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Cassadee Pope
Wednesday August 19
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Pre-Season Pass \$20
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AUGUST 17-23, 2015

Gate Pass: Tue, Fri & Sun - \$6;
Wed, Thurs & Sat - \$9;
Kids 9 & Under - Free

MONDAY, AUGUST 17
ALL OPEN CLASS ENTRIES ACCEPTED
(except animals)
2 p.m.-7 p.m. 4-H General exhibits entered & judged
2 p.m.-7 p.m. 4-H Livestock Interviews
(Bank Midwest Bldg 4-H Section)
5 p.m.-7 p.m. 4-H Market Goats entered

TUESDAY, AUGUST 18
ADMISSION PRICE: \$6
Buildings open Noon-9 p.m. • Midway Opens 5 p.m.

All open class animals due at same time as 4-H animals
7:30 a.m.-Noon 4-H Dairy & Dairy Goats entered
9 a.m.-11 a.m. 4-H Rabbits entered
8 a.m.-10 a.m. 4-H Sheep entered and weighed
8 a.m.-Noon All Swine entered and weighed
10 a.m.-11:30 a.m. 4-H Beef entered and weighed
Noon-6 p.m. Mules & Donkeys entered
1 p.m. 4-H Meat Goat Show (Livestock arena)
1 p.m. Medicine Man Show
3 p.m. Medicine Man Show
3 p.m. Great Lakes Timber Show
3:15 p.m. 4-H Lamb Lead Interviews (Sheep Barn)
3:30 p.m.-6 p.m. Registration for R.E.A. Annual Meeting
4 p.m.-9 p.m. 4-H & Open Class Sheep Show (Livestock Arena)
5 p.m. Medicine Man Show
5 p.m. Free Pork Feed, sponsored by Martin County Fair.
Milk sponsored by American Dairy Assn.
Great Lakes Timber Show
6 p.m. R.E.A. Annual Meeting
7 p.m. Great Lakes Timber Show
7:30 p.m. Pre-Teen Division Talent Contest
(age 12 yrs. & under - M.C.A.)
8:30 p.m. HAIRBALL (Park)

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19
ADMISSION PRICE: \$9
Midway Opens 5 p.m. • Buildings open Noon-9 p.m.
Wrist Band Day! Ride for \$20
Unlimited Rides - 5 p.m.-10 p.m.

8 a.m.-10 a.m. Wood Carver
8 a.m. Feedlot Market Cattle Show (Check In)
8 a.m. 4-H Swine Show (Swine Barn)
11 a.m. Donkey & Mule Halter Show - performance follows
12:30 p.m. Feedlot Market Cattle Show (Livestock Arena)
1 p.m. Open & 4-H Rabbit Show (Poultry & Rabbit Barn)
1 p.m. Medicine Man Show
3 p.m. Medicine Man Show
3 p.m. Great Lakes Timber Show
5 p.m. Mule and Donkey Hitches
5 p.m. Medicine Man Show
5 p.m. Ranch Rodeo (Kietzer Arena)
5 p.m. Great Lakes Timber Show
5 p.m.-7 p.m. Pork Cook-Off (M.C.A.)
6 p.m. 3 on 3 Bball Tournament (Grades 4-8, Boys & Girls)

7 p.m. Great Lakes Timber Show
8 p.m. Farm Family of the Year (Park)
8 p.m. Donkeys & Mules released
8:30 p.m. CASSADEE POPE (Park)

THURSDAY, AUGUST 20 - FFA DAY
ADMISSION PRICE: \$9
Buildings open Noon-9 p.m. • Midway Opens 3 p.m.

8 a.m. Wood Carver
8 a.m. 4-H Dairy and Dairy Goat Interviews
8 a.m. F.F.A. Livestock Show (Livestock Arena)
9 a.m. 4-H, Open Class Dairy & Dairy Goat Show
(Kietzer Arena)
9:30 a.m.-Noon 4-H Horses enter and register
9:30 a.m.-6 p.m. FFA & Open Class Light Horses enter and register
11 a.m. 4-H & FFA Tractor Driving Contest (behind swine barn)
1 p.m. 4-H & Open Class Beef Show (Livestock Arena)
1 p.m. Medicine Man Show
2 p.m.-4 p.m. FFA "Make and Take" Children's Scavenger Hunt
3 p.m. Medicine Man Show
3 p.m. Great Lakes Timber Show
4 p.m.-7 p.m. Martin County Implement: Kids Day of Play
5 p.m. 4-H Premier Showmanship Contest (after beef show)
5 p.m. Medicine Man Show
5 p.m. Great Lakes Timber Show
5 p.m.-7 p.m. Martin County Implement: Toy Gator Races
6 p.m.-7 p.m. FFA Ag Olympics
7 p.m. Great Lakes Timber Show
8:30 p.m. DAN + SHAY (Park)

FRIDAY, AUGUST 21
ADMISSION PRICE: \$6
SENIOR CITIZEN DAY - 1/2 price gate to age 62 & over - All Day \$3
Midway Opens 1 p.m. • Buildings open Noon-9 p.m.
Wristband Day, Ride for \$20 • Unlimited Rides - 1 p.m.-5 p.m.

8 a.m.-Noon Wood Carver
8 a.m. Hamp Sheep need to be in barn by noon
8 a.m. 4-H Auction buyer's registration (Livestock Arena)
8:30 a.m. 4-H Horse Halter & Performance Show
9 a.m. 4-H Auction (Livestock Arena)
9:30 a.m.-11 a.m. Garden Club Exhibits entered
10 a.m. Regional 4-H & FFA Sheep, Goats & Swine Check-In
11 a.m. Garden Club Exhibits judged
1 p.m. Tina and Lena (M.C.A.)
1 p.m. Medicine Man Show
3 p.m. Great Lakes Timber Show
3 p.m. Medicine Man Show
3 p.m. Regional 4-H & FFA Goat Show (Livestock Arena)
4:15 p.m. New Century Farm Recognition (Park)
4:30 p.m.-6 p.m. Heart Song (Park)
5 p.m. Regional 4-H & FFA Sheep Show (Livestock Arena)
5 p.m. Kids Pedal Tractor Pull
5 p.m. Medicine Man Show
5 p.m. Great Lakes Timber Show
6:30 p.m. MONROE CROSSING (M.C.A.)

7 p.m. Great Lakes Timber Show
7 p.m. Auto Races
9:30 p.m.-12 a.m. Diesel Drive (Beer Garden)

SATURDAY, AUGUST 22
ADMISSION PRICE: \$9
Buildings open 10 a.m.-9 p.m. • Midway Opens 1 p.m.
Kids Day - All Rides One Ticket from 1 p.m.-5 p.m.

8 a.m.-Noon Kim Shoen Classic & Regional 4-H and FFA
Cattle enter & register
8 a.m. Regional 4-H & FFA Rabbit check-in
9 a.m. MN State Hampshire Sheep Show (Livestock Arena)
9 a.m. FFA & Open Class Light Horse Halter & Performance Show
10 a.m. Regional 4-H & FFA Swine Show (Swine Barn)
1 p.m. Medicine Man Show
1 p.m. Regional 4-H & FFA Rabbit Show
(Poultry & Rabbit Barn)
2 p.m. Kim Shoen Classic Steer & Heifer Show
(Livestock Arena)
3 p.m. Talent Contest Teen 13-18 and Senior 19+ (M.C.A.)
3 p.m. Medicine Man Show
3 p.m. Great Lakes Timber Show
5 p.m. Medicine Man Show
5 p.m. Great Lakes Timber Show
6 p.m. Martin County Area Foundation Award Presentation
7 p.m. Great Lakes Timber Show
8:30 p.m. GRAND FUNK RAILROAD (Park)

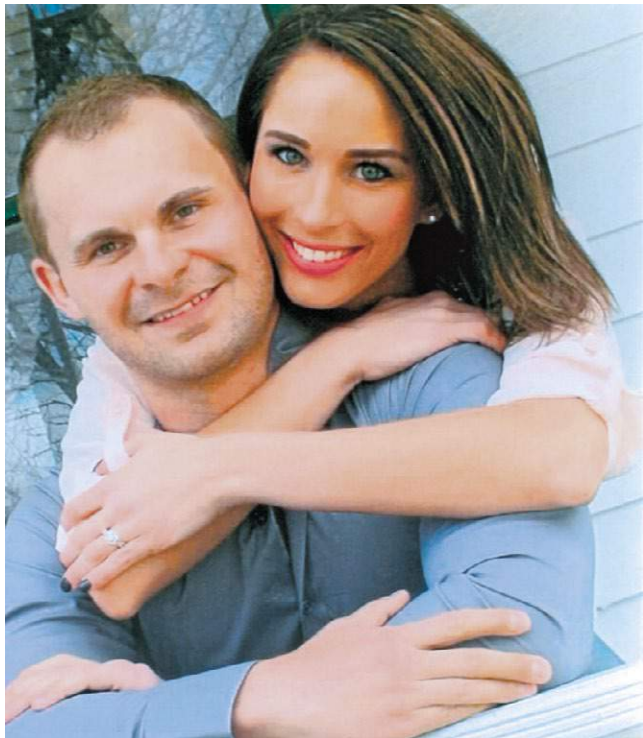
SUNDAY, AUGUST 23
ADMISSION PRICE: \$6
Buildings open Noon-7 p.m. • Midway Open 1 p.m.-7 p.m.

9 a.m. Society Horse show
10 a.m. Regional 4-H & FFA beef show (Livestock Arena)
11 a.m. Ecumenical Worship Service (Park) Heart Song
12 p.m. Register for Livestock Judging contest
1 p.m. BEAN BAG TOSS (16 YEARS - Adult)
1 p.m. Game Show "Let's Make A Fair Deal" (M.C.A.)
1 p.m. Medicine Man Show
1 p.m.-3 p.m. Warren Nelson (Park)
3 p.m. Great Lakes Timber Show
3 p.m. Sweepstakes Market Lamb Show (Livestock Arena)
3:30 p.m. Parade - Celebrating Martin County Fair's 150th
4:30 p.m. Sale of Wood Carvings (on the Main Road)
5 p.m. Medicine Man Show
5 p.m. Great Lakes Timber Show
6 p.m. Release time for Swine and Market Lambs
7 p.m. Release time for rest of animals
7 p.m. Release time for all Open Class Exhibits
9 p.m. 4-H Building Closed

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HENNEN-JOHNSON - Charles (CJ) William Johnson and Marissa Kay Hennen, along with their parents, announce their engagement and upcoming marriage. Parents of the bride are Keith and Darla Hennen of Borup, MN. The groom's parents are Chuck and Carolyn Johnson of Winterset, Iowa. Marissa graduated from St. Cloud State University in 2011 and is a Wealth Planning Specialist at Profinium in Fairmont. CJ graduated from Waldorf College in 2009 and is the owner/operator and strength and conditioning coach at Cutting Edge Fitness in Fairmont. A September 5th wedding is planned at St. John Vianney in Fairmont.



PETROWIAK-ROTHMEIER - Sara Petrowiak and Jeff Rothmeier will be married August 29th, 2015 at St. John Vianney Catholic Church in Fairmont. Parents of the couple are Brian and Susan Petrowiak and Rick and Jolanda Rothmeier, all of Fairmont. Sara is a third grade teacher at Blue Earth Elementary School and Jeff is employed at International Ag Labs and Anytime Fitness. *Photo courtesy Net Photography*



SACKETT-EBERHART - Tom and Julie Sackett of Winnebago are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Jill Sackett to John Eberhart, son of Collee Forsythe of Mankato and Wayne and Shirley Eberhart of Amboy, MN. The future bride is a graduate of Truman High School, South Dakota State University and the University of Minnesota. She is employed by the University of Minnesota in Mankato. The future groom is a graduate of Maple River High School and Dunwoody College of Technology. He is employed by CHS in Mankato. An October 2015 wedding is being planned. *Photo courtesy of Murphy Photography Design*



JENSEN - Chelsey Rae Anderson and Andrew Keith Edwin Jensen were married on June 6th, 2015 at Siesta Key Beach in Sarasota, Florida. A reception was held in East Chain, MN. Parents of the bride are Chad and Jessica Tolzmann of Fairmont and the groom's parents are Kent and Cindy Jensen of Fairmont. Chelsey is a 2011 graduate of Fairmont Area High School and is employed at Maurices. Andrew is a 2009 graduate of Fairmont Area High School and is employed at DeWar Electric.

