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**LEACH 67TH** - Clayton and Nan Leach of Fairmont celebrated their 67th wedding anniversary on Saturday, August 12th. They were married August 12th, 1950 in Hudson, Wisconsin.

## Bloodmobile visits

Upcoming American Red Cross blood donation opportunities include:

Thursday, August 17th, Trimont Evangelical Covenant Church, 61 Main St. E., 1 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Tuesday, August 29th, Shiloh Lutheran Church, 108 E. Jay St., Elmore, 1 p.m. to 7 p.m.

To help reduce wait times, donors are encouraged to make appointments by downloading

the free Red Cross Blood Donor App, visiting [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) or calling 1-800-REDCROSS.

Through August 31st, blood or platelet donors will be emailed a \$5 Target eGiftCard.

The American Red Cross urges blood donors to give in the final weeks of summer to help overcome a chronic summer blood shortage.

All ladies are invited to attend a fun fall evening gathering on Saturday, September 9th at 6:30 p.m. at the **East Chain Evangelical Free Church**, 507 280th Avenue, rural East Chain. Supper and dessert will be served at a cost of \$5 per person. Guest speaker will be Caren Flowers Hoehn, wife of the new church pastor Eric Hoehn. Pre-registration is encouraged by sending

your name, address and the \$5 cost labelled "Fall Women's Event" to Holly Moore, 31270 80th Street, Blue Earth, MN 56013, or you can call 507-399-1186.



Carlee Rae Vonholdt and Nicolas Jon Vanasse  
Joseph Kaiser Christensen and Morgan Joelle Marushin

## Area College Student News



A total of 360 degrees were awarded to students following the spring session of courses at Southwest Minnesota State University in Marshall.

The students earned their degrees in both undergraduate and graduate degree programs. An undergraduate student who completes 12 or more A-F graded credits and achieves a grade-point-average of 3.5 or higher will be considered for the Dean's List and is denoted by a \* behind their name.

### Fairmont

Jacqueline Corine Buhmann\* (Bachelor of Science: Justice Administration)

### Sherburn

Andrew Thomas Alsworth\* (Bachelor of Science: Computer Science)

### Truman

Amanda Denise Weihe (Master of Science: Education)

Southwest Minnesota State University is a liberal arts university of 3,500 students and is a member of the Minnesota State system.

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Rachel A. Viesselman, of Trimont, was named to the dean's list at Hamline University for the spring term of the 2016-2017 academic year. Members of the dean's list achieve a grade point average of 3.50 or higher on a 4.00 scale.

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Paige Cowing of Granada has been named to the dean's list for the spring semester 2017 at the University of Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls, Iowa.

## Family Fun Day In Ceylon

By Barb Kronback, Ceylon Festival

The Ceylon Festival committee is excited to invite all the families in the area to Ceylon on Saturday, August 26th.

There will be activities for all ages. The Bouncy Houses from Sherburn will be set up. The cost will be \$5 unlimited time. Dan Molitor Sr. will have a variety of games for the kids like Plinko, Ring Toss,



Binder Battle and Spin Art. The Petting Zoo from Granada will have their animals here for all to enjoy. P.A.W.S. will also be

here with their rescue pets. We will also have a dunk tank! Many more fun things to do awaits all.

The shelter house will showcase a vender show and silent auction.

Heart Song will be



playing from 12:30-2 p.m. Heart Song is a Christian family band from East Chain. Lance Schultz will be performing at Legends II from 5-8 p.m. A Pork Sandwich dinner will also be available for purchase at Legends II that evening.

For all motorheads there will be a Car, Motorcycle, Tractor and Semis Show starting at 9am with registration. A map will be in the paper next week showing where the Show and pa-

rade route will be.

For all the hungry people we will have a bake sale, R.J.'s Kettle Corn (how about chocolate or caramel flavored). Onion Rings, Cotton Candy. Eatz N Treatz will be here with their awesome selection of hot dogs. And no festival would be complete without Ice Cream!

A very nice parade will entertain folks of all ages to finish off the afternoon in the park.

Bring your family for a great day in the park. Any questions check out our Ceylon Festival facebook page or email the committee at [Ceylonfestival@gmail.com](mailto:Ceylonfestival@gmail.com).



## Salvation Army holds Back to School sign-up

The Fairmont Salvation Army's Back to School sign-up will be held Tuesday, August 29th and Thursday, August 31st, from 10 a.m. to noon and 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

School supplies will be furnished for first through sixth grades, in backpacks, while supplies last.

To be eligible, bring the following to the sign-ups:

State photo ID for all adults (18-101) in the

household.

Current post-marked mail or a current (last 30 days) bill from Fairmont or Martin County.

Birthdates and Social Security cards for everyone in the household.

Proof of income for the entire household.

The local Salvation Army Corps Center is located at 114 East Blue Earth Avenue.



Mara June Edgington, daughter of Joe and Laura (Preston) Edgington of Oakdale, was born July 14th, 2017. She weighed six pounds, 13 ounces. Maternal grandparents are Cheryl Preston and the late Ronald K. Preston of Swea City. Paternal grandparents are Mahlon

and Sue Edgington of Indianola. Maternal great grandparents are Maurice and June Weisbrod of Bancroft. Welcoming baby Mara home is older sister Samantha.

The **1962 Fairmont High School classmates**, their spouses and friends will meet for lunch on Friday, August 18th at The Pizza Ranch in Fairmont at 11:30 a.m.

## Sheriff's Association Scholarship Program

Martin County Sheriff Jeffrey Marquart announced the commencement of the Law Enforcement Scholarship Program for 2017. The Minnesota Sheriffs' Association has established a scholarship fund for the awarding of up to fifteen \$600 scholarships for this year.

The MSA gives special recognition to the financial needs of students attending the peace officer skills course, or one of the two or four year law enforcement degree colleges.

The Scholarship Com-

mittee intends on achieving representation from all geographical areas of the state. Application forms and a statement of procedures are available at the Martin County Sheriff's office or online at [www.mnsheriffs.org](http://www.mnsheriffs.org). Scholarships are only available to students currently enrolled in one of the following categories:

1. Mandated POST Skills Program
2. In their second year of a two year law enforcement program
3. In their third or fourth year of a four year college criminal justice program.

The **Fairmont MN Area Multiple Myeloma Support Group** will meet Saturday, August 26th from 10 a.m. to Noon at Mayo Clinic Health Systems Fairmont Hospital. Special speaker will be Sue Enright, Midwest Re-

gional Director of Support Groups. All patients, family, caregivers and friends are invited to attend. A continental breakfast will be provided. For further info and to RSVP, call Joyce Schultz at 507-230-0207.

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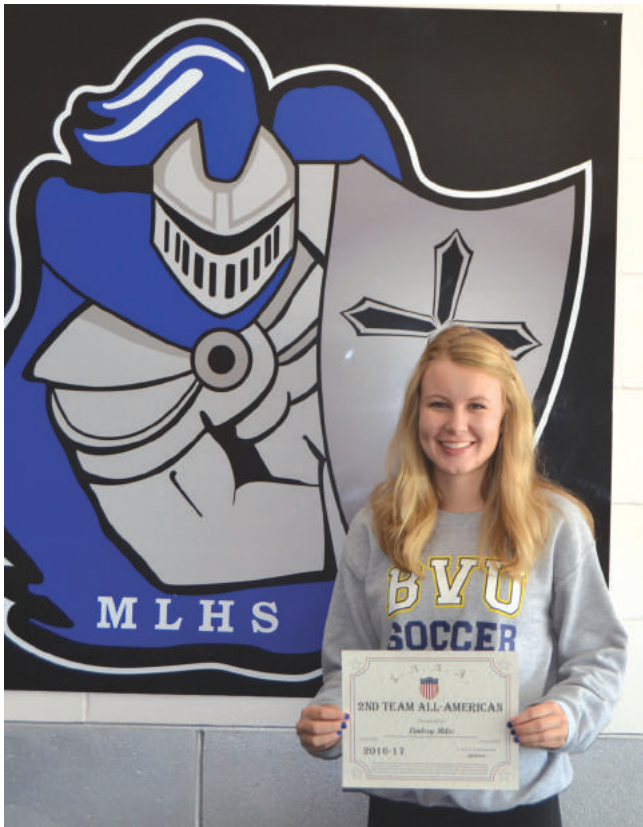
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Lindsey Miles of Truman was named to the Second Girl's Soccer Team All-American by the Lutheran All American Association. She was one of 80 players selected from the 200 Lutheran High Schools in the U.S. and Canada. Students who show high athletic, academic and spiritual integrity are nominated by coaches. Lindsey was nominated by Fairmont High School Coach Matt Nielsen and Martin Luther High School Principal Paul Steinhaus. Lindsey is a 2017 Martin Luther High School, Northrop graduate. She will be playing soccer at Buena Vista University in Storm Lake, Iowa and majoring in Physical Therapy and Spanish. (Submitted photo)



Fairmont Lakes Foundation, Inc. volunteers with results of Amber Lake clean-up on Saturday, August 12th. (Submitted photo)



## 1st Annual Ceylon Festival

**August 26th, 2017 at the Ceylon Park**

10am-6pm 9am-1pm 9am-Noon 10am-3pm  2pm 11am-6pm 11am-6pm 11am-6pm  12:30-2pm 2-3pm 3pm 6-9pm	Food Vendors throughout the park Vendor Show/Flea Market/Silent Auction Car/Tractor/Motorcycle/Semi registration Car/Tractor/Motorcycle/Semi show <i>People's Choice for top 2 in each class except Semi</i> Car/Tractor/Motorcycle awards Petting Zoo/M.C. Humane Society - PAWS Bounce Houses/Inflatables (\$5 unlimited time) Games/Activities by Dan Molitor Sr. <i>(50 cents per game)</i> Heart Song <i>(sponsored by Kronback Small Engine)</i> Parade lineup Parade starts Lance Allen (Schultz) at Legends 2 <i>(sponsored by Ceylon Fire Relief Association)</i>
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Legends 2 will have a pork loin meal available for purchase!

