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Northside neighborhood

reunion set for Aug. 14

By Judy Bryan, Freelance Journalist

It seems that the only time we see family and friends is at weddings and funerals. Although we vow to be better about staying in touch, our words are often and quickly forgotten.

Former Fairmont resident John Patrikus decided to change that. He has organized a reunion of childhood friends from the early 1960s to the late 1970s for Saturday, Aug. 14, in Lincoln Park.

"I got to thinking, it seemed like the only time I ever saw these people was at a funeral," Patrikus said. "I had attended several funerals over the past years of parents of the friends that I grew up with, and in one case, it was one of those friends that had passed away."

He rattles off the names of the neighborhood families from his youth: Joerg, Quiring, Briggs, Wessel, Leiding, Morris, Larsen, Martens and others.

These families lived on the north end of Fairmont,

with homes inside the border of Anna, Margaret, Lucia and Ida streets.

"There was a vacant lot in the neighborhood on Christina Street, between where the Joerg family and the Briggs family lived. We just constantly had baseball games and other games there. That turned out to be a mecca for kids to just hang out," Patrikus said.

He has great memories of his dozens of neighborhood friends and their escapades and decided the time had come to reconnect with those relationships.

"The idea of a reunion percolated in my mind for a couple of years. I thought it would sure be nice to see those people in a different setting and be able to catch up and reminisce without a funeral," he said. "That's really what triggered the idea to do this."

Patrikus contacted a couple of those friends about the possibility of a reunion, and they encour-

aged his idea. He started contacting as many people from the old neighborhood as he could.

"Some of them were a challenge to track down," he said. "Some of them I was able to find on my own or through Facebook, and some people knew how to get hold of others."

He estimates at least 40 of the friends have indicated they would be attending, as well as some parents, former classmates and other acquaintances.

Patrikus said the event, which starts about noon, will not have a formal program, but people are encouraged to bring scrapbooks and old photos. Lunch will be served about 2 p.m.

For more information, email him at jpatrikus@gmail.com.

The Patrikus family, headed by Reuben and Virginia, moved to Fairmont about 1960. John was born in 1964. The family relocated to Shakopee in 1977, when he was 13.



Some of the neighborhood kids, pictured here in the mid 1960s, include the Quiring boys, the Berg boys, and members of the Larsen, Wessel and Simon families.



The neighborhood banded together to create a skating rink for the families.

Ruby's Pantry returns to Sherburn

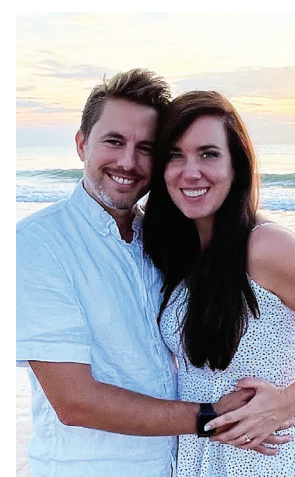
Ruby's Pantry Distribution will be in Sherburn on Monday, August 16. We are located at 2 Crossroads Drive, directly across from Kum and Go in Sherburn. We will run from 5:30 - 7:00 p.m. This will be a drive through distribution. We ask that all your trunks be emptied out and that you make sure you have enough room for all the bundles you plan to receive. The volunteers

will place the food directly in your trunk.

Ruby's Pantry is for anyone who is looking to extend their monthly grocery budget. For a \$20 bundle donation, you will receive an abundance of groceries. There is no income or residency requirement. Watch our facebook page for more details. <https://www.facebook.com/rubyspantrysherburn>



90TH BIRTHDAY - LeNore Wendt will observe her 90th birthday on August 12th. Birthday wishes will reach her at LeNore Wendt, 610 Summit Drive, Apt. 115, Fairmont, MN 56031.



UTTECH-DUGAN - Jennifer Uttech and Christopher Dugan plan to be married on August 15th, 2021 at Nazareth Chapel, Northwestern College, St. Paul, MN. Parents of the couple are Rick and Jody Uttech of East Chain and Terry and Linda Degan of Bloomington. Jennie is a social worker at Excel Academy in Brooklyn Park and Chris is Leadership at Apple Southdale. Jennie and Chris plan to live in Maple Grove.

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A Bridal Shower for Alyssa Knutson, bride of Zachary Schleininger will be held Saturday August 14th 2021 time 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the Granada Getaway, Granada MN.

THE HOPE SHOP at St. John Vianney Church located at 901 S. Prairie Ave is now open. Hours are from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Mondays and 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Fridays. We have food, clothing and household items available for anyone in need. We do ask that folks visit only once every four weeks and should be residents of Martin County. We look forward to serving the community again.

NAN LEACH will turn 90 on August 19th. She will be celebrating with family and friends on Saturday, August 21st. Cards can be sent to 850 Goldfinch St., #117, Fairmont, MN 56031.

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Threshing and Bob Brolsma Day



The event honored Bob Brolsma who past way a few months ago. He was big into threshing with horses. Bob had all the horse-drawn equipment which was converted to work with tractors.



The guys were busy cutting oats at Heritage Acres in preparation for its annual Threshing Day on Sunday, August 8th. On the tractor is Dick Maday and Glen Becker in on the binder.



Sweet Financial Services Jackson location has relocated to the Security State Bank building at 202 Grant Street, Jackson. Amber Knips, CFP®, Wealth Advisor, RJFS will be holding client appointments on Tuesdays and Thursdays in this location and she is always open for anyone who needs to schedule on any other days. Our mission at Sweet Financial is to help our clients live their retirement dreams. We treat clients like family and we always do what's in their best interest so they can focus on their future and this includes making your client appointment experience the most comfortable it can be. Our new location will do just that.

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Community Options & Connections

Community Options & Resources (COR) is a private, non-profit organization which provides residential and in-home support services to persons with disabilities in Martin, Jackson and Watonwan Counties. The COR mission is to provide a service promoting the ability of each individual to lead a productive and enjoyable life in all environments with the support of professionally skilled staff.

Rose (left) will celebrate three years as a Direct Support Professional with COR on August 8th. Though this is her first experience as a DSP, Rose stated she enjoys the family atmosphere and looks forward to supporting Don (right) and his housemates each day. She cites a lifelong passion for working with older adults, even volunteering at a nursing home at the age of 11! Rose stated she likes working in a residential setting as it feels more personal, and it allows her a closeness with the people she supports.

Don will also be celebrating his anniversary with COR in August (45 years to be exact), followed by his 85th birthday next month! He looked through photographs and newspaper clippings as we visited, turning an eye to The Price Is Right from time to time. When Rose was describing how much she cared about the guys, she laughed at how Don will jokingly call her "Mom". (Don picked up his head at this point to look over his glasses with a grin.) He is looking forward to fair season starting and watching the rest of the Twins 2021 season. Some other things important to Don include his family farm (Ellsworth, MN) – which inspired his love of John Deere tractors – and relationships he established through the Knights of Columbus. If you see this popular guy out and about (likely at The Ranch), be sure to say hi.

Since 1975, COR's values have been the people we support, our staff, our homes, networking, and the future. If interested in joining COR as an employee or a volunteer, please visit www.cornn.com or call (507) 764-4612, ext 5.

Obituary Notices



Beatrice "Bea" Hugoson, 101

Funeral Service for Beatrice "Bea" Hugoson, age 101, of Fairmont, MN, was held on Tuesday, August 10, 2021, at the Lakeview Funeral Home Chapel in Fairmont with interment in Riverside Cemetery in Blue Earth, MN. Beatrice passed away on Friday evening, August 6, 2021, at the Lakeview Method-

ist Health Care Center in Fairmont. The Lakeview Funeral Home in Fairmont is assisting the family with arrangements.

Beatrice Olson was born on July 9, 1920, in Pilot Grove Township, rural Faribault County, MN, the daughter of Lewis and Martha (Fosse) Olson. She grew up on the family farm, the youngest of seventeen children. She was confirmed at Grace Lutheran Church in Fairmont and graduated from East Chain High School in 1938. After graduation, Beatrice at-

tended Beauty School in Mankato. Her first job was at a beauty shop in New Ulm, MN, before working at Gillespie Beauty Shop in Fairmont.

On April 26, 1942, Beatrice married Earl Hugoson at Grace Lutheran Church and began her life as a farm wife and homemaker. The couple was blessed with one daughter, Charlotte.

Beatrice's greatest joy was her family and delighted in making friends and family happy. She continued to bring joy and smiles to the staff and resi-

dents at Lakeview Methodist which she called home since 2007. The family would like to send heartfelt thanks and appreciation for the loving care given to Beatrice over the years by the Lakeview staff.

Beatrice is survived by her daughter, Charlotte Breitbarth and her husband, Enos, of Fairmont, MN; two grandchildren, Jeremy Brietbarth and his wife, Cindy, of Rochester, MN, and Sonja Fortune and her husband, Kevin, of Fairmont; four great grandchildren, Jordan Johnson

and his wife, Samantha, Doug Verhaal and his wife, McKenzie, Leah Fortune, and Ian Fortune; two great-grandchildren, Kinsley and Wesley Johnson; other relatives and friends.

Along with her parents, Lewis and Martha Olson, Beatrice was preceded in death by her husband, Earl Hugoson, and all of her siblings.

Memorials are preferred to Grace Lutheran Church in Fairmont.

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John R. Hensley, 85

Private family services for John R. Hensley, age 85, of Fairmont, MN, will be held at a later date in the fall when the family can all be together. Interment will take place in Rose Hill Memorial Gardens in Marshalltown, IA. John passed away on Wednesday morning, August 4, 2021, at St.

Mary's Hospital in Rochester, MN, from stroke complications. The Lakeview Funeral Home and Cremation Service in Fairmont is assisting the family with arrangements.

John R. Hensley was born on August 22, 1935, in Marshalltown, IA, to Otha and Lucille (Brindle) Hensley. He attended Albion High School and continued his education at the Uni-

versity of Northern Iowa as well as the School of Banking at the University of Wisconsin.

On June 8, 1956, John was united in marriage to Linda Schenk. They were happily married for sixty-five years. John was a banker in Minnesota and Iowa for thirty-five years. In 1994, he retired to help run the family farm after the death of his brother.

