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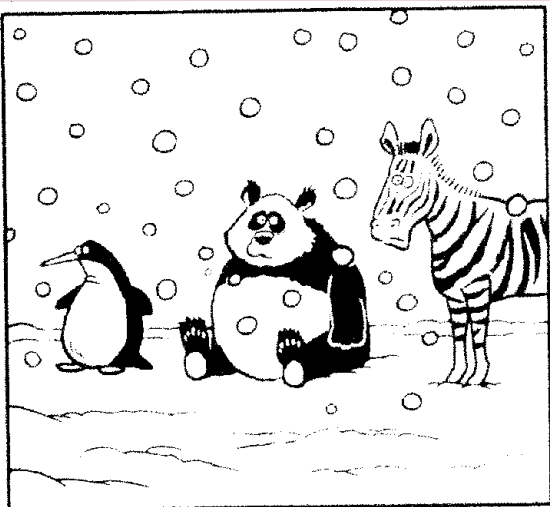
Eido Connect's  
Philosophy for 2024

- DECISION -

“Help Me To See”

Watch for these circulars in  
your area for this week!

H & L Super Valu - Buffalo  
Kennedy's Foods - Hettinger  
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Colouring picture for lazy people.

Finally Me Me had the people in the community smiling, so decided it was time for a little rest. Seemed like things were going fairly well - - community beginning to talk to one another so - - for a few days Me Me just sat, rejuvenated, rested and watched. Funny things were happening - - saw a few funny faces being created - - Me Me was elated.

Warm sun beating down on Me Me, caused eyes to close - - about to drift off to dreamland when suddenly was brought back to screaming, fire engines, ambulance - - .

A house, on the edge of town was bursting in flames - - firemen tried to enter - explosion - - silence, sobbing. What happened? No one was sure - - no one in community even knew if anyone lived there. Could have been renters, vacationers, fear again set in - - was there someone in the house - - how did the fire start - would it happen to them? Who was next with a disaster - - .

Now what? Me Me watched as the fear of the burning house took hold in their heart - - back to day one when Me Me first landed. Start over again. Where to now? Questions without answers - only more questions of why - why did this happen to us - - .

Perplexed Me Me once again flipped the switches in the Time Machine - - maybe - maybe - - here it is thought Me Me - maybe this one will - - and pushed the words “H E L P.”

Story came up on screen - - it began as such - - . Johnny and Joey were partying, Joey leaving for active duty, Johnny driving, made a wrong turn, Joey killed, Johnny alive but damage to eyes - - couldn't see. Johnny in hospital - - everything done, eyes okay but couldn't see - - Drs. visited every day, said everything okay - just take time - - Johnny unresponsive to medicine. Dr. Jim suggested Johnny be in room with Mr. H.

Everyday Mr. H would look out the window and tell Johnny what he saw - - beautiful trees, little girl riding bike - - today a parade - tomorrow a couple in love - holding hands - - a squirrel.



Johnny cherished all these things and as time went by Johnny's eyesight began returning. Soon Johnny would be released. He longed to look out the window and watch with Mr. H.

One night Mr. H. died. Much grieving was had and with hospital being so busy, nurses told Johnny he would have new roommate tomorrow. “That's fine,” said Johnny as long as I get the bed by the window. He wanted to see all that Mr. H. had seen.

After dark Johnny was moved to the window and room was prepared for new roommate - - morning came and Johnny perplexed, angry - - why did you move me to another room, there is a brick wall out my window. I want to see what Mr. H. did - - and all I see is a brick wall.

The nurse stood beside Johnny's bed and said, “Did you not know that Mr. H. was blind. He could see nothing except with his heart.”

May we be like Mr. H. and help others see the special gift of living in **Eido Country**, and giving with your heart to Giving Hearts Day February 8th.

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## LOVE

This week the **Eido** is filled with sorrow, strength and belief, beyond our comprehension. A time of mourning, hard work and the ability to see that the people in **Eido Country** are people with integrity, Love and fortitude - never giving up, just loving and moving forward.

Sadness may hit our communities but so does resilience and strength.

We are a people of hope - this week read with your heart and maybe give a smile, a hug or a thank you on February 8, Giving Hearts Day and every day.



28 S. Main Street  
Bowman, ND  
701-979-5603  
bowmantheater@gmail.com

**Migration**

Rated: PG • Run time: 1 hour 31 minutes



**Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup>**

Friday • 7:30pm  
Saturday • 7:30pm  
Sunday • 2pm  
*(with subtitles if needed)*

A family of ducks decides to leave the safety of a New England pond for an adventurous trip to Jamaica. However, their well-laid plans quickly go awry when they get lost and wind up in New York City. The experience soon inspires them to expand their horizons, open themselves up to new friends, and accomplish more than they ever thought possible.

**Sponsors:**  
Here We Grow Again Daycare  
and  
The Senn Family

**Upcoming Movies:**

Aquaman and the Lost Kingdom (2/9 & 2/16); CLOSED (2/23); Madame Web (3/1 & 3/8); Kung Fu Panda 4 (3/15 & 3/22); Ghostbusters: Frozen Empire (3/29 & 4/5); Godzilla X Kong: The New Empire or Ordinary Angels (4/12 & 4/19); Unsung Hero (4/26 & 5/3).

