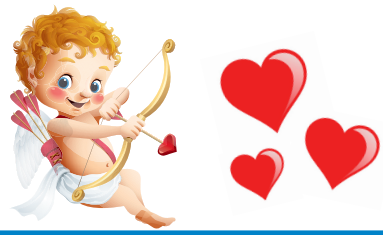


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4-H focuses on teen mental health and well-being

The Martin County 4-H Ambassador program is a youth leadership program for youth in grades 7 and up. Over the course of a year, Ambassadors learn new leadership, team-building, and communication skills; complete service learning projects; and teach youth around Martin County about 4-H.

This year, the Martin County 4-H Ambassadors have decided to focus on teen mental health and well-being. In an effort to help their

peers find healthy ways to cope with the stress, anxiety, and disappointment caused by the pandemic, the 4-H Ambassadors are teaming up with Martin County public health experts to provide a free virtual seminar on Saturday, February 13 from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. for area teens.

"We came up with this idea because ever since COVID has hit, everyone has been locked up in their houses and not able to go places - it is causing kids, and

even adults, to be very stressed," remarks Jazlyn Geerdes, Martin County 4-H Ambassador. "We hope the participating teens will take away that even though times can get really difficult, you can make it through this. There are people who are just like you and having the same problems. We're all in this together."

The 4-H Ambassadors have been working with Caroline McCourt, SHIP Coordinator, and Anna Garbers, Behavioral Health Program

Manager, to ensure that expert resources and information are provided. Though experts will be presenters during the seminar, the 4-H Ambassadors will serve as the hosts to ensure that this a youth-led and youth-focused seminar.

As Misty Geerdes, Martin County 4-H Ambassador, explains, "it is a group of teens coming together to figure out how to help themselves and others with mental health."

The seminar will be an opportunity for the participating teens to connect and practice

healthy coping mechanisms when it comes to dealing stress and anxiety. The seminar will also provide resources on how to deal with the disappointment and sense of loss that the pandemic has caused. There will be interactive activities and space for open and honest discussions.

The Martin County 4-H Teen Mental Health & Well-Being Seminar will be held on Saturday, February 13 from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and is open to youth in grades 7-12. The free virtual seminar will include engag-

ing activities, resources, and information as well as open discussion with peers. The seminar will be held on Zoom; a link will be provided upon registration.

Registration is due by February 10. For more information or to register, visit: <https://extension.umn.edu/event/martin-county-4-h-teen-mental-health-well-being-seminar>

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PIZZA TIME - Learning to make authentic Neapolitan pizza was fun! Girl Scout Ambassador Troops #33665 and 37836 met earlier this fall to learn how to make the type of pizza that originated in Naples, Italy and requires a wood-fired oven. Taking a quick break from creating their own pizzas are Alexis Hinz, Lili Kurtikova (foreign exchange student from Slovenia), Emily Sokoloski, Thalia Fernandez and Eden Dunker. Matt and Jennifer Nielsen instructed the girls in the making of the pizzas and the use of the wood-fired oven, which Matt built. (Submitted photo)

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Upcoming training webinars

Prevention-related activities being planned by the FHS YOCO Student Leaders.

Escape the Vape video contest with a CASH prize

Escape the Vape video challenge contest is open to all Minnesota high school age teens. Contestants will be asked to submit a 30 second PSA video to educate their peers, schools, families, and community on the dangers of vaping nicotine. As remote learning continues, this is a great way to engage students to use their creative energy outside of the computer screen and make a difference in their community! AND there are cash prizes for the top five entries! First place is a \$500 cash prize for both the student and their school or organization!

Video entries can be submitted starting February 1, 2021. Videos must be submitted no later than February 28, 2021 by 4:30 p.m. CST.

Escape the Vape website: mn-escapethevape.com

Post Valentine's Day Scavenger Hunt

For all Martin County youth grades 6-12: hosted by MERGE. Sunday, February 21, 1-3 p.m. Location: all over Fairmont. Students will need their own driver. More details at <https://www.facebook.com/events/446892280028201/>

YOCO Fun Night via zoom

Saturday, February 13 at 7 p.m. More details to come. But get it on your calendar and help us spread the word!

Webinars and Training

Using Local Control to Push Back on the Marijuana Industry, Part 2 Webinar: hosted by Smart Approaches to Marijuana (SAM) on Friday, February 19 at noon CST. If your state has already or is leaning toward marijuana

commercialization there are strategies to prevent the impact at the neighborhood, city, and regional level. Understanding how local control policies work means you can advocate from a position of strength.

Learning objectives:

- 1) Participants will learn how to navigate local policies, municipal codes, and governing structures.
- 2) Participants will learn to recognize and analyze community factors that influence policy.
- 3) Participants will learn to use zoning and land use tools to negotiate policies that reduce the negative impact of marijuana commercialization.

It's \$39 to attend. MCSAP can reimburse you for the registration fee. Register at: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/using-local-control-to-push-back-on-the-marijuana-industry-part-ii-tickets-136685918261>

MADD MN Support Group:

Thursday, January 28 at 11 am and 5 pm. All are welcome to join their first introductory support group.

<https://madd.zoom.us/j/97475259222>

New e-cigarette prevention curriculum:

FDA and Scholastic release new e-cigarette prevention materials for youths

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA), in collaboration with Scholastic, has released several youth e-cigarette prevention materials for middle and high school students. The latest release includes a student magazine and an accompanying teacher guide that highlight the risks of e-cigarette use and nicotine addiction. Scholastic also launched their "Vaping's Not My Thing" Student Challenge, a contest where students will create a poster, infographic, or annotated illustration to convince other youth of the serious health risks of vaping. Additional Scholastic materials include lesson plans, activity sheets, a guide for parents to talk to their kids about e-cigarettes, and infographics.

"Gallery Walk for Kids" at Red Rock Center

Red Rock Center for the Arts will host a Gallery Walk for Kids to introduce a new art exhibit entitled Sumptuous Shadows by Shelley Caldwell. The walk will be held on Tuesday, February 9th and Tuesday, February 16th from 3 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Kids will have the opportunity to tour the gallery and explore their creativity with a variety of Make and Take projects. Social distancing and masks required. Admission is free.

About the artist: Sumptuous Shadows featuring artwork by Shelley Caldwell of Delavan will be on display at the Red Rock Center for the Arts February 4th to March 25th. Shelley produces mixed media works on paper. Her work combines observational drawing of botanical and other subjects from nature with formal abstraction.

Using a variety of processes and materials such as Micron pen, various inks, collage, and masking techniques, line and color are emphasized. She will be showing a series of plant portraits in silhouette. The work seeks to balance oppositions: the contrast in drawing processes echoes man's simultaneous reliance upon and struggle against the environment.

Shelley is an MSU, Mankato graduate with a BFA and MA in Drawing and Installation whose work has been shown extensively throughout the region and has received state and regional grants. Compelled by the surrounding landscape, she works from her family farm in rural Delavan, Faribault County. Stop in and see the exhibit Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and by appointment. To schedule an appointment, call (507) 235-9262.

Regional Worship Center news

Regional Worship Center in Sherburn is cancelling Monday Morning breakfasts for all of February. Thank you to everyone who has come for our breakfasts. We hope to be up and

running again soon.

Regional Worship Center in Sherburn is having Wednesday Night Family Night starting on February 3rd. This will be every Wednesday night. There will be a supper served at 6:00 p.m. Then at 7:00 p.m. there will be a service/bible study. After the worship time the kids will be dismissed to Kings Kids for a time of learning and fun. Kings Kids is for kids Kindergarten through 6th grade. The meal will be free will offering. Everyone is invited.

