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The Olaf Stardig cabin in Knute Township, rural McIntosh was recently moved to the East Polk County Heritage grounds in Fosston. See stories in the McIntosh Times and Tri-County Canary.



Ron Roed enjoys some samples of the tasty treats and fresh bread during Neil's Quality Meats and More Customer Appreciation Day on Friday, July 27th in McIntosh.



Kelsey Perrine enjoys seeing Grandpa Jib Shimpa stop into Customer Appreciation Day at Neil's Quality Meats and More on Friday, July 27th.



Helping customers and handing out samples during Neil's Quality Meats and More Customer Appreciation Day was Ty Zimprich from Canadian Bread Delivery, Bob Bursheim, Kelsey Perrine and Renee Sistad.

Preserving history: The Olaf Stardig cabin

With the recent move of the Olaf Stardig cabin to the East Polk County Heritage Grounds in Fosston, we are taking a look at the history of the cabin and the family that immigrated here from Sweden in the late 1800's.

Here is a story, written by the late Martha (Stardig) Henney, Olaf's granddaughter. She wrote it as though her grandmother, Marina (Ostenson) Stardig was being interviewed and read it during the 1999 dedication at the East Polk County Heritage Center.

"Goddag" My, so many people here, I knew you were coming so I put on my ladies aid dress. I can't remember if I made this or if my sister Christina Nyberg did. I don't have many dresses, so I save this one to wear for special occasions I am honored to be here to give history as I remember life in this country in 1884 and on. My name is Marina Ostenson Stardig. I was born October 14, 1846 in Dalarna Province in the heart of Sweden, a four-hour train ride east of Stockholm. My husband, Olaf, was from there as well. He was born May 4, 1848. We married in February 1875.

But let me tell you about my husband, Olaf. He was a fine young man who worked on the farm with his parents until he had to go into the military service, as all young men in Sweden had to. One thing that happened when he did is that he changed his name! He was born Olaf Olson but you can imagine how many Olsons there were in his military training. He proved to his officers to be "Strong and Stalwart" which in Swedish means Steady or Stadig, that name suited him. When he came to America in the homestead transaction, an "s" was added and it became Stardig.

His father had drowned, perhaps while fishing, so his mother Anna came to live with us in America as well. During this time, Olaf had many letters from America telling about all the land in Minnesota that would be available to homesteading. Times were hard in Sweden and difficult to make a living for our family, so in 1882 he immigrated to America while I waited with our five children in Sweden. He first came to Alexandria, and then to the John Lind place by Union Lake. The first night they fed him Flaute Groo, and he felt right at home. But he had to look for work right away as he didn't have much money, in fact he only had three dollars in his pocket at that time and was anxious to send for me and our children. For almost 2 years, he took any kind of work he could find helping others clear out the land and build cabins.

In 1883, the area was opened for homesteading and Olaf filed for 160 acres in what was to become Knute Township without even seeing the

site but figured it would be good land. Olaf was the one who suggested the township be called Knute after Senator Knute Nelson.

The year he filed his claim, in 1884, Olaf had saved enough money to send for his family. We were so happy to think we would be all together again. Olaf's mother, Grandma Anna Stardig, came with me and Ann, Otto, Martin, Selmer and Anton. What a trip that was. It took 5 weeks before we finally arrived at the Narveson place in Erskine. After the long boat journey, we had traveled by train from New York. We all stayed in Erskine until Olaf could get the cabin ready on our homestead. It was small, but we were young and strong. Soon we had more children, Ida, Albert, Minnie and Emily, and we had to add on to the cabin as we needed some more room. Eventually we were able to build a big white frame house with 4 bedrooms upstairs. What a great thing that was! In your time now, if you know where the Stardig sister farm is you could probably see the house, now occupied by my brother, John Ostenson's family, Lowell and Sue Ostenson and family.

It was very important to have a church home. Besides clearing the land, planting, harvesting and taking care of the animals, a small congregation was formed in January of 1887 when the Salem Lutheran Congregation voted to build a church. It was to be built of logs. Each make communicant was to furnish 4 logs, 100 feet of lumber and 2 two by six rafters. Olaf was made foreman in charge and he also donated 20 days of work. This church was in use only a few years and then on a Saturday night in 1902, a cyclone took the roof and chimney out to the road, but the windows and organ were not damaged. It was a shock to the people who came to the church that Sunday morning to find everything in rubble, no radio or televisions at the time to give a report of this. They gathered on the north side of the demolished church and were led in worship by Pastor Lehart. It wasn't long before those stalwart Scandinavian Lutherans set to work to rebuild, this time under the guidance of Daniel Nyberg, another immigrant married to my sister Christina Ostenson. The church was ready to be used in 1903.

