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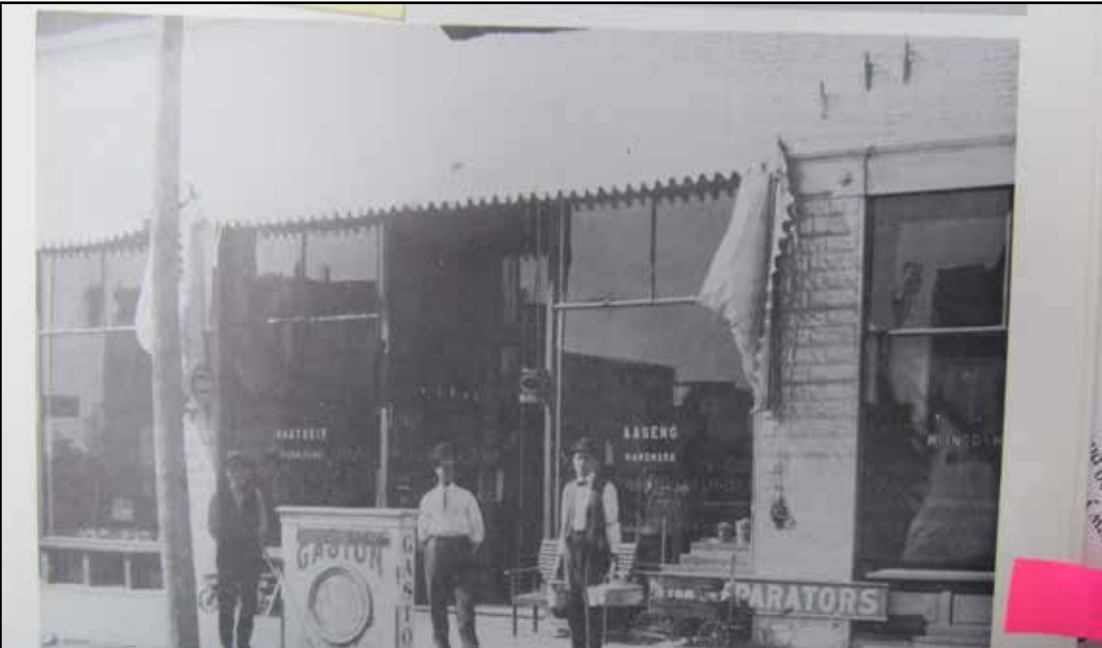
McIntosh, Minnesota



The McIntosh Country Store moved to the hardware store location, and re-branded as Hardware Hank in the summer of 2015. Friday, August 4th was a difficult day in the town as store patrons and community members watched the doors close on the hardware store.



The Abrahamsons Hardware Store in McIntosh in 1989 in the location it last stood. The store celebrated its Diamond Jubilee in 1988.



This photograph, taken in 1911 on North Broadway. Three separate businesses occupied the space that had once been Carpenter and Webster store until the fire of 1909 that left only 3 perimeter walls. E.J. Hill operated a grocery store in the left. Vaatvelt and Aaseng's furniture and hardware store was in the center. The McIntosh Times newspaper office was at the right. The building complex was mostly vacant when Rosetta Thompson arranged in the 1930's to have it remodeled into the Abrahamson Hardware Store. Inge-man Aaseng appears in the center, beside the drive-on scale. The man with the baskets is possibly Engval Vaatvelt. (Courtesy of Harald and Adelle Thompson)



The "Seventy Thousand Dollar Fire" that destroyed the Carpenter and Webster Department Store in 1909. The walls seen here were left standing and the store was re-built in a more modest fashion. The building that were re-built on the site eventually became the McIntosh Country Store.



Alexa, Adeline, Ava, and Kalli had fun on Monday, July 31st making name banners during the Summer Reading program at the McIntosh Library.

The end of an era, part 1

Last Friday, August 4, 2017 marked the end of an era in McIntosh. Saturday morning as the city went about its business, there was no longer a hardware store business in town. After combining the McIntosh Country Store with the McIntosh Hardware Store in 2015, Lee and DeeDee Narum had a difficult time maintaining the business, as it was difficult to keep up with the bills which found both of them working full-time at other jobs to keep the doors of the store open. Sadly, the now changing small town business struggle took its toll and the store was forced to close its doors.

The store is mostly known as the Abrahamson Hardware Store which had its beginnings in 1913 when J.H. Holton and Gilbert Abrahamson formed a partnership and signed up to become affiliated with the newly organized cooperative of self-owned hardware stores in Minnesota known as the Hall Hardware Company. Holton, an experienced plumber and tinsmith, and Abrahamson, proprietor of a feed store and short line implement business, had discussed their plans for some time. They had also considered the needs of the community. There were three large mercantile businesses that sold groceries, dry goods and clothing in McIntosh. One of the stores, a large, two-story structure known at Carpenter and Webster's, was destroyed by fire in 1909. The standing walls of the ruin became the shell for the new hardware store.

Gunhild and Gilbert Abrahamson's daughter, Rosetta,

and her husband, Theodore Thompson, joined the business in the early 1930's. In 1935 the partnership came to an end when Abrahamson became the sole owner and J.H. Holton went into the lightning rod and plumbing business. Mr. Abrahamson's health was failing and he lived only two more years. When Theodore Thompson died one year later, the responsibility fell to Rosetta.

Her mother kept the big house on the corner behind the store and shared the tasks of raising the three Thompson Children, Gordon, Martha and Harald.

Mrs. Thompson discussed the present needs of the business with C.M. Berg, president of the First National Bank. Although the risk of default on a loan was considerable, he weighed the needs of the family and the long-standing reputation for the reliability in his decision to grant the loan for operating capital. Those first years alone were difficult ones. Hours were long, profits were minimal, worries were many and merchandise on the display shelves was often so limited that empty boxes were used to fill up empty spaces.

Continued in next weeks edition of the McIntosh Times.

Reminder:

The McIntosh City Council meeting has been rescheduled to Tuesday, August 15, 2017 at 5:30 pm at the McIntosh Community Center.