"New to Medicare" virtual class

Learning what to do when you become eligible for Medicare can seem overwhelming. This class is for people who will be new to Medicare and would like to learn about Medicare Parts A, B, C and D. Topics will include a comprehensive introduction to Medicare including what Medicare covers, supplemental insurance and Part D prescription coverage.

During the class you will learn the Medicare

enrollment details, how to get the most from your benefits and how to research your Medicare plan options using the Medicare.gov site.

Go to <https://mnraaa.org/calendar> to sign up for the class, as space is limited.

WHAT: New to Medicare Virtual Class

WHEN: 02/9/2021 from 8:30 am -10:00 am

WHERE: Online Virtual Class

The Senior LinkAge Line is a service of the

Minnesota Board on Aging in partnership with Minnesota's local area agencies on aging. It is the state's federally designated State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP) and Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP). Call the Senior LinkAge Line at 1-800-333-2433 Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm or visit www.MinnesotaHelp.info to chat with a specialist during business hours.

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Obituary Notices



Esther L. Ahrens, 92

Esther Lorraine Ahrens, 92, of Stillwater, MN (formally Northrop, MN) passed away from natural causes on Thursday, January 21st, 2021. She was preceded in death by her husband, Norman Ahrens, son Larry and daughter Linda.

Esther was born in

Martin County on March 3, 1928. She was the last surviving of seven children. She graduated from Trimont high school, married Norman Ahrens in 1946 and they lived on the family farm. When they retired from farming, they moved to Northrop, where they lived for 43 years. Norman worked for Surge Milking Co. and Esther worked as an office assistant for Fred Carlson, DDS.

While living in Northrop, Esther was successful in selling Tupper-

ware, loved to garden, grow roses and can preserves. She also loved sewing and made over 500 quilts for world relief. She loved baking cookies, watching the Twins and Vikings, playing cards and board games with friends and family.

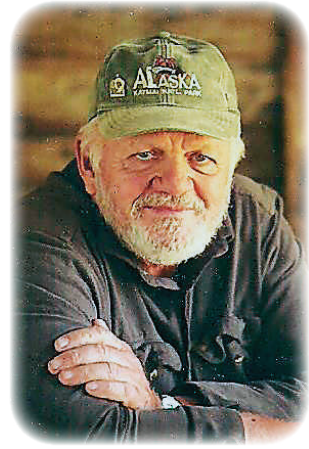
Esther is survived by daughter-in-law Cindy (Larry) Ahrens, son-in-law Russ (Linda) Peura, grandson Leighton Moen, granddaughter Lisa Dickerson, grandson Christopher Ahrens, granddaughter Kris Peura

and great grandchildren Nelson, Connor and Lily Moen, Jordan Harris and Kaitlyn Paulley, sister-in-law Pat (David) Nordhausen, and brother-in-law Lee (Wanda) St. John.

She will be deeply missed by many of her friends and family.

A Memorial Service will be held on Saturday, February 27th, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. at Bakken-Young Funeral & Cremation Services (728 S. Knowles Ave.) in New Richmond with a visitation one hour prior to the service. Inter-

ment will be in Elm Creek Cemetery in Trimont, MN on Sunday, February 28, 2021 at 11:30 a.m.. Guests will be asked to follow all CDC guidelines for gathering including social distancing and face masks. Condolences may be offered to Cindy Ahrens at 1779 46th Str., Somerset, WI 54025. All memorials can be sent to St. James Lutheran Church, 108 S. James Street, Northrop, MN 56075. Livestream service available at www.Bakken-Young.com.



Jack N. Mackey, 78

Jack Noble Mackey, age 78, of Fairmont, MN, passed away on Friday morning, January 29th, 2021, at Mayo Clinic Health System in Mankato, MN.

Jack was born June 7, 1942, the son of Robert and Elizabeth (Noble) Mackey in Fairmont MN. He graduated from Fairmont High School in 1960 and attended Thief River Falls Vocational School to study aircraft mechanics. In April 1967, Jack and Mary Ellen Mackeben were married at Grace Lutheran Church in Fairmont. They shared 22 years together until her passing in November 1988.

Jack began flying at the age of 16 under the careful direction of Lloyd Alsworth, and he went on to earn a commercial pilot license with multi-engine, sea and instrument ratings. He enjoyed crop

spraying and serving as pilot for several area businesses. Jack served as a member of the South Dakota Army National Guard and Minnesota Air National Guard during the Vietnam War. During his flying days, Jack owned several planes, including a float plane. Flying gave Jack and his friends and family the option of quick transportation to their cabin in Canada, the site of many happy celebrations, reunions and successful fishing vacations.

Jack became the corporate pilot for Artsway Manufacturing in Armstrong, IA, and later joined that company's sales force selling grinder mixers through the Mid-

west. He later began selling and servicing computers while managing his commercial rental property in Fairmont MN.

Jack loved Alaska and treasured trips piloting his own plane to Alaska to visit friends and to fish. Jack continued to take annual fishing trips to Alaska and often rewarded friends and family with halibut and salmon fresh from the Pacific when he returned. Jack enjoyed sharing pictures and tales of his adventures in Alaska, and he seldom missed an opportunity to talk about his love of flying and Alaska. Jack became an amateur photographer, working with his friend, Jeff Silker. Jack

was always ready to help friends and family with their photography.

Jack was a member of First Congregational Church (UCC) of Fairmont and was active as member of the Finance and Facilities Boards and served as Moderator. He serviced and maintained the computers for the church for many years and was always available in a crisis.

Survivors include brothers Bob Mackey and Bill Mackey; sisters Betty Mackey and Mary (Bob) Faulkner; sister-in-law Neva (David) Beech; and many nieces, nephews and friends. He was preceded in death by his wife, Mary Ellen; parents,

Robert and Elizabeth Mackey; sisters Judy Cobb and Joyce VanBeest; sisters-in-law Karen Mackey and Sandy Mackey; Mary Ellen's parents, Albert and Marian Mackeben; niece, Jennifer Mackenby; nephews, Jake Rubbelke, William Cobb and Daniel VanBeest; and many other friends and relatives.

Services for Jack will be held at a later date. The Lakeview Funeral Home and Cremation Service in Fairmont is assisting the family with arrangements. Memorials are preferred to Lakeside Cemetery or First Congregational United Church of Christ (UCC) of Fairmont.

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Harvey L. Sathoff, 85

Harvey Leroy Sathoff was born October 16th, 1935 to Ed and Tina Sathoff. He attended school in Ringsted, and later moved to Blue Earth. Harvey was

a member of St. John's Lutheran Church of Dunnell, until its closing. He then became a member of St. John's in Sherburn.

He met and married "the love of his life" Joanne Knudson on Nov. 20th, 1954 in Mason City. They later moved near Dunnell, where they purchased an acreage and raised their six children. This is where their kids learned "family values," hard work, honesty, loyalty, respect and kindness (for people and animals) but most of all they learned of "faith, love and a whole lot of laughter." They bought and raised horses, which was by far, the kids' most enjoyable past time grow-

ing up. Sundays were always family day, starting with church, then visiting grandparents, aunts, uncles, or cousins, and taking a ride around the section with the horses.

Everything the kids enjoyed, he enjoyed watching. Basketball, softball tournaments, or especially watching the kids show horses at the Martin County Fair. This was a yearly event. In later years his grandkids would also be horse lovers, and also show their horses. He loved seeing his grandkids growing up and enjoyed any time he could spend with them.

Spending time with his grown children and their families was always "spe-

cial." Being out to the farm helping bale hay, riding the 4 wheeler, watching NASCAR or enjoying those delicious steaks on the grill. Going out to the lake for Halloween parties, Super Bowl get-togethers, or watching everyone play horseshoes. Always enjoying getting together with family. These are memories that will never be forgotten!