Charter members of Salem in addition to the Stardigs were: Svalen, Carlson, Hedman, Pearson, and Anderson families, are names that I can recall.

In the 1940's Salem began having occasional service in McIntosh Congregational church which was no longer in use, the rural church was later torn down and a monument with the church bell was dedicated at the beautiful rural cemetery.

Our sons all got married as time went on. Otto married Ida Matson and their children were Hubert and Doris.

Martin and Sarah had four children, Mildred, Vivian, Maynard and Lester. The family moved to Grand Rapids where Martin worked for the electric company. At age 30, he passed away from pneumonia, as there was no penicillin or medication available at this time. Some of you may have known their daughters, Mildred Birkeland and Vivian Dille who lived in Gonvick.

Selmer first married Olive and had a son, Gordon. Later, after Olive died, he married a widow, Emma Wichern. Selmer learned meat cutting and worked in Grand Rapids and later, he moved back to McIntosh and worked at Halverson Meat Market.

Albert married Hilda Bakken and they had two children, Martha and Orton. Hilda was the daughter of Ole and Sigred Bakken who immigrated from Valdres, Norway and homesteaded in King Township in 1883. Their original cabin with complete furnishings was donated to Skog-jorden, at Concordia Language Camp, Bemidji, Minnesota in 1975.

Anton and Thora farmed in New England, North Dakota, but later moved to the Winger and Erskine area.

In addition to farming on their own land, Albert and Otto owned and operated a Steam Engine and Separator, going from farm to farm threshing grain. Farming included raising grain and corn to feed the cattle, hogs, chickens and turkeys. The tall grain was cut

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McIntosh Tractor Day is August 25th

The annual McIntosh Tractor Day will be held on Saturday, August 25th.

The fun will begin with the Antique Tractor Parade. Tractors can register and line up at Erickson Park starting at 9:00 am. The parade will begin at 11:00 am and travel down Main Street.

Following the parade the Kiddy Tractor pull will take place in front of the firehouse.

The Tractor Pull will start around 1:00pm, when tractors must be registered and pay fees on the old football field.

This year there will be 3 different food vendors in town all day with food, pop, water and more.

Make plans now to attend!



The City of Mac reminds residents to dispose of rubbish properly and legally

The City of McIntosh would like to remind it's residents to make sure that they are disposing of their household rubbish properly and in a legal manner for the residential weekly garbage pick up each Thursday.

Besides regular household garbage, acceptable items to dispose of are small amounts of construction debris, dry paint cans, or broken furniture which is small enough to fit into a curbside trash can.

There are many things that should not be placed into residential household garbage cans, and some could be illegal to dispose of, including motor oil and other automobile fluids, small appliances, hazardous materials, computers, televisions, tires, fluorescent bulbs, batteries, to name a few.

Yard waste should be taken to the green dump on the south side of town.

If you need assistance or have questions about what is proper to throw away in your residential trash, please contact the City Office.



Community Calendar

Wed. August 8: McIntosh Library 12pm to 5pm; Children's Story Time at McIntosh Library 3:30pm; 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. August 9: McIntosh Library 4pm to 7pm; McIntosh Heritage & Arts Center 10am to 2pm; Winger Senior Meals @ Moran's 11:30am to 1:30pm

Fri. August 10: McIntosh Library 12pm to 5pm; Winger Senior Meals @ Moran's 11:30am to 1:30pm

Mon. August 13: McIntosh Library 10am to 3pm; Winger Senior Meals @ Moran's 11:30am to 1:30pm

Tues. August 14: McIntosh Library 4pm to 7pm; McIntosh Heritage & Arts Center 10am to 2pm

Wed. August 15: McIntosh Library 12pm to 5pm; Children's Story Time at McIntosh Library 3:30pm; 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. August 16: McIntosh Library 4pm to 7pm; McIntosh Heritage & Arts Center 10am to 2pm; Winger Senior Meals @ Moran's 11:30am to 1:30pm

Fri. August 17: McIntosh Library 12pm to 5pm; Winger Senior Meals @ Moran's 11:30am to 1:30pm

Mon. August 20: McIntosh Library 10am to 3pm; 10am to 3pm; Winger Senior Meals @ Moran's 11:30am to 1:30pm

