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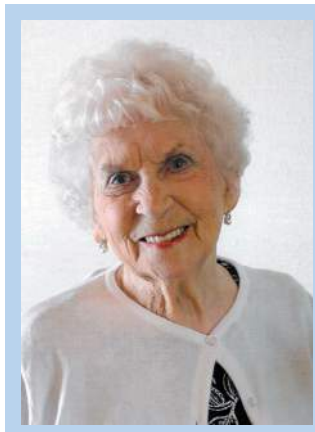


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HARTMAN 90TH - Marian Hartman of Fairmont will be turning 90 years old on Saturday, December 5th. She was born on December 5th, 1925.



STEINER 90TH - An open house celebration honoring Lucille Steiner's 90th birthday will be on Saturday, December 19th from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Holiday Inn in Fairmont. She was born on December 22nd, 1925. Your presence will be her gift. Cards will reach her at 601 Shoreacres Drive, Apt. 105, Fairmont, MN 56031.



WALTERMAN 60TH - Marlyn and Beverly Waltermann of Fairmont will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary on December 10th. They were married December 10th, 1955 in Elmore, Minnesota. They plan to celebrate with their family at a later date. Cards will reach them at: 3801 Albion Avenue, Fairmont, MN 56031.



Amanda May Heckman and Paul Ryan Frerichs



SSG David Vandrey, son of Barb Vandrey of Truman and the late Vic Vandrey, recently completed a six-week training for Advanced Leaders Course.

David lives in Charlotte, North Carolina with his wife Brianna and daughter Lyla.

A **Partners Cribbage Tournament** will take place on Saturday, December 12th at the Fairmont VFW. Check-in will be at 1 p.m. Play starts at 1:30 p.m. All are invited.

The East Chain United Methodist Church will host the monthly **Community Coffee Party** from 8:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., Saturday, December 12th, serving rolls, holiday treats, coffee, tea, hot chocolate, and juice for a free will offering. Everyone is welcome. Merry Christmas and Happy 2016.

The Martin Luther High School, Northrop Music Department will be presenting "Christ is Come" a **Christmas Concert** on Saturday, December 12th at 7:00 p.m. at the Fairmont Opera House. Everyone is invited. The band and choir will be accompanied by Mr. Glenn Henriksen under the direction of Mr. Evan Sanft. Refreshments will be served. Admission is a free will offering.

The **Fairmont Women of Today** are hosting a Mitten Making event on Tuesday, December 15th at 7 p.m., led by JACKIE of All Trades, located at 1675 210th Avenue, Fairmont. Handmade wool mittens custom made by you, a perfect Christmas gift or winter accessory for yourself. The cost is \$12 and the event is open to the public. Come and have some fun and learn more about the Fairmont Women of Today. RVSP at the Fairmont Women of Today Facebook page or by email FairmontWT@MNWT.org

Korean War Veterans Chapter 254 will meet on Saturday, December 12th at 9:00 a.m. at the Ranch Restaurant in Fairmont. There will be a guest speaker. All Korean War Veterans are invited.

Students of Genesis Classical Academy of Winnebago invite you to their **Christmas program "Follow the Star"** on Thursday, December 17th at 7 p.m. It will be held at Diker's Hall at Parker Oaks in Winnebago. This will be a Christmas program for all to enjoy!

There will be a **Hymn Fest** on Sunday, December 13th at 7:00 p.m. at the Red Rock Center for the Arts in Fairmont. Refreshments will be served. The public is welcome!

The students of St. Paul Lutheran School **hand bell choir** will present a Christmas concert at the Red Rock Center on Tuesday, December 15th at noon. Everyone is invited, holiday refreshments will be served.

White Orchid in downtown Fairmont announced the drawing winners during the Black Friday and Small Business Saturday observances. Emily Jagodzinske of Sherburn and Dawn Willner, Fairmont, each won a gift certificate and gift basket valued at \$250.

Martin County West indoor swimming pool in Sherburn is accepting registrations for swimming lessons to be held in January. Contact elizabethviesselman@mcw-mavericks.org or 639-5101 for information.

Drawing winners at **Dee's Floral Holiday Open House** were: Diane Luedtke, fresh outdoor arrangement; Jean Ehlert, 2016 calendar; Elayne Hested, green leaf sachet.

Reminder: Salvation Army's Red Bag Pickup is Saturday

Salvation Army Red Bags were distributed this week, by the Sentinel in the city of Fairmont and by the Photo Press in Ceylon, Dunnell, Granda, Northrop, Sherburn, Trimont, Truman and Welcome.

Donors are asked to place non-perishable food items, toiletries, in these bags and place them on their doorsteps by 9 a.m. Saturday. KSUM, Sentinel and Photo Press staff members, and volunteers will pick up the bags

Saturday morning and return them to the Salvation Army for sorting and placing on the food shelves there.

Boy Scout Troops will pick up the bags in the area towns. See last week's Photo Press for details on items needed.

Businesses contributing to the Red Bag pickup day volunteers are Green Mill for providing the coffee; Hy-Vee and Fareway for rolls and juice and the Poppe's Store and Car Wash for gas certificates.

Bloodmobile Makes One-Day Stop in Fairmont

The American Red Cross Bloodmobile will be in Fairmont on Wednesday, December 23rd, noon to 5 p.m. at Cutting Edge Fitness, 1130 Spruce Street.

The American Red Cross encourages eligible donors to end the year with real meaning by donating blood for hospital patients in need. Holiday activities, severe weather and seasonal illnesses, like the flu, can pull people away from their regular blood donation schedules. This creates a greater need for blood donations this time of year, especially around the winter holidays.

To encourage dona-

tions, all those who come to donate December 23rd, through Sunday, January 3rd, 2016, will get a long-sleeve Red Cross T-shirt, while supplies last.

Healthy donors with all blood types are needed, especially those with types AB, O, B negative and A negative. To make an appointment to donate blood, download the free Red Cross Blood Donor App from app stores, visit redcrossblood.org or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767). Donors can now use the Blood Donor App to access their donor card and view vital signs from previous donations.

Winners in last Friday's **Downtown Plaza Holiday Delight** drawing were: First, Sherry Eisenmenger, Fairmont, \$250 in Downtown Dollars; Sonja V. Olson, Odin, \$100; Michele Nelson, Fairmont, \$50.



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The family of Ryan Mortensen would like to thank each and every one of you for all the thoughts, prayers, hugs, food, flowers, cards and memorials. Also, to all of those who helped with all the fieldwork. We are forever grateful for all the love and support that we have received. We feel very fortunate to live in such a great community. Ryan will be forever missed.



Chris Cakes Boy Scout Fundraiser in Fairmont

The North Star District of the Boy Scouts of America will be hosting a Chris Cakes Pancake and Sausage Supper on Thursday, December 10th, from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall (920 E. 10th St.) in Fairmont.

Tickets are \$7.00 per person purchased from a Scout or at the door. There will also be a silent auction at the supper.

Proceeds of this Scout fundraiser will be used for Cub Scout and Boy Scouts activities in the North Star District. This includes Scouts in Packs and Troops in Cottonwood, Faribault, Jackson, Martin, and Watonwan Counties.

For more information about the Pancake Supper, contact Mike Mahlstedt at 507-525-8343.

Truman Christmas Lighting Contest Announced

The Truman Community Club is sponsoring the Truman Christmas Lighting Contest throughout the city of Truman next week.

The themes for this year's contest include:

- Reason for the Season
- Secular (Santa, elves, etc.)
- Classical (traditional)
- Whimsical

Each theme for this year's Truman Christmas Lighting Contest will have a first prize of \$50 and second prize \$25.

Judges will be from out of town and will be judging the displays the week of December 14th through the 18th between 6:00 and 8:00 p.m. each night.

Annual Christmas Benefit Planned for Winnebago

FourEver Young (and friends) will present their seventh annual benefit Christmas concert on Sunday, December 13th at 2:00 p.m.

The benefit will take place at the First Baptist Church, 205 Cleveland Avenue West in Winnebago.

FourEver Young (Patti Nowak, Ann Krause, Annette Jenkins and Judy Ness) will perform a variety of traditional and con-

temporary Christmas favorites, with special music by Alpha and Omega Entertainment (Patty Hague and Jay Reinders).

The concert is a benefit for the Winnebago Ambulance Service, and funds will be used toward the purchase of a power lift cot. Admission is free, but a free-will offering will be taken. Refreshments will be served following the program.

Grace Lutheran Church Fairmont to Hold Blue Christmas Service

Some people may be grieving for a loved one with whom they shared Christmases past. For others, who may have experienced divorce, abuse or other family trauma, the last thing they want to hear about this time of year is coming home for the holidays. Still others simply may be stressed

or depressed because of holiday expectations.

A Blue Christmas service is special for them. A Blue Christmas service will be held at Grace Lutheran Church in Fairmont at 6:30 p.m. Sunday, December 13th.

Call 238-4418 with any questions.

Pajama Jam at the Fairmont Library

Wear your jammies and join us for a pajama jam at the Fairmont Library.

Enjoy stories, crafts, snacks and more with your family! Pajama Jams will be held on the follow-

ing upcoming date: Thursday, December 17th at 5:00 p.m. There is no cost to attend and no need to pre-register.

Call the library at 238-4207 with questions.

Gathering/CER Community Basketball League

The Community Basketball season is beginning soon. The first games will begin the first Monday in January.

Teams can sign up on the CER Web Store or by contacting Bart Whitman, bart@thegatheringfnt.com. Cost for the season is \$180 per team, which includes playoff referees.

An informational meeting will be held on Monday, December 14th at 7:00 p.m. at the elementary school. Rules, schedules and anything else anyone wants to bring up will be discussed.

If you are interested in playing, sign up as soon as possible.

The Fairmont High School Class of 1963 will meet on Wednesday, December 16th, 11:30 a.m. at the Pizza Ranch. All classmates and guests are welcome for food and fellowship.

St. Paul's United Church of Christ in Welcome will host their annual **Christmas Goodies Bakery and Cafe** on Saturday, December 12th from 8:30 to 10:00 a.m.

Let us do your Christmas baking for you! Stop by on Saturday and pick up a few holiday treats!

Prairie Lake Regional Arts Council Youth Scholarships

The Prairie Lakes Regional Arts Council announced that Youth Scholarships of \$23,400 from the Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund, which is funded by the Clean Water, Land & Legacy Amendment, have been awarded to 78 students in grades 7-12 throughout the region.

