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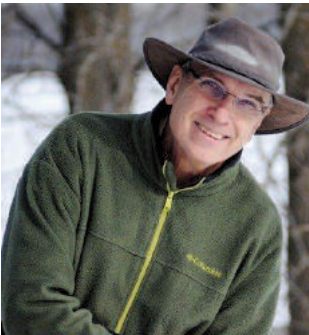
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The guy from just down the road

By Al Batt



I'm washing my hands while writing this.

I'm trying to enjoy myself while social distancing.

I've nowhere to go but where I am. COVID-19 has become those ubiquitous orange barrels closing lanes. I've got the "Gas prices are low and I've got no place to go" blues. Stiff upper lip and all that rot.

My mother gave me excellent advice during my formative years. "Wash your hands," has proven to be wonderful guidance. I'm trying to flatten the curve. Our vocabularies have expanded. I never thought "social distancing" and "flattening the curve" would become my goals.

We weren't promised lives with rich, nougaty centers. I'm no longer being clever when I say "Sneeze and thank you" instead of "Gesundheit." A shortage of hand sanitizers has given people another reason to buy vodka. Vodka isn't an effective hand sanitizer, but it's an excuse for purchasing alcohol.

I'm a shaker and a hugger who scratches his chin thoughtfully. As an alternative to handshakes, I tap my chest over my heart twice, either with a closed or open hand, and then point my forefinger at someone. Or I place my hand over my heart and smile/nod as a greeting. Friends taught me the footshake, a quick tap of my shoe to another's. I worry it's a social distancing violation. A simple, friendly wave might best suit me.

I wash my hands for 20 seconds about once every 60 seconds. I sing the Happy Birthday song twice as a timer. A song by Ray

Charles works, "Hit the road Jack and don't you come back / No more, no more, no more, no more / Hit the road Jack and don't you come back no more." I've also used Janis Joplin's big hit, "Oh Lord, won't you buy me a Mer-

cedes-Benz / My friends all drive Porsches I must make amends / Worked hard all my lifetime no help from my friends / So Lord, won't you buy me a Mercedes-Benz."

I experienced the emptiness of a toilet paper aisle

in a big-box store. They were out of both the over and the under kind of rolls. The "100 toilet paper rolls or more" checkout lane had been busy. I wanted to stand in front of the void and take a shelfie.

I watched the Central

Plains, Kansas, girls high school basketball team win its 136th straight game; their season cut short by COVID-19 just two games away from winning their seventh consecutive state title. The school

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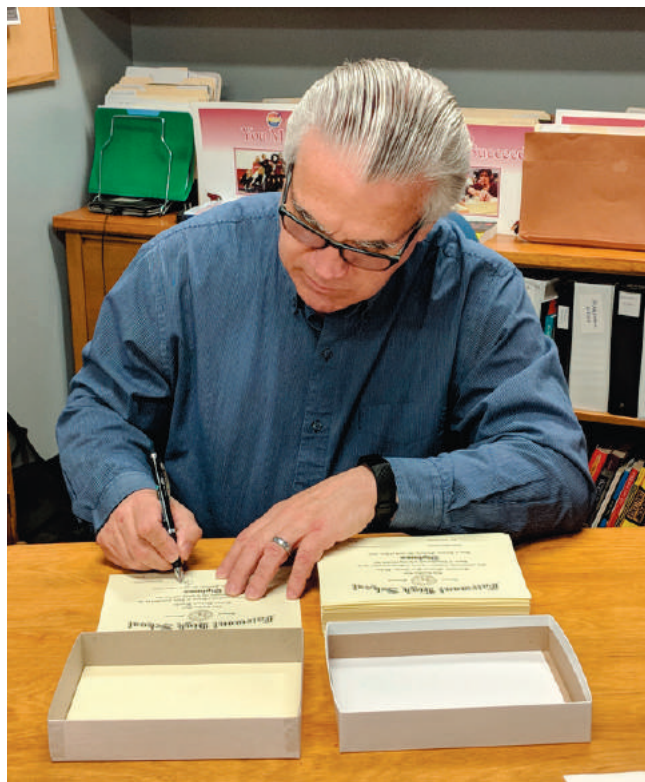
Open Monday-Saturday 8:00 am - 7:00 pm

The early closure will provide for additional cleaning and sanitation measures in our stores, as well as time for restocking inventory.

The first hour of business from 8:00 am - 9:00 am will be reserved for those customers who are 65 and over, expecting mothers, those living with a serious chronic medical condition, and anyone with an underlying medical condition that increases the susceptibility to serious illness from COVID-19.

We appreciate the advance cooperation from our customers in respecting the hour reserved for those that are at higher risk.

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Fairmont High School graduation tradition continues. Superintendent Brown has finished signing high school student diplomas. Here's to the Class of 2020. (Submitted photo)

Positive Messages Campaign from the MCSAP Coalition put in school lunch bags

The Martin County Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition (MCSAP) is using the Martin County Schools' bag lunch program to distribute sheets with word find puzzles and positive messages.

The messages are going out to all the schools in Martin County to be placed in the bags of their meal programs that are handed out to the students while at-home learning is taking place. A new word find puzzle and positive message is distributed each week in the students, lunch bags. Older students can do the word finds alone, and younger students can do them with help from their family members.

"I think one of the coolest things about this whole program is that we are reminding students of the positive truth that most students are making healthy choices and choosing not to drink, vape or do drugs and it is a good reminder to look for the positive and help it grow right now! It is also great to see this meal program is keeping many of our school employees working at this time as well.

"School bus drivers are delivering the lunches to different spots around the community, paraprofessionals are handing out the meals to the students and their families, and the school lunch staffs are working to pack them and get them ready to send out to our students and their families. It is awesome for us to be able to share these positive messages that our students can read with activities they can do with their parents which will help them talk about han-

dling stress in situations such as this, and keep the positive communications open!" said Steph Johnson, MCSAP Coalition Project Coordinator.

Driver's Licenses and ID Cards

Governor Walz has signed a bill that includes an extension for Minnesotans whose driver's licenses or ID cards expire during the coronavirus shutdown. The law extends the expiration date for any valid driver's license, instruction permit, provisional license, operator's permit, limited license or farm work license that expires during the peacetime emergency.

The expiration dates for these licenses will be extended for two months after the month the peacetime emergency ends.

President Trump HAS extended the federal requirement for a REAL/Enhanced license or ID as a federal identification in order to fly until October of 2021.

NOTICE TO OUR FAIRMONT READERS

As of April 1st, our readers in Fairmont who received their Photo Press by carriers, will receive it by mail, on Thursdays.

For the protection and safety of our carriers because of the corona virus, we are switching to mail for those readers who ordinarily were served by our carriers. Hopefully, we will soon be able to revert back to carrier delivery.

If you received your Photo Press by carrier, please look for your Photo Press on Thursday when you receive your mail.

For the rest of our circulation area, you will continue to receive the Photo Press by mail on Thursdays.

Thanks for your understanding during these trying times.

Photo Press Circulation Department



Julia Okerman performs with SDSU band

South Dakota State University students performed in the 2020 North-Central Intercollegiate Honor Band Feb. 20-22 in Chicago at DePaul University.

From Fairmont, Julia Okerman, trumpet, senior music major from Fairmont, Minnesota, was one of the 91 band members participating.

The band, which was organized by the North-Central Region of the College Band Director's National Association, played four pieces in a one-hour concert under the direction of J. Eric Wilson, director of bands at Baylor University.

Students are nominated by their college band directors. After being selected to participate, students then auditioned for chair placement within the group at the conference.

The 2020 North-Central Intercollegiate Honor Band featured students from colleges and universities in Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota and Wisconsin.

The monthly Community Coffee Party at the East Chain United Methodist church is cancelled for April. Have a Blessed Easter and hopefully we'll see you in May. Stay home/Stay well! Alice Barnes 507-236-1137

FCH Foundation's annual meeting

FCH Foundation's Annual Meeting is being postponed until a future date when the quarantine has been lifted.

