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The Guy From Just Around the Corner

By Al Batt

My neighbor Crandall stops by.

"How are you doing?" I ask.

"Everything is nearly copacetic. Still Bill, he makes more dust than miles, asked if I could read lips. Still Bill is as useful as an appendix. He tried to make tomato juice by driving the lawn mower over my tomato plants. I've had some college. That's where I learned most of what I don't know, including not being able to read lips. That comes in handy, especially when driving. When Still Bill, he bottoms chairs for a hobby, learned that I couldn't read lips, he mouthed some words that I'm sure I'd have wanted to hear. I try to do everything in moderation that I dislike doing. Still Bill, an expert at doing nothing, even does that in moderation. Yet, thanks to a life-



time of being chewed upon by mosquitoes, I've been awarded membership in the Minnesota Mosquito Breeders' Association.

Speaking of chewing, Ma believes in chewing her food. She even chews water. She told me that for their first date, Pop took her to the dump to shoot rats. Pop's dog, Bark Twain, is missing. Pop loves that mutt. Ma suggested he put an ad in the newspaper, which he did. Now it's a week later and there's still no sign of the pooch."

"What did he write in the ad?" I say.

"Here, boy."

Naturally

I watched an eastern kingbird, *Tyrannus tyrannus*, attack crows. The kingbird was outnumbered five to one, but it chased the crows away. There was no subtlety to its attack. A kingbird is tenacious.

A hummingbird's brain makes up 4.2 percent of its weight, the largest of any bird proportionately. Our brains are 2 percent of our

weight.

I saw a snapping turtle looking like a lizard that had stolen a turtle shell and a large, black and yellow, cicada killer wasp. Cicada killer females can be about 2 inches long, males about half that. The males have no stingers. The females can sting, but aren't inclined to do so. Females sting cicadas with a paralyzing toxin and carry them to burrows in sandy or loose soils. They lay one egg on a cicada in a nest chamber. A second or third cicada is often added, because female larvae are larger than males and require more food. The chamber is sealed and the egg hatches in one or two days. The larvae consume the cicadas before spinning a cocoon and overwintering underground. They emerge as adults in July or August and live two to six weeks.

Q-and-A

"I've noticed small gophers running across the road. Why do they

cross the road?" To show the opossum it could be done. These thirteen-lined ground squirrels (seven dark stripes separated by six lighter stripes) find the grass tastier on the other side of the road. They eat



Cicada killer wasp by Al Batt

grass, leaves, seeds and insects. They may take meetings with another squirrel there. This animal is the mascot for the University of Minnesota Golden Gophers.

Jeanie Mortenson of Faribault wrote that she had little caterpillars on her milkweed that are devouring it. She said they were small and had bodies covered in what she described

as spiked, stiff hair. She wondered what they were. It sounds like tussock moth caterpillars, often found on milkweed. It's nicknamed the tiger milkweed moth for its orange, black and white hair tufts. They can harm milkweed, but predators usually keep their numbers down. The adult moth has gray wings and a yellow abdomen with black spots. "When do monarch butterflies migrate in the fall?" Monarchs begin clustering on trees and plants by the end of August into September.

The great-great-grandchildren of the monarchs that arrived in the spring make the long journey south to Mexico. Monarch numbers in Minnesota peak in late August and early September as resident butterflies are joined by those from farther north that have begun their fall migration. The eggs typi-

cally hatch in three to six days depending on the weather. The caterpillars spend nine to 14 days eating, growing and shedding their skins. A monarch passes eight- to 14-days in a chrysalis before transforming into a butterfly. Monarchs can take up to two months to complete their migration.

Thanks for stopping by
"Up with life. Stamp out all small and large indignities. Leave everyone alone to make it without pressure. Down with hurting. Lower the standard of living. Do without plastics. Smash the servo-mechanisms. Stop grabbing. Snuff the breeze and hug the kids. Love all love. Hate all hate." - Novelist John D. MacDonald

"If all mankind were to disappear, the world would regenerate back to the rich state of equilibrium that existed ten thousand years ago. If insects were to vanish, the environment would collapse into chaos." -- E. O. Wilson

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The **Welcome Historical Society** will be open on Saturday, August 4th from 2 to 4 p.m. If you would like to visit the museum when it is not open, please contact Marsha Williams at 507-236-2034.

Martin County Preservation Association, which manages the Red Rock Center for the Arts and the Chubb House will be hosting an annual dinner meeting, Monday, August 6th at 6 p.m. The evening will include a three course smoked chicken meal, business briefing, and entertainment by Michael and Melissa Kutch. Cost is \$15. Immediate reservations requested by calling 507-235-9262. Open to all members and anyone wanting to learn more about the organization.

The **Fairmont Class of 1953** will meet Friday, August 3rd for lunch at 11:30 a.m. at the Ranch Restaurant in Fairmont.

The **35th Annual Bazaar & Bake Sale** will be held at St. John's United Church of Christ, 301 N. Main Street Fairmont on Friday, August 10th from 7:30 to 10:30 a.m. Have some tasty egg bake, coffee cake and fruit cup and then shop the delicious baked goods, fresh garden produce, handmade crafts and scrumptious cookbooks.

Trimont's National Night Out event will take place on Tuesday, August 7th from 6 to 10 p.m. at Anderson Park in Trimont. They will have their annual bike rodeo with helmet giveaway, walking tacos, bouncy houses, carriage rides, games and music.



ABITZ 45TH - Bruce and Shelly Abitz of rural Fairmont will be celebrating their 45th wedding anniversary on Friday, August 3rd. They were married August 3rd, 1973.



Summertime Splash Party in Fairmont

Summertime Splash Party, a free family swimming event at the Fairmont Aquatic Park for families of all ages, will take place on Wednesday, August 8th from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m., then from 8:00 to 10:00 p.m. the Fairmont Aquatic Park will be open to all students grades 7-12 of Martin County including Fairmont Area, Truman, GHEC, and Martin County West, Martin Luther

High School, St. Paul's Lutheran or home school students going into 7th grade -12th grades.

There will door prizes given away throughout the events.

This event is being made possible by the generous donation from the Fairmont American Legion and the Community Resource Collaboration Group including YOCO & Kinship.

Lunch with the Arts

John & Connie Pedersen from Ledyard, IA. return to the Red Rock Center's Lunch with the Arts program, Tuesday, August 14th, from noon-1 p.m. with their Honky Tonkin' Classic Country, Rockabilly, Old time Rock 'n Roll & Gospel music.

They play at a variety of venues around the area, as well as summer festi-

vals throughout Iowa and Nebraska, and Texas and Arizona during the winter months.



Lunch will be available for purchase by The Iron Grid, serving chicken, pork, hamburger, turkey melts and wraps, BLT's and more. Coffee and light refreshments will be served.

This performance is free and everyone is welcome.

Fairmont Night Out

The Fairmont Police Department invites you to the Fairmont Night Out. Please join the members of the Fairmont Police Department for a FREE meal together in Gomsrud Park on August 7th, 2018 from 6pm to 8pm.

Meet the newest Police Officers. Officers will be available to answer many

questions on how to make your home, neighborhood, and community safe.

Information available on recent fraud scams seen in the area and hot to not be a victim. Police, SWAT, and Fire Trucks on display.

Stay and watch the Police Department take on the Fire Department for a bean bag competition



MOSLOSKI 80TH - Ron Mosloski of Fairmont will celebrate his 80th birthday on Saturday, August 4th. He was born August 4th, 1938. Cards will reach him at 1130 South State Street, Fairmont, MN 56031.



SHAIKOSKI 90TH - Geraldine (Geri) Shai-koski of Fairmont will celebrate her 90th birthday Wednesday, August 1st. She was born August 1st, 1928. Cards and letters will reach her at 305 W. Margaret Street, Fairmont, MN 56031.

SMMPA open house for new Owatonna station

The Owatonna Energy Station, the most recent addition to SMMPA's power supply portfolio, began commercial operation on March 16th, 2018. The organization is inviting the public to a dedication open house to be held on Wednesday, August 8th, 2018 from 1:30-3:00 p.m. at the facility located at 2884 W. Bridge St. in Owatonna.

"We are pleased to have this new facility online, providing reliable and cost-effective energy to our eighteen member utilities," said Dave Geschwind, SMMPA's Execu-

tive Director and CEO.

Construction of the \$40 million plant began in October of 2015 and was completed in early 2018. The plant's four natural gas-fired reciprocating internal combustion engines provide superior flexibility and an ability to rapidly increase or decrease production, providing an ideal complement to Minnesota's increasing amount of intermittent wind and solar generating capacity.

As part of the dedication open house, SMMPA will offer refreshments and tours of the new plant.

Market Square returns to Fairmont in October

Mark your calendars! Market Square will be held again this fall on October 21st at Heritage Acres in Fairmont.

The Fall Harvest festival will be taking place at Heritage Acres that day.

Plans are underway for fun activities for the entire family. Food vendors, entertainment, locally grown produce and

other products made by vendors will be on hand that day.

We are currently looking for vendors of handmade products and homegrown produce, as well as food vendors.

Contact Dawn Pothoff at newdawn_ayshires@hotmail.com for vendor information or Alden Zietz at 712-229-6718.

The Winnebago Area Museum will hold its **41st Annual Meeting** Monday, August 13th at 7 p.m. at the museum. A general business meeting will be held followed by a presentation from speaker Colette Meidner on "Quilts of the Underground Railroad". She will show sample quilt patterns that are told to have contained secret messages that helped direct slaves to freedom. Guests attending are invited to tour the museum following the meeting. Refreshments will be served.

Everyone is invited to Bethany E&R Church in Ledyard, Iowa for their **annual Songfest** on Sunday, August 5th at 6:30 p.m. Join in the music with guest singers and congregational singing. An offering will be taken for the local food pantry. Coffee and goodies will follow.

Fairmont Class of 1968 will meet at the Channel Inn for visiting on Thursday, August 9th. The class reunion is Friday, August 10th at the Holiday Inn in Fairmont.

Fairmont High School Class of 1960, spouses and friends will meet for lunch on Tuesday, August 7th at 11:30 a.m. at the Piz-za Ranch in Fairmont.

The **American Legion Auxiliary Unit 36 of Fairmont** will meet on Tuesday, August 7th at 7:00 p.m. at Goldfinch Estates in Fairmont. All interested are encouraged to attend.

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Dr. Bachenberg began practicing family medicine in southern MN in 1997, developing long term relationships and friendships with the families he served in Fairmont, MN, and surrounding areas. He firmly believes that UHD's dedication to full service, rigorous family medicine in the rural settings of southern Minnesota aligns with his own goals and ideals. We are pleased to announce Dr. Bachenberg will be joining the UHD Fairmont Clinic beginning July 19, 2018. To schedule an appointment with Dr. Bachenberg, call (507) 238-1287.



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Chris Pierce joins First Farmers & Merchants

First Farmers & Merchants National Bank is proud to announce the addition of Chris Pierce to its local team in Fairmont.

Chris will be the bank's Senior VP of Lending & Business Development and will focus on Commercial and Agricultural Lending. He is a graduate of Fairmont High School, and graduated from MSU-Mankato.

Chris' banking experience includes 13 years in the Fairmont and southern Minnesota area, providing banking services for the area's businesses, farms, and individuals. He has extensive com-

munity involvement and currently serves as a Trustee for the Knights of Columbus, Treasurer at the Martin County Historical Society, on the Saint John Vianney Finance Council, and is on the board of directors for the Regional Center for Entrepreneurial Facilitation.

Chris resides in Fairmont with his wife Amy, and their daughter.

In his free time, he enjoys spending time with his wife & daughter, boating, taking trips, hunting, fishing, golfing and attending his daughter's various activities. Chris is the son of Carol and the late Steve Pierce of Fairmont.



Red Cross blood shortage continues

Thousands of people have responded to the emergency call for blood and platelet donations issued by the American Red Cross in early July. Still, there continues to be an emergency need for donors of all blood types, especially type O, to give now to address a severe blood shortage.

There is a particular need for type O blood, which plays an important role in ongoing patient care and emergencies. Type O positive is the most transfused blood type and can be given to patients with any Rh-positive blood type. Type O negative is the universal blood type and can be given to any patient. It's

what emergency room personnel reach for when there is no time to determine the blood type of patients in the most serious situations.

In Martin County, you can donate blood on Friday, August 3rd at Grace Lutheran Church in Fairmont from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

In thanks, all those who come to donate blood or platelets July 30th through August 30th, 2018, will receive a \$5 Amazon.com Gift Card via email. (*Restrictions apply; see amazon.com/gc-legal. More information and details are available at RedCrossBlood.org/Together.*)

New Prairie Lakes Regional Arts Council members

The Prairie Lakes Regional Arts Council (PLRAC) is pleased to announce that two board members have been appointed to the board, Kristie Gaalswyk-Pomerence of Truman will represent Martin County and Carol Soma of Kiester, will represent Faribault County, noted Brenda Byron, PLRAC Executive Director.