Two students in Martin County were each awarded a \$300 scholarship; Cameron Hainy and Eric

Head from Fairmont.

"Youth Scholarship recipients live in twenty-two different communities representing nine counties," noted Brenda Byron, PLRAC Executive Director. The Youth Scholarships of \$300 will provide these students the opportunity to study their chosen art with a practicing professional artist by taking lessons over a period of months.



Martin County Youth Scholarship Students - (left to right): Bonnie Taplin, PLRAC Board Member Martin County; Eric Head; Cameron Hainy; and Brenda Byron, PLRAC Executive Director.

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Join us for a festive holiday extravaganza at the Martin County Li-

brary in Fairmont on Saturday, December 12th at 10:30 a.m.

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Albert Niss: A Community Servant

Guest Columnist

Lenny Tvedten, Director, Martin County Historical Society



What makes up the fabric of a community in terms of the legacies left for succeeding generations and the future? That is a complex question with conceivably no singular answer. Perhaps, though, that can be answered to some degree by the following example.

"Community service is the rent you pay for the

ing for George Sutherland with New York Life on a part time basis. Then, in 1925, he became a full-time insurance agent with New York Life. He worked for New York Life until he retired in 1985, a total of sixty-eight years with the company. However, much of his life's work and accomplishments was not limited to the business

of Pythias for sixty-seven years. In addition, he was a Sunday school teacher, a Sunday school superintendent, and he served on the Fairmont Board of Education. While serving on the school board, he was instrumental in the building of the Fairmont Middle School. He also served at the state level as president of the Minnesota Game Protective League for two years.

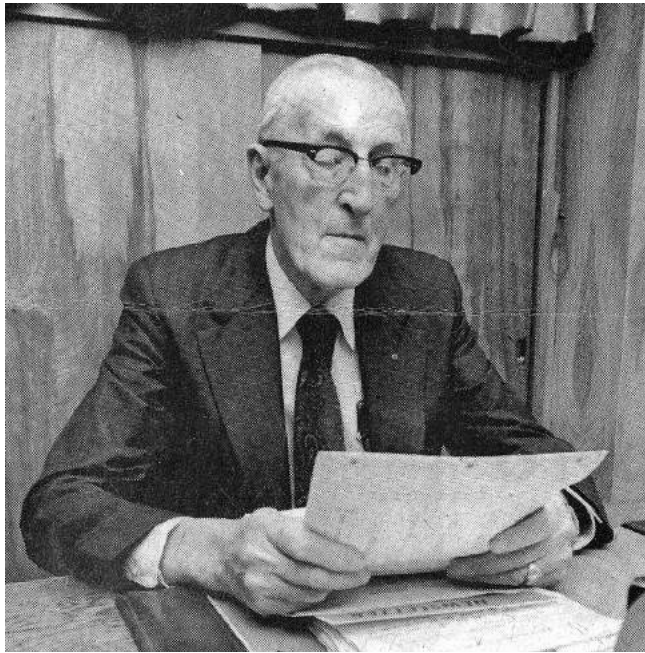
However, he was perhaps best known as Fairmont's "unofficial" historian. He frequently spoke to various clubs and organizations using his vivid memory to relate historic events from Fairmont and Martin County's past. The Pioneer Museum holds numerous historic writings provided by Albert Niss including his book published by the Fairmont Photo Press in 1987 entitled "80 Years of Change In Downtown Fairmont, Minnesota 1906-1986." His writings provide readers with the opportunity to picture Martin County's history through his eyes during the eighty years of change that he was a part of as a participant, a witness, and a documenter.

So, what makes up the fabric of a community? In Albert G. Niss's 92 years of life a partial answer can be seen: civic duty, service to others, and an appreciation for history and heritage. His legacy would be best characterized not by his professional accomplishments, but rather by what he left for succeeding generations through his volunteerism and his

careful, thorough documentation of local history. His willingness to serve has had a lasting impact on Martin County. As a result of his historical work, readers can gain a clearer perspective and better understanding of our local history and how it has evolved over the years. Al-

bert Niss's life illustrates how the fabric of a community might possibly be defined as those interwoven accounts and accomplishments of its members in regard to how their actions, deeds, and achievements had a positive impact on their community and future generations.

Albert Niss's succinctly stated motto, "Community service is the rent you pay for the space you occupy," was exemplified throughout his life by what he chose to do in order to make a positive difference in the lives of those in the community in which he lived for 92 years.



space you occupy." That was the motto of Albert Niss, a Martin County resident for 92 years. So, what does this really mean?

Albert G. Niss was born on February 15, 1895, in Waverly Township in Martin County. He attended rural schools in Waverly and Fraser Townships and graduated from Fairmont High School in 1915. He then attended the University of Minnesota and graduated from the Minnesota School of Business. In 1917, he began work-

world of New York Life.

Mr. Niss was very civic minded, involved in his community, and obviously dedicated to making a difference in Martin County and the many lives he touched. He served as an assistant Scoutmaster in Boy Scouts for fifteen years, he was a member of the Fairmont Rotary Club for forty-seven years, he served as chairman of the Martin County Republican Committee, and he was an office holder and member of the Knights

MCHS in Fairmont Community Update

An exciting advancement occurred early last month at Mayo Clinic Health System in Fairmont. The Southwest Minnesota Region of Mayo Clinic Health System officially expanded regional Hospice services to Fairmont on November 2nd, 2015. The Hospice team added a social worker/bereavement coordinator, two registered nurses, two home health aides and a part-time chaplain. Additionally, the regional volunteer service coordinator will work with the local volunteer service coordinator to provide additional support to Hospice patients. This is an important step in providing our communities with much-needed end-of-life care.

Let's take a look at what else has been happening at the medical center and in the community:

Community

- To honor our veterans, we are displaying an American flag that flew over Bagram Airfield in Afghanistan on September 11th, 2015 along with a plaque recognizing employees, volunteers and Lutz Wing residents who served in the military.

- Employees, volunteers and their family members participated in the annual Fairmont Glows Parade Nov. 20. The event was enjoyable

for all, and we look forward to joining again next year.

- Our fundraising efforts for the 2016 Martin County Relay for Life event are underway. On November 17th, Mayo Clinic Health System in Fairmont's team, Angels Among Us, held a cookie walk and raised \$775.

- A special "thank you" goes out to Working for Farmers' Success (WFS), employees of Fairmont Hy-Vee Caribou Coffee and Martin County West school volleyball for coordinating events to raise money for cancer patients at Mayo Clinic Health System in Fairmont.

- On December 3rd, we held a retirement open house for Dr. Christopher Anderson. Dr. Anderson is hanging up his stethoscope after 24 years of caring for patients at Mayo Clinic Health System in Fairmont. Thank you, Dr. Anderson, for your commitment and compassionate service!

- Remember, free blood pressure screenings are available at the medical center every Thursday from noon to 1 p.m. in the cardiac rehabilitation room next to the Harvest Cafe. Enter through door six of the hospital.

Growth and Services

- The medical center is offering a Saturday colonoscopy clinic December 19th from 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Call 507-238-8877 or talk to your primary pro-

vider to schedule an appointment.

- Daniel Galat, M.D., will be providing additional orthopedic coverage in partnership with Stephen Berthelsen, M.D., December 2015 through June 2016. Dr. Galat is currently the chief of orthopedic surgery at Tenwek Hospital in Bomet, Kenya, East Africa. He has conducted medical missionary work the last several years and is home for a few months before heading back to Kenya.

- The Emergency Department project continues to move along on schedule. We expect the new section of the facility will be complete in early April. Renovations of the current space will conclude in mid-August. Thank you for your continued support of this important enhancement. We're very excited for the final product, which will be a major benefit to patients, staff and visitors.

Have a joyous, healthy holiday season!

-Marie Morris, M.D., medical director, Mayo Clinic Health System in Fairmont

-Bob Bartingale, administrator, Mayo Clinic Health System in Fairmont

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What's Cooking

with Kathy Lloyd

Riskrem

The party's over!

My mom's birthday party was a success! We served over 100 guests. Thank goodness for my children, their partners and my grandchildren! My mother said, "so many people told me that I looked beautiful I was beginning to believe them!" She also said that if she lives to be 101 she doesn't expect another party!

Now it's time for me to concentrate on preparations for our Christmas celebration. This week it's up with the Christmas decorations! Today I am sharing another Norwegian recipe. I had thought about serving this at the birthday party, but decided I had enough food. I did take it to two potluck lunches last week and everyone liked it. This recipe was shared by Joyce Jorgenson, who got it from a Norwegian cookbook she purchased when visiting Norway.

Riskrem (rice cream):

3 cups rich milk
1/2 cup rice

Cook over medium heat until rice is very well cooked and pudding-like, use a heavy pan and watch closely stirring much of the time takes 15-20 minutes.

Add **1/2 generous cup sugar** and **1 Tbsp vanilla**, let stand until cool. Beat **1 pint (2 cups) heavy cream** until peaks form then soak **1 package plain gelatin** in **1/4 cup cold water**, then add **1/4 cup boiling water**, stir until dissolved, fold into the heavy whipped cream. Lastly fold in the rice, stirring occasionally so rice won't settle, then chill until set. You can put into a bowl or individual dishes. Serve with sauce made from red raspberry jam heated with water to make a runny sauce. I used the following sauce:

Raspberry sauce:

1 10 oz. frozen raspberries, thawed, drain raspberries saving liquid, add water to reserved liquid to make one cup.
1 Tbsp cornstarch
dash of salt
2 tsp lemon juice,

Combine all and cook until thick and clear, cool serve over rice cream. I received the Raspberry sauce recipe from my friend Pat Rose. She serves it over pound cake, which is delicious too.



Ask A Trooper: Patrol Cars Struck Numbers

by Sgt. Troy Christianson,
Minnesota State Patrol

Question: How many of your patrol cars have been struck while at a crash scene?

Answer: Winter driving can be and is dangerous for all of us when the weather and road conditions deteriorate.

I have only been involved in one crash while working the road. A motorist made an illegal U-turn in front of me during a snow storm. I was unable to avoid the crash and struck the vehicle. Fortunately for me and the motorists involved there were no injuries, but that is not always the case for Troopers and motorists.

Here is the crash data from the past seven plus years that involved Minnesota State Patrol squad cars that were struck. Notice that a majority of the crashes occur during the winter season. The 2015 statistics are through July.

