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If it could talk

Guest Columnist

Darwin Anthony, Business Owner, Artist, Writer



I drive the new highway, a highway that skirts the south edge of Mankato. It is a beautiful drive with the highway following the gentle curves through the valley. It blends with the countryside and it makes one appreciate all the planning and time that it took to make the new bridge, approaches, and finally the road.

As I drive east on the road at the crest of the large hill, and I see it, standing alone on south side of the road, a lovely oak tree that is in a fence line of a farm. It had to be on the backside of the farm before the road came through so it has probably gone unnoticed except for the farmer that farmed the land. It is a beau-

tiful large oak with a huge dark trunk, with a rough texture to its exterior. Its branches and not straight in form as we see in many other kinds of trees. The branches tell us from the road that this is a real oak, the branches have a twisted, gnarly look about them.

The oak has a beauty that they carry into every season. The oak has character, even in the winter months. They have a special shape and anyone that knows trees can recognize them from afar. Many of them carry their rich rust colored leaves throughout the winter and what can be prettier than the snow on such leaves? They truly catch our eye as they stand as shadows

against the sky, especially the evening winter sky.

We recognize them as the symbol of strength in the world of trees. What can be stronger than oak wood? The strength transfers to the wood itself. What a tribute if we say of someone "You are like an oak, strong, unwavering, unchanging!"

The tree that we can view along the new highway is almost perfectly shaped. Its crown seems as though someone had shaped it with a scissors, shaping it into a gentle curve across the top. It is a marvelous tree; a grand old tree and I ask myself "WHAT WOULD IT SAY IF IT COULD TALK?"

Would this wonderful tree which stood

in the back part of a farm, all alone, growing in a fence line of a farm, be old enough to remember the terrible conflicts between the Native American people and the settlers of the 1860's? What would we expect it to say about the suffering of both of these groups of people? Is the tree old enough to have seen the settlers come to Mankato with their wagons of wheat to be ground into flour, some of them traveling fifty miles or more to get to a mill? Would it be able to remember how important this regional center was to the settlers? Do you suppose the tree can understand how a small community built on the junction of two rivers would grow and prosper? The river was king in those early days and such an important link to the outside world. Would it speak of how it watched, as the land was broken to be farmed, probably

first with oxen and then farmed with horses? What would it say of the families that live on the land where it grew? Do you suppose it would wonder what happened to the family and if any of that direct family are still in the area and come to visit it from time to time?

Would it speak of the modern farming practices that are used on the land at this time, the huge machinery doing more work in an hour than the oxen or horses could do in many days? Do you think if knows of the beauty of the parks in the community, parks that draw people from a wide area? What can replace the seeing of the waterfall, hearing the roar of the water and feeling the mist against our face?

Can it imagine a community that has grown to have a regional health center, some large colleges, and be a huge shopping center? Would it have any

idea that the community would have huge agricultural processing plants? What does it see as it stands guard over the countryside.

I am sure that if you see the tree as you travel the new road you too will see a great tree. It is a growing thing, standing alone in a field. You should appreciate it as something special, so perfectly shaped by nature, beautiful to view in all of our Minnesota seasons. You should also feel that it should be a cherished treasure, something for all of us to enjoy as we travel the new highway.

WHAT WOULD IT SAY IF IT COULD ONLY TALK? Would it be proud of us that notice its raw beauty, something put there by nature, in a fence line on the back side of the farm that is suddenly out where we can all view it? It makes it a special drive, driving the new road. Drive out and take a look.

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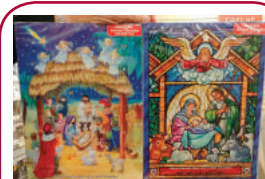


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Owen Timothy Schafer, son of Jared and Stephanie Schafer of Fairmont, was born on October 4th, 2018. Grandparents are Dr. Steven and Donna Parnell and Tim and Dayle Schafer. Photo courtesy of Jessica Sauck Photography

American Red Cross needs your help

The American Red Cross urges people to share their good health this holiday season by donating blood for patients in need.

A decline in donations occurs from Thanksgiving to New Year's Day when donors are busy with holiday activities and travel. Medical conditions and emergencies that require blood don't stop for the holidays.

Upcoming blood donation opportunities:

Blue Earth
Monday, November 19th: 12 - 6 p.m., Hope United Methodist Church, 12080 380th Ave.

Fairmont
Friday, November 16th: 9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m., Grace Lutheran Church, 300 S. Grant St.

St. James
Thursday, November 22nd: 7:30 - 11:30 a.m., National Guard Armory, 521 Armstrong Blvd. N.

By giving blood, donors may give patients more time - and more holidays - with loved ones. Make an appointment to donate blood or platelets by downloading the free American Red Cross Blood Donor App, visiting RedCrossBlood.org or calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

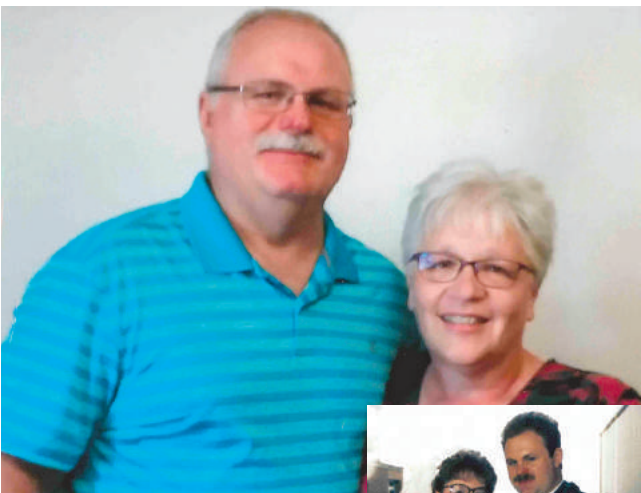
Triumph Memorial Park and World War I

This week is the 100th anniversary of the end of WWI (1918). Triumph Memorial Park in Trimont has the memorial placed there by the citizens of Triumph in order to honor those residents that served in that War to End All Wars, as it was called.

In the same park, in 2017, the Trimont Area Veterans' Tribute was dedicated to all area veterans who have served in the military, no matter where or when. There are around 250 names on this monument and there will be more to follow. Eight more names were added a couple of weeks ago, along with two plaques listing the major donors to the monument. We have 17 more names already to be added to it next spring. Bernie Semanko has now alphabetized the entire list of names and then we will be able to tell you where on the walls of granite the name you are looking for can be found. The plan is to have this list laminated and placed permanently at the site. Naturally, this list will keep on changing as the applications keep coming in.

PrairieLand Antique Tractor Association will hold their monthly meeting on Thursday, November 15th at 7:30 p.m. at McDonalds in Fairmont. The public is invited to attend.

Fairmont United Methodist Church continues its **Wednesday Evening Suppers** from 5 to 6 p.m. at the church. This week they are serving tacos and all the fixings and fruit. Next Wednesday, November 21st they will not have a supper due to the Thanksgiving break. All dinners include peanut butter and jelly sandwiches, beverages and homemade desserts. A \$2 donation is suggested.



SMITH 25TH - Lonnie and Connie Smith of Truman will celebrate 25 years of marriage on Tuesday, November 20th, 2018. Cards can be sent to them at 110 S. 3rd Avenue East, Truman, MN 56088

Next Best Jr. Chef Challenge next week

Kids ages 7 to 12 are invited to compete in the Next Best Jr. Chef Challenge: Thanksgiving Edition at the Martin County Library in Fairmont

This event will be held Tuesday, November 20th at 2 p.m.

No registration is required and this event is free. Call the library at 238-4207 with questions.

Fairmont 3M wins Mayo Wellness Challenge

Mayo Clinic Health System in Fairmont facilitated a free community wellness challenge October 1st-31st for area businesses and organizations.

Winners of the 2018 challenge are employees of 3M Fairmont and their team, "25% off". Team members include Melissa Hamsmith, Shawn Wiederhoeft, Kim Bulfer, Bob Posivio, Tammy More and Lyn Sandersfeld. They earned bragging rights along with a traveling trophy to proudly display at their place of business.

Participants in the wellness challenge completed a predetermined wellness activity listed on a challenge calendar and recorded minutes of exercise. Points were earned based on the number of minutes of exercise. Additional points were awarded for completion of each wellness activity.

Arc Different Drummer Dance Club will have a dinner and dance from 4:00-7:00 p.m. on Sunday, November 18th at Fairmont's Holiday Inn. RSVP's for the dinner and/or if attending the dance will be taken up until noon on Thursday, November 15th. Please contact Pat Kietzer at 507-848-5017. The public is invited to attend.

Swine Energy Management Seminar

Great River Energy and The Minnesota Pork Producers Association are partnering with the Clean Energy Resource Teams (CERTs) at University of Minnesota Extension to reach swine farmers in Martin County and the surrounding area with information and resources about how they can reduce energy input costs in swine farming.

The free "Hog the Energy Savings" seminar will take place Thursday, November 15th, 2018 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Fairmont Knights of Columbus Hall, 920 East 10th Street, Fairmont. Lunch and a tour will be included.

"We're supportive of any efforts to keep production costs down and help our farmers stay competitive. Energy efficiency and solar seem like great ways to accomplish both, and we're excited to partner on this workshop," says David Preisler, CEO of the Minnesota Pork Board.

On the agenda: A Certified Energy Manager from Great River Energy will explain the advantages of a farm energy audit, including specific ways swine farmers can manage energy use and reduce production costs. Currently, Great River Energy is offering farmers a 75% discount for farm energy audits thanks to a USDA grant. Farmers will be able to sign up for farm energy audit programming at the seminar.

Clean Energy Resource Teams staff will present on solar energy as a farm business investment to reduce input costs for the long term.

Lunch and a tour: Seminar attendees will enjoy a free pork chop lunch grilled by members of the Martin County Pork Producers Association. Following the meal, attendees are welcome to caravan to Hen-Way Manufacturing for a tour of their 175 kilowatt solar array to see a solar installation close-up.

For more info, call Fritz Ebinger of CERTs at 612-626-1028.

"Health Care Choices 2019" now online

The expanded edition of the Health Care Choices for Minnesotans on Medicare publication is now available electronically at <http://www.mnhealth-carechoices.com/>.

It includes all Part D, Medicare Advantage, Medicare Cost Plans and Medigap policies available in Minnesota in 2019.

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Thank You!

I would like to thank the people of Martin County District Two for voting for me and supporting me in the recent election.