There will be a **Benefit Ride for Madison Mendenhall** on Saturday, August 15th. Anything with wheels is welcome to attend. There is a \$15 fee for each vehicle. Other donations are welcomed. Madison, age 14, passed away on Thursday, August 6th due to a very tragic tractor accident. The Benefit Ride will help with her funeral costs.



LUCKHARDT-LUETH - Melissa Marie Luckhardt and Braedy Winsor Lueth announce their engagement and upcoming marriage. Parents of the couple are Jerry and Marcia Hubner and the late William Luckhardt of Tracy, MN and Jeff and Jodi Lueth of Truman. Melissa is a 2005 graduate of Tracy Area High School and received a Bachelors Degree in 2009 from Winona State University with a double major in accounting and human resources. In 2011 she received her Masters Degree in business administration from SMSU. Braedy is a 2003 graduate of Truman High School and received his Associate Degree in Agribusiness and Management from South Central College in Mankato in 2009. He is employed by ADS/Hancor in Fairmont as a Territory Manager. The couple will be wed in late August 2015.



Jett Thomas Labes, son of Calvin and Emily Labes of Fairmont, was born on July 17th, 2015 at Mayo Clinic Health System in Fairmont. He weighed eight pounds, 15 ounces. Grandparents are Tom

and Lisa Izen of Fairmont and Deb and Carl Labes of Sherburn. Jett also has a sister, Adeline.

Fairmont Class of 1946 will have a meeting at the Ranch Restaurant in Fairmont on Friday, August 14th at 11:30 a.m. Bring addresses of classmates with you to the meeting.

Marriage License Applications

Melissa Marie Luckhardt and Braedy Winsor Lueth

Cassidy Nicole Montgomery and Drew Even Strom

Megan Jean Parnell and Jason Dale Christenson

Marissa Kay Hennen and Charles William Johnson III

Erin Marie Peterson and Tramell Delon Wilson

Megan Marie Schultz and Camden Daniel Wohlers

"The Gathering" will be singing at Wolter Park in East Chain on Sunday, August 16th at 6:30 pm. Free ice cream cones. Everyone is welcome. Bring your lawn chair. Sponsored by The East Chain United Methodist Church.

The Borderline Cruisers Car Club will host a cruise-in/roll-in at Graham Tire in Fairmont on Wednesday, August 12th, 6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. Come for food, fun and music.

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MARLATT - Katelyn Paige Vander Plas and Christopher Charles Marlatt were married on April 11th, 2015 at Hosanna Lutheran Church in Mankato with Pastor Dennis Heiden officiating. A reception was held at the Best Western Hotel in North Mankato. Parents of the bride are Kevin and Lori Behrens of Fairmont and Arvin and Annette Vander Plas of North Mankato. The groom's parents are Denny and Renate Klugherz of Kasota, Minnesota and the late Richard Marlatt. Katelyn is a 2009 graduate of Mankato East High School She received her Bachelor of Science degree in nursing at Winona State University. She was a medical/surgical Registered Nurse for two years at Mayo Clinic in Eau Claire, Wisconsin and currently is a Labor and Delivery RN at North Carolina. Christopher is a 2008 graduate of Mankato East High School and is currently in the United States Navy as a Corpsman at Camp LeJeune, North Carolina. *Photo courtesy of P.S. I Do Photography*



SHERRY 60TH - Tom and Ele Sherry of Fairmont, formerly of East Chain, will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary. They were married on August 20th, 1955. Cards can reach them at 1310 Adams Avenue, Apt. 304, Fairmont, MN 56031.



BRINKMAN 80TH - Merle Brinkman of Fairmont will celebrate his 80th birthday on Friday, August 28th. Cards will reach him at 1645 Blue Jay Boulevard, Fairmont MN 56031.

There will be an **80th birthday celebration** for Marvis Holtz of Trimont on Saturday, August 15th from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the Anderson Park Shelter House in Trimont. Come have cake and ice cream with Marvis.

Mark E. Fujan will be offering a **FREE 55 Alive/ Defensive Driving Course** on Tuesday, August 25th, 2015 at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Fairmont. The class will start at 4:30 p.m.; tax tips start at 4:00 p.m.

Pre-registration is requested, if you are already registered you do not need to call, unless you CAN NOT attend as no shows will be assessed a fee.

Limited seating; please call ASAP to register, 235-5573.



LEACH 65TH - Clayton and Nan Leach of Fairmont will celebrate their 65th wedding anniversary on Wednesday, August 12th with family. They were married on August 12th, 1950.

Elma LaVonne De-Boer of Fairmont will be celebrating her 90th birthday on Saturday, August 15th. Cards may reach her at 464 Lake Park Boulevard, Fairmont MN 56031.

Salvation Army's Back-to-School Supplies Distribution

The Fairmont Salvation Army will once again distribute back to school supplies, while supplies last. Sign-up is August 17th through the 21st and August 24th through the 28th, from 9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. at 114 East Blue Earth Avenue.

Bring the following to the sign-up: State photo ID

for all adults in the home, current post-marked mail or bill (within the last 30 days) showing residency in Martin County, and birth dates of all household members.

If you know of someone who might need Back to School assistance, call 238-9797.

Tuesday Morning Coffee in Four Area Towns

Since 1977 there has been a coffee hour in four Martin County towns every Tuesday from 8:30 a.m. to 10 a.m. from April to October; Welcome, Sherburn, Ceylon, Dunnell and Trimont

In April, First Lutheran Church in Trimont

May, Trinity Lutheran Church, Dunnell

June, Immanuel Lutheran Church, Dunnell

July, St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Ceylon

August, St. John's Lutheran Church in Sherburn

September, St. Paul's United Church of Christ, Welcome

October, St. Luke's Catholic Church in Sherburn.

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Guest Columnist

Lenny Tvedten, Director, Martin County Historical Society



Success doesn't always happen on the first try. Consequently, succeeding attempts are often necessary to prove successful. That insistence on continued attempts might seem to serve as a motto for John Livermore, a Martin County resident that was active on many fronts.

Livermore is probably most recently remembered for his "Iron Grill" Café on North North Avenue in Fairmont and for his stands involving advertisements in the local media either supporting or condemning the actions of public officials. Not one to ride the fence, he made his opinions known quite vociferously as evidenced in his 1971 advertisement relative to the Luedtke Slough controversy.

John Livermore was born in Swea City, Iowa, and spent his youth on the farm with his parents. After his mother passed away when he was eleven, he moved with his father back to Fairmont which was his father's home. He attended and graduated from Fairmont High School in 1919.

He was involved in a number of business interests in Fairmont including operating the Livermore Ice Company. He constructed an ice house on the Budd Lake shore at Oak Beach in 1937 and sold ice at the Lake Sisseton boathouses for a number of years.

Other business inter-

BIRDS, BEES POLLYWOGS, FROGS!

I believe I am safe to say we older folks learned all about the birds, the bees, the pollywogs and the frogs from our primers in the first and second grades, not in high school.

Our school board sold Fairmont's people a new over five million dollar senior high school by telling us what fine courses they would have in vocational training for our high school students.

City Dump

Snakes Alive! Now they are spending our tax dollars to tell us we need a stinking, musky smelling pollywog slough in Fairmont, adjoining their new high school, that will discourage any good homes from being built around that area to help pay our skyrocketing taxes.

I can think of only one thing worse to spend our school tax dollars for than a stinking, musky smelling pollywog slough in the heart of our future Fairmont's growth direction. That is another CITY DUMP.

Wise Foresight

Fairmont's City Council is dredging several feet of mud from the bottom of our lakes to assure us of a supply of city water in times of drought, realizing Fairmonters could not drink mud.

The Council was hard pressed for a place to dump the muddy sludge from Budd Lake, and the Luedtke land was purchased as they would kill two birds with one stone. It was ideally located, also the fill would eliminate the stinking, musky smelling slough from Fairmont's future ideal growth area.

Thinking Taxpayers

CALL THE COUNCIL AND SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS and tell them what you think on the following subjects:

SHALL THE CITY OF FAIRMONT give up their slough and buy \$100,000 worth of good farm land to dump Budd Lake's sludge on, again raising taxes?

SHALL WE HAVE a stinking, musky smelling slough in the heart of Fairmont's ideal growth area?

SHALL THE SCHOOL BOARD hire a slough superintendent and crew to maintain it as suggested by the biology teacher, AGAIN RAISING TAXES?

Effort

Would it be too much of an effort for the biology teacher to take his class by bus a few times a year out 10 or 15 miles southwest of Fairmont to tell them about the pollywogs and frogs that they learned about in the first and second grades? The cost of such bus trips would be comparatively small.

DID YOU KNOW there is no outlet to this slough into the lake, so fish cannot get into it to spawn?

EVERY TAXPAYER should have the COURAGE to have his say on these subjects that will add MORE TO HIS TAXES.

Call, also corner, your school board members wherever you meet them. Tell them so they understand your thinking about FROG POND TAXES.

Respectfully submitted for your action,
John Livermore

ests included farming, owning a considerable amount of rental property both commercial and residential, amusement park operations, salvage, and boat livery operations.

Having an interest in education, Livermore headed the citizens group instrumental in the construction of both Budd and Lincoln Elementary Schools. Initially, the board's intent was to



build only one elementary school in the south side of Fairmont, however, opposition led by Livermore prevailed and two elementary schools were finally constructed. He was also at one time the director of a campaign to establish a junior college in Fairmont.

In 1949, Livermore headed the movement toward a "Free Gate Fair." His first attempts proved unsuccessful, however, he vowed to "clean out the deadwood" on the fair board. Finally achieving success in establishing a "Free Gate Fair," attendance and participation greatly improved.

Not one to shy away from politics, he made several attempts at elected public office. He unsuccessfully ran for mayor of Fairmont, the school board, and the state legis-

lature, finally being elected to the House of Representatives serving from 1950-1952.

Whether he was loved or loathed, he was an activist in his era. He stood

he was persistent. It would also seem that he would fit into the broad category of those somewhat colorful and interesting characters from the past that add to the lore of our local history.

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his ground, made his point, and apparently didn't back down. Could he be characterized as being opinionated? Was he objective in his views? Whatever your answer, there was little doubt that

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What's Cooking

with Kathy Lloyd

French Peach Cake

It's fresh peach time

We have almost finished a crate of wonderful peaches! I've been going to make the recipe I am sharing with you today, but I don't think I have enough of them left. I did make some old fashioned shortcake per Pa Lloyd's request. That is always good, too. Fresh summer produce is such a treat. I just wish the season lasted a little longer!

French Peach cake:

- 1 - 1/2 cups sugar, divided
- 4 tsp water
- 4 tsp lemon juice
- 3 cups sliced peaches
- 3 eggs
- 1 cup butter, melted
- 4 oz creamed cheese, cubed and softened
- 1 cup flour

In a small heavy skillet, combine 3/4 cup sugar and water. Cook without stirring until almost amber colored, about 20-25 minutes. Stir in lemon juice and quickly pour into a 10-inch spring form pan, coating bottom. Arrange peach slices on caramel in circular overlapping pattern. In bowl, beat eggs and remaining sugar until blended; beat in butter then cream cheese until smooth. Stir in flour. Spread over peaches.

Bake at 350 degrees for 35 minutes. Cool 5 minutes. Carefully run a knife around edge of pan to loosen; remove sides of pan and invert onto a serving plate.

Optional topping:

- 1 cup heavy whipping cream
- 1 tub (8 oz) Philadelphia honey nut flavored cream cheese spread
- 1/4 cup powdered sugar

Beat cream until soft peaks form. Separately beat cream cheese spread and sugar until smooth. Gradually fold in whipped cream. Serve with warm cake.

You can use apples or pears instead of peaches if you wish. Have a great week!

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Profinium, Inc. Again Named a Top 150 Workplace

Profinium, Inc. has been named one of the Top 150 Workplaces in Minnesota by the Star Tribune. The Top Workplaces special section was published in the Star Tribune on Sunday, June 15th.

Profinium was ranked 45 on the small company list.

To qualify for the Star Tribune Top Workplaces, a company must have more than 50 employees in Minnesota. Over 2,100 companies were invited to participate. Rankings were composite scores calculated purely on the basis of employee responses.

Top Workplaces recognizes the most progressive companies in Minnesota based on employee opinions measuring engagement, organizational health and satisfaction. The analysis included responses from over 69,100 employees at Minnesota public, private and non-profit organizations.

The rankings in the Star Tribune Top 150 Workplaces are based on survey information collected by Workplace Dynamics,

an independent company specializing in employee engagement and retention.

