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10 Common Scams and How to Avoid Them

As we age, we may become more susceptible to fraudsters who make a living preying on retirees. This can be especially true for widows and widowers who are making decisions alone and may be particularly trusting of friendly strangers. In order to protect ourselves and those we love, it's important to be aware of the most common scams older Americans fall for.

1. Lottery scam: You get an unsolicited phone call or email saying you've won a large prize. All you need to do is send money to pay for shipping, taxes or some ancillary fee. You send the money, but the fictional prize never arrives.

2. Grandchild scam: Your grandchild calls to

confess her troubles. Or so you think. It's not uncommon for someone posing as your grandchild to call and, preying on your compassion, claim to be in a crisis situation and need money urgently. She may also beg you not to call her parents (which would give the scam away).

3. Charity scam: You donate to one charity and end up being on every charity list. That's because they sell your name, phone number and email to other nonprofit and commercial organizations. These could include companies with similar names to charities you support - but they exist solely to scam donations.

4. Computer scam: Someone calls pretending to be from a major

company, such as Microsoft, and says he can see that your computer has a virus. He offers to help you get rid of it by asking you to log into a website that lets him control your computer - then steals your ID information.

5. Timeshare scam: If you own a timeshare, you may get a call from someone claiming they're authorized to sell it for you, for a fee. After paying, however, you never hear from them again.

6. Homeowner scam: A man comes to your door and offers to clean your gutters or trim your trees, which sounds like a good idea. Until he asks for prepayment and never completes the job.

7. Medical scam: You get an unsolicited call

about a discounted price for some kind of medical equipment (i.e., heart monitor, wheelchair or bathtub bench). He asks for a deposit and your personal information or Medicaid number to send the equipment, which never arrives.

8. Foreclosure scam: You're approached by a "professional" who claims your home is under threat of foreclosure and offers to pay off your mortgage or taxes if you sign over the deed to the property. With your deed, the fraudster can then refinance the mortgage for the full value of your home and take the money. Keep in mind, even if you sign over a deed to someone, you are still liable for your mortgage obligations.

9. Caregiver and sweetheart scam: These predators claim to care deeply for you or your well-being, but after winning your trust, they gain access to your accounts to steal money or identity information.

10. Title company

scam: Before purchasing or closing on a new property, a scammer intercepts an email from your realtor or title company. You're then sent fraudulent payment instructions to complete the transaction. Red flags include last minute changes to instructions, a change in tone or word choice from prior emails, a new sender address and multiple payment requests.

These scams are common and widespread. But speaking with trusted loved ones or your financial professional before making decisions can help you avoid these traps. Additionally, keep in mind these tips for staying safe:

- Don't pay for things you don't remember ordering.

- Don't give your personal information to unknown third parties.

- Work with financial institutions that use fraud protection to safeguard your credit card and banking information.

- Don't click links in the

body of suspicious emails, especially if they claim to come from your bank, credit card company, realtor or title company. Instead, log in to the company's official website or call them directly to verify.

- Don't let strangers into your house. Instead, ask for a business card and say your spouse, kids or lawyer will be in touch.

- Be wary of caregivers and suitors, especially if you notice signs of substance abuse or other red flags.

- Limit the purchases and donations you make by check, which may list your home address or other key data.

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MEYER 90TH - There will be a 90th birthday Open House for Clifford Meyer on Saturday, February 15th from 1 to 3 p.m. at Goldfinch Estates in Fairmont. All friends and family are invited.



Red Rock Center for the Arts will host a children's theatre workshop Sat., February 8th from 9:30-1:30 for children in Kindergarten through 6th grade. Children will create their very own version of Pinocchio through improvisation, imagination and cooperative play. No costumes, no memorization required. Children will present the play for friends and family at 1 p.m. Lunch will be served. Class fee is \$15. Pre-registration is required through CER at 507-235-3141.

MOSS group will hold their monthly meeting on Thursday, February 6th at 6 p.m. at the Fairmont Holiday Inn. Everyone is welcome.

Area teachers among Teacher of Year candidates

The 2020 Minnesota Teacher of the Year will be chosen from a field of 134 candidates. These candidates have accepted their nominations and completed the required materials to become eligible for the honor.

This year's program will name the 56th Minnesota Teacher of the Year, celebrating the tradition of excellence in teaching in Minnesota. Eligible candidates include pre-kindergarten through 12th-grade, Early Childhood Family Education

Local group seeks community support

Kids Just Want to Have Fun would appreciate any individual or business sponsors to assist in funding our upcoming community events.

Our 3rd annual Father/Daughter Sweetheart dance will be held Saturday, February 8th at Fairmont Bethel Evangelical Free Church from 4:00-6:00 p.m. It will include a dance with music by a professional DJ, professional photo booth, games, door prizes and Pizza Ranch pizza supper. Suggested donation ticket price is \$15/family pre-sale from Fairmont Library or \$20/family at the door.

The 2nd annual Mother/Son event has been rescheduled for Saturday March 21st at Fairmont

Bethel Evangelical Free Church from 4:00-6:00 p.m. with professional photo booth, bounce houses, face painting, games, special superhero guest appearances and Pizza Ranch pizza supper. Suggested donation ticket price is \$15/family pre-sale from Fairmont Library or \$20/family at the door.

Sponsorship donations may be dropped off at, or mailed to Fairmont Area Chamber of Commerce, with checks made payable to 'Kids Just Want to Have Fun' and note of intent for donation.

Thank you for your consideration, we hope many of you join us for these events!

Truman Historical Society memorial donation list

The Truman Historical Association gratefully acknowledges the following memorials received October 1st, 2019, through December 31st, 2019. These memorials allow us to continue sharing the history of the Truman area. We are also able to provide education to Truman Public and St. Paul's Lutheran School elementary students about the history of the Truman area.

In Memory Of: Received From:

Ritz, Elaine: DeLores Pfeil, Roxy Brummond, Dave and Cathy Sorenson, Craig and Marilyn Carrigan, Tom and Brenda Zehnder, Shan and Gail Sacranie

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The Fairmont Class of 1953 will meet Friday, February 7th for lunch at 11:30 a.m. at the Ranch Restaurant in Fairmont.

AT&T expands business in Fairmont



AT&T has opened a new store in Fairmont to meet the growing needs of our local customers. The store will bring options for the latest devices, accessories and services.

"We're excited to open this new AT&T store in Fairmont and expand our retail presence in Minnesota," said Paul Weirtz, president of AT&T Minnesota. "This new location will help our customers connect seamlessly to

the mobile technologies and entertainment they love. We're proud of our continued investment in Minnesota."

The new store is located at 1023 E. Blue Earth Ave. Store hours are Monday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.; and Sunday, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

"Our goal is to provide an exceptional experience in every interaction. That starts with conveniently located stores,"

said Brian West, assistant vice president, Mobility Markets, Northern Plains. "Customers want the latest apps, services, devices and accessories to mirror their mobile lifestyles. They now have another great location in Fairmont to find the right solution."

Local community and business officials joined AT&T at the ribbon cutting last week for the new Fairmont store.

Fairmont Community Hospital Foundation is pleased to announce that applications for the **2020 Erma Rosen Nursing Scholarship** are now being accepted. This scholarship is available to students who will be entering their fourth year of study in an accredited baccalaureate nursing program in the fall of 2020. Preference is given to students who graduated from a high school in Martin / Faribault county or surrounding areas. Please visit our website at www.fchfoundation.com and click on the Scholarships tab for more information and the application form. Applications are due by April 15th. If you have any questions, please contact Kayla Caven at 507.236.3397 or kayla.caven12@gmail.com

St. Martin's Episcopal to host warm soup lunch

Come enjoy a warm bowl of soup at St. Martin's Episcopal Church, 102 N. Park Street in Fairmont.

The event will be Friday, February 7th from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. They will be serving six varieties of soup.

If you can't make it to the church, you may call 238-2686 for a take out order. We do not deliver.

This is a benefit for Habitat for Humanities of Martin/Faribault Counties and is a Thrivent Action Team Project.



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Martin County Veterans Memorial receives internationally famous 'copter

Martin County's Veterans Memorial Site will permanently display an actual Bell Cobra-Attack Helicopter, AH-1-66-F-15327. U.S. Army records show this very helicopter is internationally famous for serving the US Army in both Vietnam and Laos from 1968 to 1971. Even though five states were vying for the acquisition of this Cobra, due to the hard work of Minnesota state and local

twelve times. Bell's armor plating saved the flight crew from mortal inflictions. Missions included: Armed Escort, Recon Missions & Battle Support.

In 1971, Cobra 327 saw service in Laos at the Battle of Lam Son 719, one of the deadliest battles of the war <https://www.businessinsider.com/uncovering-the-story-of-one-of-the-vietnam-wars-bloodiest-battles-2015-1>. Flying this helicopter were members of the US Army, 7th Squad,



veterans and volunteers, the Cobra was awarded to Martin County.

Many Veterans remember how the Cobras saved their lives when they were outnumbered by the enemy. Our local veterans have lived the story. In Vietnam on various dates, Cobra-327 was hit by enemy fire at least

17th Cavalry, C Troop. Cobra 327 was mortally shot, and it was a ride the pilot will never forget. Yes, the pilot made it back alive to this day. The gunner unfortunately died from Agent Orange at age 37.

When the US Army received new helicopters; the Cobra 327 was retired

to public service for the Kern County Fire Department in California to fight night fires because it could see through the smoke with its military infrared scanners and locate people. The Cobra has the nickname THE SNAKE, because of its maneuverability. Burn marks are still visible from the fires where it landed, which shows how close to the fires the Cobra could maneuver.

Martin County's Veteran Memorial Committee is currently restoring this Cobra in Fairmont, returning it to the likeness of 1971. This detailed restoration work has been in progress since the fall of 2019. We invite you to visit the restoration process, in all the various stages by contacting any MCVM Committee Members.

The Dedication Ceremony is set for August 1st, 2020 featuring a parade, many VIP's, military personnel (both active and retired), and family members of those serving on this very helicopter.

For more information please visit www.MCVM.org.



Fairmont hosts Youth Ice Fishing Event by Tieg Arens, Martin County Pheasants Forever



One hundred twenty-seven youth from across the globe gathered at the north end of Hall Lake across from Gomsrud Park in Fairmont on Saturday, January 25th to participate in the Martin County chapter of Pheasants Forever's first annual ice fishing event. Many of the youth were from the Martin County area, but

keep if they didn't already have one, and if they were one of the first thirty to be pre-registered also received a Bomgaars 5-gallon pail. They also were able to get a cookie and hot chocolate before they grabbed their bait and headed out to find a hole to fish from. Each participant received a ticket for some prizes that were drawn during the event, including a Weatherby pump-action .20 gauge. Everyone that came out was able to enjoy a hotdog, courtesy of Fareway and chips, courtesy of Old Dutch.



The event had a guest of honor attend as well. Four-year-old Otto Anderson was

there were several that came from an hour or more away, including one that had just moved here from England.

Members of the Martin County Pheasants Forever chapter met at the lake at 8 a.m. to get the ice cleared of snow, holes drilled, and a registration area set up. Youth were given a pole to

diagnosed with acute-lymphoblastic-leukemia in 2019. He was given a popup ice house to use, as he is susceptible to diseases such as the cold, and with other children around. Otto also received a bag full of gifts from the Pheasants Forever chapter.

