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**BRUDER-KELLY** – Maggie Evelyn Bruder and Kolin Donald Kelly were married December 16th, 2017 at Central Freeborn Lutheran Church in Albert Lea. Pastor Matthew Griggs officiated the ceremony. Parents of the couple are Christine Davis of Faribault, Michael Bruder of Waseca, Chad Davis of Mankato, and Kevin and Deb Kelly of Fairmont. Grandparents are Becky and Alert Thofson of Albert Lea, Debbie and Tom Kemp of New Richland, Jan and the late Donald Kelly of Madelia, and Ray and Jean Hanson of Rosemount. Maid of honor was Kattia Thofson, sister of the bride. Bridesmaids were Michaela Bruder, sister of the bride, Kalyn Kelly, sister of the groom, and Kayla Norris and Anna Lieske, friends of the bride. Best man was Kory Brown, friend of the groom. Groomsmen were Alex Anderson, friend of the groom, James Bowers, brother of the groom, and Luke Marsh and Jason Kelly, cousins of the groom. Maggie is in her first year of her Master's Program at U of M, Mankato. Kolin is a Junior at the U of M, Mankato. The couple resides in Eagle Lake, Minnesota. *Photo by: Holly Karsjens Fine Art Photography*

## Fairmont Police now equipped with new AEDs



**Fairmont Police Sergeant Chad Sannow, with Beth Neist, left and Tabitha Bicknase, representing the Martin County Area Foundation.**

The Fairmont Police Department recently purchased 14 new automated external defibrillators (AED), which have been placed in all the squad cars, plus in the council chambers at city hall, the Fairmont Liquor Store, SMEC campus, and one will be available at the Aquatic Park when it opens. The AEDs were put into service in December.

The AEDs were purchased through a \$10,000 grant from the Martin County Area Foundation and \$9,327 from the city of Fairmont. The original intent was to purchase 10 AEDs, but received a discount by purchasing 14.

The police department also was able to trade in eight old units, of which

only four were still working, at \$100 per unit. The units are warranted for seven years, with a five year warranty on the pads. Another advantage of the new units is that they are synchronized with the Gold Cross Ambulance Service, so when the ambulance crew arrives on a scene, they immediately can read the information on the police units.

An AED is a portable electronic device that automatically diagnoses life-threatening cardiac arrhythmias and is able to treat them through the application of electricity which stops the arrhythmia, allowing the heart to re-establish an effective rhythm.

## Kids Against Hunger concert January 24 at Fairmont High School

Many of us can consider ourselves blessed when it comes to having clothes on our backs and food to eat. In many parts of the world, those "blessings" come few and far between.

A number of Fairmont High School students are planning a benefit for next week to go towards providing food for those who have limited supplies. This benefit is called "Kids Against Hunger Benefit Concert" and takes place Wednesday, January 24th at 7:00 p.m. at the Fairmont High School Performing Arts Center.

Two of the concert organizers, Ben Hernes and Claudia Bless, said the theme for this year's concert is "Send Me", which is taken from bible verse Isaiah 6:8. They stated that this concert is a great way for the community to come out and support this effort to help end world hunger. The concert is a fundraiser to help raise funds for the 10th Annual Kids Against Hunger food pack, which takes place Saturday,

February 17th at St. John Vianney School Gymnasium in Fairmont.

The Kids Against Hunger Benefit Concert features acts that are all local stu-



dents. "Everyone in Fairmont and the surrounding area is encouraged to attend as the concert is perfect for all ages," states Bless. "The concert is free to attend; we take up donations during the concert to go toward purchasing the food needed for the food pack in February."

The entire concert, both on stage and behind the scenes, is run by students. Hernes stated that there will be a practice for all groups and individuals

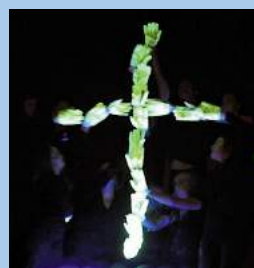
taking part in the concert on Monday, January 22nd. This is not only the tenth year of the food pack, but also 10 years of concerts put on by the students.

Funds raised in the past three years were: 2015 - \$3,560.16 ; 2016 - \$2,917.27; and in 2017 - \$2,423.57.

Kids Against Hunger's mission statement is: To significantly reduce the number of hungry children in the USA and to feed starving children throughout the world. We ship meals to starving children and their families in over 60 countries through

partnerships with humanitarian organizations worldwide.

They need your help to end world hunger. One way you can help is by attending this concert on January 24th and donating to help feed those in need.



## Fairmont KCs sponsor free throw competition

All boys and girls ages 9 to 14 are invited to participate in the local level of competition for the 2018 Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship. The local competition will be held Sunday, January 21st at St. John Vianney School gym.

The Fairmont School District will hold a **Community Listening Session** on Saturday, January 20th from 8 to 10 a.m. The event will be at Graffiti Corner, 1500 South State Street. This listening session seeks the public's input and feedback for the success of the Fairmont schools. All administrators from Fairmont Area Schools will be on hand to listen to the voices of the community. Come anytime during this two-hour session.

All boys and girls 9 to 14 are eligible to participate and will compete in their respective age division. Winners will advance to the district competition held in February.

Contact co-chair Dave Vogel at 238-4895 with any questions.

The Sherburn American Legion Auxiliary will serve a **pancake breakfast** on Sunday, January 21st at the Sherburn American Legion Club. Serving will be from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. There will be a free-will offering with funds to be used for Auxiliary projects. Pancakes will be prepared by the Sherburn Lions Club. Everyone is invited.

**PrairieLand Antique Tractor Association** will hold its monthly meeting at McDonald's in Fairmont on Thursday, January 18th, 7:30 p.m. The public is welcome.

**Marriage License Applications**

Michael George Findley and Lynn Annette Preuss

**Lake Belt Cemetery Association Annual Meeting will be held on Saturday, January 27, 2018 10:00 a.m. at Lake Belt Town Hall Ceylon, MN.**



**KITTLESON 90TH** - Opal Marie (Morgan) Kittleson of rural Ceylon will celebrate her 90th birthday on Friday, January 19th. Her husband, Ted Kittleson, and their children invite you to join them in wishing Opal a happy 90th birthday by sending cards to her at 567 - 110th Avenue, Ceylon, MN 56121.

Fairmont United Methodist Church continues their **Wednesday Evening Suppers** throughout this month from 5 to 6 p.m. at the church, located at 119 E. 2nd Street, Fairmont. On January 17th they will serve tacos with all the fixings. January 24th the meal will be chicken 'n biscuits. Meals include peanut butter and jelly sandwich, homemade bars and a beverage. Suggested donation is \$2.

Truman Lion's Club **Burger Bash** will be held at the Truman Community Building on Saturday January 20th from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. The menu includes burgers, beans, chips, condiments and beverage.

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Pack 57 Cub Scouts have been learning about their community over the last few months and how they could be of service. They took part in a month long project where they saved their spare change in collection boxes they decorated with what they were thankful for. They were given three options to donate their funds to and when their votes were tallied the Martin County Humane Society was elected as the recipient of their endeavor. Karen, from the Humane Society, and five adorable puppies made a surprise visit to our Pack meeting, where the boys presented her with their collected efforts of \$187. The boys learned about the joys of giving, the privilege of voting in a democracy, that working together as a group produces great results and that it's hard to say no to puppies. (Submitted photo)

**Area College Student News**

The following students have been named to the Dean's List for the Fall 2017 semester at Buena Vista University. Students named to the Dean's List must have a minimum grade point average of 3.5 for the semester, based on a 4.0 grade point system, and must have taken at least 12 hours of coursework.

Noah Becker of Fairmont  
Derek Hunwardsen of Fairmont  
Emily Kim of Fairmont  
Lindsey Miles of Truman

Ashley Anola Ray Olson, 4, Biology  
**Fairmont**  
Benjamin Lee Huinker, 1, Computer Engineering  
Cole Tyler Huinker, 4, Computer Engineering  
Lucas J. Jedlicka, 3, Computer Engineering  
Jack Maynard Maakstad, 2, Supply Chain Management  
Parker Todd Monsen, 4, Kinesiology and Health  
Ellie Lyn Tonder, 3, English  
**Swea City**  
Aric Todd Runge, 4, Biology  
Abby Grace Stauffer, 4, English  
**Truman**  
Brytni J. Drevlow, 1, Pre-Graphic Design

Approximately 9,575 Iowa State University, Ames, Iowa, students have been recognized for outstanding academic achievement by being named to the fall semester 2017 Dean's List.

Students named to the Dean's List must have earned a grade point average of at least 3.50 on a 4.00 scale while carrying a minimum of 12 credit hours of graded course work. Students from our area include:

**Armstrong**  
Emily Adrienne Hagebock, 3, Psychology

Matthew Obbink, Master of Fine Arts, Integrated Visual Arts

**Even Exchange**

by Donna Pettman

Each numbered row contains two clues and two 6-letter answers. The two answers differ from each other by only one letter, which has already been inserted. For example, if you exchange the A from MASTER for an I, you get MISTER. Do not change the order of the letters.

1. Speak up for	— F — — —	Count on	— — P — — —
2. Babysitter	— — — N —	Mrs. Reagan	— — — C —
3. Absurd comedy	— A — — —	Military strength	— O — — —
4. In the neighborhood	— — C — —	Faithful	— — Y — —
5. Springtime festival	E — — — —	More rapidly	F — — — —
6. From Holland	— U — — —	Trench	— I — — —
7. Better than good	— — — A —	Welcome	— — — E —
8. Green Bay player	— — — — R	Small container	— — — — T
9. Unadorned	— — — — N	Tartan	— — — — D
10. Black tea	— O — — —	Elongated shape	— B — — —

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# Federal 2018 Tax Update – what we do know and what we do not

Guest Columnist



Sara Pierce, Pierce Accounting & Tax Services

President Trump signed the new tax bill on December 22nd, 2017 passing the largest tax update since 1986. With a bill this large there is going to be a lot of regulation to be released in 2018 and we are all anxiously awaiting! While it all goes into effect for the 2018 tax year it still had some effect on planning for the 2017 tax year and has created a need for conversations with your tax provider to plan ahead for the 2018 tax year. However, with many of the new changes tax providers are waiting on official regulations before we can actually advise on what was meant by the new law. But there are things we do know for sure that took effect January 1st, 2018.

There will be new tax brackets and rates for 2018. The new tax rates will be 10%, 12%, 22%, 24%, 32%, 35%, and the top bracket is 37% for over \$500,000 for singles, \$600,000 for those filing married joint. This is a drop from 39% for over \$415,050 for single and \$466,950 for those filing married joint. As tax-

payers look into rollovers, distributions and other changes in income they are advised to take a look at the new brackets.

