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Pictured are members of the Highway 2 Cruisers Club that came out to help with the construction of the playground at Win-E-Mac School. There were many volunteers and each and every one made a difference. Thank you to the following businesses who allowed their employees to help construct the new playground equipment at Win-E-Mac School: American State Bank of Erskine, First National Bank of McIntosh, Erskine Fire Department, Garden Valley Telephone, Highway 2 Car Cruisers, Schow Motorsports, Strom Excavating, Hedlund Backhoe, and all the many volunteers who are local members of each of the communities of the Win-E-Mac School.



Lois Boehrnsen and Dianne Christopherson presented a Quilt of Valor to Mark Nichols. Mark is in the National Guard and has served multiple tours. He is currently a full time police officer with the Grand Forks Police Department. To date, our local Quilts of Valor chapter have presented over 30 quilts to our area Veterans. Thanks to the great group of ladies who make these quilts and Thank you to Mark for his service to our Country.

MN Commerce Dept. warns about unclaimed property scams

Minnesota Commerce Commissioner Mike Rothman is warning Minnesotans to be on guard against fraudulent phone calls, emails and letters offering unclaimed property that belongs to them. These scammers typically ask for an upfront payment or personal information. They then take the money and run, while personal information may be used for identity theft. "These communications may look or sound official, so it's important to be vigilant," said Rothman, whose agency administers the State of Minnesota's unclaimed property program. "It's natural for people to be excited if someone offers money that supposedly belongs to them. But for self-protection, never pay in advance or provide personal

information. Ask for details about the unclaimed property and, more importantly, check with the Commerce Department." If the owner of an account or asset cannot be located after a certain period of time, businesses are required to turn the funds over to the state's unclaimed property program for indefinite safekeeping until claimed by the rightful owner or heirs. The Commerce Department maintains an online database of unclaimed property in Minnesota. Searching the database is easy, and a claim can be filed free of charge. In 2015-2016 fiscal year, the Commerce Department's unclaimed property program returned nearly \$50 million in missing money to over 30,000



Now springs are something that the members of the Car Cruisers can certainly wrap their heads around as they help out with the new playground at Win-E-Mac School.

CLASS REUNION

Mac High Class of 1967 50 year reunion.

The class is meeting on Tuesday, July 11, 2017 at the Ron & Elaine Roed farm in Hill River Township at 3:00 pm and are inviting members of other classes to come out for a visit as well.

Minnesotans, both all-time record high figures.

Because of more public awareness about the availability of unclaimed property, scammers are exploiting it as an opportunity to cheat people with false promises. They demand upfront payments or personal information, using high-pressure tactics such as insisting there is a deadline to claim the money. Once the scammers get what they want, they are never heard from again.

Commerce is here to help

If you have a question about unclaimed property, contact the Commerce Department's Unclaimed Property Program by email at unclaimed.property@state.mn.us or by phone at 651-539-1545.



The McIntosh Times/Community Club Yard of the Week this week belongs to Linda and Butch Pulskamp in Winger. This fun yard has cute and whimsical additions wherever you glance from the Dutch kids in the flower bed to the bear on the front porch. If you have an idea for a Yard of the Week, please let us know at mcintoshtimes@gmail.com



Walk Polk County 2017

Walk Polk County is back and whether you're a fitness guru or simply want to increase the movement in your day, Walk Polk County has you covered! We know how important it is to get out and be active. Regular movement helps our body, mind and spirit. Just 30 minutes of activity a day can help reduce stress, increase energy levels, improve sleep, maintain a healthy body weight and build healthy muscles. In addition, regular physical activity reduces the risk of chronic illnesses such as heart disease, stroke, and diabetes. Walk Polk County (WPC) starts on Monday, July 10th and runs through September 5th. Participation is free and is open and encourages for all community members. Participants can sign up to receive

weekly motivational emails to keep you on track and moving. Polk County walking trails will be featured in the weekly emails to encourage participants to get out and explore in new ways. Whatever your style, there are many types of activity that count towards completing your WPC maps; walking, biking, rollerblading, swimming, dancing, gardening, raking, jogging, even mowing and cleaning, anything that keeps you moving! Walk Polk County is simply the spark to keep movement a part of your every day routine. If you are interested in participating, email: alyssa.jorud@co.polk.mn.us with WPC in the subject line for a map or pick up your map at Polk County Public Health in Crookston (816 ½ Marin Av-

enue), East Grand Forks (1424 Central Ave) or McIntosh (250 Cleveland Ave). You can download our own map at www.co.polk.mn.us. Search Walk Polk County. Complete a map and turn it in for a chance to win prizes! Drawings will occur biweekly on July 24, August 7, August 11, and September 5 with a cash prize drawing from all maps at the end. The more maps you complete, the more your chance of winning increases. Polk County Public Health and the Polk County Wellness Coalition are working to make healthy choices easier. For more information about Walk Polk County, contact Alyssa Jorud by phone at 218-521-2245 or by email at: alyssa.jorud@co.polk.mn.us.



"Build a Better World" with Mac Library's Summer Reading Program

This summer, kids of all ages are invited to track their reading progress and earn prizes as well as attend free events at their local libraries. All Lake Agassiz Regional Library (LARL) locations will offer the Summer Reading Program, which is centered around the idea of "building a better world". To sign up, visit a LARL library location near you, or www.lar.org/srp.