Martin County Pheasants Forever would like

to thank a few businesses that donated items to help make this event a success: Taco Johns, McDonald's, Mill's Fleet Farm-Mankato, Scheel's-Mankato, Pure Fishing, JB Lures, Snyder's Lures, Sommer Outdoors, Fareway, Culligan Water-



Fairmont, Old Dutch, Bomgaars-Fairmont, Kiwanis, Day Plumbing-Fairmont, Super Fair Foods-St. James, C&B Equipment-Truman. And, as always, they would like to thank their Youth Outreach sponsors for continuing to support events like this.

The Martin County Humane Society will hold a **bake sale** Saturday, February 8th 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.

Arc Family and Friends will meet in the George Room at the Fairmont Holiday Inn Monday, February 10th at 6:00 p.m. For questions, please call the Arc office at 507-235-8580 for further details.

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

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Interlaken Golf Club
227 E. Amber Lake Drive, Fairmont, MN

5:30pm - Social Hour including Appetizers & Silent Auction Begins

6:30pm - Dinner includes choice of Walleye, Sirloin, or Chicken Alfredo
Cost: \$75/person includes \$25 meal & \$50 tax deductible donation to Habitat for Humanity

To RSVP or to Contribute please return the enclosed card by February 1st to: HFFH, PO Box 3, Blue Earth, MN 56013
Or to reserve tickets call Staci at 507-526-2500

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, February 5th they will serve scalloped potatoes and ham along with green beans. On February 12th it will be A&W swissburgers, baked beans and chips. All dinners include peanut butter and jelly sandwich, beverage and donated desserts. A \$2 donation is suggested.

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Winter Celebration Dinner

YES Please make a reservation for my party of ___ person/persons for Saturday, February 15th, \$75 per person.
I have enclosed my check in the amount of \$_____

NO I cannot attend but I have enclosed a contribution of \$_____

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Getting to the heart of your health

Guest Columnist

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



February is Heart Health Month. In the past I have shared how to have a healthier heart by managing cholesterol without drugs, controlling inflammation to improve heart function, and how dietary changes can help strengthen your heart. This year I'm approaching heart health a little differently. I'm going to focus on how overall health impacts the heart and how making simple changes can make a big difference in the health of your heart. I will focus on three main areas that we see with functional medicine patients in our office.

The most common non-chiropractic problem we see in our office is leaky gut. While most people don't think of the connection between gut health and heart health, a quick explanation should help you understand how important the balance is. You need magnesium for your heart to work at its strongest. If you have leaky gut and low stomach

acid, your body's ability to absorb magnesium will be very poor. Many people assume the best way to address this is to take more magnesium, but if your gut can't absorb it then you're just wasting money. We have a number of leaky gut protocols that are very efficient in restoring maximum absorption, which often improves heart function. The best approach to resolve leaky gut includes both chiropractic and functional medicine.

Another common problem we see is thyroid disease — one of the most poorly treated problems out there. It's simple to correct once you look a little deeper than the average assessment. Many patients who come in for a natural approach to thyroid problems have never been checked for Hashimoto's disease, which accounts for about 70% of all hypothyroid issues. These people are often told that their numbers look good, so they think they are healthy despite still being

low on energy. According to Harvard Medical School, having low thyroid hormone levels lowers your heart rate, which requires your cardiovascular system to raise blood pressure. It also decreases the elasticity of your blood vessels, which increases your risk of heart disease.

Another request we see in our office is people who want non-drug options for dealing with depression and other mental health problems. A number of depression medications can cause high blood pressure and heart palpitations. Many also cause weight gain, which is hard on your heart. There are a number of vitamins and supplements that can make huge improvements in your neurotransmitters, which improves emotional health in a number of cases. Most of these supplements improve heart health at the same time they are improving mental health. An example of this is taurine, which is an amino acid that increases

conversion of glutamine to GABA (a neurotransmitter that makes you feel happier and more content) while also helping the heart beat stronger and more evenly.

Remember that chiropractic adjustments alone can lower blood pressure, according to a study by the University of Chicago Medical Center in 2007. When you consider the number of additional health benefits that chiropractic will give you, it should give you encouragement to choose a combined chiropractic and functional medicine approach.

In the end, remember that everything is connected. Improving your gut health and your thyroid function can improve your heart. Taking drugs to lower blood pressure while ignoring stress or the disease that caused it is an all-too-common scenario, but not a healthy choice. Finally think of this: when you take good care of your health, you are showing love to yourself and to everyone around you who would really love to see you live to a healthy old age with a healthy heart to bring you there!

"PROM TAKE 2" fundraiser event

Join the Fairmont Post Prom Committee for a fun evening out Saturday, February 22nd, 2020 from 8 p.m. - midnight at Interlaken Golf Club, 227 E. Amber Lake Drive, Fairmont.

There will be hors d'oeuvres and desserts to enjoy, cash bar with celebrity bartenders, music by "Party Stage DJ", and a special "1/2 the Pot" Raffle. Formal dress is encour-

aged, but not required.

Tickets are \$20 per person if purchased before Tuesday, February 18th (online at eventbrite.com or at HyVee from February 3rd-17th) or \$25 per person if purchased at the door.

All proceeds go towards activity and prize expenses for Fairmont's Post Prom event held Sunday, April 26th, 2020.

Local scholarship opportunity for students

Bruce P. Larson was a long-time employee of Easy Automation Inc. in Welcome.

In over twenty years of service to EAI, Bruce was instrumental in developing the electrical/controls department at EAI. Bruce lost his battle with cancer May 3rd, 2015.

In honor of his commitment to excellence, EAI is providing a \$1,000 scholarship to a student pursuing a degree in a

program from his area of expertise. This scholarship is for the 2020-2021 academic year. Students attending a two or four year college, university, or vocational-technical school are eligible.

Information and an application are available at EAI in Welcome, by calling 507-728-8214, or by emailing jmathiason@easy-automation.com. Application deadline is April 1st, 2020.

Prairie Star Quilt Guild to meet Monday

The Prairie Star Quilt Guild will meet Monday, February 10th, 2020, at the Evangelical Covenant Church located at 901 Woodland Avenue, Fairmont.

This will be a day to work on the President's service project starting at 9:00 a.m. to begin sewing. Bring a brown bag lunch. The board will meet at 12:30 p.m. and the regular quilt meet-

ing will begin at 1:30 p.m. There will be a short meeting and followed by Show and Share. The new owner of Old Alley Quilt Shop in Sherburn will come to our meeting to introduce herself and tell us what she has planned for her new ownership. Hosting: Marlys Freeman, Sandy Sorgenfrie, Deb Wallace. Door Prize: Deb Wallace. The evening group will be held at 5:30 p.m.

Federated REA members help fund local projects

The Federated Rural Electric Trust, Jackson, recognized local organizations receiving \$22,184 through Operation Round Up last month. These donations occur due to monthly contributions by participating Federated members. Thirty groups received money in this 50th round of funding. Included in the 30 groups are these local organizations:

- East Chain Activity Center - \$223 for stainless steel table for concession stand/food prep
- Welcome Fire Department - \$264 to buy two lights that attach to helmets for hands-free lighting at fire.
- Martin County Historical Society, Fairmont - \$265 to replace old male and female mannequins to show military clothing.
- MCW Indoor Pool, Sherburn - \$279 to buy two new rescue tubes and regulation/rules signs
- Sherburn Fire

Department/Ambulance - \$295 to buy electronic thermometer for ambulance

- Alpha Fire Department - \$400 for a leaf blower to contain and put out grass fires

- T r i m o n t Ambulance - \$450 for two-way radio for new hire first responder beyond city limits

- Boy Scouts of America, Sherburn - \$500 for 10 cots for outdoor camping

- Northrop Citizens for Parks - \$500 to refurbish city parks with new wood chips and border around play area; paint slides and merry-go-rounds

- House of Hope, Fairmont - \$500 toward LED lights at adult treatment facility

- CREST, Fairmont - \$500 for 20 "Healthy Aging" handbooks for senior citizen classes

- MCW Preschool/ECFE - \$615 to replace old, outdated toys for free choice play

- Truman Public

Preschool - \$647 for STEM toys: block kit, light kits, perception spheres and water kit

- MCW High School Science Dept. - \$800 to buy two new microscopes

- Fairmont High School Robotics - \$850 for power tools used for building a robot for competition

The Trust Board received 44 applications totaling \$50,735 in this 50th round of funding. The Trust Board will meet again in the spring to determine the next round of funding. The deadline for submitting applications is February 14th, 2020.

About 80 percent of Federated Rural Electric members participate in Operation Round Up. They allow their electric bills to be rounded up to the nearest dollar.

Interested organizations may go to www.federatedrea.coop to download the application form and information, e-mail info@federatedrea.coop for an application or call 507-847-3520; ask for Andrea.

The Regional Worship Center will host a **pancake, sausage and egg breakfast** on Monday each week from 8 to 10 a.m. at the church, located at 2 Crossroads Drive, across from Kum and Go in Sherburn. All are welcome to join them.

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MEMBER FDIC

What's Cooking

with Kathy Lloyd

Where is the sun?

I don't know about you, but I need sun to have some get up and go! These cloudy days find me curled up with a book or knitting in my easy chair.

Last evening I was pondering what recipe I should share with you this week, when Pa Lloyd said how about what we had for lunch today? He doesn't often request a certain dish for me to fix but he does ask me to prepare shrimp Alfredo once in awhile. It does come ready made these days, but it is so quick and easy to prepare and so much better than the ready made. I usually use raw, frozen shrimp. You do have to peel the shells off but it turns out better than the already cooked. The thing about shrimp is that its very easy to overcook, then it gets tough and rubbery so for me it turns out better to use the uncooked kind. You can also use cooked chicken which is good too.

Shrimp Alfredo:

- 1/2 stick butter
- 2 cloves minced garlic
- 1 cup heavy whipping cream
- 1 cup grated parmesan cheese
- Chopped fresh or dried parsley
- Dash of pepper
- 1# raw thawed, peeled fresh shrimp

Melt butter in large skillet, add garlic, saute' for about 1-2 minutes or until fragrant, add whipping cream, whisk in cheese, stir until melted and smooth. Simmer on low 6 minutes until thickens, then add shrimp, cook until shrimp turns pink (doesn't take very long). Add pepper and parsley, taste and add salt if needed. Serve over cooked pasta. Serves 2-3 people

Have a great week!

oto LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Our community has PERKS

We at Kinship are thankful for our partnership with our community. We are supported financially by our community. We partner with different organizations to host events and seek opportunities for our mentors and mentees. We are also able to work with different areas of our community to provide resources for our families. And, we have an awesome partnership with local businesses, literally called our PERKS program (Professionals Encouraging Relationships with Kids).

We have spoken to many businesses and organizations in our area and worked with them to provide cost effective ways for our mentors and mentees to do things throughout Martin County. Several of them offer a free meal for a mentee if they are with their mentor, a free admission to a pool, movie or race, or even the opportunity to work out with each other at our local fitness centers. We are grateful for their willingness to enable mentors to support our community and its establishments. And, as a

way of recognizing those who offer PERKS, we encourage our mentors and mentees to send a thank you after visiting.