Harvey farmed for 28 years, managing Techni-Ag. He and Joanne established the "Hwy 4 Store" in Dunnell. They owned and operated the store from 1988-1999. After selling the store they spent many years traveling south for the winter. They enjoyed going many places with

their camper, and making many new friends along the way.

Harvey enjoyed many activities including snowmobiling, riding horses, playing cards, shaking dice, horseshoe and was a pro at shuffleboard. But his favorite past-time was watching car racing. The Fairmont race track was a weekly event, going almost every Friday with his son, and his grandson Michael, (who always had a "special" bond with grandpa). He will be forever missed, because he was such a "great" man, husband, father and grandpa.

Harvey passed on Sunday, January 24th at Mayo Health Systems in

Fairmont, at the age of 85 years.

He is survived by his wife Joanne; daughters Peg Flaharty, Deb (David) Brandt, Dixie (Gordy) Preuss, DeDee Sathoff and Tylan Remmers; sons Robert (Butch) Sathoff and Robyn (Deb) Sathoff; brother-in-law Toby (Lorrie) Snyder, many nieces and nephews; 17 grandchildren, 28 great-grandchildren and six great-great grandchildren.

Harvey was preceded in death by his parents, seven siblings, his mother-in-law, sister-in-law and a great grandson.



David D. Custard, 75

David D. Custard, 75, of West St. Paul, MN (formerly of the West Side),

passed away at the Minneapolis Veterans Hospital on January 12th, 2021.

David was born July 28th, 1945 in Fairmont, and graduated from Fairmont High School Class of 1963. He is survived by his wife Margaret (Peggy) of 54 years: children David (Marcia); Kelly (Steve Kopischke) and Jason (Melissa); grandsons Tyler, Micah, Graham and Ben; brother Dwayne (Karen); sisters Doreen Luhmann, Peggy (Dick) Nelson, Gayla (Jim) Miller; and many other relatives and good friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Edgar and Margaret; sister, Judy Saunders and brother-in-law Harland Luhmann.

David was a long-time employee of Viking Electric Supply.

A special thanks to the doctors and nurses at the VA Hospital, especially

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A Celebration of Life is planned for July, 2021.

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 January 28 -Robert K. Nelson, 68, rural Sherburn.
 January 31 - Debra A. Homan, 61, Fairmont.

Health career scholarships available

Mayo Clinic Health System in Fairmont is offering two Blanche Kindstrom Hospital Auxiliary Scholarships to local students pursuing health care careers. The deadline for applications is April 15, 2021.

This year's scholarships include:

- One \$1,000 scholarship awarded to a Fairmont High School senior

- One \$1,000 scholarship awarded to a high school senior in the Mayo Clinic Health System in Fairmont service area

The Mayo Clinic Health System in Fairmont Scholarship Committee reviews all scholarship applications and selects a recipient and alternate. Scholarship recipients and alternates will be notified by May 1, 2021.

Scholarship recipients must enter college within one year of being awarded the scholarship. Applications and additional information are available through area high school counselors or online at mayoclinichealthsystem.org. On the home page, type "Blanche Kindstrom Scholarship" in the search bar at the top of the page.

Bomgaars Donates to UHD

United Hospital District (UHD), an independent and award-winning healthcare system based in southern Minnesota, recently accepted a donation of \$995.15 from Bomgaars Corporation. The donation represents five percent of local sales from Bomgaars' annual Ladies' Night event, which promotes women's health awareness.

Held on October 25, 2020 with COVID-19 restrictions in place,

Bomgaars' announced their 2020 donation for all 94 participating locations was \$65,861.66, marking an increase from last year in both the number of participating stores as well as the total donation.

As a hospital and provider of women's health services, UHD was selected as a local beneficiary. UHD's CEO Rick Ash accepted the donation from Bomgaars Blue Earth Store Manager Ali Foth, marking the third

such award. "Knowing that so many are trying to manage through this exceptionally difficult time from the pandemic makes the donation extra special," said Ash. "We are honored to be chosen for this donation and are grateful for Bomgaars' generous support of the community we serve."

To date, Bomgaars' donations to UHD

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COLLEGE NEWS

Southwest Minnesota State University (Marshall, Minn.) students have been honored for achievement during the 2020 Fall semester of study. From our area: Samanatha Moeller, Fairmont; Leah Amborn, Sherburn; Jonathon Peterson and Madelyn Wade, Trimont; Jose Lopez and Zachary Spear, Truman.

Normandale Community College, Bloomington, MN, is pleased to announce its 2020 Fall Semester Dean's list. The following students enrolled in at least nine credits and have achieved a grade point average of at least 3.5 for courses completed in the fall semester ending this past May. Alpha, Jayne Weseman.

The University of Minnesota Duluth (UMD) has announced its Dean's List for Fall Semester 2020. Students on the Dean's List have achieved a grade point average of 3.5 or higher.

The four colleges within UMD are:

- College of Education and Human Service Professions (CEHSP)

- College of Liberal Arts (CLA)

- Swenson College of Science and Engineering (SCSE)

- Labovitz School of Business and Economics (LSBE)

From Fairmont:

- Claudia K. Bleess, Junior, Labovitz School of Business and Economics (LSBE), Marketing Graphic Dsgn B B A

- Daniel Brummond, Sophomore, Swenson College of Science and Engineering (SCSE), Biochemistry B S

- Joseph E. Gerken, Junior, Swenson College of Science and Engineering (SCSE), Geological Sciences B S

- Zachary R. Soelter, Junior, Swenson College of Science and Engineering (SCSE), Biochemistry B S

Fall semester students who have achieved a 3.25 grade point average or better are recognized by inclusion on the Dean's List. Those with a 4.00 (A) average are on the President's List.

Hannah Ammann from Truman was named to Western Technical College's President's List of High Distinction for the Fall 2020 term. To be included on the President's List, students must achieve a grade point average of 3.5 or higher and carry six or more credits in an associate's degree or technical diploma program. Western Technical College is located in La Crosse, WI.

Iowa Lakes Community College has released the fall honors list of full-time students (12 credits or more) who have demonstrated academic excellence by earning a grade point average of 3.25 (based on a 4.00) or higher.

Armstrong, IA

Bailie Harris, President's List
Kayla Sabin, Dean's List

Dolliver, IA

Jazmyne Anderson, Dean's List
Makayla Secrist, Dean's List

Dunnell, MN

Jalen Tripp, Dean's List

Fairmont, MN

Brett Chester-Mitchell, President's List

Darrian Kueker, Dean's List

Meagan Reischl, Dean's List

Anthony Schott, President's List

Swea City, IA

Hailey Arndorfer, Dean's List

Welcome, MN

Derek Hughes, Dean's List

Autumn Smart, President's List

Dawson Weber, Dean's List

Skylar Tumbleson of Trimont, has been named to the University of Minnesota Morris Dean's List for the fall 2020 semester. To be eligible for the Dean's List, students must achieve a grade point average of 3.666 or higher while taking 12 or more credits on the A-F grading system, with no incompletes or nonsatisfactory grades.

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Applications are available online at mnstatefair.org/about-the-fair/awards-and-recognition/; at fbmn.org; by calling the State Fair at 651-288-4400; or at statewide county extension and county Farm Bureau offices. The submission deadline is Monday, March 1, 2021. Recipients will be announced by early April. Previously recognized families should not reapply.

Information on the Century Farm Program will be available at the Minnesota Farm Bureau exhibit during the 2021 Minnesota State Fair. A Century Farm database is also available at fbmn.org.

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Also names and addresses for any cash memorials would be greatly appreciated.

If you have any questions about this, please feel free to call Ann Harris at 238-1177.

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WHAT'S COOKING

with Kathy Lloyd

Easy Peasy Recipe!

