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Saying goodbye to Salem Church



Norris Syverson left town with the Salem Lutheran Church steeple in tow on Friday, September 11, 2015. He is relocating it to his rural McIntosh farm. Norris also purchased the bell that once hung in this steeple at the auction that took place on August 29, 2015.



The steeple from Salem Church in McIntosh was taken down and relocated on Friday, September 11th.

Mac Council approves new janitorial/maintenance position

The McIntosh City Council met in regular session on Thursday, September 10, 2015 at the Community Center at 5:30 pm. All members of the City Council were present.

The Council approved minutes from several meetings from August, including the Poplar Meadows Special meeting, the Regular Council meeting, and the 2016 Preliminary Budget meeting.

Philip Lee with the McIntosh Community Club was present to ask the Council if there were any opposition to the Community Club organizing a City Playground Cleanup Day in the spring of 2016. The Council had no objections and would allow the Community Club to organize the event.

Under old business, there was no action on the Personnel Policy Review, Clean Up Day was tables until February of 2016, tree and shrubs around the Bjella Building and Fire Hall was also tabled, and there was nothing to report concerning Administrative fees.

The Council reviewed several applications that were submitted for the janitorial position and unanimously agreed to hire Robert Knudson for the janitorial/maintenance position. He would be able to start at the end of September.

Mayor Toby Strom discussed rates with the current garbage contractor, Bacon's Dray, and they are considering increasing rates in the City. Should the company increase the rates, the City will have to increase the residential rate as well. The Council agreed to discuss further, try to negotiate a lower increase, or possibly open the contract for bids from other Council...

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"When I think about Salem I think much more about the people than the building itself. Jan Olson ran our Sunday School programs and our big Christmas programs. We had homemade costumes that were recycled each year. Donkeys, sheep, wisemen, and the crown jewel roles of Mary and Joseph. I recall when I was finally old enough to get a part with more lines I was so proud. I hated memorizing the lines, but I got to wear the crown and "cape" and that was all that was very important to me at the time. Later on, I got cast as the "drummer boy" and did that for two or three years in a row. Other memories include watching the ladies get ready for the annual meatball dinner that was held at the Community Center. I don't think I've had better meatballs since. Other memories that stick out to me was constant teasing from the late Charlie Randall who sat behind us in church, and the faithfulness of its members to be there on Sundays. The seating arrangement didn't change much, but there was a certain comfort in that." Philip Lee

McIntosh Community Club

The monthly meeting of the McIntosh Community Club will be on

Tuesday, October 6, 2015 at 7:00 pm at the Community Center.

Everyone is welcome to attend.

Help to make our community even better, be a part of the Community Club!



Phillip Lee playing the guitar during the last service at Salem Church in July of 2015.



Pastor Gordon Olson officiated during the last service at Salem Lutheran Church in McIntosh on July 19, 2015.



The Win-E-Mac Patriot Varsity volleyball team wearing their "Team Alayna" shirts in support of their teammate. Back row starting on the left: Maci Hamre, Kelsey Knutson, Breanna Carroll, Madison McKeever, Alayna Espeseth, Olivia Simonson, and Indiana Nornes. Front starting left: Jessica Kasprzak, Shayley Espeseth, Mikayla Vesledahl, and Lauren Strom

Community Calendar

- Wed. Sept. 30:

McIntosh Library 12pm to 5pm; McIntosh Heritage & Arts Center 10am to 2pm; Computer Class at McIntosh Library 1pm to 2pm; Winger Senior Meals @ Moran's 11:30am to 1:30pm
- Thurs. Oct. 1:

MHAC Thrift Store Open 10:00am -4:00pm; McIntosh Library 5pm to 8pm; McIntosh Heritage & Arts Center 10am to 2pm; Winger Senior Meals @ Moran's 11:30am to 1:30pm; Bingo at The Club Bar & Grill 6:30pm
- Fri. Oct. 2:

MHAC Thrift Store Open 10:00am -4:00pm; McIntosh Library 12pm to 5pm; Winger Senior Meals @ Moran's 11:30am to 1:30pm
- Mon. Oct. 5:

McIntosh Library 10am to 3pm; Children's Story Time at McIntosh Library 10:30am; Winger Senior Meals @ Moran's 11:30am to 1:30pm
- Tues. Oct. 6:

McIntosh Library 5pm to 8pm; McIntosh Heritage & Arts Center 10am to 2pm; Winger Senior Meals @ Moran's 11:30am to 1:30pm
- Wed. Oct. 7:

McIntosh Library 12pm to 5pm; McIntosh Heritage & Arts Center 10am to 2pm; Computer Class at McIntosh Library 1pm to 2pm; Winger Senior Meals @ Moran's 11:30am to 1:30pm
- Thurs. Oct. 8:

MHAC Thrift Store Open 10:00am -4:00pm; McIntosh Library 5pm to 8pm; McIntosh Heritage & Arts Center 10am to 2pm; Winger Senior Meals @ Moran's 11:30am to 1:30pm; Bingo at The Club Bar & Grill 6:30pm
- Fri. Oct. 9:

MHAC Thrift Store Open 10:00am - 4:00pm; McIntosh Library 12pm to 5pm; Winger Senior Meals @ Moran's 11:30am to 1:30pm
- Mon. Oct. 12:

McIntosh Library 10am to 3pm; Children's Story Time at McIntosh Library 10:30am; Winger Senior Meals @ Moran's 11:30am to 1:30pm
- Tues. Oct. 13:

McIntosh Library 5pm to 8pm; McIntosh Heritage & Arts Center 10am to 2pm; Winger Senior Meals @ Moran's 11:30am to 1:30pm

Harvest Festival

At Trinity Lutheran Church, north of McIntosh on Wednesday, October 7, 2015 at 7:30 pm.