Adults: \$8.00  
Students/Seniors/Vets: \$6.00



• Sunday: BYOB (bring your own bag)  
• Now accepting Credit Cards

**Texas Hold 'Em Tournament**

**February 18, 2023**

Gladstone Columbus Hall Association  
East Main Street • Gladstone, ND

Registration: 11:00 am MT  
Start Time: 12:00 pm MT

**Sat., February 17, 2024**

To pre-register call  
Tim at 701-290-0172  
or Andy  
at 701-264-0425

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**GIVING  
HEARTS  
DAY**

**WHO WE ARE**

Sunrise Foundation, Inc. is your local 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that raises funds for Healthcare Scholarships, Loan Repayment Programs for SWHS employees, recruiting healthcare workers, and improving healthcare facilities in our area. All thanks to the money raised in 2023, we were able to offer \$20,000 in Healthcare Scholarships and Loan Repayments. Donate to Sunrise Foundation, Inc. on Giving Hearts Day to ensure our counties continue to have extraordinary care for you, your friends, and your family!

**HOW TO GIVE**

- 1) Visit [givingheartsday.org](http://givingheartsday.org), click donate, type Sunrise Foundation, Inc.
- 2) Write a check to "Sunrise Foundation, Inc.", write "Giving Hearts Day" in the memo section of the check, and mail it to Sunrise Foundation, Inc, 802 2nd St NW, Bowman, ND. 58623 so it arrives before February 8th.
- 3) Visit us in person to drop off your gift at Lasting Visions and Frontier Travel Center in Bowman, ND on Thursday, February 8th, 2023 from 8 am - 1 pm!

(701) 523-5142 802 2nd St NW, Bowman, ND 58623 Sunrise@swhealthcare.net

**FOR SALE - On line Auction**

**Live bidding Opens Feb. 7 and closes February 14**

**1977 International Lodastar 1600  
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701-333-9672**

**AMERICAN LEGION**

Please join us  
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**Holiday  
Banquet**

**Saturday, February 10th 6pm**

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After 4pm call 605 374 9521  
Text 605-391-2307  
Email [lemmonlegion@gmail.com](mailto:lemmonlegion@gmail.com)

Live Music 8pm -Son Dogs  
Music & Dance Open to Public

**AMERICAN LEGION**

# Every thought, word, and action in this life has eternal consequences.

**Bowman Rotary & Bowman County High School Music Department**  
 Present the 15<sup>th</sup> Annual  
**"Pops & Pasta Concert"**  
*A Night of Music & Pasta*  
**Sunday, February 4, 2024**  
**5:00 p.m.**  
 Doors open at 4:30 p.m.

**Solberg Gymnasium,  
 Bowman County School**

*Serving Spaghetti, Alfredo,  
 Garlic Bread, Dinner Salad & Dessert*

Adult - \$15  
 K-12 - \$10

Proceeds go to the  
 Bowman County High School Music Department




**Elgin Library Corner**

Some new changes in policy at the library regarding how many items can be checked out by patrons. Adult patrons may check out five (5) items at one time and children may check out three (3) items.

This decision was made by the board in a hope to decrease the number of overdue books we seem to have on a weekly basis. Each week we receive a list from the odin system with who has overdue books. Some have been on the list for some time.

We will also be sending out notices about the over due books.

There is also an option to have an email or text message reminder sent to you when the books are coming due so that they can be returned to the library, or you can come to the library to renew them or call the library at (701) 584-2181 to renew them.

**Playhouse Theater**  
 318 Brown Ave, Mott, ND

Friday 7:30 pm • Saturday 7:30 pm • Sunday 2:00 pm

**FEBRUARY 2-4**

**BOYS IN THE BOAT**

During the height of the Great Depression, members of the rowing team at the University of Washington get thrust into the spotlight as they compete for gold at the 1936 Olympics in Berlin. PG-13 • 2h 4m

TICKET PRICES  
 12 years and older • \$7  
 4-11 years • \$6

**UPCOMING MOVIES**

- Anyone But You
- Ordinary Angels
- Kung Fu Panda 4
- Dune: Part Two
- Cabrini
- Ghost Busters: Frozen Empire

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**Valentine's Day Dinner**

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**St. John's Lutheran Church**  
 Carson, ND

**Pancake & Sausage Breakfast**  
**Crafts and Bake Sale**

**Sunday, February 11, 2024**  
 11:00 am - 1:00 pm MT.

Church located behind the Court House

**Free Will - Everyone Welcome!**



**Montana Fiberglass Stock Tanks**

Many 10' x 2' Round Tanks - 1190 gal. capacity on hand.  
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**Brunch at DPEC in Reeder, ND !!**

**Sunday February 4, 2024**  
 9 AM to 12 PM

**Pancakes**  
**Cinnamon Rolls**  
**Sausage**  
**Biscuits and Gravy**  
**Breakfast Egg Bake**

Free Will Offering



**Bowman Lions Club**  
**Super Bowl**  
**Soup & Sandwich Benefit**  
**Sunday, February 11, 2024**  
 10:45 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.  
**Bowman Lutheran Church**

**Free Will Offering for Lunch**

**Pantry Items Also Welcome**

Proceeds will benefit the  
**Bowman & Amidon Community Cupboards & Lions Medical Fund**

Pantry Items can be dropped off at  
**Tri-State Chiropractic or at the Church the day of the benefit**  
 For more information -  
**Chuck Whitney - 523-3239**