MSP PATROL CARS STRUCK

•2008 - 22 squads struck while parked; 10 Troopers injured
•2009 - 28 squads struck while parked; 10 Troopers injured
•2010 - 27 squads struck while parked; 5 Troopers injured
•2011 - 26 squads struck while parked; 9 Troopers injured
•2012 - 17 squads struck while parked; 4 Troopers injured
•2013 - 19 squads

struck while parked; 3 Troopers injured

•2014 - 25 squads struck while parked; 4 Troopers injured

•2015 YTD - 6 squads struck while parked; 2 Troopers injured

Most of these incidents could have been avoided by using safe winter driving techniques, moving over to the other vacant lane when you are on a two-lane same direction roadway or by slowing down and providing room when you see any type of flashing lights.

The law requires motorists to move over for emergency vehicles and tow trucks. Law enforcement is looking for motorists that fail to move over and will enforce the "Move Over Law or Ted Foss Law".

MOVE OVER CITATIONS/WARNINGS (MSP Only)

•2008 - 419 citations, 1327 warnings
•2009 - 622 citations, 2342 warnings
•2010 - 618 citations, 2466 warnings
•2011 - 975 citations, 2898 warnings
•2012 - 703 citations, 2667 warnings
•2013 - 713 citations, 2209 warnings
•2014 - 816 citations, 2476 warnings
•2015YTD - 350 citations, 1070 warnings
Please slow down, pay attention, drive sober and move over when you

see flashing lights and use good safe judgement when traveling.

Question: I cannot find it in any of the laws but I am sure it has to be there. Isn't it required by law for a tow truck operator who is operating on public roads to wear reflective safety apparel at all times? Only asking this because I am curious because I think it's a Federal OSHA law yet you see so many drivers wearing nothing but a black shirt or hard to see apparel.

Answer: Yes, tow truck drivers who are working and exposed to moving motor vehicle traffic are required to wear high visibility garments. The high vis. garment may be a Class 2 vest or a Class 3 jacket. More information on this law can be found under Minnesota Administrative Rule 5205.0030.

This rule is enforced by Minnesota Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA.) There are also requirements from Federal OSHA and the Federal Highway Administration that require the use of high visibility garments when employees are working on a street, road, highway, etc. where the workers are exposed to moving motor vehicle traffic.

Everyone who is working on the scene of a crash; police, fire, EMS, tow truck operators, MNDOT, etc. must be wearing a high vis. garment to be in compliance. High vis. garments are also required when directing traffic.

The rule also talks about the maintenance and condition of the garment. "If the high visibility personal protective equipment becomes faded, torn, dirty, worn, or defaced, reduc-

ing the equipment's performance below manufacturer's recommendations, the high visibility personal protective equipment shall be immediately removed from service and replaced."

Emergency responders working on the shoulder of the road have got your back. Do you have theirs? Minnesota's Ted Foss Move Over Law was named in honor of the State Patrol Trooper who was killed while on a traffic stop on the shoulder of I-90 near the Lewiston exit in 2000.

The law states:

•When traveling on a road with two or more lanes, drivers must keep over one full lane away from stopped emergency vehicles with flashing lights activated — ambulance, fire, law enforcement, maintenance, construction vehicles and tow trucks.

•Reduce speed if unable to safely move over a lane.

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FRI: Breakfast K-6: Cheerios Bar, cinn. graham cracker, tangerine juice, apples, milk. JR/HS: Sausage Egg and Cheese Bagel, Cocoa Puffs, yogurt, PB&J, orange, grape juice, milk. **Lunch** K-6: Beefy Nachos, rice, yogurt & graham cracker

fun lunch, refried beans, jicama sticks, orange, mixed fruit. JR/HS: Spaghetti and meatballs, green beans, breadstick, caesar side salad, celery sticks, apple, strawberries.

MON: Breakfast K-6: Cinn. Toast Crunch Bar, sunflower seeds, tangerine juice, orange, milk. JR/HS: Breakfast Pizza, Cinn. Toast Crunch, blueberry muffin PB&J, pears, apple juice, milk. **Lunch** K-6: Chicken Patty, sunbutter & grape jelly sandwich, tator tots, carrots, apple, pears. JR/HS: Sloppy Joes, sweet potato puffs, coleslaw, carrots, apple, strawberries.

TUES: Breakfast K-6: Trix Bar, goldfish, apple juice, apple, milk. JR/HS: Pancake on a Stick, syrup, Cocoa Puffs, yogurt, PB&J,

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WED: Breakfast K-6: Cocoa Puffs Bar, goldfish, tangerine juice, raisins, milk. JR/HS: French Toast Sticks, syrup, Honey Nut Cheerios, string cheese, PB&J, peaches, apple juice, milk. **Lunch** K-6: Max Sticks, chef salad, dinner roll, broccoli, red pepper strips, orange, peaches. JR/HS: Lasagna, green beans, breadstick, salad, broccoli, orange, peaches.

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FRI: Breakfast: Mini Pancakes, fruit, juice. **Lunch:** Crispito/Chili, fixings, rice, corn, veggies, fruit.

MON: Breakfast: Cereal Bar, string cheese, fruit, juice. **Lunch:** Chicken Nuggets, rice, veggies, green beans, fruit.

TUES: Breakfast: Breakfast Pizza, salsa, fruit, juice. **Lunch:** Chicken Pattie, calico beans, veggies, pears.

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Jeff's Jottings

My quartet, Son G-QuesT, had a great time hanging out downtown in Fairmont Friday night for the Holiday Delight event. We sang Christmas carols in all the stores and churches downtown that



were open for the evening and it was good to see not only adults, but also many younger people out in the stores that night! Congratulations to the winners of the drawing from the downtown businesses and also the gift basket. The winners had to be present at the drawing that was held at 10:30 p.m. Friday at the Fairmont American Legion. The event was a chance for the downtown businesses to showcase their stores and thank the public for their patronage this past year. You couldn't have asked for a better night weather-wise as the temperatures hung in the 40s pretty much all evening. Over in Sherburn, the community held their annual Shop Sherburn event as many of their businesses were open later for shoppers to browse and United Hospital District Hospice held their annual tree lighting ceremony in Pocket Park in Sherburn to remember those who are no longer with us. The Sherburn Lions Club started a new tradition this year. The club purchased over 40 poinsettias and person-

ally delivered them to every resident in Temperance Lake Ridge Assisted Living/Memory Care in Sherburn on Friday. I am a member of the Sherburn Lions Club and since joining I have been amazed at how much that club gives back to the local commu-

nity. Much like many local organizations and clubs, they all play an important part of each of our communities, giving back in many different ways.

Kamp for Kids

Local radio station KSUM is in the middle of their annual Kamp for Kids campaign, raising money, collecting food and toys for the Fairmont Salvation Army. The Photo Press and the Sentinel have teamed up once again with KSUM to help sponsor this campaign. In this week's Photo Press, many of you should receive a red bag to fill up with canned goods and/or a monetary donation. Volunteers and Boy Scout Troops 55 and 69 will pick up these bags in the towns of Truman, Northrop, Trimont, Sherburn, Dunnell, Welcome and Ceylon on Saturday morning and in Granada you can drop off the bags at the C-Store in Granada. In Fairmont, volunteers will be going around between 9 a.m. and noon to pick up the red bags, so if you have one, you can leave it by your front door for pickup. If you did not receive a red

bag and would like to donate, you can stop by the Photo Press and pick up a red bag before Friday at 5 p.m. Some of the items that are needed most include: canned meats, fish, soups, pasta products, peanut butter, cereals, canned fruits and vegetables, baby formula and baby food. Please do not put out expired products, as the Salvation Army cannot distribute them. Toiletry items that are needed include: toilet tissue, diapers, baby wipes, feminine hygiene products and toothpaste. Toys should be in new or like-new condition and can be for all ages. Of course cash is always accepted and helpful for purchasing needed items that are not received. Help give to a great cause this Saturday for the Red Bag event at Kamp for Kids!

Events Galore!

Before I go this week, there are a couple of events coming up in the next week to point out. On Friday, December 11th, the annual Glenn Henriksen and friends Christmas Concert will take place at the Red Rock Center for the Arts in Fairmont from 7 to 9 p.m. Lots of great Christmas music and even some sing-alongs! Lots of other events are taking place around the area this weekend, so check out this week's Photo Press for more details. On Sunday, December 13th, the Ceylon American Legion Post #529 and Auxiliary will have a Shrimp Dinner from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Legion Hall in Ceylon. There is a charge and proceeds go towards programs of Post #529. Take in all the events this weekend and next week.

Have a great week!

Drive safely - visit a shut-in or family member - Eat, Play, Shop Local - join a civic organization!

-Jeff



Kiwanis Korner

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

SERVING UP 'CAKES FOR A CAUSE

On Monday, November 30th, 2015, the Early Risers Kiwanis Club of Fairmont held their 38th Annual Pancake Supper in the Five Lakes Centre Mall. This was their major fundraiser project for the year, the proceeds going to fund their projects for the upcoming year. Despite the threatening weather for the day, over 460 persons

attended the event, and from the sample pictures, they had a great time. Early Risers Terry Thimesch and John Hovick enjoyed preparing the pancakes.

The attendees enjoyed pancakes, regular and flavored syrups, sausages and beverages of milk or coffee. They also enjoyed the social interactions of the evening. The Early Risers Kiwanis Club wishes to

express its thanks to the many area residents who gave them such great support, as well as the merchants who helped to support the project with products and other donations and are looking forward to participating in many children's and community projects in the forthcoming year.



Early Risers Kiwanis made pancakes for a crowd of people last Monday. above photo courtesy of Chirp

Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers, dedicated to improving the world, one child and one community at a time.

Early Risers Kiwanis meets every Wednesday at 6:30 a.m. at The Ranch Restaurant.

Uptown Kiwanis meets every other Tuesday at noon at Tami's on the Ave.

