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## Their Church of the Prairie

Guest Columnist

Darwin Anthony, Business Owner, Artist, Writer

There is a certain beauty about them. Most of the stately churches of the southern Minnesota prairie, whether they be rural or in small rural towns, were monuments of worship. They were

difficult it was to raise the needed money. The efforts ranged from chicken suppers to member drives. History tells us that having a church was something of great importance to the early settlers. They built

the bell". The tall and welcoming entry door was designed to open wide as it was sometimes a "setting" for wedding pictures. It also had to be wide enough for a casket at funerals.

Entering such a church had to be a unique experience. The planners wanted the church to offer "that feeling" when you entered. The tall, highly arched ceilings, the beautiful woodwork, especially that of the altar, was something of great importance. Many of these areas were designed and made by a skilled carpenter within the congregation. Some even used native walnut or oak that grew near the streams and lakes of the area. Lines of pews offered a welcoming and comfortable feeling.

All realized that music would always be an

important part of THEIR CHURCH OF THE PRAIRIE, for the sound of church music "set the mood for worship". In some cases, the musical instruments were an expensive pipe organ or electronic organ. Both could play out

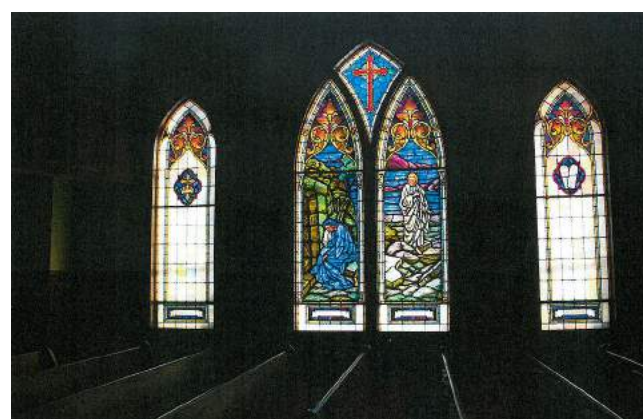
had learned to play the piano only at an early age could play it.

Some of the churches went a "step further". They saw the beauty in stained glass windows. Families would donate hard-earned money so

were made in the "old country" and shipped to THEIR CHURCH OF THE PRAIRIE. Can you imagine the excitement when they arrived? Can you imagine the joy of seeing the soft filtered light as it entered into the cherished sanctuary?

A large and well-kept cemetery surrounds many of the rural churches. These are also cherished as they offer another tribute to those who have gone before. They hold the names and memories of family and friends. It is always fulfilling to note how THEIR CHURCH OF THE PRAIRIE continues to serve generation after generation.

I attend such a church!



well-known hymns. Other congregations had only the piano. Musicians who that stained glass could be installed. Many of the stained glass windows



built by those who have gone before. It is hard to imagine how hard it was to build such "tributes to their faith" in a time when "things were tight" on this prairie.

Most tell of how dif-

them in prominent places, usually on a hill, where the "call of the bell" reached far into the countryside. Most had a tall, pointed steeple that could be seen far into the distance. These steeples were "the place of

## Second City Comedy Show Coming to Fairmont

On Friday, February 5th at 7:30 p.m., Chicago's legendary sketch and improv comedy theatre troupe takes the stage at The Fairmont Opera House with "The Best of The Second City."

fascinate and engage audiences from around the world.

Fresh, fast, and always funny, The Second City first opened its doors in December of 1959. With the use of improvisational

their own success. Several went on to fame and fortune on Broadway, like Alan Arkin and Fred Willard. The theatre's reputation for developing the finest comedic voices of each generation was further cemented with the debut of NBC's "Saturday Night Live," which featured Second City alums John Belushi, Dan Aykroyd, and Gilda Radner.

Today, The Second City continues to produce premiere comic talent, like Mike Myers, Tim Meadows, Aidy Bryant, and Cecily Strong, and The Second City comedy imprint remains across every entertainment medium.

Tickets for "The Best of the Second City" are \$20 for adults and \$10 for students and can be purchased at 507-238-4900 or fairmontoperahouse.com.

Soon members of the company began to find



This hilarious show features the best sketches and songs from The Second City's 55-year history made famous by superstars like Tina Fey, Stephen Colbert, Steve Carell, Bill Murray, and more. The trademark improvisation of the company continues to

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**REHLING 50TH** - Harold and JoAnn Rehling of Fairmont will be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary on Friday, February 5th. They were married on February 5th, 1966. Cards can reach them at 18 Carol Lane, Fairmont, MN 56031.



### 45th Annual Boy Scout Troop 56 Pancake Breakfast

Grace Lutheran Church's Boy Scout Troop 56 will serve its 45th annual pancake breakfast on Sunday, February 7th at Grace Fellowship Hall. Serving hours are 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

On the menu are all-you-can-eat pancakes, sausage or ham, juice, milk or coffee, syrup and butter. Prices are \$6 per individual at the door or \$16 per family. Children under age six eat free with a paying parent. Save a dollar and purchase your tickets in advance from a Boy Scout - \$5 for individuals and \$15 for families. Proceeds help support Troop 56.

### Masons Offering Scholarships for 2016 Graduating Seniors

Chain Lake Masonic Lodge #64 of Fairmont will be offering nine scholarships to 2016 graduating seniors in Martin County.

Most of the money for the scholarships is raised through the spaghetti feed at Grace Lutheran Church in Fairmont in March each year and from a few local businesses and the Minnesota Masonic Grand

Lodge donations.

The scholarship applications can be obtained at the high school office of Fairmont Area, Martin County West, Truman, Granada-Huntley-East Chain and Martin Luther High Schools or by contacting Rick Lunz at 507-399-9198. Deadline for applications is April 15th, 2016.

**Arc Family and Friends** will meet in the George Room at the Fairmont Holiday Inn on Monday, February 8th at 6:00 p.m.

For any questions or for further details, call the Arc office at 507-235-8580

There will be a **benefit for Lonnie Leiding** of rural Ceylon on Saturday, February 6th from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Ceylon American Legion Hall. They will be serving pork patties, beans, potato salad, bars and refreshments.

**AMBROSE 90TH** - Anna Mae Ambrose of Sherburn will be celebrating her 90th birthday with her family on Valentine's Day. She was born February 14th, 1926. Cards can reach her at P.O. Box 574, Sherburn, MN 56171.



**GURITZ 90TH** - Ardyce Guritz of Fairmont will be turning 90 and there will be a Card Shower honoring Ardyce's 90th birthday on Sunday, February 7th. Cards and best wishes can be sent to 2613 Poetter Circle, Fairmont, MN 56031.

### Benefit for Keeha Anderson to be Held on Saturday

There will be a Cancer Benefit for Keeha Anderson of Sherburn on Saturday, February 6th from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Sherburn American Legion Hall.

A pulled pork sandwich meal will be served and there will be a silent auction. Free will offer-

ing for this event.

Keeha was diagnosed with stage three lung cancer and is currently undergoing treatments.

Charitable donations can also be made for Keeha Anderson at Bank Midwest in Sherburn and Fairmont.



Elayna Sue Hansen, daughter of Bryan and Emily Hansen of Sherburn, was born on January 7th, 2016 at Mayo Clinic Health Systems in Fairmont. She weighed seven pounds, 15 ounces and measured 20 inches. Grandparents are Rick and Deb DeBoer of Fairmont and Marv and Nancy Hansen of Sherburn. Great Grandparents are Merle and Evie DeBoer, LeRoy and Janice Franck and Gil and Joyce Picken, all of Fairmont. Elayna was welcomed home by brother, Gracin.

