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A reality instead of a dream

Guest Columnist

Darwin Anthony, Business Owner, Artist, Writer

In this time of impulse buying it is refreshing to see someone study what they want, wait until they have the money to buy it, and then see them enjoy what they have w aited for. It is also meaningful to be able to share in the excitement of such a moment when it becomes A REALITY IN-STEAD OF A DREAM. Our daughter is a quilter. She loves creating something of beauty that can be shared with others. I have seen many of her quilts and she takes great pride in her "works of art". I admire her choice of pattern, fabric, and appreciate her skill in making various kinds of quilts. We were invited to at-

tend the 2016 Wisconsin Quilt Expo last year with her. The show was something wonderful as all the quilts are juried in before the show. The selected quilts are from many states and entered under certain categories. Only the top quilts of each category are on display! Such expertise brings out a large attendance of "true" quilters. The suppliers of quilting materials such as fabrics and those who make quilting furniture know the quilting level of those attending. The large hall has row upon row of booths. A Canadian furniture firm that makes quilting furniture had such a booth. The furniture

of this display caught our daughter's eye. She recognized the quality of planning, material, and workmanship. She decided to check it out. She has a "bonus room" over the over the garage of her new home. She talked to the vendor and a plan was formed. She would measure the bonus room and send the measurements to the company. They would a twenty-five percent "fat quarters." It was



She accepted the offer.

Her mother had then offer a recom- seen her admire a cermendation as to what tain type of quilting might be done. The material at one of the reply came with an of- booths. Our daughter fer. They proposed that had to leave the show they make the furniture early to finish up some for a certain price but work at her job. Her wanted to bring it to the mother asked me to see 2017 Wisconsin Quilt something at one of the Expo. If she accepted, vendor booths. It was a they would give her bundle of fabric called

We decided to buy it. It could be the first material to be placed on a shelf of her new furniture. We were at her home when they delivered the furniture. We watched as the vendors carried the furniture up the stairs to the bonus room. We could feel her excitement as she watched. It was the same excitement that

was a child when she received a "want for" toy or event. Once the furniture was delivered and assembled, the vendors invited us all up to see the finished product. It was something wonderful. It had become A REALITY IN-STEAD OF A DREAM. We gave her the material and she bounded up the stairs in joy! Some things never change!

Fairmont Community Hospital Foundation

ENHANCING HEALTH CARE THROUGH CHARITABLE SUPPORT

Chasing zero hair loss during chemotherapy

Chemotherapy-induced hair loss is widely recognized as one of the most traumatic side effects associated with cancer treatment, and yet it is still one of the least explored.

Our annual appeal is driving a goal to raise funds for the new Lutz Cancer Center, with the hopes of purchasing two Paxman Scalp Cooling Systems. Rochester is currently the only location providing this service.

What is Scalp Cooling

Scalp cooling is a simple treatment that can prevent hair loss caused by certain chemotherapy drugs. For people receiving chemotherapy, scalp cooling can mean the opportunity to regain some control, ensure some privacy and maintain a positive attitude toward treatment.

Making it possible together

Help us advance the Lutz Cancer Center and bring this service to our local area hospital so neighborhood patients can receive care in their home town. Partner with us by sending a donation to FCH Foundation - PO Box 826, Fairmont MN 56031. Thank you for your support!



The Ladies of St. Paul's Lutheran in Truman will have a Bake Sale Saturday, December 8th from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Truman Community Building. Proceeds go toward organ repairs at the

Adults and children from around the area will get the chance to **meet** Santa Claus on Saturday, December 8th from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Graffiti Corner in Fairmont. This is your opportunity to celebrate the holiday season, meet Santa and have a FREE picture taken with Santa. Warm yourself by the fireplace, enjoy holiday music, hot drinks, food and treats and welcome the holiday spirit!



and Kacev Cole of Mankato, was born at Immanuel Mankato on November 19th, 2018. She weighed eight pounds, 13 ounces and measured 21 1/2 inches long. Grandparents are Marilyn and John crochets. Vandenhemel of Fairmont Painting and Kim and Tim McGovern of Montgomery, Min- chet have nesota. Great-grandpar- been two ents are Gerald and Joleen creative Palmquist of Kasota, Min- outlets that nesota. Clarissa was welcomed home by big brother Alec Schaller.

Glenn Henriksen at Red **Rock Center December 14**

sen, Friday, December 14th at the Red Rock Center for the Arts.

Capturing audiences of all ages with his charismatic personality,



Welcome in the holi- Glenn is sure to please days with pianist and en-tertainer Glenn Henrik- iday, jazz and classical piano ensemble.

Advance ticket (or season pass) is required, and can be picked up at Hy-Vee in Fairmont or online at www. redrockcenter. ticketleap.com. Doors open at 6 p.m.

Christmas at Community Covenant Church Sunday

Christmas at Community Covenant Church in this event, however seat-Huntley will be held Sun- ing is limited and reservaday, December 9th.

Refreshments and fel-5:15 p.m. Dinner will be at 5:30 p.m., followed by for the Thirsty: Jeremiah at 507-866-4646. and Vanessa Gamble performing their original musical, "A Misfit Christmas".

The East Chain Methodist United Church will host the **Monthly Community** Coffee Party from 8:30 - 11:00 a.m., Saturday, December 8th. They will serve rolls, donuts, treats, coffee, tea, hot chocolate, and juice. Free will offering. Come enjoy friends at Christmas time!

Fairmont United Methodist Church continues their Wednesday Evening **Suppers** from 5 to 6 p.m. at the church. This week they will serve fish fillets and mashed potatoes. On December 12th they will serve creamed chicken 'n biscuits and salad. All suppers include peanut butter and jelly sandwiches, donated desserts and beverages. A \$2 donation is suggested.

There is no charge for tions are necessary.

Reservations can be lowship will take place at made by calling Julie at 507-525-4949 or leave a message, including your a presentation by Theater name and phone number

> The church is located at 31323 170th Street in Huntley, MN.

The Senior Choir and Handbell Choir of Trinity Lutheran Church in Blue Earth will join forces on Sunday, December 9th, 2018, to present a traditional service of Lessons & Carols. Services will be presented at 8:30 and 10:45 a.m. and are open to the public - guests are welcomed. Directors for these Trinity choirs are Maggie Ragan and Sue Ellingsen. Bonita Zimmer will be the reader and Tara Blair and Mike Ellingsen will serve as pianists.

The retired Martin **Highway** County Department workers and spouses will meet for lunch at 11:30 a.m. on Tuesday, December 11th at the Ranch Restaurant Fairmont.

Red Rock Center Artist of the Month

Clarissa Skye Schaller, tion" art show is now on painting. Each afghan dedaughter of Brian Schaller display at the Red Rock picted in the paintings is Center for the Arts.

In her free time she and croshe has pursued most

of her life and combining them only feels natural.

This body of work is inspired by the craft of croent, pairing of an animal appointment.

"Crochet in Transla- with an afghan into a interesting to me because Malia Wiley of Lake of the colors and patterns St. Joseph Hospital in Crystal makes her living used to create them. As painting pets, kids, and the idea for these paintfarm animals near and ings developed, I let these dear to people's hearts. elements, dictate to me

a story and from that story a pairing of each afghan with a specific animal is revealed.

Stop by to see this colorful show and unique gift ideas.

An artist reception and fiber arts gathering with demonstrations and refreshments will be held chet and started as an idea Thursday, January 10th, to translate the hand wo- from 2-6 p.m. More details ven fabric into a painting. to come. Gallery Hours: The idea quickly merged Tues, Wed. & Fri 10 a.m.-3 with her love for paint- p.m., Thurs. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. ing animals and became Limited holiday hours, something totally differ- evenings and weekends by

Blood donation opportunities this week

season.

meet the urgent need around the holidays, all those who come to donate blood now through by downloading the free December 19th, 2018, American Red Cross will receive a \$5 Amazon. Blood Donor App, by (Restrictions apply)

Upcoming drives include: Wednes-

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The Martin Luther High School, Northrop, Music Department will present "In the Bleak Midwinter--A Christmas Concert" on Saturday, December 8th beginning at 7:00 p.m. at the Fairmont Opera House. The MLHS Band and Choir will perform select Christmas Music under the direction of Mr. Evan Mills. Admission is a free will offering. Refreshments will be served. Everyone is invited to attend.

The American Red day, December 5th from Cross has an urgent need Noon to 6 p.m. and for blood donors to give Thursday, December 6th now to ensure blood is from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at available for medical the Holiday Inn in Fairtreatments and emergen- mont. On Friday, Decemcies during the holiday ber 7th, it will be held at Mayo Clinic Health Sys-In thanks for helping tem - Fairmont from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Make an appointment to donate blood com Gift Card via email. visiting RedCrossBlood. org or calling 1-800-RED blood CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

> Everyone is invited to attend the Service of Dedication for the new sanctuary at St. James Lutheran Church in Northrop on Sunday, December 9th at 2:00 p.m. Light refreshments will be served after the service. Preaching the sermon will be Rev. Bob Schulze, executive assistant to the president of the Minnesota South District.

∍Free gift∈

when you register.

Sammantha Beck Karl Knothe.....January 5

Jordan Huffman

Trevor Cowing......February 2

Krista Kezbers Walker Olson......March 30

The Drugstore with More

Five Lakes Centre Fairmont, Minnesota

Aksenov benefit planned for Sunday

rible twos". But for a local ily at an alarming rate. girl, medical conditions

Aksenov, Alaina two-year-old daughter of Logan and Vladimir Aksenov of Truman, was born with a deformed heart. She had numerous open-heart surgeries before the age of two.

Logan and her husband, Vlad earlier this summer had a second child, Evan. This fall, Alaina started having medical issues again and was taken to a cardiologist in Sioux Falls, where they diagnosed her with heart failure.

A blood clot is causing is- the Eagles Club in Fairsues with her heart and mont. A hog roast and surgeons are waiting for silent auction will take her to become more sta- place. Cost is \$10 donable before determining what to do next.

nurse manager for Prairie can still make a donation River Home Care in Fair- to the family by contactmont and Vlad is a truck ing committee member, driver for British Petro- Shae Pierson at shae. leum. The costs of travel, leann@gmail.com or call lodging, time off for med- her at 952-820-5991.

At the age of two, you ical appointments, hospishould be living up to tal stays and medical bills the old adage "the ter- are adding up for the fam-

Friends have planned are giving a whole new a benefit for the family for meaning to that adage for Sunday, December 9th from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at



tion for adults and \$6 for kids under age 13. If you Logan is employed as a are unable to attend, you



Hanna Reischl, Fairmont Area High School senior, has been named a Rotary "Student of the Week." Hanna is the daughter of John and Nancy Reischl. She has three sisters, one older, one younger, and one twin! Hanna's many interests during high school include concert band, jazz band, track & field, softball, prom committee, student council, serving as a teacher's assistant, and being part of the hospitality team at St. John Vianney Church. Hanna's post-graduation plans are to study Radiologic Technology and a college yet to be determined. (Submitted photo)



St. Paul's United Church of Christ in Welcome will hold their annual Christmas Goodies Bakery and Cafe on Saturday, December 8th from 8:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. Come and do your shopping and then enjoy a cup of coffee, apple cider and some Christmas goodies.