All Summer Reading Program events will be offered free of charge, and programs will be held at the McIntosh Public Library on Mondays at 10:30 a.m.

Monday's in July will include the Win-E-Mac Robotics Team on Monday, July 10th,

Christian Fellowship schedule at the Fair

The Christian Fellowship Tent that has been a place of relaxing, inspiration and fellowship going on 44 years has again put together a full program of gospel music for the Polk County Fair in Fertile from July 5th – 9th, 2017. The program begins on Wednesday evening July 5th at 7:00 p.m. Programs will continue Thursday and Friday evenings and continue on Saturday and Sunday afternoons and evenings. The Gloryland Gospel Team of Gully, who has for over 43 years been a part of our program, will sing and play, provide all the necessary sound equipment and MC the program. Without their commitment to the ministry it could not go on.

Wednesday, July 5
7:00 p.m. Gloryland Gospel Team
8:00 p.m. Woman's Quartet from Resurrection Free Lu-

Building a simple catapult on Monday, July 17th, and meeting a Minnesota State Patrol Trooper on Monday, July 24th, and on July 31st come create a Fair Banner with fun letters you color yourself. All programs on Monday's begin at 10:30 a.m.

The season ends on Thursday, August 3rd with Professor Marvel's DIY Magic Show.

Library customers who are seeking on-the-go access to the materials and services they rely on will love Lake Agassiz Regional Library's new app, LARL Mobile. The free app is designed for both Apple and Android users and offers one-click access to eBooks and eAudiobooks, events at local

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8:30 p.m. Pastor Phil Larson, United in Christ - Vocal

9:00 p.m. Gloryland Gospel Team

Thursday, July 6

6:00 p.m. Gloryland Gospel Team

7:00 p.m. Share Ministries, Terry & Sandy Nelson

8:00 p.m. North Country Gospel, Lengby – Vocal with guitars

9:00 p.m. Gloryland Gospel Team

Friday, July 7

5:00 p.m. Frasier Family, vocal & instrumental

6:00 p.m. Gloryland Gospel Team

7:00 p.m. Lois & Lois, Middle River

8:00 p.m. Share Ministries, Terry & Sandy Nelson

9:00 p.m. Gloryland Gospel Team

Saturday, July 8

libraries, and more! Want to renew a library book, or put one on hold? Need directions or hours for a location near you? LARL Mobile is the answer. To access the app, search LARL Mobile in your device's app store. There's never been a better time to sign up for a library card (offered free of charge). Take advantage of all that is offered at your local library!

The McIntosh Public Library is a branch of Lake Agassiz Regional Library, which is a consolidated public library system comprised of 13 branch libraries and nine LINK sites serving the residents of seven counties in northwest Minnesota. More information is available at www.lar.org.

2:00 p.m. Gloryland Gospel Team

3:00 p.m. Kent Dudley

4:00 p.m. MaryAnn Raffetvold, Touch a Heart Ministry

5:00 p.m. Share Ministries, Terry & Sandy Nelson

6:00 p.m. Gloryland Gospel Team

7:00 p.m. Clyde Family Singers

8:00 p.m. The Rusty Chords, Southern Gospel Style

Dr. Noah, Marilyn Lee & Cecil Malm

9:00 p.m. Gloryland Gospel Team

Sunday, July 9

2:00 p.m. Gloryland Gospel Team

3:00 p.m. Kazmierczak Kids-Mentor

3:30 p.m. Hope Evangelical Children - Fertile

4:00 p.m. Overtones

5:00 p.m. Share Ministries, Terry & Sandy Nelson

Congregations seek to help alleviate world hunger

Submitted by Pastor Gordon Syverson

The Congregation and members of Immanuel Lutheran in Bejou, Calvary Lutheran in Winger and Our Savior's Lutheran in McIntosh have sought to help needy people. They have received offerings and memorials to give aid to people in various countries around the world. The congregations are participating in the Evangelical Lutheran Church World Hunger Program called, "Good Gifts".

The purpose of this endeavor is to give animals to the poorest of the poor in the world. This will help them raise some of their own food. The animals and some tools are given along with training how to care for the animals. In most cases, their first female born is to be given to a neighboring family.

The 3 congregations have raised \$4,281. This will enable the purchase of 4 pigs, 12 groups of ten chicks, 10 roosters, 5 goats, 5 hives of bees, 2 cows, 4 sheep, 2 family farms consisting of a cow, a couple goats, 2 dozen chicks, two pigs, farming tools, seeds and agricultural training, 10,000 water purification tablets, and a 2-year supply of food for a child orphaned by HIV or AIDS,

along with five clinic visits for a child and vaccinations for 2 children.

The local congregations know they cannot do everything, but they can do something. The hope and prayer is that their generosity and efforts will make a difference in many lives. Instead of giving food, the recipients will learn to become self-sufficient. This is a program that will grow for many years. The people will have better diets, for better

VFW Auxiliary #6891 News

The McIntosh VFW #6891 Auxiliary will hold their July meeting on Monday, July 10, at 5 p.m. at The Club. This is the beginning of the 2017-2018 Auxiliary year. The Auxiliary will accept memberships from men or women. In either case you have to be a spouse, child, brother, sister, etc. of a VFW member. Any questions, contact Membership Chairman, Patti Benson.