A second major change is the standard deduction. The deductions are now: \$24,000 for married filing joint, \$18,000 for head of household, and \$12,000 for all other taxpayers. Another important piece to this is the personal exemption is effectively suspended so it is not as great a thing as it seems on the forefront. The personal exemption for 2017 is \$4,050. The change in the standard deduction caused some very late year tax planning changes and had many rushing to prepay their 2018 Property taxes so they could deduct them on their 2017 tax return. After all the rush the IRS ruled these taxes could only be deductible if the county actually had a bill for them so this will be handled on a county by county situation.

A few other changes in this same area that take effect after the 12/31/17 tax year:

- The over limitation on itemized deductions is removed

- Home mortgage interest deduction is limited to the first \$750,000 in debt (\$1 million in debt acquire prior to 12/16/17)

- \$10,000 deduction limitation on state and local taxes not paid or accrued in a trade or business

- For cash donations to qualifying charities the income limitation has increased to 60% (from 50%)

- Miscellaneous itemized deductions subject to the 2% floor have been suspended. These include appraisal fees, certain IRA fees, and some job expenses. Employers should look at having accountable plans if they have employees that deduct home office expenses.

The child tax credit for dependents under the age of 17 has doubled to \$2,000 per qualifying child. Taxpayers may also qualify for a \$500 nonrefundable credit for qualifying dependents other than qualifying children. There was not a change to the defini-

tion of dependents. In order to receive the child tax credit the taxpayer must include a Social Security number for each qualifying child.

The Kiddie tax laws had a major change that may affect how trusts and estates are treated. Under prior law the Kiddie Tax was a huge advantage because the income would be taxed at the taxpayer's (kid's) tax rate. Trusts and Estates would be set up so the income would be distributed to the child and taxed at the lowest tax bracket. The House and Senate recognized the taxes they were missing out from this and decided that now the unearned income from the trusts and estates will now be taxed according to the brackets applicable to the trust and estate. Any earned income (wages) will be taxed according to the bracket the child is actually in.

For tax years prior to 1/1/18 Alimony payments have been deductible on the payer's return and included as income on the recipient's tax return. For all agreements that are executed after 12/31/18 this will no longer be the case. Alimony and separate maintenance payments are not deductible by the payer. The treatment of child support is

not changed.

Moving expenses in relation to a job change will no longer be deductible after 1/1/17. This change does not affect members of the armed forces on active duty that move pursuant to a military order.

A very big change that is creating a lot of confusion and discussion is the exclusion of 20% of qualified business income from a partnership, S corporation, or sole proprietorship. This whole section is quite complicated and subject to regulations that tax preparers and advisors are anxiously waiting for. There are several exemptions, limitations, and other stipulations that it would be hard to go into detail in this article. So my advice is this: if you are a business owner talk to your tax preparer and advisor. A lot of this will be a case by case situation and there are many questions that are going to be answered with "it depends". For some, this will be a tax benefit and for others this will not make a difference. The limitations involve income (wage and K-1 income) and also what industry the income is from. Before you rush out to make changes to your ownership and business type take the time to sit down and go over the

numbers with a professional.

Net Operating Loss limitations have been added to the law for taxable years beginning after 12/31/17 and before 1/1/26 for taxpayers other than corporations. Excess business losses of a taxpayer other than a corporation are not allowed for the taxable year. These losses are carried forward and treated as part of the taxpayer's NOL carryforward in subsequent taxable years. NOL carrybacks of post 2017 tax years are no longer allowed.

There are many other changes regarding business structures, treatment of income and depreciation that have been made or stayed the same. You are encouraged to set up a time with your tax preparer or advisor to sit down and talk about these before making any changes. Between the internet and the news there is a lot of information out there, some of it incorrect, misleading, and outdated and can cause confusion. As a CPA myself and the many others we are all doing our best to keep up with the latest news and regulations for our clients.

## NSSR Fairmont, a recap

National Straightline Snowmobile Racing held its first race of the NSSR 2018 Super Series on Hall Lake in Fairmont for the "Fastest Show on Ice". This race was hosted by the Blizzard Snowmobile Club. Miracles do happen with the incredible ice forming and the Win by the Vikings, what a weekend for the record books!

Temperatures ranged from a minus 12 degrees F in the early morning to a plus 6 degrees F in the afternoon with only a slight breeze from the North Northwest changing to a still breeze from the Southwest during the late afternoon. The 1,000 foot shaved ice track, 3,500 feet shaved with shutdown, was aimed to the North Northwest. Temperatures were a bit on the chilly side with mostly Sunny skies holding for most of the day. It was great that Ole Man Winter showed up at the end of December for a few weeks to cool down the ice and close up the open water!

Racer entries included 55 on the Pro track and around 50 on the Radar Run track making the number of entries at just over 100 hot rods and close to 500 safe passes between the two shaved ice tracks. Attendance was a bit down, but those brave souls that showed had a blast despite the weather person trying to scare all off with the colder weather! These snowmobile race enthusiasts are having a blast running their sleds, vintage rides, kid's minis, and ATV's on the Radar Run Track at NSSR.

The Radar Run track had some great hot rods including vintage sleds, many running near or above the 100 mph mark. Thirty one of the Pro Entries ran at speeds of 120 mph or better in this competition and four of those exceeded the 165 mph mark. Our competitors continue to come from throughout the Midwest and included racers for North Dakota, Nebraska, Iowa, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Illinois, and Michigan.

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NSSR is the only ISR Affiliated Speed Run organization where you can set World Records on the 1000 foot shaved ice competition. There were Nine (9) World Records in the Stock and Pro Classes at this event set with great temps for engine performance. Shelby Bray of Minnesota jumped the Junior Stock 440 Liquid speed to 102.857 on her Ski Doo MXZX. Tim Konsela of Wisconsin, came out swinging on his Polaris Stock 440 Fan to bump the record to 85.714 mph. Brice Konsela not to be outdone by Tim, bumped the Improved Stock 500 record to 110.485 mph on his 1999 Polaris. The Konsela team did some serious work this summer in preparation for winter racing! Rod Spindler of RPS Performance out of Wisconsin made his Polaris Sleds proud bumping the Improved Stock 600 class record to 119.172 mph and the Improved Stock 700 class record to 124.495 mph.

Scott Kostman brought his Arctic Cat XF stock

turbo sled to bump the Improved Stock Four Stroke class record to an amazing 141.176 mph!

In the vintage sleds class, Boyd Burke had a great time bumping his record on the Polaris RXL in the Mod Stock 300 class to 84.292 mph and Brice Konsela ran his Polaris TX 250 to a new Vintage F class record of 67.447 mph. NSSR is seeing more and more Vintage Sleds coming out of the garage to race and spend a day with the family on the ice. These Polaris

Hot Rods had a great day taking 6 out of the 9 records for the day. Don't worry as there was a lot of winning by all who came to Fair-

**NSSR**  
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# What's Cooking

with Kathy Lloyd

## What a game!

I'm sure all of Minnesota is celebrating! The Vikings came through with an unbelievable win. Almost too much excitement for an old lady! This is getting to be a really long winter, which makes me want to make meals to keep us warm. Whenever Pa Lloyd asks me what we are having and I answer salisbury steak he says, "Oh, dressed-up hamburger, huh?" Which is true, but we like it and it is warm and comforting. I hope you will enjoy it too! I received a phone call on my answering machine from a lady last week asking me a question regarding a recipe. I copied the phone number down, but apparently heard it wrong as the call wouldn't go through, and I deleted the message. So, whoever you are, please call again and I will try to help.

### Salisbury Steak

- 1 lb. ground lean beef
- 1/4 cup fresh parsley, minced (you can use dry)
- 2 Tbsp. minced onion
- 1 tsp. salt
- 3/4 tsp. pepper
- 2 Tbsp. flour
- 1 Tbs. olive oil.

Combine meat, parsley, scallion, salt and pepper. Divide and shape into oblong patties one inch thick. Dredge in flour and brown in heated oil, 3 min. on each side. Set aside.

- 1 Medium onion, sliced thin
- 1 tsp. sugar
- 1 tsp. olive oil
- 1 Tbsp. tomato paste
- 1 Tbsp. minced garlic
- 1 Tbsp. flour

Add oil, onions and sugar to pan. Saute five minutes. Stir in garlic and tomato paste. Saute until paste begins to brown (about 1 minute). Sprinkle with flour. Stir and cook one minute.

- 2 cups beef broth
- 1/4 cup red wine or cooking sherry
- 1/2 tsp. salt
- 1/2 tsp. dried thyme
- 4 tsp. minced parsley
- 4 tsp. parmesan cheese

Stir in broth, wine, salt and thyme. Return meat to pan and bring to boil. Reduce heat to low and simmer 10 minutes, turning meat occasionally. Garnish with parsley and cheese. Serve over mashed potatoes.

Have a great week and stay warm!

## Fairmont Dance Clinic

The Fairmont Dance Team will be hosting a Dance Clinic on Monday, February 12th from 3 to 6 p.m. in the main gym at Fairmont Area Elementary School.

Participants in the clinic will perform Tuesday, February 12th at halftime of the boys B squad basketball game at Fairmont High School.

The clinic is for any K-6th grade student who wants to learn about the high school dance team.

The clinic will focus on lips, turns, kick line, stretching and also teach a routine to the participants for the February 12th performance.

Attendees will receive an after-school snack, t-shirt and CD. Cost for the clinic is \$40.

Contact Courtney Steuber at 507-236-3048 for more information or if you have any questions.

Registration deadline is Friday, January 26th.



## Ask A Trooper: Frosty Windows

by Sgt. Troy Christianson, Minnesota State Patrol

**Question: The other day at an intersection I noticed a car with the windows so frosted up that the driver had to roll down a window to check for cars coming from my side. What is the law on frosted windows?**

When I received this question my initial thoughts were of a fatal pedestrian crash that I had been called to. I was the Crash Reconstructionist at an incident where an elderly woman walking across a busy intersection on her way to church was struck by a driver who was late for work. He didn't see the woman in the roadway consequently striking and killing her. The driver had not scraped his windshield properly thus had limited visibility.

**Answer:** Minnesota Statute 169.71 subdivision 3 states; "No person shall drive any motor vehicle with the windshield or front side windows covered with steam or frost to such an extent as to prevent proper vision."

While the statute does not mention rear windows I highly recommend that all windows be cleared.

Too many people remove the snow from the windows but leave it piled high on the engine hood. If all of the snow and ice is not properly removed it can be blown from the vehicle when highway speeds are reached.

