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Patriot Senior Tommy Revier during the recent Parent's Night held at Win-E-Mac before the Varsity football game. Pictured with mom, Anita and brother, Joey.



Win-E-Mac Senior Kaleb Morberg with mom, Jessica.



Senior Jonas Spry with parents, Ron and Nancy.



Senior, Zach Luckow with parents, Jessica and Dan.

Kimball shares his secrets of the Congdon mansion and what inspired his book

At a recent presentation at the McIntosh Public Library, Author Joe Kimball talked about his role in covering the Congdon murders that took place in Duluth, Minnesota in 1977. Joe Kimball gave a first-hand account of Minnesota's most infamous murder case at the Glensheen Mansion. Bringing the story to life, he discussed his experiences covering the story from start

to finish as a reporter for the Star Tribune and gave inside details about the victims, investigators and perpetrators, whom he kept in touch with and followed throughout their life times. Joe happened to be near Duluth on the day that Elisebeth Congdon, the youngest child of Chester Congdon, who had made his fortune in the iron mining industry, was murdered, along with her night

nurse, Velma Pietila. He is the only reporter to cover the case from the beginning to the end, and the only reporter to testify in the murder trial. His story begins with a family tragedy that he followed along the trail as the daughter and son-in-law of the wealthy heiress, Elisabeth Congdon were tried for her murder. When the mansion, now owned by the University of Minnesota-Duluth, was opened

to the public in the early 1980s, Kimball and his wife, author Julie Kramer, went on one of the first tours. Kimball was taken aback when during the tour the docents referred to Miss Congdon as having "passed away." He balked. "You know that she was violently murdered, right?" Kimball inquired. "We can't talk about that," the guides hastily replied. Instead, they elaborated on the estate and the phil-

anthropic nature of the Congdon family. Kimball wasn't the only one surprised by the hushed attitude towards the murders. "People would call me and say, 'We just went on that tour. Which bedroom was it? They won't tell us anything,'" Kimball says. "It's a great tour, a beautiful house and gorgeous gardens," he adds. "But it's got this other element that's part of its landscape, and I really

felt people wanted and needed to know more about that. So that's when I got the idea of doing a book." The book, published in 2022 gives a great insight on the mansion, and all the people who were involved in the case, including the victims and the guilty parties. The program was presented at several Lake Agassiz Regional Libraries around the area.



Joe Kimball, journalist and author shares his experience covering the Congdon mansion murders recently at the McIntosh Public Library.

Halloween happenings around our communities

Get your costumes and candy bags ready for some Halloween fun around our communities. There will be a lot of opportunities to have fun with friends.

Win-E-Mac Halloween party
The Win-E-Mac Halloween Party will be on Friday, October 28th from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm in the Win-E-Mac School Gym. Cost is one bag of candy per child. Children ages 0 to 10 are welcome

Pumpkin carving contest:
Bring your own pumpkin, already carved. Pumpkins must be at WEM by 7:00 pm.

Winger Community Halloween Party
Calling all monsters...join us for a Spooktacular Halloween party!

There will be games, including bingo, crafts, a cupcake walk, haunted stage, and pumpkin painting.

On Monday, October 31st from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm with Bingo starting at 6:00 pm.

There will be candy at every stop. Special music by Black

Sheep Entertainments.

No entrance fee, free will donations will be taken for local animal rescue, Smiley's Rescue.

Sponsored by the Winger Lions and a group of local moms.

Trick or Treating at McIntosh Senior Living
The staff and residents of MSL welcome all kids to come and trick or treat inside at McIntosh Senior Living. There will be lots of treats and lots of fun from 5:00 pm to 6:30 pm on Monday, October 31st.

Trick or Treating at Poplar Meadows
Calling all kids...stop into Poplar Meadows Senior Living on Monday, October 31st from 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm for some Trick or Treating fun with the residents and staff at Poplar Meadows.

No School
There will be no school at Win-E-Mac on Thursday, October 20th and Friday, October 21st for MEA break.



The Clubhouse Childcare Center preschoolers had fun checking out their new classroom. The Clubhouse, located in McIntosh is happy to share that they are adding on a new preschool suite. A fun fact: there are 4 Clubhouse dads and 2 Clubhouse grandpas contracting and working on this project!

7 ways to reduce breast cancer risk

Many women are concerned about the potential for developing breast cancer in their lifetimes. Breast cancer is the second-most common cancer among women in the United States and Canada.

Despite that prevalence, there are ways for women to reduce their risk for breast cancer.