Kristie is currently the Martin County 4-H Program Coordinator in Fairmont. She has a BA degree in Theatre Arts and Journalism, with a focus on Arts Administration, from the University of Minnesota. She was the Education Coordinator at the Ordway Center for the Performing Arts for four years. While there, Kristie facilitated in-school artist residencies, managed their school performances, and developed a musical theatre camp. She is a board member of the Martin County Area Foundation and a past board member of the Fairmont Opera House.

Carol Soma, has been reappointed to a second term. Carol has a Master's in Library Media Education and BA in English and Spanish. She is a retired teacher from



Kristie Gaalswyk-Pomerence (left) and Carol Soma.

the Blue Earth Area Public Schools, where she was a media specialist K-12; previous teaching included Language Arts and Spanish there and in the Southcentral and Kiester Public Schools. She has served on the board of directors of the Kee Civic Theatre in Kiester.

The council still has an opening on the board for the City of Fairmont. Interested individuals may contact the PLRAC office at plrac@hickorytech.net or 1-800-298-1254 to obtain an application, which is due August 31st.

Red Rock Center Community Art Exhibition

Red Rock Center for the Arts is pleased to present a Community Art Exhibition celebrating 28 artists throughout the immediate area.

The exhibit will be on view August 2nd - August 30th, 2018. The display includes a variety of medium including photography, painting, drawing, ceramics, sculpture, wood and mixed media. A People's Choice Award will be chosen by the visi-

tors to the exhibition and announced upon the conclusion of the exhibit.

The gallery is open Thursday 10 a.m.-5

p.m., Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Evenings and weekends by appointment. Many of the artists will be on site during the Wine & Chocolates Open House, Thursday, August 23rd, 4:30-7:00 p.m. Free admission, everyone welcome.



Preparations underway for Threshing Day

Heritage Acres volunteers spent the day last Friday cutting the oats and bundling it in preparation for the Threshing Day at Heritage Acres, which is set for Sunday,

August 12th. There will also be an antique tractor/implement and auto show at the farmsite on the west side of Fairmont that day. (Submitted photos)



Youth First committee member Steph Johnson (left) recently received a donation of \$1,500 from Lee C. Prentice American Legion Post #36 Commander Steve Fossness. (Submitted photo)

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Tax Tips and Tricks!

Guest Columnist

Sara Pierce, Pierce Accounting & Tax Services



It's the middle of summer and we are finally able to enjoy our lakes again and the last thing people are thinking about is their tax situation when in fact there is a lot you could be doing for your tax planning now to help you through the annual visit with your tax preparer.

Do you know how the new tax laws affect you? Has anything changed this year? Did you buy or sell a home? Did you change jobs? Retire? Thinking about retiring? What type of retirement account do you have set up? Roth IRA or Traditional? Is it time to look at converting to help lower your tax liability? Is your health changing? Are you doing any home improvements?

These are all questions that can be answered now instead of waiting until after the year is over and it may be too late to change your tax situation. Looking ahead at these things and other possible situations can help you plan ahead or make changes and help prevent a big and not so pleasant surprise when it

comes to tax preparation time.

The standard deduction is doubling but the personal exemption of \$4050 for each taxpayer/dependent is going away so the end result is not a major difference for some taxpayers, depending on your tax situation. Because this may change your ability to itemize it may make you rethink your charitable giving and how you give. There are two different ways to change this and still get a tax benefit. The first one is to give a larger amount every other year if you give to the same organization every year. The second method would be to take advantage of the qualified distributions from your required minimum distribution. By doing this you lower your taxable income instead of taking the itemized deduction. Taxpayers who already are or will be taking Required Minimum Distributions are encouraged to speak with their financial advisor and tax accountant to figure out which method could work

best for them. This method could help you stay in a lower tax bracket, saving you even more money.

There are many options out there that you as taxpayers have to possibly change your tax liability and it is so important to have a relationship with a tax professional (and a financial advisor) to help you figure what your best method should be. The best example of this is what to do with your retirement accounts. Have you been contributing to a traditional IRA? This money can be 100% taxable when you start drawing. There are two different methods that can help with this. In the years leading up to your retirement you may have the option to roll these funds into a ROTH IRA and have a minimal tax liability. With a ROTH IRA you are only taxed on the interest income that is earned when you begin withdrawing.

Business owners! Do you know about the 199A 20% deduction? This can be a major tax savings for you and now would be the

time to figure out how it could affect you. The good news - S Corps are still ahead as the best business type over C Corps but there may be other changes you will want to make now to take full advantage of this deduction.

Are you considering taking an early distribution from your retirement account? There are situations when the penalty can be removed, dependent on the reason for the withdrawal. This is another conversation you should have with your tax professional to find out if you qualify for an exemption.

Did you know that some home improvements may qualify as medical expenses? If you are doing remodel work to add a main floor bathroom, installing a chair to assist with stairs, or a ramp due to limited mobility there is a portion of the expenses that could be deducted as medical expenses. Another example of this is the purchase of mobility van. On the subject of medical expenses another conversation that you should have with your tax professional is determining if a medical bill should be paid in December of the current year or January of the following year. With changes in age, filing status, and tax

law changes the amount of qualified medical expenses needed can fluctuate so it is important to analyze this on a yearly basis to maximize your tax benefit.

Are you considering selling your home or an inherited home? Many questions can arise when facing this situation. What are your tax consequences going to be? The truthful answer is: it depends. Many factors can affect what your tax liability will be. How long have you owned your home? If it is inherited (home or land) do you know what the basis is? There are times when a sale can have zero effect on your tax liability and other times where it can have a large impact and you should pay some estimates to help alleviate this.

When it comes to filing your Minnesota state tax return there a couple of tricks and new items that most people are not aware of. One is when it comes to charitable contributions. If you contribute over \$500 (in cash donations, non-cash, and volunteer miles) and you do not itemize on your federal return you could still qualify for a deduction on your Minnesota tax return. If you are paying on student loans you may qualify for a \$500 credit (\$1,000 if married).

And do not forget about the 529 plan deduction that started for the 2017. There is talk of some major changes that will still come with Minnesota for the 2018 tax year and we will not find out until closer to December so these may result in some quick changes.

The final tip I will leave you with is this: get a folder and put a notebook in it. Place anything you receive that you think may affect your taxes. In your notebook keep a record of all donations and all medical expenses throughout the year. Also write down any questions that may cross your mind. By doing this it will help you stay organized and help insure that nothing is missed when filing your tax return. A year is a long time to remember everything and a lot can change. If you do not keep track of it all there can be missed opportunities with unfavorable results. While looking through everything if there is something that you do not understand or maybe want to plan ahead, make an appointment with a tax professional before the end of the year. These conversations can be so valuable and can help take away the stress of tax season.

1. Which band released "Kicks"?

2. Who released "Why Do Lovers Break Each Other's Heart," and when?

3. Which group recorded "Will You Be Staying After Sunday"?

4. Who released "I'd Do Anything for Love"?

5. Name the song that contains this lyric: "Another sleepless night I can't explain, Somebody said they heard me call your name, The radio won't let you leave my mind, I know it's over but I don't know why."

Answers

1. Paul Revere & the Raiders, in 1966. "Kicks" was one of the first anti-drug songs. It was written for The Animals, but Eric Burdon didn't want to record it.

2. Bob B. Soxx and the Blue Jeans, in 1963. It was one of many hits written by Ellie Greenwich, including "Be My Baby" and "Then He Kissed Me."

3. The Peppermint Rainbow, in 1969. During one televised clip it was obvious that the group was syncing ... the instruments weren't even plugged in.

4. Meat Loaf, in 1993. It was his first No. 1 single and netted a Grammy for Best Rock Vocal Performance.

5. "Should've Known Better," by Richard Marx, in 1987. Singer-songwriter Marx released the song on his debut album; it peaked at No. 3 on the Billboard 100.

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BOBBY is an outgoing, friendly brown tabby. He loves people and does great with other cats. Bobby would be a great addition to almost any home.

WEBSTER is a pudgy middle-aged boy. He is white, with a little black spot on his forehead and his tail is brown tabby. Webster is easy-going guy.

A FEW OF OUR DOGS AVAILABLE FOR ADOPTION:

ROSE is a buff-colored mid-sized girl. We are guessing her to be part terrier and part sheltie. Rose is about one year old and is an energetic, playful girl.

PILGRIM is our longest-term resident. He is a redbone coonhound and a fetching machine. This boy loves to fetch. He enjoys being petted and being outside.

ABBY is a buff-colored standard poodle. She previously lived as a breeding dog, so is a little timid and unsure of all the strange new things. Abby has learned many new things but has many more to learn. She will need a patient owner to help her adjust to her new life.

Rummage Sale and Silent Auction. Items can be dropped off Thurs., Aug 2nd between 8 - 5 p.m. The sale and silent auction is Fri. 8 - 5 p.m. & Sat. 8 - noon. Sat. bag sale for \$2 between 10 - noon. Silent Auction ends Sat. at 11am.

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What's Cooking

with Kathy Lloyd

Love these Cool Nights!

Its been so great to be able to open the windows and let the fresh air flow in, great sleeping weather! After buying several peaches at a time we broke down and bought a crate of them. They taste so good, Pa Lloyd's favorite is the plain old fashioned bisquick short cake warm out of the oven smothered with cut up peaches and piled high with whipped topping! I like to venture out and try different peach desserts one of which I am sharing with you today! Hope that you enjoy it.

Peach Delight
2 cups (about 2 sleeves) graham cracker, crushed into crumbs .
1 cup walnuts, ground fine
1 cup (two sticks) melted butter

Combine (reserve 1/2 cup of crumb mixture for topping later) and transfer to a greased 9x13 baking dish, pressing to a even layer. Bake at 350 degrees for 10-12 minutes, cool completely.

8 peaches, peeled and sliced
2 (8 oz.) packages cream cheese, room temp.
3 cups powdered sugar
1 tsp. vanilla
1 1/2 (8oz.) containers frozen whipped topping, thawed

In a large bowl beat cream cheese with a mixer until softened and smooth, then beat in powdered sugar. and vanilla. Spread cream cheese filling over cooled crust, then arrange peach slices on top of filling. Gently spread whipped topping over the peaches into a smooth layer, then refrigerate for at least 2 hours before serving. Top with reserved graham crumb mixture.

Have a great week!

Area College Student News

The following local students have been named to the Dean's List at Drake University. This academic honor is achieved by earning a GPA of 3.5 or higher during the Spring 2018 semester at Drake:

Fairmont, MN

- Mikayla Soelter

The following local students graduated from Drake University at the end of the spring 2018 semester:

Fairmont, MN

- Joseph Fink, Business Administration
- Joseph Fink, Pharmacy

25 YEARS AGO IN THE PHOTO PRESS

Week of August 4, 1993

A new law taking effect August 1st changed what can be buried and burned on farms in rural areas where garbage collection is not available. The MPCA says the new law makes it illegal to burn or bury a number of solid waste items, including tires, and appliances.

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Rev. Russell Reimers, who recently graduated from Concordia Seminary in Seward, Nebraska was to be installed as pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Wilbert. A service was planned followed by a get-acquainted gathering and grocery shower in the church parlors.

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The women of the ELCA of St. Peter Lutheran Church in Ceylon were in the process of compiling a Centennial Cookbook for the church's celebration in 1995. Several recipes from each family were requested.

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A pork patty benefit supper was planned for Suzanne Sukalski, daughter of Lawrence and Diane Sukalski at East Chain Lutheran Church. Suzanne was to undergo heart surgery in Rochester in the following week and proceeds from the benefit would help offset costs.

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Viewers of cable channel 10 in Fairmont were able to see video of the

flood conditions in Martin County after the torrential downpour on June 24th. Verlus Burkhart and his 14-year-old son Jason flew a plane over the flooded areas and took video of the East Chain, Granada, Northrop, Truman, Welcome, Ceylon and Fairmont areas.

50 YEARS AGO IN THE PHOTO PRESS

Week of August 4, 1968

Preliminary evacuation started for the new city-county library and construction was to begin momentarily. The new building, replacing the old Carnegie Library at 118 N. Park Street was to cost some \$47,000 more than the original estimate of \$390,000.

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Armour & Co. had leased Stokely-Van Camp Canning Plant No. 172 to produce gourmet foods for airlines, institutions and the U.S. Forestry Service. Stokely's Plant No. 1 in Fairmont and No. 3 in Winnebago was continuing their food processing program which consisted mainly of freezing and canning locally grown peas, sweet corn, beans, carrots and other vegetables.

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Helen Margaret Viesselman, 21-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Viesselman, was named Miss Fairmont of 1969.

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Martin County Fair was readying for opening in the following week.

The Garden Bug

Night-blooming cereus

These plants are members of the cactus family. Only if you live in the frost-free southern states can you grow them in the ground; they like to be potted. Use a well-draining soil mixture and water sparingly, keeping the pot in a sunny area. They may take a few years to begin blooming, and then each flower only lasts one night, but they are very striking.

Sources: www.southernliving.com, www.worleys.com

— Brenda Weaver

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CHECK IT OUT!

@ the Martin County Library

As we head into the "Dog Days" of summer, here's a few of our favorite fictional dog titles! If you're a dog lover, stop by and check one of these out!

A Dog's Purpose by W. Bruce : An emotional and hilarious story of a dog's many lives, but also a dog's-eye commentary on unbreakable bonds between man and man's best friend.