St. Martin's Episcopal Church, 102 North Park Street in Fairmont, will have a **Soup Luncheon** benefitting the Martin County Kids Against Hunger food pack, on Friday, February 5th from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Several choices of soup will be served. Kids Against Hunger packages highly nutritious, life-saving meals for starving children and malnourished children and their families in developing countries and the United States.



Joel Donald Van Engen and Diane Renee Maday Briana Marie Green and Grant Michael Guy Gaither

Dell Lutheran Church of Frost, Minnesota will be having their **34th Annual Scandinavian Smorgasbord** on Sunday, February 7th from 1 to 5 p.m.

There will also be a bake sale that day. There is a charge. Proceeds from the meal go to support mission projects.

**bridal registry**

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### "Gala Gowns Go Green" Sale Saturday and Sunday

Kinship's 8th annual "Gala Gowns Go Green" sale will be held February 13th and 14th at the Five Lakes Centre in Fairmont.

The location this year will be in the former Schweiser's Store at Five Lakes Centre. Gently used prom, wedding and party dresses are for sale at fabulous prices. Jewelry, shoes and other accessories are also for sale.



Items can be consigned or donated through Thursday, February 11th at the following drop sites: Fairmont Area Jr/Sr High School-Kim Niss, Farm Bureau Insurance-Jeff Schlomann's office, Slumberland, Shoe Sensations at the Five Lakes Centre,

Peg Goeke Day Care, and Michele's Sales and Services in Blue Earth.

All proceeds will benefit Fairmont Area Kinship in mentoring our youth. The purpose of the event is three fold: to clean out closets and reuse those beautiful dresses again, to get reasonably priced formal wear out to the public and to support

Kinship, a local mentoring program for youth ages 5-15. Last year over 60 dresses went to new homes! We have a blast watching the parade of beautiful gowns being tried on. A seamstress is available to assist in fitting gowns.

### Huntley Community Cookbooks Now Available

The Huntley Community Cookbook is now available for sale.

The cookbook is published as a collaborative effort between the Huntley Cafe and the Community Covenant Church. In addition to over 500 recipes, there are vintage photographs, a brief history of the Huntley Community and several recipes from the 1929 and

1959 cookbooks. More than just a cookbook, it also contains a collection of contributed faith stories and Huntley memories.

There is a charge for the cookbooks and they are available at the Huntley Cafe or by contacting the Community Covenant Church at 507-866-4646.

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## MLHS Students Learn About French Fur Trading

Historian Arn Kind brought the experience of fur trading to life for area elementary students during Lutheran Schools Week at Martin Luther High School, Northrop recently.

Kind assumed the role of a French voyageur

and shared tales and facts about the early fur trade in Canada and the northern United States. His lively program featured period costumes and props to better relate the life of a fur trader.

Kind has been an educator for over 35 years,

both in the classroom teaching grades 4-12 and through his presentations to students and adults of all ages. Funding was provided by a Minnesota Arts and Cultural Heritage Grant.



Thai Risk (left) learned about French wrestling games with historian Arn Kind.



Dylan Risk (left) of St. Paul's Lutheran, Truman acted as assistant to the French Fur Trader putting on both the costume and persona of those days long ago.

## USDA Participates in National Day of Service With Local School Students

USDA recently participated in National Day of Service by volunteering at a non-profit orga-

nization on Tuesday, January 19th, 2016 during the Lights on for Kids program. Lights on for Kids is an afterschool

program that provides a safe but fun environment for students enriched by CER Staff sharing their time and wisdom with the youth. The FSA staff assisted these wonderful people working with students on homework and activities after school. It was fun to hear the children's interpretation of the acronym FSA. The youth were interested in the role FSA takes in assisting farmers who produce the cooking ingredients they were using that day. It was also talked about how farms and agriculture affect many diverse groups of people.

The group shared smiles and cooking techniques making miniature pies in cupcake pans with the children. The youth enjoyed themselves so



Kayleen Fitzloff, Lights on for Kids Supervisor, and LOFK Aide Ashley Arcos, and FSA Program Technician, Barbara Shimon explain the cooking directions to youth.

nization of their choice in honor of Martin Luther King Jr. Day. The Martin County Farm Service Agency (FSA) donated service hours to the Lights on for Kids program sponsored by Fairmont Community Education and Recreation.

Community Education and Recreation, commonly known as CER, is a non-profit organization that partners with other community organizations, education institutions, and the City of Fairmont to enhance and provide edu-

enrichment program that provides a safe but fun environment for students



FSA Program Technicians, Vicky Nyman and Patty Blaufuss and Lights for Kids Aide Cindy Opheim, oversee youth preparing pie crusts for mini fruit pies.

grades 2nd through 6th. The current winter session consists of Engineer-

much they didn't realize they were learning how to read recipes and measure ingredients properly.

A little chemistry was brought into the afternoon when the group learned how to make ice cream in a bag. After ten minutes of shaking and cold hands everyone enjoyed Pie A la Mode for an afternoon snack.

The students learn how to create and clean up after themselves as well. Volunteers and students discovered diverse ways of making grandma's pie and ice cream while also learning a little about agriculture.



FSA Program Technician Barbara Shimon assists youth with homework.

cational opportunities to Martin County area residents of all ages.

The staff at the FSA office shared smiles and cooking lessons with the local elementary students

ing and Science activities on Mondays, Cooking on Tuesdays, and Mix It Up on Thursdays with "Minute to Win It" games and crafty concoctions.

The program is super-

## Lost Money Found

A large amount of cash was dropped recently in an aisle at Fairmont's True Value store. Through a surveillance video, and tracking the time of the video, the store employees went through the credit card transactions taking place at that time.

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# Give Your Heart Some Love

Guest Columnist

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

## February is Heart Health Month

One of the smartest things you can do to give your heart some love is to take fish oil. If you aren't taking fish oil by now you at least know someone who is. When I mention nutrition to new patients I always suggest three or four main supplements that are vital to people who want the best for their family. Fish oil is always one of them. It is important in so many ways, most importantly as a natural anti-inflammatory and anti-aging component. Studies have shown that the omega-3's in fish oil help with arthritis, dementia, and cardiovascular disease just to name a few.

Fish oil is mentioned in over 23,000 research studies on PubMed, most of them positive. There have been a few studies with questionable results, and as you may have noticed, they are the ones that get the press. It is commonly accepted health knowledge that fish oil is good for your blood lipids, so those of you risking the side effects of Lipitor now have a safer option. It has been shown to decrease brain inflammation and benefit those of you with dementia including Alzheimers, so those of you who have been told there is nothing you can do can now do something. It has been shown to improve inflammatory arthritis so those of you taking over the counter anti-inflammato-

ries like Tylenol can stop damaging your liver (the number one cause of liver failure in the U.S. is taking acetaminophen!!). Fish oil has also been shown to be effective in decreasing the severity of depression so

*Studies have shown that the omega-3's in fish oil help with arthritis, dementia, and cardiovascular disease just to name a few.*

those of you taking prescription anti-depressants (all of which have side effects, some including suicidal thoughts) have a better safer option.