Snow and ice can also be sucked into the fresh air intake of your vehicle (normally located near the bottom of the front windshield) usually resulting in moisture fog on the inside of your windows and windshield. To ensure proper visibility, be sure to clear all snow and ice from your vehicle. Taking the proper steps could help you avoid a crash.

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

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## CHECK IT OUT!

@ the Martin County Library

Now that we've rung in the New Year of 2018...it's time for a new slate of recurring family programs at the Fairmont Library! For a complete event calendar, stop by the library or check out our website and facebook page! Here's the rundown:

**Sweet Treats and Reads:** Held monthly on Tuesdays at 4 p.m., this event is for kids in grades 3-5. Book talks, book activities and of

course—treats!

**Toddler Tinker Lab:** Held monthly on Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m., come and bring your youngest tots and explore a variety of stations. Leave the mess at the library!

**Pajama Tales:** Held monthly on Mondays evenings at 6 p.m. Featuring books, activities and fun for the whole family!

**Code Academy:** NEW this year! For kids age 7-12, learn how to code! Pre-registration is required as space is limited. Held on Mondays each month at 4 p.m.

**Wiggles and Words:** Starting up again in March—Stories and playtime for ages birth to 2 and an adult.

## Martin Luther High School upcoming events

All families are invited fun.

to the "Children's Winter Carnival" on Sunday, January 21st. The event is hosted by the Student Council and National Honor Society students at Martin Luther High School, Northrop.

Games, contests, nerf gun wars, bouncy houses, snacks and prizes will be provided. A bake sale will be held. A parent lounge and toddler room will be available. Cost is \$5 per child (\$15 per family) with parents and children under 2 admitted free. Join us for an afternoon of family

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Everyone is invited to a Living Historical Experience presentation on World War I by historian Arn Kind on Tuesday, January 23rd at Martin Luther High School, Northrop. (snow date is January 25th). Presentations for grades 5-8 are 9:00 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. and for grades 9-12 from 11:45 a.m. to 2:15 p.m.

This free event is sponsored by the MLHS Parent/Teachers League. The public is welcome to attend.

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BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

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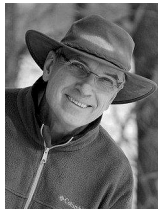
## The guy from just down the road

By Al Batt

My neighbor Crandall stops by.

"How are you doing?" I ask.

"Everything is nearly copacetic. I ate grits for the first time yesterday. I didn't know if I'd like them, so I had just one grit."



The weather has been like that experienced by the weatherman Phil Connors in the movie 'Groundhog Day.' It's the same every day. Cold! I can get by on four hours of sleep a night during the winter, as long as I get a six-hour nap during the day."

### All wings considered

The morning arrived on time. I stepped outside in an attempt to grok the day.

I spotted tiny visitors, common redpolls. Some common redpolls tunnel into snow to stay warm at night. They are able to survive temperatures of -65°.

It reminded me of listening to the whistling of pine grosbeaks in Alaska that had inspired me to travel to the Yukon to see

other birds. I sat in the car as the Canadian border officer checked me out. I hoped that my path might cross those of goshawks and ptarmigans. Near the building from which the officer emerged was a flock of pine siskins. They are birds I see here, but they were every bit as worth seeing as a goshawk or ptarmigan.

Seeing ptarmigans later brought to mind the community of Chicken, Alaska, population of somewhere between seven and 50. In the 1800s, miners found an area near the South Fork of the 40-Mile River abundant in ptarmigan, now Alaska's state bird, which bears a resemblance to a chicken. In 1902, that city was incorporating. The name Ptarmigan was suggested. The problem was that the founders weren't sure as to the correct spelling. They settled on Chicken.

It had been ridiculously cold. On this day, it was just normally cold. I found solace in that. Some call it a cold snap because when it gets so cold, you snap. Phaethon, the son of He-

lios (the sun god) in Greek mythology, borrowed his father's chariot and nearly set the earth on fire by approaching too close to it. Zeus averted the catastrophe by striking him down with a thunderbolt.

I watched chickadees. It's hard not to. Chickadees do things adorably. A pair of downy woodpeckers visited the suet. Our smallest woodpecker is found in every state except Hawaii. The male has the red color and the female wears only black and white feathers. The female searches for food on large limbs and trunks of trees. The male works the smaller branches.

### Q-and-A

"Why do some birds that should migrate spend the winter here?" It's because they want their youngsters to see snow.

"Do chickadees roost with other chickadees in the winter?" No matter how cold it gets, chickadees generally sleep in their own individual cavities.

"How good is an owl's hearing?" When I was a boy, I was told that an owl

could hear a mouse hiccup in a haystack. I've read that a perched great gray owl can locate a vole 60 feet away under 18 inches of snow. I'm not sure what study discovered that, but accurate or not, an owl's hearing is sharp.

"How much does a deer have to eat in the winter?" It would depend upon the size of the animal, how much body fat the deer had managed to accumulate (abundant acorns are good for this) and the severity of the winter. Extreme cold and deep snow create hardships. Look for deer activity on south-facing slopes and in conifer stands that shield deer from winds and snow. I'd suspect a deer would need 3 to 10 pounds of winter browse per day to stay warm.

"How do birds deal with cold weather?" The birds that winter here hunker down and deal with the conditions. They eat a lot. Food is fuel for the furnace. They fluff their feathers to increase insulation and stay out of the wind. Some roost in cavities, others in dense foliage.

### Fairmont Christmas Bird Count

Brad Bolduan reported this on the Fairmont CBC of December 16. "There was one new bird this year, an apparently wounded pelican on Rose Lake. Barred owl was recorded for only the second time and Ross's goose for the third. It also appears to be the first year since 2006 where we missed all of the roadside 'snowbird' species (horned lark, snow bunting, and Lapland longspur). Much seems to have changed since the count started as bald eagles and red-tailed hawks

seem much easier to find now than in the early years of the count day.

Thirty-seven total species on Count day (5 additional count week species). Most of the birds came from a few locations; Fairmont Lakes, a few feeder stations, and Cedar Park contained many birds."

Thanks for stopping by "Every species is a magic well."--E.O. Wilson

"It's always the simple that produces the marvelous."--Amelia Barr

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The common redpoll could never be too common. Photo by Al Batt

## Financial Focus



Provided by:

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## When do you need a Financial Advisor?

If you could accomplish all your financial goals just by putting your paycheck into the bank every couple of weeks, you wouldn't need the services of a financial advisor. But life isn't that simple – and so, at some point, you may realize you need some professional assistance. But when?

Actually, you might benefit from the services of a financial advisor during many life events, including the following:

- Starting your career – When you're starting out in your career, you may encounter several questions related to your benefits package. Should you contribute to your 401(k) or other employer-sponsored plan? If so, how much, and where should you invest your money? Are the life and disability insurance policies offered by your employer sufficient for your needs? A financial advisor can help you answer these and other questions you may have.

- Getting married – When you get married, you'll have to decide if, and how, you want to combine

your finances. Also, you and your spouse may have different attitudes about investing and different tolerances for risk. A financial professional can help you find common ground.

- Changing jobs – When you switch jobs, what should you do with your old employer's retirement plan? And how should you invest in the plan offered by your new employer? As was the case when you first began your career, you may find that a financial professional can help you make the right choices.

- Facing a layoff or buyout – You may never go through a layoff, or take a buyout offer from an employer – but if either of these events happen, you will face some financial decisions. And during such a potentially stressful period, you may be tempted to make some financial moves that won't be beneficial. A financial advisor can suggest some strategies that may help you keep your investment situation relatively intact until you land your next job.

- Saving for college – If you have children whom you'd like to send to col-

lege someday, you'll probably want to start putting money away as early as possible. A financial professional can show you the various college-savings vehicles, and help you choose the ones that are most appropriate for your needs.

- Getting divorced – If you are fortunate, you won't ever experience a divorce, but, if it does happen, you'll want to get the professional assistance necessary to ensure fair outcomes for everyone. You'll obviously need to work with an attorney, but you may find that, in the area of investments, a financial advisor also can be useful.

- Entering retirement – As you near retirement, your key questions will switch – but not entirely – from putting money in to taking money out. How much can you withdraw each year from your 401(k) and IRA without running the risk of outliving your resources? When should you start taking Social Security? If you were to work a couple of years longer than you had originally intended, how would it af-

fect your withdrawal strategies? Again, a financial advisor can help you with these issues.

As you can see, most important life events will

carry some financial concerns. But you don't have to face these challenges alone – and by getting the help you need, when you need it, you can ease the

transition from one stage of life to another.

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**JAN 18 - 24****THUR:** Pancakes, ham, green beans, strawberries, rice krispie bar.**FRI:** Meat & cheese wrap, potato chips, veggies, peaches.**MON:** Hamburger hotdish, dinner roll, mandarin oranges, cookie.**TUE:** Chicken fajita, cheese, pears.**WED:** Shrimp poppers, mashed potatoes, gravy, peas, bread, applesauce.

## Upcoming Events

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**JAN 18 - 24****THUR: K-6:** Teriyaki glazed chicken, dinner roll, chicken ranch wrap, rice, broccoli, coleslaw, apple, peaches. **JR/HS:** BBQ pork, tator tots, coleslaw, carrots, apple, fruit cocktail.**FRI: K-6:** Cheese stuffed breadsticks, pizza bagel fun lunch, caesar salad, orange, applesauce. **JR/HS:** Mini turkey corn dogs, baked beans, spinach and cranberry salad, cucumbers, orange, applesauce.**MON:** No school.**TUE: K-6:** Tacos, sunbutter & grape jelly sandwich, refried beans, tomatoes, orange, pineapple tidbits. **JR/HS:** Chicken & cheese quesadilla, rice, tossed salad, tomatoes, orange, pears.**WED: K-6:** Lasagna stype pasta bake, breadstick, ham & cheese sandwich, corn, cucumbers, apple, peaches. **JR/HS:** Turkey, gravy, mashed potatoes, peas, dinner roll, broccoli salad, cucumbers, banana, peaches.

## SENIOR DINING WEEKLY MENU

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

**JAN 18 - 24****THURS:** Tator tot hotdish, peas & carrots, beet pickles, jello with fruit.**FRI:** Lemon pepper fish, red skin potatoes, broccoli, chocolate pudding.**MON:** Beef stroganoff, corn on the cob, eclair.**TUE:** Chicken cordon bleu, hasbrown bake, brussel sprouts, jello.**WED:** Hamburger, tri tator, bush beans, angelfood with whip topping.

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**JAN 18 - 24****THUR:** BBQ pork, fries, coleslaw, fruit cocktail.**FRI:** Mini turkey corn dogs, baked beans, cucumbers, applesauce.**MON:** No school.**TUE:** Chicken & cheese quesadilla, rice, tomatoes, pears.**WED:** Wedish meatballs, mashed potatoes, dinner roll, cucumbers, banana.

