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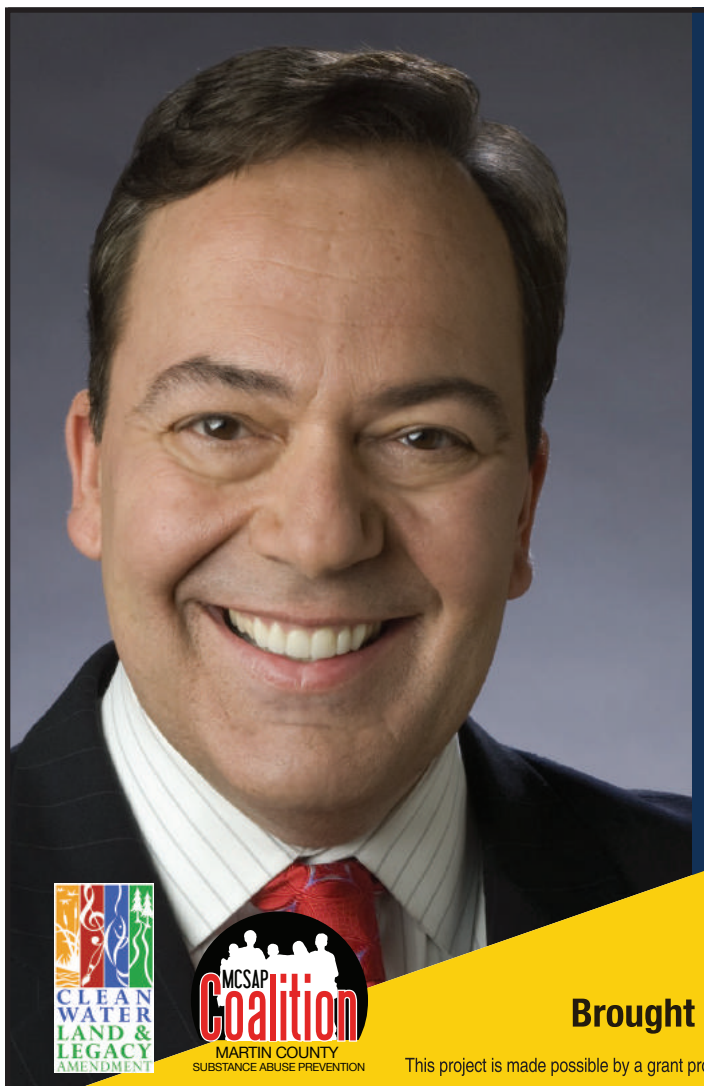

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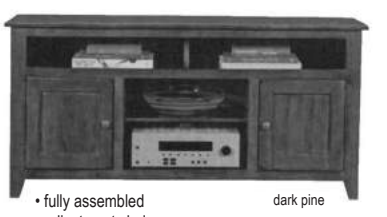

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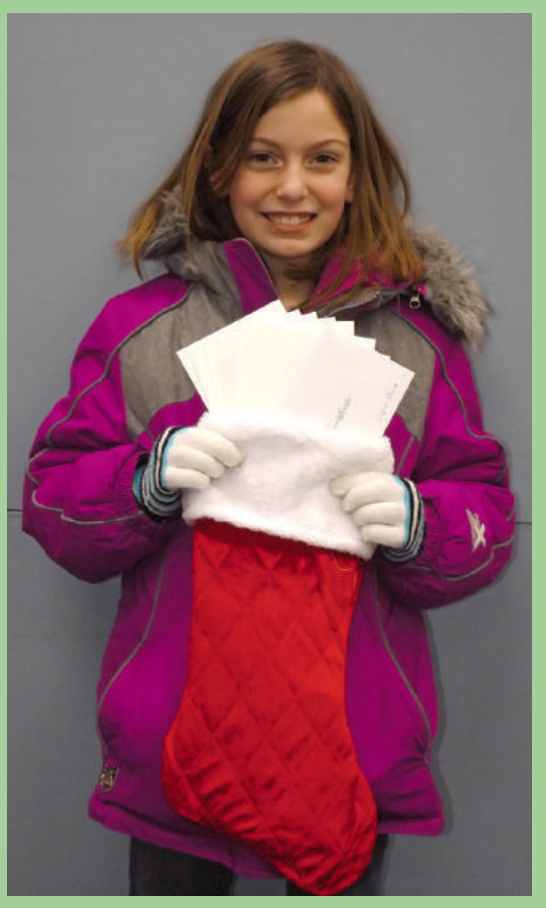
BECKER 50TH - Larry and Linda Becker will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on Saturday, December 30th. They were married December 30th, 1967. A family celebration was held at a Twins game in July. Cards will reach them at 2104 175th Street, Fairmont, MN 56031.

ST. JOHN 60TH - Renee and Dan St. John of Fairmont will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary on Friday, December 29th. They were married December 29th, 1957. They now reside at 1310 Adams Avenue, #307, Fairmont, MN 56031.

Stocking Stuffer Winner



The winner of the Photo Press Stocking Stuffer was Mya Pierce of Northrop, MN. Mya received a stocking stuffed with gift certificates and cards from area businesses. Thanks to all who signed up for the drawing and to the many businesses who sponsored the annual giveaway!

CREST to hold "Lunch & Learn" in Sherburn

A "Lunch & Learn" event sponsored by CREST will be held on Wednesday, January 3rd at 11:00 a.m. at the Senior Citizens Center, located at 21 East 1st Street in Sherburn.

The topic for this month is "Behind the Scenes of Super Bowl 52." A lunch featuring pork sliders, tailgate side dishes, and dessert will be provided.

"Lunch & Learn" gatherings are provided by CREST as an opportunity for education and fellowship to anyone in the surrounding area. If you have a topic you are interested in, call the CREST office at 235-3833.

REV. JACQUELINE ZIEMER has been installed as the Pastoral Care Director at Lake Minnetonka Shores, a Senior Living Community in Spring Lake Park, MN. It is a continuing care community serving residents in all levels of their life's journey. It is one of 43 Care Communities of Presbyterian Homes & Services in Minnesota, Wisconsin and Iowa. Her ministry serves people living at LMS independently to those who need long term health care services. Rev. Ziemer previously served ELCA congregations in Minnesota and Iowa. She also served St. Martin's Episcopal Church in Fairmont and most recently was Visitation Pastor at Grace Lutheran Church, Fairmont. She has been pursuing additional studies to become a Certified Chaplain. Rev. Ziemer grew up in Dunnell. In her free time she enjoys raising goats with her husband, Ron Ziemer of Ceylon. She currently lives in Minneapolis with her daughter, Michela Ziemer. ***(Submitted photo)***

Two Martin County groups receive grants

The Prairie Lakes Regional Arts Council announced that grants of $31,833 have been awarded to eighteen arts organizations, community groups and schools in the 9-county area, announces Brenda Byron, PLRAC Executive Director.

Two Martin County organizations received arts grants totaling $4,000. Rural Advantage, Fairmont received $2,000 and hosted live music during the Fairmont Market Square Event at Heritage Acres Interpretive Center, October 2017. Truman Public School received $2,000 and high school language arts students took a field trip to see the "Phantom of the Opera" at the Orpheum Theatre in Minneapolis, December 2017.

The Small Arts Project Grant and Arts-In-Education Grants are made possible by funds provided by the Minnesota State Legislature. "Art Project Grants were awarded to each of these organizations for projects in our Region" noted Byron.

Prairie Lakes provides grants for arts activities including dance, music, theater, literature, and visual art classes and exhibitions. Small Arts Project Grants for smaller art activities and Art-In-Education school residences are both available for up to $2,000 and the next deadlines are January 1st and February 1st, 2018. The Arts and Cultural Heritage Grant deadline for Non-profit Arts Organizations, Community Groups and Schools will be accepted twice a year and the next deadline is February 1st, 2018. The next Artist Career Development Grant deadline is January 15th, 2018 for a $1,000 grant.

A free hot meal will be served at St. John Vianney Catholic Church, 901 South Prairie Avenue, on Sunday, December 31st at 6:00 p.m., in the hospitality area. All are welcome.

Arc Family and Friends will meet in the George Room at the Fairmont Holiday Inn on Monday, January 8th at 6:00 p.m. The group will talk about the Arc merger and other activities plus the Aktion Club Theatre group. For any questions, call the Arc office at 507-235-8580 for further details.

The Fairmont Lakes Foundation's regular monthly meeting will be held starting at 5:30 p.m., Tuesday, January 2nd at the SMEC building, 115 South Park Street. Enter by the southeast door.

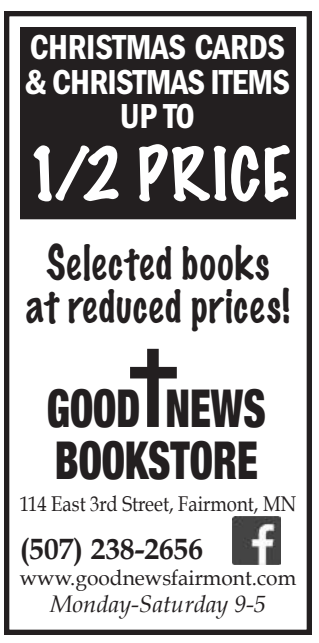
Tuesday, January 2nd, **People First** will hold its monthly meeting from 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., at Fairmont's Pizza Ranch. Notice change in meeting time and location. Anybody needing a ride to this event or has questions about People First should contact Pat Kietzer at 507-848-5017.

The American Legion Auxiliary Unit 36, of Fairmont, will meet at 7 p.m., Tuesday, January 2nd at Goldfinch. All members and anyone interested in the Auxiliary are encouraged to attend.

Fairmont High School Class of 1960, spouses, and friends will meet for lunch at 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, January 2nd at Pizza Ranch in Fairmont.

Marriage License Applications

Laura Lee Mitchell and Thomas Jay Willett



What's Cooking

with Kathy Lloyd

2018 just around the corner!!

By the time you read this Christmas will be over and New Years just around the corner! We also have some long winter days and nights ahead, which means some cozy snacks to share by the fire! Today's snack is one of my favorites. By now we should have our fill of sweets, so let's have a change of pace. I do like the customary recipe for chex party mix but I like this cracker snack even more. It makes lots, so should last for awhile. It has those darn carbs though, so pace yourselves!

