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## Marriage License Applications

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**Arc Different Drummer Dance Club** will have a dinner and dance from 4:00-7:00 p.m. on Sunday, September 15th at Fairmont's Holiday Inn. RSVPs for the dinner and/or if attending the dance will be taken up until noon on Thursday, September 12th. Please contact Pat Kietzer at 507-848-5017. The public is invited to attend.



**LUHMANN 95TH** - Winnefred Luhmann of Fairmont will celebrate her 95th birthday on Tuesday, September 17th. Birthday wishes can be sent to her at 610 Summit Drive, Apt. 111, Fairmont, MN 56031.

## Kent Thiesse recognized with 50 year award

Photo Press guest columnist and ag specialist Kent Thiesse of Lake Crystal was recently recognized for his participation at the Minnesota State Fair.

He was awarded with a plaque for his 50 years of involvement at the Minnesota State Fair. His presentation by the state fair stated, "To say that Kent Thiesse is passionate about 4-H and the Minnesota State Fair is an understatement. He began his involvement at the fair as a 4-H participant, where amongst other activities he entered and won a blue ribbon for his beef heifer. In the '70s he was a 4-H volunteer at the



fair and since 1980 he has been the overall coordinator of the 4-H Beef Show. In that capacity he lines up judges and coordinates the activities of 100 volunteers, 600 exhibitors and 600 animals each year. He also served as Finance Chair of the 4-H auction for more than 30 years. During his tenure, total premiums has grown from \$30,000 in 1993 to more than \$750,000 this year. The 4-H Auction has also been responsible for awarding 381 scholarships, totaling \$526,000 to outstanding 4-H Junior Leaders since 1995, including 41 scholarships totalling \$65,000 in 2019."

Congratulations to Kent on his 50 year award!

## Ruby's Pop-up Pantry in Sherburn Monday

Ruby's Pop-up Pantry will once again hold a food distribution at the Regional Worship Center, 2 Crossroads Drive, in Sherburn.

The distribution will take place Monday, September 16th from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. (doors open at 5:00 p.m.)

For a \$20 cash donation, you can bring two

large boxes or totes for your food share.

You will receive an abundance of grocery items. Everyone who eats qualifies. There are no income or residency requirements.

For more information, call 651-674-0009 or visit them online at rubyspantry.org.

The **Horicon Cemetery Association** will be having a work day on Saturday, September 14th starting at 8:30 a.m. We will be planting a couple of larger trees, doing some dirt work to smooth out ruts and seeding grass. Bring a shovel, rake, willing hands and a lawn chair for breaks. There will be a noon lunch and snacks available.



*Celebrate with us!*

## Portrait of a Veteran: Woody Woodward

Guest Columnist

Joseph Kreiss, Portrait of a Veteran Project



With a father who served in the Merchant Marine before joining the U.S. Army, Charles "Woody" Woodward inherited his dad's love of the sea, and radio. But getting his sea legs would have to wait several years. At 13 years-old, Woody was enrolled by his parents in the St. John's Military Academy in Wisconsin, where he took Army ROTC training. He graduated in 1967 and headed to Minnesota to take classes at Mankato College, as it was known back then.

Woodward says college wasn't really for him and he left school. That decision also changed his draft status. The United States involvement in the Vietnam war was in full swing at that time. When he asked the local draft board how long he'd have until his number came up, he was told "about a week or so."

The decision to follow his mariner father's footsteps came quickly and Woodward joined the U.S. Navy. "I got out of basic in 1968 and I noticed I was getting a lot more shots than the other sailors," Woodward recalls. "When I asked why, they told me that's because in about six months, you'll be in Vietnam."

Woodward shipped out from the States to

the Philippines and was shuttled out to his new home away from home, the aircraft carrier U.S.S. Kitty Hawk CV-63, joining 5,600 other sailors and air wing personnel on board. The ship quickly headed back out to the war zone. "It was 1968 and the Tet Offensive was underway. The Kitty Hawk was one of four U.S. Carriers on the battle lines," he remembers. "We went back for another 40 days at sea, sending our aircraft out on bombing missions 24 hours a day for 40 days straight." The Kitty Hawk was the flagship of the West Pac group and carried U.S. Navy Admiral Cousins on board.

"When a U.S. spy plane was shot down

over North Korea, we pulled our ship out of Hong Kong harbor and were sent towards Korea," Woodward tells. "So, I actually became a Korean War Vet as well." He was awarded an Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal for his involvement.

Another interesting story Woodward relates is the time they got word five North Vietnam MiG 21 fighter jets were picked up on radar about 200 miles out from the aircraft carrier. "We sent out 25 of our F-4 Phantom jets from the carrier towards the enemy aircraft." Apparently, the enemy fighters found out. "They decided they didn't want to visit us after all," Woodward jokes.



**Charles "Woody" Woodward**

- Born April 1949 in Fort Wayne, Indiana
- Currently living in Fairmont
- U.S. Navy Vietnam War Veteran

Woodward spent nearly three complete tours of duty during the Vietnam War, the entire time stationed on the 80,000-ton USS Kitty Hawk. He got his discharge from the Navy in December 1971, about 90 days early. "The ship was getting ready to go back overseas, and I opted out," he says. He returned to the Fairmont area where his father owned and operated the local radio stations. Woodward found work in sales before taking over the family-run radio group.

"I'm very proud of my service during the war," he concludes. "Out at sea during those years, we weren't aware of the protests and the other (anti-war) things that were going on back in the United States. I got to see a lot of things and visit countries, that being from the Midwest, I normally wouldn't have gotten to see."

Photo and story by Joseph Kreiss Photography

You can read more about local area veterans by going to the Portrait of a Veteran Photo Project blog: <http://sommvetphotoproject.blogspot.com/>. If you or someone you know is a veteran and would like to be included and featured in the Portrait of a Veteran Photo Project, contact Joseph Kreiss - [josephkreiss-photography@gmail.com](mailto:josephkreiss-photography@gmail.com)

**Aktion Club Theatre**, a part of Kiwanis International, will meet Thursday, September 12th at 4:30 p.m. in the basement of Grace Lutheran Church in Fairmont. The group will be presenting "The Fairmont Five O'Clock Club" at 5:15 p.m. to the community with refreshments served afterwards. If you have any questions about the group, or if you need a ride to this event, please call Pat Kietzer at 507-848-5017 or the Arc office at 507-235-8580.

The **Tuesday Morning Coffees** for the month of September will take place at St. Paul UCC Church in Welcome. Coffee and goodies will be served starting at 8:30 a.m. All are welcome to come join us!

Ramona (Moni) Harper is retiring after 22 years of service as the MRCI Fairmont Branch Manager. Join us Friday, September 20th from 2-4 pm for refreshments.



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## A perfect day for a family reunion

Fifty people attended the Annual Poppe Reunion Picnic at Ceylon's Mondale Park on Sunday, September 1st. The Charles Poppe family hosted the event.

At the Poppe reunion, we lined up all those present who were 90 years and older. They included:

- Ted Kittleson-99 years (mother Annie Poppe Kittleson)
- Norman Kittleson-96 years (Ted's brother)
- Evangeline (Kittleson) Barber-91 years (Ted's sister)
- Lorrene Knuth-90 years (mother was Minnie Poppe Knuth, Annie's

sister)

- Opal Kittleson-91 years (Ted's wife)
- Millie Kittleson-94 years (widow of Truman Kittleson, Ted's brother)
- Donna (Poppe) Nibbe-91 years (father was Walter Poppe, Annie's brother)



As part of the annual Poppe family reunion held last Sunday, a photo op was taken of "The Magnificent Seven - The 90s Gang". From left to right are Ted Kittleson, Norman Kittleson, Vangie Barber, Lorrene Knuth, Opal Kittleson, Millie Kittleson, and Donna Nibbe. (Submitted photo)



Employees of A-1 Concrete Grinding and Mudjacking worked last week in preparation to pour a handicap walkway in front of Martin County Veteran's Memorial Wall. The memorial is located next to the Winnebago ball diamonds in Fairmont. (Submitted photo)



(Left photo) Lisa Dahl (left) MOSS member, presents a \$500 check to the Phillis family of Fairmont. Nora Phillis (far right) was one of this year's MOSS Garden Tour recipients. Nora has a genetic muscle disorder. (Right photo) Lisa Dahl also presented a \$500 check to Bethany Maday (center). Malcom Maday, son of David and Bethany Maday of Blue Earth, was one of the recipients of the MOSS Garden Tour proceeds. (Submitted photos)

## Chuck Omvig joins RE/MAX Total Realty

RE/MAX Total Realty has announced that Chuck Omvig has joined their team.

Originally from Fairmont, Chuck graduated from MSU Mankato with a BS Degree. He has been in the real estate business for over 30 years and enjoys helping people with one of the major investments that they will

probably choose to make.

Chuck has discovered that the brand power of RE/MAX prides itself on revolutionizing the real estate industry and he relates to that revolution by joining RE/MAX Total Realty in Fairmont.

You can contact Chuck at 507-236-4096 or email him at [chuck@omvig.com](mailto:chuck@omvig.com).



### Amber Waves



## Benefit for Trimont girl to be held September 15

This weekend the Sherburn Lions, employees of Temperance Lake Ridge Assisted Living in Sherburn, family and friends of Aaliyah Bolstad will come together for a special fundraiser in Sherburn.

The benefit will be held Sunday, September 15th from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Martin County West High School in Sherburn.

The Sherburn Lions Club will be making a pancake breakfast and a silent auction of a

lot of great donated items, including a Minnesota Wild jersey signed by Zach Parise, will take place from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Aalayah is the 10-year-old daughter of Harley and Alysia Marie Bolstad and she was involved in a freak

accident while swimming in a Trimont pool in July. She was transported by ambulance to the ER in Fairmont and then airlifted to St. Mary's in Rochester.

She came out of an 8-hour surgery with a breathing ventilator, drainage tubes, chest tube, punctured lung and a colostomy bag in place. On August 6th she went back to the hospital due to an infection in her lungs and continues to improve in recent weeks.

If you are unable to make the benefit but would like to make a donation, send it to: Farmer's State Bank of Trimont, 220 Main Street West, Trimont, MN 56176. Make checks payable to: Aaliyah Bolstad Benefit.



## St. John Vianney blood donation opportunity

Many people want to give back to the community but may not have a lot of time to volunteer.

In only about an hour, volunteer blood donors can help save lives and feel instant gratification.

Fairmont and the surrounding area is invited to give back and help save lives by donating blood on Monday, September 16th from 2 to 8 p.m. at St. John Vianney Catholic Church in Fairmont.

Blood is a perishable product that can only come from generous volunteers. By donating blood, individuals can make a difference in the lives of patients in their community and throughout the nation.

To make an appointment or to learn more, download the American Red Cross Blood Donor App by visiting [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) or call 1-800-REDCROSS (1-800-733-2767).

## Opera House to bring Michael Jackson experience

"I AM KING: The Michael Jackson Experience" coming live from Las Vegas is gonna be startin' something at The Fairmont Opera House Friday, September 13th, 2019 at 7:30 p.m.

I AM KING: The Michael Jackson Experience is as close as you will get to seeing the King of Pop live in concert! The show is fresh off successful tours of Japan, Israel and India.