The safety and health of the community is, as always, our top priority in this time. As we watch the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic situation evolve, we will follow safety guidelines outlined by government health organizations. Questions or concerns can be directed to Kayla Caven at 507-236-3397.

Hy-Vee adds more protective measures

Hy-Vee, Inc. is announcing additional changes to its operations to help protect its employees and customers in response to the evolving coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak.

Over the upcoming days, all Hy-Vee stores will install additional temporary window panels on the back side of checkouts to help provide an additional layer of protection for both cashiers and customers. The panels are in addition to the panels already positioned on the front side of checkouts.

Hy-Vee is also placing new, one-way directional signage in its aisles that will be installed in all stores. The signage will direct customers to utilize aisles in a way that prevents them from passing each other, in an effort to maintain six feet of social distancing throughout the store.

Also customers shopping at all Hy-Vee locations will be strongly encouraged to follow a "one person per cart" rule to avoid multiple family members from accompanying a customer on shopping visits. Hy-Vee is asking that customers try to designate one person per family to visit the store during each visit and to avoid shopping in large groups in an effort to limit the number of people in stores at any given time.



PYTLESKI 50TH - Jim and Sylvia Pytleski are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary. They were married April 11th, 1970. Cards can reach them at 516 254th Avenue, Fairmont, MN 56031 (Submitted photos)



I-90 project starts in late April

Weather permitting, eastbound Interstate 90 from Fairmont to Blue Earth will begin to close for construction the week of April 27.

Faribault County Road 1 (Guckeen) bridge over I-90 will close for construction as early as April 20 and the associated ramps with I-90 will close the following week.

Westbound I-90 traffic should also expect some short-term lane closures during the week of April 20 as crews set barriers.

I-90 traffic will be carried one lane each way in the westbound lanes with reduced speeds for the duration of the project. Completion is expected in October.

Following guidance from state health officials and to prevent further spread of COVID-19, MnDOT crews will maintain social distancing practices while working.

Fairmont area motorists are reminded that the Highway 15 ramps will close for about three weeks at a date to be determined and announced later.

This is the second year of a two-year project; the westbound lanes of I-90 were constructed last year.

The 2019-20 project includes resurfacing the 16 miles of both westbound (2019) and eastbound (2020) interstate lanes with concrete for a long-term fix as well as making improvements at bridges, culverts and drainage pipes. The project also includes adding interchange lighting at County High-

ways 53 and 1.

More information and maps of the traffic impacts can be found at www.mndot.gov/d7/projects-i-90fairmontblueearth/.

Croell, Inc. of New Hampton, Iowa was awarded the project with a bid of \$38,540,707.

For updated road condition information, call 511 or visit www.511mn.org, www.mndot.gov

Truman Historical Society memorials

The Truman Historical Association received memorials 1-1-20 thru 3-31-20. These memorials are very much appreciated.

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Fairmont's Culligan acquires 4 franchises

Healthy Water Solutions, LLC of Fairmont announces the acquisition of the Culligan franchises operating out of Mankato, Madelia, and Redwood Falls Minnesota. The franchises originated in 1939 when Emmett Culligan approached Lucille Nuebert and her husband, Merle Sophy with the business opportunity while they were living in Rapid City South Dakota. In 1939, the water treatment business was in its infancy, so the owners of the franchise worked hard and were innovative to build the Culligan brand into one known for high quality products and services.

Rich Johnson, a third generation Culligan Man, and owner of Culligan in Fairmont, has partnered with multi-industry veteran Dave Cone of Fairmont to make this exciting acquisition possible. Rich has been a Culligan Water dealer for 23 years, and the Johnson family has been in the Culligan business for over 71 years.

Dave has extensive experience in business management involving organizations with sales and service much like Culligan. Dave's education background and professional experience coupled with that of Rich's Culligan experience is sure to increase the value proposition for valued customers in a large geographic area. It is of major significance that this acquisition also includes a large scale certified bottled water operation located in Madelia. The plant produces between 15,000 and 25,000 5-gallon eco-friendly bottles of drinking water each month.

The bottled water, featuring returnable and re-usable bottles, is distributed in a large geographic area in Minnesota by scheduled route deliveries or as an item to pick-up at the retail locations in Mankato, Madelia, Jackson, and Redwood Falls.

In a separate transaction, Rich, through his

Culligan Water franchise in Fairmont, has acquired the Culligan Water franchise in Jackson. The Jackson location will be operated in conjunction with the existing Fairmont operation, and customers will be served by either retail location.

Since 1939, the Culligan franchises have provided solutions to treat hard water and consumers realize savings and benefits in multiple ways in homes and businesses from soft water solutions. Over the years, as water quality has gained heightened awareness, and as technologies such as a reverse osmosis and custom water filtration have evolved, Culligan has made strides to improve household drinking water and also provide high purity water solutions for commercial and industrial applications.

According to Rich and Dave, "We will continue to provide great service to our customers and new customers." The flexible offerings continue to be professional assessment of water treatment needs, estimates for solutions including installation, monthly equipment rental, purchase plans with financing, on-going services for salt and bottled water delivery, on-premise maintenance and manufacturer warranty services, and ongoing service as needed.

Culligan Water can be reached for consumer inquiries at these locations.

Fairmont - 507-238-4451, www.culliganfairmont.com

1030 N. State Street
Fairmont, MN 56031

Jackson - 507-847-3920, www.culliganjacksonmn.com

212 2nd Street
Jackson, MN 56143

Madelia - 507-642-3510, www.culliganmadelia.com

103 West Main Street
Madelia MN 56062

Mankato - 507-388-2971, www.culliganmankato.com

723 South Front Street
Mankato, MN 56001

Redwood Falls - 507-637-2450, www.culliganredwoodfalls.com

411 East Tin Street

Redwood Falls, MN 56283

Video Visits offered at 17 nursing homes by MCHS

To keep vulnerable patients connected to care during the COVID-19 pandemic, Mayo Clinic Health System recently began video health care visits in 17 Southwest Minnesota nursing homes.

Mayo Clinic Health System is providing 17 digital tablets to the nursing facilities, and with just a few clicks, nursing home patients can be connected to providers who can answer health questions and address concerns.

The nursing homes in our immediate area include:

Lakeview Methodist Health Care Center, Fairmont

Truman Senior Living, Truman

Seasons Health Care, Trimont

Valley View Care Center, Armstrong

"Many of our nursing home patients are the most vulnerable, and they're in an age group that is associated with higher risks for complications and death from COVID-19," says Susan Laabs, M.D., regional medical director for Senior Services at Mayo Clinic Health System. "These patients can't receive visitors, and they can't leave the facility for care, so this is a good way for our providers to meet with our patients and provide care exactly where they are."

Interest in telehealth has grown during the COVID-19 pandemic as more people look for ways to maintain their health care while staying at home. But Mayo Clinic Health System began enhancing the telehealth tools available

for patients to manage their health care and receive services long before the COVID-19 pandemic.

"Mayo Clinic can go out to where our patients are digitally, rather than forcing the patients to come to our facilities if they don't need to be in our buildings for the care they're getting," says Steve Ommen, M.D., medical director for Mayo Clinic's Center for Connected Care, which provides the infrastructure and tools to practice medicine in innovative ways.

Other ways Mayo Clinic Health System plans to bring health care to the patient is through eConsults, rather than phone or face-to-face meetings. Dr. Ommen describes it as the medical version of texting but in an official and secure way. eConsults allow a Mayo specialist to answer a provider's focused question about a patient's diagnosis or therapy, or how to manage a patient.

Another way is through tele-emergency video visits, which already are in place at many medical centers and provide emergency care to patients in rural settings when Mayo Clinic specialists can't physically be there.

Work continues on broadly implementing the video visits through the Center for Connected Care at Mayo Clinic.

For the latest updates about COVID-19 and local care options, visit mayo-clinichealthsystem.org/Covid19.

What's Cooking

with Kathy Lloyd

Trading sugar for Fat!