Due to last weekend's forecasted storm, the **Chubb House Christ**mas Tea and Bake Sale was postponed until THIS Saturday, December 8th. Serving will be from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. For a free will donation. Join them for coffee or tea and some special treats.

The Korean Veterans **Chapter 54** will meet on Saturday, December 8th at The Ranch Restaurant in Fairmont at 9:00 a.m. This is also the Christmas party. Spouses also are invited. Any Korean Vet is invited to attend. For more information contact Gary Schwieger at 507-238-1675.

We would like to invite you and your family to our Third Annual Beef Commercial Meal Sunday, December 9th at St. John's Lutheran Church Antrim from 11:00 a.m. - 1 p.m. for a free will offering. The Sunday School is once again sponsoring a craft and bake sale before and during the meal. Please come and enjoy fellowship with us

Ceylon celebrates Christmas at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Ceylon on Wednesday, December 12th at 6:30 p.m. Refreshments to follow.

The Fairmont Class of **1953** will meet Friday, December 7th at 11:30 a.m. for lunch at the Ranch Restaurant in Fairmont.

Upcoming Blue Earth Schools music concerts

everyone to our upcoming work entitled Encanto. Holiday Concerts!

band will start out the concert with Feliz Navidad fol-(Five) Kings and two other concert selections. The concert will conclude with the Concert Band version and open to the public!

The Blue Earth Area of Rudolph in Wonder-Schools Department of land, a lovely Handel Ario-Music would like to invite so, and a Robert W. Smith

Monday, December Monday, December 17th at 7:30 p.m.: BEA 10th at 7:30 p.m.: BEA High School PAC. This High School PAC The jazz concert featuring the high school choirs will perform a variety of selections that lowed by a special request: will invoke the senses of Michael Jackson's Man this wonderful time of in the Mirror. This will be vear. You will hear songs and Funky Ol' St. Nick! So-songs that in the style of a loists will include Robyn lullaby. You will hear many Johnson, Jack Frundt, arrangements of Christ-Tate Thielfoldt and Cam- mas songs by renowned eron Germain. The Varsity composer/arranger Caro-Band will begin with a 5/4 lyn Jennings. Please join arrangement of We Three us as you surely will leave refreshed and ready for the upcoming holidays.

The concerts are free

Living well with diabetes support group meeting

Mayo Clinic Health Sys- for adults with diabetes to tem certified diabetes share successes, challengeducator, and Julie Mor- es and advice, as well as ris, Mayo Clinic Health learn more about the dis-System licensed practical ease from medical experts. nurse, for a community diabetes support group.

Wednesday, December to attend. 12th at 7 p.m. at the Mayo Clinic Health System in call 507-238-8500 or visit Fairmont classroom.

These informational org

Join Jill O'Donnell, meetings provide a way

Everyone is welcome, and preregistration is not They will meet on required. There is no cost

> For more information, mayoclinichealthsystem.

> > Please hold on to the

non-perishable goods by

December 15th and then

place them in a visible lo-

cation on your door for

pickup by volunteers from

KSUM, the Sentinel and

Photo Press staff and other

volunteers in Fairmont

and Boy Scout Pack 69 and

Boy Scouts from Troop

and Pack 55 in the area

towns of Sherburn, Dun-

nell, Welcome, Trimont,

Ceylon, Truman, Northrop

drop them off at the C

up at the Sentinel, Photo

Press or at KSUM/ 106.5

Store on December 15th.

In Granada, you can

If you have not received a red bag, you can pick one

and Lewisville.

Lakes FM.

Red bag pickup rescheduled to December 15

The approaching winter storm last weekend red bags you received in prompted the red bag the Fairmont Sentinel pickup event in Martin and the Photo Press last County to be rescheduled week and fill them up with until Saturday, December

KSUM/106.5 Lakes FM radio announced late last week that the forecast for bad weather prompted a proactive, rather than reactive approach, so the decision was made to postpone the event.

Notice to the Public

PRIVATE PROPERTY OWNERS **SNOW DEPOSITED ON** ROADWAYS LIABILITY

Snow dumped, plowed, blown, or shoveled onto a public road can create a hazard for motorists and snow plows. This includes snow removed from a private drive that ends up on the **roadway.** Compacted snow can become very difficult to remove. causing slippery spots. Snow plows can also be forced into the opposite driving lane when hitting compacted frozen snow deposited on roadways. Depositing snow onto a public road can be punishable as a misdemeanor (Minn. Stat. 169.42 and 160.2715). Furthermore, the person responsible for depositing snow onto the roadway may also be liable in a civil action lawsuit if damages or injuries occur as a result of that action.

Your understanding of and cooperation with the County snow plow operators is appreciated, as is your concern for your own. and your neighbors' safety.

> Kevin Peyman, P.E. Martin County Engineer

Glenn Henriksen, Dunnell church featured in national magazine

by Russ Oechslin

The December - Jan- Anthony, and first apuary edition of Country peared in Fairmont's lished by Trusted Me-Magazine, features an Photo Press last April. article and photographs about Glenn Henrik- Henriksen perform at a of Home, Reminisce, sen's holiday concerts church in Arizona sev- Birds&Blooms, and sevat Immanuel Lutheran eral years ago and says en other nameplates, Church in Dunnell, and he was amazed to real- for a total circulation of is now available on the ize that Glenn uses no Internet.

followed by Go Daddy O that reference bells and in Armstrong, has been performing his concerts at Immanuel for more surance man Darwin html

sheet music in his peramazing,"

Single copies or subthan five years, packing scriptions to Country well. the church each holi- can now be ordered for was written by Trimont TasteOfHome.Com/ farmer, banker and in- Country/COUMAG.

Country is pubdia Brands, along with Anthony first heard Reader's Digest, Taste about 40 million.

This year's concert is Henriksen, who lives formances. "He's just set for 2:00 p.m., Sun-An-thony day, December 23rd, and will feature several other per-formers as

Article below reprintday season. The article a limited time at: Shop- ed with permission from





lights candles as St. Lucia. People pack the church to (below) and other

Songs of the Season

At the annual Christmas concert, Immanuel Lutheran Church glows with the light of faith.

BY DARWIN ANTHONY Trimont, Minnesota

ometimes feelings are hard to put into words. That was the case when my wife, Bev, and I attended a Christmas concert at Immanuel Lutheran

Church in Dunnell, Minnesota. The street in front of the church was lined with cars. We watched as the crowd approached the tall white church, which was built by Swedish pioneers on a hill in this small prairie town.

The public concert is held every year on the Sunday before Christmas. For the past five years, Glenn Henriksen, a farmer and organist, has performed. He shares time with other artists whose musical styles range from spiritual to classical. People come from all over to hear the music of Christmas.

As Bev and I entered the church, we climbed the switchback stairs to the balcony and found seats with a panoramic view.

The pillars of the three tall arches that stood before the altar were wrapped with greenery and white lights. Two large candleholders containing many candles stood waiting. The Swedish custom of St. Lucia bringing lights at Christmas was honored. Five girls wearing white carried lighted candles and cookies as they walked slowly down the center aisle to the altar.

A girl dressed as St. Lucia followed and lit all the candles. The light brought true significance to Christmas once again. The tradition also spoke to the rich heritage of the church. St. Lucia, who was martyred by the Romans in 304

AD, is celebrated in Sweden and Norway every Dec. 13.

Immanuel Lutheran is blessed with many beautiful stained-glass windows. The Biblical characters in these windows seem to be watching and listening. Those who attend the concert enjoy the music and its message in the gentle glow of the afternoon

Glenn finished the concert and the crowd moved to the lower level, where Christmas goodies were served. Bev and I staved upstairs just a little longer than most, hoping for an encore.

Then Glenn returned to the sanctuary and the organ began to sound. He played my favorite classical music, Charles-Marie Widor's "Toccata." Was it played for me? Maybe so! Q

WORDS of WISDOM Be a good listener. Your ears will never get you in trouble. -Frank Tyger

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An Open House Reception

in Honor of Commissioner Dan Schmidtke will be held on Tuesday, December 11, 2018 3:00pm-4:30pm in the Commissioners Meeting Room #103, Martin County Courthouse 201 Lake Avenue, Fairmont. The public is invited to join us for refreshments, memories, and well wishes as Commissioner Schmidtke completes his term in office serving Martin County and District #4 constituents for over 17 years.



Grace Lutheran Church in Fairmont hosts an **open door meal** Wednesday evenings from 4:45 to 6:00 p.m. each week. Wednesday, December 5th they will serve chicken wild rice soup and chili. All meals include beverage, fruit, dessert cookie/bar, peanut butter/jelly sandwich. On Wednesday, December 12th they will serve meatballs. Suggested donation is \$3.

Healthy for the Holidays

Guest Columnist

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

Thanksgiving meal, slept off all those carbs, and now the "rush" begins to prepare for Christmas and New Year's. Then you can slow down again. In the much better foot! meantime, we throw caution and our diets to the wind. "I will start again in January," we tell ourselves. "I don't have time to exercise now. Shopping is enough exercise!"

But what if we could find time to continue tive system now and then our good habits through this season? What if we does not apply if you are did find the strength to a diabetic or pre-diabetcontinue the good diet ic. Then again, there are

Welcome to December promised we would stick blood sugar if that is an research!! And if cholesand the Holiday season! to, and continuing with issue. There are supple-You have survived the other good health habits ments like berberine and like chiropractic, massage, and proper supplementing? Not only would we enjoy the holidays more, we would start 2019 on a

> few things you can do to keep healthy habits going whenever you can. They throughout the holiday season.

Enjoy holiday treats, but in moderation. A little challenge to our digescan be a good thing. This choices, the workouts we natural ways to balance

Metaglycemx that can restore good balance to your blood sugar without turning to drugs.

baking, go for healthy So let me suggest just a sugar substitutes like stevia, agave nectar, or honey give your baking a different, more old-fashioned flavor. Perhaps it will become your family's new holiday favorite! When you need fats try butter, olive oil, macadamia oil, or coconut oil. Vegetable oils and margarine are very inflammatory and make many of your cell mem-

branes rigid. Most are GMO, very few are organic, and almost all are just plain bad (pro-inflammatory) for you! If you still think butter is bad for you please catch up with the last 10 years of nutrition terol is your concern there are supplements that can naturally correct high cholesterol. Red yeast extract, niacin, and vitamin E are all great at correcting If you are doing any cholesterol without the side effects of statin drugs. If you insist on continuing with statin drugs for cholesterol management, remember that even M.D.s are now recommending that you take CoQ10 with that to make up for the damage that statin drugs do to your metabolism. (Make sure you are taking the right kind of CoQ10 for your age. If you are not sure, ask Dr. Burtis.)

If you stopped walk-

ing, running, or biking because it is too cold outside, remember there are indoor places to walk. The mall is a wonderful place to get some laps in. Most gyms are happy to take new customers this time of year, and you don't have to wait for January 1st to join! Exercise bicycles are a great way to get your cardio in, and you can even put a TV in front of it so you don't have to feel guilty about watching your favorite holiday shows.