He always said those were the happiest twelve years of his life. John enjoyed many hobbies and interests throughout his life, but cars of all types were his favorite.

Left to cherish his memory include his wife, Linda; four children, Curt Hensley, Kent Hensley, Eric (Julie) Hensley, and Amy (Bret) Scholl; 11 grandchildren; six great grand-

children with one more on the way; two sisters, Ruth and Marie; other relatives and friends. Along with his parents, John was preceded in death by his daughter-in-law, Patty; and brother David.

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Patricia A. Hardt, 92

Mass of Christian burial for Patricia A. Hardt, 92, of Fairmont, MN, will be 10:00 a.m. Saturday, August 14, 2021, at St. John Vianney Catholic Church in Fairmont. Burial will

be following the service in Calvary Cemetery. Visitation will be one hour prior to the time of service from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. Saturday, August 14, 2021, at St. John Vianney Catholic Church. Pat passed away Thursday, June 3, 2021, at Lakeview Methodist Health Care Center in Fairmont, MN. The Lakeview Funeral Home and Cremation Service of Fairmont is assisting the family with arrangements.

Patricia Ann Hardt was born May 9, 1929, at the Fairmont Community Hospital in Fairmont, MN, the daughter of Emil E. and Helen D. (Kramer) Hardt. She received her education attending school at St. Paul Lutheran Parochial School.

After completing her

education, Pat began working in the poultry industry. She then began working for the Mike Garry and Kasper families where she helped with childcare and housework in addition to working alongside her brother, Jim at Fairmont Awards for many years. Pat finished her working career working in the attorney office of Johnson, Behrens & Wilson where she worked until her retirement in 2006.

Pat had a very visual creative eye and she loved to visit and share stories about the delights her eyes had seen. Her passion for creativity led to her owning and operating a small craft shop called "Touch of Hardt" for 9 years. Pat took great pride in a hard day's work, enjoyed bowl-

ing, and was a member of St. John Vianney Catholic Church. Holidays, quiet time spent in prayer and moments with family and friends were very important to Pat. Dealing with COVID-19 during this past year was a difficult year for her as she missed connecting with others. Pat knew her way around the kitchen and loved to make and share her delicious strawberry pie or warm comforting chocolate chip cookies. Throughout the years, Pat has had the honor of walking with others in different points of their lives and she treasured all the memories made during those times. She loved sharing a birthday with her nieces husband, Rondo and spending holidays at her niece,

Carrie's home. There was never a holiday Pat didn't decorate for. Often picking up things when she was out that would be perfect in her vision for her next holiday display. In her younger years, she prided herself in having a decorated yard and beautiful flower garden. She was proud of her home.

Pat cherished her friendship with her friend, Myrtle, her adventures with the Siefert family, the love and support of the Bonin family, and the relationships made with the Garry and Kasper families. Pat's faith journey brought her close to Father Martin Schaffer and she looked forward to visits from him. She also had a special bond with her niece, Charlene. She very

much enjoyed their communication through phone calls and many cards and letters. She will be remembered for her deep faith in the Lord and those that loved her will delight in her peace of being now in Heaven.

Left to cherish her memory are many nieces, nephews, extended family and friends.

Pat was preceded in death by her parents, Emil and Helen Hardt; brother and sister-in-law, James and Marilyn Hardt; brother, Charles Hardt; as well as other family.

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MARGE MARKQUART passed away on August 20, 2020.

A celebration of her life will be held on Saturday August 21, 2021, from 1 to 3 PM, at Interlaken Golf Club in Fairmont, MN.

Please come and share your memories with us

Blue Earth Quilt EXPO

The Blue Earth Valley Quilters will be having their 37th annual quilt show August 13-15 at the Blue Earth Area High School. Hours are: Friday 4 - 8 p.m., Saturday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. and Sunday noon to 4 p.m. Admission

is \$5. Heather Peterson of Anka's Treasures will be the speaker at 2 p.m. on Saturday in the PAC. Food will be served by the Blue Earth P.E.O. Chapter on Saturday, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. The Featured Quilter this year is Wendy Nickel

of Kiester. The South Central Model Club will have tables displaying their work. A boutique, vendors, a bed turning, special exhibits and tours of the show will be happening throughout the show.

The East Chain United Methodist Church will host the Monthly **Community Coffee Party**, from 8:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., Saturday August 14th. Serving rolls, donuts, coffee, tea, and juice.

Free will offering. Come and enjoy the fun and fellowship.

Gene Borchardt



A Celebration of Life for Gene Borchardt will be held at 1pm Sat., August 21, 2021 at St. Johns UCC in Fairmont. A Military Service will be held at Lakeside Cemetery following the service. A reception will be held from 3-5 at the Fairmont KC Hall. Gene passed away from Covid-19 in March of 2020.

Stanley Olson



Please join us for a memorial of Stanley Olson, who passed away on March 30th, 2020. The memorial will be on Saturday, August 21st, at the East Chain Evangelical Free Church. Visitation will be at 10 a.m., with a memorial service at 11 a.m. A meal will follow in the fellowship hall.

DEATH notices



August 4 - John Hensley, 85, Fairmont. Lakeview Funeral and Cremation Service

August 6 - Erna L. Seifert, 94, Waseca (formerly of Fairmont). Lakeview Funeral and Cremation Service

August 6 - Beatrice "Bea" Hugoson, 101, Fairmont. Lakeview Funeral and Cremation Service

IN MEMORIAM - ONE YEAR AGO

July 17 - Ann M. (Luedtke) Wood, New Prague (formerly of Fairmont)

August 2 - Richard W. Lozano, 75, Rochester, MN (formerly of East Chain)

August 4 - Eugene R. Diekmann, 75, Glenwood, MN (formerly of Fairmont)

CREST “Lunch & Learn” Event in Trimont

CREST will be having a “Lunch & Learn” event on Wednesday, August 18th at 11:00 a.m. at First Lutheran Church, 61 Apple Street East in Trimont.

The program for this month will be “The Church Kitchen Women” (not to be confused with the Church Basement Ladies). Each person attending is asked to bring their church cookbook if they have one.

A meal featuring beef stroganoff and a 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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Katharine Nicoson and Kaley Mason
Scott Teachout

A movie presentation co-starring former Fairmont resident HELEN GILBERT will be shown on Friday, August 13th, at 7:00 p.m. at the Pioneer Museum in Fairmont. There is no charge and the public is invited to attend.

Meals on Wheels changes

Lakeview Health-care Center is no longer providing meals for the Meals on Wheels program. They have provided service for the program since September 2011 and we have been very thankful for their wonderful service for almost 10 years.

Beginning August 2nd, Ingleside Assisted Living is providing the meals. They are offering nutritious, delicious home cooked meals and desserts for only \$7 each. The meals will be delivered from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

We are extremely grateful that Ingleside has agreed to provide the needed service for over 30 residents in the Fairmont area. We are also grateful for the many volunteers who deliver the meals in our community. We could not provide the service without them.

If you are interested in meals or have questions about our program, call Karen Toupal at 507-236-8781.

Elementary Cross Country Fun Run

Current 5th & 6th Graders (as of 21-22 school year from any Fairmont school or home school)

Thursday, September 30 3:45 p.m. to 4:50 p.m. Fairmont Elementary School

*3:45 -Meet the Fairmont cross country runners in grades 7-12.

*3:50 - Warm up, stretch and go through the running course.

*4:20 - Girls half-mile run.

*4:28 - Boys half-mile run.

*4:35 - Cool down, stretch and talk. Finishers will receive a ribbon.

*4:50 - Runners will be done. Parents, please pick up at that time. This is a **FREE** activity!

*(Participants will meet in the grassy area West of the playground.)

CER Fall Track and Cross Country

Entering 5th and 6th grades in the Fall 2021 Participants will be introduced to many of the events of track and field including sprints, relays, mid-distance running, jumps and hurdles. In addition, the athletes will learn proper running technique and improve their fitness level. Besides competition in many track and field events, there will be a half-mile race at Fairmont Elementary School on September 30 and two half-mile races at Cedar Park before the High School Cross Country meets on September 20 and October 7.

Participants will be coached by members of the Fairmont Schools track and coach cross country coaches and assisted by Fairmont High School athletes. Practices will be at the Fairmont Jr./Sr. H.S. track field, Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays Sept 13. - Oct. 7. Fee: \$30 includes a t-shirt. Deadline to register is Sept 9.

Pre-registration with payment is requested at Fairmont Community Education and Recreation located at Southern MN Educational Campus (SMEC)

115 South Park Street, Fairmont, MN 56031

For more information, contact 507-235-3141 or www.fairmont.k12.mn.us/o/cer



Liberty Quartet to perform at Bethel Church

Liberty Southern gospel quartet will perform at the Bethel Evangelical Free Church in Fairmont on Monday, August 23rd at 7 p.m. The church is located at 1125 South State Street. A free will offering will be taken.

Liberty is a gospel group based in the West, with a full-time concert schedule. Liberty members are Royce Mitchell, bass; Will Arasmith, baritone; Paul W. Ellis, lead, and Philip Batton, tenor. Liberty travels many miles each year, ministering in performances for church services, nursing homes, prisons and other ministries. They have performed with such groups as the Gaither Vocal Band, the Hoppers, the Isaacs, Legacy Five and many others.

For more information contact Lee at 507-399-1390.

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BERKLEY is also a black lab mix who's okay with female dogs. Good with kids. He loves attention and getting love from his humans.

STAR is a petite black cat who is just the sweetest. Loving and cuddly, this beautiful gal is looking for her forever home.

NINJA is a playful orange and white cat who is curious and loves to explore. He's very friendly and very sweet.

** Volunteers wanted and needed! Stop by the shelter during our open hours to find out how YOU can help the animals! For a complete listing of animals available for adoption, visit: www.pawprints.petfinder.com.

54th Annual Butterfield Threshermen's STEAM & GAS ENGINE SHOW

Saturday, Aug. 21 & Sunday, Aug. 22
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Visit the construction corner for demos!

FEATURING . . . Cockshutt tractors and Fairbanks Morse engines!