The Art of Racing in the Rain by Garth Stein: A heart-wrenching but deeply funny and uplifting story of family, love, loyalty, and hope-- as only a dog could tell it.

Because of Winn Dixie by Kate Di Camillo: One summer, ten-year-old Opal comes home with Winn-Dixie. Just about everything that happens that summer is because of Winn-Dixie, a very special dog.

Following Atticus by Tom Ryan: At the heart of an amazing journey is the extraordinary relationship between Tom and Atticus, blurring the line between man and dog.

Ask A Trooper: Overlength Items

by Sgt. Troy Christianson, MN State Patrol

Question: I have a short box pick-up. A friend wanted me to carry two 12-foot aluminum boats he had purchased. Being as they would have extended far past my seven foot or less truck bed, I declined thinking it was too long to be legal. Was I correct? What is the length limit for loads off the rear of a pick-up?

Answer: According to Minnesota state law, no single vehicle may exceed 45 feet in overall length, including load, and front and rear bumpers. There is an exception for mobile cranes, which may not exceed 48 feet in overall length. If the items extend to the rear 4 feet or more beyond the bed or body of the vehicle, a red, yellow or orange flag or cloth not less than 16 inches square is required in daylight hours. During nighttime hours or reduced visibility, projecting cargo needs a lighted red lamp(s), in addition to the vehicle's rear lights.

Anything that is stick-

ing over the left side of the vehicle beyond the line of the fender, and anything more than six inches beyond the line of the fenders on the right side is illegal in Minnesota.

Remember that no vehicle shall be driven or moved on any highway unless its load is secure. Please make sure that whatever you are hauling is tied or strapped down so it will not shift over the sides or rear of the vehicle within the legal limits or fall onto the road.

You can avoid a ticket — and a crash — if you simply buckle up, drive at safe speeds, pay attention and always drive sober. Help us drive Minnesota Toward Zero Deaths.

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)

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OBITUARY notices

Phyllis W. L. Buchan, 78



Funeral service for Phyllis Wally Lou (Wedel)

Buchan, 78, of Fairmont, was held Monday, July 30th, at United Methodist Church in Fairmont. Burial followed at Lakeside Cemetery in Fairmont. Phyllis went to her heavenly home on July 18th, at St. Mary's Hospital in Rochester, following a brief illness.

Phyllis was born November 13th, 1939 at the Hunt Clinic in Fairmont. The daughter of Walter and Lucille (Vogel) Wedel, Phyllis grew up on the farm south of town. She was baptized and confirmed at United Methodist Church and graduated from Fairmont High School in 1957. She married her high

school sweetheart, Charles W. Buchan on November 16th, 1957. They lived around the area, until they began full-time farming near East Chain. There she played the No. 1 support role, working in the field, caring for pigs, running for parts and making lunch boxes.

Early in their marriage, Phyllis worked at Wallace's department store, was a member of the Merry-makers club, an adult leader for the Silver Lake 4-H Club and was involved in the women's auxiliary of the Martin County Pork Producers, called the Porkettes.

Phyllis began her sec-

ond career working at Shoemakers Jewelry and later Thompson Haugen Jewelry store, before retiring in 2011. Her jewelry store friends became her second family.

She loved sweets and made sure that nobody went home hungry, or left without a hug. She and Chuck enjoyed snowmobile and camping trips, playing in their 500 card clubs, road trips—especially to Duluth and Yellowstone—and simply being together. Her greatest treasures were those who called her, "Mom, Grandma, and MeMe."

Those left to cherish Phyllis's memory include

daughter, Karla, and her husband, Mark Malo, of East Chain; granddaughters, Kristin Engelmann and her husband, Josh, of Annandale; and Miranda Reiman, and her husband, Mark, of Cozad, Neb.; grandson Lukus Malo and his wife, Maggie, of Fairmont; great-grandchildren, Carson, Brooklyn, Cassidy, McKenna, Nora and Laney Reiman, and Luther and Lucy Malo; sister Evelyn DeBoer, her husband Merle of Fairmont, her daughter Cindy and husband Brian; sisters-in-law Kari Wedel of Welcome; Rosalie Christensen and her husband Larry, of Osage

Beach, Missouri, and their children Cindy and Miles; Janet Anderson and her husband Richard, of Armstrong, and their children Derek, Travis and Holly; Ann Buchan of Outing and her sons Doug, Jeff, Charlie and Kevin; many other relatives and friends.

In addition to her parents and her son Robert Buchan, Phyllis was also preceded in death by her husband of forty-seven years Charles Buchan, her brother Lloyd Wedel, her parents-in-law, Alex and Margaret Buchan and her brothers-in-law Donald DeBoer and Gerald Buchan.

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Ruth A. Draut, 85



Services for Ruth A. Draut, 85, of Fairmont, will be 11:00 a.m. Friday, August 3rd, 2018, at St. John's United Church of Christ in Fairmont. Burial will be held 11:00 a.m. Saturday, August 4th, 2018, at the Christian Reformed Church Cemetery in

Pease, MN. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service from 10 to 11 a.m. Friday, August 3rd, 2018, at St. John's United Church of Christ in Fairmont. Ruth passed away Friday, July 20th, 2018, at the Lakeview Methodist Health Care Center in Fairmont. Lakeview Funeral Home and Cremation Service of Fairmont is assisting the family with arrangements.

Ruth Anna (Hanenburg) Draut was born October 16th, 1932 in Pease, Minnesota to Roy and Anna Hanenburg. Ruth attended the Pease Christian School through eighth grade and then graduated from Milaca High School in 1950. She then attended Calvin College in Grand Rapids, Michigan to begin her nursing education; then she transferred to the

University of Minnesota and graduated in 1956 Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing. Her degree included certification as a Registered Nurse and Public Health Nurse.

In 1958 she became well known as Martin County's Public Health Nurse and moved to Fairmont where she resided until the time of her death. During her career, part of her job was to conduct immunization clinics for public schools and community clinics throughout Martin County. Ruth had many stories from her experiences.

One winter, Ruth was responsible for administering vaccines at six different schools and Ruth was getting help from several nurses from the Minnesota Department of Health. It was the coldest

day of the entire winter, the nurses arrived 30 minutes late, and they made the mistake of traveling with the vaccines in the trunk of their car and they were frozen by the time they arrived in Martin County. They had to wait until the vaccines thawed and they were behind for the entire day. But, the group revised their plan and somehow managed to get all the vaccinations completed in time for the students to get on their buses and go home.

Ruth often made house calls and she was once led to the home of a family that had no food in their cupboards or refrigerator. Ruth went to the grocery store and bought groceries for them. She made sure they had something to eat and every time she saw

the family over the next 40 years, they thanked her for her generosity.

In 1973 Ruth married Glenn Draut, a farmer from Sherburne; they were a very happy couple for ten years until Glenn's sudden and untimely death from a heart attack in 1983.

Throughout her career and since retirement in 1993, Ruth has been an advocate for education and volunteerism. She was active in various community groups: St. John's United Church of Christ, American Association of University Women, Mayo Clinic Health Services Hospital Foundation and the Minnesota Nursing Association with an emphasis in Public Health, the Fairmont Exchange Club and Investment clubs. She loved family celebra-

tions and was content to observe the personalities and activity of the younger ones. She was an accomplished pianist and played by ear and by note.

Preceding Ruth in death are her parents; sister and brother-in-law, Ella and Marvin DeYoung, sister, Fannie Smith, sister-in-law, Marlain Hanenburg, two nieces; Connie Hammer and Kay Townsend, and one nephew, Stefan Smith.

Those she leaves to mourn are her brother, John Hanenburg, brother-in-law, Maynard Smith, her nieces and nephews and many grandnieces and grandnephews.

Ruth requested that memorials be directed to the charity of the donor's choice.

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Arleen S. Johnson, 82



Services for Arleen S. Johnson, 82, of Fairmont, were held Monday, July 30th, 2018, at St. John's United Church of Christ in Fairmont. Burial was in Center Chain Cemetery in Silver Lake Township. Arleen passed away Wednesday, July 25th, 2018, at Goldfinch Memory Care in Fairmont. Lakeview Funeral Home and Cremation Service of Fairmont assisted the family with arrangements.

Arleen S. (Rosenberg) Johnson was born February 22nd, 1936, in Ceylon, the daughter of Ernest and Louise (Westphal) Rosenberg. She attended school in Ceylon and graduated from Ceylon High School.

On March 20th, 1955, Arleen was united in mar-

riage to Orlo E. Johnson at St. John's United Church of Christ in Ceylon. Together the couple would make their home in Norma, OK, until Orlo's honorable discharge from the United States Navy in June 1956. They then moved to Ceylon where they farmed in the Ceylon area until 1971, when the family moved to Fairmont. To this union, four children were born, Lanny, Leland, Lori, and Lyle.

Arleen was a great help on the farm, helping Orlo with whatever was needed. After their move to Fairmont, Arleen worked as a Nurse's Aide at Crestview Nursing Home, Lutz Wing Nursing Home and also helped in the Fairmont Community Hospital Radiology Department. She would later work as a home health aide for Prairieland Home Care and also owned and operated the "Just Like New" Consignment Shop until her retirement.

Arleen was an active member of St. John's United Church of Christ in Fairmont and was also a member of the Fairmont Eagles Auxiliary and the Lee C. Prentice American Post #36 Auxiliary. In her spare time, Arleen treasured spending time with

her family and friends and especially looked forward to sharing laughs around the campfire while camping. Her quiet time was spent outdoors tending to her flower gardens and she cherished the many memories made wintering in Apache Junction, AZ.

Left to cherish her memory are her children, Lanny Johnson and his wife Debbie, Leland Johnson, Lori Weinke and her husband, Todd, and Lyle Johnson; fifteen grandchildren; twenty-two great-grandchildren; a brother, Harley Rosenberg; sisters-in-law, Amy Young and Naomi McIlwain and her husband, Floyd; brother-in-law, Everett Johnson and his wife, Ingrid; as well as many nieces, nephews, extended family and friends.

Arleen was preceded in death by her parents, Ernest and Louise Rosenberg; husband, Orlo Johnson; father-in-law and mother-in-law, Edwin and Edith Johnson; brother, Melvin Rosenberg; sisters-in-law, Ellen Rosenberg and Janice Rosenberg; daughter-in-law, Julie Johnson; and a nephew, Dale Rosenberg.

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Clifford E. Eisenbarger, 75



Services for Clifford "Cliff" E. Eisenbarger, 75, of Granada, were held Tuesday, July 31st, 2018, at First Congregational United Church of Christ in Fairmont. Burial will be in Center Creek Cemetery at a later date. Cliff passed away Thursday, July 26th, 2018, at St. Mary's Hospital in Rochester. Lakeview Funeral Home and Cremation Service of Fairmont assisted the family with arrangements.

Clifford Ernest Eisenbarger was born October 1st, 1942, to Ernest and Dora (Godfrey) Eisenbarger in Fairmont. He attended Granada school and graduated from there in 1960. After high school,

Cliff joined his father farming and running a corn shelling business in the area.

On December 31st, 1967, Cliff was united in marriage to Joanne Pietsch and enjoyed fifty years of having fun together. Cliff was a salesman who sold everything from seed corn to vacuum cleaners. He also managed the Granada Legion and Supper Club during their heyday. Before retiring, he worked at Fairmont Foods for twenty-one years. Cliff loved making people laugh and always had a new story to tell. During his younger years, he enjoyed fishing, hunting, and bowling where he even had one 300 game. Cliff also enjoyed playing cards with Cribbage being his favorite. Cliff's ready smile and twinkle in his eyes will be greatly missed by his family who were so important to him. He also loved all of his pets especially his dog, Rusty, and cat, Tiger2. His love of animals meant that his favorite charity was the Martin County Humane Society.

Cliff is survived by his wife, Joanne; sister, Lee Hanning; brothers-in-law, Everett Hanning, Roger Pietsch, Chuck Maday, and Alan Hagen; sisters-in-

law, Sue Pietsch, Mary Jo Maday, and Nancy Hagen; nephews, Kevin Hanning, Chris (Linda) Hanning, Fred (Dee) Theobald, Barry (Holly) Maday, Troy (Maggie) Sunken, Jon Leach, David Sullivan, Brian (Jeaneen) Leach, and Joshua Pietsch; nieces, Teresa (Dave) Dickenson, Amie (Rick) Miller, Lori (Kerry) Ring, Sue Urevig, Lynn (Josh) Hughes, Tina Pietsch, Kristine (Matt) Pietsch; great nieces; great nephews; and great-great nieces and nephews; other relatives and friends.

Along with his parents, Ernest and Dora Eisenbarger, Cliff was preceded in death by his parents-in-law, Bud and Tenny Pietsch; infant sister, Donna Eisenbarger; a great niece; and a great nephew.

