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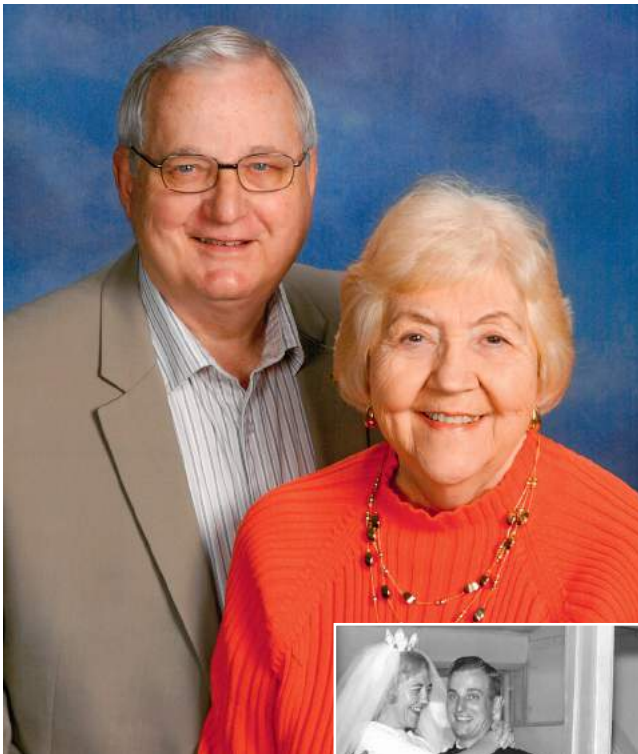
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YOUNG-MENNENGA - Mason Joe Mennenga and Lisa Mae Young, together with their parents, Frank and Roxanne Mennenga and Danny and Teresa Young, are happy to announce their engagement and upcoming wedding. Mason is a native of Huntley, Minnesota. He graduated from Granada Huntley East Chain High School, Bethany Lutheran College and Minnesota State University-Mankato. He is employed by Children's Hospitals and Clinics of Minnesota in Edina. Lisa is from Plainview, Minnesota and graduated from Plainview High School and the University of St. Thomas. She works for the Post-Bulletin Company in Rochester. They will be united in marriage August 20th, 2016, at St. Joachim Church in Plainview.



NUSS 50TH - Elroy "Ernie" and Sandy Nuss of Fairmont celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with family. They were married July 2nd, 1966. Cards will reach them at 1800 South Prairie Avenue, Fairmont, MN 56031.



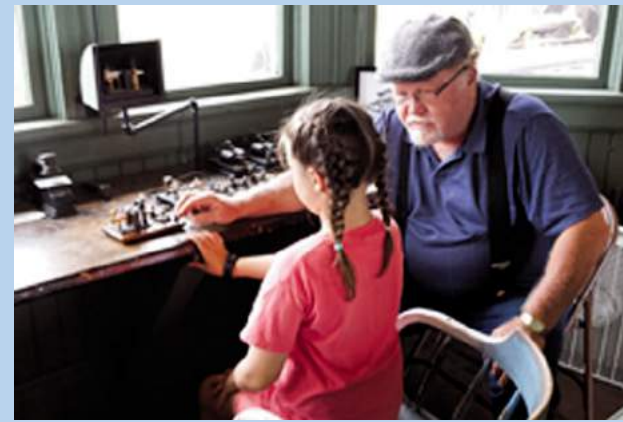
TLAM 50TH - Join the Tlam family to celebrate the 50th wedding anniversary of Eldon and Lorraine Tlam of rural Dunnell. The open house will be held Thursday, July 16th, 2016 from 3:00-6:00 p.m. at the Dunnell Community Hall (no gifts please).



MILLER 60TH - Harold and Velma Miller of Truman will hold a 60th wedding anniversary celebration on Saturday, July 9th from 2 to 4 p.m. at their farm, 79439 - 420th Street, Truman, MN 56088. No gifts please. The Millers were married February 11th, 1956.



PLUMHOFF 99TH - Hazel Plumhoff of Alpha, Minnesota will be celebrating her 99th birthday on Wednesday, July 13th. Cards will reach her at P.O. Box 21, Alpha, MN 56111.



LOREN DUNHAM, one of the many volunteers at the Heritage Acres Fourth of July celebration, shows Anissa Baumberger of Sioux Falls, South Dakota, how to spell her name on the telegraph key at Heritage Acres' depot building. Anissa's mother, Jennifer Kumba Baumberger, was one of Mr. Dunham's students at Fairmont High School.



ZEITZ 99TH - Lorena Zeitz of Fairmont recently celebrated her 99th birthday with her family. She was born June 22nd, 1917. Lorena now resides at 2811 Roland Avenue, Apt. #206, Fairmont, MN 56031.

First Congregational UCC of Fairmont is hosting "Messy Church" VBS on Wednesday, July 13th at 6:30-8 p.m. Stories, games, crafts and supper will be part of this faith-filled evening of fun. All children preschool-6th grade are invited to join us as we learn about God's love. The public is invited. R.S.V.P. to the church office 235-5382 or email Ce319@frontier.com by Wednesday at noon if you would

like your child to attend so plenty of supplies and supper can be available.

Hospital Marathon Bridge will start again this fall. Anyone wishing to play, if you didn't sign up in May, please call Marge Bolster by July 15th at 507-235-9109. Participants will play with the same partner seven or eight times during the duration from September 2016 to May 2017.

The Disabled American Veterans Chapter 32 and its Auxiliary will hold its annual picnic on Thursday, July 7th at 6 p.m. at the Fairmont National Guard Armory. Bring your own dinner ware, a dish to pass and dessert. Chicken will be furnished.

St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Truman will host a **Walking Taco Bar** at the church on Wednesday, July 13th from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. There is a charge. Take-out containers are available. There is also a lift available for those unable to do steps.



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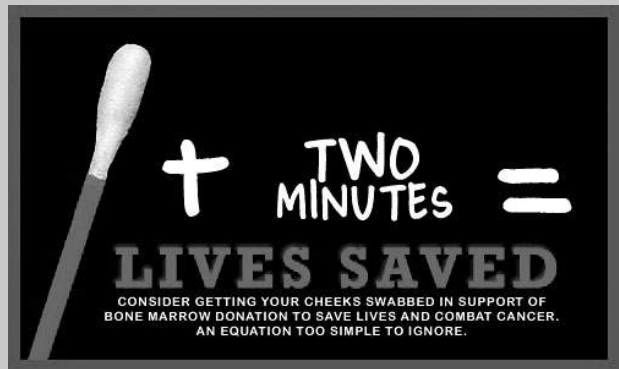
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more than half will not find a compatible donor due to lack of people on the registry.

You can help change those odds by registering as a potential donor.

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To find out more about bone marrow donations, visit: deletebloodcancer.org.

The new ministers at the **Regional Worship Center in Sherburn** are Pastors Dean and Rosa Maria Greimann. Sunday events start with coffee, pastries and fellowship at 8:30 a.m., Sunday School classes for all ages at 9 a.m. and morning worship ser-

vice at 10 a.m. Vacation Bible School Mega Sports Camp will be held July 11th through the 15th, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. For more information, call the church office at 507-764-7491, the pastor's cell phone at 641-812-0759.

Noon Lunch with the Arts at Red Rock Center

The Noon Lunch with the Arts program on Tuesday, July 12th at the Red Rock Center for the Arts in Fairmont will feature musical entertainment by Big John Pedersen and his wife Connie.

John and Connie reside in northern Iowa, but travel to The Rio Grande Valley in Texas in the winter. Since performing down there, they have been nicknamed the "Sweethearts of the Rio Grande Valley." Their love of music, close harmony, and smiling faces make every show fun to watch.

