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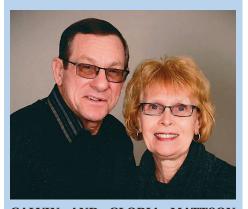
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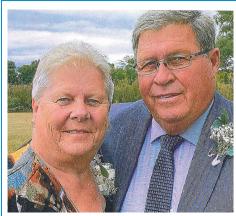
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MARLYN AND BEVERLY WALTER-MAN of Fairmont celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary. They were married on December 10th, 1955. Cards will reach them at 3801 S. Albion Avenue, Fairmont, MN 56031. (Submitted photo)



CALVIN AND GLORIA MATTSON will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on December 27th. Cards of congratulations can be sent to Calvin and Gloria Mattson, 2636 50th Street, Granada, MN 56039. (Submitted photo)



STEVE AND MARLEONE WILLIAM-SON will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary. Theywere married December 23rd, 1970. Cards will reach them at 2 Park Drive, Sherburn, MN 56171. (Submitted photo)





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ship Center in Sherburn has the Sunday morning Service at 10:00 a.m. We are not doing children's church

The Regional Wor- at this time. We do have papers for the kids to do during service. We also live stream our Sunday morning service. Our pastor also

does live stream messages Monday through Thursday nights at 7:00 p.m. You can find those at https://www. youtube.com/user/Jef-

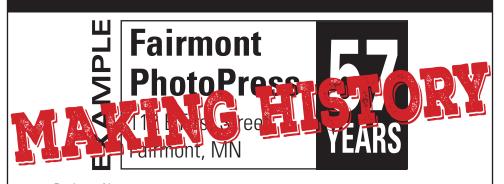
fCulverMusic. We have had to make adjustments through these times and are not sure if more changes will be coming.

KAREN AND AR-LYNN LUETH of Fairmont celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on December

10th. Cards can be sent to them at 455 W. Amber Lake Drive, Fairmont, MN 56031.

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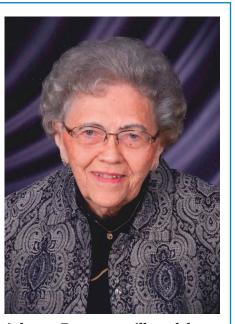
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Arlene Darmer will celebrate her 97th birthday on December 27th. Due to Covid-19 there will be no celebration. Please shower her with cards: Arlene Darmer, 850 Goldfinch St., Apt. 218, Fairmont, MN 56031.



ROGER AND ARLYCE HOLLAND will observe their 60th wedding anniversary on December 17th. They were married on December 17th, 1960. Cards will reach them at PO Box 207, Elmore, MN 56027. (Submitted photo)



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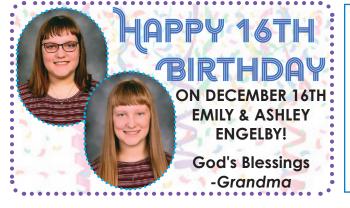
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Due to the governor's orders we will not be able to have the Monday Community Breakfasts served at the Regional Worship Center in Sherburn.We will let vou know when we are able to resume them.





GLENN HENRIKSEN'S Virtual Holiday Concert, with special guest vocalist Tammi Nestor, hosted by the Red Rock Center for the Arts, will air on local access Channel 12 daily at 10 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. DVDs are also available at the Red Rock Center. Phone 507-235-9262 to pre-order. The staff and board wish you all a happy and healthy holiday season. (Submitted photo)

Hope Café To Go St. John Vianney Church will be delivering a free hot meal on Sunday, December 27th around 5:00 p.m. (4th Sunday of the month). Anyone interested in receiving a free hot meal should email or call Bridget at 235-2451 or bbecker@sjvhf. org. Please call before noon on December 25th and leave your name, address, phone number and how many meals. Limited to the first 30 or so folks. (We delivered over 40 meals to the community in

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THANKS!



SCOOTER'S COFFEE
- The Fairmont Area
Chamber of Commerce held a ribbon
cutting ceremony at
the new Scooter's Coffee, at the Five Lakes
Centre's parking lot,
next to Fareway. Pictured are Josh Morris and Robb Steffes,
co-owners. This is the
sixth Scooter's the
pair has opened.





of Columbus held a drive-through "Burger Friday" last Friday on its parking lot. About 300 hamburgers and cheeseburgers were served. Doug Gerhardt of Tami's Catering flips The burgers. the Knights of Columbus held the "Burger Friday" as a fund-raiser. During the long closure because of the Covid-19 pandemic, the organization decided to use the event as a fundriser with proceeds benefitting the Knights of Columbus Hall.

The Fairmont Knights



During Downtown Plaza's Merry & Bright Night, on Friday, December 4th, downtown businesses collected non-perishable goods for Heaven's Table and the St. John Vianney Hope Shop. Participating businesses were Indulge Salon, Sovell Jewelry, D&S Trophies and Dee's Floral & Designs. Collecting will continue through Wednesday, December 23rd.

Free COVID-19 testing continues at armory

Free COVID-10 testing continues at the Fairmont National Guard Armory, located on the west edge of Fairmont.

The tests are open to anyone, symptoms or no symptoms, are free, no insurance needed.

The testing hours are noon to 6 p.m. on the following dates:

•Wednesday, December 16th through Saturday, December 19th

•Monday, December 21st and Tuesday, December 22nd

•Monday, December 28th through Wednesday, December 30th

•Monday, January 4th through Thursday, January 7th

•Wednesday, January 13th through Saturday, January 16th

•Wednesday, January 20th through Friday, January 22nd

•Wednesday, January

27th through Saturday, January 30th

To sign up for an appointment time, register online at https://www.primarybio.com/r/fairmont

If you are not able to sign up online, or need a translator, call 1-855-612-0677.

Sponsors of the testing are Minnesota Department of Health, City of Fairmont and Faribault and Martin Counties Public Health Departments.

Marriage License Applications

Macy Anna Elness and Cameron Glen Klug

Dee's Floral and Gifts Merry and Bright Night drawing winners were Mary Wittmus, Kathy Gratz, Jana Brackey, Amber Hansen and Lori Schlomann



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Obituary Notices



Katie L. Helmers,

Private family services for Katie "Kat" Helmers, 34, of Fairmont, MN, will

be held at Lakeview Funeral Home in Fairmont. Burial will be held at a later date in Lakeside Cemetery in Fairmont. Katie passed away Saturday, December 5, 2020, at her home in Fairmont. The Lakeview Funeral Home and Cremation Service of Fairmont is assisting the family with arrangements. Katie "Kat" Lynn Helmers was born on January 5, 1986, in Fairmont, MN, during a cold winter day

warming the hearts of her parents, Steve and Judy (Wille) Jablinske. She was welcomed home by an older sister Jenny and delighted in the addition of a younger sister, Carly a few years later.

Kat attended school in Fairmont and graduated with the class of 2004. She would go on to further her education attending Iowa Lakes Community College where she earned her degree in Graphic Design.

On May 19, 2012, as butterflies fluttered between them, Kat was united in marriage to Jeremy Helmers at a beautiful outdoor ceremony on a farm near Dunnell, MN. Together the couple made their home in Sherburn and lovingly created a family with Jeremy's three children, Chanelle, Zander, and Ivy Rose and while also being blessed with two children of their own, Dravyn and Bram.