**Maus Angus Ranch**  
 Ninth Annual Yearling Bull Sale  
 mausangusranch.com



**Saturday, February 10, 2024**  
 Sale at 1:00 p.m. MST

**Selling 40 Yearling Angus Bulls**  
 Plus 15 consignment bulls from FishHook Cattle

MAR Lot 26      MAR Lot 36

MAR Lot 19      FishHook Lot 41

Selling sons of:  
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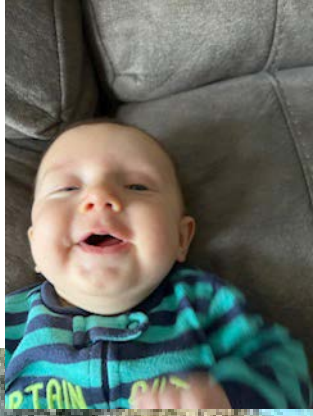
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 call 701-218-0314 for info or a catalog





# Thank You from the Greff Family



**Benjamin Greff Thank You**

On behalf of our family, we wanted to thank everyone for the outpouring of support we have received the past five months. We need to thank Dr. Ricks and his staff at the Dickinson Clinic for believing us when we showed concerns about Benjamins developmental delays and getting us to the appropriate medical professionals without delay. We need to thank the Dr's and staff at the Minnesota Childrens Hospital for the three weeks we spent there over the two trips. Their hospitality and professionalism as we went through the testing, treatment, and palliative care plans for Benjamin set us up that when we came home, we were prepared and ready to keep him home through the end.

Upon arriving home and informing the school the support and understanding we received from administrators, teachers, staff and our children's friends, coaches, and parents of our school has been nothing short of extraordinary. From the show of support from the entire girls BB team and most of the staff at the funeral to the "Go Blue for Ben" night at the girls Basketball game where our crowd looked like it was cheering for another team there was so much blue in the stands.

We don't like to generalize but we can pretty much thank the whole of the communities of Mott, Regent, Elgin, and New Leipzig for the outpouring of generosity they have shown our family the past six months. We joke that Angela, and I haven't cooked a meal in over six months and we will need to learn how again as we received meal after meal from community members, family, friends, and neighbors. To live in small communities is in many ways to have an extended family. Everyone knows your business, but it is because most everybody has a vested interest in the happiness, success, and sustainability of each family in the community. Our communities have met every aspect of that mantra, and we are forever grateful to be part of these communities and do our part to keep them successful.

We would be remiss not to thank our employers who have been so crucial through this journey. The Southwest District Health Unit and West River Health Services that employ Angela let her take a leave of absence without question so she could be the caretaker for Benjamin and manage his condition. They kept her in the loop on what was happening and showed her support in every way and let her know her position was waiting for her when she was ready. The North Dakota Army National Guard who employs me was flexible with my job and encouraged me to take time with family. My supervisor SFC Justin Jacob and my BN Operations Officer CPT Alix Kling were exceptional in both supporting me in my day-to-day career and being there for emotional support when needed.

Our immediate family has been our rock while on this path. Steadfast and reliable we could always rely on Brad and Lena Greff and Dan and Marla Larson as our parents and Benjamins Grandparents to be available, helpful, and caring. From Dan and Marla coming across the state for extended stays and making weeks' worth of food and entertaining the children to Brad and Lena making daily visits to talk to Benjamin and give Angela someone to talk to. To our siblings, nieces, and nephews who through calling or visiting made each day more bearable and gave us that avenue to talk whenever we needed it.

Our children have impressed Angela and I from the day of their respective births, while we are biased it does not take away from the extraordinary resiliency, they have displayed to us over the years. When we lost our first son John from Trisomy 18 and he was stillborn that had an impact on us a family but through talking and prayer we moved forward. When Benjamin was born a healthy baby boy and only five months later showed signs of regression, was diagnosed and over the next five months they had to watch him slowly regress they could have pulled away or despaired. But they didn't. They kept their grades up (Mostly) they stayed in sports, they held Benjamin, asked questions about his condition, completed chores without complaint or question, played piano to him, sang to him, played around him and probably accidentally hit him with a pillow or two while roughhousing with each other. They made him part of our family's life and that is something that will never be forgotten by Benjamin or his siblings. Lastly but most importantly I need to thank my wife, Angela. I know she cannot be the best wife or mother because Facebook and social media has created far too much competition for those titles but I tell people that she has punched her ticket to heaven. And not just from being married to me. As a mother and woman, she has been the epitome of her namesake. From raising and managing a bustling household, excelling in her professional career, and now experiencing the loss of two of her sons I have always sat in awe of her, and that admiration only continues to grow. Her management of Benjamins care was not lost on anyone around her. Every day from his birth to his passing she was with him, fed him, cared for him, and loved him. It is visible in every one of her actions that her love for Benjamin was limitless and that his life had meaning to her that knows no bounds.

We are grateful to have shared in Benjamins short time on this place. We are also grateful to be surrounded by so many people in our families and our communities who have supported us on this journey. This thank you is a little wordy, but each previous draft left someone out or didn't express our full appreciation of the love we have felt as a family from the community. Thank you all and God Bless.

Sincerely,  
Lucas, Angela, Samantha, Michael, Simon, Jessica, Jacob, John, Matthew, and Benjamin Greff

St. Vincent's  
St. Henry's  
St. John the Baptist  
Catholic Church  
Schedule for  
Sat. Feb. 3  
Sun. Feb. 4  
(M) 4:30 pm Sat.  
(NL) 7:00 pm Sat.  
(M) 8:00 am Sun.  
(R) 10:00 am Sun.