Some people have tried fish oil and quit due to two main reasons; it "didn't work", or the infamous "fish burps". Both of these can be linked to the same problem which is low quality fish oil. Just like anything else, you get what you pay for. If you are getting the burps, you know you just bought cheap stuff, and it is probably already going rancid. A good test of quality is to freeze your fish oil capsules. If they stay clear, you have high quality product. If it gets cloudy or solid, throw it out! You can pretty much guess based on where you bought them if they are high quality as well. People don't go to

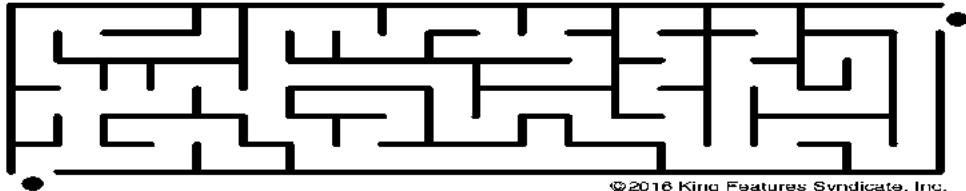
discount stores to buy high quality anything, especially health care products.

Look for the words "pharmaceutical grade", "filtered", and look for a "GMP" seal that shows it has been certified by an outside agency. And don't look for price. When is the last time you shopped around for the best price for chemotherapy? You certainly wouldn't bargain shop for the cheapest surgeon, would you? You want what is best for your family and the same line of thinking should go into buying the supplements that can make such a difference in the health of your family.

Some people question whether krill oil isn't a better option. While some experts favor krill oil, the risk of rancidity is higher, and the purported advantages are actually pretty minimal. The ability to control the quality of fish is much higher than krill, and fish oil tends to have a better shelf life and less oxidation.

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## Jay and Tamarae Schmidt Named 2016 Friends of St. John Vianney School

Jay and Tamarae Schmidt graduated from Albert Lea High School. After college, they became engaged and were married in the summer of 1999. Jay was already employed as a Physical Therapist Assistant at the hospital. Tamarae was a new teacher looking for a position in a Catholic school. She was hired as the 6th grade Religion, K-6 grade Phy-Ed, and 7th grade Health teacher at St. John Vianney.

For four years, Tamarae enjoyed being on the faculty. As parishioners, Jay sang in the choir and they taught Faith Formation together.

Their first daughter, Acacia, was born at the

end of the school year in 2003. Mireya was born in 2006. During that time, Tamarae stayed connected to the school by volunteering as cheerleading coach. She was also choreographer and backstage assistant for School Programs and Variety Shows.

When their girls became school age, there was no doubt; their children would go to SJV. Jay joined the Marketing Committee and helped develop the school logo and promotional DVD. He also assisted with the Glows Parade float. Tamarae continued to be cheerleading coach, choreographer, substitute teacher, and catechist. She enjoyed volunteering for homeroom parent, class

parties, field trips, and a variety of school activities.

Tamarae missed being a teacher but her prayers were answered when she became the Director of Religious Education for Preschool-6th grade in 2010. She was excited to be reunited with the SJV faculty and staff while still being able to volunteer at the school. She has been an advocate for the school and has helped to sway some families from Faith Formation Program to join St. John Vianney School.

Jay and Tamarae prefer to work behind the scenes, but they would do anything to help the school and church.

## Prairie Star Quilters to meet in Fairmont

The Prairie Star Quilt Guild will hold the second meeting of the new year on Monday, February 8th, at the Fairmont Covenant Church. This will be a work meeting starting at 9:00 a.m. to sew the service project designated by President Deb Wallace. This year's project will be constructing personal duffel bags for use by kids entering the foster care system. Instructions and material lists are available from Deb.

Quilters will take a break for a pot luck at noon. After more time for working after lunch, a general membership meeting will follow at 2:30 p.m. Following reports from the

Secretary and Treasurer, Roxy Brummond, the PSQG librarian will report on magazines and books that have been added to the guild library since the January meeting. This will be followed by show-and-tell - always a great part of the meeting.

One of the projects for this year is to "up-cycle" a used garment a la Project Runway. Members are reminded to take a photo of the original garment before tearing into it. There is still room for members to join the Quilt Retreat to be held at the Ormsby Retreat Center on March 11th-13th. This is a great time to get sewing done, as well as the opportunity to recon-

nect with friends. Interested members can contact Jan Shaffer. Lunch will be provided by Jeanette Means, Jan Shaffer, and Sandy Sorgenfrie, with the door prize provided by Jan. The evening group will meet at 5:30 p.m.

The Prairie Star Quilt Guild meets on the second Monday of each month (no meeting in December) at the Covenant Church at 901 Woodland Avenue in Fairmont. There are daytime and nighttime meetings of the guild. Information and photos can be found on Facebook at Prairie Star Quilt Guild. For more information president Deb Wallace at 507.436.5635.

## Rose Sale by Humane Society

The Martin County Humane Society is holding a rose sale as a fundraiser for the homeless animals cared for by the Martin County Humane Society. Give that special someone a dozen roses and help the homeless

animals.

Roses are \$20 per dozen and each dozen will be either all red, or rainbow (several different colors).

Contact the Martin County Humane Society to order at 238-1885 or by email, pawprintso1@hotmail.com.

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# What's Cooking

with Kathy Lloyd

## Potato Sauerkraut Soup

### Warm up with Soup

It sounds like our January thaw is coming to an end with blizzard conditions forecast, along with colder temperatures! This soup recipe comes from my good friends and former co-workers, Jean and Joan McKnight. It hits the spot on a cold winter's day. I like to put the ingredients in a crock pot and cook it all day, but it's good on top of the stove, too. If I am feeling really domestic and ambitious, I like a slice of fresh homemade wheat bread with this!

### Potato Sauerkraut Soup:

4 cups chicken broth  
1 can cream of mushroom soup  
16 oz. can of sauerkraut, rinsed and drained  
8 oz. fresh mushrooms, sliced  
1 medium potato, cubed  
2 carrots, chopped  
1 medium onion, chopped  
2 stalks celery, chopped  
3/4 lb polish sausage, cubed  
2 Tbsp vinegar  
1 Tbsp sugar  
2 tsp dill weed  
1/8 tsp pepper

Mix all ingredients in a 4 qt. kettle, cover and cook until vegetables are tender.  
Stay safe and warm and have a great week!



## Ask A Trooper: Coasting in Neutral Legal?

by Sgt. Troy Christianson,  
Minnesota State Patrol

**Question: Is it illegal to coast in neutral?**

now legal to coast downhill in neutral.

Answer: It is not illegal, however it was at one point. The 1937 law stated, "Coasting. The driver of any motor vehicle when traveling upon a down grade shall not coast with the gears of such vehicle in neutral."

"The driver of a commercial motor vehicle when traveling upon a down grade shall not coast with the clutch disengaged." In the 2014 effort to clean up the state law books, Governor Mark Dayton and the Legislature repealed the law. It is

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

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## Take the Polar Plunge in St. Peter February 6th

Come show your support for Special Olympics Minnesota (SOMN) and learn firsthand what it means to be "freezin' for a reason."

It takes courage, bravery and a little bit of crazy to be a Polar Plunger. Plungers put it all on the line as they jump to frozen glory to raise money for Special Olympics Minnesota. The funds raised benefit more than 8,100 SOMN athletes as they train, compete and transform themselves, their communities and the world. Registration is now open for the 2016 St. Peter Polar Plunge. The St. Peter Plunge will be held at Hallet's Pond, North 3rd St. and Old Minnesota Ave. in St. Peter. The Plunge begins at 1 p.m. on Saturday, February 6th, 2016. Pre-check in will be held Friday, February 5th from 4-6 p.m. at Whiskey River, 34166 Minnesota 99 in St. Peter. Day of the Plunge

check-in will be held from 10:30 a.m. - 12:45 p.m. at the Plunge site.

In 2015, more than 600 brave souls took the Plunge in St. Peter and raised approximately \$100,000 in support of Special Olympics Minnesota.

