles
- Keep matches and lighters high and out of children's reach in a locked cabinet

Working Smoke Alarms Are a Must

About three out of five fire deaths happen in homes without working smoke alarms. Smoke alarms are a key part of a home fire escape plan providing early warning to reduce your risk of dying in a fire. The National Fire Protection Association recommends you:

- Install smoke alarms on every level of your home, inside bedrooms and outside sleeping areas on the ceiling or high on the wall
- Keep smoke alarms away from

the kitchen, at least 10 feet from the stove, to reduce false alarms

- Use special alarms with strobe lights and bed shakers for people who are hard of hearing or deaf
- Test smoke alarms monthly
- Replace batteries in your smoke alarm and carbon monoxide detector annually
- Replace smoke alarms that are 10 or more years old

Make an Escape Plan

A home fire is reported every 88 seconds. Once the smoke alarm sounds, a fire can spread quickly, leaving only a minute or two to escape. That's why it's so important to have a home escape plan.

Start by drawing a map for your home and follow these guidelines from the NFPA:

- Plan two ways to escape from each room
- Make sure all doors and windows leading outside open easily
- Identify secondary routes: a window onto an adjacent roof or a collapsible ladder from a second floor window
- If you live in a multi-story building, plan to use the stairs – never the elevator
- Designate an outside meeting place a safe distance from the house

Now Practice Your Home Fire Escape Plan

Everyone – including children – need to know your family escape plan.

DUNNELL-LAKE FREMONT FIRE DEPARTMENT



ROSTER - Alan Helmers-40 years; Terry Helmers-36 years; Robert Sathoff-31 years; Krissy Heifner-14 years; Jim Fitzgerald-13 years; Charles Brantner-13 years; Taylor Forsberg-12 years; Sami Jo Helmers Nelson-11 years; Kurt Nelson-8 years; Beth Heifner-5 years; Tyler Zebedee-5 years. Missing: Mycah Bliesemer; Amy Howard - 1 year; Bob Sathoff.

FAIRMONT FIRE DEPARTMENT



ROSTER - FRONT ROW: Josh Horst 6 yrs, Tom Hilpiper 13 yrs, Tim Miller 1st LT. 11 yrs, Tyler Osborn 2 yrs, David Paradis 6 yrs, Dan Nawrocki 16 yrs, Bryan Kastning Assistant Chief 15 yrs, Matt Streit 7 yrs, Luke Cyphers 19 yrs, Steve Geiger 11 yrs, James Freeman 26 yrs, Rob Iverson 2nd LT 6 yrs. MIDDLE ROW: Jim Aust 44 yrs, Mark Drever 8 yrs, Collin Bewely 6 yrs, Bill Brooks 1 yr, Paul Hargan 14 yrs. BACK ROW: Roger Carlson 46 yrs, Cade Hartwig 10 yrs, Reed Wokasch 8 yrs, Sam Cress 6 yrs, Dan Stensland 3 yrs, Shawn Weiderhoeft 7 yrs, Colby Whitmore Captain 6 yrs, Jeff Miller 14 yrs, Brandon Scott Chief 19 yrs, Chris Toomer 13 yrs, Ross Campbell 7 yrs, Andy Sodersten 1 yr. (Submitted photo)



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- Practice getting out with eyes closed, crawling low to the floor and keeping your mouth covered
- Practice closing doors behind you
- Practice how to “stop, drop and roll” if your clothes catch on fire
- Practice testing door handles to see if they are hot before opening them
- Teach children never to hide and how to escape on their own in case you can’t help them

When and How to Use Fire Extinguisher
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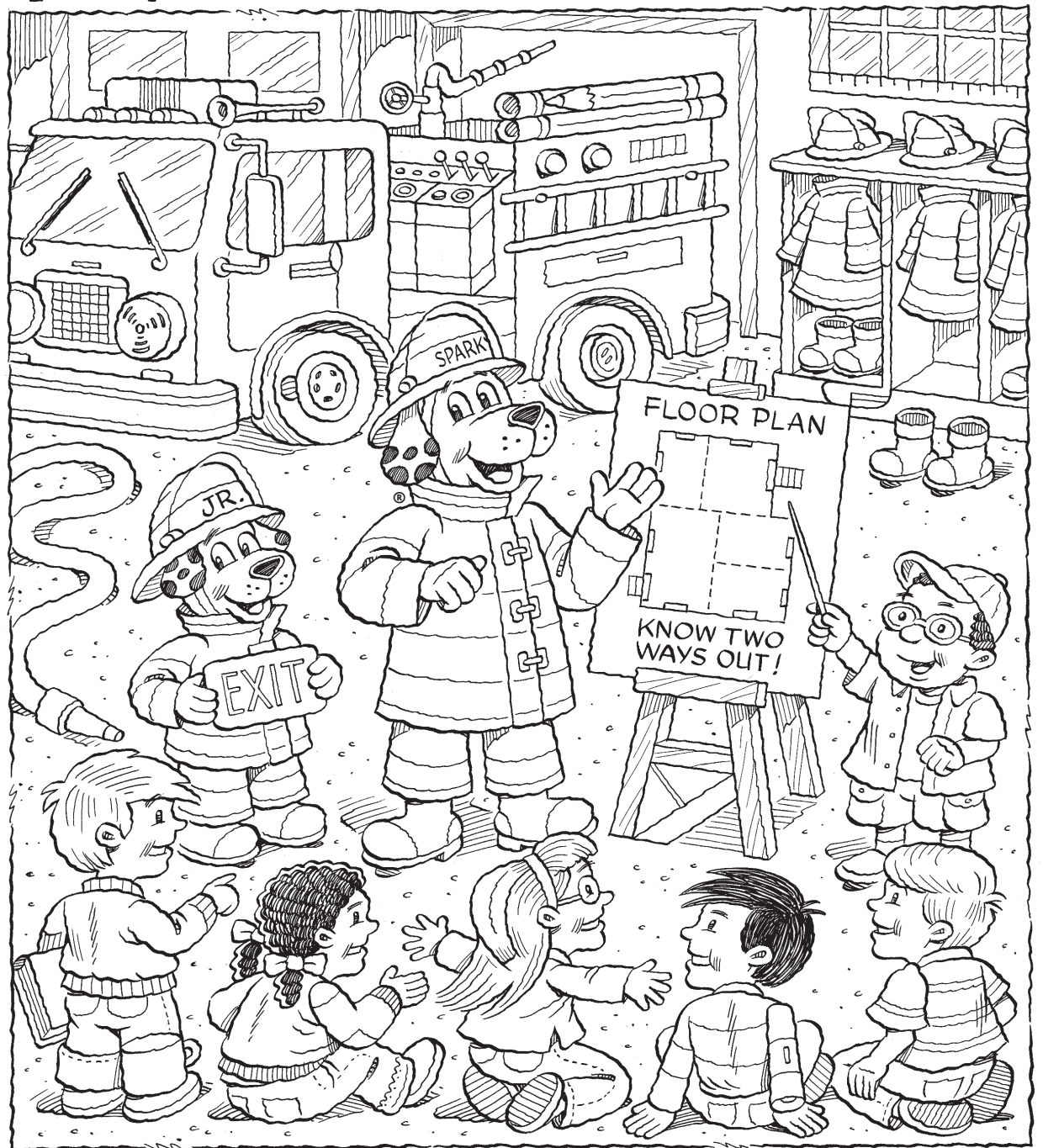
safety first; if you are not confident in your ability to use a fire extinguisher, get out and call 9-1-1. The American Red Cross cautions you to evaluate the situation and ensure:

- Everyone has left or is leaving the home
- The fire department has been called
- The fire is small, not spreading, and there is not much smoke
- Your back is to an exit you can use quickly
- You remember the acronym PASS:

Pull the pin.
Aim low at the base of the fire.
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WHAT TO DO AFTER YOUR HOME IS DAMAGED BY FIRE

The notion that their homes could be damaged if not destroyed by fire is something many homeowners find unimaginable. But fires damage homes every day across the globe, which only underscores the importance of knowing how to respond should your home be engulfed in flames.