Tues. August 21: McIntosh Library 4pm to 7pm; McIntosh Heritage & Arts Center 10am to 2pm

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with a binder which tied it in bundles with twine. Then the men would walk through the fields setting about 8 bundles upright waiting for threshing. Farmers worked tighter during threshing time hauling bundles of grain on the wagons pulled by horses to the farm yards where the Steam Engine and Separator would blow the straw into large stacks and grain through a pipe where grain haulers would fill sacks to bring the grain to the granary. What a busy time for the women too. They were cooking on wood burning stoves, preparing lunches morning and afternoon, not just coffee, but sandwiches, cookies, and cakes. Then dinner was meat and potatoes, gravy and vegetables. There was no going to the bakery to buy bread, it was all made in the kitchen.

Our girls, Ida, Minnie and Emily, never married, our oldest daughter died a short time after we came from Sweden. The 3 girls often worked outside the home helping where needed. Ida went to business college in Fargo, then worked in Grand Rapids as a legal secretary for an attorney and later in California but held her longest job as secretary at the Polk County Agent's Office in McIntosh.

It was said by one of the nieces that Ida was the Queen with her long hair which she never cut, but work in a braid around her head. Minnie was

the worker bee and Emily the foreman. They did the milking, tended the garden, had chickens and turkeys to care for.

Olaf and I loved to have company, the more the better. Everyone played games and ice skated on the local lakes. The boys got together with neighbors to play baseball. My son Albert was known to be a very good left-handed pitcher. Music was also very important as they all sang in the church choir and Minnie learned to play the piano and was church organist for many years.

As our sons married and had children our family picnics got bigger and bigger. Many church gatherings and picnics were enjoyed at our home. So much food and sociability and fun was shared.

Many teachers at Foot Lake School roomed and boarded at our home through the years.

The girls and I liked to pick wild berries in the woods around the farm which we would use to make into jelly and sauce. One time I had been looking for fruit and walked across a pole bridge over a creek when I saw a fish caught in some brush and was able to catch it, put it in my apron to carry it home for supper.

There were hardships in those times, but we worked hard and prospered. We were proud of our children and grandchildren.

So that is my story and I hope you too will preserve your history, both written and in artifacts like they have done at the Heritage Center.



Ty Zimprich from Canadian Bread, and Kelsey Perrine were busy handing out samples during Customer Appreciation Day at Neil's Quality Meats and More in McIntosh.

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

McINTOSH
Thursday, August 14, 2018,
5:30 PM

— COMMUNITY CENTER —

CALL TO ORDER:
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:
ROLL CALL:

DETERMINATION OF QUORUM:
AGENDA ADDITIONS:
APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

a. JULY 12, 2018 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

PUBLIC CONCERNS:
OLD BUSINESS:

a. SECURITY CAMERAS – ROHOLT PARK
b. B-B CAFE

NEW BUSINESS:
a. COMBINE SAVINGS ACCOUNTS

b. BUILDING PERMIT – JAMES LAWRENCE

c. RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT DONATION – PARK FUND

d. RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT DONATION – POPLAR MEADOWS

e. STREET CLOSURE – THE COOP

APPROVAL OF MONTHLY BILLS:
COUNCIL & STAFF REPORTS:
MEDA UPDATE:

NOTICES & CORRESPONDENCE:
ADJOURNMENT:

Did you know?

The number of people who smoke is on the decline, as a 2018 report from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention noted that the percentage of adults in the United States who smoke cigarettes declined from roughly 21 percent in 2005 to 15.5 percent in 2016.

That decline has no doubt helped reduce overall cancer death rates, though the figures regarding smoking-related deaths are still staggering. According to the CDC, smoking accounts for more than 480,000 deaths each year in the United States.

The 2018 report from the CDC indicates that men (17.5 percent) are more likely than women (13.5 percent) to smoke cigarettes.

In addition, the report notes a correlation between education and the likelihood of smoking cigarettes. While smoking was lowest among people who



had graduate degrees, with only five out of every 100 such adults being smokers, smoking rates were highest (40.6 percent) among adults with graduate education degree certificates, or GEDs.