"Like" us on Facebook "Ceylon Festival"  
 Questions: email - ceylonfestival@gmail.com  
 Donations and event proceeds used for new playground equipment and future youth projects





Seven students from Saint John Vianney Catholic Church of Fairmont, along with one chaperone, attended the 2017 Camp Summit - Junior High Camp from August 7th through 10th at Eagle Bluff Environmental Center in Lanesboro, MN. The students participated in Mass/prayer/adoration, heard excellent speakers, small group discussion, treetop/zip-line challenge, geo-caching, rock wall climbing, archery and other team building skills activities. Five of our students (in orange shirts) were youth mentors and two campers (in blue shirts) were group leaders. (Submitted photo)

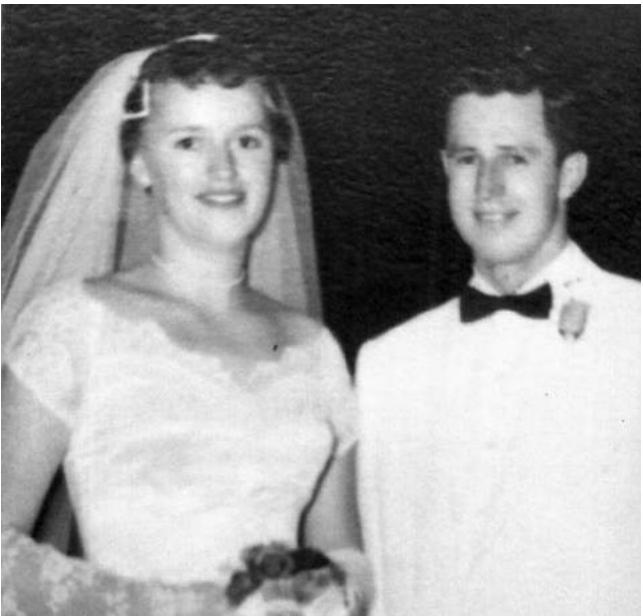


Joyce Anderson of Fairmont was the winner of a drawing for a gift bag from Shoe Sensation, celebrating the store's fifth anniversary at the Five Lakes Shopping Center. The store's five year anniversary was Wednesday, August 2nd. Besides the drawing, Shoe Sensation had coupons that were only good on the store's anniversary day, and chocolates were given to all of the shoppers. Five of the original employees who opened the store five years ago are still working in the store. (Submitted photo)

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**CAMPE 60th** - The children of Lowell and Shirley Campe will hold a 60th wedding anniversary party in honor of Lowell and Shirley on Saturday, August 26th from 4 to 7 p.m. at Tami's on the Ave, 2710 Albion Avenue in Fairmont. (Submitted photo)

## Local kids attend Camp Invention



(Submitted photo)

The excitement of learning ran high last week for 37 elementary age youth attending the week long day camp at the Fairmont Elementary School. Brad Haugen, Jim Buss and Jamie Bartz led the kids with the help of several brilliant high school interns. 3M and Kahler Automation sponsored scholarships. Special thank you to CER for handling registrations and to the school custodian for all the extra preparation and clean up.

Snacks were provided by HyVee, Fareway, Bank Midwest and Walgreens; as well as Barb Pannkuk. From Kinship Anna Garbers, Chery Brumbaugh and Linda Maday made snacks and helped along with Phil Hartmann. Early Riser Kiwanis helped serve them: Loren Dunham, Mary Schmitt, Chuck Anderson, Harlan Gorath, Dick Adams, Allen Core and Marty Krause.

The week's program included:  
**Duct Tape Billionaire**  
Youth used their imagination to make a design, start an accessory business and learn how to market. They practiced the same

skills entrepreneurs use to launch a new product.

**Mission Space Makers**  
Youth were challenged to prepare a new planet for human habitation. They experienced the power of rocket science by building and launching rubber band rockets. They set up a Space Lab to hatch eggs and grow crystal trees, take on the jobs of tomorrow, and explore beyond our galaxy.

**Have A Blast**  
Youth applied principles of engineering to create a castle from cardboard and design a pulley system to raise a castle flag. They built an air cannon that demonstrates how air moves in response to force. Fun was had exploring aerodynamics to blast water rockets made from plastic bottles more than 50 feet in the air.

**Operation Keep Out**  
Children created the ultimate Spy Gadget Alarm Box and wrote secret codes to keep treasures secure. They took apart non-working machines and devices to investigate their inner operations and used them to make lock boxes with alarms.



## True or False Home Buying Questions

Guest Columnist

Gillian Tunnell, Realtor Century 21 Northland Realty



1. True or false? It is necessary to have a 20% down payment when buying a house.

False! Conventional loans usually do require 20%, for which a purchaser will get a lower interest rate – lower still if you can do 25%. However, if you don't have that much money available, it is possible to put down less, and pay PMI (private mortgage insurance) until you reach the 20/80% mark (once you have 20% invested in the home, it is no longer necessary). Some loans require PMI for the life of the loan. PMI is protection for the lenders in case of foreclosure.

Many potential buyers will put off the purchase of a home because they want to wait until they have saved 20% to avoid paying PMI. However, while they are waiting, home prices are rising and interest rates are creeping up!

2. True or false? Some home purchase programs require no down payment.

True! There are several low-to-no down-payment options available to avoid the traditional loan \$\$\$ requirements and thus enabling you to keep more money in the bank.

Are you a veteran? The

Department of Veterans' Affairs has special loans for veterans, with no down-payment required. There is a funding fee – the amount depending on length of service – but it can be added to the loan itself, and the sellers can pay up to 4% of closing costs for the buyer if they are willing.

Home buyers in this area may qualify for a Rural Housing Authority loan, with 100% financing and slightly better interest rates than conventional loans, and it is necessary for the buyer to carry mortgage insurance for the life of the loan. There are also certain income guidelines, and limits to the number of people who can inhabit the home. There is a funding fee – amount dependent on the mortgage amount -which can be added to the loan.

If you have not owned a home before, or have not owned a home for at least three years, you may be eligible for the First Time Home Buyers loan. This is similar to the RHA loan program, with 100% financing and a funding fee which can be added to the loan.

For those who cannot afford 20%, FHA loans

may require as little as 3.5% down payment, but mortgage insurance is needed either upfront or over the life of the loan.

3. True or false? If you have undergone bankruptcy you will not qualify for a home loan.

Not necessarily true! Once bankruptcy has been discharged and any credit counselling program has been completed, credit scores can be rebuilt by use of secured credit cards and by faithfully making monthly repayments on new instalment loans. Prospective lenders have many suggestions on how to improve credit scores after bankruptcy. It may even be possible to qualify for a mortgage loan after only two or three years.

So, it may be possible to purchase a home sooner than later even if you don't want to make a large down payment, or are recovering from credit problems. For the majority of people, it makes sense to buy rather than to pay rent. Home ownership is generally a good investment – and comes with tax advantages! Check with a lender – you may be pleasantly surprised!

## 34th Woodcarvers & Quilt Expo in Blue Earth

On August 18th, 19th and 20th, Blue Earth will welcome a host of carvers and quilters in the 34th Annual Woodcarvers and Quilt Expo to be held in Unity Hall at Blue Earth Area High School. Hours of the Expo are 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, and noon to 4 p.m. on Sunday. Adult admission is only \$5; children under 12 are admitted free. A three day pass is \$8. An Opening Night reception is scheduled for Friday from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. with complimentary beverage and snacks for all attendees.

The featured Quilter for this year's Expo is Lorraine Hassing of Fairmont, who is well known for her many charity quilts. Lorraine has displayed quilts in the Expo for many years. Special guests Mary and Connie – formerly of Country threads in Garner, Iowa – will present a lecture and trunk show at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday. This trunk show is generously sponsored by Heartland Embroidery of Blue Earth, Calico Hutch Quilt Shop

of Hayward, and Old Alley Quilt Shop of Sherburn.

There will be a number of special displays – a series of quilts inspired by the Gypsy Wife Quilt book will be displayed, as will a series of quilts inspired by the catalog of the Art Institute of Chicago, as well as a dozen quilts by the Block Swappers. This year's exchange was a 16-inch Arrow Star block. The carving contact for the Expo is Bruce Ankeny.

Local quilters will be presenting ongoing demonstrations throughout the Expo. The popular Expo Walking Tours will return again. Hundreds of woodcarvings and quilts will be on display.

Quilt supplies can be purchased from vendors, and quilters and non-quilters alike can purchase any number of lovely items from the Quilt Boutique. There will be People's Choice winners for the displayed quilts. Quilts in the "Retro Rockets" challenge will also be displayed. The annual Expo Challenge is sponsored by

Wells Federal - soon to be CCFBank.

The Expo is under the sponsorship of the Blue Earth Valley Quilters and local woodcarvers. The local chapter of PEO will be serving food on Saturday and Sunday at the Expo.

Don't miss this unique display of hundreds of carvings and quilts all under one roof at the 34th Annual Upper Midwest Woodcarvers and Quilt Expo. For more information contact Expo Chair Mike Ellingsen at 507-526-5808 or ellingsen@bev-comm.net.

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## Safely watching solar eclipse on August 21

On August 21st, weather permitting, a solar eclipse, when the moon blocks the sun, will be visible in North America. A total eclipse will occur in certain locations in the United States, and a partial eclipse will be visible across the rest of the country, including Minnesota. While the eclipse is going to be a momentous occasion, it's something experts say you need to enjoy safely.

"Looking into any type of eclipse, partial or total, poses serious risks to your eyes. You could permanently damage your retina or even cause blindness," says Anna Kitzmann, M.D., Mayo Clinic Health System in Fairmont ophthalmologist. "You need to use solar eclipse glasses or a solar viewer to be com-

pletely safe. Regular sunglasses and homemade solar filters are not safe to use."

Dr. Kitzmann advises eclipse viewers to follow these safety tips from the American Academy of Ophthalmology and the American Astronomical Society:

- Carefully look at your solar filter or eclipse glasses before using them. If you see any scratches or damage, don't use them.

- Always read and follow all directions that come with the solar filter or eclipse glasses. Help children to be sure they use handheld solar viewers and eclipse glasses correctly.

- Before looking up at the bright sun, stand still and cover your eyes with your eclipse glasses or so-

lar viewer. After glancing at the sun, turn away and remove your filter - don't remove it while looking at the sun.

- Never look at the uneclipsed or partially eclipsed sun through an unfiltered camera, telescope, binoculars or other similar devices. This is important even if you're wearing eclipse glasses or holding a solar viewer at the same time. The intense solar rays coming through these devices will damage the solar filter and your eyes.