**THANK YOU**

The family of Ramona Swindler would like to express their gratitude to this community for the many expressions of condolences at the time of her death.

Thank you to Country House of Dickinson for the great care they gave Mona for the 5 years she lived there, to Evanson Jensen Funeral Home for their care and guidance, to Pastor Steven Meckle for the comforting words at the service, and to the MECC kitchen helpers who thoughtfully decorated the tables and worked hard to serve the lunch. You all have proved why Ramona was so proud to have lived here!

Sincerely,  
Frank Jorda  
and Kerry Swindler Family

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## REMINDER

**ND Township Officers 2024 Workshops  
District 4 Workshop**

**February 15, 2024 - Bowman - Bowman Lodge  
and Convention Center - 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm**

**February 15, 2024 - Regent - Enchanted Castle  
7:00 pm to 9:00 pm**

**Agenda Items**

- Changes in Laws affecting Township - Larry Syverson, NDTOA Executive Secretary and lobbyist
- Section Line Issues - Mark Verke, ND Insurance Risk Management Specialist
- Association Activities - Lee Brandvold, NDTOA President
- Township Grant Funding and Road Repairs NDLTAP
- Township Legal Matters Tom Moe, NDTOA Lawyer

**All Township Officers are invited  
and encouraged to attend.**

*A Little Birdie Told Me...*

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**A Little Birdie Told Me**

By: Vivian Hernandez

A Little Birdie Told Me: "Golden Path Solutions May be The Answer For Your Business."

Hettinger Chamber of Commerce and Hettinger Public School have partnered with Golden Path Solutions to create a unique way for businesses to connect with students looking for a career.

Founder & CEO of Golden Path Solutions, Patrick Mineer has built a Compass platform to help students prepare for their future and connect them with potential employers seeking a workforce.

Students create a database with their interests, skills and talents starting as early as upper elementary grades and continuing into college. Businesses create a similar database with their specific needs and qualifications for employees. These databases are then shared between students and possible employers fitting the needs of the business with the interests of the students.

"If there's a match we create an agreement where the employer can influence the student's educational path in exchange for internships and coops while the student is in school, and tuition reimbursement and a job when the student graduates." (Golden Path Solutions)

If you are a business owner in Hettinger and interested in this groundbreaking idea Hettinger Public School on February 8th at 6:00 PM is where you need to be. Patrick Mineer will give a presentation at this Workforce Development Seminar on the Golden Path Solutions. Sponsored in partnership with The Hettinger Chamber of Commerce.

Workforce Development is Connecting Your Future with Our Students: with the hope of keeping our young people in the area and bringing them back after college, to register RSVP by calling 701-567-4502.

A Little Birdie Told Me: "It's Time To Think Outside The Box."



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**Featured Cat(s): Those left behind**

**Birthdate: Unknown      Color: Unknown**  
**Sex: Unknown              Vetting: Unknown**

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**Announcements**

- Clumping litter, wet food and Purina cat food needed.
- Be a featured sponsor!
- Adopt, Foster, Donate or Volunteer today!
- CLOSED TO INTAKES AT THIS TIME.



*Our community has lost a wonderful member. Gary was kind and thoughtful and took it upon himself to look after the animals in our community that were cast out. He has left behind many furry friends that are in need of help and a new home. Please consider donating supplies or funds to go towards vet care so we may send these loving pets on to their new homes. If you have room in your heart and your home for another addition, please contact us about adoption. Our hearts go out to Gary's family, friends, and all who had the pleasure to have a visit with him over the years.*

*Sponsored by: "In Memory of Gary Parsons"*

**Community Health Needs Assessment Successfully Completed**

A big thank you is sent out on behalf of West River Health Service and Adams County Public Health to all those who participated in the recent community health needs assessment (CHNA) survey. The survey was available digitally and in print from October 1 - 15 to gauge overall health needs and identify health concerns of the community. West River Health Services received assistance in conducting the assessment from the Center for Rural Health at the University of North Dakota School of Medicine and Health Sciences.

Additionally, we want to thank the community members who volunteered their time to provide their input through one-on-one interviews and by participating in community meetings. Your participation helped make this process collaborative and we greatly appreciate the insights you provided.

Because of the CHNA process, the following needs were identified as the most pressing concerns facing our community:

1. **Attracting and retaining young families;**
2. **Youth and adult depression and anxiety; and**
3. **Youth not getting enough exercise and physical activity.**

In the Annual Board meeting held in January, the three boards initiated plans to tackle each of these needs. These prioritized concerns will serve as a guide for strategic planning and implementation, foster collaboration to address them, and lay the foundation for enhancing our community.



"We are thrilled to gain this valuable insight to enhance our daily work efforts and better serve our communities. Gratitude to everyone for their time and participation in the survey and community meetings. Your input ensures that West River Health Services can continue delivering the necessary care for our rural communities," expresses Alyson Kornele, Chief Executive Officer.

A periodic community needs assessment is one of the new requirements of healthcare reform laws. The new regulations require non-profit hospitals such as West River Health Services to assess the community's health needs periodically. The Medicare Rural Hospital Flexibility (Flex) Grant Program, a project of the Center for Rural Health, offsets the cost of the assessment process. The Flex Program is a state-based partnership that works with and assists all rural hospitals to stabilize and sustain their local healthcare infrastructure.