Tom Mahoney



Good Luck Cardinals FIGHT ON

Martin County Genealogical Society will hold the last monthly meeting for 2018 on Saturday, November 17th at 9:00 a.m. in the Pioneer Museum, 304 E. Blue Earth Avenue, Fairmont. Members and anyone interested in genealogy are invited to attend. Monthly meetings will resume in March 2019. For more information call Dona at 507-236-0996 or Carol at 507-236-2599 or email mcgs@frontier.com.



YOCO students (in back) from the Martin County Substance Abuse Coalition (MCSAC) spoke to members of the Fairmont City Council recently to show support of the MCSAC prevention work and also the Social Host Ordinance that they would like the city of Fairmont to adopt. There will be a public hearing on the proposed ordinance on Monday, December 10th. (Submitted photo)

Red Rock Center to feature Ronnie Cox

Saturday, November 17th at 7 p.m. the Red Rock Center for the Arts in Fairmont will feature Ronnie Cox.

Ronny Cox, veteran actor and musician well known for acting in movies such as "Beverly Hills Cop," "Total Recall," "Deliverance" and "Robo Cop" will share a woven tapestry of



songs and stories.

With the gift of a consummate storyteller, and special guest Ansel Bar-

num, a master of the harmonica, he will share funny, sad and tender moments.

Advance tickets on sale now a Hy-Vee in Fairmont or at the door the night the concert.



Who said "A local gal can't get close to the President of the United States"? Carol Ann Oltman of Fairmont was at her granddaughter Bechorah's home in Penn Valley, California on Halloween eve when she got to meet the "famous president". (Submitted photo)

Shop Local in East Chain this weekend

The East Chain Activity Center will host its Second Annual Vendor and Craft Market Saturday, November 17th from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Over 24 vendors and artisans from Minnesota and Iowa will have items for purchase. New this year will be massages for shoppers and tagalongs!

Homemade cards, quilts, monogrammed gifts, crocheted toys, decor for your home, children's accessories, Premier Jewelry, Norwex, Soldier Creek Goats, Eye Candy Gone Green, Watkins, LuLaRoe, Usborn

books, Thirty One, Pink Zebra and much more will be present.

Best of all, there is a gym for kids to play while you shop and concessions on site by the P-Pod with brisket, walking tacos, hot sandwiches and other snacks.

Door prizes from vendors will be awarded every hour.

The East Chain Activity Center is located on Highway 53, at the address of the former East Chain School.

Check out their ad in this week's Photo Press!



The Borderline Cruisers Car Club, represented by Butch Olson (right), recently presented Debbie Morris, Community Life Coordinator at Temperance Lake Ridge Assisted Living in Sherburn, with a \$250 donation for their annual family picnic. (Submitted photo)

Al Lindner to speak in Northrop Saturday

Al Lindner will be the featured entertainment at the Mission Possible Benefit KNIGHT at Martin Luther High School, Northrop on Saturday, November 17th.

Outdoorsman, author, and television host of "Lindner's Angling Edge," Lindner's humorous anecdotes will amuse the audience. During a long career spanning

the most revolutionary years in sport fishing history, Al Lindner ranks among one of the most renowned leaders in the fishing industry.

His continuing dedication to teaching youth to fish reached a high point when the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service used Al's In-FisherKIDS Camp Fish formula as a nationwide teaching tool. Of all his titles, however, Al prefers that of "Angling Educator," a life-long obsession he tirelessly pursues.

Ms. Amy Wassman Becher, 1990 Alumnus, will also speak about her life and career. She is cur-

rently the Vice-President of Enrollment Management at Chatham University, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Major Gabriel Haugland, Active Duty, Iowa Army National Guard of Clear Lake, Iowa will present the colors to honor our veterans and active military.

This year marks the 33rd Annual Fall Benefit. Valet parking will be provided. Social hour begins at 5:00 p.m. A catered dinner will be served by the MLHS Student Council and National Honor Society at 6:00 p.m. Menu includes: Chicken Breast topped with Ham Cor-

don Bleu Sauce, Cheesy Mashed Potatoes, Crinkle-cut Carrots with Peas, Fresh Breadsticks, Romaine Salad with Mandarins and Almonds, "Fish" Sugar

Cookies, Cheesecake Bar w/assorted toppings and "This is Most Certainly Brew" Gourmet Coffee.



Spaghetti Dinner Benefit for Philly Fleming

Friends and family are coming together to have a spaghetti dinner and silent auction for rural St. James resident Philomena "Philly" Flemming.

The event will take place Saturday, November 17th from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Legends II in Ceylon.

Philly recently found out she has cancer and underwent brain surgery to remove a tumor on her brain. While in surgery, they found more tumors that were deemed cancerous.

Philly and her husband Duane "Cleaver" Fleming could not afford insurance for Philly, so they are bearing all of the

expense of the surgery and upcoming chemo treatments and possible other surgeries.

Any donations would be appreciated to help Philly and Cleaver, as they will be making many trips to Rochester for treatments.

The spaghetti dinner will be free will donation and the silent auction will feature baked goods and different merchandise that was donated.

If you are unable to make the benefit, but would like to donate, you can send your donation to: Philomena and Duane Fleming, 75593 430th Street, St. James, MN 56081.



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Grocery stores from the past

Guest Columnist

Lenny Tvedten, Director, Martin County Historical Society



Grocery shopping in Fairmont today primarily involves three stores. However, in the not too distant past there were a number of "chain grocers" and "mom & pop grocers" to choose from for grocery shopping. The "historic" ads shown and the historical documentation in this article are all courtesy of the Sentinel newspapers dating from the 1930s through the 1970s and the history file archives in the Pioneer Museum.

Back in 1933, John Izen and his family set off on an afternoon drive from their home in Mankato. Their unplanned travels took them to Fairmont. They were impressed with the town and amazed at the number of people out on a Saturday night. As

they parked downtown they noticed a vacant storefront. They thought it might be an ideal location for a grocery store and, as a result, contacted the owner of the building. Consequently, just ten days later they returned to Fairmont and began their grocery business in that very store. The grocery store expanded over the years and was in business at the same location, 101 N. North Avenue, now Downtown Plaza, until it closed in 1969.

Fairmont opened the fifth Red Owl Store in the state of Minnesota in 1922. The first four were in Rochester, Mankato, Austin, and Faribault. That Fairmont store was located next to the Sentinel office. Incidentally, the name "Red Owl" was coined by the owner of the company, J. H. Hall, from a brand of coal that his elevators sold at that time. Hall owned 147 elevators in Minnesota, Mon-

tana, and the Dakotas.

In 1938 the store moved from its first location north to the then new Rippe building in the 300 block of North North Avenue. The rationale for the move included better parking and being closer to creameries, produce, and elevators. Eventually a Red Owl store would be located across from the courthouse on Lake Avenue. The Lake Avenue location closed in 1978 and shortly thereafter reopened as the Red Owl Country Store at the Holiday Village location on North State Street, the current site of BoeKett Lumber. Super Valu eventually obtained and phased out the Red Owl name in 1988.

In 1937 a Moulton Food Store was slated to open in Fairmont at 118 S. North Avenue. It was advertised as a self-serve grocery store and would be located next to the Sentinel office. It had a modern meat department and vegetable department

for its time. The store was remodeled and enlarged in 1948.

In 1946 the Van Eaton Company purchased the P. S. Byers grocery located on the current site of the Kwik Trip store. This became the O. P. Skaggs Food Store and was managed by Herb Gunther. It was reported that at the opening of the store on October 17th of 1946 they had served

thier's Grocery Store.

In August of 1956 Virgil Wittmer opened a Super Valu grocery store at 114 E. Blue Earth Avenue, the current site of the Salvation Army Community Center. It evolved into Madsen's Super Valu in the 1960's and later became the Hardware Center in 1972.

Fairmont also had a Sterling Food Market, City Food Market, Tiede's Jack Sprat, and a Red & White Grocery store in the late 1940s. There was also a Piggly Wiggly Store in the 1970s located on Third Street just east of the Good News Book Store, an A & P Grocery at 309 North North Avenue, and a number of family owned corner

about 1,500 to 2,000 people by 10:00 a.m. and that there were two Fairmont policemen and a highway patrolman on duty directing traffic. Skaggs eventually evolved into the Gun-

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What's Cooking

with Kathy Lloyd

Thanksgiving is nearly here!

It doesn't seem possible that the holiday season is upon us! I have been looking up recipes and planning our Thanksgiving menu, I love doing that. I try to try one new thing every year along with the old favorites and to take into consideration what our family especially likes. This weekend I tried a new version for cornbread. Pa Lloyd isn't as adventurous as I am with food, he likes my old standard recipe best but I like something different. I like cornbread with soup, especially chili or taco soup. Try this week's recipe and see what you think!

Honey Sage Cornbread Loaf:
Preheat oven to 350 degrees and spray a 9x5 loaf pan with cooking spray.

Mix together 1 1/2 cups flour, 1 1/4 cups yellow cornmeal, 3/4 cup sugar, 1/2 tsp. baking powder, 1/2 tsp. baking soda and 1/2 tsp. salt in a large bowl. In another bowl mix 2 large eggs, 1/2 cup oil and 1 cup buttermilk in a small bowl, whisk together. Add egg mixture, 1 cup frozen corn, thawed and 1 Tbsp. chopped fresh sage to dry ingredients, stir to combine. Pour batter into pan, Bake 1 hour until toothpick comes out clean when inserted in center. Cool 8 minutes then take out of pan and cool on wire rack. Serve with butter and honey.

Have a great Thanksgiving!

Area College Student News


Tracy Swanson of Sherburn was named to Buena Vista University's (BVU) Dean's List for terms five and six.

Students named to the Dean's List must have a minimum grade point average of 3.5 for the two terms, based on a 4.0 grade point system, and must have taken at least 12 hours of coursework.

Swanson is enrolled in BVU's online programs.

Tucker Schumann of Sherburn was named to Buena Vista University's (BVU) Dean's List for terms five and six. Students named to the Dean's List must have a minimum grade point average of 3.5 for the two terms, based on a 4.0 grade point system, and must have taken at least 12 hours of coursework.

Schumann attends BVU's Estherville site.



IMPORTANT PROPERTY TAX HOMESTEAD NOTICE

This will affect your 2019 property taxes and eligibility for Property Tax Refund.

Have you purchased or moved into a property in the past year?
Contact your county assessor to file a homestead application if you or a qualifying relative occupy the property as a homestead on or before December 1, 2018.