While it is impossible to change family history or genetic markers like gene mu-

tations that increase breast cancer risk, the following are seven ways women can lower their risk.

1. Exercise regularly and maintain a healthy weight. Physical activity and monitoring calories can keep weight in check. The Mayo Clinic recommends at least 150 minutes per week of moderate aerobic activity or 75 minutes per week of vigorous aerobic activity. Strength training at least

twice a week also is recommended. Being overweight or obese increases a woman's risk for breast cancer.

2. Consume a healthy diet. The link between diet and breast cancer risk is still being studied. However, research suggests that a diet high in vegetables and fruit, and calcium-rich dairy products, but low in red and processed meats may lower breast cancer risk.

3. Avoid or limit alcohol consumptions. Alcohol increases risk of breast cancer, even in small amounts. For those who drink, no more than one alcoholic drink a day should be the limit. The more a woman drinks, the greater her risk of developing breast cancer, states the Mayo Clinic.

4. Undergo genetic counseling and testing. Women concerned about a genetic connection or family history

of breast cancer can speak to their doctor about testing and counseling that could help them reduce their risk. Preventive medicines and surgeries might help those at elevated risk for breast cancer.

5. Limit hormone therapy. Combination hormone replacement therapy for postmenopausal women may increase risk of breast cancer, indicates the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Similarly, taking oral contraceptives during reproductive years may increase risk. Women can speak with their physicians to weigh the pros and cons of taking such hormones.

6. Breastfeed children, if possible. Breastfeeding has been linked to reducing a woman's risk of developing breast cancer.

7. Learn to detect breast cancer. Women should get to know their bodies so they can determine if something is awry as early as possible. Early detection of breast cancer increases the chances that treatment will prove successful.



On Wednesday Adam Bergman got a hole in 1 on hole 7 (par 4 291 yds) at Wapicada Golf Course in Sauk Rapids. This is Adam's second hole in one and his first hole in one was on the Fertile Golf Course (par 3). The hole in one on a par 4 marks not only his second hole in one, but also his second double eagle/albatross (3 under par on a hole). Congratulations Adam Bergman!

Gosen

Luther League

The Gosen Luther League meets on Sunday evening, October 23rd, at 7 o'clock. Dan and Merilee Ottoson will be in concert. The Ottosons are accomplished Gospel singers, songwriters, and recording artists.

Their program will include southern Gospel songs, hymns, and audience sing-alongs. A saxophone solo and a special children's feature will round out the program.

Join us for an inspirational evening in honor of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Refreshments will be served following the concert.

For information call 268-4242 or 687-3461.

**OCTOBER
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AWARENESS
MONTH**

**LSS
Meals Menu
687-2262**

**Call to reserve your meal.
Indoor dining at 11:30 am;
Drive-up available at 11:00 am.**

Mon. Oct. 24: Chicken Fried Beef Steak - Mashed Potatoes & Gravy - Green Beans - Pineapple Cake - Milk

Tues. Oct. 25: *Bingo* Baked Ham - Cooked Cabbage - Peas & Carrots - Wheat Rolls - Fruit Crisp - Milk

Wed. Oct. 26: Baked Turkey - Mashed Potatoes & Gravy - Corn - Wheat Bread - Pumpkin Bars - Milk

Thur. Oct. 27: *Bingo* Spaghetti w/ Meat Sauce - Broccoli Mix - Fruit - Garlic Bread - Sugar Cookies - Milk

Fri. Oct. 28: Closed - Building in use.



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

Wed. Oct. 19: 11:30am Mass at St. Mary's, Fosston
Fri. Oct. 21: 8:30am Mass at St. Mary's, Fosston
Sun. Oct. 23: 8:30am Mass at St. Mary's, Fosston; 10:30am Mass at St. Joseph's, Bagley
Wed. Oct. 26: 11:30am Mass at St. Mary's, Fosston
Fri. Oct. 28: 8:30am Mass at St. Mary's, Fosston
Sun. Oct. 30: 8:30am Mass at St. Mary's, Fosston; 10:30am Mass at St. Joseph's, Bagley
Wed. Nov. 2: 11:30am Mass at St. Mary's, Fosston

**OURS SAVIOR'S
LUTHERAN CHURCH
(ELCA)
McIntosh
Interim Pastor Keith Zeh
Synodical Authorized
Minister Katie DeMarais**

Sun. Oct. 23: 10:00am Coffee Hour; 10:30am Worship Services

Sun. Oct. 30: 10:00am Coffee Hour; 10:30am Worship Services

Our Saviors Lutheran Church, McIntosh will run church services on Channel 30 on Garden Valley Channel 30. They will also be available on YouTube on channel One in Spirit - The Journey. Our Saviors service will be available by 8:30 am each Sunday until further notice.