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William C. Peters, 86

Services for William Carl Peters, 86, of Fairmont, will be 11:00 a.m. Saturday, September 15th, 2018, at Our Saviors Lutheran Church in Ceylon. Burial will follow the service at Lake Belt Township Cemetery near Ceylon. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service at the church. Bill passed away Saturday, July 14th, 2018, at his home in rural Fairmont. The Lakeview Funeral Home and Crema-

tion Service of Fairmont is assisting the family with arrangements. William C. "Uncle Bill" Peters was born on January 18th, 1932, in Ceylon, the son of Arthur and Lydia (Schultze) Peters. He was baptized, confirmed, and a lifelong member of Our Saviors Lutheran Church. He attended school in Ceylon and graduated from Ceylon High School. Following his graduation, Bill went to work for his father and uncle at Peters Bros. in Ceylon. He then began his career as a farmer, first working for his sister Lydia and her

husband Alfred. Bill then purchased his farm in Rolling Green Township, Martin County. "Uncle Bill" as he was affectionately known by his many nieces, nephews and friends, welcomed them to help on the farm in the summer months to bale hay, tend the livestock and help with the other chores. Bill was an avid Minnesota Vikings fan and had a vast knowledge of sports information, particularly professional football. In his youth, he was a stellar basketball player earning 2 letters. He also lettered

twice in football. Bill was an avid sailor and an excellent water skier. He also enjoyed ice skating and playing hockey. Left to cherish his memory are his sister-in-law Alice "Bunny" Peters, nieces and nephews, Bruce Peters (Paula), Paul Peters (Benadene), Elizabeth Viesselman (Richard), Virginia Hatland (Jim), Elaine Bezdicek (Greg), Evelyn Kietzer, and Eileen Roesner; as well as other extended family and friends. lakeviewfuneralhome.net

Financial Focus

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Protect Vulnerable Family Members from Scam Artists

If you have older family members whose cognitive functions or decision-making abilities have declined, or who are lonely or recently widowed, you might need to help protect them against financial scams. What steps should you take?

First of all, try to gain a good sense of their overall financial activity. Look for red flags, such as a reluctance to discuss money matters, consistently unpaid bills, unexplained withdrawals, mysterious wire transfers or a sudden need to purchase large quantities of gift cards. And watch out for new "best friends" or caretakers who show an unusual interest in your loved one's finances.

Whether or not you've observed any of these activities, you can help your elderly family members by making these moves:

- Have checks (such as Social Security payments) directly deposited. You can help your family members avoid a lot of potential trouble by having their checks deposited directly into their bank accounts.
- Seek permission to become a joint account owner. By becoming a joint account owner on your elderly family members' checking and savings accounts, you can review statements for suspicious

activity. Of course, your loved ones may be initially reluctant to add your name, but if you have a good relationship with them, you should be able to explain the benefits.

- Shred bank statements, credit card offers and notices of lottery or sweepstakes winnings. One of the most useful gifts you can give to your elderly family members may be a shredder. Encourage them to use it to shred old bank statements, credit card offers and other financial documents.
- Get on a "do not call" list. Telephone scammers are persistent and devious. By registering your family members' house and cell phones at www.donotcall.gov, you may be able to reduce their exposure to unwanted calls.
- Obtain power of attorney. By creating a power of attorney, your loved ones can designate you or another trusted relative or friend to assist with their finances now – for day-to-day assistance and protection from scammers – and later, should they become incapacitated. Again, you will need to employ some sensitivity when discussing this issue.
- Check references of caretakers. As mentioned above, some caretakers are, unfortunately, dishonest. Before you hire

one, check out this person's references. And even when you do, be careful – scam artists have been known to use accomplices as references, so you will need to be thorough in your research and questions.

- Get to know your family members' financial advisors. If possible, become acquainted with your older family members' financial advisors. Any reputable advisor will welcome a connection with their clients' loved ones. And if you are involved in any estate plans, this multi-generational relationship will prove beneficial for everyone.
- Ask to meet any new "friends" they have met online. When someone is lonely, they become vulnerable to online friendships. Sometimes, these new friends make promises of meeting, but never show – and then they suddenly need money for one reason or another.

It can be challenging to guard against all threats posed by the scammers of the world. But by staying alert and taking the appropriate preventive actions, you may be able to help safeguard your loved ones' financial security.

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

BIBLE TRIVIA

by Wilson Casey

1. Is the book of Jonah in the Old or New Testament or neither?

2. In Esther 6, what was done to King Ahasuerus when he could not sleep? *Sang to, Feet rubbed, Fanned by servants, Read to*

3. Which commandment is, "Thou shalt have no other gods before me"? *1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th*

4. In Joppa, who was raised from the dead by the Apostle Peter? *Lazarus, Nahum, Tabitha, Hosea*

5. Who was the baby born of Zacharias and Elizabeth? *Daniel, John the Baptist, Noah, David*

6. What was Pontius Pilate's culture group? *Roman, Greek, Syrian, Babylonian*

ANSWERS: 1) Old; 2) Read to; 3) st; 4) Tabitha; 5) John the Baptist; 6) Roman

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DEATH notices

July 14 - William C. Peters, 86, rural Fairmont
Lakeview Funeral and Cremation Service

July 18 - Phyllis Wally Lou Buchan, 78, Fairmont
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July 25 - Arleen S. Johnson, 82, Fairmont
Lakeview Funeral and Cremation Service

July 25 - William "Bill" W. Cagle, 62, Trimont
Kramer Family Funeral Home

July 26 - Clifford "Cliff" E. Eisenbarger, 75, Granada
Lakeview Funeral and Cremation Service

July 27 - Patty J. Becker, 67, rural Sherburn
Kramer Family Funeral Home

July 28 - Christine D. Dirks, 67, Fairmont
Lakeview Funeral and Cremation Service

In Memoriam

One Year Ago This Week

July 24 - Lorraine D. Ottomoeller, 93, Truman.

July 25 - Phyllis M. Luhmann, 88, Fairmont.

July 25 - Roy L. Krahmer, 76, Sherburn.

July 26 - June M. Trunkenbolz, 80, Fairmont.

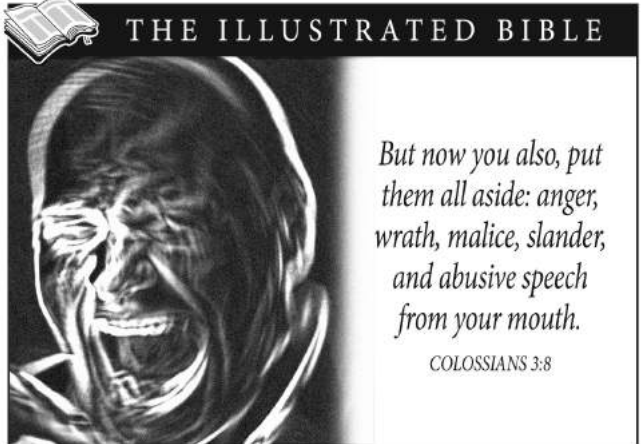
July 26 - Virginia D. Austin, 93, Fairmont.

July 27 - Robert L. Croskrey, 92, Ceylon.

July 27 - Karen J. Wegner, 74, Swea City.

July 30 - Robert J. Cramer, 65, Fairmont.

THE ILLUSTRATED BIBLE



But now you also, put them all aside: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive speech from your mouth.

COLOSSIANS 3:8

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Martin Luther High School Memorials

It is with sincere appreciation that we recognize these Memorials given from April 1st to May 15th, 2018 to the general operating fund of Martin Luther High School. These gifts are instrumental in the success of this Christian educational ministry to teenagers.

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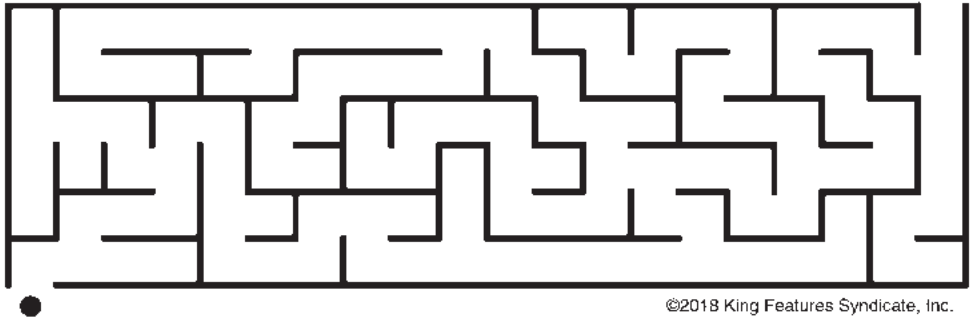
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Warren and Marilyn Kettner
Martin Krause
Cheryl Lindell

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Kids' Maze





Jeff's Jottings

The Hagen farm hosted our annual family get-together last weekend and you couldn't ask for a better day Saturday! Both the Hagen and the Harder families were present (mostly) at the farm and we enjoyed great food, games, visiting and of course, driving the John Deeres. The annual "how tall is the corn crop this year" took place and the neighbor's corn is around 9 feet tall with ears about chest high, so his field looked good. One of the

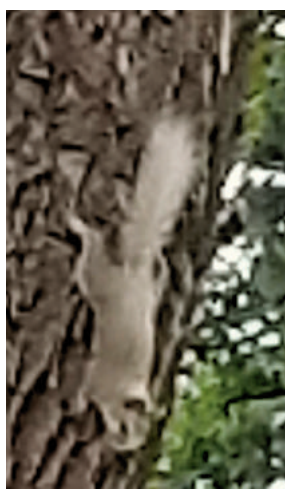


family members asked about the sunflowers that are growing around our place. I haven't planted sunflowers at our place for a number of years, but this year, we have sunflowers popping up all over the farmstead. My only answer is that this is the seed (that is supposed to be infertile) from the bird feeders that hang around our place. That is the only logical answer it could be. I have found volunteer sunflowers by the barn, the corncrib, in the lawn and even right next to the neighbors' corn and bean fields. I'm thinkin that it is our neighborhood squirrels at work. Speaking of squirrels, I was sent a photo about a month ago from Audrey Larson, a Fairmont resident who is a reader of the Photo Press. She took this picture of an "albino" red squirrel in one of her trees. She thought that it was albino but wasn't too sure. The red squirrels are the small, but aggressive, squirrels that

have increased in numbers in what is native area to the common grey squirrels who frequent our trees. So, do you think it is an albino one?

"Where was it?"

Well, our "What is it?" item from last week still has stumped our readers (for the second time in a row). I guess we will never know for sure what the wood and metal piece is or what it was used for. We have a new segment of guessing to try this week. Instead of our usual "What is it?"; on occasion we will have a "Where was it?" One of the Photo Press readers brought in this photo a couple weeks ago and asked if I knew where it was and what it used to be. I had no idea, so I thought it might be a good



new item to ask the readers. This building has been around quite a few years. It is located in the city of Fairmont. It used to house a prominent business for the community of Fairmont for many years. The building is in the process of being taken down, so it may not be standing any more by the time this reaches the readers. So, where is this building and do you know what it used to house? If you know the answer, drop me an email at jeff@fairmontphotopress.com or call the office at 507-238-9456. Do you have an item that you want



featuring in a future column (either a what is it or where was it? You can

stop by the Photo Press with your item so we can take a picture, get details and measurements and also your name to be featured in a future column.

Black Tie Affair Aug. 3

The Sherburn Civic and Commerce group will be having a "Black Tie Affair" fundraiser on Friday, August 3rd at the Sherburn Community Hall (sorry, I stated it as the Sherburn Legion last week - my error!) This "elegant" evening will feature food catered by Tami's on the Ave and will also have live entertainment provided by a jazz group from the twin cities. Advance tickets are available at the Martin County Star, Sherburn Nursery & Floral, Old Alley Quilt Shop and from Sherburn C&C members. No tickets will be sold at the door.

Quilt Shop Hopping, Sweet Corn Days and more!

Quilters all around Minnesota are taking part in the 12th annual MN Quilt Shop Hop through August 12th. One of the stops in right in the local community of Sherburn at Old Alley Quilt Shop, right on Main Street. This popular

shop is one of eight stores in southwest Minnesota that is part of the shop hop this summer. Estherville is hosting the annual Sweet Corn days August 2nd - 5th in Estherville. They have tons of events and activities for the whole family and also fireworks on Friday evening. One of the biggest parades in the area will take place in Estherville on Saturday morning. Come enjoy one of Estherville's biggest festivals. On Saturday, August 4th, three local events are taking place: Martin County Pheasants Forever is hosting Family Fun Day from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Martin County Arena, Northrop is having a big car show at 2 p.m. in Northrop and Saturday night at 7:30 p.m. the Opera House is hosting a night of jazz with "Belle Amour". Lots of great things happening around the area! Have a great week!