I love putting a meal in my crock pot and forgetting about meal prep until it's time to dish up! Especially on these cold dreary days. Today's recipe comes from my Granddaughter Samantha Phillis. She is a busy young mother of 3, three and under who needs fast prep meals.

Balsamic and Honey Pot Roast

2.5-4 pound chuck roast
1/2 cup honey
1/3 cup balsamic vinegar
2 beef bouillon cubes
1 Tablespoon soy sauce
4 cloves garlic minced or pressed
1/3 cup water
1/2 tsp. salt (I didn't add)

Place roast in a slow cooker, whisk together honey, vinegar, soy sauce and water, pour over roast add bouillon cubes and garlic, cook on low for 8-10 hours.

Have a great week and stay safe!

COVID-19 Vaccine Update

Community Health & Human Services of Faribault & Martin Counties is identifying individuals who are eligible and interested in receiving the COVID-19 vaccination.

We have not received information about when our next allocation of vaccine will be coming.

The Governor announced an expansion to allow for vaccination of individuals who are over the age of 65 and those working in schools and childcare. This survey identifies that you are interested in receiving the covid-19 vaccine. We will provide information on how you can schedule your vaccine appointment when we receive additional doses of vaccine. <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/VaxsurveyFM>

Community Health & Human Services of Faribault & Martin Counties provides daily COVID-19 updates on their Facebook page. Statewide COVID-19 information can be found on the Minnesota Department of Health website (www.health.state.mn.us).

Lunchtime entertainment at Red Rock to include stories, great speeches

By Liz Wheeler

Research indicates that more than three out of four Americans suffer from varying degrees of glossophobia which includes symptoms like sweating, trembling, and an accelerated heart rate. What is glossophobia? The fear of public speaking!

Yet there are a number of Fairmont High School students who run toward this opportunity instead of away from, as many of us are wont to do. This year, 30+ Fairmont students are on the speech team and will be competing in 14 different categories. Nine of these students are celebrating their senior year: Tabitha Thatcher, Isabell Geiger, Tabitha Willner, Faith Heille, Gracia Heille, Jacalyn Reischl, Weston Loughmiller, Annika Wheeler, and Ameya Komaragiri.

Most of the categories, like dramatic interpretation, storytelling, and poetry, have students using their voices, intonations, and body language to

convey a message others have written. Then there are categories where students do write their own presentations, and they compete in categories like informative speaking, original oratory, great speeches, and creative expression. And then there is extemporaneous speaking, extemporaneous reading, and storytelling, which has the student drawing a topic only minutes before the presentation and preparing a speech on the fly. Definitely a category that heightens glossophobia!

The Fairmont High School speech team coached by Kathleen Walker, Erik Walker, and Michael Taylor has a notable and distinguished record at competitions. Fairmont graduate Sarah Bankson Brima is the only student in the history of the Minnesota state speech tournament to get four state championships in any category, and she received all of them in Informative Speaking from 2008-2011 coached under

Roxy and Cliff Janke. Fairmont grad Anagha Komaragiri is one of six students in Minnesota to have won three state speech championships in Informative Speaking from 2014-2016 underneath the coaching of the Jankes and the Walkers respectively. Overall, Fairmont Speech holds 115 medals from that tournament over the years, which puts them at fifth overall in Class A. And in 2019, Fairmont earned its third consecutive Section 2A team championship.

Last year, Tabitha Thatcher and Isabell Geiger, who perform together in duo interpretation, performed at nationals in 2020 and made it to quarterfinals, a significant accomplishment. They were among the top 30 duos in the nation!

For Red Rock Center's Virtual Lunchbox Entertainment on Tuesday, February 9, three of Fairmont's seniors will perform or present from three different speech categories beginning at

noon.

Annika Wheeler, a six-year member of the team who took second in sections in 2019 in storytelling and went to state, will perform her version of a story from the Gutenberg Project collection of folk stories and fables.

Weston Loughmiller, a member of the 2018 state speech team, will be presenting in extemporaneous speaking, a category not for the faint of heart.

Ameya Komaragiri, who recently received the honor of being the 2021

regional Triple A student for excelling in arts, athletics and academics will be performing and informing on "This American War over Facts and Truth" by Ira Glass in the Great Speeches category.

This is an online event which will premiere on Red Rock Center's Facebook page at noon on February 9. You do not need a Facebook account to view. You can just go to www.facebook.com/RedRockCenterForTheArts and click on the event post.

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total almost \$2,500.00. Donated funds have been applied towards the purchase of enhanced mammography equipment and the local Relay For Life cancer support event. This year, UHD intends to apply the funds towards updating the hospital's Labor and Delivery rooms. Planned enhance-

ments for new mothers and their families include new furnishings and conveniences such as refrigerators and desk areas.

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Tom Palen, broadcaster, pilot, writer

**Warming Up**

It was cold outside when I woke up, a few degrees below zero. I opted to use the percolator to make coffee rather than the drip coffee machine. I filled the stainless-steel pot to the six-cup line with cold water. I placed the basket on the hollow stem, added three scoops of coffee grounds, and put the perforated cover on top. I lowered the assembly into the water, closed the lid, set the pot on the stove, and turned the knob - Tick, tick, tick, tick, woosh. I adjusted the blue flame below.

Above the percolator, I rubbed my hands together, warming them in the heat rising from the flame. Thinking a fire in the woodstove would sure be nice on such a chilly morning; I went out on the deck to bring in a few logs from the

woodpile.

Wearing my buffalo plaid, flannel pajama pants, a Smokey Bear t-shirt, and my house slippers, I stood where the woodpile should be - but there was no wood. I shivered and recited a children's poem. "Old Mother Hubbard went to the cupboard - but when she got there, the cupboard was bare." That's exactly how I felt. I forgot to restock the small pile we keep close to the door.

I walked to the edge of the deck, staring at the big pile of firewood across the yard. "Why couldn't some of that be up here?" I seriously contemplated trekking over to gather an armload of logs. I looked down at my feet and bare ankles inside my slippers. In sub-zero weather, running across the snow-covered yard, still in my pajamas, would not have been exemplary of good decision-making skills. It was starting to snow. "I should have worn socks." I shivered and went back into the house.

Back in the kitchen, the coffee was perking with a steady rhythm. There's something about that sound that warms the soul - well, it usually warms the soul. That little excursion out to the deck had me plenty chilled.

I poured a cup of coffee and wrapped my hands around the warm mug. "Oh, that feels good."

The mug warmed my hands, but my body was still cold. I wrapped an afghan from the couch around my shoulders, then stood with my coffee, looking out the bay window. The snow was falling much faster now. There were only a couple of chickadees at the bird feeder. Maybe it was too cold for the rest to come out yet.

A small red squirrel was in the pale green feeder that looks like an old-fashioned metal porch glider. The critter was sitting on his hind legs; his bushy tail pointed upward. He held and turned sunflower seeds using his front paws as he nibbled through the shell. Once he had the tasty treasure inside, he tossed the empty husk over the railing, and picked up another seed. He amused me: how fast his little jaws moved. I wondered where the little guy goes to stay warm on these bitterly cold nights. Just then, something spooked the squirrel.

He jumped from the porch, scurrying across the top of the snow, to the safety of a woodpile. He must

have a nest in there because my dog June goes nuts running around that pile looking for him. "So that's where he stays warm."

I smiled, thinking about commonalities between the squirrel and me. To get through the winter, he has nuts and food stashed all around the yard, where I have piles of firewood stacked all around the yard to get me through the winter.

I looked at my dark, empty woodstove, then at firewood outside. The snow was accumulating on the blue tarp that kept the logs below dry. I scowled, "That squirrel is using my firewood to stay warm while I stand here freezing." It just didn't seem fair. "I sure wish I had some of that wood in here." I rechecked the outside temperature; it was up to one degree above zero. "I don't want it that bad."