Big John plays rhythm guitar and Connie has recently joined him playing bass guitar. Their music is Classic Country, Rockabilly, Gospel, and a little old time Rock n Roll. During the summer months you will find them entertaining in various Midwest venues, including music festivals, fairs, town celebrations, church events, nursing homes and anytime you want to have fun, live music.

Bring a sack lunch if desired, refreshments will be provided. Open to the public, free of charge.



There will be an Open House Bridal Shower for **Kelsey Mino**, bride-to-be of **Travis Flint**, on Saturday, July 9th at 10:00 a.m. at East Chain Evangelical Free Church.

There will be a **hymn fest** on Sunday, July 10th at 7:00 p.m. at the Red Rock Center in Fairmont. Refreshments will be served. The public is welcome.




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The fun events are never ending this summer...next up, is Mad Science! Join us for this interactive science pro-

gram! See amazing experiments and learn about the mad science behind them! Join us at any of these programs:

Wednesday, July 13th
1:00 Fairmont
3:30 Truman
Thursday, July 14th
2:00 Sherburn
4:00 Trimont

All programs are free and open to the public, no registration is required. Contact the library at 238-4207 with questions.

Visit our website at martincountylibrary.org for a complete schedule of events.

We still have more fun events coming this summer!! Stay tuned!

Summer food at school

Fairmont Area School District is hosting summer food at school this summer.

At Fairmont Area Elementary, it will be served in the cafeteria Monday through Friday from July 11th to the 29th. Breakfast will be served from 8:30 to 9:00 a.m. and lunch will be from 12:00 to 12:30 p.m.

Three days have been added to the Fairmont Area Jr/Sr High School, which will serve lunch

in the commons. In July they will serve on July 19th, 20th and 21st and in August they will serve Monday through Friday, August 15th through the 26th. Lunch will be served during the July and August dates from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.

All kids are welcome! Age 18 and under are free. There will be a charge for adult breakfast and lunches.

Fairmont City Band final summer concert

The Fairmont City Band will perform its final summer concert on Tuesday July 12th, at the Sylvania Park Band Shell at 8:00 p.m.

The band will perform marches, show tunes, and standard concert band literature. CityBand is always looking for new members. If you have completed the 10th grade consider joining us. If you need an instrument or want more information, call Bev Tenney at 507-234-3479 or Dianne Bittenbinder at 507-238-2805.

Rehearsal begins at 6:00 p.m. **NOTE CHANGE OF TIME.** In case of rain both the rehearsal and concert will be cancelled. Cancellation will be announced over local radio stations beginning at 5:00 p.m.

The Interlaken Heritage Days Committee will again operate the concession stand on concert nights. A variety of items will be available for sale with proceeds going toward expenses for Interlaken Heritage Days activities.

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Stopping the Fireworks...

Guest Columnist

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

(At least the ones in your stomach)

Did you survive the 4th of July? The highlight of the summer, the grand celebration, especially in Fairmont with some of the best fireworks in southern Minnesota? (A special shout out to the Fairmont Fire Dept. and donors for making it all happen!!) The camping, the get-togethers, the excitement, the food, the food, the food.

Most of you had to face the moment. The moment when your stomach said to your brain "What were you thinking?" At this point your brain points to your mouth and says "It was him!" And then you remember that Larry the Cable Guy has the answer, that little pill that stops the acid, stops the pain, and stops the heartburn. That acid blocker that will make you feel better. Which makes sense because it is all caused by too much acid, right?

STOP RIGHT THERE. If you believe this you have fallen victim to one of the health care fallacies that people USED to believe. Like the one that said that eggs were bad for you. Like the one that says that margarine is better than butter. Like the one that says lowering your cholesterol to ridiculously low levels is good for you. Acid reflux is NOT caused by too much stomach acid. Let me say that again. Acid reflux is NOT caused by too much acid in your stomach. The symptom of heartburn may be caused by too much acid in your lower esophagus, but fixing that by lowering your stomach acid (which is usually too low to begin with) is just not very bright. Let me re-

phrase that for the PC Police. It is of questionable intelligence in light of our understanding of gastroenterological physiology which has been known since the mid-80's. Let me explain the physiology and hopefully it will all make sense.

There is a valve on top of your stomach that stops food from going backwards. This is useful when you lay down, or when you have eaten too much of Aunt Fern's potato salad at the 4th of July picnic. Good stuff, almost worth the heartburn! But your overloaded stomach now relies on that valve to keep its contents from going backwards up into the esophagus. We have known since 1985 that the valve responds to acid. In other words, the more acid it senses, the tighter it closes. This is very useful as the stomach gets fuller, or as its contents start to get close to going backwards. If you have low stomach acid, (very common in the over 50 crowd and people who have eaten the Standard American Diet, S.A.D. for short), the valve does not close too tight. That's when things go backwards, that's when you experience heartburn, and that's when Larry's magic pills start to sound good. Good, but not so smart. You decrease acid, you decrease digestion and absorption, and you cause all sorts of problems downstream in the small and large intestine. More on that later.

But first, an important reminder from the manufacturers of those magic acid blocking pills. The box says DO NOT TAKE FOR MORE THAN 14 DAYS!! Most patients I have talked to have been on them

for years. Here's the crazy part: because their doctor told them to. Wow. Just wow. Side effects of prolonged use include fractured hips, spines, and oh yes, stomach cancer. Larry didn't mention that, did he? Hmm...

So what do you do, now that you know how this thing works? You want to increase stomach acid to improve digestion, improve health, and stop the acid reflux. Taking a zinc supplement will help. Zinc is an important cofactor to stomach acid production. There is a supplement called betaine HCL which also improves stomach acid status as well. We recommend a supplement from Metagenics called Spectrazyme Metagest. Metagenics is one of the most highly regarded supplement manufacturers in the world. Spectrazyme Metagest combines the betaine HCL with organically derived pepsin to maximize stomach function without suppressing normal acid production.

In addition to creating your best digestion, proper levels of stomach acid also insure that once the contents of your stomach are moved to the small intestine, the pancreas is able to do its job at optimal levels. When your food is moved along in a partially digested state and with not enough acid, the pancreas does not release enough enzymes with which to digest things to the next level. When this is the case there is another supplement to aid pancreatic function. There are five main digestive jobs for the pancreas, and when the stomach acid is too low they are not activated to the right level. Meta-

genics has another pharmaceutical grade product called Pan 5X to help with this situation. When you have a lot of gas, bloating, and general indigestion in your bowels Pan 5X can very often be the answer.

So now that you know what is coming will you

eat healthier? Please don't insult Aunt Fern; still take some potato salad. Eat and drink in moderate amounts, and enjoy the weekend. Celebrate the great men and women that helped give birth to our country, as well as the members of our armed

forces that preserve our freedoms both at home and abroad. Be grateful to god that we live in the greatest nation on Earth, and thank Him for freedom and family. I hope you had a Happy and Healthy 4th!

Quilters to meet

The Prairie Star Quilt Guild will hold the seventh meeting of the year this Monday, July 11th, at the Fairmont Covenant Church. This will be a social meeting (called "Christmas in July") for both the day and night groups. Punch will be served at 5:30 pm, followed by a light lunch at 6:00 pm. Cost is \$12 per person.

Members are to bring one favorite Christmas item and share the story behind that item. Reservations were to

have been made through Marlys Freeman by July 8th. Sign up for style show committees will also happen at the meeting.

The Prairie Star Quilt Guild meets on the second Monday of each month (no meeting in December) at the Covenant Church at 901 Woodland Avenue in Fairmont. Each meeting consists of a brief welcome, a short business meeting, show-and-tell, a quilt related program and a few minutes to talk with other quilters over lunch. There are daytime and

nighttime meetings of the guild.