I AM KING features amazing renditions of Jackson's biggest hits including "Billie Jean", "Thriller", "Man in the Mirror", "Human Nature" and many more, performed by Michael

Firestone as Michael Jackson.

For tickets to this experience, visit the Fairmont Opera House website at: [fairmontoperahouse.org/a-la-carte](http://fairmontoperahouse.org/a-la-carte).



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## Sweet Treats and Reads

Kids in grades 3 to 6 are invited to join the Martin County Library in Fairmont for "Sweet Treats and Reads".

They will have treats, book-related activities and talk about new books we're reading or excited to read.

This event is free and no registration is required. Join them Tuesdays, September 17th and October 22nd at 4 p.m.

If you have any questions, call the library at 238-4207.



# Martin County on TV

Guest Columnist

Jeff Rouse, Our Story Productions Executive Producer

Those of us with cable TV often find ourselves channel surfing! This practice of rapidly scrolling through the channels has led many viewers to Midco Channel 12 Fairmont's Public Access Station. Known as the place to go to see local announcements, church services and video stories about local events viewers now have found a new show "Martin County on TV" produced by Our Story Productions (OSP). OSP has long been known for quirky programing the include parodies of talk shows and a soap opera spoof which are still being aired throughout their nine state coverage area! OSP Executive Producer Jeff Rouse shared: "Fairmont is unique in that we have had a local television show highlighting what is happening in our community for over 25 years. These shows that include Focus on Fairmont, Hometown Focus and Our Story have caught on tape a tremendous amount of our

history! In revisiting these shows dating back to 1994 we felt these stories needed to be shared again!" So in the fall of 2018 OSP began productions of "Martin County on TV" each episode has a guest from a local business or organization that share what's happening today! Viewers are also able to take a trip down memory lane with stories and interviews done about our citizens by our citizens over the last 25 years! Rouse shared "We have already had many incredible guests on the show representing organizations unique to our community including The Martin County Historical Society, The Fairmont Opera House and The Red Rock Center and guests representing organizations that are truly making a difference including Fairmont Convention & Visitors Bureau and Fairmont Area Chamber of Commerce to name a couple and of course guests who have already ap-

peared from our business community include Culigan Water, Dan's Appliance, Peterson/Anthony Insurance Agency, Thate's Tree Service, Pierce Accounting & Tax Services, Fairmont Ford, Kenway Engineering, Richard's Auto, Fairmont Butcher Block, and Midwest Garage Doors. We have only scratched the surface, many more businesses and organizations have contacted us and are booked to be on the show. We have also selected many more interviews and stories from the shows done in Fairmont over the last 25 year, so look for many more episodes to come!" Our Story Productions continuously revisits episodes of Focus on Fairmont, Hometown Focus and Our Story to select



historic interviews and stories viewers will want to see. Here are just few that have already been featured on Martin County on TV.

1994 Report about the history of the Fairmont Opera House.

1995 Tribute to Fairmont Mayor Marlin Gratz.

1995 Report on the history of the Fairmont Community Hospitals.

1995 Report by Alice Bachman about the history of the Civic Summer Theatre.

1995 Interview with Tom Rosen from Rosen's Diversified Inc.

1995 Report about the history of Ward's Orphanage.

1995 Story about the history of the Martin County Courthouses.

1996 Report about the history of the Fairmont Area Fire Department.

1996 Interview with Larry Johnson for 3M.

1997 Interview with former Central Telephone Company operator,

Roberta Rosen.

1999 Report about 50th Anniversary of KSUM.

2008 Interview with Vice President Walter Mondale about growing up in Martin County

2004 Interview with Goldy Christensen about his years owning Christensen Lumber.

2005 Interview with Don Milbrandt and Mary Don Kislingbury about the Red Rock Center.

2004 Interview with Jerry Neal about his years with the Civic Summer Theatre.

2004 Interview with John Larsen about the discovery of a 1950's movie highlighting Fairmont.

2004 Interview with Coach Tom Mahoney about his years in Fairmont.

2007 Interview with Mike Garry about Fairmont founder Frank Day.

2007 Interview with Nita Borchardt Lundacer about her years as a Radio

City Rockette.

2008 Interview and performance by Warren Nelson.

2008 Interview with Fairmont Sentinel photographer Bob Schroeder.

2009 Interview and performance by Brad Greenwald and Jayson Engquist.

**This Week on Martin County on TV**

Thanks to the generosity of local businesses and organizations OSP is now airing their 24th episode on Midco Channel 12 daily at 9 a.m. and p.m. This episode features Our Story Productions Executive Producer - Jeff Rouse interview with Cinde Anderson for Northland Reality/Century 21 and Fairmont Area Chamber of Commerce President Ned Koppen's interview with Linsey Preuss Fairmont Economic Development Coordinator. This episode also includes a 2003 Al Travis interview with Dale Schumann from Northland Reality/Century 21.

If you have missed any previous episodes they are all archived on [www.destinationsmalltown.com](http://www.destinationsmalltown.com), Destination Small Town's YouTube Channel and of course the Facebook page: "Martin County on TV".



**The Blue Earth Valley Quilters** will meet Monday, September 16th, 2019, 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. After introductions, we will begin with show-and-tell. The program for the evening will be a discussion about quilting retreats. All are invited to share their experiences at retreats they have attended. The Blue Earth Valley Quilters meet on the third Monday of each month under the umbrella of Blue Earth Area Community Education. Those who are interested may stay after the meeting for the Block-of-the-Month project. For more information contact Jan Shaffer, 507-526-3979

The annual meeting for the **Fairmont Chapter of Dollars for Scholars** will be held at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, September 18th, 2019, in the CER meeting room at Fairmont Elementary School. A copy of the organization's annual report is available upon request.

**Martin County Humane Society's Walk for Animals** will take place Saturday, September 25th at Cedar Creek Park in Fairmont. This year will mark the 25th anniversary of this event, so be sure to reserve the date on your calendar. Watch the next edition of the Photo Press for a more in-depth story on the event and the history behind this important fundraiser for the animals.

Martin County Humane Society will hold a **bake sale** Saturday, September 14th from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Fleet & Farm Supply in Fairmont. All proceeds will help with expenses for the animals at the shelter. Everyone is welcome.

**The Truman Historical Association Fall Beef Fundraiser Dinner and Membership Drive** will be Sunday, September 15th at the Truman Community Building. Nancy Jo's Catering will be serving from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Dinner will consist of roast beef, mashed potatoes and gravy, canned carrots, buttered corn, strawberry pretzel salad, homemade bread, chocolate or carrot cake, coffee, milk and water. Tickets are \$10 for adults, children 6-12 are \$5 and children 5 and under are free. Take outs will be available. The public is invited.

Grace Lutheran Church in Fairmont hosts an **open door meal** Wednesday evenings from 4:45 to 6:15 p.m. each week. Wednesday, September 11th they will serve tacos. On September 18th it will be creamed chicken on a biscuit. All meals include fruit, veggies, peanut butter/jelly sandwich, cookies, milk, water and coffee. Free will donation.

## CREST Lunch & Learn to feature bees and honey

A "Lunch & Learn" event sponsored by CREST will be held on Wednesday, September 18th at 11:00 a.m. at 1st Lutheran Church, located at 61 Apple Street East in Trimont. The program this month will feature Paul Harris from Harris Honey, who will explain beekeeping and how

honey is made. Following the presentation, a lunch of beef stew, homemade dinner rolls with honey butter, and an apple dessert will be served. Donations are welcome to defray costs. Anyone in the area is invited to join in the fun and socializing.

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What's Cooking

with Kathy Lloyd

There's a chill in the air!

I don't know where the summer has gone but it definitely feels like fall and even looks like it! Time for a nice warm comforting bowl of soup. I found a new recipe in the Taste of Home magazine awhile ago. I tried this weekend and it was a winner. One Pa Lloyd suggested I add some potatoes the next time I make it. The first time I make a recipe I like to follow the recipe to the letter then decide if I want to tweak it more to our liking. Potatoes would be a good addition but I liked it without too. I wasn't able to find canned lentils here in town. I had a half a package of dry lentils on hand so I cooked them according to the directions on the package. Added them to the soup after they were cooked, always rinse them with water. Drain and add fresh water before cooking them, it takes 15-20 minutes.

- Lentil, Bacon and Bean Soup:
- 4 bacon strips, chopped

6 medium carrots, peeled and chopped

1 medium onion, diced

olive oil if needed

2 Tablespoons tomato paste

2 garlic cloves, minced

1 Tablespoon minced fresh thyme

1/2 tsp. pepper

5 cups chicken broth

1 cup dry white wine or additional chicken stock

2 cans (15-16 oz. each) butter beans, rinsed and drained

2 cans (15 oz. each) cooked lentils, rinsed and drained

In a Dutch oven, cook bacon over medium heat until crisp, stirring occasionally. Remove with slotted spoon, drain on paper towels. Cook and stir carrots and onions in bacon drippings, adding olive oil if necessary until crisp-tender, 3-4 minutes. Add tomato paste, garlic, thyme and pepper, cook 1 minute longer. Add stock and wine; increase heat to medium high, cook 2 minutes, stirring to loosen browned bits from pan. Stir in butter beans, lentils and bacon. Bring to a boil. Reduce heat; simmer, covered, 5 minutes, uncover; continue simmering until vegetables are tender, 15-20 minutes longer. Have a great week!

The **Regional Worship Center in Sherburn** will host a pancake, eggs and coffee breakfast every Monday morning. They will start serving at 7:00 a.m. and continuing until 9:00 a.m. Free will donation.

The **Shepherd's In Soup Kitchen** will be serving a free soup meal at the Blazer Hall, 95 Downtown Plaza in Fairmont. The meal will be served every Thursday from 5 to 7 p.m. Free rides are available by contacting Curt at 507-236-5362.

Mayo: take advantage of Medicare Wellness visits

With chronic illnesses accounting for more than 80 percent of the total cost of health care in the United States, Mayo Clinic Health System is reminding Medicare Part B recipients of the importance of taking advantage of the free Medicare Annual Wellness Visits covered by the plan.

Many people are unaware that if they have been enrolled in Medicare Part B for at least one year and are 66 years old or older, they are entitled to a wellness visit, which focuses on illness prevention and health and wellness. The visits are 45 to 60 minutes with a registered nurse.

"The wellness visits are an under-utilized service; only about 33 percent of women and 40 percent of men over the age of 65 are up to date with all age-specific recommended preventive services," said ToniLynn Fleming, a registered

nurse who conducts the wellness visits at Mayo Clinic Health System in Fairmont. "At these visits, we have the opportunity to spend time with a patient to help create a health and wellness plan, review medications and family medical histories, and assess health risks for the future."

The registered nurse also can help assess a person's mobility and home safety needs, as well as screen for cognitive impairment or depression. When a patient later sees his or her regular primary care provider, they can discuss further any concerns identified during the wellness visit.

To learn more or to schedule an appointment, call Mayo Clinic Health System in Fairmont at 507-238-8500 and ask to be scheduled for a Medicare Annual Wellness Visit with a registered nurse.