- Talk with an expert astronomer if you want to use a special solar filter with a camera, a telescope, binoculars or any other optical device.

"Have fun watching the solar eclipse, but be sure your eyes are properly protected," adds Dr. Kitzmann.

## SMIF announces Small Town Grant program

Southern Minnesota Initiative Foundation (SMIF) is accepting applications for its new Small Towns Grant program. Towns with populations of 5,000 or less in its 20 county region are eligible to apply. Ten grants of up to \$10,000 each will be awarded.

"For the past 30 years, we've seen people come together to enhance their communities," said SMIF President and CEO Tim Penny. "SMIF's new Small Town Grants program is intended to put air under the wings of some of those ideas, whether the community needs help with strategic planning, funds to implement a project or a stipend to support a leadership development program."

IRS-designated 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations and units/agencies of local, state, and federal government in southern Minnesota can apply. Priority will be given to applications that demonstrate an asset-based, collaborative approach; the ability to leverage funds; sustainability of funding; measurable results; and an effective solution to enhancing community vitality.

All Small Town Grant applications will be due August 31st, 2017, and the grant awards will be officially announced at SMIF's Annual Luncheon on October 17th, 2017. For application and guidelines, visit [www.smifoundation.org/smalltown-grants](http://www.smifoundation.org/smalltown-grants). For more information, contact Jennifer Heien,

About Southern Minnesota Initiative Foundation:

Southern Minnesota Initiative Foundation (SMIF), a donor-supported foundation, invests for economic growth in the 20 counties of south central and southeastern Minnesota. The Foundation has provided more than \$100 million in grants, loans and programming within the region during the past 30 years. SMIF's key interests include early childhood, community and economic development. To learn more about our work and mission, visit [www.smifoundation.org](http://www.smifoundation.org).

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# What's Cooking

with Kathy Lloyd

## Nothing better than fresh peaches!

One of my favorite summer foods is fresh peaches! I especially like Colorado peaches. They are always good and worth the wait! Pa Lloyd's favorite way to eat peaches is with short cake (the easy Bisquick kind). I just made him his third short cake. Since I have to watch my carbs, I have only indulged having it once, which leaves him a lot of short cake to eat! Luckily peaches are good by themselves. My doctor's three month time limit is soon approaching! I am going to share a peach dessert with you that comes from my friend Pat Knewton. Unless I have company I won't make it this year. There is a limit to my self control!

### Peach Dessert

Crust:

3/4 cup butter  
1 1/2 cups flour  
1 Tablespoon sugar  
2 egg yolks  
1/4 teaspoon salt  
Pat in a greased 9x13 inch cake pan.

Sliced and peel 6 cups peaches. Lightly toss with 2 cups sugar and 9 tablespoons flour. Layer over crust and dot with a little butter.

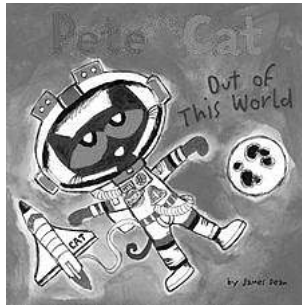
Beat 2 eggs with 1 1/2 cups plus 2 tablespoons cream. Pour over peach layer. Bake one hour at 350 degrees. Cool. Can serve with whipped topping or ice cream.

Enjoy the fair and have a great week!

# BOOK+REVIEW

Jenny Trushenski, Director, Martin County Library

**Pete the Cat: Out of This World** by James Dean



The coolest cat around is back with another adventure! Blast off into space with everyone's favorite cat-stronaut, Pete the Cat, in *Pete the Cat: Out of This World*. When Pete heads off to space camp, he gets to float in zero gravity, build rockets, and even goes on an extraordinary interstellar mission that is out of this world—literally. Houston, get ready to rock out with Pete the Cat! Pete the Cat titles are geared for ages 4-8.

**Cocoa Beach** by Beatriz Williams

Burdened by a dark family secret, Virginia Fortescue flees New York City for the battlefields of World War I France. While an ambulance driver for the Red Cross, she meets a charismatic British army surgeon. As the war rages, Virginia falls into an affair with the dashing Captain Simon Fitzwilliam, only to discover that his past has its own dark secrets—secrets that will damage

their eventual marriage. Five years later, in the early days of Prohibition, the newly widowed Virginia Fitzwilliam arrives in Cocoa Beach, Florida, to settle her husband's estate. Despite the evidence, Virginia does not believe Simon perished in the fire that destroyed his seaside home. Separated from her husband since the early days of their marriage, the headstrong Virginia plans to uncover the truth, for the sake of the daughter Simon never met. She is introduced to a dazzling new world of citrus groves, white beaches, bootleggers, and Prohibition agents. But Virginia senses something lurking beneath the irresistible surface of this coastal oa-



sis. The more she learns about Simon and his mysterious business interests, the more she fears that the danger threatens her and their daughter's life as well.

A DVD presentation featuring the military experiences of Harold Herfendal will be shown at the Pioneer Museum in Fairmont on Tuesday, August 22nd, 2017, at 2:00 p.m. There is no charge and the public is invited to attend.

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## CHECK IT OUT!

@ the Martin County Library

On August 21st, 2017, all of North America will be treated to an eclipse of the sun! That means that for a period of time on that Monday, the moon will completely cover the sun.

In Minnesota, we will only see a partial eclipse, so to keep your eyes safe,

you need to protect your eyes. Stop by the Fairmont Library (while supplies last) and pick up a free pair of glasses to view the eclipse. Without these glasses, or another form of protection, viewing the eclipse can seriously damage your eyes. Items such as sunglasses, telescopes, and magnifiers do not work to protect your eyes!

The last solar eclipse that was viewable from the U.S. was twenty-six years ago, so this is a rare occurrence! The eclipse will be best viewed from our neck of the woods at around 1 p.m. on the 21st.

# DEATH notices

July 21 - Larry J. Landgren, 77, Sherburn.

Kramer Funeral Home

August 9 - Florence M. Lozano, 93, Fairmont.

Lakeview Funeral Home

August 11 - Lola E. Hagen, 96, Sherburn.

Kramer Funeral Home

August 13 - Charlie Grunewald, 56, Fairmont.

Lakeview Funeral Home

August 13 - Richard G. Fenske, 85, Fairmont.

Lakeview Funeral Home

### In Memoriam

#### One Year Ago This Week

August 8 - James T. Thompson, 51, Fairmont

August 10 - Shawn T. Staebler, 47, North Mankato (formerly of Fairmont)

August 10 - Hazel Zitterich, 90, North Mankato (formerly of Dunnell)

August 11 - Martha L. Peterson, 98, Springfield (formerly of Fairmont)

August 12 - Delores "Dee" Schuster, 83, Fairmont

August 12 - George A. Hendricks, 90, Welcome

August 13 - Darlene L. Elmore, 71, Fairmont

August 14 - Marlin E. "Ike" Bursell, 87, Truman

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## OBITUARY notices

### Susan "Susie" Jacobson, 66



Susan "Susie" Jacobson, 66, of Puposky, Minnesota, formerly of Fairmont, died Monday, July 10th, 2017.

A Celebration of Life Open House will be held from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, August 19th, at the

Fairmont United Methodist Church in Fairmont.

A Celebration of Life was held Tuesday, July 18th, 2017, at Cease Family Funeral Home in Bemidji. Interment was at Ft. Snelling National Cemetery in Minneapolis.

Sue was born April 26th, 1951 in Trimont. She attended the Methodist Church all her life.

She graduated from Trimont High School in 1969. She worked as a dental assistant in Fairmont for Dr. Fred Carlson. She married Mark Jacobson on September 30th, 1972. They owned and operated Jake's Pizza in Fairmont for 34 years. They moved to Puposky in 2005. Sue was a loving, gentle person who had many friends. She loved to travel, read, tend her flower gardens, and spend time on Lake Julia where she and Mark made their home. One of her greatest joys was spend-

ing time with their four grandchildren.

Sue is survived by her husband, Mark, daughters Nichole (Scott) Sinclair, Sarah (Michael) McNamara, grandchildren, Jacob Sinclair, Nathan Sinclair, Lydia McNamara, Brecken McNamara, sister, Rebecca Meyer, brother Michael Landon, brothers and sisters-in-law, Larry (Connie) Jacobson, Paul (Sharon) Jacobson, Nancy (Tim) Ramey, Bob Jacobson, Trina Jacobson and Jean Thompson, and aunts, cousins, many nieces and nephews.

Sue was preceded in death by infant daughter Onalee Sue, parents Leslie & Suzanne Landon, parents-in-law Ernest & Rosella Jacobson and brothers-in-law Ernie Jacobson and Gary Meyer.

Memorials will be given to the Ovarian Cancer Research Fund Alliance.

[ceasefuneralhome.com](http://ceasefuneralhome.com)

### Nellie Jane Goerndt, 93



Services for Nellie Jane Goerndt, 93, of Fairmont, were held Friday, August 11th, 2017, at St. John's United Church of Christ in Fairmont. Burial followed at Lakeside Cemetery in Fairmont. Nellie passed away Sunday, August 6th, 2017, at Truman Senior Living in Truman. Lakeview Funeral Home and Cremation Service of Fairmont assisted the family with arrangements.

Nellie Jane (Sackett) Goerndt was born December 4th, 1923, in Nashville Township, rural Martin County, the daughter of Clarence and Carrie (Schle-

inger) Sackett. She grew up in Winnebago and was baptized at First Baptist Church in Winnebago March 31st, 1937. She received her education attending the Winnebago Public School.

On January 31st, 1942, Nellie was united in marriage to Elmer Goerndt at her parents' home. Together the couple made their home on a farm in Pleasant Prairie Township where they would farm for the next 55 years and were blessed with four children, Raymond, Carolyn, Kenneth, and Eugene.

After retiring in July 2001, Nellie moved to Fairmont

where she was a member of the St. John's United Church of Christ serving on the Naomi Circle and Women's Guild. She was also a member of the Pleasant Prairie Ladies Club and East Chain Breakfast Club in addition to chaperoning for many school trips for East Chain School.

Nellie loved life on the farm and cherished when her grandchildren and great-grandchildren would come for extended visits. She also enjoyed quiet time spent tending to her beautiful flowers that she grew on the farm.

Left to cherish her mem-

and Richard.