According to the National Fire Protection Agency, local fire departments responded to an estimated 1.3 million fires in the United States in 2019. Fires also pose a threat in Canada, where the insurance provider SGI Canada reports that there

are roughly 24,000 house fires each year.

Installing and maintaining fire alarms can help prevent house fires from producing tragic consequences. A well-practiced evacuation plan also can protect homeowners and their families in case of a fire, increasing the likelihood that anyone inside the home can promptly exit before suffering injury or even death. It's also important that homeowners recognize what they need to do after their homes have been damaged by fire.

Recognize that it's still risky even

after the fire is out.

The U.S. Fire Administration notes that homes damaged by fire pose a threat even after flames have been extinguished. Soot and dirty water left behind may contain things that can make people sick. Only enter a home after the local fire department has deemed it safe to do so. Before entering the home, don personal protective equipment like masks, goggles and gloves to avoid getting sick from any contaminants lingering in the home.

Contact your insurance company.

The USFA notes that some companies specialize in cleaning and restor-



ing personal items damaged by fires, and your insurance company can be a great resource when looking for such firms. Insurance companies also will advise homeowners on what they need to do in the immediate aftermath of the fire, including how to begin the claims process.

Contact a disaster relief service.

Disaster relief services like the Red Cross and the Salvation Army can help homeowners find food, clothing, medicine, and even lodging.

Find shelter for pets.

The USFA advises pet owners affected by house fires to leave their pets with family members, friends or veterinarians until the house

has been completely cleaned. Doing so ensures pets won't be exposed to potentially harmful contaminants or residue that can put their lives in jeopardy.

House fires happen every day, and knowing what to do in the aftermath of such fires can help homeowners get back on their feet as quickly as possible.

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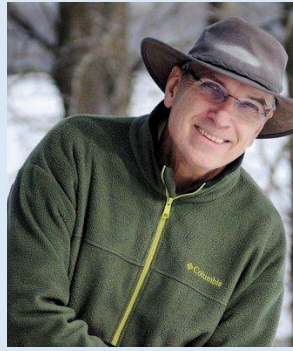
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- Extinguish fires and candles, and unplug heating appliances while sleeping, in another room or away from home.
- Never leave the kitchen when cooking, frying or grilling on the stove.
- Clean out the lint screen every time you use your dryer.
- Keep curtains, towels and any flammable items or materials at least three feet away from anything that gives off heat.
- Don't overload electrical outlets, and replace any electrical cords showing signs of wear.



Naturally By Al Batt

Did starlings star in a Star Trek movie?

Starlings flew in formations as if they were auditioning for roles in Star Trek movies as I admired the boundless energy of squirrels. I saw the first junco in my yard on October 6. Another milepost.

Robert Frost wrote, "Two roads diverged in a yellow wood, And sorry I could not travel both And be one traveler, long I stood And looked down one as far as I could." I took the one to see the gold rush of yellowing aspens in Colorado. As I got out of a car, I saw birds in constant motion—bushtits make chickadees look enormous. Steller's jays and black-billed magpies were made

obvious by both sight and sound. The cartoon characters Heckle and Jeckle were magpies. As I hiked ever upward, a totemic raven made guttural comments. It was all good.

I heard raccoons in the night. The world is their garbage bin. I'm not forming a committee to run the raccoons out of town on a rail, but I'm willing to give them the look.

Beautiful yellow leaves adorned basswood, aspen, birch, sugar maple and willow. Birds migrating were turkey vultures, sharp-shinned hawk, bald eagle, red-tailed hawk, ducks, geese, blue jay, sandhill cranes, plovers and native sparrows. Boxelder bugs and multicolored Asian lady beetles make short migrations to your home. Blackbirds gathered in flocks. Sulphur and cabbage butterflies were on the wing, but will die in the cold.

Pete Mattson of Austin showed me a bird feeder he'd owned for 45 years. He received it as a wedding present and the marriage is still thriving, too. It was a Droll Yankees hanging tube feeder with metal ports. Droll Yankees says if one of their feeders is damaged by squirrels, to the extent the effectiveness of the feeder is compromised, there is a lifetime warranty against squirrel damage on all its products. Terry Dorsey of Austin is a retired teacher (if there is such a thing) and he said that retired guys enjoy doing two things—staying home and battling with squirrels.

Yellow jackets bothered as I ate lunch outside with friends. When a boy, I called those wasps "meat bees."

Q&A

Jodi Bolinger of Osage asked about a woodpecker hammering a hole in vinyl siding. That isn't a common occurrence as woodpeckers are wood peckers, not vinyl peckers. Vinyl isn't prone to damage from woodpeckers, so I suspect the structural integrity of the siding had been compromised. Perhaps insects or larvae had found a home in an existing hole (it had one) in the vinyl. Steel and vinyl siding can be used as percussion instruments when drumming is needed for a woodpecker to declare territory or attract a mate.

"What is the difference between grazing and browsing?" Grazing is the process by which animals feed on the vegetation growing near the ground such as grass. Browsing is the type of feeding where animals eat high-growing plants such as leaves or bark of trees and shrubs.

"Is it OK to feed uncooked rice to birds?" A myth was promulgated by advice columnist Ann Landers in 1988 when she published a letter from a reader warning against the practice of throwing rice at weddings. Internet stories warned of birds exploding after eating rice. Many birds eat uncooked rice in the wild. Bobolinks are called "rice birds" because of their appetite for the grain. Rice is fine for birds, but some wedding parties throw birdseed

instead.

"Why do most robins migrate?" Robins migrate because the ground freezes or is covered with snow, locking them out of their favorite food, earthworms, and winter weather makes it hard to find caterpillars and other insects. Robins switch their diet to fruit in winter, but there isn't always enough fruit and berries in the north to feed all the robins. That's why most robins move south. Robins fly up to 30-36 m.p.h. during migration. High-pressure systems with northwesterly winds are best for the fall migration. There is no hurry in the fall, so they linger and become nomadic.

"I saw a monarch butterfly on October 10. Will it be OK?" By the end of October, monarchs have left the state in a migration to winter grounds. They fly around 100 miles a day to cover the 2,000+ miles to Mexico's forests, where the monarchs start arriving about the first of November, which begins the Day of the Dead celebrations in that country. Many butterflies don't arrive until mid-November, so your butterfly has a shot.