Trinity Lutheran Church of Alpha is hosting their annual **Pie Social** on Wednesday, September 18th from 5-7 p.m. Besides homemade pies, the menu will include barbeque sandwiches, homemade potato salad, chips, homemade pickles, homegrown tomatoes, coffee and lemonade. Proceeds will be used to support area charities and mission projects. Join them for this exciting event of good food, fellowship and especially those fantastic pies.

Fairmont United Methodist Church continues its **Wednesday Evening Suppers** from 5 to 6 p.m. at the church, 119 E. 2nd Street in Fairmont. This Wednesday, September 11th they will serve fish fillets, mashed potatoes and creamy coleslaw. Next Wednesday, September 18th it will be scalloped potatoes and ham and green beans. All dinners include peanut butter and jelly sandwich, beverage and donated desserts. A \$2 donation is suggested.

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With the start of school having arrived, you might be wondering how you can get your child a library card! All children in the county are eligible to have a Martin County library card, at any age, with those under 15 years old needing a parent or guardian's signature. Stop by the library closest to you—Fairmont, Sherburn, Trimont or Truman and fill out the form! We will get the card loaded quickly and even share a little goody bag with your child for signing up for their own card! Another great thing? We don't charge overdue fines, so don't worry if that book or movie comes back late, there's no overdue fines on our library cards. So stop in and get your littlest reader a library card to encourage the love of literature from the start!!

25 YEARS AGO IN THE PHOTO PRESS

WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 14, 1994

An open house birthday celebration was scheduled for September 18th at the Lutheran Church in Swea City for Mrs. Clarence (Gerda Larson) Frosland. She was KSUM's "Swedish Nightingale" for 35 years.

Seven antique tractors and plows took part in a plowing bee at the Dennis Hagen farm near Dunnell as part of an event coordinated by the Prairieland Antique Tractor Association. 25 spectators watched the exhibition on 22 acres of oats and alfalfa. The oldest tractor was a 1931 John Deere "D" owned by Julius Irmeter of Armstrong. Other participants were Robert, Philip and Tony Zabka of Swea City, Jim and Darin Hagen of Ceylon, Jeff Hagen of Sherburn and Kyle Sinn of Trimont.

Gary Gjerstad was to give a benefit concert at the Fairmont Opera House. The theme is "Happy Days Are Here Again". The concert is to be sponsored by the Fairmont Lions Club. A free will offering is to go to the Fairmont Area Foundation.

50 YEARS AGO IN THE PHOTO PRESS

WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 14, 1969

Ellen Goetz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Goetz, a 1965 graduate of Fairmont High School and a counselor at Concordia French Camp at Alexandria, MN, had accepted a teacher-assistantship at University Metz, France.

In observance of Foster Parents Week designated by Governor LeVander, the Martin County Welfare Board held a recognition dinner honoring foster parents in this county. Eighty guests representing some 22 foster children attended this year's dinner at the Chat & Chew Cafe in Truman.

Cashway Lumber, west on Highway 16, advertised reject 4x7 paneling at \$2.25 each.

The East Chain United Methodist Church will host the **Monthly Community Coffee Party** Saturday, September 14th from 8:30 - 11:00 a.m. They will serve rolls, donuts, coffee, tea, and juice. Free will offering. Questions? Call Alice Barnes at 507-236-1137.



IS YOUR WEIGHT AFFECTING YOUR HEALTH?



Join Megan Gilmore, M.D., as she discusses how bariatric surgery can improve your health and quality of life. From pre-surgical education to post-surgical support, our bariatric surgery experts partner with you to ensure long-term success.

Tuesday, Sept. 17, noon  
Mayo Clinic Health System in Fairmont, Main Classroom

Register by calling 507-399-0182.  
Free and open to the community.



JOAN SCHULTZ

MOVING TAG SALE

Fri., Sept. 13 • Noon-5:30 p.m.

Sat., Sept. 14 & Sun., Sept. 15 • 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

18 PARK DRIVE W, SHERBURN—On south shore of Fox Lake. Follow signs please.

Quality and quantity at Joan's home! Furniture-antique, modern, mid-century and retro! Hull pottery, Red Wing dishes/crocks and so much more! Don't buy seasonal decor yet... it's here! Clean household: Linens, yard & garden art, jewelry! Smoke and pet free home! Good variety, good stuff!

More pics and info on FB page/Antiques 86.

Ilene Clark—507-822-0116

Email—IleneKate@yahoo.com

Lakefield

ANTIQUE 86



## Fairmont radio stations summer boat giveaway winner announced

Enos Breitbarth of Fairmont is a brand-new fishing boat owner.

After qualifying listeners beginning this past May, Fairmont radio stations 106.5 Lakes FM and 1370 AM KSUM finally awarded the grand prize in their Summer-long “Hooked on Lakes FM” Summer Giveaway.

The grand prize was a 2109 Tracker Super Guide V-16 SC fishing boat and accessories. The drawing was held Saturday, August 24th at Northland Auto and Marine in Emmetsburg, Iowa. Enos originally qualified at State Bank of Fairmont during a Lakes FM radio broadcast.

After several elimination rounds, Enos and Carmen Deling of Fairmont were the final two qualifiers out of 42 entries left in the running. The blank, sealed envelope containing Enos registration was picked as the winner of the boat. The Fairmont man and his wife, Charlotte, were shocked by the outcome. Wiping away tears, Enos said the boat was a dream come true. He’d never won anything like this before. “Looks like were going to be doing some fishing now,” said Charlotte.

Deling won the first runner up prize: A \$300 fishing package from Sommer Outdoors of Fairmont.

The 2019 Tracker Super Guide Boat was provided for the radio station promotion by Northland Auto and Marine’s manager, Tony Grandgenett and staff.

Lakes FM and KSUM are owned by City of Lakes Media.

*Photos and story by Joseph Kreiss Photography*



Spectators and potential winners check out the “Hooked on Lakes FM” Summer Giveaway grand prize boat August 24th at Northland Auto and Marine in Emmetsburg, Iowa. Pictured at right is the boat winner Enos Breitbarth of Fairmont.



## Ask A Trooper: Both hands on the wheel

by Sgt. Troy Christianson, MN State Patrol

**Question: The drivers training manual says to have both hands on the steering wheel. First it was “two and ten” and now with airbags they say “nine and three.” The question, is it a law that you must have both hands on the wheel? I have never seen that as a law and if so there sure would be a lot of violations. I’m thinking if it is the manual, it must be a law.**

**Answer:** There is not a law requiring both hands be on the steering

back as possible. Read your operator’s manual before driving or riding in a vehicle equipped with airbags. For more information about the use of seat belts, airbags, and car safety seats, visit the Department of Public Safety Office of Traffic Safety Website at [ots.dps.mn.gov](http://ots.dps.mn.gov).

Vehicles equipped with a manual transmission are going to require the driver to take one hand off of the steering wheel to shift gears. My suggestion is to keep both hands on the steering wheel as much as possible, your eyes to the road, constantly scanning the road, shoulders and ditches. I

## Madelia Foundation forum planned

The Madelia Community Hospital Foundation is hosting a free educational event featuring Attorney Margaret Koberoski, Financial Advisor Kevin Sanger, and Social Worker Glenda Becthold.

This Foundation Forum will be held Thursday, September 12th in the Amberfield Dining Room from 6:30 to 8 p.m.

**Margaret Koberoski: Establishing a Legacy with Estate Planning**



Koberoski will offer insight into the benefits of charitable giving in the context of tax and estate planning. Items of discussion will include charitable planning for farm clients who are moving into retirement, utilizing beneficiary designations to make charitable gifts at death, and how specific charitable bequests within an estate plan can

establish directed gifts. Charitable giving can have a significant impact within the local community. By establishing a legacy gift, the donor is helping to benefit future generations. Koberoski is the principal attorney at Koberoski Law, a practice with offices in Madelia and Mankato.

**Kevin Sanger: Five Fundamentals of Wealth Management**



Sanger will discuss five fundamentals of successful wealth management: establishing a financial safety net, putting time on your side, minimizing income taxes, applying strategies designed to help reduce risk and enhance potential return, and matching your portfolio to your personal profile. Sanger is a financial advisor with Securian Advisors MidAmerica, Inc.

**Glenda Becthold: Advance Directives - Making Your Wishes Known**



Becthold will present information on the necessity of establishing advance directives. Topics will include living will, health care proxy, durable power of attorney, and physician order of life sustaining treatment, and the importance of talking about your wishes with family members and health care professionals. Glenda Becthold is the Social Worker for Madelia Community Hospital & Clinic.

These three knowledgeable speakers will offer important information for all in attendance. It will be especially interesting for those approaching retirement or in retirement, financial planners, insurance professionals and CPAs. Please come and enjoy coffee and dessert while you learn important information about planning for your future.

### Kids' Maze

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The public is invited to attend the

## MARTIN COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY ANNUAL MEETING & DINNER

Thursday, Sept. 19 • 6:00 pm

**Red Rock Center For The Arts**  
222 E. Blue Earth Avenue, Fairmont, MN

**Dr. Heather Olson**

has spent 25+ years working with beyond-risk students and currently working in special education in the prisons at Stillwater and Oak Park Heights.

**Dr. Heather Olson**

Heather is a Fairmont High School Graduate, a licensed and experienced Social Studies teacher, Emotional/Behavioral Disorders teacher and Special Education administrator. She has pursued her passion of working with “beyond-risk” students in rural, urban and suburban settings both inside schools and with other agencies - including the Minnesota Department of Education.

She has been adjunct faculty in the Education Department at Augsburg University. Additional experience includes work in chemical and mental health.

*(Dr. Olson is the daughter of Harlan & Laraine Gorath.)*

**Tickets for the dinner are \$20.00**  
**Call 235-5178 by Sept. 12 to reserve your spot.**

## PLANNING TO APPLY MANURE?

**Setbacks for Manure Application**  
The following setbacks shall be maintained during the application of manure

For more information:  
Martin County Planning & Zoning Department  
201 Lake Avenue – Room 104, Courthouse  
Fairmont, Minnesota 56031  
507-238-3242

Land Feature	Spreading w/out incorporation	Incorporation w/in 48 hrs and prior to rain	
Lakes, Rivers, Streams, Wetlands*, Private and Public Open Ditches	300 feet - F 300 feet - U 1 rod - S (from the OHWL)	1 rod (from the OHWL)	
Road Right-of Ways	60 feet - F 1 rod - U no setback - S	No setback	
Surface Water Intakes	300 feet - F 150 feet - U	1 rod	
Frozen Ground	6% slope or less		

\* = public water wetlands and other uncultivated wetlands  
OHWL = ordinary high water level  
F = on frozen or snow-covered soils  
U = on unfrozen or non snow-covered soils  
S = on and sloping away from the land feature under any soil condition  
1 rod = 16.5 feet

When applying manure on hay ground, the “Incorporation Within 48 hours and prior to Rain” setbacks in the adjacent table shall apply.

When applying manure to hay ground, incorporation is not required.