Marques Doppler, CEO of Profinium, Inc. said, "We are delighted to be included in this very exclusive group of the 150 Top Workplaces in Minnesota for the third year in a row. We are part of an organization that cares deeply about its employees, clients, and the communities we serve. We want to thank our employees for the amazing commitment, energy, and enthusiasm they exemplify for our clients and communities. We look forward to continuing our wonderful journey together."

Profinium, Inc. has four locations in Southern Minnesota (Fairmont, Mankato, Owatonna and Truman) and as of May 31st, 2015 has grown to over \$448 million in assets under management. The organization has been serving Southern Minnesota for 140 years and offers banking, mortgage and wealth planning services.



Fairmont Immanuel Lutheran Holds Vacation Bible School

Immanuel Lutheran Church of Fairmont held a Vacation Bible School July 20th-23rd. The theme was Camp Discovery and children, ages 3-10, learned about God from Bible stories shared in many formats.

There were games, crafts, music, snacks, and storytelling stations that reinforced lessons such as God gives me

courage, Jesus saves me, Jesus gives me faith, and Jesus gives me His love to share.

The number of kids attending averaged at about 50 per day, with 56 kids on the last day. Each evening started with an optional family meal at 5:30 p.m. before gathering in the church for the opening assembly.

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How do real comics draw superheroes? Learn how!

The Martin County Library is hosting two different "Science of the Superhero" programs, featuring a real Marvel comic artist! Learn how science and math merge to create popular superheroes, such as the X-Men and Ironman! The Fairmont Library will host a workshop, which includes instruction and hands-on drawing on Wednesday, August 19th

at 1:00 pm.

The Sherburn Library will host a presentation on the same topic on Thursday, August 20th at 3:30 pm at the Sherburn Theater.

Watch the artist at work and see how comics are created! These programs are both free and open to the public and made possible by a grant from Minnesota's Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund.

Don't forget that we are celebrating the end of the Summer Reading Program with our Finale Frenzy at the Fairmont Library on Thursday, August 13th from 1:00 to 3:00 pm. Join us for root beer floats, face painting, balloon animals with MT Balloons, and barrel train rides around the library! See you at the library!



Ask A Trooper: Three Wheel Cycles

by Sgt. Troy Christianson, MN State Patrol

Question: What type of license endorsement would I need to operate the new Can-Am Spyder three wheel motorcycle/vehicle in Minnesota?

Answer: They are classified as a motorcycle in Minnesota and you must have a standard driver's license with either a motorcycle instruction permit, a motorcycle endorsement, or "also valid for 3 wheel motorcycle" under restrictions.

You will need to take and pass the three wheel motorcycle road test at a DVS testing facility with a three wheel motorcycle. DVS recommends letting them know the type of bike that you will be using for the road test when you make an appointment.

Motorcycle means every motor vehicle having a seat or saddle for the use of the rider and designed to travel on not more than

three wheels in contact with the ground, including motor scooters.

All motorcycle operators must:

- Have a motorcycle instruction permit or endorsement.
- Register their motorcycle and display a valid license plate.
- Carry liability insurance.
- Carry proof of insurance when riding.
- Wear eye protection: face shield, goggles, or glasses.

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

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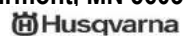
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OBITUARY notices

Donald R. Bulfer, 89



Mass of Christian Burial for Donald R. Bulfer, 89, of Fairmont, was held on Tuesday, August 11th, 2015, at St. John Vianney Catholic Church in Fairmont with interment in Calvary Catholic Cemetery in Fairmont.

Don passed away on Friday, August 7th, 2015, at Lakeview Methodist Health Care Center in Fairmont. Lakeview Funeral Home and Cremation Service in Fairmont was in charge of arrangements.

Donald Robert Bulfer was born on January 27th, 1926, in Fairmont. He was the 9th of 11 children born to Joseph and Johanna (Heckel) Bulfer. Don attended St. Paul Catholic grade school and later attended Fairmont High School. He was to graduate in 1944 but had to quit school to help on the family farm while three of his brothers were serving in WWII. Don then went back to school and got his diploma in 1947. He furthered his education at the St. Paul School of Agriculture.

On April 29th, 1950, Don was united in marriage to Clara Matten Schwer at St. Aloysius Catholic Church in Olivia, Minnesota. This union was blessed with four children. They farmed and lived on their 240 acre farm just west of Fairmont in Rolling Green Township for over sixty-five years. Don and Clara celebrated their sixty-fifth wedding anniversary this April. The couple enjoyed taking bus trips together and getting together with family and friends.

Don was a member of St. John Vianney Catholic Church where he was active with the Knights of Columbus, church choir, and served as an usher. He also had been a member of the Holy Name Society, Martin County Farm Bureau, Heritage Acres, treasurer of NFO, and spent twenty years on the Rolling Green Township Board.

Left to cherish his memory include his wife, Clara Bulfer of Fairmont, Minnesota; children, Jerry (Deb) Bulfer of Fairmont,

Julie (Jim) Hill of Welcome, Minnesota, David (Sandy) Bulfer of Fairmont, and Deb (Jim) Pope of Fairmont; 15 grandchildren; 26 great grandchildren; sisters, Ruth Lenort, and Kathryn Crowley; brothers, Louis Bulfer, and Tom Bulfer; many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Along with his parents, Don was preceded in death by his sisters, Dorothy Vossen, and Marie Lenort; and brothers, Francis Bulfer, Clarence Bulfer, Joe Bulfer, and George Bulfer.

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Lois M. Duncan, 72



Services for Lois M. Duncan, 72, of Ceylon, will be 11:00 a.m. Thursday, August 13th, 2015, at St. Peter Lutheran Church in Ceylon. Burial will follow the service in Lake Belt Cemetery near Ceylon. Visitation will be one hour prior to the time of service from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Thursday, August 13th, 2015, at St. Peter Lutheran Church. Lois passed away Wednesday, August 5th, 2015, at St. Mary's Hospital in Rochester. Lakeview Funeral Home and Cremation Service of Fairmont is assisting the family with the arrangements.

Lois Mae (Osthus) Duncan was born January 5th, 1943, in Fairmont, the daughter of Clarence "Click" and Helen (Klug) Osthus. She attended school in Ceylon and graduated from Ceylon High School with the class of 1961. Following graduation, Lois moved to the Twin Cities for a short time before returning to Ceylon.

In 1963, Lois was united in marriage to Dale Dun-

can at St. Peter Lutheran Church in Ceylon. Together the couple made their home in Ceylon and were blessed with two daughters, Michelle and Sherri.

Lois worked for the Ceylon State Bank in Ceylon and also worked for a short time in Fairmont, prior to the couple opening the Duncan Hardware Store in Ceylon in 1972. Together they owned and operated the hardware store until closing it in 1992. Lois enjoyed her small town life in Ceylon and took great pride in being an active supporter of the community and school. She was an active member of the St. Peter Lutheran Church in Ceylon and served for many years with the Ladies Aid. Lois was an avid sports fan and loved to cheer on the Minnesota Vikings and Twins. She had a love for the game of golf and through the years became an accomplished player who looked forward to playing a round or two whenever possible. She and Dale were blessed to have made many memories throughout the years traveling to various places. Family and friends were very important to Lois and she treasured the opportunity to spend time with those she loved.

Left to cherish her memory are her daughters, Michelle Weninger and her husband, Greg of New Richmond, Wisconsin, and Sherri Bitter and her husband, Steve of Baudette, Minnesota; grandchildren, Britany Weninger, Jakob Weninger, Alex Bitter, and Nicholas Bitter; one sister, Donna Osthus; two brothers-in-law, Larry Duncan and his wife, Jean and Willis Duncan and his wife, Karla; two sisters-in-law, JoAnne Beier and Ardis Hotzler and her husband, Rodger; as well as many nieces, nephews, extended family and friends.

Lois was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Dale Duncan; father-in-law and mother-in-law, Wayne and Marian Duncan; and a brother, Duane Osthus.

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DEATH notices

August 2 - Vivian C. Peyman, 69, Fairmont.

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August 5 - Lois M. Duncan, 72, Ceylon.

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August 7 - Donald R. Bulfer, 89, Fairmont.

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In Memoriam One Year Ago This Week

August 4 - Esther S. Craig, 94, Welcome

August 5 - Dewayne E. "Bud" Nutt, 79, Fairmont

August 6 - Fern H. M. Thompson, 89, North Branch

August 9 - Eugene P. McDonald, 82, Welcome

August 10 - John M. Welchlin, 64, Fairmont

August 11 - Elmer A. Sauck, 94, Truman

Phyllis (Beckendorf) Normand, 72



Phyllis (Beckendorf) Normand, 72, of Burnsville, Minnesota passed away peacefully on August 5th, 2015 after a long fought battle with cancer.

Celebration of life service will be held at Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran church, Apple Valley at 11 a.m. Friday, August 21st, with visitation one hour prior to the service. Internment will be at Ft. Snelling National Cemetery.

She is survived by a son, Jonathan; siblings and (in-laws): Val (Clay) Wagner,

Carl (Chery), (Sandy), Jim (Sally), Arn (Judy), Dave (Eileen), Tom (Rita), Kathy (Don) Ellerton, John (Shirley); close neighbor, friend, and caretaker, Phyllis Miller, and numerous relatives and friends - especially at Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church.

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Local Electric Cooperatives Complete Deal, Make History

Federated Rural Electric and South Central Electric Association, with 10 other electric distribution cooperatives, wrote a new page in history with the completion of the acquisition of Alliant Energy's electric service territory in southern Minnesota. As a result, all southern Minnesota customers of Alliant Energy are now member-owners of their respective electric cooperative.

"It is a very unique situation for electric cooperatives to have the opportunity to purchase service territory from investor-owned utilities," said Richard Burud, general manager of Federated Rural Electric. "Further, it is the first time to our knowledge that several -- we have 12 -- electric cooperatives have banded together to acquire new service territory."

In 2013, the 12 cooperatives formed Southern Minnesota Energy Cooperative (SMEC) as the single point of contact for the purchase of electric service territory in southern Minnesota from Alliant Energy. The more than two-year process of acquiring the territory involved receiving approvals from the Minnesota Public Utilities Commis-

sion, Iowa Utilities Board and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. The acquisition transfers approximately 43,000 electric accounts to local electric cooperatives.

"We are excited to share the benefits of being a member of a cooperative with these new member-owners"

For Federated Rural Electric the combined territory serves approximately 6,700 members; and for South Central Electric Association, 5,900. Cities added to those the cooperatives already served are, for Federated -- Heron Lake, Okabena, Sherburn, Granada, Northrop; and for South Central -- Bingham Lake, Darfur, Jeffers, La Salle, Lewisville, Odin, Ormsby, Storden and Trimont.

"We are excited to share the benefits of being a member of a cooperative with these new member-owners," Burud said. "Our team of local professionals has been serving this area with reliable, affordable electricity for more than 70 years. We look forward to meeting and building

relationships with these individuals, families and business owners.

All of the cooperatives' new member-owners were mailed a transition guide, letter and postcard with their cooperative's contact information. Member-owners can expect to receive welcome material with all the essential information from their electric cooperative by mail. Member-owners with questions should contact their local cooperative at:

Federated Rural Electric, 1-800-321-3520 or federatedrea.coop

South Central Electric Association, 1-507-375-3164 or southcentralelectric.com

"It has been a win-win opportunity from the beginning," said Ron Horman, general manager of South Central Electric Association. "For our new member-owners, they will receive high-quality service at lower rates than if Alliant Energy had continued to serve as their electric utility. For our legacy member-owners, this acquisition grows and increases the efficiency of each cooperative by spreading fixed costs over more member-owners. We are grateful that all our members benefit so much

from this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity."

Horman added that every participating electric cooperative has worked with exceptional diligence over the last two years to assure a smooth transition. "We are ready to welcome our new member-owners," he said.

About Southern Minnesota Energy Cooperative (SMEC) was formed by 12 electric distribution cooperatives as a single point of contact for the proposed purchase of electric service territory in southern Minnesota from Alliant Energy. The 12 SMEC member cooperatives are BENCO Electric Cooperative, Brown County Rural Electrical Association, Federated Rural Electric, Freeborn-Mower Cooperative Services, Minnesota Valley Electric Cooperative, Nobles Cooperative Electric, People's Energy Cooperative, Redwood Electric Cooperative, Sioux Valley Energy, South Central Electric, Steele-Waseca Cooperative Electric and Tri-County Electric Cooperative.