While people who had no high school diploma were less likely to smoke cigarettes than GED recipients, the CDC report found that smoking rates declined the more education people received

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. M14-27C



Wed. August 8:
Valerie Fritz, Jon Kl-
emer, Ben Ramse,
Katie Salvhus, Lau-
ra Bursheim, Jason
Smeby, *Erik & Tanya
Hamre

Thurs. August 9:
Ryan Schow, *Jay &
Leah Mahlen

Fri. August 10:
Lily Breckel, Damien
Andress, Maxwell Rue,
*Clayton & Carol Bartz

Sat. August 11:
Violet Roone, *Shawn
& Tamera Ostenaar

Sun. Augusts 12:
Mark Juve, *Paul &
Diana Lindseth

Mon. August 13:
Curt Baartz, *Chad &
Janelle Haas, *Dar-
rel & Marvie Johnson,

*John & Julie Nord

Tues. August 14:
Breelyn Hegre, Alex
Shaver, *Bruce & Di-
ane Grundyson

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CHURCH DIRECTORY

ST. MARY'S CHURCH Fosston

Fr. John Suvakeen,
Pastor

Wed. August 8: 1:00 pm
Mass at St. Mary's, Fosston

Home

Fri. August 10: 8:30am
Mass at St. Mary's, Fosston

Sun. August 12: 8:00am

Confession; 8:30am Mass at
St. Mary's, Fosston; 10:30am

Mass at St. Joseph's, Bagley

Wed. August 15: Holy Day;
5:30pm Rosary; 6:00pm Mass
at St. Mary's, Fosston

Fri. August 17: 8:30am
Mass at St. Mary's, Fosston

Sun. August 19: 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. August 12: 8:30am

Worship at Immanuel; 9:45am

Worship at Calvary

Sun. August 19: 8:30am

Worship at Immanuel; 9:45am

Worship at Calvary

OURS SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

(ELCA)

McIntosh

Supply Pastor
Gordon Syverson

Sun. August 12: 11:15am

Worship Service.

Sun. August 19: 11:15am

Worship Service.

GOSEN LUTHERAN CHURCH

Indendent

Gary Johnson, Pastor
www.gosen-church.com

Face Book: Gosen

Church

Wed. August 8: 7:00pm Bi-
ble Study at Don and Sharon
Ramberg's

Sun. August 12: 9:30 a.m.

Sunday School and Adult Bible

Study; 11:00 a.m. Worship Ser-
vice; 7:00 p.m. Luther League

(see article elsewhere in the
paper)

Tues. August 14: 10:00am

Sunday worship service tele-
cast on Garden Valley Cable

TV--Channel 2; 1:30pm Bible

Study at The Country Place

Wed. August 15: 7:00pm

Bible Study at Don and Sharon
Ramberg's

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mile east on County Road 206.

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McIntosh Trinity / Mount

Carmel:

Pastor Karl Anderson

Wed. August 8: 7:30pm Bi-
ble Study at Mt. Carmel

Thurs. August 9: 7:30am

Men's Breakfast at Mt. Carmel

Sun. August 12: 9:30am

Worship at Trinity 11:00am

Worship at Mt. Carmel

Wed. August 15: 7:30pm

Bible Study at Mt. Carmel

Thurs. August 16: 7:30am

Men's Breakfast at Mt. Carmel

Sun. August 19: 9:30am

Worship at Trinity 11:00am

Worship at Mt. Carmel

VERNES LUTHERAN CHURCH (LCMC)

McIntosh

Pastor Jill Torgerson

Sun. August 12: 9am Worship

Sun. August 19: 9am Worship

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FREE LUTHERAN
Pastor Don Edlunds

Wed. August 8: 7:00pm Bi-
ble Study

Sun. August 12: 10:00am

Worship Service

Wed. August 15: 7:00pm

Bible Study

Sun. August 19: 10:00am

Worship Service

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

McIntosh

Rev. Bruce Blocker,
Pastor

Sun. August 12: 9:00am

Divine Worship Service; 10:00

Fellowship Hour

Sun. August 19: 9:00am

Divine Worship Service; 10:00

Fellowship Hour

Holy Communion 1st Sun-
day of the Month

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NOTICE: PRIMARY ELECTION

Notice is hereby given, that the polls shall be open from
10:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. at the Town Hall, on Tuesday the 14th
day of August, 2018 for the state and federal primary election.

Given under my hand this 26th day of July, 2018.

Raymond O. Sundrud

Clerk/Treasurer of Hill River Township M19-20C



There were many customers who enjoyed the samples and bread at Neil's Quality Meats and More Customer Appreciation Day on Friday, July 27th in McIntosh.