A special thank you to those who have participated in our PERKS program in the past and who continue to offer PERKS to our mentees: Bowlmor Lanes, McDonalds, Dairy Freeze, Jake's Pizza, Subway, Perkins, Green Mill, Arby's, Pizza Ranch, Taco John's Cardinal Athletics/Activities, Fairmont Raceway, Hockey Association, Cutting Edge Fitness, Anytime Fitness, El Agave Mexican Restaurant, Fairmont Aquatic Park, Fairmont Opera House, Hardee's, Truman Pool, Truman Mini Golf, Graffiti Corner, Holiday Inn, Marina Lodge, Martin County West Indoor Pool, Fairmont Theater, Sherburn Theater and Cup N' Saucer.

If you or your business would like to find a way to offer a PERK to our mentors and mentees, contact Kinship at 238-4440.

Jen Kahler
Kinship of
Martin County

Thank you, thank you, thank you

Each year, Fairmont Dollars for Scholars is able to award more than 175 scholarships to Fairmont graduates because of our amazing community.

Part of that is due to those who attend our annual chicken dinner in January and help us raise these funds. So, first and foremost, thank you, thank you, thank you to our community for supporting us by coming to the dinner.

We also want to thank the many people who played a part in having the evening go smoothly and deliciously. They are: First Farmers and Merchants Bank, Fairmont Photo Press, the Fairmont Sentinel, area churches, KFMC and KSUM, and Wyman Fischer at Edward Jones

for helping us promote the event; Lisa and Lori (and their crew from Pizza Ranch) who work to make this even better each year; the Knights of Columbus who are always easygoing and great to work with; the Fairmont high school seniors who help do the serving, greeting, and cleaning; and the board members of Fairmont Dollars for Scholars who find such joy in rewarding students with scholarships.

If you were unable to attend the dinner but would still like to make a contribution, our address is P.O. Box 563, Fairmont, MN 56031.

Liz Wheeler
Executive Secretary
Fairmont Dollars
for Scholars

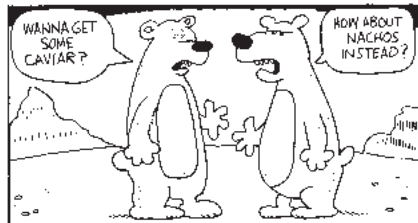
Thanks for caring for your pets

Thank you to the Chain of Lakes Pet Hospital of Fairmont, along with its patients and clients for letting me care for your pets. I will be joining another

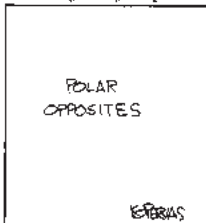
practice, but appreciate all your trust and support over the years.

Dr. Anna Arndt
Fairmont

Out on a Limb



by Gary Kopervas



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CHECK IT OUT!

@ the Martin County Library

Is it dinnertime at your house? Yuck? Or Yum?! Check out one of these new cookbooks to add a little pizzazz to your menus!

Taste of Home Skinny Instant Pot Cookbook: This volume features 100 dishes trimmed down for healthy eating, including entrees, soups, sandwiches, appetizers and desserts! Find both

weeknight meals along with special occasion menus in this new cook book.

America's Test Kitchen 20th Anniversary TV Show Cookbook: Check out the best-ever recipes from the long running TV show. Featuring 500 different recipes and commentary from the team that brings the show to life, this cookbook has foolproof recipes for every day of the week!

Rachael Ray 50: Memories and Meals from a Sweet and Savory Life by Rachael Ray: America's favorite self-taught cook shares recipes and stories in this candid memoir/cookbook featuring 125 new recipes.

CREST in need of more volunteers

If you have some spare time on your hands and you are looking for something to do, why don't you consider becoming a CREST volunteer. Volunteers of different faiths help people shop, cook, drive or just check in on someone to see how they're doing. Even just a few hours a month can make a world of difference. CREST has been helping people in need in Martin County for over 20 years and is looking to increase their volunteer numbers due to more requests for services.

You might be asking, "How can I help?" Some of the CREST volunteer opportunities include:

- Friendly visiting & telephone reassurance. This allows you to visit with someone either at their home or over the phone. This helps people who can't get out much avoid social isolation.
- Home helper. This service is where a volunteer would help a care receiver who is recovering from surgery or is not able to household chores and needs assistance with light house-keeping, making a meal, going through the mail, or forms assistance.
- Minor home repair. There are many tasks we take for granted around the house such as changing a light bulb, changing batteries in a smoke detector, or

shoveling snow. A CREST volunteer would take the time and get these jobs taken care of.

- Transportation. This opportunity is our most in demand service. Volunteers take care receivers to get groceries, keep their medical appointments, pick up prescriptions, and attend to other needs where transportation is required. Also, we provide out of town transportation to medical appointments in Rochester, Mankato, Sioux Falls, or the Twin Cities.
- Respite Care. This is where a volunteer provides temporary and short-term relief for someone who is taking care of a loved one or friend who has Alzheimer's or Parkinson's Disease. Respite care is provided for two to four hours a day, but not more than eight hours in one day.

If one of these volunteer opportunities sounds interesting to you and you'd like to find out how to become a CREST volunteer, please call the CREST office at 235-3833 for more information and we will send you a volunteer application. Tell a friend who might be looking to volunteer as well. If you've wondered how you can make a difference, volunteer with CREST. We know how to use your time and talents right here in Martin County.

St. James Lutheran Quarter Two Honor Roll

St. James Lutheran School in Northrop has announced its second quarter Honor Roll.

High Honors (GPA of 3.6 or better/all A's and B's):

- Cedar Bohlsen (grade 5)
- Caleb Meyer (grade 5)
- Jackson Luhmann (grade 6)
- Grace Rossow (grade 6)

- Madison Sokoloski (grade 6)
- Harley Geistfeld (grade 7)
- Brianna Petrowiak (grade 8)

Honors (GPA of 3.00-3.49/ no grade lower than a C):

- Owen Blaufuss (grade 6)
- Avril Wiens (grade 6)
- Bethany Petrowiak (grade 8)

MLHS Chili Cook-off set for Friday

A Chili Challenge will be held at Martin Luther High School, Northrop Friday, February 7th from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m.

Everyone is invited to come, sample and vote for their favorite entry. Cost is \$5. Entries include: "German Chili" by 2019 Champion Mick Thiesse (lots of onions and beef), G-MA's Chili by Dianna Mosloski (an old family recipe), A to Z Chili by Allan Zeitz (what doesn't kill you, makes you stronger!), Butt Trumpet Chili made by Sue Bay and served by Fairmont Women of To-

day (This classic chili has a twist of unique flavors combined to leave you with a happy feeling in your stomach. This non-spicy chili is a hearty meat chili with the sweetness you would expect from a group of terrific women.), and Minnesota Heatwave Chili (all ingredients are grown or made in Minnesota) by Aaron, Jerry, and Pauline Bergt.

Winners will be announced during half-time of the Boys Jags Varsity game. The event is sponsored by the MLHS Class of 2021.

Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps



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A FEW OF OUR CATS AVAILABLE FOR ADOPTION:
DIMPLES is a long-haired white cat with touches of black. He is great with kids and most cats and is a really friendly fella!
SONNY is the cutest little button! Thrown out of a truck and rescued by good samaritans as a tiny kitten, he now loves to play and is grey and white.

A FEW OF OUR DOGS AVAILABLE FOR ADOPTION:
ZEKE is a yellow lab mix, about 3 years old. He is high energy and needs lots of room to run around. He loves everyone, but prefers a home without cats.
GEMMA is a shepherd mix, about one and a half years old. A happy-go-lucky gal, she is good with other dogs and with kids. She just loves people!

****ROSE SALE** Call the shelter today to place your order for a dozen multi-colored roses for only \$20! Pick up is Friday, February 14th, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m..**

OBITUARY
notices

Debra A. Homan, 61



Mass of Christian Burial for Debra A. Homan, 61, of Fairmont, will be 11:00 a.m. Saturday, February 8th, 2020, at St. John Vianney Catholic Church in Fairmont. Burial will be held following the service in Calvary Cemetery. Visitation will be 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. with a prayer service held at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, February 7th, 2020, at the Lakeview Funeral Home in Fairmont. Visitation will continue one hour prior to the time of service Saturday at the church. Deb passed away unexpectedly of natural causes at her home on Friday, January 31st, 2020. Lakeview Funeral Home

and Cremation Service of Fairmont is assisting the family with arrangements. Debra Ann (Kahler) Homan was born December 1st, 1958, in Estherville, IA, to Albert and Mary (Kennedy) Kahler. She and her four younger brothers grew up on the family farm near Tintonka, IA. Deb loved being a farm girl. She graduated from Ledyard High School in 1977. In 1980, Deb married Tim Thompson and she was blessed with one daughter, Melissa. They later divorced. Deb married Jerry Homan, the love of her life, on May 25th, 2002. They spent their en-

tire life in Fairmont. Deb worked at 3M for over 35 years until her retirement on September 30th, 2019. She held various positions at 3M in production and most recently was in mold making. Her husband, Jerry is also employed by 3M. Deb was a member of St. John Vianney Catholic Church. She was a proud grandma of her three grandchildren. She loved camping and spending time outside but mostly loved spending time with family and friends. Left to cherish her memory is her husband, Jerry Homan; daughter, Melissa (Joe) Waller of

Armstrong, IA; grandchildren, Madison, Hailey and Johnathon Waller of Armstrong, IA; parents, Albert and Mary Kahler of Bancroft, IA; mother-in-law, Darlene Homan of Mankato; brothers, Mike (special friend, Delta) Kahler of Tintonka, IA, Tom (special friend, Janelle) Kahler of Bancroft, IA, and Pat (Amy) Kahler of Lakota, IA; brothers-in-law, Ron (Glenda) Homan of Minneapolis, Larry (Lori) Homan of Stewartville, MN, and Doug (Mary) Homan of Mankato, MN; sisters-in-law, Sue Homan of Fairmont, and Mary (Jerry) Krueger of Kasota, MN; as well as many niec-

es, nephews, cousins, extended family and friends. Deb was preceded in death by all four grandparents; father-in-law, Marvin Homan and a brother, Don Kahler. lakeviewfuneralhome.net

Jeff's Jottings!

MYSTERY

What is it?

Kids Against Hunger Benefit concert a success

A benefit concert was held last week at the Fairmont Area Schools Performing Arts Center.

The proceeds of the event will be going to the Fairmont Kids Against Hunger Food Pack, which is set to take place Saturday, February 15th at the

Fairmont National Guard Armory.

Teams and volunteers are still needed for the food pack, so to sign up

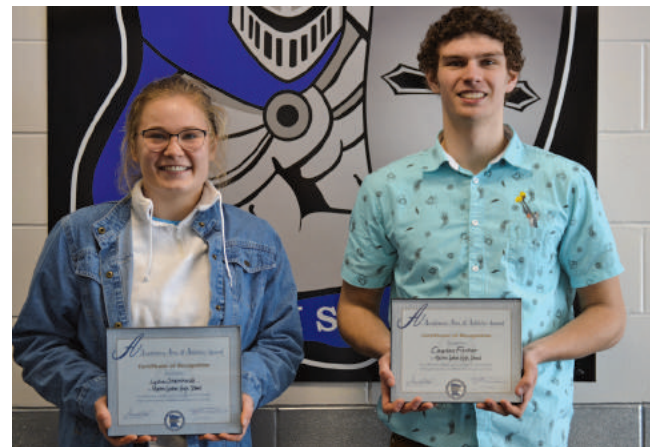
or for more information, contact Karen Sandhurst at rksandhurst@midco.net.