Local Office Supports School Supply Donation Drive

Christy Selbrade and Wyman Fischer, Edward Jones financial advisors in downtown Fairmont, are supporting area schools by using their office as a drop-off location for a school supplies drive.

Local residents and businesses may help by bringing in items to the Edward Jones branch of-

fice during regular business hours from 8:30 am to 5:00 pm.

The items needed for the school supply drive include: Scissors, 1" 3-ring binders, 2" 3-ring binders, #2 lead pencils, 24ct. Crayons, individual white boards, and dry erase markers. The branch address is 73 Downtown Plaza.

C.S. Lewis' "The Great Divorce" to be Presented in Lincoln Park

On Saturday, August 15th The Gathering is presenting what may be our most anticipated Summer Event Series event, C.S. Lewis' "The Great Divorce", as performed by Anthony Lawton. Come and see a powerful presentation of the work of one of the 20th century's greatest authors. This event will be at 7 p.m. in Lincoln Park in Fairmont and is free of charge and open to all.

The play is the story of Clive, who, along with a motley crew of malcontents, takes a bus ride from hell to heaven. They are offered a chance to stay in heaven forever if they like, but the choice between joy and miserable loneliness proves to be much harder than they would have guessed. The piece

is a feast of rich language, profound psychological insight, and humor.

Anthony Lawton lives in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and for more than 20 years he has toured the country as a stage actor, as well as having several television and screen credits to his name.

Visit our Facebook event page for more info and to invite others. We are also posting quotes from the book to give you a sneak peak at what you will be experiencing in the play.

Come join us, and invite family, friends and neighbors to come see this performance by a nationally recognized actor that will be given free of charge in one of Fairmont's most beautiful parks.

Annual Meeting Notice

Federated's 80th Annual Membership Meeting

Tuesday, August 18

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Walk from north parking lot or catch a golf cart shuttle to the **northwest** fair gate for Federated members.

Registration: 3:30 p.m.-6 p.m.

- Federated gate opens at 3:30. Register and then enjoy the fair before the meeting starts in the Martin County Arena. Midway opens at 5 p.m. Fair offers free pork feed starting at 5 p.m.
- Use 2 FREE \$5 coupons at 10 local fair food vendors any time during the fair
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Meeting starts at 6 p.m.

- Business meeting/report
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WALK FOR ANIMALS will be Sunday, September 20th starting at 2pm at Cedar Creek Park in Fairmont MN. Bring your canine friend(s) for a walk and support the homeless animals at MCHS. Contact us today for a pledge sheet!



Jeff's Jottings

Last weekend Heritage Acres held its annual Threshing Day with lots of activities taking place - including threshing. A nice sized crowd of people showed up for the activities and also to visit the Market Square area up on the hill under the trees. My favorite part of the day has been crawling up on the oats bundle wagon and pitching a few bundles into the thresher, just like my Dad and Grandfather did in the past. Luckily it was overcast when I was pitching bundles this year since the day was a warm one (from what my grandfather told me in the past, it was typical threshing weather). I had worn shorts, which I realized when I was up on the rack that it probably wasn't such a great idea.



My shoes were full of oats and my legs itched like crazy afterwards! Recently I thought about how it must have been years ago, when families and neighbors would form threshing groups and go from farm to farm, threshing the oats every day for sometimes a couple weeks at a time (if the weather cooper-

ated). They had to be in great shape from working so hard to do the activities required to bring in the harvest each year - whether it was oats, soybeans, corn, or any other crops they raised. The work back then required much more physical labor than the farm operations of today since the machinery and the technology was not like it is now. We may benefit from bigger, faster and more comfortable machinery in today's farm life, but it doesn't require the physical activity as in the past. Hanging in my office is a pencil drawing of a farmer sitting on his grain binder being pulled by a team of three horses, cutting oats in a large field. Many times I think about what the farmer had to do in order to complete the harvest, since the cut-

ting and binding was just the beginning of the oats harvesting process. They worked hard and at the end of the day I'm sure they were very tired, but as Grandpa used to tell me, "it was a good tired." Some days I wish that we could all experience a little bit of that "good tired" like they did years ago.

32nd Annual Woodcarvers & Quilt Expo

On August 14th, 15th and 16th, Blue Earth will welcome a host of carvers and quilters in the 32nd Annual Woodcarvers and Quilt Expo to be held in Unity Hall at Blue Earth Area High School. Hours of the Expo are 4 to 8 p.m. on Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, and noon to 4 p.m. on Sunday. Adult admission is only \$4; children under 12 are admitted free. A three day pass is \$6. An Opening Night reception is scheduled for Friday from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. with complimentary beverage and snacks for all attendees.

The featured Quilter for this year's expo is Jan Shaffer of Blue Earth, who operates Pine Grove Quilting in Blue Earth. She is well known for her outstanding long arm quilting. Along with a host of her beautiful quilts, Jan will also display the Quilted

Mini-Cooper from 2012. Special guest Jo Kramer and her daughter, Kelli - quilters from Jo's Country Junction - will present a lecture and trunk show at 2:00 pm on Saturday. A "Super-Duper Jelly Roll-er Derby" will also be offered



Quilted Mini-Cooper

at 5:30 pm on Friday night as Jude Edling coordinates a contest of quilt building speed.

Local quilters will be presenting ongoing demonstrations throughout the expo. The popular Expo Walking Tours will

It's driving us Batt-y ...again!

Al Batt has once again presented us with a "What is it?" This item is made of cast iron or pot metal and is about 5 to 7 inches long. I have included two photos of the item for you readers to view. So I ask you, "What is it?" If you



have any ideas or are positive what it is, give us a call at 507-238-9456 or email me at: jeff@fairmontphotopress.com. We still aren't sure what his first "What is it?" item was, so we are hoping that more of you can tell us what this item is? It looks familiar to me, but I can't be sure what it is exactly - can you?

Top 20 returning

Martin County has had the opportunity to participate in the "Top 20" training initiative in the past and many businesspeople, school leaders, organization members and individuals have benefitted from that training. Because of that involvement, Fairmont has been declared a Top 20 Community. Now Top 20 is returning back to Martin County to continue training others about "Pursuing the Positive" and "Thinking Above the Line."

The training will take place on Thursday and Friday, August 27th and 28th and will focus on 5 sessions during those two days. The sessions will be directed towards school faculty and staff, businesses, families, community leaders and seniors and retirees. The sessions will be held either

at the Fairmont Area High School Auditorium or at the Knights of Columbus Hall. Some of the sessions require pre-registration, some do not require you to register ahead of time and one of the sessions is by invitation only. For more information on how you can join the "Top 20 Community" and help make a difference in this area, contact the Fairmont Area Chamber of Commerce or go online at fairmontchamber.org.

Have a great week!

Drive safely - visit a shut-in or family member - Eat, Play, Shop Local - get ready for the fair!

- Jeff



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Kiwanis International is celebrating its 100th Anniversary in 2015 and in observance of this event, we are spotlighting Fairmont area's two Kiwanis Clubs and their members.

MARTIN COUNTY FAIR



Murphy entertains us with the Fair facts

Ed Murphy, who is serving in his 34th year as a member of the Martin County Fair Board, presented a program on the Martin County Fair to the Early Risers Kiwanis Club of Fairmont on Wednesday, August 5th.

In his presentation, Ed started with a synopsis of the growth of the fair from its beginnings as a gathering at the courthouse with some vegetables and one cow on display, through its heyday growth, to its site at the Five Lakes Center Mall, and then to its present site in 1965.

We were informed of the changes in buildings, preparation of the ground, changes in the appearance and efficiency of several food stands, and noted that the space for the vendors is "full". Ed said Fair activities include a Medallion Hunt, various entertainers who will be featured in the Fair Park, and the exhibits in several locations throughout the grounds. We'll have the same Midway as last year, which is something of an accomplishment in itself as many county fairs throughout the state are not able to acquire an acceptable Midway Carnival.

Ed also reminded us of the fact that the Martin County Fair will be celebrating its 150th birthday! Ed lauded the great support the fair receives from the community and sponsors and their contribution to the success of the fair.

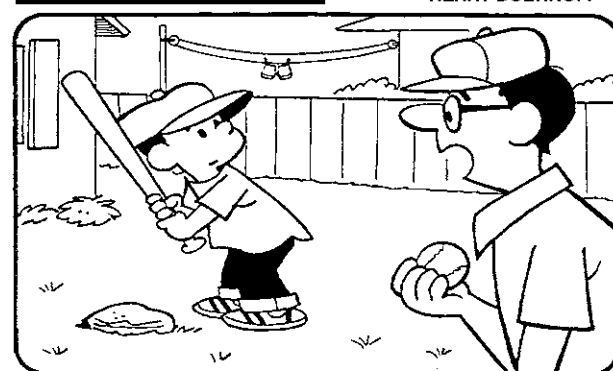
Early Risers Kiwanis meets every Wednesday at 6:30 a.m. at The Ranch Restaurant.
Uptown Kiwanis meets every other Tuesday at noon at Tami's on the Ave.

For more information or to become a member, contact: Uptown Club President Louise Hendricks, 235-3090; Early Risers Club President Mike Katzenmeyer, 235-9534.

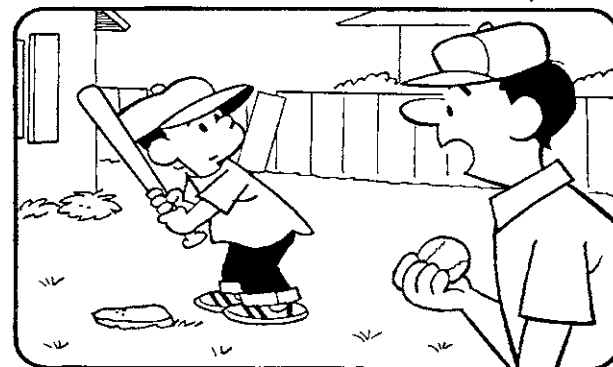
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Martin County Fair To Have New Attraction

Maisie Bentz, Photo Press Reporter - Intern

The Martin County fair is a fantastic opportunity for one last hurrah of the summer. This year, an

educate youth in Martin County about agriculture in general," says Wedel.

The Fair Board is always



added attraction will provide fun but educational activities that will create an entertaining way to spend some of the last days of summer.

A new building called the Bellin Agricultural Youth Education Barn is being constructed west of the sheep barn. This pole building is being built with the purpose of educating young men and women about agriculture. The family of Floyd Bellin made a generous donation to the fair for the building, allowing construction to move forward.

"It's to educate the youth in Martin County on the cycle of crops and animals," Lisa Wedel explains. Wedel has been the secretary for the Martin County Fair Board since 2010. "We felt there was a need to

looking for educational and enjoyable activities for the fair. They felt that this was the perfect addition to add this year, especially since it is the 150th Annual Martin County Fair. There are many ac-



tivities in the barn that will include a sow and piglets and a heifer and a calf.

The building construction cost ended up at

around a total of \$40,000. The board has received a grant and many donations which are helping to pay for this educational center. Weiss Milling Inc. in Welcome is playing an important role in getting this building running and is in charge of constructing it. Abby Shoen of Weiss Milling is overseeing the project and working closely with the Fair Board.

With construction starting about three weeks ago, the barn is expected to be done in time for Minnesota's Other Big Fair August 17th-23rd. "We are looking forward to it," Wedel says. "It's a must-see or something to do at the fair."

If you would like to

make any donations to further aid in the completion of this educational building, contact Lisa Wedel at 507-236-8520.



A Family That Sings Together, Stays Together

When many people talk about the Kittleson families in the local area, many times the name is associated with a rich history in music.

Millie Kittleson of Sherburn has been in the music business for many years, going back to when "Millie and the Saddle Pals" sang on KSUM and five other radio stations and in many local and regional venues. Her own history saw Millie perform onstage at the Grand Ole Opry and with Roy Acuff. She also performed on KSTP-TV program "Sunset Valley Barn Dance" in St. Paul and later traveled with the Jack Schultz Orchestra and more recently with Glenn Henriksen.

The love of music has now formed a new chapter for Millie as she is now part of a group called "The Three K's," which features Millie and her niece and nephew, Billye Jane (Kittleson) Kruse of Ormsby and Bryon Kittleson of Welcome. Billye and Bryon Kittleson

are from the Ted Kittleson Family, who are part of the group, "The BeeKays" who have performed around the region for many years itself.

Billye Jane has recorded and performed as a stage vocalist in Nashville. She plays a "mean fiddle," mandolin, guitar and more. Bryon has performed as a stage vocalist and band for many productions including "Always, Patsy Cline" at Okoboji Summer Theater. He is an accomplished performer on many instruments, including the steel guitar, dobro, banjo, fiddle and guitar and more.