Kat loved her children and considered them her biggest blessing. They were her world and she cherished time spent with them. Kat was a creative soul and she looked forward to working on crafts with her kids with many projects ending up on the kitchen fridge. Kat was compassionate and had a special place in her heart for those who were less fortunate and took pride in helping those in need. Kat loved music and found healing in the words of the songs she listened to. Her love of music helped as she wrote poetry, expressing herself with carefully strung together lines that reflected her feelings, some of which were published.

Left to cherish her memory is her husband, Jeremy Helmers of Sherburn, MN; children, Dravyn Helmers, Bram Helmers, Chanelle Helmers, Zander Helmers, and Ivy Rose Helmers; parents, Judy (Tory) Gustafson of Fairmont, MN, and Steve (Deb Thune) Jablinske of Fairmont, MN; sisters, Jenny Guldan and Carly Jablinske; grandpa, Loren "Jabby" Jablinske; as well as many aunts, uncles, cousins, extended family, and friends.

Katie was preceded in death by her grandparents, Jim and Bev Wille and Bonnie Jablinske; Uncle Mike; Angie and Jamie.

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Bonnie L. True, 78

Private family graveside services for Bonnie L. True, age 78, of Fairmont, MN, are being held at Fairview Memorial Park in Fairmont. Following CDC recommendations, face masks and social distancing will be required. Bonnie peacefully joined her Father in Heaven on December 8, 2020, at Seasons Healthcare in Trimont, MN, after a long and valiant fight with dementia and Parkinsons. The family wishes to thank the kind staff at Seasons for their compassionate care and their tireless efforts to make Bonnie feel at home during her stay there. Lakeview Funeral Home in Fairmont is assisting the family with arrangements. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be directed to First Congregational UCC Fairmont Starfish Fund. Heaven's Table Food Shelf, or Martin County Humane Society.

Bonnie LaRae Hansen was born on March 25, 1942, in Burt, IA. She was the daughter of Myrle and Elma (Krueger) Han-Bonnie attended school in Armstrong, IA, and later graduated from Fairmont High School in

Bonnie met Bobby True, the love of her life, at the youth center in Fairmont in May of 1960. The couple was united in marriage on January 14, 1961, in New Buffalo, MI.

This union was blessed with six children: Rob, Roger, Mark, Mike, Jarod, and Jenny. Bonnie and Bobby resided on a farm north of Granada, MN, from 1961 until moving to Fairmont on July 4, 2003.

Along with raising her family as a homemaker, Bonnie worked as a teacher's aide and then a cook at Granada Huntley East Chain School from 1979 until her retirement in June of 2004.

Bonnie was a former member of the Congregational Church in Granada, where she was Sunday School Coordinator and taught Sunday School and Bible School for many years. Along with her daughter, Jenny, she also led a Children's Choir at the Fairmont United Methodist Church. She was very active with other church

and community organizations. During her free time, Bonnie enjoyed watching the Minnesota sports teams. She looked forward to yearly fishing trips to a resort in Northern Minnesota. She also looked forward to annual trips for many years to Nashville, where she would visit Roger and Jim and attend the Country Music Festival. She always put everyone else's needs first and as long as her family was happy, Bonnie was happy. She loved the holidays, with Christmas being her favorite. One of her greatest joys was singing and listening to music, a passion that she passed on to her children, teaching them to sing at a very young age and encouraging their musical skills as they grew into young adults. Bonnie was especially fond of music of the Christmas season. She enjoyed attending her children's and grandchildren's church and school activities, as well as watching the birds at home with Bobby and later in the chapel at Seasons Healthcare.

Written by a friend of Bonnie's in her 1960 senior yearbook was the following: "One day you'll make a lucky boy the happiest man in the whole world." Bobby's response to this: "No truer words have ever been written or spoken and I know that for sure, because I am that lucky boy." With her beautiful smile and gracious heart, Bonnie was a treasure to all who knew her. Bonnie loved everyone.

Left to cherish her memory include her husband of 59 years, 10 months, and 25 days, Bobby True; sons, Rob (Ruth) True, Roger (Jim), Mark (Lori), Mike (Erin), Jarod (Stacy); daughter, Jenny (Lance) Willard; 21 grandchildren; 11 greatgrandchildren; sister, Rondie Kusick; sistersin-law, Carolyn (Larry) Thompson, and Cindy (Jon) Anderson; and stepsisters, Judy Krahmer, Carol (Russell) Jensen, and Bob (Jeanne) Alm; and many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Along with her parents, Myrle and Elma Hansen, Bonnie was preceded in death by her stepmother, Edna Hansen; sister and Connie brother-in-law, and Jerry Zimmer; parents-in-law, Robert G. and June True; stepsister, Eloise Hinz; and stepbrothers, Dennis Krahmer, Jim Olinger, and Maynard Hinz.

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Helen L. Ring, 98 Private graveside services for Helen L. Ring,

98, of Fairmont, MN, will be held for close family at Fairview Memorial Park Cemetery in Fairmont. The Lakeview Funeral Home and Cremation Service of Fairmont is assisting the family with arrangements.

Helen Lenora Wokasch was born December 20, 1921 the daughter of Thomas and Hilma Wokasch. She attended school in Fairmont. On April 19, 1944 she was united in marriage to Alvin Ring in Fairmont. They shared nearly 50 years together until Alvin passed on March 20, 1992 at the age of 78. They were blessed with two children. Helen enjoyed being a homemaker and mother, but she enjoyed being a grandmother even more. Pets were always important, and cats had a special place in her heart.

"Come on in, the door is open, and the coffee pot is on". Friends and

family were always welcome at Mom's house and a chair was waiting for you at the kitchen table. You knew you would be served the best coffee around. Thanks Mom.

Helen Ring slipped away peacefully, knowing she was loved, on December 9, 2020 at Lakeview Methodist Health Care Center. She narrowly missed hosting a dance for her hundredth birthday. She is now reunited with her

father and mother Thomas and Hilma Wokasch, her husband Alvin Ring, her brother Floyd Wokasch, and many other family members. She is survived by her children Kenneth Ring and his wife Linda of Grand Forks ND, and JoDell Justice and her husband Gene of Fairmont. She was the proud grandmother of three grandchildren: Angela Justice of Boston MA, Kerry Ring with his wife Lori of Grand Forks

and Daniel Justice of Mankato MN. She was blessed with three greatgrandchildren: Sarah Justice of Fairmont, and Lindsey and Katelyn Ring of Grand Forks.

Our Mom and Grandma will be greatly missed. Memorials are preferred to Lakeview Methodist Health Care Center or the Humane Society.

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Loraine J Bonin, **82**

A Celebration of Life Service for Loraine J. Bonin, 82, of Fairmont, Minnesota was held Fringson was born on Auson, Windom, Madelia, Minnesota and Troy Bochildren, Jaden Bonin day, December 11, 2020 at Kramer Family Funeral Home Chapel in Sherburn, Minnesota with Pastor Steven D. Wilson officiating. Burial was in the Sherburn Cemetery in Sherburn, Minnesota.

Loraine was called to her eternal rest on Saturday morning, December 5, 2020 at Mayo Clinic Health System-Methodist Campus in Rochester, Minnesota. Messages of Sympathy may be sent to the family online at www. kramer funeral home.com

Loraine Jeanette Ten-

gust 3, 1938 to Morgan Tennyson Sr. and Alvina (Fritz) Tennyson in Parkers Prairie Township, Otter Tail County, rural Parkers Prairie, Minnesota. She received her education in Parkers Prairie. Loraine moved with her family to Fairmont. On December 7, 1957 she was united in marriage to Carl Bonin, in Fairmont, Minnesota. After their marriage they lived in various communities while Carl was employed as a telephone lineman. They lived in Iowa, Jack-

Worthington, Sherburn and Fairmont. Loraine was employed as a waitress in Mrs. B's in Fairmont and several years in activities at Lakeview Methodist Health Care Center in Fairmont. She enjoyed playing bingo, going to casino's, crocheting and doing crafts.