What is a qualifying relative?
For agricultural property, a qualifying relative includes the child, grandchild, sibling, or parent of the owner or owner's spouse. For residential property a qualifying relative also includes the owner's uncle, aunt, nephew, or niece.

When do I apply?
You must apply on or before December 15, 2018. Once homestead is granted, annual applications are not necessary unless they are requested by the county assessor.

Contact the assessor by December 15, 2018 if the use of the property you own or occupy as a qualifying relative has changed during the past year.

If you sell, move, or for any reason no longer qualify for the homestead classification, you are required to notify the county assessor within 30 days of the change in homestead status.

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Dan Whitman, SAMA, Martin County Assessor

25 YEARS AGO IN THE PHOTO PRESS

WEEK OF NOVEMBER 17, 1993

KFMC radio was selected to receive the Outstanding Media Support Award from the March of Dimes Birth Defects Foundation at the foundation's annual meeting. The award was announced to station owner Woody Woodward.

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Martin County VFW announced its 1993 Voice of Democracy winners. Aaron Schlaphoff of Martin County West High School won first prize and Fairmont High Schooler Heidi Wilken too second prize. Ryan Waterbury and Jeremy Wedel, both of Fairmont High School, took third and fourth place respectively.

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Eleven rural Minnesota Hospitals received planning grants from the Rural Hospital Planning and Transition Grants Program, designed to preserve access to health care in rural areas of the state. Among the recipients was Jackson Municipal Hospital, which received \$18,000 to conduct feasibility studies for adult day care and respite care programs.

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The Fairmont School Board and teachers reached agreement on a contract for 1993-95. It called for a salary schedule freeze in the first

50 YEARS AGO IN THE PHOTO PRESS

WEEK OF NOVEMBER 17, 1968

Raymond Worden of Truman was declared winner over incumbent Melvin Roforth of Fairmont after a recount which overturned the six vote margin announced last week, which mistakenly reported Roforth's re-election as county commissioner.

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Work had resumed on the new Fairmont Fair-Mall shopping center, with nine stores already approved.

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Fairmont voters turned down for the second time in five months a proposal to build a new high school. Board members said they obviously would have to revise their thinking.

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The city of Fairmont was preparing for an all-out clash with North Central Airlines, which had served notice that it planned to sub-lease its Minneapolis-to-Sioux Falls air route with its Convair 48-passenger planes to Fleet Airlines, Inc., which would operate the route with 17-passenger DeHaviland Skyliners.

eat play shop LOCAL

A Chili and Oyster Stew Dinner will be held on Friday, November 16th from 5 to 8 p.m. at Immanuel Lutheran Church, Fairmont. Join them before or after the "GLOWS" parade. Menu includes chili, oyster stew, crackers, carrot sticks, breadsticks, assorted bars, hot chocolate, milk and coffee. Cost is \$9 for adults; children age 6 to 12 are \$5 and children five and under are \$2. This event is hosted by Immanuel's Men's Club and youth groups. Proceeds go to support Immanuel's ministries.



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St. John Vianney School 1st Quarter Honor Roll

St. John Vianney School in Fairmont recently announced its 1st Quarter Honor Roll:

GRADE 5: High Honors
Sawyer Ettesvold
Isaac Stone

"A" Honor Roll
Bel Lutterman

"B" Honor Roll
Thomas Hamlet
Ella Krahmer
Rebekah Landsteiner

Brylee Miller
Seth Siebring

GRADE 6: High Honors
Dominick Lund-May
Saadhvi Prakash

"B" Honor Roll
Eric Determan
Hayden Ettesvold
Hannah Fischer
Tyler Kurt
Meia Schuett

St. James Lutheran Northrop Honor Roll

St. James Lutheran School in Northrop has announced its 1st Quarter Honor Roll:

High Honors with Distinction (All A's):


- Sutton Bohlson (Grade 8)
- Harley Geistfeld (Grade 6)

High Honors (GPA of 3.5 or better/all A's and B's):

- Chase Hillmer (Grade 6)
- Jackson Luhmann (Grade 5)

- Brianna Petrowiak (Grade 7)
- Honors (GPA of 3.00-3.49/no grade lower than a "C"):
- Wyatt Luhmann (Grade 8)
- Bethany Petrowiak (Grade 7)
- Grace Rossow (Grade 5)
- Madison Sokoloski (Grade 5)
- Lance Stevens (Grade 8)
- Abby Wolter (Grade 6)

Americanisms



"An optimist is a person who starts a new diet on Thanksgiving Day."

—Irv Kupcinet


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Veronica H. Holland, 53



Services for Veronica H. Holland, 53, of Northrop, were held Tuesday, November 13th, 2018, at Grace Lutheran Church in Fairmont. A private family burial will be held at a

later date. Veronica passed away Wednesday morning, November 7th, 2018, at her home in Northrop. Lakeview Funeral Home and Cremation Service of Fairmont assisted the family with arrangements.

Veronica Helen (Poppen) Holland was born February 6th, 1965, in Omaha, NE, the daughter of August and Patricia (Lange) Poppen. She grew up in Pocahontas, IA, attending school there and graduating from Pocahontas High School with the class of 1983. Following her graduation, Veronica took classes at Iowa Lakes Community College in Estherville. She later moved to Fairmont, where she

worked at the Lake Aires Supper Club, the Bell Motel and Shopko.

While working at the supper club, Veronica met Tony Holland and the couple was later married August 28th, 1987, in Fairmont. Together the couple would make their home in Northrop.

Veronica was hard-working and wore many different hats during her 32 years at the Fairmont Sentinel. She was still currently working in Advertising as well as helping wherever she was needed.

In her spare time, Veronica cherished spending time with family and friends. She loved the outdoors; the warmth from

the sun as she worked in her garden, the cool breeze from the water as she shared laughs and stories around the fire by the lake, as well as fishing and camping. Veronica was always willing to lend a helping hand, often putting others before herself. She had a passion for reading and always said if she was to go back to college, she would have been a librarian. Veronica knew her way around the kitchen and was a wonderful baker. Her love of food and trying new things made going out for supper an adventure in trying out new places and dishes. Veronica treasured memories made on trips and held

many special memories from her trip to Germany. She truly lived life to the fullest and was one to not let life knock her down. She always had a smile on her face and an encouraging word for those around her. Her compassion for people spilled over to her love of animals and each of her four-legged friends held a special place in her heart. Veronica will be greatly missed by all those that loved her and called her a friend.

Left to cherish her memory is her husband, Tony Holland of Northrop; father and mother, Augie and Pat Poppen of Pocahontas, IA; father-in-law and mother-in-law, Red

and Meda Holland of Fairmont; sisters, Sonya (Jon) Engels of Sioux Falls, SD, Jackie Poppen of Omaha, NE, and Pam (Steve) Bunda of Omaha, NE; sisters-in-law, Becky (Kirk) Yahnke of Welcome, and Kathy Behrens of Estherville, IA; nieces and nephews, Olivia Engels, Anna Engels, Jaedan Bunda, Jorja Bunda, Adrina Poppen, Derek Behrens, Bailey Behrens, Jordan Yahnke and Audra Yahnke; as well as many aunts, uncles, extended family and friends.

Veronica was preceded in death by her grandparents, Elmer and Helen Lange and Konrad and Johanna Poppen.

lakeviewfuneralhome.net

Hattie C. Lesch, 96



A Celebration of Life Service for Hattie C. Lesch, 96, of Fairmont was held Monday, November 12th, 2018 at Grace Lutheran Church in Fairmont. Burial was in Lakeside Cemetery in Fairmont.

Hattie was called to her eternal rest on Tuesday morning, November 6th, 2018 at Lakeview Methodist Health Care Center in Fairmont.

Hattie C. Scheff was born on October 31st, 1922 to Eugene and Clara (Plu-

ta) Scheff on the family farm in Manyaska Township, Martin County, rural Sherburn. She was united in marriage to Arlo Lesch on June 3rd, 1945. They lived in Welcome and later in Fairmont.

Hattie is survived by her daughter, Peggy (Donald) Frankfurt of Fairmont; grandson, Jason Frankfurt of Buffalo, Minnesota; brother, John (Betty) Scheff of Rimrock, Arizona; sister, Marie Madsen of Fairmont; sister-in-law,

Fern Call of Stillwater; many nieces, nephews and friends.

Hattie is preceded in death by her parents, husband, Arlo Lesch; five brothers, George, Arthur, Raymond, Albert and Eugene Scheff; brothers-in-law, Norman Lesch, Clifford Call and Laurence Madsen, Vernon Dunlavey; sisters-in-law, Ethel Dunlavey, Violet Lesch and Alice Scheff and other relatives.

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Shirley M. Gorackowski, 92



92, of Fairmont, will be 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, November 14th, 2018 at Lakeview Funeral Home in Fairmont. Burial will be at Lakeside Cemetery in Fairmont. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service at the funeral home. Shirley passed away Saturday, November 10th, 2018 at the Mayo Clinic Health Systems - Fairmont. Lakeview Funeral Home and Cremation Service in Fairmont is assisting the family with arrangements.

Shirley Mae Gorackowski was born April 21st, 1926 to Oscar Adolph and

Edna (Unke) Haroldson in Hills, MN. She attended school in Hills until 7th grade when she moved to Fairmont with her family and graduated from Fairmont High School.

Shirley was united in marriage to Edward Gorackowski in August of 1951 at St. Peter and Paul Catholic Church in Fairmont. This marriage was blessed with three sons, Kevin, Kenneth and Keith. After their marriage, Shirley and Ed lived in Fairmont, Mankato, Luverne, Granada and eventually back to Fairmont. Shirley worked at Stokley Can-

ning Factory and then 3M in Fairmont. After having her children, Shirley was a homemaker.

Shirley was a den mother for Cub Scouts and was a hospice volunteer in her later years. She enjoyed embroidering, birds, especially cardinals and spending time with her family. Her grandchildren and great-grandchildren were so important to her.