This portrait of Gilbert Abrahamson, his wife Gunhild, and daughter, Rosetta, was taken before 1900. Gilbert Abrahamson, born in 1862, was owner of a feed store and short line implement business until establishing the Abrahamson Hardware Store in 1913. He died March 1, 1937 at the age of 74. Gunhild Abrahamson was born September 26, 1868 in Sigdall, Norway. She died on February 4, 1964. Rosetta Thompson continued as owner and manager of Abrahamson Hardware Store after her fathers death, passing the business on to her son, Harald and his wife Adella.



Professor Marvel's DIY Magic Show last Thursday at the McIntosh Library's Summer programs was as entertaining for adults as it was for the kids, who all had fun interacting with Professor Marvel as they performed many tricks that the Professor learned from books.



Community Calendar

Wed. Aug. 9: 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. Aug. 10: McIntosh Library 5pm to 8pm; McIntosh Heritage & Arts Center 10am to 2pm; Winger Senior Meals @ Moran's 11:30am to 1:30pm

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

Mon. Aug. 14: 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. Aug. 15: McIntosh Library 5pm to 8pm; McIntosh Heritage & Arts Center 10am to 2pm; McIntosh City Council 5:30pm @ Community Center

Wed. Aug. 16: 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. Aug. 17: DIY Magic Show 10:30am @ McIntosh Library; McIntosh Library 5pm to 8pm; McIntosh Heritage & Arts Center 10am to 2pm; Winger Senior Meals @ Moran's 11:30am to 1:30pm

Fri. Aug. 18: McIntosh Library 12pm to 5pm; Winger Senior Meals @ Moran's 11:30am to 1:30pm

Mon. Aug. 21: McIntosh Library 10am to 3pm; Children's Story Time at McIntosh Library 10:30am; Winger Senior Meals @ Moran's

Tues. Aug. 22: McIntosh Library 5pm to 8pm; McIntosh Heritage & Arts Center 10am to 2pm



PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE

POLK COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE LOCAL WATER PLAN UPDATE

Notice is hereby given that a public meeting will be conducted by Polk County and the East and West Polk Soil and Water Conservation Districts (SWCD) to collect input in regards to the updated Polk County Comprehensive Local Water Management Plan.

The updated Polk County Comprehensive Local Water Plan may found at <http://www.eastpolkswcd.org/local-water-management-plan.html>

The Public Meeting will be held at the Polk County Government Center board room located at 612 North Broadway, Crookston MN, 56716.

Time and date of the meeting will be at 9am, Tuesday, August 22, 2017.

For more information please contact Polk County Environmental Services at 218-281-5700, East Polk SWCD at 218-563-2777 and/or West Polk SWCD at 218-281-6070 x4.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Consideration of .25% sales tax implementation for transportation projects in Polk County.

The Polk County Board is conducting a public hearing on the merits of adding a .25% (a quarter percent) sales tax dedicated to county highway projects on eligible sales in Polk County. State statute 297A.993 allows counties to implement up to .5% in sales tax for transportation purposes after conducting a public hearing.

This hearing is open to public comment and will be held in the Polk County Board Room, Polk County Government Center, 612 No. Broadway, Crookston, Minnesota at 11:00 a.m., Tuesday, August 22, 2017. A county highway projects plan to use these dedicated revenues will also be presented. Attendees wishing to make a statement or question the Board will be asked to state their name and address for the meeting record. Comments may also be mailed to the above address or emailed via the County's website at www.co.polk.mn.us.

M19-20C

Celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary on August 13, 2017 is the happy couple of Marvie and Darrel Johnson. Congratulations and wishing you another 50 years of happiness.



Polk County Public Health

Polk County Public Health provides monthly foot care clinics at locations throughout the county. Foot soaks and nail trimming are provided. This is not a diagnostic clinic. Referrals are made to medical doctors when necessary. A fee of \$20 is charged per client participating in the clinic. County residents are encouraged to call Polk County Public Health for further information. All clinics are open to the public. Footcare clinics are available in McIntosh on the first and third Tuesday of each month. The next foot care clinic in McIntosh is scheduled for Thursday, August 17, 2017. September clinics will take place on September 7th and 21st.

To schedule an appointment at the McIntosh Office of Polk County Public Health, please call 218-563-2010. Please remember, foot bare is by appointment only.

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

McINTOSH
August 15, 2017,
5:30 PM

— COMMUNITY CENTER —

OLD BUSINESS:

A) POLK CO. SOCIAL SERVICES

NEW BUSINESS:

A) BUILDING PERMIT – ADAM KINUNEN

B) VFW DONATION

C) USDA DEPOSIT CONTROL AGREEMENT

PRELIMINARY BUDGET MEETING FOLLOWING COUNCIL MEETING

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Open House 90th Birthday Party

for

Violet Ferden

on **Saturday, Aug. 19th** from 1:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

at the **McIntosh Community Center**

Your presence is all that is needed for a present and come join us.

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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

Wit & Wisdom

A kid asked his kindergarten teacher to help him put on his cowboy boots. She could see why. Even with her pulling and him pushing, the little boots still didn't want to go on. By the time they got the second boot on, she had worked up a sweat. She almost cried when the little boy said, "Teacher, they're on the wrong feet." She looked, and sure enough, they were. It wasn't any easier pulling the boots off than it was putting them on. She managed to keep her cool as, together they worked to get the boots back on, this time on the right feet. He then announced, "These aren't my boots."

She bit her tongue, rather than get right in his face and scream, "Why didn't you say so?", like she wanted to. Once again she struggled to help him pull the ill-fitting boots off his little feet. No sooner had they gotten the boots off when he said, "They're my brother's boots. My mom made me wear'em."

Now, she didn't know if she should laugh or cry. But she mustered up what grace and courage she had left to wrestle the boots on his feet again. Helping him into his coat, she asked, "Now, where are your mittens?" He said, "I stuffed 'em in the toes of my boots."

She will be eligible for parole in three years.