## TRUMAN AREA

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**JAN 18 - 24****THUR:** Ribette, mashed potatoes, carrots, strawberry cup, fruit.**FRI:** Turkey wrap, fries, CA blend, applesauce, fruit.**MON:** No school.**TUE:** Pizza, green beans, carrots, broccoli, pineapple tidbits, fruit.**WED:** Grilled cheese, tomato soup, spinach salad, carrots, broccoli, apple, fruit.

## Even Exchange answers

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| 1. Defend, Depend | 6. Dutch, Ditch    |
| 2. Nanny, Nancy   | 7. Great, Greet    |
| 3. Farce, Force   | 8. Packer, Packet  |
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## NSSR continued from pg 4

Top Speed of the day honor was captured by Fast Eddie Ensor out of Sheridan, Illinois with the Warning Family/Hyper-Sports Performance Arctic Cat (Frozen Assets 2) Suzuki powered sled at the 174.898 mph. This edged out the existing record held from 2017 in the Pro Max Class on Forest Lake in 2017 by Kyle Shilts

at 174.193mph in the 1000 foot mark.

All records require a run within 2% to back up their World Record run and nearly 400 fans and race supporters were on hand to witness the racing throughout the day!

This NSSR Super Series event in Fairmont was hosted by the Blizzard Snowmobile Club. Thanks to Holiday Inn (TPI Hotel Group), the City of Fairmont, the Martin County

Sheriff's Office, and the Minnesota DNR for their support and cooperation to make this event happen.

The next NSSR event will be Saturday, January 27th, 2018 in Forest Lake, Minnesota as part of the Ice Fest. See [www.racenssr.com](http://www.racenssr.com) and facebook under National Straight-line Snowmobile Racing for more information on results and upcoming events.

People First president Jonathon Wolner (2nd from right) presents a check to Tam Plumhoff of Martin County Beyond the Yellow Ribbon. The money is from People First's "Making Change" fund. Also pictured are (L to R): Briana Kueker, Tyler Kueker, Plumhoff, Wolner and Pat Kietzer, Martin County People First Ally. (Submitted photo)





## Jeff's Jottings

I would probably be safe to say that a large majority of you were glued to your TVs Sunday night watching the Minnesota Vikings take on the New Orleans Saints in playoff football. My quartet had practice that evening, but decided to quit early to head down to Tami's on the Ave and watch the game from there. We made it until about the end of the third quarter when New Orleans was about to make it a 3 point game before heading home in the snow. Once I got home Karis was already watching the game and I was once again glued to the screen. Being a life-long Viking fan, I found myself

doubting the team once again after they fell behind the Saints late in the 4th quarter. Luckily instead of getting frustrated and walking away, I decided to watch it all the way to the end and boy, was I glad I did! That had to be the best ending of any Viking game I have ever seen! Even though I wasn't in US Bank Stadium, I could about imagine the noise level when the "Minnesota Miracle Catch" was made for a touchdown as time ran out. Prayers were answered for many (my pastor even said a prayer for the Vikings on Sunday, since they were playing the "Saints"). SKOL Vikings!

### A day at the auction

Karis and I have always liked attending an auction. Whether it is indoors or outside, we find ourselves looking forward to the next auction. Last Saturday we at-

tended the Martin Luther High School "Generation to Generation" antique auction in Northrop and spent the day watching all the bidding, and even doing some bidding ourselves. Over the years, we have watched the "auction scene" change with advances in technology. With the popularity of online selling (like EBay, Craigslist, Facebook Marketplace, etc.) the auction world has changed. You see less and less large items like furniture and automobiles and even the demand for smaller items is changing. I have always liked to watch auctions for the activity between the auctioneers and the bidders. It is much like a competition among the bidders to get your item for the best price you can (or for what you are willing to spend). Whenever Karis and I attend these auctions, we see many familiar faces that we see at other auctions and we have come to know many of them by the items they purchase. There is a lady we used to refer to as "the glass lady" because she bought so many glass

items. There are the antique store buyers, the quilt or sewing buyers, the farm or advertising buyers and others. So what are Karis and I referred to as? The only thing I could think of is "the crazy buyers". I leave that thought with you!

### A new "What is it?"

We were unsuccessful in getting an answer on last week's "What is it?" item from Bruce Peters, so I have decided to try a new one this week and leave Bruce's for another time. This week our item comes from Sue Jorgenson of Dunnell who brought this item in. It was from the old Appelquist General Store (later called Appelquist Grocery) in Dunnell, which was open from 1900 to 1974. The item is about 16 inches long and the sack is made of a thin material that is very porous. It has draw strings on

the top to open and close the sack. The other piece is made of wood and slides up and down the length of the sack. Do you think you know what it is? Email me at [jeff@fairmontphotopress.com](mailto:jeff@fairmontphotopress.com) or call in your answer at 507-238-9456. If you correctly identify the item, you will receive a 2018 Photo Press Desk Calendar! If you have an item that you aren't sure what it is or you think would be good for a future "What is it?", bring it in to our office or send me a picture or two of the item, along with a description of size and so on. I will use it in a future column.

### Tacos, basketball, benefit and more!

Here are a events tak-

ing place in the next week. Wednesday evening meal at Fairmont United Methodist Church will be held from 5 to 6 p.m. on January 17th. They will serve tacos for a donation. Next Wednesday's meal will be chicken and biscuits. On Friday, January 19th, will be the 5th Annual Coaches vs. Cancer benefit at Fairmont High School with proceeds going to Martin County Relay for Life. On Saturday, January 20th is the Truman Lions Club Burger Bash from 5-7 p.m. at the Truman Community Building. On Sunday, January 21st the Sherburn American Legion Auxiliary will have a pancake breakfast from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Sherburn American Legion Club. Next Wednesday, January 24th at 7 p.m. is the Kids Against Hunger benefit concert at Fairmont High School.

*Drive safely - visit a shut-in or family member - Eat, Play, Shop Local - SKOL Vikings!*

*- Jeff*



## The Truman Classic Tractor Ride

Guest Columnist

Darwin Anthony, Business Owner, Artist, Writer



I am sure that some might see driving an antique tractor in THE TRUMAN CLASSIC TRACTOR RIDE as a chore rather than something of pleasure. Many would say I have "done my time" driving such a tractor that had none of the "extras" that we have in the modern tractors of today. THE TRUMAN CLASSIC TRACTOR RIDE has tractors where most of the drivers sit out in "the open". There were few with tractor cabs, power steering, power brakes, windshield wipers, some sort of automatic shift, air conditioning, radio, or a hydraulics system that does the work once done with ropes and levers.

A friend and I decided to drive our tractors in THE TRUMAN CLASSIC TRACTOR RIDE. This would be our second year so we had somewhat of an idea what it would be like. Our first ride was on a somewhat cloudy yet very hot summer morning. It was only at the end of the ride that the sun came out and we could feel the true heat of summer.

The rides are a part of the Truman summer celebration which makes them very eventful to those who participate and help. Sixty tractors

left the starting location in single file. There was no order as the tractors just move out one at a time. Any hill produces the view of the "up-ahead". The line of tractors reaches far into the distance. It is when they make a corner that you realize the length of the line.

I was lucky as another friend knew that I did not have an umbrella that would fit on a Ford/Ferguson. He let me use the one that he had. It helped shield me from the light rain. I had wondered if "the ride" would be cancelled because of the threatening weather. However, a threatening sky could not stop farmers who were set on a "day of enjoyment". We left the gathering area and moved onto a tar road. Once again I was so pleased with the sound of my small Ford motor and the over-under gear shift that allowed me to keep up with those ahead.

The small tractor hummed its way across the flat prairie. All went well until we moved off the tar road onto the gravel. It was at this point that the wheels of the wide front of the low-bodied Ford/Ferguson began to throw gravel. The many tractors in

front of me had loosened the gravel and made ruts that contained some rain water. Every track produced a cement-like mixture of gravel and water. I was soon covered with the grit of the roadside. I could feel the grit in my

shoes. My pants were covered with gravel to the knees as we moved from gravel road to gravel road. I thought there would be some relief when the caravan of tractors moved to a tar road. However, this only produced a shower of cold rain water.

THE TRUMAN CLASSIC TRACTOR RIDE stopped at a seed corn building and a church for refreshments and other obvious reasons. It was at these stops that you could feel "the bond" of

the ride. No one seemed to mind a little rain or wet gravel in the face. They drank their coffee, ate their donuts and cookies, and talked. Most of the tractors have a story of family restoration that offers pride of owner-

ship. The ride ended in the Truman Community Park. We continued sharing the stories of our tractors, met new people, and enjoyed a wonderful meal.

I am sure that most will be back next year!



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**SHAVED ICE** - Cards Mackenzie Householder looks for a rebound off Storm goalie Abbey Hoffman. Householder had a goal and Joni Becker scored twice to edge Morris/Benson Area 3-2 last Saturday. *Courtesy fairmontsports.com*



**CARD GOAL** - Cards Carson Kuhl watches his goal go past Morris/Benson Area's goalie Chase Engbretson as teammate Tyler Buss trails the play. The Storm edge the Cards 4-3 last Saturday. *Courtesy fairmontsports.com*



**DEFLECTED SHOT** - Cards Macy Militello watches the puck bounce off Luverne's goalie Emilie Bartels. Luverne defeated the Cards 7-0 last Tuesday. *Courtesy fairmontsports.com*



**FREEZE THE PUCK** - Cards goalie Colby Kuhl watches as teammates #15 Carter Olson and #6 Jacob Mitchell work the puck free. Luverne won 9-1 last Tuesday. *Courtesy fairmontsports.com*



**MINNY KAHANA** - Bryson Hatfield of Truman was a participant at Blizzard Snowmobile Club's Icekahana held last Saturday on Hall Lake. *Courtesy fairmontsports.com*



**4-WHEEL STUD** - Travis Hatfield maneuvers his studded tire ATV around the Icekahana cones. *Courtesy fairmontsports.com*



**RESULTS ARE IN** - Blizzard Snowmobile Club members Greg Gellert, announcing, and Gene Austin kept track of the Icekahana racers. About 400 racers and fans enjoyed single digit temps, windless and sun-shiny day of snowmobile racing, fun runs and testing their driving skills. *Courtesy fairmontsports.com*



**BACK POINTS** - Red Bulls #1 Class A ranked 138 lb Payton Anderson moved up to 145 and won with a 18-1 technical fall over the Saints Aaron Hunt. *Courtesy fairmontsports.com*