**MCINTOSH AFLC
McIntosh Trinity / Mount Carmel:
Interim Pastors John Anderson and Phil Rokke**

**Sunday Services
11:00am Mt Carmel
9:30am Trinity
Sunday School
10:45am Trinity
9:45am Mt. Carmel**

**GOSEN LUTHERAN
CHURCH
Independent
Gary Johnson, Pastor
www.gosen-church.com
Face Book: Gosen Church**

Sun. Oct. 23: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Bible Study; 11:00 a.m. Worship Service (also on Facebook: gosenchurch and gosenchurch.com); 7:00 p.m. Luther League (see article elsewhere in the paper)

Tues. Oct. 25: 10:00am Sunday worship service telecast on GVTV--30

Wed. Oct. 26: 6:30pm Bible Study at Sharon Ramberg's home

Gosen Church is located 4 miles south of the junctions of Highways 2 & 59 or 4 miles north of Winger; then 1/2 mile east on County Road 206. For information call 268-4242 or 687-3461.

**VERNES LUTHERAN
CHURCH (LCMC)
McIntosh
Pastor Lee Laaveg**

Sun. Oct. 23: 9:00am Worship
Sun. Oct. 30: 9:00am Worship

**IMMANUEL LUTHERAN
CHURCH
McIntosh
Pastor Bruce Blocker,**

Sundays: 9:00am Worship; 10:00am Fellowship Hour; 10:15am Sunday School

**CALVARY LUTHERAN
CHURCH
Winger**

Sundays: 9:45am Sunday School; 10:00am Coffee Fellowship; 10:30am Worship

NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION

Pursuant to Minnesota Statute 204C.05, a State General Election will be held on Tuesday November 8, 2022 in the State of Minnesota, the County of Polk

County of Polk for the purpose of nomination the following officer's to wit:

State General Election voters must be registered to vote pursuant to Minnesota Statute 201.054, subdv. 1.

TOWNSHIP/CITY	POLLING LOCATION	VOTING HOURS
Brandsvold	BRANDSVOLD TOWN HALL	34315 370th St SE, Fosston, MN 56542
Bygland	BYGLAND TOWN HALL	40966 235th St SW, Fisher, MN 56723
Columbia	LENGBY COMMUNITY HALL	104 Main Ave N, Lengby, MN 56651
Crookston Ward 1	ST. PAULS LUTHERAN CHURCH	1214 University Ave., Crookston, MN 56716
Crookston Ward 2	ST. PAULS LUTHERAN CHURCH	1214 University Ave., Crookston, MN 56716
Crookston Ward 3	FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH	510 Broadway ST N, Crookston, MN 56716
Crookston Ward 4	FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH	510 Broadway ST N, Crookston, MN 56716
Crookston Ward 5	FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH	510 Broadway ST N, Crookston, MN 56716
Crookston Ward 6	ST. PAULS LUTHERAN CHURCH	1214 University Ave., Crookston, MN 56716
East Grand Forks Ward 1	EAST GRAND FORKS SENIOR CENTER	538 Rhinehart Dr. SE, East Grand Forks, MN 56721
East Grand Forks Ward 2	EAST GRAND FORKS CITY HALL	600 DeMers Ave NW, East Grand Forks, MN 56721
East Grand Forks Ward 3	EAST GRAND FORKS SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL	1420 4th Ave NW, East Grand Forks, MN 56721
East Grand Forks Ward 4	EAST GRAND FORKS SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL	1420 4th Ave NW, East Grand Forks, MN 56721
East Grand Forks Ward 5	EAST GRAND FORKS SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL	1420 4th Ave NW, East Grand Forks, MN 56721
Fertile City	FERTILE COMMUNITY CENTER	101 Mill St S, Fertile, MN 56540
Fosston City	FOSSTON EMBASSY COMMUNITY CENTER	603 3rd St NE, Fosston, MN 56542
Garfield	GARFIELD TOWN HALL	502 Elm St. SW, Fertile, MN 56542
Hill River	HILL RIVER TOWN HALL	32526 345th Ave SE, Fosston, MN 56542
Huntsville	MALLORY TOWN HALL	20047 400th Ave SW, East Grand Forks, MN 56721
Lengby City	LENGBY COMMUNITY HALL	104 Main Ave N, Lengby, MN 56651
McIntosh City	MCINTOSH COMMUNITY CENTER	115 Broadway NW, McIntosh, MN 56556
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Sletten	SLETTEN TOWN HALL	28488 430th St SE, Fosston, MN 56542
Sullivan	SULLIVAN TOWN HALL	11542 430th Ave SW, East Grand Forks, MN 56721
Woodside	WOODSIDE TOWN HALL	36817 160th Ave SE, Erskine, MN 56535

