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July 2019: Isabelle and Jasmine Burthwick enjoyed many fun rides together during the Polk County Fair in Fertile.

Annual McIntosh Blood Drive will be January 29th

The McIntosh Friends of Veterans will again sponsor the Blood Drive in McIntosh. It will be held on Wednesday, January 29, 2020, at the Community Center in McIntosh. The drive will be held from 12 noon to 5:15 p.m. If you can give blood and don't receive a call, contact Mary Goodwin, Arlene Eggers, of Garnet Aannenson to set up an appointment.

Blood is urgently needed now because of the flu season and the cold weather.

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The 2020 Win-E-Mac School District Spelling Bee was held at 8:45 on Tuesday, January 14th in the Arts & Events Center. Sixteen spellers, four each from fifth through eighth grades, were selected to compete. In the end, Jordyn Halstad, a sixth grader, was the champion and will be going on to compete at the Regional Spelling Bee on Wednesday, February 5th, 2020 at Northland Community and Technical College in Thief River Falls. Taking second place was Emelia Boianoff from seventh grade. Tied for third place were Evsey Erofeeff (7th) and Caleb Green (8th). In all, 133 words were used in the competition over the course of 17 official rounds (plus a practice round). The championship word was "chimney". Pictured (L-R) are Caleb Green, Emelia Boianoff, Jordyn Halstad and Evsey Erofeeff.

2019 Year in Review, part 3

July

There was a bear sighting during the afternoon in July in the City limits of McIntosh, near the bank.

Ron Roed celebrated his 70th birthday with a party outside in the First National Bank Park with lots of family and friends joining in the celebration.

The 119th Polk County Fair took place at the Fairgrounds in Fertile. There were a lot of activities and the crowds gathered for the events held in the grandstand. Courtney Lecy, from rural McIntosh, with the help of her brother Trevor and sister Shelby spent her first year showing many of her animals for 4-H at the fair. She won many ribbons during her first year of showing including a reserved champion on a rooster and first place goat and a first place pig.

McIntosh Senior Living was surveyed by the Minnesota Department of Health and Minnesota State Fire Marshall and received a deficiency free survey. The staff at McIntosh Senior Living work very diligently each year and have received this honor on several occasions. The facility also held their annual family picnic.

Turning 99 years old in July was McIntosh native Lloyd Schleicher. His family and Friends celebrated Lloyds

milestone with a nearly week-long celebration. Including many surprises and a lot of fun memories.

Win-E-Mac Community Education held a summertime beginner quilting class at the McIntosh Community Center with kids and a parent or grandparent helping them to create a quilt of their own.

The Winger Legion Baseball team played in Duluth at Wade Stadium.

"Take it to the Rim" basketball camp took place at Win-E-Mac school with Coach Johnson leading three groups of kids in drills and games and fun.

There was a celebration of Asphalt Church and Cemetery at the site of the old church and where the cemetery is still located. There was a service held on the grounds to celebrate the 130th year of the congregation. Though the church was moved to Pioneer Village in Thief River Falls in 1970, the cemetery still operates and is governed by a association of family members from the area and those with family buried in the cemetery.

The Enerson Farm, north of McIntosh was recognized by the Minnesota State Fair and Minnesota Farm Bureau as a Century Farm in 2019. The family held a reunion at the farm site.

Jackie Huschle was hired at First National Bank of McIntosh as a Personal Banker and Consumer Lender, replacing Paulette Kringlen after her retirement.

The Meet Me in McIntosh event was held with lots of local artists set up along the Main Street showing off and selling their artwork. It was a fun night with lots of people coming to town to see what was displayed and for sale.

The Winger Fire Department held their Annual Firemen's Ball at Liquor Pigs in Winger, where they honored Jessica and Ben Horgeshimer for their dedication, donations and time to volunteering for all the Winger events.

August:

The statewide law of hands-free wireless phones went into effect in Minnesota on August 1st, 2019. This new law means drivers were no longer able to hold their cell phones in their hands when operating a motor vehicle. Only Voice commands and single touch activities are allowed a driver since the law went into effect.

Win-E-Mac Summer Theater presented "The Little Mermaid Jr." at the Arts and Event Center with 2 separate showings. It was a fun play with a cast of 22 students from 3rd grade to 8th grade, led by Mr. Hanson.