**PERIOD PIN** - Fairmont/Martin County West's Conner Torsen pinned St. Peter's Hayden Thole in the first period. The Class AA #9 ranked Red Bulls (6-0) routed the Saints 62-9 last Thursday night. *Courtesy fairmontsports.com*

## Icekahana results

### 120 Stock

- 1 Tucker Eisenmenger 2001 Arctic Cat Z120 Welcome 39.387
- 2 Sam Lawrence 2001 Arctic Cat Z120 42.914
- 3 Carter Hanson 2002 Arctic Cat Z120 42.946

### 120 Modified

- 1 Bryson Hatfield 2001 Arctic Cat Z120 Truman 55.880

### 8-13 yr old 0-500cc Non Studded

- 1 Oliver Thedens 2000 Yamaha Phazer 500 Fairmont 44.591

### 8-13 yr old 0-500cc Studded

- 1 Tucker Eisenmenger 2001 Arctic Cat ZR500 Welcome 23.039
- 2 Taylor Austin 2003 Arctic Cat Z370 Granada 42.987
- 3 Hudson McKean 2003 Arctic Cat Z370 Fairmont 44.250

### 14-17 yr old 0-600cc Non-Studded

- 1 Isaiah Johnson 2003 Ski-Doo 500 Fairmont 42.841

### 14-17 yr old 0-600cc Studded

- 1 Jacob Tucheny 2000 Arctic Cat ZR 600 Iowa 20.249
- 2 Justine Eisenmenger 2001 Arctic Cat ZR 500 Welcome 22.817

### Adult Non-Studded 401cc-Open

- 1 Kendra Hartmann 1999 Yamaha Phazer Fairmont 35.591

### Adult Studded 0-600cc

- 1 Trevor Eisenmenger 2001 Arctic Cat ZR500 Welcome 20.371
- 2 Brandon Hartmann Polaris Fairmont 20.960

### Adult Studded 601cc-Open

- 1 McCain Jennings 2002 Arctic Cat ZR 800 Iowa 18.737
- 2 Jeremiah Johnson 2003 Arctic Cat F7 Fairmont 25.021

### Vintage Stock - no studs - cleats ok

- 1 Steven Krumholz 1972 Yamaha 292 Fairmont 59.174

### Vintage Open - studs

- 1 Sawyer Krenz 1980 Yamaha Enticer 205 Truman 23.236
- 2 Joel Oberdieck Scorpion Truman 27.688

### ATV 0-400cc

- 1 Travis Hatfield Honda 400EX Truman 19.010
- 2 Carter Wrucke Honda 400EX Fairmont 19.619

### ATV 401-549cc

- 1 Chuck Marlin 2003 Suzuki 400 Fairmont 16.022

### Fastest Run of the Day

- 1 Chuck Marlin 2003 Suzuki 400 Fairmont 16.022



Bryson Hatfield listens to instructions during the Icekahana on Saturday. *Courtesy fairmontsports.com*

## NSSR Competition in Fairmont Saturday

Results in future issue. Story on page 4



## BOYS & GIRLS U11-U18 TRAVELING SPRING/SUMMER 2018 SOCCER



## 2018 SPRING SOCCER REGISTRATION

Sunday, Jan. 28 • 4:30

Fairmont Elementary School  
Door #21 - 3-6 Grade Lunch Room

Fees:

Jan. 28<sup>th</sup> - Feb. 15<sup>th</sup>, \$90  
After Feb. 15<sup>th</sup>, \$135

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 James B. Kehr, James Bernard Kehr to Donald Meyer, Sandra Meyer, Lot 4, Block 1, Original Plat Truman  
 Dennis H. Hagen, Marianne Hagen to Jeffrey D. Hagen, Karis D. Hagen, Und. 1/2 Int., Pt. SE¼NW¼, 3-101-32  
 Joyce H. Kabe to Jean M. Kabe, Randall D. Kabe, Lot

**Several Party Auction**  
**Saturday, January 20, 2018 • 9:30 a.m.**  
**Watonswan County Fairgrounds • St. James, MN**

**HOUSEHOLD AND MISCELLANEOUS:** Dining room table and chairs; bedroom set; china hutch; bookshelf; plant stands; office chair and desk; stackable chairs; organ bench; futon; chest freezers; Eureka vacuum; Dirt Devil vacuum; shop vac; electric heaters; treadmill; end tables; dog porter; pots and pans; dishes; kitchen appliances; home decor; Sears organ; and much, much more...

**ANTIQUES AND COLLECTIBLES:** Quilts; dry sink; cedar chest; glassware; collector plates; eagle statue; lamps; painted secretariat; crank wall phone; McCormick Deering cream separator; treadle sewing machine; rocking chairs; concertina; pictures; lamps; mirrors; and much, much more...

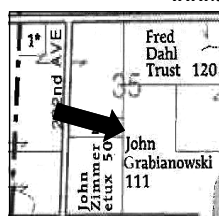
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**Notice of Upcoming Martin County, Minnesota**  
**110.9 ACRES +/- Silver Lake Township**  
**FARMLAND AUCTION**  
**Tuesday, January 23, 2018 @ 10:30 A.M.**  
*In case of very inclement weather - "blizzard", please check our web site at [www.auctioneeralley.com](http://www.auctioneeralley.com) for details.*



**SALE LOCATION:** The auction will be held at the Knights of Columbus Hall at 920 East 10th Street in Fairmont, Minnesota. Watch for auction signs on highway #15 on day of the sale.

**PROPERTY LOCATION:** From junction of Highway #15 & County #26 in Fairmont, Minnesota approximately 9-1/2 miles on #15 to 20th Street, then approximately 2-1/2 miles, to 232nd Avenue then 3/4 mile south & 1/4 east.

**PROPERTY LEGAL DESCRIPTION:** Part of SE1/4 (Silver Lake Township) in 35-101N-30W Martin County, Minnesota.

Containing 110.9 acres more or less. The full legal description will be provided at the auction.

**PROPERTY INFORMATION:** Deeded Acres: 110.9 +/- Tillable Acres: 107.38 +/-  
 Crop Productivity Index Rating: 91.1

**AUCTION SALE TERMS:** All bidders must register for a bidding number at the auction prior to bidding. The successful Buyer at the conclusion of the auction will enter into a Purchase Agreement - Contract and shall make a 20% NON-refundable earnest money down-payment the day of the auction. The sale will NOT be contingent upon any buyer financing. The unpaid balance shall be due and payable in full on or before March 6, 2018, when clear title & possession will be passed by Warranty Deed. Buyers will be responsible for all tillage costs the day of the auction. The Buyer shall pay all real estate taxes that are due and payable in 2018 and there after. Property is being sold "AS IS". Property is being sold subject to any easements including road, drainage, utility or other easements of record. The sellers do not warranty or guarantee that existing fences lie on the true boundary and any new fencing, if any, will be the responsibility of the purchaser pursuant to MN statutes. The buyers are responsible for all inspections of the property prior to their purchase of it. The sale is subject to the sellers approval. Any statements made at the auction may take precedence over any printed information. Auction Company & Staff represent the seller in this transaction.

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**OWNER: John Grabianowski Estate**  
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 Debra Harbitz, Susan Mulso, Donald W. Becker Irrevocable Trust to Debra Harbitz, W½SE¼, Pt. SE¼SE¼, 32-103-33  
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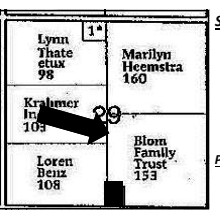
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**Notice of Upcoming Martin County, Minnesota**  
**153.33 ACRES +/- Lake Belt Township**  
**Bare FARMLAND AUCTION**  
**Monday, January 22, 2018 @ 10:30 A.M.**  
*In case of very inclement weather - "blizzard", please check our web site at [www.auctioneeralley.com](http://www.auctioneeralley.com) for details.*



**SALE LOCATION CORRECTION:** The auction will be held at the Legends II at 103 East Main Street, Ceylon, MN.  
 Watch for auction signs on highway #15 on day of the sale.

**PROPERTY LOCATION:** From Ceylon, Minnesota approximately 3 miles west on County Road #6 to 90th Avenue, then approximately 1-1/4 miles south.

**PROPERTY LEGAL DESCRIPTION:** SE1/4 except the building site area in the southwest corner (Lake Belt Township) in 29-101N-32W Martin County, Minnesota. Containing 153.33 acres more or less.  
 The full legal description will be provided at the auction.

**PROPERTY INFORMATION:** Deeded Acres: 153.33 +/- Tillable Acres: 147.54 +/-  
 Crop Productivity Index Rating: 91.9

**AUCTION SALE TERMS:** All bidders must register for a bidding number at the auction prior to bidding. The successful Buyer at the conclusion of the auction will enter into a Purchase Agreement - Contract and shall make a 20% NON-refundable earnest money down-payment the day of the auction. The sale will NOT be contingent upon any buyer financing. The unpaid balance shall be due and payable in full on or before March 6, 2018, when clear title & possession will be passed by Warranty Deed. Buyers will be responsible for all tillage costs totaling \$5,752.51 the day of the auction. The Buyer shall pay all real estate taxes that are due and payable in 2018 and there after. Property is being sold "AS IS". Property is being sold subject to any easements including road, drainage, utility or other easements of record. The sellers do not warranty or guarantee that existing fences lie on the true boundary and any new fencing, if any, will be the responsibility of the purchaser pursuant to MN statutes. The buyers are responsible for all inspections of the property prior to their purchase of it. The sale is subject to the sellers approval. Any statements made at the auction may take precedence over any printed information. Auction Company & Staff represent the seller in this transaction.

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**OWNER: St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church**  
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**200 DEEDED ACRES +/-**  
**Wed., January 24, 2018 @ 7:00 PM**

To be held at the Trimont Community Center- 41 2nd Ave NW, Trimont, MN



**LEGAL DESCRIPTION:** 200 Acre Tract in the W1/2 SE1/4 & SE1/4 SE1/4 & E1/2 SW1/4 Sec. 28 of Cedar Twp., Martin Co., MN T104N, R33W. Located 3 1/2 miles NW of Trimont, MN on blacktop. **INFORMATION:** \*Top producing tillable land with excellent soil types & salvage 5 to 9 ac. bldg. site that may be sold separately. Call for booklets or go to [www.landservicesunlimited.com](http://www.landservicesunlimited.com).

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

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 20, 2018 9:30 A.M. - Sveral Parties Auction at**  
 the Fair Grounds in St. James, MN. DAR HALL & ASSOCIATES.