Music by Lois and Lois from Middle River. Pie and coffee served after the music.

Everyone is welcome!

MHAC

Harvest Hay Ride

Bring the family and enjoy an old fashioned hay ride around the Community of McIntosh on Saturday, October 10, 2015 from 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm at Roholt Park.

Play some yard games, or decorate a mini pumpkin or gourd. After all the fun enjoy a cup of hot chocolate, make a s'more and have a hot dog off the grill.

Come out and spend the afternoon with your family and neighbors and the McIntosh Heritage and Arts Center members.

All Activities are a free-will donation. In case of bad weather, the event will relocate to the McIntosh Community Center.



Council...

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garbage contractors.

Win-E-Mac Superintendent, Randy Bruer and School Board member, Jim Ferden were present at the meeting to discuss the upcoming renewal of the school referendum. They provided the Council with information so that should any residents have questions, they may be able to answer them.

There was an offer to purchase the small lot owned by the City behind 129 Broadway from Bruce Haaven for \$300 plus any legal fees and the Council approved the offer and the offer was accepted.

A McIntosh resident requested an additional light post to be put up on Cottage Avenue. After discussion, the resident will instead put up a light on their home. The Council felt that there was sufficient lighting on the street at this time.

Bob and Laurie Bursheim with the McIntosh Community Club were present at the meeting to request that the Council approve moving the lighted Christmas sign from the south side of Highway 2 to the area where the elk stands. In order to do so, the light pole near the elk would need to have a power outlet installed at street level. The Council agreed to allow the installation of the power source and allow the Community Club to use the area for the Christmas sign and additional decorations.

There were two building permits issued, one to Ron LeMer for building a shed on his property and one to Bub Hulst for changing the location of the sign at Mt Carmel Church.

Larry Hedlund, McIntosh City Maintenance Manager was present at the meeting to explain to the Council about several locations in the City that need to be updated with proper backflow systems to be up to code with the State. The City has the park that needs to be updated and there are several businesses that would be responsible in updating their systems as well. Quotes will be sent to the City and the Businesses since the work has to

be done when it is not freezing outside, the matter was tabled until February of 2016, when the work would be scheduled.

As in the past, the date for the Public 2016 Budget meeting will be scheduled after the Council meeting on December 10, 2015 at 7:00 pm.

There is again concerns about skunks in the City. This time on the North side of town as reported by Councilmember, Melissa Finseth.

Steve Urness inquired about a dog incident that recently took place in the City. The Clerk informed the Council that the incident occurred when a resident entered a neighbor's yard to retrieve their own dog and was bit by a dog that was tied up in that yard. There was a Police report filed and the dog is under watch for the required 10 days. Since the dog in question was in compliance with all laws and ordinances and the resident who was bit was not in compliance with the City leash law, there was no further action taken.

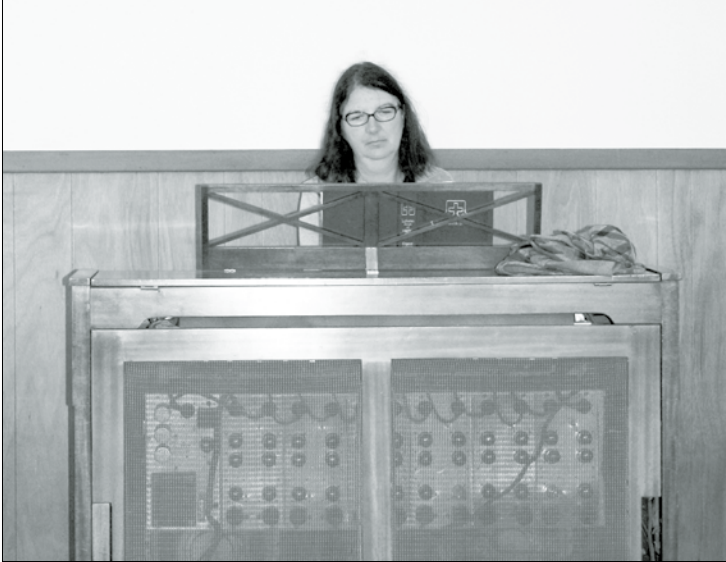
Wanda Stordahl informed the Council that there has been an increase in enforcement with speeding on the North side of town. She also heard who ever cleaned up the City's green dump did a great job.

Larry Hedlund also informed the Council that he will be doing sidewalk inspection in September and October.