Community Calendar

Wed. Jan. 22: McIntosh Library 12pm to 5pm; McIntosh Heritage & Arts Center 10am to 2pm; Winger Senior Meals @ Moran's 11:30am to 1:30pm

Thurs. Jan. 23: Library 4pm to 7pm; McIntosh Heritage & Arts Center 10am to 2pm; Winger Senior Meals @ Moran's 11:30am to 1:30pm

Fri Jan. 24: McIntosh Library 12pm to 5pm; Winger Senior Meals @ Moran's 11:30am to 1:30pm

Mon. Jan. 27: McIntosh Library 10am to 3pm; Children's Story Time at McIntosh Library 10:30am; Winger Senior Meals @ Moran's 11:30am to 1:30pm

Tue Jan. 28: Library 4pm to 7pm; McIntosh Heritage & Arts Center 10am to 2pm

Wed. Jan. 29: McIntosh Friends of Veteran's Annual Blood Drive @ McIntosh Community Center

Thurs. Jan. 30: Library 4pm to 7pm; McIntosh Heritage & Arts Center 10am to 2pm; Winger Senior Meals @ Moran's 11:30am to 1:30pm

Fri. Jan. 31: McIntosh Library 12pm to 5pm; Winger Senior Meals @ Moran's 11:30am to 1:30pm

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

Tue Feb. 4: Library 4pm to 7pm; McIntosh Heritage & Arts Center 10am to 2pm



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The Polk County Sheriff's Office teamed up with Minnesota State Patrol to play dodgeball with the Win-E-Mac 8th graders at Win-E-Mac ISD 2609. They discussed teamwork and positive attitudes and Dodgeball. The law enforcement guys were the "weakest link" but the kids were good sports. The last game which was "kids vs cops" was epic and the kids totally crushed it! This was a Terrific Tuesday! The law enforcement officers are hoping for a rematch next year.

U of M Beef Team to host Cow/Calf Days Seminar Tour & Trade Show

The University of Minnesota Beef Team is proud to host the annual Cow/Calf Days Seminar Tour and Trade Show at 10 locations across the state in January.

This event has been held for 47 years and continues to be the leading information, technology, and research outlet for cow/calf producers in the state of Minnesota.

The 2020 event will feature information on opportunities to evaluate carcass characteristics in your herd, calf scours prevention, finding profit in the cow calf sector, and management of calves before and after weaning.

Updates from the Minnesota State Cattlemen's Association and the Minnesota Beef Council will also highlight the event. The corresponding tradeshow will feature vendors with new information, technology, and

products with a wide-array of practical uses for the operators in the cow-calf sector.

The program is directed at cow/calf producers, allied industry representatives, and is open to the public.

A meal will be served with the program and a registration fee of \$10 will include the meal, proceedings book, and program materials.

More information can be found at the Cow/Calf Days Seminar Tour and Trade Show website: www.extension.umn.edu/beef or contact Eric Mousel at 218.513.0781, emmousel@umn.edu, for the Bagley location, contact Heather Dufault at 218-280-1129 or at pohl0024@umn.edu.

Northern Tour

JAN 21 – Staples, MN, 9:30 AM, Central Lakes College, 1830 Airport Road

JAN 21 – Bagley, MN, 5:30

PM, American Legion, 288 Main Ave. N.

JAN 22 – Lancaster, MN, 5:30 PM, Community Center

JAN 23 – Roseau, MN, 5:30 PM, Gene's Bar Grill, 1095 3rd St. NW

JAN 24 – Iron, MN, 5:30 PM, Clinton Hall, 9831 Hwy 37

Southern Tour

JAN 27 - Mora, MN, 5:30 PM, Grand Event Center, 2025 Rowland Rd

JAN 28 - Starbuck, MN, 9:30 AM, Jim Wulf Bull Development Center, 30819 250th St.

JAN 29 - Pipestone, MN, 9:30 AM, MN West Comm. College, 1314 N Hiawatha Ave.

JAN 30 – Oronoco, MN, 5:30 PM, Tony Rossman Farm, 7000 70th St. NW

JAN 31 – LeCenter, MN, 9:30 AM, 4-H Center, 320 S. Plut Ave.

Grant money available to MN livestock owners for prevention of wolf attacks

Applications due January 31, 2020.

The Minnesota Department of Agriculture (MDA) is reminding livestock producers that new money is available to help prevent wolf attacks.

A total of \$60,000 will be awarded through the Wolf-Livestock Conflict Prevention Grants. Applications are due January 31, 2020, to the MDA.

The grants provide reimbursement for costs of approved practices to prevent wolf-livestock conflicts.

Eligible expenses for the grant program will include any or all of the following items:

- Purchase of guard animals
- Veterinary costs for guard animals
- Installation of wolf barriers which may include pens, fladry, and fencing
- Installation of wolf-deterrenting lights and alarms
- Calving or lambing shelters

•Other measures demonstrated to effectively reduce wolf-livestock conflicts

Producers must live within Minnesota's wolf range, as designated by the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, or on property determined by the Commissioner of Agriculture to be affected by wolf-livestock conflicts. Any animal species produced for



profit and documented to have been killed by wolves in Minnesota in the past is eligible. This includes bison, cattle, chicken, deer, donkey, duck, goose, goat, horse, llama, mule, sheep, swine and turkey.