DEATH
notices

January 28 - Robert K. Nelson, 68, rural Sherburn
Kramer Family Funeral Home
January 31 - Debra A. Homan, 61, Fairmont
Lakeview Funeral and Cremation Service

In Memorium
One Year Ago This Week
January 27 - Larry A. Hartwig, 51, rural Welcome
January 28 - Burnette R. Droegemueller, 100, Fairmont
February 1 - Rita R. Studer, 84, Fairmont (formerly of Sherburn)
February 3 - Lois L. Champine, 96, rural Ceylon



The 2019-2020 Martin Luther High School, Northrop Triple A nominees are Lydia Steinhaus and Cayden Fischer. The Triple A Award (Academics, Athletics, and Arts) recognizes seniors who have excelled in those three areas over their high school career. Nominees must have a minimum 3.0 GPA at the time of nomination and have participated in League-sponsored athletic and fine arts activities at some time during their high school career. "Triple A" Award recipients are nominated by their school and selected through a multi-level process involving member schools of the League, the League's administrative regions, and a special committee of educators, business leaders, and members from the fine arts and athletic communities. (Submitted photo)



Tyson Geerdes, Fairmont High School senior, has been named a Rotary "Student of the Week." Tyson is the son of Scott and Stephani Geerdes and he has two younger brothers, Ethan and Preston. Tyson has been involved in numerous activities throughout high school including hockey, soccer, baseball, robotics, orchestra, choir, band, student council, YOCO, Project Trust, and National Honor Society. Following graduation Tyson will be attending a 4-year program to study cyber security.

MCSAP Youth attending leadership forum in D.C.



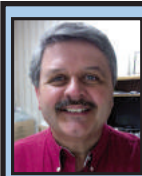
Seven members of the Martin County Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition are in Washington D.C., this week to join more than 3,000 other substance misuse prevention specialists and advocates from throughout the country for CADCA's (Community Anti-Drug Coalitions of America's) 30th Annual National Leadership Forum. "We are so excited to be able to spend several days with other similar organizations from across the country, learning more prevention skills so our community can be a better place, one that doesn't suffer from the harms of substance misuse," said Steph Johnson, MCSAP project coordinator. "We

plan to come back reenergized with new ideas and strategies to prevent underage drinking, vaping and other drug misuse in Martin County." The seven people at the forum participating in the Youth Leadership Initiative training are: Tim Cook, Tallin Cook, and Ashlynn Cook of Truman, Minn., and Grace Miller, Judy Botzet, Hannah Botzet, and Johnson, all of Fairmont, Minn. They also represented Martin County in our nation's capital by meeting with our U.S. Representatives and Senators at the Forum's Capitol Hill Day event on Wednesday, February 5th. After the conference, the MCSAP coalition

members will be presenting what they have learned to area groups. If you would like to have them come speak to your group about the latest information regarding substance misuse prevention or what they experienced while at the leadership forum, call Steph Johnson at 507-236-4118. MCSAP is a coalition of caring community members dedicated to preventing underage drinking, marijuana, and other drug abuse in Martin County. The coalition has youth coalitions at Fairmont, Granada-Huntley-East Chain, Martin Luther, Martin County West, and Truman high schools.

St. Paul Lutheran 4th quarter memorials

Thank you to the following that gave \$4,467.00 to the St. Paul Lutheran Church, Fairmont Endowment Fund for the 4th quarter of 2019: Gene and Laurie Austin, Larry and Kris Behrens, Neil and Susan Benschoter, Stanley and Sharon Block, Merle and Beverly Brinkman, Jerome and Debra Bulfer, Randy and Lori Chirpich, Engel and Betty Engelson, Jon and DeAnn Eversman, Richard and Kathleen Eyerly, Gladys Gellert, Greg and Nancy Gellert, Marvin Goebel, Norman and Violet Gratz, Norma Gronewold, Patricia Hall, John and Jean Huttemeier, David and Lois Johnson, Karen Leiding, Terry and Judith Leiding, Russell and Joan Luedtke, Esther Lund, Larry and Donna Maday, Leo and Pauline Mau, Oliver and Eunice Meyer, Kent and Erlene Milbrandt, Arno and Karen Norman, Bruce and Jayne Peymann, Duane Peymann, Joan Peymann, Arlen and Sharon Reiter, Edward and Nancy Ritter, Garry and Joyce Rosen, Emmy Simmering, Lowell Spee, Joe and Nancy Stauffer, Dorothy Stewart, Lorraine Thomas, Thomas and Mary Westcott.



Jeff's Jottings



for that I received from Al Batt recently was quickly answered, but it was only one reader who knew the correct answer

to our mystery item. Carol Morris of Ceylon emailed me last Friday and said that the item is an old pants stretcher. Years ago when people used to hang their clothes on the clothesline outside to dry, they would put the metal pants stretcher in the legs of the pants to keep them



from wrinkling (or shrinking) while drying. So there you have it! This week we will revisit an item that has stumped our readers in recent weeks. It is made of wood and metal. the rod goes through three wood "fingers". that can be adjusted along the rod. The "fingers" also have metal buckle type pieces on them. They are about 9 inches long and are flat on the bottom of the fingers. The flat "C" shaped flat strap piece to the left has two holes in it for mounting to some piece of machinery. It looks extremely old, but I have no idea even where to begin my search. So what is it? If you know the answer or want to guess what it is, email me at jeff@fairmontphotopress.com or call us at 507-238-9456 with your answer.

Once in a lifetime!

Congratulations to Brayden Williamson, son



of Jaime and Deb Williamson of Sherburn. Brayden experienced a once-in-a-lifetime event Sunday at the Super Bowl in Miami. He represented the Minnesota Vikings (wearing the number one jersey in the photo above) as part of the NFL 100th anniversary and took part in many activities as part of the celebration. He and his dad Jaime spent much of the week leading up to the event in Miami as well as taking in the big game itself. I'm sure he will never forget those memories!

Chili, soup and a benefit!

Here are a brief list of some of the events happening in the coming week:
 • Thursday, February 6th Shepherd's In will be serving free hot soup at the Blazer Bar Hall on Downtown Plaza in Fairmont from 5 to 7 p.m.
 • Friday, February 7th, St. Martin's Episcopal Church in Fairmont will have a soup lunch from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and proceeds benefit Habitat for Humanity.
 • Friday, February 7th from 5:30 to 7 p.m. is the MLHS Chili Challenge at the gym in Northrop.
 • Saturday, February 8th is a bake sale for the Humane Society at Fleet & Farm in Fairmont from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
 • Sunday, February 9th from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. is a pancake benefit for Elsie Swanson at MCW High School in Sherburn. Have a great week!

Drive safely - visit a shut-in or family member - eat, play, shop local - enjoy life's experiences!

Jeff

It was nice to be able to spend a nice relaxing weekend at home this past weekend. It seems that since the first of the year, Karis and I have been on the go to different places for something or another every single weekend, and when you work every weekday, you come to treasure your weekends. They seem to go to fast when you are



constantly on the go, so it is nice to be able to just spend time around the home place and get some things accomplished there once. Karis and I spent part of the day Saturday working in our basement, putting up shelving and organizing things a little better. We decided to put a DVD on while we were down there and we chose "Garfield the Movie" to play, which is animated. We noticed shortly after the movie started playing that our cat, Gallant, found himself a perch to sit on right in front of the television and he sat there watching the movie for quite some time. To look at Gallant, you would say he is similarly colored to Garfield, but is quite a bit smaller than the animated cat. I guess that our pets can be entertained by television too!

"What is it?" answered
 Our "What is it?" item

"Just the other day"

Guest Columnist



Tom Palen, broadcaster, pilot, writer

The Carpenter's Tablet

Writing is usually easy for me when I know what I'm going to write about and today I knew what I want to write about today. But sometimes other thoughts race through my mind distracting me from the subject at hand. Today is the 29th anniversary of my father's passing and he has been on my mind all day.

One thing certain about my dad: when he said something, he meant it. His conviction and sincerity were unquestionable, although at times I challenged his logic or the basis of his statement. For example, on pinching.

When I got into a spat, or even just playing with any of my siblings, if anyone pinched another person my dad would jump right in: "Don't pinch! It can cause cancer." Cancer? Really? I

don't think that was true, but dad said it, so it must have been so. Another cause of cancer was the hickey.

The hickey, being a mark left on one's neck from making out with a boyfriend or girlfriend, was a pretty common thing in the sixties and seventies. Dad did not like them at all. "Not only does it look trashy, they can cause cancer." He declared. I agreed with dad. They were not very attractive, but causing cancer? Later in life I concluded hickeys probably led to a lot of unexpected babies, but I doubt anyone ever got cancer from one.

I suppose I was around eleven or twelve years old, when a cute girl at school was going to give me her phone number. I didn't have anything to write on, so I let her write it on

my arm. She drew some flowers, birds, stars and a rainbow with hearts with it. When I got home, dad saw the art work. "Don't ever write on your skin with ink. What were you thinking? That can work into your blood and you could get ink poisoning which can cause cancer." I suppose it could happen, although I never met anyone who suffered from ink poisoning.

I later learned a practical reason for not writing on your hand or arm: ink from a pen easily wears off and you could lose your note.

Once in high school, a girl was giving me her phone number, but I didn't have anything to write on. We were going to go cruising around town that night in my 1974 Chevy Nova. I didn't want to write her number on my hand for fear it would

wear off so I dug in my pocket and pulled out the only three dollars I had to my name. She wrote her name, first and last, along with her address and phone number on one of the bills. I told her I would call her later and

tucked the bill securely in my pocket.

After school I put a few gallons of gas in my car, which cost a little under a dollar per gallon. It wasn't until I got home and ready to call her...

...I stood her up...I

scrambled for something to write on...wrote her name on the bathroom wall...

For the rest of this story, visit our website at fairmontphotopress.com.



In November and December D&S Trophies & Embroidery and Plaza Threads by D&S Trophies, for the second year in a row held a "buy a stocking cap, give a stocking cap" promotion. For every stocking cap purchased in that time frame we donated one to an area school. The 97 hats were divided and given to Fairmont Elementary, GHEC and MCW. New this year we also held a food and toy drive collecting 29 Toys and 185 pounds of food. (Submitted photo)



The Martin County West School Board received the Minnesota School Boards Association District Award of Distinction. This award is given to districts that have a majority of board members who have received a Directors' Award or President's Award. Also, board member Steve Olson received the President's Award (awarded to members how have earned 300 points or more from MSBA training programs) and the Service Award (awarded to members who have served for 20+ years). (Submitted photo)

IRA? Don't wait to contribute.



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A Theatreworks USA production of **The Magic School Bus: Lost in the Solar System**

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When the class gets lost on the way to the planetarium, Ms. Frizzle saves the day by blasting into outer space for an epic interplanetary field trip! But when rivalries both old and new threaten to tear the students apart, our young heroes must learn to pull together or risk getting forever lost in the solar system.

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St. Martin's Episcopal Church

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MON: Cheesy chicken sandwich, jo jo potatoes, cucumber slices, banana.
TUE: Pork chopette, mashed potatoes, gravy, corn, bread, applesauce.
WED: Soft shell taco, peaches.