Legal Notice NOTICE OF INTENT TO AMEND POLK COUNTY LAND USE/ZONING ORDINANCE

Pursuant to MN Statute §375.51 and §394.26, notice of intention to adopt amendments to the Polk County Zoning Ordinance is hereby given. Polk County Board of Commissioners will hold a public hearing for input on the following date: Tuesday, August 22, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. in the County Board room at the Polk County Government Center, Crookston, MN.

A brief summary of the draft ordinance amendments are as follows:

- Section 1 – Statutory Authorization and Policy and Purpose: Minor update to statutory authorization to include Buffer Law language.
- Section 3 – Definitions: Update definitions to go along with ordinance updates relating to buffers.
- Section 12 – General Regulations: Minor amendments for buffer regulations.
- Section 18 – Shoreland District: Minor amendments for sign regulations in 18.2611 and minor amendments in regards to buffers in 18.2621.
- Section 25 – Buffer Regulations: Created a new section in ordinance for Buffer Regulations. This section outlines the Purpose and Intent of section and the following: Jurisdiction, Requirements, Measurement, Alternative Practices, Compliance Determinations, Enforcement, Administrative Penalty Orders, Right to Appeal, and Reporting and Documentation Requirements.

Copies of the referenced ordinance amendments may be viewed during regular business hours at Polk County Environmental Services, 320 Ingersoll Ave, Crookston, MN 56716, or on the Polk County Website: www.co.polk.mn.us. To submit written comments, ask questions, or to request more information please contact Josh Holte at Polk County Environmental Services at (218) 281-5700 or (800) 482-6804.

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VFW Auxiliary #6891 News

The McIntosh VFW Auxiliary will hold their August meeting on Monday, August 14, at 5 p.m. at The Club.

This is a very important meeting and all members are urged to attend. The main issue will be the disbanding of VFW Post #6891.

I have talked to several Auxiliary members and they have come up with many ideas which we need to share to keep our Auxiliary so that we will be able to have Memorial Day services, Veterans Day services and other Auxiliary events during the year.

Your 2017-2018 dues of \$20.00 can now be payable to Patti Benson or Wanda Olson.

Legal Notice NOTICE OF HEARING

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 103D.911, notice is hereby given that the Board of Managers of the Red Lake Watershed District will hold a public hearing on the proposed 2018 General Fund Budget at 9:30 a.m., August 24, 2017, at the Red Lake Watershed District Office, 1000 Pennington Avenue South, Thief River Falls, MN 56701. The following is the 2018 proposed budget:

PROPOSED 2018 BUDGET	
Manager's fees & salaries.....	\$20,000.00
Board of managers' expense.....	22,000.00
Staff salaries.....	461,000.00
Payroll taxes.....	35,266.50
Employee benefits.....	108,368.50
Travel and meetings.....	5,000.00
Audit.....	9,000.00
Legal.....	15,000.00
Office supplies.....	15,000.00
Office equipment.....	18,000.00
Appraisers and Viewers.....	2,000.00
Professional services.....	20,000.00
Dues and subscriptions.....	10,000.00
Insurance and bonds.....	25,000.00
Repairs and maintenance- building.....	15,000.00
Utilities.....	10,000.00
Advertising & publications.....	4,000.00
Telephone.....	11,000.00
Vehicle expense & maintenance.....	14,000.00
Engineering supplies.....	3,000.00
Engineering equipment.....	40,000.00
TOTAL.....	\$862,635.00
LESS ESTIMATED OVERHEAD.....	(691,500.00)
LESS: MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE.....	(7,000.00)
PROPOSED 2018 GENERAL FUND BUDGET.....	\$164,135.00
PROPOSED 2018 GENERAL FUND TAX LEVY.....	\$ 0.00

CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND
An ad valorem tax of .0004836 times the taxable market value for 2017, collectible for 2018, will be levied on all taxable property within the Red Lake Watershed District. One-half of the levy will remain in the District for projects listed below; the other one-half of the levy will be sent to the Red River Watershed Management Board for projects within the Red River Basin.

Permitting system	
Benchmarks	
Flood Control studies/projects	
Stream gauging	
Water quality studies/projects	
Rivers	
Watershed hydrologic analysis	
Lakes	
Bank stabilization	

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Community Birthday and Anniversary Calendar

Wed. August 9:
Ryan Schow; *Jay & Leah Mahlen

Thurs. August 10:
Lily Breckel; Damien Address; Maxwell Rue; *Clayton & Carol Bartz

Fri. August 11:
Violet Ronne; *Shawn & Tamera Ostenaar

Sat. August 12:
Mark Juve; *Paul & Diana Lindseth

Sun. August 13:
Curt Bartz; *Chad & Janelle Haas; *Darrel & Marvie Johnson; *John & Julie Nord

Mon. August 14:
Breeelyn Hegre; Alex Shaver; *Bruce & Diane Grundyson



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ST. MARY'S CHURCH Fosston Fr. John Suvakeen, Pastor

Wed. Aug. 9: 1:00pm Mass at McIntosh Nursing Home; 6:30pm Mass at St. Mary's, Fosston

Sun. Aug. 13: 8:00am Confession; 8:30am Mass at St. Mary's, Fosston; 10:30am Mass at St. Joseph's, Bagley

Tues. Aug. 15: Holy Day. 6:00pm Rosary; 6:30 Mass at St. Mary's, Fosston

Sun. Aug. 20: 8:00am Confession; 8:30am Mass at St. Mary's, Fosston; 10:30am Mass at St. Joseph's, Bagley

Sun. Aug. 27: 8:00am Confession; 8:30am Mass at St. Mary's, Fosston; 10:30am Mass at St. Joseph's, Bagley

If you have any questions please call 435-6484.

CALVARY-IMMANUEL LUTHERAN PARISH

Winger/Bejou
Supply Pastor

Gordon Syverson

Sun. Aug. 13: 8:30am Worship at Immanuel; 9:45am Worship at Calvary

Sun. Aug. 20: 8:30am Worship at Immanuel; 9:45am Worship at Calvary

OURS SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH (ELCA)

McIntosh

Supply Pastor

Gordon Syverson

Sun. Aug. 13: 11:15am Worship Service.