Influential people of
the Thirteen Townships
from the Early Years

STEEN A. HOFTO

Having come to the Unit-
ed States a boy of 13 years
of age and successfully
worked as farm hand, as a
farmer on his own account,
as a merchant and again as
a farmer, Steen A. Hofto,
one of the best known and
most highly esteemed resi-
dents of the village of Mc-
Intosh, this county, has
had a varied experience in
life and borne his share of
Trials and privations. But
through every part of his
career he has made steady
progress financially and in
the good will and regard of

his fellow men..

Mr. Hofto was born in Valle,
Norway, February 13th, 1855,
and is the son of Arne and
Gunnel (Aakre) Hofto, who
were also natives of Norway.
They emigrated to the United
States in 1868 and located
on a farm in Waseca County,
Minnesota, on which they live
about twelve years.

In the spring of 1880 the
family moved to Grand Forks
County, North Dakota, where
the father died when he was
seventy-three years old. The
mother died at the home of her
son Steen after she had past
the age of eighty. They were
the parents of nine children, of
whom Steen A. was the fifth in
the order of birth.

He came to this country with
his parents in 1868 and live
with them in Waseca County,
Minnesota, until 1878. He then
accompanied them to Grand
Forks County, North Dakota,
and they're took up a home-
stead of 160 acres and a tree
claim of 160 acres in Americus

Township. He lived on his land
until 1891, breaking and culti-
vating it and putting up good
buildings for the shelter of his
family and himself and the
protection of his crops and his
live stock.

In the fall of 1891 Mr. Hofto
moved to Polk County and en-
tered the hardware business
in McIntosh in partnership
with his brother, Knute Hofto,
and during the next five years
they conducted the business to-
gether under the firm name of
Hofto Brothers.

At the end of five years he
bought his brother's interest
in the business and became
its sole proprietor. Afterward
he again turned his atten-
tion to farming and followed
that occupation for about 10
years and King Township, this
County, and at the expiration
of that period rented his farm
and took up his residence in
McIntosh, where he has since
had his home.

He still owns his farm of 160
Acres just east of McIntosh,

which he has improved
with commodious and com-
fortable buildings. He also
erected the block just north
of the West Hotel in McIn-
tosh.

While living in North
Dakota Mr. Hofto held sev-
eral township offices, among
them that of Township As-
sessor, of which he was the
first incumbent, and since
located in Polk County he
has served as a member of
the village council of McIn-
tosh and Township Asses-
sor of King Township.

In the Autumn of 1883
he was married in Grand
Forks County, North Da-
kota, to Miss Gyro S. Jora,
who was born in Norway
August 23rd, 1863. They
have three children, Arnie,
Samuel, and Knute. The
parents are active members
of the Norwegian Lutheran
Church.

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Winger News

Hello again from Winger and the Union Lakes areas where we have seen the month of July go out and the month of August make an appearance, and a cool one at that. Certainly felt like fall was in the air yesterday, but by the weekend we will be back into some rather hot weather again. We definitely are in need of rain, would be nice to get a good slow rain that will soak into the ground.

Have noticed that the days are already getting shorter, the mornings aren't light quite as early and the evenings get dark earlier too.

With the month of August here, it is a month of students getting ready for college in about three weeks, and shortly after will be the area schools back in session. Time sure has a way of slipping away.

I noticed last Saturday that combining was being done over by Erskine and it won't be long until all the farmers will be busy harvesting their crops, and the crops are beautiful in the area so hope it stays that way.

Wednesday the 25th of July Paul Carlson stopped in at the Milton Carlson home for a brief visit and a coffee to go as he made his way to work. That same morning Lonnie Gieseke stopped in for a visit with Milton over a cup of coffee. At noon Judy Gieseke stopped in and had dinner with Milton and his house guests Dick and Wanda Donovan.

Weekend visitors at the Pulskamp home were Reha Sanstead of Erskine, Kelly Johnson, Matt Balstad and Jamie Anderson.

Bob and Jeanine Perreault visited on Sunday at the Pioneer Home at Erskine with Helmre and Verlys Homme.

Thursday morning, the 25th Paul Carlson stopped in at the Milton Carlson home as he made his way to work for a short visit with Milton and also with Dick and Wanda Donovan. Later that day Dick and Wanda and "Pepper" left for their home in St. Francis.

Kenny Jorstad of Des Moines, Washington has spent the last week and a half as a house guest at the Lucy Brtek home. While here there was much visiting with family and friends and catching up done.

Last Sunday afternoon Butch and Linda Pulskamp were visitors with Milo John-

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Development State Director for Minnesota Brad Finstad today announced a \$20 million investment for the Garden Valley Telephone Company to improve rural broadband service in five counties.