First, participants may Plunge as individuals or in teams. They are also encouraged to wear unique and outrageous costumes on Plunge day. Second, ask everyone from family to friends to your community to pledge to your Plunge. Each participant must raise a minimum of \$75. Third, check-in on Plunge day and bring your pledges with you. Shoes, towel and fun are also required. Finally, take a deep breath and get ready to be freezin' for a reason.

For more information or to register, visit [plungemn.org](http://plungemn.org) or email [plunge@somn.org](mailto:plunge@somn.org).

## Red Cross Has Emergency Need For Blood/Platelet Donations

The American Red Cross has an emergency need for blood and platelet donors. Severe winter weather since January 1st has forced the cancellation of more than 300 blood drives across 20 states, resulting in more than 9,500 donations uncollected, further depleting an already low winter supply.

"Blood products are being delivered to hospitals as quickly as donations are coming in," said Sue Thesenga, Communications Manager of the North Central Blood Services. "Eligible donors are urged to make an appointment to give blood or platelets now and help ensure blood products are available for patients locally, and across the country, including areas severely impacted by winter weather."

The Red Cross must collect approximately 14,000 blood and plate-

let donations every day for the patients at about 2,600 hospitals and transfusion centers nationwide. Blood and platelets are needed to respond to patient emergencies, including accident and burn victims, heart surgery and organ transplant patients, and those receiving treatment for leukemia, cancer or sickle cell disease.

How to donate blood  
A blood donor card or driver's license or two other forms of identification are required at check-in. Individuals who are 17 years of age (16 with parental consent in some states), weigh at least 110 pounds and are in generally good health may be eligible to donate blood. High school students and other donors 18 years of age and younger also have to meet certain height and weight requirements.

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# CHECK IT OUT!

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It's hard to believe February is here already! As we roll into a new month, many people are thinking about their income taxes. AARP Tax Aide will be offering free tax preparation again this year for seniors and low income filers. Tax preparation will be offered on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Appointments can

be made by calling 238-3107 during their open hours. Tax prep volunteers are housed in the Fairmont Library basement.

If you prefer to do your taxes on your own, please note that the MN Dept. of Revenue is no longer sending print forms to public libraries. The IRS is only sending a select few forms to public libraries, but they have not yet arrived. We can assist you in printing necessary tax forms from the Internet, but there is a charge for printing. April 15th will be here before we know it! For updates on taxes at the library, check our Facebook page!

25 YEARS AGO IN THE PHOTO PRESS

### WEEK OF FEBRUARY 6, 1991

Employees of Martin County were pictured placing 58 yellow ribbons on an evergreen tree in front of the courthouse. The ribbons represented the 58 Martin County servicemen and women stationed in the Persian Gulf.

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James Hongslo, president of Bank Midwest, announced the merger of the Bank Midwest banks in Fairmont and Jackson. Combined resources of the bank on the merger date were \$99,600,000 with total capital and reserves of \$9,928,000.

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Dr. Ron Kost had successfully completed a 100 hour post-graduate course on ocular therapeutics at Pennsylvania College of Optometry. Dr. Kost was a member of Associate Optometry in Fairmont.

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Gina Sheppard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ross Sheppard had been selected to be a participant in Project 120, a week-long learning experience at Minnesota's State Capitol. The goal of the program was to provide Minnesota students with a better understanding of state government and how the political process works.

50 YEARS AGO IN THE PHOTO PRESS

### WEEK OF FEBRUARY 6, 1966

Fairmont was visited by an unusual February rain, thunder and lightning storm. a lightning bolt struck a 20-foot smokestack on Winnebago Avenue, collapsing the chimney and hurling bricks 400 yards away. Temperatures above freezing had caused fog and perilous driving for two days.

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Mrs. E. W. Halkney of Welcome left a will naming St. Martin's Episcopal Church of Fairmont and Fairmont Community Hospital as beneficiaries of substantial amounts. Mrs. Halkney was the widow of a prominent grain and cattle farmer.

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A summary by Fairmont High School counselors showed that 68 percent of the 1965 graduating class were attending college.

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E. E. Olson Furniture Co. in Truman advertised Valentine gifts "that will never be forgotten."

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by Linda Thistle

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**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★★**

★ Moderate ★★ Challenging  
 ★★★ HOO BOY!

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## Lonnie Leiding Benefit

Saturday, February 6 • 4:00-7:00  
 American Legion, Ceylon

**Menu:** Pork patties, potato salad, chips, bars and drinks. Free will offering.

**Support Lonnie:** Can't make the benefit? You can send a check payable to "Lonnie Leiding Benefit", 1674 40th St., Ceylon, MN 56121

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Thur, Feb. 4 • 7 pm: Meeting  
 Fri, Feb. 5 • 5-7 pm: Open Menu/Happy Hour  
 7-11 pm: Music by Paul Stewart  
 Sat, Feb. 6 • 5-7 pm: Fish Fry  
 Sun, Feb. 7 • 8:30-12:30 pm: Breakfast Buffet  
 2:00 pm: District Meeting  
 Mon, Feb. 8 • 7 pm: Bingo

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**Thursday:**  
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## FAIRMONT AREA

Menus subject to change due to inclement weather, shortages or delays in shipping.

### FEB 4-10

**Elementary hot breakfast can be found online.**

**THUR: Breakfast** K-6: Ultimate cinnamon breakfast round or cereal, orange, apple juice, milk. JR/HS: Granola, yogurt & fresh fruit, Cinnamon Toast Crunch and apple muffins, or Uncrustables, apple slices, OJ, milk. **Lunch** K-6: Soft-shell beef tacos w/brown rice, ham & cheese wrap, seasoned corn, carrots/dressing, grapes, Mandarin oranges, pineapple. JR/HS: Mac & cheese w/dinner roll and seasoned peas, marinated cucumbers & tomatoes, broccoli w/dressing, orange wedge, mixed fruit. **FRI: Breakfast** K-6: Cinnamon bun mini pancakes or cereal, sliced apples, OJ, milk. JR/HS: Sausage, egg & cheese bagel, Cocoa Puffs & yogurt or Uncrustables, orange grape juice, milk. **Lunch** K-6: Crispy fish patty, mini bagel fun lunch, seasoned carrots, broccoli florets w/dressing, orange wedge, apple crisp. JR/HS: Orange glazed popcorn chicken w/Asian brown rice and seasoned broccoli, Caesar romaine salad/dressing, carrots/dressing, apple, pineapple tidbits. **MON: Breakfast** K-6: Pancake on a stick or cereal, orange, apple juice, milk. JR/HS: Breakfast pizza, Cinnamon Toast Crunch & blueberry muffin or Uncrustables, diced pears, apple juice, milk. **Lunch** K-6: Popcorn chicken w/biscuit, fresh salad w/biscuit, mashed potatoes w/gravy, celery sticks/dressing, apple, pears. JR/HS: Turkey mini corn dogs w/seasoned corn, Caesar romaine salad w/dressing, broccoli/dressing, apple, pears. **TUES: Breakfast** K-6: Breakfast pizza or cereal, apple, OJ, milk. JR/HS: French toast sticks, syrup, Cocoa Puffs & yogurt, Uncrustables, apple, OJ, milk. **Lunch** K-6: Cheese dunkers w/marinara, turkey & cheese sandwich, seasoned peas, broccoli florets w/dressing, orange wedge, applesauce. JR/HS: Baked ziti w/seasoned green beans and herb breadstick, marinated cucumbers & tomatoes, carrots/dressing, orange wedges, applesauce. **WED: Breakfast** K-6: Apple cinnamon Texas toast or cereal, banana, apple juice, milk. JR/HS: Apple cinnamon Texas toast w/syrup, Honey Nut Cheerios & string cheese, or Uncrustables, peaches, apple juice, milk. **Lunch** K-6: All beef hot dog/bun, ham & cheese sandwich, baked beans, red pepper strips/dressing, apple, peaches. JR/HS: Beef nachos, refried beans, tortilla chips, cheese sauce, lettuce, tomatoes, jicama/dressing, apple, Mandarin oranges.