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ADMISSION—
Adults, 13 & older: \$10
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LOCAL MUSIC TALENT ON STAGE FRIDAY NIGHT!
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Madelia Health to open Truman Clinic

Madelia Health has signed a five-year lease with the City of Truman to open the Truman Clinic later this year. The clinic is attached to Heartland Senior Living.

“Madelia Health will offer high quality health care in Truman five days a week,” said Jeff Mengenhausen, CEO of Madelia Health. “Our success in Lake Crystal and Madelia has enabled us to expand our services to another rural community. We understand the importance of having primary health care services right in town.”

Madelia Health has initiated recruitment for a full-time nurse practitioner to work at the Truman Clinic. This provider will see patients of all ages, from children to older adults including residents of Heartland Senior Living. Care will be provided for acute illnesses and minor injuries, chronic disease and medication management, immunizations, well-child care, sports physicals, adult physicals and preventive health care. Some laboratory tests and services will be offered in Truman, and some pharmacy services may also be available. Madelia Health also plans to expand their Home Health Care services that are already offered in the area. A full-time registered nurse, receptionist and part-time housekeeper will also be hired to staff the clinic.

For the second year in a row, Madelia Health was awarded one of the Top 20 Hospitals in the country by the National Rural Health Association (NRHA) for Patient Experience. Madelia Health also operates a pharmacy, clinic and physical therapy office in Lake Crystal, as well as a full-service hospital with lab, radiology, physical therapy and surgery services just down the road in Madelia.

About Madelia Health

Madelia Health, formerly Madelia Community Hospital & Clinic, is an independent, non-profit facility staffed by a team of medical professionals that are committed to providing health care of the highest standards to patients in the Madelia, Lake Crystal, and Truman area. As a 25-bed acute care hospital, we offer all of the primary health services: Laboratory, Radiology, Mobile MRI, ultrasound, CT, 3D Mammograms, Physical Therapy, Home Care, Emergency Room/Urgent Care, Retail Pharmacy, Ambulance Services and Surgical Care. Our medical clinics also provide care for patients in all the seasons of their life. Over the years, we have proactively responded to the changing demands within the health care industry, which has ensured our ability to deliver up-to-date medical services, purchase advanced medical equipment, and provide complete and compassionate care to all who enter our facility

WHAT'S COOKING

with Kathy Lloyd

THANK GOODNESS FOR THE FARMER'S MARKET

We usually have terrific tomatoes with our plants looking like bushes, even though we plant only two, we have more tomatoes than we can eat. Well not this year! They look very small and sick, we have watered them and done the usual care, so this year we will be depending on our Farmer's market.

I am sharing a really easy tomato salad recipe I found in the Paula Deen magazine, I hope that you enjoy it too!

Balsamic Tomatoes

- 2 large tomatoes, chopped
- 2 Tablespoons white balsamic vinegar
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 2 tsp. chopped fresh rosemary
- 1 tsp. kosher salt
- 1 clove garlic, chopped

In a medium bowl whisk together the vinegar, oil, rosemary, salt and garlic, fold in tomatoes. Serve immediately or cover and refrigerate until serving.

Have a great week and stay cool!

"Just the other day"

Guest Columnist

Tom Palen, broadcaster, pilot, writer



While looking at photos from a trip to New Orleans (N'awlins, as the locals say), I began craving some good Cajun gumbo. I had it at a restaurant in the French Quarter, and it was delicious. So, I pulled a recipe from the internet and made it. Unfortunately, eating it left me with an even stronger craving for some good Cajun gumbo (the keyword being good). Needless to say, it didn't go well.

Fortunately, I only

made a small batch because I don't like wasting food. I ate the leftovers over the next few days – my wife tried it but declined to partake in the dish. A second attempt, with a different recipe, failed miserably as well. I was ready to concede, "Maybe it's just me. Perhaps gumbo is one of those things I can't make." I had read the secret to a good gumbo is in the roux. Unfortunately, I wasn't getting it right. I needed advice from an experienced

Gumbo Roux Guru – but who!

I remembered our friends Keith and Claudine, whom we met in Ouray, Colorado. When we asked where they were from, they told us, Louisiana, naturally. I thought of N'awlins. Surely, they would know how to make gumbo. So, I sent a message to Keith asking for tips or a recipe. "Sorry, Claudine is the gumbo maker," he admitted. He added that they would send a cookbook with recipes sub-

mitted from members of their church. I was looking forward to receiving his gift. Still, I had plenty of other things to do in the meantime; I was busy preparing our Scamp for an upcoming trip.

Saturday morning, the Scamp was loaded and ready to hit the road. The last thing to do was put our dog June and cat Edgar Allan in the van – oh, and put the trash can out by the road. The garbage truck doesn't come until Monday, but I put it out early since we would be gone. The trash can would just have to sit by the road until we returned home.

When we're planning to be gone for a while,

I'll call the post office to put a hold on our mail. Apparently, I had forgotten to do so on this trip. While we were away, we got a package that wouldn't fit inside, so the mail lady fastened it to the handle of our mailbox with a rubber band.

Our neighbor noticed the package and knew we were out of town. Bonnie sent me a text, "We put a package in your garbage can to stay dry." I was very appreciative; whatever my wife had ordered, I'm sure she'd want it to stay dry. Besides, we keep our trash can clean enough that it would provide good protection from the elements.

I sent a message back: "Thank you, Bonnie. Any chance you could roll the can back to the house? We'll be gone until Wednesday, and I would hate to see the trash guys throw away the package on Monday if the can is still at the road." The content of the message had me laughing. We have good neighbors, and they gladly helped us out.

...FUBARstew...isn't going well at all...geographical differences...

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A Kinship thank you

Dear Editor:

Our 18th Annual Kinship Industrial Commercial Rummage Sale/Auction (ICRS) was a huge success. We were blessed by so many in our community. The top businesses that donated goods were: Kahler Automation, Mayo Clinic Health Systems, Great Plains Transportation, Profinium, Photo Press, Fairmont Farmer's Mutual, Advanced Drainage Systems, Hertzke Construction & Millworks, Kahler Electric, Sweet Financial and Doolittle's Carpet & Paints.

Helping to advertise were: Culligan Water, Carlson Dental, ReMax Realty, Boeckett Building Supply, Fairmont Hearing Center, Thrivent Financial,

Gaalswyk Bros. Trucking, First Farmers & Merchants Bank, Peters Insurance, Erpelding Voigt Inc., CCF Bank, Elizabeth Chevrolet, Burtis Chiropractic, in addition to Board members Kathy Smith, Mary Jo Manzey and Dennis Trushenski. The Sentinel was gracious in assistance with advertising and Marlyce Thompson's help along with Jason Sorenson's front page article. The Photo We couldn't have unloaded and loaded items without the always ready Miller Sellner and Kahler Automation's forklifts. Over 30 volunteers plus Kinship Board members—Kermit Brown, Nancy Nordstrom, Dennis Trushenski, Linda Maday, Phil Hartmann, Cathy Sorenson, Mary Jo Manzey and Kathy Smith were there many hours for deliveries and the sale. Carol Cress, Jim Chipman, Kermit Brown and Cathy Sorenson provided food for them. Ned Koppen and Lisa Dahl used their expertise pricing items.

John McDonald and Kyle Redenius with their Sentence to Serve helped so much doing a tremendous job doing anything we needed. Ryan Quist and the Stusses—Tim, Gary and Ted, helped with

moving items.

HyVee allowed us to use their grocery carts for our customer's convenience. Of course, we are so appreciative that the Martin County Fair Board has their spacious building that we can fill. Robbin Celandner and Lisa Wedel were especially gracious in multiple ways.

With all the help that Kinship receives from the caring folks in our community, we are able to provide our kids with a friend and guidance through volunteer adult mentors that spend time with their young Mentees. It takes a "village" and all in Martin County are the BEST in helping our youth grow in healthy, positive ways.

Thank you,

Kinship of Martin County

(Submitted by Char Kahler; 1966. 50th Street; Fairmont MN 56031; (507) 236-4606; chark@kahlerautomation.com)

Claudia Kinnander of Armstrong, IA graduated from Kirkwood Community College, Cedar Rapids, Iowa on Saturday, May 15th.

Gregg Raisanen, Vice President of Academic and Student Affairs at Alexandria Technical & Community College recognizes individual students for academic excellence during spring 2021. The following students were named to the Dean's List for achieving a GPA of 3.5 or higher Spring Semester 2021: Fairmont, MN: Khuong Duong, Brandon Williams

The University of Wisconsin-River Falls spring semester Dean's List honoring 1,788 students has been released by Registrar Kelly Browning. To be named to the Dean's List, a full-time undergraduate must earn a grade point average of at least 3.5 on a scale of 4.0, or midway between an "A" and "B" average. From Fairmont: Brittany Bass, Elementary Education, McKayla Chambers, Animal Science, Taylor Crissinger, Health & Human Performance, Gabriella Cristina Veloso Lima, Animal Science, Grace Higgins, English, Garrett Myren, Business Administration

Greischars donate \$70,000 to vocational wing

Jeff and Sue Greischar are donating \$70,000 towards the Fairmont Area Schools vocational building that is currently under construction. The building is expected to be completed prior to the start of the 2022-2023 school year.

The \$70,000 donation will be used for the following specific programs:

- \$10,000 to fund accessibility/transportation and any other restrictive barriers for special education students to access the new vocational classes. This will encourage students with special needs to experience vocational programs that will lead into a skilled trade.

- \$10,000 to fund scholarships for students to obtain tools they may use while attending vocational schools and working in the skilled trades. Students that attend construction trades programs and diesel mechanic programs are required to purchase their own tools.

- \$50,000 to fund mechatronic/machinist equipment to be housed in the vocational school.

Superintendent Joe Brown and CTE Department Chair Bob Bonin thanked the Greischar family for this generous donation. "This donation will provide a significant boost to the Fairmont High School vocational program. Minnesota needs to replace over 200,000 skilled workers in the next few years as the baby boomer generation is retiring." Fairmont High School currently has five vocational academies:

- Welding Academy
- Automotive Academy
- Agriculture Academy
- Construction Trades Academy
- Culinary Arts Academy
- A new HVAC Academy will be implemented during the 2022-23 school year.

Discarded fishing line recycling

Hannah Botzet has mailed four pounds of fishing line to Berkley's fishing line recycling program. It all started four years ago, August of 2017, when Hannah was doing her Silver Award project for Girl Scouts.