"Infrastructure is all about connections — connecting a business to its customer, connecting a farmer to his market, connecting rural homes to clean water, connecting students to a world of knowledge," Finstad said. "Broadband 'e-connectivity' is the 'digital superhighway' of our economy today and in the coming decades. This project will help ensure that these rural communities are able to remain economically competitive."

Garden Valley Telephone Cooperative is receiving a \$20.4 million loan to make system improvements in Polk, Clearwater, Pennington, Marshall and Red Lake counties, and the vacation resort areas of Maple Lake and Union Lake. It plans to construct 295.1 miles of fiber-optic and fiber-to-the-premises (FTTP) facilities. These improvements will enable Garden Valley to enhance current services and provide voice, video and increased broadband speeds for subscribers.

Finstad's announcement was made in coordination with Agriculture Secretary Sonny Perdue nationwide announcement of USDA's \$97 million investment in 12 projects to provide or improve rural broadband service in 11 states.

“A person’s location should not determine whether he or she has access to modern communications infrastructure,” Secretary Perdue said. “That is

son at his summer cabin near Gully.

Milton Carlson, Mike, Kari, Oliviayah and Terry Keller of Bejou and Lonnie and Judy Gieseke had supper together at Moran's Saturday evening the 28th. The occasion was to celebrate Lonnie and Judy's 45th wedding anniversary. Congratulations Judy and Lonnie.

Jennifer (Aasen) Tymchuck of Reedsport, Oregon visited last Wednesday with Helmer and Verlys Homme at the Pioneer Home at Erskine. Jennifer and daughter Bailey have returned to their home in Oregon after spending a few days with brother Jon and other family and friends.

Wednesday afternoon Linda Pulskamp visited with Lynda Loiland and Shannon Miller at the Miller home near Fosston.

Lucy Brtek attended her 60 year class reunion last Saturday night that was held at Moran's. There were about 16 classmates in attendance with lots of visiting and reminiscing and good food to be had.

Monday morning Paul Carlson stopped in at the Milton Carlson home for a brief visit and a cup of coffee as he journeyed on to work.

Tuesday the 31st Lucy Brtek and Betty Myhrum joined Greg and Michelle Gagner and Sandra Gagner at Rhombus Pizza House in Mentor to help Greg celebrate his birthday.

Tuesday evening Paul Carlson stopped by the Milton Carlson home for a visit and helped Milton with some household chores that needed attending to.

Once again this is the news for this week, please keep it coming so we can continue our "Winger" section of the paper.

In closing, one day you will look back and realize you worried about things that didn't really matter.

From Bun Manor: Matthew and Brian Massmann along with Kyle Perkerwicz and Mike Sobiech headed to Boston last week. Brian, a long time Foo Fighters fan got tickets to their concert at Fenway Park almost a year ago and so the group headed down a couple days early to explore the sites of Boston. After being on the ground in Boston for about 1 hour they made their way to the Sam Adams Brewery for a tour followed by a trip to the Cheers bar, which was seemingly inspired by Wing-

er's very own tavern's. The following day they walked the Freedom Trail which included many historical sites that Boston has to offer included the Old North Church and the Cemetery where the likes of Sam Adams, Paul Revere, and Mother Goose are buried. The group was thrilled to get to the end of the trail and quickly found out they only had 294 more stairs to navigate to get to the top of the Bunker Hill monument. Everyone made it up...and the radiating heat and sweat from all of the other guests who were not in quite as good of shape as the Minnesotans made the top feel like a sauna. Several pictures were snapped and the group descended down. The group was also able to enjoy the Foo Fighters concert from the field of Fenway Park which was fantastic. Other highlights included wonderful seafood at the Union Oyster House, a trip to the Boston Aquarium when it rained on Sunday as well as a walk amongst the International Sand Sculpting competition, which they stumbled upon by accident. The group agreed they were not quite ready to enter next year as it seems the skill level is a mite bit higher than a couple of plastic sand buckets and a cheap shovel. The group had a wonderful time and certainly enjoyed the trip.

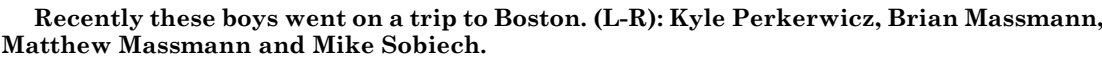
Due to emergency surgery on Bun's detached retina last week, news will be limited till he can see better. Don't forget to attend Calvary Ladies Aid next Tuesday, in Winger. They meet at 2:00 p.m. followed by lunch at three. Everyone is welcome.