Cracker Snack Mix
1 pkg. original flavor Bugles
1 pkg. nacho flavor Bugles
6 cups miniature pretzels
1 pkg. butter flavor crackers
1 box wheat thins
1 box cheese nips
1 pkg. miniature parmesan fish crackers
1 can mixed nuts
1 bottle (10-12 oz.) butter flavored pop corn oil
2 envelopes dry Ranch dressing

Mix all crackers, bugles and nuts together in a large bowl. Whisk together the butter flavor oil and dry dressing and drizzle over cracker mixture, stirring carefully. Transfer to four 10x15 inch baking pans, bake at 250 degrees for 45 minutes, stirring every 15 minutes. Cool and store in an air-tight container. Happy New Year!!

St. Martin's Episcopal soup lunches

St. Martin's Episcopal Church in Fairmont announces that its soup lunches will be held on the first Fridays of January through April of 2018, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Proceeds from the January 5th lunch will benefit CREST while the February 2nd lunch will benefit Kids Against Hunger. The March 2nd lunch will benefit Heaven's Table with the proceeds from the April 6th lunch being divided between Second Chances and the Martin County Animal Shelter.

St. Martin's Episcopal Church is located at 102 North Park Street, beside the library. It's a great way to warm yourself on a winter's day and benefit the community at the same time.

Community Center Update

On October 9th, 2017, the Fairmont City Council approved funding of $125,000 to allow the Fairmont Community and Wellness Action Committee to move into Phase 1 of the project. There are two phases to this process. Phase 1, focuses on what we build, determine annual operational costs, end user owner/operator, amenity analysis, and scalable models for our project. This phase will also help address the questions of how to build and how to fund and operate the completed community center. This includes fundraising, construction and operational details of the project. Phase 2 will focus on actual construction of the project.

The Community Center Action Committee contractually engaged with TEGRA for the completion of Phase 1. TEGRA GROUP is a Minnesota company founded in 1996. This is an owners' rep and project management company who will work with the project owner and end users of projects to help them navigate the entire process from design to final construction. TEGRA will help us develop options for this project, hire a general contractor and architect, on a limited scope, to maximize efficiencies and produce a scalable model for our community.

TEGRA immediately started the architect selection process. A sub-committee from the Action Committee was formed to review architect's request for proposal submissions and conduct interviews. Three firms were selected to interview. All three firms were very impressive and all were clearly interested in the project. Each firm had at least 5 professionals present for the interview, with impressive resumes and qualifications and all had prepared audio/visual demonstrations. On December 13th, 2017, the sub-committee made a hiring recommendation to the entire committee.

The architect firm has been selected. We are now engaged in the construction management selection process which will follow a similar path. The interview process will take place the first part of January. We will also start working with the architect and TEGRA to conduct a series of project design workshops. These workshops will likely include some form of public input to start to work through community priorities. Detailed information on this process will be available soon.

We are very excited for the community of Fairmont and surrounding area. As we work in coordination, collaboration and cooperation with each other, it is clear that we are all working to enhance our quality of life in this beautiful area. If you have any further questions you can contact either of the committee co-chairs.

Brandon Edmundson, brandon@krasha.com or Steve Hawkins, steve@hawkinsbestprice.com.

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CHECK IT OUT! @ the Martin County Library

Now that winter has truly arrived, it's time for the Martin County Library's annual Adult Winter Reading Program!

If your New Year's Resolution is to read more books...have we got the program for you!

Starting January 2 and running through February 28, drop by any Martin County Library (locations in Fairmont, Sherburn, Trimont and Truman) and get started!

Cozy up with some great books this winter and earn prizes too!

Participants earn a prize for every four books you read, and you complete the program by reading twelve books.

Everyone who completes the program will have a chance in the grand prize drawing, which is a gift certificate for a tasting menu dinner at the Cup 'n' Saucer in Sherburn!

(Along with other fun prizes too....)

Print books, e-books and audiobooks all count as reading...so be sure to pick up your bookmark on January 2nd and start counting your titles!

Happy Winter Reading everyone!

The Fairmont Toastmasters' first meeting for 2018 has been moved from January 1st to Monday, January 8th. Meetings are open to public. fairmonttoastmasters@outlook.com or 808-341-6103

25 YEARS AGO IN THE PHOTO PRESS

WEEK OF DECEMBER 30, 1992

EZ Stop, formerly Kerr McGee, located at 415 S. State Street, announced that it was under new ownership. The store was to be open 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, including Christmas.

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Carols and Music for the 12 Days of Christmas was to be held at Grace Lutheran Church. Three ex-area musicians would present the sacred concert: Mark Gould, Fairmont graduate, served as associate pastor of Faith Lutheran Church in Valders, Wisconsin. Karen Salz, an East Chain High School graduate, served as soloist with the Rochester Chamber orchestra. Jeanette Paulson played English horn with Mankato Symphony Orchestra and first oboe with the Mankato State Symphonic Wind Ensemble.

The Fairmont Ambassadors held a ribbon cutting at the new First Farmers & Merchants National Bank. Don and Shirley Coombes were the first customers to make a transaction at the new bank.

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Harmony Junction, an area barbershop chorus, was chosen as the alternate chorus to represent the Land O'Lakes District in international competition in Calgary, Canada. In addition, two quartets from the local chorus were honored: "State of Art" placed fourth out of 18 quartets. Members were Peter Benson, Ryan Phillips, Rob Sibilrud and Nate Schmidt. "Full Chord Express," whose members were Ron Gerhardt, Brad Gerhardt, Curt Korn and Royce Abel, was named the novice quartet champion for the Land O'Lakes district.

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Two long-time employees of the Martin County office of the U.S. Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Office in Fairmont were to retire. Roger Buchan, executive director of the local office, retired after 36 years. Larry Bremer, eecutive director of the Blue Earth County ASCS in Mankato, would return to Fairmont to take over the Fairmont post. Also retiring was Rita Sloneker, program assistant, with 14 years in the office.

50 YEARS AGO IN THE PHOTO PRESS

WEEK OF DECEMBER 30, 1967

Fairmont Wholesale Company was robbed of nearly $10,000 in merchandise, including 52 cases of cigarettes, several transistor radios and cam-

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A free community meal will be served on Wednesday, December 27th, from 5:30 p.m. until food is gone. The meal will be served by First Congregational UCC Church, 319 Downtown Plaza, Fairmont. The menu includes tator tot hot dish, jello with fruit, freshly baked rolls, bars and cookies.

~FREE~ Christmas Tree Recycling

December 26, 2017 - January 6, 2018

Take your Christmas tree to any of the following locations for recycling:

FAIRMONT:
Fairmont Skate Park
East Margaret Street - Fairmont Drop Site
(East of the Humane Society - Enter Margaret Street from the East)

TRIMONT:
City Brush Site (Call Trimont City Hall for times)

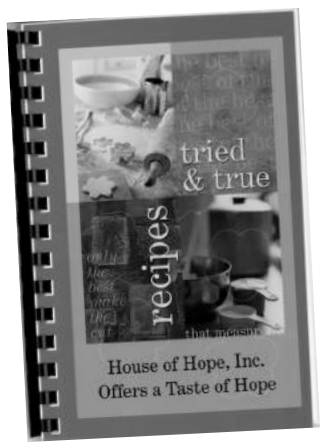
SHERBURN/DUNNELL:
• Sherburn Nursery Drop Site

QUESTIONS: Contact Billeye Rabbe,
***Martin County Solid Waste Coordinator,* (507) 776-3232**

Thanks to: Sherburn Nursery; City of Trimont; Fairmont City Parks and Recreation Department; Martin and Faribault County Sentence to Service Program.

PLEASE: Trees ONLY, NO wreaths or roping!
NO tree stands, metal or ornaments on trees.

A Taste of Hope



House of Hope Cookbooks $5. Now on sale at the Photo Press.

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Minnesota Tax Changes

Guest Columnist

Sara Pierce, Pierce Accounting & Tax Services

While the U.S. House and Senate are still having trouble deciding on a final federal tax bill the Minnesota State legislature signed their 2017 tax bill into law and goes into effect for the 2017 tax year. The new bill offers more opportunities for tax savings for Minnesota residents, with some added paperwork and forms of course.

The first one that is really excited is the opportunity for a tax credit or subtraction when setting up a 529 College Savings Plan. In the past there was not any tax savings for setting these up until the college student began drawing on it. The student was able to take distributions to use specifically for college (tuition and text books) and not pay tax on the distribution. Now Minnesota is offering an opportunity for the contributor to get a tax benefit. The taxpayer has the option of taking up to a $500 credit or subtraction up to 50% of the total contribution. Another great thing about this credit is the benefactor does not need to be a dependent or a Minnesota resident and the plan does not need to be a Minnesota plan. Another option is the student can contribute to their own 529 plan and claim a credit as long as they are not claimed as a dependent on another return.

Another tax benefit that Minnesota is offering for the 2017 tax year is the subtraction of taxable Social Security income. Once a taxpayer has a certain amount of other income (this includes wages, Required Minimum Distributions, Interest, and any other income) up to 75% of Social Security Income can become taxable at the federal level. The subtraction is up to $4,500 if filing married joint, $3,500 if filing single or head of household, $2,250 if filing married/separate. This subtraction does phase out once the taxable income exceeds thresholds, but should result in a savings for most taxpayers.

Are you a teacher considering earning your master's degree? There is an opportunity for a tax credit here also. The credit is available to any teacher beginning the Master's program after June 30th 2017 and is available once the degree is earned. The degree must also be in the core content directly related to the teacher's licensure field. The credit is equal to the lesser of $2,500 or the cost of tuition, fees, books, and instructional materials.

Minnesota is also now offering a credit for student loan payments. The credit is available to Minnesota residents only. The nonrefundable credit is limited to the least of $500, earned income for the year, and a figure that is based on amount of interest paid or actual loan payments made. If you are filing married jointly each taxpayer can take the credit and it is claimed on the new MN Form M1SLC.

Are you a Minnesota resident paying taxes to Wisconsin? Great news – there is a credit available for this now. Another item was passed for taxpayers who are having issues in determining residency. One item that was used a lot was the location of the taxpayer's CPA, attorney, or financial advisor and the state has just passed into law this will no longer be used as a determining factor. This is a great victory for many people who chose to move but wish to keep the same professional advisors.

There were also changes made to the treatment of installment sales of pass- through entities in Minnesota and the acceleration of gain. If you are an owner of an S-Corporation or partnership and considering a sale you are advised to meet with your tax advisor to get advice on how to best take advantage of this or avoid extra tax.

For decedents passing after December 2016 the estate exclusion is increasing to $3 million by 2020 in $300,000 increments beginning in 2017. Minnesota residency of the decedent is a factor here as well.