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

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

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

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

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

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2018 10:30 AM - 239.24 Acres +/-** Waverly Township, Martin County, MN Farmland Auction for Kay & Mark Sauck and Jane E. & David C. Halverson, Owners Sale Location: Truman Community Center at 313 N. First Avenue, Truman, MN. Call 507-847-3468 or [www.danpikeauction.com](http://www.danpikeauction.com) for more information. DAN PIKE & AUCTION CO.

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## Robert Hilgers SJV featured alumni

Dr. Bob Hilgers has been selected to be the 2018 "Featured St. John Vianney School Alumnus" and will be the keynote speaker at their annual Dinner Dance on January 27th in Fairmont.

Dr. Bob Hilgers is the son of the late Bob & Ann Hilgers. He, along with his two brothers attended St. Paul's Covent School in Fairmont, with Bob graduating in 1950. St. Paul's Covent School was the Catholic School that was in Fairmont before the current St. John Vianney School building was built. Following his graduation from the Fairmont High School in 1954, Bob attended St. John's University at Collegeville, graduating "Magna Cum Laude" in 1957. Dr. Bob then applied and was accepted into the University of Minnesota Medical School graduating in 1961. Dr. Hilgers furthered his educational experiences at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester and also at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center in New York City and presently holds two Bachelors, two Masters and a Doctorate Degree.

Dr. Hilgers is President and CEO of the Women's Global Cancer Alliance (WGCA). WGCA works to advance women's health, addressing particularly those in need of cancer care in developing countries. Eighty percent of cancers in women occur in developing countries where only 5% of resources are available for care.

Dr. Hilgers is a board certified Gynecologic Oncologist and Professor Emeritus at the University of Louisville School of Medicine.

He has been in leadership positions most of his life serving close to 30 years in various positions as Professor of Gynecologic Oncology, Division Chief and Department Chairman. He trained in Obstetrics and Gynecology at the Mayo Clinic (Rochester, Minnesota) and in Gynecologic Oncology at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center in New York City. He served as the first formally trained



gynecologist at the University of New Mexico where he founded the Division of Gynecologic Oncology. He subsequently became an examiner of candidates aspiring to become certified by the American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology in both Obstetrics and

Obstetrics as well as in Gynecologic Oncology.

He is a founding member and first President of the Memorial Gynecologic Oncology Society and served as President of Western Gynecologic Oncology Society. He is a founding member of the International Gynecologic Cancer Society (IGCS) where he served first as Secretary/Treasurer and then as its first Executive Director. In 2003 he was designated as one of the World Oncology Leaders by the American Society of Clinical Oncology (ASCO). He is past President of the Metro Louisville American Cancer Society. Currently, he serves on the Humanitarian Committees of the American Society of Colposcopy and Cervical Pathology (ASCCP) and of

the Greater Louisville Medical Society (GLMS).

He is a member of the Society of Gynecologic Oncology, the Society of Pelvic Surgeons, the American Society of Association Executives, The American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology, the American Society of Colposcopy and Cervical Pathology as well as the International Society for the Study of Trophoblastic Disease and the International Network for Cancer Treatment and Research (INCTR). He is a past member of the Society of Gynecological Surgeons and the European Society of Gynecologic Oncology. He has served as a consultant on editorial boards of several peer reviewed medical journals. He is the author of 120 publications and has cared for over 1,000 women with cancer of the cervix.

In 2005 he founded the Kentucky Cervical Cancer Coalition (KCCC) in an attempt to raise awareness of our need to eliminate cancer of the cervix in Kentucky women through early vaccination and regular Pap smear screening. He serves on the state Cervical Cancer Medical Advisory Committee and the Kentucky

Medical Association Cancer Committee.

In 2009 he went to Zambia to study their Cervical Cancer Prevention Program - noted to be one of the best in the world addressing cervical cancer in a developing country.

In June 2015 he opened the first full time cervical cancer screening and prevention clinic in Gonaives, Haiti - serving the 90% of impoverished of the community at no charge.

His past achievements include being named Honorary Consultant, Chairing Cross Hospital and Westminster School of Medicine in London, England; Honorary Professor at Sun Yet-Sen University of Medical Science in Guangzhou, People's Republic of China; and Honorary Member of the Argentina Association of Gynecologic Oncology, Buenos Aires. He has lectured in Florence, Fukuoka, Seoul, Guangzhou, London, Buenos Aires, Bangkok, and Port au Prince. He has also been an observer of health care in Tibet, Nepal and Cambodia.

His career is further distinguished by being named one of the Best Doctors or America, Best Doctors for

Women, American's Top Oncologists and is cited in the International Who's Who of Professionals as well in the International Directory of Distinguished leadership.

In 2015, he received the Akin Humanitarian Award from the United Nations KY and became a graduate of the Rotary Leadership Institute.

Dr. Bob is a lifelong student. He holds a Master's Degree in Health Care Management as is a Certified Association Executive (CAE). He is an avid photographer and continues to witness the best of Haiti through his photos.

Dr. Bob will also be giving a talk while in Fairmont entitled "Impact of Poverty on Cancer-Working in Haiti for 9 Years."

This event will be held at the Fairmont Knights of Columbus Hall, tentatively scheduled for Sunday, January 28th at 1:00 pm. There will be no cost to attend and all members of the community are invited. Please watch the Photo Press for updated information.

For tickets and additional information please contact St. John Vianney School at 235-5304.

## Benefit for Reutzel/Fischer families

A benefit for the Reutzel and Fischer families will be held this Saturday, January 20th, 4 to 7 p.m. at the Fairmont National Guard Armory. As part of the benefit, there will be a

pork sandwich dinner, raffle and silent auction, from 4 to 6 p.m.

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Gary and Anne Reutzel and their family are members of St. John Vianney Church. Gary is a Knight with the Knights of Columbus and also volunteers at St. John Vianney School. He is a VFW member and volunteers as a COP (Citizens on Patrol), is Past VFW Commander and VFW District leadership, DAV (Dis-

abled American Veterans) member, current



**The Fischer family**

Commander. He also is Vice Chairman of MCVN (Martin County Veterans

Memorial) and Community Steering Committee. Gary is an officer with MCBTYR (Martin County Beyond the Yellow Ribbon) Anne has also volunteered with MCBTYR.

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

for area military families.

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

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

Her husband Mike is in Rochester with Krissy. Their girls are with Gary and Anne with Anne tak-

ing a leave of absence from her job so she can take care of her granddaughters and be with Gary during his doctor visits.

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

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

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## OBITUARY notices

### Esther M. Bicknase, 86



Services for Esther M. Bicknase, 86, of Fairmont, will be 1:00 p.m. Thursday, January 18th, 2018, at St.

John's United Church of Christ in Fairmont. Burial will be held following the service in the Lakeside Cemetery. Visitation will be Thursday, January 18th, 2018, from 10:00 a.m. until the time of service with a luncheon beginning at 11:00 a.m. at St. John's United Church of Christ in Fairmont. Esther passed away Thursday, January 11th, 2018, at Mayo Clinic Health System in Fairmont. Lakeview Funeral Home and Cremation Service of Fairmont is assisting the family with arrangements.

Esther Mae (Isder) Bicknase was born July 4th, 1931, in Estherville, IA, the daughter of John and Katie (Kielman) Isder. She grew up on the family farm near Dolliver, IA, and

attended school in Maple Hill, IA, graduating from Maple Hill High School with the class of 1951. Following her graduation, Esther worked in Estherville and was also a member of the Dolliver Lutheran Church.

After a move to Fairmont, Esther began her employment with 3M. On June 14th, 1958, Esther was united in marriage to Rudolph H. Bicknase. Together the couple would make their home in Fairmont and were blessed with five children, Robert, Debra, Danny, Randy, and Sherri. After raising her family, Esther went on to work at Madsen's, Randall's and Hy-Vee until her retirement.

Esther was a true caregiver and found joy in tak-

ing care of others. Even after her move to Goldfinch Memory Care, Esther still had those that she watched out for. She loved spending time with her family and especially her grandchildren. In her younger years, Esther enjoyed fishing and snowmobile trips. Her quiet time was spent with her son's Yorkie, Misy and playing cards and bingo with family. Esther also cherished the memories made on her casino trips, shopping trips and trips to Red Lobster. She wasn't afraid of the open road and looked forward to motorcycle rides and was one to never miss a garage sale. Her Fridays were spent shopping and going out to eat with her daughter, Sherri. Esther was a member of the St.

John's United Church of Christ and also a member of the Martin County Veterans of Foreign Wars Post # 1222 Auxiliary.

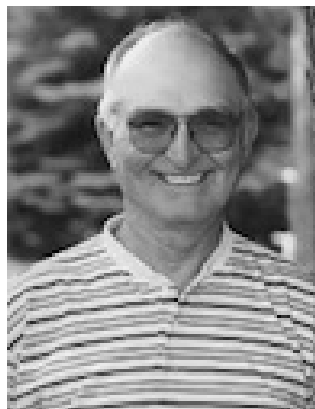
Left to cherish her memory are her children, Robert Bicknase and special friend, Willa Keech of Eagle Lake, MN, Debra Magee and her husband, Steve of Monee, IL, Danny Bicknase and his wife, Maria of Fairmont, Randy Bicknase and his special friend, Carol Schaper of Eagle Lake, MN, and Sherri Bicknase of Welcome; grandchildren, Megan Magee, Darcy Dorman and her husband, Jeremy, Diana Bicknase and special friend, Scott Steinbrink, Desiree Schaeffer and her husband, Luke, Denise Bicknase and special friend, Jeremy Als-

dorf, Sara Bicknase, Renee Bicknase, Heidi Kimberline and her husband, Adam, Heather Kuenle and special friend, Tim Foley, and Serena Jewison; great-grandchildren, Nolan Dorman, Neil Dorman, Norah Dorman, Billy Kimberline, Carter Kimberline, Connor Foley, Avery Foley, and Elliana Schaeffer; sisters, Eunice Voigt and Jenny McLoughlin; brother, Johnny Isder; as well as many nieces, nephews, extended family and friends.

Esther was preceded in death by her parents, John and Katie Isder; husband, Rudolph "Rudy" H. Bicknase; siblings, Elsie Wink, Irene Keilman, and Ernie Isder; as well as many in-laws.

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### Joseph N. Corona Sr., 81



Mass of Christian Burial for Joseph N. Corona Sr., 81, of Fairmont, was held

Monday, January 15th, 2018, at St. John Vianney Catholic Church in Fairmont. Burial was in the Calvary Cemetery with full military honors by Martin County Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #1222 and Lee C. Prentice American Legion Post #36 of Fairmont. Joseph passed away Friday afternoon, January 12th, 2018, at Goldfinch Estates in Fairmont. Lakeview Funeral Home and Cremation Service of Fairmont assisted the family with arrangements.