The City Clerk, Elena Boianoff, informed the Council that there was an estimate brought to her attention to wash the watertower that may be significantly lower than the quote that has been submitted prior. The Council was in approval to open bids for the washing of the watertower.

Mayor Toby Strom informed the Council that the Tractor Parade and the Tractor Pull and all the other events of that day went great. "Everyone was pleased."

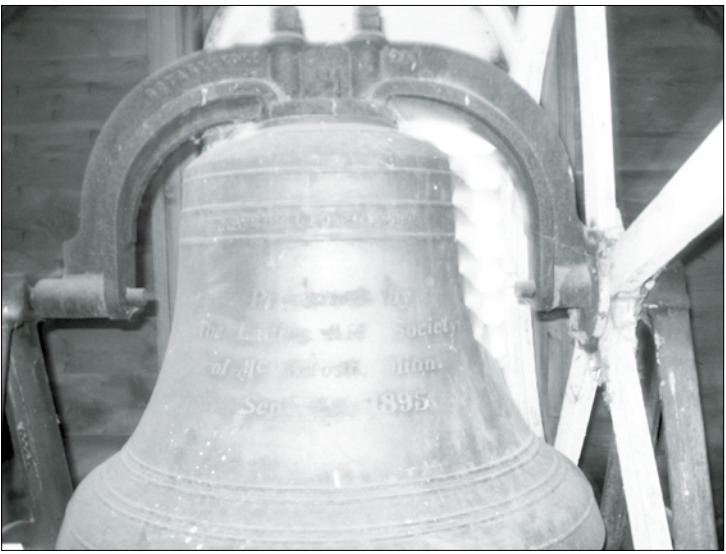
The McIntosh City Council will meet again in regular session on Thursday, October 8, 2015 at 5:30 pm at the Community Center.



Joan Lee plays the organ one last time at Salem Church, her family's church on Saturday, August 29th.



A picture of the rural Salem Church painted by Church member Howard Krossen.



The Salem Church bell as it still hung in the steeple. The bell was given to the Church by the Women of McIntosh in September 1895.



The beautiful weather helped to draw a large crowd to the Salem Church auction that took place on Saturday, August 29th.



The grandkids of Virgil and Mary Lerfald were up and ready for their first day of school! Pictured (l-r) are : William (4th), Avery (K) and Keira (3rd) Bodnarchuk, children of Brian and Jennifer (Lerfald) Bodnarchuk.

Do you have a story to share?

If you have a story, a story idea or any photos you want to share, please send to: mcintoshtimes@gmail.com

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.

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Fosston
Fr. John Suvakeen,
Pastor

Sun. Oct 4: 8:00am Confession; 8:30am Holy Mass at St. Mary's, Fosston; 10:30am Holy Mass at St. Joseph's, Bagley
Sun. Oct 11: 8:00am Confession; 8:30am Holy Mass at St. Mary's, Fosston; 10:30am Holy Mass at St. Joseph's, Bagley

If you have any questions about the schedule please call 435-6484.

CALVARY-IMMANUEL LUTHERAN PARISH
Winger/Bejou
Supply Pastor
Gordon Syverson
Sun. Oct. 4: 8:30am Worship Service at Immanuel; 9:45am Worship Service at Calvary
Sun. Oct. 11: 8:30am Worship Service at Immanuel; 9:45am Worship Service at Calvary

OURS SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH (ELCA)
McIntosh
Supply Pastor
Gordon Syverson
Sun. Oct. 4: 10:00am Sunday School "Rally Day"; 11:15am Worship Service
Sun. Oct. 11: 11:15am Worship Service

GOSEN LUTHERAN CHURCH
Independent
Gary Johnson, Pastor
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Wed. Sept. 30: 1:30pm Bible Study at The Country Place
Fri. Oct. 2: 10:00am Telecast of the Luther League program on Garden Valley Cable TV - Channel 2
Sat. Oct. 3: 8:00pm Prayer Meeting
Sun. Oct. 4: 9:30am Sunday School and Adult Bible Study; 10:45am Worship Service
Tues. Oct. 6: 10:00am Sunday Worship service telecast on Garden Valley Cable TV - Channel 2
Wed. Oct. 7: 1:30pm Bible Study at The Country Place;
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 1/2 mile east on County Road 206.

VERNES LUTHERAN CHURCH (LCMC)
McIntosh
Pastor Paul Magelson
Sun. Oct. 4: 8am Worship
Sun. Oct. 11: 8am Worship

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH
McIntosh
Rev. Mark Peske, Pastor
Sun. Oct. 4: 9:30am Divine Worship with Holy Communion; 11:00am Sunday School & Confirmation Classes
Sun. Oct. 11: 9:30am Worship Service; 11:00am Sunday School & Confirmation Classes; Council Meeting
Wed. Oct. 14: 7:00pm Ladies Aid/LWML
Sat. Oct. 24: 9:00am LWML Fall Rally
Service Broadcast, TV Channel 12 Wednesdays at 10am - Holy Communion 1st and 3rd Sundays