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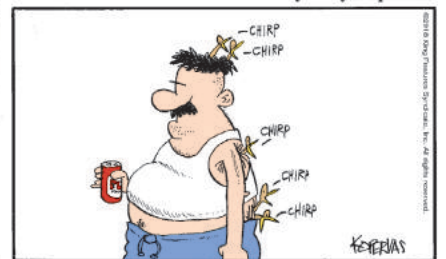
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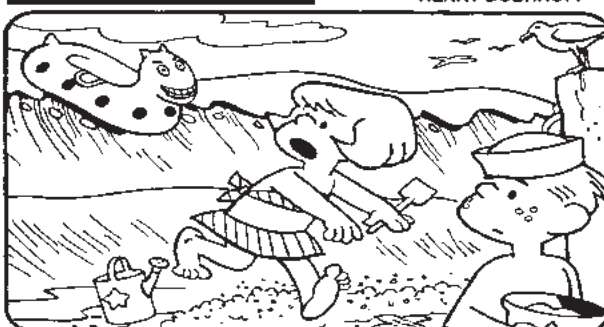
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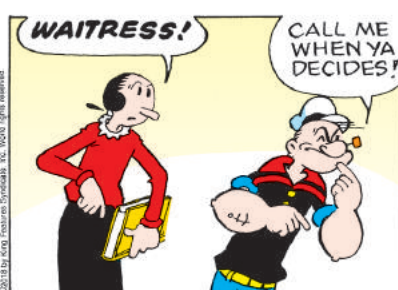
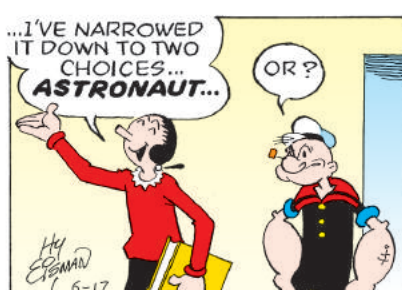
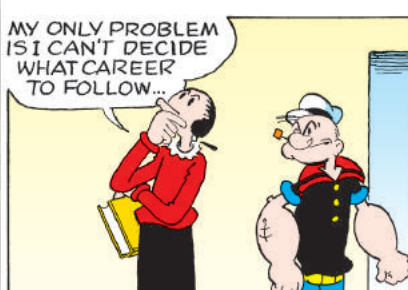
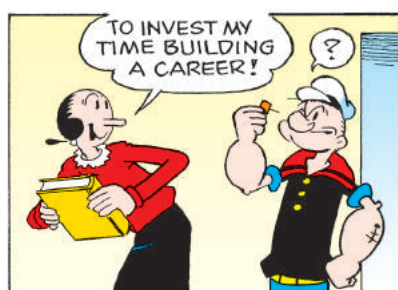
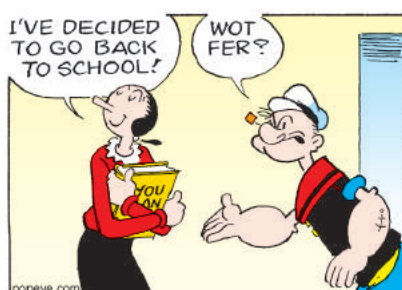
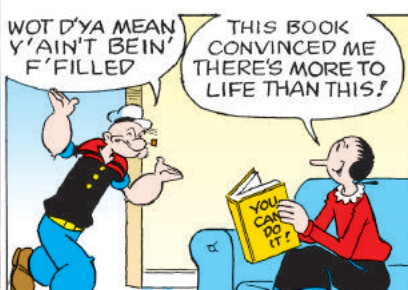
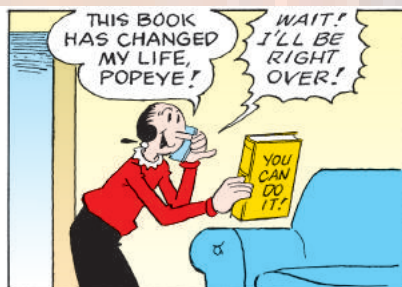
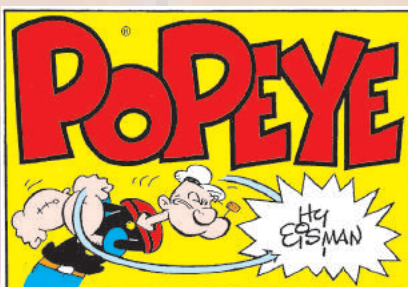
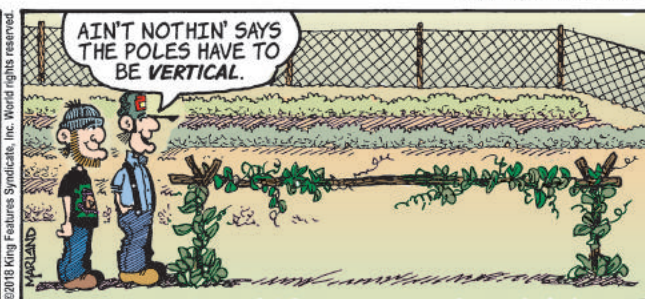


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Friday, August 17th:

- Holy Rocka Rollaz (MC Arena) 6:30pm

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One of the competitions will be the Martin County Fair Barn Quilt Contest, which will award ribbons and cash prizes for the top three overall entries. The barn quilt board will become property of the Martin County Fair and will be displayed on the fairgrounds with credit given to the quilt creator.

Another event will be

the LEGO Building Contest. It will take place Sunday, August 19th from noon to 1:30 p.m. in the Bank Midwest Building. Age groups are: six and under, 7 to 10 years, and 11 years plus. Ribbons and cash prizes will be awarded to the top three overall entries in each age group.

Show your culinary skills in the 1st Annual Decorated Cupcake Contest. Contestants will submit six medium "Decorated Cupcakes" on a dispos-

able plate. Entries will be judged on appearance and taste with ribbons and cash prizes awarded to the top three overall entries.

The other competition is Repurposed and Recycled Furniture/Decor. There are four classes of repurposed/recycled furniture and decor, with ribbons and cash prizes for the top three overall entries.

Come see what's new at the fair this year and enter to win!

Martin County Fair's Premium Book

A 60-page Martin County Fair Premium Book has once again been sold, printed and distributed by the Fairmont Photo Press, in cooperation with the Martin County Fair Board.

Copies were mailed with the Photo Press earlier in July to all towns and rural routes in Martin County, plus Armstrong, Dolliver, Ledyard, Ringsted and Swea City, Iowa. Free copies are available in

Fairmont at: Bank Midwest, CCF Bank, Fairmont Area Chamber of Commerce/Visit Fairmont, Fairmont Butcher Block, First Farmers and Merchants Bank, Fleet and Farm Supply, Martin County Courthouse/4-H, Extension Office, Hy-Vee, Hy-Vee Gas, MC Library, Photo Press, Profinium, State Bank of Fairmont, Tractor Supply Company, True Value, and US Bank. This year the Martin Coun-

ty Fair Board decided to dedicate the cover of the book in honor of Edwin (Ed) Murphy, a long-time fair board member and past president, who passed away in 2017.

The book has the complete fair program and judging schedules, entry forms and advertisements from area businesses, that help support the fair and production of the Martin County Fair premium book.

History of the Fairmont Fireworks

By Roger Carlson, Fairmont Fireworks Chair

The Fairmont Fireworks show was again enjoyed by thousands on July 4th. This was the 25th consecutive year that the Fairmont Fireworks was conducted by the Fairmont Fire Department.

Here is some history on the Fairmont Fireworks display:

Prior to 1994 the fireworks for the Fourth of July had been done through the Fairmont Jaycees. Due to the group disbanding and monies not being available for the fireworks it appeared that the community of Fairmont may not have fireworks for the Fourth of July.

Carl Personius of Fairmont was instrumental in getting the "ball rolling" to see that someone would take over the fireworks. He approached Fairmont Fire Department member, then Fire Chief, Roger Carlson to see if the fire department would assist with the fireworks. That was agreed to with the stipulation that the fire department would not be responsible for raising of the funds necessary.

A fund raising effort was spearheaded by attorney Pete McGough, Bob Gunther and the editor of the Sentinel. Local businesses and organizations were contacted for donations for the cause and the necessary money was gathered for the display. Rich Brothers of Sioux Falls supplied the fireworks and pyrotechnicians. The display went off without a hitch and was well received by the community.

For 1995 McGough was the only person from the original fundraising group to actively pursue funding for the fireworks. Although letters were sent out, the response was diminished. Fortunately the Fairmont Fire Department Relief Association stepped forward with funding from their charitable gambling proceeds and the show was once again a success.

The committee that oversaw the displays in this time frame consisted of chair Roger Carlson, Lynn Johnson, Pat Bulfer and Wendell Fowler. Other firefighters assisted at various times with Doug Borchard and Jim Aust being added to the committee at later dates.

In 1996 the committee was advised that they should become incorporated so that liability issues would be addressed. With the assistance of accountant Steve Pierce and attorney Jim Wilson this was accomplished thanks to a great part to their giving of their services at no charge. Wilson named the non profit corporation "Light, Noise and Smoke of Fair-

mont, Inc."

In 1995 and 1996 the fireworks and pyrotechnicians were obtained through Banner Fireworks. As this company went out of business prior to the 1997 show, an agreement was worked with Melrose Pyrotechnics from that time to the present.

The monies for the fireworks have been overseen by chair Carlson and the committee and have been kept at First Farmers and Merchants Bank in Fairmont. A checking account and money market account have been used with CD's being the prime mode of interest bearing when possible. Various donations of small amounts are periodically received and deposited.

The main portion of the funding of the fireworks display in the mid to late 90's has been the Fairmont Fire Department Relief Association with funds coming from their charitable gambling operation. In addition the City of Fairmont has been contributing \$1200 per year (originally that amount was arrived at as being the insurance cost for the display in subsequent years that amount was reduced but the city has opted to keep their contribution the same). Another contributor on an annual basis has been the Fairmont Women of Today. Each year they sell glow necklaces in the park the night of the display and turn the profits to the fireworks committee, nor-

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mally about \$400 per year.

In the late 90's the committee has spent approximately \$10,000 on the fireworks display. From the above figures, one can see the FFD Relief Association has been funding in excess of \$8000 per year. As of this writing, the funds available through the FFD have vanished at least temporarily. Other sources need to be explored for the show to continue. The committee has enough resources for the 1999 show but after that the reserve will be gone.

One possible source of revenue has been contacted, that being the Fairmont Jaycees, a newly founded group in the past few years. From their charitable gambling proceeds they have tentatively agreed to donate a minimum of \$2500 and possibly more.

In 1998 Mark and Sue Hamre of Fairmont approached Carlson about donating a sum of money for "something special" for the fireworks, not just more of the same thing. With their donation of \$1000 additional volleys of fireworks were obtained and shot from two locations next to the water, one being right below the normal Day Farm site and the other around the point just south of the normal site. This allowed for these displays to be spectacular to the viewers in boats and along the east shores of the lake. They were very well received by the public.

Later in 1998 the Hamres came forward to set up a special fund whereby interest earned on the monies in the fund would supply this extra touch for the fireworks each year. Their donation of \$20,000 was much appreciated by the committee. The money was initially put into the money market account and on February 1, 1999 was put into an account with Edward D. Jones sales rep Paul Schellpeper. The account is a guaranteed interest bearing bond account in excess of 7%. It was put into a guaranteed account rather than risk the volatility of the stock market or other investment. The Hamres' intent

for this donation is that the \$20,000 would remain in the account with interest being used each year as needed. If for some reason in a particular year the funds are needed, some of the original principal can be used as a last resort. However it is the intent of the Hamres that the \$20,000 remain intact if at all possible. An agreement outlining the terms of this donation was arranged by the Hamres with attorney Jim Wilson and a copy kept with the records of the fireworks committee. As stated in the agreement, should the corporation Light, Noise and Smoke of Fairmont, Inc. cease to exist and operate the fireworks the remaining funds are designated by the Hamres to go to the Fairmont Fire Department for the purchase of fire related specialty items, not for general operating funds or expenses.

It should be noted that the fireworks committee has been assisted by others. Each year Olson Rental (Dave Olson) has allowed the use of an auger at no charge. The Fairmont Police Department Explorers have provided site security the night of the display.

The pyrotechnicians for the display from 1995 on have been headed by Buckwheat Johnson of Windom. Buckwheat and the crew are members of the Windom Fire Department and are licensed pyrotechnicians.

This history is being put together for the following reasons: If at some time the committee chair and/or its members are not available this will assist

someone in taking over the fireworks display, dissolving the funds or whatever action is needed. Furthermore, it is hoped this brief history will assist the committee and its members both current and in the future to have a knowledge of what has been transpired in the past. As is needed, this short history will be added to.

Update June 2014 by Roger Carlson

The fireworks display on the 4th continues to be the biggest draw to the city each year according to the Chamber of Commerce. The display has been expanded to the current \$20,000 budget each year. With the signing of a three-year contract and pre-paying for the show, the actual value of the show is estimated at approximately \$26,000-\$27,000. The display has been contracted through J & M Displays of Yarmouth, Iowa for the past several years. Kelm Brueschke of Urbandale Iowa has been the lead pyrotechnician since J & M has provided the display.

Bay Fireworks out of New York had been contracted for a short period to provide the display in the early 2000's. In 2005 (approximately) Bay Fireworks did not show up for the display and did not communicate they weren't coming. It appears they had too many shows to do and not enough pyrotechnicians to cover those displays. The display was held later in the summer in conjunction with the Martin County Fair. After this fiasco they were told their services would no longer

be needed.