Thanks for stopping by
"I will not follow where the path may lead, but I will go where there is no path, and I will leave a trail."—Muriel Strode.

"Do the best you can until you know better. Then when you know better, do better."
- Maya Angelou.

Do good.

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Create a fire safety plan to include pets

Fire safety measures are essential yet often overlooked. In addition to outlining the proper action to take should a fire break out, a fire safety evacuation plan can be an invaluable, life-saving tool. A fire safety plan should include all members of a household - including pets.

The American Humane Society says each year more than 500,000 pets are affected by house fires. The National Fire Protection Association estimates that nearly 1,000 home fires each year are accidentally started by pets. Pets are curious animals and they may investigate open flames from unattended candles, fireplaces or grills. Pets may start fires by acci-

dentally turning stove knob covers or biting on or playing with electrical wires and outlets. Young pets may be especially inquisitive and boisterous, so fires may be prevented by keeping young animals behind gates or in secure areas when there are open flames.

There are many ways to safeguard everyone in the event of fire. Here are some steps to include in a fire safety plan.

- Check and replace smoke and carbon monoxide detectors regularly. Monitored smoke detectors can be helpful if you regularly leave pets home alone, since firefighters will be alerted and can respond.

- Take inventory of

where pets like to hide or nap. This can prove helpful if you need to evacuate a home quickly due to fire. Remember that pets can sense stress and may be more difficult to catch if they feel something is amiss, advises the ASPCA. Therefore, try to remain as calm as possible.

- Keep pets near exits when you are not home to make it easier for firefighters to enter the house and save the animals. The Red Cross also recommends placing collars and leashes as well as pet carriers near the exits.

- Invest in a pet safety sticker and hang it in a visible window to alert firefighters that you have pets inside. The sticker includes important information, such

as the number of pets, type of pets and veterinarian contact information.

- Plan escape routes and practice evacuations. Make sure at least one family member is in charge of grabbing pets and getting outside safely so others can focus on evacuation. Identify all exits and what to do if one or more exits is impassable.

- Have a game plan should the house be damaged and uninhabitable. Line up a place to meet outside and explore pet-friendly accommodations at a hotel, friend or family member's house.

Fire safety plans should include all members of the household, which includes companion animals.

History Spot

Dalmatians have long been associated with fire-fighting. According to the American Kennel Club, Dalmatians commonly ran with carriages, guarding the people or goods inside, as early as the mid-1700s. In the 1870s, the Fire Department of New York began employing the breed to clear the way for horse-drawn fire carriages and defend the horses from other dogs or animals along the way. The tradition continued long after engines replaced the horses, and Dalmatians continue to be mascots in firehouses around the U.S. to this day.



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City administrator fields complaints

By Judy Bryan, Freelance Journalist

Fairmont City Administrator Cathy Reynolds opted to have her performance review open to the public at the Oct. 11 meeting of the Fairmont City Council. Employee performance reviews are normally conducted in closed sessions, but Reynolds defied that norm saying she wanted to increase transparency.

She also stated that she had not received any written notice concerning any specific issue with her job performance. City Attorney Mark Rahrlick of Owatonna, making a rare in-person appearance at the council meeting instead of his usual method of monitoring meetings via phone, said he too had not been provided any agenda or complaints

from the council.

At the council's Sept. 27 meeting, council member Britney Kaweck had requested a closed session to evaluate Reynolds' job performance. In a 3-2 vote, Randy Lubenow and Michele Miller joined with Kaweck with Wayne Hasek and Bruce Peters voting against the motion.

Hasek, Peters and Mayor Debbie Foster said they still had no idea as to the purpose of the evaluation so Foster turned to Lubenow, Miller and Kaweck for a reason.

Miller and Lubenow said they voted for the evaluation because they questioned Reynolds' supervision of the city's building inspector and the unfavorable

perception that surrounds the inspector. Lubenow said the building official's reputation gives the impression that Fairmont does not welcome growth and development.

Rahrlick cautioned the council not to go off on tangents or stray from the purpose of the evaluation which is the city administrator's performance, not the building official's.

Peters commented that previous building officials also were "hated" and that work needs to be done to reverse that department's bad reputation.

According to the city charter, the city council is the sole supervisor of the city administrator and the city attorney, while the

administrator is the sole supervisor of all other city staff.

Lubenow said that constituents have told him that Reynolds comes off as rude if she doesn't like a citizen's or business' standpoint. Miller said she has received similar complaints, that Reynolds is difficult to work with, and Reynolds has not done anything to change that.

Kaweck said the attitude and demeanor Reynolds presents makes her seem flat and cold, and she hasn't changed her attitude in the 16 months since she took the city administrator job.

Kaweck had a list of grievances against Reynolds. The city administrator does not designate anybody to be in charge when she is out of town to fulfill her military obligation or to spend weekends with her family in Shakopee. (Reynolds also owns a

home in Fairmont.)

Kaweck claimed Reynolds "harasses" her by forwarding her emails to the rest of the council more often than for other council members. While the administrator can provide facts to the council via the emails, the councilwoman though Reynolds was stepping outside her administrative duty and lobbying the council.

Kaweck called Reynolds rude with no interest in what she has to say and accused her of acting as an attorney although she is not licensed to practice law in Minnesota.

Responding to the council's comments, Reynolds said she will be the first to admit she has room for improvement and went on to cite examples of how she is working on those improvements.

In an effort to heighten com-

munication, the city council receives updates from Reynolds at least once every two weeks, and city staff gets updates at least once monthly. Those staff members who are in management or supervisory roles, about 15 people, meet twice a month and carry any information back to their respective departments.

Reynolds is in the process of updating and detailing job descriptions for each city employee and involving the employees in the process. This is not the council's responsibility or role, she said.

She denied ever acting as an attorney for the city and said when she is out of town, she is available on her cell phone and through email.

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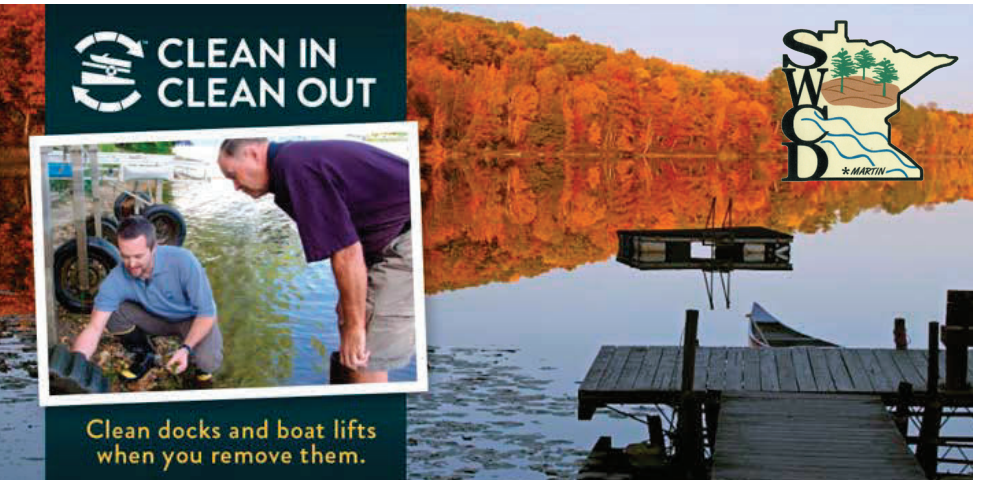