Joseph Nicholas Corona Sr was born March 3rd, 1936 to Jose and Al-

bena (Hughes) Corona in South Bend, IN. Growing up in South Bend, Joseph attended St Joseph Catholic grade school and high school and was a member of the 1954 graduating class. Following his high school graduation Joseph enlisted in the United States Marine Corp. where he proudly served his country and was honorably discharged in 1957. He later completed 17 years with the National Guard and retired from the military in 1992. Joseph earned his Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Notre Dame.

He then earned a Master's degree in social work from the University of Indiana.

On August 27th, 1960, Joseph was united in marriage to Janet Mathews at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in South Bend, IN. They recently celebrated their 57th wedding anniversary. This union was blessed with four children: Anita, Joe Jr, Mike (adopted), and Kathleen whom all love and respect him dearly. Joseph and Jan settled in Fairmont in 1970 and made it their loving home for almost 50 years.

Joseph joined the State of Minnesota in 1961 as a

Probation agent assigned to Martin County. He proudly served his community for 32 years before his retirement. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus, the Jaycees, and the Exchange Club. In his spare time Joe enjoyed a passion for the game of golf where he developed some incredible friendships as a member of Interlaken Golf Course for over 40 years. Joseph cherished spending time with his family, traveling, gaming, and cheering on his beloved Fighting Irish of Notre Dame. He will be deeply missed by all who

knew and loved him.

Left to cherish his memory include his wife, Janet of Fairmont; children: Anita (Jack) Fort Collins, CO, Joseph Jr (Kim) of Houston, TX, Michael (Colleen) St Michael, MN, Kathleen (Eric) Denver, CO., 9 grandchildren, 1 great-grandchild; Joseph's brother Milton, and other extended family and friends.

Joe was preceded in death by his parents, and his brother Carlos.

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## 25 YEARS AGO IN THE PHOTO PRESS

### WEEK OF JANUARY 20, 1993

Militello Motors' 6th annual Indoor Sale was being held at the Fairmont American Legion, "All Under One Roof." The dealership offered a minimum trade allowance of \$2,000 and was holding a registration to win a used car.

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A ribbon cutting ceremony was held at the Fairmont Glass & Sign Products, Inc. Duane Rieland and sister Diane Anderson were pictured clipping the ribbon celebrating their assuming ownership. The firm employed 15 and does business in a three state area with their commercial sign and art glass business.

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A special 8-page bridal and prom section was included in the Photo Press, including the "Love Is In The Air" Bridal and Prom Show.

Advertisers in this special section were Formal Affair, Hy-Vee, Hampton Floral, Carlson's Hobbies & Crafts, Jeff's Bakery, Truman Flowers and Gifts, VFW Hall, Gene's Cleaners, Fairmont Flowers, On the Wall, Enderson Clothing, Bill's TV & Appliance, Breitbarth Photography, Shoemaker's Jewelry, Twi-

la's Interiors, Dave's Home Plate, Freitag Floors, Lord and Lady Bridal, Sovell Jewelry, Chalet of Bridal Fashions, Olson Rentals, Coast to Coast, Jeanne's Boutique and Bridal Shop and Simply Elegant Bridal and Formal Salon.

## 50 YEARS AGO IN THE PHOTO PRESS

### WEEK OF JANUARY 20, 1968

Fairmont National Bank retained all present officers and directors at the annual meeting. They were: Ray L. Haeckel, president; Richard G. Wade, vice president; John H. Haeckel, cashier; James A. Haeckel and Herman Grefe, assistant cashiers; Edward A. Fillmore, C. W. Musser and Walter H. Norman, board members.

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First National Bank officers for the new year were Harris J. Sorensen, president; John Cashin, vice president; L. L. Parks, assistant vice president; Bernard Halfpop, assistant cashier and manager of the Timepay Dept., Richard Simmering and Gustaf Olson, assistant cashiers. Woodrow P. Wacholz was elevated to vice president and cashier.

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The Fairmont Knights of Columbus advertised their annual stag night.



## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Project 15/90 Thank You

Project 15/90 "Kids just want to have fun" would like to publicly thank the Rosen Family Foundation for a \$10,000 donation towards the children's inside playground at Fairmont's Five Lakes Centre Mall.

Their contribution, along with over 65 others from \$12.00 and up, put us over the top of our recent goal of \$55,000.

The equipment is ordered and site work will start soon with a goal of sometime in February to

### Lord, Send Me!

Kids Against Hunger is a nonprofit organization with the goal eradicating hunger both here in the U.S. and around the world. Since its launch, Kids Against Hunger has provided over two billion meals for children and their families in 70 countries. This huge operation has been made possible through the countless volunteers and donations committed to ending world hunger.

Throughout the years, Martin County has contributed to the Kids Against Hunger mission through our annual food pack and benefit concert. In the nine

have a ribbon cutting celebration.

We would also like to thank the Youth First organization for all their help along with the City of Fairmont, which graciously acted as our fiscal agent for this project.

Watch for our announcement of the upcoming "opening" of this new attraction to the Fairmont area.

Ed Willett  
Fairmont

attend, and a free-will donation will be taken during the concert. Free root beer floats will be served after the concert as a thank you. All collections will go to funding our local Kids Against Hunger food pack on Saturday, Feb. 17.

We all have a choice to make. We can sit, wait, and hope someone else does something to change the world. Or we can be that change. We all have the chance to support our community and be a blessing to hungry people

around the world. All it takes is one quarter to feed a hungry child. We hope to see you in the coming weeks at the concert and the food pack.

"Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?' And I said, 'Here I am. Send me!'" -Isaiah 6:8

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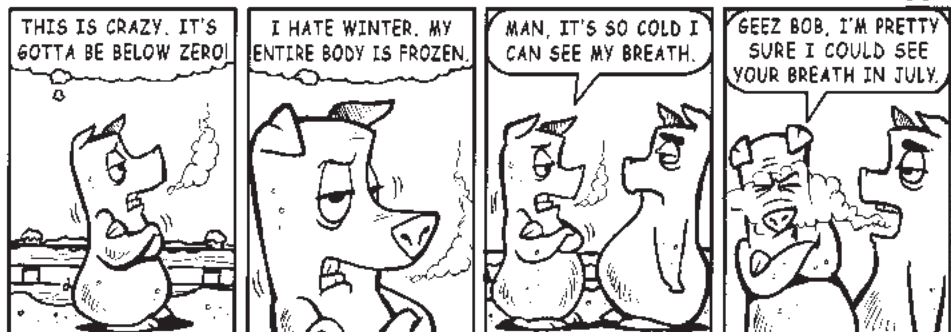
## DEATH notices

January 11 - Esther M. Bicknase, 86, Fairmont. Lakeview Funeral Home  
January 12 - William R. Nielsen, 80, Fairmont. Lakeview Funeral Home  
January 12 - Joseph N. Corona, Sr., 81, Fairmont. Lakeview Funeral Home  
January 13 - Donald H. Diekmann, 80, Butterfield (formerly of Odin). Kramer Funeral Home  
**In Memoriam**

**One Year Ago This Week**  
December 23 - Marjewel (Marge) J. Kilmer, 82, Loveland, CO (formerly of Fairmont)  
January 9 - Arlys L. Tharp, 89, Fairmont  
January 10 - Darrel E. Plumhoff, 93, Fairmont  
January 10 - Duane O. Schmicking, 69, Fairmont  
January 11 - Annamaria Behrens, 82, Granada  
January 11 - Vernon Pytleski, 78, Maple Grove, MN (formerly of East Chain)  
January 12 - Lowell F. Meyer, 67, Springfield, MN (formerly of Trimont)  
January 13 - Melvin R. George, 86, Fairmont  
January 13 - Eldon H. Munsterman, 78, East Chain  
January 14 - Marlin W. Milbrandt, 91, Fairmont  
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The USDA Crop Production Report released on January 12th indicates a record U.S. corn yield for 2017 and a record soybean production level for the year. The USDA Supply and Demand (WASDE) Report, which was also released on January 12th, showed a slight increase in the carryover stocks of both corn and soybeans, compared to the December WASDE estimates. The latest projected ending stocks for the 2017-18 marketing year are higher than the final 2016-17 corn and soybean ending stocks, and considerably higher than the final ending stocks two years ago for the 2015-16 marketing year. Following are some highlights from the latest USDA WASDE and Crop Production Reports:

### Corn WASDE Summary:

According to the January 12th USDA Report, the total U.S. corn production for 2017 is estimated to be at just over 14.6 billion bushels. The 2017 level is a decrease of 4 percent below the 2016 record U.S. corn production of 15.1 billion bushels, and compares to the 2015 U.S. corn production of 13.6 billion bushels. The 90.4 million corn acres planted in 2017, compares to 94 million in 2016 and 88 million acres in 2015. The modern record for planted corn acres was 97.3 million acres in 2012, which was the highest in the U.S. since 1949. The total corn acres harvested for grain in 2017 was 82.7 million acres, compared to 86.7 million acres in 2016 and 80.8 million acres in 2015.

According to the January 12th WASDE Report, the corn ending stocks for 2017-18 are estimated at just over 2.47 billion bushels, which compares to slightly over 2.29 billion bushels for 2016-17, and just over 1.73 billion bushels in 2015-16. USDA is projecting that total U.S. corn use in 2017-2018 to be near 14.5 billion bushels for livestock feed, ethanol, food products, seed, exports, etc., which is down slightly from the total corn usage of over 14.6 billion bushels in 2016-17, but is well ahead

of the 13.6 corn bushels utilized in 2015-16. The level of corn used for feed and ethanol production is expected to increase in 2017-18, but corn exports are estimated to decline, compared to a year earlier.

USDA is projecting the 2017-18 market year average (MYA) corn price in a range of \$2.95 to \$3.55 per bushel, resulting in an average of \$3.25 per bushel, which would be the lowest in several years. This compares to 12-month MYA corn prices of \$3.36 per bushel for 2016-17, \$3.61 per bushel for 2015-16, \$3.70 per bushel for 2014-15, and \$4.46 per bushel for 2013-14. The 12-month MYA price for the 2017-18 crop year will be calculated from September 1, 2017 through August 31st, 2018.

### Soybean WASDE Summary:

According to the January 12th USDA Report, total U.S. soybean production for 2017 is estimated at just over 4.39 billion bushels, which is up two percent from just over 4.29 billion bushels in 2016, and compares to just under 3.93 billion bushels in 2015. The total harvested soybean acreage in 2017 was at the record level of 89.5 million acres, far surpassing the previous record of 82.7 million acres in 2016.