All Auxiliary members are reminded to bring some of the following items for the Fargo VA Health Care System: men's deodorant, non-alcoholic

health, children will be able to go to school, and generally they will begin to feel better about themselves.

The congregations of Immanuel Lutheran Church in Bejou, Calvary Lutheran Church in Winger and Our Savior's Lutheran Church in McIntosh are served by part-time Pastors, Ernest Christensen of rural Mentor and Gordon Syverson of rural Fosston.

mouth wash, chap stick, large or small nail clippers (new). Most of these can be travel size. A box will be available for these items at the July 10 meeting.

The Kindergarten through the 2nd graders of the Win-E-Mac School colored a flag for the Auxiliary coloring contest. The following were the top 3 winners in each grade: Kindergarten - Vivea, Kutsev, Levkii Basargin and Ana Kolden; 1st grade - Peyton Solie, Nick Schow, and Ella Langemo; 2nd grade - Jayden Haugen, Nathaniel Spry, and Marfa Basargin. Each of these winners received a monetary award.

All Auxiliary members are encouraged to attend this meeting.

men also hunted and fished out of necessity to put food on the table; this included venison, rabbit and squirrel. There also were very large gardens and everything was canned or placed in a cold cellar during the winter months; there was always delicious food to eat. The women sewed and mended, tatted, knitted, crocheted, cooked and baked. There was no running water so laundry had to be done in a large washtub. Water had to be carried from a pump outside and needless to say, there was the outhouse."

According to Carolyn, "One of our family's favorite dishes is Tourtiere, French Canadian Meat Pie. This recipe goes back to when my great-grandparents lived in Canada... It was always served at Christmas when we gathered with many relatives and any time during the winter months. It can be served warm or cold. I remember my grandmother making this dish and my mother." Al-

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Notice to City of McIntosh Residents:

Please make sure your residence displays house numbers at all times. Numbers should be placed on the side of the building facing the street of address in close proximity to and in the general area of the entrance door in a conspicuous position and at a height which shall be easily visible from the street. Numbers should be a minimum of three inches and should be a contrasting color with the siding. House numbers are critical for emergency responders to find specific homes in urgent situations. M15C

NOTICE

ELECTION AND ANNUAL MEETING VERNES CEMETERY ASSOCIATION

The annual election and meeting of the Vernes Cemetery Association will be held on Monday, July 10, 2017 at the Vernes Lutheran Church. The meeting shall start at 7:00 p.m. and all association members are invited to attend. Association members are all members of Vernes Lutheran Church and anyone else who has relatives or friends buried in the cemetery. Again, all members are encouraged to attend.

Gordon Syverson
Secretary/Treasurer
Vernes Cemetery Association M14-15C

MAC TO FLUSH WATERLINES

The City of McIntosh will be flushing waterlines and hydrants each Thursday throughout the summer.

Residents are encouraged to watch for rusty or dirty water on these days. Fill washing machines to check water before adding clothes. M6-25C

Letter to the Editor

LETTER TO THE EDITOR:
I want to say a special Thank You to the Heritage Committee for the article about the 100th Anniversary of Immanuel Lutheran Church.

There family members present from all of the Charter Members of the Congregation. As we have done before we formed a choir to sing praises at the Anniversary Service.

It was an enjoyable day as we visited and renewed acquaintance with all our Walther League friends, relatives and Sunday School classes.

A thank you also to the Immanuel committee who did so much work to make this happen.

Thank you.
Amy Bartz Schaefer

though she is unsure of who first made this dish, it is certain that Tourtiere is still enjoyed at family gatherings today. It is a family favorite at their Sunday family get-togethers.

Tourtiere (French Meat Pie)

1 ½ lbs. ground pork roast
1 diced medium onion
1 tsp. salt
¼ tsp. pepper
¼ tsp. allspice
½ tsp. ground sage
½ tsp. cinnamon
1/8 tsp. cloves
½ tsp. garlic salt
1 small grated potato
½ c. water

Brown pork and onion. Drain excess fat. Add all remaining ingredients and simmer for 20 minutes. Let cool and put into pie shell (both top and bottom). Bake at 425 degrees for 15 minutes; reduce heat to 350 degrees for 30 minutes. This pie can be served hot or cold.

Open House
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Community Birthday and Anniversary Calendar

Wed. July 5: Ron Roed
Thurs. July 6: Timothy Perreault, Ella Strom
Fri. July 7: Karol Langemo, Macy Carlson
Sat. July 8: Devra Carlson, Colleen Borud, Macey Lee
Sun. July 9: Virgil Lerfald, *Cameron & Christy Burslie
Mon. July 10: Natalie Smith, Kyle Jore
Tues. July 11: Amelia Vigoren, Preston Lecy

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ST. MARY'S CHURCH Fosston

Fr. John Suvakeen, Pastor

Sun. July 9: 8:00am Confession; 8:30am Mass at St. Mary's, Fosston; 10:30am Mass at St. Joseph's, Bagley

Tues. July 11: 2pm Mass at Good Samaritan, Clearbrook

Wed. July 12: 1:00pm Mass at McIntosh Nursing Home

Fri. July 14: 8:30am Mass at St. Mary's, Fosston

Sun. July 16: 8:00am Confession; 8:30am Mass at St. Mary's, Fosston; 10:30am Mass at St. Joseph's, Bagley

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If you have any questions please call 435-6484.