Pa Lloyd's A1C was elevated so that means we have to go easy on the carbs, and as a sweet eater this is really difficult for him. My daughter Mary recently tried the Keto diet which worked for her . . . she lost 30 pounds but I have a difficult time with the high fat content of the Keto recipes. I couldn't do it as a regular diet change. She did share a Keto cheese cake recipe with me which I tried yesterday and I had a piece this morning for breakfast. I will make it again, it satisfied that craving for something sweet.

I hope you are all staying home and staying safe, I know its hard but may save the life of a loved one!

New Your Style Keto Cheesecake

24 oz. of cream cheese, softened
5 Tabls. soft butter
1 cup powdered Swerve Sweetener (artificial sweetener)
3 large eggs, room temperature
3/4 cup sour cream, room temperature
2 tsp. lemon zest
1 1/2 tsp. vanilla extract

Instructions; Preheat the oven to 300 degrees and generously grease a 9-inch springform pan. Cut a circle of parchment to fit the bottom of the pan and grease the paper. Wrap 2 layers of aluminum foil around the outside of the pan to cover the bottom and most of the way up the sides.

In a large bowl, beat the cream cheese and but-

ter until smooth, then beat in the sweetener until well combined. Add the eggs, one at a time, beating after each addition. Clean the beaters and scrape down the sides of the bowl as needed.

Add the sour cream, lemon zest and vanilla and beat until the batter is smooth and well combined. Pour into the prepared springform pan and smooth the top. Set the pan inside a roasting pan large enough to prevent the sides from touching. Place the roasting pan in the oven and carefully pour boiling water into the roasting pan until it reaches halfway up the sides of the pan. Bake for 70-90 minutes, until the cheese cake is mostly set but still jiggles just a little in the center when shaken. Remove from oven then carefully remove the springform pan from the water bath. Let cool to room temperature. Run a sharp knife around the edges of the cake to loosen, then release the sides of the pan. Refrigerate for at least 4 hours before serving. You can top with whipped topping, fruit or both.

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Eugene W. Borchardt, 88

Private family services for Eugene W. Borchardt, 88, of Fairmont, MN, will be held in April with burial in Lakeside Cemetery. A celebration of life service for all of Gene’s family and

friends will be held at a later date. Gene passed away Friday evening, March 27, 2020, at the Mayo Clinic Health Systems in Mankato, MN. The Lakeview Funeral Home and Cremation Service of Fairmont is assisting the family with arrangements.

Eugene W. Borchardt was born on April 5, 1931, in East Chain, MN, the son of Reinhart G. and Lillian E. (Rowley) Borchardt. He attended school in East Chain and graduated from East Chain High School with the class of 1949. Gene would then go on to further his education attending the Minneapolis Business College in Minneapolis.

On June 16, 1951, Gene was united in marriage

to Ardis E. Kuenle at the St. Paul E & R Church in Pleasant Prairie Township. Together the couple were blessed with 6 children, Cynthia, Mike, Doug, Rick, Mark and Dan.

On February 8, 1952, Gene enlisted with the United States Army where he was stationed at Ft. Riley, Kansas and served his country proudly during the Korean War. On February 7, 1954, Gene received his honorable discharge and he and his family returned to Fairmont.

Gene began working at Glenn Reed Tire in 1954 and in 1982, Gene became co-owner. On March 25, 1984, Ardis passed away, but Gene was blessed to find love again when he met and married

Marilyn (Baarts) Sweet at St. John’s UCC Church in Fairmont on May 4, 1985 and he welcomed her son Bryan into his family. Gene continued working until his retirement on January 1, 1994. He and Marilyn then enjoyed traveling and spending winters in Weslaco, TX.

Gene was very active in the community, serving as a past board member of Lakeside Cemetery, Pack #68 Cub Scout Leader, Council Member of St. John UCC, and board member of the Martin County Historical Society and Martin County Genealogical Society. Gene was proud of his time in the military and was an active member of the Korean War Veterans Chap-

ter # 254 and life member of Lee C. Prentice American Legion Post #36 where he served as Chaplain presenting the flag to the families of over 500 veterans. Family was extremely important to Gene as he looked forward to spending time with family and friends and especially guys night out with his boys.

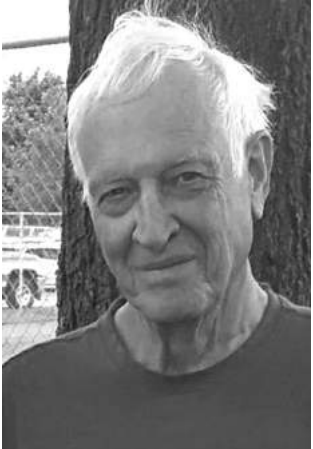
Left to cherish his memory is his wife, Marilyn Borchardt; children, Mike (Debra) Borchardt, Doug Borchardt, Rick Borchardt, Mark (Tami) Borchardt, Dan (Rena) Borchardt, and Bryan (Mary Beth) Sweet; seven grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; two sisters, Judy (Wayne) Frank, and Gloria Oveson; brother, Roger (Doris) Borchardt;

as well as many nieces, nephews, extended family and friends.

Gene was preceded in death by his parents, Reinhart and Lillian Borchardt; wife, Ardis; daughter, Cynthia Lynn; brothers, Elwin Borchardt and Gordon Borchardt; sisters, Marcella Williams, Delores Halvorson, and Lavonne Borchardt; and in-laws, Carol Borchardt, Don Williams, and Ed Halvorson.

The family requests memorials be left in Gene’s name to St. John’s United Church of Christ in Fairmont, Martin County Historical Society, and Martin County Genealogical Society.

www.lakeviewfuneralhome.net



James B. Clover, 73

Services for James B. “Brent” Clover, age 73, of Fairmont, MN, will be

held at a later date. Brent passed away on Friday, March 27, 2020, at his home in Fairmont. The Lakeview Funeral Home and Cremation Service in Fairmont is assisting the family with arrangements.

James Brent Clover was born on August 2, 1946, in Colorado Springs, CO. He was the son of James and Lucille Clover. Brent lived in Colorado Springs until moving to Fairmont in 1972.

On January 1, 2003, Brent was united in marriage to Ruth (Striemer) Lewis in Fairmont, MN. The couple resided in Fairmont where Brent worked

as a Deputy Sheriff for Martin County for over twenty years until his retirement in 1999.

Brent was a member of the Fairmont Jaycees as well as the Fairmont Opera House Civic Summer Theater where he worked as a set builder. During his free time, Brent enjoyed riding his motorcycle, boating, reading, fishing, putting together models, watching movies, and kite flying. He has also earned his flight license and loved aviation and flying. Brent found the most enjoyment while spending time with his children and grandchildren.

On August 3, 1965, Brent enlisted in the Army where he served in the 101st Airborne Division until receiving his honorable discharge on July 12, 1968. During his service, Brent earned the Parachute Badge, National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, and Vietnam Campaign Medal as well as an Army Commendation Medal and Purple Heart. He served in Vietnam and later in Kosovo from 1999 to 2000 as part of the United Nations International Police Mission.

Left to cherish his memory include his wife, Ruth

Clover of Fairmont, MN; children, Andrea (Clover) Coakley and her husband, Joe, Bridget (Clover) Fortin and her husband, Jamie, and Katie (Clover) Diaz and her husband, Tyler; step-children, Hollie (Lewis) Beckord and her husband, Andy, Andy Lewis and his wife, Molly, Katie (Lewis) Lee and her husband, Eric, and Cameron Abbey; sister, Sandy Perkins and her husband, John; niece, Shannon Perkins; fifteen grandchildren, Emily, Megan, Jake, and Abbey Coakley, Anika, Jax, and Colt Fortin, Harper and Karsen Diaz, Anna and Mina Beckord,

Porter, Lincoln, and Cally Lewis, and Cora Lee; former wife, Pat Meyer and her husband, Mike; mother-in-law, Bettie Striemer; his cats, Heather, Harley, and Lucky; many other relatives and friends.

Along with his parents, James and Lucille Clover, Brent was preceded in death by his infant son, Eric Clover; and brother, Greg Clover.