Beginning in the tax year 2018 Minnesota is now offering credits on the sale or rental of agricultural equipment. There are some hoops to jump through to qualify for this credit but proper planning should make it easier to attain. One important thing to know right away is the farmer does not qualify for the credit if the sale is to a related party, unfortunately.

The Minnesota legislature has released all forms and information to help guide tax preparers and tax payers through this process. They encourage to reach out to your tax preparer to ask questions and find out if you can take advantage of these many changes.

Reasons to hire a Realtor®

Guest Columnist

Kim Kreiss, Realtor Cavers Realty

There are so many reasons to hire a Realtor® if you want to sell your home. You may be thinking you'd like to sell your home yourself, but if you're not a trained real estate agent, you really, really, shouldn't sell your property yourself. Selling your home is one of the biggest financial decisions of your life, and you need a Realtor® if you want to do it right. Check out these reasons.

Strict code of ethics. Not every real estate agent is a Realtor®, who is a licensed real estate salesperson who belongs to the National Association of Realtors®, the largest trade group in the country. What difference does it make? We, as Realtors, are held to a higher ethical standard than licensed agents and must adhere to a strict Code of Ethics.

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In addition, we will price your house correctly, so you don't lose money on your transaction. There are many statistics proving that sellers will sell their properties for more money when they hire a Realtor, even when factoring in the Realtor's commission.

Negotiating finesse. Have you ever negotiated a big deal? Or does the thought of negotiating your own salary at work make your palms sweat? Negotiations are a part of real estate. Some negotiations can get heated. There can be a lot of competition for houses. Realtors® can seal the deal for you and you don't even have to break a sweat.

Beyond Internet searching. If you've been searching online real estate listing sites to find your dream home, you're not alone. However, did you know that Realtors® have access to even more listings? Sometimes we have properties that haven't been actively listed yet. If we know your "must have" list, we can call you as soon as we find a house that meets your criteria.

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We wear many hats. Yes, real estate agents are salespeople, but we do a lot to earn our commission. We hunt high and low to find you your dream home, we spend our own money on marketing to sell your home, we research comps to make sure you're getting the most money for your home, and we are working all hours of the day and night with other realtors, and you. We're a parent, data analyst and therapist all rolled into one person. We try to calm your fears, put you at ease and help you get through one of your biggest financial, and sometimes emotional, decisions of your life.

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eras, plus a panel delivery truck which was recovered later.

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Mrs Henry Meyer of Welcome, a patient at Trimont Community hospital, donated several portable TV sets to the hospital, dedicating them to her late husband, her sister and husband, Dr. and Mrs. R. L. Parsons, the doctor having been the Meyer family physician.

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The Smorgasbord editor quoted a letter to Santa in which the writer invited the old boy to come at 6:30 "and my dad will take you out for a beer."

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Fairmont Police Department offered a new salary scale to its officers for consideration. Monthly salaries would be: Chief, $640; Captain, $545; Sergeants, $520; Senior Patrolmen, $590 and Beginners, $460.

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The City of Fairmont was to be represented by two county commissioners in the coming year, following adoption of a new redistricting plan by the Martin County Board. The redistricting was required by law to equalize representation on the county board. The city and township had been represented by one board member while containing nearly half of the population of the county. The remainder of the county would be redivided into three districts.

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Father Clyde Honerman, assistant at St. John Vianney Catholic Church, collapsed while visiting a friend in Winona. He had recently finished an exhausting Christmas season in the Fairmont parish. His friend,a classmate in the seminary, took the ailing priest to Rochester where he was admitted for an indefinite rest period.

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14th annual Martin Luther High School antique auction is January 13th

The 14th Annual "Generation to Generation" Antique Auction will be held at Martin Luther High School, Northrop on Saturday, January 13th beginning at 9:45 a.m. Several parties have donated or consigned items. Many advertising items are on the sale including Huemoeller's Northrop, MN Appleware bowl; Northrop Co-op Creamery Bean Pot; Two Lewisville, MN Red Wing Spongeware bowls and other items. There are lots of dishes, pottery and crocks: Red Wing and others; McCoy, Roseville, Shawnee, Royal Copley; lots of Fostoria; crystal; Depression; Wedgwood and Candlewick.

A nice group of primitives will be on the sale including oil lamps, sleigh bells; copper boiler; garden gate; Ooga horn, kraut cutter; oil cans; tools; old barn doors; "the Belle Churn", Minneapolis wooden barrel butter church; primitive wooden single horse drawn sleigh; baby carriage with metal sides; galvanized wash tub; creamery can; Indian head dress and Indian dolls.

Some of the toys on the sale include: vintage metal Allied moving truck; red wooden spring rocking horse; wicker doll furniture; wicker doll buggy; wooden doll crib; Tinker Toys; Child's "Big Little Book" and "Ann Can Fly" books; Home-made musical instrument; Southern Pacific Toy Tank Car; 1939 Ward LaFrance fire truck; antique teddy bear; games and blocks.

Several clocks, radios, lamps and cameras will be on the auction.

There is also a large group of clothing, handiwork items, fur coat and a 1940's Fairmont girl's gym suit.

Special item on the sale is a Wesley Player Piano by Raudenbush and Sons, Saint Paul. It has been electrified and is in excellent working condition. Piano has been tuned regularly. Comes with over 120 vintage piano rolls and matching storage cabinet. Beautiful wood finish on piano, bench and storage cabinet. A complete listing of player roll titles is on the MLHS website. This piano was used often and provided many years of entertainment for the owners. A restaurant or night club could use this as a special attraction providing musical ambiance. The piano will NOT be on site but sold by pictures—call for private viewing in advance.

Morning coffee and rolls and sandwiches will be available. This is an all-day sale. Gratis auctioneers are Allen Kahler and his associates from Land Services Unlimited/Auctioneer Alley. Proceeds benefit the Student Tuition Aid Funds of Martin Luther High School. The sale operates under usual auction terms. Items should be removed the day of the sale. For a detailed listing and pictures go to www.martinlutherhs.com under Special Events.

For the fifth year in a row, Bolton and Menk, Inc. has generously donated $500 to Martin County Kids Against Hunger. They also organize a team of 10 volunteers to pack at the event each year which will be held Feb. 17th, 2018 at St. John Vianney School. Pictured are (from left) Sue Homan (KAH chairperson), Wes Brown (Bolton & Menk), Karen and Ron Sandhurst (KAH chairpersons).

MCHS in Fairmont Community Update

The end of the year. The holiday season. It's a time when we can naturally look back on the past year and look forward to what's just around the corner. Now is also the perfect opportunity to exercise gratitude for all of the things we've been afforded. One of the greatest ways to practice gratitude is through reflection.

So, the main theme of this month's community update is grateful reflection. And to kick things off, we at Mayo Clinic Health System in Fairmont want to thank all of the communities we serve for their outstanding support, engagement and trust in 2017.

A Year in Review

Mayo Clinic Health System in Fairmont welcomed seven new providers in 2017:

•Julie Rolstad, nurse practitioner, Internal Medicine

•Julie Woodall, physician assistant, Express Care

•Tracy Mitchell, physician assistant, Family Medicine

•Jonathan Buchholz, M.D., OB-GYN

•Mark Leo, M.D., Urology (outreach)

•Jessica Schwarz, M.D., Emergency Medicine

•Andrew Brevik, M.D., Internal Medicine

• On November 4th, we implemented a new electronic health record (EHR) throughout our Minnesota Mayo Clinic Health System locations. Our Wisconsin colleagues did the same in July. While our staff members have done an outstanding job working through the daily challenges of operating a new system, we understand patients have experienced some delays and frustrations. We appreciate the patience, flexibility and understanding as we continue to master this new, powerful tool.

The end result of the new EHR is a single, unified system that allows more collaboration between our health care experts and a central location for all of your health records - no matter which Mayo Clinic door you enter. Patient care and experience is already improving with the new EHR, and we look forward to even more positive progress in the coming days, weeks and months.

•Earlier this year, we announced our transition out of the skilled nursing care business. All patients at Lutz Wing have relocated to new homes in the area, with many now residing at Lakeview Methodist Health Care Center. Lakeview was an exceptional partner during this process, along with community leaders, county social services, the State of Minnesota and other area skilled nursing facilities. We want to thank our current and former staff members for providing care at Lutz Wing for the last 40 years.

•We plan to take the many lessons learned during 2017 to inform our decisions and strategies in 2018. We're confident that local health care will continue to grow in strength and quality.

Upcoming Community Events

•Did you know more than 10 percent of the senior population in the state of Minnesota struggles with hunger? The employees at Mayo Clinic Health System in Fairmont are supporting our local Meals on Wheels program for the first two weeks of January. As a community, we're fortunate to have dedicated volunteers who coordinate this program, which impacts the overall health and well-being of those they serve.

•The holidays are a time of giving, and we wish to extend appreciation to the individuals, families, businesses and organizations that made charitable contributions to support the services provided at Mayo Clinic Health System in Fairmont. These gifts include memorials honoring those we have lost, gifts of appreciation and estate gifts. Your generosity helps provide routine, preventive and specialized care services, close to home.

•As you start to prepare for the New Year, check out the Classes & Events page on mayoclinihelathsystem.org<http://www.mayoclinihelathsystem.org>. We'll be offering support groups for cancer, living well with diabetes, and weight loss and bariatric surgery, as well as breast-feeding and newborn care classes.

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

-Amy Long, administrator, Mayo Clinic Health System in Fairmont

Contact Amy Long at 507-238-5070 or long.amy1@mayo.edu with any comments or questions.