## OBITUARY notices

### Joan L. Krenz, 88



Joan Krenz passed away Saturday, August 31st, 2019 at Renville Health Services in Renville, MN. Funeral services were held Saturday, September 7th, 2019 at Zaharia Family Funeral Home in Truman with Rev. Nathan Rusert officiating. Interment followed in St. Paul's Lutheran Cemetery, Truman. Zaharia Family Funeral Home in Truman was entrusted with arrangements.

Joan LaVonne (Williams) Krenz was born October 26th, 1930 to Tyler Sr. and Hazel (Dorothy) Williams at her family home in rural Martin County.

She was the third of eight children. She was baptized at the Church of Christ in Redwood Falls. She attended country school for grades 1- 8 in Redwood Falls and graduated from Truman High School in 1949. She was crowned homecoming queen, Miss Truman and Miss Martin County. She was a candidate for the Queen of the Lakes in Minneapolis. Joan was married to Lawrence Krenz on December 10th, 1949 in the Little Brown Church in the Vale, Nashua, Iowa. They lived in Truman until 1953. She and her husband operated businesses including

a drive-in and root beer stand in Farmington, MN and the Hollywood Motel and Restaurant in Clearwater, MN. They built and sold several homes on the "Krenz cul-de-sac" in Clearwater. They enjoyed golfing, flying airplanes and fishing. Together, they enjoyed traveling in their motorhome. She was an active member of the Lions Club, American Legion and VFW in Clearwater. After retirement they spent winters in Arizona and summers on Fishtrap Lake near Lincoln, MN. They returned to Redwood Falls in 2000. Due to declining health she

moved to the Wood Dale Nursing Home in October 2018, Oak Terrace Assisted Living in November 2018 and Renville Health Services in March 2019. Joan always enjoyed her sweets and would often joke about having her dessert first.

She is now reunited with her husband, who died February 1st, 2019 and her daughter, Marsha Lavonne, who died as an infant June 29th, 1967.

Joan is survived by her brothers, Dale (Geneva) Williams of Mansfield, Ohio, Dean (Sandra) Williams of Renville, MN and Marvin Williams of Mar-

shall; sisters-in-law, Aralia Taylor of Chicago, IL and Arlene Peters of Mankato; She will be sadly missed by many nieces and nephews.

In addition to her husband and daughter she was preceded in death by her parents; her brother, Tyler Williams; sisters, Betty Rasche King, Maxine Malmanger and Elaine Thayer.

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

### Patricia L. Kosbab, 83



Friday, September 6th, 2019 at St. James Lutheran Church in Northrop. Burial followed at Lakeside Cemetery in Fairmont. Pat passed away on Monday evening, September 2nd, 2019 at Lakeview Methodist Health Care Center in Fairmont. In lieu of flowers, memorials are preferred to St. James Lutheran Church and School. The Lakeview Funeral Home and Cremation Service in Fairmont assisted the family with arrangements.

Patricia Louise Kosbab was born on May 30th, 1936, to Delmar and LaMina F. (Babb) Classon

in Center Creek Township, Martin County, MN. She received her education from attending country schools and graduating from Welcome High School in 1954.

Pat was united in marriage to Robert C. Kosbab on September 9th, 1956 at Trinity Lutheran Church in Welcome. This marriage was blessed with three daughters, Cindi, Kristi and Sherri. After their marriage, Bob and Pat made their home in Northrop. She worked at Stokely Van Camp and in her later years she worked at K-Mart in Fairmont.

Pat was a member of St.

James Lutheran Church where she was part of the LWML Eve Circle and altar guild. She served on the 1999 Northrop Centennial Celebration Committee. Pat loved baking in her kitchen, Wednesday afternoon bowling league and crossword puzzles. Pat most loved spending time with her family and for several years making annual trips up North for summer vacations.

She is survived by her husband, Robert Kosbab; daughters, Cindi (Paul) Tomlinson, Kristi (Larry) Behrens and Sherri (Kevin) Roforth; grandchildren, Brady (Colleen)

Tomlinson, Erin (Corey) Simpson, Shelby Tomlinson, Nathan Behrens, Lisa (Devin) Nelson, Jayden (fiancée, Mariah Thate) Garlick, Colby (J'aime) Garlick, Kelynn Garlick, Jaxen Garlick, Crystal (Ryan) Stowe, and Cassie (Greg) Fisher; ten great-grandchildren; brother and sisters-in-law, Phyllis Kosbab and Rollo and Jen Kosbab; and other extended family.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Delmar and LaMina Classon; parents-in-law, Henry and Lillian Kosbab; brothers and sisters-in-law, Herb and Lorna Kosbab,

Helen (Kosbab) and Leo Becker, Delbert Kosbab, Esther (Kosbab) Smith-Mohwinkel, Emeril Smith and Dorwin Mohwinkel; and son-in-law, Rickard Garlick.

Our heartfelt thank-you to Pastor David Schultz for his compassionate and comforting words of prayer and to the Lakeview Methodist Home and Mayo Hospice staff for their kind and gentle hands caring for Mom.

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

## DEATH notices

August 29 - Charles "Bud" Potts, 90, Trimont  
Kramer Family Funeral Home  
August 31 - Joan L. Krenz, 88, Renville, MN (formerly of Truman)  
Zaharia Family Funeral Home  
September 2 - Patricia L. Kosbab, 83, Northrop  
Lakeview Funeral and Cremation Service  
September 5 - Walter J. Bettin, 87, rural Trimont  
Kramer Family Funeral Home

### In Memorium

#### One Year Ago This Week

September 2 - Luella (Lou) Romsdahl, 90, St. James  
September 2 - Joseph Craig Weber, 23, Fairmont  
September 3 - Harland R. Johnson, 81, Fairmont  
September 3 - John Gaalswyk, 92, Owatonna, formerly of Mountain Lake  
September 7 - Joel T. Kruse, 73, rural Ormsby

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## MLHS program recognized for dynamic and engaging yearbook

Jostens, the leading producer of yearbooks and student-created content, today announced that Martin Luther High School's yearbook program has been named a 2019 Jostens' National Yearbook Program of Excellence. The National Yearbook Program of Excellence recognizes engaging yearbooks that reflect a broad representation of the student body while helping students develop 21st century skills such as communication, collaboration, and information and communication technologies (ICT) literacy.

The 2019 Martin Luther High School "The Shield"

award winning yearbook program was led by Sierra Geistfeld, Senior Editor and Lydia Steinhaus, Junior Editor under the direction of Marge Thiesse, Martin Luther High School yearbook adviser.

"Sierra Geistfeld's talents as a detail-oriented person and Lydia Steinhaus's creativity combined perfectly to produce an exceptional yearbook. In addition, the underclassmen provided excellent production support to complete the book in early June," said Marge Thiesse, Adviser.

Jostens' National Yearbook Program of Excellence Awards are presented twice a year, in spring

and in fall for yearbooks delivered during the school year. The Award was presented to the Martin Luther High School yearbook program for achieving the defined criteria in each of three following categories: creating an inclusive yearbook, generating school engagement, and successfully managing the yearbook creation process.

The Martin Luther High School yearbook program will receive a gem-studded recognition pin and a banner to display in school, so the entire school community will be aware of the outstanding achievement.

## The Jackson Road

### Guest Columnist

Darwin Anthony, Business Owner, Artist, Writer



I remember my father talking about it. It was the stagecoach road that ran across several counties, from Winnebago to Jackson. The road ran east and west on a path north of our home farm near Granada. Part of this same road, a county tar road, runs parallel to Elm Creek in Martin County today. It is still known as THE JACKSON ROAD. The road followed the contours of the land. It circled the sloughs and followed the high areas, which made the distance between the two towns much further. This essay is written about this road of history.

We were invited to attend a one hundred and twenty fifth celebration for the Rooney farm several years ago. The descendants of these early Irish settlers were going to have a celebration of ownership. A piece of restored prairie was dedicated to their father and a priest blessed the farm. THE JACKSON ROAD ran through their farm. We could sense their pride coming from the ownership of the early pioneer

farm. We learned that it was one of the stopping points of the stagecoach. They were paid to have the replacement horses harnessed and ready to go when the stage with tired horses pulled into the yard. They explained how a special barn had been built to house the stagecoach horses. The change of horses was a practiced happening. It was much like the "pit stops" at the car races today. The drivers would "pull the pin" on the stage pole, hook up the replacement pole with the new horses and off they went. One of the family members talked about how important the income from the stagecoach company was to the family in those early years. They were paid a monthly payment for boarding the horses and having them ready to go when the stage arrived.

THE JACKSON ROAD crossed Elm Creek several times. The creek crossings were very important, for they had to have a solid bottom and gentle sloping sides. One of those crossings was a few miles southeast of Trimont on what is now the Paul Matejka farm. The road then circled a large slough

and stopped at a resting place, which is now a bed and breakfast called "The Four Columns Inn". Its significance in history draws guests from a great distance.

A remaining visible section of THE JACKSON ROAD cuts through a meadow that can be seen from the bordering highway and the bed and breakfast. The crease in the side hill is a testimony of its use. If you listen closely, you can still hear the sound of the running horses and the rumbling of the stage. I can only imagine what a relief it was to get to the stage stop after such a long and jolting ride.

THE JACKSON ROAD was something that was here before the railroads, towns and roads. It provided a trail across a prairie of tall grass and few trees. The ancestors of many of our farm families traveled this path through the prairie. They built up the farms that were followed by the railroads and then the towns.

I am happy to see that the visible crease of THE JACKSON ROAD is being preserved.





## Jeff's Jottings

On Saturday my family will celebrate the birthday of a special lady - my mother, Marianne Hagen. I am lucky enough to have a very close relationship with both of my parents, but like most boys (men), the bond with our mothers are very special. My mother went through some tough times when she was growing up in post-World War 2 Germany, but she has shown her determination in not



only making the most of her childhood, but also when it came time to take on the role of "mother," she made sure that we all had the best family experiences when we were growing up. I'm sure that my brother, Tim, and my sisters Angie and Larissa would all agree with me that when we look back on our childhoods, we may not have had much at times when it came to material things, but we never had a lack of love and care from our parents. Mom inherited many things in her mannerisms from her mother (my Oma), and we sometimes poke fun at her about that, but those mannerisms come from the love she has for her family and she strives to always show that love. September 14th is her birthday and we all will take the time to wish her a happy birthday. I thank God every day that I have loving parents and a special mom!

### "What is it?" a challenge!

This week's "What is it?" proved to be a lot more challenging for readers than the previous two weeks. As of the date I am writing this column, no one has even called in with a guess as to what it is, let alone having a correct answer. Pat Bulfer of Fairmont brought this item in and said it has been in the family for quite a few years, but the current generation has no idea what it is. It is a heavy piece, made out of cast steel, measures 3 inches tall and 2 inches in circumference has a handle and weighs 1.4 pounds. Even more important, what would it be used for? There are no markings on it anywhere. So, what is it? Call me at 507-238-9456 or drop me an email: jeff@fairmontphotopress.com. Have an item you think would be good to have in this column? Even if you know what it is, many others may not. Just bring it in and we will take some pictures and get measurements and you will see it featured in a fu-

ture Photo Press.