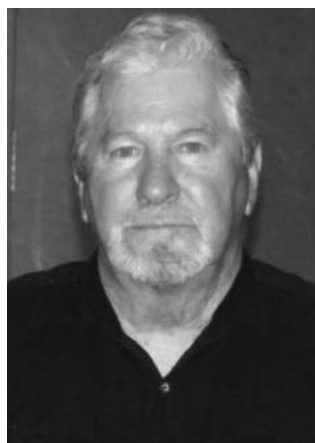
She is survived by her three sons, Kevin (Linda) Gorackowski of Granada, Kenneth (Barb) Gorackowski of Fairmont and Keith Gorackowski of Blue Earth; four grand-

children, J.D. (Megan) Gorackowski, Cody (Londa) Gorackowski, Justa (Josh) Blom and Caleb Gorackowski; five great-grandchildren, Jackson, Kinsley, Sawyer and Beckett Gorackowski and Jeffrey Blom; brother, Richard (Barb) Haroldson of

AZ; nieces, nephews and other relatives. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Edward Gorackowski; brother, Robert Haroldson; sister, Mary Jane Studer; and other brothers and sisters-in-law.

lakeviewfuneralhome.net

Howard L. Culbertson, 75



Howard Lee Culbertson, 75 of Truman lost his battle with cancer Saturday, November 10th, 2018. He passed into eternity surrounded by his loving family in his home. Funeral services were held Wednesday, November 14th at Trinity Lutheran Church in Truman. He was laid to rest at Zion Lutheran Cemetery in

Lewisville. Zaharia Family Funeral Home in Truman was entrusted with arrangements.

Howard was born January 16th, 1943 to Miley and Laura (Miller) Culbertson. He attended elementary school in Lewisville and graduated from Truman High School with the class of 1961. He attended cosmetology school in Fairmont and worked as a Barber in Albert Lea until being drafted to serve in the Vietnam War from January 7th, 1965 through October 14th, 1966. Howie had an honorable discharge with 2 O/S Bars, Vietnam Campaign medal with device, National Defense Service Medal, and a Vietnam Service Medal. He was a member of the American Legion and served as Bugler for Military Funerals. He then worked at ST industries in St. James and then applied for Barber Training and

completed the training in St. Paul in 1969. He barbered in St. James, Lewisville and later owned his own shop in Welcome.

On September 20th, 1969 he married Darlene Eickhoff. From that union they were blessed with three children, Matthew, Bradley, and Gayle. They made their home in Lewisville and then settled in their home in Welcome. He barbered and later began working as Welcome's rural carrier for the U. S. Postal Service completing 35 years of service. Upon his wife's death, Howard raised his three children and ultimately returned to Lewisville.

Howard was well known for his beautiful voice and often sang at local weddings and funerals. He was a member of the Lewisville Barber Quartet. He enjoyed Karaoke and was known for singing, "Easy Loving" and "Always

on My Mind". Through karaoke and "The Keeper of the Stars," he met his soul mate and wife Cheryl, of 20 years. On November 28th, 1998 they were married at Trinity Lutheran Church in Truman. With their marriage, they became a blended family of Howard's three children and Cheryl's three sons, Chad, Jason and Clinton Cole. He was proud and blessed to be called "Papa"/"Bapa" Howie by Emma, Eli, Ella, Riley, Hannah and Carter Cole. He and Cheryl enjoyed camping, golfing, fishing, Gospel and country Music, Concerts, and many trips, with one of their favorites being Branson. Howard's favorite pastimes, included playing baseball (younger years), playing cards with his buddies in Lewisville, casino trips, deer hunting, playing harmonica and singing with the Lang boys, road trips with his

2003 T Bird and his Harley Sportster Cycle for adventure. He thoroughly enjoyed supporting and attending his grandchildren's events and sports, he also followed the Twins, Vikings and Gophers. His many talents included being an excellent cook, writing poetry and a sharp dry wit.

Howard is survived by his wife Cheryl; his little fur child Lola Lee; three children Matthew (life companion Annette), Bradley (Linda) and Gayle; grandpups, Buddy and Kudo; sister, Lois (John) Teiken; brothers-in-law, Roger Bosshart and Larry Bachman; sister-in-law Evie Voss; several nieces and nephews; mother-in-law, Millie Lang; the Eickhoff and Lang in laws; three step sons and wives, 6 grandchildren and many extended family members.

Howie was preceded in death by his parents,

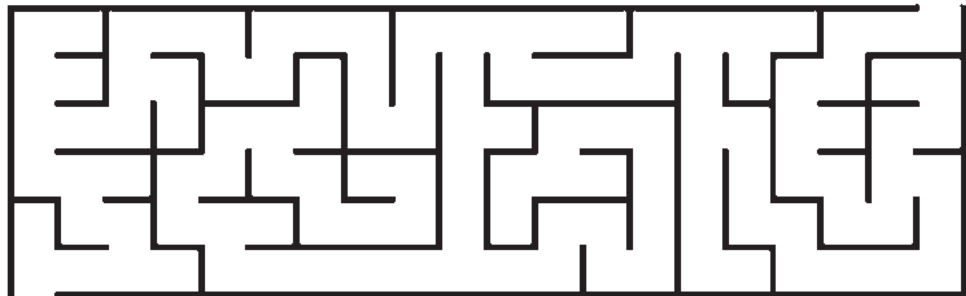
first wife Darlene, brother Robert (Roma) and Emmett, sisters, Grace Bachman, Eunice Bosshart, mother and father-in-law, Floyd and Cordelia Eickhoff, step-mother-in-law, Lillie Eickhoff, father-in-law and best friend, Sylvester Lang and beloved Snoodle fur child, Sable Ann.

zahariafamilyfuneral.com

The Photo Press reserves the right to edit (as necessary) any obituary that is submitted for placement.

All obituaries must be submitted by noon on Monday of the week that it is to be placed. Any photos submitted must be in high resolution and high quality. Any questions on the Photo Press obituary policy can be directed to Jeff Hagen at 238-9456 or jeff@fairmontphoto-press.com

Kids' Maze



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URGENT CARE NOW OPEN.

The new Mayo Clinic Health System in Fairmont Urgent Care is now open. This walk-in service provides same-day care for unexpected minor illnesses and injuries, including:

- Cold and flu symptoms
- Coughs, sore throats and earaches
- Infections, including urinary, sinus and eye
- Minor cuts, lacerations and burns
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- Sprains and strains

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Mayo Clinic Health System in Fairmont, 800 Medical Center Drive

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Enter through the clinic doors on the north side of the facility.



mayoclinichealthsystem.org

CCF Bank appoints board members

Citizens Community Federal National Association (“CCF Bank”), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Citizens Community Bancorp, Inc., appointed Kathleen S. Skarvan and Michael R. Conner to the CCF Bank board of directors, effective November 9th, 2018. “We are pleased to add two well-qualified directors to our bank board as we look to expand our community outreach, strengthen governance and develop strong succession planning for the company,” said Richard McHugh, Lead Director. Steve Bianchi, President/

CEO added, “The Board’s efforts to attract highly skilled business people to our board is reflected by these appointments. A strong board will help us build an even stronger bank.”

Ms. Skarvan, a resident of Elk Mound, WI currently serves as the Chief Executive Officer and President of New Prague, MN based Electromed, Inc. and serves on its board of directors.

Mr. Conner, an Eau Claire, WI resident, currently serves as the Executive Director of PESI, Inc., a non-profit technology driven, continu-

ing education provider, and as President of TBG Holdings LLC, a commercial real estate company.

CCF Bank recently completed its merger with United Bank, which will expand its branch network in Wisconsin to 15, including four locations in the Chippewa Valley region. CCF Bank is a full-service financial institution, providing both residents and businesses of the areas we serve a wide range of secure and dependable deposit and loan services for more than eighty years. The merger and this addition to our Board of Directors will allow us to continue to Make More Possible.

Medicare open enrollment to see call delays

Due to the unprecedented Medicare changes happening in Minnesota, call volume to the Senior LinkAge Line is expected to be much higher than normal during open enrollment. To help meet this demand, the Senior LinkAge Line has increased staff and expanded its hours to 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Friday. Even with these changes, wait times are anticipated to be longer than normal. To

help manage the volume and ensure beneficiaries and caregivers get help, we offer these tips:

- Call 1-800-Medicare for assistance. They are ready to help with the Cost Plan transition.
- Call a trusted insurance agent or broker for help reviewing options and choosing a new plan or purchasing a policy.
- Those with Internet access can use the www.Medicare.gov Plan Finder to review options and enroll in a plan.

- Call the different plans to get information about their provider participation and preferred pharmacy network. The plans can also assist beneficiaries with enrollment.

- Before calling the Senior LinkAge Line, a plan or insurance agent, prepare a complete list of prescription drugs and dosages. This will allow them to better assist with reviewing options.

- When calling the Senior LinkAge Line for help with Medicare, press 2 to be routed to a Medicare specialist.

You are cordially invited to attend a **Festive Auction** on Sunday, November 18th at 2 p.m. at Nazareth Lutheran Church, Armstrong, Iowa. The event will be held in the fellowship hall. Baked goods, homemade items and much much more will be on hand. Come for an afternoon of fun and fellowship.



You can help fight against hunger!

Rice is nice, but only if you have some to eat.

Unfortunately, not only do millions of people have no rice, they have nothing to eat - nothing! There are three ways people in southern Minnesota and northern Iowa can help fix that.

In about 90 days, the 11th Annual Kids Against Hunger pack will be held on Saturday, February 16th from 9 to 4 at St. John Vianney School in Fairmont.

You can show up to help or you can send money to help or, and this costs nothing, you can pray for the program’s continued success.

And they are successful! Over the last decade,

dedicated volunteers have packed 1.1 million rice and protein meals and raised nearly \$300,000 towards food and shipping.

Questions? Call Karen Sandhurst at 507-848-1260.

By the way, I have never starved, and I imagine everyone reading this has never missed too many meals either, so please pray and come or donate to the cause.

I began volunteering with Kids Against Hunger a couple years ago after reading a passionate letter to the editor. Now it’s your turn to do so!

Steve Bakken
Blue Earth

The Garden Bug

Planting mums

Flowering mums planted outdoors in the fall won't have enough time or energy to develop a hardy root system before winter; the plants will succumb to the frequent freezing and thawing. Instead, keep them in their pots, trim off spent flower heads, and place them in a cool, dry indoor area that does not freeze, keeping them slightly moist. When spring arrives, plant in the ground when threat of frost has passed.

- Brenda Weaver
Source: www.mums.org

Thank You!



A sincere thank you to the citizens of District 23A for your support and encouragement during my campaign and re-election. It has been an honor to serve you and I will continue to listen to your ideas and do my best to represent your needs and concerns in St. Paul.