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Upcoming Events

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31
Starting at 8pm
New Years Eve Party with Good Times Karaoke

FRIDAY, JANUARY 12
5-8pm: Shrimp Dinner

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21 Isinglass
24 Apprehensive feeling
28 Sunshades
32 Unmatched
33 Historic time
34 Sum
36 Tavern
37 Teen's facial woe
39 Archetype
41 Top
43 Take the bus
44 Knightly address
46 Interior design
50 Skydiver's need
55 Hearty brew
56 Oodles
57 Eastern potentate
58 Lemon meringue —
59 "Puttin' on the —"
60 Gorillas
61 Turf

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2 Cry
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5 "The — Daba Honeymoon"
6 Neither mate
7 Unhearing
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9 Winter ailment
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11 Make up your mind
17 Extinct bird
19 Doctors' org.
22 Hen pen
23 Sacrifice site
25 Asian desert
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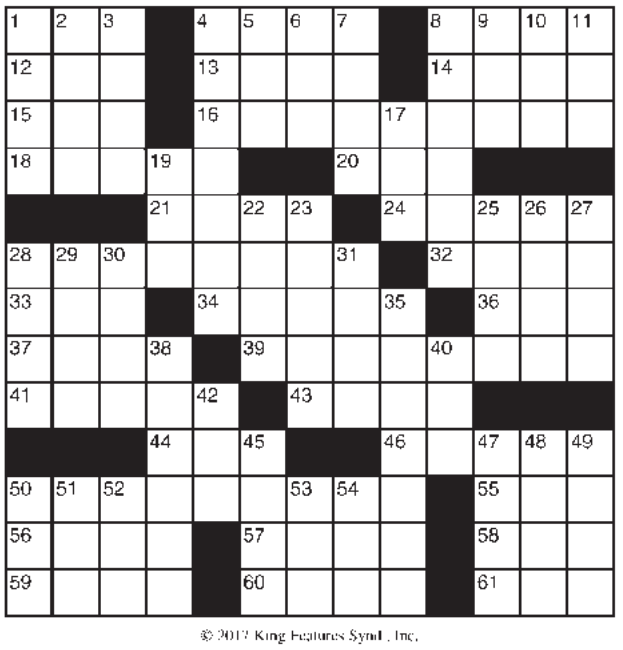

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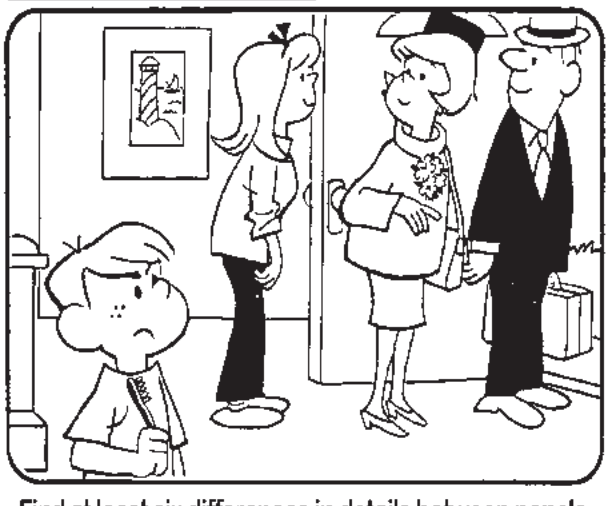

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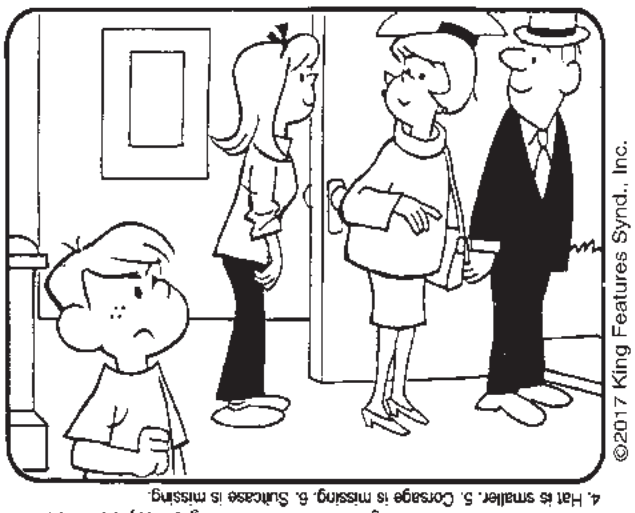

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Guest Columnist

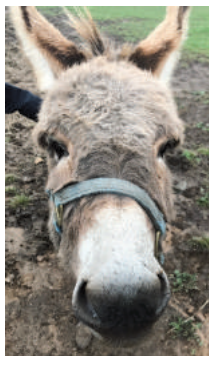
Linda Hillmer, Curious Correspondent

This month, I'm interviewing Lewis, a five-year-old Brazilian Donkey that lives in Black Earth, WI.

Hey Lewis!

Hay is for horses Linda.

Oh my. I can see how this interview is going to go...



Okay, I'll cut you some slack. I guess I'm still a little sad.

My best friend Thor has been gone for a couple of months; I don't know when he'll be back.

Who's Thor and where did he go?

Thor is a three-year-old Friesian stallion. He was my pasture buddy. We hung out together, just the two of us, in this green pasture. And then mom decided it was time for him to learn a fancy thing called dressage, so he is in training in Illinois.

Tell me about your mom.

My mom is Jo Ann Clough. She lives with me here in Black Earth, WI. She's 64 and retired just a few years ago from a 37-year career with the federal government. She owns a business called Black Earth Friesians LLC; she breeds and sells Friesian horses.

How does a Donkey wind up on a Friesian Farm?

My mom found me on Facebook two years ago. I was living on a farm in LaCrosse with a veterinary technician who had rescued me. When mom came to pick me up, I didn't know what was going on. No one told me! All of a sudden, I was being led into a horse trailer. No way was I going to go! I locked my joints and dug in my heels, literally. They tried enticing me with all sorts of my favorite foods. I didn't fall for it.

It took three people to push my 300-pound body into the trailer. And I kicked up a storm all the way to my new home. It wasn't that I didn't like these new people, I just didn't know what was going to happen to me. I was scared. But as soon as they opened the trailer doors and I saw the nice pasture, the beautiful horses and a black dog named Bear I relaxed.

Mom knew Thor, who was only a year old at the time, needed a friend to hang out with him in the pasture. She thought I'd be perfect. And I was. When we first met, Thor dropped to his knees. It was an impressive sight for a 1,000 pound horse. Right then and there we agreed I was boss. And then we started playing.

Your mom sounds like she knows what she's doing. I'm sure she has another pasture friend picked out for you.

She tried. His name is William. I tried to kill him.

Horses need to drink at least 10 gallons of water a day. I wouldn't let him near the water. After a day, mom moved him to another pasture. Now I'm alone again. I've heard rumblings that she may put me with the two six-month-old Friesian fillies here on the farm.

That's the gossip in the barnyard. I'm hopeful. They might play with me like Thor did. Thor and I would play for hours. They just need to acknowledge that I'm boss. Then we'll get along great. I don't think William got the boss memo.

Apparently not. Tell me about your favorite food.

I don't have a favorite food.

What do you mean? Everyone's got a favorite food!

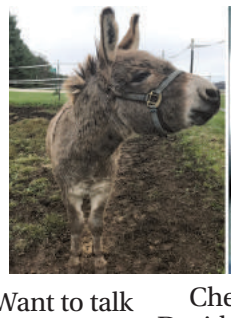
ALL food is my favorite. I'll eat any food. I like it all. Give me cauliflower. Give me couscous. Give me Cold Stone Ice Cream. I don't care. I'll eat it.

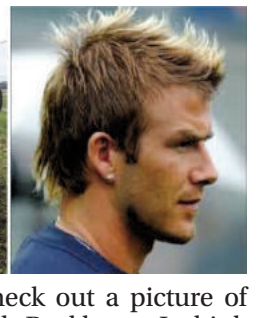
There are apple trees all around the farm. If only I could reach them, but when I do get them, I eat them as fast as I can because bees like apples too. Those bees are nasty creatures! I got stung once on my nose and Holy Honey did that hurt! I don't like bees.

Let's talk about something you like...

I really, really, really like to be groomed. OMG. I will even push myself between my mom and any horse she's grooming just to get a few brush strokes. I think being brushed is what being in heaven must feel like. When my mom grooms me, I'll stand perfectly still – I mean like a statue – for at least 30 minutes. But you know what the best part is? After she's done, I run outside and roll in the dirt! I like that!

You know what I think you like, Lewis? I think you like to talk.





You think? I talk about everything and anything. Want to talk cuisine? I know all about Bobby Flay. Want to talk fashion? Skinny jeans are on their way out. Or, let's talk technology. I wonder if facial recognition with work with my face on an iPhone 10.

Basically, I'll talk till the cows come home. And since we don't have cows, I'll talk all the time.

My mom calls me her watch dog. I alert her and anyone else who will listen that visitors are approaching! I really had fun watching you pull up on your motor coach. (You can read about our trip to Lewis' Friesian farm on "Austinsdogblog.com")

I'm not only a watch dog, I'm also a rooster. Every morning, right before sunrise, I'll sing my "Good Morning" song in as loud of a voice as I can muster. I know everyone appreciates it.

I know we appreciated it! One last question Lewis. What celebrity do you think you most resemble?

Check out a picture of David Beckham. I think you'll see an uncanny resemblance.

Do you have an interesting pet? Contact me: me@lindahillmer.com or stop by the PhotoPress! Be sure to follow us on line so you can see more pictures and read past interviews: petspectives.com.

Heartland Senior Living completes purchase of local senior facilities

Heartland Senior Living, a local non-profit community corporation, has finalized the purchase of three southern Minnesota senior care providers from previous owner ElderCare of Minnesota. Parker Oaks Communities in Winnebago, Parkview Care Center in Wells and Truman Senior Living in Truman are under the new ownership arrangement. The sale was finalized December 20th.

Heartland Senior Living has immediate plans for renovations at all three locations along with some new construction. Heartland Rural Services, LLC will continue to provide management services at all three locations.

Heartland Senior Living has been working on the acquisition since its inception in 2014. The organization received financing approval from the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) late last summer, allowing the acquisition to move forward. The loan is funded through a combination of a USDA Direct Loan and a USDA Guaranteed Loan through Profinium, Inc. of Truman.

Bill Erickson, Heartland Senior Living President, said, "We are so pleased to start a new chapter for senior housing in these three communities after working on this effort as a local board for four years. With the funding from the USDA, the facilities have been purchased and we can now move ahead with improvements. This is a major step toward providing quality, compassionate care for seniors in our communities as well as local employment opportunities."

According to Patrick Rafferty, Heartland Rural Services President and CEO, there was broad-based support from the community, the local board of directors and government representatives, including Congressman Tim Walz and Senators Al Franken and Amy Klobuchar. "We would like to thank everyone involved, and especially the USDA team from the Minnesota Rural Development office," Rafferty said. "Without their tireless efforts, this project would not have been feasible."

The three facilities currently employ 179 area workers and are licensed to provide housing and various levels of care services to 164 residents.

Heartland Senior Living was established to be the umbrella organization for Parker Oaks Communities, Parkview Care Center and Truman Senior Living. A nine-member board representing the three communities governs it. Heartland Rural Services is a management consulting firm specializing in the senior care industry. It has been operating the three facilities under a management agreement with current ownership for the past year.