### It is just a matter of common courtesy

My sister Larissa and I had the honor of singing for Pat Kosbab's funeral last week and we were asked to sing a song for the family at the gravesite also. We were part of the funeral procession to the cemetery. While on the road from Northrop (where the funeral was held) to Lakeside Cemetery in Fairmont I noticed that



not all of the vehicles we encountered on the road would pull over to the side for the funeral procession. I realize it is not a specific "law" to do so, but common courtesy and respect for the family means that you should pull to the side of the

road until the entire procession passes you by. We even had a pickup pass our group while we were coming into Fairmont! We spoke with one of the members of the funeral home after the service about it and he said that over the years they have had a number of vehicles do things that should not really be done involving funeral processions, including passing vehicles in the procession and pulling in line, just to turn off at an intersection down the road. The family has enough to deal with at a funeral, they don't need someone disrespecting the deceased just because they feel like they don't need to pull to the side. I realize that everyone is in a hurry nowadays, but it only takes a few minutes of your time to do the right thing - show respect and pull over for the procession.

### Fish fillets, tacos and pancakes

Lots of things are taking place in the coming week: • Wednesday, September 11th Fairmont United Methodist Church begins its weekly Wednesday evening suppers from 5 to 6

p.m. This week they serve fish fillets, mashed potatoes and coleslaw. • Wednesday, September 11th Grace Lutheran Church begins its weekly Wednesday evening suppers from 4:45 to 6:15 p.m. This week they serve tacos. • Thursday, September 12th from 5 to 7 p.m. The Shepherd's In will serve a free soup meal at the Blazer Hall, 95 Downtown Plaza in Fairmont. • Sunday, September 15th the Truman Historical Society will have its fundraiser dinner from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Truman Community Building. Nancy Jo's will be catering. • Monday, September 16th the Regional Worship Center in Sherburn will be hosting a pancake, eggs and coffee breakfast from 7 to 9 a.m. • Tuesday, September 17th at 8:30 a.m. is the Tuesday morning coffee at St. Paul UCC Church in Wel-

come. *Drive safely - visit a shut-in or family member - eat/play/shop local - Happy Birthday Mom!*

Jeff

## "Just the other day"

Guest Columnist

Tom Palen, broadcaster, pilot, writer



### "Getting Even"

After living there for many years and trying corn from other states, I've concluded the best sweet corn in the world comes from Iowa. Returning from our camping trip in Ankeny, we brought home extra corn to share with friends and neighbors.

When I took a few ears across the road, Bonnie asked me to come inside, "I have something for you and Melissa, too." She brought a baking dish of something that sure looked good, to the table. "It's a blueberry dessert I made," She said while cutting two pieces each about three inches square. She placed them on a paper plate, "I'm not going to cover this. The plastic wrap will stick to the whipped topping." I told her it was okay since I was going straight home.

Smelling the fresh blueberries, I said, "I hope this makes it home." Then added, "I don't think we need to tell Melissa about this dessert, just in case it doesn't make it home." We shared a good laugh about that. I thanked her for the dessert; Bonnie and her husband Kenny, thanked me for the corn. I was barely off their steps when I caught another whiff of those berries. I smiled thinking I sure got the better end of this deal.

About half way home, the two pieces shifted a little. Sliding them back

into position I got some whipped topping on me. Obviously, I couldn't go home with dessert on my finger. Mmm. The square had a small dent where I pushed it so I evened out the edge. "Oops, I accidentally got some more on my finger. My bad." Mmm.

At home in my kitchen with a fork I took a small corner off Melissa's piece and tasted it. "Oh my. That is good." I said, then tried another small bite. I took a third bite to Melissa who was sitting at her computer. "Close your eyes and open your mouth." I said, then waved the fork under her nose.

"Blueberries!" She said with excitement, then opened her eyes and ate the bite. "That's really good! Where did you get

it?" She sprang up from her chair and followed me like a shadow, to the kitchen. Her eyes lit up when she saw two nice size pieces on the plate. Taking the fork, she tried another bite as if to give a second opinion. "Mmm. That is so good." She pointed the fork at the piece we had been sampling and declared, "That's your piece." We shared a good laugh about that.

... "Go see if they want more corn"... "Ah ha!"...she was busted and she knew it...

For the rest of this story, visit our website at fairmontphotopress.com or you can request a paper copy that can be picked up at the office by calling the front desk at 507-238-9456.



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**LOCAL**



Lee C. Prentice American Legion Post 36 Fairmont Vice Commander Devin Haegeman presents a new flag to Fairmont Elementary School Teacher Jim Buss and several students learning about flag etiquette. (Submitted photo)

## Area College Student News

Whitney Smith of Sherburn, who is studying Kinesiology and Health, received the V. Everett and Grace Miller Donelson Memorial Scholarship for the 2019-20 academic year from the Iowa State University College of Human Sciences and affli-

ated units in Ames, Iowa.

More than \$1.3 million in student scholarships are offered each year by the College of Human Sciences and its academic units, in addition to monies awarded by Iowa State at the university level.

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## DON'T MISS OUT!

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507-238-4900 or fairmontoperahouse.org

## Concert Series Opener

### The Lowest Pair



Fri., Sept. 13 • 7pm  
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### A double banjo duo

This quirky, old-time roots influenced duet performs traditional and original music, often nestled-in between, with a city folk front and back porch sentiment.

\$12 advance tickets available at Hy-Vee, in Fairmont.  
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SEPT 12 - 18

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**MON:** Philly cheesesteak sandwich, calico beans, tater tots, jello with banana.

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**MON:** BBQ chicken sandwich, fries, corn, banana.

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**THUR:** Mini turkey corn dogs, tater tots, caesar salad, pears.

**FRI:** Ham cheese and lettuce wrap, green beans, fruit cocktail.

**MON:** BBQ chicken sandwich, tater tots, carrots, pineapple chunks.

**TUE:** Turkey, mashed potatoes, gravy, dinner roll, corn, orange.

**WED:** Popcorn chicken, dinner roll, baked beans, celery sticks, banana.

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SEPT 12 - 18

**THUR: K-6:** Chicken nuggets, dinner roll, strawberry parfait, mashed potatoes, gravy, caesar salad, apple, blueberries.

**JR/HS:** Mini corn dogs, tater tots, broccoli and cauliflower, caesar salad, carrots, apple, pears.

**FRI: K-6:** Cheese pizza, nachos fun lunch, broccoli, cucumbers, orange, pears.

**JR/HS:** Cheese calzone, green beans, celery sticks, pepper strips, orange, fruit cocktail.

**MON: K-6:** Crispy chicken patty sandwich, ham and turkey chef salad, dinner roll, baked beans, tomatoes, orange, pears.

**JR/HS:** Italian meatball sub,

tater tots, peas, carrots, caesar salad, apple, pears.

**TUE: K-6:** Mac and cheese, dinner roll, turkey ham and cheese sandwich, broccoli, carrots, apple, pineapple chunks.

**JR/HS:** Turkey, mashed potatoes, gravy, dinner roll, apple crisp, corn, coleslaw, cucumbers, orange, applesauce.

**WED: K-6:** Cheeseburger, chicken caesar salad wrap, fries, celery sticks, grapes, applesauce.

**JR/HS:** Popcorn chicken, dinner roll, mashed potatoes, gravy, broccoli salad, carrot and celery sticks, banana, mandarin orange and pineapple.

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## Update home lighting to be easy on the eyes

(StatePoint) If you ever experience eyestrain, tired itchy eyes, blurry vision or headaches, it may be time to give your home a lighting makeover.

Problems caused by bad lighting can be intensified by using it for longer, something most households should keep in mind, as 74 percent of Americans in a recent survey, commissioned by lighting manufacturer, Signify, say they spend eight hours or more a day under artificial light.

The World Health Organization predicts that 50 percent of people will be short sighted by 2050.

Unfortunately, there's a disconnect between people's concerns about eye health and the steps they are taking to support eye comfort at home. While 80 percent of U.S. consumers in the same Signify survey say they believe good lighting is beneficial for eye health, a 2017 Signify study found only 21 percent take that into account when

purchasing light bulbs, and only 29 percent consider light quality.

For many consumers, the disconnect may stem from overwhelming choice when it comes to home lighting and from not having enough information to make an informed decision. Luckily, manufacturers



are taking steps to improve lighting quality and help guide consumers in their search for comfortable light that's easy on the eyes.

For example, Signify has defined specific lighting quality parameters, which take into account factors such as flicker, strobe, glare and dimming effects that can affect one's eye comfort. Consumers can look for an EyeComfort label on product packaging to identify the Philips LED light

bulbs that meet the standards for quality lighting that's easy on the eyes.

To further protect your eyes and avoid discomfort, try the following:

- If you are in front of screens (computers, smartphones, televisions) for extended periods of time, close your eyes for 20 seconds or more, every 20 minutes, to allow them to relax.

- If outdoors, wear sunglasses with 100 percent UV protection to help protect your eyes from the sun. It's helpful to keep a pair in your bag or car, so they are always nearby. Also consider spending a bit more time in natural light and less in artificial light.

- Exercise and strengthen your eyes by incorporating simple, yet effective eye yoga exercises into your daily routine for a few minutes daily.

- Schedule regular check-ups with an eye specialist, who will be able to detect the first signs of any eye condition or disease.

While certain eye conditions are beyond one's control, why not do what's in your power to protect your family from eyestrain and related discomfort? The simple DIY project of upgrading your home lighting can mean happier, healthier eyes and better quality of life.

## Tips for creating the perfect home office

(StatePoint) With more people nationwide opting to create their own businesses or work for their employer remotely, the home office has become one of the most used spaces of the house, with many people spending more than eight hours a day in this room. If you're one of these people, the kitchen table just won't cut it if you're looking to get serious and organized.

To create a dedicated workspace that is beautiful, smart and functional, consider the following tips:

Tip 1: Design a space where you'll enjoy spending time. Simple touches like lighting, a bright touch of paint or a wide-open window,

can help create an inviting ambiance, and so can the addition of certain accessories. Instead of opting for a simple ceiling light fixture, dare to add a pop of style and color with a new ceiling fan. Not only can this addition make your space more comfortable, it can elevate your décor, with the ceiling as the centerpiece. Options from Hunter Fan Company like the Norden or Hepburn can bring the Satin Copper trend from the kitchen

to the office, while new finishes in some of the brand's fan favorites, such as the Cranbrook in Dove Grey or Blush Pink, will fit seamlessly into a bright and inviting space.

Tip 2: Add life. Add color and vitality to your home office with some plant life. Not only will you be improving indoor air quality, you'll be adding beauty to the space. To save precious desk-space, consider a few hanging plant-



ers, opting for plants that thrive indoors, such as spider plants or jade.

Tip 3: Don't forget function! As the wheels turn and your creative juices start flowing, nothing can be more distracting than a creaking ceiling fan or a light that just doesn't do the trick. A simple switch can make all the difference. While a desk lamp might solve your lighting problem, why not opt for a fixture that can solve both of

those issues at the same time? Tech-savvy ceiling fan options from Hunter Fan Company like the Tunable White LED Dempsey, allow you to adjust the temperature of the light, ensuring your fan will operate quietly, keep you cool, and work as hard -- and as late -- as you do. With its dimmable remote, you can adjust the light temperature for your eyes, using warm white lighting for nighttime work and cool white lighting to perk you up in the morning. Such details will help any entrepreneur avoid distraction and create a more productive work environment.