Funding for the fireworks is reasonably healthy. Sue Hamre has moved from the area and no longer donates on an annual basis to the display (she had previously donated \$5000 yearly). The Fairmont Firefighters Relief Association continues to be the main financial supporter for the fireworks, generally donating approximately \$5000 per year, varying on the needs of the fireworks fund. Another big financial source for the fireworks is the collection of aluminum cans. A trailer built by Eagle America trailers, Lynn Johnson owner/firefighter was originally put at the K-Mart parking lot, was moved to the VFW parking lot before the land was sold to Bank Midwest and is currently at the mall on State Street. Roger Carlson has overseen the collection and sale of aluminum cans to Pooley's since the can collection was started in the late 1990's. This endeavor brings in approximately \$4000 to \$4500 per year. The trailer needs to be unloaded approximately every 10 days. This was done on a volunteer basis until 2012 when the fireworks committee voted to give 15% of the cans sold to whoever takes the cans to Pooley's.

As of this update, the fireworks committee has approximately \$140,000. A checking account and money market account are established at First Farmers and Merchants bank, a LISA is set up at Profinium and money is invested with Ameriprise and Edward D Jones. Public donations are minimal.

A formal fundraising with the public has not been done since the original days of the Fire Department taking over the fireworks display. Income from the investments is used to pay for the display along with the other funding sources mentioned. The hope is to keep the amount in reserve at approximately that amount.

The City of Fairmont agreed in 2014 to up their contribution to the display from \$1200 to \$1500. The city also provides a dump truck with sand and barricades for the bike trail. Members of the COP (Citizens on Patrol) have assisted in keeping the public from the shoot site area. In recent years,

Harry Brumbaugh and Steve Langford have been patrolling each end of the bike trail.

Members of the department continue to help set up the display, aid with the shooting of the display and assisting in taking down things after the display. This had been done on a volunteer basis for years. In approximately 2005 those helping with the display began to receive payment from J & M for helping. Current members helping are: Chris Toomer, Chris Carstensen, Doug Borchart, Bob Atzenhoefer, Lynn Johnson, Tim Miller, Roger Carlson and Daron Johnson.

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"The Hot Seat"

There are many fun things about traveling with our cat, Edgar Allan. He is such a character, he makes every trip a bit more interesting. I like the way he will roam around the car as he pleases, as if he owns the vehicle.

He'll come from behind my seat and step around the headrest onto my shoulder. He'll sit and look out the windshield

for a bit, then climb down my chest to sit in my lap for awhile. He'll meow at me, then I meow back to him, and he meows again. After our conversation, Edgar will head butt me; rubbing his face against mine, get his ears rubbed, then depart between the seats, returning to the back.

If he is going to see Melissa, he generally will

come up front between our seats, crossing the center console, then into her lap. Melissa will bring out his food dish and let him eat while sitting in her lap.

Edgar is beginning to figure out the switches around the car and how they work. Occasionally, he will step on one, lowering a window on his own. We don't like that

and he doesn't really like it either, especially if we're driving on the highway. The rushing wind scares him a bit. June sure enjoys it and will take the opportunity to poke her nose out the opening into the wind.

I know one of these days he is going to step on the door lock button, locking us out of the car. I can envision that once he's locked us out, he will look at us through the window saying, "I didn't lock the doors - June must have done it." But I am prepared as a Boy Scout for that day to come. Anytime Edgar is left in the car while I'm filling the tank with gas or cleaning the windshield, I always carry a spare key in my pocket.

There are always plenty of cushions and soft things in the back of the car for Edgar to lay on.

He pretty much decides on the space he wants, and our dog June can have whatever space is left over.

If Edgar sprawls out too much, June will push him out of the way and take some of the space back. Sometimes, June will just lay on top of the cat, causing Edgar to meow. Inevitably, June will catch a scolding from Melissa. "June! Get off him. You know better! You're too big to lay on Edgar."

Edgar can be antagonistic, starting a scuff like a youngster who will provoke a sibling to draw a parental response. I think Edgar's meows are often dramatic, like that little kid crying up a storm for attention when he's not really hurt. Edgar will often chuckle a bit when June has been scolded.

Despite their occa-

sional little spats, June and Edgar get along really well. They are travel buddies and good friends. We often catch June using Edgar as a pillow, and vice-versa.

Sometimes, after sitting on Melissa's lap, Edgar will get up to go his way. Nonchalantly, when passing through the front seats, Edgar steps on the switch for the passenger seat warmer. A few moments later, Melissa will cry out, "Edgar Allan! Did you turn on my seat warmer?" Edgar ignores her, aloof to her troubled situation.

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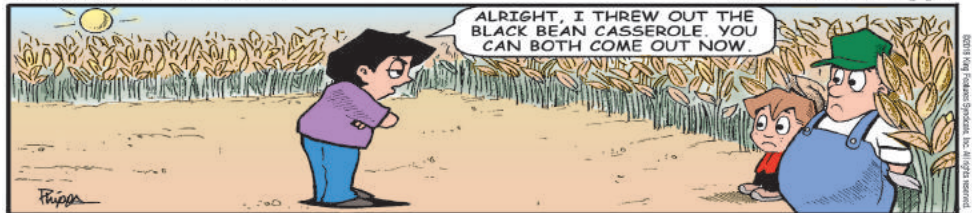



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Applications are available at: Fairmont City Hall
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Testing will be held August 27, August 30, September 1, September 20. Candidates must attend all testing to qualify.



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Ronna L. Roesner, Stephen B. Roesner to Joshua Cowell, Kelly Cowell, PT 5.38 AC NW¼NW¼ 19-102-30 Govt Lot 6

Adam C. Poppe, Melissa Poppe to Angela M. Schmidt, Kevin D. Schmidt, N½ 32.74 AC, NE¼ 34-101-32

Joshua Cowell, Kelly Cowell, Kelly J Kas to Justin Fen-

lon, Kelsey Fenlon, Kelsey Steuber Fenlon, Block GSN Lot 205, Albion Place Condominium #5

Paul D. Vesey, Tamara K. Vesey to Daniel L. Terbeest, Kimberlie A. Terbeest, Lots 3 & 4 Block 2 Taylor & Johnson Addition

QUIT CLAIM DEEDS

Fair Lakes Apostolic Fellowship to Grace Tabernacle, E 1/3 Lots 1,2 & 3 Block 12 Original Plat of Fairmont

Carolyn M. Brown, Mark E. Brown, Carolyn M Brown Living Trust, Mark E Brown Living Trust to Carolyn M. Brown Trustee, Mark E. Brown Trustee, N 14' Lot 11 Block 3 and S 36' Lot 12 Block 3, Oak Beach Addition

TRUSTEE DEEDS

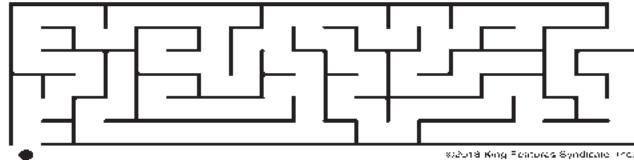
Arthur E. Miller, Bonnie J. Miller, Bonnie and Arthur Miller Revocable Trust, Olson Revocable Trust Agreement to Janice M. Olson, PT OL 10 Campbells Addition Welcome

Lisa Erickson Trustee, Marsha Hamre Trustee, Henry J Aberson Revocable Intervivos Trust, Viola J Aberson Revocable Intervivos Trust, to Martin County Conservation Club Inc, PT w/easement SW¼SW¼, E ½ PT SW¼, PT NW¼ SE¼, PT SW¼SW¼, 21-103-29 and PT E 362' w/easement SE¼SE¼ 20-103-29

STATE DEED SD

State of Minnesota to City of Ceylon, W 160' Lot 1 Block 12, Original Plat Tenhassen-Ceylon

Kids' Maze



Late Model Case IH Retirement Machinery Auction

Thursday August 23rd, 2018

Located: 1708 40th Street Ceylon MN - Starts at 10:00 am

Tractors; 2007 CIH Magnum MFWD 305 w/2530 hrs,- 997 CIH 8940 MFWD W/ 5069 Hrs, IH 1086.

Combine & Heads- 2007 CIH 2577 Combine w/1808 Engine Hrs, 1354 Sep. Hrs.; - 2005 Goeringhoff 6 row 30" Chopping Corn Head low acres; - 1997 CIH 1020 25' Grain Platform w/3" cut -

Planters & Tillage Equipment: - 2003 Case IH model 1200 12 row Pivot Planter w/liquid fertilizer, 2014 CIH 200 33' Field Cultivator w/ 2 bar mulcher & rolling basket,

Grain Hauling Trucks & Equipment: - 1997 Volvo Semi Tractor Sleeper; - Neville Built 40' Semi Trailer; - 1988 I.H. "S" 2500 Semi Tractor, Day Cab, w/265,000 miles; Jet Semi Trailer 34' Roll tarp,

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Ask A Trooper: ATV Kid Passengers

by Sgt. Troy Christianson,
MN State Patrol

Question: I recently purchased a 2018 Polaris Ranger. We have a two year old son and I am wondering what the laws are. Does he need to be in a car seat or booster seat with a helmet? Thank you in advance.

Answer: When riding ATVs, OHVs and motorcycles on public lands or waters, or on a public road right-of-way, a passenger under age 18 must:

- Wear an approved helmet.
- Wear a seat belt if provided by the manufacturer.

An approved helmet must meet federal law, which requires the helmet to display the symbol "DOT." DOT is the manufacturer's certification that the helmet conforms to the applicable federal motor vehicle safety standards. Standard bicycle helmets and hockey helmets do not meet legal requirements.

It is important to keep in mind the size of the child's head and neck, as well as the

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UPCOMING AUCTIONS

SATURDAY, AUGUST 4, 2018 @ 10 A.M. - GARY & DEBRA BAILEY RETIREMENT AUCTION - including JD 9400T, JD 8520T, Gleaner R76 Combine, Semi Tractors & Trailers, Highboy Sprayer, Field Equip & much more! Sale to be held at 46371 Co. Rd 14, Lakefield, MN. **DAN PIKE AND ASSOCIATES.**

THURSDAY, AUGUST 9, 2018 @ 10:15 A.M.-KIETH & KAREN WORTHLEY CHARITABLE REMAINDER TRUST-Large Retirement Machinery Auction including: CIH 500 Quad Trac, CIH 310 Magnum, CIH Puma 170, JD 520 & Farmall Super M Tractors, CIH 7130 Combine, CIH 2608 Cornhead & CIH Terra Flex 3162 Draper, 2009 IH Conv Semi Tractor, '99 Volvo Semi Tractor, CIH 1250 Planter & Much More! Sale to be held at 328 100th St, Sherburn, MN. **KAHLERS, HARTUNG, WEDEL & PIKE AUCTIONEERS**

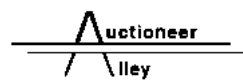
SATURDAY, AUGUST 11, 2018 @ 9:45 A.M. - TOM AND ANITA DAVIS. Large retirement farm equipment auction including: '05 CIH STX 325 Tractor, 1997 CIH 8920 Tractor, 2000 JD 9550 Combine, JD 925 Flex Head and much more! Sale located at 1161 50th Ave. Sherburn, MN. **DAN PIKE AND ASSOCIATES.**

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2018 @ 3 P.M. - COMBINATION AUCTION OF KENNETH WEST ESTATE & LES PETERSON ESTATE. Antiques, Tools, Household Items of West Estate. 6:30pm Sale of 15-2 cylinder JD Collector Tractors of the Peterson Estate, ending on West Estate Residence & large corner lot. Sale to be held at 211 Ash St W. in Trimont, MN. Just south of Farmers State Bank. **HALL, KAHLER & ASSOCIATES**

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2018 @ 9:45 A.M. - JAMES & KATHRYN FLANTZ. Large retirement machinery auction including: CIH 245 Magnum, CIH Steiger 9330, CIH 150 Puma Tractors, CIH 8830 Swather, CIH 2366 Combine, CIH 1020 Flex Head & CIH 1063 and much more! Sale located at 43577 330th Street, Gaylord, MN. **KAHLERS, HARTUNG, WEDEL & PIKE.**

PRIVATE LISTING FOR SALE: 4,000 head finishing hog site in Sec. 16 of Iowa Lake Twp., Emmet Co., IA CONTACT DUSTYN HARTUNG 507-236-7629 FOR INFO ON PRICE, TERMS, & INSPECTION!

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FORENOON RETIREMENT FARM EQUIPMENT AUCTION



Saturday, August, 11, 2018 @ 9:30 A.M.

SALE LOCATION: The auction will be held at the Davis farm at 1161 50th Avenue Sherburn, Minnesota. Normal auction terms as posted & announced. Watch for auction signs the day of the auction. Not responsible for accidents.