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The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources and Martin Soil and Water Conservation District is reminding lake property owners to carefully check boats, trailers, docks, lifts, and all other water-related equipment for invasive species when removing equipment for seasonal storage. This is important as new zebra mussel infestations were

initially reported by people making end of season inspections of docks, boats and boat lifts. It's especially important to follow Minnesota's law and keep docks and boat lifts out of the water for at least 21 days before putting them into another body of water. This state law is central to the training DNR-permitted lake service provider businesses receive. Anyone transporting a dock or lift from the adjacent shoreline property to another location for storage or repair may need a permit, to help prevent the spread of aquatic invasive species. The DNR recommends these steps for lake property owners:

- Look on the posts, wheels and underwater support bars of docks and lifts, as well as any parts of boats, pontoons and rafts that may have been submerged in water for an extended period.

- Hire DNR-permitted lake service provider busi-

nesses to install or remove boats, docks, lifts and other water-related equipment. These businesses have attended training on Minnesota's aquatic invasive species laws and many have experience identifying and removing invasive species.

- Contact Martin Soil and Water Conservation District or the MN DNR if you think you have discovered an invasive species that has not already been confirmed in your lake. Currently Martin County has not reported any aquatic invasive species, including zebra mussels.

More information about aquatic invasive species can be found at www.mndnr.gov/AIS. If you have other questions about aquatic invasive species in our County, please contact Dustin Benes at Martin Soil and Water Conservation District dustin.martinswcd@gmail.com, or call (507)235-6680.

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ten than the rest of the council's, the city administrator said she received 19 emails from Kawecki over a five-day period while receiving a total of two emails from the rest of the council combined. It is standard procedure for the administrator to forward emails received from a council member to all other council members so all the elected officials have the same information.

Reynolds said she was not attempting to offer excuses, but rather wanted the information made public so citizens could understand what was going on.

In another matter, Kawecki expressed outrage at a change in the city's contract with Kraus-Anderson, the construction manager for the new Public Works Building. The original contract with Kraus-Anderson was for a construction manager "at risk," meaning they would be "on the hook" for any costs over the proposed \$10 million building, Kawecki claimed, but that contract was changed to a construction manager "as agent" when bids were awarded in January so the city council avail

itself of savings through sales tax exemptions.

Reynolds explained that a construction manager at risk contracts with all the subcontractors and is not eligible for the tax exemption status, but having a construction manager as agent allows the city to contract with all the subcontractors directly, exempting the city of sales tax.

Kawecki said the city no longer has a guaranteed maximum price of \$10 million for the Public Works Building.

Attorney Rahrack said the contracts were standard and well used throughout the construction industry. Under either contract, there is always the possibility of change orders during construction, he said.

Troy Nemmers, city engineer/public works director, said the construction budget is continually monitored by himself and Kraus-Anderson. He said \$465,000 has been set aside to cover any change orders during construction.

Peters commented that none of the council is qualified to read and comprehend a construction

contract, but Kawecki said the whole contract didn't need to be read, just the title change.

Foster said the council had already voted on the issue and didn't see the point in wasting any more council or staff time on it. She pointed to the past relationship the city has had with Kraus-Anderson on various projects and noted that the school district has hired the firm to spearhead construction of its new Career and Technical Center.

Kawecki also was concerned about the proposed \$30 million community center, wondering who decided the amount, how the total cost can be determined with no plans and why it had not come up for a council vote.

Nemmers explained that a construction manager usually is hired at the beginning of a project and that manager then works with architects and engineers to design the structure. A guaranteed maximum price is designated when the design is at least 90 percent complete, with

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Sharing HIS STORY CHUCK RUDOLPH Our Journey - An Overview



This has always been OUR journey. It could never be described as my journey, because especially Evelyn (my wife of 52+ years) and our children along with so very many of our relatives and friends have gone through this with us in one way or another. So, to call it mine would not only be very incomplete, it would also be an untruth.

I have learned much over this journey of life that has taken this "detour" from what we had planned and thought our path would be. And I am hopeful that each of those referred to above have also learned much. I would be very honored if any of them could say that I have in some way impacted their lives for the Lord and for good. I can honestly say I have tried to honor God through this time, but I am sure whatever I have done has only been done with His strength.

Our journey with cancer started in early 2008. I had a mole on the outside of my left leg that had grown over a several month period. I had a regular check-up with my doctor and

asked her to look at it. She did, and did not think it anything to be concerned about since it did not appear to be cancerous. However, since it did occasionally catch on the seam of my trousers when I would turn a certain way, I asked her to take it off. She removed it that day in her office, and sent it in (to wherever they send such things).

About two weeks later, she called me at my office one morning and said, "We need to talk ...". This was the beginning of a journey that would take me through 8 cancer-related surgeries, chemotherapy, 2 rounds of radiation, and 3 very new cancer study drugs. After three surgeries at the University of Colorado hospital, I was told they had nothing more for me. Since they did not refer me to anywhere else, and since they had not suggested we try chemotherapy or radiation; we decided that this may not be the time to lie down and die without a fight.

That very afternoon I called the National Cancer Institute and was not able to get in there. I called M.D. Anderson

in Houston because I was told they have a great Melanoma cancer program. I could get in there, but not for several months; and since we did not think I had several months, we kept trying.

We had both grown up in Southern Minnesota, in the backyard of Mayo Clinic in Rochester. I had always thought it to be the "Mountaintop of Medicine"; but, to my chagrin, I had never thought of it in terms of specialty medicine. When we inquired of one of our nephews, who happens to work at Mayo in cancer research, about a program for melanoma, we found out they did indeed have such a program. I am convinced God led us to Mayo. Certainly, He could have healed me without the help of any medicine, but for reasons known only to Himself He chose in this case to use several forms of medicine at Mayo. I would liken this to looking at Scripture and seeing how Jesus healed people differently. In some cases He would touch people and they would be healed, in other places He would simply speak and the malady would be gone. Sometimes, He would forgive sins and physical healing was the result. And in Acts we are told of folks being healed simply by having Peter's shadow go over them.

When we were able to get into Mayo Clinic on very short notice (less than two weeks), we moved most of our belongings to Minnesota quickly. Over the 11 years since we have moved back to Minnesota, we have made approximately 180 trips to Rochester. It is about two hours and 15 minutes each way, so it has been many many hours on the road. Shortly after moving to Minnesota, I was hospitalized because of the pain the tumors at the top of my left leg were giving me. During this time in the hospital, we started the chemotherapy and also the first round of radiation about the same time. The chemotherapy, as it does to many who have it, made me very sick. The treatments continued after I left the hospital, and I became so ill and vomited so often and so hard that I tore muscles in my abdomen. This led to having to have hernia surgery, with another hospitalization. The radiation treatments also continued after leaving the hospi-

tal. We had to make the trip each day for several weeks. These treatments made me so exhausted; I would sleep nearly all of the time (except during the treatments and when I was being sick).