The Prairie Star Quilt Guild presents a Style Show in September of even numbered years and a Quilt Show in September of odd numbered years. Membership is open to everyone who enjoys quilts or quilting - quilters of all skill levels are always welcome! For more information contact newsletter chair Deb Wallace at 507-436-5635.

Fairmont Chamber to host Google workshop

Fairmont Area Chamber of Commerce is helping small businesses grow their presence online with a Let's Put Our Cities on the Map workshop, which will feature a lesson about getting found on google search and maps. The workshop will be hosted Thursday July 14th, 2016 at Southern Minnesota Education Campus room 012 from 9am to 10am. Participants should bring along a laptop, tablet, etc.

Let's Put Our Cities on the Map is part of Google's Get Your Business Online program and aims to bring community members, business owners, and civic leaders together to help small businesses succeed on the web.

"This is a program that I have wanted to imple-

ment since discovering that we could partner with Google to help local businesses improve search engine rankings; the timing couldn't be better," declared Fairmont Area Chamber President, Margaret Dillard. "Our social media and marketing team is eager to answer questions about your online presence."



"4 out of 5 consumers use search engines to find local information nearby, yet only 37% of businesses have claimed their listing on a search engine," says Soo Young Kim, Head of

Small Business Engagement at Google. "Small businesses are the engine of local economies and when they flourish, their communities do as well."

Let's Put Our Cities on the Map is a program designed to empower communities to support their local businesses and encourage them to get on the map. Local businesses

keep our communities strong; when we help them succeed on the web, they make our communities even stronger. The Let's Put Fairmont on the Map workshop is a Google presentation hosted by Fairmont Area Chamber of Commerce. Visit www.gybo.com to learn more about the program and get involved.

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Real Estate: FSBO vs. Listing

Guest Columnist

Gillian Tunnell, Realtor Century 21 Northland Realty



Home owners who decide to sell their home themselves (FSBO's), generally do so because they want to save money. However, according to the National Association of Realtors, this is not how it always works out. In addition, there are other reasons why FSBO's are not always a good idea, and why it makes sense to have a realtor guide you through the process. For example:

Not all homeowners

know how to prepare their home for sale. Often, it is easy to overlook small jobs that would have a big impact on saleability and appeal. A realtor can give you advice on how to make the most of a home's assets, both inside and out.

Pricing the home accurately can be tricky as sellers do not always have an objective, realistic view of their home's value. However, realtors are familiar with the local housing market, and when list-

ing a home will compare the subject home to those currently on the market, and others that have sold recently. Taking into consideration location, condition, and quality, a realtor will present these findings to the seller, and suggest a price range.

A FSBO seller may not know that a Minnesota statute requires them to fully disclose the condition of the home, including any problems that have occurred, and how

they were handled. If there are ongoing issues after the sale has been closed, that were not detailed fully, the seller could be subject to a lawsuit from the buyer. A realtor is familiar with the laws of disclosure, and other requirements.

With a for sale by owner sign out front, a FSBO seller is subject to random people knocking on the door and asking for a tour. This is not only risky, but time-consuming, with the seller having no idea whether the people are really qualified to buy a home, or just looky-loos. Alternatively, a realtor will vet the people he/she brings to the listed property, making sure that they are serious about buying.

A showing can be arranged in advance, and timed for when the seller is absent from the home. It is easier for a professional realtor to talk to prospective buyers about their finances rather than the seller directly asking personal questions. The homeowner never has to deal with the buyer directly. A realtor will also handle price negotiations and any other issues that arise - and with the buyer wanting the price as low as possible, and the seller wanting to net a higher figure, this can sometimes be tricky!

Generally, FSBO's take longer to sell as they do not have the wide exposure that comes with a national/international com-

pany. Often, after trying to sell it themselves, the seller will end up listing with a realtor anyway, not having been successful at selling it alone.

In addition, the parties to the sale must hire an attorney to complete the paperwork for them, whereas a realtor is licensed and trained to do this as part of the transaction.

Taking all these points into account, a FSBO does not necessarily save the seller money, and may take extra time, while listing the property with a realtor will provide the security of knowing that he/she has been through the process many times, and knows the requirements and pitfalls along the way.

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Asian Style Pork Steaks

Amelia update

Since I told you about my great-granddaughter Amelia's terminal illness, I thought I would give you an update. Amelia receives two visits per week from hospice nurses and two per week from a hospice volunteer. She also receives medication for comfort and anxiety once every four hours, plus a smaller dose every hour if needed and one every six hours. This has helped make her breathing easier. She sleeps more, but is happier when she is awake. She still has that beautiful, sweet smile. Amelia's condition seems fairly stable at the moment.

For her parents and extended family who adore her, we are enjoying every precious moment we have with her!



Summer is grilling time at our house. This is one of our favorite grill recipes. I hope that you enjoy it as much as we do. This is a large enough recipe for company, but you can cut the recipe in half.

Asian Style Pork Steaks:

- 1 cup soy sauce
- 1 cup dry red wine (I have used the cooking wine that you can purchase at the grocery store)
- 1 cup lemon juice (can use real lemon)
- 1 medium onion, diced
- 2 Tbsp ginger root, grated
- 6 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 1/2 tsp black pepper
- 5-7 pork steaks

Combine all ingredients. Place marinade and steaks in a large bowl or plastic bag and marinate in refrigerator 4-24 hours. Drain and grill to desired doneness.

Hope that you had a great 4th of July and are enjoying the summer. Have a great week!

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I was at a marketing meeting in Fairmont last week and the topic of discussion was on tourism and people who stop in Fairmont. The question was asked, "Is Fairmont considered a destination for

this as a stop on a vacation or trip, or are they here because of a stopover reason. (Family get-together, or just decided to stay in one of the hotels for the night, etc.) Now the way the discussion was going, the question and topic could



those who visit, or is it just a stop-over on their way to another destination?" The purpose of the question was to determine if people who stop in Fairmont are here because they chose

very easily have been about Martin County and the surrounding area as a whole.

After I left the meeting, I continued to think about the discussion and how



we can help grow our area as more than just a place to "stop over" and instead as a destination for people not from this area. We live in an area that boasts the "richest" soil around, so our agricultural practices are becoming more well-known around the country and the world, but this area has much more to offer than just agriculture and we need to "market" that fact. Many of us have either lived our entire lives here or moved here because of the great quality of life we have in this area, and many of us are great examples of the "Midwest Nice" qualities that other parts of the country are envious of. Too many

times I think we are so focused on our daily routines and what I call the "stress increasers" of our lives and we don't open our eyes to all the good that we have all around us. The good things are too often overshadowed by our stress and routine and we fail to remember exactly why we live where we do. Over 3 years ago, we at the Photo Press felt that it was important to point out the good things we have in this area, and that is why we re-focused on our quest for "Only Good News". Since we have re-focused ourselves on this quest, we have never had an issue with not enough good news to fill up our

paper each week. The many people who contribute to the good news of the area are exactly the reasons why we need to show the rest of the country, and the world that we are a good place to come to and live and that Martin County and the surrounding area is a great destination for people to come to. There are so many things that we have here to be grateful for, but too many times those things remain a "hidden gem" to those who are not familiar with this area. I guess what I am trying to say is, let's start the ball rolling on showing others what a great area this is. Take a moment to recognize all the good things we have here, and share those things with others!

Out and about this weekend!