The Silver Award is the second highest award earned in Girl Scouts. Hannah put in well over 80 hours on her project, building fishing line recycling containers from PVC pipe. She had worked with several people and organizations including the parks department, Troy Nemmers, (City engineer/Public Works Director) and Fairmont

Lakes Foundation. Hannah built 15 fishing line receptacle containers. She placed them around Martin County, including the Hobo Trail, Sommer Outdoors Bait, Everett Park, Timberlake on South Silver Lake and our local lakes.

Each year since, Hannah has continually collected the fishing line, typically in the fall and spring. Hannah is still active in Girl Scouts. Her troop went to Wisconsin Dells this summer as a celebration of their hard work selling products, earning badges and bonding with troop members doing all the

activities over the years, including traveling to Savannah, Georgia.

Hannah starts her senior year at Fairmont High School this fall. After graduation, she will have another group take over the collection of fishing line. Hannah encourages everyone to continue to recycle the fishing line as it can cause problems in the lakes. She also encourages people to throw their garbage into a garbage can, typically close to the receptacle. For any questions, Hannah can be reached at 238-4859. Thanks for all your effort to keep our lakes safe.





The Martin County Fair, "Minnesota's Other Big Fair" in Fairmont runs August 16-22, 2021. The Fair is a wonderful place for the whole family to enjoy all of the entertainment, events and activities that your family has grown to love over the years. As Minnesota's "Other Big Fair", the Martin County Fair

features the largest number of any attractions, events and activities of any other fair in rural Southern Minnesota including: quality musical entertainment featuring big name talent such as Diamond Rio, Mark Wills, IV Play, Canyon Cowboys and The Johnny Holm Band. Fair entertainment Sched-

ule: Tuesday August 17- IV Play, Wednesday August 18- Mark Wills, Thursday August 19- Johnny Holm Band, Friday August 20- Sandra Lee and the Velvets (MCA) Beer gardens- (after races) Canyon Cowboys, Saturday August 21- Diamond Rio.

Sandra Lee & the Velvets will be performing Friday at 6:00 p.m. in the Martin County Arena. Heart Song will be playing Friday, August 20, 2021 at 4:30 p.m. & Sunday, August 22, 2021 at 10:30 a.m. Dazzling Dave Yo-Yo Performances - Thursday, August 19 from 3:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. (roaming grounds) Thursday, August 19 at 6:00 p.m. (Martin County Arena), Friday, August 20 from 1:00

p.m. - 6:00 p.m. (roaming grounds) Friday, August 20 at 3:00 p.m. (Martin County Arena).

A variety of games, rides and other Amusements in our Midway provided by Family Fun Shows. *Note: The Martin County Fair Rides will NOT be open til Wednesday, August 18 • 5 p.m. (Wristband Day) due to the lack of help in setting up the rides. Sorry for the inconvenience.*

The 2nd annual Beer and Bacon Fest will be held Saturday, August 21, 2021 at 3 p.m. with entertainment by Brandon Grady. Beer, wine, bacon and music. Tickets are \$20 in advance and \$25 at the door. Tickets are sold

at the fair office and the Fairmont Liquor Store.

Also local and regional livestock shows, 4-H, FFA and Open Class Exhibits, Business booths featuring specials, sales and giveaways, Auto Racing at Fairmont Raceway adjoining the Fairgrounds, great meals and fair food from local organizations and vendors, farm equipment display and tractor giving contests, children's shows, old time country music, Pork Cook-

Off and much more!

Advance season passes and pre sale ride tickets are on sale now at the following businesses Hy-Vee, Fareway, Bank Midwest (Fairmont and Sherburn), Profinium (Fairmont only), CCE, First Farmers and Merchants and the Chamber. Season pass - \$20 in advance, Rides tickets - 10 rides for \$20, Wristband coupon \$18 in advance to be used Wednesday evening (5-10pm) OR Friday (1-5 pm).



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Martin County 4-H Livestock Educational Opportunities

Martin County 4-H provided new livestock educational opportunities this summer with its 4-H Grooming and Showing Adopt-A-Market Lamb Clinic and 4-H Livestock Day.

The 4-H Grooming and Showing Adopt-A-Market Lamb Clinic was held on June 21 at the Martin County Fairgrounds. Matt Nesseth and Jamie Goedken led this professional-level clinic to participating members of the Adopt-A-Market Lamb program.

During this free clinic, the participants were shown how to properly wash and groom their lambs. They also practiced showing their lambs and were given tips on how to best train their lamb for showing. This clinic was a valuable educational experience for the participating members in the Adopt-A-Market Lamb program, and helped them further their skill-development in livestock grooming and showing.

Thanks to generous grant funds received from the Martin County Area Foundation, Martin County 4-H was able to purchase sheep stands, clippers, and blowers for the members to use in preparing their lambs for the Martin County Fair.

Martin County 4-H would also like to thank

the following for helping to make this program possible: Adopt-A-Market Lamb Planning Committee, Big Gain, Inc., Weiss Milling, Inc., Federated Rural Electric's Operation Round-Up Program, Compeer Financial, Inc., Martin County Farm Bureau, Goedken Livestock, and Gopher Club Lambs.

Martin County 4-H also provided a fun and educational livestock workshop with its 4-H Livestock Day held on June 28. 4-H Livestock Youth Leaders designed and led this workshop, which provided information on each of 4-H's livestock species. Participants learned about the following topics through hands-on activities and livestock demonstrations provided by the 4-H Livestock Youth Leaders: animal by-products, biosecurity, sheep production, how to bathe a chicken, goat hoof care, cattle drenching, swine project selection and show prep, rabbit body types, and the different dairy cattle breeds. The participants also had the opportunity to make lanolin chapstick and ice cream in a bag.

One participant commented, "I want to come back because I love learning!"

Martin County 4-H is proud of its 4-H Livestock

Youth Leaders for providing a fun and educational morning for the participants. These leaders include Riley Ebeling of Elm Creek 4-H Club, Sarah Fisher of Galena 4-H Club, Tyler Kurt of the East Chain 4-H Club, and Mya Mosloski of the Silver Lake 4-H Club.

Martin County 4-H

would like to thank its volunteers for helping with 4-H Livestock Day: Laura Ebeling, Ann Kurt, and Dr. Jeff Kurt.

To learn more about additional 4-H opportunities, contact your local Extension/4-H office at 507-235-3341 or gaals001@umn.edu.

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Martin County 4-H at the Martin County Fair

The Martin County Fair is a wonderful time for the community as a whole, but it is also a fulfilling experience for Martin County's 4-H'ers. The Martin County Fair is a time for the youth in the Martin County 4-H program to exhibit their hard-work and showcase what they have learned all year long.

When people think of 4-H, they think of the County Fair and State Fair, which is a big part of 4-H, however, people have to understand that a 4-H'er's experience goes well beyond these fairs. A 4-H'er's involvement is year-round. They are working with their clubs and project development committees to learn and further develop skills to then utilize in the community, from planting gardens at our area assisted-living facilities to leading educational livestock workshops for area youth. They then take their knowledge and skills from these experiences within the community to the fair to share what they have learned throughout the year.

When you walk through the exhibit building and the livestock barns, you are seeing more than just the exhibit that is there. You are seeing the product of each of our 4-H'er's year-round experiential learning.

Just as in years past, 4-H will have a multitude of projects on display in the Bank Midwest Exhibit Building. A walk through the exhibits will take you on a journey through many of 4-H's project areas, which include Fine Arts & Crafts, Clothing, Quilting, Flower Gardening, Foods & Nutrition, Photography, Small Engines, Wood Shop, Exploring Animals, Citizenship, Child and Family Development, and many more!

4-H really opens up a world of opportunities for our area youth as 4-H'ers have the chance to exhibit in approximately 50 different project areas. We really let the youth be creative and take ownership of their skill-development by providing them access to such a variety of project areas. It really allows

them to explore and grow their own interests and passions.

When you think 4-H and the County Fair, you think livestock. Livestock is an integral part of 4-H and will be seen in each of the livestock barns as well as during the 4-H Livestock Shows. There will be animal exhibits in beef, dairy, dairy goats, horses, meat goats, poultry, rabbits, sheep, and swine.

In addition to being able to view the animal exhibits in the barns, the 4-H Livestock Shows are open to the public during the County Fair. A schedule of these shows can be found below.

Our 4-H'ers work extremely hard to have their animals ready for showing at the County Fair. It takes skill, patience, care, and tenacity for our 4-H'ers to prepare for their livestock shows. You can see the pride just beaming from the 4-H'ers as they show their animal exhibits. You can see that their countless hours of hard-work and preparation have all led to that specific moment. It really

is something to behold.

The Martin County Fair gives the public just a taste of what 4-H offers

its youth through its year-round programming. A walk through the 4-H exhibits at the County Fair

will allow you to see more than just an exhibit; you will see youth learning through experience.