Sun. Aug. 20: 11:15am Worship Service.

GOSEN LUTHERAN CHURCH

Independent

Gary Johnson, Pastor
www.gosen-church.com

Face Book: Gosen Church

Wed. Aug. 9: 1:30pm Bible Study at The Country Place; 7:00pm Bible Study at Don & Sharon Ramberg's

Sun. Aug. 13: 9:30am Sunday School and Adult Bible Study; 11:00am Worship Service

Tues. Aug. 15: 10:00 a.m. Sunday worship service telecast on Garden Valley Cable TV--Channel 2

Wed. August 16: 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. Aug. 10: 7:00am Men's Breakfast at Mt. Carmel

Sun. Aug. 13: 9:30am Worship at Mt. Carmel; 11:00am Worship at Trinity

Thurs. August 17: 7:00am Men's Breakfast at Mt. Carmel

Sun. August 20: 9:30am Worship at Trinity; 11:00am Worship at Mt. Carmel

VERNES LUTHERAN CHURCH (LCMC)

McIntosh

Pastor Jill Torgerson

Sun. Aug. 13: 9am Worship

Sun. Aug. 20: 9am Worship

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FREE LUTHERAN

Pastor Don Edlund

Wed. Aug. 9: 7:00pm Bible Study

Sun. Aug. 13: 10:00am Worship Service

Wed. August 16: 7:00pm Bible Study

Sun. August 20: 10:00am Worship Service

Wed. Aug 23: 7:00pm Bible Study

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

McIntosh

Rev. John Anderson,
Pastor

Sun. Aug. 13: 9:45am Fellowship/Coffee Hour; 10:45am Divine Worship

Sun. Aug. 20: 9:45am Fellowship/Coffee Hour; 10:45am Divine Worship with Holy Communion

Sun. Aug. 27: 9:45am Fellowship/Coffee Hour; 10:45am Divine Worship

Holy Communion 1st and 3rd Sundays

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THE WINGER ENTERPRISE

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Wednesday, August 9, 2017

Winger News

Linda Pulskamp

Greetings again from Winger and the Union Lake areas, where we have seen July come to a close and are now into August, which is a busy month, first off harvest is right around the corner, then schools are getting prepared for the upcoming year. Colleges are going to be in session in about three weeks and so it goes from year to year. Have heard some parents say they are ready for the kids to go back to school and I think in a lot of cases the kids are also ready to head back to school and see their friends and get back to a schedule of some sort.

Our weather has definitely been hot and dry in this area and in a lot of other areas too. We do need some rain, it is evident in places where the grain is starting to get stressed from the lack of moisture, although I think there are other places worse off than we are.

Kari Keller was a visitor with Milton Carlson at the Carlson home on Wednesday the 26th on her way home from work.

Last Saturday Kelly Johnson, Dean Johnson, Butch and Linda Pulskamp, Donnie Johnson of Maple Lake, MN, Nola Abele of Fosston, Judy Boeckers of Buffalo, Marv Engesether of Plummer, Truman and Darlene Johnson of Dilworth and Denise Enervold of West Fargo, Bette and Eddie Martin of New Brighton and Sharon Johnson of Spring Lake Park all attended funeral services in Barnesville for their sister in law Donna Johnson. Donna was the wife of their late brother Robert Johnson.

Helmer Homme is very grateful and appreciative of all the care and concern shown him during his hospitalization and his time spent at the Pioneer Home doing recuperative therapy. He had numerous visitors while in the hospital both in Fosston and Grand Forks and also while he recuperated in the Pioneer Home. Happy to report that he is back at his home again and doing as well as can be expected.

Paul Carlson stopped in at the Milton Carlson on Friday the 28th on his way to work for a brief visit over a cup of coffee and a cup of coffee to go.

Truman and Darlene Johnson of Dilworth were visitors one day this past week at the Boyd and Sylvia Bratager home.

Craig Helgaas of Glenwood, Kelly Johnson, Dean Johnson, Donnie Johnson of Maple Lake, Mn, Nola Abele of Fosston and Marv Engesether of Plummer were all visitos last Saturday at the Pulskamp

home.

Chris and Carson Benesh along with Dustin Carlson and his friend Wesley of Fosston were all visitors with Milton Carlson at the Carlson home last Saturday afternoon. While there Dustin cut down a tree for Milton and was joined by the rest of the group in the clean up of the tree.

Thursday Linda Pulskamp visited with former co-workers Sherry Largis an Marie Scott while having lunch in Red Lake Falls.

Monday the 31st Paul Carlson stopped in for a brief visit and had his morning cup of coffee topped off at the Milton Carlson home as he went on to work.

This past Tuesday Roy and Judy Raben were visitors with Helmer and Verlys Homme at the Pioneer Home.

Judy Gieseke was a visitor and coffee guest on Tuesday with Milton Carlson at the Carlson home.

Last Saturday afternoon saw the remembrance service for Martha Henney fill the Community Center with standing room only, there were many wonderful tributes given in her memory, with some of the Calvary Ladies doing the supper, some of the Salem Church ladies of McIntosh contributing an also the McIntosh Auxillary contributing. What a wonderful send off to a wonderful person Martha was.

Later that evening saw Winger buzzing with people from the area in town to attend the annual Fireman's Ball.

This again is the news from my end of Winger, always look forward to Bunny's contribution too.

Until next week, don't let to much information displace your commonsense.

From Bun Manor:

Thursday afternoon, Panzer and his friend Nyal (Pink) Peterson from Mahnomen stopped at the manor in their pontoon for a visit. Pink was the video man for the Twins when they were in the World Series in 1987 and 1991. A few years ago he showed Bun his '87 World Series ring and Bun dropped it on the floor and it nearly went down an air vent. Talk about hopeless.

Friday afternoon found Scrap and Bun heading to Grand Forks to see if they could get the wheelchair fixed at repair shop at Altru Rehab in Grand Forks. Bun had some electrical problems with the chair. They went there and the repair man hooked up his computer brain to the chair and recalibrated the program and

everything looked and worked fine. Thinking they had the problem under control they headed for home only to discover the next morning the chair was acting up again. If Bun didn't have no luck he would have no luck at all. The woos of Bun continue. Stay tuned for next weeks problem.