Bob Luther



Karis and I had our nephew Chase and his friend Braeden stay with us on the farm this weekend. It was fun watching them go out and take a look at my tractors in the sheds and hearing the talk that was taking place between the two. Growing up on the farm myself, I grew up learning to drive the tractors (as soon as I could reach the clutch) and to see them with the wide eyes over looking over the tractors brought me back to when I was a kid. Then I took them into my "man cave" in the basement and showed them my John Deere collection that pretty much fills that part of the basement - it was like having kids in the candy store. They saw

some of the small "customized" toys that my brother Tim and I built as kids and wondered why we did it. I tried explaining that many times the toys we had didn't have all the fancy things they do now, so we used our imagination to build the custom models with things we had around the home. Now I have created another generation of "farming with imagination"!

“What is it?” answered!

My “What is it?” item from last week received only one correct guess. Bill Eustath of Fairmont correctly answered that it was



a “composing stick”. The item, as you can see in the photo, was used to create the newsprint for newspapers years ago. The trick was that the sentences had to be placed in this stick backwards and upside down so that when it was applied to the paper during the printing, it would read correctly. It sounds like a whole lot more work then we have to do nowadays! This week is going to be a very challenging one. Paul Markquart of Sherburn showed this to me after church on Sunday and said that he had no idea what it was. It appears to be some sort of tool, but I am not sure. It is all metal and has a pivot point in the middle with some adjustable points. It also has a screwdriver type piece on one end. So, what is it and what is it used for? If you know the answer, drop me

an email at jeff@fairmont-photopress.com or call the office at 507-238-9456. Do you have an item that you want featured in a future column? Stop by the Photo Press with your item so we can take a picture, get details and measurements to be featured in a future column.

GLOWS this Friday!

Friday night you can watch Santa fly in to the Fairmont airport and then afterwards head to downtown Fairmont for the annual GLOWS parade. This weekend is the unofficial kickoff to the holiday season and the Photo Press will be a part of it! We will have a float in the parade lit up with lots of lights (thanks Sommer Outdoors for the use of your generator!) and will feature a couple of our newspaper carriers handing out Photo Press pens, candy

canes and a little something special from your friends at the Photo Press. Don't forget, we are your headquarters for your Christmas letters, along with all your other printing needs. We also stock colored paper and envelopes to help you complete your projects or send out Christmas wishes to friends and family.

Fudge, good meals, prime rib and more!

I have a few events coming up in the week ahead: •The Wednesday Evening Supper this week at Fairmont United Methodist Church from 5-6 p.m. is tacos with all the fixings. Join them for a great meal for only a \$2 suggested donation. •On Friday, November 16th is the first of three performances of “Fiddler on the Roof”, which is performed by the Martin County West Drama Department at the Sherburn Theatre. Friday and Saturday performances are at 7 p.m. and Sunday's performance will be at 2 p.m. •Also Friday night as part of the GLOWS festivities, Immanuel Lutheran Church in Fairmont

will have a chili and oyster stew dinner from 5 to 8 p.m. •Saturday, November 17th will be a bake sale at Fleet and Farm in Fairmont from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Proceeds go to help the pets at the Martin County Humane Society. •Also on Saturday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. is the Craft and Vendor Show at East Chain Activity Center. Check out their ad in this week's paper. •Saturday from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. will be a spaghetti dinner fundraiser for Philly Fleming at Legends II in Ceylon. •That night head over to the Sherburn American Legion for the Sherburn Lions Club Prime Rib Supper from 5 to 8 p.m. On Sunday, November 18th there will be a Festive Auction at Nazareth Lutheran Church in Armstrong, Iowa at 2 p.m. in the fellowship hall. Have a great week!

Drive safely - visit a shut-in or family member - Eat, Play, Shop Local -come to the GLOWS parade!

Jeff

“Just the other day”

Guest Columnist

Tom Palen, broadcaster, pilot, writer



“The Lasagna Pan”

I will walk or drive by a thrift shop and look the other way to avoid the temptation of going in. Don't get me wrong, I love thrift stores, but I end up buying things I don't need just because they were a bargain. The thrift store to me is like a Shop-Vac hose running over the floor in a construction area - it draws in and sucks up everything that is near its opening.

I sat at the red stop light, waiting for it to turn green. The Goodwill Store was ahead on the other side of the intersection. I could have turned right to avoid driving near the store, but then I thought how it gets lonely working by myself

on my current project. “I could buy a cheap radio for the house.” I said, “It would break the silence.” I went straight through the intersection and pulled into the Goodwill parking lot.

Inside, I promptly found a three-dollar radio I wanted and started for the checkout lane. Suddenly I felt an irresistible force pulling at me. It was drawing me to the kitchen section to see if there wasn't something there I couldn't live without. “Be strong, man. Turn away.” I said, but then I caved in; besides, the kitchen stuff was on the way to the front counter - sort of. What would it hurt to just look?

I viewed the shelves full of bowls and pans and misfit lids. Then, there it was, on the third shelf up from the bottom. A 9x12” baking pan. It was white on the inside; dark brown on the outside. It wasn't a regular glass baking dish, it was pottery, more like a bean pot. It had handles on each end and the sides were wavy, but most of all it was extra deep. “Man, this would be the perfect lasagna pan.” I said as I examined the dish inside and out, looking for chips. It was in good condition and only \$5.99. I set the radio inside the dish, picked it up and started for the front counter. Then I turned around and set

it back on the shelf. “You don't need to spend that six bucks.” I said, and turned to leave.

I got just a few feet away before I went back and picked the piece up again. “I'm going to buy it.” I said. On the way to the register I convinced myself, “I don't need another baking dish. Just put it back and go home!” I set it on the shelf and stepped briskly toward the register. Waiting in line, I thought again how unique the dish was. “You'll probably never see another one like it.” I said. Geesh! What a dilemma. I stepped out of line and went back to get the dish, second guessing myself all the way to the kitchen area.

When I got there another lady was holding the brown dish, turning it over and over to examine it inside and out looking for chips. I stood back,

acting like I was looking at something else. I thought she was going to put it in her cart, then she lifted it back toward the shelf but never quite set it down. She started looking it over again; she couldn't decide either.

I finally said to her, “If you'd just put that in your

cart it would confirm my decision that I don't need it....

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Just Like Cats & Dogs by Dave T. Phipps



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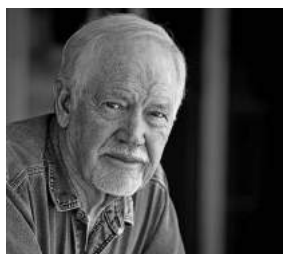


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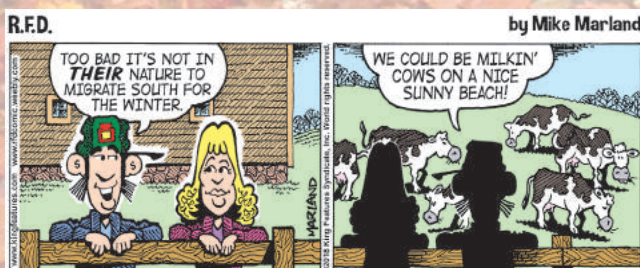
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TUE: Pot roast, red skin potatoes, gravy, baby carrots, gravy,
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WED: Chicken ala king, biscuit, beet pickle, lettuce salad,
brownie.



Santa Claus is coming to Fairmont!



Santa and Mrs. Claus, direct from the North Pole, will be arriving at the Fairmont Municipal Airport via the North Pole Express around 4:00 p.m. on Friday, November 16th. Everyone is invited to greet this special arrival. Gather the kids, grab those Christmas wish-lists, and head over to the airport for a chance to meet the jolly elf himself. Don't forget to bring your camera!

Join us along Downtown Plaza later in the evening as we kick off the Holiday season with the annual Glows Parade, complete with pre and post-parade activities. The Immanuel Lutheran Church will be serving Chili and Oyster Stew from 5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at 1200 North North Avenue. The MCSAP Coalition will be hosting a Youth Fun Night at the Martin County Youth for Christ Lighthouse, 213 Downtown Plaza, until 10:00 p.m. All Martin County YoCo students and friends are invit-

ed to join them during and after the parade for pizza, hot chocolate, snacks, games and music. Call Steph Johnson (507-236-4118) or the Lighthouse (507-235-6016) for details. The Blazer Bar & Grill will host live music by Lance Allen as well as food and drink specials following the parade. The Fairmont Opera House will feature a performance of "Sleeping Beauty" by the Continental Ballet Company beginning at 7:30 p.m.

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Pat Winter (right), Martin County Youth Foundation board member, presents a check in the amount of \$500.00 to Lenny Tvedten for the Martin County Historical Society's annual School Visitation Program. (Submitted photo)

After the Glows Parade

Friday, November 16 • 7:30PM
Music by Lance Allen

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Blue Earth Valley Quilters meeting set for Monday

The Blue Earth Valley Quilters will meet this Monday, November 19th, 2018, at 7:00 p.m. in the Blue Earth Area High School Choir Room. Please enter through Door V on the south side of the building. There will be a presentation about the second block in the Eureka! block-of-the-month group. The quilt-along group starting on the "4 x 5 Quilt" has met - but there is still time for new members to join the group. The program will be presented by Susan

Wilkinson, owner of Prairie Pride Quilts, which recently opened in Madelia. The Blue Earth Valley Quilters meet on the third Monday of each month (no meeting in December) under the umbrella of Blue Earth Area Community Education. Quilters of all skill levels are welcome! Announcements and photos can be found on Facebook under the group name Blue Earth Valley Quilters. For more information, contact Mike Ellingsen at 507-526-5808.



Susan Wilkinson - Prairie Pride Quilts

Fairmont school students bring "Annie" to town

Students from Fairmont High School put on their fall musical "Annie" last weekend at the

high school performing arts center. Around 100 students took part in the production and another

30 made up the pit orchestra and 10 handling the technical work behind the scenes. Director was

Sara Gudahl, who chose the production along with Molly Bleess. (Submitted photos)



Ask A Trooper: Ignition Interlock

by Sgt. Troy Christianson, MN State Patrol

Question: I was arrested for DWI. Where do I find information about ignition interlock?

Answer: First-time DWI offenders arrested at 0.16 alcohol-concentration level or above and second-time offenders can voluntarily enroll in the ignition interlock program to regain legal driving privileges. If they don't enroll, they face at least one year without a driver's license. Offenders with three or more offenses are required to use interlock for three to six years, or they will never regain driving privileges.

The law gives DWI offenders a chance to regain driving privileges by ensuring safe and legal driving through the use of the interlock device. Interlock users will regain full driving privileges immediately after the offense and enrollment into the program. This ensures they are driv-

ing with a valid license and are not a threat on the road.