Also, remember that good pharmaceutical grade multi-vitamin is always a good thing. With today's diets, the universal presence of pro-inflammatory food additives, and our high holiday stress levels, we all need a multi-vitamin with high bio-availability like Metagenic's Phytomulti. Please remember that a number of commonly available multis have been shown to contain lead and cadmium.

Finally, we remind you to remember the real reason for the season. The birth of Jesus is the pinnacle of the year and the high point of the season. As you make your way through the Advent Season remember that the ultimate in health is spiritual health. Bring your family to church, and not just on Christmas. If you are not currently attending a church consider beginning a new healthy habit of going to church every Sunday. Science has shown that regular church attendance is actually good for your physical health as well! May your Holidays be healthy and happy, and may your New Year be a prosperous one in all the ways that matter.

SJV School Endowment Fund Memorials

The St. John Vianney Zimmer School Endowment Fund the receipt of \$928 in memorials during the month of October, 2018. These were given in memory of:

JOHN ECKERT: By Marcia Leverson

ANGELA FINLEY: By Marcia Leverson, Marcella Theobald

DWIGHT HOFFMEY-ER: By Doug and Lisa Hartke

EVADELLE JOHNSON: By Carol Pierce

HARLAND JOHNSON: By Jim Grotte, Ken and Jean Steuber

JOHN KEOUGH: By Pat Borowski, Leon and Jayne Dulas

MARGARET ROLEWSKI: By Pat Borowski, Delores Bursaw, Dot Petrowiak

DOROTHY KRICK: Bridget Becker and Roger Mach, Jim Grotte

JANICE LANDSTEIN-ER: By Carol Landsteiner and Family

MICHAEL LAROW: By Clara Bulfer, Julie Hill, Vincent and Anna Landsteiner

DELORES PLUMHOFF: By Bruce and Ann Gemmill

JACK POTTER: By Jim and Carol Bulfer, Bruce and Ann Gemmill, Marcia Leverson

FLORENCY PYTLESKI: By Carol Carlson, Mike Garry, Brian and Debra Hartwig, Gary Maday, Mary Pat Nawrocki, Herb and Mary Wittmus, Jack

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The St. John Vianney School Endowment Fund also gratefully acknowledges the receipt of \$383 in contributions given during October, 2018, by the following:

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1. Which British group released "How Long" in 1974?

2. What is "Daniel" about, by Elton

3. Which soft-rock group released

"Rings"?
4. Who had a No. 1 hit with "She

Ain't Worth It''?

5. Name the 1978 song that contains this lyric: "I wish I could've helped you see Just one of your sweet childhood dreams, But though I tried I could not make not one of them come true."

Answers

1. Ace. While many thought the song was about adultery, it was about the discovery that a band member was

secretly working with another group.

2. The 1973 song is about a veteran who returned to a hero's welcome. when all he really wanted was to be left alone, to go back to the life he'd had before the war.

3. Cymarron, in 1971. The group took its name from a short-lived TV Western, "Cimarron Strip."

4. Glenn Medeiros, in 1990. The song included a rap verse from singer Bobby Brown.

5. The tearierker "More Like the Movies," by Dr. Hook and the Medicine Show, in which the singer apolo gizes to his girlfriend. The band's first hit was "Sylvia's Mother," written by Shel Silverstein, in 1972.

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Frankincense oil

Frankincense comes from the Boswellia tree. It has a long history in folk medicine in Africa and Asia. In the Bible, it is one of three gifts that the wise men offered to Jesus. It is said to control bleeding, help heal wounds, improve oral health and fight inflammation. Studies have suggested that certain substances in frankincense can treat cancer. - Brenda Weaver Source: www.medicalnewstoday.com, thetruthaboutcancer.com

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Fairmont Community Center Action Committee and the Fairmont City Council will hold a forum on Wednesday, December 5th at the Fairmont Opera House from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

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MARTIN COUNTY HUMANE SOCIETY

The Carl Nettifee Memorial Animal Shelter
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pawprints.petfinder.com Email: pawprints01@hotmail.com

A FEW OF OUR CATS A VAILABLE FOR ADOPTION: KIKI is a front declawed, longer haired adult kitty. She prefers to be in a one cat home, and would like a lap to sit on, and someone to brush her furry locks. **EMMY LOU** needs a bit of time to adjust to a new home because she's shy. but once she comes out of her shell, she's very friendly. Emmy Lou is a front declawed adult who would prefer a quiet home.

kinds of new things in the world. A boxer/pit bull mix, OLLIE can be fearful of new people, but once he gets to know you, he's all about kisses!

DAKOTA is a husky/shepherd mix, adult female who has lots and lots of every! Although she can be choosy with her doggie friends, she loves human attention

A FEW OF OUR DOGS AVAILABLE FOR ADOPTION OLLIE is a teddy bear seeking an adopter who will love him and show him all

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What's Cooking

with Kathy Lloyd

Let it Snow!

One of the good things about being retired and growing old is that when the snow comes down we can stay home, be cozy and bake Christmas cookies! Back when I was working even if I had the day off, a snow storm meant that some out of town people wouldn't be able to get into work so of course those of us in town would be called in and really couldn't refuse, sometimes it meant working a double shift. There were many times I would have much rather snuggled down in my cozy home with my kids! Well the kids are gone but I can now snuggle down in my house with Pa Lloyd and Maggie! Today I got a start on my Christmas baking. The recipe I am sharing with you today was my Mom's signature Christmas cookie. She always baked them for her Church Christmas bake sale. They take some time but if you like pecan pie you will like these little gems!

Pecan Tarts

Pastry:

1 cup butter (2 sticks), softened 6 oz. cream cheese, softened

2 1/2 cups flour 1/2 tsp. salt

Cream butter and cream cheese, add salt and half the four at a time, shape pastry into 2 inch diameter rolls; wrap and chill over night. Slice pastry into 36 inch portions; press into miniature muffin pans, lining cups. No need to grease cups.

1 cup brown sugar, firmly packed 1/2 cup white corn syrup 2 eggs, slightly beaten 2 Tblsp. melted butter 1/4 tsp. salt 1/2 tsp. vanilla

Whisk eggs, then whisk in remaining ingredients except pecans, pour into tart shells, filling 1/2 full, sprinkle chopped pecans on top. Bake in 350 degree oven for about 20 minutes until light brown. Let cool about 5 minutes then remove to

Have a great week!

racks to cool.

chopped pecans

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WEEK OF DECEMBER 8, 1993

Larry McGuire, president and CEO of Fairmont Foods announced that they had reached agreement with Linda McCartney to produce her full line of frozen meatless entrees for sale in the U.S. under the brand name "Linda McCartney's Foods from the Heart".

The Martin County Historical Society was to celebrate its 65th Anniversary in 1994 by beginning conof 1994.

grand opening of Carol's duced at the meeting. Avon and Country Crafts. The shop was located at 218 N. Gorman Street in Blue Earth.

Fairmont had been selected as the site for the 1995 Minnesota Broadcasters Association Fall Convention. The convention was expected to bring several hundred broadcast media owners and personalities to Fairmont for the 3-day

YEARS AGO IN THE PHOTO PRESS

WEEK OF **DECEMBER 8, 1968**

Fairmont United Fund topped its 1968 goal of \$37,700. Fifteen agencies were participate in the program.

Dave Miller was elected president of the Fairmont Area Chamber of Comstruction of a new addition merce for 1969. Other ofto the present museum. ficers were to be William Board members hoped to Wolf, first vice president; break ground in the spring Todd Paulus, second vice president and Harris Sorensen, treasurer. The A ribbon cutting cer- chamber's new manager, emony was held for the Wayne Unze, was intro-

Fairmont and five other cities were recommended for state junior college sites. Owatonna, Hutchin-It was announced that son, Cambridge, Alexandria and New Ulm were other candidates in that dream that never came true.

Kids' Maze

Tractor Supply to host pet photos with Santa

On Saturday, Decem- frame. ber 8th, 2018 from 10 a.m. Photos with Santa.

will be on site during the event taking holidaythemed photos of Santa's Little Helpers and their owners. The first 25 custaken will also receive to enjoy a bake sale. a free magnetic picture

"Pets are as much our until 2 p.m., the Fairmont customers as their owners Tractor Supply is inviting are," said Todd Christoffercustomers to bring their son, manager of Fairmont pets to the store for Pet Tractor Supply store. "This is one of many pet-themed A local photographer events we offer throughout the year, and we enjoy having the entire family at the store."

In addition to the pet photos, customers will tomers who get a photo also have the opportunity



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Thanks for kayak launch station

people step up and do enable more people to something beneficial readily access and enfor our community.

Don and Sue Andercently donated a kayak launching station. This lence. will be the second kayak launch - the first was Andersons ity, another launch will be placed in Gomsrud Park near the kayak

It's exciting when rental station. This will joy our lakes for years to come. If you see the son of Fairmont did Andersons, tell them just that when they re- how much you appreciate their benevo-

On behalf of the Fairmont Lakes Founinstalled at the south dation, we would like end of Amber Lake to thank the Andersons last spring. With the for making Fairmont generos- just a little nicer.

Dan Kehrberg, Fairmont Lakes **Foundation Board**

Moving too rapidly on center

I firmly believe that or from benefactors. the committee and Fairmont City Council are shrinking population, moving too rapidly on cannot afford to keep the proposed commu- an operating deficit of nity center. Not enough close to a million dollars information has been annually with both the gathered and distributed to the citizens of center and the Aquat-Fairmont.

Too many assump-(ie: the Fairmont National Guard Armory too much of a financial orities? strain on the school district?

that was going to cover nity center becomes a the cost of the building and the operating costs, the school district needs so I voted "yes", not realizing that the projected nancially, partnering cost of the center (phase with the city. I read that \$24.7 million and the stated that the commuannual operating defi- nity center will draw on cit would be over a half a population of 30,000 million dollars. If there within a 30 mile radius is a "phase one" becenter and banquet hall, thus a partnership befor "phase two"? If Fair- County and the Fairmont had a junior or mont Area Schools and ceivable and would ers). probably receive financial help from the state

Fairmont, with its proposed community ic park. It would be a strain on senior citizens, tions have been made, many on fixed incomes and many renters will pay more as the ownwould be closing - it is ers will pass on the innot; another is that an creased cost of taxes. I indoor swimming pool am hearing that there is would be included). Do a need for child care in you remember when the Fairmont and that street Fairmont indoor swim- repair has become a fiming pool was filled in nancial strain on the because it proved to be city. Are these our pri-

A few more thoughts: the community center When we were asked should not compete to vote on the special with existing busi-.5% sales tax, I assumed nesses. If the commu-"sports complex", then to become involved fione) was estimated at someone (an "expert") (are there 30,000 people ing considered to be a living within 30 miles swimming pool, field of Fairmont?). If that is house with indoor track, true, then the county locker rooms, fitness needs to get involved, what is being planned tween Fairmont, Martin four-year college, such institute user-fees (esa facility would be con- pecially for non-taxpay-Doug Kodet

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James W. Baker, 47



James W. Baker, 47, of Norwood Young America, MN and formerly of Fairmont, will be Saturday, December 8th, 2018 at 10:30 a.m. at Lakeview Funeral Home in Fairmont with full military honors by the Lee C. Prentice American Legion County Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #1222, immediately following the service at the funeral home. Visitation will be held Friday, December 7th, 2018 from 4:00-7:00 p.m. at Lakeview Funeral Home in Fairmont and continue one hour prior to the service at the fu-

Memorial Service for neral home. James passed away October 10th, 2018. and Cremation Service in Fairmont is assisting the family with arrangements.