Primary election for residents of Winger Township will be held August 14th, 2018 at the Winger Community Center. Polls will be open from 7am until 8 pm.

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The Sletten Township polling place at the Sletten Town Hall will be open for voting from 10am-8pm on Tuesday, August 14 for the primary election.

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30 years ago...1988: Clarence Hagen and Piney Edwards entertained the children inside Helling Hartz with magic tricks and stories.



Send your kids back to school protected from serious diseases

To celebrate the importance of immunizations for a healthy start and throughout our lives, and to make sure children are protected with all the vaccines they need, Polk County Public Health is joining with partners nationwide in recognizing August as National Immunization Awareness Month.

It's a good time to remind everyone we all need vaccines throughout our lives especially now that back-to-school season is here.

It's time for parents to gather school supplies and backpacks.

It's also the perfect time to make sure your children are up-to-date on their vaccines.

"Getting children all of the vaccines recommended by CDC's immunization schedule is one of the most important things parents can do to protect their children from serious diseases," said Nan Widseth RN, Polk County Public Health Disease Prevention and Control Coordinator.

"If you haven't done so already, now is the time to check with your child's doctor to find out what vaccines your child needs."

Vaccines protect children, preteens and teens from 16 serious and potentially life-threatening diseases. When children are not vaccinated, they are at increased risk for diseases and can also spread diseases to others in their classrooms and community, including babies who are too young to be fully vaccinated and people with weakened immune systems due to cancer or other health conditions.

Talk to your child's doctor to find out which vaccines are recommended for them before going back to school.

Parents can find more about recommended vaccines by visiting www.cdc.gov/vaccines/parents or www.co.polk.mn.us/publichealth, find us on Facebook @pcphhealth, or by calling Polk County Public Health at 218-218-3385.

WEM School Announcements

2018-19 Parent Activities Meeting

The annual meeting will take place on Wednesday August 8th at 6:00pm. This is the only meeting that will take place this year. If your child is planning on participating in any activities throughout the year please attend the meeting.

At the meeting a variety of topics will be covered ranging from student expectations and consequences, MSHSL rules & expectations of parents.

Every three years a student-athlete needs a physical. These need to be completed before students will be allowed to practice.

If there are any questions please contact me. Aaron Cook at 687 2236 or 563 2900. E-mail: acook@win-e-mac.k12.mn.us

Cheerleading Tryouts:

Grades 7-12

August 7th: 6:30am-8:30am

August 8th 3:30pm with parent meeting to follow

August 9th: 6:30am-8:30am

August 10th: 6:30am-8:30am

Everyone welcome and encouraged to try out.

Come and see what this awesome group of students is all about!

Questions call Nicole Cook (218) 280-3484

Attention 9-12

Football Players

Practice will start on Monday August 13 at 7:00am at the Win-E-Mac School.

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Win-E-Mac School Supply List

Kindergarten: 24-pack crayons, several pencils (the plain yellow ones are the best), pack of colored pencils, eraser, small pencil sharpener, 4 oz. or 8 oz. Elmer's glue bottle, glue stick, kid's scissors, folder, backpack, change of clothing (in a bag with child's name), tennis shoes for the gym floor (Phy-ed), paint shirt (a big, old t-shirt works best); To share: Clorox wipes, hand sanitizer and Kleenex; For iPad use: headphone or earbuds (make sure they fit).

First Grade: 24-pack crayons, classic colors washable markers, colored pencils, 4 oz. or 8 oz. glue, 8 glue sticks or 3 jumbo glue sticks, small scissors, 24 sharpened pencils, 1 large eraser, dry erase markers, white board eraser, pencil box, 4 wide ruled notebooks, 2 pocket folders, headphones, Kleenex, backpack (no wheels), tennis shoes for gym, change of clothing (pants, underwear, socks, and t-shirt); Please NO Trapper Keepers, no novelty items, no pencil sharpeners; Last names starting with A – L, please bring disinfectant wipes; Last names starting with L – Z, please bring quart Ziploc bags.

Second Grade: 24-pack crayons, colored pencils, glue sticks, 4 oz. or 8 oz. bottle of glue, better quality wood pencils, please no fancy wrappers on the pencils, big eraser and pencil top erasers, 3 notebooks, 4 folders, 1 box of Kleenex, small pencil box or bag to hold supplies, a pair of good scissors, highlighter, 8 – 10 fine tip white board markers, sneakers for gym, earbuds or headphones, whichever is better for your child to use during listening center; The two items listed below are optional, they are nice to have on hand. If you would like to send one of these items that would be appreciated, but don't feel obligated: sandwich bags or wipes for both teachers.