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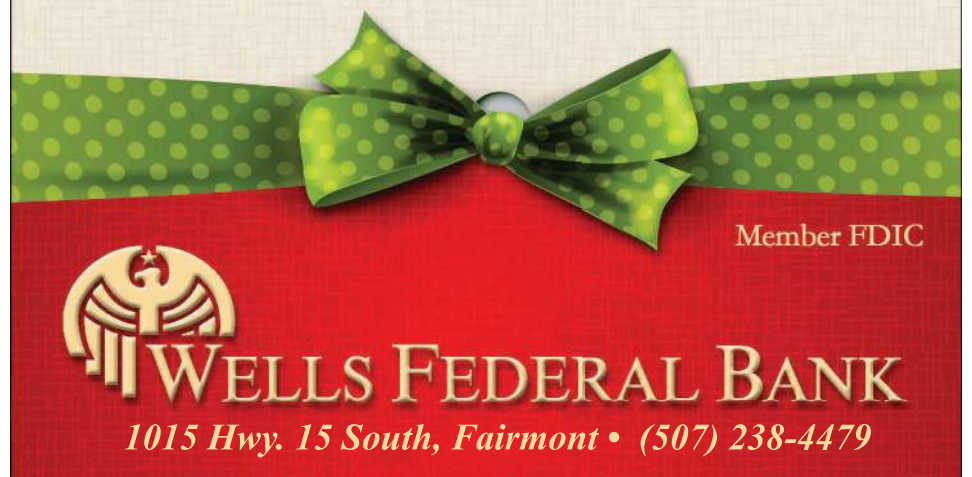
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As we end 2015 and look ahead to 2016, it appears that we will have even tighter profit margins in crop production for next year, as compared to recent years. The combination of lower projected market prices for corn and soybeans in 2016, together with nearly steady input costs for seed, fertilizer and chemicals, will limit estimated potential returns over direct expenses and land costs, at average crop yields. Another major variable in breakeven levels in crop production are loan payments on capital investments such as farm machinery, facilities and land purchases.

Approximately two-thirds of the corn and soybean acres in Southern Minnesota are under some type of cash rental agreement. Based on farm business management records for southern third of Minnesota, the average land rental rate in 2014 was just over \$250 per acre; however, there was a wide range in land rental rates across the region. Most likely, average cash rental rates for 2015 in many areas of the region were nearly the same as 2014, with some rental rates declining slightly as compared to a year earlier. Based on early reports from farm operators, it appears that land rental rates for 2016 in some locations across the region may adjust slightly downward, in response to the tighter profit margins that are likely for 2016; however,

many rental rates are likely to remain quite high.

The University of Minnesota Center for Farm Financial Management (CFFM) has website called FINBIN, which allows farm operators, ag lenders, farm management advisors and others to look at average income levels, direct and overhead expenses, and net return levels on farms. The data in FINBIN is based on actual farm management data submitted by producers through the various farm business management programs. The data can be sorted on the basis of whole farms, crop or livestock farms, location, farm size or income levels, owned versus cash rent land, as well as other data sorts. Another FINBIN tool is called a "Benchmark Report", which allows for the comparison of actual individual farm management data from a producer's farm, compared to average data from similar farm operations in the same geographical area. All FINBIN data and farm management tools can be accessed at the following web site: www.finbin.umn.edu

Based on a FINBIN analysis for the years 2012-2014 of over 800 crop farms on cash rented corn acres in Southwest, South Central and Southeast Minnesota, the average net return over average direct and overhead expenses, including land rent, was nearly \$210 per acre

per year. However, further analysis showed that there was an average of a +\$348 per acre net return in 2012, a negative (\$7) per acre net return in 2013 and a negative (\$44) per acre net return in 2014. It is likely that 2015 will again show a negative average net return, even with the above average crop yields.

There is a wide variation in the net returns on cash rented corn acres between the top 20 percent of producers, compared to the bottom 20 percent. Based on the FINBIN data in Southern Minnesota, the top 20 percent profit farms had an average net return above direct and overhead expenses in 2014 of +\$143 per acre per year, compared to an average negative (\$237) net return for the low 20 percent profit farms, which is a difference of approximately \$380 per acre. More detailed analysis of the FINBIN data for 2014 looked at the various factors that comprise the large difference in the average net returns between the 20 percent high profit farms and the 20 percent low profit farms. The average corn yield for 2014 was 170 bushels per acre on high profit farms and was near 158 bushels per acre on the low profit farms. The average corn market price received for 2014 was \$4.19 per bushel on the high profit farms, and \$3.77 per bushel on the low profit farms. The average on all farms in 2014 was a corn yield of

167 bushels per acre and a corn price of \$3.97 per bushel.

There was also a significant variation in average costs per acre in 2014 between the top 20 percent profit cash rental corn farms and the low 20 percent profit farms. The average corn production expenses on all farms in 2014 were approximately \$497 per acre for direct crop expenses, including seed, fertilizer, chemicals, etc., \$251 per acre for land rent, and \$859 per acre for total direct and overhead expenses. The top 20 percent profit farms had average expenses of around \$457 per acre for direct expenses, \$229 per acre for land rent and just under \$774 per acre for total expenses. The low 20 percent profit farms averaged \$530 per acre in direct expenses, nearly \$277 per acre

in land rent and \$954 per acre in total expenses.

The average direct and overhead cost per bushel of corn produced for 2014 was \$5.15 per bushel on all farms, which compares to \$4.56 per bushel on the high profit farms and \$6.02 per bushel on the low profit farms. If we assume similar production expenses, land rental rates and overhead costs for 2015 (approximately \$855 per acre), with 2015 average corn yields that were approximately 10-20 percent higher than 2014 yields, the average direct and overhead cost per bushel for 2015 would be range from \$4.17 to \$4.55 per bushel. The current corn price for the 2015 corn crop at most locations in Southern Minnesota is below \$3.50 per bushel.

As we plan ahead for very tight margins in corn and soybean production for 2016, it is a good time for farm operators to review all aspects of a crop operation. Obviously weather conditions can account for a large portion of the crop yield variation; however, there are other more controllable crop management factors that may also contribute to yield differences. Looking for ways to reduce or control direct and overhead expenses, including land rental costs, is also a key to improving profit potential for crop producers. Decisions that are made on crop marketing and crop insurance, as well as potential payments from the government farm program, can also have a significant impact on potential profitability for 2016.

Popular Trimont Restaurant Recieves Much Anticipated Facelift

by Larissa Hillmer

The entire town of Trimont in western Martin County has been a-buzz for a little over a month now, anticipating the re-opening of the newly remodeled restaurant, located on the west end of the community.

Cory & Gretchen Olson, along with family and friends, opened "Ole's Gathering Place" almost four years ago, combining excellent home-cooked meals with good conversa-

Place" signs.

You can always find small groups of locals in Ole's Place throughout their day as it has become the popular "hang-out" place to gather and hear "all the latest".

Not only do the Olson's offer daily home-cooked lunch specials, but the restaurant is also open for breakfast (Cory makes a mean omelet - I know this first-hand!) and also has evening specials throughout the winter months. Lute-fisk specials started this



Cory Olson, owner and "chef"

you dine at Ole's Gathering Place! Stop up in Trimont and say "Hi" to Cory and the gang! Tell them you read his story in the Photo Press and by the way, if you're looking for a copy of the Photo Press paper, Cory has them in the restaurant every Thursday morning!

Ole's Gathering Place is located at 170 Main Street West in Trimont. Regular business hours are Monday-Friday 6 a.m. to 2 p.m. and Saturdays from 6 to 11 a.m. Carry-out is also available by calling Cory at 763-439-6533.



tion. Cory decided this summer that the restaurant needed a facelift, and now it has now re-opened for business and it is beautiful! Not only did the inside get a facelift, but the outside as well, sporting a red tin barn-look and Cory's infamous "Ole's Gathering

past Monday night. The special is from 5 to 8 p.m. This will run through the holidays. Tuesday nights through the winter from 5 to 8 p.m. are his steak and ribs special.

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Hockey Association to Retire Burtis' Number 30 Jersey

The Fairmont Hockey Association is retiring the number 30 in honor of Parker Burtis, who passed away a little over seven months ago. There will be a small ceremony before the Fairmont Area Boys High School game vs. Whapeton, South Dakota

For those who want to come and show your support, the ceremony will start about 1:45 p.m. and will take place right before puck drop. There might be a line for admission, so make sure you arrive a little ahead of time.

For any of you who were



Parker Burtis, right, with brother Chase, will be posthumously honored by retiring the number 30 this Saturday.

on Saturday, December 12th at 2 p.m. at the Martin County Arena.

After reaching out, the show "State Of Hockey," a part of Fox Sports North, is going to be attending and doing a story on Parker and his jersey being retired.

Also, James Bohn, who sings the National Anthem before every Minnesota Wild home game will be there to show his support and sing the National Anthem.

Fairmont Squirt A's Wins/Ties

Fairmont Squirt A defeated New Ulm/Sleepy Eye 3-0 Saturday, December 5th, 1:00 p.m. at Sleepy Eye Arena.

Scoring for the A's: Brock Lutterman, unassisted; Kaiden Musser, assist Brock Lutterman; Mathew Cone, assist Jack Kosbab.

Shots on goal by Fairmont: 8

Goalie Carsen Musser (shutout) had 18 saves.

G-BASKETBALL	BSC	REC	G-HOCKEY	BSC	REC
Blue Earth Area	1-0	2-0	Luverne	4-0-0	7-0-0
Waseca	1-0	3-0	New Ulm	4-0-0	6-0-1
St. Peter	1-0	2-1	SP/L-H/TCU	3-3-0	3-4-0
New Ulm	0-1	1-1	CARDS	2-2-0	4-3-0
CARDS	0-1	0-3	Marshall	2-2-0	2-6-0
St. James Area	0-1	0-1	Windom Area	1-4-0	1-5-0
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St. Peter	1-1	4-1	Waseca	1-1	2-2
CARDS	1-1	2-2	St. James Area	0-0	1-1
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SOLID WALL - Cardinals goalie Sadie Sandersfeld and teammates form a wall in front of the goal to stop St. Peter's Kallie Steuck from scoring. The Saints defeated the Cards 5-3 last Thursday in Fairmont. Courtesy Barb Sandersfeld



PULL UP JUMPER - Cardinals Haley Harder shoots from the wing over Bluejay defenders. Courtesy fairmontsports.com



WING SPAN - Cardinals Courtney Mosloski closely guards Waseca's Taylor Hiller. The Bluejays downed the Cards 55-47 last Friday in Fairmont. Courtesy fairmontsports.com



St. Paul Lutheran School, Fairmont & St. James Lutheran School, Northrop held a pepfest to cheer on the boys and girls basketball teams at the Martin County Lutheran Invitational Tournament held on December 4th and 5th.