Students at Martin Luther High School donated 516 pounds of food to Heaven's Table Food Shelf as one of their yearly service projects. Pictured are Student Council President Sidney Visher, Vice-president Tristan Taylor, and Senior Representative Reece Riegel who organized the drive and delivered the food. ***(Submitted photo)***

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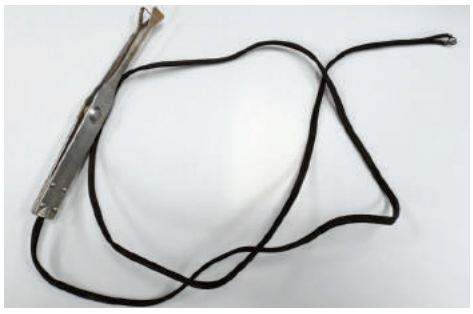
Jeff's Jottings

Residents of the city of Sherburn woke up on Christmas Eve morning with an unpleasant surprise. When they went to wash their hands, take a shower, or just get a drink of water from the tap, they were greeted with a "grinchly" lack of water. At some point in the early morning hours of Christmas Eve day, a call came in to the Martin County Law Enforcement Center that someone passing through town had noticed a lot of water pooling up on in the intersection of Main Street and County Road 26, on the south half of town. A call was placed to City of Sherburn officials, who called in their city employees. The call was then placed to Beemer Companies of Fairmont as it was determined that the water main under the street had a major leak, which had literally created a city-wide lack of water throughout Sherburn. Shortly after daylight, workers began tearing up the street near that intersection, looking for the location of the leak. Around noon that day, residents were notified via text and online messages that the leak was deeper than they first thought and that water may not be back on until later that day. When I arrived at St. John Lutheran Church for their 5 p.m. Christmas Eve service, I was met with signs indicating that the restrooms were "out of order" due to no water. The topic of discussion before church with pretty much everyone is how we rely so much on water in our daily routine. Workers were working with floodlights at that intersection when many came through town that evening. Finally, after a long day of working on the leak, the water was restored to the city of Sherburn around 6 p.m. that evening. Many kudos needs to go out to the City of Sherburn employees and also Beemer Companies for taking time away from their families that day to restore water to Sherburn!

"What is it?" still a mystery!

We have apparently stumped the readers this week with our "What is it?" item. No guesses were made on the item and I have absolutely no idea myself. So this one may go down as "unknown". We do have a new "What is it?" item this week that was brought in by James Bock of Fairmont. He didn't know what it was, but is a metal tweezers-type item that is hooked up to an electrical cord that can be connected to an electrical post. It measures about 7 inches long (the metal part) and the pinchers end has a thin wire on one side and some type of pad on the other to complete the "circuit". Do you think you know what it is? Email me at jeff@fairmontphotopress.com or call our office at 507-238-9456 with your answer. The winning answer will receive a free Photo Press desk calendar.



Time to look back at 2017!

It is hard to believe, but we are nearing the end of 2017 and will soon be bringing in the new year. A lot has taken place in this past year, some things not so good, while many good things have also taken place in the past 12 months. The past year has been a whirlwind for me, as I look back at what has taken place in my life. I find that as each year goes by for me, I seem to reminisce about "what has been" and "the good old days" when things seemed to be much simpler. I used to talk to my grandparents about all the changes in their lifetime. I would ask them about all the changes in technology and how they felt about it being good or bad. In their case, they saw how their lives changed when they went from the horse being their primary mode of transportation and work, to automobiles and big machinery. In my case, I find myself looking back on how cell phones and "Smart" technology have changed so much in my lifetime. I can remember when computers first came out and how slow and large they were. I can remember the time before cell phones too. Life was much simpler then. I wonder what the next generation will look back upon in the next 20 to 30 years?

It's not worth the risk

Since this is New Year's weekend, there are no big activities or events to promote, other than the many New Year's parties going on. On Sunday night, many people will be out celebrating and bringing in the new year at various locations around the area. It is especially important to remember this: DO NOT DRINK AND DRIVE! The cost is too much, and I'm not just referring to financially if you get caught, but the potential risks are not worth you drinking and then thinking you can drive. Think of those around you and that love you if something were to happen to you as the result of drinking and driving. The consequences on you are heavy, but it can be devastating for family and friends. Be responsible this weekend (and all year long for that matter) - if you have to drink, let someone else do the driving!

Drive safely – visit a shut-in or family member – Eat, Play, Shop Local – Have a safe and Happy New Year!

– Jeff

Santa art project

Mrs. Meyers' 4th graders at Fairmont Elementary School worked with Mrs. Diegnau's kindergarten students to create a Santa art project. This was a fun opportunity, practicing coaching skills and teamwork!

Mayo Clinic Health Systems in Fairmont recently donated $6,830 for the purchase of the OmniSpin for the new Advenure Playground (AP). AP Task Force members present: Shelly Krahmer, Amber Elliot, Jodie Whitmore, Linda Gorazkowski, Catherine Johnson, Sara Pierce. Mayo representatives were Dr. Marie Morris *(center)* and Adminstrator Amy Long *(in blue)*. *Photo by Darla Nelson-Phillip*

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Route 26: Cambridge Street, 200 to 400 blocks of Forest Street, 400 to 600 blocks of South Hampton Street and South Prairie Avenue, 300 and 400 blocks of Victoria Street, 300 to 400 blocks of Willow Street.

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Portrait of a Veteran: *Julie Elliot*

Guest Columnist

Joseph Kreiss, Portrait of a Veteran Project

Growing up in the small farming community of Granada, MN, Julie (Lane) Elliott says she always wanted to become a nurse, even as a little girl. After graduating in 1971 from Granada-Huntley High School with the first class from the newly combined school, she received a military scholarship and attended Winona State for two years, as a member of the military. "It was the height of the Vietnam War, so I felt it was cool to become an Army nurse," she recalled. "Plus, the scholarship didn't hurt."

From Minnesota, Julie was sent to Washington, D.C. to Walter Reed Army Medical Center Institute of Nursing for more education and medical training. The Army's program was operated in cooperation with the University of Maryland School of Nursing. She recalls being one of three women in the program from Martin County that year.

Upon completion of the program in 1975, she was awarded a Bachelor of Science degree in nursing and commissioned as a first lieutenant in the U.S. Army Reserve. She continued to serve for three years at Walter Reed. "That time during the war, Washington, D.C. was a scary place," Julie recalled. "There were armed guards at the gate of Walter Reed and there were a lot of (anti-war) protests in D.C. And, she added, you didn't wear your Army uniform around town."

It was also a busy time for Army nurses stationed at Walter Reed. "We still had wounded soldiers from Vietnam that we were treating, plus medivac patients from Germany and around the world coming into the medical center. On top of her demanding nursing duties, she had met fellow soldier Art Elliott, who she eventually married in 1974. "It was a different time and era," she said. "You couldn't get pregnant and still be in the Army. Art and I wanted to have a family, so we got out." Julie was at Walter Reed until 1978 and was discharged from the Army as a Captain.

Julie (Lane) Elliott. Born in 1953 and grew-up in Granada. Currently living in Fairmont. U.S. Army Vietnam-Era Veteran and Army National Guard Veteran.

After Julie finished her military service in Washington, D.C., the Elliott's settled down to raise a family in Martin County, but they didn't stay away from the military for long. Art and Julie both enlisted in the Army National Guard in 1978 after talking to a recruiter at the Martin County Fair that summer.

Julie continued in the Army medical field becoming State Chief Nurse and Deputy Commander of Medical Detachment for Minnesota. She first worked with the National Guard unit from Fairmont/Mankato, then moved onto Camp Ripley heading the 112th HSLD, a special detachment of National Guard nurses.

She worked her way up through the ranks in the Minnesota Guard to become a full Colonel before retirement in 1998. After her military career, Julie joined the staff at the Mayo Clinic Health System in Fairmont working as a clinical quality coordinator. She and her husband Art have two grown children.

Many of the Portrait of a Veteran Photo Project's images and stories have been printed as a traveling photo gallery exhibit and have been displayed for public viewing.

POV Blog: https://somnvetphotoproject.blogspot.com/

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Great Plains Transportation provides "furry" gifts

Sherri DeJong, vice president of Great Plains Transportation, surprised the students in Mrs. Brolsma's class at Fairmont Elementary School with fun gifts. Each student was given a furry "reading buddy," a pencil, Kleenex, hot chocolate, and candy! The children had so much fun reading with their new friend. A huge thank you to Ms. DeJong for her generosity and thoughtfulness.

Manager Jackson Kinney (left) and Santos Cruz (right) of Perkins accepted a certificate of appreciation from Kinship for being in Kinship's PERK Club (Professionals Encouraging Relationships with Kids). Perkins graciously provides a free meal to a mentee/child when eating with their mentor.

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5th graders in Ms. Grotte's class at Fairmont Area Elementary School were asked to assume that they needed to build a raft that would carry a heavy load. They designed, built, and tested a model raft that would stay afloat with cargo of 60 grams of clay. They added pennies one at a time to their raft until it sank. ***(Submitted photos)***

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Benefit for Reutzel/Fischer families

A benefit for the Reutzel and Fischer families will be held on Saturday, January 20th, 4 to 7 p.m. at the Fairmont National Guard Armory. Featured will be a pork sandwich dinner, raffle and silent auction, from 4 to 6 p.m.

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Gary and Anne Reutzel are members of St. John Vianney Church, Gary is a Knight with the Knights of Columbus and also volunteers at St. John Vianney School. He is a VFW member and volunteers as a COP (Citizens on Patrol), is Past VFW Commander and VFW District leadership, DAV (Disabled American Veterans) member, current Commander. He also is Vice Chairman of MCVM (Martin County Veterans Memorial) and Community Steering Committee. Gary is an officer with MCBTYR (Martin County Beyond the Yellow Ribbon) Anne has also volunteered with MCBTYR.

Gary and Anne Reutzel

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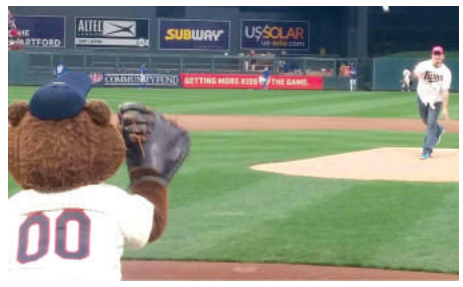
Mike, Krissy, Hannah, and Makenna Fischer family are St. John Vianney Church members, with the girls attending school at SJV. Mike works for Hawkins, has organized many soft ball tournaments raising money for the American Cancer Society. The Fischers have volunteered for MCBTYR during Freedom 5K, raising money for area military families.

Gary Reutzel was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer in November, having to be hospitalized many times with complications. He has an e coli infection needing daily flushing of his port, delaying chemo treatments.