2021 4-H Fair Schedule

Monday, August 16 - Pre-Entry Day

2:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	4-H General Exhibits entered and judged
2:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	Livestock Interviews for Beef, Dairy, Dairy Goat, Meat Goat, Horse, Sheep, Rabbit, Poultry, & Swine (In the 4-H Section of the Bank Midwest Building)
4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.	4-H Poultry entered
5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	4-H Meat Goats entered
5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.	4-H Rabbits entered

Tuesday, August 17 - Livestock Entry Day

7:30 a.m. – Noon	4-H Dairy & Dairy Goats entered
8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	4-H Sheep entered
8:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	4-H Swine entered
9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	4-H Poultry entered
10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	4-H Beef check-in/weigh-in
1:00 p.m.	4-H Meat Goat Show (Livestock Arena)
3:15 p.m.	4-H Lamb Lead (Livestock Arena)
4:00 p.m.	4-H Sheep Show (Livestock Arena)

Wednesday, August 18

8:00 a.m.	4-H Swine Show (Swine Barn)
12:30 p.m.	4-H Rabbit Show (North End of Sheep Barn)
4:00 p.m.	4-H Poultry Show (Poultry and Rabbit Building)

Thursday, August 19

8:00 a.m.	4-H Livestock Demonstrations (Location TBD – Check with 4-H Fair Office)
9:00 a.m.	4-H Dairy Goat Show (Kietzer Arena)
9:00 a.m.	4-H Dairy Show (Kietzer Arena)
9:30 a.m. – Noon	4-H Horses Entered and Registered (Horse Barn)
11:00 a.m.	4-H Beef Show (Livestock Arena)
3:00 p.m.	Premier Showmanship Contest (immediately following the Beef Show)
6:00 p.m.	State Fair Meeting - General Exhibits (Livestock Arena)
7:00 p.m.	State Fair Meeting - Livestock Exhibits (Livestock Arena)

Friday, August 20

8:00 a.m.	4-H Auction Buyer's Registration (Livestock Arena)
8:30 a.m.	4-H Horse Show (Kietzer Arena)
9:00 a.m.	4-H Blue Ribbon Auction (Livestock Arena)
5:00 p.m.	FINAL DEADLINE for State Fair Winner Packet Entry (Due to 4-H Office)

Saturday, August 21

5:00 p.m.	FINAL DEADLINE for State Horse Show Winner Packet Entry
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Sunday, August 22

12:00 – 12:30 p.m.	Registration opens for the 4-H/FFA Judging Contest
12:30 p.m.	4-H/FFA Judging Contest Begins
6:00 p.m.	Release time for all exhibits and livestock
7:00 p.m.	4-H Exhibit Building Closed

About Minnesota 4-H: 4-H is a youth development program of the University of Minnesota Extension. Available for youth beginning in kindergarten, 4-H'ers

participate in hands-on learning experiences in STEM, leadership & civic engagement, animal science, creative arts and much more. Through 4-H's learn-by-doing

process, youth obtain essential life skills such as problem solving, decision making, coping and communicating that help them succeed in school, community and career. Research shows that youth who participate in 4-H have better grades and are more emotionally engaged with school, are more than twice as likely to be civically active and contribute to their communities. Learn more at <https://z.umn.edu/mn4h>.

To learn more about Martin County 4-H and how to get involved, contact Kristie Gaalswyk-Pomerence, Extension Educator, 4-H Youth Development at 507-235-3341 or gaals001@umn.edu.

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Tuesday, August 17- IV Play



Wednesday, August 18- Mark Wills



Thursday, August 19- Johnny Holm Band

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Friday, August 20 - Canyon Cowboys

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Showing Livestock at the Fair

Guest Columnist

Darwin Anthony, Business Owner, Artist, Writer



It was something that some youth never had a chance to experience. Even though 4-H has changed in some ways, the principal of SHOWING AT THE FAIR remains the same. The results at the fair are like a final test of a class in school. I am using the 4-H beef project as an example in this essay.

I was in 4-H for many years and showed beef for most of those years. In fact, I still have the show halter that I used. I consider it a treasure as it contains memories. The long-ago memories return when we attend a fair and walk through the cattle barns. The noise of the cooling fans, seeing fam-

ily members surrounding the grooming chutes encouraging someone in their family get the animal ready for the show. Seeing them brush, clip, and curl is part of the skill of showing. Hearing the laughter and seeing the calf ready for the show ring is part of the game.

The beef project year starts in the fall when a member chooses one of many 4-H beef projects, followed by finding and selecting the animal for the project, caring for the animal for nearly a year in the proper way, training it to lead, training it to "set up" properly for judging, and finally showing the animal at the fair. Many fair visi-

tors simply walk through the barns of the fair and see a beef animal standing or lying down within a bed of soft straw and think the animal has lived a life of luxury. What they should be seeing is a 4-H project that represents a "lot of effort". Raising a small calf to the show level of the fair is the principal of the project.

I am like most beginning 4-H showmen who remember their first 4-H calf in a special way. It became something more than a 4-H project. Most calves were named and treated as a friend, seeing them look at you with an anxious look at feeding time, not wanting to be led and the pleasant feeling that came when the calf began accepting our care and touch. Most will remember showing an animal for the first time, watching the more experienced members prepare their animal for the show and wondering how the judge would see their project. They also remember

selling their first calf! It is such a hurtful experience. I know for, "I was there and have done that".

Then it happens! A member senses the encouragement of family, friends, and adult leaders. Something happens within them. A feeling of excitement ome about the next year beef project. They feel the urge to do better and are anxious about SHOWING LIVESTOCK AT THE FAIR. They remember the excitement of the fair! Seeing the lines of cars in the parking lot, people stopping and asking about their show animal and expecting an understandable answer. Seeing people who are amazed when someone can lead an animal down a long alley full of people, the freedom of eating food away from home, smelling the smells of the fair, getting acquainted with 4-H members from other communities, being able to walk around on your own, and learning to enjoy competition.

SHOWING LIVESTOCK AT THE FAIR is a lifetime learning experience!

Written by Darwin R. Anthony

Federated Rural Electric hosts 86th Annual Meeting — drive-thru style!

Federated Rural Electric members "delivered" high voting response thanks to the first year of mail-in ballots. "We are very happy with the voting response for this Annual Meeting," said Scott Reimer, Federated's general manager. "Mailing ballots to all members gives each and every member the opportunity to democratically participate, which created the largest voting response ever! We had 1,382 ballots cast by mail, while 113 ballots were cast at the drive-in Annual Meeting. Previously, the largest voting response was in 2020 totaling 491 ballots."

Ballots were counted August 4 after the Annual Meeting by the Nominating Committee and attorney. Members voted 1,314 in favor of the Bylaws amendment, while 66 voted against. This amendment added arbitration as an alternative form of dispute resolution, instead of the court system.

Members also voted on directors: David Meschke, Welcome, was re-elected for District 5 over Stuart T. Smart, Welcome (966 to 479). Bruce Brockman, Granada, was re-elected for District 6, as he ran unopposed (1,425). On the Nominating Committee Tim Mailahn, Fairmont, was elected for District At-Large; he also ran unopposed (1,442).

A brief business meeting was held at 6:30 p.m. August 4 to approve last year's Annual Meeting minutes and the Nominating Committee report. Members honked to approve motions and listened to 1370 AM in their cars or at home to the short business meeting. Members who voted will receive a \$10 bill credit on their September bill.

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Members are encouraged to submit designs as part of the contest.

One member's design will be chosen. Creativity is encouraged as they design an image that depicts the lands and activities related to agriculture. Full contest details are available on the Minnesota FFA Foundation's website - www.mnffaoundation.org/specialized-ag-license-plate and Minnesota 4-H Extension's website - z.umn.edu/4-Hplate. Deadline to submit designs is October 1, 2021.

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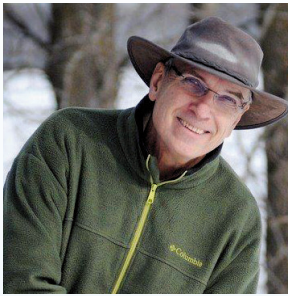
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I felt as lucky as Kentucky on a fair day



Naturally By Al Batt

It was time for me to get my fairs in order.

Don't follow the masses. Sometimes the "m" is silent.

That was the advice I was given years back without asking for it. I ignored it and followed the masses to a county fair. Fairgrounds aren't mediocre coffee. There is something for everyone unless you are someone for whom nothing is good enough. You can find complete gutter systems, potato peelers and a deep-fried picnic on a stick at a county fair.

A county fair is a tie that binds and it smells like memories. It's a source of slack-jawed wonderment that made me feel as lucky as all the lucky people in Ken-

tucky combined.

It was an imperfectly perfect day. People wearing T-shirts reading, "Don't forget my senior citizen discount" walked the fairgrounds with fists full of money. A friend, aided by a cane, tried out his new knees. He was a happy fairgoer on a stick.

No one shows up at a fair well-fed. Someone is making lunch for you at a fair. A fair for the ages and the sausages. Thanks to rides and deep-fried things perched on sticks, a fair is a place where you can both lose and gain a stomach. It's Disneyland for appetites. They do amazing things with sticks. Imagine what they could do with deep-fried items and Tinkertoys. The sticks provide needed fiber. I tried not to get off on the wrong footlong, but walking past all the food stands causes everyone's cholesterol to rise. What do you call ice cream on a hot day at the fair? Cream. Adventurous folks embark on hedonistic attempts to eat an entire food stand. Hot foods leave some feeling as if their insides were sun-burned. No two snow cones are identical. Kids flossed with cotton candy. The oatmeal stand was quiet. The grease from food was axle deep on the Ferris wheel. What do you do after you have properly overeaten? You get on the Tilt-A-Hurl.

Noisy rides muffled the sounds of par-

ents being frightened to death. There was no roller coaster, just one big drink coaster. Merry-go-rounds were something going around. A sign warned: Your IQ must be this low to go on this ride. Adults consider them horrible rides designed by sadistic people, claiming that in the good old days, the rides were made from matchsticks and rubber bands they'd hoped held together until the end of the ride. The merry-go-round horses with creepy expressions went berserk one year and threw riders all over the fairgrounds. For those who had driven on roads filled with roadwork, the rides weren't that scary.

People asked where the restrooms were. That's a good thing, as the restrooms wouldn't be looking for them. Restrooms had no express lines. Impatient folks mustered enough courage to use porta-potties.

There was a selfie competition at the photo show and amplified music highlighted Deafen Your Neighbors Week. I went into the house of mirrors and ran nose-first into a mirror. I was struck by the resemblance. Classic tractors gathered far afield from their fields. At the grow it and show it, flowers and people bloomed. A butter judge said, "That appeals to my butter judgment."

Bucket of junk art projects amazed me. Participants designed art pieces using scraps

of metal, welding ability and creativity. It was magic how they took odds and ends, and created an end without it looking odd.

There were squeals of hellos when young women met. People were as happy to see the fair as the teenyboppers were to see The Beatles on "The Ed Sullivan Show." They enjoyed listening to the racket of other people.

Slick folks running games of chance thought I came in on the noon balloon from Saskatoon or rode in on a load of melons. Both childish and child-like behavior was displayed. Cellphones were deemed as necessary as breathing for fairgoers. A phone is a leash of sorts. Lots of appy people there.