CALVARY-IMMANUEL LUTHERAN PARISH

Winger/Bejou

Supply Pastor

Gordon Syverson

Sun. July 9: 8:30am Worship at Immanuel; 9:45am

Worship at Calvary

Sun. July 16: 8:30am Worship at Immanuel; 9:45am

Worship at Calvary

OURS SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH (ELCA)

McIntosh

Supply Pastor

Gordon Syverson

Sun. July 9: 11:15am Worship Service.

Sun. July 16: 11:15am Worship Service.

GOSEN LUTHERAN CHURCH

Independent

Gary Johnson, Pastor

www.gosen-church.com

Face Book: Gosen Church

Wed. July 5: 1:30pm Bible Study at The Country Place; 7:00pm Bible Study at Don & Sharon Ramberg's

Sun. July 9: 9:30am Sunday School and Adult Bible Study; 11:00am Worship Service

Tues. July 11: 10:00 a.m. Sunday worship service telecast on Garden Valley Cable TV--Channel 12

Wed. July 12: 1:30pm Bible Study at The Country Place; 7:00pm Bible Study at Don & Sharon Ramberg's

For information on free rides to any of the above activities call 218-268-4242 or 218-687-3461 Gosen Church is located 4 miles south of the junctions of Hwy. 2 & 59 or 4 miles north of Winger; then ½ mile east on County Road 206.

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McIntosh Trinity / Mount Carmel:

Pastor Karl Anderson

Thurs. July 6: 7:00am Men's Breakfast at Mt. Carmel

Sun. July 9 9:30am Worship at Mt. Carmel; 11:00am Worship at Trinity

Thurs. July 13: 7:00am Men's Breakfast at Mt. Carmel

Sun. July 16: :30am Worship at Trinity; 11:00am Worship at Mt. Carmel

VERNES LUTHERAN CHURCH (LCMC)

McIntosh

Pastor Jill Torgerson

Sun. July 9: 9am Worship

Sun. July 16: 9am Worship

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FREE LUTHERAN

Pastor Don Edlund

Wed. July 5: 7:00pm Bible Study

Sun. July 9: 10:00am Worship Service

Wed. July 12: 7:00pm Bible Study

Sun. July 16: 10:00am Worship Service

Wed. July 19: 7:00pm Bible Study

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

McIntosh

Rev. John Anderson, Pastor

Sun. July 9: 10:45am Divine Worship with Holy Communion

Tues. July 11: 2:00pm Ladies Aid

Sun. July 16: 10:45am Divine Worship with Holy Communion; Noon: Quarterly Voter's Meeting, Potluck Dinner

Thurs. July 20: 10:30am Devotions at Pioneer Care Center

Holy Communion 1st and 3rd Sundays

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Winger News

Linda Pulskamp

Hello again from Winger and the Union Lake areas where we are about to bid farewell to the month of June and welcome the month of July! Our weather has been mostly cool, cloudy and of course windy, but we did receive some much needed rain yesterday (Wednesday) which came down very nice and soaked into the ground. Fortunately we did not get the amount that the Grand Forks area got, which was way to much at one time.

There was once again a great turnout for the Lion's Fish Fry held last Saturday night with so many remarking on what a delicious meal was served.

Last Thursday and again on Tuesday of this week Roy and Judy Raben were visitors with Helmer and Verlys Home at the Pioneer Home at Erskine where they spent the afternoon visiting and playing Rook.

Last Thursday the 22nd Milton Carlson accompanied Judy and Lonnie Gieseke to Staples where they were met by Dick and Wanda Donavon. The family had a very enjoyable afternoon together.

Butch and Linda Pulskamp were week end house guests at the Donnie Johnson home in Maple Lake, MN. On their way to Maple Lake they stopped in Fergus Falls and took in the races where their son Brent raced on Friday evening.

Paul Carlson was a visitor and coffee guest last Friday at the Milton Carlson home and while there helped Milton put in a air conditioner.

Last Thursday evening Diane Anderson of Thompson, ND was a visitor at the Puls-kamp home.

Bruce McWilliam visited with and also had dinner with Martha Henney at the Pioneer Home at Erskine this past Thursday.

Last Saturday afternoon Donnie Johnson of Maple Lake, MN, Nola Abele of Fosston, MN, Mark and Judy Boeckers of Buffalo and Butch and Linda Pulskamp attended a wedding reception held in North Branch in honor of Jeremy and Cassie Johnson.

Last Sunday Helmer and Verlys Homme attended a family gathering at Lake Ida, southwest of Detroit Lakes for Verly's Grand Nephew Major Matt Tronnes who is in the Air National Guard. Major Tronnes is being deployed to the Mid East.

Monday morning on this way to work Paul Carlson stopped in for a brief visit with Milton Carlson and topped of his morning coffee for the road. That evening after work Kari Ann Keller of Bejou was a visitor with Milton at the Carlson home.

With the rainy day Wednesday was I drove to Erskine to the Pioneer Home and visited with Martha Henney and also with Carol Hagen.

Once again this is all the news I was able to come up with!

In closing, always keep learning it keeps you young!

From Bun Manor:

June 23rd, Tom Anderson, his wife Jessica and their two children Arianna and Blake Bun came up in their motor home to spend a few days visiting with their uncle Tim. Tom had to go to work in Warren on Friday, so Tim took grandpa Greg and Jessica and her two children to lunch at the famous Ness café. They sure have a mess going on tearing up main street. They are putting in water, sewer and new sidewalks. It will be nice when they get it finished.