The Minnesota Department of Public Safety Driver and Vehicle Services Division administers the ignition interlock program, and you can contact them at dvs.ii@state.mn.us or (651) 296-2948 to enroll in the program. Information is also available at <https://dps.mn.gov/divisions/dvs/programs/mn-ignition-interlock/Pages/default.aspx>.

Interlock devices are installed near the steering wheel and connect to the engine. They require a driver to blow into a tube and provide a breath sample in order for the vehicle to start.

The vehicle will not start if the device detects an alcohol-concentration level of 0.02 or above. Interlocks require rolling re-tests after the initial test, but a failed test will not disable the ve-

hicle while in motion for safety reasons. The device also has features to deter others from starting the vehicle for the intended user.

The ignition interlock program protects Minnesotans from the dangers of impaired driving by:

- Creating safer roads.
- Providing a way for offenders to obtain a valid driver's license, addressing the problem of people driving without a valid license.

• Encouraging behavior modification and rehabilitation.

• Diminishing the possibility of a repeat DWI.

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

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Robotics at the library

On November 3rd, the Martin County Library sponsored a Family Tinkerpalooza event. High School Robotics coach Sam Viesselman



Robotics team members provided an engineering challenge and ribbon rockets activities for participants to enjoy.



Robotics Coach Sam Viesselman helps a future robot driver with the team's robot.



Martin Luther High School, Northrop recently held the 2018-2019 National Honor Society Induction Ceremony. Martin Luther High became a chartered member of NHS in 1997. Students are selected through an application process. Criteria is based on scholarships, leadership, service and character. Pictured L-R, First row: NHS Advisor Lisa Kube, Dalton Fette, Sierra Geistfeld, Autumn Fischer, Bennett Shane, Emma Bolen*, Caleb Schultz*. Second row: Paxton Gravlin, Alexys Flohrs, Cody Greve, Joshua Bergt*, Madisen Wildfeuer, Michaelah Petrowiak*, Lydia Steinhaus. *denotes new inductee (Submitted photo)



Discovery Place Preschoolers enjoyed their field trip to Fairmont Hy-Vee!! They learned all about eating healthy fruits and vegetables by using the colors of the rainbow. Before heading back to school they had a deliciously fun time frosting pumpkin cookies. A very special thanks to Hy-Vee for providing our young children with this great opportunity! (Submitted photos)



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The Guy From Just Around the Corner

By Al Batt

My neighbor Crandall stops by.

"How are you doing?" I say.

"Everything is nearly copacetic. I lost my mood ring. I don't



know how I feel about that. I'm glad the election is over. I voted just once this year. I know politicians keep only 6.3 percent of their promises, but I hope they are worth keeping. Maybe things will be all right. I was so busy voting only once that I haven't had the time to do any macrame."

"You do macrame?" I ask, changing the subject.

"I just told you that I haven't been able to find the time to do any macrame. I've never been able to find the time to do any macrame."

"How is your cold?" I say.

"One day, I was fancy free and footloose. The next day, I felt like I needed some fixing up. I finally

went to see the doctor. I'd come from attending a function where I'd felt it was proper to wear a suit and tie. I'd put a flower in my lapel. I felt lousy and I must have looked worse because the doctor said I looked like a well-kept graveyard. That gets a fellow's attention."

Leave it to beavers

I was slaving away in Beaver Dam, Wisconsin. The city was named for a beaver dam located in a stream flowing into the Beaver Dam River. The area had been known as Okwaanim, Chippewa for beaver dam. Beaver dams are built by beavers to provide ponds as protection against predators such as coyotes, wolves and bears, and to provide access to food in winter. If lakes or rivers have deep enough water, beavers may not build dams and live in bank burrows and lodges instead. If the water isn't deep enough to keep beavers safe from predators and the lodge entrances ice-free, beavers build dams. These structures modify the nat-

ural environment in a way that the overall ecosystem builds upon the change, making beavers a keystone species. A keystone species is one that helps define an entire ecosystem and without that species, an ecosystem would be dramatically different or cease to exist.

American Bald Eagle Foundation (ABEF)

I spoke at the Bald Eagle Festival at the ABEF located in Haines, Alaska. Alaska is where folks think Texas is cute. Haines is 80 miles north of Juneau. As many as 3500 bald eagles have been found in a single count. All species of Alaska's Pacific salmon (king, sockeye, coho, pink and chum) are caught in the Chilkat and Chilkoot Rivers. Hemlock and Sitka spruce trees predominate. Brown and black bears, wolves, coyotes, moose, mountain goats, porcupine, river otters, harbor seals, orcas and humpback whales are seen there. The 1991 movie "White Fang" was filmed in Haines as was "Gold Rush" on the Dis-

covery Channel. The population of the Haines Borough is about 2400 (and 1897 dogs) in the summer, dropping to 1800 in the winter. Haines is where the tundra and the rain

seeing the highest peak in North America. I told my charges that the mountain was out. One of them asked, "Where else would it be?" I was nearly hit by a LFBE (Low Flying Bald

the chipmunk's head. I'm often told that its name came from the sound that the animal makes. However, the common name may have been spelled "chitmunk" from the Odawa word jidmoonh or the Ojibwe ajidamoo. A male chipmunk is called a buck; a female is a doe; a baby is called kit, kitten or pup; and a group of chipmunks is a scurry.

Thanks for stopping by

"People take different roads seeking fulfillment and happiness. Just because they're not on your road doesn't mean they've gotten lost." --Dalai Lama

"The thin snow now driving from the north lodges on my coat. How full of the creative genius is the air in which these flakes are generated. I could hardly more admire if real stars fell and lodged on my coat." -- Henry David Thoreau

"No shade, no shine, no butterflies, no bees, No fruits, no flowers, no leaves, no birds, November!" -- Thomas Hood

DO GOOD.
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Bald eagles — younger and older. Photo by Al Batt

forest meet. The numbers jump around depending on the source, but the average annual rainfall is approximately 48 inches with an annual snowfall of 122-130 inches. During the winter of 2011-12, 360 inches of snow fell downtown. I love seeing the mountains. I recall leading a trip to Alaska and hoping that Denali (formerly Mt. McKinley) would be visible. I arose early and delighted in

Eagle) while birding in Haines this year.

Q-and-A

"Why do Canada geese like lawns?" Two reasons: goose food and safety. The grass provides the food and a lawn makes it easy to detect predators.

"How much can a chipmunk stuff into its cheeks?" The eastern chipmunk is about 10 inches long including its tail. Its cheeks can stretch to three times larger than



Ms. Card's preschool classes at Fairmont Area Elementary School wish to say THANK YOU to their amazing sponsors who donated money so the children are able to receive a free Scholastic book every month. What an amazing show of generosity! (Submitted photos)



American Education Week is November 12th-16th. In celebration of learning, Education Minnesota-Fairmont (EMF) elementary teachers donated 600 new or gently used books and delivered them to local businesses. These books are free to our community children to take, read, and share. Happy American Education Week! Pictured L-R: Mrs. Pfingsten, Ms. Klitzke, Mrs. Viesselman, Mrs. Luhmann, and Mrs. Ziegler. (Submitted photo)

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Welcome American Legion Post 553 Commander Ron Bettin (left) presented awards to Steve Morrow and Mick Finke for 50 years of membership in Welcome Post 553. They were presented at the annual Veterans Day Prime Rib dinner for all Post 553 members which was attended by over 70 people last weekend. (Submitted photo)

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Consolidating Accounts Can Lead to Clear Financial Strategy

None of us can completely control all the things that happen to us. Yet, when it comes to achieving your long-term financial goals, including a comfortable retirement, you do have a great deal of power - as long as you follow a clear, well-defined financial strategy. And one way to help build and maintain such a strategy is by consolidating your financial accounts.

Over the course of their lives, many people pick up a variety of financial accounts from multiple sources. They might have a few IRAs from different providers, a couple of old 401(k) plans from past employers, an insurance policy (or two) purchased many years ago, and a scattershot of stocks, bonds, certificates of deposit and other investments.

If this picture describes your situation, you may want to think about consolidating. For one thing, having a variety of accounts can run up a lot of fees. Furthermore, you'll have lots of paperwork to keep track of all your accounts, including several different tax statements. Plus, just by having so many accounts, you risk forgetting about some of them - and if you don't think you'd ever forget about your own money, consider this: Well over \$40 billion in unclaimed cash and property, including 401(k)s, pensions and IRAs, is awaiting return to the rightful

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But beyond reducing your possible fees, paperwork and potential for lost assets, consolidating your accounts with one provider can give you a centralized, unifying investment strategy, one that can help you in the following ways:

- **Diversification** - If you own several different financial accounts, including IRAs, 401(k)s and online accounts, you might have many similar investments within them. You might even own a cash-value insurance policy containing investments that closely track the ones you have in the other accounts. This type of duplication can be harmful, because if a market downturn primarily affects one type of asset, and your portfolio is dominated by that asset or similar ones, you could take a big hit. But if you have all your investments in the same place, a financial professional can review your holdings and recommend appropriate ways to diversify your investment dollars. (Be aware, though, that while diversification can reduce the impact of market volatility on your portfolio, it can't guarantee profits or protect against all losses.)

- **Staying on track** - With all your accounts in one place, you'll find it easier to keep the big picture in mind and make

the moves necessary to help you progress toward your financial goals. Two main actions include buying or selling investments and adjusting your portfolio to make it more aggressive or conservative, depending on your situation.

- **Avoiding mistakes** - If you own several separate accounts, you could see a loss in one or more of them and overreact by selling investments that could still be valuable to you. But with a consolidated investment platform, you can see more clearly that the impact of a loss may be small, relative to the rest of your holdings.

As we've seen, consolidating your investment accounts with a single provider can have several advantages. So think carefully about bringing everything together - you may find that there's strength in unity.

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1. Who first released "Don't Turn Around"?
2. Which girl group released "He's Just a Runaway"?
3. Name the group that released "Shining Star" in 1980 ... not to be confused with the 1975 Earth, Wind & Fire song of the same name.
4. Name the two halves of the duo who released "Stumblin' In."
5. Name the song that contains this lyric: "I'm scared, so afraid to show I care, Will he think me weak, if I tremble when I speak?"