Tip 4: Get personal. You may be doing business, but when it comes to decorating, it's time to mix in the personal. Items such as photographs of friends and family or reminders of previous accomplishments will bring you joy and help you stay motivated. Whatever you do, don't settle for completely bare walls!

Gone are the days of dark wood-paneling, moody lighting and rolodexes. Today's most effective home offices are brighter, more welcoming, and unite function with your personal style.

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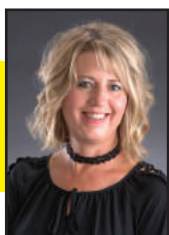
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## How to nail the farmhouse style in your interior decorating

(StatePoint) Farmhouse style is cozy, rustic, charming and eclectic. While creating the vibe in your own home is easy, according to home decorating experts, it requires some attention to detail.

Designer, Instagram personality, blogger and business owner Liz Marie Galvan, who recently renovated her 1840s farmhouse, is sharing a few key elements to consider:

bring in natural wood kitchen cabinets, dressers, trim and so much more."

To be eco-conscious while nailing the weathered look, consider sourcing locally reclaimed lumber, where possible. You can continue the wood motif by adding shiplap accent walls or even shiplap ceilings to certain rooms.

### Replacement Windows



### Natural Wood Elements

Searching for the perfect table, picture frame, or bookshelf? When in doubt, use natural wood.

"Natural wood really evokes that old-time feel. In our home we have wood flooring in every room, but you can also

"Most people don't think a lot about windows -- window treatments, yes, but windows...not so much," points out Galvan. "But windows themselves can be a game-changer. One of the key parts of our renovation was all-new windows with a historical-

ly accurate grille pattern, which totally changed the look and feel of the house."

This upgrade not only complemented the historical period of the home's structure to define the look, it also eliminated the draft she was experiencing from the old windows that came with the home -- a good reminder that old-school charm does not need to be accompanied by old-school discomfort.

While Galvan did hers in white with colonial grilles, other colors, such as black, would also go great in a farmhouse-style home. Keep in mind, there are many elements to consider, and you'll want the flexibility to customize. This is why Galvan turned to Renewal by Andersen,

the full-service custom replacement window division of Andersen. Offering a start-to-finish process, one can select among 49 color combinations, numerous hardware choices and a wide variety of grille patterns and frames -- including a

custom-designed option. For customization inspiration, visit [renewalbyandersen.com/style](http://renewalbyandersen.com/style).

As for trim, Galvan says you can get instant farmhouse vibes and make a new build look old by using thick, chunky window, door and floorboard trim throughout the entire home.

### Extra Touches

Decorate with items you'd actually find on a farm, as much as possible. Galvan used rustic farmhouse fabrics like grain-sack, tobacco baskets, chicken nesters, farmhouse signs, barn wood and more. And about 80 percent of her home's furniture is antique or vintage, she says. Antiquing is not only fun, but when you find that perfect treasure, there may be a touch of triumph involved. However, if the treasure hunt starts to feel more like a haystack, consider going the "faux antique" route. Many stores sell convincing reproductions.

For more style inspiration and to learn more about Galvan's project, visit: [renewalbyandersen.com/farmhouse](http://renewalbyandersen.com/farmhouse).

Whether your home was built last year or last century, a farmhouse style will give the space coziness and warmth.

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## Strange BUT TRUE

By Samantha Weaver

- It was infamous French statesman and military leader Napoleon Bonaparte who made the following sage observation: "In politics, absurdity is not a handicap."
- It may be hard to believe, but there is an official competition to see who can sit in a sauna for the longest period of time. The World Sauna Championships have taken place in Heinola, Finland, annually since 1999. The starting temperature is 110 F, and a liter of water is poured on the stove every 30 seconds. The winner is the last person who is able to leave the sauna without assistance. Competitors participate at their own risk, and they are required to sign a waiver agreeing not to take legal action against the event organizers.
- The ubiquitous summertime flip-flop sandals are known in Australia as pluggers, are called slops in South Africa and slippers in Hawaii, and New Zealanders call them jandals.
- Evidently, it's not just humans who associate a deeper voice with maturity (and desirability) in males. It seems that male owls try to appear more macho and attract females by lowering the tone of their hoots.
- Those who keep track of such things say that about 15 percent of all Google searches are new -- that is, they have never been searched before on Google.
- You might be surprised to learn that Jane Austen's novel "Pride and Prejudice" was originally titled "First Impressions."
- In 2006, an Illinois police officer was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol. This probably would not be noteworthy, except that it was the same police officer who received an award for making the most DUI arrests in his county.

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**Thought for the Day:** "Be not too hasty to trust or admire the teachers of morality; they discourse like angels but they live like men." — Samuel Johnson

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## Tips for taking the perfect photos of your home

(StatePoint) Whether you've completed an amazing renovation, or you are selling your house, you'll want to take perfect pictures of your home to share.

A c c l a i m e d photographer, Jeffrey



Davis, the photographer of choice for The New American Home and Progress Lighting, is sharing some tips to elevate your residential photography game to a social media-worthy or even magazine-worthy level.

Lighting fixtures are a critical focal point in homes, yet photographing lighting in a room is challenging. "Lights always look better when turned on," says Davis. "Try to pick a time of day when lights can be on, but you can still get outside views that won't be burned out."

Jennifer Kis, director of marketing communications for Progress Lighting and a veteran of many residential photoshoots, agrees. "Lighting is often the statement piece of a room. Having the chandelier turned on in the great room, for example, adds to the general light of the room and creates a warm and cozy feeling."

Another important tip is to focus on the lighting fixture itself. "Since lighting fixtures are hung high in a room, angle the camera that way. Shooting at eye level is rarely the right angle," says Davis.



Whether or not lighting fixtures are the focus, having the right light at the right time is an essential piece of taking perfect pictures. Spend extra time scouting shoot locations and the design layout of the home. Take

notes when planning the shoot to ensure that natural light is shining in the right space at the right time of day.

Next, focus on the composition of the shot. The proper balance elevates the image and makes the design elements of the room stand out. When aiming for a picture of the whole room, try shooting right down its center. Using the room's architectural

framework as a guide, pick angles that feel natural to the space and that casually direct the eye to the subject matter being showcased. The viewer's eye should wander around the image, finally landing on the intended focal point.

Colorful accessories and the right room angles create a visual path through the room, engaging the eye naturally to add depth and interest to the image and taking the ordinary to extraordinary. Clear out the clutter in the room and style the space, remembering that less is more. Try focusing on details and vignettes that create a story of the area and give the room personality.

For an ideal finished image, Davis recommends a print file size of 4,000 pixels, 14-inches x 14-inches at 300 dots per inch in tiff or jpeg format. For online use, he recommends images sized 1,800 pixels, 12-inches x 12-inches at 150 dots per inch, in jpeg format. For residential photography inspiration, check out [progressltg.com/ExperienceProgress](http://progressltg.com/ExperienceProgress).

By adopting the key principles of professionals, you can capture the beauty of your home interiors to create amazing photos of your home.

## Tips for tackling disorganized areas of your home

(StatePoint) While we all know that minimalism is "in" right now, thanks to Japanese cleaning guru Marie Kondo and her "Tidying Up" show on Netflix, decluttering your whole house can feel daunting.

Instead, start small with these tips for tackling the areas that tend to collect the most dirt and clutter.

1. Purge your refrigerator weekly. The day prior to garbage collection, clean out your fridge of all leftovers and expired foods, and wipe down the shelves to prevent stickiness and mold from leaking containers. Pro Tip: Line refrigerator trays and drawers with a protective, dishwasher safe layer, such as Clear Classic EasyLiner Brand Shelf Liner, to make it easy to wipe spills clean.

2. Add order to kitchen cupboards. When organizing cabinets, place everyday items such as

cups and dishes in easily accessible cupboards, and store things that you use less frequently, like fine china, on the harder-to-reach shelves. When it comes to the pile of cookie sheets and cupcake pans

shoved in that hard-to-reach cabinet, use a basic file organizer to create a neatly organized bakeware zone.

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3. Categorize your pantry. Store your food by category, such as breakfast or baking, with the items that are most-used placed front and center. If you have kids, set up a snack zone, so

they don't rifle through other shelves. Pro Tip: Ensure small items don't fall through the spaces in wire racks by laying down a base on the shelves, such as Solid Grip EasyLiner Brand Shelf Liner.

4. Organize the junk drawer. Eighty percent

of Americans report that they have at least one junk drawer in their home, but the average household actually has three of these catch-all drawers, according to Duck brand research.

To wrangle this chaotic space, install bins or trays to keep similar contents together and make it easy to see what's actually in there. For larger pieces, shelf liners with a grip surface and grip bottom provide cushioning, hold items in place and protect the drawer bottom. Plus, they're removeable for easy cleaning.

5. Declutter your linen closet. To make the linen closet as functional as possible, utilize adjustable dividers to sort textiles and fold sheets into pillow cases to ensure bedding sets stay together. Additionally, ensure your linens are protected from potential damage by installing shelf liners. Melamine or veneer shelves can cause fabric to yellow, and textiles that are laid directly onto wire shelves inevitably form crease lines, but a layer of multi-purpose liner can preserve linens and even add a pop of color or style to your closet.

For additional organizational tips, visit DuckBrand.com.

Whether you tackle it as part of a purging effort or to simplify your life, the best way to handle decluttering is in stages.



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## Business Owners: You Need Your Own Retirement Plan

As a business owner, you can't afford to ignore your competition. You can't afford to miss out on the trends affecting your industry. You can't afford to alienate customers. And here's one more item to add to the list: You can't afford not to create a retirement plan for yourself.

Of course, you might think that, one day, you'll simply sell your business and live off the proceeds. But selling a business isn't always simple, and there's no guarantee you'll receive enough to pay for a comfortable retirement - which is why you should strongly consider creating a retirement plan now.

Here are some of the most widely used plans:

- **SEP-IRA:** You can contribute up to 25 percent of your compensation - as much as \$56,000 in 2019 - to a SEP-IRA. Your contributions are tax deductible and your earnings grow tax-deferred until withdrawn. This plan offers

you significant flexibility in making contributions for yourself and your employees. Plus, as an employer, you can generally deduct, as business expenses, any contributions you make on behalf of your plan participants.

- **SIMPLE IRA:** In 2019, you can put in up to \$13,000 - or \$16,000 if you're 50 or older - to a SIMPLE IRA. As is the case with the SEP-IRA, your earnings grow tax deferred. You can match your employees' contributions dollar for dollar, up to 3 percent of compensation. If you work for yourself, you can combine employee and employer contributions, so if you use the 3 percent matching rule, and you earn enough to fully match employee contributions, you can put in up to \$26,000 per year (or \$32,000 if you're 50 or older). Alternatively, you could contribute 2 percent of each eligible employee's compensation each year, up to a maximum of \$5,600, re-

gardless of whether the employee contributes. Contributions to your employees are tax deductible.