After we realized the chemotherapy was not working, because the tumors were continuing to grow, we discontinued the treatments. However, the radiation seemed to have some good success at the time. After a few weeks, the cancer returned and again became very painful. On meeting with the pain doctors at Mayo, it was determined that I could receive what is commonly called a "pain pump". This is a piece of equipment that is placed under the skin in the abdomen region with a tube going around under the rib cage to the base of the spine. There it drips on the nerves that come from the area of pain. It is about the size of a hockey puck, and includes a reservoir that holds enough medication for several months (depending on dosage). This was installed surgically, and immediately helped control the pain and discomfort in the area of the tumors. But it was still another hospitalization.

After having gone through the round of chemotherapy that did not work, and the round of radiation where they

end of the handle of the "paddle" still attached in its original position flapped this over to cover the area that had been exposed. I can tell you for sure that it is difficult to make a stomach muscle act like a leg muscle! They also took out all the cancer they could find; and, once again, we hoped they had gotten it all.

About two months after this surgery, we took another PET scan and found out that the cancer had returned again. There were three new tumors, of which only one could be radiated. We decided to go ahead and radiate the one, and planned to deal with the other two by freezing them later. The radiation took two weeks, and ended on a Friday late in April. By the following Monday, I was in terrible pain, and began running a fever. Evelyn took me into the local emergency room and they promptly sent me by ambulance to Mayo in Rochester. I remember arriving there, and after several hours in the emergency room was transferred to a room in Methodist Hospital (part of Mayo Clinic). I do not remember much else at all for the next 3 weeks. They tell me I was delirious, and if anyone touched me even lightly I would cry out in pain. I had an infection that probably had begun in the material of the radi-

the last 2 or 3 days that I was in the hospital I gained a lot of strength and I was able to be discharged directly to home. We did not know what the situation with the cancer at this time was.

Two weeks after going home, we returned for another PET scan to ascertain what the disposition of the cancer was. We had the PET scan finished, and went up to our oncologist's office. We waited, and then heard steps coming quickly down the hall. As he opened the door, he was nearly shouting as he said, "It's not there; it's not there!" It had disappeared! After all that had happened, it just disappeared! I am absolutely convinced that God had reached down and had taken the cancer from my body. It was truly a miracle of Him. At the time of this writing, it has been gone for 9 years and 4 months, and I have had over 20 PET scans to keep checking for it. Now, Evelyn and I know that the Melanoma may return at some point. But for today, and each day the Lord gives us until that would happen, we just want to be grateful for however many days He gives us on this earth. We know we'll have an eternity together with the Lord; but for now we are happy to be here and content to praise Him from this perspective. While I cannot say it was an easy journey in any way, I can say without a doubt that without the Lord it would have been impossible to get through.

If you or a loved one is going through cancer or deep water of any kind, I would urge you to turn to Him. Perhaps you could talk to a pastor who loves the Bible for help in this area. But to get started, open a Bible to the gospel of John and read this. God will open Himself to you as you read.

(This story is an excerpt from Chapter 1 of "A Journey Through Cancer, with Faith and Hope, written by Chuck Rudolph. This book is available at your local bookstore or online from many sources. This story is updated to account to the current time. Chuck Rudolph currently serves as the Area Director for Martin County Youth for Christ. He enjoys telling this story every chance he gets; to churches or groups of any size. He also enjoys being a substitute teacher at local high schools.)

"I have learned much over this journey of life that has taken this "detour" from what we had planned and thought our path would be."

- Chuck Rudolph

gave me as much radiation as I could have handled; as well as two new drugs (Yervoy and Zelboraf), and several more surgeries which took about two years; I had another major surgery in January of 2012. In this surgery the team removed several tumors and nearly all of the lymph nodes at the top of my left leg, and cut away the dead skin that had been burned to leather by the radiation. Then, to cover the area where the skin had been, they cut out a piece of skin and muscle from my abdomen that looked somewhat like a Ping-Pong paddle and, while leaving the very

ated tumor and spread through the whole body. While not giving up on me, the medical team had tried nearly everything they could think of to rally me. A number of them did not think I would leave the hospital alive.

On one of the first days I was conscious, I was asked if I knew what day of the month it was. Since I remembered I had gone in on April 30th, I replied that it must be about May 2nd or 3rd. Ha! It was May 20th! As I began to get stronger, the doctors began to talk about my going to a convalescence facility to continue to heal; however,



QB DOUBLE TEAM - Cards #23 Gavin Rodning and Hudson Artz team up to bring down the Trojans Jake Bradner. The Cards defeated Worthington 46-0 last Friday night. The Cards (6-0) travel to Luverne (3-3) this Thursday. *Courtesy fairmontsports.com*



CARDS QUAD THREAT - Trojan defenders #2 Jake Brandner and Andrew Benson try to catch up with Eli Anderson. The Cards Anderson caught a 2-yard TD pass from Brendan Schmidtke, had a 51-yard TD punt return, and tossed a 26-yard TD pass to Hank Artz. Anderson also had an interception in the victory over Worthington. *Courtesy fairmontsports.com*



CARD SPIKER - Cards Jazlyn Geerdes readies for a spike against Blue Earth Area's #7 Alicia Machacek and Hailley Becker. The Cards defeated the Buccaneers 3-0 last Thursday night. *Courtesy fairmontsports.com*



UMAC CHAMPS - Former FHS alum and current Bethany Lutheran College golf team member Thomas Havnen and his teammates captured the Upper Midwest Athletic Conference Title. The Bethany golf team will now move on to play in Orlando, Florida in May. *Submitted photo*



RECORD SETTERS - Cardinals Laura Thompson, right, and Macy Hanson took the top two places at the I-90 Invitational Meet last Thursday at Cedar Creek Park, Fairmont. The Class AA #4-ranked Thompson broke both her 2019 I-90 meet record (18:53) and her this year's all-time FHS record with a time of 18:23.8. Hanson, Class AA #7-ranked runner, also broke the previous I-90 meet record with her personal best 5K time this year 18:25.6. The Cards finished third as a team in the meet. *Courtesy fairmontsports.com*



RACE TO THE FINISH - Cards Will Nistrath races ahead of teammate Gavin Artner and Martin County West's Grant Koehnen at the I-90 Invitational Meet last Thursday at Cedar Creek Park. Nistrath placed 32nd with a time of 18:29.7. Artner placed 33rd with a time of 18:31.5. Koehnen placed 34th with a time of 18:31.6. The Cards finished 6th at meet while MCW placed 7th. *Courtesy fairmontsports.com*