Florence loved life on the farm and in addition to taking care of the home and her family, she also worked for many years at the East Chain Hatchery as well as various other jobs in the area. Through her work at the hatchery, Florence found great joy in raising and tending to the many chickens that she raised on the farm. She also had a green thumb and took great pride in the many plants; include cacti that she had around the home. Florence was a wonderful cook and

before moving into a home with electricity, Florence became very proficient in making angel food cakes from scratch and fried chicken. Faith was extremely important to Florence and was an active member of Holy Family Catholic Church in East Chain for 12 years before moving to Fairmont and joining St. John Vianney. She was active in St. Theresa's Circle and was also a member of the Lakeview Methodist Health Care Center Auxiliary.

Left to cherish her memory are her children, Audrey

Goerndt, Maia Goerndt, Tyler Goerndt, Alexa Steele, Whytnie Goerndt, Savannah Goerndt, Louis Goerndt, Taylor Austin, Alyssa Westcott, Andrea Westcott, Nolyn Goerndt, Alyvia Goerndt, Camryn Goerndt, and Mya Goerndt; great-grandchildren, Mason Martin, Kenlie Martin and Rylan Kuhns; as well as many nieces, nephews, extended family and friends.

Nellie was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Elmer; son, Raymond; sister, Mable Stauffer; as well as many in-laws.

[lakeviewfuneralhome.net](http://lakeviewfuneralhome.net)

### Florence M. Lozano, 93



Mass of Christian Burial for Florence M. Lozano, 93, of Fairmont, was held Saturday, August 12th, 2017, at St. John Vianney Catholic Church in Fairmont. Burial was in Holy Family Catholic Cemetery in East Chain. Florence passed away Wednesday, August 9th, 2017, at the Good Samaritan Home in Jackson. Lakeview Funeral Home and Cremation Service of Fairmont assisted the family with arrangements.

Florence Monica (Hytry) Lozano was born June 6th, 1924, in Fairmont Town-

ship, Martin County, the daughter of Theodore and Josephine (Korolewski) Hytry. She received her education attending country school district #10 in Pleasant Prairie Township.

On June 30th, 1942, Florence was united in marriage to Lupe Lozano at St. Peter and Paul Catholic Church in Blue Earth. Together the couple made their home on a farm in Pleasant Prairie Township and later moved to a farm in Silver Lake Township near East Chain. To this union three children were born, Audrey, Gloria,

his wife, Beverly Fenske of Fairmont; four surviving children, Bruce Fenske of Fairmont, Jeanne Fenske of Le Sueur, MN, Denise Baruth and her husband, Dale, of Sherburn, MN, Curtis Fenske of Fairmont; four grandchildren, Jessica George, Ryan Chaussee, Lance Brolsma (Nicole), Alexis Brolsma; special niece, Linda Taylor (Tom); other nieces and nephews, other relatives and friends.

Richard was preceded in death by his parents, Ernest and Clara Fenske; one daughter, Cindy Fenske; three sisters, Doris Zehm, Fern Matteson, Viola Parsons; and one brother, Carol Fenske.

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### Richard G. Fenske, 85



Funeral service for Richard G. Fenske, 85, of Fairmont will be 11:00 a.m. Wednesday, August 16th, 2017 at the United Methodist Church. Burial will follow at Lakeside Cem-

etery in Fairmont. Visitation will be 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. Wednesday, August 16, at the United Methodist Church in.

Richard passed away Sunday evening, August 13th, 2017 at the Hillcrest Rehabilitation Center in Mankato. The Lakeview Funeral Home is handling the arrangements for the family.

Richard "Dick" Grant Fenske was born on December 8th, 1931 in Blue Earth, the son of Ernest and Clara (Oswald) Fenske. Richard attended school in Blue Earth and Frost, graduating from Frost High School in 1950. Growing up, Richard helped out on the family farm where they raised crops with draft horses. On May 22nd, 1960, Richard was united in mar-

riage to Beverly Kiefer in Freehem, MN. They made their home in Fairmont where Richard worked at Stokely Van Camp - Armour Foods - Fairmont Foods for 35 years, retiring in the mid 1990's. He then worked at the Fairmont Community Hospital as department delivery and in the maintenance department.

His life was centered around faith and family. Richard was a lifelong active member of the Fairmont United Methodist Church. He served as an usher and participated in many church activities. He was also involved and enjoyed ARC, gardening, Forever 50 Group, Bandwagon, coffee with friends, and spending time with his family.

Those that will cherish his memory include

### Lola E. Hagen, 96

A Celebration of Life Service for Lola E. Hagen, 96, of Sherburn, was held Tuesday, August 15th, 2017 at St. Peter Lutheran Church in Ceylon with Pastor Eric Midthun officiating. Burial was in Lake Belt Cemetery in rural Ceylon. Lola was called to her eternal rest on Friday, August 11th, 2017, at Temperance Lake Ridge in Sherburn.

Lola Elizabeth Hagen was born May 10th, 1921, the daughter of Raymond (Jay) and Minnie (Eichhorn) Jenkins. Lola graduated from Winnebago High School and earned her teaching certificate at the Blue Earth Normal school.

On January 20th, 1946, Lola was united in mar-

riage to Walter C Hagen at St Peter Lutheran Church of Ceylon. Together they farmed in Martin County. To this union, three daughters were born: Connie, MarySue, and Deanne.

Walter passed away April 2nd, 1985. Lola continued to live on the farm until 2006 when she moved into Sherburn.

Lola was a member of St Peter Lutheran Church of Ceylon. She enjoyed making afghans, quilts, and embroidering pillow cases. She loved spending time with family.

Lola is survived by her daughters: Connie (John) Gerken of Parker, CO, MarySue (Robert) Apitz of New Ulm,, and Deanne (Paul) Gaalswyk of Trimont, nine grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren. Her sister Mava Kirkpatrick of Baxter, MN, brother Lloyd Jenkins of Owatonna, sister-in-law

Doris Jenkins of Anoka, MN, as well as many nieces and nephews.

Lola was preceded in death by her parents, Jay and Minnie Jenkins; husband Wally Hagen; brothers, Raymond Jenkins and Alan Jenkins; and many brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law.

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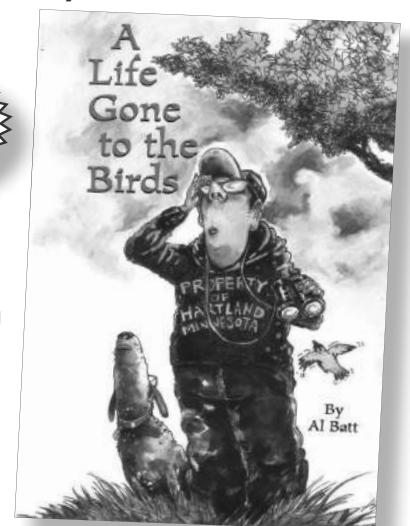
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## Jeff's Jottings

The friends and family of my Great Aunt Lola Hagen gathered earlier this week to honor her memory at her funeral in Ceylon. She was referred to as "the last of her generation in the Herman Hagen family. Herman was my great-grandfather and Aunt Lola was married to his son Walter Hagen. My grandfather Herbert was his brother. I have so many fond memories growing up of the generation that Aunt Lola was part of. Uncle Wally and Aunt Lola lived on a farm just northwest of my family's farm and I spent a lot of time at Aunt Lola's in my earlier years. The entire Hagen family would get together at family reunions or at other family gatherings and it would never fail, the men would go to one area -



whether it was at a park or at someone's home - and play a card game called "Solo" and the women would usually gather in another area and play a card game called "500" or "Canasta." I can remember from little on watching the men play Solo and trying to figure out how the game was played, but never really learned the process myself. It is a complicated game and the only way to really learn it is to actually sit down and play the game. Sorry to say, over the years, as that generation passed on, the next generation never continued to play that game, or other card games for that matter and now that the last of the older generation has passed on, so has the tradition of playing 500 or Solo in the Hagen family. Aunt Lola was a very kind person and made anyone she smiled at feel better and I will miss her.

### A new "What is it?"

We have a new item for our "What is it?" portion of my column this week! Norm Langford brought this item in to me last week and said he found it in a building on his farm, but didn't know what it



was or if it was complete. The item is made of cast aluminum and measures 16 inches long when fully extended. There is a turn-down and play the game. Sorry to say, over the years, as that generation passed on, the next generation never continued to play that game, or other card games for that matter and now that the last of the older generation has passed on, so has the tradition of playing 500 or Solo in the Hagen family. Aunt Lola was a very kind person and made anyone she smiled at feel better and I will miss her.

has a flat portion with grooves in it, while the upper extended piece curves upward and has a slot cut into it. Do you think you know what it is? If so, drop me an email at [Jeff@fairmontphotopress.com](mailto:Jeff@fairmontphotopress.com) or give us a call at 507-238-

it is!

### Martin County Fair!

The Martin County Fair is in "full speed ahead" mode this week and continues on through Sunday, August 20th. The fair is the place where we go to not only see the exhibits, ride the rides, watch the entertainment and show the animals, it is also where we go to socialize with friends, neighbors and some we may only see from year to year. So, what is your favorite part of the Martin County Fair? Some of my favorites are the various animal and 4H exhibits, the woodcarver's displays and of course the food! You just have to have a malt or shake from the dairy stand and a meal or two from the 4H, St. Paul Lutheran and the other food stands throughout the grounds. There is also some great entertainment at this year's fair including "Gear Daddies" on Thursday night, "Holy Rocka Rollaz" and "Heart Song" on Friday and "William Michael Morgan" on Saturday night. There are lots of new things, like the Shark Encounter exhibit and the vintage car and tractor parade through the grounds. Have fun at this year's fair!



9456. The first person to guess it correctly will win two Renaissance Festival tickets courtesy of the Photo Press! Thanks Norm for bringing in this week's item! If you have an item that can be featured in a future column, stop by the office so we can take a picture and see if our readers can guess what

### Butterfield and the fair!

This weekend on Saturday, August 19th and Sunday, August 20th, the 51st Annual Butterfield Threshermen's Steam and Gas Engine Show will take place in Butterfield. The featured tractor is Alis Chalmers and there will also be a tractor pull, bluegrass music on stage, swap meet, displays, demonstrations and more. Coming up next weekend, the city of Ceylon is preparing for the first annual summer festival at the park in Ceylon on Saturday, August 26th. They are promising lots of things to do that day in Ceylon, so check out their article in this week's Photo Press and watch for more details in next week's edition of the paper. The committee has worked hard on putting together a fun day for kids and adults alike. Lots of great things happening in the week ahead. Have a great week!