Before I go this week, I wanted to let you know about a few events taking place in the coming week. The Trimont FunFest is taking place this weekend starting Friday evening, July 8th with a carnival, adult beanbag tourney, exotic animals and pork

chops. Saturday many different events will be held, including a 5K/10K run and walk, Tractor show, sand volleyball, inflatables, carnival, parade, music and more. The festival wraps up Sunday with a pancake breakfast, community church service and a carnival. Head up to Trimont this weekend! Next Tuesday, July 12th you have the opportunity to potentially save a life by registering as a bone marrow donor at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Fairmont from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., stop in to see if you qualify to be a donor! Next Wednesday, July 13th St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Truman is having a salad luncheon and walking taco bar from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. There is a charge. Take-outs are available. A lift is available at the church for those who are unable to do steps. Have a great week!

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Jeff

Naturally

by Al Batt

Birds are delightful to the ear and stunning to the eye. Even the bad singers are good and the plain birds beautiful.



I watched as Rick Mammel of Albert Lea cranked down a pole holding the hanging plastic gourds that mimic natural ones. The gourds, owned by the Albert Lea Audubon Society, appeal to purple martins and result in nesting success. I watched the martins fly about. They were out of their gourds.

I spotted bald eagles

and trumpeter swans. I saw eaglets and cygnets. My amazement is constant. It's still hard to believe they are so abundant and that both have nested not far from my abode for years.

A robin fed on both suet and grape jelly feeders. Robins are becoming more comfortable at feeders.

I watched a rabbit eat milkweed I'd planted. I've read that rabbits don't like milkweed. The rabbits in my yard didn't get the memo. They chow down on the young leaves as if they were paying for them. I hadn't noticed rabbits eating milkweed until I started planting the monarch butterfly caterpillar chow.

Q-and-A

"What are earwigs?" The European earwig was introduced into this country from Europe in the early 1900s and is now common throughout much of the country. It gets its name from the mistaken



Earwig by Al Batt

belief that earwigs climb into the ears of sleeping people and burrow into their brains to lay eggs.

The earwig is about 5/8-inch long and dark brown with a reddish head and pale yellowish-brown legs. It possesses a pair of pincers on the end of its abdomen. Males have curved, caliper-like pincers while females possess straight pincers that are closer together. Earwigs use these for defense and in courtship, not to harm people.

Earwigs are usually found in damp areas, such as under boards, firewood, leaves, logs, mulch and stones or in rotted wood. They feed on moist, decaying plant material.

Earwigs occasionally attack living plants, but are minor pests. They can feed on dead insects and food-stuffs.

"Are there really such things as dung beetles?" There are. Dung beetles feed on dung. Some dung beetles roll dung into round balls, which are used as a food source or brooding chambers. Other dung beetles bury dung wherever they find it. The beetles lay eggs in the dung, where their larvae hatch and grow. Dung beetles are beneficial. They bury flies, parasites and other livestock pests in the manure.

Gail Rayman of Glenville asked if rabbits can

swim? Eastern cottontails don't take to water readily, but they can swim when necessary.

"You wrote that rooster pheasants are better at surviving winter than hens. Why is that?" Hens are smaller than roosters and lose body heat faster. Hens carry less fat, so are unable to survive as long as roosters during a blizzard. Hens can't dig for food through ice and snow as easily as roosters or defend food from aggressive roosters. For those reasons, more hens than roosters die each winter.

Judy Karsjens of Clarks Grove asked how old ring-necked pheasants are when they are able to fly. At one week of age, young pheasants begin to grow flight feathers and at 2 weeks they can fly short distances. By 3 weeks of age, they are capable of flights of up to 150 feet. They don't leave their mother for about 10 weeks.

In 1881, 21 Chinese ring-necked pheasants were released in the Willamette Valley of Oregon. A host of introductions of

several varieties of pheasants followed throughout the United States and Canada wherever there was a chance of survival. By the early 1900s, ring-necked pheasants were established throughout many midwestern and northern states as well as in southern Canada's prairies.

"What do woolly bear caterpillars become?" The woolly bear is the caterpillar of a tiger moth called the Isabella tiger moth, a pinkish-orange, medium-sized moth. The caterpillar is typically black on both ends with a broad brown band in the middle.

Folklore says that the broader the black bands are, the harsher the winter. The truth is that the caterpillars, lacking meteorology degrees, have no ability to predict the upcoming winter.

Thanks for stopping by

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June 30 USDA report increases corn and soybean acreage

The late June USDA Acreage Report is always highly anticipated, because it becomes the first "hard data" after the March USDA Plantings Intentions Report to give an indication of crop production levels in a given growing season, as of June 1st. Many times the June USDA Report can have a big impact on grain market trends, either upwards or downwards, and 2016 did not disappoint. Producers planted both more corn and soybeans, compared to the March Planting Intentions Report, according to the latest USDA Report on June 30th. USDA surveyed more than 70,000 agricultural producers during the first two weeks of June to gather information for the June 30th USDA Report.

The June 30th USDA Acreage Report listed total 2016 planted corn acres in the U.S. at 94.15 million acres, which is up 7 percent from the 2015 planted acres, and is the third largest planted corn acres on record since 1944. The June 30th USDA Report showed an increase of about 450,000 planted corn acres, compared to the March USDA Planting Intentions Report earlier this year. The 2016 U.S. estimated corn acreage compares to 88 million acres in 2015, 90.6 million acres in 2014, 95.4 million acres in 2013, and 97.2 million acres in 2012. The June 30th USDA estimates for U.S. planted corn acreage in 2016 was well above the average of major grain analysts, and resulted in a sharp decline in both "old crop" and "new crop" corn futures prices on the Chicago Board of Trade (CBOT).

The June 30th USDA Report estimates that a record number of soybean acres will be planted in 2016 across the U.S. The Report listed 2015 planted soybean acres at 83.69 million acres, which is an increase of about 1 million acres from the 2015 planted soybean acres, and was an increase of approximately 1.45 million acres from the March 1st planting intentions. Record soybean acreage in 2016 is likely in several States, including Minnesota, North Dakota, Ohio and Wisconsin. The USDA projections for 2016 plant-

ed soybean acreage were slightly below the average grain trade estimates, which initially resulted in some increases in CBOT soybean futures prices.

The June 30th USDA Report pegged total 2016 U.S. wheat acreage at 50.8 million acres, compared to 54.6 million acres in 2015, and 56.8 million acres in 2014. The estimated 2016 cotton acreage is 9.8 million acres, which is an increase of 17 percent from 2015. Total 2016 acreage planted to all crops is up almost 5 million acres, compared to 2015 total crop acreage.

Another interesting aspect of the June 30th USDA Report was the level of biotechnology varieties that are now being used by U.S. farmers, especially given the current discussions in Congress regarding potential GMO labeling legislation. The USDA Report showed that the crop acreage planted biotech varieties in 2016 will be 92 percent of the corn acreage, 94 percent of the soybean acreage, and 93 percent of the cotton acres, which is virtually unchanged from 2015.

Many areas of the Upper Midwest have struggled with excessive rainfall during June, and now some areas of the Corn Belt have become quite dry, as we head into the critical tasseling and pollination period for corn. In the regular Monday Crop Progress Report on June 27th, USDA rated 75 percent of the corn in the U.S. in "good" to "excellent" condition, including 81 percent of the corn in Minnesota, 79 percent in Iowa, and 73 percent in South Dakota. USDA rated 72 percent of the nation's soybeans in "good" to "excellent condition, as of June 27th, including 77 percent in Iowa, and 75 percent in both Minnesota and South Dakota. USDA is currently projecting 2016 national average yields at 168 bushels per acre for corn and 46.7 bushels per acre for soybeans, which compares to final U.S. average yields in 2015 of 168.4 bushels per acre for corn and 48 bushels per acre for soybeans.