Later on in the afternoon, Tim's niece Laura and her husband Craig and their children Anna, Clairra, Eli and Estelle came to the manor to spend the weekend. Megan also came with her husband Adam and their child Mason Timothy to spend the weekend. Tennis and Lori Balstad along with their kids Trent, Lance and Faith came out to the manor on Friday evening for a pot-luck supper. Tom took the kids out fishing and they caught a bunch of sunnies. They had big smiles on their faces when they came up to the house with a pail full of fish. Their other daughter Trisha had to work at the Fosston hospital. She is going to school to become a Registered nurse.

Saturday the 24th of June some more family came up to enjoy the Winger Lion's fish fry at the Winger Community Center. They were Odney, Linda and Tory Hegrenes, Jim and Vicki Thune, aunt Shirley Jennings from California, cousins Sandy and Warren Juengel from Michigan, cousin Mike Rindahl from South Carolina, Dr. Dougie and son Chaez, Judy and Lloyd Schulz and cousins Gary and Susan Anderson. The Lion's served around 220 people. Lots of people were talking about how good the fish was this year. All the proceeds from the raffle went to Jeff Ose.

A bunch of them went to the casino in Mahanomen to spend the night. Tim got a call from Jim and Vicki that evening telling him they were leaving the casino because they found bed bugs in their room. They went to Fosston and got the last room at the motel. They got their room just in time. As soon as Jim told the clerk they would take the room the phone rang with another person looking for a room.

The next day they all came out to the lake for a mini family reunion. Gail Anderson from Moorhead joined them. There was no rain that fell that day so some of them went for a cool pontoon ride. They all enjoyed a grill out and left latter that evening. It sure got quiet when everyone left.

Dick and Karen Hagen came up for a couple of days to attend the memorial service for Irene Ferden of Fosston. They stayed at their favorite nephew Dale's place.

Last Tuesday Bun met Dale at the Win-E-Mac baseball field to watch them play Fosston. They got annihilated by them 13-0 in five innings. They saw Ginny and Gary Frisk at the game and they gave up on them and left the game early. Dale and Bun were the last ones to leave.

Thursday, Scrap took Bun to the eye Dr. in Fosston. When he was getting out of his van he saw Erica his dentist. Bun got a hug from her. She didn't give Scrappy one.

Bun figured he didn't get one because he doesn't spend enough money getting his teeth fixed with her.

Sunday, Shirley and Judy came out to the lake to visit Tim. Ole showed up and the four of them went for a pontoon ride. This was the first ride of the season for him. The boat ran this year because he broke down and bought a motor from Harlan.

Dale took his nephews Grant and Everett to Bemidji to watch the movie Cars 3. Following the movie they went and ate at the authentic Mexican restaurant Mi Rancho. Both the food and movie were good.

Bun says 'hi' to Amy. One of his avid readers



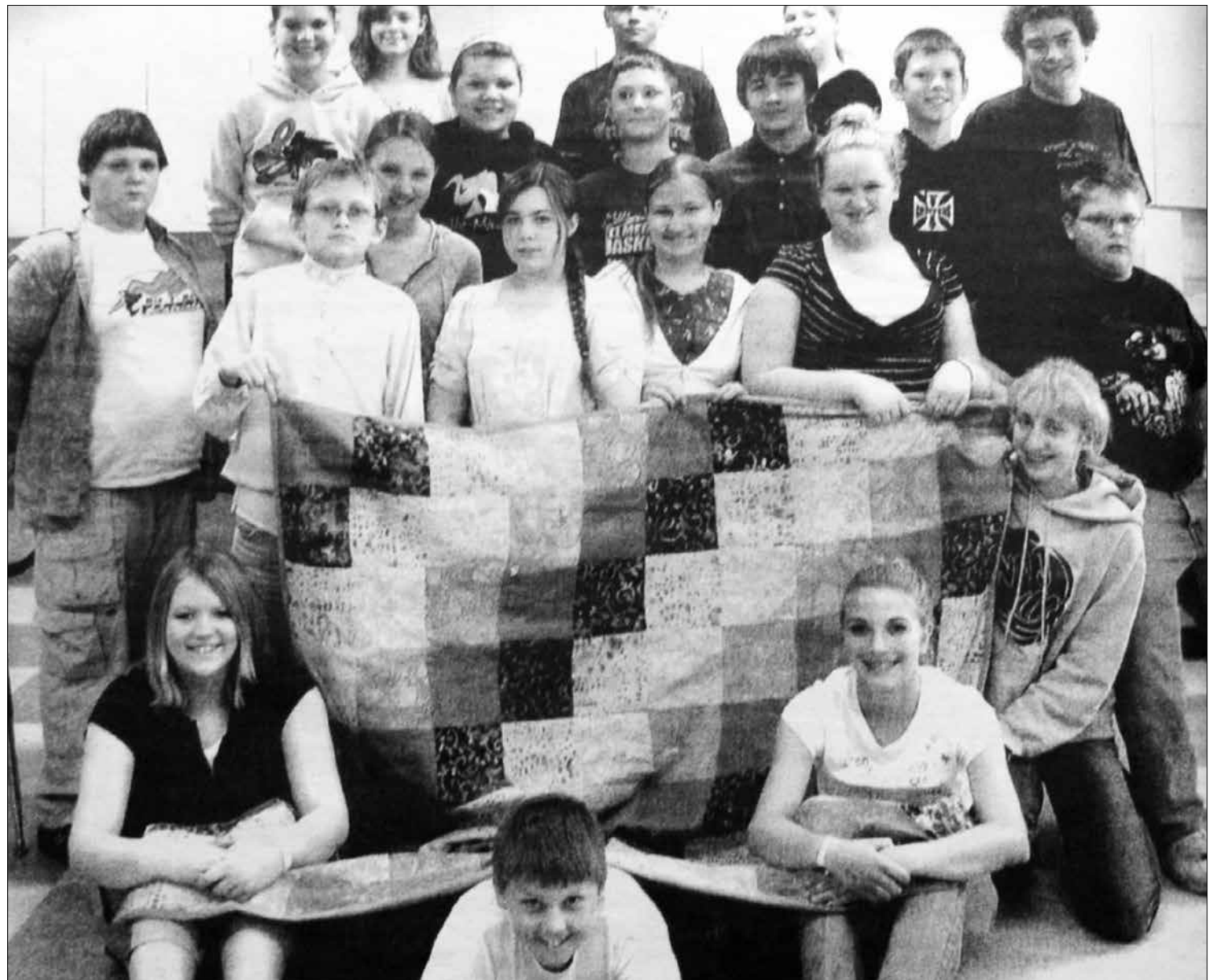
40 years ago...1977: Summer Recreational Director, Pam Aanenson, is leading the McIntosh girls on a bike hike to a bridge north on County Road 8 where they will enjoy their picnic lunches and head back to town to play Ding Ball at the Tennis Court. Ready for the bike hike are Pam in the lead, Karen Bauer, Karen Syverson, Jennifer Humphrey, Juanita Gustafson, Debbie Froirak and Janice Aanenson. Holding up the rear on the bike hike will be Gladys Finseth, Recreation assistant.