*Drive safely - visit a shut-in or family member - Eat, Play, Shop Local - get out and enjoy the local events in the coming weeks ahead!*

*- Jeff*



Nineteen high school age students from Saint John Vianney Catholic Church of Fairmont, along with four chaperones, attended the 2017 Steubenville Youth Conference in Rochester from July 14th through 16th. The students participated in: Mass/prayer/adoration, heard excellent speakers, enjoyed and danced to inspirational music, small group discussion/service project, and met youth from other states. Front row, left to right: Damien Oberbeck, Colin Stone, Aschdon Birkle, Brian Schultz, Chrissy Lutterman. Second row: Tamarae Schmidt, Josee Varboncoeur, Katie Stone, April Cihoski, Morgan Sanvig, Jade Lockwood, Lily Nordquist, Shelby Harris, Dylan Hady, Kenya Birkle, Arrayia Birkle (not pictured). Third row: David Landsteiner, Max Seifried, Morgan Cihoski, Anna Nordquist, Acacia Schmidt, David Stone, Brycen Lutterman. (Submitted photo)

## New things at local Northrop school

School is about to start again, but it's anything but "usual" for St. James Lutheran School and St. James and Zion Lutheran Churches.

First, we welcome a new principal to the helm: Mr. Jon Jenks. He brings new and exciting skills to the position and a new vision for the educational ministry to the Northrop area.

Second, things are progressing on the new church building with footings completed and the

steel framework soon rising to form the shell of the future place of worship.

Third, we have consistent spiritual care in the persons of Rev. David Schultz during the week and Rev. Phil Andreasen on Sunday mornings. The stability that these two pastors are bring is so appreciated and welcome.

The congregations and school want to thank everyone for their support, encouragement and understanding over the last year or so. We've gone

through a lot, but our God is still in control and our mission is to share the love of Jesus with young and old. With these new and exciting additions to our long-time ministry in the community, we are making forward progress again. We'd love to have you join us for the journey!

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# A trail of flowers

## Guest Columnist

**Darwin Anthony, Business Owner, Artist, Writer**

The railroads broke the prairie with the straight line of tracks that appeared and disappeared over the horizon. The tracks were like a ribbon through the ocean of grass! Many years have passed since the railroads were built. The native grasses have once again claimed the ground at the sides of the tracks. They have smothered out the weeds and unwanted plants. This is their land and they dominate it for these grasses are tall and commanding. And yet they allow something tender to happen. They allow the wild flowers to share

the strips of land. It is along the railroad right of ways that we find A TRAIL OF FLOWERS.

The flowers are varied in size, color, and shape. They have an undisturbed look about them. They do not face the hay mowers that the road ditches face each year. They are allowed to mature. They are never rushed! The flowers have a richening beauty as they ripen. They have a great sense of timing. The flowers are exquisite if we really look at them. Some people say that a weed is a flower that is out of place. How many of us appreciate such natural

beauty? Do we really see the varied colors of plants and blossoms? The Butterfly flowers are orange in color and yet they blend. They are in gentle contrast to the rich greens. The tall Gray, Lavender, and Green Headed Coneflowers and the Black-eyed Susan seem to stand guard for the smaller flowers such as the Birds-Foot Trefoil, Ox-Eye Daisy, Wild Bergamot, Motherwort and the Queen Anne's Lace. The Stiff Goldenrod stands tall in the sea of grass. We see them as they move back and forth in the gentle prairie winds. The wild flowers carry their blos-

soms longer. They seem to know how important they are to the bees and things of the air.

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## Marriage, family, friendships and chronic illness

**By Samantha Phillis**

I have said before that for me Mito is a more "invisible" illness. By looking at me, you can't tell that I am almost constantly nauseous, or that I often feel like I am going to pass out, or that I am in intense pain. A smiling face can hide a lot.

Because my disease is exhausting both physically and emotionally, I often try to hide my symptoms or even try to brush things off as "not that bad." Truthfully, I am not the fan of the question "how are you?" My reasoning is that people use it as a ploy and do not actually want the real answer to the question. If I answered the question honestly, I would probably sound like I was complaining or like I was a 96-year-old instead of a 26-year-old.

Prior to my decline a couple of years ago, I was able to work as a charge nurse at a long term care facility. For me it was amazing to be able to work in a place that accepted me despite the fact that I had health issues. However, over time it was very obvious to me that I could not continue working in that capacity. The dysfunction of my nervous system causes my heart rate and blood pressure to be erratic which is why I feel like I am going to lose consciousness a lot of the time.

When I met my husband, I realized I needed a friend I could really be honest with about my health. So I was. I sugar-coated nothing. I told Justin about Mitochondrial disease and how I had no guarantees as to how my illness would progress. He accepted me as his friend, but it obviously became more than that. Only a couple of weeks into dating, Justin went with me to the hospital when I had a surgical procedure

called an Endoscopy to evaluate my upper digestive system. He was with me through the recovery and even stayed to care for me. Justin is my primary caregiver and my greatest advocate. He always does what he can to educate himself on Mito and the best ways to care for me.

The deceptions concerning the state of my health have even extended to my friends and family. Seeing me decline has been extremely difficult on them, but I also know that I am not doing myself or them any favors by covering up my symptoms. Because of this, they have a difficult time understanding why I do not go to many events anymore, even holiday gatherings. The biggest reason is that my body does not have enough energy to do much of anything. I am no longer able to even take a half hour trip on my own, let alone go to the grocery store or anything else. I can't go to out-of-town appointments on my own. I simply do not have the energy. The fatigue isn't just being tired. It is debilitating and can cause more damage to me in the long run. If I crash, it can take days for me to recover.

I am doing my very best to find my voice and accept the limitations that Mito gives me. However, I want to spread some much-needed awareness. Years ago there were no clinical trials available to people with Mito. Now there are several. We need your continued support to fund these trials and this research because I do believe someday there will be a cure for Mito.

I also want to express my deepest gratitude to everyone who came to the Dine to Donate events at Perkin's. Your support is greatly appreciated.

## Trimont's National Night Out

Story by Brenda Nielsen and photos courtesy of Lori Kuehl

The City of Trimont's National Night Out was held Tuesday, August 1st, 2017, being hosted by Trimont Police Department, Trimont Area women, and Trimont Ambulance Department.

Families came out and

enjoyed a community supper, games in the park, a bike rodeo with obstacle course and helmet give away, and a movie in the park. The children received swag bags filled with goodies and a chance to win prizes. We

would like to thank all the volunteers for the hard work and the donors without your support this event wouldn't be possible.

Donations from for the event were received from: Nu-Way, Crystal Valley,

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# Heart Song to perform Friday and Sunday



Heart Song returns to Martin County Fair - Included in the entertainment at this year's Martin County Fair is the contemporary Christian gospel group, Heart Song of East Chain.

They will perform on Friday at 4:30 p.m. and again on Sunday at 11 a.m. at the Shorty Schmidtke Memorial Park. Coffee and doughnuts will be served at the ecumenical worship service on Sunday, starting at 10:30 a.m. In case of inclement weather the performances will be moved to the Martin County Arena.

One of Heart Song's recent appearances was at Farm Fest near Redwood Falls, Minnesota and next on the agenda is at the Minnesota State Fair on September 3rd and 4th.

Doug and Judy Peterson (pictured on the right

in the photo above) met in college, and then formed the Heart Song Band in 1976. The band now consists of three generations of Petersons and other excellent musicians. Heart Song currently performs at nearly 30 venues annually and has performed at over 2,000 venues since 1976.

Heart Song has recorded 16 albums with the latest CD "40 Years" being released last August 2016. Venues include dozens of county fairs, over 30 appearances at the Minnesota State Fair, dozens of performances at mid-west farm shows as well as hundreds of town celebrations, churches, resorts, and camps.

To learn more about the group and their music ministry, you can visit [heartsonministries.net](http://heartsonministries.net).

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## "Slick-shorn" steers return to state fair

A new "Slick-Shorn" division was added to the 4-H Market Beef Show at the Minnesota State Fair in 2016, and will return for 2017, according to Kent Thiesse, MN State Fair 4-H Beef Show Coordinator.

The "Slick-Shorn" market steer division was quite popular in 2016, resulting in 24 entries for the first year. Thiesse expects even more entries in this newer division in 2017.

Thiesse indicated that the new "Slick-Shorn" division was added to give 4-H members another exhibit alternative in the 4-H market beef show, and to have a market beef division that is representative of the commercial feedlot industry in the State. He said that to his knowledge, Minnesota was the first State Fair in the Midwest to offer this type of 4-H market beef division.

The "Slick-Shorn" market steer shows have been

quite popular in Texas and other Southern States in recent years, including at major livestock shows in Houston and San Antonio.

A Champion and Reserve Champion will be named in the "Slick-Shorn" market steer division at the Minnesota State Fair, and those steers will compete for the 4-H Market Beef Championship, and are eligible for the 4-H Purple Ribbon Auction. The Market Beef Show at the State Fair will be held on Friday, August 25th, starting at 7:30 a.m., in the Coliseum, with the "4-H Beef Show Championship" to follow that same day at 2:00 p.m. The State Fair 4-H Breeding Beef Show will be on Thursday, August 24th, starting at 1:00 p.m., in Ag-Star Arena.

For more details on State Fair 4-H activities go to: [www.extension.umn.edu/youth/mn4-H/state-fair](http://www.extension.umn.edu/youth/mn4-H/state-fair).



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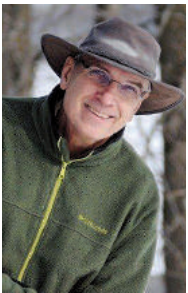
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# My neighbor Crandall stops by

**By Al Batt**

"How are you doing?" I ask.

"Everything is nearly c o p a - cetic. I've discovered that I'm a psychic amnesiac. I know in advance what I'm going to forget. I helped my neighbor Still Bill, he makes more dust than miles, do a little remodeling on his house. I have a purple thumb in carpentry. Still Bill had a tail mounted on a wall. I asked him what kind of animal it was. He replied, 'I don't know, but it was a fast one.'"