Quarterly Grain Stocks Report

The USDA Quarterly Stocks Report on June 30

showed total U.S. corn stocks on June 1st at 4.72 billion bushels, which compares to 4.45 billion bushels a year ago. The June 30th USDA stocks estimate was well above the pre-report estimates of most grain analysts, which was another factor in the corn market decline following the Report. July corn futures on the Chicago Board of Trade (CBOT) closed at \$3.58 per bushel on June 30th, and December 2016 "new crop" corn futures closed at \$3.71 per bushel, both of which were at their lowest levels since early Spring. Local cash corn prices in Southern Minnesota on June 30th were \$3.10-\$3.25 per bushel for 2015 corn, and just slightly above that level on forward contracted 2016 corn. This 2016 corn price level is well below the cost of production for most corn producers in the Midwest.

The June 30th USDA Quarterly Stocks Report showed total U.S. soybean stocks on June 1st at 870 million bushels, which compares to 627 million bushels a year ago. The June 30th USDA soybean stocks estimate was slightly above the pre-report estimates of most grain analysts; however, this was somewhat offset by the lower than expected 2016 U.S. soybean acreage. July CBOT soybean futures closed at \$11.75 per bushel on June 30th, and November 2016 futures closed at \$11.53 per bushel, both of which are near the highest levels of 2016. Local cash soybean prices in Southern Minnesota ranged from \$10.75 to over \$11.20 per bushel on June 30, and 2016 "new crop" forward contact prices were in a range of \$10.60 to near \$11.00 per bushel. This represents about a \$2.00 per bushel improvement, compared to soybean prices in mid-April. If these stronger 2016 soybean prices hold, it will certainly help offset some of the negative impacts of the current downtrend in the 2016 corn market.

OBITUARY notices

Robert W. Mulso, 69



A Service of Remembrance for Robert (Bob) William Mulso, 69, of Sherburn was held Saturday, July 2nd, 2016 at St. John's

Lutheran Church in Sherburn with Rev. Steven D. Wilson officiating. Burial was in the Sherburn Cemetery in Sherburn. Bob was called to his eternal home on Monday, June 27th, 2016 after a courageous seven year battle with cancer. at Mayo Clinic Health System- ISJ in Mankato.

Bob was born on May 22nd, 1947 to Raymond and Mary (Weiss) Mulso in Fairmont. On June 14th, 1969 he and Lynne Straka were united in marriage. Before moving to the Sherburn area Bob and Lynne lived in St. Paul, Albert Lea, and Livermore, Iowa. In 1973 Bob and Lynne opened Welcome Meat Service. Bob was very well known for his quality work as a butcher and sausage maker, receiving numerous awards for his meat

products for 20 years. In 2014 Bob retired from Valero after a long career in the agricultural and food industry.

Bob is survived by his beloved wife of 47 years, Lynne; his four children and 11 grandchildren: Bill and Stacie Mulso, Marah and Andrew of Marshall, Mike and Sara Mulso, Zachary and Cameron of North St. Paul, Elizabeth and Bob Sherman, Jacob, Aidan and Emmalynne of St. Paul, Christine and Keith Stout, Izzy, Nikki, Ainsley and Cullen of Shoreview, Minnesota; sister Becky Mulso and Doug Rosenberg of Sherburn; brother-in-law Bob and Joyce Straka of Shoreview; Brother-in-law Steve and Ranell Straka of Inver Grove Heights, Minnesota. kramerfuneralhome.com

Roger Reutzel, 52



Memorial visitation for Roger Reutzel, 52, of Fairmont, will be 4:00- 7:00 p.m. Friday, July 8th at Lakeview Funeral Home. A private family service and military honors by the Martin County V.F.W. Post 1222 and the Lee C. Prentice American Legion Post 36 will precede the visitation. Roger passed away

Thursday, June 30th, 2016, at Oaklawn Health Care Center in Mankato.

Roger John Reutzel was born on July 2nd, 1963, in Fairmont, the son of Ervin and Anna Mae (Sokoloski) Reutzel. Roger is a 1981 graduate of Fairmont High School. After his schooling he worked at Glasstite and the City of Fairmont and served in the MN Army National Guards. In 1986 he enlisted full time in the U.S. Army until 1997. After his discharge from the U.S. Army he stayed active in the MN Army National Guards until 2000.

Roger married Nancy Olson (Campbell) in Fairmont and they had five children together and were later divorced. For the past eight years, Roger enjoyed working on a dairy farm near East Chain.

Roger enjoyed hunting, fishing, watching Nascar and spending time with his family.

He is survived by five children, Dustin Reutzel (wife, Neysa), Coty Reutzel (wife, Lisa), Jamie Reutzel (fiancée, Alyssa), Shelby Reutzel, Carter Reutzel; two grandchildren, Alec and Gavin Reutzel; mother, Anna Mae Reutzel; father, Ervin Reutzel and step mother, Dorothy Reutzel; five siblings, Gary Reutzel (Anne), Rebecca Musser, Helen Schroeder (Kim), Gloria Jean Brownlee (Dave); nieces and nephews, other relatives and friends.

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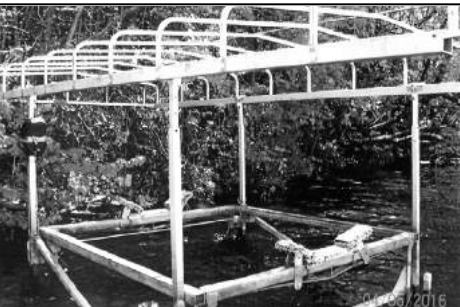
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A swing and it's ... a Girl!! Zach Hansen swung at a powered filled softball revealing the gender of his and wife Lori's baby. *Courtesy fairmontsports.com*



Martins' Taylor Nawrocki slides into home safely as the Hadley Buttermakers' catcher awaits the throw. The Martins downed Hadley 4-3 at Herb Wolf Field last Saturday. *Courtesy fairmontsports.com*



Martins third baseman Jay Ruen guns down a Buttermakers runner. The Martins defeated Hadley on Christian Petschke's 9th inning walk-off single. *Courtesy fairmontsports.com*

Area College Student News



In May 2016, the following area students graduated from Buena Vista University: **Taylor Daniel** from Fairmont graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree in exercise science.

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Garrett Gregory Schock (Bachelor of Science)

Students named to the spring semester 2016 Deans List were recently announced by the Office of the Registrar at the University of Minnesota Crookston. Health Management student **Heather Kuehl**, Fairmont, was named to the spring semester 2016 Deans List at the U of M Crookston.

Students named to the University of St. Thomas 2016 spring semester dean's list from this area included **Zachery A. Eversman**, and **Robert M. Hamp**, both of Fairmont

Erma Rosen Nursing Scholarship recipients

Fairmont Community Hospital Foundation congratulates the 2016 Erma Rosen Nursing Scholarship recipients. This year we were able to select three outstanding students.

Krista Hassing, daughter of Sue Hassing from Blue Earth. She is attending MSU and will graduate May 2017.

Tyler Sinn, son of Jeff Sinn from Trimont. He is attending Presentation College and will graduate May of 2017.

Marissa Hagedorn, daughter of Kimberly and Darren Hagedorn from Blue Earth. She is attending SDSU and will graduate May 2017.

FCH Foundation Grants

So far in 2016, \$27,685 has been approved in grants for MCHS-Fairmont. You have helped provide the following to our local hospital:

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New Board Members


As board members terms come to an end, new opportunities come forward. We would like to thank Ken Scott, Alice Raddatz and Drew Schellpepper for their years of service to the Foundation. We welcome to the board: Paul Edman and Ove Oren.