Chris Wang returned home to Gillette after spending a week visiting his mother and golfing with friends. He told Bun he probably won't be home again until Christmas.

Sunday found Bun and about twenty five members from the Winger Calvary congregation gathering at Floyd and Gerri Balstad's for outdoor church service followed by a potluck dinner. As usual there was more than enough food. Following dinner and fellowship time some of the guests played croquet and others went for a pontoon ride. Bun asked David Balstad what his wife Shawnn and his two son's were doing since they were absent. He told him she took them down to her folks and she was going to drop them off for a week. Maybe the two of them can have a second honeymoon now that the boys are going to be gone.

Before leaving Floyd & Gerri's Bun took note of how great their year looks full of flowers and yard ornaments. They have certainly worked hard to make the place look supurb.

Bun hung around for awhile before heading over to Terry

and Eileen Cooks place on Cable Lake near Mentor. Terry and him hung out in the garage and listened to their beloved Twins beat the Rangers on the radio.

Congratulations to LuAnn (Omang) Default and her daughter Kimberly on the birth of Braxton Goodvagen. This was Lou's first grandchild. Mother and son are doing fine.

Joanne and Carsten's cabin was busy this weekend again. A total of 9 family members. Son, Dan, 2 of Dan's daughters, Kelly and Erica, and their kids, Kelly has 2, Zak and Izabella; Erica has 3, Rosco, Rheanin, ad Roman; Marlann's son, Dion from Florida was there also. On Saturday, Joanne, Erica and Kelly went to Fargo for a baby shower. They all went home on Sunday afternoon. But Friday and Saturday nights, Joanne and Carsten went back to Winger to sleep Dan and his grandsons did somme fishing. Dan brought his boat from Duluth, and they caught fish, very few Walleye, but fun for all. On Sunday, Carsten and Joanne attended church services at Floyd and Gerri Balstad's on Union Lake.

Bun again is requesting input from his readers. He can't keep writing about himself. There is only so much that people want to read about him. Without the readers help he may be forced to close the manor news.

Pestle & Vessel

by Alison Opdahl

Feast

"Momma, what does God eat?" I heard from behind me as Dinah and I were driving home from running errands in Fosston. Where do toddlers learn to stump their mothers in five words? The lens of life they look through is so different than ours. I said what every wise mother does, *wink*... "Let's ask your Daddy." Clever, right?

Please tell me I'm not the only Momma to do this! Anyway, a few days later we remembered to ask him. He thought for a moment then said, "I think He eats our praise." My mental eyebrows went up.

Well, I have been chewing on this—no pun intended—for

Pestle & Vessel...
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NOTICE OF MEETING

VESLEDAHL WETLAND MITIGATION PROJECT NW OF WINGER, MN.

The Sand Hill River Watershed District will host an informational meeting on Thursday, August 17th at 7:00 pm at the Winger Community Center to update area landowners on MnDot, BWSR, and DNRs history, current, and future, plans for the 2,400 acre wetland mitigation project. All the agencies will be represented and will be there to answer questions. The Watershed District will also give a presentation on what is needed to establish a legal ditch system in the area to address current and future drainage issues. Please contact anyone you feel may be interested and plan on attending. This is a very important meeting to gather input from area landowners. This input will be used to make decisions as we move forward.

Dan Wilkens, Administrator

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Regional Ag News

Ed Gindele,
Extension Educator

'Simple Practices for Better Hay' Part 3 of 3

4) Baling: All three types of balers: small square, large square and round can benefit from using a 'crop preservative' and should be considered as a 'normal practice' by all dry hay makers. Crop preservatives allow you to start baling earlier each day and to keep baling longer each day when dew is present but not have to worry about potential molding, heating or a fire.

This can mean getting more bales done each day with one baler while capturing a higher valued crop because baling high moisture hay will contain more leaves. So using a preservative will result in a higher quality, more nitrous feed with less total ending cost. Small square balers should be driven at a MPH that will create a consistent 1 ½ to 3 inch charge size (slice, flake, slab) to maintain uniform bale shape, weight and density. Small adjustments of RPM can help tweak the result. Purchase a high quality twine; sisal will degrade over time while plastic may seem to last forever even when not holding a bale together.

If using wire keep all pieces away from cattle so hardware disease is limited. Large square balers are very popular and available for hire in most areas. Three common sizes bales are 3x3, 3x4 and 4x4 with weights up to one ton. Their shape will not resist rain, snow or even dew so spoilage will occur unless covered or store

indoors. Large square bales do allow easier portion feeding vs round bale usage. Today round bales are the most common method of feeding beef cattle hay. Round balers come in many different sizes from 4x4 to 5x6 ft. bale, making larger bales means less bales but can also mean more losses during feed out. Balers can be used to make dry hay, high-moisture and silage bales. Some models have 'pre-cutter knife options' that can make a higher density bale, a bale that will break up after wrap removed for easier portioning and reduce livestock feeding waste.

The goal should be to make a very dense bale with a straight top/square shoulders and a packing material that will hold the bale together until fed. Avoid using 'soft core/variable core' features to make soft centered bales. Follow bale shape indicators to feed windrows into the baler at correct areas but do not 'weave frequently' or excess material will be placed in center of bale. Round balers can be operated at less than rated PTO speed so watch the crop to baler relationship.

Adjust the MPH and RPM to have the crop flow into the baler with a slit bulldozing effect but not chase the crop into a pile before picking up. Excess RPMs can trash the crop causing leaves to be loss but also create extra buildup in and around the baler's components. This can save fuel, wear and tear and create a denser bale. Add a high-moisture kit or si-

lage kit to non-silage balers to minimize crop wrapping on moving parts or building up on surfaces.

Using net wrap for all round baling saves wrapping time, saves feed value, increases baler productivity, reduces baler wear, saves fuel and money. When fuel was over \$3/gal it took approximately a dollar just to put the twine on a bale. Silage baling is a great way to simplify your whole haying process, since now you do not have to rely on 'mother nature' to dry your hay.