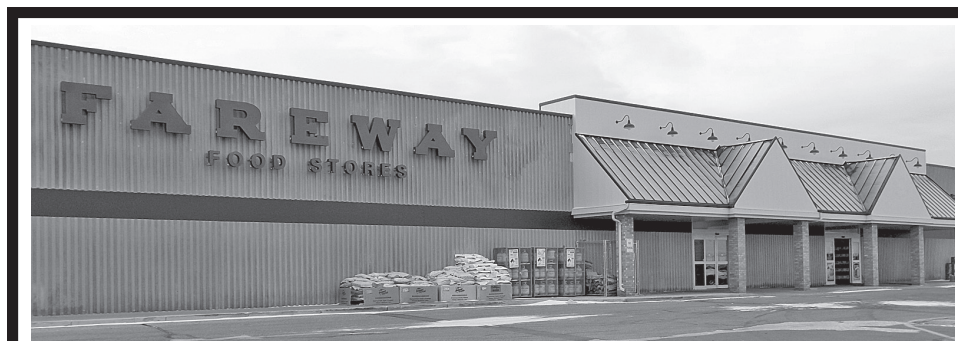
People visit a county fair for different reasons—corn dogs, funnel cakes, chocolate-covered bacon, rides, stage acts, pig racing, livestock or demolition derby. I come to listen to people tell their stories. It's like sitting on a front porch and visiting with everybody and their yellow dogs. It hurt that I didn't remember everyone's name, but the heat of the day roasted me to sweetness.

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Some areas of the Upper Midwest and Northern Plains States received some much needed rainfall this past weekend, ranging from a few tenths of an inch to over two inches in some locations. The rainfall provided some much needed temporary relief to crop deterioration in areas hard-hit by drought conditions, while helping maintain crop potential in areas with more favorable crop conditions. Even though recent rainfalls are providing some short-term relief some extremely dry areas, the overall drought situation has continued to intensify in many portions of the region.

According to the latest "U.S. Drought Monitor", over 75 percent of Minnesota is now categorized to be in either the extreme drought (D3) or severe drought (D2) category, with only the Southeast quarter of the State being largely spared from these conditions. Nearly all of North and South Dakota are at some level of drought, with over two-thirds of North Dakota and a large area of North Central South Dakota in either extreme drought (D3) or exceptional drought (D4). Nearly the entire western third of the United States is in either severe, extreme, or exceptional drought, with a majority of the region in the two top-level drought categories. Areas that are in the extreme or exceptional drought areas are likely seeing significant crop loss and extremely limited forage production, as well as longer term effects on lakes, rivers, streams, and ground water supplies.

Sometimes the "Drought Monitor" is somewhat misunderstood. It is meant to measure the overall long-term impacts of extended

drought conditions, as compared to representing current crop conditions. This is why some areas that are listed in "moderate" or "severe" drought may still have fairly good crop potential with below average rainfall, provided that these areas have received some timely rainfall. Some portions of the Upper Midwest also benefited from starting the 2021 growing season with above average levels of stored soil moisture, which has also helped maintain crop development through some very dry periods during the Summer months. However, it should be noted that the stored soil moisture levels have been rapidly depleted in many locations, with some areas now near zero available stored moisture.

The weekly USDA Crop Report released on August 2 listed the condition rating of the corn in the U.S. at 64 percent "good-to-excellent", which has been fairly steady in recent weeks. However, there is a wide variation in the "good-to-excellent" crop ratings across the major corn and soybean producing States. Some of the higher crop ratings included "good-to-excellent" ratings of 80 percent in Ohio, 76 percent in Indiana, 75 percent in Wisconsin, and 71 percent in Nebraska. This compares to the much lower "good-to-excellent" corn ratings of 18 percent in North Dakota, 32 percent in South Dakota, and 36 percent in Minnesota. The higher ratings in the two largest corn producing States in the U.S. were Illinois at 68 percent and Iowa at 62 Percent, which is very close to the national average.

The latest USDA Crop Report listed 60 percent of the U.S. soybean crop as "good-to-excellent", which has also stayed fairly

steady in recent reports. Nebraska, Wisconsin, Indiana and Ohio, as well as some Southern States all had soybean ratings of 70 to 80 percent "good-to-excellent". The recent report listed Iowa at 61 percent and Illinois at 67 percent in the higher soybean rating categories. By contrast, the "good-to-excellent" soybean ratings were 17 percent in North Dakota, 30 percent in South Dakota, and 34 percent in Minnesota.

There is not a lot of historical correlation between weekly crop ratings in early August and final corn and soybean yields. Timely August rainfalls can enhance final yield levels in areas that are not in extreme drought conditions; however, lack of late season rain events can reduce final crop yields in very dry areas. The latter situation occurred in portions of Southwest Minnesota, Northwest Iowa, and Southeast South Dakota in 2020 when very favorable conditions early in the growing season were followed by very dry conditions in late July and most of August.

Some private companies will have Midwest crop tours later in August which may provide some indicators regarding 2021 corn and soybean yield trends in the region. However, many

centrate on the core areas of the Corn Belt in Illinois, Iowa, Eastern Nebraska, Southern Minnesota, and Southeast South Dakota, but do not reach into the most drought-stricken areas of North and South Dakota or Western Minnesota. In a year such as 2021 that may raise some questions regarding the resulting overall U.S. corn and soybean yield projections for the year. Based on the June 30 USDA Crop Acreage Report, North Dakota had the fourth highest number of soybean acres in the U.S. in 2021, and North and South Dakota combined trailed only Iowa and Illinois for total corn acreage. Given the wide variation in corn and soybean conditions across the Midwest and Northern Plains States, we will likely not have good U.S. yield estimates for 2021 until well into harvest season.

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In recent weeks, drought conditions have intensified in most of the Western third of the U.S., including the Northern Plains and Northwest Corn Belt States, while modifying a bit in the Central Plains and some Midwest States. Livestock producers in those areas are being especially hard-hit by the extended drought conditions with exhausted pastures and depleted feed supplies. Many beef cattle producers are being forced to reduce their herd sizes due to limited pasture and hay resources.

In recent weeks, USDA has been announcing the potential for emergency

haying and grazing on land enrolled in the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) in the areas of severe drought (D2) or higher. Livestock producers in all counties in North and South Dakota, and Montana are now eligible, along with a large majority of counties in Minnesota, Nebraska, and Iowa. Producers must notify their local Farm Service Agency (FSA) office before initiating any haying or grazing on CRP acres. Any hay that is cut and baled must be completed by September 30, 2021, and all bales must be removed within 15 days after the hay was baled. CRP emergency grazing can last no longer than 90 days and must be completed by September 30, 2021. For counties not in a designated emergency area, up to 25 percent of the eligible CRP acreage may be eligible having and grazing; however, this would result in a 25 percent reduction in the annual CRP rental payment.

Livestock producers should check with their local FSA office regarding eligibility, enrollment details, and requirements for emergency haying and grazing of CRP acres. A list of eligible counties for emergency haying and grazing and other details are available on the following FSA website: <https://www.fsa.usda.gov/programs-and-services/conservation-programs/conservation-reserve-pro>

gram/emergency-haying-and-grazing/index

The USDA "Livestock Forage Disaster Program" (LFP) is also available to assist livestock producers in drought-stricken counties. The LFP program allows haying and grazing on lands that are enrolled in Federal programs but does have certain restrictions on grazing of various types of grasses. There may also be some assistance available to certain livestock producers through the USDA "Emergency Livestock Assistance Program" (ELAP). Eligibility requirements and details on all USDA drought assistance programs are available at local FSA offices. Details and updates the USDA drought programs can also be found at: <https://www.fsa.usda.gov/programs-and-services/disaster-assistance-program/index>

Many State Departments of Agriculture and Land Grant Universities in the States impacted by the drought also have some very good information and resources available through their various websites.

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Date of game: Monday August 2nd
Team #1 Gold Bolton & Menk-0
Team #2 Tropical Blue Fairmont Body Shop -7
Goals Scored By: Asisted By:
Bladen Ricard N/A
Bladen Ricard N/A
Archer Pomerence N/A
Archer Pomerence

N/A
Alex Pittman Bladen Ricard
Charles Green N/A
Chase Haugen N/A

Team name and Sponsor-U10 Girls Seifried Portrait vs D&S Trophies

Date of game: Monday August 2nd
Team #1 Atomic Blue Seifried Portrait -4
Team #2 Neon Yellow D&S Trophies -1
Goals Scored By: Asisted By:
Seifried Portrait Marley Perkins N/A
GeminieRose Lopez N/A
GeminieRose Lopez Addi Miller
Addi Miller GeminieRose Lopez
Goals Scored By: Asisted By:
D&S Trophies Kaylee Kloeckner
Aurora Wehner

Team name and Sponsor-U10 Girls FPOA (Fairmont Police Officers Association) vs Becker Storage

Date of game: Monday August 2nd
Team #1 Silver FPOA -4
Team #2 Hot Coral Becker Storage -0
Goals Scored By: Asisted By:
Madi Thompson Hanna Bliesmer
Sierra Lewis N/A
Ella Swanson N/A
Alaina Helters N/A

Team name and Sponsor-U10 Boys Taco John's vs Fairmont Body Shop

Date of game: Wednesday August 4th
Team #1 Texas Orange Taco John's-2
Team #2 Tropical Blue Fairmont Body Shop -3

Goals Scored By: Asisted By:
Taco John's Henry Fuller
Hudson Clayton Hudson Clayton
N/A

Goals Scored By: Asisted By:
Fairmont Body Shop Bladen Ricard
Archer Pomerence Bladen Ricard
Daniel Sanchez Archer Pomerence
Chase Haugen

Team name and Sponsor-U10 Boys Bolton & Menk vs Bank Midwest

Date of game: Wednesday August 4th
Team #1 Gold Bolton & Menk-0
Team #2 Maroon Bank Midwest-15
Goals Scored By: Asisted By:
Ben Roper N/A
Ben Roper Maddox
Son Shonrock Ben Roper
Ben Roper Ben Roper
Carter Simmering N/A
Ben Roper Mason
N/A Ben Roper
Grant Simmering William Hamlet
William Hamlet Ben Roper
Maddox Hecker N/A
Ben Roper Bentley Muller
Ben Roper N/A
Maddox Hecker Mason Shonrock
Carter Simmering N/A