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the voters in the following precincts will be receiving ballots and voting by mail as requested by the respective township/city boards:

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Angus Township	Fanny Township	Hubbard Township	Parnell Township
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Beltrami City	Fisher Township	Keystone Township	Roome Township
Brandt Township	Garden Township	King Township	Rosebud Township
Brislet Township	Gentilly Township	Knute Township	Russia Township
Chester Township	Godfrey Township	Lessor Township	Sandsville Township
Climax City	Grand Forks Township	Liberty Township	Scandia Township
Crookston Township	Grove Park-Tilden Township	Lowell Township	Tabor Township
Eden Township	Gully City	Mentor City	Trail City
Erskine City	Gully Township	Nesbit Township	Tynsid Township
Esther Township	Hammond Township	Nielsville City	Vineland Township
Euclid Township	Helgeland Township	Northland Township	Winger City
			Winger Township

Eligible voters that live in a mail ballot precinct who did not receive a ballot in the mail may vote by absentee ballot at the office of the Taxpayer Service Center at the Polk County Government Center, 612 N. Broadway, Ste 207, Crookston, MN 56716 until 8:00 p.m. on Election Day. Mail Ballots and Absentee Ballots will be tabulated at the Polk County Government Center at the close of polls on November 8 2022 at 8:00 p.m.

/s/ Samuel W. Melbye
Samuel W. Melbye

Dated: October 7, 2022

Polk County Director of Property Records/Election Administrator

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Updated website helps farmers find farms, land

FarmLink platform connects beginning, current farmers.

An online tool from the Minnesota Department of Agriculture (MDA) to connect current farmers considering retirement with beginning farmers looking for land has undergone a major upgrade.

Minnesota FarmLink, a listing service for Minnesota farms and land parcels for sale or rent, now offers users the ability to post, edit and delete their own listings. Visitors to the site also now have the opportunity to browse the listings without logging in to an account.

In addition to listings of farms and land parcels for sale or rent, FarmLink also has categories for Beginning/Emerging Farmers looking to work alongside a current farm owner on future ownership transition, current farmers looking for successors, job seekers and job postings, and mentorship/internship postings and seekers.

"We know from our work with Emerging Farmers that

access to land is a key hurdle to getting more farmers into agriculture, so anything we can do to reduce that barrier will help our state," Agriculture Commissioner Thom Petersen said. "For farmers thinking about retirement who have no heir, this can be a good way to see their farms continue on."

Listings that are for sale or rent will have contact information available on each posting. For other categories, to contact someone, you must create an account and be logged in, with a listing in the opposite category in order to connect (i.e., a job seeker must have a listing in the Job Seeker category to connect with a Job Posting).

Please note that all listings on the former FarmLink platform were deleted, so people who had listed previously will need to recreate those listings on the new platform.

More information about FarmLink is available on the MDA website. Specific questions regarding FarmLink should be directed to Jim Ostlie at 320-842-6910 or email jim.ostlie@state.mn.us.



Alec Haskett with his parents, Maggie and Guy during the Patriots Parent's Night held last Friday evening before the Varsity football game at Win-E-Mac School.



Bergan Howard with parents, Joel and Katherine.



Chris Roragen with parent, Jennifer Wang.



Braylon Hamre with parents, Erik and Tanya.



Cameron Bergman with dad, Matt.



Wyatt Davis (55) with parents, Mandy and Jeff and teammate, Foma Cheremnov (21).



Hank Earls with mom, Heather and sister, Cora.

Answering questions about dyslexia

Learning disabilities affect millions of people across the globe each year. Though learning disabilities are often discussed in ways that highlight how they affect students' performance in the classroom, the International Dyslexia Association® notes that the effects of a learning disability like dyslexia can reach well beyond the classroom.

According to the nonprofit organization LD Resources Foundation, Inc., which is dedicated to helping individuals affected by learning disabilities, dyslexia is the most

common learning disability. Answering some common questions about dyslexia can help people affected by it, including adults, get the help they need to overcome it.

What is dyslexia?

The IDA defines dyslexia as a language-based learning disability that causes people to have difficulties with specific language skills, particularly reading. Students with dyslexia may experience difficulties with oral and written language skills, including the writing and pronunciation of words.