**Naturally**

I drove by a harvested field of sweet corn that had become a field of Canada geese. There was a single common grackle in the field. It was odd to see just one grackle.

Take a good look at a grackle. It really is a beautiful bird. Common grackles are abundant and widespread, though their populations declined by nearly 2 percent per year between 1966 and 2014, resulting in a cumulative decline of 58 percent according to the North American Breeding Bird Survey.

I see them here from early March to late November. They nest in May through July. The young leave the nest in 10 to 17 days. As soon as the breeding season is over and the young birds are well grown, they begin to gather in the summer roosts to form immense flocks. During October and November, these great flocks wander about over the country, often joined by starlings, cowbirds and

other blackbirds, seeking suitable feeding places in grain fields, grasslands and swamps.

## Cellar spiders

Cellar spiders are often found in damp locations like basements, crawl spaces and cellars, and are often confused with daddy longlegs, which are not spiders. Some cellar spiders use a sneaky trick to catch food. When food is scarce, they abandon their webs and seek the webs of other spiders. They tap on a web, mimicking the actions of a trapped insect. When the owner of the web comes to catch its prey, the cellar spider captures and eats it. When they are disturbed or when they are under a threat of attack, cellar spiders start vibrating violently in their webs to discourage an enemy. This has earned them the common name of vibrating spiders.

## Q-and-A

Barb Lamson of Mankato asked why birds pluck her flower petals?

Certain flower buds provide birds with nutrition in early spring when their preferred fruit and seeds aren't available. Favorites of bud and blossom eating birds in the spring are apple, cherry, crabapple, forsythia, peach, pear, plum and red maple. Cedar waxwings, northern cardinals, house and purple finches, blue jays, grouse and American goldfinches are flower eaters. While blossoms are most often eaten during spring migrations, flowers that bloom later in the year are eaten, too.

"How big do eagle nests become?" On average, bald eagle nests are 2 to 4 feet deep and 4 to 5 feet wide. Each year, a pair adds material to the nest. One nest near St. Petersburg, Florida was 20 feet deep, 9.5 feet wide and weighed nearly 3 tons.

"How long do ducks live?" According to the Bird Banding Laboratory of the USGS the longevity for a mallard is 27 years, American black duck 26, blue-winged teal 23, and wood duck, northern pintail and canvasback each reaching 22 years of age. None of these ducks come close to the ages of two ducks that are still surviving. Donald made his first appearance in 1934 and Daffy showed up in 1937.

"What is a pioneer plant?" Pioneer species are hardy species that are the first to colonize

disrupted or damaged ecosystems, beginning a chain of ecological succession that ultimately leads to a more biodiverse ecosystem.

Lynn Osswald of Chapel Hill, North Carolina asked how to get a hummingbird out of a garage. Hummingbirds are attracted to red and orange colors, and most overhead garage doors have red emergency release handles. When the hummingbird sees the red handle, it checks it out as a food source. Some folks paint this handle or cover it in tape to discourage hummingbird visits. It may be attracted to other red or orange items in a garage. Hang a hummingbird feeder near the open door of the garage and hope that the bird flies over to feed. If you don't have a hummingbird feeder, hang red or orange flowers, or a red cloth or ribbon.

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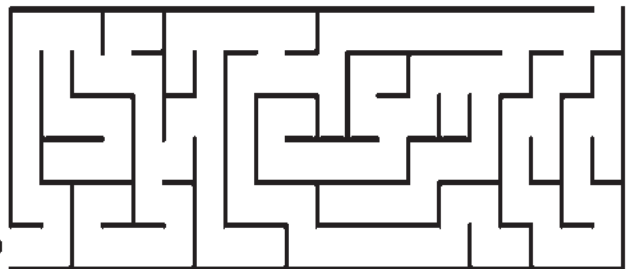
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Wells Fargo Bank to Two Eagle Solutions Minnesota LLC, N.20' Lot 16, Lot 17, Block 2, Oak Beach Addn.

Castlerock 2017 LLC to Debra A. Holz, W.40' Lots 5, 6, 7, Block 5, Ramsdales Addn.

Secretary of Housing and Urban Development to Lonnie E. Kalbfleisch, Lot 8, Block 2, 2nd Ext. Wards Central Addn.

Gary Diersen, Jacquelyn Diersen to Dustin Chohon, Pt. SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , 14-101-31

Jessica L. Shively, Seth C. Shively to Jonathan Buchholz, Stephany Buchholz, Lot 2, Block 4, Southgate Second Addn.

TF Properties LLC to Pillars Pub & Eatery, Inc. W.70' Lot 6, Block 1, Wards Addn.

Judith A. Klenke, Paul R. Klenke to Annabeth Faber, Ryan D. Faber, N $\frac{1}{2}$  Lot 1, Block 2, Original Plat Welcome Hall Lake Cabins & Rentals LLC to Connor Diegnau, Elizabeth Kuehl, Pt. NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , Pt. Govt. Lot 3, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , 20-102-30

Christine L. Montesano, Joseph J. Montesano to Desiree Jensen, Troy Jensen, Pt. Govt. Lot 1, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , 29-101-30

### QUIT CLAIM DEEDS

Marsha Lee Malo to Travis Jason Malo, Lot 3, Block 5, E $\frac{1}{2}$  Lots 1 and 2, Block 3, Gambles Addn.

Donald W. Nienhaus, Leone G. Nienhaus to Donald W. Nienhaus, Leone G. Nienhaus, Pt. SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , Pt. SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , 24-104-29

Richard Lee Sill to Ona J. Lane, Carisa K. Sill, E $\frac{1}{2}$  Lots 6 and 7, Block 2, Youngs Addn.

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Dale A. Shaw Estate, Linda K. Shaw, Per. Rep. to Family Trust, Linda K. Shaw, Trustee, W $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , Pt. E $\frac{1}{2}$ /SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , 7-103-31; W $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , 17-104-31

### CONTRACTS FOR DEEDS

Dean Burdorf to Matthew Robert Lange, Kristen Lee Lindemann, Lot 3, Pt. Lot 4, Block 4, Original Plat Truman

Michelle Ranae Lenz, Ronald Allen Lenz to Corey Robyn Sathoff, Lot 1, Block 1, Morgans Addn., Truman

### D-DEEDS

Richard Kelsey, Per. Rep., Melvin Shumski Estate, Steven R. Shumski, Per. Rep. to James M. Shumski, Pt. E $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{2}$ , W $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , 11-101-30

### TRUSTEE DEEDS

Joan J. Hartwig, Ronald W. Hartwig, Hartwig Family Revocable Living Trust to Joan L. Hartwig, Ronald W. Hartwig, Lot 23, Block 1, Hillcrest Addn.

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It is a problem that many American Legion posts have not only locally, but around the country. That problem is declining membership.

Recently, members of the Fairmont American Legion Post and Auxiliary met to discuss those issues with local media. Jim Miller - Post #36 Finance Officer, Ken Ringeisen - Post #36 Adjutant and Membership Officer and Velma Schaal, Fairmont American Legion Auxiliary member all sat down to talk about the history of the post and also to discuss how they hope to continue the post into the years ahead.

Fairmont American Legion Lee C. Prentice Post #36 was chartered in 1920 while the Fairmont American Legion Auxiliary was chartered in April 1922.

The Fairmont American Legion and Auxiliary is involved in many local activities and ceremonies, including: Memorial Day, Martin County

country and how they can help honor those men and women.

Another important role the Fairmont American Legion plays is serving as the Honor Guard for military veterans' funerals.

All of these programs require involvement from the membership in both the American Legion Post #36 and the Auxiliary. Fairmont American Legion saw a peak in membership of over 700 members in the late 1970's and early 1980's. Since then the local post (as with many other American Legion posts across the state and the country) has seen declining numbers in membership. Currently Post #36 has a membership of about 240 members, while the Fairmont American Legion Auxiliary has around 176 members. According to both Miller and Ringeisen, the local post, as with many others, has been having a hard time getting young veterans to join their organization to help keep the post strong both financially and in community involvement.

The Fairmont American Legion will be having a Chicken and Sweet Corn Feed Membership Drive on Saturday, August 26th from 4:30 to 7:00 p.m. at the Blazer Bar (formerly the Fairmont American Legion Hall). There is no cost to Post #36 and Auxiliary members and their spouses along with new members that sign up that day. To help with estimating food needed, there is a pre-signup required by Thursday, August 24th. Just stop in at the Blazer Bar at 95 Downtown Plaza and 104 East First Street in Fairmont. The event is open to the public at \$10 for ages 13 and up, \$5 for ages 6 to 12 and ages 5 and under eat for free. Donations will also be accepted that evening.

Next week, watch for another article in which we will let you know more about the Fairmont post and its programs, along with the changes that have been made since the hall was sold to the Blazer Bar over a year ago.

## Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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# August 10 USDA report surprises experts

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There was a lot of anticipation leading into August 10th USDA Crop Report, due to weather concerns that existed in many of the primary corn and soybean production areas in the United States. Parts of Illinois, Indiana, and the Eastern Corn Belt dealt with very wet conditions and late planting this Spring, and portions of North and South Dakota have been experiencing a major drought during the past couple of months. There has also been a growing dry weather pattern in western Iowa and Nebraska in recent weeks, which has caused some grain marketing analysts to lower their 2017 corn and yield prospects; however, based on crop conditions on August 1st, USDA apparently does not agree with that analysis of U.S. crop conditions.

The USDA Crop Report issued on August 10th estimated the 2017 total U.S. corn production at 14.15 billion bushels, which would be a decrease of 7 percent from the 2016 record U.S. corn production of 15.2 billion bushels. The 2017 projected U.S. corn production would be the third highest on record, and would compare to corn production levels of 14.2 billion bushels in 2014, and 13.9 billion

bushels in 2013. USDA is estimating 2017 total harvested corn acreage in the U.S. at 83.5 million acres, which is unchanged from June USDA estimates, but is down 4 percent from the 2016 harvested corn acres of 86.7 million acres, and is slightly above the 83.1 million harvested acres in 2014.

The August 10th Crop Report projects the 2017 national average corn yield at 169.5 bushels per acre, which is a decline of 5.1 bushels from the record U.S. average corn yield of 174.6 bushels per acre in 2016. The estimated 2017 U.S. corn yield also trails the average corn yield of 171.0 bushels per acre in 2014, but is slightly higher than the 2015 average yield was 168.4 bushels per acre. The USDA projected average corn yield for 2017 was higher than the highest average yield estimate by any of the grain marketing analysts, who had an average estimated U.S. corn yield of 166 bushels per acre.