Answers

1. Tina Turner, as the b-side to the "Typical Male" single in 1986. Aswad came along two years later with a cover, followed by Ace of Base in 1994.
2. Sister Sledge, on their fifth album, "All American Girls," in 1981. And yes, they are all sisters, born into an entertainment family in Philadelphia.
3. The Manhattan. They picked up an award for Best R&B Performance by a Duo or Group with Vocal at the 1980 Grammys.
4. Chris Norman and Suzi Quatro, in 1979.
5. "Tell Him," by Celine Dion and Barbra Streisand, in 1997. This stunning duet climbed charts around the world but, astonishingly enough, only went to No. 58 on Billboard's U.S. radio play chart.

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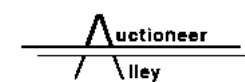
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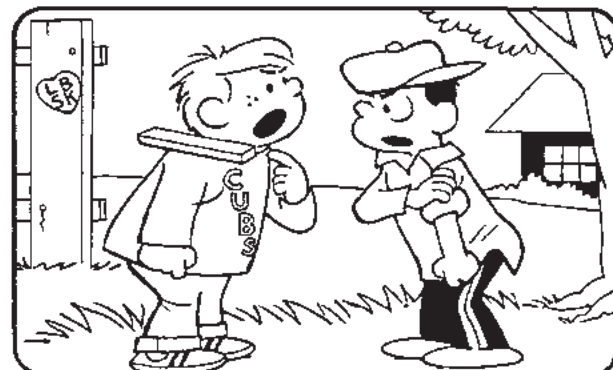
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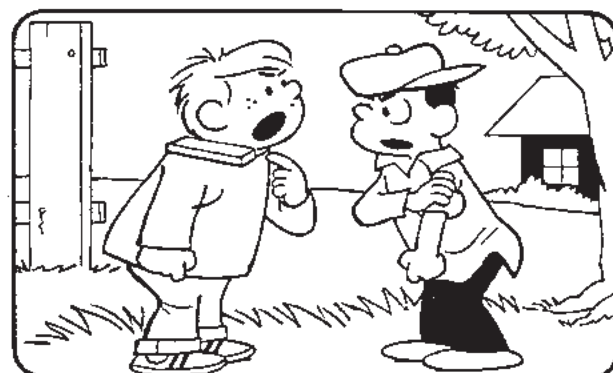
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Pheasants Forever conducts Pollinator Day

One hundred first graders from five classes at Five Lakes Elementary School got a chance to change the future of a three-acre plot of land called a Wildlife Management Area, otherwise known as a WMA. The plot is part of a larger WMA called Rooney Run near Trimont. The day, Thursday, November 1st, was split into two sessions put on by the Martin County Pheasants Forever chapter with the help of Martin County Soil and Water, Kris and Krista Thompson – some of Fairmont's local beekeepers, school staff, and local Conservation Officer Eric Schettler.

The classroom session was held at Five Lakes Elementary School where students learned the importance of pollination and the effects it has on things in our everyday life down to food items. They also learned about beekeeping and its benefit to the environment and participated in many activities.

For the second session, the students were bussed out to the pollinator plot, where members of Martin County Pheasants Forever and other volunteers helped show them how to spread wildflower seeds and the significance of those wildflowers on the pollinators. KEYC Mankato was around for the morning field session, and had an opportunity to interview one of the first graders and a member of the Martin County Soil and Water/Pheasants Forever. After that, they had a big group picture taken and were given a tee shirt, a cookie, made with the help of pollinators, and a bottle of water.

Martin County Pheasants Forever would like to thank their major sponsors again for the support to continue holding these events and spreading the word of conservation. Please like Martin County Chapter of Pheasants Forever on Facebook to keep up with events that are coming up, and join them on April 13th, 2019 for their annual banquet at the Martin County Arena.



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DASHING THROUGH THE SNOW – Garrett Myren evades Cannon Falls' #1 Mason Duden and Kade Holt on a quarterback keeper. Myren had two fourth-quarter touchdown runs to lead the Cardinals over the Bombers 27-21 in the Class 3AAA state quarterfinal held last Saturday in Hopkins. *Courtesy fairmontsports.com*

Cardinals defeat upset minded Cannon Falls

Class 3AAA #5-ranked Fairmont Cardinals overcame a 14-6 unranked Cannon Falls' lead, freezing weather elements and 5 turnovers, with three scores in the second half to defeat the Bombers 27-21 in state quarterfinal play-off action in Hopkins last Saturday. The Cards (10-1) will play Perham (9-2) in the semifinals this Saturday, 4:30 p.m. at U.S. Bank Stadium in Minneapolis.

Dustin Schultz's 86-yard TD catch, on the snow-dusted field, from Garrett Myren gave the Cardinals a 6-0 first quarter lead. Cannon Falls led 7-6 at the half on Brodie Hansen's 12-yard run. The Bombers extended their lead on Logan Hofstedt's third-quarter 5-yard run. When it looked like the Bombers were about to extend their lead with a long run, Nick Thate recovered the running backs' fumble at the Cards 20-yard line. A few plays later the Cardinals tied it 14 all on Garrett Myron's 53-yard strike to Dustin Schultz and Hayden Berhow's two-point conversion catch.

The Cardinals stingy defense led by linebacker Zac Ringnell, Dominick Ortiz, Thate and Thomas Johnson shook off snowflakes then held off the potent Bombers ground game in the second half. With a little over seven minutes to go in the fourth quarter the Cards on their own 40-yard line pulled off a big momentum turning play in the game on fourth and 10. Cardinal punter Jack Hsted faked the ball going over his head while the snap went to up back Myren who got off a pass while being tackled to a leaping Johnson for a first down at the Bombers 44 yard line.

Then the magical-mercurial "Jack Frost" Myren, on

the next play, out raced defenders on a quarterback keeper to the end zone and after Hsted's extra point kick the Cards led 21-14. The Cards were back in business on the ensuing kickoff when Caden Baarts recovered the mishandled kick. From the Bombers 29 the offensive line, Carson Toomer, Eli Redenius, Jacob Rahn, Sedrick Parker and Riley Chaffee plowed holes for Jordan Wolter and Myren, who took it into the end zone from 10 yards out.

The Cards led 27-14 with a little over 4:30 to go. The Bombers rallied and went to the air attack on a 53-yard drive and closed the score to 27-21 after Hansen's 7-yard TD run with a little over 2:30 to go. The Bombers then recovered their line drive snow skipping outside kick at the Cardinals 42. Cannon Falls' come back and upset bid fell short on the Cards defensive frozen wall stop on fourth and two. A snow-covered frozen toed Cardinal crowd roared when the chain gang's first down measurement came up a snowball short with a little over a minute to go.

A Cardinal first down and a couple of kneel downs finished the Bombers Cinderella season at 5-7. The snow capped coach Mat Mahoney's after game "see your breath in the air" speech was short and ended with the Cards rally cry "Fight On!" The Cards vs Perham winner will face the winner of the other semifinal game - #1-ranked Pierz (11-0) vs #2-ranked Rochester Lourdes (10-1) for the state championship 1:00 p.m. Saturday, November 24th at the Bank.

For ticket info, see Fairmont Sports Facebook page.



TOUCHDOWN SPRINT – Cards Dustin Schultz out races Cannon Falls' Graham Pearson on a first quarter 86-yard pass play. The Cards trailed the Bombers 14-6 in the third quarter when Schultz caught a 53-yard TD pass and Hayden Berhow's two-point conversion catch tied it at 14. *Courtesy fairmontsports.com*



BOWLED OVER – Cardinals Jordan Wolter runs over Cannon Falls' Adam Johnson while Bombers teammate #1 Mason Duden tries to make the tackle. *Courtesy fairmontsports.com*



FUMBLE RECOVERY – Cardinals Caden Baarts recovers the football after it was misplayed on the kickoff. The Cards play Perham, a 48-17 winner over Two Harbors, this Saturday at 4:30 p.m. at U.S. Bank Stadium. *Courtesy fairmontsports.com*

Pee Wee A hockey takes second in Northfield

The Fairmont Hockey Pee Wee A team took 2nd place last weekend in the Jesse James Showdown Tournament in Northfield.

Saturday morning the Pee Wee A team opened the tournament against Ames, Iowa and won 6-3. Scoring for Fairmont was Connor Gronewald with an assist from Brock Lutterman. Jace Teveldal had an assisted goal from Luke Kester, Luke Kester had an assisted goal from Connor Gronewald and Hank Artz had 3 unassisted goals.

The 2nd game on Saturday was against Elk River and recorded a 5-4 win. Scoring for Fairmont was Luke Kester with a double assist

from Hank Artz from Eric Determan. Hank Artz had an assisted goal from Brock Lutterman. Brock Lutterman also had an unassisted goal. Hank Artz also had 2 unassisted goals and his final goal of the game came with 8 seconds remaining to put the Pee Wee A team up 5-4. Goalie Ethan Geerdes recorded 16 saves.

Sunday morning in a game against Waseca the Pee Wee A team won 5-4 which advanced the team to the championship game. Brock Lutterman had a hat trick with an assists from Hank Artz, Beau Becker and Tyson Pankow. Beau Becker had an assisted goal from Brock Lutterman, and Tyson



SLEIGH BELLS RING'N – Linebacker Zac Ringnell brings down Bombers' running back Brodie Hansen while Card teammate Jordan Wolter assists on the tackle. *Courtesy fairmontsports.com*

2018 FHS Cardinal Girls Soccer Honors

The Fairmont Area High School Girls Soccer program announced their 2018 soccer honors.

All conference:

Joni Becker
Alexis Kaufman
Isabelle Lenort
Honorable Mention:
Cadee Becker
McKayla Chambers
Lily Hohensee

Team Awards:
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(Coach voted): Anna

Nordquist

Team Voted:

MVP: Alexis Kaufman
Offensive MVP: Isabelle Lenort and Joni Becker

Defensive MVP: McKayla Chambers

Most Improved: Mackenzie Householder

Rookie of the Year: Cadee Becker

2019 Captains: McKayla Chambers, Lily Hohensee, Alexis Kaufman, and Kady Pedroza



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Isabelle Lenort

Pankow had an assisted goal from Connor Gronewald. Goalie Ethan Geerdes had 29 saves.

In the championship

game they were shut out by Northfield and brought home the 2nd place trophy. Goalie Ethan Geerdes recorded 20 saves in that game.