30 years ago...1987: Summer Recreation girls, ages 11 - 14, who placed first in team competition at Clearbrook last Wednesday were: (Bottom) Jennifer Carlson, Angie Rivera, Marleen Rivera, Kylie Koracek, Melanie Rivera; (Top) Wendy Vig, Kristie Evenson, Kathleen Balstad, Tiffany Haaven. Not pictured were Erin Tangen and Gina Salvesson. Summer Rec Director is Becky Jensen.



20 years ago...1997: The Winger Lions Fish Fry held on June 28th was served at the Depot Park. Hosting the event was Tim Anderson, Lions President., who was welcoming guests Tina Smith and friends.



10 years ago...2007: Seventh grade students in F.A.C.S. (Family and Consumer Science) at Win-E-Mac school finished the end of the year by constructing a quilt. In five days, the students applied sewing skills and teamwork to complete the quilt, which was raffled off with the proceeds given to an 'Act of Kindness'. Funds were given to classmate Lukas Lindseth to aid in the expenses of his therapy. Pictured are (L-R) back: Melissa Hoiland, Mary Green, Zach Steen, Eleana Kutsev, Brent Fisher, Mariana Frolov, Abigail Burchman, Nick Johnson, Tommy Kildal, Cody Lee, Garrett Espeseth; middle: Syvester Eroffee, Mavra Vasile, Feodora Basargin, Briana Sandeen, Cody Olson; front: Kjersti Haugen, Tyler Schow, Samantha Lee, Olivia Kaster. Not pictured: Sophia Cherainoff and Lucas Lindseth.

by - property lines, river banks, woodland borders, are several things influenc-ing the results that cannot be changed so build a system that will get the most from what you have available. Soil sample & lime, identify any invasive weeds and the method of best control, tile or build waterways to limit wet spots and build terrace to limit erosion. Trim trees within or along the borders, harvesting the dead trees to minimize limbs plugging and/or damaging machinery. Pick rocks and iden-tify those extra-large hazards that can damage a machine during the harvest. Remember that you may know where 'the rock that Grandfather home-steaded is located' but anyone new helping with the harvest may not know. A field that is tilled for seeding should have a smooth & firm seed bed before

planting so make an additional tillage pass when necessary because you may be traveling across this surface hundreds of times before it is reseeded. Till in the same direction as normal haying travel since any ridges created will last a long time. Keep fence wire, post & gates out of the cropping area to limit potential 'hardware disease'. Make gateways large enough to move in & out of the field with easy. If livestock is fed in the field make sure to distribute the 'feed waste & manure' to minimize killing seed-ing and reharvesting. Spread any manure evenly and early enough to allow breakdown before har-vesting. Collect any twine or plastic material before regrowth hides this trash. So manage your fields for best results.

The Crop: The first ques-

tion should be 'when should I cut the crop? The only goal is too make the best quality feed possible because it cost just as much to do it less than best. Do not harvest by a calendar but monitor the seasonal growth. All crops have a 'growing cycle' and once the plants reach an internal 'maturity clock' they switch from growing foliage as a priority to making seed for the next generation. When this 'maturity clock' is activated the plants become more 'fibrous and less nutritious' which may require additional supplements fed to meet the livestock's needs. Many times it is better to cut a por-tion of the crop 'on time' and risk being rained on so that any additional cutting that year can



Winger Lion's Fish Fry raffle winners
\$200.00 winner: Laura Perkertwitz. Erskine.
\$100.00 winner: Kari Hitchen. Rindahl.
\$50.00 winner: Brian Massmann. Fertile.
\$25.00 winner: Mike Hitchen. Rindahl.
\$25.00 winner: Amy Van Den Einde. Winger.