**Correction does much, but encouragement does more.**

**HETTINGER & ADAMS COUNTY LAND FOR SALE**

The WB Herner Trust is selling a unique combination of hayland, cropland, and hunting habitat. Currently in CRP & PLOTS with option for contract renewal or contract termination at buyer's preference.

Tract 1: NW¼ of 29-135-92, Hettinger County  
 Tract 2: SW¼ of 16-131-93, Adams County

Tracts 1 and 2 may be bid on separately.

Request a bid packet with additional information from **Crane & Merriman, PC, PO Box 99, Mott, ND 58646, (701) 824-2591, amy@cranemerriman.com.**

Deadline to submit written bids is 12 p.m., **TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2024.**

**Nationally renowned Dale Carnegie Course coming to Bowman this Spring!**

This 3-day professional development course helps professionals at all levels who wish to optimize performance, lead with conviction, and positively impact the bottom line.

The Dale Carnegie Course will help attendees master communication skills necessary in today's demanding business environment. They will discover how to form closer, more rewarding relationships built on trust and respect that will increase their confidence in interactions and empower themselves and others to reach new heights personally and professionally.

The course kicks off virtually and then attendees will gather

over the next three weeks at Mainspace in Bowman, ND (13 E Divide). The course instructor is Michelle Wall, Dale Carnegie certified Master Trainer and Executive Coach. She will host the virtual kickoff and then be present in Bowman for the remaining courses. Class dates are March 13 (virtual), March 20 (in-person), March 27 (in-person) and April 3 (in-person).

This is an opportunity to invest in a nationally proven professional development course right here in Bowman. For more information and to register, go to [gomainspace.com/classes](http://gomainspace.com/classes).

The course is brought to Bowman by the Bowman County Development Corporation (BCDC). The BCDC has put together over 35 different trainings and courses since 2020. Relevant and accessible educational opportunities support the area businesses and strengthen our communities.

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Hettinger 701-567-2476

**Out-of-Town Trips Weekly**  
Call to schedule  
800-280-0204

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**Employment Opportunity**

**Adams County Road Superintendent & City of Hettinger Public Works Supervisor**

An aggressive, imaginative individual is needed to direct and coordinate all activities in an integrated County-City arrangement.

City duties will include the year-to-year maintenance and repair of all streets and overseeing water and wastewater maintenance activities for a city of 1050 population.

Applicant must be able to supervise the overall maintenance of 314 miles of County roads and 178 miles of unorganized township roads Applicant will supervise all road department employees and maintain the road department budgets.

Applicant must have a working knowledge of heavy equipment maintenance and repair as well as related activities. This individual must be able to complete administrative duties, public relations work, and supervision of employees. Computer experience is preferred. Position will be paid on experience. Applications are available on the County website: [www.adamscountynd.com](http://www.adamscountynd.com), the Auditor's Office, or the County Shop. For additional information, contact the Auditor's Office at 701-567-4363.

Adams County provides equal opportunities to all employees and applicants for employment, and prohibits discrimination and harassment of any type without regard to race, color, religion, age, sex, national origin, disability status, genetics, protected veteran status, sexual orientation, gender identity, or expression, or any other characteristic protected by federal, state, or local laws.

1-27-2-3

**Mott Food Pantry FOR MOTT AREA ONLY**

**212 Iowa Ave.**  
**(located in the alley)**  
**will be open**  
**Friday, February 8, 2024**  
**12:00 Noon until 1:00 PM**  
**Any questions call 824-3209**

  
**INTEGRITY ENTERPRISES LLC**

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**Kevin & Roxanne Miller**  
**701-523-5769 (home) • 701-523-1207 (cell)**

# One thing I did today to make others smile



## Angels in Disguise

We've been taught that angels are in heaven so we look up. But one thing we forget are those angels are really our people on earth who have given their lives to provide services for us.

Take this week, look up and see all the angels in your community - physicians, store owners, plumbers, electricians, furnace and air conditioner people, volunteers, teachers, parents, farmers/ranchers, employees - etc. etc. We just need "Help to See" all the good in our **Eido Country**.

And this angel in the picture is Austin Maershbecker, Tiger LLC Heating and Air, who came back to **Eido Country** to be with his family and help his parents - also helping our communities.

## Solo

By Kathy Craigo-Harteis

Recently I've heard reports on the new popularity of solo travel.

The push is that there are great travel deals for single travelers.

I've known the value of a solo road trip for many years. It's not all about economics.

There is this surge of peace that comes over one with time on their own.

It's a feeling of being in control of your own self and your own journey.

I've taken a number of solo trips and never regretted it.

I'm not brave enough to go out of country on my own. My trips have all been in the United States.

I have one fearless daughter though who has gone solo to both Bali and India. Brave girl.

There is merit to doing things on your own.

Challenge is how we learn. It takes a bit of courage to face our challenges.

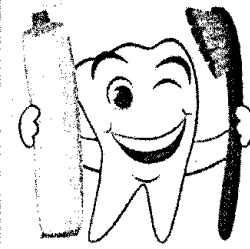
In the Elizabeth Gilbert book "Eat, Pray, Love" the main character Liz finds that she is confused about what is important to her. Daring to step out of her comfort zone, Liz embarks on a quest of self-discovery that takes her to Italy, India and Bali. My solo journeys have always been a time for me to regroup and rethink my life. Repeatedly, I have returned to my nest with a more positive outlook and a greater appreciation for my life.