HOT MEALS ON WHEELS

Hot Meals on Wheels are Monday through Saturday for convalescents and persons who cannot purchase and prepare adequate meals. Meals are prepared by Lakeview Methodist Healthcare and volunteers deliver in Fairmont between 11 a.m. and noon each day. This is a community project and is non-profit and not government funded. For more info on Hot Meals on Wheels, contact Karen Toupal 507-236-8781.

The next planning meeting for the **Interlaken Heritage Days summer festival** will be Wednesday, February 12th starting at 6:00 p.m. in the basement meeting room of the Martin County Library. Anyone interested in helping plan the festivities for IHD weekend is encouraged to attend.

Arc Different Drummer Dance Club will have a Valentine Dinner and Dance from 4:00-7:00 p.m. on Sunday, February 16th at Fairmont's Holiday Inn. RSVP's for the dinner and/or if attending the dance (music by Switchroad) will be taken up until noon on Wednesday, February 12th. Please contact Pat Kietzer at 507-848-5017.

FAIRMONT AREA

Menus subject to change due to inclement weather, shortages or delays in shipping.

Breakfast menu can be found online.
FEB 6 - 12

THUR: K-6: Chicken, gravy, dinner roll, peach parfait, mashed potatoes, jicama, frozen strawberries, banana. **JR/HS:** Walking tacos, refried beans, corn, carrots, tomatoes, orange, pears.
FRI: K-6: French bread pepperoni pizza, bagel and egg fun lunch, carrots, caesar salad, orange, peaches. **JR/HS:** French bread pepperoni pizza, green beans, caesar salad, broccoli, apple, mandarin orange and pineapple.
MON: K-6: Chicken nuggets, baked beans, egg and cheddar chef salad, dinner roll, tomatoes, orange, pears. **JR/HS:** BBQ shredded pork sandwich, tater

tots, green beans, carrots, tomato & cucumber salad, apple, peaches.
TUE: K-6: Italian meatball sub, ham & cheese sandwich, carrots, coleslaw, apple, pineapple chunks
JR/HS: Chicken alfredo, breadstick, peas, caesar salad, cauliflower, orange, applesauce.
WED: K-6: Mini turkey corn dogs, dinner roll, chicken caesar salad wrap, dinner roll, tater tots, celery sticks, frozen strawberries, peaches. **JR/HS:** Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, gravy, dinner roll, corn, spinach & cranberry salad, cucumbers, apple pears.

Grace Lutheran Church in Fairmont hosts an **open door meal** Wednesday evenings from 4:45 to 6:00 p.m. each week. Wednesday, February 5th they will serve spaghetti. On February 12th it will be scalloped potatoes and ham. All meals include fruit, veggies, peanut butter/jelly sandwich, cookies, milk, water and coffee. For a free will donation.

AARP TaxAide will provide FREE income tax preparation starting on Tuesday, February 11th, 2020 at St Martin's Episcopal Church, 202 N Park Street, Fairmont. We will be open on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:30 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. The office will be closed if Fairmont Schools are closed. An appointment is required. Please call (507) 230-4400 during our office hours.

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THUR: Walking tacos, refried beans, broccoli, pears.
FRI: French bread pepperoni pizza, green beans, caesar salad, applesauce.
MON: BBQ shredded pork sandwich, tater tots, carrots, apple.
TUE: Chicken alfredo, breadstick, peas, caesar salad, orange.
WED: Crispy chicken patty sandwich, baked beans, celery sticks, banana.

All teens and tweens are welcome to join us at the Fairmont Library for an Anti-Valentine party on Thursday, February 13th at 4 p.m. This event is free and open to the public and no registration is required. Call the library at 238-4207 with questions.

SENIOR DINING WEEKLY MENU

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

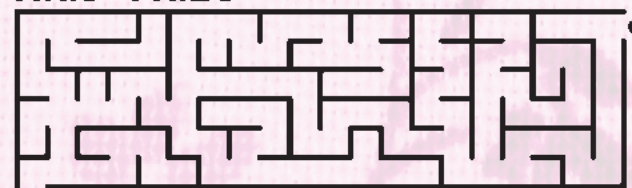
FEB 6 - 12

THURS: Baked chicken, sweet potato, wax beans, vanilla pudding.
FRI: Salmon, mashed potatoes, creamed cabbage, carrot cake.
MON: Spaghetti, cheese bread, lettuce salad, bar.
TUE: Swiss Steak, twice baked potatoes, veggie mix, apple crisp.
WED: Chicken chow mein, rice, egg roll, broccoli, jello with fruit.

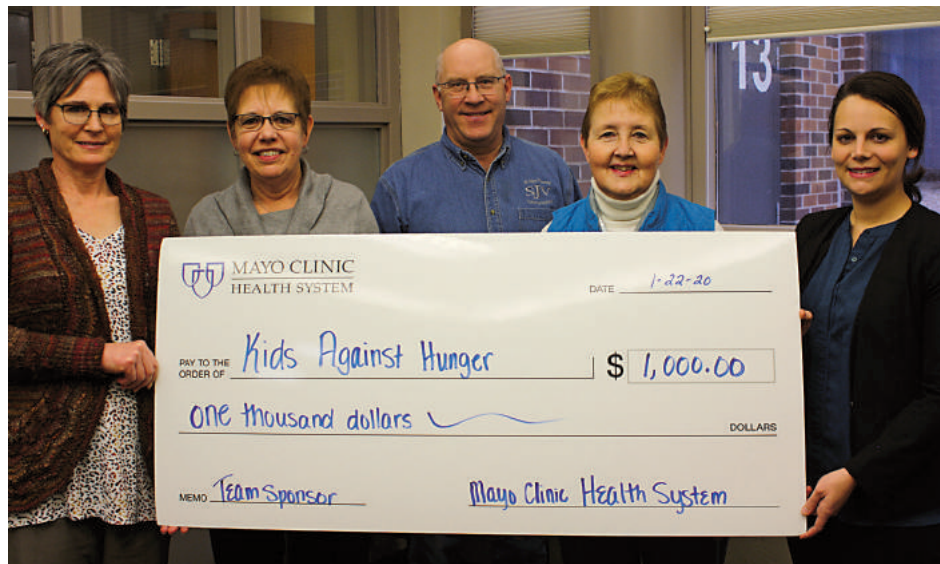
The Martin County Humane Society is selling **ROSES** just in time for Valentine's Day. Cost is \$20 per dozen (mixed colors). Call your order in today at 507-238-1885 and then you can pick them up at the animal shelter on Friday, February 14th from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Join us at the Fairmont Library for a **Valentine's themed family fun night** on Monday, February 10 at 6 p.m. We'll have Valentine's Bingo and sweet snacks to enjoy. This event is free and open to the public, no registration is required. Call the library at 238-4207 with questions.

Kids' Maze



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Mayo Clinic Health System in Fairmont presented a check for \$1,000 to Kids Against Hunger for their February 15th food pack at the Fairmont Armory. Pictured (L to R): Kateri Wellmann (Kids Against Hunger committee member and Mayo Clinic Health System employee), Sue Homan, Ron Sandhurst, Karen Sandhurst (Kids Against Hunger chairs), and Amy Long (site administrator for Mayo Clinic Health System in Fairmont). (Submitted photo)



Shannon Fuller has been named the new Store Manager at NAPA Auto & Truck Parts in Fairmont. Fuller has over 20 years experience in the auto parts industry.

New dry eye treatment at MCHS-Fairmont



From left are patient RuthAnne Langford, Anna Kitzmann, M.D., ophthalmologist, and Robert Friese, O.D., optometrist at Mayo Clinic Health System in Fairmont. (Courtesy Mayo Clinic Health System)

RuthAnne Langford struggled with sustaining likes to sew and read, those hobbies for long and for years she had periods of time.

"I had very, very dry eyes. It made it hard to see, and it would burn," says Langford of Blue Earth, Minnesota. "I would need breaks. I couldn't read or sew for very long."

Under the care of Anna Kitzmann, M.D., ophthalmologist at Mayo Clinic Health System in Fairmont, Langford had been treating the symptoms of her chronic condition in a variety of ways, including warm compresses and prescription dry eye medications. Artificial tears would help, but they constantly needed to be reapplied.

Then in the summer of 2019, Langford became one of the first patients at Mayo Clinic Health System in Fairmont's Eye Clinic to receive one of the new specialized dry eye treatments, called LipiFlow. Through heat and pressure, LipiFlow improves the function of the Meibomian glands, which produce oil.

"My Meibomian glands were not in good shape," says Langford. "Dr. Kitzmann had been telling me that LipiFlow would be coming to Fairmont, and I wanted to try it."

Langford said the LipiFlow treatment was "very pleasant." During the treatment, small devices that are warm and pulsate are placed for a few minutes on the eyelids. A couple of weeks after the treatment, Langford said she noticed a marked difference in her symptoms.

"It just kept getting better and better," Langford said. "I'm now producing the oil that mixes with the tear film."

Langford said she now has an easier time reading and sewing for long periods, and she has significantly cut down on how often she administers artificial tear drops. She said she recommends the treatment to anyone who suffers from dry eye disease.

"I'm very glad I did it," says Langford.

Other dry eye technology now available in Fairmont includes Blephex, a procedure which removes debris from the eyelids and eyelashes; and the Oculus Keratograph 5M, an imaging device that photographs the Meibomian glands for diagnostic purposes.

Dr. Kitzmann and Robert Friese, O.D., optometrist at Mayo

Clinic Health System in Fairmont, estimate that about 80% of Americans will be affected by dry eyes in their lifetimes. Yet some of the dry eye technology they now use isn't available anywhere else between Sioux Falls, South Dakota, and the Twin Cities.

"We are very grateful to the Fairmont Community Hospital Foundation for purchasing the equipment," says Dr. Kitzmann.

Dry eye disease can be caused by aging, too much screen time, medical conditions such as diabetes, and certain medications, among other things.

To schedule a consultation, call 507-238-4311. For more information, visit mayoclinichealthsystem.org.

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Metro Sales launches employee stock option

Jerry Mathwig, Founder and President of Metro Sales Inc., announced it is transitioning ownership of Metro Sales Inc. to its employees, through the creation of an Employee Stock Ownership Plan (ESOP). Eligible employees will share beneficial ownership in the growth of the company.



Mathwig said in his email announcement, "The employees built the company with the help of our customers, and I wanted to further reward them for their contribution. This ESOP allows employees the opportunity to share in the profits they helped create. I am confident that it will provide many additional benefits to the almost 300 employees of Metro Sales Inc. well into the future."

"I want to thank our employees and customers for their continued business and loyalty and hard work," said Mathwig.

The plan will be retroactive to January 1st, 2019.

Metro Sales, Inc. Headquarters is in Richfield, Minnesota with Sales Offices in Duluth, Hibbing, Mankato, Owatonna, Rochester and St. Cloud, Minnesota. With outstate locations in Fargo, North Dakota and Hudson, Wisconsin.

Metro Sales, Inc. has grown to be one of the top Ricoh copier/printer dealerships in the United States, recognized for excellence and Service, Service, Service.

Jerry Mathwig, from Fairmont, and wife Karen Olin Mathwig, from Grand Rapids, Michigan have contributed to and funded numerous charities and benefit programs for their employees.

The move to ESOP will not change the management structure at Metro, Mathwig will continue in his role as President and majority stock holder. This ESOP is designed as a long-term retirement benefit, to keep making the company grow and reward the employees that do the hard work."