TRACTORS & TRACTOR EQUIPMENT: 2005 Case / IH STX 325 50,000 Anniversary model 4x4 tractor w/ under 3,400 actual hrs. tach shows 1,358, Case / IH FM 750 auto steer with EZ-Piolet Trimble guidance system, PTO, Firestone 520/85R/46 radial rubber & dual, 4 hyd. Outlets, heated seat, approximately 400 on transmission overhaul, Ser.# 107294. Very clean unit; 1997 Case / IH 8920 MFD tractor w/ only 3,250 hrs., console was replaces so indicted hours on tach are 2,878, 18.4x46" rear rubber, 14.9x28" front rubber, factory axle duals, dual 540/1000 PTO's, 4 hyd. Outlets, Ser.#100782. one owner very nice tractor, 18 Case/IH front suit case weights will be sold following 8920 tractor. **COMBINE - HEADS & HEADER TRAILER:** 2000 JD 9550 COMBINE: w. only 2,250 separator & 3,052 engine hrs., 18.4x38" front dual rubber, Ser. #686099. Sharp combine, JD 843 LT oil drive corn head w/ poly snouts. Ser.#100543X630704; JD 925 flex head w/ Ser.#678047; Mauer fifth wheel header trailer. **SEMI TRACTOR & GRAIN TRAILERS:** 2003 IH 8600 day cab semi tractor w/ 352,752 indicated miles, ISM Cummins 375 hp. diesel engine, 10 spd. transmission. nice clean truck; 2004 Dakota Aluminium 36' grain hopper trailer; 1992 Mauer gooseneck 400 bu. Hopper grain trailer. **FIELD & TILLAGE EQUIPMENT:** Case / IH 5300C 5 shank disk ripper w/ cusion gang; B&H 9100 12RN ridge cultivator; Hiniker, Black 8RN & 6RN ridge cultivators; Wilrich 27' field cultivator; JD 120 20' stalk chopper; Kewanee 800 13' plowing disk; JD 12RN folding tool bar w/ B&H ridge cleaner units; JD 400 30' hyd. folding rotary how and Other items of equipment and miscellaneous.

GRAIN CART & WAGONS: Brent 776 grain cart, nice unit, 3- H&S 400 bu. gravity wagons w/ both sides & center dumb boxes; DMI 375 bu. center dump gravity wagon; Lundell 325 bu. gravity w/ bean seed gate; NuBilt 200 bu. gravity wagon w. Electric running gear.

DRYER & GRAIN EQUIPMENT: Farm Fans CFAB270 continuous flow grain dryer w/ only 3,369 hr.; Several Augers and Other items. **PICKUP & CARGO TRAILER:** 1993 Ford F-250 4x4 regular cab pickup w/ 113,xxx miles, 7.3 factory Bank turbo engine, 5 speed trans.; Cargo Mate 7' x 14' cargo trailer and other vehicles for parts.

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INSPECTION: Equipment inspection will be welcome between 10:00 A.M. and 3:00 P.M. two (2) days prior to the sale or by appointment with Tony Davis at 507-840-0006. **SALE ORDER:** We will be starting with the shop equipment at 9:30 A.M., followed by the miscellaneous smaller items, approximately 12:00 to 12:30 P.M. we plan to be on the equipment portion of the sale. This may change without notice. We may be using 2 auction rings during part of the auction so please plan accordingly. Please mark your calendars to make sure to be with us for outstanding forenoon auction.

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Bank Midwest Community Fund awards grant to Adventure Playground



Pictured (left to right): Shelly Krahmer, Jared Pomeranke, JoAnna Long, Sara Pierce, Jodie Whitmore, Kristin Tietje, Kevin Pfingsten, and Linda Goraczowski (Submitted photo)

Bank Midwest Community Fund recently awarded a \$20,000 Grant to Adventure Playground Task Force for All-Inclusive Playground in Fairmont.

Bank Midwest is proud to support the Adventure Playground Task Force's mission to create a playground where children and adults of all physical and cognitive abilities can engage in play and exploration. The Task Force was created in 2017 by a group of local parents, educators, social service providers, and other professionals dedicated to enhancing the quality of life for families with disabilities.

The playground will implement special features and tools which make play easier for those with mobility devices, impaired lower- and upper-body control, and limited cognitive ability.

"We are thrilled to be a part of the Adventure Playground," stated Bank Midwest

Market President Jared Pomeranke. "This public space will serve families in Southern Minnesota and Northern Iowa, including the communities of Fairmont, Jackson, Sherburn, and Armstrong."

The total project cost is \$481,000, and nearly 100% of the project has been funded. Project completion is planned for April 2019.

The Bank Midwest Community Fund is designed to help support larger community projects that are meeting a unique need in the markets it serves. The fund accepts proposals from local, community-based 501(c)3 organizations and is focused on the arts, environment, recreation, youth, and general long-term community betterment initiatives.

To be considered, applicants must demonstrate how their project will impact Bank Midwest customers, shareholders and employees, as well as how much market area the

organization or event will reach and the potential for employee involvement.

Bank Midwest is an employee-owned organization with 11 locations throughout Iowa, Minnesota and South Dakota.

Financial Focus

Provided by:

Paul Schellpeper, Drew Schellpeper, Wyman Fischer, Dan Hamlet, Mandi Kosbab
Financial Advisors, Edward Jones, www.edwardjones.com, Member SIPC

Where You Live as Retiree Can Affect Financial Strategies

Upon retiring, many people relocate to enjoy a more favorable climate, or to be closer to grown children, or to live in an area they've visited and enjoyed. If you, too, are thinking of moving someday, you'll want to study possible locations, but you also need to be aware that where you eventually decide to live can greatly affect your savings and investment strategies – both now and during your retirement.

Here are some relocation costs to consider:

• **Housing** – Not surprisingly, the larger the

city, the more expensive the housing is likely to be. Also, locations near an ocean or the mountains tend to be more costly. But the type of housing you select – house, apartment or condominium – also can affect your financial picture in terms of initial expense, maintenance and possible tax benefits. Plus, you can now find newer types of

arrangements, such as senior cooperative housing, in which you own a share of the community and have a voice in how it's run.

• **Health care** – If you are 65 or older when you retire, you'll have Medicare to cover some of your health care costs, though

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RETIREMENT MACHINERY AUCTION

SALE DATE: THURSDAY, AUGUST 9TH @ 10:15 AM—LOCATION: 2 miles west on Hwy 4 of Sherburn, MN and 1 mile south on Hwy 4 and 1 3/4 miles west on 100th St located at 328 100th Street, Sherburn, MN.

TRACTORS: CIH 500 QUAD TRAC TRACTOR, purchased new in '12, has AFS Pro 700 monitor, Nav II

Controller, 941 hrs., Cab Suspension, 30" Tracks, Hi-Capacity hyd. Pump, HID Cab Roof Light Package, S/N ZCF132967; CIH 310 MAGNUM TRACTOR, MFD Front, purchased new in 2016, has AFS Pro 700 Monitor, Nav II Controller, only 264 hrs., Luxury Performance Cab,

380/80R38 Front Tires, 480/80R50 Rear Tires w/Factory Duals, Power Shift

Trans, 5 hydraulic outlets, 540 large & small 1000 PTO, Weight Box, Hi-Capacity hyd. Pump, S/N ZGRF02062; CIH PUMA 170 MFD TRACTOR, 1,098 hrs., purchased as a demo-lease return in 2012, CVT

Trans, Cab, Reverser, 3 pt., 540 & 1000 PTO's, Cab Suspension, 480/80R42 rear w/Factory Duals, 380/85R30 Front Tires, 4 hyd. outlets, S/N ZBBS10716; (2) JOHN DEERE 520 TRACTORS, PS, Live

PTO, 1 w/3 pt.; FARMALL SUPER M, wide front; CLARK FORKLIFT 4000 # LIFT, 8-17.5 Pneumatic Tires

COMBINE & HEADS: CIH 7130 AFS COMBINE, purchased new in '14, 947 sep. hrs., Auto Steer, Field

Tractor Feederhouse, Chopper w/Straw Spreader, HD Feederhouse Drive, Rock Trap, 372 Antenna, Nav II

Controller, Bin Ext., S/N YDG011287; CIH 2608 8-30 CORNHED, Chopping, new rolls & rebuilt prior to

2017 season, \$14,000 spent, Row Tracker; 2016 CIH TERRA FLEX 3162 35' DRAPER HEADER, S/N

YEH050225, flip over reel, new cutter bar after season; MAUER M38 HEADER TRAILER, 38', single axle

TRUCKS, TRAILERS & VEHICLES: '09 IH CONV SEMI TRACTOR, Cummins M11, 375 hp. Motor, 10

sd trans, Air Ride, 531,000 mi; '99 VOLVO VNM64T SEMI TRACTOR, Cummins M11 330 hp. Motor, 10

sd trans, Air Ride, Twin Screw, PS; '16 JET 40' HOPPER GRAIN TRAILER, Roll Tarp, bought new; '06

JET 38' HOPPER GRAIN TRAILER, Roll Tarp, bought new; 1987 GMC BRIGADEER FEED TRUCK, 12

ton hyd. Feed body, (4) 3 Ton Compart, Twin Screw, Cummins Engine; '10 FORD F150 XL 4x4 PICKUP, V

-8 Engine, Auto, 8' Box, 47,000 mi; '06 FORD TAURUS SE AUTOMOBILE **FARM EQUIP:** '13 CIH

1250 16-30 PLANTER, hyd. Drive, Row Shutoffs, Trash Whippers, used w/FM 750 Planter Monitor, bought

new, only 7,500 acre total use; '15 CIH 875 9 SHANK RIPPER, Rear Basket, purchased new; CIH 48' Tiger

Mate II Field Cultivator, Trifold, Rolling Basket; Hardi Navigator 4000 Sprayer, 120' Susp Boom, Hardi

Pump, Induction Cone Rinse Tank; Demco 1050 Grain Cart, purchased new in '11, Scale; Friesen & Titan

45E, 4 Box Seed Tenders, Scale, Belt Conveyor; IH 720 6-18"; IH 700 7-18" Pull-type Plow, Auto Reset &

Coulters; JD 400 30' & 20' 3 pt. Rotary Hoes; Wilrich 25' Pull-type Chisel Plow; IH 480 21' Disk; 3 pt. NH3

12-30 Bar; Bush Hog 3 pt. Brush Mower, SQ184; 1,500 gal. Tank on Trailer w/Induction Cone & Pump;

1,000 gal. SS Tank on Tandem Axle Trailer w/Induction Cone & Pump; 6 Section Stiff Tooth Drag & Cart;

Betterbuilt 6' 10' 3 pt. Manure Pump; Betterbuilt 6' Load Stand; IH 3082 Series B 3 pt. Backhoe **GRAIN**

EQUIP: FARM FANS CF1AB 370 GRAIN DRYER, 3 phase, LP gas, has Dri Tek Dryer Control, Continuo-

ous Dump Hot or Auto Batch, low hrs., bought new in '09; Behlen 3,200 bu. Cone Bottom Tank; '14 West-

field MK100-71 10' x 71' Auger w/Swinging Hopper, very nice, hyd. Lift; (2) Westfield MK100-71 Augers,

10'x71' w/Swinging Hopper, hyd. Lift; Feterl 10'x76' PTO Auger w/hyd. Drive Swing Hopper; DMC 8' x

approx. 55' Auger w/10 hp., 3 phase, elec. Drive; Mayrath 10'x55' PTO Auger; M&W 400 & Lundell 300 bu.

Gravity Wagon; Dakon 200 bu. Gravity Wagon; Killbros 350 Gravity Wagon; 8' x approx. 42' Cross Auger

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you'll still likely need to purchase some type of supplemental coverage. However, out-of-pocket health care expenses may vary in different parts of the country, so this is something else you'll want to check out before relocating. Of course, the availability of good medical facilities may be just as important to you as health care costs.

• **Taxes** – You may hear about people moving to a different state to lower their tax burden during retirement. A few states don't have personal state income taxes, and many others offer favorable tax breaks on retirement income, so, if taxes are a major concern, you'll want to research the tax situation of prospective retirement locations. You may also want to consult with your tax advisor.

These aren't all the areas you will need to consider when estimating your total cost of living in a retirement destination, but they should give you a good idea of what you can expect. And your choice of where to live as a retiree can affect your financial strategy in at least two ways: how you invest today and how much you can withdraw from

your retirement accounts when you're retired.

Regarding how you invest today, you should evaluate whether your current investment strategy is likely to produce the resources needed to support you adequately in the retirement location you've chosen. So, for example, if you think you're going to live in a fairly expensive place, you may need to reduce your expenses, delay retirement or work part time.

Your choice of a retirement destination also may affect how much money you withdraw each year from your 401(k) and IRA. When choosing an appropriate withdrawal rate, you'll need to consider other variables – your age, the amount of money in your retirement accounts, other available assets, etc. – but your cost of living will be a key factor. A financial professional can help you determine the withdrawal rate that's right for you.

When you retire, it can be a great feeling to live where you want, but you'll enjoy it more if you're fully aware of the costs involved – and the financial steps you'll need to take.