I just wanted a way to get warm. Even June was warm, curled up on the sofa. I had an idea that caused me to smile.

Happiness is telling your dog (who is not supposed to be on the couch) to get off the couch, so I can take a nap with my blanket - in the warm spot she left. "Oh, that feels nice." I said, tucking the covers under my chin.

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By Jenny Trushenski,
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Prodigal Son by
Gregg Hurwitz

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He was a government
assassin, but eventu-
ally broke with the Pro-
gram. He adopted a new
name—The Nowhere
Man—and a new mis-
sion, helping the most
desperate in their times
of trouble. But the high-
est power in the country
has made him an offer—
in exchange for an unof-
ficial pardon, he must
stop his activities as The
Nowhere Man. But then

he gets a call for help
from a woman claiming
to have given him up for
adoption, a woman he
never knew—his moth-
er. Her unlikely request:
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man whose life has gone
off the rails.

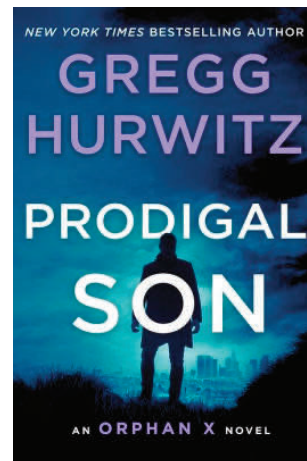
The Four Winds by
Kristin Hannah

Texas, 1921. The Great
War is over, the bounty
of the land is plentiful,
and America is on the
brink of a new era. But
for Elsa Wolcott, deemed
too old to marry, the fu-
ture seems bleak. Until

the night she meets Rafe
Martinelli and changes
the direction of her life.
By 1934, the world has
changed; millions are
out of work and drought
has destroyed the Great
Plains. Farmers are fight-
ing to keep their liveli-
hoods as crops fail and
water dries up and the
earth cracks open. Dust
storms roll across the
plains. Everything on the
Martinelli farm is dying,
including Elsa's tenuous
marriage; each day is a
battle against nature and
a fight to keep her chil-

dren alive. Elsa, like so
many of her neighbors,
must make an agoniz-
ing choice: fight for the

land she loves or leave
it behind and go west, to
California, in search of a
better life for her family.



IS IT LOVE OR IS IT JUST VERTIGO

Guest Columnist

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

February is usually
the month we talk
about heart health. A
little obvious you might
say, and I would agree,
so I thought I would
look at something I have
seen a lot of lately and
find an angle to make
it work into the month
of love. True love can
make us dizzy or a little
light-headed, so let's go
with that!!

If you have experi-
enced dizziness or
vertigo, you know how
unsettling it can be. If
it isn't because you are
falling in love, you need
to find out why you are
feeling that way. Vertigo
and dizziness are not
exactly the same thing,
but most people mix the
two. Technically vertigo
is the sensation of spin-
ning when you are not
moving at all; it's that
feeling of moving when
you're not. Dizziness is
more the feeling of be-
ing "off" in your balance
or your sense of where
you are. For simplicity,
we'll just call it vertigo
since most people know
that term.

There are a number
of reasons you can feel
these symptoms. Your
sense of balance de-

pends on a complex
interplay of your eyes,
your ears, and the joints
in your upper neck; any
one can disturb your
sense of balance. If it
gets bad enough you
literally cannot stand!
Some of the more ex-
treme causes are condi-
tions such as Meniere's
disease, vestibular neu-
ritis, labyrinthitis, and
migraines, but much
more commonly they
are caused by things
that can diagnosed and
corrected at any func-
tional medicine office.
Let's look at a few.

Low Blood Sugar

Low blood sugar, or
hypoglycemia, can give
you a sense of lighthead-
edness or dizziness as
your legs become weak
and your brain gets low
on energy. Blood tests
that confirm blood glu-
cose along with HBA1c,
insulin, and C-peptide
can diagnose the source
of this problem. A num-
ber of supplements
such as berberine and
chromium can stabilize
blood sugar levels. If
this is what is causing
your issue, then your
diet needs to be looked
at as well. Diets that

are chronically high in
sugars, carbs, and pro-
cessed foods almost
guarantee a condition
called insulin resistance
which can set you up for
a fall.

Low Iron

Low iron can also
cause the weak, light-
headed sensation due
to poor oxygenation,
especially in your brain
and its balance centers.
Low iron can be based
on not enough dietary
intake, poor absorption
(remember when I've
talked about leaky gut?),
or secondary nutrition-
al issues such as cop-
per deficiency. A high-
quality iron supplement
can readily address
this issue. Low quality
iron supplements ab-
sorb very poorly and
are more likely to cause
constipation than relief.
If you often experience
cold hands and feet
along with fatigue, then
you are quite possibly

looking at an iron defi-
ciency.

Medication Side Effect

Many meds can
cause dizziness and ver-
tigo. Unfortunately, the
answer you will receive
in these cases is more
meds! It is important to
review your medication
list and check for side
effects. Do not leave this
up to your health care
provider; calling your
pharmacist will prob-
ably give you a good an-
swer here.

A particularly impor-
tant thing to remember
is that quite often blood
pressure meds can low-
er your blood pressure
too much. If your doctor
is pushing your diastolic
below 60, you may want
to remind them that at a
certain point falling and
breaking something is a
bigger risk than high
blood pressure! Typi-
cally, there are supple-
ments that can help
lower blood pressure
naturally.

Cervical Spine Issues

An interesting experi-
ment was performed in
which lidocaine was in-
jected into the joints of

the upper neck to see
what effect that would
have on spinal func-
tion. Many of the test
subjects experienced
very serious balance
problems. If your upper
cervical spine has any
alignment issues, then
nothing else will help
with your dizziness. If
you already have a his-
tory of neck problems,
especially upper neck,
see your chiropractor
first!

If you find that diz-
ziness and vertigo are
worsened by looking
quickly to the right or
left, then that is usu-
ally a confirmation that
your spine is the source

of your problems.

There are many other
issues that can cause
dizziness, including the
one everyone blames
balance problems on —
ear stones (technically
called otoliths). While
these can definitely cre-
ate issues, my experi-
ence has shown that
they are rarely the root
cause. A combination of
chiropractic, nutrition,
and functional medi-
cine is often the best
place to start to get re-
lief without risking side
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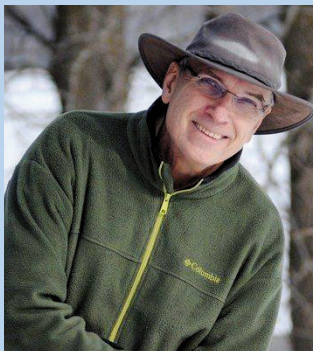


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Nature by the yard

By Al Batt

Juncos are gray birds that brighten a gray day. A pine siskin wore the evidence of a correct weather forecast. The proof was a few snowflakes perched on the bird's back. Happiness is in the bag. Sunflower seeds. Chickadees moved to and from the feeders at the rate of the candy on an "I Love Lucy" TV episode, the one where Lucy and Ethel got jobs as candy makers at Kramer's Kandy Kitchen. They worked in the wrapping room assembly line where their task was to wrap every chocolate candy as it went by on a conveyor belt. The speed of the conveyor forced them to eat the candies or stuff the sweets into their hats and blouses.

A friend, Penny Jacobsen of Albert Lea, called to recommend the book, "Braiding Sweetgrass: Indigenous Wisdom, Scientific Knowledge, and the Teachings of Plants" a nonfiction book by Robin Wall Kimmerer and published by Milkweed. It's a wonderful book I'd just started reading not long before her kind call.