James William Baker was born December 11th, 1970 in Fairmont to James A. and Dorothy "Dottie" Post #36 and the Martin (Rothe) Baker. He grew up in the Granada Huntley area and graduated from high school in Norwood Young America. Following his high school graduation James enlisted in the United States Army. He proudly served his country for 3 1/2 years before his honorable discharge.

Army, James was trained Lakeview Funeral Home on the job at Pro Mold in Berthoud, CO. In 2000 he moved back to Minnesota with his son, Cody, and began working for Central Insulation, where he continued to work until his death.

James loved the outdoors, sheep, poultry, and waterfowl. On weekends he would make sure to be home so he could watch NASCAR and the NFL. He took great pride in his yard, keeping things tidy and in order.

Those left to cherish his memory include his son, Cody Baker; parents: James

After serving in the A. and Bonnie Baker; siblings: Mike Baker and his wife, Cathy, Rhonda Gies and her husband, Todd, Jason Baker, Holly Smedley and her husband, Troy; many nieces, nephews, other extended family and friends.

> James was preceded in death by his mother, Dorothy Baker; grandparents: George and Mildred Rothe, Ray Nagel, and James "Fred" and Irene Baker; uncles: Bruce Rhodes, Dave Baker, Dave Laven, and Bill Eickoff; aunts: Mari Baker and Marvel Eickoff.

lakeviewfuneralhome.net She is survived by her

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Maurine C. Wendel, 96



Funeral Services for Maurine C. Wendel, age 96, of Fairmont, were held Friday, November 30th, 2018 at the East Chain Lutheran Church. Burial was at Lakeside Cemetery in Fairmont. Maurine passed away Monday, November 26th, 2018 at Ingleside in Fairmont. Memorials are preferred to East Chain Lutheran Church. Lakeview Funeral Home and Cremation Service in Fairmont assisted the family with arrangements.

Christ, 69, of East Chain,

formerly of Lakota, IA will

be held Wednesday, De-

cember 12th, 2018 at 11:00

a.m. at St. Paul Lutheran

Church in Lakota. Inurn-

ment will be at St. Paul Lu-

theran Church Cemetery

be held from 4:00 to 7:00

p.m. on Tuesday, Decem-

ber 11th, 2018 at Lakeview

Funeral Home in Fairmont,

and will continue for one

hour prior to the service

at the church on Wednes-

day. Marilyn passed away

Sunday morning, Novem-

ber 25th, 2018 at the Mayo

Clinic Health Systems -

Fairmont. In lieu of flowers,

Maurine Catherine (Forstrom) Wendel was born February 28th, 1922 to Edward and Elizabeth (Sundberg) Forstrom in East Chain, above the East Chain Store. She received her education from District 85, 114 in Silver Lake Township.

On December 7th, 1957, Maurine was united in marriage to Bobby L. Wendel at the East Chain Lutheran Church. This marriage was blessed with two children, Karen and Larry.

After their marriage, Maurine and Bobby made their home in Silver Lake Township. Maurine worked at home as a housewife.

Maurine was a lifelong member of East Chain Lutheran Church where she was involved in Ladies Aid and in the Esther Circle. She enjoyed gardening, flowers, canning, crafts, sewing, bird watching and games. She will be remembered for being a great Chinese checkers player and a great cook.

daughter, Karen (Dale) Kuisle; son, Larry (Shelly) Wendel; grandchildren, David Kuisle, Ryan (Laura) Wendel; Kuisle, Laura Kuisle, Coty (Brittany) Weiss, Carissa (Bobby) Maday, Cassandra (Michael) Christians, Callie (Bradley Zehms) Weiss, Cierra (Tony Miller) Weiss and Tyler Wendel; great-grandchildren, Peter Kuisle, Bentley Weiss, Jaelynn Weiss, Owen Maday, Brayden Maday, Lincoln Maday and baby boy Kuisle

due in the spring; and other extended family.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Forstrom; husband, Bobby Wendel; grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John Sundberg and Mr. and Mrs. Peter Forstrom.

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eat play shop

Marilyn K. Thompson Christ, 69



Marilyn Kay Thompson

memorials are preferred to the World Wildlife Foundation, Mom's favorite charity. Lakeview Funeral Home Fairmont is assisting the family with arrangements.

Marilyn Kay Thompson in Lakota. Visitation will Christ was born on February 22nd, 1949 to Merwin and Helen (Zoeller) Thompson in Fairmont. She graduated from East Chain High School in 1967. After graduation, Marilyn attended Lea College in Albert Lea, MN and Mankato State College. She taught vocal music at Lakota School and it's there she met her future

husband, Wally. As Legion Post Commander he needed special music for the Memorial Day program. and Cremation Service in Marilyn agreed to sing and a one time gig turned into 30 years of Memorial Days working together and, over 40 years of marriage.

On July 17th, 1976, Marilyn was united in marriage to Wallace Christ at the United Methodist Church in Fairmont. This marriage was blessed with three daughters, Kristin, Kathleen and Karen. After their marriage, Marilyn and Wallace lived in Lakota, IA and lived there until retiring from farming, when

they moved to East Chain. Marilyn was a farmer and worked at the nursing home in Bancroft as the Activity Coordinator.

Marilyn was a member of the United Methodist Church in East Chain UMW. She was also a member of the American Legion Auxiliary, Garden Club, Joyful Noise and was the choir director for over thirty years at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Lakota. Marilyn enjoyed gardening, crocheting, crafts and, singing. She will forever be remembered for her

She was a wonderful and supportive Mom who attended every activity that her daughters were ever involved in. Spending time with her family was very important to her.

She is survived by her where she served on the husband, Wallace Christ; three daughters, Kristin Christ, Kathleen Christ and Karen (Adam) Christ Aalgaard; one brother, Roger Thompson; one sister-in-law, Arliss "Rusti" Hessig; and many nieces, nephews and other relatives.

She was preceded in death by her parents and nephew, James Hessig.

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Darrel F. Hagedorn, 89



Memorial services for Darrel Floyd Hagedorn, 89, of Fairmont, will be 2:00 p.m. Saturday, December 8th, 2018, at Grace Lutheran Church in Fairmont. Burial will be following the service in Riverside Cemetery in Blue Earth. Visitation with a luncheon served will begin at 12:00 p.m. (noon) and continue until the time of service at Grace Lutheran Church. Darrel passed away Monday morning, December 3rd, 2018, at Lakeview Methodist Health Care Center in Fairmont. Lakeview Funeral Home and Crema-

tion Service of Fairmont Jan of Rochester; grandis assisting the family with arrangements.

was born April 16th, 1929 in Minneapolis, to Floyd and Vera (Farrow) Hagedorn. They later moved to Blue Earth where he attended Blue Earth High School. He was baptized and confirmed at the Trinity Lutheran Church in Blue Earth.

He married Opal Chrisin 1954. He worked for Tom Cavers Plumbing until he opened his own business, Hagedorn Plumbing in 1980. He retired in 1991.

Darrel was an Eagle Club member and a member of the Conservation Club. He loved hunting, fishing and NASCAR Rac-

He is survived by daughters, Shirley Jensen and her husband, Virgil of Plymouth and Sheryl Rolling and her husband, Dan ald Hagedorn. of Truman; son, Steven Hagedorn and his wife,

children, Lisa Jensen, Lori Jensen, Melissa (Eric) Darrel Floyd Hagedorn Erstad, Elizabeth (Mike) Miller, Nathan (Sarah) Rolling, Sam Hagedorn and Joe Hagedorn; greatgrandchildren, Cody (Andrew) Baccam, Braden Elison, Trey and Kyler Svendsen, Levi Little Elk, Sawyer Erstad, Meredith Miller, Owen Haefner, and Norah Rolling; brothers, Darwin Hagedorn and tian in 1947. They lived his wife, Mary, of Ely and in Blue Earth where he Wally Hagedorn and his worked at the Marshall wife, Conie, of Northfield; Wells store as a plumber. sisters, Janice Mattson of They moved to Fairmont Lakefield and Sandy Sukulski and her husband, Don Small Plumbing and Rick, of Layton, UT; sisterin-law, Betty Hagedorn (widow of Donald) of Blue Earth; and many nieces, nephews and extended family.

He was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Opal Hagedorn; infant son, Wayne Allen Hagedorn; sisters, Betty Ogilvie, Jacqueline Schwager and Jeraldine Schall; and brothers, Roger, Merrill, Ronnie, Kenny and Don-

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Charles L. Rakness, 79



for "Chuck" L. Rakness, 79, of Fairmont, will be 12:00 p.m. Wednesday, December 5th, 2018, at Lakeview Funeral Home in Fairmont. Burial will follow the service in Fairview Memorial Park Cemetery with full military honors by Lee C. Prentice American Legion Post #36 and Martin County Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #1222. Chuck passed away Friday morning, November 30th, 2018, at Lakeview Methodist Health Care Center in Fairmont. Lakeview Funeral Home and Crema-

tion Service of Fairmont

is assisting the family with arrangements.

beautiful soprano voice.

was born May 26th, 1939, in Jackson, the son of Arnold "Otto" and Gladys (Crissinger) Rakness. He attended school in Fairmont and graduated from and Paula (Allen) Warne-Fairmont High School with the class of 1957.

returned home to Minnesota.

Chuck worked for many years as an electrician and was later employed at Weigh-Tronix where he worked for 18 years prior to his retirement in 2002.

In his spare time, Chuck enjoyed spending time outdoors and jumped at the chance to go hunting and fishing. He had a love for the water and when not working a jig for a fish, he loved going for boat rides. Chuck also has a passion for sports and enjoyed following baseball, football, hockey and auto racing.

Some of his favorite memories were helping with his Charles Lee Rakness son's #16 car as they raced at area raceways.

Left to cherish his memory are his children, Chris (JoDell) Rakness, Richard (Carol) Rakness, munde; grandchildren, Nate Rakness, Dylan Rak-On November 17th, ness, Nicole (Trevor) Mo-Chuck enlisted rales, Kassandra (Vien) with the United States Goettl, Jared Rakness, Navy where he served his Elizabeth Rakness; sibcountry proudly during lings, Karen Rakness Ray, the Vietnam War. On May Ardella (Bill) Horsfall; as 11th, 1972, he received his well as many extended honorable discharge and family and friends. Chuck was preceded in death by his mother, Gladys and father, Arnold; step-father, Judd Nutt; and a sister, Myrna Harder.

The family requests memorials be left in Chuck's name to the family.