Memorials are preferred to the Martin County Humane Society in lieu of flowers.

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Genevieve Kosbab, 81

Genevieve (Jen) Kosbab, age 81, passed away on Monday, March 30th, at the Mayo Clinic Health Systems in Mankato, MN,

due to pneumonia/COVID-19. A private family graveside service will be held for her at St. James Lutheran Cemetery, Northrop. Cards and expressions of sympathy may reach the family at: 1824 210th Ave. Fairmont, MN. The Lakeview Funeral Home and Cremation Service of Fairmont is assisting the family with arrangements.

Genevieve Helen (Blom) Kosbab was born on June 22nd, 1938 to John and Lillian (Klien) Blom on the farm in Lake Belt Township in Martin County, MN. She attended grade school in Ceylon

and also graduated from the Ceylon High School.

Genevieve was united in marriage to Rollo Kosbab on June 7th, 1959, in Ceylon, MN. This marriage was blessed with six children, Dale, Robin, Jody, Toni, Tim and Chad. Jen and Rollo made their home on a farm north of Northrop. Jen worked at First National Bank in Fairmont until the birth of their first child. Then she worked side by side with her husband on the farm.

She had a plaque in her kitchen that read “All work and no pay makes a farmer’s wife.”

In Jen’s free time, she

played on a lady’s softball team, a bowling league, served on the Pork Producers, was in a Project Club, Ladies Eve circle and many other committees for church. She also volunteered at the Fairmont Hospital.

When the children attended Northrop parochial school Jen was the taxicab for many sporting and school events. She also enjoyed her many hours of mowing. Jen and Rollo could be found quite often watching their children, grandchildren and great grandchildren at sporting and school events.

She leaves behind

her loving husband of 60 years, Rollo; Six children: Dale (Jacy) Kosbab, Robin (Steve) Bretey, Jody (Keith) Franck, Toni (Jeff) Peterson, Tim (Loretta) Kosbab and Chad (Mandi) Kosbab; 27 grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren; four sisters: Barb (Larry) Schmidt, Gloria Martin, Judi (John) Krizek, Linda (Chuck) Westphal; Two brothers: Bob (Lynor) Blom, Lloyd (Paula) Blom; Brothers-in-law: Maynard Bettin, Richard Schultze and Bob Kosbab; sister-in-law, Phyllis Kosbab, and many nieces and nephews.

Jen was preceded in

death by her parents, John and Lillian Blom; sisters: Margaret Bettin and Julaine Schultze; mother and father-in-law, Henry and Lillian Kosbab; sisters-in-law: Esther and Dorwin Mohwinkel, Helen and Leo Becker and Pat Kosbab; brothers-in-law Dave Fanter, Ronald Martin, Bill Smith, Herbert and Lorna Kosbab and Delbert Kosbab; three nephews and four nieces.

The family request that memorials be given in Jen’s name to St. James Lutheran Church, Northrop.

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Stanley D. Olson, 87

Stanley Darrell Olson was born on August 26th, 1932, at the Fairmont Hospital, the son of David and Edith (Ackerson) Olson. He grew up on a farm in

the East Chain area. As a child he enjoyed playing basketball, especially using his hook shot. He attended East Chain School and graduated in 1950.

On August 22, 1954, Stanley was united in marriage to Irene Langemo at the Holden Lutheran Church, Kenyon, MN. Together the couple made their home on a farm near East Chain. They were blessed with three children, Karen, Mark, and Stephen. Stanley liked feeding hundreds of cattle. In 1962, he was named the Minnesota Outstanding Young Farmer. This opened the world for the family, as they traveled to

Europe, the former Eastern Europe, and the former Soviet Union.

Family gatherings were important to Stanley, as he grew up with Ackerson and Olson cousins in the area. This continued with his children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren now.

On March 30th, 2020, Stanley passed away at the age of 87, at the Lakeview Methodist Health Care Center. Then on March 31st, 2020, a small group of family members gathered at the East Chain Evangelical Free Church cemetery for his burial service. At the end of the service, many pick-ups and cars slowly filed by to give the

family their condolences. The family deeply appreciated this.

Left to cherish his memory are his children, Karen (Cory) Erickson of Mt. Horeb, WI, Mark (Donna) Olson of East Chain, and Stephen Olson of East Chain; grandchildren along with great grandchildren, Kristin (Zhao) Hu with Maya and Magnus, Katie (Huy) Do with Lana; Marie (Matt) Mehlhaf; Amy (Tyler) Groh with Mia, Bjorn (Hannah) Olson with Sophie and Soren, Aeli Olson, Signe Olson, and their mother, Amalia Olson; Stephanie Olson and her mother Linda Olson; sister-in-laws, Helen (Michael) Miller

and Judy Langemo; as well as many extended family and friends.

Stanley was preceded in death by his parents, his brother, LeRoy (Janice) Olson, and Irene Olson. The family hopes to hold a visitation for Stanley on August 20th, 2020, at the Lakeview Methodist Health Care Center, and a memorial service on August 21st, 2020, at the East Chain Evangelical Free Church. The family wishes to deeply thank the staff of the Lakeview Methodist Health Care Center for their thoughtful care of Stanley these past years.

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Top tips to deep clean this spring

(BPT) - This year spring cleaning is more than ever about the deep clean. Spring typically inspires a little more time dedicated to cleaning, in fact, a recent survey commissioned by Bona and conducted by Harris Poll found that more than half of U.S. adults say that the start of spring triggers extra cleaning in the household. While in the past it might have been more about simply dusting hard-to-reach corners and cleaning out the fridge, this year it's also about deep cleaning and disinfecting for health and safety.

Here are a few tips to deep clean this spring for anyone tackling the task.

Focus on

high-use areas first

It may not be realistic to deep clean your whole

home in one weekend so consider targeting busy areas of your home first. Bedrooms, bathrooms, family room, kitchen and entry areas likely get the most foot traffic, so start there and leave lesser used areas of the home for later. Gather some helpers and set a timeframe to establish a clear goal and end time. Consider a second round of cleaning if you're unable to complete the task.

Clear out the clutter

Create a system that works for you to clear out the clutter and make space to deep clean. Set up boxes or bags clearly labeled "Trash," "Recycle," "Donate," and "Belongs elsewhere." Go through each target room, putting anything that shouldn't be there in one of the labeled containers.

Be sure to get these boxes or bags where they belong to avoid additional house clutter (we've all

been guilty of moving a pile from one room to another!). You'll feel lighter and happier just seeing those boxes and bags head out the door. Consider tasking a family member with trash or donation drop-off.

Prioritize large areas

Once you've cleared the excess clutter, wipe down the room from top to bottom. Clean the dust accumulated on top of bookshelves or ceiling fans first, then wipe down walls from top to bottom to remove dust and grime, using a microfiber mop or cloth. Prioritize large surfaces like countertops and tables as well as potential germ hotspots like the kitchen sink. Finish up with the floors by vacuuming carpet or by using a cleaner tailored for your hardwood or hard-surface floors.

Disinfect

At every opportunity look for areas that can

be disinfected. Focus on high-use items and areas like remote controls, door-knobs, drawer pulls, and keypads. Consider using products that use hydrogen peroxide, a proven, healthier way to kill germs. Many traditional antibacterial cleaners use quaternary ammonium compounds or "quats." This specific class of chemicals is linked to skin irritation and respiratory problems and use of quats is contributing to the global problem of antimicrobial resistance.

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Finishing touches

Once you've thoroughly cleaned and refreshed your rooms, brainstorm other ways to improve your living space:

• Donate excess, little-used furniture to create

more space

• Identify tasks best left to professionals, like exterior window cleaning or hardwood floor refinishing

• Display brightly colored artwork to renew your walls

• Set out a vase or two of colorful flower arrangements

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Top ways to lighten up your home workspace

(StatePoint) Many people have found themselves working from home.

Whether setting up shop at the kitchen table or creating a complete home office, here are simple hacks to make your new work environment comfortable and productive.