### St. James Lutheran

Menus subject to change.

### FEB 4-10

**THUR:** Chicken fajita, lettuce, tomato, cheese, pineapple tidbits, pudding w/wafer.  
**FRI:** Shrimp poppers, sour cream & chive potatoes, broccoli, dinner roll, raisins.  
**MON:** Italian dunkers, lettuce salad w/dressing, apple slices, scotch-a-roo bars.  
**TUES:** Hot ham & cheese on bun, oven fries, green beans, peaches.  
**WED:** Calico beans, cheese stick corn muffin, cole slaw, pears.

### HOT MEALS ON WHEELS

Hot Meals on Wheels are Monday through Saturday for convalescents and persons who cannot purchase and prepare adequate meals. Meals are prepared by Lakeview Methodist Healthcare and volunteers deliver in Fairmont between 11 a.m. and noon each day. This is a community project and is non-profit and not government funded. For more info on Hot Meals on Wheels, contact Linda Bach-Quade 507-235-3820.

### SENIOR DINING WEEKLY MENU

Senior Dining is served each weekday at 11:30 a.m. at Friendship Village Monday thru Friday. Meals catered by Lakeview Methodist Healthcare. To reserve your meal, call 238-1650 between 9 a.m. and noon the day before. All area seniors welcome. LSS Senior Nutrition is made possible in part under the Federal Older American Act through an award from the MN River Area Agency on Aging under an area plan approved by the MN Board on Aging.

### Feb 4-10

**THURSDAY:** Roast turkey, dressing & gravy, winter mix veggie, cream pie.  
**FRIDAY:** Sliced beef on a bun, onion, chicken dumpling soup, cake.  
**MONDAY:** Bean soup, corn bread, Twinkie dessert.  
**TUESDAY:** Pot roast, red skin potatoes with gravy, baby carrots.  
**WEDNESDAY:** Chicken a la King with biscuit, beet pickle, lettuce salad, assorted pie.

## LAFF - A - DAY



"I'm looking for a job, but not necessarily work."

VOTKO





## Jeff's Jottings

Karis and I decided to take advantage of the nice weather and travel around the area last weekend to check out the sights. We headed up to Trimont to check out the Town Center that is on the south side of town. We had received their flyer insert in the Photo Press last week, so we decided to do our grocery shopping at the new Supervalu in the complex. We were pleasantly surprised with the new complex, which not only contains a Supervalu grocery store, but it also has a Conoco gas station,

liquor store and soon to be opened Ace Hardware. The grocery store was very nice and was well stocked for a smaller store. The prices were very comparable to what we were already paying at other stores and this store is located closer to home, so I guess we will plan on doing much more shopping there in the future! Congratulations to the community of Trimont for working to secure this new complex in your town.

### Stop and Take the Pictures

While we were driving



around, Karis wanted me to stop so she could take some winter scene photos to post on her Facebook page. We made a stop on a bridge over Ten Mile Creek south of our place and it struck me that we were on the last weekend of January and the creek was still open and water was running. There haven't been many years that we could say that in January. The 40-degree temperatures last weekend made the snow slushy, the gravel roads sloppy and left small pools of water on top of the ice on area lakes. It did make for some interesting scenic photos for Karis to add to her growing library at home. It's hard to believe that it can be so nice and warm out one day and just a few days later, a major blizzard comes roaring through the Midwest!

### He Captures the "Picture in Your Mind"

As many of you know, I am a huge history buff and love reading about many local historical sites and local people. I have been reading with a lot of interest the articles that Darwin Anthony of Trimont has been submitting to the Photo Press and we have been putting those



stories in whenever space permits. Darwin does a great job of capturing the "picture in your mind" when he describes the things he writes about. Best of all, many of his stories focus on events and people from the local area. I recently read a story he wrote on the small rural churches that used to dot the countryside and now are slowly disappearing from the landscape. That article made me start thinking the same thing about barns. Barns used to be found on every rural acreage throughout the Midwest and the country. Now with the disappearing farm sites and rural acreages, many barns either fall apart from lack of care or become the target

of bulldozers when whole farm acreages disappear from our landscape. We have a nice old barn on the Hagen homestead and my task this summer is to put new shingles and hopefully paint the barn. I love old barns and plan on keeping this one as long as I am around. I have seen too many nice barns disappear from the countryside in the past few decades and I don't plan on having this one become another victim of neglect or destruction. The next time you are driving around the countryside, look for barns (the traditional ones, not the "production facilities" of present day).

### Lots to do!

There are a few events coming up in the next week to highlight for you. On Friday, St. Martin's Episcopal Church in Fairmont is having a Soup Luncheon from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. with the proceeds going towards the Martin County Kids Against Hunger Food Pack. On Saturday, there are two local

benefits going on. There will be a Pork Patty Benefit for Lonnie Leiding at the Ceylon American Legion from 4 to 7 p.m. and if you don't get your fill there, you can head to Sherburn for the Keeha Anderson Cancer Benefit at the Sherburn American Legion from 4 to 8 p.m. Both will have great food and silent auctions with proceeds going to help both sets of families. On Sunday, Boy Scout Troop 56 will have their 45th annual Pancake Breakfast at Grace Lutheran Church in Fairmont from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Proceeds support Troop 56. Sunday afternoon, Dell Lutheran Church in Frost is having their 34th Annual Scandinavian Smorgasbord and Bake Sale at the church. Proceeds go to support mission projects.

Have a great week!

*Drive safely - visit a shut-in or family member - Eat, Play, Shop Local - help preserve history!*

- Jeff

## Spit out that carrot!

By Al Batt

I walked outside on sunny day. A sneeze sneezed me.

Sneezing as the result of being exposed to bright light is known as the photic sneeze reflex and is a genetic



quirk that remains unexplained by science

My achoo frightened a cottontail into hopping away.

If you're of my age, it's difficult not to think of Bugs Bunny when seeing a rabbit.

Mel Blanc was the actor who gave voice to such cartoon characters as Bugs Bunny, Daffy Duck, Foghorn Leghorn, Marvin the Martian, Pepé Le Pew,

Porky Pig, Speedy Gonzales, Sylvester the Cat, the Tasmanian Devil, Tweety Bird and Yosemite Sam.

Many of Bugs Bunny's best comedic comments were punctuated by a chomp on a carrot. Blanc discovered that the only way he could make the sound of chomping on a carrot was by chomping on a carrot. He found that a mouthful of raw carrot wasn't easily chewed

and swallowed in time for the next line. Blanc tried to make do with apples and celery, but nothing sounded like a carrot except a carrot. A spittoon was installed in the studio for Blanc to spit the bits of chewed carrot into.

The arborvitae near our house trembled. A flock of noisy house sparrows use it as their corporate headquarters. When there's not much else to eat, deer browse on arborvitae.

I saw a robin. Steve Arneson of Albert Lea reported seeing hundreds of robins at Myre-Big Island State Park on January 30. Jeff Passer of Kiester saw 20 eastern bluebirds in that fair city on January 29. Most bluebirds migrate south in the winter, but like the robin, they can overwinter anywhere as long as they have food, water and shelter. Some migrate short distances so they that they could be the first to return to their breeding areas in the spring and claim the most desirable territories.

Bluebirds are a symbol of happiness. Most birds are.