LAY-UP - Cardinals Josh Liljenquist gets a easy lay-in against New Ulm. The Cards downed the Eagles 66-51 last Tuesday in Fairmont. Courtesy fairmontsports.com



LANE RUNNER - Cardinals Sam Schwieger tosses up a shot over Eagle defenders #41 Brett Bianchi and #31 Connor Foley. Courtesy fairmontsports.com

BE Area High School to Host Holiday Knowledge Bowl

The Blue Earth Area High School Knowledge Bowl team will host the annual Holiday Knowledge Bowl practice at 3:05 p.m. Tuesday, December 15th. Practice will be held on the stage of the Performing Arts Center, and current team members will bring holiday treats to share. Questions will include Christmas season trivia as well as the standard Knowledge Bowl fare. All Knowledge Bowl alumni are invited to attend. Supervising this session is retired music teacher Mike Ellingsen, who has been BEA Knowledge Bowl Coach since the 1984-1985 school year, and Jenessa Maudal, English teacher at BEAHS.



As a part of the Fairmont Area School District, the Respect Team at Fairmont Elementary has implemented a program called "Character of the Month". In November the character trait focused on is Citizenship. These students in grades K-6 show great "Citizenship". Front row (left to right): 2nd grade-Hayden Nicholson, 1st grade-Alivia Adams, Kindergarten-Kennedy Murphy. Back row (left to right): 6th grade-Andrew Johnson, 5th grade-Tristan Peterson, 4th grade-Gracie Pendergast, 3rd grade-Brian Schwabke. Along with their certificates, students received a pizza courtesy of Jake's Pizza. There were 60 other students in the drawing that received a treat courtesy of Rick DeBoer Signs.



Mrs. Brolsma's first grade class at Fairmont Area Elementary School in Fairmont had lots of fun dressing the part for Mickey Mouse Day recently!



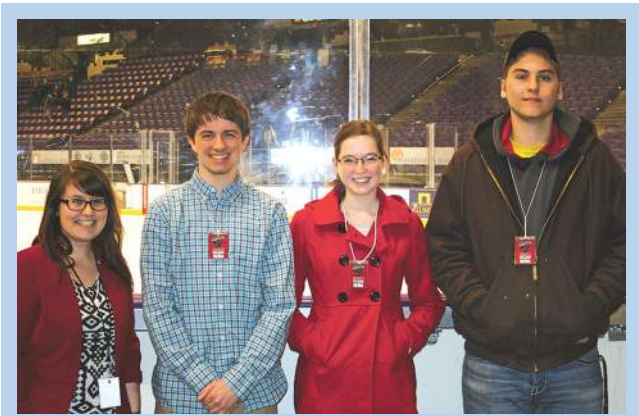
Mrs. Brolsma's first grade class at Fairmont Area Elementary chose to show gratitude this week to school bus drivers. Students thanked the bus drivers for getting them safely to and from school and for being very brave when the weather is bad!



Martin Luther High School Lady Knights extend a "Thank you" to their fans who donated "The Gun" automatic rebounding machine to the school. Athletes can practice continuous shooting drills while tracking the percentage of successful shots. To see "The Gun" in action go to www.martinlutherhs.com/the-gun-rebounder.



The Fairmont Area Teacher's Association (EMF) held a reception at Fairmont Area Elementary School on Tuesday, December 1st for Kate Kallenbach, who was recently named the Fairmont Area Schools Teacher of the Year. Kallenbach (left) was awarded a plaque by EMF President, Bob Millette.



The Martin Luther High School Video class paid a visit to the Bethany Lutheran College Video Production Team at the MSU Mavericks hockey game recently. The students saw how the program was produced and televised. The MLHS stdents are taught by Gemini Studios of Fairmont. *Left to right:* Megan Maschoff, a Bethany student, Matthew Trueblood, Deborah Watt and Zayne Engel.



The Sherburn Lions Club purchased and delivered over 40 poinsettias to the residents of Temperance Lake Ridge in Sherburn last Friday. Pictured is Lion Butch Maday delivering a poinsettia to a happy resident.



Photo Press receptionist Tari Stradtman's husband Bob recently surprised her with a collection of wooden pallet Christmas trees outside their home in Fairmont. When lit at night, the trees look very real!

Downtown Fairmont Aglow During Holiday Delight Friday Night



SonQuesT quartet was among several singing groups that performed downtown friday night.



The "Old Time Salvation Army Band" performed downtown, filling the Red Kettle.



First Congregational UCC held a Cookie Walk for those who came to buy on Friday night.



Downtown Fairmont Association representative DeeAnn Eversman (third from left) presents drawing winners gift certificates and prizes friday night. (see this week's story for more details)

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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My neighbor Crandall stops by

By Al Batt

"How are you doing?" I ask.

"Everything is nearly copacetic, but I could use a day between Saturday and Sunday. I bought a pickup with a seat warmer. I don't know if that's a good thing. Now I sit on my hands while I'm driving on cold days. My sister Cruella says I should wear rings with sharp points on them. She worked for a jeweler for years. When her future husband gave her an engagement ring, she gift-wrapped it for him.

Thanks for coming



to Pop's birthday party. There were more candles than cake. Pop gets carsick while stirring his coffee, so Ma sent me to the store to pick up a loaf of bread. Then she had a cow because it took me over three hours to get back home. She'll be really upset when she finds out that I forgot to get the bread.

I've been sitting down a lot. After eating so much at Thanksgiving, the only way I can see my feet is when I'm sitting down. It's good to put on some winter weight. Insulation is a fine thing and the fatter I am, the harder I am to kidnap. My motto is 'Stay safe, eat ice cream.'

Nature by the yard

A decorative snow fell.

I put on shoes just good enough for the cold and made tracks in the white stuff in my yard. I had no

plans to leave home that day, following the advice of Henry James when he wrote this to Edith Wharton, "Be tethered in native pastures, even if it reduces you to a backyard."

I watched a chickadee and everything it did. An interesting bird with a busy schedule. Mary Oliver wrote, "Nothing is too small not to be wondered about."

I had a great walk making tracks in the snow and wondering about a chickadee.

Q-and-A

"How did Bird Island get its name?" Before city development, the area was covered with trees hosting many birds, surrounded by a low swampy area. The name Bird Island was a good fit.

"Do waxwings regurgitate fruit?" The cedar

waxwing is a bird of such elegance that it defies description. Occasionally a line of perched waxwings passes a berry from bill to bill, until one swallows it. Cedar berries are a popular food source. Unlike most fruit-eating birds that regurgitate seeds, cedar waxwings digest the entire fruit and seeds are eventually dispersed in their feces. Occasionally they consume too much over-ripened fruit, which can lead to intoxication. They feed on fruits of crabapple, dogwood, hawthorn, honeysuckle, mountain ash, mulberry, raspberry, serviceberry, and strawberry. Cedar waxwings are here today and gone tomorrow. A flock descended upon a hawthorn tree in our yard. The fruit went away, then the waxwings.

Darwyn Olson of Hartland asked about the dis-



Male house finch by Al Batt

appearance of the cardinals in his yard. Nearly every greeting card company must use a cardinal's picture against a backdrop of snow and/or evergreens during the Christmas season.

A predator, such as a Cooper's hawk, could cause them to leave. An-

other possibility is that they found better food sources elsewhere. Birds search for better food sources or territories with less competition for food. They try new eateries just as we do. They exploit the

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food sources in one area and then relocate.

Cardinals shift territories after breeding, moving in a phenomenon known

as post-breeding dispersal. A flock of cardinals in the winter is a temporary aggregation made possible because their strong territorial instincts have lessened. A flock makes

sense. They eat the same foods and seek the same shelter. A flock searching for food is more successful than a pair of birds and it provides more eyes to watch for predators. Research has found that flock size rises as temperature falls.

"Is the wild turkey native to Minnesota?" Wild turkeys are thought to have lived only in southern Minnesota. By 1880, they had vanished from the state due to unregulated hunting and habitat loss. Attempts to reestablish wild turkeys in

Minnesota date back to the 1920s, but weren't successful until 1971, when turkeys trapped in Missouri were released into Houston County.

Thanks to subsequent releases, the species has expanded well beyond its pre-settlement range. Turkeys can survive cold winters as long as they can find food.

"Do golden eagles nest in Minnesota?" Golden eagles are native to North America and are found from Canada to northern Mexico. There are no records of golden eagles

nesting in Minnesota or in the Upper Midwest. The chances of seeing golden eagles here are best in the winter when the golden eagle's migration brings it to the bluffs of Minnesota, Wisconsin and Iowa. The National Eagle Center's Golden Eagle Project found that they are regular winter residents there. Unlike bald eagles, golden eagles don't come for the open water and the fish. They are there for the forested areas and bluffs where they hunt rabbits, squirrels and wild turkeys.

be bird experts and could count birds at their feeders. The count area is a 7.5-mile circle centered at Amber Lake Park. This reaches the Iowa border, including East Chain, Wilbert, Imogene and nearly Northrop and Welcome.

Thanks for stopping by

"If you scatter thorns, don't go barefoot."— Italian Proverb

"To change and to change for the better are two different things."— German proverb

"I can do things you cannot, you can do things I cannot; together we can do great things." — Mother Teresa

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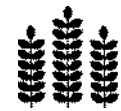
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Winter tires are designed to work in all winter conditions, not just snow. The tire compounds are optimized to provide grip even on dry roads in weather below 45° Fahrenheit. Also, winter tread patterns are designed to provide excellent grip in icy and snowy conditions.

Can I use studded winter tires?

Studded winter tires were once perceived as loud and damaging to the road. However, through innovations in studding technology, the noise and road wear from the studs have been greatly reduced. Now, there is little difference between a studded tire and a winter tire without studs. When compared to studded tires of the past, these modern studded tires cause only 20 percent road wear in relation to the typical studded tires of the '60s and early '70s. This new stud technology makes the tire extremely gentle on its driving surface, even while its winter grip properties are better than ever before.

I don't get much snow, so why do I need snow tires?

In general, non-winter tires are designed for performance at 45° and above. When used in temperatures below this, the tire compounds harden in the cold weather and lose their ability to grip. Winter tires are designed to provide grip in colder temperatures. This is why they're "winter" tires, not "snow" tires—they provide increased safety in cold, not just snow.