New provider welcomed to Sleep Medicine Department

Mayo Clinic Health System in Fairmont recently welcomed Rachel Ziegler, M.D., to the Sleep Medicine Department.

Dr. Ziegler, who has special interests in community education and public health, started seeing patients in early January.

"I will provide patient-focused care using current and up-to-date practice guidelines for patients who have trouble falling or staying asleep, patients who find that sleep is not refreshing for them, patients who struggle to stay awake in the day time, and patients who snore,"



says Dr. Ziegler. Dr. Ziegler attended medical school and completed her residency in neurology at the University of Minnesota-Twin Cities. She completed a fellowship in sleep medicine at the Minnesota Regional Sleep Disorders Center.

Dr. Ziegler is a member of the American Academy of Neurology and the American Academy of Sleep Medicine.

Call Mayo Clinic Health System in Fairmont at 507-238-8500 to schedule an appointment. To learn more, visit mayoclinichealth-system.org.

Help for older Minnesotans in St. James

Once each month, older Minnesotans can get in-person help from the Senior LinkAge Line® on a variety of topics by visiting a community site.

Senior LinkAge Line staff and volunteers can help with understanding Medicare, comparing insurance options, finding ways to save money, filling out applications and much more. They can also help reporting fraud and abuse.

Senior LinkAge Line In-Person Assistance is available in St. James the first Tuesday of each month from 10 a.m. to noon at

the Watonwan County Library, 125 5th Street South.

The Senior LinkAge Line is a service of the Minnesota Board on Aging in partnership with Minnesota's local area agencies on aging. It is the state's federally designated State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP) and Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP). Call the Senior LinkAge Line at 1-800-333-2433 Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm or visit www.MinnesotaHelp.info to chat with a specialist during business hours.

Just Like Cats & Dogs by Dave T. Phipps



The Garden Bug Soursop
The soursop tree only grows where there are no freezing temperatures. Take some seeds directly from its fruit, soak them in warm water overnight, plant them in potting soil and place in a sunny spot. Keep the mix damp and they should germinate in 2-4 weeks. Plant your soursop seedling in full sun in an area where it is protected from wind. It should produce large, spiky, sour-tasting fruits in three to five years and can grow as high as 30 feet in about 6 years. - B. Weaver
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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'm already suffering from election fatigue. I've stopped watching reality TV shows. Who needs more reality?"

"Philip K. Dick said, 'Reality is that which, when you stop believing in it, doesn't go away.'" I add.

"Boy, you slobbered a bibful there. I had a tough

day yesterday. I'd gotten the feeling that nobody loved me and the whole world hated me. Then I realized that couldn't be true. There are many people who don't even know me."

Naturally

White-tailed deer change from grazers to browsers in winter.

There were pheasants under the feeders in my yard. It's a place where I can't imagine them wanting to be. I saw a hen and a rooster walking through the snow together. It warmed me on a cold day.

Red foxes stay warm with their thick winter

coats. An adult rarely retreats to a den in winter, but curls into a ball in the open, using its bushy tail to wrap around its nose and footpads instead. I've looked through spotting scopes and seen foxes nearly blanketed in snow.

The river was open, but wrinkled in the wind. I watched a hawk perched in a cottonwood. The hawk had quite a slice and it wasn't anywhere near a golf course. In falconry, a slice is when a hawk propels its droppings out and away from a nest or perch. A bigger bird, like a bald eagle, can add serious velocity to that action. Falconers refer to hawk droppings as mutes. For some reason, I thought of a line from a book I'd read, "The hawk was everything I wanted to be: solitary, self-possessed, free from grief, and numb to the hurts of human life." I'm guessing Helen Macdonald wasn't thinking about slicing when she wrote that part of her delightful book, "H Is for Hawk"

I squinted to see the rabbit on the moon. The man on the moon is a myth. The moon looked yellow, silver or white, but was likely gray in color.

Q&A

"Do carpenter ants eat wood?" No. Termites do.

Carpenter ants nest in weakened wood.

"What is the difference between a bird's song and its call?" Songs and calls are the cellphones of the avian world. A bird's song is generally related to mating. Birds may sing to attract mates, claim territory or for pair-bonding. Songs are often sung repeatedly. A call is more flexible in usage. Many calls are short notes or phrases that birds use to convey alarm, provide identification or maintain contact. The dapper black-capped chickadee's "chick-a-dee-dee" call can be used to communicate danger, with research suggesting the number of dee notes increases in proportion to the perceived threat. A chickadee is as good a ventriloquist as Jeff Dunham, so it could be hard to place when it vocalizes without moving its lips.

"Squirrels aggravate me. I wish I could appreciate them more." Your wish is granted and you still have two wishes remaining. Here are five reasons to treasure squirrels: They eat some insects, they plant trees, they are accomplished acrobats, they run down trees headfirst, and they speak highly of you.

"I like my window feeder, but how do I get the suction cups to stick?" Wash the window, wash the

feeder, and place the suction cups in hot water for a few minutes to make the cups pliable. After you've dried the suction cups, apply a little vegetable oil on each cup and then wipe lightly before applying the feeder to a window that

males and non-pregnant females don't hibernate or go into torpor.

Things to see or smell while walking uphill everywhere

1. Skunk cologne in the air.
2. Bright scarlet stems



Blame the groundhog, woodchuck or whistle-pig for the weather. Photo by Al Batt

has been warmed by the sun or a hair dryer. Don't fill the feeder until you're sure it's securely held in place.

"Do polar bears hibernate?" They definitely don't in Minnesota. The farthest south that polar bears live all year is James Bay in Canada. In winter, polar bears move as far south as Newfoundland and the northern Bering Sea. Pregnant females dig a den in the snow, give birth, and emerge three months later. Females can go up to eight months without eating, but they don't hibernate in the strictest sense. Adult

of red osier dogwood. 3. On a sunny day, snow fleas might be seen on top of the snow where it had melted a bit around the base of trees or foundations of houses. They look as if someone had spilled pepper.

Thanks for stopping by "The past, the present and the future are really one: they are today." — Harriet Beecher Stowe

"Stare. It is the way to educate your eye, and more. Stare, pry, listen, eavesdrop. Die knowing something. You are not here long." - Walker Evans

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Area College Student News



A total of 10,066 Iowa State University students have been recognized for outstanding academic achievement by being named to the fall semester 2019 Dean's List. Students named to the Dean's List must have earned a grade point average of at least 3.50 on a 4.00 scale while carrying a minimum of 12 credit hours of graded course work.

Area students recognized include:

Armstrong, IA:

- Christopher W. Grussing, 3, Journalism and Mass Communication

- Elliott Ross Hagebock, 1, Kinesiology and Health
- Dayna Rane Umscheid, 2, Pre-Business

Fairmont:

- Larissa Becker, 4, Animal Science

- Nicholas Jeffery Eversman, 2, Pre-Business

- Benjamin Lee Huinker, 3, Software Engineering

- Lucas J. Jedlicka, 4, Computer Engineering

- Nathan John Kallenbach, 3, Finance

- Joshua Paul Lindquist, 4, Animal Science

- Jack Maynard Maakestad, 4, Supply Chain Management

- Collin Steven Steuber, 3, Biology (AGLS)

- Abigail Lee Tonder, 2, Elementary Education

- Ellie Lyn Tonder, 4, English

Granada:

- Madeline Rae Mathiason, 2, Biology (AGLS)

- Camren Jay Saxton, 3, Agricultural Engineering

Swea City, IA:

- Adam Roy Brandt, 4, Agricultural Studies

Truman:

- Brytni J. Drevlow, 4,

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The University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire extends congratulations to the 2,566 students named to the fall 2019 Dean's List.

Students from this area who were named to the

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The following students from the area have been named to the University of Wisconsin-Stout Dean's List for the fall 2019 semester.

The award, formerly known as the Chancellor's Award, is presented to students who have a grade point average of 3.5 or above.

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Interior Design

Dean's List are:

Fairmont:

- Alexandra Fischer, Education & Human Sciences

- Sasha Riley, Education & Human Sciences

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Fairmont:

- Alex Bertram, Junior, BS engineering technology

Trimont:

- Sarah Jacobson, Senior, BS art education

Truman:

- Elizabeth Kotewa, Sophomore, BS hotel, restaurant and tourism

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Augustana University in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, announced today the students named to the Dean's List for the fall semester of the 2019-20 academic year.

The Dean's List recognizes full-time students who have a minimum of 12 credit hours with grade-point averages at 3.5 or above (on a 4.0 scale).

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Alyssa Williamson of Sherburn was among more than 679 students named to Hamline University's College of Liberal Arts Dean's List for the recently completed semester.

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Local students include:

- Hayden Berhow of Trimont

- Ashley Keck of Alpha
- Ericka Kim of Fairmont

- Jayden Koskovich of Fairmont

- McKenna Mathews of Ceylon

- Alexa Mosloski of Fairmont

- Anna Rose of Alpha

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ter. To qualify, students must earn a GPA of 3.5 or higher and maintain a full course load.

Williamson is a member of the Hamline University Class of 2023.

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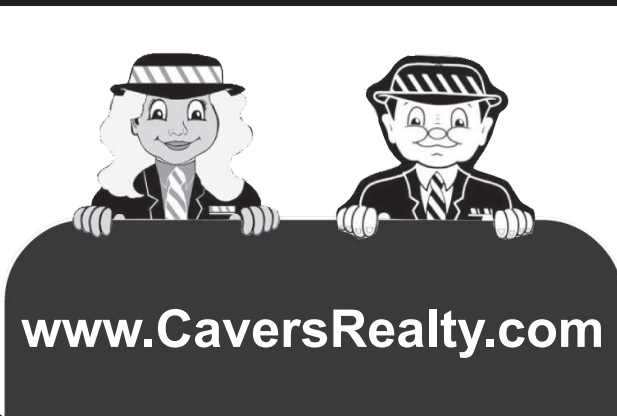
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WARRANTY DEEDS

Joseph Wimmer Attorney in Fact, Ralph Wimmer to Jerald O'Sell, Lot 19, Block 3, 3rd Extension Wards Central Addition

Kayla Traetow, Kayla Zehms, Steven Zehms to Emily Ann Bettin, E½ Lot 2, Block 2 and EXC E3' of Lot 3, Block 2, Steens Addition Monterey

Jennifer R. Holm, Patrick Holm to Kayla Zehms, Steven Zehms, Lot 7, Block 27 and W25' Lot 6, Block

NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

Minnesota Rule 7020.2000, subp. 4

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR LIVESTOCK FEEDLOT PERMIT

Notice is hereby given per Minnesota Statutes 116.07, subd. 7(a), that Ebeling, Josiah-CED 32 will be applying to Martin County and the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency for a permit to construct or expand a feedlot with a capacity of 600 animal units.

The proposed feedlot will be located in the NW 1/4 & NE 1/4 of Section 32 of Cedar Township, T104N, R33W, of Martin County, Minnesota. The existing facility consists of 68 animal units in open lots. The proposed facility consists of 500 head finishing cattle confinement barn and 32 head in open lot. The barn will have an under-floor reinforced concrete pit to hold manure generated by the cattle. The final animal unit capacity will be 600 animal units after the construction. The feedlot will be owned by Josiah Ebeling.