"No matter which room becomes your workspace,

proper lighting plays a key role in avoiding fatigue, eye strain and other discomforts," said Jennifer Kis, director of marketing communications, Progress Lighting.

Begin by defining your workspace. Setting up on the kitchen or dining table can work -- temporarily. The upside is that it's quick and easy. But these rooms are typically high-traffic areas, leading to distractions. Plus, you might have to pack up work at meal-times. Instead, re-purpose a small table and chair and place it in an out-of-the-way spot, such as a stairwell or bedroom corner.

Next, think about lighting. Layering light is a basic technique that should be used in every room, but especially home offices.

"Balance the lighting for different times of day. Natural light for day, layered light for afternoon and task lighting at night," recommends Piper Stromatt, lead designer and partner for Curate Custom Homes. "There are three layers of light to consider: ambient or general light, task lighting and decorative or accent lighting."

Select a location with a good source of ambient light. Natural light is ideal: it diffuses throughout the space, bouncing off walls and ceilings to cut down on glare that can reflect on the computer monitor and the shiny desk surface.

"When selecting ambient light sources, the goal is to illuminate the entire space without creating undue glare and contrast, which can lead to headaches and eye strain," says Kis. "If possible, avoid using overhead ceiling fixtures as the primary source of lighting. If that's the only option, use a dimmer switch to vary light levels as needed."

Positioning your workspace correctly also helps. For rooms with natural light, place your desk perpendicular to the window, ideally facing north or south so that sunlight doesn't cast shadows at certain times of the day. If an overhead fixture is the only light source, situate your workstation so that the light shines from behind it.

"Make sure your home office suits your performance under particular lighting conditions," says Stromatt, who recommends the following tips:

•Don't set your monitor in front of the window; the bright background light shining behind the screen causes eye strain.

•Place your chair at least arm's length from the screen so that it can be seen without reading glasses or squinting.

•Add LED tape lighting behind your monitor or under a desk for diffused light.

•Use solar shades to soften lighting and lessen heat.

After setting up a glare-free workstation, add task lighting. Use dedicated light sources such as desk lamps for tasks like paperwork and filing. Place direct task lights on the opposite side of the hand you write with to avoid casting shadows onto your work.

Finally, add accent lighting for visual appeal. Frame your workspace with desk lamps or install a permanent fixture on a dimmer switch, such as a pendant hung directly over the desk. Wall sconces can throw light on decorative objects in the room.

For more home tips and lighting inspiration, visit Progress Lighting at www.progresslighting.com/shop.

Lighting can make or break office. Be sure to set yourself up for maximum productivity and comfort.

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How to extend your living area to outdoor spaces

(StatePoint) When warmer weather arrives, it's all about spending time in your home's outdoor spaces. Here are a few new ideas for transforming your porch, deck or yard into an oasis of relaxation.

Spruce Up

Before getting down to brass tacks, it's time to give your outdoor spaces a once-over and note what basic maintenance and cleaning are needed; be sure to sweep up porches and decks of debris, dust off and move outdoor furniture out of storage and prune trees and plants that need it. This may be a good time to refinish or restain an older deck in need of some tender loving care. Want to add a splash of color to the space? Give some time-worn wooden furniture a new paint job in a bold hue.

Power Up

To match the true comfort of indoor life to your home's outdoor spaces, you'll need a safe, code-compliant and unobtrusive way to power fans, lighting, entertainment, electric appliances and more.

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Just be sure everything you install is weatherproofed and protected against the elements, and that you select only outdoor-grade products. However, you can extend the life of certain items by taking extra precautions during extreme weather and the off-season.

By giving your home's outdoor spaces the same attention to detail as the indoors, you can extend

your living spaces and even create new "rooms" in which to dine, relax and entertain.

Home interior updates you can make to create a wow factor

(StatePoint) Whether you want to customize and enhance your living spaces for your own enjoyment or you need to prepare to stand out in a buyer's market, creating that wow factor is easy to achieve, if you know where to focus your attention. You're likely already familiar with the importance of exterior curb appeal. According to ex-

perienced realtors, it's just as important to continue that concept after walking through the front door.

"As the saying goes, 'you only have one opportunity to make a first impression,'" says realtor Vincent A. Stanson, a REALTOR associate with Berkshire Hathaway Home Services. "When that front door opens, homeowners have the chance to impress their guests with a stunning stairway system, stand-out mouldings and decorative interior accents."

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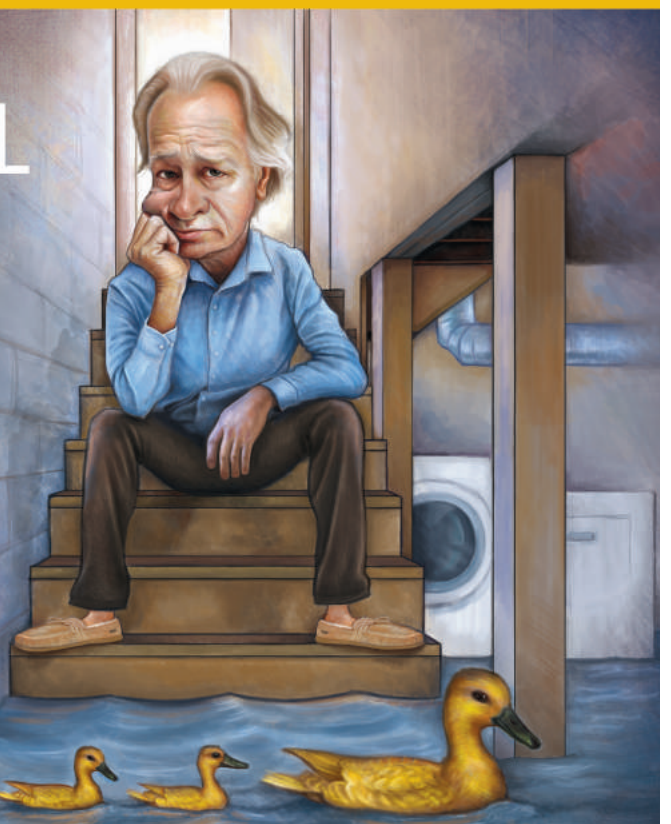
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MARTIN COUNTY
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REVISION TO THE COUNTY FEE SCHEDULE

Please take notice, that the Martin County Board of Commissioners (Martin County, MN) will be conducting a Public Hearing on Tuesday, April 21, 2020, at 10:00AM in the Martin County Commissioner Room, 201 Lake Avenue, Fairmont, MN 56031. The purpose of the public hearing is pursuant to Minnesota Statute 373.41 regarding proposed fee changes to the Martin County Fee Schedule for Liquor Licenses and Tax Abatement Applications Fees.

Anyone interested in viewing the proposed fee schedule changes related to the proposed Liquor Licenses fees and Tax Abatement Application fees may do so at the Martin County Coordinator's Office during regular business hours, Monday through Friday, 8:00- a.m. 5:00 p.m. or view on the County's website at www.co.martin.mn.us

All interested parties can attend the public hearing or provide comments either orally or in writing on the proposed fees. If you are unable to attend the public hearing, you may submit written comments to the Martin County Coordinators' Office, Room #100, 201 Lake Avenue, Fairmont, MN 56031 prior to the Hearing date or email scott.higgins@co.martin.mn.us.

Questions about the proposed fee changes can be directed to Scott Higgins, Martin County Coordinator at 507-238-3126.

Dated this 7th day of March 2020.

By Order of the
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GENERAL NOTICE TO CONTROL OR ERADICATE NOXIOUS WEEDS

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More information regarding the statewide listed noxious weeds, the MN Noxious Weed Law and a list of County Agricultural Inspectors and County Designated Employees can be obtained from the Minnesota Department of Agriculture's Web Site by visiting: <http://www.mda.state.mn.us/en/plants/pestmanagement/weedcontrol>.

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Judy A. Berkeland, Steven J. Berkeland to Loren Dunham, Dee Anne Iris Helfritz, Lot 1, Block 1, Harnden First Addn.