### Q-and-A

"When do great horned owls nest?" They begin nesting in January or February. The timing correlates with the arrival of spring so that prey is numerous and available when the eggs hatch and the young require food. The eggs hatch about the time that snow is melt-

ing. Young owls learn to fly at about three months of age. The parents spend the summer teaching them needed skills. Great horned owls don't build nests. They use the nests of hawks, crows or squirrels, and sometimes ledges or hollow trees.

"What do multicolored Asian lady beetles eat?"



MERLIN by Al Batt

They have voracious appetites and large populations of the beetles can often be attributed to an abundance of prey. There are few predators or parasites that attack them. This lady beetle feeds on aphids, thrips, mites, scale insects, and the eggs and young caterpillars of butterflies and moths. The larvae occasionally engage in cannibalism.

"What is the world's strongest creature?" If proportional strength is used as the gauge, the strongest creature on earth might be the rhinoceros beetle. This miniature Clark Kent can lift 850 times its own weight on its back without

ever needing to see a single chiropractor.

"I'm seeing tiny flies in my house. They aren't fruit flies. What could they be?" They could be moth flies, also called drain flies. These flies are about 1/8-inch long and are dark and hairy, which gives them a moth-like appearance. They have leaf-shaped wings that are held flat or like a roof over their bodies. Moth flies are most often found in bathrooms, basements and kitchens. They lay eggs in moist, organic matter where the larvae feed on decaying organic matter, fungi and algae. They are commonly found near the film found in drains and sinks. They don't bite people. The best control of moth flies is to remove the source of the infestation.

### Talking nature on the radio

Every Tuesday morning right after the 10 o'clock news on KMSU, 91.9 or 89.7 on the FM dial and on February 23 at 1 p.m. on KTOE, AM 1420. These shows are available online. Please join me.

Thanks for stopping by

*"Be in love with your life. Every minute of it."-- Jack Kerouac*

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## John Kasper, St. John Vianney's Featured Alumnus for 2016

The youngest son of Frank and Kate Kasper, John is one of six family members to attend St. John Vianney Catholic School. John entered SJV



in first grade in 1966 and graduated with his 8th grade classmates in 1974. His strong Catholic upbringing clearly shaped his faith and life journey to this day.

A 1978 graduate of Fairmont High School, John entered St. John's University (Collegeville, Minnesota) in the fall and went on to graduate in 1982 with a BS in Business Administration, Accounting emphasis. John's first job out of college will have little to do with his collegiate focus, but it will shape his career and business credentials for more than a quarter of a century.

Fresh out of college, John entered the advertising world and joined the advertising firm of Kasper, Kocs & Wesson in Milwaukee, Wisconsin; a start-up ad agency begun by his

oldest brother and mad-man professional, Kevin.

In the fall of 1982, John married his high school sweetheart, Patti Johnson (Hey Culligan Man!), and the two of them made Milwaukee their home for the next several years.

In 1986, John was hired by Minneapolis' largest advertising agency, Campbell Mithun, to work on the Andersen Windows account, one of Campbell Mithun's premier and first clients since opening their doors in 1931.

John spent the next 23 years at Campbell Mithun moving up the ranks to become Senior Vice President and part of the executive leadership team. He managed and oversaw a variety of Fortune 500 and mid-size accounts, spanning the financial services, home products, recreational, real estate, food service, wireless communications fields and more.

In 2009, John left Campbell Mithun and the big agency life to begin a new era as a partner at Tattoo, a small branding and marketing communications agency in Minneapolis started by his longtime creative associate and friend.

Currently, John continues to work with Tattoo but on a smaller scale as he looks to start a new business venture with his wife Patti: opening Graffiti Corner, a coffee and frozen treat lounge in Fairmont.

John and Patti have two sons: Daniel (28), and Anthony (24). Daniel is married to Kelsey and lives with their dog Gryphon, cat Delphi and horse Shelton in Portland Oregon. Anthony is single and lives with his cat Ricketts in Minneapolis.

### John M. Kasper Prior and Current Affiliations and Community Involvement:

- St. Edward Parish, Bloomington, Minnesota
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- Athletic Association - Member, Chair
- Parent Coach, various sports
- Boy Scouts of America, Nativity of Mary, Bloomington Minnesota
- Scoutmaster

## Martin County West 8th Grade Boys Take First in Tournament



**CHAMPIONS** - Martin County West's 8th grade boys basketball team won its tournament in Madelia on Saturday, January 30th. Other teams in the tournament were Truman/Granada, Madelia, Nicollet and St. Clair. Final score of the championship game against Truman/Granada was 49-24.



What a fun-filled day it was with 19 high-energy kindergarten through 6th graders during Red Rock Center's 3rd Annual Children's Theatre workshop recently. These theatre geniuses presented their very own version of "Gnomes Homes" to family and friends following the workshop. The workshop was directed by Paul Warshauer (left) and Barbara Shimmom (right) with special thanks to the Martin County Youth Foundation for funding to make this program possible.

## Fairmont Pee Wee A Hockey

### Team goes 1-3 on the weekend

The Torgerson Properties Pee Wee A Hockey team battled hard all weekend, but ended up on the losing side, during 3 of the 4 games played this past weekend. The Fairmont based team lost to Luverne on Friday night 5-2. Carter Beebe and Carson Johnson had Fairmont's two goals, with Eli Anderson and Carson Kuhl each picking up an assist. Goalie Dakota Hoefker made 28 saves in the loss.

Saturday night the home team took it to Worthington, defeating them by the score of 6-3. Anderson led the team with a hat trick and an assist. Hudson Artz had 2 goals and 2 assists, Kuhl had a goal and 2 assists

and Beebe had the last helper. Hoefker made 30 saves.

Fairmont then traveled to New Ulm/Sleepy Eye on Sunday morning and lost 10-0. Hoefker made 30 saves. The team then traveled back to Fairmont to complete Sunday's double header, and Windom took Fairmont down 5-1. Anderson had Fairmont's loan goal, with a double assist from Artz and Kuhl. Hoefker had 25 saves.

### Team sweeps over the weekend

The Torgerson Properties Pee Wee A Hockey Team swept a pair over the weekend, beating Austin 5-3 and Redwood Falls 6-4. Carson Kuhl lead the scoring in the first game by hammering out 2 goals, to start the game. Eli Ander-

son, Brice Wilson and Dominic Hegdal each supplied a goal. Wilson, Hegdal, Lincoln Claery and Carson Johnson each had an assist. Goalie Dakota Hoefker had 27 saves in the win. Fairmont then traveled to Redwood Falls on Sunday and escaped with win number 2 on the weekend. Hudson Artz had 2 goals and an assist to lead the way for the visitors. Anderson lit the lamp twice, with Hegal and Kuhl each supplying a goal apiece. Kuhl had 3 assists, Carter Leiding had 2 assists with Carter Beebe, and Johnson adding a helper. Hoefker stopped 26 shots. Fairmont (12-13-2) hosts Marshall at 1pm on Saturday.

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### Matt Stoffel's Original Play Presented at Rapid City Theatre

Matt Stoffel, a 2011 Martin County West High School graduate, had a staged reading of his full-length original play, "Whisper at the Top of Your Lungs" on Sunday, January 31st at The Seed Theatre in Rapid City, South Dakota.

The Black Hills Playhouse, partnering with the South Dakota School of Mines & Technology drama club, presented the reading. Net proceeds from the event will benefit victims of sexual assault. The play was about a rape on a college campus.

Jason Reuter, director of the effort, says, "It brings an unspeakable and difficult to understand subject to a place which allows for open discussion. I am impressed by the playwright's ability to capture natural and believable dialogue in this piece and how Matt Stoffel tackles this difficult subject."