She is survived by her four children, daughter, Deb (Tim) Schwager of Minnesota; Sherburn, three sons, Alan (Brenda) Bonin of Sunset, South Carolina, Craig (Stephanie) Bonin of Fairmont, nin (Jennifer Mangan) of Fairmont, Minnesota; grandchildren, Rachael Crissinger of Mankato, Lucas (Rickie Lee) Schwager of Sherburn, Jordan (Opal) Schwager of Round Rock, Texas, Ashley (Teddy) Culbertson of St. Paul, Brooks Bonin of Lakeville, Minnesota, Tyler Bonin of Fairmont, Alex (Brennie) Stefanski of Hopkins, Maxwell Bonin of Fairmont and Hayes Bonin of Fairmont, Cassandra (Nicholas) Mosloski of Fairmont; great grand-

Oliver Bonin, Lyric Bonin, Chloe and Maverick Mosloski; sisters, Karen (Dave) Larson of Apple Valley, Minnesota, Marjorie (Neil) Hibbard of Mankato, Diane (Paul) Sheely of Fairmont; brother, Douglas (Pat) Tennyson of Norco, California; sisters-in-law, Jan Tennyson of Truman, Susie Hembre of Buffalo, brothers-Minnesota; in-law, Robert Bonin of Fairmont, Lynn Flohrs of Fairmont; nieces and nephews and other relatives.



Dean M. Sandberg, 60

Private family services for Dean M. Sandberg, age 60, of Fairmont, MN,

are being held at Grace Lutheran Church in Fairmont with burial in Lakeside Cemetery in Fairmont at a later date. Visitation will be from 5:00 to 7:00 pm on Thursday, December 17, 2020, at the Lakeview Funeral Home in Fairmont. The family asks that people are mindful of social distancing guidelines, wearing masks and best practices in helping to reduce the spread of CO-VID-19. The number of people allowed will be monitored. Dean passed away on Friday morning,

December 11, 2020, at St. Mary's Hospital in Rochester, MN. The Lakeview Funeral Home and Cremation Service in Fairmont is assisting the family with arrangements.

Dean Monroe Sandberg was born on April 9, 1960, in Fairmont, MN. He was the son of Boyd and Evelyn (Bruner) Sandberg. Dean Fairmont attended public schools and graduated from Fairmont High School in 1978.

Dean met the love of his life, Ruth Ringeisen on new years in 1984. On

May 11, 1985, the couple was united in marriage at Trinity Lutheran Church in Truman, MN. This union was blessed with two children, Alyssa and Logan. The family resided in Fairmont where Dean worked at Hertzke's in construction as well as for the City of Fairmont in the Parks Department since 2000. He always enjoyed working with his carpentry skills and never hesitated to throw on the old tool belt to help out a friend.

Dean was a member of Grace Lutheran Church in Fairmont as well as the Martin County Conservation Club. During his free time, he enjoyed golfing with his Hertzke buddies, fishing, hunting, bird watching, playing cards with family, and going to the cabin in northern Minnesota.

Left to cherish his memory include his wife, Ruth Sandberg of Fairmont, MN; daughter, Alyssa Matney and her husband, Jeremy of Toledo, IA; son, Logan Sandberg of Mankato, MN; sisters, Deanna Swanson and her husband, Lee of

Minneapolis, and Sheila Hall and her husband, Dennis of Tennessee; brothers-in-law, Ringeisen and his wife, Mary Sue of Fairmont, MN, and Don Ringeisen of Wisconsin; nieces and nephews, Gretchen Hals and her husband, Steve, Ned Pierson and his wife, Kristine, Desiree Hall and fiance Tyler, Sherra Lasley, Tylor Lasley and his wife, Erin; and other relatives and friends.

Dean was preceded in death by his parents, Boyd and Evelyn Sandberg.



Lila L. Kesler,

Lila Lois Kesler, of Truman passed away on Monday, December 7, 2020 at Heartland Senior Living - Parker Oaks in Winnebago, after a long battle with congestive heart failure, at the age of 92. Due to the COVID -19 Pandemic, there was a graveside service only

on Monday, December 14, 2020 at Center Chain Cemetery, South Fairmont, with Pastor Merrill Davis officiating. Zaharia Family Funeral Home is entrusted with arrangements. www.Zaharia-FamilyFuneral.com

Lila was born April 9, 1928 to Henry and Emma (Nessler) Baarts on the family farm south of Truman, Minnesota. She was baptized on May 23, 1928 at St Paul's Lutheran Church in Truman. She started school in district 74 through 4th grade and transferring to Truman Public School where she graduated with the class of 1945. After her brother Lyle was drafted into the Army she stayed home and helped on the family farm; using, driving and herding horses. On June 1, 1947 she married her high school sweetheart Arnold Kesler at the Community Baptist Church parsonage. To this union 4 daughters were born. She worked side-by-side with Arnie on the farm for 67+ years, often a debate of who was working harder, when he passed away in May of 2015. Lila and Arnie spent many winters in Florida. They enjoyed camping, spending time with their camping club friends. She loved growing gladiolas. As a farm wife, Lila enjoyed tending to her chickens and cows; She cleaned many

chickens, ducks and bullheads over the years. For many seasons, she devoted time to freezing the years crops of corn, canning dill pickles, picking and selling fresh eggs for many friends and neighbors.

She was a faithful member of the Community Baptist Church in Truman until its closing, when she began attending services at the Truman Church of Christ. In her later years, she spent many hours on the IPad playing hearts and solitaire, reading the newspaper and magazines and she couldn't wait to get the daily mail. Lila loved to mow the lawn and enjoy the breeze on

the farm. Old time polka music and going out to eat were weekly highlights. Another highlight of her recent years, was the cruise to Alaska in 2016 with Shelly, Wayne and Hallie. They treated Lila like the princess she is - she loved every second of it and talked of it often.

Among many attributes of a wonderful woman, Lila will be remembered for her quick wit and gentle smile. The kind that made you smile back without even thinking. She will be missed by many.

Lila is survived by her daughters, Beverly (Bruce) Taylor, of East Bethel, Nancy Jo Garrison (Bud Berhow) of Truman, Sherry (Dave) Wright of Kimberly, ID and Shelly (Wayne) Mayfield of Slaughter, LA; grandchildren, Seth, Stacy, Hattie, Cole, Jessica and Hallie; numerous great-grandchildren; sister, Connie (Lonny) Eads of Mountain Lake; numerous nieces and nephews, and a great many friends.

In addition to her parents, she is preceded in death by her husband Arnie Kesler; and brother Lyle Baarts.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be directed to the Truman EMS, Truman Church of Christ or UHD Hospice in Blue Earth.



Sharon R. Pierce, 82

Sharon Rae was born May 11, 1938 to Walter and Fern Ehlert in Fairmont, Minnesota. At. the age of 16 she met and married George Pierce on June 11, 1954. This union was blessed with seven children: Steve, George, Tom, Terri, Cherrie, Carrie and Dan. Sharon and George later divorced. Sharon found love again when she met Roger Haugland. The two were married and they were able to spend many happy years together. Sharon loved Roger's kids, Rick and Bubba, and cherished time spend with all of her grandchildren. Roger passed away in 2020.