Silage baling can begin once hay has wilted down to 60 % moisture which in many parts of the country can happen in a few hours after mowing. Silage bales also should be made as tight as possible to squeeze as much air out before wrapping in plastic film. Wrap silage bales as soon as possible but within maximum 6 hours to capture the most feed value. Silage bales can reduce or eliminate any additional energy supplement required by your livestock. Many silage bale users report that they have also reduced the number of acres, bales and machines to meet their feed needs by ¼ to 1/3.

5) Moving and Storing: Small square bales can be loaded directly onto flatbed wagons, thrown in to basket wagons or dropped on to the ground, individually or grouped. Small square bale accumulators are becoming popular as manual labor issues develop in many areas.

Match the tractor/loader size to the bale number and weight. Stack square bales with the 'cut side' up, this will help disperse any internal bale moisture that can keep heating & molding from happening. Small bales can reduce feeding losses over round bale use. Big bales require big equipment to move safely so do not exceed the tractor/loader capacity. Large bale spears, forks, grapples and squeeze can damage bale shape and integrity. Minimize number of moves to reduce damaging bales. When using a grapple on net wrapped bales reduce the tearing or catching of the net by installing a pipe/tube with holes aligned to the grapple teeth attached with a log chain connection to grapple tooth bar frame. CoverEdge net wrap resist wind damage during transport and in some states eliminates the tarp requirement.

Net wrap can limit spoilage to less than 1 inch while the national average for twine packaged bales stored outside is more than 6 inches and close to 33% loss. If storing outside place bales on well drained surfaces, clear of weeds, brush and shade. Align the bales in a row like 'life savers in a package' with rows spaced to allow sunlight to dry area between rows.

Do not stack bales like a golf ball on a 'T' because the vertical bale (s) will absorb moisture very easily from the ground and any that runs on to the upper end surface even if 'capped with a bale'. Arrange



40 years ago...1977: Jennifer Aasen is cuddling "Caesar" a black poodle belonging to Kirsten (left), Kairsha (age 2) (Held by Diana Wescott) and Kari Palthe of Minneapolis. The Palthe sisters' grandparents, Albin and Clara Fristro, will be celebrating their 50th anniversary at Calvary Lutheran Church in Winger on Sunday.



30 years ago...1987: The trike contest at Winger Festival Days had two divisions - 0.2 an 2.5. The winners were: Matthew Massman, first place; Brian Massmann, the only two year entry; Nicholas Helgaas, second place; and Brian Johnson, third place.



20 years ago...1997: (L-R) Verniz and Kenneth Jore were the morning hosts at the First National Bank in McIntosh as they served refreshments during business hours on August 1st.



10 years ago...2007: Cenex has been in operation at the McIntosh location since around 2000. Serving to their customers, are from left to right, Ron Germain of Brooks, General Manager "Bob the Cenex Guy", Bridget, Adam, and Holly. Not pictured is Dylan who is also employed at Cenex. Customers who participated in the day's activities were entered into a door prize drawing.

storage area so that you can feed bales to match livestock requirements for 'quality' and to reduce storage losses. Feed the 'at risk' bales first to keep losses low, these are bales that may have been damaged or poor density that will allow moisture to penetrate over time.

Summary: 'Good hay' requires planning and flexibility to adjust for the ever changing environment.

Maintaining the field for minimum issues goes a long way in making your hay process simple. Keep your field clean and correct those areas that can cause machine damage or create uneven windrows that slow down the harvest. Check and service all machines so that

breakdowns do not interrupt the harvest.

Operate the (cutting, tedding, raking, baling) equipment at the MPH and RPMs that you intend to do the operation before inspecting for results. Stop, shut off your equipment and the tractor, periodically inspect the results of each machine operation.

Adjust each machine to match the changing conditions from field to field and year to year. Hay is like 'snow flake', every day and every field is different, so the setting that may have worked great today could be completely wrong tomorrow.

Source: Jim Buchs, Hay & Forage Specialist John Deere

Superintendents Notes

By Randy Bruer

The staff and administration are excited to begin a new school year! We will have several new students attending our school this year and are excited to welcome them to Win-E-Mac!

If you know of a family contemplating a school change, please ask them to come and visit. Open House will be on Wednesday, August 30th from 5:00-7:00 pm. All parents and students are encouraged to attend the Open House.

Thank you Community

I would like to say Thanks to our Community helpers and Clubs with the Playground Build. It looks fantastic and kids love to play on it. Many clubs, businesses and individuals took part to help construct our new equipment.

'Beyond the Bell'

The Summer Rec program was a success. We offer a free breakfast and lunch throughout the summer and we will continue this along with child supervision until August 25. We plan to do this again next summer so keep our school in mind when making plans for summer child care services. During this school year we plan to have child care begin at 7:00 till school begins @ 8:00 and after school from 3:30 until 5:30 for those who chose to take advantage of the service. There will be a charge for this service. Sign-up can take place during open house or call the District Office for details.

Very Important; Free and reduced application forms

I cannot stress enough how important these forms are to the school district to access funding for our school. Our school will lose \$35,000 in compensatory funding this year because our eligibility percent has dropped. This is another teacher salary. If you are the parent of a child and know you may meet the eligibility requirements of the program, please fill them out and return them to the school.



They are confidential and it does not mean you need to take advantage of what the form has to offer, but we still ask you to fill it out. Please visit with the Superintendent if you have any questions. It does affect our compensatory funding for our school, free or reduced meal money for kids, 0% interest on QZAB loans, reduced phone and internet bills for our school, Title 1 funding, Federal funding, computer, technology and equipment grants, and learning materials. At the beginning of the year or any time during the year, we ask parents or custodial parents to fill out the free and reduced request forms.

Fitness Room Renewal

If you had a membership to the School Fitness Center this past year, the fee you paid is only good until August 31, 2017. You will need to renew the membership fee by that date or your card will be deactivated until a payment is made. If you did not purchase a membership last year and would like one this year, please come to the District Office to fill out a membership application and fee. An access card will be issued at that time. Please call 218-563-2900 for any questions.