Regional Ag News

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'Simple Practices for Better Hay' Part 1 of 3

Hay Making 'Quality Hay' is anything but simple. Quality hay is nutritious, digestible, palatable, free of con-taminates such as toxic weeds, dirt, manure, metal, glass, plastic, mold and rotten material. So concen-trate on the things that you can manage, plan ahead and know all your options. What is your goal? On-ly to make enough hay to cover non-

pasture resources, have hay to sell, make only hay to be stored in one type of package. Have round bales for outdoors storage, small bales for in a barn and/or baled si-lage too.

The Field (s): Fields can be native grasses to alfalfa, multipurpose (pasture/feedlot/ hay field) and ro-tated with other crops or even water-ways. Field location from the farmstead or feeding area, soil type, terrain, shapes limited

Random Things and Stuff



Where Are You From? NEW ZEALAND!

By: Emily Lynne

This next person I am interviewing is from Dunedin, New Zealand.

- 1. What is something unique about your home place?
 - a. We are counted as an island, but we have some bigger chain outlets than Aussie.
- 2. What is your favorite place to visit where you are from?
 - a. Central Otago
- 3. What is your occupation?
 - a. Dairy farmer, milked 2500 cows
- 4. Do you know any celebrities that are from your home place?
 - a. Nope
- 5. What is a unique food item to your home place?
 - a. Marmite. Putting butter on your toast, chicken flavored chips, Wittaker chocolate, and L&P pop.
- 6. How far is Minnesota from your home place?
 - a. Far away
- 7. What is your favorite

JV Girls Basketball Coach:

The Win-E-Mac School District is currently seeking a JV Girls Basketball Coach. Please send letter of application or contact Aaron Cook:
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This position will stay open until filled.

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stay on schedule. Wait for the dew to evaporate before cutting the crop rather than add to the windrow.

If you mow the crop with dew still on the plants, you can add at least an additional 2000 lb. of water per acre to the swath which will only extend the dry down time. 'Sun light' is the most important factor influencing hay dry-down so lay the crop in the widest swath possible without driving on the hay. It is important to create the widest fluffy uniform swath as possible so light will open pores on all plants exposed to sunlight allowing respiration (drying). This is why an over conditioned dense narrow swath can slow dry-down. In some cases when soil moisture are high it may be better to make narrow swath at cutting too allow the exposed soil surface between swaths to dry then use a tedder or rake and move the original swath too the dryer surface. The growing crop is approximately 80 % moisture so for every ton of crop there is 1600 lb. of water. Dry baled hay will need to be 18 % or less if baled into small square bales or heating and molding will occur. Large square or round bales need to be 14-15 % or even dryer.

Machines: There is nothing mechanically that can be done to 'hay crops' to make it more nutritious but using the 'right machine' correctly at the best time can save much of the original feed value as possible. Do you own all the required pieces or hire some processes? When replacing ma-chines or adding a new type of machine, it should be matched for both the size of the job and to each other. Just replacing the old with a new of equal features may also be a mistake. Most farmers have higher yields today because of better genetics and management so do not expect the same results from any machine as total volume per area increases. Over time new technologies plus improvements to designs can make something that did not previously work well in your environment is the right choice today. Using too small of machines can extend the harvest to the point that the 'crop value de-creases by maturing or weather destroys the value'. Many farmers' use their tractors for both row cropping and haying but do not take the time to move the wheels from narrow row settings to best hay tool application width. When wheels are too narrow several problems arise: swaths made at cut-ting may not be as wide as possible for faster dry-down; filling a

thing about Minnesota?

- a. It's acceptable to eat peanut butter with a spoon.
- 8. Do you have any traditions in your home place?
 - a. Not wearing dirty boots inside, leaving them at the door--especially in the dining room. You also never sit on any table.
- 9. What are the most popular sports in your home place?
 - a. Rugby and netball
- 10. Would you ever travel back to Minnesota? Why or Why not?
 - a. Yes, if I have the money!

The History of the American Flag

National flags serve to unite citizens of a given country. Flags wave proudly in front of government buildings and schools, and they also identify athletes during international sporting competitions. In many countries, flags also serve as symbols of honor for members of the military and their families.

For more than 200 years, the American flag has been a symbol of unity and pride in the United States. The red, white and blue flag has a storied history and has gone through various incarnations. The following are some of the more interesting facts pertaining to the American flag.

Six different flag designs were flown before Betsy Ross announced that she had sewn the official American flag. These designs included a series of alternating red and white stripes, the Liberty Tree, the Sons of Liberty, and the Forester flag designs. The Continental Army once used a flag featuring a snake with the mantra "Don't Tread on Me."

On June 14, 1777, the Second Continental Congress proposed and passed the Flag Act of 1777. This resolution was designed to facilitate the creation of an official flag for a nation that was aiming to earn its independence from Great Britain. The flag was to have thirteen stripes, alternating red and white, with thirteen white stars on a

blue field. The thirteen stars signified the original members of the Union.

The American flag remained unchanged until 1795, when the stripes and stars were increased to 15 for the addition of Kentucky and Vermont to the Union.