- **"Owner-only" 401(k) plan:** If you have no employees other than your spouse, you can establish an "owner-only" 401(k) plan, which functions similarly to a 401(k) plan offered by a large employer. Between salary deferral and profit sharing, you can contribute up to \$56,000, in pre-tax dollars, to your owner-only 401(k), or \$62,000 if you're 50 or older. Like a SEP-IRA and SIMPLE IRA, a 401(k) provides the potential to accumulate tax-deferred earnings. However, you could choose to open a Roth 401(k), which can be funded with after-tax dollars. With a Roth 401(k), your earnings can grow tax-free, provided you've had your account at least five years and you don't start taking withdrawals until you're at least 59-1/2.

Which plan is right for you? The answer depends on several factors, such as whether you have any employees and how much money you can contribute each year. But all the plans mentioned above are generally easy to establish, and the administrative costs are usually minimal. Most important, any one of them can help you build some of the resources you'll need to enjoy the retirement lifestyle you've envisioned. To select an appropriate plan, you may want to consult with your tax and financial advisors.

In any case, don't wait too long. Time goes by quickly, and when you reach that day when you're a "former" business owner, you'll want to be prepared.

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## Estate Plans Help Answer Questions About Future

The word "estate" conjures images of great wealth, which may be one of the reasons so many people don't develop estate plans - after all, they're not rich, so why make the effort? In reality, though, if you have a family, you can probably benefit from estate planning, whatever your asset level. And you may well find that a comprehensive estate plan can help you answer some questions you may find unsettling - or even worrisome.

Here are a few of these questions:

• **What will happen to my children?** With luck, you (and your co-parent, if you have one) will be alive and well at least until your children reach the age of majority (either 18 or 21, depending on where you live). Nonetheless, you don't want to take any chances, so, as part of your estate plans, you may want to name a guardian to take care of your children if you are not around. You also might want to name a conservator - sometimes called a "guardian of the estate" - to manage any assets your minor children might inherit.

• **Will there be a fight over my assets?** Without a solid estate plan in place, your assets could be subject to the time-consuming, expensive - and very public

- probate process. During probate, your relatives and creditors can gain access to your records, and possibly even challenge your will. But with proper planning, you can maintain your privacy. As one possible element of an estate plan, a living trust allows your property to avoid probate and pass quickly to the beneficiaries you've named.

• **Who will oversee my finances and my living situation if I become incapacitated?** You can build various forms of protection into your estate planning, such as a durable power of attorney, which allows you to designate someone to manage your financial affairs if you become physically or mentally incapacitated. You could also create a medical power of attorney, which allows someone to handle health care decisions on your behalf if you become unable to do so yourself.

• **Will I shortchange my family if I leave significant assets to charities?** Unless you have unlimited resources, you'll have to make some choices about charitable gifts and money for your family. But as part

of your estate plans, you do have some appealing options. For example, you could establish a charitable lead trust, which provides financial support to your chosen charities for a period of time, with the remaining assets eventually going to your family members. A charitable remainder trust, by contrast, can provide a stream of income for your family members for the term of the trust, before the remaining assets are transferred to one or more charitable organizations.

As you can see, careful estate planning can help you answer many of the questions that may be worrying you. Be aware, though, that certain aspects of estate planning, especially those related to living trusts and charitable trusts, can be complex, so you should consult your estate-planning attorney or qualified tax advisor about your situation. But once you've got your plans in place, you should be able to face the future with greater clarity and confidence.

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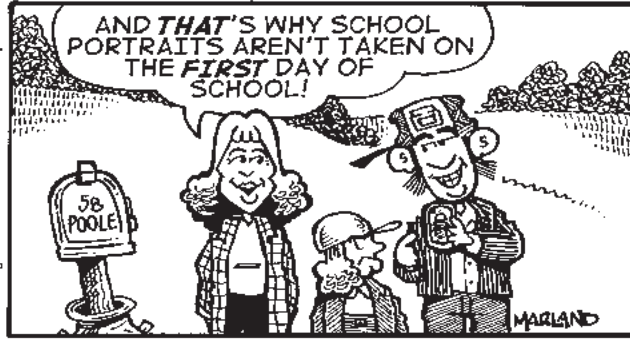
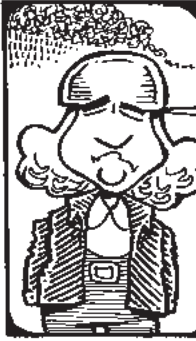
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3. Name the R&B singer and producer who has a 25-mile stretch of I-65 named after him.
4. Which Carly Simon song ended up in a condiment commercial?
5. Name the song that contains this lyric: "They all tell me sing to him, swing with him, and just do anything for him, and tell him he's the one."

#### Answers

1. Billy Bland, in 1960. After offering suggestions to another artist in a studio, it was Bland's version that was recorded.
2. "For Your Eyes Only," by Sheena Easton. Blondie also wrote a theme song by the same name, but the studio went with Easton singing another version by the film's composer.
3. Kenneth "Babyface" Edmonds. The section is in Indianapolis, where he was born.
4. "Anticipation," in 1971. From the 1970s into the '80s, the song was used to promote a thick ketchup that poured very slowly.
5. "Easier Said Than Done," by The Essex in 1964. The Essex were active-duty Marines who first met while stationed in Okinawa. Group member William Linton wrote the song to the rhythm of the teletype machine in his office.

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## Odell Wind awards grants to local organizations

Ten grants were recently distributed by Odell Wind Farm Community Fund Board members Jean Burkhardt, Beth Labenz and Misty Karschnik.

Among those that received grants:

- Des Moines Valley Health and Human

Services, \$2,000 toward dental outreach (fluoride treatments) for grades PK-5 in Jackson and Cottonwood schools.

- Jackson County Food 4 Kids Inc., \$5,000 to provide weekend and holiday meals to K-5 at risk children.

- Lutheran Social Ser-

vices of MN, \$2,500 to provide emergency meals to elders.

- Mountain Lake Ambulance Association, \$1,000 toward the purchase of a Lucas Chest Compression System.

- Watonwan County Food Shelf, \$1,000 toward a cart for ease of handling

produce. • Windom Area Hospital, \$1,500 to help make their Be Well Path more handicapped accessible. • Odin Community Club, \$2,500 toward a community park shelter.

Local recipients also included (*below*):



**Clockwise starting at left: Trimont Police Department \$1,500 toward bike helmets, incentive programs, and entertainment at National Night Out, represented by Officer Dayton Asmus (center) and Brenda Nielsen.**

- Prairie Ecology Bus Center, \$2,000 to provide kite kits and advertising for the Prairie Winds Kite Fly (*one of the locations is in Jackson*). Alisha Paplow (*holding child*) accepted the grant.

- Trimont Town Center Incorporated, \$500 to help provide and fill backpacks for MCW Kindergarten classes. Chad Brusky and Gretchen Olson accepted the grant.

(Submitted photos by Jean Burkhardt)



## The Guy From Just Around the Corner

By Al Batt

My neighbor Crandall stops by.

"How are you doing?" I ask.

"Everything is nearly copacetic. I just ate a ginormous cheeseburger with three beef patties and bacon.

There was an advertisement from a funeral home on the wrapper. I had to go to the Knife and Gun Club — the emergency room — yesterday."

"Oh, no! What happened?" I say.

"I took a fall."

"How did that happen?" I ask.

"I tripped over an electrical cord at a farm safety seminar."

**Naturally**

I listened to black-capped chickadees making their chickadee-dee-dee calls, increasing the number of dee notes when alarmed. I found no reason for their concern, but I'm sure there was one.

The song of this chickadee is a whistled fee-bee or "love you."

The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources annual roadside pheasant survey showed a 17 percent decrease in the overall pheasant index from 2018. The 2019 index was 11 percent below the 10-year average and 60 percent below the long-term average. This year's statewide pheasant index was 37.4 birds per 100 miles of roads driven. The pheasant index decreased throughout much of the pheasant range, except in the south-central and

east-central regions. There, the index grew by 24 percent and 13 percent, respectively, over 2018. Weather and habitat are the main influences on pheasant populations. Overall conditions for winter survival of wildlife were below average to average throughout the farmland. Deep and persistent snow cover over most of the core pheasant range combined with colder than normal temperatures adversely impacted survival. Cooler than normal temperatures in the spring, flooding caused by melting snow and above-normal precipitation delayed nest initiation. Mild summer temperatures and drier weather benefited birds nesting or re-nesting later in the season. The average hatch date in 2019 was nearly a week later than in 2018. Other species surveyed and how their numbers compared with 2018 were: Gray partridge up, eastern cottontail steady, white-tailed deer up 45%, mourning dove down 29% and sandhill crane up 25%.

**Things to look for**

1. Warblers find sunny sites to glean insects from vegetation. Warblers can be hard to pin down, as are most things in life.

2. Northern flickers flash white rump patches in flight and feed on the ground as they migrate through.

3. Flotillas of dragonflies and ant flight dispersals.

4. The company of some flowers blooming in September. Blue flowers: Blue vervain, blue lobelia and smooth blue aster. White: Common yarrow, white snakeroot, hedge bindweed, flat-topped white aster, wild cucumber,

annual fleabane and heath aster. Yellow: Jerusalem artichoke, sneezeweed, smooth



**A ruby-throated hummingbird sticks out its tongue at another. Photo by Al Batt**

oxeye, common evening primrose, Black-eyed Susan, compass plant, cup plant, Canada goldenrod, zigzag goldenrod and stiff goldenrod. Purple/pink: Rough blazing star, northern plains blazing star, prairie blazing star, meadow blazing star and New England aster. Orange: Spotted-touch-me-not. Red: Cardinal flower.

5. Eastern kingbirds, appearing to be dressed in business suits, gather in flocks in

preparation for migration.

**Q&A**

"Do ruby-throated hummingbirds migrate by day or by night?" By day, except when crossing the Gulf of Mexico. They must keep on going until they reach the other side whether it's day or night."

"Why does one hummingbird chase the others away from the feeder?" As happens each year at this time, our yard becomes a temporary home to a number of

Nectar Nazis declaring ownership of every drop of sugar water. Hummingbirds are aggressive because they can't afford to share flowers during the hard times when not many blossoms are available. This is important because flowers produce limited amounts of nectar. This behavior is so deeply ingrained that it's carried over to feeders. I can almost hear a hummingbird declare this about the nectar feeders, "They're

## Prairie Star Quilt Guild Quilt Show this weekend

Prairie Star Quilt Guild Show will take place this Friday and Saturday, September 13th and 14th, at the Fairmont National Guard Armory located at 700 N. Fairlakes Avenue in Fairmont.

This is a new location for this show. The hours will be Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The featured quilters will be the "James Gang" who are members of the guild but all live in the St. James Area. They will have their quilts showcased for this event.

Another highlight will

be the Trunk Show with Jan Shaffer. A drawing for a full-size quilt made by members of the guild will be held on Saturday at 3 p.m. You do not have to be present to win.

More than 100 quilts or related projects will be on display. Also displayed will be patriotic quilts made by guild members as a yearly Presidents' service project. At a later date these quilts will be distributed to local veterans.

There will also be demonstrations, challenge quilts, local vendors, door prizes and a gift boutique.