During one of Gary's hospital stays, Anne and Gary received call that their daughter Krissy was taken to Fairmont Hospital, transferred to Mankato given a blood transfusion, and was transferred to Rochester. Krissy has leukemia and is in an isolation room for the 30 days she is receiving chemo.



Mike Fischer, throwing out the first pitch at the Twins game on September 16th. Mike was honored for his work in organizing softball tournaments, through Hawkins Chevrolet, to raise money for the American Cancer Society.

The Fischer family

Her husband Mike is in Rochester with Krissy. Their girls are with Gary and Anne with Anne taking a leave of absence from her job so she can take care of her granddaughters and be with Gary during his doctor visits.

Within one month both were diagnosed with cancer during the holidays. This is heartbreaking for all of them.

Call Tam Plumhoff 238-2806 or 238-3220 or Paula Pitman, 641-990-7341

If you would like to volunteer, make a donation for the silent auction or raffle: Auction and raffle items can be dropped off at Peters Insurance, 206 North State Street, Fairmont.

Donations can be made with Profinium Financial Fairmont, 105 Lake Avenue, Fairmont, MN 56031.

Lawrence Sukalski, Director on the United (States) Soybean Board, shared the importance of global trade of our local agriculture crops with Mrs. Julie Clarey's 6th grade Junior Achievement class at the Fairmont Elementary School. Our Chamber of Commerce facilitates economic studies through Junior Achievement. ***(Submitted photo)***

NOTICE of INTENT to ADOPT MARTIN COUNTY BUFFER ORDINANCE and BUFFER MAP to THE MARTIN COUNTY ZONING ORDINANCE (shoreland) and LAND USE MAP

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That the adoption of The Martin County Buffer Ordinance, Martin County Buffer Map, amendment to the Martin County Zoning Ordinance (shoreland), Land Use Map was adopted by the Martin County Board of Commissioners on Tuesday, December 19, 2017, in the Martin County Commissioners Room, 201 Lake Avenue, Fairmont, Minnesota at the regular board meeting. The Martin County Board of Commissioners took formal action on adopting the Buffer Ordinance, Official buffer map, amend the Martin County Zoning Ordinance (shoreland to be consistent with Buffer Ordinance) Chapter 13 (Shoreland Districts), Subdivision 18, Agricultural Use Standards, Number 1 and update official land use map.

A complete copy of the Buffer Ordinance, Buffer map, Land Use Map and amended changes to the Martin County Zoning Ordinance (shoreland to be consistent with the Buffer Ordinance) is available for review in the Martin County Auditor's Office, The Martin County Planning and Zoning Office and on the Martin County Website ~ www.co.martin.mn.us. A copy is also available with Martin County Township Clerks and City Clerks.

Pam Flitter
Martin County Zoning Administrator

UPCOMING AUCTIONS

SATURDAY, JANUARY 13, 2018 STARTING AT NOON - The large Martin Luther High School Annual Antique and Collectible Auction. Several members of Auctioneer Alley are the auctioneers for this auction.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 18, 2018 10:00 A.M. - LARSON BROTHERS - 63 Acres +/- Recreational Land located in Sec. 12 of Fox Lake Twp., Martin Co., MN. Sale to be held at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Fairmont, MN. DUSTYN HARTUNG & ASSOCIATES

MONDAY, JANUARY 22, 2018 10:30 A.M. - ST. PAUL EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH (LATE BENNIE & ALICE BLOM) - 153.33 Acres +/- Farmland Auction located in Sec. 29 of Lake Belt Twp., Martin Co., MN. Sale to be held at Legends II, 103 E. Main Street in Ceylon, MN. DOUG WEDEL & ASSOCIATES

TUESDAY, JANUARY 23, 2018 10:30 A.M. - JOHN GRABIANOWSKI ESTATE - 110.9 Acres +/- Farmland Auction located in Sec. 35 of Silver Lake Twp., Martin Co., MN. Sale to be held at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Fairmont, MN. DOUG WEDEL & ASSOCIATES

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24, 2018 7:00 P.M. - KENNETH A. WEST ESTATE - 200 Acres +/- Farmland Auction located 3.5 miles west of Trimont on Cty Rd. 44 or 200th St. in Sec. 28 of Cedar Twp., Martin Co., MN. Sale to be held at the Trimont Community Center at 41 2nd Ave NW. Darwin Anthony P.R., Paul Edman, Atty., KAHLERS/HARTUNG & ASSOCIATES

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 30, 2018 10:30 AM. - VANDERIET FAMILY-160 Acres +/- Farmland Auction located in Sec. 8 of Fraser Twp., Martin Co., MN. Sale to held at Knights of Columbus Hall in Fairmont, MN. DUSTYN HARTUNG & ASSOCIATES

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2018 10:30 AM - SICKLER ESTATE - 177.86 Acres+/- Farmland Auction located in Sec 22 & 27 of Elm Creek Twp., Martin Co., MN. Sale to be held at the Sherburn Legion in Sherburn, MN. HARTUNG, KAHLER & ASSOCIATES

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Elf Shop crew says "Thank You"!

Left to right, back row: Char Kahler, Dani Morris, Liz Wheeler, Brandi Mulvihill, Shelby Harris, Mia Collazo, Acacia Schmidt, Ciara Cowing, Tyson Geerdes, Carol Cress, Steph Johnson. Front row: MaKenzie Johnston, Jacalyn Reischl, Tessa Fowler, Kassandra Lopez, Faith Heille, Leah Petersen, Deb Heinrich, Nicole Green. Not pictured: Sarah Totzke, Patti Kasper, Naka Cambell, Erin Hoch, Hali Webe, Stephanie Young, Audrianna Lewison, Kari Maier, Maddy Militello, Nikki Hector, Laura Dunker, Cheryl Loughmiller, Cindy Huset, Maurene Cordova and Amy Becker. ***(Submitted photo)***

Whoever said, "It takes a village," was probably talking about the Elf Shop at Fairmont Elementary School. When you have about 200 students choosing about 500 gifts for family members in a six-hour period AND then wrapping all of those gifts, you need community support for that to happen! So many unnamed (but not unappreciated) folks dropped off great new and gently used items so kids in grades kindergarten through second could shop and choose gifts for family members.

Others donated great tissue paper, ribbons, and shipping boxes in bulk, while others handmade gift bags for us which is awesome! And HyVee donated 200 brown bags so our shoppers could more easily carry their treasures home. Others, like some of the Beta groups in town, donated cash. Because of the sheer volume and anonymity of the process, I want to thank those who did so since I can't name all of you.

We also had a surprise donation from one company in town whose employees pool their funds each year to give a monetary gift to the owners. And each year, those owners choose a non-profit in town to receive that gift. This year, the Elf Shop was chosen. We were so honored and humbled! I'm not sure they want to be named but they make pizza at a shop that rhymes with "bakes." Thank you, Jeff and Kim Ehlert!

I also want to thank the many volunteers who helped out with the Elf Shop. Leading up to the event, Nikki Hector, Laura Dunker, Char Kahler, Cheryl Loughmiller, and Dani Morris, Tom Seifert and Kurt Isenberg, along with the sixth grade student council members helped us get the room set-up and the items in place. During the Elf Shop, we had Nicole Green as head elf, helping get the students to and from the classrooms. We then had Fairmont cheerleaders and Martin County Substance Abuse Prevention and Youth Coalition members helping the students shop and wrap gifts, in addition to our adult volunteers Patti Kasper, Sarah Totzke, Deb Heinrich, Steph Johnson, Cindy Huset, Carol Cress, and Char, Dani and Laura again. Several of these volunteers along with Maurene Cordova and Amy Becker also provided food for all of these volunteers and helped with tear down on Tuesday afternoon (along with Dan Wheeler who willingly helped on Tuesday, too.)

If I inadvertently left your name out, I apologize, because without you and the many other folks involved, there is no way we could put on the Elf Shop, so a huge thank you to our community for investing in these little ones and helping them participate in the giving of the season!

Liz Wheeler, 2017 Elf Shop Coordinator

Key Tips That Save Lives:

• FOOD FIRST. If you plan to drink, eat foods that are rich in protein (meats, cheese, vegetables) and never drink on an empty stomach.

• EASY DOES IT. One drink per hour sets the pace for moderate drinking. Never exceed three drinks per party regardless of your body weight.

• SIZE UP THE SITUATION. Remember that a 12 oz. mug of beer, a 5 oz. glass of wine and a 1¼ oz. shot of hard liquor all pack the same punch.

• JOIN THE KEY CLUB. If you want to indulge, hand over your keys to a designated driver for the evening.

• TAKE CONTROL. Insist on driving home any friend or guest who appears intoxicated. If this is not an option, offer to call a cab or have this person sleep over.

• NONE FOR THE ROAD. Remember, you don't have to drink at all to have a great time!

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OBITUARY notices

Lucille E. Gorgen, 103

Funeral Services for Lucille E. Gorgen, 103, of Fairmont, formerly of Granada, were held Wednesday, December 20th, 2017, at First Congregational United Church of Christ in Fairmont. Burial was in Fairview Memorial Park Cemetery. Lucille passed away Monday, December 18th, 2017, at Lakeview Methodist Health Care Center. Lakeview Funeral Home and Cremation Service of Fairmont assisted the family with arrangements.

Lucille Eisenbarger Gorgen was born September 18th, 1914 in Martin County to Hallie and Maude (Mason) Bullard. She graduated from Granada High School and took teacher training in Fairmont. She taught country school in Martin county.

She married Ora Eisenbarger in 1934. They resided in Center Creek Township and helped run the family business, Sunrise Golden Dairy. Later they farmed and owned and operated the Skelly Oil Company in Granada.

Upon Ora's death in 1967, Lucille worked as secretary for the Martin County Farm Bureau. In the 1990's she became a teacher's aide in the Granada Huntley school system and worked as an aide for 10 years.

Lucille married William (Bill) Gorgen in 1981. They made their home in Mineral Point, Wisconsin. She created beautiful flower gardens. Bill passed away in 1985 and in 1999 Lucille returned to Fairmont.

She is a member of the First Congregational UCC Church of Fairmont. Lucille lived in Lakeview Nursing Home since December 2013.