"The truth is, winter tires are engineered specifically to perform most effectively in harsh environments where colder temperatures are

the norm," as stated by a North American tire maker. "Winter tires don't just combat snow and ice, they're specifically designed and tested to function better in areas where temperatures can drop down below freezing for months at a time."

Can't I just get two winter tires?

While this used to be the conventional wisdom, this creates the hazardous condition of having one axle that has grip while the other does not, resulting in an increased chance of a spinout.

Will winter tires lower my gas mileage?

Gas mileage typically dips in the winter due to several factors. While winter tires may contribute, the effect is minimal; a decrease in gas mileage often has more to do with winter gas, which has special additives that affect engine performance. Roof racks and ski boxes add aerody-

namic drag; these can also affect gas mileage.

Can I drive my winter tires all year round?

Using winter tires year round is not recommended. Modern winter tires

Acceleration with original equipment tires in winter conditions is relatively easy to achieve with AWD and 4WD. The problem comes when there is a need to steer or stop in a hurry and the tires do not



drive vehicles benefit from winter tires just as much as front-wheel-drive vehicles do.

How will winter tires affect my vehicle's handling and braking?

In general, dry handling and braking will be affected only slightly when using winter tires but the gains in winter weather safety are significant. The biggest change in dry handling and braking a driver could see would be a move from a UHP (ultra-high performance) summer tire to a studded winter tire.

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cent of drivers have been startled or surprised by something their vehicle has done -- a troubling finding given that car crashes are a leading cause of preventable death in the United States.

"Technology can be a game-changer when it comes to safety," said Deborah A.P. Hersman, president and CEO of the National Safety Council. "In order to fully recognize the benefits of these new systems, drivers need to be aware of them and also understand their limitations."

With this need in mind, NSC partnered with the University of Iowa to launch "My Car Does What" -- a virtual owner's manual that demystifies

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The campaign's website, MyCarDoesWhat.org, highlights technologies such as:

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- Blind spot monitors that alert drivers when something is in their blind spot

- Forward collision warnings that warn drivers when they are closing in on the vehicle ahead too quickly

- Automatic emergency braking systems that ap-



ply the brakes if the system detects an imminent collision

- Anti-lock braking systems that prevent wheels from locking up, helping to avoid uncontrolled skidding and providing some steering control in slippery conditions

- Rear cross traffic alerts that warn drivers if traffic is approaching from the left or right when the vehicle is in reverse

- Adaptive cruise control that maintains the speed set by the driver and a pre-set following distance

- Lane departure warnings that alert drivers if they drift into another lane when the turn signal is not activated.

For a full list of vehicle safety technologies, explanatory videos, graphics and articles, visit MyCarDoesWhat.org.

"The driver will always be a car's best safety feature; no technology today will change that," Hersman said. "But these features can help mitigate errors before they result in deaths and injuries."

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3. Name the band that released "Long Train Runnin'."
4. In which song is the singer getting fed macaroons?
5. Name the song that contains this lyric: "Last night I held Aladdin's lamp, So I wished that I could stay, Before the thing could answer me, Well, someone came and took the lamp away."

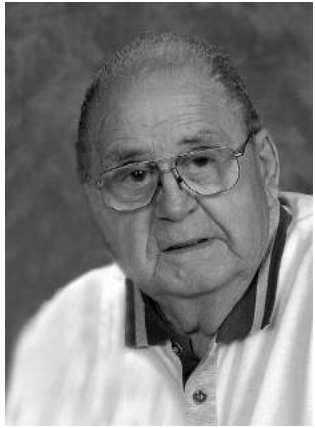
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OBITUARY notices

Leonard E. Bonstead, 88



Funeral service for Leonard E. Bonstead, 88, of Fairmont was held Friday, December 4th, at St. John's United Church of Christ in Fairmont. Burial took place at Lakeside Cemetery with full military honors by the Martin County V.F.W. Post 1222 and the Lee C. Prentice American Legion Post 36. Leonard passed away Monday, November 30th, 2015 at Lakeview Methodist Health Care Center in Fairmont. Lakeview Funeral Home and Cremation Service of Fairmont assisted the family with arrangements.

Leonard Earl Bonstead was born October 22nd, 1927 to Anton and Inge (Paulsen) Bonstead in Graettinger, IA. He attended Lost Island Country School and in 1945 he joined the United States Air Force. Leonard proudly served his country while stationed in Alaska until his honorable discharge in April of 1948.

On October 8th, 1952 he was united in marriage to Edythe M. Baarts at the Church of Christ in Fairmont. This union was blessed with two children, Craig and Randy.

Leonard worked for Yahnke Studebaker Garage in Ledyard, IA from 1947-1952 before moving to Fairmont, where he was employed by Peterson & Reed Studebaker and Fleet and Farm. He then began working for the City of Fairmont Parks Department where he served as the Park Supervisor for 12 years until his retirement in February of 1992. Leonard was a member of the MN Park Supervisors Association, the Studebakers Drivers Club, the Martin County Historical Society, and was a lifetime member of the Lee C. Prentice American Legion Post #36. Leonard was also an active member of St. Johns UCC where he served as an elder, on the church council and was head usher. He will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved him.

Those left to cherish his memory include his wife, Edythe Bonstead of Fairmont; children: Craig Bonstead and his wife, Pamela, of Belton, TX and Randy Bonstead and

his wife, Luanne, of Bennett, CO; grandchildren: Chad Bonstead (Brooke), Eric Bonstead (Bonnie), Anthony Bonstead, Tyler Bonstead, Jacob Bonstead and Olivia Bonstead; great-grandchildren: Adelaide, Luke, William and Claire; nieces, nephews, other extended family and many friends.

Leonard was preceded in death by his parents; twin sister, Lillian Bonstead; sister, Mamie Roseboro; and brothers: Avery, Gerald and Arthur Bonstead.

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Lois Sackett, 90



A Mass of Christian Burial for Lois Sackett, 90, of Truman, was held on Friday, December 4th, 2015 at St. Katherine's Catholic Church, Truman. Interment was at Ridgeland Memorial Park, rural Truman. Lois died on Monday, November 30th, 2015 at Truman Senior Living.

Lois Jean Schmid was born on October 7th, 1925 in New Ulm to Carl and Helen (Lemke) Schmid. She attended and graduated from Holy Trinity (now Cathedral) High School, New Ulm in 1943. Lois worked at Ochs Dept. Store, New Ulm until 1950. On June 15th, 1950 Lois was united in marriage to Guy Sackett in Fairmont. They farmed in Waverly Township until 1972 and then in Nashville Township until Guy died in 1984. They raised Registered Black Angus cattle, hogs, chickens, geese and ducks and also raised and showed Registered Arabian horses and Shetland ponies. Lois moved to Truman in 1990. She worked at Armours, Con-Agra in Fairmont; Truman Plumbing and Heating and in the Truman school kitchen. She took great pride in her children and enjoyed her grandchildren and great grandchildren and their activities. Lois was an avid reader, loved to play Scrabble and Upwords and visit family and friends. She was a Charter member of St. Katherine's Catholic Church, CCW, a member of the Truman Historical Society and helped in community projects.

Lois is survived by one daughter, Mary (Roger) Studer, Sherburn; three sons, Steven Sackett, Fairmont, Thomas (Julie)

Sackett, Winnebago, James (Daphne) Sackett, Winnebago; 8 grandchildren; 12 great grandchildren; 3 step-great grandchildren; one sister, Kathleen Roll-off, Sacramento, CA; one brother, Arlon (Marilyn) Schmid, New Ulm; and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; one brother, Bob Jensen.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Truman Fire Department or the Truman Historical Society.

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Weldon Ziemann, 83



Services for Weldon Ziemann, 83, of Fairmont, were held Wednesday, December 9th, 2015, at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Fairmont. Burial was held in Immanuel Lutheran Cemetery. Weldon passed away Wednesday, December 2nd, at St. Mary's Hospital in Rochester. Lakeview Funeral Home and Cremation Service of Fairmont was in charge of arrangements.

Weldon William Ziemann was born on August 31st, 1932, in Rolling Green Township, Martin County, the son of Arvin and Laura (Rediehs) Ziemann. As a young boy, Weldon attended country school at District #51 in Rolling Green Township, then attended Fairmont High School. After graduating, he attended Ag school at the University of Minnesota. Along with his general studies, he was a talented wrestler and played the cornet in the marching band.

On February 14th, 1954, Weldon married LaVonne Hinz at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Fairmont. Together the couple made their home on a farm in Rolling Green Township and were blessed with three children, Jacci, Bruce, and Pamela. Weldon loved life on the farm and took great pride in a hard day's work. He was a very humble man with great integrity and leadership skills. He took his faith very seriously and was a member of Immanuel Lutheran Church where he served on various boards and was a church elder. Weldon was also active in his community, serving as a board member of Mid-American Dairymen, Federated REA, and Great River Energy. He served as

a member on the school board and was proud to present diplomas to all 3 children.

Those who will embrace his memory are his wife of 61 years, LaVonne Ziemann of Fairmont; children, Jacci Schumaker and husband, Dennis of Bloomington, MN, Bruce Ziemann and wife, Sue of Fairmont, and Pamela Ziemann of Sequim, WA; grandchildren, Danielle Drevlow and husband, Corey of Golden Valley, MN, Josh Scheff and wife, Jessie of Golden Valley, Joyce, Jon and Elliot Ziemann of Fairmont, great-grandchildren, Sydney, Logan, Scarlett, and Saylor; brother, Dennis Ziemann and wife, Eunice of Fairmont; sister, Shirley Keating of St. Paul; in-laws, Betty Wohlford, Darlene Larson, Phyllis Dahl and husband, Duane and Roy Hinz and wife, Claire; as well as many nieces, nephews, extended family and friends. Weldon was preceded in death by his parents, and numerous relatives.

Memorial contributions can be given to Martin Luther High School or Immanuel Lutheran Church.

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Alice M. Krueger, 94



Memorial Service for Alice M. "Peggy" Krueger, 94, of Fairmont, will be 2:00 p.m. Sunday, December 13th, 2015 at Lakeview Methodist Health Care Center Chapel in Fairmont with inurnment at Lakeside Cemetery in Fairmont at a later date. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service at the Lakeview Methodist Health Care Chapel. Peggy passed away on Sunday, December 6th, 2015, at the Mayo Clinic Health System in Mankato. Lakeview Funeral Home and Cremation Service in Fairmont is assisting the family with arrangements.