Pheasants Forever, Inc. to State of Minnesota, Pt. SE¼, 22-103-33

Go America LLC to Douglas Meyer, W.44' Lots 6 and 7, Block 11, Original Plat of Fairmont

Larry Bremer, Trustee, Robert A. Schwieger Trust, Dorie J. Schwieger, Doris J. Schwieger, Trustee to Bicknase Farms LLC, Pt. SW¼NW¼, 2-102-31

Bart Adrian Franta, Stacie Franta to Kristi Knutson, Lot 8, Block 2, Lot 1, Block 1, Lake Park Addn.

QUIT CLAIM DEEDS

Diane M. Ebeling, Trustee, John Ebeling Disclaimer Trust to Cory Ebeling, Stacy Ebeling, Und. ½ Int., Pt. NE¼NW¼, 30-104-33

Bicknase Farms LLC to Bryan David Brandt, SW¼NW¼,

2-102-31

Christopher W. Frank, Josephine R. Frank to Bryan Barchenger, Lot 2, Block 3, Eastside First Addn.

Charles A. Dobson, Juanita A. Dobson to Christopher W. Frank, Josephine R. Frank, NW¼, Lot 8, Block 2, Legion Subd., Northrop

Lowell R. Noorlun, Yvonne R. Noorlun to Bradley F. Nickerson, Debra K. Nickerson, S.100' of W½ Block 3, Davis Park Addn., Truman

TRUSTEE DEEDS

Beverly M. Fretty, Randall S. Fretty, Susan J. Lund, Jacob Fretty Jr. Revocable Trust to Beverly M. Fretty Revocable Trust, Beverly M. Fretty, Trustee, Randall S. Fretty, Trustee, Susan J. Lund, Trustee, Pt. N½NE¼, 5-102-30

PERS. REP. DEEDS

Paul C. Edman, Personal Rep., Estate of Darlene Weber to Elvira Houska, Jack Houska, Lots 10 and 11, Block 1, Housemans Addn.

D-DEEDS

Estate of Delano A. Bergemann, Nancy L. Howell, Pers. Rep., Patricia A. Schmidtke, Pers. Rep. to Larry Bergemann, Lot 1, Block 2, Original Plat Welcome

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Advertisement for Bids

Fairmont Municipal Airport

Fairmont, Minnesota

AIP NO. 3-27-0029-018-2020

Sealed bids for the construction of airport improvements for Fairmont Municipal Airport, Fairmont, Minnesota will be received by the City of Fairmont, Fairmont, Minnesota until 10:00 AM CT on April 22, 2020. All bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at City Hall, 2nd Floor Conference Room, 100 Downtown Plaza, Fairmont, Minnesota.

The bid documents are to be mailed or delivered to Troy Nemmers, PE, City Engineer, City of Fairmont, Fairmont, Minnesota 56031 and shall be sealed and endorsed, "Airport Improvements, Fairmont Municipal Airport, AIP No. 3-27-0029-018-2020". Due to COVID-19 restrictions, all in person delivery of bid documents will only be allowed by appointment. Appointments shall be set up by contacting the City of Fairmont at 507-238-9461.

The proposed work includes the following: Construct Hangar Taxilanes and Aprons. Work items include but are not limited to asphalt pavement removals, underdrains, earthwork, subbase, aggregate base, asphalt paving, pavement marking, erosion control and seeding.

Plans and specifications are on file and may be seen at the office of the City Engineer, City of Fairmont, 100 Downtown Plaza, Fairmont, Minnesota by appointment and at the office of KJL, 5110 East 57th Street, Sioux Falls, South Dakota by appointment.

Complete digital project bidding documents are available at www.kljeng.com "Projects for Bid" or www.questcdn.com. You may download the digital plan documents for \$35.00 by inputting Quest project #6913097 on the website's Project Search page. Please contact QuestCDN.com at 952-233-1632 or info@questcdn.com for assistance in free membership registration, downloading and working with this digital project information. An optional paper set of project documents is also available for a non-refundable price of \$115.00 per set at KJL, 5110 East 57th Street, Sioux Falls, South Dakota 57108 for each set obtained. Paper sets may be obtained by appointment only. Contact KJL at 701-355-8400 if you have any questions.

Each bid shall be sealed and accompanied by a Bid Bond, Cash Deposit, Cashier's Check, or Certified Check in a sum equal to five percent (5%) of the maximum bid price, executed by the Bidder as principal and by a surety company authorized to do business in the State of Minnesota, payable to the City of Fairmont, conditioned that if the principal's bid be accepted and the contract awarded to him, he, within ten (10) days after Notice of Award has been executed, will execute and effect a contract in accordance with the terms of his bid and a contractor's bond as required by law and regulations and determinations of the governing board. The bid security of the two lowest bidders will be retained until the Notice of Award has been executed, but no longer than sixty (60) days. The bid security is a guarantee that the bidder will enter into contract for work described in the Proposal.

The successful Bidder will be required to furnish a Contract Performance Bond and Payment Bond in the full amount of the Contract.

The City of Fairmont, Fairmont, Minnesota, reserves the right to hold all bids for a period of sixty (60) days after the date fixed for the opening thereof to reject any and all bids and waive defects and to accept any bids should it be deemed for the public good and also reserves the right to reject the bid of any party who has been delinquent or unfaithful in the performance of any former contract to the Owner.

NOTICE OF REQUIREMENT FOR AFFIRMATIVE ACTION to ENSURE EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

1. The Offeror's or Bidder's attention is called to the "Equal Opportunity Clause" and the "Standard Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Construction Contract Specifications" set forth herein.
2. The goals and timetables for minority and female participation, expressed in percentage terms for the Contractor's aggregate workforce in each trade on all construction work in the covered area, are as follows:

Timetables

Goals for minority participation for each trade:	2.2%
Goals for female participation in each trade:	6.9%

These goals are applicable to all of the Contractor's construction work (whether or not it is Federal or federally assisted) performed in the covered area. If the Contractor performs construction work in a geographical area located outside of the covered area, it shall apply the goals established for such geographical area where the work is actually performed. With regard to this second area, the Contractor also is subject to the goals for both its federally involved and non-federally involved construction.

The Contractor's compliance with the Executive Order and the regulations in 41 CFR Part 60-4 shall be based on its implementation of the Equal Opportunity Clause, specific affirmative action obligations required by the specifications set forth in 41 CFR 60-4.3(a) and its efforts to meet the goals. The hours of minority and female employment and training must be substantially uniform throughout the length of the contract, and in each trade, and the Contractor shall make a good faith effort to employ minorities and women evenly on each of its projects. The transfer of minority or female employees or trainees from Contractor to Contractor or from project to project for the sole purpose of meeting the Contractor's goals shall be a violation of the contract, the Executive Order and the regulations in 41 CFR Part 60-4. Compliance with the goals will be measured against the total work hours performed.

3. The Contractor shall provide written notification to the Director of the Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs (OFCCP) within 10 working days of award of any construction subcontract in excess of \$10,000 at any tier for construction work under the contract resulting from this solicitation. The notification shall list the name, address, and telephone number of the subcontractor; employer identification number of the subcontractor; estimated dollar amount of the subcontract; estimated starting and completion dates of the subcontract; and the geographical area in which the subcontract is to be performed.
4. As used in this notice and in the contract resulting from this solicitation, the "covered area" is City of Fairmont, Martin County, State of Minnesota.

The City of Fairmont, in accordance with the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (78 Stat. 252, 42 U.S.C. §§ 2000d to 2000d-4) and the Regulations, hereby notifies all bidders or offerors that it will affirmatively ensure that any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged business enterprises will be afforded full and fair opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in consideration for an award.

The requirements of 49 CFR part 26 apply to this contract. It is the policy of the City of Fairmont to practice nondiscrimination based on race, color, sex, or national origin in the award or performance of this contract. The Owner encourages participation by all firms qualifying under this solicitation regardless of business size or ownership.