A group of Fairmont Elementary School students have a great opportunity to work on their journalism skills through the production of a monthly school newspaper called "The Fledgling." Students serve as editors, illustrators, reporters, and interviewers. Katelyn Martens, elementary library media specialist, facilitates this activity. Copies of the newspaper can be found on the school district website. Pictured with Martens is Ethan Geerdes, a student journalist.

### Red Bulls finish fifth at Mankato East Invite

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Big South Conference		REC
Luverne	13-1-0	18-5-0
Marshall	11-3-1	14-7-1
Redwood V	10-4-0	14-6-0
New Ulm	9-4-1	11-9-2
LSHSPTCUC	9-5-0	12-9-0
Waseca	5-7-0	6-14-0
Windom	4-11-0	7-15-0
CARDS	2-13-0	4-17-0
Worthington	0-15-0	0-20-0

WRESTLING		
Big South East		REC
Blue Earth	4-0	16-7

### Ray Rosol Boys Basketball Results

Fairmont's 6th grade boys traveling basketball team placed first in the annual Ray Rosol Memorial Basketball Tournament, held Saturday, January 23rd at the St. John Vianney school gym.

Jacob Harris' 36 points and Zac Jorgensen's 32 points led Fairmont in scoring. Fairmont defeated St. Paul's Lutheran, Truman 37 to 15; St. Paul's Lutheran, Fairmont 47 to 31; and St. John Vianney 52 to 10.

St. Paul Lutheran, Truman placed second in the tournament with Adam Heckman and Colton Urban leading them in scoring with 34 and 18 points respectfully.

St. Paul's Lutheran, Fairmont finished third and St. John Vianney, Fairmont finished fourth.



**CHAMPIONS** - Fairmont's 6th grade boys traveling basketball team, *front*: Blake Rogge, Kolton Fritz, Trent VanEngdom, Jacob Harris, Preston Vaughn, Trevor Iverson (Assistant). *Back*: Jacob Crissinger, Zac Jorgensen, Noah Rahm, Bennett Schaal, Creed Moore, Coach Craig VanEngdom



**THIRD PLACE** - St. Paul's Lutheran, Fairmont team members include: Jacob Singleton, Jaxon Johnson, Trevor Rosburg, Ryan Singleton, Sutton Bohlsen, Jakob Fischer, Trey Tumbleson, Jonah Hackett, Joshua Mahin, Wyatt Juhmann, Jamie Mueller, Lance Stevens, Allon Chen, Sawyer Tordsen. Coaches Rich Johnson and Matt Singleton.



Activities Director, Mat Mahoney, recognized this year's Fairmont Triple A winners, Anagha Komaragiri and Tyler Tennyson, at the school board meeting on January 26th. Both are senior students who have been highly involved and successful in academics, arts, and athletics throughout their high school careers. Pictured *left to right*: Tyler Tennyson, Mat Mahoney, Anagha Komaragiri.

### St. Paul Lutheran School 2nd Quarter Honor Roll

The second quarter honor roll for St. Paul Lutheran School, Fairmont is as follows:

<b>High Honors</b>	<b>Honors</b>
Eighth grade: Cayden Fischer, Lydia Steinhaus	Eighth grade: Isaiah Johnson, Madison Northwick, Emily Johnson
Seventh grade: Karalyn Closs	Seventh grade: Jackson Bassett, Joshua Bergt
Sixth grade: Cadence Breitbarth, Gwen Kallemeyn, Trevor Rosburg, Kambria Steinhaus	Sixth grade: Kolton Fritz, Jaxon Johnson, Abbiegail White
Fifth grade: Jakob Fischer, Jonah Hackett,	Fifth grade: Hannah Bergt, Anna Schultz, Trey Tumbleson



**RUNNER-UP** - St. Paul Lutheran of Truman 6th grade boys basketball team, *front*: Tyson Meinert, Harmon Schrunk, Jayden Bentz, Zach Flohrs, Elijah Davis. *Back*: Coach Jenny Heckman, coach Anita Davis, Martin Krenz, Isaiah Davis, Adam Heckman, Colton Urban, Coach Jeff Flohrs.



**FOURTH PLACE** - St. John Vianney boys basketball traveling team, *front*: Nathaniel Soelter, Gabriel Striemer, Brock Lutterman, Matthew Cone, Isaiah Lockwood. *Back*: Coach Chad Lutterman, Sawyer Waterbury, Adam Petrowiak, Isaac Striemer, Jorvik Jensen, Carter Robasse, Coach Jake Robasse.

### CONCENTRATION

- Cardinals Lexi Lunn prepares to shoot a free throw. St. Peter downed the Cards 54-43 last Thursday night. Photos courtesy fairmontsports.com

**TAKING FLIGHT** - Cardinals Abby Dewitt avoids going out of bounds while throwing to a teammate. Jackson County Central's #14 Lauren Murphy, #12 Emmalie Benson and Jamie Jones defend the play. The Cards defeated the Huskies 68-38 Monday night.



# Adjusting to Lower Crop Prices in 2016

Guest Columnist

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In the years prior to 2015, the agriculture community was drawn into a mentality that corn prices of \$4.00-\$6.00 per bushel were the "new normal", rather than a temporary price upswing. That type of thinking has changed quite dramatically in the past couple years, as local cash corn prices dropped to below \$3.50 per bushel during 2014 and 2015, and remain at those levels in early 2016. The projected cash corn price for the 2015 crop, which is now in storage, is expected to remain at fairly modest levels until next Summer, and expected prices for the 2016 corn crop are in a similar range. These price projections suggest that farm operators may need to adjust grain marketing plans and risk management strategies for 2016 and beyond.

The latest USDA Report, released in January, 2016, estimated the U.S. national market year average (MYA) on-farm cash

corn price for 2015-2016 in a range from \$3.30-\$3.90 per bushel, or an average of \$3.60 per bushel, which has changed very little in recent months. USDA is now projecting the U.S. average soybean price for 2015-2016 in a range of \$8.05-\$9.55 per bushel, resulting in an average soybean price of \$8.80 per bushel. The 2015-16 USDA price estimates are the expected average prices from September 1st, 2015 to August 31st, 2016, for the 2015 crop year, and are not estimated prices for the 2016 crop year. Most projections suggest average on-farm grain prices near \$3.30-\$3.80 per bushel for corn and \$8.00-\$9.00 per bushel for soybeans in the next few years.

Local cash corn prices in Southern Minnesota are currently around \$3.25-\$3.50 per bushel, which compares to \$3.40-\$3.60 in 2015, \$4.25-\$4.50 in 2014, and over \$7.00 per bushel in early 2013. Current "new crop" local corn

prices for the 2016 crop have been near \$3.50 per bushel at some locations in Southern Minnesota, with lower levels in other areas. This is just below the "new crop" corn price a year ago at this time, and compares to late January "new crop" corn prices of over \$4.00 in 2014, and near \$5.50 per bushel in 2013.

Local cash soybean prices in Southern Minnesota offer a similar scenario, with current soybean prices near \$8.25-\$8.50 per bushel, which compares to \$9.25-\$9.50 in 2015, over \$12.50 in 2014, and over \$14.00 per bushel in early 2013. Current "new crop" soybean prices in Southern Minnesota for the 2016 crop have been near \$8.50 per bushel, or slightly lower. This compares to late January "new crop" corn prices of near \$9.00 per bushel a year ago in 2015, over \$10.50 in 2014, and over \$12.50 per bushel in 2013.