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McIntosh Trinity / Mount Carmel:
Pastor Karl Anderson
Trinity:
Wed. Sept. 30: 7:30pm Bible Study
Sun. Oct. 4: 11:00am Worship Service
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Sun. Oct. 4: 9:30am Worship Service
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Friday Playdates Ages 0-5yrs 10-11:30am
10/2 Fall Leaves Playdate
10/9 Pumpkin Playdate!
10/16 No ECFE
10/23 Creepy Crawlers Playdate!
Fun Family
Special Events:
10/6 Spirit Night! 6pm
Make a spirit stick, get some Patriot facepaint, learn a cheer with your very own Win-E-Mac Football Cheerleaders! Ages 0-12 invited! Then, join us to cheer at halftime of the Varsity FB game 10/7 @ 7pm!
10/19 Volleyball Buddies! 6pm
Come to stretch, run, bump and hit with the Win-E-Mac Volleyball team! Ages 0-12 invited!
10/27 Special Event @ McIntosh Library! Lego Night! 6pm
Ages 0-12yrs old
WEM Early Childhood Family Education classes are for children 0-5yrs old unless noted. Pre-registration is not required. Events are FREE. Contact Shannon Svalen, ECFE Coordinator at ssvalen@win-e-mac.k12.mn.us, 218-687-2236 or Like us on Facebook: WEM Early Childhood Family Education



B-B Cafe Menu

Wed. Sept. 30 Country Fried Strek, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Carrots, Roll, and Dessert
Thurs. Oct. 1: Roast Beef Dinner, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Corn, Roll, and Dessert
Fri. Oct. 2: Hot Turkey, and Dessert
Mon. Oct. 5: Taco Salad, Garlic Toast, and Dessert
Tues. Oct. 6: Roast Pork, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Mixed Vegetables, Roll, and Dessert
Wed. Oct. 7: Potato Klub or Ham Dinner, Baked Potato, Carrots, Roll, and Dessert
Thurs. Oct. 8: Crispy Chicken Wraps, Fries or Mac Salad, and Dessert
Fri. Oct. 9: Hot Beef, and Dessert

Community
Birthday and
Anniversary
Calendar

Wed. Sept. 30: Matt Schow, Heidee Smeby, Lonnie Schmit
Thurs. Oct. 1: Andy Marshall
Fri. Oct. 2: Noah Ostena, Hannah Marshall
Sat. Oct. 3 Linda Barstad
Sun. Oct. 4: Jared Olson, Kilmer Christopher-son
Tues. Oct. 6: Matthew Voxland, Russell Sultvedt

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Winger News

by Linda Pulskamp

Hello again from Winger and the Union Lake areas. Last week end was a beautiful week end and sounds like we will have another on again this week end coming up. There were a couple days this past week that felt like fall, were down right miserable but is a taste of what is to come.

Farmers certainly are busy with their fall field work, many are done with their bean combining but there are still some left to harvest. The sugar beet campaign will be underway next week at this time. Corn harvest will be done soon too.

News is very scarce this week, only hope that Bun will help me out as he has been doing a good job of it, and we definitely need more input to keep this up.

Last Friday the 18th Dick and Wanda Donavon of St. Francis arrived at the Fern and Milton Carlson home. That afternoon Dick and Wanda along with Fern and Milton Carlson attended the funeral of Chester Benson at the Grace Lutheran Church in Erskine. Chester was Milton's cousin.

By next week at this time we will have turned the calendar from September to October, the month of pumpkins, ghosts and witches, already I see many homes with Halloween decorations in place. Not only that some of the retailers have started Christmas displays.

Last Saturday Donnie Johnson of Maple Lake, MN, Nola Abele of Fosston and Butch and Linda Pulskamp spent the afternoon visiting with Jim Wannebo at his summer residence near Bagley. They ended the day with a delicious steak fry supper.

Merlin Carlson of New Ulm was a dinner guest on Saturday the 19th at Fern and Milton Carlson home. Merlin, Milton's brother was here to attend the funeral for cousin Chester Benson that was held on Friday. Donna Carlson visited that afternoon at Carlson's with the family.

Sheldon and Rita Trandem visited last Sunday with Helmer and Verlys Homme at the Pioneer Home in Erskine.

Paul Carlson stopped in at the Fern and Milton Carlson home on Sunday morning on his way to work to get a jump start on his day. Judy and Lonnie Gieseke joined Fern and Milton and Dick and Wanda Donavon for dinner on Sunday at the Carlson home, as later that afternoon Dick and Wanda left for their home in St. Francis.

Several of the area snow birds have left or getting ready to migrate to their winter homes in Texas or Arizona where ever they spend the winter, among them were Bob and Jeanine Perreault.

Paul Carlson was a visitor briefly on Tuesday morning at the Fern and Milton Carlson home. Gordon and Ellen John-

son of Bagley were visitors that afternoon with Fern and Milton. Gordon is Fern's cousin.

This the little bit of news I was able to scratch up and am very thankful to those who so faithfully contribute every week. Until next week, enjoy every day as if it is your last.

From Bun Manor:

Clinton Balstad from Billings, Montana was back home for a few days visiting with family and friends. He stayed with his nephew Dale at the Sand Hill Ranch.

Bun was talking on the phone with Matthew the other morning and Matthew told him that when he was watching the Pope do his thing in Washington D.C. he saw his cousin walk by the TV camera. What are the odds?