Students in the Mixed Media Art Camp held at Martin Luther High School, Northrop created clay sculptures, tempa fabric paintings and acrylic art. Pictured in the front row are: Natalie Taylor, Delaney Irwin, Jackson Henning. Back: instructor Michael Kutch, Everett irwin, Elizabeth Bennett and Brooklyn Greve.



Perplexing Perspectives Art Camp was held at Martin Luther High School in Northrop. Among several activities, students created work of their own initials. Pictured in the front row are Gwen Kallemeyn, Abbie White, Ashley Engelby. Back row are Instructor Michael Kutch, Alyssa Wiederhoeft and Laurel Holtz. A time-lapse video of the Single Point Perspective Art that they created can be viewed at www.martinlutherhs.com.



A CER Summer Day Camp Step Back in Time group recently visited the Pioneer Museum in Fairmont and learned about the history of Martin County by watching a Power Point presentation and doing a scavenger hunt of historic artifacts in the museum.

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Blue Earth Legion	4	3	3	.571	1L
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Welcome Legion	3	4	4	.428	2L
Misfits	3	5	5	.375	1W
Dairy Freeze	2	6	5	.250	1W
Countywide Realty Jackson	1	5	5	.167	5L
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Countywide Realty Fairmont 11, Blue Earth Legion 6.
A-1 Concrete/Farmers Ins-Gack Agency 13, Hitman Bail Bonds 9.
DairyFreeze 12, Countywide Realty Jackson 6. Bubbles!!!
Royalty Rides 21, Demand Pork 9. Debbie rocked base! Jennie's guns!
Hawkins Chevrolet 20, Welcome Legion 7. Fun game Welcome Legion.
Congrats to Zach & Lori on the baby girl!!
Legends Pub & Grill 14, Welcome Legion/Whiskey Biscuits 8
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Edie's Restaurant 22, Industrial Construction Services 4. Keep on swinging!!
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Weiss Auto/State Farm Korsmo 9, Troy Jensen Seeds 8
B & S Farms 10, Legends Pub & Grill 4
Cutting Edge/Pooleys 27, Fairmont Ford 3
Rode Manufacturing 24, Thermal Refractory 3
B & S Farms 15, CFS/Doolittles/Slumberland 0



The road is calling: five tips to get your vehicle ready for the road

(NAPS)—The thrill of summer beckons—days are longer, skies are clearer and spirits are higher. Nothing beats driving down a long stretch of highway enjoying breathtaking views, good tunes

and memory-making adventures with your loved ones. Before putting the pedal to the metal, there are a few things travelers can do to prepare for a worry-free and fun family road trip.



day trip, if you follow a few simple steps, you can prepare for a safe trip. When the rubber meets the road, it's crucial that all drivers ensure they have adequate traction by checking their tires' tread depth

and air pressure. Once the tires are checked, consider these additional tips so you can spend more time and money enjoying the journey.

1. Don't get sidelined

Whether it's an epic vacation or an ambitious

you may still encounter a setback. Getting back on the road quickly and safely will be your top priority. You can minimize any delay or cost with just two simple steps:

- Check the air pressure of your spare tire—it won't do you any good to find it's flat when you need it.
- Call your auto insurance agent to check your coverage—if you break down on the road without the proper tools, you may be able to avoid having to pay out of pocket to get towed.

2. Prepare for curveballs

If you're traveling with young children, it's especially important to plan ahead in case you get stuck on the road. Whether it's a short 100-mile trip or a long haul, pay attention to local weather and road condition advisories and plan your route ahead of time.

In case the unexpected happens, pack your trunk with warm clothes, a couple of flashlights, extra food and water, and a few of the family's favorite games. Keeping spirits high and avoiding any hungry temper-tantrums will help make the best of a stressful situation.

The preparation doesn't stop there. A roadside safety kit, which should

include gloves, jumper cables, essential tools, flares, a first-aid kit and a blanket, will ensure you can handle any detour.

3. Get your bearings

If you're hauling a boat, RV or horse trailer, you'll need to check up on more than your vehicle's condition. Most drivers remember to examine their pickup truck's tires, bearings and brakes before a long haul, but many forget the trailer's. Make sure everything is in working order before you hit the road.

4. Make the most of the view

Check to see that the windshield wiper blades are in good, clean, working condition and that there is plenty of wiper fluid. We've all been stuck behind a big rig on the road that's shooting dirt and rocks at the window. You won't want to run out of wiper fluid when you need it most. Maintaining good visibility is key to staying safe.

5. Cover your bases

Not sure where to start? You don't need an appointment to have a tire care professional check the tires' air pressure and tread depth, do a visual alignment check, and also check the car's brakes, shocks and battery.

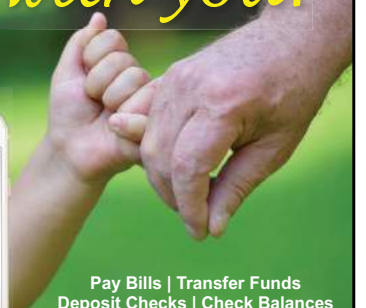
photo: A few simple precautions can take you far on your next road trip.



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Make your road trip as hassle-free as possible

(NAPS)—Before you answer the call of the open road, help ensure that your trip is hassle-free by preparing your vehicle so it's ready to log those long miles. Consider the following:

- Check vehicle fluid levels: Before starting any road trip, make sure your vehicle has the proper level of recommended fluids. For maximum efficiency, get an oil change and check for the correct amount of coolant, as well as power steering, brake and windshield wiper fluids. Make sure the tires are properly inflated for optimal gas mileage.

- Bring an updated map (a real one): While most smartphones have a GPS app, there may come a point on the trip when you're unable to get service. To avoid getting lost and wasting precious time, it's vital to have a physical map on hand. Plus, printed maps can help circumvent any detours caused by unexpected road construction or accidents.

- Pack accordingly: When traveling with family or friends, it's both smart and economical to pack a variety of food and beverages for a quick snack. You should also bring an emergency kit with a blanket, jumper cables, a flashlight and first aid items. Traveling with kids? Consider bringing a DVD player, handheld devices or games to avoid the dreaded "Are we there yet?" chorus.

- Check your brakes: The last thing anyone wants to hear in the middle of a road trip is the brakes squeaking. Have a professional examine your vehicle's brakes and brake pads.

- Keep the sunshine outside: While nice weather guarantees scenic views, too much sunlight can cause unforeseen problems including glare, interior fading and UV exposure.

Simple tips for a great road trip!

Finding a quality auto repair shop

The National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence (ASE), the non-profit organization that tests and certifies the competence of individual automotive repair technicians, knows a thing or two about selecting a vehicle repair facility.

Whether you are new in town or you are just looking for a new shop, the experts at ASE offer some guidelines to help take some of the anxiety out of your search:

- Look for a repair facility before you need one; you can make better decisions when you are not rushed.

- Ask friends, co-workers and associates for recommendations.

- Consult local consumer organizations, such as the Better Business Bureau (BBB) and chambers of commerce, about the reputation of the shop. In-

quire about the number, nature and resolution of complaints.

- Search online for business reviews and visit the shop's Facebook page if one is available. You can learn a lot about a business and its team by reading social media.

- Look for a tidy, well-organized facility, with vehicles in the parking lot equal in value to your own and modern equipment in the service bays. You likely won't find hospital-clean conditions, but consider whether the facility's image and level of professionalism meet your needs.

- Don't make your selection based solely on location convenience.

- Determine if the shop works on your vehicle make and model or performs the types of repairs you need. Some facilities specialize.

- Look for signs of technician competence. The customer area should display trade school diplomas, certificates of advanced coursework and ASE certifications — a nationally recognized standard of technician competence — for all the employees.