Alice Margaret "Peggy" Christensen (Howe) Krueger was born on March 22nd, 1921, on a farm near Thompson, IA. She was the daughter of Carl and Olga (Petersen) Christensen. She attended country school through the eighth grade and later graduated from Buffalo Center High School, Iowa in 1938. After graduation she attended The American Institute of Business in Des Moines, Iowa.

On January 11th, 1941,

Peggy was united in marriage to Dr. Clare Howe in Des Moines. After the wedding, the couple moved to Detroit, Michigan, Clare's home town. Two sons were born to this union, Gary and Ronald. Peggy's second marriage, to Harold Krueger, took place in Fairmont, on March 16th, 1951. They made their home on a hobby farm one mile south of Fairmont and moved into town later in their lives.

Peggy was a member of the Fairmont United Methodist Church and belonged to the Algona Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star. She worked at Coast to Coast in Fairmont for a short time. She was an avid student of the Bible and an admirable example of living her faith. Peggy was a devoted crossword puzzle fan, enjoyed reading, and painting. After she lost Harold, Peggy would attend art workshops around the Fairmont area and earned blue ribbons at the Martin County Fair for her excellent art work.

Left to cherish her memory include her son, Gary Howe and his wife, Dagmar, of Fairmont; four grandchildren, Chris Highborg, Jim Howe, Deborah Welton, and Victoria Howe all of Minneapolis and St. Paul; thirteen great grandchildren: Ryan, Danny, Kyle and Amy Highborg, Taylor, James and Abigail Howe, Olivia Welton, Wren Howe-Nordin, Ryan and Katilyn Smith, and Samantha, Sydney and Courtney Howe; other extended family friends.

Along with her parents, Peggy was preceded in death by her husband, Harold in 1992; and son Ron in 1995.

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Elizabeth L. Huemoeller, 86



Memorial service for Elizabeth L. Huemoeller, 86, of Fairmont, will be 1:00 p.m. Friday, December 11th, at the Lakeview Methodist Healthcare Center Chapel in Fairmont. Visitation will be 11:30 - 1:00 Friday in the Chapel of the Lakeview Methodist Healthcare Center in Fairmont. During the visitation there will be a luncheon served from 12:00 - 1:00 at the nursing home. Burial will take place in Lakeside Cemetery following the service.

Elizabeth passed away Sunday, December 6th, 2015 at Mayo Clinic Health System- Fairmont. Lakeview

Funeral Home in Fairmont is handling the arrangements for the family.

Elizabeth Lambert Huemoeller was born on August 16th, 1929. Her parents were John and Margaret (Hartwell) Lambert. She grew up in Burlington, Vermont where she attended high school. On December 12th, 1980 she married Robert Huemoeller in Lewisville, and they made their home in Fairmont. While in Fairmont, Elizabeth worked at JC Penney and then Hy-Vee grocery store, retiring in 1990.

Elizabeth was involved in the Fairmont Hospital Auxiliary, Red Cross Blood Mobile and the local Life Line alert. Over the years she enjoyed traveling, music and fishing.

She is survived by her husband, Robert Huemoeller of Fairmont; son, Robert Knickerbocker of Tennessee; 2 daughters, Betsy Lawhun and her husband, John, of Springfield, MO, Holly Knickerbocker of Dallas, TX; stepson, Jeff Huemoeller and his wife, Dori, of Brooklyn Park, MN, two step daughters, Lisa Voight and her husband, Aaron, of Mountlake Terrace, WA, Heidi Thomas and her husband, Mike, of Fairmont; 9 grandchildren; 3 step grandchildren and 3 great grandchildren; other relatives and friends.

Elizabeth was preceded in death by her parents; brother, Willard Lambert and sister, Cressy Lambert.

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50 YEARS AGO IN THE PHOTO PRESS

WEEK OF DECEMBER 12, 1965

Walter Mondale, the young lawyer who was born in Ceylon and had recently been appointed U.S. Senator from Minnesota, made a swing through Martin County, addressing a gathering of DFLers in Fairmont and visiting an R.E.A. installation here. While on his way to Fairmont, he was notified by the Highway Patrol that his brother Buford, 47, had died suddenly of a heart attack in St. Paul.

The Martin County A.S.C.S. office relocated to 2423 Albion Avenue, with Roy Rosenberg, manager and Mrs. Albert Brockman, clerk.

Aerospace Research Corporation of Minneapolis and Fairmont received a U.S. Air Force contract of \$1.5 million, half of which was to be fulfilled in Fairmont. The contract would require an addition of 65 employees here. Several Fairmont men were listed as members of the Aerospace company, with Clifford Racine chairman of the board.

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Wells Federal Bank to Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, Lot 20, Block 2, Lake Park Addn.

Fretty Family Properties LLC to Air-Med LLC, Pt. SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, 32-103-30

Gerald Bohlsen to Jane M. Thate, John W. Thate, N.50' Lot 2, Block 35, Original Plat of Fairmont

Kimberly K. Greischar to David Cartwright, Pt. Govt. Lot 5, NW $\frac{1}{4}$, 6-102-30

PH South Minnesota, Inc. to JGG Holdings LLC, Lots 2, 1, Block 1, Tower Addn., Lot 1, Block 1, Tower Addition, Pt. Lot 2, Block 1, Hardees Addn.

Bradley J. Meyer, Kathryn J. Meyer, Nancy J. Meyer to Brooke Pierce, E.49' Lot 5, Block 1, Zemke & Lageson Addn.

Melinda Eckmann, Thomas Eckmann to Thomas E. White, Lot 4, Lot 5, Exc. W.10' Block 7, Original Plat Triumph

Arno R. Norman, Karen M. Norman to Dustyn Hartung, Leah Hartung, Lot 1, Block 1, Willena Miedtke Estates

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John Wayne Taplin to Johnathan W. Taplin, Pt. Center Creek Addn., Granada

Diane L. Brolsma, Tim A. Brolsma, Diane L. Larson to Lupe Stromberg, Scott Stromberg, Lot 3, Behrens Subd. 1, 2 B 8 NS Addn.

Andrea Klous, Danny Klous to Ronnie D. Ritter III, Lots 5 and 6, Block 12, Original Plat Triumph

Charlene Ann Buchan to Vernon J. Gould, Trustee, Gould Revocable Trust Agreement, Lot 9, Exc. S.43', S.18' Lot 10, Block 11, Original Plat Tenhassen-Ceylon

Daniel Freeman, Mary Freeman to Ashley Freeman,

Tucker Freeman, Lot 15, Vandrey Addn., Truman Dana Dettmer to Dominic Maakestad, Pt. E $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, 1-102-32

Jimmy Lorenz, Sharon Lorenz to Conservation Fund, Pt. NE $\frac{1}{4}$, 23-103-33, Pt. NW $\frac{1}{4}$, 24-103-33

Glenys Lorenz, Richard Lorenz to Conservation Fund, Pt. NE $\frac{1}{4}$, 23-103-33, Pt. NW $\frac{1}{4}$, 24-103-33

Edward M. Birdsong, Joyce Lorenz to Conservation Fund, Pt. NE $\frac{1}{4}$, 23-103-33, Pt. NW $\frac{1}{4}$, 24-103-33

Chris A. Carlson, Kathryn Carlson to Chad A. Carlson, Tonya L. Carlson, Pt. SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, 33-102-29

Arno R. Norman, Karen M. Norman to Kevin Kahler, Nora Kahler, Lot 2, Block 1, Wilena Miedtke Estate

QUIT CLAIM DEEDS

Paul Holm to Jodi Frideres, Scott Holm, E $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, Exc. RR R-O-W, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, Pt. SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, Pt. SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ lying E. of RR, 100' RR strip, SE $\frac{1}{4}$, Two 25' RR strips NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, W $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Exc. Pt. including 50' strip, Pt. SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, all 35-102-33; E $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, 12-101-33; Pt. Und. 1/2 Int. E $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, 3-101-33; Pt. Und. 1/2 Int. SE $\frac{1}{4}$, Pt. Und. 1/2 Int. SW $\frac{1}{4}$, 35-102-33; Pt. Und. 1/2 Int. SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, 35-102-33; Pt. E $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ lying S. & E. of Center Line Four Mile Creek, 3-101-33

Douglas C. Anderson, Sibyl R. Anderson to Douglas Clair Anderson, Co-Trustee, Sibyl R. Anderson, Co-Trustee, Pt. SE $\frac{1}{4}$, 1-104-32

Susan Diane Eisenbacher, Susan Lawrence to David Larry Eisenbacher, Susan Diane Eisenbacher, Lot 1, Block 3, 2nd Ext. Wards Home Addn.

Champion Mortgage Company, Nationalstar Mortgage LLC to Mortgage Equity Conversion Asset Trust 2011-1, W.50' Lots 9 and 10, W.50'N20' Lot 8, Block 10, Goulds Addn.

James Edward Sloss, Jean M. Sloss to Jodie Marie Sloss, W.50' Lots 9 and 10, W.50'N20' Lot 8, Block 10, Goulds Addn.

Joan M. Luedtke, Russell E. Luedtke to Mid American Properties LLC, Pt. Lot 2, Block 3, Ext. to Hazelmere

Joleen Sheeley, Larry C. Sheeley, Mary E. Sheeley, Pamela A. Sheeley, Steven J. Sheeley to Mark G. Stevens, Pt. Lots 4 and 5, Block 8, Ext. to Youngs Addn.

Kristine M. Bocock to Mark J. Bocock, Lot 7, W $\frac{1}{2}$ Lot 8, Block 8, Original Plat Triumph

TRUSTEE DEEDS
Paul Holm, Paul Holm Trust Agreement to Paul Holm, E $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, Exc. RR R-O-W, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, Pt. SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, Pt. SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ lying E. of RR, 100' RR strip, SE $\frac{1}{4}$, Two 25' strips NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, W $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Exc. Pt. including 50' strip, Pt. SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, all 35-102-33; E $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, 12-101-33; Pt. Und. 1/2 Int. E $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, 3-101-33; Pt. Und. 1/2 Int. SE $\frac{1}{4}$, Pt. Und. 1/2 Int. SW $\frac{1}{4}$, 35-102-33; Pt. Und. 1/2 Int. SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, 35-102-33; Pt. E $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ lying S. & E. of Center Line Four Mile Creek, 3-101-33

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US Bank, Mortgage Equity Conversion Asset Trust 2011-1, James Edward Sloss, W.50' Lots 9 and 10, W.50'N20' Lot 8, Block 10, Goulds Addn.