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TRAVELING TEAM - Three local softball players participated in the PGF Midwest Regional 16u Championship tourney in Peoria, IL July 22-29. Jennifer Moeller Fairmont HS, Lizzie Oothoudt Martin Luther HS and Tatum Dunlavy Estherville Middle School played for the Minnesota Waves traveling softball team. (submitted photo)



STEALING SECOND - Fairmont Martins Dalen Keltgen awaits the throw on Isaac Dolan's, steal attempt. The Martins won 5-2 over the Milroy Irish and the playoff best of 3 game series 2 games to 1. The #3-seeded Martins play tonight (Wednesday) in Fairmont vs #2-seeded Hadley in another Region 13C amateur baseball playoff best of three series. Game 2 is in Hadley, Saturday and if necessary game 3 will be played Sunday in Hadley. Courtesy fairmontsports.com

COED Playoffs -
DIVISION 1
Legends II 25, Octane Power Sports 3
Legends II 17, Blazer Bar/Exit Realty 15
Playback Bracket -
Demand Pork 16, A-1 Concrete 12. Trent with 3HR game. A-1
Concrete eliminated
Demand Pork 19, Octane Power Sports 10. Big hits! Fun, fun, fun!
Octane Power Sports eliminated
DIVISION 2
Blue Earth Legion12, Royalty Rides 5. Travis P. 2 old crows for a 3 & 1 pitch. Two fans all the way from Germany!
Playback Bracket –
Montanna Tree Service/Old Northrop Bar18, Butcher Block 5.
Butcher Block eliminated
DIVISION 3
Hitman Bail Bonds 20, Val's LuLaRoe/Dairy Freeze 16. The Dingers have shown up!
Playback Bracket –
Doolittles Carpet/Clancy Chiropractic 27, Shenanigans 6. 18 runs in the first! Fun playing with them!

MENS SLO-PITCH	W	L	GB	PCT	STR
Blazer Bar/Steel Wheel	10	0	-	1.000	10W
B & S Farms	8	2	2	.800	6W
The Still	8	3	3	.727	4W
Boekett/Rookies	8	3	3	.727	2W
Center for Specialty Care	7	3	3	.700	1W
Exit Realty/Great Plains	5	7	7	.416	3L
Edie's Restaurant	6	6	6	.500	1W
Hecht Taxidermy	5	7	7	.416	5W
Full Tilt	2	9	9	.181	1W
Legends II	2	9	9	.181	6L
Fairmont Ford	1	11	11	.083	10L

Hecht Taxidermy 11, Edie's Restaurant 10
Full Tilt 14, Fairmont Ford 12
The Still 13, Exit Realty/Great Plains 12
Hecht Taxidermy 22, Legends II 8
Edie's Restaurant 23, Fairmont Ford 21
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Bronze Medal – Gold Friendships By Julie Becker (Joni Becker blog)

Joni Becker just returned from a 10 day trip to Australia with Down Under Sports. Joni joined 352 track and field athletes from across the US to travel to the land Down Under to compete. Joni and her mom, Julie, left from Minneapolis with 23 other Minnesota athletes and supporters on July 7th.

The first two days were travel days flying from Minneapolis to Toronto to Vancouver to Brisbane. The longest flight was 14 hours from Vancouver to Brisbane crossing over the international date line. We arrived in Australia on Monday July 9th. Australia is 15 hours ahead of MN time. We completely missed July 8th. Our tour bus group the “Wallabies” stopped at Mt Coot Tha lookout to see the Bris-



bane city sights and have lunch before a quick stop at the hotel to drop off luggage and then Joni was off to her first day of practice at Griffith University. The team hotel was located in Gold Coast, Queensland, Australia. The beach was just a block away with restaurants and shopping all around. We were impressed how friendly the people were and the beach and streets and everything were so clean.

The following morning was free time to walk on the beach, swim in the ocean, and check out the area. The days were beautiful. Temperatures of 65-70 during the day and 50-55 at night. Joni had another good practice after lunch, and after practice we visited a kangaroo field where we saw the kangaroos in the wild. On day five Joni had her last practice while mom enjoyed a 5 mile walk on the beach. Gold Coast was beautiful white sand beach for as far as you could see. After lunch the team went to Curumbin Wildlife Sanctuary where we were able to get up close to the kangaroos



and koalas. A fun day! We also saw an aboriginal experience. That night we had supper at a place similar to an American Legion or VFW. Most nights after supper were free time to explore the area.

The next day was a free day and we went on a 4WD rainforest tour. Our tour guide was amazing. It was nice to get into the “bush” (country). Lots of long, narrow, winding roads and beautiful countryside. We started on Tamborine Mountain where we saw lots of Eucalyptus trees on our way into the rainforest. We walked through the rainforest to Curtis Falls. We saw lots of very old, unique trees, did a little shopping in the village, then went to a “Bar B” (bbq) for lunch. After lunch we traveled to Lamington National Park for a tree top walk above the rainforest and then fed

the king parrots & crimson rosella birds. After our excursion we did some souvenir shopping.

Day seven began the International Games. Kind of like the Olympics, they had an Opening Ceremony where all the athletes walked on the track and they played the National anthems. There were athletes from Australia, New Zealand, and the USA competing. Joni ran a great open 400 race finishing 2nd in her heat on day one. There were 33 competitors in 4 heats for her 16-17 age division. Joni finished 12th in prelims which qualified her for finals the following day. They ran an A and B final with 8 runners each and Joni finished 3rd in the B finals. She also ran the open 200 the second day with 42 entries in her age division but she did not make the finals. It was another great competition day for her though.

The International meets have some different rules and events than we are used to. For instance, the coaches can't be in the infield. They can only coach from outside the fence. Fun events were added like javelin and hammer throw and steeplechase. These meets moved very slow.

The last day of competi-

tion went very well. Joni's 4x400 relay team brought home the Bronze medal! We were in 5th until our 3rd runner passed a team right before she handed off to Joni for the final leg. Joni passed the 3rd place team just before the last 200 to bring home some hardware. Not bad for 4 girls who just met a few days earlier. That evening there was an awards ceremony for all the athletes where they received their Down Under patches, and we made our last trips to the beach. We so enjoyed having the waves just outside our window.

On day ten we began the long trip back to the US. It was much harder flying back home during the day instead of at night. We made it from Brisbane to Vancouver to Toronto without any problems other than several stops through customs and immigration. Unfortunately our flight from Toronto to Minneapolis was cancelled due to thunderstorms in Toronto. After hours at the airport our group finally got a hotel



at midnight. Julie and a couple other MN Down Under supporters made the best of our extra day and traveled to downtown Toronto where we visited the CN Tower. It is iconic to Toronto and one of the 7 Wonders of the World. The next evening we were rebooked on another airline but had to travel through Chicago before getting back to Minneapolis. We did finally make it back to the USA and to Minnesota... 27 hours later than expected.

AMAZING...pretty much sums up the entire trip. We both had a wonderful time and met many great new friends from all over the USA. The MN group became especially close from traveling together. If any area athletes get invited to participate in Down Under Sports they should definitely go! Joni was able to get her part of the trip fully funded by great friends, family, & community businesses. Thanks to all Joni's sponsors for giving her this awesome opportunity! Thanks for sharing in our amazing journey Down Under.

Candidate forums will highlight Farmfest

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In 2018, Minnesota will be the home of an open Governor's race, two U.S. Senate seats, and some very competitive Congressional races. Many analysts have stressed the importance of this year's mid-term elections on a national basis, and that will certainly be the case in Minnesota as well. It is important for farm operators, businesses, and other residents of greater Minnesota to know where the candidates stand on issues important to agriculture and rural areas of the State.

IDEAg FARMFEST will feature an exciting line-up of Candidate Forums in 2018 that will include candidates for Minnesota Governor, the two U.S. Senate seats, and for Minnesota's First, Second, Sixth, and Seventh Districts. This is a very intriguing line-up of Candidate Forums, and the Forums are quite timely, considering Minnesota's statewide primary election is the following week on August 14th. The Forums will be held August 7th, 8th, and 9th, in the Wicks Buildings FARMFEST Center, near the center of the show site. FARMFEST is located at the Gilfillan Estate, seven miles southeast of Redwood Falls, Minnesota, on Highway #67.

A highlight will be the "Minnesota Governor Candidate's Forum" on Wednesday, August 8th, at 10:30 a.m., which will feature the five major candidates in Minnesota's open gubernatorial race. Confirmed candidates include

the two major Republican candidates: former Governor Tim Pawlenty and Hennepin County Commissioner Jeff Johnson, the endorsed candidate; and the three major DFL candidates: Congressman Tim Walz, Attorney General Lori Swanson, and State Representative Erin Murphy, the endorsed candidate. The Forum will be broadcast live on WCCO radio, and candidate questions at the Forum will be asked by WCCO morning show hosts Dave Lee and Blois Olson. The questions will be derived from various agriculture and rural leaders and will focus on variety of issues affecting the agriculture industry and rural Minnesota.

FARMFEST will host two "U.S. Senate Candidate Forums". The first Forum is scheduled for Tuesday, August 7th, at 10:30 a.m., and will feature incumbent Democratic U.S. Senator Tina Smith, along with her challengers, State Senator Karin Housley and Bob Anderson, who are both Republican candidates, and DFL candidates Richard Painter and Nick Leonard. The second U.S. Senate Candidate Forum will be held on Thursday, August 9th, at 10:30 a.m., with incumbent Democratic U.S. Senator Amy Klobuchar participating, along with two of her challengers, Republicans Jim Newberger and Rae Hart Anderson. All major U.S. Senate candidates are confirmed to participate in the FARMFEST Forums. A panel of agriculture media repre-

sentatives and leaders of farm organizations will pose questions to the candidates on a variety of issues affecting farmers and rural families.

The "Congressional Candidates Forum on Agriculture and Rural Issues" will be held on Tuesday, August 7th, at 1:15 p.m. The following Congressional candidates from Minnesota's First, Second, Sixth, and Seventh Congressional Districts are confirmed to participate in the Forum: Seventh District Congressman Collin Peterson (D), and his challenger Dave Hughes (R); Sixth District Congressman Tom Emmer (R) and his challenger Ian Todd (D); First District candidates Jim Hagedorn (R), Carla Nelson (R) and Dan Feehan (D); and Second District candidate Angie Craig (D). Second District Congressman Jason Lewis has also been invited to participate. Moderators will pose questions to the candidates on a variety of issues affecting agriculture and rural communities, which will originate from agriculture leaders representing various farm organizations and commodity groups.

There will also feature several other intriguing educational Forums during the three-day run of FARMFEST. The feature Forum on Wednesday, August 8th, at 1:15 p.m. is titled: "Protecting Minnesota's Water Resources Public Concern and Landowner Implications". The Forum Panel will be headlined by Dennis An-

derson, well-known Outdoor Columnist for the Minneapolis Star-Tribune and Tom Landwehr, Minnesota DNR Commissioner. The will be joined on the Panel by Warren Formo, Executive Director of the MN Ag Water Resource Coalition; State Senator Bill Weber; Thom Peterson, MN Farmers Union Government Relations Director; and Amber Hanson Glaeser, MN Farm Bureau Director of Public Policy. The Forum will focus on a variety of water quality issues in Minnesota, possible solutions, and potential legislation that could affect farmers and landowners.

Another feature Forum on Thursday, August 9th, at 9:00 a.m., is titled: "Resources for Farm Families in Challenging Times", which is very timely, considering the current financial struggles being faced by many Minnesota farm families. The panel will include Joe Martin, Minnesota State FSA Director, David Bau, University of MN Extension Educator, Mary Nell Preisler, State Director of the MN Farmer-Lender Mediation Program, David Hesse, MN Dept. of Ag Farm Advocate, Ryan Roles, Director of the MN Rural Finance Authority, and Meg Moynihan, Programs Administrator with the MN Dept. of Ag.

An additional special Forum on Tuesday, August 7th, at 9:00 a.m., is titled: "World Trade and Its Impact on U.S. Supply and Demand". It will feature a presentation by Kent Beadle, Director of Risk Consulting for CHS Hedging. Another special Forum on Wednesday,

August 8th, at 3:00 p.m., is titled: "Answering Your B20 Questions Before Harvest". Panel members include State Representative Paul Anderson, Mike Youngerberg, MN Soybean Growers Assn., and Ron Jessen, CHS diesel fuel expert. There will also be a special Forum titled: "Farm Succession Planning", presented by Farm Bureau Financial Services, which will be held on Tuesday, August 7th, at 3:00 p.m.

Mark Schultz, Commodity Marketing Analyst with Northstar Commodities, will provide a "Grain and Livestock Marketing Update" at 9:00 a.m., on Wednesday, August 8th, during the free pancake breakfast sponsored by MN Farm Bureau, which will occur from 8:00-10:00 a.m. A free sweet corn feed sponsored by the Minnesota Corn Growers Assn. will occur Tuesday, August 7th during the noon hour at FARMFEST. The Linder Farm Network Noon Show will be held each day at FARMFEST from

12:00-1:00 p.m., featuring many special guests each day. The Noon Show on Wednesday, August 8th, will feature the naming of the 2018 MN State Pork Ambassadors.

A FARMFEST tradition will continue on Thursday, August 9th, at 1:15 p.m., with the annual "Farm Family of the Year" Recognition Program, which will feature comments by Eric Kaler, President of the University of Minnesota. Approximately 80 farm families from throughout Minnesota have been selected at the county level for this special recognition. This event is jointly sponsored by FARMFEST and the University of Minnesota.

For more information on the Forums, exhibits, and other highlights at FARMFEST, please refer to the IDEAg FARMFEST website at: <http://www.ideaggroup.com/>, or contact Kent Thiesse, FARMFEST Forum Coordinator (507-381-7960) or (kent.thiesse@minnstarbank.com).

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