Bun called Joyce up and asked if she wanted to meet him at The Club in Mac for lunch. She accepted his offer. She called later and asked him if he wanted to meet her sons Dale and Paul along with Brian Massmann at The Depot in Winger. He told her that would be fine. He really wanted to spend some alone time with her but she she did buy lunch. That helped soften the blow some.

He wheeled over to the Sioux oil and ran into Glen Smeby. He was up from Wisconsin helping his brother Chet with the harvest. Bun hadn't seen Glen since he had last shaved. He has a very impressive beard.

Jon had some golf clubs for sale. He told Bun that he would sell him the golf clubs for a hundred and throw the station in for free.

Bun headed over to the Espeseth estate sale to check it out. He ran into Brian and David. They were busy helping out with the sale. Tony was in Arizona.

Another Wingerite family legacy comes to a close.

Saturday evening Bun headed over to the Ron Bergman home near Maple Lake to attend the wedding reception for him and Melissa. There were lots of people and friends to visit with. Congratulations to the happy couple.

Bun called Joyce on Sunday to see if she wanted to go to the St. Mary's turkey dinner in Fosston. She told Bun that she would pass. Bun hopes that she isn't avoiding him. He went early hoping to get out so he could watch football. He found out that the Catholics get to go ahead of the Lutherans. Next year he told Steve he is going to buy a V.I.P. ticket so he can get through the line quicker. All kidding aside. The meal was wonderful and he had fun visiting with the crowd.

Anyone interested in buying a car at an auction can head over to the Lynn Lucken residence north of Winger on Sat. Oct. 3rd. The auction starts at 10:00 a.m.

There are lots of different cars to choose from. For more

info go to www.bergauction.com.

Sympathy goes out to Kris-sy, Tony and their families on the loss of their loved one Chuck Stuhau. God bless all of you.

Various ways you can put pumpkins to use

Pumpkins can be used as more than just tasty pie fillings.

Few items signal the fall harvest season more than the bright, orange pumpkins that dot fields and liven up displays outside of homes and businesses. Come fall, many pumpkins are turned into grinning jack-o-lanterns just in time for Halloween. But there are many other uses for pumpkins as well.

Pumpkins are believed to have originated in North America. Early Native Americans relied on pumpkins as a source of food that helped them survive long winters. Pumpkins could be roasted, baked, boiled, and dried, and they were eaten and used as medicine. Pumpkin blossoms were added to stews. The shells of the pumpkins could be dried and used as eating and storage vessels.

While pumpkins may now be symbolic of Halloween, the following are a handful of additional ways this versatile fruit can be put to use.

Beauty regimen

Pumpkins contain a number of essential vitamins and minerals that can help replenish the skin. Pumpkin purée can be mixed with honey, aloe vera gel, olive oil, and a bit of cornmeal to create an exfoliating mask for the face or body. Pumpkin also can be used to rejuvenate dry or tired skin from cold weather.

Honey, pumpkin and yogurt can be mixed together and used to condition hair. Let the mixture sit for 15 to 20 minutes, and then wash it out and shampoo.

Foods and beverages

Pumpkin purée is the basis for many tasty, pumpkin-infused treats. Purée can be used in pies, cakes, muffins, breads, and many additional foods. Puree from a pumpkin can be used to replace the oil in cake recipes. Simply cut the pumpkin and scoop out the seeds and stringy membranes. Then place it cut-side down in a pan with a little water in the bottom. Bake at 350 degrees for around 90 minutes. The flesh will become tender and easily removable. Blend the resulting puree in a food processor and. Pumpkin purée also may be found in certain beverages, such as smoothies and shakes. A bit of spiced purée may appear as flavoring in teas and coffees. Some pumpkins are sweeter and better to use as part of recipes. Check the variety you are purchasing.

Roasted pumpkin seeds make a healthy treat. Foodies suggest using the seeds from "sugar pumpkins" or the ones best for making pies. Boil the seeds for a few minutes before draining. Spray a baking sheet with non-stick spray and

put the seeds in a single layer. Bake at 400 F for 20 minutes. Allow to cool and serve.

Pumpkin wines and beers are popular as well. There are many recipes for developing sweet, fermented beverages, which tend to be especially popular in the fall.

The "guts" of the pumpkin can be simmered along with aromatics and other vegetables to create a vegetable stock perfect for soups and broths. Clean out the stringy guts of the pumpkins and put the guts into a pot filled with water. Add celery, carrots or any other aromatic vegetables for extra flavor. Allow to boil for at least 30 minutes. The stock is ready when it begins to change color. Strain and reserve the stock for use in a variety of recipes.

Decorations

Pumpkins can also add to one's home décor during the fall. Pumpkins can be carved for Halloween displays, hollowed-out to hold tealights or simply left on tables and used as centerpieces. Larger pumpkins may be used as natural flower pots for mums or other seasonal floral displays. Fill a hollow pumpkin with soil. You may not have to worry about scraping the pumpkin completely clean because the pulp can be used to help fertilize the potting soil. When the pumpkin shows signs of rotting, simply put the whole thing into a traditional flower pot or bury it directly in the ground.