USDA is estimating Minnesota's 2017 average corn yield at 183 bushels per acre, which is 10 bushels below the record State average corn yield of 193 bushels per acre in 2015. Other recent State average corn yields are 188 bushels per acre in 2015,

158 bushels per acre in 2014, and 160 bushels per acre in 2013. USDA is now projecting Iowa's 2017 average corn yield at the record level of 188 bushels per acre, which is well below last year's record State average corn yield of 203 bushels per acre. Other recent average corn yields in Iowa are 192 bushels per acre in 2015, 178 bushels per acre in 2014, and 165 bushels per acre in 2013.

The 2017 USDA corn yield estimates for the other major corn producing States are Illinois at 188 bushels per acre, compared to 197 bushels per acre in 2016; Indiana at 173 bushels per acre, which is the same as 2016; and Nebraska at 183 bushels per acre, compared to 178 bushels per acre in 2016. South Dakota's corn yield is estimated at 140 bushels per acre, compared to 161 bushels per acre in 2016, with North Dakota at 121 bushels per acre, compared to 158 bushels per acre in 2016.

The USDA Report on August 10 estimated total 2017 U.S. soybean production at a record level of 4.38 billion bushels, which would be slightly above the previous record U.S. soybean production of 4.31 bushels in 2016. USDA is now estimating total 2017 harvested soy-

bean acreage at a record level of 88.7 million acres, which is up 7 percent from 82.7 million acres in 2016. Some experts feel that this number could be increased in future months, due to the prevented planted acres and drown-out acres in portions of the Eastern Corn Belt.

USDA projected the 2017 U.S. average soybean yield at 49.4 bushels per acre, which again surprised the grain trading experts, who had projected the 2017 average soybean yield closer to 47.5 bushels per acre. The 2017 estimated soybean yield compares to the record national average soybean yield of 52.1 bushels per acre in 2016, 48.0 bushels per acre in 2015, and 47.5 bushels per acre in 2014. Minnesota's 2017 average soybean yield is estimated at 49 bushels per acre, which compares to the record State soybean yield of 52.5 bushels per acre in 2016. Iowa is projected to have a soybean yield of 56 bushels per acre in 2017, well below last year's State record soybean yield of 60.5 bushels per acre.

Other projected 2017 yields in major soybean producing States include Illinois at 58 bushels per acre, compared to 59 bushels per acre in 2016; Indiana at 55 bushels per acre, compared to 57.5 bushels per acre in 2016; and Nebraska at 58 bushels per acre, compared to 61 bushels per acre in 2016. South Dakota is projected to have a 2016 soybean yield of 41 bushels per acre, compared to

49.5 bushels per acre in 2016, and the 2017 North Dakota soybean yield is estimated at 33 bushels per acre, compared to 41.5 bushels per acre in 2016. North and South Dakota combined are estimated to have 12.5 million acres of soybeans harvested in 2017, which compares to 8.1 million acres in Minnesota and 9.9 million acres in Iowa.

## AUGUST 10th WASDE REPORT

The updated USDA World Supply and Demand Estimates (WASDE) were also released on August 10th, which included the 2017 estimated U.S. corn production of 14.15 billion bushels, showed a slight reduction in the 2017-18 corn ending stocks, compared to the July estimate. The Report showed a slight decrease in expected corn usage for feed, ethanol, and exports in 2017-18, and resulted in projected corn ending stocks of 2.27 billion bushels. This would be a slight reduction from the estimated 2016-17 corn ending stocks of 2.37 billion bushels. By comparison, corn ending stocks were near 1.7 billion at the end of the 2015-16 marketing year.

USDA is projecting an average on-farm corn price for the 2017-18 marketing year, which runs from September 1st, 2017, through August 31st, 2018, in a range of \$2.90 to \$3.70 per bushel, with an average expected price of \$3.30 per bushel. The August estimated average 2017-18 corn price is the same as

the July price estimates. The 2016-17 national average corn price, which will be finalized on September 30, 2017, is now estimated at \$3.35 per bushel, which compares to national average prices of \$3.61 per bushel for 2015-15, \$3.70 per bushel for 2014-15, and \$4.45 per bushel for 2013-14.

The recent WASDE estimates are projecting a large U.S. soybean production of over 4.38 billion bushels in 2017, with some increases expected in the soybean crush and exports in the coming year. This would result in estimated 2017-18 soybean ending stocks at 475 million bushels, which would be at the highest level in decades. USDA is estimating 2016-17 soybean ending stocks at 370 million bushels, which compares to the 2015-16 ending stocks of 255 million bushels.

USDA is now projecting an average on-farm soybean price for the 2017-18 marketing year in a range of \$8.45 to \$10.15 per bushel, with an average expected price of \$9.30 per bushel. The August estimated 2017-18 soybean price was lowered by \$.15 per bushel from the July estimate. The 2016-17 final national average soybean price is estimated at \$9.50 per bushel, which compares to 12-month national average prices of \$8.95 per bushel in 2015-16, \$10.10 per bushel in 2014-15, and \$13.00 per bushel for 2013-14.

## U10 Soccer scores

Monday, July 31st		Orange - 5
Boys Game 1		Goals: Caleb Chambers, Klay Beemer (3), Cooper Gudahl
LB Pork/Lime Green - 5		Welcome Motors/Atomic Blue - 1
Goals: Talon Ebeling, Nolyn Goerndt (2), Jackson Bremer (2)		Goals: Angel Sanchez
Commodity Serv./Kelly Green - 0		Girls Game 1
Boys Game 2		UHD/Purple - 8
D&S Trophies/Neon		Goals: Brylee Miller (6), Avery Sanders (2) Assists: Carly Jorgensen, Kenlie

COED SLO-PITCH - FINAL	W	L	GB	PCT	STR
Hawkins Chevrolet	12	0	-	1.000	12W
Demand Pork	10	2	2	.833	2W
Fabers Plumbing	10	2	2	.833	2W
Whiskey Biscuits	9	3	3	.750	5W
A-1 Concrete/Gack Agency	7	5	5	.583	4W
Montanna Tree/Northrop Bar	5	7	7	.416	2L
Blazer Bar	5	7	7	.416	3L
Royalty Rides	5	7	7	.416	3L
Octane Power Sports	4	8	8	.333	3L
Hitman Bail Bonds	4	8	8	.333	1W
Dairy Freeze	3	9	9	.250	2L
Blue Earth Legion	2	10	10	.167	5L
Shenanigans	2	10	10	.167	5L

Coed Playoffs  
DIVISION 1 - CHAMPIONSHIP  
Hawkins Chevrolet 10, Fabers Plumbing 7. Good game Fabers! Harleigh hits her first bomb! Happy birthday Mel! Fabers Plumbing first loss  
If Necessary Championship Game  
Hawkins Chevrolet 24, Fabers Plumbing 23. All bombs used up! Great competitive game Fabers! Way to go D1 Champs – Hawkins!!  
DIVISION 2 - CHAMPIONSHIP  
Montanna Tree Service/Old Northrop Bar 13, Blazer Bar 12. Good game all. Blazer Bar first loss  
If Necessary Championship Game  
Montanna Tree Service/Old Northrop Bar 15, Blazer Bar 8. Montanna Division Two Champs – Duh!

Luniewski, Leslie Zarling, Frankie Martin  
Perkins/Lime Green 0  
Girls Game 2  
Hefty Seeds/Neon Pink 1  
Goals: Madison Carlson  
First Farmer's & Merchants Silver 1  
Goals: Cora Schmidt. Assists: Alayna Buntjer

The Fairmont Martins defeated the Milroy Irish 10-0 last Wednesday and 2-1 last Sunday to win the Region 13C championship series 2 games to none. The Martin's first game at Class C State Tourney will be Friday, Aug. 25 at 5 pm in Norwood. They will play either Buffalo or Crookston.

MENS SLO-PITCH- FINAL	W	L	POOL	GB	PCT	STR
B & S Farms	13	0	4-0	-	1.000	13W
Troy Jensen Seeds	8	5	3-1	1	.615	3W
Ambiance on Albion	6	7	2-2	2	.461	1L
Hecht Taxidermy	6	7	1-3	3	.461	1L
Green Plains	1	12	0-4	4	.077	9L
Blazer Bar/Steel Wheel	12	1	4-0	-	.923	5W
Rookies	10	3	3-1	1	.769	1L
Edie's Restaurant	6	7	2-2	2	.461	1L
Fairmont Ford	2	11	1-3	3	.154	1W
Legends Pub/LuLaroe	1	12	0-4	4	.077	9L

Mens Playoffs  
DIVISION 1  
B & S Farms 12, Rookies 2. John MVP!  
Blazer Bar/Steel Wheel 19, Troy Jensen Seeds 7.  
DIVISION 2  
Fairmont Ford 9. Legends Pub/LuLaroe 5. Great game boys! Hecht Taxidermy 18, Green Plains 13. Solid hits – great "D"!! Ambiance on Albion 15, Fairmont Ford 2. In five!! Hecht Taxidermy 29, Edie's Restaurant 28. Great game – Big Stick Nick!!  
DIVISION 2 – Consolation Championship  
Green Plains 26, Legends Pub/LuLaroe 8. Champs of the toilet bowl!

Girls Game 3  
Big Daddy Entertainment/Red - 6. Goals: Grace Terry (3), Keira Benck, Jazmine Steinberger (2) Assists: Keira Benck, Madi Peyman, Saadhvi Prakash  
Lawn Solutions/Atomic Blue - 5. Goals: Cadence Leiding (3), Lucia Franta (2)

## Rose Lake Golf Club Championship

The Rose Lake Golf Club Championship was held August 5th and 6th at the club near Fairmont. The results are:  
Men's Club Champion: Cordell Weber  
Presidents Flight: Parker Stevens  
1st Flight 1st place: Sean Flanagan  
2nd Flight 1st place: Mike Wasmund, 2nd place Dan Bacon  
3rd Flight 1st place: Kevin Roforth, 2nd place:

Al Travis  
4th Flight 1st place: Steve Pierce  
5th Flight 1st Place: Greg Stevens  
Senior Division: Mike Wasmund  
Super Senior Division: Kevin Roforth  
Women's Club Champion: Chelsea Green Low Gross  
Paulette Lehr: Low Net:  
1st Flight: Joy Johnson, Low Gross  
Jeanie Green: Low Net



Hawkins Chevrolet held a Think Pink Play4ACure Kickoff luncheon last Friday. They served a pork patty lunch with a free will donation that raised several hundred dollars. The Play4ACure Coed Softball Tournament started Friday night and continued through Sunday.