The grant application must be emailed or postmarked by 5 p.m. on January 31, 2020. Work for this grant must be done and expenses reported by August 31, 2020. The application and more information can be found at www.mda.state.mn.us/wolfgrants.

[mn.us/wolfgrants](http://www.mn.us/wolfgrants).

This is the third round of the Wolf-Livestock Conflict Prevention Grants and is being funding through the US Fish and Wildlife Service. The first two rounds of grants were originally funded by the Minnesota Legislature in 2017.

Those grants awarded \$240,000 between July 1, 2017, and June 30, 2019. Grantees used the money for items like fencing, guard animals, and motion lights – all deterrents to wolves.



20 years ago...2000: Boy Scouts from McIntosh Troop #89 and their leader attended the December meeting of the McIntosh City Council. The Scouts are working on their "Citizenship in the Community" badge and chose to attend the meeting to learn of city legalities, agendas and regular workings of the city's governing board. (Back, l-r) Mayor Garnet Aanenson, Council people: Mike Aakhus, Mark Thompson, Ron Lemer and Barbara Ingman. (seated guests) Mike Brinkman, Scoutmaster Scott Schmanski, Tony Hand, Brady Lee and Robbie Jensen.



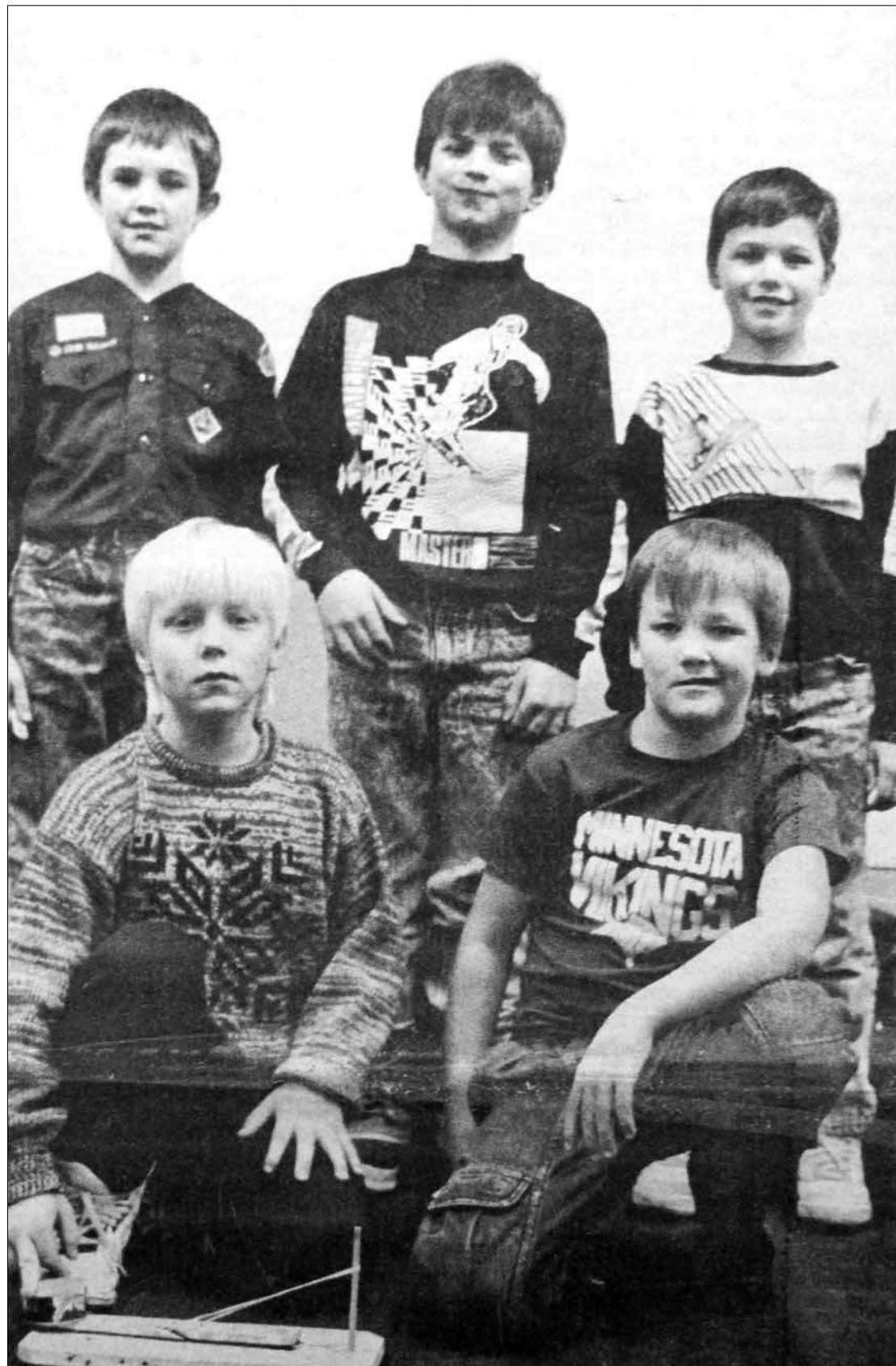
10 years ago...2010: Austin Tadman is the proud winner of the Win-E-Mac Spelling Bee. His winning word was, ironically, "Successful". Austin will be competing in the Regional Spelling Bee at Northland Community and Technical College in Thief River Falls. Pictured are (l-r): Jonah Salvhus, Austin Tadman, and Karen Hixon.