This publication shall constitute as notice to each resident and each owner of real property within 5,000 feet of the perimeter of the proposed feedlot as required by Minnesota State Law.

Published at the request of Josiah Ebeling.

Josiah Ebeling 507-236-1511

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2020 Auction Calendar

- March 21st McGregor - 1st Auction**
Starting at 9:30 am
Coins, toy tractors, Collectibles & Household
Auction Site: 116 N 4th Street – Estherville Iowa (One block North of Ace Hardware)
- March 28th McGregor - 2nd Auction**
Starting at 9:30 am
Antiques, Collectibles, Large Collector Tractors & Machinery
Auction Site: 1950 Hwy 32 1950 410th Avenue, Estherville Iowa
- April 18th 84th Annual Ceylon Community Day Auction**
Starting at 8:00 am
Auction Site: Ceylon MN
- May 16th Doug & Jennette Lietz**
Starting at 9:30 am
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- June 9th Annual Armstrong Spring Consignment Auction**
Starting at 9:00 am
Auction Site: West side of Hwy 9 Armstrong IA
- June 20th Farm Retirement Auction**
Starting at 9:30am
Auction Site: South Martin County MN
- June 27th Marvin & Lola Talledge**
Starting at 9:30 am
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- July 25th 2nd Annual Ceylon Summer Community Day Auction**
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- August 11th Annual Armstrong Late Summer Farm Machinery Consignment Auction**
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27, Original Plat Triumph

Delores L. Smith, Mark L. Smith Atty in Fact to Jacqueline VanVorst, William VanVorst, Lot 26, Vandrey Addition Truman

Sara Becker-Sokoloski, Greg Sokoloski, Gregory J. Sokoloski to Laura Ann Kueker, Lot 2, Block 3, Original Plat Northrop

Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, Usset Weingarden & Liebo PLLP, Attorney in Fact to 2019 Castle LLC, EXC N5' Lot 6, Block 2 and N14' Lot 7, Block 2, Hechts Addition Truman

QUIT CLAIM DEEDS

Bethany R. Miller, Lucas A. Miller to Bethany R. Miller, Lucas A. Miller, PT S½ 3.97AC w/easement, SE¼, 13-101-32

DEED OF DISTRIBUTION

Estate of Todd D. Eves, Ryan Eves Per. Rep. to Ryan Eves, Tricia Hall, Lots 19 and 20, Block 14 and Lot 4, Block 7 and W35' Lot 5, Block 7, Original Plat of Dunnell

PERS REP DEED

Estate of Jerry E. Theobald, Keith Theobald Personal Rep to Jason Kutnink, Lot 6, Block 5, Wards Central Addition

STATE DEED SD

State of Minnesota to American Real Estate Recovery LLC, W½ Lot 3, Block 12, Original Plat Tenhassen-Ceylon

TRUSTEE DEED

Jeffrey A. Miller Revocable Living Trust, Jeffrey A. Miller, Joleen L. Miller Trustees to Bethany R. Miller, Lucas A. Miller, PT w/easement 1.17AC in NE¼NE¼, 23-102-32

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For the fall 2019 semester, 616 South Dakota School of Mines & Technology students were named to the Dean's List.

In order to merit a spot on the Dean's List, students must earn a grade point average of 3.5 or

higher for the semester.

Area students include:

- Daniel Krieger, Blue Earth
- Cameron Hainy, Fairmont
- Lane Hansen, Jackson

* * *

Jonathan Lutz, son of Laura Lutz of Fairmont, was named to the first semester, 2019 Dean's List at Saint Mary's University of Minnesota.

The list includes 355 undergraduate students who earned a grade point average of 3.60 or better on a 4.0 scale.

UPCOMING AUCTIONS

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Fairmont Lakes Foundation fishing contest results

The Fairmont Lakes Foundation/Sommer Outdoors 6th annual ice fishing tournament was held on the Fairmont Lakes on Saturday, January 25th.

Two hundred fourteen anglers from around the region participated, catching a total of 55 fish.

The top ten catches, listed by weight, were:

- Bill Ewest, 8.08 northern
- Callie Weiss, 5.3 northern
- Ryan Shumski, 3.72 bass
- Cameron Klug, 2.96 bass
- Corey Bulfer, 1.6 bass
- Logan Wedel, 1.38 walleye
- Ron Trueblood, 0.8 crappie
- Paul Grussing, 0.8 bass
- Robbi Hurlburt, 0.74 crappie
- Max Easton, 0.72 crappie.

In addition, \$3,500 in prizes were awarded to the top catches, and through drawings.

Tournament sponsors were: 106.5 Lakes FM, Advanced Drainage Systems, AJ Docks & Lifts, Baha Gutter Company, Becker Storage, Blazer Bar and Grill, The Boat House, Boekett Building Supply, Cemstone, Century 21-Northland Realty, Cen-

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Any question, please phone 507-230-0207

The Lake Belt Cemetery Association is accepting bids for 2020 mowing and spraying of the cemetery.

Please send bids to Lake Belt Cemetery Assn, % Joyce Schultz, 402 E Main St. Ceylon, MN 56121. Bids must be received by Noon on Thursday, February 13th, 2020.

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WEEK OF FEBRUARY 8, 1995
Swea City's First Baptist Church hosted a travelogue "The Holy Land Adventure", which was given by interim pastor Rev. David Miller. He and his wife Donna presented the program produced from ten study tours of the Holy Land in the past 20 years.

Sherri Stoneback was named the "Business Education Student of the Month" at Fairmont High School. To qualify, a student must have at least a B average and be involved in at least two semesters of business courses. Sherri is the daughter of Kevin and Kathy Stoneback.

In area servicemen news, Navy Seaman Recruit Steven S. Thom, son of Sheldon E. Thom of Fairmont, recently completed U. S. Navy basic training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Illinois. Thom is a 1994 graduate of Fairmont Senior High School.

Jeff's Jottings!



What is it?

50 YEARS AGO IN THE PHOTO PRESS

WEEK OF FEBRUARY 8, 1970
Two Fairmont seniors, Maureen Fahey and Robert McGrath, were to join 350 other seniors from across the country to participate in the first session of a Presidential Classroom for Young Americans in Washington, D.C.

A citizen's advisory committee for the anticipated Fairmont Junior College was formed with Marlin Gratz as chairman. Paul Lindholm of Blue Earth and Mrs. Ben Seifert of Sherburn were named vice chairman and secretary, respectively.

A contract for the low-cost housing project in Fairmont was awarded to the Leuder Construction Company of Omaha. The \$1,370,000 contract included actual building of the 125-unit complex near the South State Street water tower.

FAIRMONT PUBLIC NOTICE

Please take notice that there will be a Fairmont City Council Work Session Monday, February 10, 2020, 4:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of Fairmont City Hall located at 100 Downtown Plaza, Fairmont, Minnesota. This Work Session will be to review and approve a City Administrator Recruitment Brochure. The press is hereby notified.

Patricia J. Mosen
City Clerk

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MARTIN COUNTY LEGAL PUBLICATIONS

PROCEEDINGS OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE MARTIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS TUESDAY, JANUARY 14, 2020 @ 9:00 A.M.

The special meeting of the Martin County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairman Flohrs. Commissioners present were Richard Koons, Steve Flohrs, Elliot Belgard, and Kathy Smith. Also present were Scott Higgins, Martin County Coordinator, Jessica Korte, Martin County Auditor/Treasurer, Jason Sorensen, Sentinel Newspaper, Rod Halvorsen, City of Lakes Media, Julie Walters, Administrative Assistant, and members of staff and public.

On Motions duly made and adopted the following actions were taken:

Motion by Commissioner Koons, seconded by Commissioner Belgard, to approve the agenda for the January 14, 2020, special Board of Commissioners meeting. Carried unanimously.

Senator Rosen was present to review and discuss the upcoming legislative session.

With no further business to wit, Board Chair adjourned the meeting at 10:26 a.m.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MARTIN COUNTY, MN

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FAIRMONT PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE TO FAIRMONT RESIDENTS

The City Council will be submitting a list of candidates to be appointed by the Chief District Court Judge to fill vacancies on the Fairmont Charter Commission. The Charter Commission reviews and studies the present Charter and makes recommendations of amendments. This is a four-year term.

If you are interested in serving on the Charter Commission, please fill out and return the form below to: Patricia J. Mosen, City Clerk, 100 Downtown Plaza, Fairmont, MN 56031. Names will be accepted until February 28, 2020.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE MARTIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS TUESDAY, JANUARY 7, 2020 AT 9:00 A.M.

The regular meeting of the Martin County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairwoman Kathy Smith. Commissioners present were Steve Flohrs, Richard Koons, Elliot Belgard, and Kathy Smith. Commissioner Mahoney was absent. Also present were Scott Higgins, Martin County Coordinator, Jessica Korte, Martin County Auditor/Treasurer, Terry Viesselman, County Attorney, Rod Halvorsen, City of Lakes Media, Jason Sorensen, Sentinel Newspaper, Julie Walters, Administrative Assistant, and members of staff and public.

On Motions duly made and adopted the following actions were taken.

Motion by Commissioner Belgard, seconded by Commissioner Koons, to nominate and to cast a unanimous ballot for Steve Flohrs as Chair for 2020. All voting in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Commissioner Koons, seconded by Commissioner Smith, to nominate and to cast a unanimous ballot for Elliot Belgard as Vice Chair for 2020. All voting in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Commissioner Belgard, seconded by Commissioner Koons, to approve the agenda for the January 7, 2020, regular Board of Commissioners meeting with the following: Delete 5.2 Legislative Update - Representative Robert Gunther. Carried unanimously.

Motion by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Belgard, to approve the minutes of the December 3, 2019, regular Board of Commissioners meeting; and approve the minutes of the December 17, 2019, regular Board of Commissioners meeting. Carried unanimously.

Motion by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Belgard, to rescind the Off-Sale Intoxicating Liquor License for Ghost Town Tavern, LLC located at 1203 260th Avenue, Granada, Minnesota due to the need for a public hearing. Carried unanimously.

Motion by Commissioner Belgard, seconded by Commissioner Koons, to set a public hearing date of Tuesday, February 4, 2020, at 9:05 a.m. to hold a public hearing in consideration of an Off-Sale Intoxicating Liquor License for Ghost Town Tavern, LLC located at 1203 260th Avenue, Granada, Minnesota. Carried unanimously.

Motion by Commissioner Belgard, seconded by Commissioner Koons, to approve Life-Size Veterans Memorial Sculpture Commission Agreement in the amount of \$123,000 with Brodin Studios in Kimball, Minnesota to design and construct an original bronze work of art to be installed and displayed at the Martin County Veterans Memorial Site; and approve and authorize the county to issue a \$20,000 down payment to commission the artist and that the Martin County Veterans Memorial Committee will reimburse Martin County for the commission down payment; and authorize Martin County Veterans Memorial Committee's designated representative to sign the Commission Agreement. Carried unanimously.

Motion by Commissioner Koons, seconded by Commissioner Smith, to approve the final contract payment for SAP 046-599-077 Grading & Bridge Replacement Project in Waverly Township with Mathiowetz Construction of Sleepy Eye, Minnesota in the amount of \$306,963.10. Carried unanimously.

Motion by Commissioner Belgard, seconded by Commissioner Koons, to approve and accept the resignation of Jim Plumhoff, Highway Maintenance Specialist for the Martin County Highway Department, effective January 31, 2020. Carried unanimously.