The three have come together to form "The 3 K's" and are joined by Bass player Dave Smith of Madelia and Mark Kurseth of Welcome on drums, both accomplished musicians

in their own right.

The new group performs Country, Blue Grass, Gospel and other styles of music in their performances. They will be appearing at "The Inn" at Okoboji, Iowa in the Lakeview Room on Wednesday, August 19th from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.



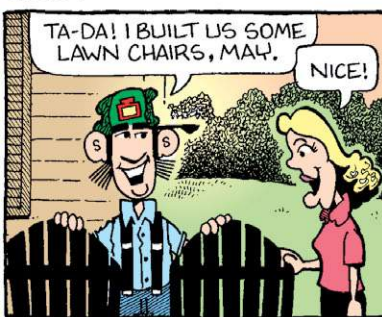
"The 3 K's" (pictured left to right): Billye Jane Kruse, Millie Kittleson and Bryon Kittleson.

There is a cover charge.

By the formation of this new group - Millie, Billye Jane and Bryon are proving the old adage that "A Family That Sings Together, Stays Together"!

R.F.D.

by Mike Marland



Nature by the yard

By Al Batt

A red squirrel ate sunflower seeds at a feeder. A turkey poult watched the squirrel. As the seeds fell to the ground, the young turkey gobbled them down. A gray squirrel dozed on a sunny tree branch. The animal was willing to go out on a limb.

An inchworm (measuring worm) moved while looking like a green comma. Carolina grasshoppers appeared, banded wings flashing in flight, reminding me of mourning cloak butterflies. Large and gray-brown in color, they tend to favor the sandy soils of roadsides and other disturbed areas. I begin seeing the males hovering in air and crepitating in late July and August. Shocking, huh? To crepitate is to make a loud clicking sound. This attracts females. These road dusters are chased often by children, but seldom caught without a net.



I spotted a cicada killer. The droning of cicadas during hot weather is a familiar sound. One predator of cicadas is the cicada killer wasp. The black and yellow females are up to two inches long and males half that. They look intimidating, but aren't aggressive. Male wasps (and male bees) don't have stingers. The females can sting, but have little inclination to do so.

They sting cicadas and carry the paralyzed victims to a burrow excavated in sandy or loose soils. They lay an egg on the cicada in a nest chamber. A female egg gets a second or third cicada because a female larva is larger than a male and needs more food. The chamber is sealed and the process repeated. The egg hatches and the larva consumes cicada meals, spins a cocoon and overwinters underground. Emerging from the ground in July or August, the adult wasps feed on flower nectar and plant sap, mate and lay eggs, and live two to six weeks.

Q-and-A

Erwin and Iva Hill of Albert Lea asked about renesting mallards. A mallard hen lays one egg

a day, with up to 13 in a nest, often near where she hatched. She incubates the eggs an average of 28 days, leads her brood to water within 24 hours of hatching and stays with them until they are able to fly at about 8 weeks of age. Hens reneest up to four times if a nest is destroyed, but she will likely lay fewer eggs due to energy depletion. Mallards typically nest once per year.

"Do I have oak wilt?" Not unless you're a tree. Oak wilt, caused by a fungus, is most severe in species of red oaks. Wilting starts at the tree's crown. The leaves turn bronze to reddish-brown in color and are quickly cast to the ground. A water-soaked appearance may develop on green leaves. Wilting and leaf loss can occur in as little as four weeks in branch infections or shortly after spring leaf out following root infection.

Affected branches of bur oaks are scattered through the crown with tree death occurring years after symptoms first develop. Bur oak blight and injury caused by borers can be confused with oak wilt. Anthracnose mimics symptoms of oak wilt,

but usually occurs in the lower branches. Oak wilt spreads below ground via connected roots or above ground by insects. Sap beetles are the primary insect transmitters. They are attracted to trees with fresh, wood-penetrating wounds. Cutting root connections between diseased and healthy oaks is the best method to prevent expansion.

Wilting red oaks should be felled and eliminated. People shouldn't move firewood from wilted oaks.

during spring and early summer, is important in preventing fungus spread by sap beetles. Systemic injection with propiconazole by qualified arborists may prevent oak wilt for up to two years in healthy oaks, but won't prevent movement of oak wilt through roots and isn't a substitute for severing root grafts.

Propiconazole treatment of white oaks exhibiting early symptoms of oak wilt could prevent further disease development

recommended. Diagnosis is best done by an experienced tree-care professional.

Thanks for stopping by "Others will underestimate us, for although we judge ourselves by what we feel capable of doing, others judge us only by what we have already done." -- Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

"I believe that if one always looked at the skies, one would end up with wings."--Gustave Flaubert DO GOOD.

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RED SQUIRREL by Al Batt

Avoiding the wounding, pruning or cutting of healthy oaks, particularly

for two years, but treatment of red oaks already showing symptoms isn't



Baby Food

I still have parents bringing fledglings to my feeders. So I make sure to put out plenty of sunflower chips and unsalted peanuts. I also like to toss white proso millet and safflower seed on the ground (near brush cover) for them to pick up easily. Baby birds are fun to watch.

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LETTERS
TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor:

Jeff Hagen, how can we thank you enough for the wonderful article you had in the Photo Press about Braydon Greiner and the disease pleuropulmonary blastoma PPB. Many wanted to meet Braydon because of the pictures in the Photo Press. We also want to thank Arbys for their generous support not only for allowing us to use their business place, but also generously donating part of their proceeds last Tuesday to the Childrens Hospitals and Clinics of Minnesota. The people were wonderful and supportive and we thank every one of you for your concern and prayers. Should we save on child through this event, our mission has been accomplished. Thank you so much!

Mary Larsen and
family and friends of
Braydon Greiner

Dear Editor & Fellow Community Folks:

On these hot Minnesota August days, I am often in search of the shade of a tree to park my car under. Likewise it is so refreshing to sit, walk or stand in the cool relief of shade. Sadly, it is becoming increasingly rare to find shade in Fairmont.

Recently, I stopped, as I often do, to make phone calls and use the Veteran's Park facilities on 3rd Street. Unfortunately, it is no longer the shady, pleasant rest stop. All of the 14 or so large historic trees have been cut down. Also, pink ribbons indicate the same fate of trees along Victoria which will leave that street and St. Paul Lutheran's playground barren of shade. The demise of these trees has been done to make way for reconstruction and widening of these

streets. We have also lost many trees to recent severe wind storms, diseases in our Ash and Elm trees and in the past at Gomsrud Park for the widening of the channel.

Our first response may be, "They should do something". (The "they" perhaps refers to our city.)

Our city is trying to live up to our 20+ year designation as a "Tree City":

- City Engineer, Troy Nemmers implemented the saving of trees in boulevards by narrowing from 36' to 32' construction on our streets. Fairmont will reimburse the property owner up to \$100 for a new tree to replace one lost due to street construction.



3rd Street along Veteran's Park facing west.

-Our Park Department Supt., Nick Lardy, has planted in our parks an average of 32 trees per year with 16 planted so far this year. Groups or individuals have and may donate trees in honor/memory of someone or for any purpose. The Park Department will plant these in our parks at no charge.

Our community has expressed the desire to improve the appearance of our areas of residential, business and entrances to town. Trees (both deciduous/shade & conifers/evergreens) soften and beautify even the most blighted areas. Trees are energy savers-cooling in

the summer & deflecting winds in the winter. The city may plant trees in our parks, but it is up to "us" to plant trees in other areas. Imagine the beauty if even only 25% of our homes and businesses planted one tree on their property each year. And, we could put our collective efforts to work to improve our community with the planting of trees. I would be thrilled to be part of or lead any interested group or people.

I believe that people who plant trees are the most selfless people because they will likely never see the benefits of the shade, protection nor the in-every-season beauty of the tree in their life time. A few of these are Hugh Heinrich who planted the trees that shade and bring color to Prairie Avenue; Erwin Mitchell for the welcoming natural landscape of trees by the old incinerator site as seen from I-90

as you approach Fairmont from the east and Duane Belseth for trees along the south shore of Lake Sisseton. Many others should be honored for participating in these and other efforts.

You too can leave a legacy. It's up to "us" so let's take action to spare our existing trees and plant new!

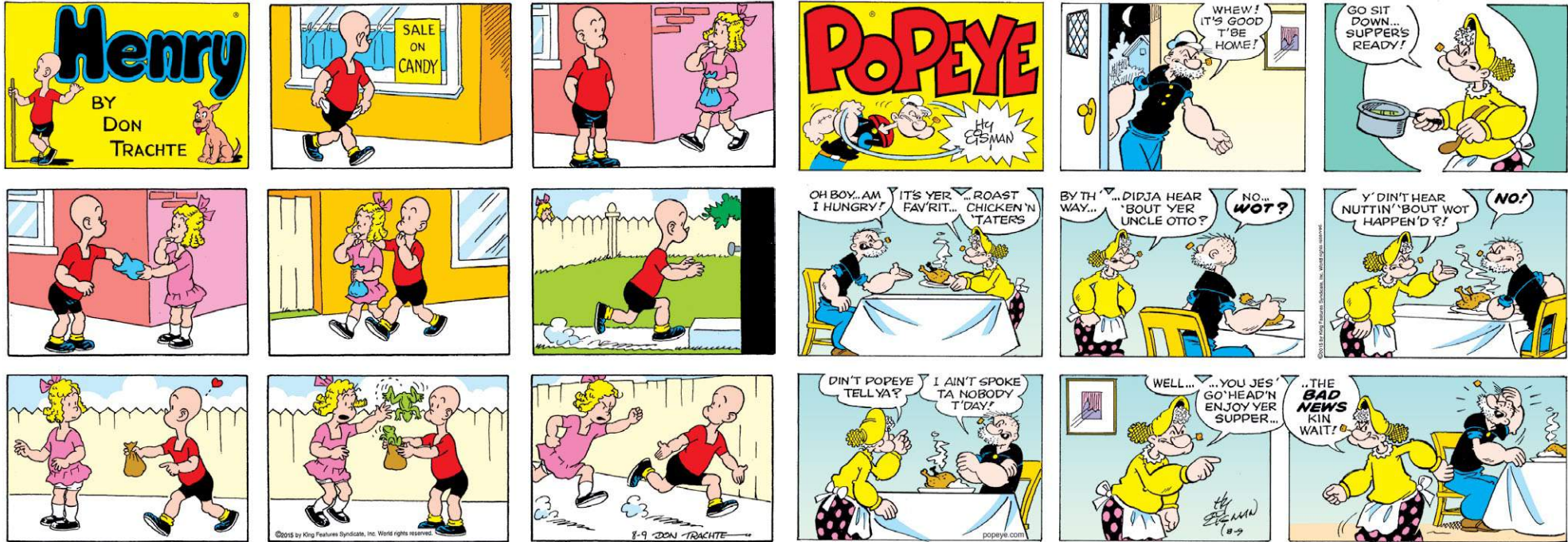
Respectfully Submitted,
Char Kahler
Fairmont

Heritage Acres Holds Annual Threshing Day

Heritage Acres was the site of the annual threshing day and activities last Sunday. The Heritage Acres board would like to thank all the volunteers that helped with the event, and also manned all of the buildings for the day.



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The Fair Entertainment Continues with Dan + Shay and Monroe Crossing

Dan + Shay
Thursday, August 20th,
8:30 p.m.

Since coming together a little over a year ago, Dan Smyers and Shay Mooney—known collectively as Dan + Shay—have established themselves as one of country music's most promising duos. With pristine vocals and a knack for writing clever

yet relatable songs about looking for, finding and losing love, Dan + Shay



bring a youthful sense of energy to country music. Their debut album, *Where It All Began*, harnesses that energy with 12 radio-ready tracks.

The album's title comes from the last line of their debut hit single, "19 You + Me," which, upon its release, had the biggest first week by a new duo in trade publication *Country Aircheck's* history, was the most added debut of 2013 at country radio and was certified Gold by the RIAA.

Earning an RIAA Gold certification for a hit single, going on tour with Blake Shelton, being nominated for an ACM—they're all milestones that have become a part of the Dan + Shay story.

Monroe Crossing
Friday, August 21st,
6:30 p.m.

Named in honor of Bill Monroe, "The Father of

bluegrass gospel, and heartfelt originals. Their airtight harmonies, razor sharp arrangements, and on-stage rapport make them audience favorites



Bluegrass Music," Monroe Crossing dazzles audiences with an electrifying blend of classic bluegrass,

across the United States and Canada.