I-90 Cross Country Invitational

Cedar Creek Park - Fairmont Thursday, October 7	
Girls 5k Team Scores	
1. Mankato East 42	4. St. James Area 92
2. Belle Plaine 51	5. Jackson County Central 118
3. Fairmont 74	6. Fairmont 183
4. St. James Area 131	7. Martin County West 208
5. Jackson County Central 149	8. North Union 220
6. North Union 158	9. Madelia/Truman/GHEC/
7. Martin County West 166	Martin Luther 221
8. Worthington 186	10. St. Peter 257
9. Blue Earth Area 222	11. Blue Earth Area 330



DOUBLE BUMP - Cardinals #9 Cassidy Schultz and Kynlie Anderson go for the bump. The Cards (8-11-1) take on Jackson County Central (18-3) in Jackson next Monday and plays at Martin Luther/Granada-Huntley-East Chain/Truman (6-15) Tuesday. *Courtesy fairmontsports.com*



STATE BOUND - The Class A #6-ranked Fairmont Cardinal girls tennis team edged #7-ranked St. James Area 4-3 for the 4th time this year last Thursday at the Swanson Indoor Tennis Center in St. Peter. The Cards (18-2) claimed the Section 2A Championship and a trip to the Class A State Tournament Tuesday, Oct. 26, at the Reed-Sweatt Tennis Center in Minneapolis. Times and opponent have yet to be determined. Pictured front l to r: Rachel O'Connor, Hope Klanderud, Libby Totzke, and Lilly Laven. Middle: Maggy Totzke, Briana Joseph, Claire Nemmers, and Lauren Davis. Back: Head coach Laura Olsen, Bryn Gustafson, Johanna Petschke, Anika Haugen, Ellie Hernes, Abi Peyman and assistant coach Tim Slama. *Photo courtesy Sarah Gallagher Totzke*



SECTION 2A INDIVIDUAL TOURNAMENT - Cards singles Claire Nemmers and Briana Joseph along with doubles tandems Ellie Hernes-Lauren Davis plus Libby and Maggy Totzke all won their Day 1 matches last Friday. Day 2 of the Section 2A Individual semifinals will be played this Wednesday 9 a.m. at the Swanson Indoor Tennis Center in St. Peter. The Class A Individual State Tournament is Thursday, October 28 and Friday, October 29, at the Reed-Sweatt Family Tennis Center in Minneapolis. Pictured l to r: Maggy Totzke, Lauren Davis, Ellie Hernes, Libby Totzke, Claire Nemmers and Briana Joseph. *Photo courtesy Sarah Gallagher*



DEFENSIVE CLEARING - Cardinals Elayna Anderson strikes the ball away from Marshall's Alexi Schneider. The Cards downed the Tigers 3-0 last Tuesday. *Courtesy fairmontsports.com*

**Cardinal Soccer
Section Playoff
Schedule**

The #2-seeded Cardinal Girls team (10-4-2) hosts #7-seed Tri-City United (1-13-1) 5:00 p.m. this Thursday night in the Section 2A playoffs.

The Cardinal Girls/Tri-City United winner advances to play #3-seeded Stewartville (7-7) vs #6-seeded Cannon Falls (2-11-2) Saturday at the higher seed.

The #3-seeded Cardinal Boys team (9-5-2) hosts #6-seeded Cannon Falls (1-9-3) 7:00 p.m. this Thursday night in the Section 2A playoffs.

The Cardinal Boys/Cannon Falls winner plays #2-seeded St. Peter (6-10) vs #7-seeded Tri-City United (0-13) winner Saturday at the higher seed.



WHERE'S ... COACH? - Cardinals girls soccer head coach Matt Nielsen sported some striped attire to loosen up his squad after a couple of close losses against top-ranked Minnehaha Academy and Holy Family Catholic. The girls rebounded with a 3-0 victory over Marshall who they had played to a 0-0 tie earlier in the season. *Courtesy fairmontsports.com*

City of Fairmont

Notice of Hearing on Proposed Assessment

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

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Project No.	Description
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6721001	Fairlakes Avenue: Woodland Avenue to Canyon Drive
6721002	Holland Street: Lucia Avenue to West Anna Street
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8721001	Fairlakes Avenue: Lake Avenue to Railroad Tracks* *Original improvement: Lake Avenue to Gravel Lake Avenue: Fairlakes Avenue to Bridge
8721002	TH 15 Service Road (W) #1: Deadend to Spruce Street
8721003	TH 15 Service Road (W) #2: East 10th Street to Winnebago Avenue
SEAL COAT (assessed at \$2.50/front footage)	
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7521005	West Interlaken Road: East Amber Lake Drive to Albion Avenue
7521006	Lynn Street: Deadend to East Interlaken Road
7521007	Margaret Street: North North Avenue to Prairie Avenue* *Original improvement: North North Avenue to TH15
7521008	Prairie Avenue: Redbird to E Belle Vue Road
7521009	Red Bird Lane: Deadend to South Prairie Avenue
7521010	4th Street: North Prairie Avenue to TH 15
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The proposed assessment is on file for public inspection at the City Clerk's office. The total amount of the proposed improvements for all projects is \$3,354,411.00.

Written or oral objections will be considered at the meeting. No appeal may be taken as to the amount of an assessment unless a signed, written objection is filed with the Clerk prior to the hearing or presented to the presiding officer at the hearing. The Council may, upon such notice, consider any objection to the amount of a proposed individual assessment at an adjourned meeting upon such further notice to the affected property owners as it deems advisable.

If an assessment is contested or there is an adjourned hearing, the following procedure will be followed:
1. The City will present its case by calling witnesses who may testify by narrative or by examination, and by the introduction of exhibits. After each witness has testified, the contesting procedure will be repeated with each witness until neither side has further questions.
2. After the City has presented all its' evidence, the objector may call witnesses or present such testimony as the objector desires. The same procedure for questioning of the City's witnesses will be followed with the objection's witnesses.
3. The objector may be represented by counsel.
4. Minnesota rules of evidence will not be strictly applied; however, they may be considered and argued to the Council as to the weight of items, evidence or testimony presented to the Council.
5. The entire proceedings will be tape recorded.
6. At the close of the presentation of evidence, the objector may make a final presentation to the Council based on the evidence and the law. No new evidence may be presented at this point.

An owner may appeal an assessment to district court pursuant to Minnesota Statute Section 429.081 by serving notice of the appeal upon the Mayor or City Clerk within 30 days after the adoption of the assessment and filing such notice with the district court within ten days after service upon the Mayor or City Clerk; however, no appeal may be taken as to the amount of any individual assessment unless a written objection signed by the affected property owner is filed with the City Clerk prior to the assessment hearing or presented to the presiding officer at the hearing.

Under Minnesota Statutes, Sections 435.193 to 435.195, the Council may, in its discretion, defer the payment of this special assessment based on one of the following:
1) any homestead property owned by a person 65 years of age or older for whom it would be a hardship to make payments.
2) persons retired as a result of a permanent and total disability.
3) undeveloped property.
When deferment of the special assessment has been granted and is terminated for any reason provided in the law, all amounts accumulated plus applicable interest becomes due. Any assessed property owner meeting the requirements of this law and the resolution adopted under it may, within thirty days of the confirmation of the assessment, apply to the City Clerk for the prescribed form for such deferral of payment of this special assessment on his/her property.