Sharon attended Jackson Technical Coljobs throughout her life. She found the most joy when she was working in the healthcare field. Sharon was especially proud of working as Mrs. Santa Claus at the Mall of America.

In her spare time Sharon especially enjoyed spending time with her family. She had artistic talents and showcased them through her painting, decorating, and gardening. Sharon also liked to play cards in her particular; 500 and other games she could gamble with. Shopping was also a favorite hob-

Sharon went home to be with Jesus on November 18, 2020 having reached the age of 82 years. She died of complications from diabetes and congestive heart failure.

Those left to cherish her memory include her children: Steve and Linda Pierce of Granada, MN, George and Deb Pierce of Granada, MN, Tom Pierce of Winnebago, MN Cherrie and Kent Langford of Winnebago, Dan Pierce and Cyndy Mchlum of Blooming-

lege and held various ton; stepsons; Bubba Haugland and Rick Haugland; brother, Gerhart (George) Ehlert; sister, Rita Wendland; grandchildren many and great-grandchildren; other extended family and friends.

> Sharon was preceded in death by parents, Walter and Fern Ehlert; daughters Terri Pierce and Carrie Hartwig; her best friend and sister-in-law, Jan Landstiener; brothers: Jerry Ehlert, Junior Ehlert, Meryl Ehlert, and Bob Ehlert; sisters: Mary Dietz and Faye Curtis and grandson Raymond Pierce.





Remote patient monitoring available.

The COVID-19 pandemic has changed some of the ways that we deliver health care to our patients. An example of this is a new home monitoring program for people who have tested positive for COVID-19.

This program uses medical technology and devices that are sent home with the patient to collect vital signs and symptoms everyday. A team of nurses monitors the data and calls the patient to discuss symptoms and recommendations, providing reassurance and peace of mind. Remote monitoring is available by physician referral at no additional cost.



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December 7 - Lila L. Kesler, 92, Truman. Zaharia Family Funeral and Cremation Service

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IN MEMORIAM - ONE YEAR AGO

December 6 - Zachary M. Thompson, 35, Fairmont December 10 - Leonard A. O. Campe, 95, Fairmont December 11 - Leona M. Lehman, 100, Fairmont

December 11 - Janet R. Malo, 66, Fairmont December 14 - Kreg S. Russenberger, 53, Rock Rapids, IA.

Mayo Community **Update**

"The best interest of the patient is the only interest to be considered." William J. Mayo, M.D.

The end of the year often is a time of reflection and 2020 is no exception. The significant changes to our community, daily routines, schools, businesses and more would have been impossible to predict in January. One thing that has not changed this year is our commitment to our patients and the Fairmont community. Thank you for your continued support during this unprecedented time.

As we close this year we continue to see COVID-19 community infection rates rising in Fairmont. If left unchecked, we are at risk for overwhelming our health care system. We are asking

for your help to slow down the spread. We know what works - avoiding medium and large gatherings, masking, social distancing and hand washing. Please do your part for your friends and neighbors so we can get through this time together.

Here are a few other updates from Mayo Clinic Health System in Fairmont.

COVID-19 testing

Due to an increase in testing demand, we moved the COVID-19 testing location to the main hospital entrance on the south side of the medical center. The testing location is open 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. daily. The testing location will be closed on December 25, 26 and January 1. If you need a CO-VID-19 test, call the Mayo Clinic COVID-19 Nurse Line at 507-293-9525. There is no charge for the test.

Urgent Care holiday hours

Please note the adjusted in Urgent Care hours during the holidays: Dec. 24, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.; Dec 25, closed; Dec. 31, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.; and Jan. 1, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

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Schedule your flu shot

It's time to schedule your seasonal flu immunization and this year it's more important than ever to put up your best defense against illness. Fewer people sick with the flu means more resources are freed up to care for patients with COVID-19.

You can schedule your own flu shot appointment using our patient portal called Patient Online Services. You can use this service to also schedule flu shot appointments for children between 6 months and 12 years of age. Visit mayoclinichealthsystem.org/influenza for instructions.

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New respiratory rehabilitation area

Our new respiratory rehabilitation space is up and running and shares a location with cardiac rehabilitation. Our respiratory therapists work with other specialties to provide testing, treatments and therapies to help patients breathe easier. Thank you to the Fairmont Community Hospital Foundation for funding the renovations.

Hometown Health grants

We awarded a \$5,500 Hometown Health grant to Project 1590 for Fairmont Coordinator Downtown Revitalization, as part of the LEAD for YOCO (YOuth COalition) America project. The project involves a LEAD fellow working to support local businesses in accessing recovery assistance, in addition to building a two-year plan for economic recovery towards growth.

Employee feature: Jenna Faber

We are fortunate to have an amazing team in Fairmont. Jenna Faber, a registered nurse in Oncology, is an example of having a safety and patient-first mindset.

While caring for a patient, she noticed that a patient's IV tube appeared to be wet. Jenna acted quickly to check on her patient, follow safety protocols and report the issue. Her actions resulted in a nationwide recall of the IV tubing and set. We want to thank Jenna for prioritizing patient safety on this and every day.

We appreciate your help during the pandemic. Happy holidays, stay safe and be well.

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

Direct questions to comments to Amy Long, administrator, Mayo Clinic Health System in Fairmont, at 507-238- 5070 or by email.

Thank you Mayo, for being here for our community when we need you the most during this pandemic. A big thank you to all who work at the Fairmont Mayo hospital for keeping the facility running and the medical people dedicated to care for those in need each day.

Wayne Kahler

Good Afternoon,

First of all, thank you Wayne for being the first to lead out in an effort to recognize the staff at the Mayo Clinic Health System in Fairmont! The services that are offered to all of us in the regional area during this pandemic have been outstanding. Thank you to Dr, Marie and Amy for your leadership of the great team at the facility! We appreciate all of you and your entire staff and we can't say "Thank You" enough!

Thomas Lytle Chief Financial/Risk Officer | Bank Midwest

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I will echo the heartfelt 'thanks' and also add we are here to support your staff in any way we can--please let us know if there is anything we can do! We truly are blessed to have you in our

community! Steph Johnson, Project

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Christmas Day: 10:00 am Mass Solemnity of Mary:

Mother of God

New Year's Day: 9:00 am

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December 9, 2020

Ready to celebrate the holidays? Stop by any Martin County Library location: Fairmont, Sherburn, Trimont or Truman and pick up an elf kit for kids! Each week during the month of December, a new elf activity kit is available to pick

up and take home.

You'll have fun naming your elf, helping your elf learn to be kind, doing elf STEM challenges and finding out about elf treats! Most of all, elves really LOVE to be read to. So when you take your elf home, be sure you are reading to him or her regularly!! Be sure to ask for an elf kit when you stop by our libraries, now open for contactless pickup only.

December 16, 2020

We have two new options for "kits to go" at the Martin County Library! First up, is our New Year's Eve Party in a bag! This option is geared for families to celebrate the new year at home!! Enjoy a kit with a party horn, OREO cookies, a special temporary tattoo, photo frame craft, and fun activities to celebrate together! Don't forget to turn on the music and party like it's 2021!! (Staying up until midnight not required!) Ask for a NYE kit to be added to your contactless pickup items!