After seeing the new 15-star and striped flag flying over Fort McHenry during the War of 1812, Francis Scott Key was inspired to write the poem that would eventually become the nation's national anthem.

A sea captain from Massachusetts named William Driver named a large, 10-foot-by-17-foot flag "Old Glory" after it survived multiple defacing attempts during the American Civil War. Driver's nickname of the flag inspired the name to be used for all American flags.

Although Flag Day was established as a formal national holiday in 1949, it was not made a federal holiday. Flag Day is only an official holiday in the state of Pennsylvania. This may be fitting because legend holds that Betsy Ross sewed the first flag in Pennsylvania.

Today's flag features the original 13 alternating white and red stripes (in 1818, another design went into effect, permanently setting the number of stripes at 13 in honor of the original colonies) and 50 stars to represent the states of the Union. The colors of the flag signify as follows: red for hardiness and valor, white for purity and innocence, and blue for vigilance, perseverance and justice.

The Color Association of the United States creates the palette of colors used for both private and public institutions and the U.S. Army. Mass-market flag manufacturers tend to use Pantone Matching Shade of Dark Red (193 C) and Navy Blue (281 C).

The American Flag has been a fixture of the United States for centuries and continues to serve as a symbol of pride, valor and history.

can also make your haying simpler, more versatile and a better ending product. There are items like hydraulic tongue pivot, header tilt, net wrap attachment, moisture sensor, crop preservative applicators, tandem wheels or just additional lights. Most farmers are prepared to the same process as the last time but a good plan is to know what options are available in your area. Contact your local dealer for 'renting special equipment needs' such as a 'silage bale wrapper' or know a 'custom operator' that can provide a service to limit crop losses.

Source: Jim Buchs, Hay & Forage Specialist John Deere

Win-E-Mac 4th Quarter Honor Roll Announced

The following Win-E-Mac Junior and Senior High Students have attained either an "A" or "B" average in academic subjects for the fourth quarter of the 2016-2017 school year. Congratulations! To be eligible for the "A" Honor Roll you need to have attained a 3.76 – 4.00 GPA and to be eligible. For the "B" Honor Roll, you need to have attained a 3.00 – 3.75 GPA.

Seniors "A"
Breanna Carroll, Hunter Chaput, Alayna Espeseth, Noah Klinkhammer, Adreanna LaCoursiere, JayDee Reandeau, Olivia Simonson, Jessica Thompson

"B"
Bastian Benson, Tanya Be-ing, Bailee Burcham, Jorey Carlson, Alaina Juve, Alec Kiecker, David Morel, Anthony Smith

Juniors "A"
Mary Ris Catahan, Mackenzie Fuller, Blake Glas, Jarrin Gunderson, Jordin Gunderson,

Emelian Kaya, Bryce Neubert, Joseph Parenteau, Patience Reep, Ryan Schaumburg, Lauren Strom, Sydney Tadman, Kendra Thompson, Tyra Wilson

"B"
Marcos Bernuy Lopez, Mackenzie Best, Maci Hamre, Jordan O'Brien, Cole Shaver, Grace Spry, Kylie Stuhaut

Sophomores "A"
Clavdia Anfilofieff, Tapanga Bratager, Lily Breckel, Kylie Brekke, Brekken Lindberg, Clarissa Neste, Aries Qualey, Hannah Smeby, Mason Spry

"B"
Madysen Plante, Joseph Re-vier

9th Grade "A"
Alina Basargin, Lindsey Espeseth, Rylee Haugen, Lydia Kutsev, Abby Lende, Elli-ana Lindberg, Dustin Osland, Carlie Sander, Adeline Spry

"B"
Mary Catahan, Nathan Fortmann, Isabella Hernan-dez, Katrina Jackson, Uliana

Mametieff, Isaac Salvhus

8th Grade "A"
Paige Breckel, Nikon Erofeeff, Remy Goodwin, Gavin Haskett, Serendipity Holmes, Alex Jacobson, Brianna Johnson, Reed Neubert, Dylan Roy, Bryer Strom, Mia Thompson, Gavin Walker

"B"
Felicity Andress, Bryce Du-Champ, Daniel Erofeeff, Zachariah Gummeringer, Grace Kaupang, Avtonom Martush-ev, Delvin Morel, Noah Oste-naa, Brock Trandem

7th Grade "A"
Tabith Bratager, Anton Hickman, Eva Qualey, Alivia Winter

"B"
Koltlen Cherf, Monania Erofeeff, Kendyl Johnson, Jadon Kangas, Kerianna Kutsev, Ol-via Paradis, Teagan Paulson, Haley Sander, Chase Shear, Savhanna Svalen, Hunter Trandem



The Highway 2 Cruisers Club members showed up in style to help out with the new playground at Win-E-Mac School.



Joyce White teaching Norwegian during Gosen Vacation Bible School held in June in Winger. This was a favorite class and the kids were very active participants. As part of the program for the parents and community the kids were able to sing an entire song in Norwegian.



Pictured of the kids from the Gosen Vacation Bible School outside of the Gossen School House in Winger. The theme this year was "Expedition Norway" and the interior of the school house was covered with posters from Norway. There were about 25 kids who participated each day and had tremendous support from the community with food, music, Norwegian language instruction and all around help to make VBS fun and safe for the kids.