BY ORDER OF THE FAIRMONT CITY COUNCIL

October 11, 2021

Patricia J. Monsen City Clerk

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the construction manager taking a percentage of the construction costs for its fee.

This is a standard process, he said.

When it is time to hire a construction manager for the project, Reynolds said, the matter will come up for a council vote.

In other business, the council:

- Delayed a vote until the Oct. 25 meeting on a new updated rental housing ordinance.
- Delayed a vote until the Oct. 25 meeting on an ordinance governing vacant buildings.
- Set a special meeting for 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 27, on assessments for the 2021 street improvement program.
- Increased the Fire Department pension amount from \$3,800 to \$4,800 per year of service. The last increase was in 2001 when the pension was raised from \$3,500 to \$3,800.
- Approved an event permit for the Fairmont Glows parade at 6 p.m. Nov. 19. The parade route will run from Ward Park north through Downtown Plaza and on North North Avenue to Lincoln Park.

- Heard a reminder that the yard waste facility (tree dump) will be closing for the winter on Dec. 1.

- Learned that the city issued 25 building permits, valued at \$6.8 million, in the month of September. One year ago, in 2020, that same month saw 12 permits issued with a value of \$619,000.

The next regular council meeting will be 5:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 25, in council chambers at City Hall. The council will hold a special meeting on the assessments for the 2021 street improvement program at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 27.

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

UPCOMING AUCTIONS

Thursday, October 14, 2021 @ 10:00 a.m.-PAUL CHAUSSEE ETAL-

78 Acres +/- of Bare Farmland located in Section 15 of Wisconsin Township, Jackson County, MN. Sale to be held at Jackson American Legion Hall at 411 First Street, Jackson, MN. HARTUNG, KAHLERS & ASSOCIATES

Tuesday, October 19, 2021 @ 10:00 a.m.-DICK FAMILY-

152.85 Acres +/- of Bare Farmland in Amboy Twp., Cottonwood Co., MN. Sale to be held at the Windom Community Center at 1750 Cottonwood Lake Drive, Windom, MN. Dan Pike & Associates

Wednesday, October 20, 2021 @ 10:00 a.m.-VERNA F. GREASER-

80 Acres +/- of Bare Farmland in Belmont Twp., Jackson Co., MN. Sale to be held at the farm located from the junction of Interstate 90 & Hwy #71 at Jackson, MN, 6 1/2 miles north on #71 to 860th St then 2 miles west on 860th St. Dan Pike & Associates

Friday, October 22, 2021 @ 5:45 p.m.- FAIRMONT AREA SCHOOLS-

Sale includes: New Portable Paint Booth-23' x 15'; Timberwolf Trailer; JD 320 Riding Mower; JD TRS 32 Walk Behind Snowblower; Misc Tools; Vintage Scoreboards; Commercial Kitchen Items; PAC Seats & More! View www.auctioneeralley.com for full listing & pictures. Sale to be held at the Fairmont Area Schools Shop at 1500 S Prairie Ave, Fairmont, MN. HARTUNG & KAHLER

Tuesday, October 26, 2021 @ 10:00 a.m.-RAYMOND & DELORIS HARDER ESTATE-

392.96 Acres +/- of Bare Farmland in Sections 6, 8 & 10 of Butterfield Township, Watonwan Co., MN. Sale to be held at the American Legion at 620 First Avenue S, St. James, MN. HARTUNG, KAHLERS & ASSOCIATES.

Thursday, November 4, 2021 @ 10:00 a.m.-EDNA HANSEN FAMILY-

311.99 Acres +/- of Bare Farmland located in Amboy & Dale Twp., Cottonwood Co., MN. Sale to be held at the Jeffers Community Center at 108 E Whited St, Jeffers, MN. Dan Pike & Associates

Saturday, November 6, 2021 @ 10:30 a.m.-RICHARD BOCKMAN FARMS, INC.

Farm Equipment Auction including Case Backhoe & Drainage Equip, Arctic Cat 700 EFI Prowler, Trucks & Trailers & More. Sale to be held at 2018 320th Ave, Terrill, IA. Christopher, Hartung & Associates

Monday, November 8, 2021 @ 10:00 a.m.-GENTZ REVOCABLE TRUST-

161.93 Acres +/- of Bare Farmland located in Heron Lake Twp., Jackson Co., MN. Sale to be held at Lakefield American Legion Hall at 413 Main St, Lakefield, MN. Dan Pike & Associates

Tuesday, November 9, 2021 @ 10:00 a.m.-REBELEIN JOINT REVOCABLE TRUST-

Approx. 72.56 Acres +/- in Section 22 of Kiester Twp., Faribault Co., MN. Sale to be held at the Kiester Community Center 106 S 1st Street, Kiester, MN. Hartung, Kahlers & Associates

Thursday, November 11, 2021 @ 10:00 a.m.-WELLMAN FAMILY-

111.98 Acres +/- of Bare Farmland located in Section 16 of St. James Township, Watonwan County, MN. Sale to be held at the American Legion at 620 First Avenue S, St. James, MN. HARTUNG, KAHLERS & ASSOCIATES

Friday, November 12, 2021 @ 10:00 a.m.-KOROLEWSKI & STEENHARD-

155.99 Acres +/- of Bare Farmland located in Section 32 of Tenhassen Twp., Martin Co., MN. Sale to be held at the Knights of Columbus Hall 920 E 10th St, Fairmont, MN. Hartung, Kahlers, Wedel & Associates

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Landlords, council discuss rental rules

By Judy Bryan, Freelance Journalist

Local landlords joined the Fairmont City Council for a work session on Monday, Oct. 11, to examine different aspects of a new rental ordinance to update rules that have been in place for seven years.

The landlords reiterated their complaint that the city had not notified them of any changes. They said they had contacted about 30 of their fellow landlords, although the city has a list of almost 170 owners who rent out property.

Landlords recalled spending about 10 hours in work sessions with city officials to craft the current rental ordinance seven years ago. They questioned the need for any changes, noting that in the past four years, the city has received only two complaints about approximately 1,500 rental units in the city.

Any issues arising from long grass, junk vehicles, loud noises or other complaints have been and can continue to be handled through landlord/tenant communication.

The landlords encouraged the council to enforce the existing law and not include additional regulations to punish all landlords because of a few bad ones.

One of the issues included in the proposed updated ordinance involves inspection of rental properties. Inspections must be done every three years on all rental units by a city inspector or by a contractor approved by the city. The city will compile a list of contractors willing to do the inspections.

Another issue dealt with expanding who can file a complaint to include a tenant's family members, in the event of a vulnerable adult.

A revised version of the updated ordinance will be presented at the Oct. 25 council meeting.

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

The council's next regular meeting will be at 5:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 25, in council chambers at City Hall.

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Cody Michael Borchardt Jordan Arlo Voss and Marisa Darrell Lytle

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Deb Kelly, Kevin Kelly to Adam Leschefse, Marsha Leschefske, Pt. Lots 1 and 2, Block 27, Original Plat of Fairmont

Amy P. Ankeny, Michael P. Ankeny to Brian Grensteiner, Jill Grensteiner, Lots 23 and 24, Block 1, Fred Stade Amber Lake Addn.