We also have a limited supply of vision board kits for teens and tweens. We provide the supplies, you provide the creativity!! Visit our website at wwww. martincountylibrary. org to sign up for the vision board kit, and we will notify you when its ready to go! Be sure to share photos with us on Facebook and Instagram so we can see how much fun you're having with our "kits to go!!"

Focus on Ag

Guest Columnist

Kent Thiesse, Farm Management Analyst; VP, MinnStar Bank

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Written by Kent **Thiesse Farm Management Analyst and Senior Vice** President, MinnStar Bank

December 7, 2020 2020 CROP FARM PROFITS WILL VARY

profit levels from crop farming were in 2020, and the answers can range from "excellent" to "pretty good" to "disappointing". Any of those answers could be correct, depending where the farms are located and how a variety of was also considerable variation grain marketing decisions and the level of government farm program payments during the year profitability. Following is a brief overview of how these three major factors most likely impacted final farm profitability in 2020:

•2020 crop yields --kind to large number of in 2020. The August 10 over 100 mph severely damaged crops in a widespread area across the middle of Iowa, as well as portions of Nebraska, Ilother portions of the rethe storm caused considto farm grain handling 185 bushels per acre, and

systems, livestock build- South Dakota at 165 bushings, and commercial ag els per acre. facilities.

braska, South Dakota, and Southwest Minnesota bushels per acre; however, got extremely dry late in many areas of Southern the 2020 growing season, which also reduced the ex-Ask a farmer what their cellent yield potential that crops had earlier in the growing season. Parts of south central Minnesota were impacted by excess rainfall during 2 or 3 high rainfall events in late June and July, which caused considerable drown-out damage in some fields. 2020 weather conditions Areas near the Minnesota affected crop production River received 150-200% across the Midwest. There of the normal growing season rainfall for those locations in 2020. In many of these areas, 2020 corn and soybean yields were just "average", once the drownthat likely affected farm out areas in fields were factored in.

On the other hand, growers in some areas of Minnesota, as well as in northeast Iowa, the eastern Dakota's, and por-"Mother nature" was not tions of Wisconsin, had 2020 crop yields that were producers in central Iowa among the best ever. USDA is projecting Minnesota to derecho storm with winds have a record statewide average corn yield of 202 bushels per acre in 2020, which exceeds the previous record yield of 194 bushels per acre in 2017. linois and Indiana. In the By comparison, the 2020 hardest hit areas, crops corn yield estimate for were a total loss, while Iowa is 184 bushels per acre, which is the same as gion had significant yield Wisconsin. Illinois is proreductions. In addition, jected at 195 bushels per acre, Indiana at 189 busherable structural damage els per acre, Nebraska at

USDA estimated Min-Portions of Iowa, Ne-nesota's 2020 statewide average soybean yield at 52 Minnesota that avoided the excess rainfall and late season drought exceeded 60 bushels per acre. The USDA projections for 2020 soybean yields in other States were Iowa at 54 bushels per acre, Wisconsin at 53 bushels per acre, and South Dakota at 47 bushels per acre, with Nebraska, Illinois, and Indiana all at 58 bushels per

> •Grain marketing decisions --- As in most years, the grain marketing decisions that were made by farm operators will have a big impact on the final profit levels for their crop enterprise in 2020. Grain markets had some wild swings during the year. Local cash corn prices in some areas were favorable in January and early February, due to very tight local basis levels, following the poor 2019 corn crop in portions of the region. Once the COVID-19 out

break became widespread in the U.S. in March, local corn prices dropped dramatically, due to disruptions in both the livestock and ethanol industries. Late in the year, both corn and soybean prices unexpectedly rebounded to some of the highest levels in the past few years, largely driven by enhanced export sales to China, as well as late-season reductions in U.S. crop yields.

Local cash corn prices in Southern Minnesota were \$3.60-\$3.70 per bushel in January and early February of 2020, prior to the market disruptions from the coronavirus outbreak; however, the local corn prices quickly dropped to below \$3.00 per bushel by early April. Local cash corn prices remained near \$2.80 to \$3.00 per bushel until late August. Many farmers had a considerable amount of their 2019 corn crop unpriced in on-farm storage on January 1, 2020. If they sold a majority of the corn inventory in January or February, their profit margin looked much different than if they liquated the stored corn in June or July this past Summer. For example, a farmer that sold 100,000 bushels of corn in January at \$3.65 per bushel grossed \$365,000, compared to only \$290,000 if

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the corn was sold in July at \$2.90 per bushel. That results in a difference of \$75,000 to the "bottom-line".

Both Chicago Board of Trade (CBOT) and local soybean prices had a dramatic price increase from September 1 until the current time, which was largely driven by the enhanced export sales to China and early season soybean production challenges in South America. CBOT nearby soybean futures rose over \$3.00 per bushel from mid-August until mid-November. Local cash soybean prices in Southern Minnesota rose from below \$8.50 per bushel in mid-August to current levels near \$11.00 per bushel. Once local soybean prices reached \$9.00 per bushel, which was the highest level in a couple of years, farmers began selling their soybeans at harvest or right after harvest. A majority of the soybeans in many areas were sold at a local price of \$9.00-\$10.00 per bushel, rather than the current \$10.50-\$11.00 per bushel range.

The local cash price for corn in Southern Minnesota has been in the \$3.75 to \$3.95 per bushel range in recent weeks; however, similar to soybeans, some farmers started pricing their 2020 corn crop near \$3.50 per bushel as opposed to current price levels. There is still a considerable amount of unpriced corn in storage on farms across the Midwest. Grain marketing decisions are often overlooked as a major factor that impacts farm profitability; however, these decisions can easily amount to a difference of \$30-\$60 or more in gross income per acre in any given year.

•2020 government payments --- There was also a wide variation in the level of government farm program payments that farmers received in 2020. This included two rounds of CFAP payments due to COVID-19, a final 2019 MFIP payment, as well as the normal 2019 farm program payments. USDA estimated that government payments will make up nearly 40 percent of U.S. net farm income in 2020. The first round of CFAP payments were highly variable for grain farmers. Producers that had most of their 2019 corn and soybeans in inventory in late January, received fairly significant CFAP1 payments, while farmers that sold most of their grain in 2019 or early 2020 received very little

or no CFAP1 payments. The level of 2019 ARC-CO farm program payments for corn and soybeans that producers received in October 2020 also varied considerably from county-to-county across the Midwest.

Bottom Line

For many crop producers in the Upper Midwest, especially in Minnesota, Wisconsin and the Eastern Dakotas, 2020 will be a much better profit year than either 2018 or 2019; however, there was considerable variation in those profit levels. For farm operators in central Iowa and some other portions of the Midwest with reduced crop production, 2020 will be an average to below-average profit year. Farmers need to closely monitor grain markets in the coming weeks to take advantage of pricing opportunities for remaining 2020 grain inventory, which could still have an impact on final farm profit levels for the year.

Note --- For additional information contact Kent Thiesse, Farm Management Analyst and Senior-Vice President, MinnStar Bank, Lake Crystal, MN. (Phone --- (507) 381-7960); E-mail --- kent. thiesse@minnstarbank.com) Web Site --- http://www.minnstarbank.com/



Ask A Trooper: Can I leave the ball hitch in the receiver?

by Sgt. Troy Christianson, MN State Patrol

by Sgt. Troy Christianson of the Minnesota State Patrol

Question: I was recently told that I could not keep the trailer ball mount attached to the receiver of the vehicle when it is not actually hooked up to a trailer. Is this in fact true?