60 years ago...1960: Pictured are men from East Polk County attending an organizational meeting in McIntosh for the Red River Valley Winter Shows building campaign. Back row (l-r): Warner Christeson, Bernt B. Nornes, Harald Thompson, Roy Schleicher all from McIntosh; Otto Hove, Gully, Winger; and James Vig, Fosston; Front Row: Clarence Clemetson, Harry Ophus, both of Erskine; Chester A Ramberg, Mentor; Roy E Nelson of Mentor and Francis LaVoi of Fosston.



50 years ago...1970: Robert Hulst, right, turns over the gavel for the McIntosh Booster Club to newly elected president, Maylon Bly. Seated are Mrs. Lester Brekke, secretary and Mrs. Bly. Club membership drive is underway.



30 years ago...1990: Cub Scout Pack #89 met for a den meeting recently with den mothers, Vicki Strom and Karen Friedley. (Back, l-r) Paul Quam, Toby Strom, Michael Friedley; (front) Marshall Strom and Nathan Tangen. (Not present for picture: Kevin Kiecker, Alex Berg and Jason Peterson.) Cubs Scoutmasters for this group are Clyde Kringlen and Tom Tuura.

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McIntosh held a National Night Out event on Tuesday, August 6th and sponsored by the McIntosh Fire and Rescue Squad. There was supper, fire trucks and lots of fun and games for kids and grown-ups alike.

The Win-E-Mac Summer League Basketball wrapped up the summer season with the Gold team winning both the regular season and post season championships.

Renovations to downtown McIntosh were near completion with 4 buildings on the west side of Main Street being update and made ready for 4 new businesses to open in them. The building renovations were made by Stordahl Construction.

August in McIntosh always means Tractor Day. This year the McIntosh Fire Department started the day with a pancake breakfast in Erickson Park as the Antique Tractors lined up to start the parade at 11:00 am along with a kiddie tractor pull, sponsored by the Polar Beach Snowmobile Club, an annual favorite among the kids, and an afternoon of pulling at the Football Field with a tractor pull in the sunshine of the afternoon. The evening began with Elvis on Main Street in front of the Coop Bar & Grill with Karaoke following for a fun-filled day.

The McIntosh Community Club hosted Movie in the Park

in Erickson Park on a warm Friday evening. Friends and family, of all ages, could join in the fun with free popcorn and a great family movie.

The McIntosh Community Club also hosted a Corn for Kids event, where kids, young and old, could come to Roholt Park for supper, featuring fresh corn on the cob and games and activities for the kids.

On Wednesday, August 28th Win-E-Mac School held their Open House for back-to-school. The following evening, Thursday, August 29th, Win-E-Mac Patriots hosted their first home football game of the season, starting with a tailgating event held by the McIntosh Fire Department in front of the Win-E-Mac Football field. The Patriot football team took home their second victory of the season.

September
September started with the local area kids heading back to school the Tuesday after Labor Day and McIntosh began to make plans for Harvest Festival.

McIntosh was struck by a severe storm blowing down trees and large branches and overturning a gravity box near the McIntosh elevator in the early morning hours.

Win-E-Mac Math teacher, Jessica Strom was named an Educator of Excellence by the Minnesota Rural Education Association. The honor recog-

nized Jessica and her passion, innovation and collaboration in achieving results for students at Win-E-Mac School.

The McIntosh Community was surprised as a new sign went up on a building on the recently renovated block of Main Street. The Red Poppy announced they would be making a new home in McIntosh.