What causes dyslexia?

The IDA reports that studies of brain images as well as the anatomy of the brain have indicated that there is a difference in the way the brain of a person with dyslexia develops and functions.

What are some symptoms of dyslexia?

The LDRF indicates that individuals with dyslexia may find it difficult and overwhelming to read, write and speak. The Mayo Clinic notes that signs of dyslexia may be difficult to recognize before a child enters school, and symptoms vary depending on the age of

the individual affected.

Young children affected by dyslexia may learn new words slowly; experience difficulty forming words correctly; have problems remembering or naming letters, numbers and colors; or find it hard to learn nursery rhymes or play rhyming games.

Signs of dyslexia may become more apparent once children enter school. At this point, kids with dyslexia may read well below the expected level for their age; have problems processing or understanding what they hear; find it

difficult to find the right word or form answers to questions; have trouble seeing similarities and differences in letters and words; and have difficulty spelling, among other symptoms.

Difficulty reading; problems spelling; avoiding activities that involve reading; requiring an unusually long time to complete tasks that involved reading or writing; and mispronouncing names or words are some of the symptoms of dyslexia in teens and adults.

Can dyslexia be cured?

The Mayo Clinic notes that

there is no known way to correct the underlying brain abnormality that causes dyslexia. However, various techniques have made it easier for individuals with dyslexia to do well in school and in the professional arena.

Learning disabilities like dyslexia can affect individuals throughout their lives. But early detection and treatment can help students and adults overcome the challenges of dyslexia and other learning disabilities.



Here with the third grade class, Jesse Hickman and Tyler Brekken from the Erskine Fire Department came to the Win-E-Mac School during Fire Safety week 2022. Thank you firefighters for coming in to help us know how to stay safe in a fire.



Sharing information and answering questions, Erskine Fire Department members, Tyler Brekken (left) and Jesse Hickman (right) were a big hit while visiting with several Win-E-Mac classrooms.



Tyler Brekken (left) and Jesse Hickman (right) talk about fire safety with Win-E-Mac third graders.



Erskine firemen, Tyler Brekken and Jesse Hickman visit with the kindergartner's at Win-E-Mac School about fire safety during their recent visit.

Classic Halloween costumes from years past

It's no small task coming up with a memorable holiday costume. Certain costumes tie into popular culture, while others are classics that will never go out of style.

Here's a look at pop culture costumes that were trendy in years past.

- **1976: Charlie's Angels:** These empowered women crime fighters blew up on television and many girls wanted to be them in real life, and especially on Halloween.
- **1976: Rocky Balboa:** The Italian Stallion burst onto the scene this year in the movie "Rocky," and who could resist lacing up their boxing gloves and emulating the long-shot prize fighter?
- **1977: Star Wars characters:** From Luke to Obi Wan to Darth Vader, this hit movie permanently changed popular culture and inspired Halloween costumes for decades to come.
- **1978: Michael Myers:** The familiar white (William Shatner-inspired) mask became well known this year and still makes its mark on Halloween festivities more than 40 years later.
- **1981: Indiana Jones:** Harrison Ford made the archaeologist/adventurer so exciting in "Raiders of the Lost Arc" (and subsequent films) that it's easy to see why donning a fedora and brandishing a whip became so popular.
- **1982: Elliott and E.T.:** Steven Spielberg's masterpiece of a young boy and his alien friend made this a popular year for anything that had to do with the film. This included riding bicycles while wearing red hoodies.
- **1983: Princess Leia:** "Return of the Jedi" introduced audiences to different sides of Princess Leia, helping to solidify her popularity as a Halloween icon.
- **1984: Freddy Krueger:** This "Nightmare on Elm Street" icon caused many nightmares in real life, and his blade-tipped glove and familiar striped shirt could be seen on kids across the nation.
- **1985: Hulk Hogan:** Were you dressed as Hulk Hogan, brother? It's likely if you were a warm-blooded boy in the mid-80s, when Hulkamania was at its peak.
- **1986: Care Bears and California Raisins:** If you were young in 1986, you might have dressed up as a cuddly Care Bear or a suave, singing California Raisin.

Maybe this is the year to try one of these nostalgic costumes for yourself.



During Fire Safety week 2022, Jesse Hickman and Tyler Brekken from the Erskine Fire Department took time to come to the Win-E-Mac School. They met with grades Kindergarten, (pictured here) Third and Sixth. Topics discussed: fire alarms, stay low, stop drop and roll, 2 ways out, family meeting place. Thank you firefighters for coming in to help us know how to stay safe in a fire.