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November 25 - Marilyn K. Thompson Christ, 69, East Chain, formerly Lakota, IA - Lakeview Funeral and **Cremation Service**

November 26 - Maurine C. Wendel, 96, Fairmont Lakeview Funeral and Cremation Service November 26 - John Naas, 64, Fairmont (formerly of Sherburn) - Kramer Family Funeral Home November 28 - Kenneth L. Crissinger, 84, rural Sherburn Kramer Family Funeral Home

November 30 - Charles L. Rakness, 79, Fairmont Lakeview Funeral and Cremation Service November 30 - Robert J. Friesen, 76, St. James Kramer Family Funeral Home

December 2 - Betty A. Kaelberer, 77, Truman Zaharia Family Funeral and Cremation Service December 3 - Darrel F. Hagedorn, 89, Fairmont Lakeview Funeral and Cremation Service

In Memoriam One Year Ago This Week

November 28 - Eugene Mager, 70, Truman November 30 - Ernest A. Abelson, 73, Fairmont November 30 - Jean M. Palmer, 66, Oshkosh, WI (formerly of Fairmont)

December 1 - Gary G. Stade, 69, Lakefield December 4 - Lois Peterson, 89, Fairmont

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Three Factors to Consider When Making Charitable Gifts

mind. In addition to making gifts to your family and friends, you also may be interested in contributing to charitable organizations. But before you doconsider several factors, including taxes, your portfolio balance and the reputation of the charity. Let's look at these areas:

Taxes - Your donations to qualified charities (those that are considered deductions - if you itemize deductions on your

here, which means gift- to recent tax law changes, giving is probably on your the standard deduction for 2018 has almost doubled, to \$24,000 for married couples, and to \$12,000 for single filers. As a result, you may be less likely to itemize deductions, so you nate financial assets, such could have less incentive, as stocks, you will need to at least for tax reasons, to make charitable gifts. However, if you give appreciated stocks, you may be allowed a charitable deduction for the full fair market value of the gift on the date of the transfer, even if your original 501(c)(3) organizations cost was only a fraction by the Internal Revenue of today's value. Plus, you Service) can give you tax may not be subject to the capital gains tax you might have to pay if you eventually sold the stocks.

Also, depending on your age, you might be able to use your traditional IRA as a charitable-funding vehicle. Once you turn 70-1/2, you generally must

The holiday season is tax return. However, due begin taking withdrawals called required minimum distributions or RMDs from your traditional IRA. (Roth IRAs are not subiect to RMDs during your lifetime.) These RMDs from your traditional IRA are taxable, but you may be able to exclude up to \$100,000 of RMDs per year from your taxable income if you transfer the funds directly to qualified charitable organizations.

In any case, consult charitable groups. with your tax advisor before donating appreciated assets to a charity.

Portfolio balance -When you donate financial assets to a charity, you are also taking them away from your portfolio. This could be an issue, especially if you repeatedly donate the same types of assets. For example, if you're donating some growthoriented stocks, will you lower the overall growth

potential of your portfolio?

You may want to consult with a financial professional to ensure your charitable gifts will still allow you to maintain a portfolio balance appropriate for your goals and risk tolerance.

Reputation of the charity - You may want to do some homework to make sure you are giving to a reputable charity. Many experts on charitable giving say that a worthwhile charity should spend at least 75 percent of its income on programs, rather than administrative costs. You may be able to find this type of information on a charitable group's annual report and its website. You can also browse the web for the names of agencies that evaluate

By considering the aspects of charitable giving described above, you can get more satisfaction from your generosity - because you'll know that your gift not only supports a good cause, but also fits well into your overall financial picture.

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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, that the Martin County Board of Commissioners (Martin County, MN) will be conducting a Public Hearing on **Tuesday, December 18, 2018, at 10:00** a.m. in the Martin County Commissioner Room, Room #103, 201 Lake Avenue, Fairmont, MN 56031. The purpose of the hearing is to consider the proposed Martin County Social Host Ordinance.

All interested parties are encouraged to attend the hearing and provide comments either orally or in writing on the proposed Ordinance. If you are unable to attend the public hearing, you may submit written comments to the Martin County Coordinator's Office, Room #100, 201 Lake Avenue, Fairmont, MN 56031 prior to the hearing.

Questions about the Martin County Social Host Ordinance can be directed to Scott Higgins, Martin County Coordinator at 507-238-3124. You can find the proposed Martin County Social Host Ordinance on the Martin County website at www.co.martin.mn.us

> By Order of the Martin County Board of Commissioners Dated this 14th day of November, 2018



Jeff's Jottings

cast of a winter have it fizzle out before a.m. Saturday, there was But just like that, someity was down to almost zero at times. Karis and I and supplies, so we just stayed put last weekend

ike many of you, and finished Christmas I took the fore- decorating and even did some cookie baking! By storm last weekend with the time the snow finsome scepticism, es- ished late Sunday mornpecially since we have ing, we had about 9 or 10 heard that story before to inches on the ground, so I put my tractor and snowit reached us. I was even blower to work, building more sceptical when at 11 up snow fences along the outside of the place no sign of snow falling. for the next blow. Like many farmplaces, ours body "threw the switch" has very little protection and it fell in huge flakes from the east, so of course and in no time the visibil- the Northeast winds blew some pretty good sized snow drifts in our yard. had stocked up on food So how did you fare last weekend?

"What is it?" - rerun.



don't know if it was the storm or what, but my 'What is it?" item from week unanwas swered. I was convinced that at two of readers would know what it was, ture get details and mea-cember 7th is the annual their annual Christmas them, so we will run the in a future column. same item again this week responses. It is approxi-



mately 2 feet long and is hold on to your red bags 5 inches wide. It is made and non-perishable items all out of metal and has a until that Saturday and patent date stamped on it of 1914. There is some markings on the other side of the handle, but that would give it away. As you can see by the photo, it has some pivot points on it also. So, what is it and what is it used for? 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 featured in tents of the bags will go to a future column? Stop by local food shelves. the Photo Press with your item so we can take a pic-

but haven't heard from surements to be featured

Weather prompts Red and see if we get some Bag pickup reschedule Saturday

weather was so bad that a decision was made by Lakes FM 106.5 and KSUM radio to reschedule their Kamp for Kids and the red bag pickup. The red bag pickup will now take place on Saturday, December 15th from

9 a.m. to noon. Just the many volunteers from the radio stations, Photo Press and the Fairmont Sentinel will be around to pick them up for you. If you didn't receive a bag yet and would like to have one to fill, you can stop in at the Photo Press or Sentinel and pick up a red bag. If you live in Granada. you can drop your bag off at the C Store on Saturday, December 15th. All con-

Holiday Delights! This Friday night, DeFairmont. We have a special section in this week's paper, so make sure you check out the story with the details about the event and also the advertisements for the businesses taking part in the event!

Pancakes Goodies, and more!

There are a few events taking place in the coming week that I wanted to point out before I go: Evening Wednesday Supper this week at Fairmont United Methodist Church will be from 5 to 6 p.m. and they will be serving fish filets and mashed potatoes. A \$2 donation is suggested. •On Wednesday, December 5th will be an open door meal from 4:45 to 6:00 p.m. at Grace Lutheran Church in Fairmont. This week they serve chicken wild rice soup and chili. •Saturday, December 8th. St. Paul's UCC in Welcome is having Play, Shop Local - shop their annual Christmas Downtown Fairmont! Goodies Bakery and Cafe from 8:30 to 10 a.m. • Also on Saturday, December 8th, the Chubb House has

Holiday Delights event Tea from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. throughout Downtown That event was originally scheduled to take place last Saturday, but was postponed until this Saturday at the same time due to the winter storm. •On Sunday, December 9th, the Sherburn Lions Club and MCW FFA will have a pancake breakfast benefit for Mint Bramstedt from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Martin County West High School cafeteria. Mint is a junior at MCW and was involved in an auto accident a few weeks back. • Also on Sunday, December 9th at 2:00 p.m. St. James Lutheran Church in Northrop will have a service of dedication for their new sanctuary at the church. Refreshments will be served following the dedication service. Be sure and turn out for these events and support them. Have a great week!

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Tom Palen, broadcaster, pilot, writer

"The Lucky Rock"

lady standing in front of me at the fast food restaurant in Washington, who had just finished placing here order. "Will that be all?" The cashier asked her. "And, whatever these two, want." She replied, motioning toward the two girls behind her. Each girl being tall and blonde, bore a strikingly similar appearance to the lady. It was my assumption the girls were her daughters.

I tapped the lady on the shoulder. "What about me?" I asked, "I'm hungry too." I said. The lady cracked a smile, laughed, then told the cashier, "Sure. Why not? And, what-

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about that. The two teenage girls looked at each other, puzzled, as if to say, "Who is this guy? And why is he talking to our mom?" Although I rock." am sure the lady's offer was kidding and she didn't have to buy my coffee. The three of them went to sit at a table. I ran out to my car to grab something.

I came back into the restaurant, walked up to the lady and handed her a small rock, just slightly larger than a dime. "What is this?" She asked. "It's a quartz rock I ever he wants, too." The lady Superior Provincial Park, in turn the nice gesture." Then I

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There was a tall blonde and I shared a good laugh Canada." I said. "Really? You brought this rock all the way across the country from Lake Superior?" She asked. "Yep." I said, "It's an international

> I explained that I travel genuine, I told her I was just all over the country. "When I visit different bodies of water and walk the beaches, I collect rocks or seashells. Nothing too big or significant, just small rocks or shells. I keep them in my car. From time to time I run into people whom I wish to give a little present." "And why are you giving me this rock?" She asked. "Because you offered to buy me picked up on a beach in Lake dinner. I just wanted to re-

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told her, "It's a special rock; as long as you keep it with you, it will bring you good luck." She thanked me, turning the rock over and over in her fingers, studying it. I smiled and walked away.

I paid for my drink, then found a table to sit and sip my coffee, while writing. A few moments later the lady walked up to my table. She said, "It's funny you should give me that lucky rock today. I'm going in for a surgical procedure tomorrow and I've really been nervous about it. Somehow this little rock from a stranger makes me feel like everything is going to be okay." That kind of choked me up, leaving me speechless.

.."We travel all over the country, too...I picked this up in southern California and I'd like you to have it."

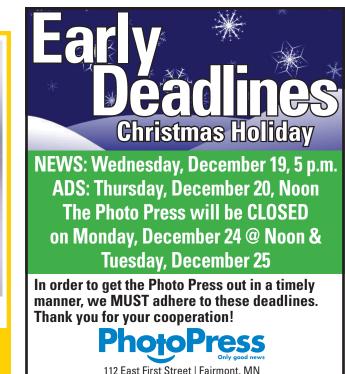
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MAKING SENSE OF INVESTING



Fairmont Area High School welding instructor Bob Bonin was recently presented with the "Educators of Excellence" award by the Minnesota Rural Education Association (MREA). Bob was one of four teachers in Minnesota to receive this honor. The awards program was held in Brainerd during MREA's annual conference. We congratulate Bob on this prestigious and well-deserved recognition! Pictured L-R: Superintendent Joseph Brown, Bob Bonin and 7-8 / Vocational Principal, Andy Traetow. (Submitted photo)





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DEC 6 - 12

THURS: Porcupine meatballs, baked potato, winter mix veggies, bread pudding. FRI: Tilapia, scalloped potatoes, tomatoes & zucchini, ice cream.