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Back in September I be-moaned the KC Chiefs' loss to Detroit at Arrowhead. But, this week, I want to comment on something else that happened this past Sunday that doesn't speak very highly of "professional" sportsmanship. Recall that I was a football official (college and high school) commencing back at the turn of the century—25 years. That all ended in 2019 during the COVID. I had enough! And, the truth was that a truly repulsive phenomenon was just kicking-in to full swing where not really the players but, their parents were engaging in violent confrontations with opponents and officials at every level. It just wasn't fun anymore and I wanted out of the mess because you mimic what you see and, now, the kids are acting like thugs on/off the playing surface!

Last Sunday, I saw what we had predicted in 2019 spring into full view—PROFESSIONAL players who have no respect for the game, themselves or their opponents. It started pre-game when Justin Tucker (the Ravens kicker) refused to move his kicking gear out of the way so Mahomes could warm up. Picked up steam when rookie Zay Flowers pushed down on cornerback L'Jarvis Snead, spiked the football and taunted for a personal foul only to fumble away the ball a few plays later and cost the Ravens a touchdown. Kyle Van

Not headbutting Travis Kelce. Travis Jones and Jadeveon Clowney intentionally hitting Mahomes in the face & head. Roquan Smith jumping offsides and slamming into Trey Smith instead of just taking a 5-yard offsides penalty. Lamar Jackson throwing into triple coverage and being picked off. In fact, Roquan Smith had called out Mahomes earlier in the week that he was going to "feel it" on the field Sunday.

Hey, it's called football not thug ball. And, it's a rough sport. But, whatever happened to coaches who told us to never cheap shot—that's what losers do. I was coached to just return to the huddle or, else, I'd be off the team. And, I guess that's what I just saw at the 2024 AFC Championship game—the Chiefs were a class act (for once) and, the Ravens demonstrated the worst immaturity I have seen in awhile. Like it or not, these spoiled multi-millionaires set a terrible example for kids in that game with their selfish, arrogant, in-your-face nonsense and, I guess all that can be said is "Was it really smart to rub Patrick Mahomes' face in the dirt and, call him out?" I'm going with, "No. Not so much." And, I hope the Chiefs continue to act like champions, not chumps, up until February 11th. Even if they don't win, they showed some class! Have a great week.

## Mott American Legion Install Officers for 2024



Left to Right: Herb Quamme, Commander; Ted Ledmen, Vice Commander; Roy Steiner, Adjant; Howard Steiner, Sgt. at Arms; and Dave Glasser, Chaplain.

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**Reflections on the Words of Life**  
by Pastor Paul Ferrie, Grace Reformed Church of the Lord Jesus, New Leipzig

We resume today in Ruth chapter 3, where Ruth is about to carry out the plan Naomi devised to secure a husband for her daughter-in-law. We read in verses 6 and 7, "So she went down to the threshing floor and did according to all that her mother-in-law instructed her. And after Boaz had eaten and drunk, and his heart was cheerful, he went to lie down at the end of the heap of grain; and she came softly, uncovered his feet, and lay down." Follow-

ing Naomi's plan, Ruth notices where Boaz goes to rest after the meal. Then, when it was dark and he was asleep, she crept over, uncovered his feet, and lay down.

As we might expect, with his feet uncovered, Boaz awoke during the chilly night and was startled to see a woman lying at his feet. He may have thought at first that she was a prostitute, and so he began a dialogue. Verse 9: "And he said, 'Who are you?' So she answered, 'I am Ruth, your maidservant. Take your maidservant under your wing, for you are a close relative.'" Here Ruth takes initiative beyond the plan. Instead of waiting to see what Boaz might

say, as Naomi had instructed, she proceeds to ask Boaz to be her husband and to provide the companionship and security that she needs. In asking to be under his wing, Ruth is using the same language that Boaz used in chapter 2. There he described Ruth as one who had come to Israel to take refuge under the Lord's wings.

God uses the same terminology to describe His dealings with Israel in Ezekiel 16:8: "I spread My wing over you and covered your nakedness. Yes, I swore an oath to you and entered into a covenant with you, and you became Mine." God portrays His covenant with Israel as spreading His wing over her. Similarly, Ruth is asking Boaz to enter into a marriage covenant with her by taking her under his wing.

Lord willing, next time we shall see what happens next. But let us close by taking this opportunity to consider some important Biblical points about marriage. I will list them briefly and give a Scripture reference for each one. First, marriage was instituted by God and is to be between one man and one woman (Genesis 1:27-28, 2:24). Second, marriage is to be a lifetime commitment (Matthew 19:3-6). Third, the husband is to be the head of the family. Wives are to submit to their husbands as unto the Lord, and husbands are to love their wives as Christ loved the church (Ephesians 5:22-27). Fourth, sex is legitimate only between a husband and wife in marriage (Hebrews 13:4). And fifth, marriage is a picture of the union between Christ and His church, which is called His bride (Ephesians 5:25-32). In our society today, most of these points have been rejected. I think most of us can see the tragic results of man's disregard for God's standards. Family life in so much of our nation is in shambles. We cannot expect blessing when we think we know better than God and disdain His Word.