Deborah L. Sumey, Steven W. Sumey to Amber Ogaard, Ryan Ogaard, Pt. Govt. Lot 3, NE¼, 30-102-30

1105 N. State LLC to GVS LLC, Lot 4, Block 1, Pt. 4 tracts w/esmt., Lot 3, 1st Northeast Addn.

Allan Ambrose, Allan Ambrose, Atty.-in-fact, Anna Mae Ambrose, Janice Ambrose to Hunter Reed Mikulina, Pt. E½ AP#19, NW¼, 7-102-32

Carolyn Jo Nelson, James E. Nelson to Lea Heinrichs, Reginald Heinrichs, Lot 24, Block 1, Fox Lake Park

Evang. Lutheran St. Pauls Congregation, Evangelical Lutheran Church Society of Martin County, Evangelical Lutheran St. Pauls Congregation of the town of Cey-lon to Dylan P. Gerken, Pt. NW¼NE¼ w/esmt., 22-101-31

Janice Hyland, Loren V. Hyland to Janice Hyland, Loren V. Hyland, N.96' Outlot 3, W½,N96'W½, Block 4, Taylor & Johnsons Addn.

Carol Suter, Gail Suter to Cory Sinn, Pt. NW¼SW¼, 8-103-33

Jerome L. Thompson, Marlene C. Thompson to Austin Broberg, Pt. NW¼, 3-104-32

Shae Pierson, Tyler Pierson

to Derek Landon, Janee Roskop, Lot 23, Vandrey Addn., Truman Dustin L. Thate, Melissa Thate to Aaron Ulrich, Lot 1, 1st Ext. Fred Stade Amber Lake

Tammy L. Bass to Andrea Cohrs, Michele Cohrs, Lots 9 and 10, Block 7, Original Plat Truman

QUIT CLAIM DEEDS
Jessica Knakmuhs, Lillian Ross to Jessica Knakmuhs, Pt. Outlot 28, Campbells 2nd Addn., Welcome

J&M Properties to Jacob Ebert, Nicole Maloney Ebert, Nicole Maloney Ebert, S½ Lots 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, Pt. Lot 14, Block 3, Original Plat Truman

Ernest E. Bliesmer, Lori J. Bliesmer to Ernest E. and Lori J. Bliesmer Revocable Trust, SE¼, 6-101-33

Forrest S. Hungerholt to Forrest S. Hungerholt, Sarah G. Hungerholt, Lot 9, Ex. S2', Larsens Subd.

DEEDS OF DISTRIBUTION
Patricia A. Schmidtke, Personal Rep., Estate of Elaine G. Bergemann to Elaine G. Bergemann Family Trust, SW¼ ex. 2 tracts w/esmt., NW¼, Pt. strip of land w/esmt., 4-103-31

TRUSTEE DEEDS
Douglas W. Bergeman, Patricia A. Schmidtke, Elaine G. Bergemann Family Trust to Douglas W. Bergemann, Kenneth G. Bergemann, Steve A. Bergemann, Nancy L. Howell, Patricia A. Schmidtke, Katherine E. Stoneback, SW¼ ex. 2 tracts w/esmt., NW¼, Pt. strip of land w/esmt., 4-103-31

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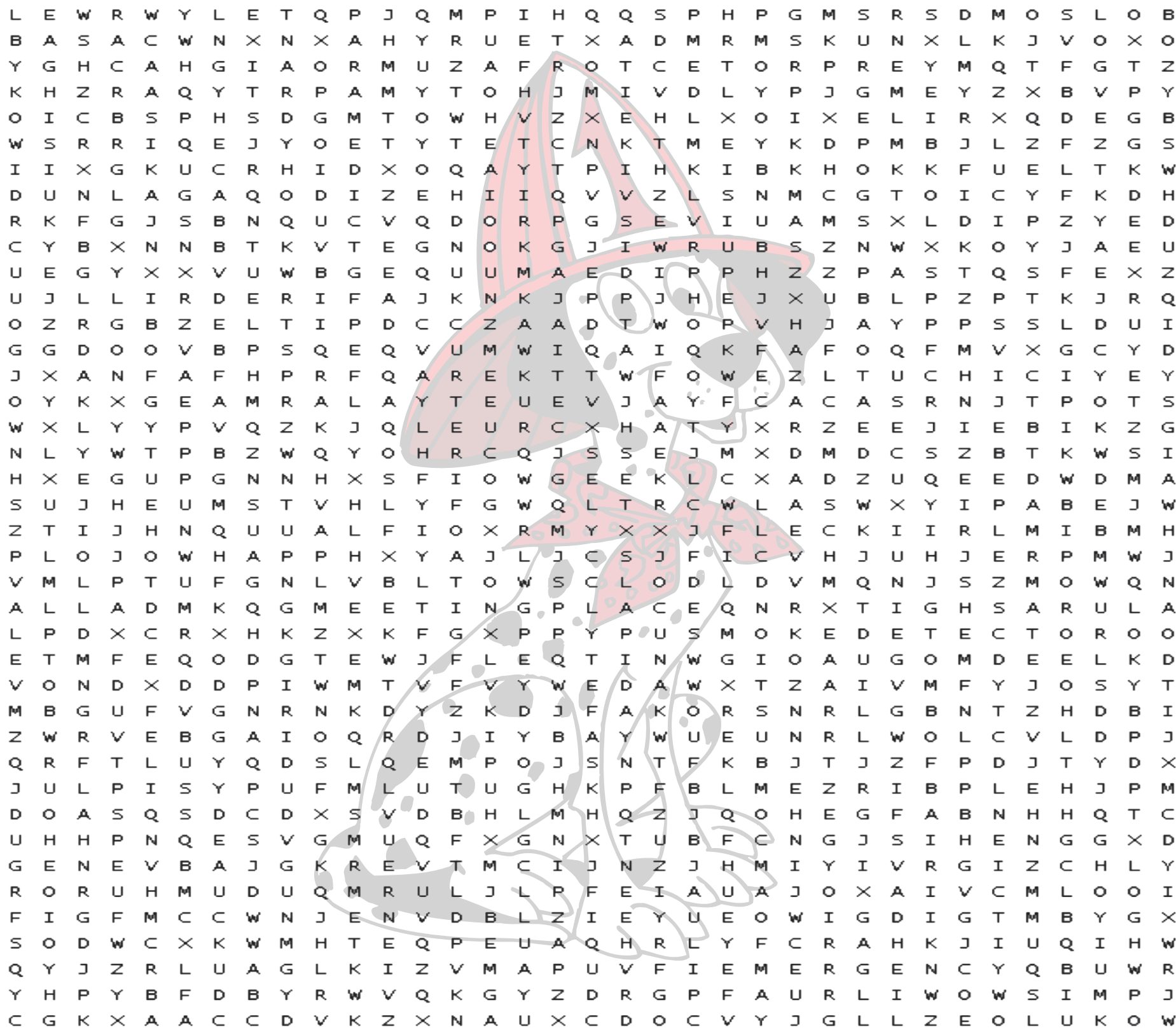
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