- Does the business have a sense of community? Service awards, plaques for civic involvement, customer service awards, membership in the Better Business Bureau and other consumer groups is a good indicator.

- Professionally run establishments will have a courteous, helpful staff. The manager, service writer, or technician should be willing to answer your questions thoroughly.

- Labor rates, fees for testing and diagnostic work, guarantees, methods of payment, etc. should be posted in the front office/waiting room.

- Ask for the names of a few customers as references. Call them.

- Start with a small or minor job, such as an oil change or tire rotation. Reward good service with repeat business and more complex work.

Look for the Blue Seal

ASE also recognizes some of the best automotive repair shops through its Blue Seal of Excellence program. To qualify, 75 percent of the employees at the automotive repair facility or related business must be ASE certified, covering all the areas of repair or support offered.

In addition, all facilities that employ full-time service consultants and/or estimators must have at least one who is ASE certified. Service consultants must hold current ASE Service Consultant (C1) certification, and estimators must hold current Damage Analysis & Estimating (B6) certification.

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Tips for reclaiming some grown-up fun on family road trips

(BPT) - On family road trips, do you spend the entire drive listening to the music your kids prefer, playing their favorite games and generally doing everything you can to keep them content - and peaceful - in the car? It happens with the best intentions, and pick up a CD through their exclusive music program.

- Find an audio book that appeals to all. Best-sellers, non-fiction, self-help and children's titles - audio books offer a great way for everyone to partic-



but too often parents sacrifice their own enjoyment to keep the kids happy, thinking they can't please everyone. But with some creativity and the right travel "tools," it's possible for everyone to enjoy the drive this summer.

Here are some ways parents can reclaim their fun on the family road trip:

- Expand musical horizons. Sure, you want everyone to connect with each other in the car and enjoy all the sights they'll see. But it's also okay to set aside some non-talk time. Pop in music they've never heard of and introduce the kids to different musical genres. Stop in at a Cracker Barrel Old Country Store

and participate in the fun, including the driver. Look for material with age-appropriate content if you'll all be listening together. "Borrowing" books through an exchange service is a great way to access a variety of titles. Cracker Barrel, with convenient locations near major highways across the country, offers a service that allows you to get an audio book at one Cracker Barrel location and return it at any other Cracker Barrel in the country. When you return the audio book, you'll receive a full refund less an exchange fee of \$3.49 for every week you kept the book. Visit www.crackerbarrel.com to learn more.

- Introduce kids to games from your childhood. Playing games is a great way to pass time in the car, but if you dread the thought of playing one more princess- or shape-shifting-robot-themed game, why not introduce the kids to games you loved as a child? Many require nothing more than your imagination, like group storytelling or license-plate bingo. Others like the low-tech classic peg game or Simon, the original electronic memory game you played as a kid, travel well in the car and provide challenging fun for all ages.

- Pack a snack bag with everyone in mind. Everyone will get hungry on the road, so if it's not yet time for a stop, a snack bag can save the day. Pack with balanced nutrition and broad appeal in mind. Travel-friendly options like fruit and whole-grain snacks can be appetizing and satisfying. Be sure to toss in a few sweet treats for some extra fun. Look for nostalgic options that will appeal to kids while reminding adults of their own childhood, like Moon Pies or Cracker Jack. Cracker Barrel carries a wide assortment of traditional favorites, so when you stop for a wholesome breakfast, lunch or dinner in the restaurant be sure to visit the retail store and stock up on some sweet treats for the road.

Summer travel plans with Fido? Be prepared with five expert tips

(BPT) - Did you know 30 million people travel with their pets each year? Whether by plane, train or automobile, if you're planning an upcoming trip with your furry family member, it's important to plan ahead to ensure you both stay safe and healthy while making memories that will last a lifetime.

Prevent bug bothers

Planning a trip to a cabin or lake home? These popular destinations are ideal for people traveling with pets, but being outdoors can mean lots of insects. Plan to visit your vet at least a month prior to your departure to discuss flea and tick treatments, as these can take several weeks to start working effectively. Especially if your pet is not already receiving routine preventatives.

Slather on sun protection

Too much sunshine is dangerous for both people and pets. Pack sunscreen of SPF 15 or higher for yourself but be aware that sun block sold for human use can be potentially toxic to your pet. Look for pet specific sun block instead or ask your veterinarian if there is a suit-

able product that could be used on your pet while having fun in the sun. While you're out, remember to wear light clothing, a hat and sunglasses. Always take frequent breaks in the shade with your pet to cool off.

Properly prepare prescriptions

Be sure to plan ahead and pack enough medication to last the entire duration of your trip. Properly label all medication for you and your pet, and consider carrying a written prescription from your doctor just in case you need a refill while away. Bottles can get lost, damaged or stolen, so having a backup plan can be a lifesaver. If your pet has major medical conditions request a copy of the pet's medical records to have with you, especially if you are going on longer trips.

Snacks stave off hunger

Don't forget to pack snacks. Staying properly hydrated is important, too, making bottled water a must. If traveling by car, ice cubes are a mess-free treat for your pup. A few healthy snacks for you and a small bag of food for your pet will keep you fueled throughout any journey so you're ready to roll when you arrive at your destination.

Verify pleasant pet accommodations

Verify your reservations before leaving is always a smart step, yet when traveling with a pet it is even more important. The last thing you want is to arrive and find out they don't allow animals or all the animal-approved rooms are taken. Make a call now to provide peace of mind and avoid trouble later.

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Saturday, July 16, 9:45 a.m.: Darryl Hansen Estate – Tractors, Combine & Heads, Field & Livestock Equipment and more located at 4330 150TH Street Estherville, Iowa. *Dan Pike & Associates.*
Wednesday, July 20, 4:30 p.m.: Goldencrown Auction – at Trimont, MN. *Dar Hall & Associates.*
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Saturday, August 6, 9:30 a.m.: June Witte – Tools, household, misc. at St. James Fairgrounds. *Dar Hall & Associates.*
Wednesday, August 10, 5:45 p.m.: Benck Family - 80 Acre Farmland/ Building Site & Machinery Auction - located at 40269 St. Hwy 15, Lewisville, MN. More details to come!
Saturday, August 20, 9:45 a.m.: Stanley Sudusky Estate - Farm Machinery Auction that includes: JD Tractors, Combine, Sprayer, Trucks & Trailers and more! Sale Location: 74187 US Hwy 71, Jackson, MN. *Dan Pike & Associates*
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In Memoriam One Year Ago This Week

June 30 - Raymond J. Sukalski, 89, Fairmont
 July 1 - Lowell W. Schultze, 76, Dunnell
 July 2 - Maria Refugia Ceuvass Cardona, 108, Fairmont
 July 4 - George H. Janssen, 88, Fairmont
 July 5 - Ronald R. Yahnke, 85, Sherburn

Lake Home & Personal Property Auction
 Open House July 13 5:00 PM **July 27 5:30 PM**
@ 1438 Oak Beach Drive Fairmont, MN