Team name and Sponsor-U10 Boys Designing Signs vs Nu-Way

Date of game: Wednesday August 4th
Team #1 Lime Shock Designing Signs-2
Team #2 Red Nu-Way -5

Goals Scored By: Asisted By:
Designing Signs Trace DeBoer
Cole Hanson Cameron Nelson
Goals Scored By: Asisted By:
Nu-Way Kalen Wickert
Brahm Sill Kalen Wickert
Kalen Wickert Francisco
Rivera N/A

Team name and Sponsor-U10 Girls Seifried Portrait vs Becker Storage

Date of game: Wednesday August 4th
Team #1 Atomic Blue Seifried Portrait -5
Team #2 Hot Coral Becker Storage -1
Goals Scored By: Asisted By:
Seifried Portrait Addi Miller
Lyli Hofer Marley Perkins
Lyli Hofer Reese Peters
Ela Hinz Goals Scored By: Asisted By:
Becker Storage Adeline Labes
Lucy Koch

Team name and Sponsor-U10 Girls FPOA (Fairmont Police Officers Association) vs D&S Trophies

Date of game: Wednesday August 4th
Team #1 Silver FPOA -4
Team #2 Neon Yellow D&S Trophies -0
Goals Scored By: Asisted By:
Olive Kawecki Ella Swanson
Ella Swanson Olive Kawecki
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After introductions and Show and Tell, we will recap the Quilt Expo while it's a fresh memory. All members are encouraged to come and give feedback on the 2021 show. Also, the quilts that were not picked up by their owners at the end of the EXPO will be available to be picked up. For more information contact Jan Shaffer at 507-526-3979.

Truman Gun Club News – Wednesday, August 4, 2021

It was the final night of shooting at the Truman Gun Club on Wednesday, August 4, 2021 and Jed Fowler led the field in total birds after the 10 week competition. His 232 bird total and 23.2 average topped the next best shooters by 6 birds. Over the last ten Wednesday nights Jed has had one perfect 25, 5 scores of 24, two 23s, one 21, and one score of 20.

Other top individuals were Tim Weihe and Doug Payne with totals of 226 each, Mike Brunz, Ray Caldwell and Mike Borkenhagen with totals of 225 each. Cameron Wilking and Roland Wendt with 216 totals, John Cox with 214, and Tucker Betts and Lawrence Salic with 213 each. By Class, High Overall awards would go to Weihe and Payne in the A Class, Fowler in the B Class and Wilking in the C Class.

For the night, the top shooter was John Cox with a 25 straight from the 18 yard line. Doug Payne had a 24 from the 26 yard line.

Richard's Misfires shot the highest team total for the night of 112. Team members who contributed to that score were: Lawrence Salic, Sandy Clow and Ellen Borkenhagen each with 23s, Richard Wiederhoeft with 22 and Jay Borkenhagen with 21.

Results of the team against team competition were:

Fairmont Ford 104

Over their average of 98

Elm Creek Pioneer 108
Over Bentlydale Bird Busters 98
Perch Creek Repair 101
Over Tayler Swanson Trucking 94
Aardvark's 60
Lost to their average of 73
Trimont Locker 104
Over Randy Wilking Construction 98
BoeKett Lumber 87
Over Simplot Grower Solutions 86
Rode Manufacturing 110
Over Dekalb 102
Richard's Misfires 112
Over Profinium Coyote Callers 104
Watson's Plumbing 94
Lost to their average of 103
Individual High Shooters were:
Score of 25
John Cox (18 yard)
Score of 24
Doug Payne (226 yard)
Score of 23
Tim Weihe (26 yard)
Mike Borkenhagen (26 yard)
Sandy Clow (26 yard)
Lawrence Salic (26 yard)

Ellen Borkenhagen (26 yard)
Jed Fowler (24 yard)
Jared Breitbarth (22 yard)
Logan Rahn (22 yard)
Score of 22
Richard Wiederhoeft (26 yard)
Ben Weihe (24 yard)
Joel Oberdieck (22 yard)
Mark Halverson (20 yard)
Kyle Flohrs (20 yard)
Teya Schmidtke (20 yard)
Troy Schmidtke (20 yard)
Cody Flohrs (20 yard)

Final Team standings and total team birds are:

A Class			
Rode Manufacturing	5	1	1081
DeKalb Seed	3	3	1056
Richard's Misfires	3	3	1059
Profinium Coyote Callers	2	4	1058
Watson's Plumbing	1	5	1028
B Class			
Perch Creek Repair	5	1	999
Elm Creek Pioneer	4	2	1015
Taylor Swanson Trucking	4	2	977
Fairmont Ford	2	4	968
Bentlydale Bird Busters	2	4	953

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Matthew Wollner, Judith Wolner, Matthew Wolner to Kolby D. Stortenbecker, Shayla R. Stortenbecker, Lot 12, E½ Lot 13, Block 1, Webers Addn.

Joseph Eugene Brown, Sr. to Katharine Elder, Lot 1, Pt. Lot 2, Block 11, Hayworths Ext. to Ramsdales Addn. Chad Arthur Thate

to Britten Swanson, Pt. S½NE¼, 2-102-30

Heather Taplin, Johnathan W. Taplin to City of Granada, Outlot A, Center Creek Addn., Granada

Roger M. Spitzer to Michael Thate, Pt. SE¼, 14-102-31

**QUIT CLAIM
DEEDS**

Mary A. Schweiss to Lori A. McInerney, Pt. & that Pt. of dry lake bed of Manyaska Lake, Govt. Lot 3, NW¼, 19-102-32

MidAmerica Distrib-

uting LLC to MidAmerica Holdings LLC, Pt. NE¼SE¼, 5-102-30

Montana Theisse to M E T Properties LLC, W.29.75' Lots 17 and 18, Block 6, Original Plat Northrop

Gerald Carey to Timothy Carey, Trustee, Gerald John Carey Jr. Irrevocable Trust, Govt. Lot 3, NE¼, W½SE¼, strip 1 rod wide, NE¼, 1-101-30

TRUSTEE DEEDS

Mary A. Schweiss, Mary A. Schweiss Living Trust to Lori A. McInerney, Pt. & that Pt. of dry lake bed of Manyaska Lake, Govt. Lot 3, NW¼, 19-102-32

James R. Cone, Ronda K. Cone, James and Ronda Cone Trust Agreement to David Cone, Lot 9, Block 2, Hazelmere

**CONTRACTS FOR
DEEDS**

Maria Garcia Fernandez, Eber Noe Juarez to Hope Ann Chavez, Alberto Enrique Chavez-Martin, N½ Lot 16, S.25' Lot 4, Block 5, Webster & Johnsons Addn.

Fairmont Council Alters Building Inspection Staff

By Judy Bryan, Freelance Journalist

After re-evaluating the workload on the city's building officials, the Fairmont City Council voted unanimously on Monday, Aug. 9, to contract with a part-time inspector, rather than replacing a full-time staff member who had retired.

City Administrator Cathy Reynolds told the council that the remaining full-time city building inspector, Doug Harstad, would need supplemental help. She contacted three firms who offered inspection services, but two declined the proposal.

Randy King of Prokore Inspections LLC of Mankato will be assisting Harstad as needed with local residential inspections. Because of licensing requirements, only Harstad will be able to handle commercial inspections at this time.

Noting King's \$53 per hour inclusive fee, Councilman Bruce Peters called the service "quite a bargain." Reynolds noted that King will not charge for travel time.

She estimated that King would spend two days a week in Fairmont, with his time here increasing during the busy construction season and lessening during the winter months.

The contract can be terminated by either party with a 30-day notice.

In another matter, the city will have a new auditor

in 2021. The council voted unanimously to enter into a five-year contract with BerganKDV of Minneapolis, a company with extensive experience in municipal audits for cities of all sizes.

The council had supported the possibility of changing auditors from Abdo Eick & Meyers that have handled the process since 1989. Although there had been no problems with the Abdo firm, council members thought it would be a good time to check with other companies.

Ten requests for bids were sent out, and three were returned.

BerganKDV's cost for a single audit is \$42,400, about \$2,500 less than Abdo's.

In other business, the council:

- Heard a report from Tyler Cowing, the city's water resources technician, regarding Fairmont's application for a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit which it must obtain every five years. The permit, issued by the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, outlines the public education, outreach and municipal practices to prevent harm to water quality.

The permit regulates the 60 miles of storm sewer in the city which includes 230 outlets, 2,166 catch basins, five wet ponds, three dry ponds and 11 filtration basins.

- Revised its service contract with BevComm for IT support. The new contract was necessary due to the city's addition of two new servers and the increased amount of data storage required. The \$8,880 annual increase will be split equally between the general fund and the utility funds. The increase marks the first raise in costs since 2017 and brings the total annual cost from \$66,600 to \$75,480.

- Learned that interest from the city's investments for the first half of the year was \$123,000, down about \$115,000 from last year. Paul Hoyer, finance director, said declining interest rates over the last 18 months was responsible for the drop.

- Approved a transient merchant permit for Aleksandra Kovalova to sell educational books and apps as an independent contractor.

- Approved a \$150,000 expenditure, which had been included in the budget, for upgrades to the Woodland/Summit lift station.

- Heard from Troy Nemmers, city engineer/public works director, that the Amber Lake boat ramp would be closed starting Friday, Aug. 13, for about a month to allow for installation of a new boat ramp and parking lot.

- Set a work session for 5 p.m. Monday, Aug. 16, to focus on the 2022 budget.

The next regular council meeting will be at 5:30 p.m. Monday, Aug. 30.