As the Native Americans once did, pumpkins can be hollowed-out and used as bowls to serve favorite soups and dips.

Use a hollowed, small

pumpkin as a natural aromatic candle holder. Cut holes in the sides to vent the exhaust. Rub aromatic spices, such as cloves, nutmeg, allspice, cinnamon, and vanilla bean, on the inside of the pumpkin. Insert a beeswax candle in the bottom of the pumpkin and let it send inviting aromas into the air.

Turn a pumpkin into a billowing cauldron, instead of a standard jack-o'-lantern, put a glass jar into the carved pumpkin, add dish soap and hot water to the jar and then put in a piece of dry ice. Bubbles and

smoke will pour out of the pumpkin to create a spooktacular effect.

Pumpkins are a versatile fruit that can serve many purposes beyond just jack-o-lanterns and pies.



50 years ago...1965: Sylvia Broske and Donald Haagen were crowned King and Queen at the Scots annual school carnival held on Saturday night.



30 years ago...1985: The 1985 Mac-Winger volleyball team. Sitting: Mitch Rivera, Teresa Hegg, Kneeling: Sheila Vasend, Kristin Tangen, Brenda Ekeberg, Karen Bauer. Back row (standing): Mike Roysland, Lori Versdahl, Wendy Wikstrand, Lisa Carver, Jeanie Votava, Nikki Hegg, Carrie Gustafson, Sheila Olson, Laura Wang.



Pictured above: 20 years ago...1995: Candidates for Homecoming royalty have been chosen by members of the Win-E-Mac senior class. The Homecoming King and Queen were crowned on Monday afternoon and will reign over the week of activities. Senior candidates include: (Back L-R) Corey Hanson, Katie Brunwell, Kjersten Langemo and Randy Landsverk. (Front L-R) Mindy Bjerknes, Shaun Bruggeman, Angie Olson and Wade Hartel.

Pictured right: 10 years ago...2005: Grace Kaupang (daughter of Vance and Terri Kaupang), sits next to Thomas Revier and Joey Revier (sons of Scott and Anita Revier) as they pose in front of Remar Voxland's newest feature, this little old wood wagon which is filled with....pumpkins of course.



Regional Ag News

Jim Stordahl,
Extension Educator

Storing Low Moisture Corn

Corn harvest is just around the corner. Given our favorable growing season, and the recent dry weather, it's very likely that grain moisture levels may be favorably low.

If you are lucky enough to have low moisture corn at harvest, the crop may be able to go directly to the bin, bypassing the grain dryer during the busy harvest season. If you find yourself in this situation, Kenneth Hellevang, NDSU Extension Engineer offers the following information.

Corn harvested at up to 20 percent moisture can be safely stored over winter with aeration. Corn at 20 percent moisture has an allowable storage time of about 25 days at 60 degrees, 50 days at 50 degrees, 90 days at 40 degrees and over 300 days at 30 degrees.

Even corn at 16 percent moisture should to be cooled as soon as possible to enhance storage life. Corn at 16 percent moisture has an allowable storage time of about 70 days and 70 degrees, 120 days at 60 degrees and 230 days at 50 degrees.

To enhance the storage life of the corn, cool it as soon as is possible.

Allowable storage time

charts are available at <http://www.ag.ndsu.nodak.edu/abeng/postharvest.htm>

Running the fan 24 hours per day will cool the corn to roughly the average outdoor air temperature. If the daily high is 60 degrees and the low is 35 degrees, the average equals about 48 degrees. Running the fan just during the coolest 15 hours of the day will permit cooling the corn to a lower temperature, but will take longer. The final temperature operating the fan from about 7 p.m. until about 10 a.m. might be about 42 degrees, assuming a high of 50 and a low of about 35 degrees during the fan operation.

Even though this difference seems small, a ten-degree decrease in grain temperature will roughly double the allowable storage time.

The time required to cool the corn can be estimated by dividing 15 by the airflow rate. For example, an airflow rate of 0.2 cubic feet per minute per bushel (cfm/bu) will cool the corn in about 75 hours, 15/0.2. This could be during 5 nights operating the fan 15 hours per night or during 3 days operating the fan 24-hours per day.

Once the corn has been cooled, the fan can be turned off until the next cooling cycle.

Corn should be cooled to about 20 to 25 degrees for winter storage.

Without aeration corn should be placed into storage at 60 degrees or cooler and the temperature monitored closely. Respiration heating and solar heat gain on the bin may cause the grain temperature to increase. Allowable storage time is based on the kernel temperature and is reduced by about 50 percent for each 10-degree increase in kernel temperature. The allowable storage time for 17 percent moisture corn at 60 degrees is about 75 days and 18 percent corn is about 50 days at 60 degrees.

Moisture migration will occur when the grain temperature is more than 20 degrees warmer than outdoor air temperature, so is more of a problem in bins without aeration for cooling the grain. Convection currents will flow down the bin wall and up through the center of the bin causing moisture increase in the top center of the stored grain. Be prepared to move the grain if problems develop.

For more information, contact me at 800-450-2465, or at stordahl@umn.edu. This information was provided by Kenneth Hellevang, NDSU Extension Service.