Immunizations

Before a student can attend a Minnesota school, a child

must have their immunizations up to date before the first day of school. According to Minnesota's School Immunization laws, your child entering Kindergarten should have dates for the following vaccines: 6 7th graders-(meningococcal) 5 (DTaP/DTP) Diphtheria-Tetanus-Pertussis, 4 (IPV) Polio, 3 (Hep B) Hepatitis B, 2 (MMR) Measles-Mumps-Rubella, 2 Varicella (chickenpox) and 1(Tdap booster-7th grade only). Win-E-Mac School along with all schools in Minnesota are required by law to make sure all students meet the criteria for immunization certification in Minnesota schools. If a parent has a question about immunizations, please call the school district. In order to remain in school, your student is required to be in compliance.

Garage or Building Construction

If you would like a building structure such as a playhouse or garage built this year, please notify the Superintendent or Nathan Johnson for details.

For Sale

** 4x4 John Deere Gator. \$2300 or best offer. Call the District Office for details.

** New small single ax trailer built be the IE class. Call the District Office for details.

Sports

We would like to welcome everyone back for the 2017-2018 school year. Win-E-Mac has some terrific activities this fall for all to attend. Football and volleyball activities are taking place almost nightly with both junior high and senior high students participating.

We want every student to have a positive experience in the sport they choose to participate in so we must model and support our athletes with respect and good sportsmanship. We also want everyone to be able to enjoy our student participation in the High School League activities.

"Go Patriots"



Random Things and Stuff



What I Learned This Summer
By: Emily Lynne

This summer while at camp, I learned a lot of different things about myself, camp, and other cultures. In this article I will try to sum up everything I took from this summer at camp, and I hope you all have a chance in life to try new things and experience new cultures.

1.Everyone loves good food. Everyone I met from around the world all appreciated a

good meal and company.

2.People generally want the best for others. Even if you are complete strangers, deep down everyone really wants the best for others and for them to be happy.

3.Being called "Nurse" on a daily basis is the greatest feeling in the world. I loved how everyone at camp called me "Nurse" and looked to me for help.

4.Working at a camp is a lot of work. Basically, you work 24/7 for weeks on end surrounded by lots of people at all times.

5.You build great relationships working at a camp. Being with everyone every day you build the greatest friendships and relationships.

6.It isn't for everyone. This

is tough work, and some people just aren't cut out for it.

7.Camp is great for kids. Camp lets kids be kids and learn what they are good at in a safe environment.

8.You appreciate nature. Living in a cabin all summer and working at a camp has given me a new appreciation for nature and seeing the beauty in it.

"One of the best parts of camp is the "bubble" where you've got no idea what's going on in the outside world and you couldn't really care less."

"There's no wifi in the woods, but I guarantee you will have a better connection".

"Camp...where strangers become friends and the friendships last a lifetime".

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

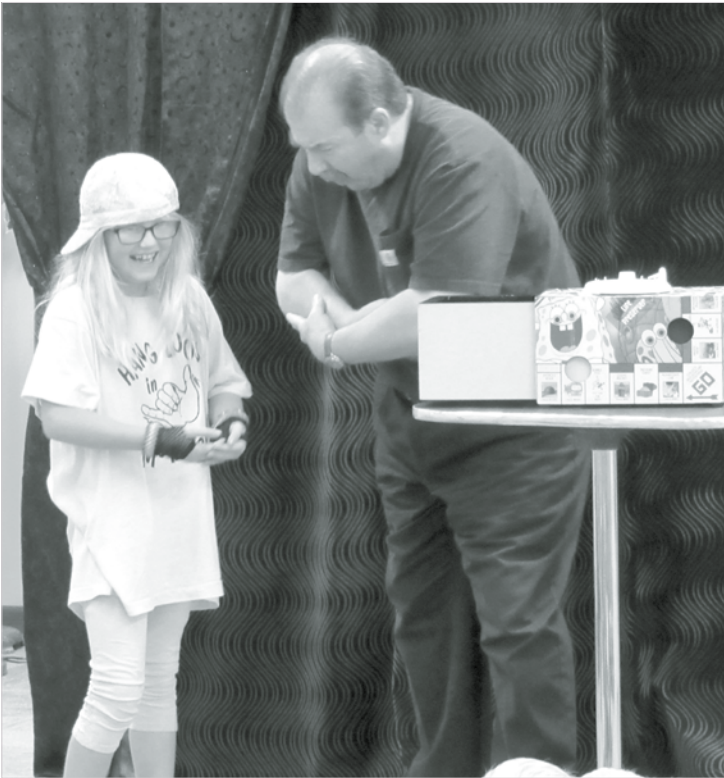
sumes. So now the relationship becomes about choice. What will I choose to give Him? Because of my free will, He does not dictate what that must be. If I back up for a moment and think of the relationships I naturally gravitate to, the ones I find most fulfilling are easy to spot. They are the ones with mutual respect, shared integrity and Kingdom vision. Even when life is challenging and overwhelming we still find meaningful connection.

I believe there is a misconception regarding when "praise" should be offered to our Elohim. Say the word "praise" in a religious environment and it tends to immediately draw a picture of joyful worship before the Lord. It's true; this is how it can often look. But what if I dig deeper? What if my praise is a choice? What if I think of myself as an instrument of praise before Jehovah with each breath? That means the words of my mouth in the midst of joyful circumstances and in the depths of despair have the potential to be an offering of praise to my Adonai. And if I'm not praising, what am I offering Him?

I'm discovering praise is a very powerful weapon in the



The Professor Marvel DIY Magic Show was a huge hit with all who attended. The Professor had fun, quirky and interactive magic to share with kids and adults to inspire kids to read and use their imagination. The show was part of the McIntosh Library summer reading program.



Kalli Roy had fun holding the invisible bunny that Professor Marvel made appear in his magic box during the DIY Magic Show last Thursday at the McIntosh Library.



Every magician needs a wizards hat and Professor Marvel helped everyone learn how to use magic and some origami to make the perfect hat for some fun magic.