**COED SOFTBALL DIVISION 1 CHAMPIONS -** Hawkins Chevrolet - Team members include: Mike Fischer, Krissy Fischer, Dan Cole, Michael Johannsen, Callie Wille, Stephanie Senne, Joey Belaski, Melissa Mosloski-Engel, Mike Heckman, Jeff Rothmeier, Dustin Zellmer, Tabitha Nelson Bicknase, Amanda Umscheid. *Courtesy fairmontsports.com*



**COED SOFTBALL DIVISION 1 RUNNER UPS -** Fabers Plumbing - Team members include: Luke Ebeling, Matt Fretty, Dustin "Squid" Wannarka, Jordan Breitharth, Gage Eggstein, Kris Roloff, Emily Roloff, Pam Ekert, Allison Klassen, Brooke Eisenmenger, Harlie Grove, Makenzie Terfehr. *Courtesy fairmontsports.com*



**COED SOFTBALL DIVISION 2 CHAMPIONS -** Montanna Tree Service/Old Northrop Bar - Team members include: Nick Berhow, Reanne Berhow, Lori Hansen, Shelby Schroepfer, Ashley Gerhardt, Chris Gerhardt, John Schultze, Zak Clemetsen, Lexi Clemetsen, Zach Hansen, Ashley Olson, Montanna Thiesse, Angie Mosloski. *Courtesy fairmontsports.com*



**COED SOFTBALL DIVISION 2 RUNNER UPS -** Blazer Bar - Team members include: Greg Ingvaldstad, Jessica Andrews, Jamie Hanson, Ashley Fausch, Jeremy Hansen, Kellen Fausch, Samantha Chukuske, Phil Pytleski, Casey Pytleski, Annie Pederson. *Courtesy fairmontsports.com*



The Cardinal Power Fastpitch 10U Red, 10U White, 16U and 18U girls softball teams were honored with Youth 1st Team Award. Mark Arjes, (far right red shirt) director of Youth 1st, out of Owatonna, partnered with the Southern Star Softball league to implement a conduct 1st environment during the 2017 league tournaments. The Youth 1st Team Award selections are based on votes and comments from the umpires and input from the tournament directors. During the tournament the Fairmont teams (players, coaches, parents and fans) exhibited good sportsmanship and positive conduct. Close to 60 girls participated on the teams. They received free tickets to the Twins/Royals games Friday and Saturday September 1st and 2nd and will be honored again before the games on the field. *Courtesy fairmontsports.com*

Cardinal Power Fastpitch's John Oothoudt, left presented a historic tribute to the girls softball season to Bruce Abitz for the Hands Park archives. The Cardinal Power Fastpitch teams held their family picnic last Sunday at Hands Park. Also Cory Hainy was honored with a plaque for his 100 head coaching victories with Fairmont Softball. *(Submitted photos)*



## Hawkins Play4ACure Coed Softball Tournament



**Play4ACure Coed Softball Tournament Division 1 Champions -** State Farm Glencoe - Team members include: Rick Scholtes, Steph Boettcher, Sam Boettcher, Cory Boettcher, Sheri Anderson, Molly Eckhardt, Brady Roden, Andy Foley, Megan Foley, Kenzie Feeny, Chris Anderson, Carla Boettcher, Cole Fischer, Dani Johannsen. *(Submitted photo)*



**Play4ACure Coed Softball Tournament Division 1 Runners up -** Hawkins Chevrolet - Team members include: Mike Fischer, Dan Cole, Michael Johannsen, Katie Nicoson, Callie Wille, Stephanie Senne, Harlie Rose Grove, Alex (Peavy) Bahr, Krissy Fischer, Matt Fretty, Luke Ebeling, Joey Belaski, Nick (Cowboy) Hagen, Melissa Mosloski-Engel, Mike Heckman, Jeff Rothmeier, Dustin Zellmer, Tabitha Nelson Bicknase. *(Submitted photo)*



**Play4ACure Coed Softball Tournament Division 1 Champions -** A-1 Concrete - Team members include: Sarah Spear, Dani Pettit, Nikki Bonin, Tee Kain, Melanie Schall, Wendy Moeckel (kept the book), Kelly R., Matthew Moeckel, Luke Moeckel, Loren Shriver, Matt Maulsby, David Schall, Derek Spear, Josh Grotzinger, Kris Roloff, Curt Moeckel. *(Submitted photo)*



**Play4ACure Coed Softball Tournament Division 1 Runners up -** Octane Power Sports - Team members include: Jordan Wolter, Owen Wolter, Nathan Tirevold, Hannah Bear Johnson, Alysha Jo Meyer-aan, Jared Herman, Lisa Craig, Pam Ekert, Olivia Zwaschka, Josh Wolter, Jamie Shumski, Michelle Shumski. *(Submitted photo)*



*Aerial photo by Jay Johnson*





# Children's Theatre Plays at Fairmont Opera House

Story and photos courtesy of Joseph Kreiss Photography

The Fairmont Opera House Children's Theatre presented two plays this past Friday night, August 11th, and Saturday afternoon, August 12th, to packed audiences.

"Bedtime Stories (As Told by Our Dad, Who Messed Them Up)" featured three classic children's stories performed by the younger kids - The Princess and the Pea, The

Boy Who Cried Dinosaur and Rumpelstiltskin. The musical "Disney's Aladdin Jr." was a colorful spectacle featuring a cast of older children that brought the classic ani-

mated film to life on the stage with singing and dance. Corporate sponsors for the plays were State Bank of Fairmont and 3M.



Bedtime Stories Photos (above and above right)

The Dad, played by Jorvik Jensen, tells his children, Finley Reichel, Carys Gudahl, Mariah Moeller and Sawyer Laven, a selection of stories to get them to fall asleep in their Mom's absence, including:

'Princess and The Pea,' The Prime Minister, center, played by Hudson

Laven, center, explains the royal ways of finding a wife for the prince, as the Queen, played by Ava Terfehr and the Prince, Jeshua Baxter, listen.

In "The Boy Who Cried Dinosaur," a spin on the children's classic story, "The Boy Who Cried Wolf," shepherd Carter Robasse, right, convinces the dinosaur, played by Gabriel Strierner, to eat his lunch rather than one of the sheep in his flock.



Disney's Aladdin Jr. (above and above right)

More than 40 young actors and singers participated during the two

performances of Disney's Aladdin Jr. at the Fairmont Opera House, Friday night and Saturday afternoon.

Aladdin, played by Kyler Wolters, center, is



captured by two of Jafar's guards in the marketplace.

The evil Jafar, played by Tabitha Thatcher, gloats after finding the genie's lamp.

Princess Jasmine, played by Isabell Geiger, rides with Aladdin, (Kyler Wolters) over the city on his magic carpet.

## The Garden Bug

The **yerba mansa** plant is an herb. Its roots are used to treat the common cold, mucus production, cough, throat problems and tuberculosis; it is also used for digestive problems, sexually transmitted diseases, skin problems and cancer. It can also be used as a disinfectant, and to cause sweating or induce vomiting. The plants are found in damp salty or alkaline soil.

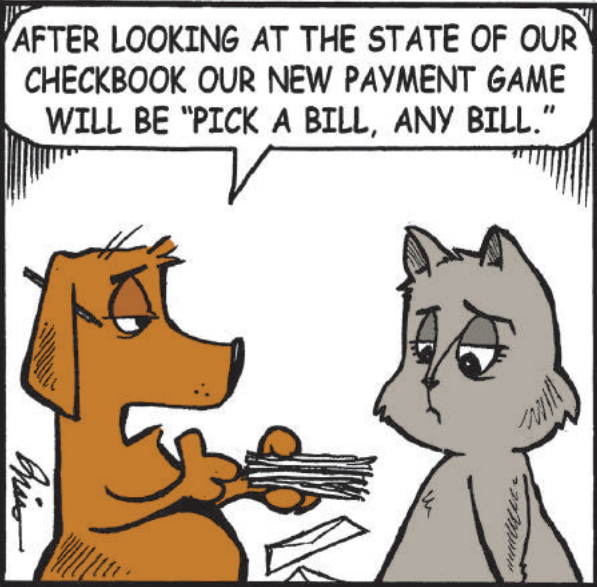
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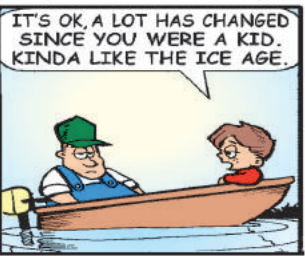
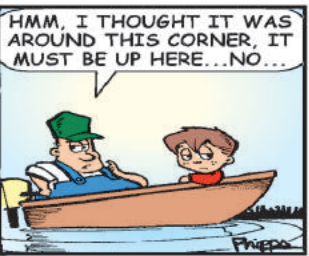
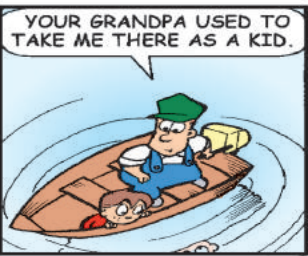
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**JASMINE** is a flame point Siamese cross with pretty blue eyes. She is sweet to people, but feels she is pretty enough to not need to be bothered by other cats. Jasmine is willing to share space with another cat as long as they understand she is the queen.

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**ZENA** is a loveable pit bull cross. Her big white and tan face has a smile for every person she meets. Zena likes to go for walks and is working on her leash manners. While she loves all people, Zena is picky about her canine friends. Zena's adoption fee is sponsored by Hawkins Chevrolet.

**SAVVY** is black and about 7 months old. She is a cross between a blood hound, Australian Shepherd, and perhaps some black lab. Savvy is a little shy with new people, but loves attention after she becomes comfortable with a person. She loves to chase and play with her sister, Lola, and other friends. Savvy's adoption fee is sponsored by Hawkins Chevrolet.

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