Answer: There is not a law in Minnesota that prohibits leaving a ball hitch in the receiver when not pulling a trailer. I do recommend that you remove your receiver hitch when it is not in use as it can cause injury if you or others walk into it. There is also

an increase in damage to vehicles that collide with a trailer hitch as it may puncture the front grill, hood and radiator area.

There are laws that prohibit obstructing the rear license plate, this includes a ball that is attached to the hitch. The law also requires that the ball hitch be of sufficient strength to control and support the weight of a trailer and must be a device approved by the commissioner of public safety.

The law also requires that your cargo is properly secured. It is important to frequently inspect your trailer, hitch, safety chains and lights when traveling.

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

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

Local student performs in Gustavus worship service

Evan Carlson of Fairmont, a student at Gustavus Adolphus College in St. Peter, will be part of the Gustavus Adolphus College's annual Christmas in Christ Chapel worship service.

The service will be held virtually this year due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The service, which was recorded in late October following rigorous CO-VID-19 safety regulations, will premiere on Saturday, December 19th at 7:30 p.m. CST. Following the debut of the video, the 2020 Christmas in Christ Chapel worship service will be available for ondemand viewing.

Visit gustavus.edu/ccc to learn more or watch the livestream.

In the midst of a global pandemic and ongoing social discord, Christmas in Christ Chapel's 2020 theme, Healer of the Nations, Come, will proclaim God's healing presence made manifest in the salvation story, renewing mind and spirit through life-giving music, dance, spoken word, and visual

"Just the other day"

Guest Columnist

Tom Palen, broadcaster, pilot, writer

Gravy

For several years, I was the emcee for an annual radio auction. Five radio stations participated. Starting in January, we went on the air weeknights at five p.m. We sold furniture, cars, implements, appliances, lawn equipment, dinners, agricultural items, vacation packages - you name it, and we probably sold it at one time or another. The radio auction is where I met my friends Dick and Jan Allen.

would announce and describe the item up for sale, then Dick, the auctioneer, took over and started his rhythmic chant. Listeners would call in and place their bids through Jan, and a cast of operators who would call out their offers. If an item wasn't drawing enough interest, the auctioneer would take a break; I would talk more about it, allowing time for more bidders to call in - just like they do at an in-person auction.

We were doing more

than just selling merchandise; it was an evening of entertainment for the listeners. We told jokes and stories and just had a grand ole time on the air. After each night's program, the auction crew would meet at a lo-

cal restaurant for dinner.

We seemed to choose a lot of establishments that offered a smorgasbord.

"I've never met a buffet I didn't like." Dick used to tell us. I reminded him of a couple that weren't so good. Dick defended them, "No matter how bad the food is, I always say, 'as long as they have gravy, everything is going to be okay."

I've always remembered his line and used it many times metaphorically - especially during times of frustration. "As long as there's gravy..."

A couple of weeks ago, I was preparing Thanks-giving dinner. I had my side dishes ready to go in the oven as soon as the turkey came out. I took a final inventory, "Sweet potatoes, stuffing, spicey corn, green bean casserole - where's the...?"

Dang! I forgot to make it, and you cannot serve Thanksgiving dinner without green bean casserole – I'm pretty sure that's illegal in all fifty states.

I quickly grabbed six cans of beans and two of cream of mushroom soup. I bought a large can of French's fried onions - everyone loves lots of crunchies on top. I drained the beans, picked up a brand new 9X13" yellow baking dish. We bought it for our daughter Delaney's birthday. It's her favorite color, and the green beans would look quite appealing against the yellow. I emptied the first can of beans and grabbed another but needed more countertop space to work.

My hands were wet, but I was in a hurry. With a can in my left hand, I lifted the glass dish with my right...

...thirty days...Lake County Pokey...I don't look good in orange...

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SPARK MEANINGFUL FAMILY CONVERSATIONS DURING THE HOLIDAYS

Find the right words to connect with loved ones and capture their stories.



Women Forward | Guest Columnists: Brittany Anderson, Lynne Burgraff, Amber Knips, Tina Coquyt, Marsha Malo and Miranda Tulowetzke Women Forward Leaders, Raymond James Financial Services, Inc. at Sweet Financial Services

As you gather with life? loved ones for the holidays - whether in person or virtually - think about preserving their memories and life lessons through oral histories. Here we've gathered some questions that can lead to meaningful conversations about family and values, along with tips to get you started.

8 questions to ask your loved ones

- 1. What's your favorite place to visit in the world?
- 2. Are there any funny stories you want to tell me about?
- 3. What's been the happiest moment of your a life story

- What are the most important life lessons you've learned?
- What should I know about our family's medical history that could affect my health?
- Tell me about some traditions that have been passed down through our family. When and how did they get started?
- 7. How would you like to be remembered?
- 8. *Is there anything* you've always wanted to tell me but never have?

Setting the stage for

The questions above can help inspire conversation even in an informal setting - but consider taking things a step further by preserving those memories via audio or video.

If your family member is willing, decide whether you'd like to conduct your interview one-on-one or in a group setting. Then, arrange a time and place (or schedule a virtual meeting) and select questions that will get your loved one talking.

Once you've chosen your questions and you're in a quiet and comfortable location, begin your recording. Start by stating the date and the name of the person you're interviewing.

Then, ask a few lighthearted questions to break the ice.

If your interviewee isn't exactly chatty, you might need some cues to get the conversation going. You can break out old family photo albums that might spark memories. Or make it a game: you can buy card decks with questions to ask family members and grandparents, or you can use an app like Conversation Starters.

Sharing treasured moments

Once you've captured the interview, ask whether you may share it with other members of your family such as children or grandchildren. You might even consider using StoryCorps, an app that allows you to upload your recording to their archive at the Library of Congress, which is full of interviews about the lives of everyday people.

With a little effort, you can turn the stories

of the people in your life into treasured keepsakes - portable insight that can be passed along from generation to generation. "If we take the time to listen, we'll find wisdom, wonder and poetry in the lives and stories of the people all around us," says StoryCorps founder David Isay. "We all want to know our lives have mattered and we won't ever be forgotten."

Next steps

- After these conversations, talk with your advisor about how you can incorporate your family values into your financial plan.
- If these family conversations get you thinking about your estate and legacy planning, follow up with your advisor to take action in a coordinated way.
- Consider cluding your advisor in your next family meet-

ing as a neutral third party who can facilitate a discussion about family legacy or charitable

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I AM THEIR **CHRISTMAS TREE**

Guest Columnist



Some would consider it unbelievable that a Christmas tree could express feelings about how it grew and then came into a home at Christmas. How it could bring the joy which can come from being something natural.

My life began in Canada. I started as a single Frazer Fir seed that was planted in the soil of a flat tray. There were several rows of us within each



tray. I remember the day it happened. I could feel the seed swell as my body was being formed. I could feel someone's presence as they watered and cared for me. I sprouted and could feel my body rising up within the soil of the tray. We were many small green stems of green that soon filled the tray. After a period of time, my growers kept track of the time, we were large enough

to be separated, the lower part of our body was put down into a tube of water, and I was placed in a carrying box. day it happened. We were taken to waiting field.

I remember the feeling of the gentle hand that grasped me. They removed the water tube, placed me into a shallow hole, pulled in the loose dirt around me, and then pressed down on the dirt with their foot. All of

in the same manner. We were placed several feet apart so that we would have room to grow. I remember that spring as I could feel the heat of the warm sun on my growing body. I also remember how they watered us to keep us alive during dry weather, kept the weeds away, and sprayed us to protect us from the insects that could damage

After a few years, my branches were trimmed in a certain way. They wanted my body to be full. Some of my branches were trimmed shorter than others. The longer branches would be I remember the a good place to hang Christmas ornaments. Some were not trimmed as some buyers wanted trees as nature had shaped them.