Third Grade: Headphones, pencils (enough for the entire year), pencil sharpener, pencil top erasers, 2 dry-erase markers, dry eraser, small pencil box to hold supplies, scissors, black Sharpie marker, 1 box of Kleenex, highlighter, 4 folders with pockets, 4 spiral bound, wide ruled notebooks, composition notebook, glue bottle, glue stick, 24-pack crayons, markers, \$5 (to be used for class celebrations throughout the year), tennis shoes for physical education class; During the school year, we also are in need of gallon size Ziploc bags, disinfectant wipes, paper plates, bowls and napkins for the class to share. If you are able to provide some of these items, it would be much appreciated; Things to not bring: pens, toys, electronic devices, ie: games, cell phones, iPods, mp3 players, beverages other than water, or 3-ring binders.

Fourth Grade: Mr. Rorgen: 24-pack crayons, markers (small container), colored pencils (small container), pencils (enough for the year), dry erase marker (any color), highlighter (any color), 3 reams of wide ruled notebook paper, 4 single subject notebooks (1 for each quarter), 4 folders, 1 small pencil box, 1 small bottle of glue, 1 glue stick. Mr. Svalen: Pencil sharpener, pencil top erasers, pointed scissor 1 set of multiplication flash cards, pair of headphones/earbuds, basic calculator, water bottle, 1-2 containers of disinfecting wipes, 1 box sealing sandwich bags, 2 large boxes of tissues, 1 small bottle of hand sanitizer, healthy snacks are welcomed. Items not to bring: Pens, toys, electronic games, cell phones, large binders, iPods, mp3 players, unhealthy snacks beverages other than water, mechanical pencils, backpacks with wheels.

Fifth Grade: Highlighter, 1 or 2 dry erase markers, #2 pencils (enough for the entire



Win-E-Mac/East Polk County Coop Summer League Green Team. Alayna Espeseth, Kobe Hamre, Alex Jacobson, Redd Neubert, Anton Hickman, Cameron Bergman and Hunter Chaput.



Win-E-Mac/East Polk County Coop Summer League Red Team. Remy Goodwin, Zach Simonson, Noah Ostenaar, Dakota Chaput, Blake Glass, and Gavin Walker.



Win-E-Mac/East Polk County Coop Summer League Gold Team. Erik Parent, Lenny Fritsch, Sydney Tadman, Emelian Hanson, Noah Bergman, Hunter Plante, Cory Drellack and Jay Parenteau.

year), 1 or 2 glue sticks, bottle of glue, colored pencils, markers, erasers, small pencil box, Sharpie (black), 3 composition notebooks, 3 spiral-bound notebooks, scissors (pointed), 4 folders with pockets, headphones or earbuds, 2 boxes of Kleenex, tennis shoes for Phy-ed, \$5 to be used for class celebrations throughout the year.

6th Grade: Colored pencils, Lots of pencils (#2 lead, and more will be needed throughout the year), pencil top eras-

ers, 2 glue sticks, 1 bottle glue, Scotch tape, small pointed scissors, 6 spiral notebooks, 6 folders, 2 black Sharpie markers, several highlighters, 4 dry-erase markers, dry erase eraser (or old cloth, etc., to wipe off whiteboards), 1 small box or bag to hold supplies, backpack or school bag (no wheels), tennis shoes for gym, 1 large box of tissues (to share), container of Clorox wipes, earbuds or headphones for use with iPads, optional: non-spill water bottle

and bottle of hand sanitizer.

Grades 7 – 12: Scientific calculator (\$10-\$15) – look for the sin, cos, tan buttons; this will last your child all through high school. They will need it daily; pens and pencils, organization system (folders or binders), notebooks suggestions: a large notebook for math class, 5 subject notebooks with pocket dividers, one for each semester (for students who need help organizing their assignments, etc.); Gym Class:

Shorts, t-shirt, socks, tennis shoes for indoors, tennis shoes for outdoors; Chromebook accessory suggestions: travel bag (padded), mouse, stylus; 7th through 10th Read 180: Headphones (preferably with microphone built in) to do the software recordings; 7th and 8th grade English: headphones (microphone not necessary) to do tests on Spelling City.