Lucille is survived by daughter Dolores Gronewald of Fairmont, step-son and wife Greg and Joni Gorgen of Mineral Point, and daughter-in-law Barbara (Kirk) Gentling of North Port, Florida; brothers Don Bullard of Payson, AZ and Bob Bullard of Forest Lake, MN; granddaughters Kim (Dan) Hall of Eagan, Jennifer (Scott) King of Eden Prairie, granddaughter-in-law Ann Gronewald of Granada, and step-granddaughter Beth Larson of Dodgeville; grandson John (Debbie) Eisenbarger of Lenexa, Kansas, grandson-in-law Dan Hinrichs of Eden Prairie, step-grandsons Grant (Ann) Gorgen, Steve (Denise) Gorgen of Mineral Point, and Mike (Jenny) Gorgen of Dodgeville; great-grandchildren Kyle and Kelsey Eisenbarger of Lenexa, Kansas, Ross (Jessica) Gronewald of Granada, Rachel (Aaron) Jarvinen of Lakeville, Abby and Elise Hinrichs of Eden Prairie, Megan (Yon) Moya of Bloomington, Kayla (Alex) Hinseth of Shoreview, Alison (Hayden) Flack of Burnsville; step-great grandchildren Lexie and Tyra Leonard and Grady and Gunnar Gorgen of Mineral Point, Matthew, Joshua and Ryan Gorgen of Dodgeville, Joey, Jaynie and Jake Gorgen of Mineral Point, Kiagh and Kendall VanEtten of Dodgeville; and by 6 great-great grandchildren. Lucille was preceded in death by her parents, sisters Vivian Intlekofer, Doris Collins, and Marvel Overby; husbands Ora and William, son James Eisenbarger, son-in-law Don Gronewald, grandson Scott Gronewald, mother-in-law Erma Eisenbarger, father-in-law James Eisenbarger; sisters-in-law Doris Bullard, Adeline Bullard, Gwen Bullard, Dora Eisenbarger, and Inez Barnes; brothers-in-law John Intlekofer, Loren Collins, Raymond Overby, Dale Barnes, and Ernest Eisenbarger.

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Kurt R. Hagen, 59

A Celebration of Life Service for Kurt Robert Hagen, 59, of rural Sherburn, was held Friday, December 22nd, 2017 at St. John's Lutheran Church, with Rev. Steven D. Wilson officiating.

Kurt was called to his eternal rest on Friday, December 15th, 2017 at his home in rural Sherburn.

Kurt Robert Hagen was born on August 8th, 1958, in Downey, California to Robert and Ethel Hagen. He was baptized on November 23rd, 1958 at the Lutheran Church of the Master in LaHabra, California. The family lived in LaHabra, California until 1968. They moved to rural Ceylon, and then to a farm in rural Dunnell. He was confirmed on May 21st, 1972 at St. John's Lutheran Church in Dunnell.

Kurt attended Sherburn Elementary and graduated from Sherburn-Dunnell High School in 1976. In the Fall of 1977, Kurt attended Jackson Vocational School and enrolled in the Electronic Techician Course with Gary Janssen. After graduating in 1979, Gary and Kurt opened Sherburn TV and Audio on Main Street in Sherburn. In 1986, he was united in marriage to Laurie Hinz in Las Vegas, Nevada. After their marriage they lived and worked in Sherburn. In 1987, Kurt became sole owner of Sherburn TV and operated it until it closed. He was a member of the CTV Board for many years. Kurt loved to listen to music especially in the 40's, 50's, 60's. He also enjoyed watching black and white television shows and was a war history buff.

Kurt is survived by his wife, Laurie of rural Sherburn; son, Christopher Hagen of Sherburn; two daughters, Jamie (John) Parenteau of Alameda, California, Jennifer Hagen of Minneapolis; parents, Bob and Ethel Hagen of rural Dunnell; Grandma Janice; uncles, Dr. Frank McDaniel of Cypress, California, Reinold (Barb) Hagen of Fairmont; aunt, Jeanne (Herb) Lohse of Oakdale, Minnesota; several cousins and other family and friends.

Kurt is preceded in death by his grandparents; brother, Eric; aunt, Ruth Lerner; uncle, Bill McGann and other relatives.

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Evelyn G. McDonald, 79

A Celebration of Life Services for Evelyn G. (Lindsay) McDonald, 79, of Welcome, will be 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, December 26th, 2017 at St. Paul's United Church of Christ in Welcome with Rev. Wayne Fritzinger and Dr. Michael Berhow officiating. Burial will be in the church cemetery in Welcome,.

Evelyn was called to her eternal rest Monday, December 18th, 2017 at Lakeview Methodist Health Care Center in Fairmont. Visitation will be from 5-7 p.m. Saturday, December 23rd, 2017 at Kramer Family Funeral Home in Welcome and one hour prior to the services on Tuesday at the Church in Welcome.

Evelyn was born April 29th, 1938 to Wesley and Elda (Brekke) Lindsay in Harlem, Montana. She was united in marriage to Eugene P. McDonald September 23rd, 1958 in Chinook, MT. They moved to Minnesota where they raised nine children. Evelyn worked for 3M until her retirement in 1998.

Evelyn was famous for her homemade breads and treats which were enjoyed by her children, 22 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren, not to mention all the nieces and nephews too numerous to count. She enjoyed playing games, often cheating to her own advantage and spending time with her family. Although she will be greatly missed, her legacy lives on in the hearts and minds of her family and friends.

Evelyn is survived by children: Patti (Buddy) Posivio, Eugene (Chun) McDonald, Jr., Michael (Roberta) McDonald, John (Kathie) McDonald, Karen (Chuck) Steinhaus, Thomas McDonald, James McDonald, Margaret McDonald and Kenneth (Kris) McDonald, sisters Doris Brown (Barry), Eleanor Lindsay and Candace Lucas (Gregg), sister-in-law Beth Lindsay, and brothers Wesley (Jackie) Lindsay and Larry (Stephanie) Lindsay. She is also survived by sisters-in-law, Mandy Berhow, Janet (Bruce) Malo, Kathy Fladeland, Rosemarie McDonald and LeeAnn McDonald.

She is preceded in death by her parents, husband, Eugene McDonald, Sr., brother Steven Lindsay, sisters Patsy Evans, Sharon Lindsay, and Betty Plummer. She was also preceded in death by brothers-in-law Carl Evans, Bob Fladeland, Jerry McDonald, Leo McDonald and Richard McDonald. Evelyn was preceded in death by two grandchildren, Robert and Daniel Posivio.

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Lorraine F. Koskovich, 88

Services for Lorraine F. Koskovich, 88, of Fairmont, will be 11:00 a.m. Thursday, December 28th, 2017, at the St. John's United Church of Christ in Fairmont. Burial will be in the Fairview Memorial Park Cemetery. Visitation will be two hours prior to the time of service from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. Thursday, December 28th, 2017, at St. John's United Church of Christ. Lorraine passed away Monday afternoon, December 18th, 2017, at Lakeview Methodist Health Care Center in Fairmont. Lakeview Funeral Home and Cremation Service of Fairmont is assisting the family with arrangements.

Lorraine F. (Malo) Koskovich was born December 23rd, 1928, in Fairmont, the daughter of Herbert and Katherina (Elfert) Malo. She attended school in Fairmont and graduated from Fairmont High School with the class of 1946.

On January 1st, 1948, Lorraine was united in marriage to Francis "Frank" B. Koskovich in Fairmont. To this union, two sons were born, Steven and Bruce. Lorraine worked for many years at Stokely's and stayed on through all the changes to Fairmont Foods. Just prior to her retirement, Lorraine was honored to meet and shake hands with Sir Paul McCartney, who happened to be in town touring the plant.

In her spare time, Lorraine enjoyed working in her garden and canning the fruits of her labor. She was known for her raspberry patch and her famous raspberry jam. Her grandchildren were very important to her and she cherished any opportunity to spend time with them. Lorraine also enjoyed collecting glassware and has amassed quite a collection through the years. Her quiet time was spent working on crossword puzzles.

Left to cherish her memory are her two sons, Steven Koskovich and his wife, Mary Claire of Hibbing, MN, and Bruce Koskovich and his wife, Carol of Fairmont; five granddaughters, Alicia Yezzi (Richard), Holly Frank (Nathan), Heather Reithmeier (Ryan) Jesseca and Jayden Koskovich; 7 great-grandchildren; a sister, Ruby Urban; sister-in-law, Jo Kropp and her husband, David; as well as many nieces, nephews, extended family and friends.

Lorraine was preceded in death by her parents, Herbert and Katherine Malo; husband, Frank Koskovich; a daughter-in-law, Ruth Koskovich; as well as many other family.

The family requests memorials be given in Lorraine's name to the American Cancer Society, St. John's United Church of Christ, UHD Hospice and Lakeview Methodist Health Care Center.

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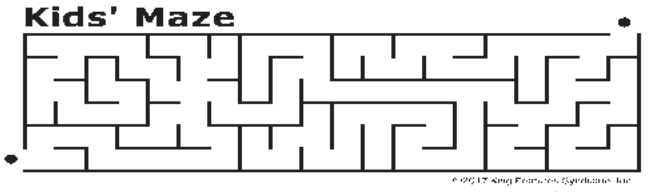

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December 18 - Lorraine F. Koskovich, 88, Fairmont. Lakeview Funeral Hom

December 18 - Evelyn G. McDonald, 79, Welcome. Kramer Funeral Home

December 19 - Gail L. Schultze, 61, Sherburn. Kramer Funeral Home

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December 22 - Patricia A. Meyer, 83, Fairmont. Lakeview Funeral Home

In Memoriam
One Year Ago This Week

December 17 - Earl W. Johnson, 86, Sherburn
December 20 - Howard R. Darmer, 70, Granada
December 20 - John R. Larson, 78, Sherburn
December 20 - Robert Schuneman, Jr., 47, Sherburn
December 22 - John M. Grabianowski, 94, East Chain
December 22 - Virgil Holtz, 86, Jackson (formerly of Sherburn)
December 25 - Elaine G. Bergemann, 83, Welcome
December 26 - Lillian I. Johnson, 89, Fairmont

Patricia A. Meyer, 83

Mass of Christian Burial for Patricia A. Meyer, 83, of Fairmont, will be 10:00 a.m. Thursday, December 28th, 2017, at St. John Vianney Catholic Church in Fairmont. Burial will follow the service in Calvary Cemetery in Fairmont. Visitation will be 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Wednesday, December 27, 2017, at the Lakeview Funeral Home in Fairmont and will continue one hour prior to the time of service Thursday at the church. Patricia passed away Friday, December 22nd, 2017 at Pathstone Living Center in Mankato, surrounded by her loving family. Lakeview Funeral Home and Cremation Service of Fairmont is assisting the family with arrangements.

Patricia Anne (Huston) Meyer was born January 12th, 1934, in Fairmont, the daughter of James and Ella (Lockner) Huston. Patricia received her education attending St. John Vianney Parochial School and also worked at the Ben Franklin Dime Store.