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

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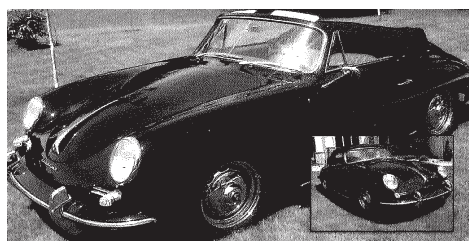
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3 Notices

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UPCOMING AUCTIONS

Thursday, August 12, 2021 @ 6:30 PM-HATCH FAMILY-320 Acres +/- of Farmland, Pasture & Building Site located in Section 13 & 24 of Galena Twp., Martin Co., MN. Auction to be held at the Knights of Columbus Hall, Fairmont, MN. Open House Thursday, July 29th from 5-7 PM. Hartung, Kahlers & Wedel

Saturday, August 14, 2021 @ 9:30 AM-LARRY BROCKMAN ESTATE- Farm equipment & personal property auction including Tractors, ATV, Skidloaders & Attachments, Hay & Livestock Equip, Combine & Heads, Antique & Collectible Equip and much more! Sale to be held at 624 State Hwy 15, Fairmont, MN. Dan Pike & Auctioneer Alley

Monday, August 16, 2021 @ 6:30 PM-LUEDTKE & WOOD FAMILIES- 40 Acres +/- including 1,400' of Lakeshore on Lake Wilmet with a nice 1-story house & bare farmland in Section 18 of Silver Lake Twp., Martin Co., MN. Address: This property will be offered in multiple parcels and the sale will be held at the property site: 467 200th Ave, Fairmont, MN. Open House will be on Tuesday, August 3rd from 5-7 PM. Full informational booklet available online at www.auctioneeralley.com. HARTUNG, KAHLERS & ASSOCIATES

Tuesday, August 24, 2021 @ 6:30 PM-Wilmer Pahl Estate-229.6 Acres +/- or Bare Farmland located in Section 1 of Pleasant Mound Twp., Blue Earth Co., MN. Sale to be held at Snowbirds of Amboy Inc Event Center 224 State Hwy 30, Amboy, KAHLER, HARTUNG & ASSOCIATES

SALE PENDING-PRIVATE LISTING! For sale by private treaty: 28 Acres +/- of Bare Farmland in Section 3 of Fairmont Twp., Martin County, MN. Contact Dustyn Hartung 507-236-7629 for more information.

SALE PENDING-PRIVATE LISTING! For sale by private treaty: 80 Acres +/- of Bare Farmland in Section 26 of Seely Twp., Faribault Co., MN & 36.36 Acres +/- of Bare Farmland in Section 15 of Seely Twp., Faribault Co., MN. Contact Dustyn Hartung 507-236-7629 for more information.

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Ask A Trooper: Insurance Cards

by Sgt. Troy Christianson,
MN State Patrol

Question: What is the law with regard to insurance cards? I was told it must always be available in the vehicle and then I was told that if you do not have it, there is no fine if you produce it within three days. What exactly are the statutes with regard to having your driver's license on you while driving?

Answer: The driver of the vehicle is required to provide current proof of insurance on a vehicle. The proof can be a hard copy or electronic proof of insurance. If the driver is issued a citation for no proof of insurance, the owner of the vehicle must provide proof of insurance stating the vehicle was properly insured at the time of the stop. This must be completed no later than the date and time specified on the citation. Court will dismiss and there will be no fine. The required proof of insurance may be sent by mail or presented in person at courthouse. If there is no proof of insurance provided, the citation remains a no insurance citation. (State Statue 169.791 Sub. 2a)

Proof of insurance may be presented electronically pursuant to Minn. Stat. sec. 60A.139, subd. 2.

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If your electronic device is not working (dead battery on your phone, website not accessible, no service, etc.), you could be cited for "no proof of insurance." I recommend that you print a copy of your insurance card in case your electronic equipment is unable to display your proof of insurance and keep it in your vehicle.

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Financial Focus

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Review your IRA, 401(k) beneficiaries

If you've had an IRA and a 401(k) for many years, you may occasionally ask yourself some questions: "Am I contributing enough?" "Am I still funding these accounts with the right mix of investments for my goals and risk tolerance?" But here's one inquiry you might be overlooking: "Have I used the correct beneficiary designations?" And the answer you get is important.

It wouldn't be surprising if you haven't thought much about the beneficiary designation – after all, it was just something you once signed, possibly a long time ago. Is it really that big a deal?

It could be. For one thing, what if your family circumstances have changed since you named a beneficiary? If you've remarried, you may not want your former spouse to receive your IRA and 401(k) assets or the proceeds of your life insurance policy, for which you also

named a beneficiary.

However, upon remarriage, many people do review their estate plans, including their wills, living trusts, durable powers of attorney and health care directives. If you've revised these documents, do you have to worry about the old beneficiary designations? You might be surprised to learn that these previous designations can supersede what's in your updated will and other documents. The end result could be an "accidental" inheritance in which your retirement accounts and insurance proceeds could end up going to someone who is no longer in your life.

Furthermore, your retirement plans and insurance policy may not just require a single beneficiary – you may also be asked to name a contingent beneficiary, to whom assets will pass if the primary beneficiary has already died. As you can imagine, the situation could become quite muddled if stepchildren are involved in a remarriage.

To avoid these potential problems, make sure to review the beneficiary designations on all of your accounts at some point – and especially after a significant change in your family situation. If you see something that is outdated or incorrect, contact your retirement account administrator – or your insurance rep-

resentative, in the case of life insurance – to request a change-of-beneficiary form.

And if you really want to be on the safe side, you may want to enlist a legal professional to help you with this review to make sure the beneficiary designations reflect your current family situation and are consistent with what's in your estate plans.

In fact, if you're already working with an experienced estate planning attorney – and you should – you might also pick up some other suggestions for dealing with beneficiaries. Just to name one, it's generally not a good idea to name minor children as beneficiaries. Because children can't control the assets until they become adults, a court would likely have to name a guardian – one that you might not have wanted. Instead, you could either name your own custodian to manage the assets designated to the minor or establish a trust for the benefit of the minor, which can distribute the money in several disbursements over a period of years – which is often a good move, since young adults aren't always the best at managing large lump sums.

If you're like many people, you have a strong desire to leave something behind. But you'll want to do it in the right way. So, pay close attention to your beneficiary designations – when you first create them and throughout your life.

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

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FARMLAND AUCTION

320 Acres +/- of Farmland, Pasture & Building Site in Galena Twp., Martin Co., MN

THURSDAY, AUGUST 12, 2021 @ 6:30 PM

Auction to be held at the Knights of Columbus Hall 920 E 10th Street, Fairmont, MN

PROPERTY LOCATION: Building Site Address: 2188 120th Ave, Trimont, MN 56176 320 Deeded Acres located in the S 1/2 of the NW 1/4 and the SW 1/4 Section 13, Township 104 North, Range 32 W & the N 1/2 of the NW 1/4 Section 24, Township 104 North, Range 32 W Martin County, MN



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Play4aCure Coed Cancer Softball Tournament



The Ninth Annual Play4aCure Coed Charity Softball Tournament was held this past weekend in Fairmont. Sixteen teams played for championships in two divisions. Exit Realty took first in Division 1 and Against the Wind claimed the Division 2 crown. “This fundraising tournament and prize raffles helped raise money for families of Elizabeth Lowry, pictured front left and Nevaeh Rahm, pictured front right,” according to event organizers Mike Fischer and Luke Ebeling. “They’re going through cancer treatments and it’s just another way Play4aCure can give back to those families going through it.” First, second and third place teams were awarded trophies and prize money. Nevaeh was on hand to present the awards. The teams then turned around and gave their winnings to the Rahm and Lowry families. “A little over \$11,000 was raised from the event, combined with giving to the families, direct donations and the funds to American Cancer Society,” added Mike. Congratulations teams, players and fans that made this a successful event. Good job Mike, pictured front right kneeling, and Luke, pictured far left! Pictures courtesy fairmontsports.com. More photos on the Fairmont Slowpitch Softball Facebook page.



Play4aCure Division 1 - 1st place - Exit Realty



Play4aCure Division 2 - 1st place Against the Wind



Play4aCure Division 1 - 2nd place - Nakato/Austin's Auto



Play4aCure Division 2 - 2nd place - Team Sandy



Play4aCure Division 1 - 3rd place - Tammy's Flying Angels



Play4aCure Division 2 - 3rd place - Royalty Rides



Summer REC Soccer scores

U10 Boys Taco John's vs Bolton & Menk

Date of game: Monday July 26th
Team #1 Texas Orange Taco John's-3
Team #2 Gold Bolton & Menk-0
Goals Scored By: Assisted By:
Bentley Byers N/A
Bentley Byers Parker Olsen
Parker Olsen N/A

U10 Boys Designing Signs vs Bank Midwest

Date of game: Monday July 26th
Team #1 Lime Shock Designing Signs-0
Team #2 Maroon Bank Midwest-17
Goals Scored By: Assisted By:
Carter Simmering N/A

Ben Roper	Mason Shonrock
Carter Simmering	Mason Shonrock
Mason Shonrock	Ben Roper
Bentley Muller	N/A
William Hamlet	N/A
Grant Simmering	N/A
William Hamlet	N/A
Grant Simmering	N/A
Mason Shonrock	Grant Simmering
Ben Roper	N/A
Grant Simmering	N/A
Maddox Hecker	Grant Simmering
Ben Roper	N/A
Bentley Muller	Ben Roper
Ben Roper	N/A
Bentley Muller	N/A

U10 Boys Fairmont Body Shop vs Nu-Way

Date of game: Monday July 26th
Team #1 Tropical Blue Fairmont Body Shop -4
Team #2 Red Nu-Way -1
Goals Scored By: Assisted By:
Fairmont Body Shop N/A
Bladen Ricard N/A
Archer Pomeranke N/A
Archer Pomeranke N/A
Bladen Ricard N/A
Nu-Way
Brahm Sill N/A

U10 Girls Seifried Portrait vs Becker Storage

Date of game: Monday July 26th
Team #1 Atomic Blue Seifried Portrait -5

Team #2 Hot Coral Becker Storage -0
Goals Scored By: Assisted By:
Kenzley Tietje Addi Miller
Geminie Lopez Alyvia Goerndt
Peyton Stohs Reese Peters
Geminie Lopez N/A
Geminie Lopez Addi Miller

U10 Girls FPOA (Fairmont Police Officers Association) vs D&S Trophies

Date of game: Monday July 26th
Team #1 Silver FPOA -3
Team #2 Neon Yellow D&S Trophies -1
Goals Scored By: Assisted By:
FPOA
Madi Thompson Ella Swanson
Audrey Nemmers N/A
Emma Schmidt Olive Kaweck
D&S Trophies
Kaylin Schutz Jovie Rogge