Professor Marvel and Romeo making a peanut butter and jelly sandwich with the assistance of the crowd and a bit of magic, last week during the library's program at the Community Center in McIntosh.

Kingdom war. It has the potential to bring Light to the darkness and confound the enemy. Sometimes the enemy is my own attitude. Praising Jehovah in whatever circumstance I find myself in forces me to "level-up." To rise above the human response and look at my situation through a "Kingdom" lens.

I have felt a significant shift in my spiritual awareness in the past year as the Father has been calling me to the secret place with Him. Part of that process has been learning to praise Him in spite of my circumstances or assumptions about what I think will happen. So what does God eat? I believe He "feasts" on our praise.



Win E Mac Schools ISD 2609 Erskine, MN REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Notice is hereby given that Win E Mac Schools ISD 2609

Requests proposals for: Group Term Life & Long Term Disability Insurance

Specifications will be available from National Insurance Services, 250 South Executive Drive, Suite 300, Brookfield, WI 53005, Phone: 800-627-3660.

Proposals are due no later than 3 p.m. on Tuesday, August 29, 2017, at National Insurance Services, 250 South Executive Drive, Suite 300, Brookfield, WI 53005.

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Legal Notice

NOTICE FOR WRITTEN BIDS

Polk County, Minnesota. Farmland (Knutte Township)

Sealed written bids will be received at the Wambach & Hanson Law Office, PO Box 340, Mahanomen, MN 56557, for the purchase of the following real estate:

The Northeast Quarter (NE1/4), EXCEPT the following described tract: Commencing at a point on the East line of said Northeast Quarter 24 chains South of the Northeast corner of said Northeast Quarter, thence South along said quarter section line 6.1 chains, thence West and parallel with the South line of said Northeast Quarter 10.2 chains, thence Northeasterly to a point that is 9.1 chains West of the East line of said Northeast Quarter and 24 chains South of the North line of said Northeast Quarter, thence East to the point of beginning, all in Section Thirty-three (33), Township One Hundred Forty-eight (148) North of Range Forty-two (42) West of the 5th P.M. Parcel No. 45.00255.01. (Knutte Township, Polk County).

The premises to be sold contain approximately 154.12 acres, with approximately 105 acres tillable; 43 acres non-tillable/wood/pasture; 3 acres wetland; and 3.2 acres roads.

Sealed written bids must be received at the Wambach & Hanson Law Office no later than 11:00 a.m. on August 31, 2017, together with an earnest money check of \$10,000.00 made payable to the Wambach & Hanson Law Office Trust Account. If you are not one of the highest five (5) bidders, your earnest money check will be returned. If you are one of the highest five (5) bidders, your earnest money check will be deposited and held pending the oral bidding. The earnest money of the high bidder at the oral bid raising will be kept pending closing and the earnest money of the unsuccessful bidders refunded.

All bids must state total bid price and not price per acre. The five (5) top bidders will be promptly notified of a date, time and place when they will be permitted to orally raise their bids. The successful bidder shall execute a purchase agreement at the conclusion of the oral bid raising. Closing date shall be within 45 days of the acceptance of the bid and purchase agreement by the owners.

Sellers reserve the right to reject any and all bids and/or to waive any irregularities in the bidding process. Sellers will furnish buyer's attorney up-to-date abstract evidencing good and marketable title with conveyance to be made by standard Minnesota warranty deed. Send bids to Wambach & Hanson Law Office, P.O. Box 340, Mahanomen, MN 56557, in an envelope marked "Danks - Polk County Bid."

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(218) 935-2266 Phone
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Keith Danks, Sr. and Kathleen Danks, Owners

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WEM School Announcements

Attention 9-12 Football Players

Practice will start on Monday August 14 at 7:00am at the Win-E-Mac School.

Equipment handout will be on Wednesday August 9 at 430, with the Parent meeting to follow

All student-athletes should have a physical on file every three years. If this has not been completed the student-athlete will not be allowed to participate until its completed.

If there are any questions please contact me

Elementary and Jr. High football

Friday, August 18th Pick-up Gear and Schedules at the football shed

9:00 am 7th and 8th grade
9:30 am 5th and 6th grade

Monday, August 21st ELEMENTARY AND JR HIGH PRACTICE 6:00pm -8:00pm

Tuesday, August 22nd ELEMENTARY AND JR HIGH PRACTICE 9:00am-11:00am

Wednesday, August 23rd ELEMENTARY AND JR HIGH PRACTICE 9:00am-11:00am

Thursday, August 24th ELEMENTARY AND JR HIGH PRACTICE 9:00am-11:00am

Friday, August 25th ELEMENTARY AND JR HIGH PRACTICE 9:00am-11:00am

Monday, August 28th ELEMENTARY AND JR HIGH PRACTICE 6:00pm -8:00pm

Tuesday, August 29th ELEMENTARY AND JR HIGH PRACTICE 6:00pm -8:00pm

Wednesday, August 30th ELEMENTARY AND JR HIGH PRACTICE 9:00am-

11:00am

Thursday, August 31st Jr. High game vs. Stephen-Argyle Central @ Argyle 5pm

Practice will resume Tuesday, Sept. 5th, after school from 3:30pm -5:00pm for both Elementary and Jr. High.

No Jr. high practice on Wednesdays (only Elementary)

Elementary has their first game Sept. 8th at home. We will need parent volunteers to help in the concession stands.

Pestle & Vessel...

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a week. I tried a word search on blueletterbible.org and found this verse in II Chronicles 30:21 "And the sons of Israel, those found in Jerusalem, make the feast of unleavened things seven days with great joy; and giving praise to Jehovah day by day are the Levites and the priests, with instruments of praise before Jehovah." YLT

If, as I have been learning, the Father desires "relationship" with me above anything else then communicating with Him is essential. No relationship can survive without it. This seems like a very ordinary statement but what is extraordinary are the many ways He wants me to communicate with Him. He's not interested in perfectly rehearsed prayers. He's not interested in a façade of controlled behavior. He's interested in me, right now, just as I am.

I suppose in a way, in the relationship we maintain with Him, what we offer He con-