Random Things and Stuff



Violent Video Games

By: Emily L. Ferden

In recent history, there have been acts of violence (ex: school shootings) that suggest that these acts were learned behaviors from video games. Not that the video games provoked the violent acts, but that they showed these perpetrators how they should go about the acts.

Approximately 90% of children in the U.S. play video games, and more than 90% of those games involve mature content that often includes violence. The connection between violent media and aggression has also spawned a body of research that has gone back and forth on the issue (Time Magazine). Despite over 30 studies, researchers cannot agree if violent-content video games have an effect on aggression. The literature on video game effects is littered with mixed findings from studies that use a wide range of games, treatment exposure times, and subject pools, obscuring clear conclusions (John L. Sherry Purdue University).

What do you think? Do video games really affect the attitudes and behaviors of children and provoke violence? In my opinion, I believe that these violent games do contribute to acts of violence and aggression.

I think these games teach children how to act out aggressively and violently in their own lives by playing it out in a virtual world. I actually believe that these games are worse than violent movies, because they are actually the ones controlling what goes on. They aren't just watching, they have full control of what goes on in the game. I believe that these games also desensitize children to blood, gore, swearing, and violence.

(The following is found on Dr. Phil's website, drphil.com): How can parents minimize any potential harm? Psychologists have found that when parents limit the amount of time as well as the types of games their children play, children are less likely to show aggressive behaviors.

Other research suggests that active parental involve-

ment in children's media usage — including discussing the inappropriateness of violent solutions to real life conflicts, reducing time spent on violent media, and generating alternative nonviolent solutions to problems — all can reduce the impact of media violence on children and youth. If you play video games with your child, Dr. Phil suggests alternative activities that allow you to have more interaction with your child, such as playing a board game together or going for a walk and exploring together.

Parents should also pay attention to video games' ratings. Following are the guidelines that were established by the Entertainment Software Rating Board:

- EC is for "early childhood." May be suitable for ages 3 and up. Contains no material that parents would find inappropriate.

- E is for "everyone." May be suitable for ages 6 and up. May contain minimal violence, some comic mischief and/or mild language.

- E10+ is for "everyone 10 and older." May be suitable for ages 10 and up. Titles in this category may contain more cartoon, fantasy or mild violence, mild language, and/or minimal suggestive themes.

- T is for "teen." May be suitable for ages 13 and up. May contain violent content, mild or strong language, and/or suggestive themes.

- M is for "mature." May be suitable for persons ages 17 and up. May contain mature sexual themes, more intense violence and/or strong language.

- AO is for "adults only." Have content suitable only for adults. May include graphic depictions of sex and/or violence. Adult Only products are not intended for persons under the age of 18.

- RP is for "rating pending." Titles have been submitted and are awaiting final rating.

More Tips for Parents:

Children Now, an independent research and action organization, recommends these tips:

- Know your child.** Different children handle things differently. If your child becomes aggressive or unsettled after playing violent video games, don't buy such games, regardless of the child's age. Likewise, if your child likes playing games with characters that look like her or him, purchase games with characters that fit the bill.

- Read the ratings.** Every video and computer game should be rated for age appropriateness on the front of the packaging. Some games also have labels with content descriptions on the back of the packaging. Be sure to read both of these labels in order to determine whether the game is

age appropriate for your child and whether it contains material that you do not wish your child to be exposed to.

- Read more than the ratings.** While the ESRB ratings can be helpful, they do not tell the whole story. Some features that you may consider violent or sexual may not be labeled as such by the ESRB. In addition, the ESRB does not rate games for the positive inclusion of females or characters of color. The language on the packaging may give you a better idea of the amount and significance of violence and sexuality, and the presence of gender and racial diversity or stereotypes in the game.

- Go online.** The ESRB website provides game ratings as well as definitions of the rating system. In addition, you can visit game maker and distributor Web sites to learn more about the contents of a game. Some have reviews that will provide even more information about the game.

- Rent before you buy.** Many video rental stores also rent video games and consoles. Take a trial run before you purchase a game. There is no better way to know what kind of material is featured in a game than to play it yourself.

- Talk to other parents.** Find out which games other parents like and dislike as well as which games they let your child play when she or he visits their house. This is a good way to learn about the games that your child enjoys, games that other parents approve of, and to let other parents know which games you do not want your child playing.

- Play the games with your child.** Know what your child is being exposed to and how they react to different features in the games.

- Talk about what you see.** If your child discovers material that he or she finds disturbing or that you find inappropriate, talk about it. This is a great opportunity to let your child know what your values are as well as to help him or her deal with images that may be troubling.

- Set limits.** If you are worried that your child spends too much time playing video games, limit the amount of time or specify the times of day that video games can be played.

- Put the games in a public space.** Just as with the Internet, keep your game consoles and computers in public family space so that you can be aware of the material your child is viewing.

- Contact the game makers.** If you find material that you think is offensive or inappropriate, let the people who make and sell the games know about it. Likewise, let game makers know if you think that a game provides healthy messages or images. They do care what you think!



Terri and Lauren Kaupang show their support during the Alayna Espeseth "Team Alayna" benefit held at Win-E-Mac School on Thursday, September 24th.