**Deb Engman standing in front of the quilt to be given away in a drawing Saturday at 3 p.m.**

Magically Delicious!" as if they contained Lucky Charms Cereal. The tiny bird chases other hummingbirds away. The Lucky Charms Leprechaun said, "They're always after me Lucky Charms."

The hummingbird knows that the other hummingbirds are always after its nectar. There are no pink hearts, yellow moons, orange stars or green clovers in sugar water, but you'll feed more hummingbirds by employing several small feeders rather than one large one. Space the feeders widely and they will be less likely to arouse the birds' territorial instincts.

John McCormick wrote of large numbers of orioles in the cuff of Michigan's lower peninsula, but they had left

until a lone male oriole appeared on the feeder. John asked if it had been migrating from farther north than the others and if orioles migrate individually. Baltimore orioles breed into central Canada. They migrate in flocks at night and feed during the day. Their migration happens in July, August and September. There are always outliers.

Thanks for stopping by

"No garden truly blooms until butterflies have danced upon it." — Kristen D'Angelo

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UP FIELD MARCH - Cards Dan Brummond heads up field past Marshall's #2 Ivan Celedon. Card teammate Rene Morales Jr and Tigers Bryan Ramirez follow the play. The Cards (3-3) lost 2-1 to Marshall last Thursday night. Courtesy fairmontsports.com



STRIDE FOR STRIDE - Cardinals Savannah Baker, right, races Jordan's Maya Worshek to the ball. The Cards (6-1) downed Jordan 7-0 last Saturday. Courtesy fairmontsports.com



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Camp is not just for kids! Twice a year Eldersversity retreat is held at Okoboji Lutheran Bible Camp for adults 55 and older. Monday through Wednesday, September 9th-11th, Ingham Okoboji Lutheran Bible camps is hosting a Fall Eldersversity retreat. Bob Floss will lead worship, and featured speaker Pastor Steve Kramer will offer biblical teaching during the sessions. The sessions will consist of looking at the book of Psalms. Optional activities include pontoon rides, nature trails walk, crafts, games, visiting the Clay County Fair, and more. September 9th registration begins at 4:00 p.m., registration \$99 (or \$69 without housing). The registration cost includes meals, lodging and programming. Eldersversity is an opportunity to grow in faith with old friends and make new friends. Everyone is invited to register by visiting [www.okoboji.org/eldersversity](http://www.okoboji.org/eldersversity) or by calling 1-800-OKOBOJI.

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## USDA announces farm program sign-up details

Guest Columnist

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USDA has announced sign-up details for the 2019 and 2020 commodity farm program, which is being implemented as part of the "Agricultural Improvement Act of 2018" (the 2018 Farm Bill). The farm programs under the 2018 Farm Bill will function very similarly to the farm programs for the 2014-2018 crop years; however, there were some significant changes in certain aspects of the farm program. Following are details for the 2019 and 2020 farm program sign-up:

- Enrollment dates for the 2019 farm program began on September 3rd and will continue until March 15th, 2020 at local USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) offices. Farm program sign-up dates in subsequent years are:

- 2020 --- October 7th, 2019 to June 30th, 2020

- 2021-2023 --- October (the previous year) through March 15th (program year).

- Eligible crops include --- Corn, soybeans, wheat, oats, barley, grain sorghum, long grain rice, medium/short grain rice, temperate japonica rice, seed cotton, dry peas, lentils, large and small chickpeas, peanuts,

sunflower seed, canola, flaxseed, mustard seed, rapeseed, safflower, crambe, and sesame seed.

- Eligible Producers will be able to choose between the price-only "Price Loss Coverage" (PLC) and revenue-based "Ag Risk Coverage" (ARC) program choices for the 2019 and 2020 crop production years. Beginning with the 2021 crop year, producers will be able to make an annual election between the ARC and PLC program choices. The ARC program choice includes both the county-yield based ARC-CO program choice and the ARC-IC program, which is based on farm-level yields.

- The farm program choice between the PLC and ARC-CO farm program choices will be specific to each eligible crop, and the choice can vary from farm unit to farm unit for the same crop. The ARC-IC program applies to all covered commodities on a given farm unit.

- Crop base acres will remain at current levels for all crops on most farms. The only adjustments in base acres will be for crop acres that were added via land

purchases or land rental agreements, for unassigned generic base acres from the last Farm Bill, or for acres that are no longer eligible for farm program payments.

- Producers will have the opportunity to update their FSA farm program payment yields beginning with the 2020 crop year. Yield updates will be based on the average farm yields for the 2013 to 2017 crop years on planted acres for eligible crops, which will be factored down to 81 percent (.81) for corn and soybeans, and 90 percent (.90) for wheat. If the updated yields are lower than current levels, producers can choose to keep their current FSA program yields. The farm program yields are used to calculate PLC payments on individual FSA farm units.

- Risk Management Agency (RMA) yields that are used for crop insurance yield calculations, which will be calculated at the county-level, will now be used for determining ARC-CO benchmark and actual

county yields for ARC-CO payments. The National Ag Statistics Service (NASS) yields, which were the primary yield source for ARC-CO in the last Farm Bill, will now be used as a secondary yield data source.

- ARC-CO payments will now be based on the county where an FSA farm unit is located, rather than the county of the FSA administrative office of the producer (as existed in the last Farm Bill). For producers with FSA administrative farm units in multiple counties, ARC-CO revenues will be "weighted" according to the base acres that are physically located in a county.

- The reference prices for PLC and ARC-CO programs will be established at the greater of the current reference prices or 85 percent (.85) of the market year average (MYA) price for the most recent five years, excluding the high and low year. The reference price can not exceed 115% of the current reference price. The current minimum reference prices (and new maximum prices) are:

Corn = \$3.70/bu. (max. = \$4.26/Bu.)

Soybeans = \$8.40/bu. (max. = \$9.66/Bu.)

Wheat = \$5.50/bu. (max. = \$6.33/Bu.)

Note --- Due to lower

MYA price levels in recent years, the reference prices for corn, soybeans and wheat for the PLC program will likely stay at the current levels for 2019 and 2020. However, the 2019 ARC-CO and ARC-IC benchmark prices for corn, soybeans, and wheat will likely increase from 2018 benchmark price levels.

- Commodity (CCC) national loan rates were increased beginning with the 2019 crop year as follows (with previous loan rates also listed):

Corn = \$2.20 per bushel (previously \$1.95/bu.)

Soybeans = \$6.20 per bushel (previously \$5.00/bu.)

Wheat = \$3.38 per bushel (previously \$2.94/bu.)

Note --- County loan rates are adjusted, based on geographical price differences.

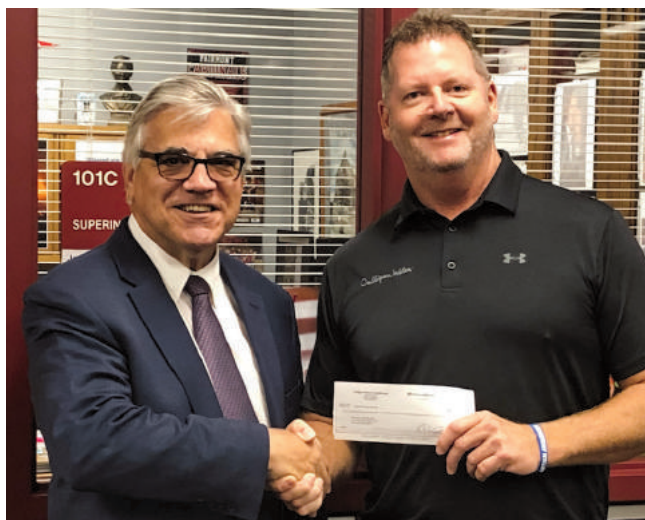
- Calculation formulas, etc. for the PLC, ARC-CO and ARC-IC programs will remain similar to the farm programs in the last Farm Bill. PLC payments are made when the final market year average (MYA) price falls below the reference price for a crop. ARC-CO payments are made when the final county revenue (county yield x MYA price) falls below the benchmark revenue for a given crop.

ARC-IC is the same as ARC-CO except it uses farm-level yield data and considers all crops on a farm unit together. PLC and ARC-CO payments are paid on 85 percent of crop base acres, and ARC-IC payments are paid on 65 percent of base acres.

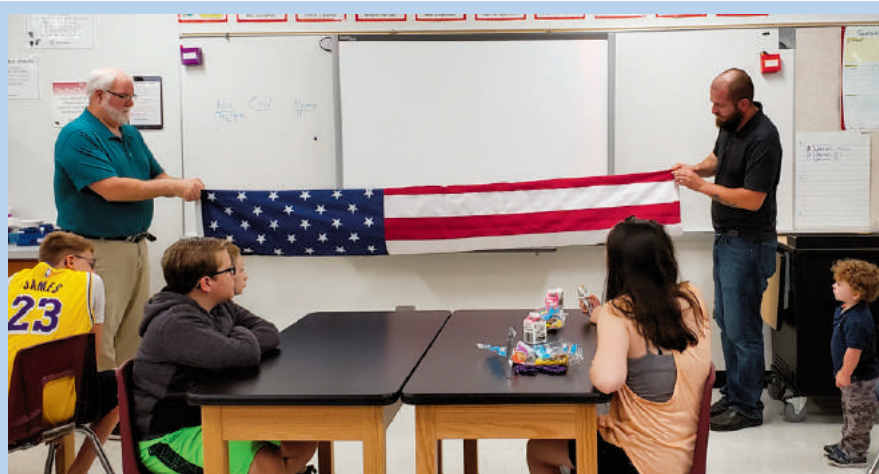
- For more information on the PLC and ARC programs, and other farm program details, go to the FSA farm program website at: [https://www.fsa.usda.gov/programs-and-services/ar-cplc\\_program/index](https://www.fsa.usda.gov/programs-and-services/ar-cplc_program/index)

### Summary

Producers have several months to make their farm program choices for 2019 and 2020. There will likely be several farm program informational meetings later this Fall and early Winter, as well as many farm program decision resources available, to assist farmers in the coming months. Farm program scenarios may change slightly in future months, as we have a better handle on final 2019 crop yields, as well as MYA price estimates for the 2019 and 2020 marketing years. There is likely to be a wide variation from crop-to-crop and county-to-county. Producers should take time between now and early 2020 to analyze the farm program choices for the 2019 and 2020 crop years.



Fairmont Area School Superintendent Joe Brown (left) thanks Rich Johnson of Culligan Water of Fairmont for their generous donation of \$1,040. These dollars were donated to the Fairmont Area Schools Special Education Department in support of college and career exploration. (Submitted photo)



Lee C. Prentice American Legion Post 36 Fairmont Vice Commander Devin Haegeman came to Fairmont Elementary School last week with a new American flag for the school's flag pole. This was a donation from the Fairmont American Legion. Mr. Haegeman showed Mr. Buss' class the proper way to fold and carry the flag and then assisted students with raising the flag. A big thanks to Devin Haegeman and the Fairmont American Legion! (Submitted photos)



Lee C. Prentice American Legion Post 36 Fairmont Commander Steve Fosness (right) presents a donation of \$5,000, adding to a total donation of \$42,000, to Martin County Veterans Memorial Committee President Jim Miller. (Submitted photo)

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