Friends, we must take God and His Word seriously. Square one is to make sure that you are right with Him, and there is only one way that this can happen. We must be brought to see that we are sinners against God. Because He is absolutely holy and righteous, He must judge all sin. But He devised a way whereby we can be forgiven and restored to a right relationship with Himself. He sent the Lord Jesus Christ, who willingly took all the sins of all His people and suffered God's judgment in His own body. By trusting only in Christ's payment for our sins, we can be forgiven and become God's beloved children. Please make sure that you have been restored to a right relationship with God through Christ.

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PLEVNA MT	49	BLK-STR	693 255.50	BELFIELD ND	41	BLK-COW	1436 102.50
PLEVNA MT	32	BLK-STR	566 310.00	BOWMAN ND	1	BLK-COW	1355 102.00
EKALAKA MT	42	BLK-HFR	527 308.00	BELFIELD ND	50	BLK-COW	1278 101.75
EKALAKA MT	15	BLK-HFR	440 307.50	FAIRFIELD ND	5	BLK/BWF-COW	1386 101.00
AMIDON ND	47	BLK-STR	708 256.00	BELFIELD ND	46	BLK-COW	1294 101.00
AMIDON ND	19	BLK-STR	604 299.00	BELFIELD ND	9	BLK-COW	1346 101.00
AMIDON ND	5	BLK/BWF-STR	495 327.00	BOWMAN ND	1	BLK-COW	1670 101.00
RHAME ND	35	BLK-HFR	531 306.00	RHAME ND	7	BLK/BWF-COW	1465 100.50
RHAME ND	19	BLK-HFR	494 315.00	BELFIELD ND	2	BLK-COW	1325 99.50
RHAME ND	8	BLK-STR	434 306.00	BELFIELD ND	18	BLK-COW	1224 99.50
BOWMAN ND	21	BLK-STR	705 260.00	BELFIELD ND	14	BLK-COW	1224 99.50
BOWMAN ND	10	BLK-STR	611 294.00	BELFIELD ND	1	BLK-COW	1340 99.00
BOWMAN ND	14	BLK-HFR	605 275.00	BELFIELD ND	10	BLK-COW	1406 98.00
BOWMAN ND	10	BLK-HFR	478 299.00	BELFIELD ND	1	BWF-COW	1240 98.00
SCRANTON ND	37	BLK-STR	634 282.50	BELFIELD ND	1	BLK-COW	1245 98.00
SCRANTON ND	20	BLK-STR	551 313.00	RHAME ND	1	BLK-COW	1295 97.50
S. BUTTE ND	9	BLK-STR	538 320.00	BOWMAN ND	1	BLK-COW	1510 97.50
S. BUTTE ND	40	BLK/BWF-HFR	582 285.00	BELFIELD ND	1	BLK-COW	1535 96.50
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RHAME ND	20	BLK/BWF-HFR	736 232.00	RHAME ND	3	BLK-COW	1363 95.00
REEDER ND	7	RED-HFR	647 252.00	BELFIELD ND	1	BLK-COW	1275 93.00
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PLEVNA MT	31	BLK-COW	1627 106.50
BELFIELD ND	27	BLK/BWF-COW	1269 115.50
BELFIELD ND	2	BLK/BWF-COW	1268 115.50
BELFIELD ND	28	BLK-COW	1227 110.00
BELFIELD ND	4	BLK-COW	1226 110.00
BELFIELD ND	4	BLK-COW	1228 110.00
RHAME ND	1	BLK-COW	1275 110.00
FAIRFIELD ND	5	BLK-COW	1132 135.00
RHAME ND	4	BLK/BWF-COW	1648 105.75
BUFFALO SD	1	BWF-COW	1345 105.00
RHAME ND	11	BLK-COW	1365 105.00
BELFIELD ND	1	BLK-COW	1930 104.50
BUFFALO SD	1	BWF-COW	1665 104.00
BELFIELD ND	27	BLK-COW	1496 104.00
BELFIELD ND	28	BLK-COW	1496 104.00

Cowette/Heiferette			
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BUFFALO SD	1	BWF-COWETTE	1145 131.00
RHAME ND	1	RED-COWETTE	890 136.00
RHAME ND	2	BLK-COWETTE	1030 136.00
BELFIELD ND	50	BLK-HFRIT	1076 152.00
BELFIELD ND	50	BLK-HFRIT	1069 152.00
BELFIELD ND	21	BLK-HFRIT	1061 139.00
BELFIELD ND	14	BLK-HFRIT	1145 129.00
POWDERVILLE MT	24	BLK-HFRIT	828 169.00
RHAME ND	3	BLK-HFRIT	800 164.00
BELFIELD ND	30	BLK-HFRIT	917 158.00
REEDER ND	1	BLK-HFRIT	885 157.50
BOWMAN ND	1	BLK-HFRIT	1105 156.00
REEDER ND	1	BLK-HFRIT	960 155.00
BELFIELD ND	2	BLK-HFRIT	1075 142.50

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 BD: 2-16-23 BW: 94 WW: 886  
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 10.7 2.6 85.3 128 6.5 28.3 70.7 127 80



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 MRL Discovery 21A x GW-WBF Substance 820Y  
 BD: 2-14-23 BW: 96 WW: 784  
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 10.2 1.8 75.8 122 8.2 20.0 57.7 120 76



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 CCR Wide Range 9005A x MRL Discovery 21A  
 BD: 2-9-23 BW: 80 WW: 876  
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 11.9 1.4 87.2 136 7.0 18.7 62.1 137 83