It took six years for me to reach six feet tall. I sensed what was going happen when the large trunk came down the line of trees. We were each cut off at ground level and wrapped with twine. The twine held our branches against our trucks to protect them from breaking. We were us were planted then loaded on a large

truck. It was a long ride. The large truck crossed the Canadian border into Minnesota. I was delivered to a nursery that sold Christmas trees. I was unwrapped and placed in a lot with others. I was pleased when the owner of the nursery walked down the line of trees and selected me. He carried me to a special holding place. He wrote a name on the tag and tied it to one of my branches. It was several days later when they came to get me. I was placed in an antique Christmas tree holder that my new owner had for many years. I

stood in the holder waiting. Then it happened! A pickup drove up and a worker placed me in the back of the pickup. I felt good about what had happened to me. I had been chosen from many and was going to a home that wanted a Frazer Fir for several reasons. They wanted a tree of my size, with fullness of body, some longer branches on which they could hang traditional decorations, and a tree with the smell of a real evergreen.

I now stand in their living room. My trunk is attached firmly within a Christmas tree stand that has a water pan.

They keep the pan full of water. I can feel the water as it moves up through my body. I can feel my needles staying green and strong. I am proud to be fully decorated and standing within such a warm room. I AM THEIR CHRISTMAS TREE and I have a place of honor.

I also know that I will be used after the Christmas season. I will be tied to the pole that holds up their martin house. My thick branches will furnish the birds protection. I will provide a shelter as they fly back and forth to and from the bird feeders.



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WARRANTY DEEDS

Joseph J. Sanders to Cassandra Christians, Christopher Christians, Lot 3, Block 2, Martin Park 2nd Addn.

Danielle Elizabeth Coxon Fett, Danielle Elizabeth Coxon to Amanda Morris, Austin Morris, Pt. NE¼NW¼, 6-103-32

Merle Gieseke to Hugh G. Fraser, Trustee, Jocelyn M. Fraer, Trustee, Jocelyn M. Fraser Revocable Living Trust, Pt. Und. 1/2 Int. NW1/4SW1/4, 26-103-30

Garland Hendricksen, Kathy Hendricksen, Douglas Schiebel, Vickie L. Scheibel to Gary P. Albrecht, Lots 1 and 2, Block 2, Grafs 4th Addn., Truman

Gary P. Albrecht to Linda E. Weed, Lots 1 and 2, Block 2, Grafs 4th Addn., Truman

Thomas D. Hatfield to Becky K. Tow, Thomas W. Tow, S.75' W.129.8', Lot 2, Block 8, Lake George Addn. Benadene McMurtry, Bruce Peters, Paul Peters,

Paula A. Pitman, Elizabeth Viesselman, Richard Viesselman to Darin J. Hagen, Pt. E½SW¼, Pt. W½SE¼, 12-101-32, NE¼NW¼, Ex. RR w/drainage rights, 13-101-32, Pt. N½NE¼, 13-103-32

1105 North State LLC to Hometown Sanitation Services LLC, Pt. Block 3 w/easement, 1st Northeast

OUIT CLAIM DEEDS

Gerald Tietje, Paula Tietje to Gerald Tietje, Paula Tietje, Pt. Govt. Lots 1 and 2, w/easements, 8-101-31

Gary L. Stusse, Susan E. Stusse to Theodore H. Stusse, Pt. N½SW¼, 26-102-31

Theodore H. Stusse to Gary L. Stusse, N½SE¼, Ex. N.33' and EX. 23.14Ac, 5-102-32

TRUSTEE DEEDS

Merle H. Gieseke, Marion A. Gieseke Residual Trust to Hugh G. Fraser, Trustee, Jocelyn M. Fraser, Trustee, Jocelyn M. Fraser Revocable Living Trust, Pt. Und. 1/2 Int. NW1/4SW1/4, 26-103-30

Clarine A. Langford, Dennis D. Langford, Langford Living Trust to Sanders Farms, W½NE¼, 17-104-29

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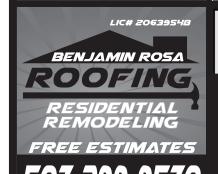
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Are You Still Planning to Retire Early?

Have you your replans changed because of CO-VID-19? If so, you have plenty of company. Nearly 40 percent of those planning to retire say the pandemic has disrupted their intentions, according to the Edward Jones/ Age Wave Four Pillars of the New Retirement study. You might have been thinking about retiring early - can you still do

Even without a crisis, it's not a bad idea to review your important life goals from time to time. So, in thinking about the possibility of early retirement, consider these fac-

• Your retirement lifestyle - Your ability to retire early depends somewhat on what sort of lifestyle you're anticipating during your retirement years. If you think you'll be traveling extensively or pursuing expensive activities, you might not be able to afford to retire as early as someone with more modest ambitions. Of course, there's no "right" or "wrong" way of living in retirement - we all have our own dreams and preferences. But be aware that different lifestyles do carry different price tags and have different effects on when you can retire securely.

 Sources of retirement income - Obviously, a key factor in knowing whether you can retire early is the amount of retirement income you can rely on. So, you'll have to assess all your sources: Social Security, any other pensions you might receive, and your investment portfolio, including your 401(k) and IRA. The amounts you receive from these sources will depend on a variety of factors.

For Social Security, the longer you wait until collecting, the larger your monthly payments (although they will "top out" when you reach 70, excluding cost-of-living adjustments). In regard to your investments and retirement accounts, you'll need to establish a withdrawal rate that's appropriate for the length of time you expect to be retired. So, by adjusting these variables - taking Social Security earlier or later, taking more or less money from your retirement accounts - you can help determine if the retirement date you had in mind is viable.

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from December 29, 2020

thru January 12, 2021

For the following:

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Brittney Johnson Clerk

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work - Your goals are not static - they can change in response to any number of reasons, both external and personal. When you first decided you wanted to retire early, you might have been motivated by, among other things, a weariness of your current job. But has that changed over time? Have you found new challenges that interest you at work? Or, if you were forced by the pandemic to work remotely, did you actually enjoy the arrangement and want to continue it?

After all, many employers have found that their workers can be just as productive working at home, so, even when we've gotten past CO-VID-19, we might see a sizable shift in the geography of the workplace. In any case, if your feelings about work have changed in some way, leading you to think you could work longer than originally planned, you'd likely gain some financial advantages. You'd make more money, for starters, but you'd also keep building your 401(k) and IRA, and you could even possibly delay taking Social Secu-

The pandemic may lead to a reevaluation of many financial goals

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from December 29, 2020

thru January 12, 2021

For the following:

One Supervisor - 3 Yr. Term

Treasurer - 2 Yr. Term

Filing Fee: \$2.00

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- and taking early retirement might be one of them. By thinking carefully about your situation and your options, you can come up with a course of action that's right for you.