Motion by Commissioner Koons, seconded by Commissioner Belgard, to approve and authorize recruitment to fill the Highway Maintenance Specialist vacancy. Carried unanimously.

Motion by Commissioner Koons, seconded by Commissioner Belgard, to approve the purchase of a budgeted tar kettle at the state contract price of \$52,969.00 from Stepp Manufacturing in North Branch, Minnesota. Carried unanimously.

Motion by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Belgard, to approve and authorize Board Chair to sign resolution accepting the State of Minnesota Snowmobile Safety Enforcement Grant Contract for FY2020/2021 in the amount of \$4,138.00 annually, effective July 1, 2019 and expires June 30, 2021. Roll Call AYES: Commissioners Koons, Belgard, Smith, and Flohrs. NAYS: None. Commissioner Mahoney was absent.

Motion by Commissioner Belgard, seconded by Commissioner Koons, to approve the Martin County Highway Supervisors Union Tentative Agreement and Contract effective January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2022; and to authorize Board Chair to sign the respective Union Contract for the Highway Supervisors Association Union; and is contingent upon final review and mutual agreement of language revisions by the County Coordinator. Carried unanimously.

Motion by Commissioner Belgard, seconded by Commissioner Smith, to approve the Martin County Library AFSCME Local 1204C Tentative Agreement and Contract effective January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2022; and authorize Board Chair to sign the respective Union Contract for the Martin County Library AFSCME Local 1204C Union; and is contingent upon final review and mutual agreement of language revisions by the County Coordinator. Carried unanimously.

Motion by Commissioner Koons, seconded by Commissioner Smith, to approve and authorize Board Chair to enter into a Respectful Workplace training agreement with tRive Law & Consulting to schedule mandatory Respectful Workplace training for all Martin County employees and staff. Carried unanimously.

Motion by Commissioner Belgard, seconded by Commissioner Smith, to accept the 2019-2020 FMW SHIP Wellness Mini-Grant Award in the amount of \$1,090. Carried unanimously.

Motion by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Belgard, to approve and authorize Board Chair to sign resolution approving Martin County's application for funding from the Voting Equipment Grant. Roll Call AYES: Commissioners Koons, Belgard, Smith, and Flohrs. NAYS: None. Commissioner Mahoney was absent.

Motion by Commissioner Belgard, seconded by Commissioner Koons, to set the date of Tuesday, January 21, 2020, for a special joint meeting with Martin SWCD, beginning at 7:00 a.m. at the Ranch Restaurant in Fairmont, Minnesota. Carried unanimously.

Motion by Commissioner Belgard, seconded by Commissioner Koons, to approve and authorize Board Chair to sign resolution approving Machine Signed Signatures and Depository Designations. Roll Call AYES: Commissioners Smith, Koons, Belgard, and Flohrs. NAYS: None. Commissioner Mahoney was absent.

Motion by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Belgard, to approve and authorize Board Chair to sign resolution approving Employee Expenses for CY2020, effective January 1, 2020. Roll Call Ayes: Commissioners Koons, Belgard, Smith, and Flohrs. NAYS: None. Commissioner Mahoney was absent.

Motion by Commissioner Belgard, seconded by Commissioner Smith, to approve and authorize Board Chair to sign resolution approving Hand Labor Hourly Rate for CY2020. Roll Call AYES: Commissioners Koons, Smith, Belgard, and Flohrs. NAYS: None. Commissioner Mahoney was absent.

Motion by Commissioner Koons, seconded by Commissioner Belgard, to approve and authorize Board Chair to sign resolution approving Pocket Gopher Bounty for CY2020. Roll Call AYES: Commissioners Smith, Belgard, Koons, and Flohrs. NAYS: None. Commissioner Mahoney was absent.

Motion by Commissioner Koons, seconded by Commissioner Smith, to approve and authorize Board Chair to sign resolution approving Designation of Public Notice Posting & Facility for CY2020. Roll Call AYES: Commissioners Belgard, Smith, Koons, and Flohrs. NAYS: None. Commissioner Mahoney was absent.

Motion by Commissioner Belgard, seconded by Commissioner Smith, to approve and authorize Board Chair to sign resolution authorizing the Auditor Treasurer's Office to make Electronic Funds Transfers for CY2020. Roll Call AYES: Commissioners Koons, Smith, Belgard, and Flohrs. NAYS: None. Commissioner Mahoney was absent.

Motion by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Koons, to approve and authorize Board Chair to sign resolution approving Auditor Warrant Policy for CY2020. Roll Call AYES: Commissioners Belgard, Koons, Smith, and Flohrs. NAYS: None. Commissioner Mahoney was absent.

Motion by Commissioner Koons, seconded by Commissioner Belgard, to approve the regularly scheduled Martin County meeting dates, times, and locations for 2020. Carried unanimously.

Motion by Commissioner Koons, seconded by Commissioner Smith, to approve the Fairmont Photo Press as Official County Newspaper for 2020. Roll Call AYES: Commissioners Belgard, Smith, Koons, and Flohrs. NAYS: None. Commissioner Mahoney was absent.

Motion by Commissioner Koons, seconded by Commissioner Belgard, to approve and authorize Board Chair to sign resolution for Out-of-State Travel for applicable Elected Officials, effective January 1, 2020. Roll Call AYES: Commissioners Smith, Belgard, Koons, and Flohrs. NAYS: None. Commissioner Mahoney was absent.

Motion by Commissioner Belgard, seconded by Commissioner Smith, to approve and authorize Board Chair to sign resolution appointing Commissioners and other County Officials to Boards and Committees for the year 2020. Roll Call AYES: Commissioners Koons, Smith, Belgard, and Flohrs. NAYS: None. Commissioner Mahoney was absent.

Motion by Commissioner Belgard, seconded by Commissioner Smith, to approve and authorize Board Chair to sign resolution authorizing execution of Grant Agreement from the Minnesota Department of Public Safety for Martin County's Youth Intervention Program effective January 1, 2020 through December 31 2021, in the amount of \$90,000. Roll Call AYES: Commissioners, Smith, Koons, Belgard, and Flohrs. NAYS: None. Commissioner Mahoney was absent.

Motion by Commissioner Belgard, seconded by Commissioner Koons, to approve and accept donations of \$300.00 for Martin County Victim Witness Program, and \$4,950.00 for Martin County Veterans Service Office received in 2019. Roll Call AYES: Commissioners Smith, Koons, Belgard, and Flohrs. NAYS: None. Commissioner Mahoney was absent.

Motion by Commissioner Belgard, seconded by Commissioner Koons, to ratify Memorandum of Understanding between Martin County EDA and the Regional Center for Entrepreneurial Facilitation (RCEF) in the amount of \$150,000 per year for two years beginning July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2021; and that Martin County EDA serve as Host and fiscal agent for DEED grant funds. Carried unanimously.

Motion by Commissioner Belgard, seconded by Commissioner Smith, to table Action on Executive Order 13888, "Enhancing State and Local Involvement in Refugee Resettlement" until the January 21, 2020, regular Board of Commissioners meeting. Carried unanimously.

Motion by Commissioner Koons, seconded by Commissioner Belgard, to approve Warrants, Auditor Warrants, and EFT Transactions to be paid on January 7, 2020, and includes the Martin County Highway Department and Drainage bills as presented; and ratify payment of additional billing cycle auditor Warrant and EFT Transactions for December 31, 2019. Carried unanimously.

With no further business to wit, Board Chair adjourned the meeting at 12:24 a.m.

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FOULED CARD - Cardinals Caden Baarts was fouled on a drive to the basket. St. James' #4 Derrick Halvorson and teammate Hayden Jones defend the play. The Cardinals defeated the Saints 74-52 last Thursday night. The Cards (9-6) host LCWM (3-14) Thursday and Blue Earth Area (8-7) Friday. *Courtesy fairmontsports.com*



ELEVATING - Cards Maggy Totzke rises up for shot over Redwood Valley's Alexa Steffl. The Cards defeated Redwood Valley 60-53. The Cards (12-8) travel to Blue Earth Area (2-16) Friday night. *Courtesy fairmontsports.com*



Congratulations to Bergen Senf as she was selected as the Region 2A Sub Section 6 Triple A Female winner. Bergen will now compete for the Region 2A Female winner on February 5th.

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Red Bulls Win Tournament

The Class AA #2-ranked Martin County Red Bulls won the Mankato East Tournament this past Saturday. Placing first for the Red Bulls - Class AA #3-ranked 120 lb Lucas Jagodzinske; 126 lb #2-ranked Jaxson Rohman; 138 lb #2-ranked Connor Simmonds; 145 lb Cale Steuber; 152 lb #2-ranked Payton Anderson; 1st; 160 lb #2-ranked Miles Fitzgerald. The Red Bulls

(11-2) hosted a quadrangular Tuesday.

Mankato East Tournament - Team Results: 1, Red Bulls 208, 2, Waconia 176.5, 3, Maple River 148.5, 4, Watertown Mayor 123, 5, Mankato West 109.5, 6, Mankato East 102, 7, Sibley East 78, 8, Chaska, Chanhassen 45.5, 9, St. Thomas Academy 39, 10, Pine Island 30, 11, Austin 25, 12, Minnetonka 19, 13, LSH 4, 14, M/T/ML 0.

Individual Results: 106 - Cooper Steuber, 4th; 113 - #9-ranked Kain Sanders, 2nd; 120 - Lucas Jagodzinske, 1st; 126 - Jaxson Rohman, 1st; 138 - Connor Simmonds, 1st; 145 - Cale Steuber, 1st; 152 - Payton Anderson, 1st; 160 - Miles Fitzgerald, 1st; 170 - #5-ranked Nathan Simmonds, 3rd; 195 - #5-ranked Jacob Rahn, 2nd.



J. Rohman



C. Steuber



C. Simmonds



L. Jagodzinske



M. Fitzgerald



P. Anderson



CRASHED NET - Cards #11 Emily Sokoloski scores a goal. #9 Mackenzie Householder and Jonissa Neitzel, hidden, were credited with an assist on the play. Rochester Mayo's goalie Chloe Ruprecht, teammates #20 Natalie Campbell, #6 Milla Sadowy and #7 Nakya Renn defend the play. The Cards won 4-1 last Saturday. The Section 3 #7-seeded Cards (7-15-2) will travel to Marshall (12-12-1) Thursday night. *Courtesy fairmontsports.com*



Martin County Pheasants Forever Chapter presented the Fairmont Youth Hockey Association a check for \$500 on Fairmont Hockey Day. Pictured (L to R): MCPF's Nate Tirevold, Josh Nutt, Kyle Gustafson (FYHA Vice President), Joe Maidl and LJ Maidl. *Courtesy fairmontsports.com*



CARD GOAL - Cards Carson Kuhl, right scored two goals and had an assist in the Cards 6-4 victory over Redwood Valley last Friday night. Cards Eli Anderson had a hat trick. Kaiden Musser had the other Cards goal. *Courtesy fairmontsports.com*



Fairmont Area School's dance team performed last week during section competition at Delano, MN.



Steve Hawkins of Hawkins Chevrolet (right) presented a \$500 check to the Fairmont Youth Hockey Association Vice President Kyle Gustafson on Fairmont Hockey Day at the Martin County Arena this past Saturday. *Courtesy fairmontsports.com*