The USDA Report is projecting soybean ending stocks for 2017-18 at 470 million bushels, which is up significantly from the carryover levels of 301 million bushels for 2016-17, or 197 million bushels in 2015-16. Total soybean usage for 2017-18 is estimated at just under 4.25 billion bushels, which is very similar to the 4.21 billion bushels utilized in 2016-17, with a projected increase in the soybean crush levels, but a slight decrease in export levels. USDA is estimating the 2017-18 MYA soybean price in a range of \$8.80-\$9.80 per bushel, or an average price of \$9.30 per bushel. This compares to 12-month MYA soybean prices of \$9.47 per bushel for 2016-17 and \$8.95 per bushel for 2015-16.

### Crop Yields:

The national average

corn yield for 2017 is estimated to be a record at 176.6 bushels per acre, surpassing the previous record U.S. corn yield of 174.6 bushels per acre last year in 2016. The 2016 U.S. corn yield also compares to other recent average corn yields of 168.4 bushels per acre in 2015, 171 bushels per acre in 2014, and 158.1 in 2013. The U.S. average soybean yield in 2017 was lowered by .40 bushels per acre from the November USDA report, and now is estimated at 49.1 bushels per acre, which is a decline from the record U.S. soybean yield of 52 bushels per acre in 2016. The 2017 U.S. soybean yield is still above other recent average U.S. soybean yields of 48 bushels per acre in 2015, 47.5 bushels per acre in 2014, and 44 bushels per acre in 2013.

The average corn yield for Minnesota in 2017 is estimated at the record level of 194 bushels per acre, besting the 2016 State record yield of 193 bushels per acre, and comparing to 188 bushels per acre in 2015 and 156 bushels per acre in 2014. The estimated 2017 Iowa corn yield is 202 bushels per acre, which is just below Iowa's 2016 corn yield of 203 bushels per acre that was an all-time State record for any major corn producing State in the U.S. The 2017 Iowa corn yield is still well above other previous State corn yields of 192 bushels per acre in 2015 and 178 bushels per acre in 2014.

The average 2017 corn yields in other major corn production States were Illinois at 201 bushels per acre, up from 197 bushels per acre in 2016, Indiana at 180 bushels per acre, compared to 173 bushels per acre in 2016, Nebraska at 181 bushels per acre, up from 178 bushels per acre in 2016. South Dakota recorded a 2017 corn yield of 145 bushels per acre, down from 161 bushels per acre in 2016, and North Dakota had a corn yield of 139 bushels per acre, down considerably from 158 bushels per acre in 2016. Large portions of both North and South Dakota suffered from

## Five good reasons to buy or sell a house in winter!

Guest Columnist

Gillian Tunnell, Realtor Century 21 Northland Realty



Winter can be cold and snowy, but it can also be a great time to buy or sell a house! Here are five good reasons to buy or sell a house in winter:

1. Winter can be the time for quicker deals with minimum negotiations because there are fewer homes on the market this time of year.

If issues arise from the inspection, both seller and buyer may be more willing to reach an agreement about repairs, whereas in a busier market they might just walk away. The winter market is good for sellers – with less inventory the homes that are on the market get more attention from prospective buyers.

In addition, anyone who is out looking at houses in bad weather is probably quite motivated!

2. Frequently, but not always, interest rates rise in the spring.

Interest rates have been historically low for some time now, so prospective buyers should discuss the issue with their mortgage broker before making any decisions.

3. Most professionals involved in the home-buying process are usually less busy in the winter.

This is a plus for buyers and sellers; their realtor and lender have more time to devote to them than they might in the

busiest seasons. It could also mean that mortgage loans take less time to process.

4. Putting a house on the market in early winter gives sellers a unique opportunity to showcase their home decorated for the holidays, creating a warm and cozy ambiance, very attractive to most buyers. And of course this feeling can be carried through the new year.

5. Winter also gives the buyer a chance to see how the house handles the cold weather, inside and out!

So, if you are thinking now – get that house on the market!

drought conditions during the 2017 growing season.

The estimated average soybean yield in Minnesota for 2017 was at 47 bushels per acre, which is well below the State record yield of 52 bushels per acre in 2016, and compares to soybean yields of 50 bushels per acre in 2015 and 41.5 bushels per acre in 2014. The average soybean yield for 2017 in Iowa is estimated at 56.5 bushels per acre, which is below the impressive record yield level of 60.5 bushels per acre in 2016, but is the same as the previous record yield of 56.5 bushels per acre in 2015.

The estimated average 2017 soybean yields in other major production States were Illinois at 58 bushels per acre, compared to 59 bushels per acre in 2016, Indiana at 54 bushels per acre, down from 57.5 bushels per acre in 2016, and Nebraska at 57.5 bushels per acre, a decrease from 61 bushels per acre in 2016. South Dakota had a 2017 soybean yield of 43 bushels per acre, down from 49.5 bushels per acre in 2016, and North Dakota was at 34 bushels per acre, a substantial decrease from 41.5 bushels per acre in 2016. Both States experienced lower soybean yields this past year due to the extremely dry conditions that existed during the 2017 growing season.

## Ask A Trooper: Sign Colors

by Sgt. Troy Christianson, Minnesota State Patrol



**Question: Are orange signs supposed to be advisory or warning signs? Can you get a ticket for going the speed of the white sign when there is also some orange signs posted? I've seen some construction zones with white and orange signs posted 55mph and then some orange signs with 35mph speed signs. What is the legal speed limit?**

**Answer:** The white speed limit signs are the official regulatory sign. The orange signs serve as a warning; even though they are not regulatory they are intended to provide clear instructions to help you drive safely. So if the posted speed limit is 55 mph, and you see an orange sign indicating 35 mph, I would recommend slowing to the indicated speed. Minnesota signs, signals, and pavement markings conform to the national standards. Sign Color Meanings:

**Regulatory –**  
Red: Prohibits and commands

White: Regulates

### Warning –

Yellow: Warns  
Yellow-green: Warns and controls pedestrian and bicycle crossings and school areas  
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**BECKER** - Thank you to everyone for the cards, calls and best wishes given to us for our 50th anniversary. God bless you all. ~Larry and Linda Becker. 37-1tp-1

**CHUKUSKE** - The Family of Carol Chukuske would like to Thank all of our family and friends who attended the Celebration of Life Service for Carol. Thank you all who gave food, flowers and money to our Mom's memory. All of the monetary gifts will be donated to organizations in memory of our mother and wife, Carol Chukuske. Thank you, ~Jim Chukuske, Bill, Tammy, Cindy and Jamie. 37-1tp-1

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Aerial view of Saturday's NSSR (National Straight Line Snowmobile Racing) track on Hall Lake. (Photo courtesy of Verlus Burkhardt)



Kids Against Hunger Committee Karen Sandhurst, Beth Reeve and Sue Homan (front left) honored the Early Riser Kiwanis for their continuous monetary and volunteer support. (Submitted photo)



**US Bank's giveaway prize on Friday, January 12th: Large US Bank insulated cooler with multiple bags of chips, bars, Coke and cookies. Also included: coozies, coasters, beer opener, and Big Game Guessing Game. Fairmont's US Bank will be giving out one of these prizes every Friday until the Big Game. Also we are serving free all-beef hotdogs, chips, water and coffee in our living lobby during lunch time every Friday before the Big Game.**

## Americanisms



"Everyday you wake up on the right side of the dirt is a good one."

—Paula Deen

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## TOP OF THE HILL CLUB: Amazing Events

### ALASKA

#### WILDERNESS SMALL SHIP

**August 24 to September 1, 2018**

Enjoy the true Alaska aboard the Island Spirit, only 32 passengers. No lines, no elevators, no crowds, no jewelry stores! Points of interest include: **Juneau, Admiralty Island, Tenekee Springs, Chatham Strait, Sea Lion haul out and Baird Glacier.** Cost: \$5995 includes **EVERYTHING** – all airport transfers, airfare, insurance, crew gratuities, all meals onboard, all listed excursions and accommodations aboard the Island Spirit for 8 nights. Queen cabins are \$500 more per cabin. Call Now! Single cabins are gone. Three queen cabins left and four twin cabins.

### BIG TRIPS

Other extended trips scheduled are:

**SAN ANTONIO, TX** NOVEMBER 25-29, 2018

**HAWAIIAN ISLANDS CRUISE**

JANUARY 12-20, 2019

**AUSTRALIA/NEW ZEALAND**

FEBRUARY 18 TO MARCH 10, 2019

**ICELAND** JUNE 9-17, 2019

**COLUMBIA RIVER** SEPTEMBER 2019

ABOARD THE AMERICAN EMPRESS

You do NOT need to be a TOTHM member to travel with us.



### NORWAY CRUISE!

**AUGUST 24 - SEPT. 4, 2018**

#### Great new changes in our Cruise to Norway!

Due to scheduling changes with Norwegian Cruise Lines, our cruise has been changed to **August 24-September 4**. It is now a 9-day cruise with 2 added ports and a post-cruise stay in London with dinner and a West Side Show for no added cost.

**Ports of Call – Hellsylt, Geiranger, Flam, Alesund, Bergen, and now also Haugesund and Kirkwall**

**DEPOSITS ARE DUE NOW** and final payment will be due April 6. Receive TWO free Amenities – Choose from Free Unlimited beverage package, Free Specialty dining package, Internet package, \$50 Shore Excursion Credit per port, \$75 On-Board Credit, or 20 Photo Package.

#### Pricing differs depending on cabin choice:

Stateroom with Balcony \$4575 or \$4545 depending on location  
Mid-ship Oceanview with picture window \$3969  
Mid-ship Interior Stateroom \$3560



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### TWINS BASEBALL!

**Sunday, June 10 vs. Anaheim Angels**

Seats are in the Infield Box, Section 121, Rows 20-24  
Cost: \$98 Deadline: May 10

**Sunday, September 30 vs. Chicago White Sox**

Seats are in the Legends Club, Section R, Rows 8-12  
Cost: \$129 Deadline: August 30

Don't miss out! Sign up now!



### THEATERS!

Wednesday, February 21 **"SISTER ACT"**  
at Chanhassen Dinner Theater  
\$102 includes lunch, tickets and transportation, registration is due January 26

Thursday, April 26 **"THE LIFE AND MUSIC OF FRANK SINATRA"**  
at the Ives Auditorium in Bloomington  
\$98 includes lunch, tickets and transportation, registration is due March 26

Wednesday, May 2 **"GUYS AND DOLLS"**  
at the Old Log Theater in Excelsior  
\$95 includes lunch, tickets and transportation, registration is due April 2

For full itineraries, more information or to sign up for any of these great adventures, call Top of the Hill Club Director Ellen Borkenhagen at 507-235-7577.