Superintendents Notes

By Randy Bruer

School Building Project

The theatre seating in the new auditorium is just about completed. The work on the stage lighting and sound system along with curtains is due to begin this month. Our existing front sidewalks and front sprinkler system will also be repaired this month before the snow season.

The remaining inside amenities will take some time to complete. Because these skilled workers are in short demand our school building project is experiencing longer wait times.

School Referendums

Over the last five years, a record number of school districts have been forced to ask local voters to raise their property taxes just to keep our schools afloat. Win-E-Mac schools passed a referendum in 2006 for \$800 per student to keep our system intact without serious educational cuts.

This referendum will expire in 2016 and will be brought to the public this November for renewal. The referendum dollars help our school stay current with expenses, but like every citizen at home, we still have escalating travel costs, energy costs, food costs and technology costs which need to

be considered.

We have made some general cuts and budget adjustments without affecting classroom instruction. There have been small increases in state funding for a number of years but not matching inflationary costs.

Your vote is greatly appreciated, but we need to be mindful of the inflationary increases we have absorbed from the previous years. The District has met with numerous groups to provide information and has set a date of Monday, October 19th, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in the Win-E-Mac school to provide the public information of the referendum renewal.

If you would like more information please attend this meeting or give the Superintendent at call at 218-563-2900 or 218-687-2236.

Student Built Garage for Sale

Our Construction Program at WEM school will have an 18' x 20' garage, with 8 foot side walls for sale.

It is open to the public and we can also arrange moving if desired. We ask you to speak to us soon so you can choose the color of siding. It is located near the bus garage on the school property. Please call



218-563-2900 for information. We can also build a garage or structure to your measurements. Speak with Nathan Johnson, our IE instructor, about your project.

Please take the time to visit our school, enjoy our student activities and get to know our staff. The district has many extra-curricular activities and sports taking place after school.

Catch the Patriot Spirit and come out and enjoy the activities and functions of the Win-E-Mac School!

For Sale or BO: Large 8 burner gas stove and oven and large single oven. Call: 218-563-2900 or 218-687-2236 (District Office).



Unpacking the parts for the new theater seating in the Win-E-Mac Arts & Event Center addition was underway last week. Work will continue on the stage area of the Center during the month of October. Stay tuned for updates on the completion.

Local students encouraged to apply for MN House High School Page Program

Rep. Dan Fabian (R-Roseau) and Rep. Deb Kiel (R-Crookston) are encouraging high school juniors to apply for the Minnesota House of Representatives High School Page Program. The week-long program is open to all Minnesota high school students in their junior year whether they attend public school, private school or home school. This program offers a unique opportunity to gain a deeper understanding of state government and Minnesota's legislative process.

Participants will assist members and staff during House floor sessions and participate in a mock committee hearing, as well as meet with legislators, constitutional officers, members of the judiciary, lobbyists, and members of the press.

"I hope teachers and parents will encourage students to submit an application for the High School Page Program because not only is it a great opportunity to learn about how state government works first hand, but it also encourages civic participation and leadership," said Rep. Fabian.

"I urge high school juniors in Northwest Minnesota to apply for the 2016 High School Page Program because it gives them the chance to participate in state government and learn more about the legislative process," said Rep. Kiel. "This program is a wonderful opportunity for students to experience

the inner workings of the legislature and will provide lifelong memories and exciting new opportunities for participants."

Applications must be received by close of business on December 4, 2015. Participants are responsible for all personal costs associated with taking part in the page program, but will receive a small stipend to cover a portion of meals and, if applicable, cost of lodging.

More details and application information can be found on the House of Representatives website by visiting www.house.mn and searching "page program" in the search bar. You can also contact Andrew Olson, Assistant Sergeant at Arms at andrew.olson@house.mn for more information.

Special deer hunts at Rydell NWR

Fall once again triggers the arrival of two special deer hunts, the Accessible Deer Hunt and the Mentored Youth Deer Hunt, held on the Rydell NWR each year.

Both hunts are held under special permits from the Minnesota DNR.

The Accessible Deer Hunt is coordinated through Options in East Grand Forks, MN, who generates funds and volunteers, and provides meals and

door prizes for an average of 20 hunters each year. Specialized accessible equipment such as portable hunting blinds, temporary screens, accessible platforms and adaptive hunting equipment help to facilitate a safe and effective hunting environment on the Refuge.

The Mentored Youth Hunt is sponsored by the Friends of Rydell NWR and the Minnesota Deer Hunters Association and is open to youth 12-15 years old. An adult parent/guardian mentor, who may not hunt, must accompany youth participants while hunting at all times and abide by all hunting rules. The hunt is open to up to 15 youth.

Rydell National Wildlife Refuge will be closed to the public on the following days to anyone not participating in these special deer hunts:

Accessible Deer Hunt:
October 8-10, 2015

Mentored Youth Deer Hunt: **October 17-18, 2015**

The Refuge will remain open for normal hours of operation on the days prior to and following the special deer hunts.

For more information contact Gregg Knutsen, Manager, at Rydell National Wildlife Refuge (218) 687-2229 extension 16.

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