Based in Minnesota, the group plays an average of 125 shows a year at major venues and festivals, frequently for non-bluegrass audiences.

Monroe Crossing is made up of five very distinct personalities with differing musical backgrounds and tastes. They are Derek Johnson: guitar, lead & harmony vocals; Lisa Fuglie: fiddle, mandolin, lead & harmony vocals; Matt Thompson: mandolin, fiddle, baritone vocals; Mark Anderson: bass & bass vocals; and David Robinson: banjo.

Monroe Crossing has recorded 14 CDs to date. Their latest release, "Because You Asked," is a live collection of audience favorites. The second half of every Monroe Crossing show always features audience requests and their latest CD documents this tradition.

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Thursday August 20th 3-9:00pm
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Friday August 21st 3-9:00pm
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Grand Funk Railroad and Warren Nelson Wrap Things Up

**Grand Funk Railroad
Saturday, August 22nd
8:30 p.m.**

Originating from Flint, Michigan in 1969, this



top selling American rock group of the 70s is "COMIN' TO YOUR TOWN TO HELP YOU PARTY IT DOWN". After play-

ing to millions of fans on tours from 1996 to 2014, the band will continue to reach both new and long-time fans.

Grand Funk Railroad

includes original founding members Don Brewer (vocals and drums, writer and singer of the multi-million selling hit, We're

An American Band) and bassist Mel Schacher, "The God Of Thunder". Joining Don and Mel are true "All Stars". Singer Max Carl is a rock veteran from 38 Special. Max penned and sang 38's biggest hit "Second Chance" and was co-founder of California's legendary Jack Mack and the Heart Attack. Don refers to Max as "the best blue-eyed soul singer on the planet". Lead guitarist Bruce Kulick is best known for his 12 years with KISS and also has credits with Michael Bolton, Meatloaf and Billy Squier. (KISS members Gene Simmons and Paul Stanley were influenced early on by Grand Funk.) Keyboardist Tim Cashion has a master's degree in music from the University of Miami. Affectionately called "Dr. Tim", his credits include stints with Bob Seger and the Silver Bullet Band and

English soul man Robert Palmer.

**Warren Nelson
Sunday, August 23rd
3:00 p.m.**

A professional musician and entertainer since the late 1960's, Warren Nelson's trail has taken him across the US, "both sides of 1970." From his first full-time professional group The Tenth Story Window (he met Elvis twice!), to Colorado where he spent five years writing and playing music in the mountains, to the Madison, Wisconsin area where he formed the Lost Nation String Band with Don Pavel.

He moved to northern Wisconsin's Bayfield Peninsula where he founded Lake Superior Big Top Chautauqua in 1986. For 23 seasons, through 2008, Nelson was the ringmas-



ter, centerpole, artistic director, resident writer and lead dreamer of the Big Top, a venue that is widely celebrated. He also started and hosted Tent Show Radio for 15 years, a nationally syndicated program.

Nelson's career took a foretelling turn in 1976 with the production of "A

Martin County Hornpipe," a concert music history show, singing and telling and showing by old photographs the story of his hometown. It was the prototype of the unique shows that gave birth to and gives Lake Superior Big Top Chautauqua its unique identity.

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Baby Animal Barn Added to Martin County Fairgrounds

by Abby (Weiss) Shoen

For some time now the Martin County Fair Board has been looking towards adding a baby animal barn to the fairgrounds.

Since this year is the 150th Anniversary of the Martin County Fair, it was determined to be the perfect time for the addition. However, this building project would require a lot of money. Abby Shoen from Weiss Milling in Welcome teamed up with the fair board to come up with a plan for the project and fund-raising. Since Martin County is considered an agricultural area, it was

not hard to get Ag businesses and producers passionate about the project. Many businesses and local producers made contributions to help cover expenses of the project.

The family of Floyd Bellin has made a very generous donation to the fair to make this building possible. Because of this donation, the building will be in memory of Floyd. The family has chosen to name the building "Floyd Bellin Family Ag Education Barn" as the barn's sole purpose is to educate the community about agriculture. Floyd was the County Extension Agent

for 27 years. He dedicated his career towards educating our community about agriculture.

As the number of families living on farms decreases, more people are questioning where there food comes from. With the Floyd Bellin Family Ag Education Barn we aim to educate fair attendees about different farm ani-

also be fun handouts and other goodies provided by our agricultural organizations such as the Pork Producers, Beef Producers, Lamb and Wool, Dairy Association, etc.

To make this experience even better for kids, Weiss Milling is adding an interactive Farmyard outside the barn where kids will get to go through fun



mals and their industries. The barn will have 7 different species of baby farm animals along with a corn pit for kids to play in. There will be educational information by each different display to educate about that species. There will

stations that teach them how food gets from the farm to their table. They will get to ride pedal tractors, plant seeds, harvest fruits and vegetables, feed animals, milk a cow and pick up eggs, and at the end they will get to use the

money they earned to buy a can of food from the grocery store.

The barn will be open during fair hours and the farmyard will be open from noon-dark every day. Weiss Milling of Welcome is going to be managing the barn and farm yard: lining up animals, taking care of the animals, and lining up workers. They are working with 4H and FFA kids to make this adventure a success.

We encourage everyone to come out to the fair this year and check out the new development. We will be working to make this project bigger and better every year. If anyone

would like to donate to the project they can contact Tom Zehnder from the fair board.

The building will contain animal pens such as goat play yard, the hen house, my little pony, duck pond, shepherds flock, sow/piglet and baby calves. Education items include, corn pit, info boards, handouts, milking dairy cow, garden and pamphlets.

4H and FFA students will team up and help build and run the building. They will put in hours next to the pens, conversing and educating the public on agriculture.

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150th Fair Adds Two Medallion Hunts, Other Events

For the 150th anniversary of the Martin County Fair, the fair board has added two medallion hunts, with each winner receiving a \$150 cash prize.

The hunt starts on the fairgrounds at noon Tuesday, August 18th. Listen for clues over the loudspeakers and posted at the Martin County Fair Historical Center located in the southeast corner of the Martin County Arena by the hockey concession stand.

A ribbon cutting ceremony for the two new ticket booths will take place at 12:15 and 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, August 18th.

The new Floyd Bellin Agricultural Youth Education Barn will be dedicated also on Tuesday, August 18th at 12:30 p.m.

On Sunday, August 23rd at 3:00 p.m., a parade will wind through the fairgrounds, and will feature past and present fair board members.



Martin County 4-H to Hold Food Drive During the Fair

Brianna Olson and Rachael Mielke have come together to put on the biggest food drive Martin County has seen during the 150th Annual Martin County Fair next week.

The two ambitious ladies are asking for canned food boxed food items or money donations from fairgoers. There will be collection sites located as you walk in to the two main fair entrances. One will be by the Hockey Arena building and the other



one will be located as you walk in from the raceway parking lot.

This food drive is to help raise awareness of hunger in our community. The food and money will be distributed to two local food shelves: Heaven's Table and the Salvation Army in Fairmont.

Help make a difference in someone's life by donating food during the Martin County Fair!

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Why does a lake become green and stinky?

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What causes surface scum on a lake?

There are various causes of surface scums on a lake or pond. Look more closely to determine what is on the water's

surface. An oily film or yellow-green dust on the surface of the lake make it look contaminated but, in most cases, nothing is wrong. In fact, something natural is probably occurring. An oily film in mid-summer may be caused by organic compounds from nearby wetlands, rotting vegetation, or insect cases that were concentrated along the shore by wind, after a hatch. Insects can hatch at any time from ice-out in the spring until mid-September. As the insect cases decompose, they sometimes produce an oily film. Yellow-green dust floating on the surface in late spring and early summer is probably pollen from nearby trees. In contrast, a scum from an algal bloom is green to

blue-green, might have an oily sheen that resembles a motor oil slick, and can form a thick, soupy mass on the surface of the water.

Why does the water quality of our lake seem to get worse throughout the summer?

Lakes change a great deal over the course of a year. Changes are caused by seasonal weather patterns, watershed influences, and the life cycles of the lake's biota. During the winter, ice and snow severely limit the amount of light available for photosynthesis under the ice, so there is not much algal growth. In the spring, snow melt washes nutrients into the lake. Many of the nutrients are used by rapidly growing aquatic

plants (macrophytes) near the shoreline, resulting in a "clear water" phase.

As macrophyte growth slows in mid- to late-summer, incoming nutrients and nutrients from decomposing aquatic plants become available for algae. Available nutrients, combined with warm water and plentiful sunlight, can result in a period of heavy algal growth, potentially make the lake green and scummy. Mid-summer water problems may be particularly acute if you live on a shallow lake where high winds can mix warm surface water all the way down to the lake's bottom waters. When this happens, nutrients are released from the mid and sediments up into the surface water where light is plentiful and algae can flourish. In autumn, the combination of decreased daylight, cooler temperatures, and more zooplankton grazing on algae, reduces algal growth and yields clearer water once again.

What can I do to help improve the water quality of my favorite lake?

You can improve your favorite lake's water quality by becoming educated and involved. You and your neighbors can monitor the lake to learn why and how the water quality has changed and identify ways to minimize impacts. For instance if erosion and excess nutrients are degrading water quality, follow the proven techniques for stabilizing shores suggested in Protecting Our Waters: Shoreland Best Management Practices (<http://shorelandmanagement.org/depth/>). Protecting Our Waters explains how to minimize nutrient inputs, reduce human impacts, restore shorelines, and monitor lakes.

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Tell the Story of the Fair

Guest Columnist

Darwin Anthony, Business Owner, Artist, Writer

by Darwin Anthony, Trimont

What is it that makes it so exciting? Is it the pagantry, smells or moving crowds of people? I ask myself why I have always been so attracted to the county fair. Did it all start from when I was a young boy on the farm? Were the long summers of isolation

building would quickly fill with projects that ranged from posters to clothing projects. All were judged in a systematic way. Sometimes the judge would sit across a table and quiz the member about the project. They would wait for the explanation. Sometimes the projects were judged in a show ring. It was during these times

and begins to set up, the machinery displays appear, campers begin setting up in the camping area, the large doors of the various buildings open as though they are welcoming the displays and people.

What I have learned is that the county fair doesn't just happen. It is a concentrated effort by many peo-



just too much? Did it mark the end of summer? Was it a time of "breaking loose" from the routine of chores and isolation?

Going to the fair was like entering a world of "make believe". Much of the excitement came from taking 4H projects to the fair. Entry day made them a part of lines of cattle, hogs, rabbits, poultry and garden vegetables. The 4H

that you felt the anxiety of competition.

It is for these reasons that I find the county fair something wonderful. The excitement comes when it begins taking shape. The fair books are distributed in a wide area and TELL THE STORY of what is about to happen. The huge parking lot is mowed and a crop of hay is baled, the carnival comes to town

ple. These people from different parts of the county see the fair as something important. Each community might have a summer festival of their own. However, it is the county fair that brings the communities "all together". It is for these reasons that there is an urge to participate.

Our plans are to have an insurance booth in the industrial building, and to

enter honey, apples, two watercolor paintings and a quilting project. What can be more fun than searching out the projects after they have been judged? The comments of the judges will TELL THE STORY.

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The meeting is at the Martin County Fair in Fairmont in the Martin County Arena. Federated members receive free admittance to the fair between

3:30-6 p.m. by registering at the northwest gate (look for the Federated sign). Members may park in the north fair lot. They can walk over to the northwest gate or catch a free Federated golf cart shuttle up to the gate.

During meeting registration, members receive the co-op's Annual Meet-

ing attendance gift — two LED light bulbs. Besides election ballots, Federated members receive two \$5 coupons to use at pre-approved local fair food vendors. While waiting for the meeting to begin, attendees can listen to acoustic pop music by Elyse Barnard and visit Federated's booths for information on Federated's money-saving programs, Exede Internet, Heartland Security Services and electric grills.

The 41st round of Operation Round Up funds from this spring will be highlighted at 5:30 p.m. with a slide show. Approximately \$17,888 was awarded to 17 local organizations, which included \$5,600 as eight Operation Round Up scholarships.

Operation Round Up is a program where participating Federated members' electric bills are rounded up to the nearest dollar. This money goes to a trust fund, which the Trust Board oversees, and is awarded twice a year to organizations serving Jackson and Martin Counties.

The meeting starts at 6 p.m., Federated members

will learn about the cooperative's highlights for the year and welcome the former Alliant customers at their first Federated Annual Meeting. President David Hansen and General Manager Richard Burud will give reports on the year in review and a preview of 2016.