Fairmont football cheer ready to go on the semi finals this Saturday! Front row (L to R): Raela Hines, Audri Lewison, Hali Wiebe, Hailey Meyers, Kasi Lopez, Stephanie Young, Leah Petersen, Maddy Milletto; Middle Row: Erin Hoch, Jacalyn Reischl, Nyka Campbell, Josee Varboncoeur, Kari Maier, Shelby Reutzel; Back Row: Deb Heinrich, Faith Heille, Brianna Nishimori, Lily Steuber, McKenzie Johnston, Cardinal Mascot. (Submitted photo)

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USDA lowers corn and soybean yield projections

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In most instances, when USDA projects a large crop for a given year, it usually gets even bigger as the crop is harvested; however, the 2018 crop year will be different, based on the recently released November 8 USDA Crop Report. In the November Report, USDA decreased the projected national average corn yield by 1.8 bushels per acre and decreased the total 2018 U.S. corn production by 152 million, compared to October USDA estimates. The estimated national average soybean yield was decreased by one bushel per acre and the total 2018 soybean production level was reduced by 90 million bushels, compared to October levels.

The latest USDA Report estimated the total U.S. corn production for 2018 at nearly 14.63 billion bushels, which trails only the 2016 record U.S. corn production of 15.15 billion. The projected 2018 corn production would be similar to the production level of 14.60 billion bushels in 2017; however, it would exceed the 13.6 billion bushels in 2015. USDA is still estimating the 2018 national average corn yield at the record level of 178.9 bushels per acre, which surpasses last year's record yield of 176.6. The 2018 corn yield estimate also compares to other recent U.S. corn yields of 174.6 bushels per acre in 2016, 168.4 in 2015, and 171 in 2014. The projected 2018 U.S. harvested corn acreage is 81.8 million acres, which is down slightly from 82.7 million acres last year.

The USDA Report estimated 2018 U.S. soybean production at the record level of 4.6 billion bushels, surpassing last year's record of nearly 4.41 billion, and compares to 4.3 billion in 2016. USDA is estimating a record U.S. soybean yield in 2018 at 52.1 bushels per acre, which is just above the previous record soybean yield of 52.0 in 2016. The 2018 yield compares to 49.3 bushels per acre in 2017 and 48 in 2015. The 2018 harvested soybean acreage is projected at 88.3 million acres, which is down from the record level of 89.5 million acres in 2017.

Based on the November USDA Report, Minnesota is projected to have a 2018 corn yield of 184 bushels per acre, which was lowered 7 bushels from the October estimate and is 10 bushels below last year's record corn yield

of 194 bushels per acre. The 2018 State estimate also compares to average yields of 193 bushels per acre in 2016, 188 in 2015, and 156 in 2014. USDA is estimating the 2018 Iowa corn yield at 198 bushels per acre, which was lowered by 6 bushels from the October estimate, and compares to 202 bushels per acre in 2017 and the State record yield of 203 bushels per acre in 2016. Other estimates for 2018 average corn yields are Illinois at 210 bushels per acre, compared to 201 bushels in 2017, Indiana at 194 bushels, compared to 180 in 2017, Nebraska at 195 bushels per acre, compared to 181 in 2017, South Dakota at 166 bushels per acre, compared to 145 in 2017 and North Dakota at 146 bushels, compared to 139 in 2017.

USDA is estimating the 2018 Minnesota soybean yield at 50 bushels per acre, compared to last year's yield of 47.5, the record yield of 52 bushels in 2016, and 50 in 2015. The 2018 Iowa soybean yield is estimated at 58 bushels per acre, compared to 57 bushels per acre in 2017 and the 2016 record yield of 60 bushels per acre. Other projected State soybean yields for 2018 are Illinois at 64 bushels per acre, compared to 58 bushels per acre in 2017, Indiana at 60 bushels per acre, compared to 54 bushels per acre in 2017, Nebraska at 61 bushels per acre, compared to 57.5 bushels per acre in 2017, South Dakota at 49 bushels per acre, compared to 43 bushels per acre in 2017, and in North Dakota at 36 bushels per acre, compared to 34.5 bushels per acre in 2017.

USDA SUPPLY AND DEMAND REPORT

The monthly USDA World Supply and Demand Estimates (WASDE) Report released on November 8th for corn and soybean markets in the coming months. The WASDE Report showed a lower overall 2018-19 U.S. corn supply estimates than those that existed in 2017-18, as well as increased corn demand levels, which resulted in a significant reduction in corn carryout levels by the end of the 2018-19 marketing year. The surprising data in the WASDE Report was the near doubling of expected world corn carryout levels by the end of 2018-19, compared to the October estimates, which was mainly due to adjustments in the estimated

corn supply in China.

The record projected 2018 U.S. corn yields were offset by a slight reduction in the estimated 2018 harvested corn acreage, which kept the estimated total corn production in 2018 very similar to a year earlier. Total demand for corn usage in 2018-19 was increased from 2017-18 levels, due to expected slight increases in the amount of corn used for livestock feed and ethanol production, as well as a slight increase in corn export levels for the year.

USDA is now estimating 2018-2019 U.S. corn ending stocks at just under 1.74 billion bushels, which would be at the lowest level since the 2015-16 marketing year. The estimated 2018-19 ending stocks compares to carryout levels of 2.14 billion bushels in 2017-18 and 2.29 billion bushels in 2016-17. The U.S. corn carryout to use ratio would be at 11.5 percent for 2018-19, which is at the lowest level in several years, and compares to 14.5 percent in 2017-18 and 15.7 percent

in 2016-17. This means there could be potential for some short-term rallies in the cash corn market in the coming months, especially if USDA makes further downward adjustments in the final 2018 U.S. average corn yield.

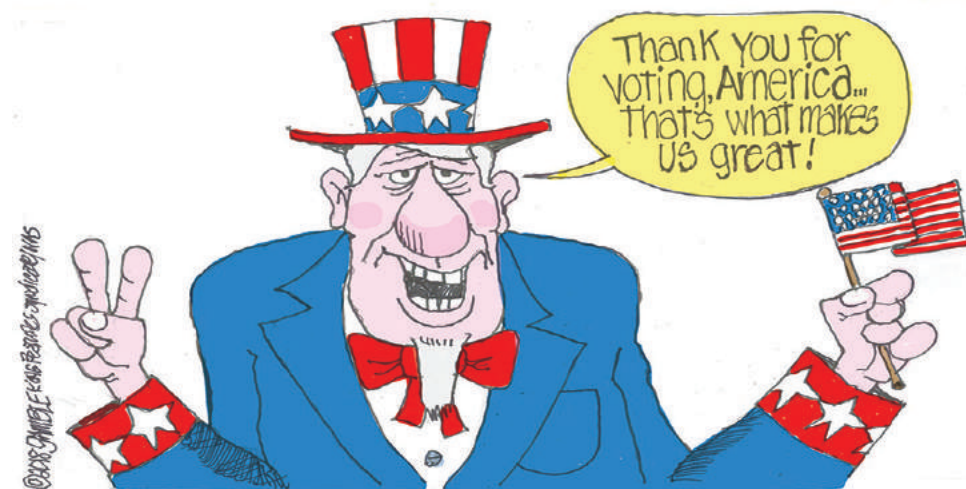
The 2018-19 U.S. soybean ending stocks in the WASDE Report were estimated at 955 million bushels, which is the highest level in decades and is more than double the 2017-18 ending stocks of 438 million bushels. The 2018-19 soybean carryout level is also considerably higher than the ending stock levels of 302 million bushels in 2016-17 and 197 million bushels for 2015-16. The soybean carryout-to-use ratio for 2018-19 is estimated at 23.3 percent, compared to just over 10 percent for 2017-18 and near 7 per-

cent for 2016-17. Soybean demand for 2018-19 is projected to decrease by nearly 190 million bushels compared to a year earlier, primarily due to decreases in soybean export levels to China. The expected large increase in soybean ending stocks is likely to limit significant rallies in farm-level soybean prices in the coming months, unless there is some resolution to the China trade situation.

USDA is currently estimating the U.S. average on-farm cash corn price for 2018-2019 in a range of \$3.20-\$4.00 per bushel, or an average of \$3.60 per bushel, which was an increase of \$.10 per bushel from the October estimate. The 2018-19 USDA price estimates are the expected average farm-level prices for the 2018 crop from September 1st, 2018

to August 31st, 2019; however, they do not represent estimated prices for either the 2018 or 2019 calendar year. The projected USDA average on-farm corn price of \$3.60 per bushel for 2018-2019, compares to national average corn prices of \$3.36 per bushel for both 2017-18 and 2016-17, \$3.61 per bushel for 2015-16, and \$3.70 per bushel for 2014-15.

USDA is projecting the U.S. average soybean price for 2018-2019 in a range of \$7.60-\$9.60 per bushel, resulting in a farm-level average soybean price of \$8.60 per bushel, which is the same as the October estimate. The soybean price estimate of \$8.60 per bushel for 2018-19, compares to \$9.35 per bushel for 2017-18, \$9.47 per bushel in 2016-17, and \$8.95 per bushel for 2015-16.



Martin County Pheasants Forever host youth hunt



Saturday, October 27th started off a foggy morning at the Fairmont Trap Club as 28 youth gathered to learn about shooting rifles, shotguns, and archery, how to hunt safely, and the biology of pheasants at the 2nd Annual Martin County Youth Hunt put on by the Martin County Chapter of Pheasants Forever.

The fog gave way to bright sunny skies as the 28 youth were separated into four groups and sent to one of four stations: rifle shooting, trap shooting, archery shooting from Martin County 4H,

and a mock hunt where they learned how to safely hunt for pheasants.

After completing each of the four stations, they were brought inside and given a nice hot meal of porkchops on a stick, hotdogs, chips, cookie, and hot chocolate. Then they were given a presentation on pheasant biology as well as a gun safety refresher course, as all the kids have previously taken firearm safety training.

After that, everyone loaded up in vehicles, thanks to the parents, and drove out to Bob and Carolyn Seidel's property just



south of town where they split up into four groups and went out on 4 different areas of the Seidel's land. Then, they were able to follow dogs and kick up roosters and get many shots at getting one, all while being constantly reminded by mentors and dog handlers about the safe ways to hunt. Afterwards the youth were given the opportunity to learn how to properly clean a bird and were able to take their pheasants home.

Martin County Pheasants Forever would like to thank their major spon-

sors again with a special thanks to the Schmeckle Foundation as well as Bob and Carolyn Seidel for the use of their land. Because of the support of their sponsors, Martin County Pheasants Forever Chapter 49 will be able to continue putting on events like this for area youth. Remember to join Chapter 49 on April 13th at the Martin County Arena (please note the change of venue) for their 33rd annual banquet.

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