MON: Meatloaf, creamed potatoes, peas & carrots, pie. TUE: Pork chops, garden orn, spiced apple blueberry crisp.

WED: Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, gravy, harvard beets, cheesecake w/ Icherry topping.





TRUMAN AREA

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DEC 6 - 12

THUR: Pulled pork sandwich, fries, coleslaw, pears.

IFRI: Chicken fajita, rice, refried I beans, corn, apples/oranges. MON: Max sticks, spinach sal-

ad, broccoli, pears. ad, proccoii, pears. **TUE:** BBQ chicken wrap, swet

potato fries, veggies, applesauce. WED: Tatortot hotdish, dinner roll, spinach salad, carrots, apple/ oranges.

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FRI: Turkey corn dog, tator tots, green beans, pepper strips, fruit cocktail.

I MON: Mac & cheese, dinner I ■ roll, peas, carrots, pineapple ■ tidbits

TUE: Chicken, gravy, mashed potatoes, dinner roll, cucumbers, applesauce.

WED: Grilled cheese, tomato soup, broccoli salad, banana.

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Breakfast menu can be found online. **DEC 6 - 12**

THUR: K-6: Chicken nuggets, dinner roll, strawberry parfait, mashed potatoes, gravy, tossed salad, peas, fruit. JR/HS: Meatballs, breadstick, broccoli & cau-■ liflower, caesar salad, carrots,

I apple, pears.
I FRI: K-6: Cheese pizza, bachos I fun lunch, broccoli with cheese, caesar salad, cucumbers, fruit. JR/HS: Turkey corn dog, tator tots, green beans, coleslaw, pepper strips, orange, fruit cocktail. **MON: K-6:** Crispy chicken patty sandwich, ham & turkey chef salad, dinner roll, bake dbeans, tomatoes, fruit. JR/HS: carrots, caesar salad, apple pineapple tidbits. **TUE: K-6:** Mac & cheese, din-

ner roll, chicken caesar salad wrap, broccoli, pico de gallo, carrots, fruit. JR/HS: Chicken, gravy, mashed potatoes, dinner roll,corn, cauliflower, cucumbers,

orange, applesauce.

WED: K-6: Cheeseburger, turkey ham & cheese sandwhich, fries, caesar salad, celery sticks, fruit. JR/HS: Grilled cheese, tomato soup, baked beans, spinach & cranberry salad, carrot & celery sticks, banana, mandarin

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downtown area that night chase from a participating

by taking a hayride on a downtown store that eve-

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Take in all of the Christ- of "Rhythmic Circus: Holi-

Downtown Fairmont set for "Holiday Delights"

Fairmont will be a flurry of also planning to make activity this Friday night, the rounds that night. A December 7th for "Holiday Delights 2018"!

Businesses throughout the downtown area have been busy preparing to make this event a fun night for your shopping destina-

As you shop in the Christmas carols from ing carolers, the Old Time United Methodist Church.

Downtown Salvation Army Band is Claus himself!

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couple of "celebrities" will be making their way through the downtown stores this year, including Bacon Capital USA's Marty the Mascot and of course everyone's favorite, Santa



Boer's Ford 8N tractor, sponsored by Profinium.

There will also be a Christmas Cookie Walk at First Congregational UCC on the Downtown Plaza from 4 to 6 p.m. that evening and also from 10 a.m. to noon on Saturday, December 8th.

Downtown Fairmont Association is teaming up with the Fairmont Opera

tomers can get a coupon for a buy one, get one free admission to the show. Dee's Floral will also be offering 50% off discount if the customer brings in their play bill after the show to make a purchase.

Some of the downtown businesses will be staying New this year - Historic open until 10:30 p.m. that evening for your shopping pleasure.

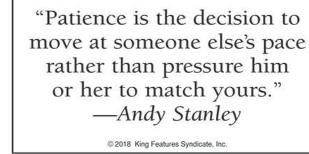
The Grand Prize draw-House for a performance ing this year will be for Friday night at 7:30 p.m. \$100 in Downtown Dol-

lars. You can register for the grand prize at participating merchants (signs will be posted on store windows) Friday evening and the lucky winner will be drawn on Saturday, December 8th.

Participating merchants include: 12 Baskets, Sovell's Jewelry, Little Bird Studio, Picture This, Scrap That, Thrivent Financial Scott Fuhrman. Indulge Salon, TVIDV, Dee's Floral, Good News Bookstore, White Orchid and CJ's Sensations.

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able to help change the lives of so many families during the first two years of this amazing program. are able to impact those Within that time Profinium received over 300 nominations and have helped 53 families in their ing nominations from a helping hand during \$50,000 in goods and services.

This program would dreams the week of De-tion form.

holders supporting the share some of the stories. program with the funds Profinium also partners with generous local businesses, and together, they life changing moments.

Profinium will be tak-

Foundation is proud to Profinium's employees, with local radio and mekick off the third year of leadership and share- dia outlets in your area to

This holiday season Profinium has been needed to make it happen. Profinium invites you to help make dreams come true and change the life of someone you care about.

Nominate a deservnominated, by creating ing friend, family member, coworker, neighbor, or anyone who could use time of need with over November 21st through this holiday season. Visit December 10th. Profin- www.Profinium.com/givium will start achieving ing to fill out the nomina-



Jason Subbert (left) and Sommer Goerndt (right) from the Martin County Area Foundation recently donated \$10,000, for a total of \$30,000, to Jim Miller, President of the Martin County Veterans Memorial. Two of three semi loads of the granite wall have been delivered and will be installed next spring. The MCVM is still accepting applications for Martin County veteran's names to be cut on the wall for \$200 each. Donations are also welcome; send to MCVM - P.O. Box 623 -Fairmont, MN. 56031 or call 507-230-1532. (Submitted photo)



Fairmont Area School Board members have been scheduling time each month to meet with high school students during breakfast, beginning at 7:30 a.m. Stu-

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dents are strongly encouraged to take this opportunity to get to know our school board members and to share their thoughts and ideas about education in Fairmont. School board members pictured here at the breakfast on November 29th are Board president Rufus Rodriguez and newly elected school board member Mari Myren. (Submitted photo)







Fairmont Area Chamber Ambassadors celebrated the opening of the Urgent Care facility with Chamber member Mayo Clinic Health System of Fairmont recently. (Submitted photo)



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The Guy From Just Around the Corner By Al Batt

My neighbor Crandall frigid day, I left it runstops by.

'How are you doing?" I

ask. E v erything is nearly copacetic. I'm so busy, I had no time for a shower



today. I had to spit into the air and walk under it."

Thanks for sharing that. I had fun at your father's birthday party," I

"I had to get a permit to light all the candles on Pop's cake. I told Pop that and he called me an aperture in the hindquarters. Ma has a dog that's a cross between a Chihuahua and a gerbil. It jumped on Ma's piano to chase the cat. It tiptoed on the keys. That mutt's Bach was worse than its bite. I planned on getting my Christmas shopping done early this year. I love going into stores. Where else would I go to the bathroom when I'm mingbird nectar because out? My old truck gets when honey is diluted terrible mileage. One with water, bacteria and

ning while I filled it with gas. The pump couldn't keep up with the amount of fuel being consumed. That puts a crimp in my spending. Christmas That means I'll probably give everyone the same thing I give them every Christmas -- an apology."

Naturally

I walked the sidewalks of a small city. The stroll was an icy one, so I quoted a chickadee. Chickadees make a chickadee-dee-dee call and increase the number of dee notes when they are alarmed. Blue jays flew from yard to yard. They sampled the fare at various bird feeders as if they were running a trap line. The jays share one belief with all other jays: Jays are wonderful.

Q-and-A

cautioned "You against using honey in hummingbird feeders. Why?" You should use table sugar rather than honey to make humfungus thrive in it. The normal mixture is 1/4 cup of sugar per cup of water. In cold, rainy or foggy conditions, it's OK to make the mixture 1/3 cup of sugar per cup of water. Concentrations of sugars in natural nectars vary within that range. If you mix small quantities of sugar water every day or two, there's no need to boil the water. If you mix up a larger batch and refrigerate it for later use, it's wise to make the mixture with boiling water.

"What do golden eagles eat?" A golden eagle preys primarily on mammals such as rabbits, hares and rodents. Up to 20 percent of its diet are birds and reptiles. It feeds mostly on food it catches, but will eat car-

"Why do some Canada geese migrate so Some Canada late?" geese don't migrate at all. They are short distance migrants, so temperature and the resulting ice -covered water can influence their timing.

"Don't deer eat ferns?"

Deer eat most any plant if they are hungry enough. However, ferns and some ornamental grasses aren't their preferred fare.

"What kind of bird is a snowflake?" Sometimes "snowflakes," called snow buntings resemble snowflakes as they swirl through the air before settling on winter fields.

"What is a duck test?" The duck test is a form of abductive reasoning. If it like a duck and quacks like a duck, then it's probably a duck.

"Is there a national mammal?" In May 2016, President Obama signed the National Bison Legacy Act into law, which made the American bison the national mammal of the United States. Once, 20-30 million bison roamed North America. Because of unregulated shooting and habitat loss, that population had dropped to only 1,091 by 1889.

"Are there any birdfriendly sports arenas?" A new arena named the Fiserv Forum, where the Milwaukee Bucks play, has been proclaimed the world's first bird-friendly

The Hawkeye goldfinch (American goldfinch) is looks like a duck, swims the state bird of Iowa. Photo by Al Batt

sports and entertainment venue. This is a victory for bird conservation because up to 1 billion birds in the United States die annually due to glass collisions. Scientists estimate that this total accounts for 5 to 10 percent of the bird population in this country. Addressing this destruction is vitally important not only because of the inherent value of birds. but also because birds reduce pest populations, pollinate plants, disperse seeds and captivate millions of people with their breathtaking beauty and fascinating behavior. The Fiserv Forum has set a new precedent for bird-

friendly building design. Thanks for stopping

"I think reading is a gift. It was a gift that was given to me as a child by many people, and now as an adult and a writer, I'm trying to give a little of it back to others. It's one of the greatest pleasures I know." — Ann M. Martin

"I go out into the Woods; and every bird and flower I see stirs me to the heart with something, I do not know what it is; only I love: I love them with all my strength." -Ernest Seton Thompson

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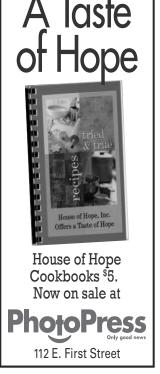
Robbin Celander (left) presents the 4-H Alumni Aawrad for Marabelle Lindell to her husband recently.