Members will also elect one director and two members to serve on the Nominating Committee; terms for all positions start December 1, 2015. Director candidates for District At-Large are: Donald E. Tietje, Fairmont; and Jon Saxen, Sherburn.

The Nominating Committee candidates for District Five are Kelvin Klunder, Ceylon; and Steven Landsteiner, Fairmont. District Six candidates are Larry Cowing, Granada; and Lowell Spee, Fairmont.

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Federated members should bring along their August Connections newsletter, which includes their registration card.

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by Linda Thistle

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Louis L. Petrowiak, Lucille B. Petrowiak to Bernard E. Petrowiak, Julia M. Petrowiak, SE¼, 23-101-30

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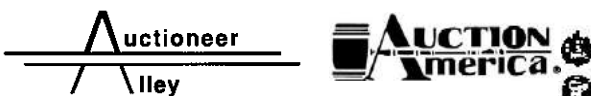


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Lunch on Grounds

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TRACTORS: JD 4955 MFD tractor, 4600 hrs.; I.H. 1486 7202 hrs.. 18.4x38 tires; Case 1845 Diesel 3091 hrs.; IH 656 gas, w.f., 3 pt. hitch, fenders; '49 M Tractor (restored); '42 Case VC Tractor (restored); IH 450 w/Quaker loader; 706 Tractor (Gas) w/ Loader (new paint); D17 Allis Chalmers wide front, power steering; 5488 Case IH w/ duals 4800 hrs.; AC D-17 gas tractor. **COMBINES & HEADS:** '13 Case IH 8230 Combine 596 Engine hrs. 458 Separator hrs., H/D Lights, Leather, Chopper, Trap, Bin Ext., 20.8 x42S w/duals Ser# YCG217567; '12 Case IH 8120 Combine 891 Engine hrs. 645 Separator hrs., H/D Lights, Chopper, Trap, Bin Ext., 20.8 x 42 w/duals Ser# YBG213703 - BOTH COMBINES ARE 0% INTEREST UNTIL 1-1-17 FOR QUALIFIED BUYERS; JD 8820 Titan II Combine, 3200 hrs.; JD 925 Flex hd; JD 883 corn hd; IH 843 corn hd 4 row 30"; 1997 Case IH 2166 Combine 2300 engine, hrs. 1735 Separator hrs. Duals Case IH yield monitor; '04 Case IH 2208 Corn Hd (Poly) Hyd. deck plates; '08 New Holland 98D 8 Row 30" Corn Hd Hyd. Deck Plates, Terrain Tracer; IH 810 "Dummy Hd" PTO Drive & Hyd. Belt; '90 Case IH 1063 Corn Hd; 20' Hd Trailer; Crop Sweeper off 8 Row 30" Corn Hd; JD 4400 Diesel combine-3300 hrs.; IH 1680 Combine; Case IH 1666 Combine w/3128 engine hrs. & rock trap-yield monitor w/mapping & long load auger; JD 643 corn hd; JD 443 corn Hd; IH 1020 25' bean hd; IH 944 corn hd; Gleaner F Combine (Diesel) w/4 row hd; (2) 25' hd trailers; (2) 30' hd trailers; (2) 35' hd trailers; 25' bead hd w/ trailer. **ONE CONSIGNOR:** H 2188 combine; 1063 corn hd; 1020 flex platform w/air reel; 527-C ripper 5 shank, 1 yr. old; IH 490 disc 22-1/2"; IH 4600 f.c. 28-1/2"; 1470 Case 4 wheel drive tractor. **SKIDLOADER ATTACHMENTS:** Case 1816 Skidloader; Gehl 4625 Skid Loader 860 Hrs. ('99 one owner); Lowe Hyd. Auger 750ch w/ 9" & 12" w/skidsteer quick attach; Rock Bucket/Brush Grapple Combo HD723 Open-end w/skid steer quick attach; Tree & Post puller; Pallet forks; (2) 8' Skid Loader Snow Bucket; Brush Grapples, Buckets, Forks, Bale Spears, many more; Box Blades (10' & 12'); Skid Loader Snow Blade; 3 Point Skid Loader Hyd. Blades (9' & 10'); (2) 25' Hd Trailers; (2) 30' Hd Trailers; (2) 35' Hd Trailers; 10' box blade; 12' box blade; 9' hydraulic 3 pt blade; 10' hydraulic 3 pt blade. **FEEDING & CATTLE EQUIP:** Art's Way 400 Grinder Mixer; Art's Way 450 Grinder Mixer (new digital scale); 7'x 24' Featherlite Livestock trailer 5th Wheel ('94) like new; Hay Feeder; Bale Wagon; JD 350 Hay Mower; '93 Wilson Grain trailer; Gravity wagons; JD 114 silage wagon; JD chuck wagon; Badger silage wagon; Huskee 8' Manure Pump w/ load out stand; Case IH 2006 RBX 563 round baler, net wrap & twine tie; Oswalt 180 feed wagon. **WAGONS:** Brent 776 Grain Cart/Scale & Tarp; (2) Demco 650 Grain Wagons w/

Brakes & Truck Tires; 220 Parker Wagon (new paint); Brent 744 Wagon; Demco 365 wagon; Gravity wagons; Stanhoist barge wagon w/JD heavy duty running gear; Parker 2600 gravity wagon w/brush auger; Kilbros 375 gravity wagon w/ brush auger & gas motor; Brent 450 gravity wagon; JD 114/ Badger silage wagon. **PLANTERS:** JD 7000 8 row planter; IH 800 8 row planter; JD 7200 16 row planter-3 bushel boxes; 295 IH Planter; 6180 White Planter 16 Row (3 sets of plates). **TILLAGE:** '10 John Deere 2700 Disc Ripper 5 Shank 30"; Landoll Weatherproofer II 9 Shank 24"; Case IH Tiger Mate II Field Cultivator 32"; J.D. 980 35.5' Digger w/ 3 bar mulcher; I.H. 496 21" Disc (Rock Flex); JD 220 Disc; JD 210 Disk 15"; Massey 820 Disc 22"; Wilrich 24" Field Cultivator w/4 bar harrow; 1600 A.C. Chisel plow; IH 15' Disc; Tebben 5 shank chisel plow w/leveler; 1450 KD 516 Plows; IH 700 516 Plows; McCormick Deering 2 bottom plow on steel; JD 4 bottom plow; Tebben 7 shank ripper; Pull hitch for Tebben ripper; Art's Way 240B stalk cutter; 38" Stud King hd trailer; 271 White disc, row; 9 Shank Glencoe Soil Saver; IH 800 11 bottom plow w/coulters, auto reset, new lathes, exc. cond.; MF 820 disc 25"; IH 496 disc 24-1/2"; Kewanee tillage saver 10 shank. **MISC. EQUIP:** '14 Shop Built Rail Trailer 43' Long (heavy duty); 16.5' Trailer; Flat Bed Trailer 16'; Goose neck hitch for trailer; Farm King 8' Snow blower (like new); 7' New Idea Snow Blower; Grain Master Drive over belt Conveyor; Balzer 1800 stalk cutter; 120-6"x20' panels (cont. fencing), brand new; 40-5"x12' panels (cont. fencing), brand new; (2) JD 27 stalk cutters; '94 Ford School Bus (5.9 Cummins diesel eng.); Johnson Tile Plow w/ laser equipment; (4") 5", 6") "foots" w/tile trailer, (excel. cond.); (6) 425 x 65 x 225 Tires; (6) 385x65x225 Tires; 15' Dump Box w/hoist; Spray master sprayer 1000 gal. 13.6x38 tires; Hardi Sprayer; PTO Generator; 10-magnum tractor weights; '88 Ford Gravel Truck, twin screw diesel; '79 Ford F800 utility truck, 3100 miles, gas; Snowco Grain Cleaner; Behlen Holding Bin; Var. Trees; '73 JD 440 Snowmobile; 18' car trailer new; 150 Gal. ATV pull type sprayer on trailer; Fair snowblower double auger, like new; New Holland 36 flail chopper; New Idea 325 30 picker; IH 2350 loader; 2000 gal. fuel barrel w/hose & pump; (2) 1000 gal. fuel barrels w/hose & pump. **SALE ORDER:** 9:00-10:30 (2 rings) Misc. & Small Farm Mach. 10:30-Noon: Misc. Farm Equip. Noon-finish: Balance of Mach.: Tractors, Planters, etc. **Yard Hours:** Consignments welcome Mon., Aug. 10th-Sun., Aug. 16. Yard hours 8-5p.m. Taking no consignments Mon., Aug. 17. Some items subject to prior sale. Good loading & unloading facilities. After hours call 712-260-9690 or 507-236-2921. Some items subject to change or deletion, call ahead. 2 rings selling all day-come prepared.

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Wells Fargo Bank to Secretary of Housing and Urban Development of Washington, Pt. AP#86 & 87, SW¼, 8-102-30

QUIT CLAIM DEEDS

Interstate Power and Light Company to Southern Minnesota Energy Cooperative, Pt. of AP#20, NW¼, 7-102-32; Pt. NW¼, 4-104-30; Pt. Lot 11, Lot 10, Exc. W.14'; W.4' Lot 11, Block 24, Original Plat Triumph; Lot 1, Block 1, Yurcek Subd., Sherburn

Deborah Schwanke, Larry Schwanke to Dustin Drag-er, Deborah Schwanke, Pt. SW¼SW¼, 20-104-31

Brandi J. Hatfield, Travis P. Hatfield to Dawn D. Willner, Douglas A. Willner, Lot 9, Block 8, Wards Central Addn.

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By Samantha Weaver

• It was noted 18th-century German scientist, philosopher and satirist Georg Christoph Lichtenberg who made the following sage observation: "It is almost impossible to carry the torch of truth through a crowd without singeing somebody's beard."

• Sometimes looking at local ordinances can make you wonder what inspired lawmakers to pass such laws. For instance, in Florida it's illegal to wear nothing but liquid latex while in a public place.

• The lyrics to that favorite Irish ballad "O Danny Boy" were actually written by an Englishman.

• Famed comedic actor Charlie Chaplin was born in England, but at the age of 19 he came to the United States as a performer with the prestigious Fred Karno company. Interestingly, Stan Laurel, of Laurel and Hardy fame, emigrated to the U.S. at the same time, as part of the same company — as Chaplin's understudy.

• In a recent survey of pet owners, nearly half of all respondents said that the best description of their relationship with their pet would be "soul mate."

• Sardinia, the second-largest island in the Mediterranean Sea, also is an autonomous region of Italy. If you ever decide to vacation there, keep an eye out for "casu marzu," a cheese that's produced locally. Whether you're keeping an eye out in order to sample it or avoid it depends on whether or not you have an appetite for adventurous eating. The makers of "casu marzu" deliberately introduce into the process the larvae of a particular cheese fly. Though the cheese is sometimes cleaned out before it's served, it's often presented in its original state, wriggling maggots and all.