I haven't seen a chipmunk in the yard since

New Year's Day. Chipmunks hibernate in winter, but they don't sleep through the season. Hibernation means something different to each species. Some call the chipmunk's a torpor. It's a restless hibernation. They retreat to their burrows and wake every few days to raise their body temperatures to normal, feed on stored food rather than fat reserves, and urinate and defecate. Their heart rate declines from about 350 beats per minute to four beats per minute. Body temperature may drop from 94° to the temperature of the burrow — as cold as 40°.

There were five pheasants and four fox squirrels foraging under the feeders. All was calm. Then another fox squirrel dropped from a feeder. Panic ensued. It became the Monty Python skit of the footrace for people with no sense of direction. I recalled a day years before when the house cat was bird-watching from a window holding a feeder attached by suction cups. As the feline watched, a squirrel dropped from the roof in a superhero attempt to find access to the feeder. The weight of the squirrel knocked the feeder from the glass. The cat's eyes grew larger as it turned and looked at me as if to say, "That's why I watch birds."

Eight pheasants became eight lumps in a bent tree in the gathering darkness. Roosting in trees is a predator-avoidance behavior.

My eyes produced tears as I walked into an east wind. The proverb

says, "When the wind is in the east, 'tis neither good for man nor beast; when the wind is in the north, the skillful fisher goes not forth; when the wind is in the south, it blows the bait in the fishes' mouth; when the wind is in the west, then 'tis at the very best."

Carol Hegel Lang of Albert Lea, Jill Evans of Mankato and Tim Scott of Mankato all reported wintering Carolina wrens. I recall walking a trail in Columbia, Missouri, lost in my thoughts and delighting in the songs of the Carolina wren that followed me.

There was a spruce budworm outbreak across large portions of Quebec and Ontario the past several years. Because of the pandemic, areas of Quebec weren't treated with pesticides for budworm. Large sections of the boreal forests produced two excellent spruce cone crops during the last four years. These things led to a finch irruption event. Evening grosbeak, purple finch, and to a lesser extent, pine siskin, are spruce budworm specialists. There are spruce budworm warblers, too — Cape May, Tennessee and bay-breasted.

Q&A

"What can I feed wintering robins?" Place apple slices, raisins, blueberries, grapes, strawberries, cranberries, raspberries, cherries, small bits of suet or mealworms at ground level.

"How many snowy owls have been seen in Minnesota this winter?" As of Jan. 31 there had been 72 observations in 16 counties: Becker,

Kittson, Marshall, Pine, Polk, St. Louis, Benton, Dodge, Hennepin, Lac qui Parle, Le Sueur, Martin, Rice, Stearns, Stevens and Watonwan.

"Where do the sandhill cranes from Minnesota go in winter?" Minnesota birds are short-distance migrants. Birds in eastern Minnesota migrate southeast to Georgia and Florida; birds in western Minnesota migrate south to the Gulf Coast of Texas.

"When are the mating seasons for coyotes and red foxes?" Coyotes mate at age two and may pair for life. The mating season begins in January and lasts through February. Five to seven pups are born in April. Red foxes mate at age one in February and 52 days later five to ten pups are born that are fully independent at seven months.

Thanks for stopping by

"If you cannot do great things, do small things in a great way." — Attributed to Napoleon Hill, Martin Luther King, Jr. and Mother Teresa

"When snow falls, nature listens." — Antoinette van Kleeff

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25 YEARS AGO IN THE PHOTO PRESS

January 31, 1996

Trimont's Summer Theatre announced its production of "The Music Man". A large cast of adults and children was needed for the production and anyone from the Trimont area was encouraged to attend try-outs.

Winners of the Fairmont Knights of Columbus Free Throw championships were Mike Bleess, Jayden Grupe, Evan Oberdieck, Charles Bettin, Phil Brummond, Kevin Brockman, Heather Compton, Teresa Kloeckner, Carry Cyphers and Cody Silker.

Dell Luther Church's annual Lutfisk Supper was scheduled for the coming Sunday. The church is located in rural Frost.

The all new 1997 Ford F-150 Ford pickup was showing at Park Motor Company in Fairmont. After 19 years of building America's best-selling truck, Ford was coming out with the all-new F-Series.

The front page of the Photo Press was purchased by City Looks by The Barbers, in the Five Lakes Centre.

50 YEARS AGO IN THE PHOTO PRESS

January 31, 1971

Janis Zenk, Miss Fairmont and Maria Kowaliw, Miss Dominion of Canada, were to appear at the third annual snowmobile derby at the Martin County Fairgrounds, sponsored by the Blizzard Snowmobile Club this weekend.

L. E. Madsen, manager of the Fairmont Public Utilities Commission, disclosed that the city would require, in the near future, two additional water storage tanks. Plans at this time call for one tower to be built in the north part of the city and the other near the Industrial Park area.

The Cardinal basketball team's South Central Conference record was 3-2 with their defeat of Blue Earth. Fairmont's overall record was 4-7.

Dick Draeger, who was a Welcome graduate and attended the University of Minnesota, assumed the territory previously served by the late Adrian Fisch who represented Mutual of New York in Fairmont for 39 years. Draeger had been in the insurance business in Minneapolis

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Business Eligibility and Grant Requirements, and the Application Form can be found on the Martin County website: <http://www.co.martin.mn.us>

Completed applications, with all required documentation, must be submitted to the Fairmont Chamber of Commerce.

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Avoid Tapping Into 401(k) Early

If you've been contributing for many years to your 401(k) or similar retirement plan, it may be your largest pool of money. So, if you are facing a financial need, you may think about tapping into your account. After all, it's your money - why not use it?

But touching your 401(k) before you retire may not be a good idea, as it can lead to some unwanted consequences.

First, taking funds out of your 401(k) now could increase the risk of running out of money during retirement, which could last for decades.

Also, withdrawals taken from your 401(k) before age 59½ may be taxed as ordinary income and are generally subject to a 10% penalty for early withdrawal, although there are some exceptions. And a sizable taxable withdrawal from your 401(k) could bump you into a higher tax bracket.

Therefore, if you are facing a financial crunch, you may want to explore some options before tapping into your 401(k). For starters, see if you can cut your expenses where possible and explore financial assistance programs that service providers, such as utility companies, might offer.

Also, if you have an emergency fund, now may be the time to use it. For most folks, it's a good idea to keep three to six months' worth of living expenses in such a fund, with the money kept in a liquid, low-risk account. But even smaller amounts can help in a financial crunch.

You might also find another source of cash in your taxable investment accounts. Any uninvested cash in these accounts is an easy place to start. You might also look at selling investments to free up some cash. However, before making this decision, you may want to consult with a financial profes-

sional to discuss the pros and cons.

Another cash-generating option is a 401(k) loan, assuming your plan permits such loans. Unlike a direct withdrawal, a 401(k) loan is not taxable if it's repaid on time. (If it isn't, you could also incur penalties.) And, although the loan may have some fees, the interest on it will be paid to your account, rather than to a bank. However, you won't earn investment returns on the loan balance, because you can't use this money to invest. And if you leave your job before you've fully repaid the loan, you'll likely have to come up with the remaining balance quickly.

You could also consider using your credit cards to generate cash, but these types of loans or advances can be quite costly. Instead, you may want to look at other possibilities, such

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Fortunate to live in Fairmont

I have been fortunate to have lived in Fairmont all my life and I benefited from an excellent public school system with what we then called "shop classes". Those "shop classes" gave me the opportunity to try different areas of work while in school so I could choose the direction I wanted to pursue for a career. The balanced academic studies and "shop classes" offered at that time gave me a good base to build on. Early in my career I was able to work as an electrician earning a living while continuing my education in the area of industrial automation.