Harvest Festival included a Walk/Run sponsored by McIntosh Senior Living. McIntosh Senior Living also hosted the very popular event, Cow Pie Bingo again this year. The cows were a bit hesitant, but, in the end, each board had a winner. There was a pumpkin dessert contest, where those who entered brought a homemade pumpkin centered dessert to the Community Center for judging. The winner of this years dessert contest was April Horgeshimer. There was also a pie eating contest for kids and another for adults on Main Street, also a popular event.

Milton Carlson, of Winger was able to celebrate his 90th birthday with his family. Sadly, shortly after his celebration, Milton passed away.

As with years in the past, the Win-E-Mac 4th grade class was given the opportunity to visit Vesledahl Farms where they picked sweet corn that was brought back to the school and served the next day for lunch.



Connie Strom with her quilt top she sewed during the East Polk County Quilts of Valor Sew Day held at the McIntosh Community Center in January.



A quilt top made by Stephanie Frisk during the Sew Day held by the East Polk County Quilts of Valor group at the McIntosh Community Center. These quilts, when finished, will be presented to a area Veteran.



August 2019: The oldest driver in the McIntosh Tractor Parade is no stranger to sitting in the seat of a tractor, as he has been farming most of his life. 97 year old, Clifford Bartz took to the seat of this Farmall tractor for parade day.

Donating blood is a selfless decision

Blood donors may not know it, but they save lives every day.

According to the American Red Cross, someone in the United States needs blood every two seconds. Cancer patients, organ transplant recipients and accident victims are just some of the types of people who benefit from blood donations every day.

There are different types of blood donations, and making the right type of donation can ensure a contribution is as valuable as it can be. The following is a rundown of the various types of blood donations, courtesy of the Red Cross.

Whole blood donation

"Whole blood" is the term used to describe the blood that flows through your veins. This blood contains red cells, white cells and platelets, suspended in plasma. A whole blood donation is the most flexible type of donation because it can be transfused in its original form or used to help multiple people after being separated into its specific components (i.e., red cells, plasma and platelets). The donation itself does not take much time, though donors should expect to spend about an hour at the donation center, which includes their post-donation recovery time. All blood types make ideal whole blood donations.

Power red donation

A power red donation allows donors to donate two units of red blood cells during a single donation. But unlike a whole blood donation, donors who make a power red donation have their plasma and platelets returned to them during the donation process. A power red donation typically takes around 30 minutes longer than a whole blood donation, but the Red Cross notes that power red donors may feel more hydrated after donating than whole blood donors because they don't lose the liquid portion of their blood during the donation process. Power red donations are typically given to trauma



patients and newborns and may be administered during emergency transfusions during births. Blood types that are ideal for power red donations include O positive, O negative, A negative, and B negative.

Platelet donation

Platelets are tiny cells in the blood that form clots and stop bleeding. Platelet donations take between 2.5 to three hours, and platelets are typically given to people fighting cancer, chronic disease and traumatic injuries. Platelet donations last just five days, so platelet donors are in high demand. During a platelet donation, platelets and some plasma are collected by an apheresis machine, and red cells and most of the plasma is then returned to donors. Platelets are not collected at blood drives, and prospective platelet donors must visit Red Cross donation centers. People with A positive, A negative, B positive, O positive, AB positive, and AB negative blood types are ideal platelet donors.

AB elite plasma donation

AB plasma can be given to anyone regardless of their blood type. During an AB elite donation, plasma is collected and separated from other components in the blood. Red blood cells and platelets are then returned to donors. Donors with AB blood are ideal for AB elite plasma donations, which only take a few minutes more than a standard blood donation. Type AB plasma is the

only universal type and can be given to patients of any blood type, making these donations especially valuable.

More information about blood donations can be found at www.redcrossblood.org.



Prom is May 2nd! Complete sign-up by April 15, 2020 ~ all prom attendees and their guests must be sign-up and pay attendance fee ahead of time. Win-E-Mac seniors/juniors are invited to attend the prom with a guest who is a sophomore or older in school or out of school but no older than 20 years of age. Each individual attendee's \$15 cover fee needs to accompany sign-up. Fee is to offset costs (food and beverages included). All prom grand march attendees are expected to wear formal attire. Sign-up sheets available in Mrs. Winter's room.

Yearbook staff is taking pre-orders for this year's book to be distributed upon completion in May of 2020. Cost is \$40. Yearbooks can be purchased in the office or from Mrs. Winter (room 51) before or after school or during students' noon hours.



August 2019: Despite the threat of rain, a great group gathered for the 130 year celebration at Asphult Cemetery in Hill River Township.