Local cash corn prices

at Lake Crystal, MN, were in a range of \$3.60-\$3.90 per bushel during most of the first six months of 2015, before dropping off in July. In 2014, local corn prices were well above \$4.00 per bushel in the first six months, before dropping sharply to below \$3.50 per bushel after August 1st. Even in 2013, local corn prices at Lake Crystal were 6.50-\$7.00 per bushel prior to July 1st, and then dropped rapidly by harvest time that year. The last time that prices held steady or increased after July 1st was in 2012, when price rallies were driven by crop shortages that resulted from the national drought that year.

Given the current large levels of projected grain stocks in the U.S., it is unlikely that we will see any significant increases in corn and soybean prices for the 2015 crop that is currently in storage. In the most recent USDA Supply and Demand Report, corn ending stocks were estimated at over 1.8 billion bushels, and soybean ending stocks at 440 million bushels, both of which are at the highest levels in recent years. Any "weather markets" are likely to have greater impact on 2016 "new crop" prices.

The breakeven cost of producing corn at "trend line" yields was probably near \$4.00 per bushel for many producers in 2015, and will likely be similar in 2016. The breakeven level for soybeans may have dropped to near \$9.00 per bushel or lower for many producers in 2015, due to the excellent yields in many areas. However, the soybean breakeven level for 2016 is likely to be back above \$9.50 per bushel, if yields return to more typical levels. There can be a large variation in breakeven price levels among farm operators depending on yield potential, production expenses, overhead costs, and land costs. Farm operators need to calculate their own costs of production and breakeven levels, in order to have a workable grain marketing plan for the 2015 grain in storage, as well as for the 2016 crop.

Producers need to be ready to sell some of their existing unpriced 2015 grain inventories, as well as to lock-in some market prices on anticipated 2016 production, if pricing opportunities exist. Grain price targets should be based on realistic price expectations, and the calculated crop production

breakeven levels referenced earlier. It is best to have targets set to forward price a portion of the expected crop when profit margins exist; however, it is also important to have a strategy to "reduce loss", if grain prices stay below the breakeven levels.

As part of a good grain marketing plan, it is also important to have target dates that are linked to grain marketing decisions and prices, especially with the unpriced corn and soybeans that are in storage. Historically, in most years with large grain supplies, cash grain prices for "old crop" corn and soybeans usually drop by a fairly significant level after July 1st. The price targets need to be continually reviewed and adjusted, as grain market situations change.

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## DEATH notices

January 25 - James R. Craig, 73, Fairmont.

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January 26 - Dennis P. Murphy, 74, Fairmont.

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January 27 - Judith A. Bohn, 71, Fairmont.

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### One Year Ago This Week

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## OBITUARY notices

### Judith A. Bohn, 71



Memorial service for Judith A. Bohn, 71, of Fairmont was held Monday, February 1st, at Lakeview Funeral Home Chapel in Fairmont with Rev. Tony Fink officiating. Burial will be at a later date at Forrest Lawn Cemetery in Maplewood, MN. Judy passed away Wednesday evening, January 27th, 2016 at the REM group home in Fairmont.

Judith Arlene Bohn was born on August 22nd, 1944 in St. Paul, the daughter of Carl and Lillian (Davidson) Bohn. She grew up in Fairmont and lived with her family. For a couple of years in the 1960's she lived in Chaska at Rolling Acres. She moved back to Fairmont and in 1968 she became a REM resident.

Judy worked for STEP Inc. in the day activities building and enjoyed her work placement throughout Fairmont with included Weigh Tronix for many years.

She is survived by three brothers, Ray (Cindy) Bohn, of Maple Grove, MN, David (Barb) Bohn, of Eden Prairie, MN, Greg (Mary) Bohn of Moccasin, MT; nieces and nephews; and her REM family of residents and staff.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Carl and Lillian Bohn.

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The next deadline is February 26th for Operation Round Up for applying for funds from Federated Rural Electric's Trust Board.

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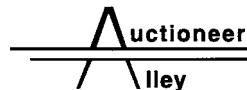
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**Tuesday, March 8, 2016**

at the Township Grader Shed in Granada.

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ALICE BARNES is pictured visiting with the personnel at the Martin Soil and Water Conservation District's annual Tree Days and Open House held last Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

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## Pond Hockey Tourney Results

The winners from the Pond Hockey tournament held at the Martin County Arena on January 16th-17th have been announced:

### Adult Open Champions - Finnegan's Flyers

Cody Jacobsen, Chris Heide, Brock Johnson, Kolton Dilly, Luke Sanderfeld, Colton Higgins

### Adult Championship Division Champions - Skeeters

Clint Forstrom, Matt Lytle, Brody Bents, Ian Bents, Richie Haycraft, and Jacob Lemon

### Adult 35 and Over Division Champions - Puck Hogs

Jared Johnson, Jacob Ruppert, Chris Rakness, Tom O'Brien, Jeremy Aust, and Josh Meyer

### Mite Division Costume Winners - the Flintstones

Flintstones were Maia Goerndt (Wilma), Kaden Olson (Fred), Luther Malo (Barney), and Lilly Meyers (Betty)

### Squirt Division Costume Winners - Ninja Turtles

Blue turtle: Shaye Dietz  
Red turtle: Jozie Hoefker

Purple turtle: Karissa Newville

Orange turtle: Bella Larson



Pictured left: Finnegan's Flyers, Skeeters.

Pictured above: Puck Hogs, Flintstones, Ninja Turtles.



**BEARING DOWN** - Redwood Valley's Connor Nelsen shoots towards the Cardinal's goal as Card goaltender Colby Kuhl defends. Redwood Valley downed the Cards 5-0. *Courtesy fairmontsports.com*



**WE'RE NUMBER ONE** - The Cardinal cheerleaders performed during a time-out during the Fairmont Area-St. Peter game. *Courtesy fairmontsports.com*



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There are times when people helping people is more important than getting a gift for yourself. Just such a time was recognized by Valero of Welcome. Pictured is Nicole Gries (right) who manages the Welcome site presenting a check for \$1,000 to Heaven's Table Food Shelf. In lieu of receiving a Christmas gift from Valero Corporate, the plant made a decision to give to Heaven's Table.



The United Methodist Church of Fairmont took a collection at their Christmas Eve Service for the Schools Back Pack program. Back Pack is designed to support children K-6 grades at Fairmont Area Schools, MCW and Truman Public School currently. Jenn Toomer (right) from the United Methodist Church Council presents a check for over \$3,300 to Heaven's Table Food Shelf Back Pack Program.



Heaven's Table Food Shelf would like to thank Julie Osmundsen, Jonathon Wolner, president of People First, and Pat Willett-Kietzer for delivering a donation of \$50. The People First group collects loose change from their members at meetings and then collectively chooses a worthy cause for their donation.



Valero of Welcome employees are shown with the fruits of their labors through a local food drive for Heaven's Table Food Shelf. Employees donated either food items or cash. Pictured is a collection of those food items as well as a check for \$500 for food purchases.



Valero of Welcome participated in the National Volunteer Week recently. Valero Headquarters showed their pride in the accomplishments by providing \$500 to be distributed to the charity of their choice. Pictured is Jason Clarke (right) of Valero presenting the check to Heaven's Table Food Shelf.



The Valero Plant in Welcome recently completed their United Way Fund Drive. Welcome had the largest percentage of giving over 11 plants. A corporate match made their overall contribution to United Way over \$57,000. As a winning location, the plant was able to make a donation to a charity and they chose Heaven's Table Food Shelf. Shown are Sandy Griese (left) and Dustin McKean (right) co-chairs for the United Way Drive presenting a check for \$5,000 to Greta Lintelman, Heaven's Table Food Shelf.

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