I was fortunate to have several other people work with me thru the years that had obtained their training in the Fairmont Area and chose to stay in Fairmont, that group of people help me build Kahler Automation into a successful business in Fairmont serving customers across the U.S. and Canada.

Who knows which young person going to school today in Fairmont will stay in Fairmont and build the next successful business providing people employment opportunities at good pay rates.

We the voting citizens of Independent School district #2752 have the opportunity to provide the next generation of people opportunities to gain employable skills that can be utilized right here in Fairmont.

This is an economic development plan that we all can participate in by voting YES to the Fairmont Area Schools Vocational Expansion Project Referendum.

I am excited that the administration and the school board has taken this project on and I support their effort to provide this very important training opportunity to our area citizens.

Wayne Kahler
Kahler Automation Corp.



Preparing for Cold Weather

by Sgt. Troy Christianson,
MN State Patrol

by Sgt. Troy

Christianson of the Minnesota State Patrol

Question: What items should I have in my vehicle during this extreme cold weather? What is the proper procedure if I become stranded and/or go off the road?

Answer: With the recent below zero temperatures, being prepared with an emergency kit and plan can save your life.

We recommend the following items be in your vehicle, especially in the winter:

- Bag of abrasive material (sand, salt, cat litter) or traction mats
- Snow shovel
- Flashlight with extra batteries
- Window washer solvent
- Ice scraper with brush
- Cloth or roll of paper towels
- Jumper cables
- Tow chain or rope
- Extra warm clothing (gloves, hats, scarves)
- Blankets
- Warning devices (flares or triangles)
- Drinking water
- Non-perishable snacks for both human and pet passengers
- First-aid kit
- Basic toolkit (screwdrivers, pliers, adjustable wrench)

• Mobile phone and car charger pre-programmed with rescue apps and important phone numbers including family and emergency services

If stranded, stay in the vehicle and call 911. Provide the Dispatcher with the following information:

- Problem you're experiencing
- Your location (Get in the habit of looking for mile markers and cross streets/roadways)
- Any injuries to yourself or passengers
- Preferred tow company, otherwise the closest approved tow company will be dispatched

At night, keep your dome light on and activate the vehicle's emergency flashers.

Be aware that snow can plug your vehicle's exhaust system and cause deadly carbon monoxide gas to enter your car so make sure the exhaust pipe is free of snow and keep a window slightly open while the engine is running.

Make sure your vehicle is properly maintained and that you have at least a half of a tank of fuel.

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January 31 - Fairmont Squirts (White) 1, New Ulm Sleepy Eye 16

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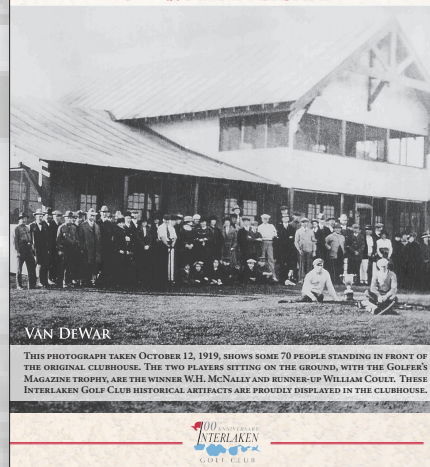
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Picture Perfect Moments



Rachel Jones of Mankato gave her grandpa, Al Armbrust of Truman, his first COVID-19 vaccine in Mankato this past week.



Backyard Beauty in Ringsted, IA.



Nora had a birthday this past week and got the shoes she was hoping for!



Lucy Egeness and her snowman
Fairmont, MN.



Ben & Broen Petersen visited Great Grandma Janice Petersen at Lakeview Health Care Center.



Luke & Nash Cyphers and Irene Baumgart
at Goldfinch Estates, Fairmont, MN.



Marsha and Adam Sunday funday!



Kenna and her kitty checking to see if it's summer yet!

E-mail your picture perfect moments to: Orders@fairmontphotopress.com
by noon on Fridays to be highlighted in the following publication.

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as a home equity loan, the cash value of a life insurance policy, the “margin” on your investment accounts or a personal loan. Again, you should talk to a financial professional to discuss the tradeoffs of taking out these loans and to develop a payoff strategy, if you decide to use any of them.

Your 401(k) is a long-term investment designed to meet a long-term goal: your retirement. So, if you think you might require these funds before retirement, explore all alternatives first to find the right decision for your needs.

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

CITY OF FAIRMONT

Grant Street Watermain Replacement
2021-G Improvement Project
City of Fairmont
Fairmont, MN

RECEIPT AND OPENING OF PROPOSALS: Sealed proposals for the work described below will be received at the Office of the City Administrator, City of Fairmont, 100 Downtown Plaza, Fairmont, MN 56031 until 2:00 p.m. on February 17th at which time the bids will be opened and publicly read.

DESCRIPTION OF WORK: The work includes the construction of approximately:

REMOVE CONCRETE/BITUMINOUS PAVEMENT	140 SY	REMOVE CONCRETE WALK	59 SY
BITUMINOUS PAVEMENT PATCHING	50 SY	4" CONCRETE WALK	525 SF
6.5:CONCRETE PAVEMENT PATCHING	90 SY	6" WATERMAIN, HDPE	47 LF
6" WATERMAIN, HPDE (PIPE BURST)	345 LF		

together with numerous related items of work, all in accordance with Plans and Specifications. This project is subject to Responsible Contractor Certification.

COMPLETION OF WORK: All work under the Contract must be complete by October 1, 2021.

PLAN HOLDERS LIST, ADDENDUMS AND BID TABULATION: The plan holders list, addendums and bid tabulations will be available for download on-line at www.fairmont.org or www.questcdn.com. Any addendums may also be distributed by mail, fax, or email.

TO OBTAIN BID DOCUMENTS: Complete digital project bidding documents are available at www.fairmont.org or www.questcdn.com. You may view the digital plan documents for free by entering Quest project #7525772 on the website's Project Search page. Documents may be downloaded for \$30.00. Please contact QuestCDN.com at 952-233-1632 or info@questcdn.com for assistance in free membership registration, viewing, downloading, and working with this digital project information. An optional paper set of project documents is also available for a nonrefundable price of \$40.00 per set, which includes applicable sales tax and shipping. Please make your check payable to City of Fairmont and send it to 100 Downtown Plaza, Fairmont, MN 56031 (507) 238-9461.

BID SECURITY: A certified check or proposal bond in the amount of not less than 5 percent of the total amount bid, drawn in favor of City of Fairmont shall accompany each bid.

OWNER'S RIGHTS RESERVED: The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any irregularities and informalities therein and to award the Contract to other than the lowest bidder if, in their discretion, the interest of the Owner would be best served thereby.

DATED: 1/26/2021 **/S/** Cathy Reynolds
City Administrator

Published:
Fairmont Photo Press: 1/27//2021, 2/3/2021, 2/10/2021

CITY OF FAIRMONT

Fairlakes Avenue Street & Utility Improvemets
City of Fairmont
Fairmont, MN

RECEIPT AND OPENING OF PROPOSALS: Proposals for the work described below will be received online through QuestCDN.com until 2:00 p.m. on February 18, 2021, at which time the bids will be opened and publicly read via conference call only. Use the number and conference ID below to join the meeting:

Conference Call Number: 1 (612) 428-8778

Conference ID: 876 309 376#

DESCRIPTION OF WORK: The work includes the construction of approximately:

Remove Pavement	1,910	SQ YD	12"-54" RCP Storm Sewer	1,982	LIN FT
Common Excavation (EV) (P)	3,900	CU YD	8" - 21" PVC Pipe Sewer	1,684	LIN FT
Select Granular Borrow	2,730	TON	4"-12" Watermain	1,669	LIN FT
Aggregate Base Class 5	2,125	TON	Construct Drainage Structure	152	LIN FT
Bituminous Pavement	1,140	TON	Construct Sanitary Manhole	69	LIN FT
8" Concrete Pavement	1,200	SQ YD	Concrete Curb & Gutter	1,824	LIN FT
4" Perf PE Pipe Drain	1,550	LIN FT	Turf Restoration	7,830	SQ YD

together with numerous related items of work, all in accordance with Plans and Specifications. This project is subject to Responsible Contractor Certification.