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AUCTION

SAT, JULY 9 - 10:00 AM
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Furniture Household: 42" round oak table w/6 chairs & leaf, Lane cedar chest, end tables & lamps, steamer trunks, 2 fern stands, curio cabinet, wood highchairs, 1950's desk, metal pie safe, Arcade coffee grinder, sm. refrig., toaster oven microwave, sewing cabinets & items, Aladdin hurricane lamps, Seth Thomas mantle clock, sterling silver candle holders, silverware sets for 12 w/cases, sm. kitchen appliances, new corn dog maker, vintage cookbooks, old radio w/box. **Toys, Dolls & Games:** Bagghers Rallye pedal car, old board games 1960-80, Tonka trucks & graders, Batmobile car, Star Wars new in boxes, Johnny Quest figure, Tooties toys, Tinker Toys & Lincoln Logs, Brett Favre/Brian Urlacher w/box, Randy Moss bobble heads, Harley Davidson motorcycles, '55 T Bird w/box, '58 die cast Eldorado w/box, '70 Motion Camaro w/box, Lindberg destroyer model, Ertl AC-130H "Spectre" model, JD tractors w/access., Farmall tractors w/access., Allis-Chalmers tractor, vintage board games 1960-90, Nancy Ann dolls 1940-50, Storybook dolls, die cast cars trucks w/boxes, metal airplane banks, metal car banks, airplane banks in boxes, bb gun, pellet pistol & cap rifle, dolls, Star Wars Pez figures new in boxes, Breyer horses. **Glass Pottery:** Geisha girl sake set, Josef original figurines, 1940-50 birthday girl figurines, stoneware crocks, carnival glass, Amberina, ruby red, Vaseline, custard, Murano bull statue, Beleek glass, white & pink milk glass, Fostoria, Shawnee Puss n Boots cookie, creamer, S&P set, Noritake china set for 12+, Fenton glass, Rosville, Goebel, McCoy, Nippon, Kaiser, Red Wing pottery, Occupied Japan. **Art Prints & Sculptures:** John Perry sea sculptures, yard long pictures, vintage mirror, Terry Redlin, Ken Zylla, Leo Stans, Maxfield Parrish, Derk Hansen, Atkinson R. Fox, Currier & Ives prints, '50 Northern baby prints, samplers, 4 season metal art, military art, John Deere prints. **Jewelry & Coins:** sterling silver rings, vintage men's tie pins & watches, cameo pins, vintage ladies brooches, military pins, Shriners/Mason items, Grand Casino coins, collector Franklin Mint coins. **Collectibles:** black dolls & statues, gold dust tin, Indian dolls/rugs/baskets, jewelry, vintage photo album w/cabinet cards, 100+ movie posters 2005-2015, Camel Marlboro items, cast iron mechanical banks, miniature cast iron stoves, cameras, projector & screens, 45 & 78 records, '60's portable record player, org. Bambinos & Beanie Babies. **Fishing & Sports:** 30+ rods & reels, Sears & Min-O-Life minnow buckets, fishing lures, tackle boxes, Hanson/Wardway scales, cast iron shoemaker stand & shoes, horse blankets, singletree, horse collar, World's Fair items, new telescope, stereo speakers & stand, wooden golf club set, new golf club set in box, misc., thimbles & display case, Mary's Moo Moo's retired 1996-98, linens & quilts, crochet & stitched doilies, blankets & chenille covers, patchwork quilts, ladies hankies & beaded purses, old hats w/hat box. **Yard Items:** Weed Eater featherlite gas trimmers, elec. Weed Eater super blower w/vac, hedge trimmers, Sears hedge clipper, alum. adj. ladder, elec. edger, shovels, rakes, hoes. **Bar & Tobacco:** Leather bar w/4 stools, collectible beer steins, beer items-glasses-openers-coasters-beer taps, Grain Belt beer light, Zima bar light, Jim Beam Dem Rep decanters, crystal liquor bottles, pipe & tobacco tins, lighters & ashtrays, cigarette holders. **Auctioneer's Note:** Don't miss this very large sale! There is something for everyone. See you there! Lunch on grounds. Not responsible for accidents.

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25 YEARS AGO IN THE PHOTO PRESS

WEEK OF JULY 10, 1991
 The Photo Press front page was devoted to the Grand Opening of Martin County National Bank, in their new facility at 105 Lake Avenue.

 Beautiful weather made enjoyable watching of the Interlaken Heritage Days Parade. Over 100 units were in the parade. Before the parade, Salvation Army Lip Sync winner Jerry Lee Lewis (Josh Johnson and Eric Cherland) made an encore performance.

 Robert F. Krahmer retired from Fairmont Railway Motors with over 13 years with the company. His last position was in the machine shop.

 Leone Schleiningner of Fairmont won the grand prize, a 1991 Mazda pickup, at the annual Fairmont Chamber of commerce Sweepstakes Drawing.

 Mel Carlson Chevrolet of Truman announced a Wind Damage Sale of 21 new 1991 Chevrolets. The vehicles had minor, superficial paint and glass damage, and had discounts of up to \$912.

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12 Other Rentals

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24 Household Items

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28 Rummage & Garage Sales

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Adam Smith
Fairmont Lions Club

I would like to introduce myself. My name is John Gibeau. I am running for the vacant seat on the Fairmont Area School Board. I have 3 children in the Fairmont Area School district. I am running for many reasons but mostly because I want to help make positive changes for our schools.

One of the issues I am MOST passionate about is bullying and how to prevent and stop it from happening in our schools. I feel with the right amount of diagnosing, intervention and accountability at the local level we can eliminate it almost completely.

I graduated from Fairmont High School in 1995.

There have been many changes in our schools. One thing that has stuck around of course is bullying. I have a comprehensive plan for bullying which I believe will cut down and could eliminate bullying completely. I am the ONLY candidate running who has a real plan to do this. This is a plan that involves accountability and education not only for the child bully, but also the parents of the child bully.

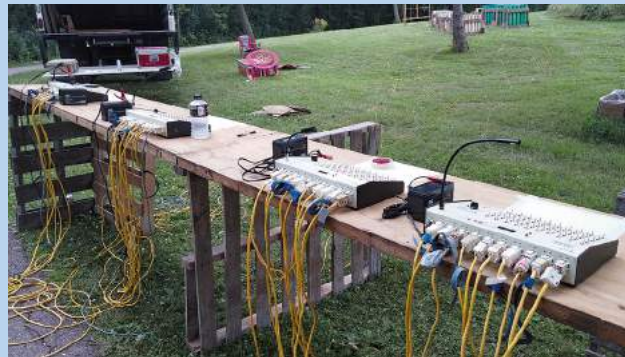
I feel for a long time we have tried to defeat bullying mostly looking at the child bully. How does a child learn to bully? The reason it started is just as important as the actions themselves. We want to stop bullying and protect the victims, but also help the child who bullies to be a better person... This can be done with diligence, consistency and most importantly follow through and accountability.

I also want to see what we can do to lower the costs of activities. In this age of Xbox and television it's always a better deal to have our kids in some kind of activity. Lastly, I served as the Mayor of Ceylon for 12 years. I have the experience in working on committees and finding compromise that my competitors don't have. Also it's SUPER important to have good communication with the community. I will be accessible to the community whether through phone, email or social media.

I thank you for your time. If you would like to reach me with questions, I can be reached at johngibeau2016@gmail.com Please remember to vote on the August 9th Primary.

John Gibeau
Ceylon

4th of July Fireworks in Fairmont



Employees and their families of Mayo Clinic Health System took part in the Interlaken Heritage Days Parade recently. MCHS in Fairmont provided \$5,000 to sponsor the bands and entertainment in the parade.



Local military veterans enjoy a day fishing on Fairmont's lakes in the "Let's Go Fishing" pontoon.



On June 25th, Tribute to the Troops rolled into Truman to pay tribute to Lance Corporal Roger W. Deeds, who was killed on November 16, 2005 in Iraq. The community of Truman lined the streets to welcome the motorcycles that took part in the tribute that day.



Temperance Lake Ridge Assisted Living in Sherburn was the recipient of this baby grand piano recently. It was donated by the Gaalswyk family in loving memory of their parents, Henry and Rachel Gaalswyk.

Heritage Acres 4th of July Music Festival



KEYC-TV was on hand at the Fairmont National Guard Armory to do a story on the Freedom 5K - Col-or Dash event.