The Owner's award of this contract is conditioned upon Bidder or Offeror satisfying the good faith effort requirements of 49 CFR §26.53. The successful Bidder or Offeror must provide written confirmation of participation from each of the DBE firms the Bidder or Offeror lists in its commitment within five days after bid opening. The names and addresses of Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) firms that will participate in the contract;

1. A description of the work that each DBE firm will perform;
2. The dollar amount of the participation of each DBE firm listed under item 1;
3. Written statement from Bidder or Offeror that attests their commitment to use the DBE firm(s) listed under item 1 to meet the Owner's project goal; and
4. If Bidder or Offeror cannot meet the advertised project DBE goal, evidence of good faith efforts undertaken by the Bidder or Offeror as described in appendix A to 49 CFR Part 26.

A full list of Federal Provisions by which the Bidder must comply, are incorporated by reference and contained within the specifications. Federal Contract Provisions are also available at http://www.faa.gov/airports/aip/procurement/federal_contract_provisions/ and include the following:

1. Buy American Preferences – Title 29 USC § 50101
2. Civil Rights – Title VI Assurances 49 USC § 47123 and FAA Order 1400.11
3. Davis Bacon Requirements – 2 CFR § 200, Appendix II(D) and 29 CFR Part 5 (*Applicable to contracts exceeding \$2,000*)
4. Debarment and Suspension – 2 CFR Part 180 (Subpart C), 2 CFR Part 1200, and DOT Order 4200.5 (*Applicable to contracts exceeding \$25,000*)
5. Disadvantaged Business Enterprise – 49 CFR Part 26
6. Trade Restriction Certification – 49 USC § 50104 and 49 CFR Part 30
7. Lobbying Federal Employees – 31 USC § 1352 – Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment, 2 CFR Part 200, Appendix II(J), and 49 CFR Part 20, Appendix A (*Applicable to contracts exceeding \$100,000*)
8. Recovered Materials – 2 CFR § 200.322, 40 CFR Part 247, and Solid Waste Disposal Act (*Applicable to contracts exceeding \$10,000*)

Dated this 1 of April 2020.

/s/Mark Sievert, Interim City Administrator

Publication Dates: April 1, 2020
April 8, 2020

Mark Sievert, Interim City Administrator
City of Fairmont
Fairmont, Minnesota

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is located in Claflin, which has a population of 645. The school has 93 students in grades 9-12. The players overcame obstacles and orange barrels to achieve success. They are inspiring, but I must add that "this too shall pass" isn't in Scripture, and neither is "God won't give you more than you can handle."

The world was supposed to end in 2012. I read Barry Lopez, Wendell Berry and Mary Oliver then. That might have saved the world, so I'm reading them again. Mason Cooley wrote, "Reading gives us someplace to go when we have to stay where we are."

COVID-19 has thrown

us for a loop. I've encountered uneasiness before. I've walked through darkened rooms with floors littered with jacks. I dreamed that Archie Barker was president. He told COVID-19 to stifle and it did. Good people are still doing things like rushing toward burning buildings to help us. We should never miss a day of being grateful for them.

I'm still trying to figure things out. I tried to do that even before COVID-19 hit. I've discovered I like some soaps more than others. Prior to this pandemic, I hadn't considered the kind of soap I was using other than I disliked the brand my mother used to wash out my mouth after

I'd uttered a harsh word

learned in grade school. What we focus on expands, so I'm focusing on washing my hands.

"Could I go with you?" I asked my mother as she prepared to visit the bank and grocery store after the mouth-cleansing incident. Mom said, "We'll see. Go outside and do something."

"We'll see" is uncommonly good advice. I wish you good health and just enough toilet paper. I listened to Nat King Cole sing, "I wish you bluebirds in the spring, to give your heart a song to sing."

It's a good reminder that the outdoors hasn't been canceled.

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MARTIN COUNTY LEGAL PUBLICATIONS

OFFICIAL PUBLICATION NOTICE TO SUPPLIERS

Sealed bids will be received until 10:00 a.m., May 1, 2020, at the office of the Martin County Engineer located at 1200 Marcus Street, Fairmont, Minnesota at which time they will be opened and read out loud. The contract will be awarded at the May 5, 2020 Martin County Commissioners' meeting for the County Project listed below:

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The County Board reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids, portions, thereof, and to waive informalities therein, and further reserves the right to award the bids in the best interest of the County.

The planholder list and bid results will be available for viewing at:

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Jessica Korte
Martin County Auditor

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County Engineer

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C.P. 20:11 SUPPLYING GASOLINE AND DIESEL FUEL

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Proposals may be obtained via our website at <http://www.co.martin.mn.us/index.php/government/highway-department> You may also email your request for the Proposal to jill.redenius@co.martin.mn.us

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EASTER SERVICES "HE IS RISEN"

Many churches are finding away to bring Easter services to their congregations. Below is a list of some of the area churches and how to hear their word - be it livestreaming on Facebook, You Tube, or through their websites. Check sites or call for latest information. John 11:25 25 - Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die.

Bethel Evangelical Free Church - Fairmont
1125 S State St (507) 235-5513
<http://www.bethel-fairmont.org>
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Christian Church of Fairmont
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The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints
425 Johnson St, Fairmont (507) 238-1651
www.churchofjesuschrist.org

Evangelical Covenant Church
901 Woodland Ave, Fairmont 235-6407
<http://www.fairmontcovenant.com>
REBROADCASTS ON FAIRMONT CABLE TV CHANNEL 12
Sundays at 1pm

Fairmont Baptist Church
1345 Albion Ave · In Fairmont
<http://fairmontbaptistchurch.org>

First Assembly of God
515 E 5th St, Fairmont (507) 235-8826
Watch online every Sunday at 10 am on: fairmontag.com or facebook.com/fairmontag
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St John Vianney Catholic Church
901 S Prairie Ave, Fairmont 235-5535
www.sjvhf.org - EASTER DAY SERVICE
Watch online Saturday 5:00 PM, Sunday 8:00 AM at Holy Family 10:00 AM at St. John Vianney
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Mondays 11am

Grace Lutheran Church
300 S Grant St, Fairmont (507) 238-4418
<https://gracelutheranchurch.org>
Maundy Thursday, April 9 6:30 on Facebook Live, Good Friday, April 10 6:30 on Facebook Live, Easter Sunday, April 12 9:30 on Facebook Live, REBROADCASTS ON FAIRMONT CABLE TV CHANNEL 12
Tuesdays at 2pm & Fridays at 1pm

First Congregational UCC
319 Downtown Plaza, Fairmont (507) 235-5382
<http://www.fairmontucc.org>
Services available at facebook.com/firstcongofairmontmn/
Maundy Thursday & Good Friday worship services: 6:00pm live stream on FB page
Easter Morning worship service: 10:30am live stream on FB page
REBROADCASTS ON FAIRMONT CABLE TV CHANNEL 12
Thursdays at 2pm

Immanuel Lutheran Church
1200 N North Ave, Fairmont (507) 238-1387
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REBROADCASTS ON FAIRMONT CABLE TV CHANNEL 12 - Sundays at 1pm

St. James Lutheran - Northrop
108 S. James Street
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EASTER DAY SERVICE
Arranging the delivery of recorded services

St John's United Church of Christ
301 N Main St, Fairmont (507) 235-3500
Easter Sunday Service 9:30am
View via Zoom app- Contact Church office to receive the Zoom information

St Martin's Episcopal Church
102 N Park St, Fairmont (507) 238-2686
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Shepherd of the Lakes Lutheran Church
323 E 1st St, Fairmont (507) 238-9663
<https://www.shepherdofthelakes.net>
EASTER DAY SERVICES
Sunday, April 12 9:30 a.m.
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St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church
211 Budd Street, Fairmont (507) 238-9491
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EASTER VIGIL
Saturday, April 11 ~ 5:30 p.m.
EASTER DAY SERVICES
Sunday, April 12 ~ 7:00 & 9:30 a.m.
REBROADCASTS ON FAIRMONT CABLE TV CHANNEL 12 - Saturdays at 12pm