COMPLETION OF WORK: All work under the Contract must be complete by September 17, 2021.

PLAN HOLDERS LIST, ADDENDUMS AND BID TABULATION: The plan holders list, addendums and bid tabulations will be available for download on-line at www.bolton-menk.com or www.questcdn.com.

TO OBTAIN BID DOCUMENTS: Complete digital project bidding documents are available at www.bolton-menk.com or www.questcdn.com. You may view the digital plan documents for free by entering Quest project #7520677 on the website's Project Search page. Documents may be downloaded for \$45.00. Please contact QuestCDN.com at 952-233-1632 or info@questcdn.com for assistance in free membership registration, viewing, downloading, and working with this digital project information.

BID SUBMITTAL: A bid shall be submitted online no later than the date and time prescribed. For this project the City will only be accepting online electronic bids through QuestCDN. To access the electronic bid form, download the project document and click online bidding button at the top of the advertisement. Prospective bidders must be on the plan holders list through QuestCDN for bids to be accepted.

BID SECURITY: A Proposal Bond in the amount of not less than 5 percent of the total amount bid, drawn in favor of City of Fairmont shall accompany each bid.

OWNER'S RIGHTS RESERVED: The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any irregularities and informalities therein and to award the Contract to other than the lowest bidder if, in their discretion, the interest of the Owner would be best served thereby.

Dated: January 21, 2021 **/s/** Cathy Reynolds
City Administrator

Published:
Fairmont Photo Press: January 27, 2021; February 3, 2021; and February 10, 2021

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1 Cards of Thanks

Brolsma- We want to thank everyone for birthday wishes. Also, for the phone calls, cards, flowers and well wishes for our 60th Anniversary. Our children for everything they do for us. The Covid puts restrictions on everyday things, but not on the love of family and friends. In Christ, The Good Shepherd. Bob and Norma Brolsma. 5-1tp-1

**STATE OF MINNESOTA
COUNTY OF MARTIN
FIFTH JUDICIAL
DISTRICT COURT**

**PROBATE DIVISION
Court File No. 46-
PR-20-796**

Estate of Kay Ana Hoppe
aka Kay A. Hoppe,
Decedent.

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS:
FOREIGN PERSONAL
REPRESENTATIVE
ACTING IN MINNESOTA**

Notice is given that Kenneth E. Lane, residing at 812 Coshocton Ave., Mount Vernon, Ohio 43050 is the domiciliary foreign Personal Representative ("Personal Representative") for the estate of Kay Ana Hoppe, a resident of the State of Ohio.

On January 15, 2021, the Personal Representative filed with the Court a document stating an intention to exercise, as to assets in Minnesota, all powers of a local Personal Representative and to maintain actions and proceedings in Minnesota in accordance with Minnesota Statutes section 524.4-205.

Notice is also given that any Minnesota creditor who objects to the Personal Representative's exercise of power over assets in Minnesota must file a written objection within 60 days from the Personal Representative's filing. If no objections are filed, the representative may, after the expiration of the 60 day period, exercise all powers of a local Personal Representative.

BY THE COURT

/s/ Cathy Celander
Court Administrator Dated:
January 19, 2021

/s/ Julie A. Hansen Deputy
Dated: January 19, 2021

Attorney for Foreign Personal Representative Ryan L. Blumhoefer Schmitz, Ophaug & Blumhoefer, LLP
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February 3, 2021*

Grunig- Thanks for all the cards, flowers and calls for my 90th birthday. A special thanks to my family, I am so blessed. Eulalie Ann Grunig. 5-1tp-1

Schlomann- Thank you to all for remembering me on my birthday. The cards and calls made my day. Madelyn Schlomann. 5-1tp-1.

**6 Business Services
& Repairs**

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"LAKE BELT CEMETERY ASSN ANNUAL MEETING AND BID REQUEST"

Tue Feb 16, 2021 at 7 p.m.
A virtual meeting on
Computer via Zoom and
parties can also phone in, both
can connect with special
instructions.

To get those instructions and
agenda please phone
Sec/Treas *Joyce Schultz* at:
507-230-0207.

We are also asking for bids and
copy of commercial
liability insurance for 2021 for
the following jobs:

**5, Mowing/Trimming
Weed Spraying twice a year
Removal of West Fence
Except fence posts**

*Please give individual bids for
each of the above.
For information as to where to
mail the Bids phone
the above number.
Bids must be received by:
Mon Feb 15, 2021.*

9 Wanted to Buy

BUYING AND SELLING any gold and silver items, collector coins, diamonds, gold jewelry, silver dollars, rare currency. No collection too big. Kuehl's Coins, Fairmont, Minnesota, 507-235-3886, 507-399-9982.. Open 10:30 am-5:30 pm. 5-3tp-9

**10 Apartments
For Rent**

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12 Other Rentals

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

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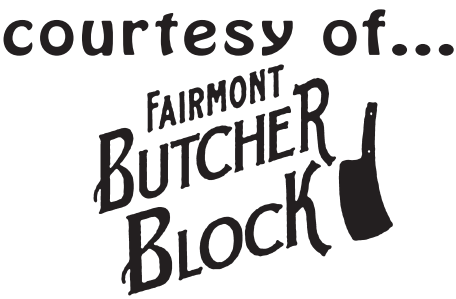
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'Types of Cookies' word search winner of the \$50 CASH prize courtesy of Olson Rentals is Janice Swartz

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SLAP SHOT - Cards Mackenzie Householder slaps a shot on goal past Waseca defender Whitnie Norton. Bluejay goalie Alicia Kelly and Madelyn Malecha look on. Householder recorded her 60th career goal with 2 goals in the Cards 9-0 victory last Tuesday night. Courtesy fairmontsports.com



STEAL TIP - Faith Olson tips the ball away from Blue Earth Area's Eloise Blair as Card teammate Madysen Allen trails the play. The Buccaneers edged the Cards 43-31 last Thursday night. Courtesy fairmontsports.com



HALF NELSON - The Red Bulls Kain Sanders works for a pin vs Blue Earth Area's Brody Anderson. Sanders' pin was one of four to match the Bucs four pins. The Martin County Red Bulls (8-0) held off the Class A #10-ranked Bucs (6-1) 42-27 last Friday night. fairmontsports.com

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BULL PIN - Martin County Red Bulls Lucas Jagodzinske pinned St. Peter's Nathan Fogel in the Class AA #4-ranked Red Bulls 71-0 win over the Saints in a triangular match last Friday night. Courtesy fairmontsports.com



The Fairmont Varsity Dance Team performed in a competition Saturday in Hutchinson. (Submitted photo)

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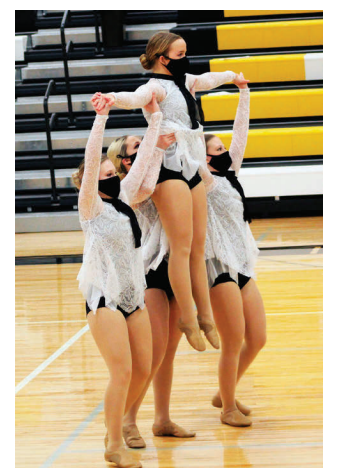
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