Stephanie Johnson (left), Martin County Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition coordinator, Thanks Walmart-Fairmont for the 200 DisposeRX packets that they donated to the coalition. They handed them out at the Glows Parade and the Healthy Living Expo. Walmart's pharmacy is handing out these packets with

any opioid prescription to their customers in the fight against prescription drug abuse. (Submitted photo)









MCHS welcomes new hospital medicine provider

practitioner, Mayo Clinic Health System in Fairmont and betober of this year. As a grees in Nursing. hospitalist, Dirksen's pri-

mary professional focus is the medical care of hospitalized patients. His duties include patient care, education and research.

"Following my retirement from the

collaborate with others," says Dirksen. "Nursing provided an atmosphere of teamwork I found rewarding. Becoming a nurse practitioner seemed the logical next step in my career path."

Originally from St. James, Dirksen has lived mostly in the Tidewater region of Virginia. After a career in the Navy, he worked as a registered nurse for nine years in a Progressive Care Medicine Unit at VCU Health in Richmond, Virginia and clinichealthsystem.org.

Kevin Dirksen, nurse the ICU at Sentara Wil-Hospital liamsburg Regional Medi-Medicine, recently joined cal Center while attending Virginia Commonwealth University to attain his gan seeing patients Oc- Bachelor and Master de-

"Education is the great-

est thing I can do for my patients, teaching them control their chronic conditions to avoid future hospitalizations," says Dirksen. "I want my patients to know

U.S. Navy, I continued to they have a voice in their search for opportunities to care, let's make it your plan, not Kevin's plan."

> "Adding Kevin to our hospital team is a great benefit to patients who need care here in Fairmont," says Marie Morris, M.D., Mayo Clinic Health System in Fairmont medical director. "Helping a patient find the answers they need to return to their home healthy is what we strive for every day."

For more information on Dirksen and other Mayo Clinic Health System providers, visit mayo-



Cub Scout Pack 57 took a tour of the Gold Cross ambulance facility recently. It was the highlight of our month of learning about first aid and what to do in an emergency situation. The Scouts asked a variety of questions which were answered by the knowledgeable staff. It was exciting seeing such a valuable community resource up close! (Submitted photo)



Stephanie Johnson of FSAP Coalition (left) thanks Fairmont Police officer Jason Christenson and Alyssa Ciatti for collaboration in the education of Tobacco Sales Education and compliance to the Fairmont community. We educated more than 20 people from four businesses who sell to our young people in our community. (Submitted photo)



Mary Ann Hagen of Fairmont was the lucky winner of a reindeer from Ingleside Assisted Living in Fairmont. The item was the drawing held at the vendor show at Five Lakes Centre. (Submitted photo)









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Take Advantage of Tax Diversification

that are taxed differently from one another. And it's from tax diversification by owning accounts in these three categories:

• Tax-deferred - Taxdeferred accounts include the traditional IRA and a 401(k) or similar employtax-deferred vehicles, your

As an investor, you will paid taxes every year. You focus on those considered have access to accounts also may get a tax deduction for contributions you make today. When you possible you could benefit start taking withdrawals from these tax-deferred accounts, typically during you will not get taxed on retirement, the money is usually taxed at your ordinary income tax rate.

• Taxable - Taxable investments are those held er-sponsored retirement in a standard brokerage plan. When you invest in account, outside your IRA or 401(k). While you can money can grow faster put virtually all types of than if it were placed in investments into a taxable distributions can reduce an account on which you account, you may want to your investments' real rate

to be most tax-efficient. So, you could include individual stocks that you plan to hold, rather than actively trade, because the capital gains until you sell. You also might consider mutual funds that do little trading and generate fewer capital gain distributions. This is important not only in terms of controlling taxes, but also because the taxes on these

of return.

• Tax-free - When you invest in a Roth IRA/Roth 401(k), you don't get an immediate tax deduction. but your earnings, as well as your withdrawals, are tax-free, provided you do not start taking withdrawals until you're 59 1/2 and you have had your account at least five years. (However, income restrictions do apply to Roth IRAs.)

So, given the difference in how taxes are treated in these accounts, how can you choose where to put your money? For example, when would you contribute to a Roth IRA or Roth 401(k), rather than a traditional, tax-deferred IRA or 401(k)? If you are in a high tax rate now and expect it to be lower in retirement, a traditional IRA may make more sense, as you potentially get a siz-

able benefit from the tax deduction. But if you are in a lower tax rate now, you have most of your retirement investments in tax-deferred accounts, and/or you can afford to forego the immediate tax deduction, you might find that the Roth IRA/Roth 401(k), with its tax-free withdrawals and earnings, ultimately will make more sense for you. But since no one can predict where tax rates will go in the future, having money in different types of accounts - i.e., tax diversification - can be beneficial.

If you only focus on traditional, tax-deferred accounts, you could end up with larger tax bills than you anticipated when you retire and start tapping into these accounts, particularly when you must start taking withdrawals - called "required

minimum distributions" when you reach 70 ½. By having money in accounts with different tax treatments, you may have more flexibility in structuring your withdrawals during retirement, based on your year-to-year tax situation.

There's no formula for achieving an ideal tax diversification. You'll want to consider your own needs and circumstances in choosing the right mix of taxable, tax-deferred and tax-free accounts. Ultimately, taxes should not drive all your investment decisions – but they should not be ignored, either.

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by Mike Marland

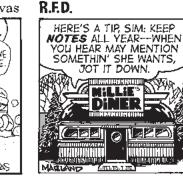
Out on a Limb















2018 crop farm profits will vary

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profit levels from crop farming were in 2018, and the answers can range from "pretty good" to "acceptable" to "right down terrible". Any of those answers could be correct, depending where the farmer is located and how the erratic 2018 weather variation grain marketing decisions and crop insurance coverage for the year that potentially affected farm profitability. Fol-2018:

• 2018 crop yields --kind to many producers in southern Minnesota and northern Iowa in 2018, as well as in some other areas of the Upper Midwest. Several areas received 50-100% above the normal growing season rainfall, in addition to some severe storms late in growing season, which lead to greatly reduced crop yields for the year. Some growers in south central and southwest Minnesota and adjoining areas of northern Iowa are report-

Ask a farmer what their since the disaster year of the eastern Corn Belt that 1993. Overall, corn yields had a soybean yield of 70 in region were 10-20 percent below long-term an estimated MFP payaverages, and probably 15-30 percent lower than 2015-2017 average yields. In general, soybean yields were 5-20 percent below long-term average yields.

By comparison, growconditions affected crop ers in Illinois, Indiana, production in the area. and the eastern Corn Belt There will also be a wide are having record crop yields in 2018. Portions of southeast, central, and northwest Minnesota, as well as central and eastern areas of Iowa, also reportlowing is a brief overview ed above average yields, of how these three major as did parts of Nebraska, factors will likely affect North and South Dakota. areas had the opportunity income per acre. Grain "Mother nature" was not 220 bushels per acre will ticipated 2018 production farm profitability. gross \$715 per acre, wile a from February to May this producer with 180 bushels per acre grosses \$585 per acre, and a producer with 140 bushels per acre only grosses \$455 per acre.
The "market facilita-

tion program" (MFP) payments, which are being paid to farm operators to offset market price reductions resulting from tariffs and trade issues, are based on final 2018 crop yields. The largest estimated MFP payment level is \$1.65 per bushel for soy- A "locked-in" two-thirds ance coverage can result

bushels per acre will get ment of \$115.50 per acre, while a producer in southern Minnesota that had a from prices the Spring of weather-reduced yield of 40 bushels per acre will only receive \$66 per acre.

• Grain marketing **decisions** --- As in most years, the grain marketing decisions that were made by farm operators crop enterprise in 2018. The biggest difference will likely come in sovbeans, where producers in many year, prior to the Chinese tariffs on U.S. soybeans. Current soybean cash price levels are near \$8.25 per bushel in southern Minnesota, and even lower in some areas.

A and B both targeted a for soybeans at the beginning of 2018; however, due to the weather conditions ing their lowest corn yield beans. So, a producer in of the anticipated pro- in some producers receiv-

\$9.75 per bushel and sold the balance at \$8.25 per bushel. Farmer B sold the entire production at harvest for \$8.25 per bushel. Farmer A would have a gross income of \$472.50 per acre, while farmer B would have a gross income of only \$412.50 per acre, a difference of \$60 per acre. The difference in mar-

keting decisions for corn 2018 until post-harvest prices was not quite as dramatic as with soybeans. There were several opportunities from March cash corn price of \$3.50-\$3.65 per bushel in southwill have a big impact on ern Minnesota, which the profit levels for their compares to the current cash price near \$3.25 per bushel. However, this can still amount to a difference of \$30-\$60 in gross operator with a yield of on a portion of their an- major factor that impacts

• 2018 crop insurance **coverage** --- The level and type of crop insurance coverage that a producer carried for the 2018 crop year will also impact farm profitability in the areas that had greatly re-For example, farmer duced crop yields for the year. Corn and soybean yield of 60 bushel per acre producers had the option of selecting revenue protection (RP) crop insurance policies ranging they only had a yield of 50 from 60% to 85% coverage bushels per acre. Farmer levels. The level of insur-

duction (40 bu./acre) at ing crop insurance inother producers receive even though both producers had the same adjusted yield of 190 bushels per farms. acre and a final 2018 corn yield of 155 bushels per acre, a producer with 85% RP coverage would receive a gross indemnity acre, while a producer with 75% coverage would receive no indemnity payment.

> A large majority of Midproducers chose "enterprise units" for their 2018 crop insurance coverage, in order to reduce premiall acres of a crop in a givinsurance unit. By comparison, "optional units" a year such as 2018. For example, assume that prosame county with an APH corn yield of 190 bushels per acre, and with an overall average 2018 corn B has an 80% RP policy come losses for a year. with enterprise units. Pro-

ducer A would receive demnity payments, while no insurance indemnity payment on three farms; no indemnity payments, however, would receive a gross insurance payment of \$68.32 per acre on two APH yield and the same farms. Producer B would final yield. For example, receive almost no insurat an adjusted APH corn ance payments on any

Bottom Line

Corn and soybean producers in Illinois, Indiana, and other areas with average or above average payment of \$69.14 per yields will likely have an average to very good profit year in 2018, depending on their grain marketing decisions. Farm operators that had average to to May to "lock-in" a local west corn and soybean slightly below average yields for the year will probably have acceptable to reduced profit levels in 2018, depending on grain um costs. This combines marketing decisions. Finally, producers with been county into one crop low average to very low crop yields in 2018 will likely have reduced to difinal farm profitability in At a farm-level price of to "lock-in" cash prices marketing decisions are allow producers to insure sastrous profit levels for \$3.25 per bushel, a farm above \$9.50 per bushel often overlooked as a crops separately in each the year, depending on township section, which their crop insurance covcan be a big advantage in erage and their grain marketing decisions.