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

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FILING NOTICE Affidavits of Candidacy WAVERLY **TOWNSHIP**

Affidavits of Candidacy may be filed with the Clerk at her home:

1530 220th Street Truman, MN 56088

Between 1:00-5:00 p.m. from December 29, 2020 thru January 12, 2021

For the following: One Supervisor - 2 Yr. Term One Clerk/Treasurer - 2 Yr. Term Filing Fee: \$2.00

Margo Paplow, Clerk Waverly Township

NOTICE To The Voters of PLEASANT PRAIRIE **TOWNSHIP**

Filings will open for a two week period on Tuesday, December 29, 2020, and Affidavits of Candidacy may be made in person with the town clerk for the following offices: Supervisor - 3 Years

Treasurer - 2 Years Filings will close on Tuesday, January 12, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. Filing fee is \$2.00. Offices to be filled at the March Annual Election. Published by order of

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Gregory B. Murphy, Clerk 882 250th Ave Fairmont, MN 56031 (507) 236-5350

FILING NOTICE Affidavits of Candidacy LAKE BELT TOWNSHIP

Filing for the offices to be elected at the 2020 Annual Election will open Tuesday, December 29, 2020 for:

One Supervisor - 3 Year Term One Clerk - 1 Year Term One Treasurer - 2 Year Term

Affidavits of Candidacy may be filed with the Clerk at: 413 80th Ave Dunnell, MN 56127

Filing Fee is \$2.00 Filings will close Tuesday, January 12, 2021 at 5 p.m.

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PUBLIC ACCESS RESTRICTIONS NARTIN COUNTY OFFICES

Beginning Monday, November 23, 2020 public access to Martin County Offices and all other county facilities/ offices will be restricted until further notice. Courts will remain open for scheduled hearings.

Members of the public are encouraged to conduct business with county staff by telephone, email, outside drop box, or special appointment. The public is requested to follow health and safety guidelines and keep a safe distance from employees and other visitors. Wearing face masks is required while visiting county buildings.

A listing of main office telephone numbers can be found at http://www.co.martin.mn.us/index.php/contact

CITY OF CEYLON

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-5

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 8.38, SUBD 4 OF THE CEYLON CITY CODE REDEFINING DUTIES OF CITY OFFICIALS, ABATEMENT PROCEDURE AND PENALTIES OF GENERAL NUISANCES.

The City Council of Ceylon, Minnesota ordains:

SECTION 8.39 DUTIES OF CITY OFFICIALS

- ABATEMENT PROCEDURE
- RECOVERY OF COST
- PENALTY
- **SEVERABILITY**
- EFFECTIVE DATE

Passed by the City Council of Ceylon, Minnesota this 8th day of December 2020.

Mayor Fred Schmidtke

Attested: Mary M Muller Clerk~Treasurer

Introduced: October 13, 2020 Adopted: December 8, 2020 Published: December 16, 2020

A full copy of the ordinance is available for inspection by any person during regular business hours at the office of the City Clerk for the City of Ceylon.

Published in the Fairmont Photo Press on Deecember 16, 2020

UPCOMING AUCTIONS

FARMLAND AUCTION: Friday, December 18, 2020 @ Auction time at 2 PM: Auction will be held at Martin Luther HS Gymnasium at 315 Martin Luther Dr, Northrop, MN or ONLINE via Zoom-SCHWANZ ESTATE-153.54 Acres +/- located in Section 34 of South Branch Township, Watonwan County, MN. Sale to be held ONLINE. For full flyer, booklet & bidding details, visit www.landservicesunlimited.com or contact Dustyn Hartung 507-236-7629

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from December 29, 2020 thru January 12, 2021 For the following:

One Supervisor - 3 Yr. Term Filing Fee: \$2.00

Roxane Wedel, Clerk Rutland Township

NOTICE To The Voters Of **FAIRMONT TOWNSHIP**

Filing for the following office to be elected at the 2021 Annual Election will open Tuesday, December 29, 2020

Supervisor - 3 Year Term Clerk - 2 Year Term Affidavits of Candidacy may be filed with the clerk at: 1113 250th Ave. Fairmont, MN 56031

Filing will close on Tuesday, January 12, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. Published by Order of The

FAIRMONT TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Angie Dietz, Clerk

FILING NOTICE Affidavits Of Candidacy SILVER LAKE **TOWNSHIP**

Affidavits of Candidacv may be filed with the Clerk at his home: 1943 70th Street Fairmont, MN Between 1:00 - 5:00 p.m. from December 29, 2020 thru January 12, 2021

For the following: One Supervisor - 3 Year Term Treasurer - 2 Year Term

> Randy Musser, Clerk SILVER LAKE **TOWNSHIP**

Affidavits Of Candidacy TOWNSHIP

Filing for the offices to be elected at the 2020 Annual Election will open From Tuesday, December 29, 2019- January 12, 2021 One Supervisor - 3 year term One Treasurer - 2 year term Affidavits of Candidacy may be filed with the Clerk at: 1544 90th Street Fairmont, MN 56031 Filing fee is \$2.00.

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VOLLEYBALL **AWARDS - Fairmont** Cardinal volleyball team awards: MVP junior Brittney Mosloski; Best Defensive Player - senior Madysen Allen; Best Offensive Player - junior Brittney Mosloski; Team Spirit - senior Sabrina Segar; **Outstanding Team** Member - senior Bryn Miller. Most Improved - Mikayla Fitzloff.

YEARS AGO IN THE PHOTO PRESS

December 13, 1995

A five generation picture featured great-great grandfather Elmer Lidke, great grandmother Arlene Saxton, grandfather Bruce Saxton, all of Fairmont and Jody Saxton West of Faribault, holding her son Gunner Christian.

The Fairmont Women of Today announced that their Outstanding Young Adult for 1995-96 was Eleanor Bishop, daughter of Nancy and David Bishop of Fairmont. Ellie received a plaque and a \$100 scholarship and will advance to state competition.

Members of the Vikings Cheerleaders were to sign autographs at NAPA Auto Parts in Fairmont. The 1996 Minnesota Vikings Cheerleader calendar would be available for \$12.

Nancy Olson of Fairmont won a 1995 Ducks Unlimited wildlife print at Bank Midwest's Christmas Open House. The print was painted by Rick Kelly.

Movies at the all new Fair Lakes Cinema 5, located next to K-Mart, were Jumanji, Sabrina, Father of the Bride 2, Powder, Now and Then and Money Train.

YEARS AGO IN THE PHOTO PRESS

December 13, 1970

The Fairmont City Council was informed that workman's compensation insurance for the city and Public Utilities Commission would be cancelled at the end of the year, due to large claims during the past year. A new policy was to be submitted to the council by Lowell Joerg, Fairmont insurance representative.

Friendship Village opening date had been delayed, due to heavy rains. Originally planned for January, it was re-set for sometime in April or May to allow building sidewalks and extending some city streets.

The Worthington Trojans administered a double beating in that city, following the Cardinal opener in Albert Lea, where they lost also. Fairmont coach Hanson said the Cardinals would be facing taller opponents all season, and the team was sadly short of experienced players.

Fairmont gymnastics squad opened the season with a 62.5-52.5 victory over Robbinsdale-Armstrong (Minneapolis). The local B squad also looked impressive over Armstrong, 72-33.

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1 Cards of Thanks

Meyer: Thank you for the flowers, phone calls and cards for our 70th Anniversary celebration- it made it very special! We are deeply thankful for our children, 11 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren. We thank God for His many blessings. Ollie & Eunice Meyer. 32-1tp-1

Fisher: Thank you all from the bottom of my heart for making my birthday so special. I feel so blessed. Lu Fisher. 32-1tp-1

Moeller: Thank you for prayers and cards that helped me get through my injuries following my accident. My address is 2610 Poetter Circle, Fairmont. Please keep in touch. Praise God for healing. Thank you, Sammie Moeller. 32-1tp-1

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