On November 15th, 1952, Patricia was united in marriage to Carl Meyer at St. John Vianney Catholic Church in Fairmont. Together the couple made their home on a farm in Manayaska township southwest of Welcome, and the couple continued farming until their retirement when they then moved to Fairmont. Patricia and Carl were blessed with four children: Roberta, Dwayne, Kristy, and Donna.

In her spare time, Patricia enjoyed working on word searches, playing bingo and card games. She loved spending time with and spoiling her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. One of her favorite networks to watch on T.V. was the Game Show channel. In her younger years, Patricia and Carl cherished time spent together attending dances all over the Midwest. Patricia was a member of St. John Vianney Catholic Church and Senior Citizens of Fairmont.

Left to cherish her memory are her daughters, Roberta (Tom) George of Eagan, MN, Kristy (Bryon) Kittleson of Welcome, and Donna (John) Schaffer of Mankato; grandchildren, Heidi (Tim) Christensen, Heather (Kris) Murphy, Travis (Dionne) Kittleson, Katrina (Sean) Kane, Holly Kittleson, Jessica Schaffer, Samantha (Gabe) Stocker, and Carlee Schaffer; great-grandchildren, Cayden, Shaye, Carson, Dylan, Alaina, Jaydin, Kinley, Mia, Madeline, and Aiden; step great-grandchildren, Kayla, Emmet and Zach; one sister, Jeanine Fedderson; as well as many nieces, nephews, extended family and friends.

Patricia was preceded in death by her parents, James and Ella Huston; father-in-law and mother-in-law, Louis and Alinda Meyer; husband, Carl Meyer; son Dwayne Meyer; grandson, Chad Thiesse; and her siblings.

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LeRoy C. Flohrs, 99

A Celebration of Life for LeRoy C. Flohrs, 99, of Truman, formerly of rural Trimont will be 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, December 27th, 2017 at Immanuel Lutheran Church, Galena Township, rural Ormsby, with Rev. John Meyer officiating. Burial will be in the Church Cemetery in rural Ormsby. LeRoy died Thursday morning, December 21st, 2017 at Truman Senior Living in Truman.

LeRoy Clarence Flohrs was born March 20th, 1918 to Harry and Sophie Flohrs in Martin County, Waverly Township. He attended school at District 115 graduating from 8th grade. He was baptized and confirmed at Immanuel Lutheran Church, Galena Township, rural Ormsby.

On January 20th, 1940, he was united in marriage to Nellie Wohlenhaus at the Immanuel Lutheran Church parsonage. They lived and farmed the Flohrs family farm in rural Trimont until their retirement in 1983 moving to Truman. In 2005, LeRoy became a resident of Truman Assisted Living. He was a member of Immanuel Lutheran Church. He belonged to Farm Bureau, Travelog, and the church Men's Club. LeRoy enjoyed going to the car races in Fairmont, watching sports on TV especially the Twins, Vikings, and Lynx, golfing, going uptown for coffee, and playing cards.

Survivors include his children, Phyllis (Wallace) Richter of Mankato, Lynn Flohrs of Fairmont, Ralph (Cindi) Flohrs of Sioux Falls, South Dakota, Ted Flohrs of Forest Lake, Minnesota, Becky (Larry) Tapper of North Mankato, and Kim (Laura) Flohrs of rural Trimont; 18 grandchildren; 40 great-grandchildren; 4 great-great-grandchildren; brothers-in-law, Glen Sawyer of Mora, and Uyrel Bicking of Brazil, Indiana, and sisters-in-law, Ilene Wohlenhaus of Mora and Rae Flohrs of Fairmont; nieces and nephews and other relatives and friends.

LeRoy is presided in death by his parents; wife, Nellie; daughter, Sharon; granddaughter, Amy Harvey Flohrs; great granddaughter, Angelina Voltin-Tapper; daughter-in-law, Dorothy Flohrs; brothers and sisters-in-law, Leonard, Stanley, and Oren Flohrs, Maxine, Hazel, and Bev Flohrs; brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law, Jerry and George Dworshak, Marjorie Russell, Marcella Sawyer and Tom Wohlenhaus and other relatives and friends.

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Red Bulls win Redwood River Riot

The Class 2A #11-ranked Fairmont/Martin County West Red Bulls wrestling team won the 33-team Redwood River Riot Tournament last Friday and Saturday in Redwood Falls.

Coming in first for the Red Bulls were: 106-Lucas Jagodzinske, 113-Jaxson Rohman and 138-Payton Anderson. 170-Colin Steuber was second. Third place finishers were: 120-Connor Simmonds, 132-Jordan Wolter and 152-Nathan Simmonds. 145-Miles Fitzgerald placed fifth, 126-Cale Steuber placed seventh and 182-Tristan Lange captured eighth place.

Team Scores Red Bulls 216.5, 2 Litchfield 158.5, 3 Marshall 117.0, 4 Sibley East 113.0, 5 St. Peter 112.0, 6 Wabasso – Red Rock Central 111.5, 7 Mankato West 110.0, 8 Tracy-Milroy-Balaton-Westbrook-Walnut-Grove 102.5, 9 Sartell-Saint Stephen 97.0,

10 Maple River 95.5, 11 Canby 92.0, 12 Dawson-Boyd – Lac Qui Parle – Montevideo United 90.0, 13 Tri-City United 88.0, 14 Worthington 88.0, 15 New Ulm 82.0, 16 Kerkhoven-Murdock-Sunburg 74.0, 17 Maple Grove 66.5, 18 Blue Earth Area 64.5, 19 Atwater-Cosmos-Grove City 59.0,

20 Redwood-River Valley 54.5, 21 Alexandria Area 50.5, 22 Saint James Area 48.5, 23 Rocori 36.0, 24 LeSueur-Henderson 34.0, 25 BOLD 31.0, 26 New London-Spicer 27.5, 27 New Richland-H-E-G 26.0, 28 Minneapolis South 23.0, 29 United South Central 20.0, 30 Holdingford 14.0, 31 St. Paul Johnson 10.0, 32 Fulda-Murray Cty Central 4.0, 33 Madelia-Truman-Martin Luther 0.0

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LIVE CARDINAL WEBSTREAMING VIDEO

JUMP SHOT at left – Cards # 41 Claire Cutler rises above Redwood Valley defenders as teammate Abigail Tonder positions for the rebound. *Courtesy Greg Abel Photography*

SOFT TOUCH at right – Cardinals Ali Lardy shoots over Redwood Valley's #15 Rose Frank as her teammate Sydney Sommers looks on. *Courtesy Greg Abel Photography*

POST UP – Cards #21 Taylor Crissinger posts up against a Redwood Valley defender. The Cards downed Redwood Valley 51-45 last Thursday night. *Courtesy Greg Abel Photography*

FREEZING THE PUCK – Cards #5 Macy Militello and Alexis Newville battle for the puck along the boards with a pair of Tigers. Marshall downed the Cards last Thursday night 8-2. Courtesy fairmontsports.com

CONTESTED SHOT – Cardinals #11 Tom Havnen shoots under a Tiger defender towards goalie Ryley Serreyn. Havnen had the Cards' only goal in a 7-1 loss to Marshall. *Courtesy fairmontsports.com*

LOOSE PUCK – Cards #17 Tegan Roskop and teammate Anna Nordquist clear the puck away from Worthington's #13 Kessey Aljets. The Trojans defeated the Cards 6-0 last Tuesday night. *Courtesy fairmontsports.com*

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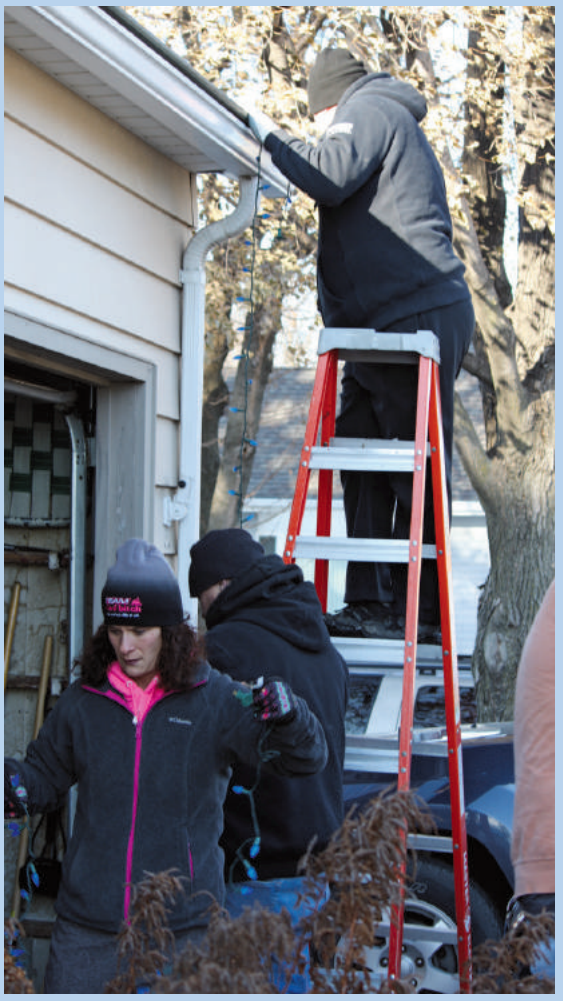

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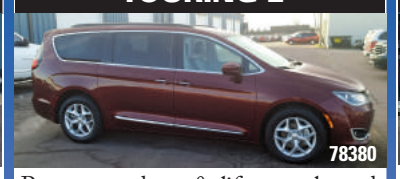

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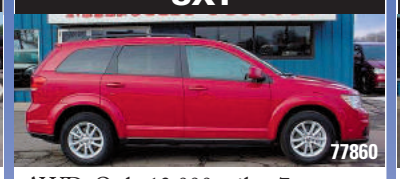

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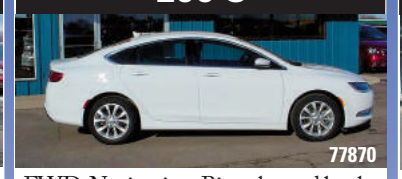

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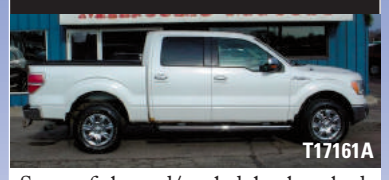

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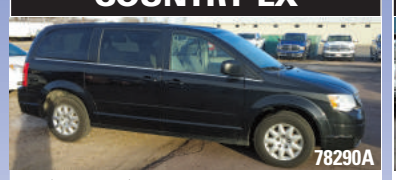

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