> Farm operators that are ducers A and B both have facing serious cash flow 5 separate farms in the shortages for the 2018 crop year are encouraged to consult their farm management advisors and ag lenders sooner than later yield of 165 bushels per to look at ways to address acre. However, three of the the situation. Farm operafarms average 175 bushels tors should also consult per acre and two of the their tax advisors before farms average 145 bushels the end of the year, as per acre. Producer A has there are changes in the an 80% RP policy with op- new tax law relative to the tional units and producer tax treatment of farm in-



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by Sgt. Troy Christianson, **MN State Patrol**

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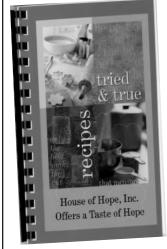
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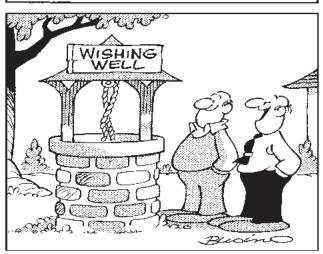
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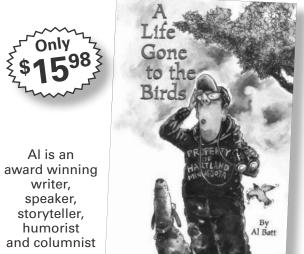
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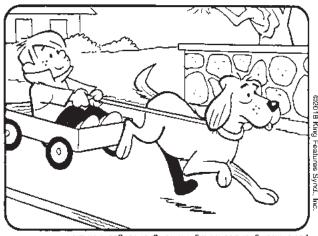


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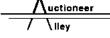
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Setting 2019 land rental rates in uncertain times **Guest Columnist**

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farm operators and nonfarm landowners begin the tenuous task of negotiating annual land rental rates for the following crop year. Approximately 60-70 percent of the crop land in the Upper Midwest is under a land rental agreement, and most rental agreements are negotiated on an annual basis. There are some two or three-year leases in existence, which are more common in rental agreements among family members. Arriving at equitable land rental rates for more of a challenge, given the variable crop yields in 2018 and continued low grain market prices, as well as uncertainty surrounding trade negotiations.

In the past, many land rental arrangements have been between farm operators and landlords that usually have known each other quite well, sometimes being neighbors or family members. However, in recent years, more and more land ownership has been transferred to family members or family trusts outside of the local area where the land is located. Some land owners are hiring the services of a land management company

Once harvest is com- to represent them in land mates for the coming year. pleted in any given year, rental negotiations. Many times, farm operators have remained fairly low for had very limited previous working relationships with the newer landlords or those representing land owners. This can lead to more challenges when negotiating annual land rental rates, especially during more difficult economic times in crop farming, such as we are now experiencing. Crop producers in the

Upper Midwest are indicating mixed crop production results in 2018, with some producers reportthe 2019 crop year is even ing average or better corn and soybean yields, while producers in other areas had some of their lowest crop yields in the past nual basis. The estimated years, due to higher interoperators in portions of at the end of the 2018-19 Southern Minnesota and Northern Iowa had corn yields that were 10-20 percent above their 10-year crop insurance actual highest level ever recordproduction history (APH) yields in 2016 and 2017, before having corn yields that were 10-20 percent or more below long-term average yields in 2018. This year in a range of \$7.60 points out why it is best to to \$9.60 per bushel, or use the updated 10-year APH yields, or other verifiable historical yield data,

for cash rental rate esti-

Cash corn prices have

nearly over three years (2016-2018) and are not currently showing any signs of significant improvement in the near future. Soybean prices did have a brief rally in early 2018; however, prices declined by nearly a \$2.00 per bushel by mid-year, fol-Currently, U.S. soybean export levels to China in recent months are only a fraction of what they were a year ago at this time. Up importing approximately one-third of the U.S. soybean production on an anmarketing year on August 31st, 2019 is projected to exceed 1 billion bushels, which would be at the ed.

USDA is currently projecting the national average soybean market price for the 2018-19 marketing an average of \$8.60 per bushel. USDA is estimating the national average to make yield projections corn price for the 2018-19 marketing year in a range

or an average of \$3.60 per bushel. Forward price bids in Southern Minnesota for the Fall of 2019 are currently near \$3.30-\$3.40 per bushel for corn near \$8.25-\$8.50 per bushel for soybeans, with even lower prices in Western Minnesota and the Dakota's. It is probably not realistic to lords have lowered land alistic breakeven levels for base 2019 cash rental rates on projected prices of near \$4.00 per bushel for corn and over \$9.00 per bushel for soybeans, given the current fundamentals in the grain markets.

Average crop input expenses for crop production in Southern Minnelowing the Chinese tariffs sota, excluding land costs on U.S. soybean imports. declined somewhat in 2017 and 2018; however, expense estimates appear to be a bit higher for 2019, especially for fertilizer, fuel and repairs. Most farm until 2018, China had been operators will also likely have higher costs for operating interest in 2019, as compared to previous two decades. Some farm U.S. soybean carryover est rates and increasing levels of farm operating debt. Production costs are highly variable from farmto-farm, depending on fertility level, availability of livestock manure, and farm operator efficiency.

The tight cash flow margins in crop production for the 2019 crop year are causing concern for farm operators, as they negotiate land rental rates for the next year. The very tight, or even negative profit margins for next year's crop, are also a concern for ag lenders, as they begin to

of \$3.20-\$4.00 per bushel, re-finance crop producers for the 2019 crop year. Some farm operators will to pay higher land rental potentially lead to some large financial losses for their farm operation.

> rental rates in the past few years, due to the lower commodity prices and tighter cash flow margins. Now landlords are make further adjustments in land rental rates, especially considering the fact some areas; however, that demand has started temper a bit for rented land due to the continued low and honest negotiation be-

> be to enter into a "flexible cash rent agreement, "base rental rate" that is based on average crop prices. A "flexible lease" increase the final annual

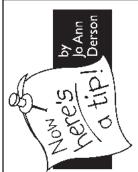
pated crop prices in 2019. These final cash rent adjustments should be based need to do some serious on actual crop yields and/ evaluation before agreeing or crop market prices in the Fall of 2019, with any rates for 2019, which could rental rate adjustments occurring on the final land rental payment for the year. If the "base rental In many cases, land- rate" is set higher than rethe farm operator, the flexible lease will not be very effective to address the added financial risk.

Kent Thiesse, Farm wondering if they need to Management Analyst, has prepared an updated Information Sheet titled: "Flexible Lease Agreethat real estate taxes on ments for 2019". To receive farm land are quite high a free copy of this Informain some areas. Demand tion sheet and other land for rented farm land has rental information, conremained very strong in tact Kent Thiesse at: kent. thiesse@minnstarbank. com

Iowa State University at higher land rental rates, has some very good resources on flexible cash commodity prices. Serious leases and written cash rental lease contracts, tween farm operators and including sample cash landlords will be required rental contracts, which to arrive at equitable rental are available on their "Ag rates for 2019 and beyond. Decision Maker" web site, An alternative for farm which is located at: http:// operators and landlords www.extension.iastate. to consider for 2019 may edu/agdm/. University of Minnesota Extension has scheduled a series of which sets a reasonable land rental informational meetings for landlords and farm operators schedyields, typical production uled in December. To get costs, and projected 2019 a complete listing of the dates, times, and locations would have provisions to of those meetings, please go to the following web rental rate in the event of site: extension.umn.edu/ exceptional crop yields courses-and-events/farmand/or higher than anticiland-rental-workshop



Fairmont Area Jr./Sr. High School has announced its October Students of the Month. The students included: 7th Grade: Devon Szafryk and Grace Danner: 8th Grade: Lincoln Becker and Lillian Laven: 9th Grade: Andrew Johnson and Claire Nemmers; 10th Grade: Noah Nelson and Lauren Green; 11th Grade: Jacob Rahn and Jenna Jette; 12th Grade: Jonathan Lutz and Brooke Crowley Rosenberg. (Submitted photo)



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Fairmont PeeWee results

The Fairmont PeeWee team hosted last Tuesday night in hosted Fairmont. The Fairmont Eagles defeated Worthington them 9-3. 10-0.

Scoring hat tricks for was Lutterman and Hank Artz. Lutterman had assists from Hank Artz from Brock Lutterman. and Matthew Cone and Artz had 1 assist from had 4 goals with assists Brock Lutterman. Luke Kester had an assisted goal from Tyson Pankow from Brock Lutterman. Kegan Roloff had an assisted goal from Brock Lutterman. Jace Teveldal had an assisted goal from Tyson Pankow and Matthew Cone had an assisted goal from Brock Lutterman from Connor Gronewald.

Goalie Ethan Geerdes tournament. recorded 15 saves.

Fairmont Cardinal Worthington PeeWee hockey team Windom the Sunday on Cardinal PeeWee team evening and defeated

Scoring for Fairmont Tyson Pankow Fairmont was Brock with an assist from Jace Teveldal. Hank Artz had 3 assisted goals all from

> Brock Lutterman coming from Hank Artz, Kester, Mathew Luke and Connor Cone Gronewald. Luke Kester had an assisted goal from Brock Lutterman.Goalie Ethan Geerdes recorded 24 saves.

The Fairmont Cardinal Pee Wee team travels to LaCrosse, Wisconsin this weekend to compete in the Chill Classic PeeWee



HIGH KICK - The Fairmont Dance team performed at halftime of the Blue Earth Area vs Cardinals basketball game last Friday night. Courtesy fairmontsports.com



TWISTER - Cards #1 Maggy Totzke and Rayah Quiring tie up the Buccaneers Tea Armstrong. Blue Earth Area defeated the Cards 52 - 41 last Friday night in Fairmont. Courtesy fairmontsports.com





FAIRMONT CARDINALS girls basketball team - front (1-r): Chloe Murphy, Maggy Totzke, Madysen Allen, Emma Gudahl and Kaitlyn Scott. Middle row: Lexi Lunn, Cadence Becker, Faith Olson and Maddy Schwieger. Back row: Natalie Tonne, Rayah Quiring, Taylor Crissinger, Bryn Miller and Brittney Mosloski. Head coach for the team is Sara Junkermeier. Courtesy fairmontsports.com



FAIRMONT AREA CARDINALS girls hockey team - front (l-r): Rachel O'Connor, ley Artz. Middle row: Manager Kady Pedroza, head coach Ashley Olson, Alexis Newville, Chantel Moeller, Macy Militello, Tegan Roskop, Hannah Goerndt, assistant coach Eric Householder and manager Lily Hohensee. Back row: Jonissa Neitzel, Anna Nordquist, Joni Becker and Emily Sokoloski. Head coach for the team is Ashley Olson. Courtesy fairmontsports.com



FAIRMONT AREA CARDINALS boys hockey team - front (1-r): Carter Leiding, Dakotah Hoefker, Josef Olson, assistant coach Roger Claeys, head coach Kris Olson, manager Levi Buhmann, assistant coach Dylan VanBrocklin, Eli Anderson, Tyson Geerdes and Carson Johnson. Middle row: Trenton Vlieger, Tony Nuss, Riley Chaffee, Carson Kuhl, Tanner DeWar, Seth Becker, Noah Nelson, Karson Legard and Bobby Karp. Back row: Mason Kotewa, Hudson Artz, Logan Zimprich, Brycen Lutterman, Evan Carlson, Max Seifried, Carter Beebe and Carter Olson. Head coach for the team is Kris Olson. Courtesy fairmontsports.com

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