United Methodist Church
119 E 2nd St, Fairmont (507) 235-5579
12:00 Maundy Thurs Worship (teleconferenced)
7:00 Maundy Thurs Worship (teleconferenced)
7:00 Good Friday Worship (teleconferenced)
6:30 am. Sunrise Service (teleconferenced)
9:00 am. Easter Worship (teleconferenced)
at <https://umcfairmont.org/worship-services>
Worship videos can also be viewed at www.facebook.com/Fairmont.UMC.MN
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Seventh Day Adventist Church
1503 State St, Fairmont

Assembly of God Church
2 Crossroads Dr. Sherburn 507-764-7491
sagrwc@frontiernet.net

Calvary Baptist Church
218 E Creamery St, Granada (507) 525-1138
<http://calvarygranada.org>

St. Peter Lutheran
301 S. West St. Ceylon
www.circleoffaithparish.org

Trinity Lutheran
Welcome, MN - circleoffaithparish.org

Waverly Lutheran
1333 220th St. Trimont
circleoffaithparish.org

Circle of Faith Parish
204 2nd St. Welcome (507) 728-8259
www.circleoffaithparish.org

St Paul's Lutheran Church
1668 40th St, Ceylon (507) 236-6659

St Paul United Church-Christ
214 N Dugan St, Welcome (507) 728-8248

St John's Lutheran Church
317 S Main St, Sherburn
stjohnlutheransherburn.org
Three church services (taped) will be available for viewing: Maundy Thursday service (view Thursday, April 9th). Good Friday service (view Friday, April 10th). Easter Sunday service (view Sunday, April 12th). All services will be able to be viewed on the church website and on our Facebook page: facebook.com/stjohnslutheransherburnmn/ and also on YouTube: St. John's Lutheran, Sherburn MN

St Luke's Catholic Church
303 S Lake St, Sherburn (507) 764-5091 - triparishcommunity.org

Church of Christ
401 W Ciro St, Truman (507) 776-2671

Trinity Lutheran Church
101 S 7th Ave E, Truman (507) 776-4781
<http://trinity-truman.org>

St Paul Lutheran Church
110 E 4th St N, Truman (507) 776-2801
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Bruce J. Nawrocki, 62

Services are pending for Bruce J. Nawrocki, age 62, of Portland, OR, formerly of Fairmont, MN. Bruce passed away on Friday, March 20, 2020 at his home surrounded by family and friends. The Lakeview Funeral Home and Cremation Service of Fairmont is assisting the family with arrangements.

Bruce James Nawrocki was born January 6, 1958 to Louis and Marjorie (Nutt) Nawrocki in Fairmont. Growing up he attended St. John Vianney Catholic School and graduated from Fairmont High School. Following his high school graduation, Bruce earned his technician degree at Jackson Vocational School.

In 1979, Bruce moved to Clatskanie, Oregon and made his home in Portland a few years later. He worked for GTE/Verizon as a special services data technician

for over thirty years. Bruce was an active member of Ducks Unlimited and enjoyed hunting, fishing, taking trips to Alaska and was an avid hockey and Oregon Ducks fan. He had a generous heart and often gave to Ducks Unlimited, Union Gospel Mission, March of Dimes, Habitat for Humanity, Meals on Wheels, Salvation Army, Elder Hear and Mission 22. He could, and would, make conversation with everyone; he was "everyone's best friend." Bruce was known for his bright, mischievous smile and kind, giving heart. He lived for his family and friends. You could often find him sleeping in the sun, whether on a rock or log, or in the fishing boat. Bruce will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved him.

Those left to cherish his memory include his children: Ryan Nawrocki and his wife, Charmaine of Rainier, OR and Lauren Nawrocki of Portland, OR; a grandson due in June; sisters: Susan Skiem and her husband, Craig of Orono, MN and Ann Casteneda of Oakdale, CA; eight nieces and nephews; eight grandchildren and nephews; other extended family and friends.

Bruce was preceded in death by his parents, Louis and Marjorie "Bunny" Nawrocki.

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Arloine "Toots" Morris, 89

Due to the current situation, A Celebration of Life Service for Arloine "Toots" Morris, 89, of Ceylon, Minnesota will be held at later time.

Toots was called to her eternal rest on Thursday evening, April 2, 2020 at Mayo Clinic Health System in Fairmont, Minnesota. Please share a memory of Arloine with her family by signing her online guestbook or view her video tribute online at www.kramerfuneralhome.com

Sympathy cards and expressions of sympathy for Jim and his family may be sent to: #408 West Oak St., box #271, Ceylon, MN 56121.

Arloine Selma Adelia Plath "Toots" was born on a farm in rural Welcome, Minnesota on March 13, 1931. She was the daughter of Martin and Lydia (Rave) Plath. She attended country schools and graduated from Sherburn High School in 1949.

On September 3, 1949, she was united in marriage to James "Jim" Morris in Willmar, Minnesota. Toots enjoyed her family immensely. She loved to garden, fish, hunt, camp, and travel in their motor home. Her favorite pastime was making quilts for the entire family. All the grandchildren and great grandchildren have an embroidered baby blanket that she made for them when they were born, these blankets were and always will be a special gift from her.

Toots worked various jobs over the years, Fairmont Canning Factory, Terfehr Manufacturing, and Simpsons Café both in Ceylon. Her favorite job of all was driving school bus for Ceylon school. She loved the kids on the bus and always commented how good they were.

Toots is survived by her husband of 70 years, James "Jim" Morris of Ceylon; children, Roger Morris (Pat Subbert) of Fairmont, Daryl Morris of Ceylon, Ron Morris (Jean) of Ceylon, Jody Scott of Ceylon; daughter-in-law, Karen Morris of rural Trimont; 11 grandchildren; 17 great grandchildren; and other relatives.

She was preceded in death by her parents, son, Jerry Morris on March 16, 2018; great-grandson, Wesley J. Scott; sister, Fern Manzke and other relatives.

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LeRoy C. Franck, 85

In light of the COVID-19 concerns, a private family graveside service will be held for LeRoy C. Franck.

LeRoy was called to his eternal rest on Wednesday, March 25th at Mayo Clinic Health System in Fairmont, Minnesota.

Please share a memory of LeRoy with his family by

signing his online guestbook at www.kramerfuneralhome.com Sympathy cards for Janice and the family may be sent to 474 80th Ave., Dunnell, Minnesota 56127.

LeRoy Charles Franck, 85, was born on February 2, 1935 on the family farm in Lakebelt Township, near Dunnell, Minnesota. He was the son of Herman and Ella (Schmidt) Franck. He attended District 65 Country School through 8th grade and graduated from Ceylon High School in 1952.

LeRoy served two years in the United States Army. Upon returning home, he began to farm in the spring of 1957.

On July 29, 1962 LeRoy was united in marriage to Janice Loraine Anderson at West Prairie Church in

Kindred, North Dakota.

Together on the farm they raised cattle, hogs, and farmed the land. He was proud that he farmed the land that has been in the Franck family since 1894. He enjoyed golfing, coffee with friends, spending winters in Texas, and watching sports; whether it was watching his children, grandchildren or watching professional sports.

LeRoy was actively involved in his community, serving on the Ceylon School Board, Martin County Pork Producers Board, Ceylon Co-op Board, Fox Lake Golf Club Board, MCW Booster Club, FSA Board and ASC Township Committee. He was a life-time member of St. Peter Lutheran Church.

After retiring from

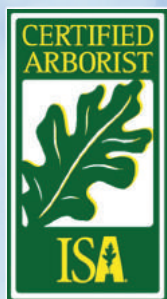
farming, they moved to Fairmont in 2010, residing at the Meadows until they moved in 2018 to Temperance Lake Ridge in Sherburn.

LeRoy leaves behind his loving wife Janice of 57 years, four children Nancy (Marv) Hansen of Sherburn, MN; Denise Meister of Houston, TX; Keith (Jody) Franck of Dunnell, MN; and Larry (Emily) of Nevis, MN; 9 grandchildren; 17 great grandchildren; sister, Gladys Gerhardt of Fairmont, MN; many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; sisters Margery Franck and Irene Reiman; brother Earl Franck; brother-in-laws Erwin Reiman and Albert Gerhardt.

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