Thought for the Day: "There is nothing more dangerous than a government of the many controlled by the few." — *Lawrence Lessig*

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1 Card of Thanks

GELLERT - Thank you to everyone for the many cards, expressions of congratulations and good wishes on my 80th birthday. Thanks especially to my loving family for all their hard work and to Glenn Hendrickson for the great music. It all made turning 80 a lot of memorable fun. Thanks again. Mary Gellert. 14-1tp-1

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2 Personals

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The Fairmont 10U team went 2-2 during the National Tournament July 23rd-26th in Bloomington, MN. **Front row:** Sydney Blomster, Anna Ehlert, Britney Lopau. **Middle row:** Anabel Oskerson, Corene Moeller, Mandy Pyleski, Allison Janssen. **Back row:** Emily Muller, Paige Hainy, Kambria Steinhuis, Emma Gudhal, Ava Terfher. **Coaches:** Chuck Allen, Tim Terfher, Terry Ehlert, Karen Ehlert(not pictured)

Fairmont U10 soccer scores

August 3rd - Boys
Cloverleaf Cold Storage Cardinal Red 3 (goals: Guillermo Sigala, Jr. (2), Jace Prindle. Assists: Mathew Cone, Jorvik Jensen, Prindle)
PORK Silver 2 (goals: Diego Morales, Jack Holmers. Assist: Andrew Haefner) ***
Eunoia Family Resource Center Lime Green 4 (goals: Matthew Kotewa (2), Landon Fox (2). Assists: Sebastian Castro, Jacob Petrowiak)
Commodity Services, Inc. Neon Orange 2 (goals: Carson Pomerence (2). Assists: Beau Becker (2) ***
August 3rd - Girls
Fairmont Police Officer's Association Neon Yellow 1 (goal: Selma Bleess)
Associate Optometry Neon Orange 0 ***
Pfaffinger Farms Neon Pink 4 (goals: Addison Armstrong (2), Hope Klanderud (2). Assists: Armstrong, Lily Jaskulke, Bethany Thatcher)
Education MN Purple 1 (goal: Jozie Hoefker. Assist: Sydney Blomster) ***
Hyvee Tropic Blue 3 (goals: McKenna Benck (3). Assists: Kaydn Owens (2), Neveah Rahm)
D&S Trophies Iron Gray 0 ***
August 5th - boys
Eunoia Family Resource Center Lime Green 8 (goals: Matthew Kotewa (4), Landon Fox (2), Adrian Sanchez (2). Assists: Sanchez, Kotewa, Fox)
PORK Silver 2 (goals: Jack Hagen, Jack Holmers. Assist: Jack Hagen) ***
Cloverleaf Cold Storage Cardinal Red 4 (goals:

Guillermo Sigala, Jr. (3), Jace Prindle. Assists: Mathew Cone (2), Prindle)
Commodity Services Neon Orange 1 (goal: Beau Becker. Assist: Reece Buntjer) ***
August 5th - girls
D&S Trophies Iron Gray 1 (goal: Anna Utermarck. Assist: Avery Sanders)
Pfaffinger Farms Neon Pink 1 (goal: Addison Armstrong. Assist: Lily Jaskulke) ***
Associate Optometry Neon Orange 2 (goals: Abby Cihoski, Kate Busche. Assist: Busche)
Education MN Purple 0 ***
HyVee Tropic Blue 1 (goal: McKenna Benck. Assists: Shelby Krel, Carolina Hernandez)
Fairmont Police Officer's Association Neon Yellow 0

COED SLO-PITCH	W	L	GB	PCT	STR
Fabers Plumbing	13	0	-	1.000	13W
Legends Pub & Grill	12	1	1	.923	4W
N. Star Tree/Whiskey B	11	2	2	.846	4W
Countywide RE Fairmont	10	3	3	.769	1L
Hawkins Chevrolet	8	5	-	.615	1L
Royalty Rides	8	5	-	.615	3W
Green Mill/Doolittles	8	5	-	.615	2W
A-1 Concrete	7	6	1	.545	1W
Ranch Hands	7	6	-	.583	1L
Blue Earth Legion	5	8	2	.538	2L
McDonalds/Culligan	5	8	2	.538	1L
Misfits	4	9	3	.308	1W
Countywide RE Jackson	2	11	-	.167	4L
The Pour House	2	11	-	.154	1W
Shenanigans	2	11	-	.154	1L
Dairy Freeze/Graham Tire	0	13	2	.000	13L

DIVISION I PLAYOFFS
Faber's Plumbing 25, Countywide RE Fairmont 12. Gator walkoff!
Legends Pub and Grill 3, North Star Tree/Whiskey Bisquits 1.
Faber's Plumbing 14, Legends Pub and Grill 9. Way 2 fight!
PLAYBACK BRACKET
North Star Tree/Whiskey Bisquits 21, Countywide RE Fairmont 20.
DIVISION II PLAYOFFS
Green Mill/Doolittle's Carpet 21, A-1 Concrete 11. We talking playoffs!
Hawkins Chevrolet 9, Royalty Rides 8. Bottom 7 comeback!
Hawkins Chevrolet 15, Green Mill/Doolittle's Carpet 7. Great game
PLAYBACK BRACKET
Royalty Rides 13, A-1 Concrete 5. A-1 Concrete eliminated
DIVISION III PLAYOFFS
Ranch Hands 10, Misfits 9. Great comeback Ranch Hands!
Blue Earth Legion 18, McDonalds/Culligan 16.
Blue Earth Legion 16, Ranch Hands 3. Good game Britney!
PLAYBACK BRACKET
McDonalds/Culligan 22, Misfits 11. Misfits eliminated
DIVISION IV PLAYOFFS
DairyFreeze/Graham Tire over The Pour House.
Countywide Realty Jackson 21, Shenanigans 20. Great game!
DairyFreeze/Graham Tire 7, Countywide Realty Jackson 6.
PLAYBACK BRACKET
Shenanigans 15, The Pour House 14. Play'n Tuesday!

MENS SLO-PITCH	W	L	GB	PCT	STR
Cutting/Edge Pooleys	10	0	-	1.000	10W
Boekett/Channel	10	1	1	.900	5W
Weiss Auto/State Farm JK	9	1	1	1.000	1W
Choice Conct/Greenmill	8	3	3	.889	2L
Wash Pros	7	3	-	.667	1W
Legends Pub & Grill	6	4	1	.556	4W
Troy Jensen Seeds	6	4	1	.556	3W
Rode Manufacturing	4	7	3	.333	1W
Average Joes	4	7	-	.400	5L
Kahler Automation	3	8	1	.222	1W
Fairmont Ford	1	10	2	.111	4L
Pro Installers	1	10	2	.000	11W
The Gathering	0	11	3	.000	11L

Troy Jensen Seeds 13, Kahler Automation 5
Boekett/Channel 17, Weiss Auto/State Farm Korsmo 3
Legends Pub and Grill 19, Rode Manufacturing 15
Cutting Edge/Pooleys 23, Choice Connection/Greenmill 1
Kahler Automation 19, Fairmont Ford 4. 11 runs topof 4th
Rode Manufacturing 19, Average Joes 2
Wash Pros 27, Fairmont Ford 7
Pro Installers 20, The Gathering 19
Weiss Auto/State Farm Korsmo 23, Choice Connection/Greenmill 10

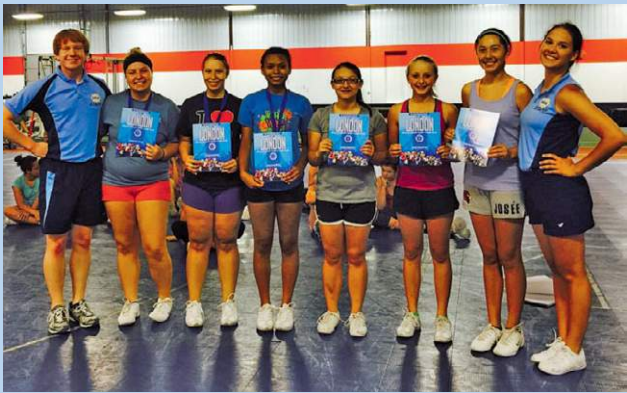
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Fairmont 14U White wins MSF state title

This past weekend Fairmont White 14u team placed 1st in a 9-team double elimination Minnesota Sports Federation class C GFP state softball tournament in Austin.
Fairmont White won their first game by defeating KMGSA Lightning (Kasson-Mantorville) 7-1.
Fairmont White won their 2nd game by defeating Austin White 11-2.
Fairmont White won their 3rd game in the semifinals by defeating Byron 13-5.
Fairmont White won their 4th game in the championship by defeating Byron 16-5. First Byron defeated Southwest Storm (Worthington) 8-4 in the loss bracket for them to play Fairmont again. Jennifer Moeller and Macey Bearson led Fairmont's offense, each having 3 singles.
Fairmont White 14u team finished the season coming 3rd in the Fairmont tournament, 1st in MSF state tournament, and with 22-13 record.



Fairmont 14U White **Front row:** Hailey Meyers, Kasandra Rubio. **Middle row:** Hanna Reischl, Lexus Wojtanowicz, Kassandra Lopez, Emily Kerekes, Chloe Murphy, Macey Bearson, Jennifer Moeller. **Back row:** Graciela Figueroa, Allison Moeller, Bethany Linse, Lacey Gatton, Autumn Wolf, Glenn Moeller, Jose Lopez



left: All-American UCA selections took place at the FHS 3-day cheer camp recently held at Cutting Edge Fitness in Fairmont. Jump Off winners for cheer camp were Mackenzie Johnston (JV - left) & Kassandra Lopez (Varsity - right).
right: UCA Cheer Camp All-American Cheerleaders (L to R): Devon (UCA Instructor), Jessica Holtz,Shanna Dunigan, Angelika Schultze-Ward, Makayla Prindle, Hailey Meyers, Josee Varboncoeur and Allison (UCA Instructor).

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"There's an app for that." This phrase probably sounds familiar. It is true, too. There are millions of apps available for Androids, iPhones, tablets, iPads, you name it. Soon there will even be an app specifically about Martin County.

For the past two weeks from 10am-3pm, App Camp has been in progress. This first-year camp was in the computer lab of the South Central Educational Center in Fairmont. The purpose was to have kids receive experience in



and answer essay questions. There are also five hours of community service that must be completed. The camp was open to kids from 9th-12th grade,

but was most popular to 15-16 year-olds from all over Martin County. "We have a great group of kids," Wrucke says. "They are energetic, knowledgeable and interested in technology."

The tablets allow the kids to take home what they learn from the camp and use it in the future.

Instructor Laurie Anderson from Minneapolis taught applications to the kids. Along with creating their own apps and games, the main goal of the camp was for the kids to create an app for Martin County. Using MIT App Inventor, they worked in their different skill sets with some focused on coding, some on content, and some on design. The end result is a helpful app that is easy to use and pleasing

to the eye. This app aims to inform visitors about the locations of places and businesses in Martin County. There will be 'eat, play, sleep, and shop' sections featured on the free app. The app is only compatible for Android users at this point in time. Future plans are to also translate it into being compatible for Apple products as well.

App Camp exists because of a grant received from the Blandin Foundation. By the time the grant is up, the kids will have to have created a functional, current app available for use. The kids will provide demos of how the app works at the Martin County Fair. "We're looking for-



ward to distributing it to the public," Scott says.

The Blandin Foundation also provided a number of other grants for the purpose of sharing and

teaching technology. A few projects include distributing PC computers and technology education sessions for the elderly, disabled, and whoever wishes to learn more about technology. Younger generations

are growing up with technology that is still continually advancing. App Camp is teaching valuable skills and could even be creating young software engineers and teachers. Scott says the idea is to think of how this translates and

benefits Martin County and these young kids. There are hopes for future grants and the continuation of App Camp. "So far it's been really successful," says Scott. Let's hope in future years, it's just as successful.

HOMER CONGRATS - Jay Ruen gets a forearm congrats from Matt Lytle as Andy Reiter, right and Levi Becker look on. Ruen's solo homerun, double and two RBIs helped the Martins clinch a State Amateur berth. Courtesy fairmontsports.com



FIREBALL - Martins Jordan Petchske picked up the win over Hadley. The Martins traveled to Luverne Wednesday in another best-of-three series for the regional championship to determine the one or two seed for the State Class "C" tournament in Cold Spring and Watkins. Courtesy fairmontsports.com



SIDE DISH - Martins Jay Ruen sneaks a hand to the plate before Hadley catcher Trent Carlson can scoop and apply the tag on a close play at the plate. Game two of the series against Luverne will be at 7:30 p.m. Friday at Herb Wolf Field in Fairmont. Courtesy fairmontsports.com



Rose Lake Announces 2015 Club Champions

2015 Club Champions at Rose Lake Golf Club, Fairmont:

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Captain Bob and 1st Mate Phil, volunteers for Let's Go Fishing, took these Goldfinch residents and their supervisor Rose for a morning of fishing on the "Let's Go Fishing with Seniors" pontoon.



City crew members tow the new floating dock to the city park at the former Water Filtration Plant along Albion Avenue. This dock was purchased from MINNCOR Industries. A similar MINNCOR dock, purchased by the Fairmont Lakes Foundation, will be placed at the south end of Amber Lake sometime this month.



Ken Kabage (right) of the Lakesters Car Club recently presented Lenny Tvedten with a check from the proceeds of their July car show as a donation to the Martin County Historical Society.



Members of the WFS Board of Directors present a check for \$10,000 from WFS to Heritage Acres President Jerry Simon (far right). The money will go toward the new display building that is being built at Heritage Acres this fall. Heritage Acres board members are currently seeking donations from area individuals, businesses and organizations for the building.

Conservation Corps Plants Native Grasses



Workers from the Conservation Corps place reed grasses and other native lake grasses along the shore of Lake Sisseton in Fairmont, near the Prairie Dog exhibit last week and restored aquatic vegetation on Amber Lake.



Members of the Conservation Corps who recently planted native lake grasses on several locations on Fairmont lakes.

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