Randall Fretty, Susan Lund, Jake Fretty Jr. Revocable Trust to Matthew J. Schuster, Pt. SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, 8-102-30

DEATH notices

December 2 - Weldon W. Ziemann, 83, Fairmont.

Lakeview Funeral Home

December 4 - Naomi C. Wee, 62, Fairmont.

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December 6 - Alice M. "Peggy" Krueger, 94, Fairmont.

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December 6 - Elizabeth L. Huemoeller, 86, Fairmont.

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In Memoriam

One Year Ago This Week

December 2 - Barbara Jo Fitz, 66, Fairmont

December 2 - Reno W. McDonald, 19, Fairmont

December 3 - Ralph H. Becker, 84, Fairmont

December 4 - Lyla M. Brockman, 89, Fairmont

December 5 - Donald J. Pontow, 79, Trimont

December 5 - Inez Cody, 93, Fairmont

December 6 - Robert B. Gemmill, 87, Trimont

December 6 - Lorine Harley, 98, Fairmont

December 6 - Muriel E. Mayo, 92, Sherburn

December 7 - Ardis McDaniel, 99, Fairmont

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WEEK OF

DECEMBER 12, 1990

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Rita Garbers, Clerk
FRASER TOWNSHIP

NOTICE TO THE VOTERS OF LAKE BELT TOWNSHIP

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Clerk - 2 Year Term

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Harley Galpin of Fairmont, author of several booklets of local interest and builder of model railroad equipment, published another booklet, with illustrations by Fairmont artist Char Kahler. The latest publication was a series of essays called "God's Chosen," wherein he described the lives of Bible characters in the Old Testament.

Fallenstein Refuse & Recycling of Jackson, published a map of its 10 curbside recycling pickup routes in Fairmont, to begin December 17th, with service every other week.

NOTICE TO THE VOTERS OF ROLLING GREEN TOWNSHIP

Filing for the offices to be elected at the 2016 Annual Election will open

Tuesday, December 29, 2015

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The East Chain 4H meeting was held at Bowl Mor Lanes on November 22nd, 2015.

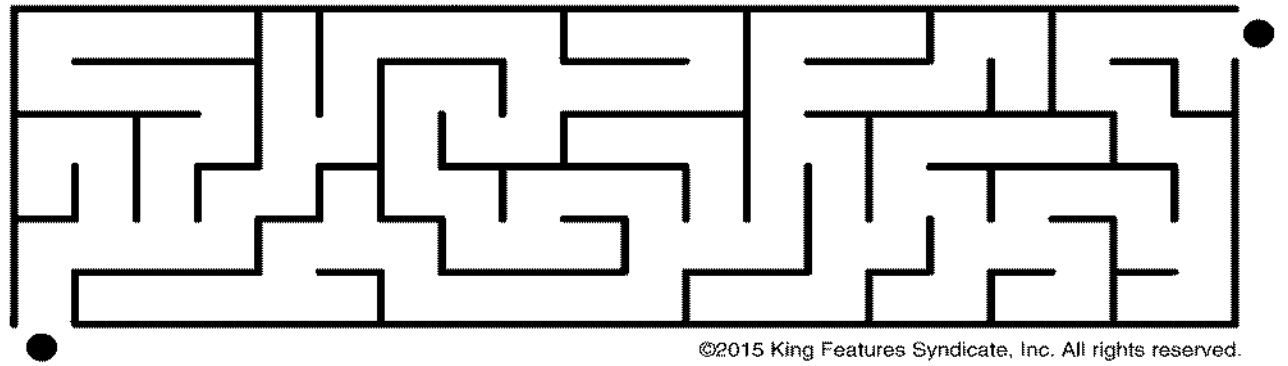
Thirty-seven members attended. Roll call was "name one thing you are thankful for." We went bowling and had some fun.

We had three birthdays this month. They are Kaylee Sukuski, Ben Huinker, and Naomi Segar. Kaylie Hanna showed us how to make oreo popcorn and Lily Steuber showed us how to make a DIY sun-catcher.

Our next meeting/banquet is being held at Red Rock Center on December 13th at 4:00pm.

Respectfully submitted, Sabrina Segar

Kids' Maze



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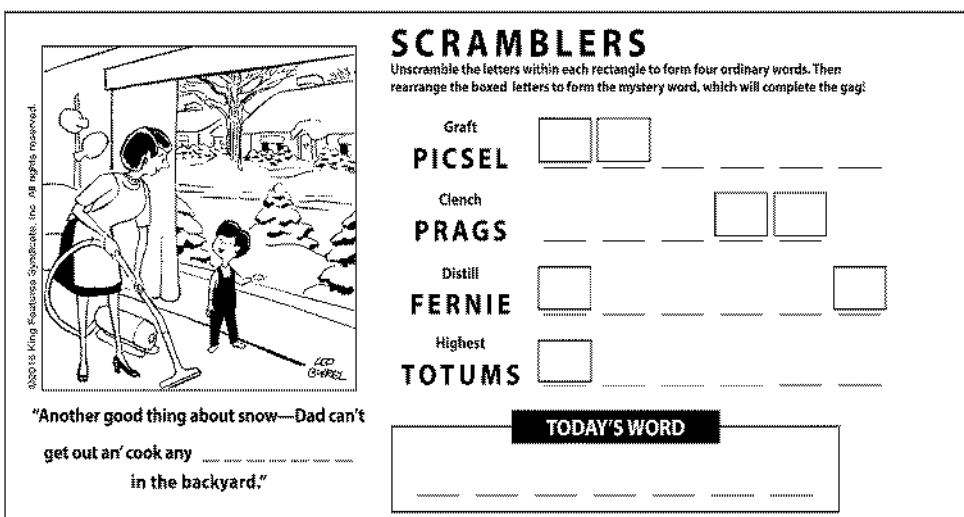
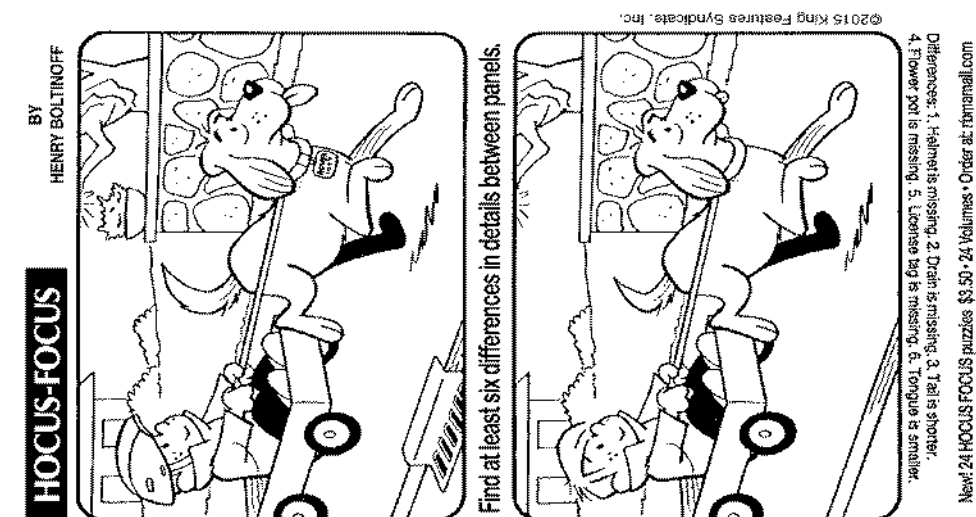
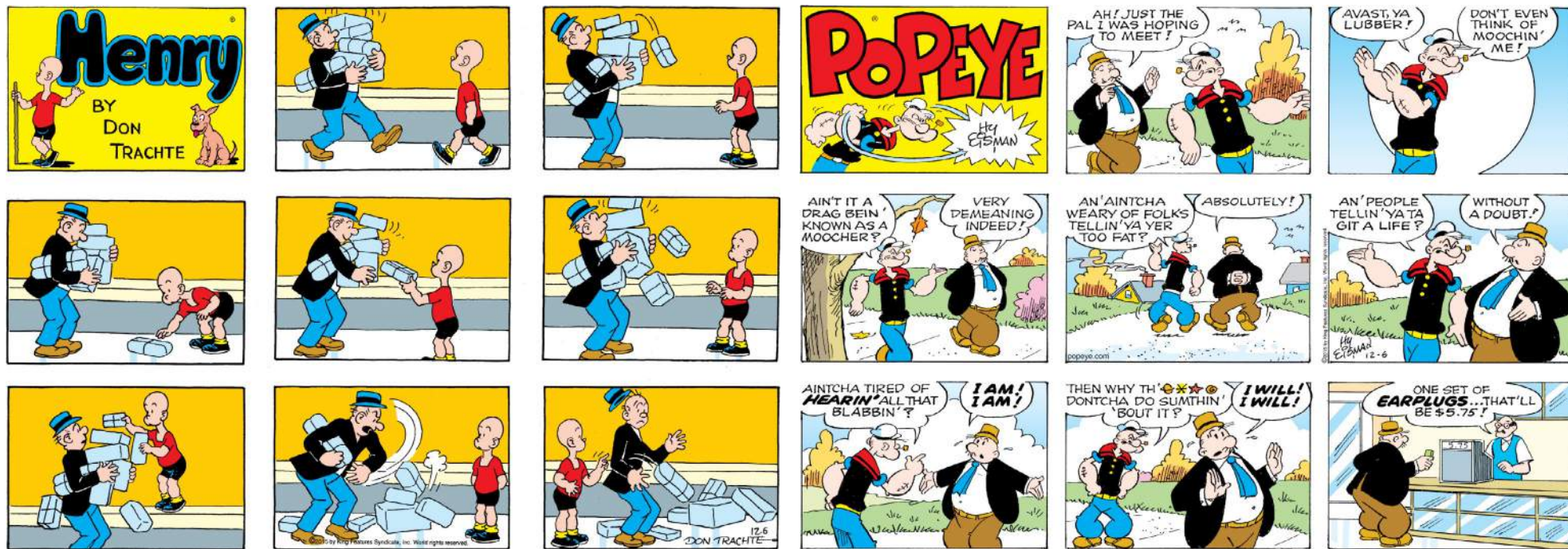
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