940L  
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 BD: 2-18-23 BW: 97 WW: 964  
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 10.7 1.7 76.9 125 7.8 24.8 62.8 126 77



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 BD: 2-7-23 BW: 90 WW: 869  
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 11.1 0.7 80.4 121 5.5 24.6 64.5 149 88



506L  
 3/8 SM 3/4 AN  
 CCR Cowboy Cut 5048Z x Connely Right Answer 746  
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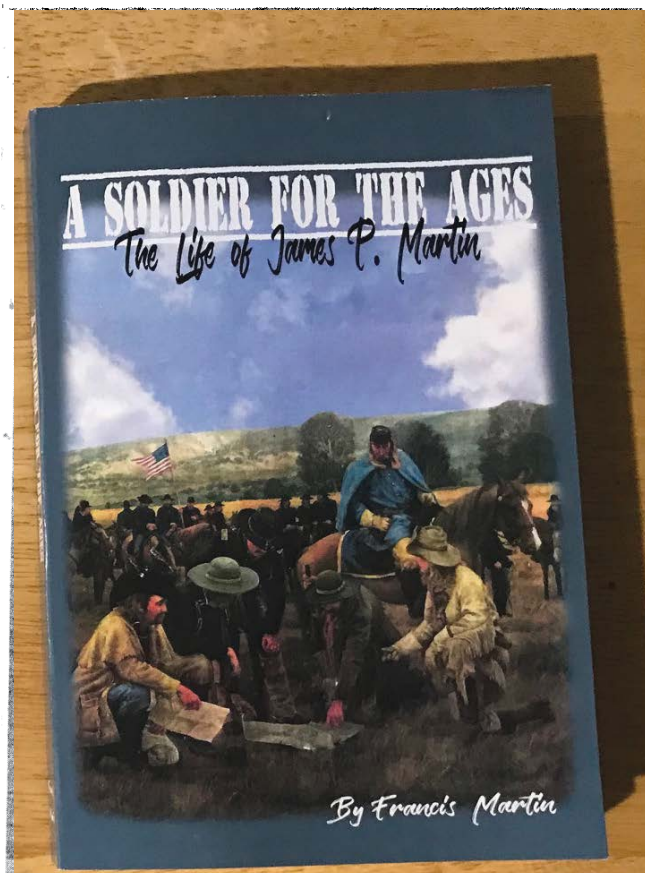
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be wrong. I'd guess that when the pilot turns on the lights, half of the chopper will disappear. It's getting ready for the daily afternoon rain right now. If he flies into fog, he'll turn on the lights, but I can't say for sure."

"What color was the wire?"  
"Yellow."  
"How many lines did you find?"

"Five."  
Georgi shook his head. "That's one too many."

The short ladder was still in place, but James and Georgi just dropped to the ground.

The two pilots were seated in the shade of the helicopter cabin. Georgi stooped down and told them to follow him.

They were maybe twelve feet from the passengers. Georgi was explaining to the pilots in as natural a voice as he could muster what James had found.

Later, James thought these two pilots should have been in the movies. They never twitched or looked anything but complacent.

"How far should I move them?"

"As far as you can fake it. Farther."

Suddenly, one of the suited passengers began yelling and gesturing to the others. They made a fumbled dash for the helicopter door. There was a fight for who got up the ladder first that only held them up a few seconds. Some of the younger ones jumped in the same way Georgi and James jumped out.

James and Georgi and the two pilots began walking away from the chopper. One of the mouthier passengers stood in the door with a handgun on them.

"You aren't leaving us here, you &#x26;\$@\*\*", or I'll fill you with so much lead you'll have to go on a diet!"

It was when the door began to slide shut that James knew it wasn't the taillight that would set off the bomb. It was the automatic door lock. Because of the heat, the door had been open since they had to land.

They ran and threw themselves in a dry wash and covered their heads.

The explosion was instant and ear shattering. Plastic, aluminum, glass, pipes, wires, and baggage jetsoned over their heads. One of the rotors buried itself in the dry wash about a foot from where James lay with his hands over his ears and his face in the dirt. Body parts dangled from trees and bushes.

Silence.

Slowly, cautiously, James rose up on his elbow and then stood up. A little fire was burning near what might have been a tank of some kind. He went over and snuffed it out by kicking dirt over it.

"About now we could use a couple of those security guys," Georgi said.

"They're guarding the helicopter we came in on," James noted, "The chopper is worth way more than we are."

"How are we supposed to get out of here?" The pilot asked as he tried to shake the dirt out of his shirt.

"The same way we got in here, I suppose," Georgi replied unshaken, "And we better get with it. There is no way that the Chinese will overlook this catastrophe."

He opened his toolbox and took

out a small camera. He hurriedly snapped dozens of pictures of the area.

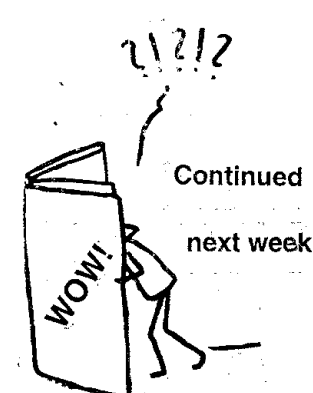
"We could make better time if we didn't have those toolboxes to carry with us."

"True, but we can't leave any evidence behind," Georgi insisted.

Going down the long steep slope was tougher than it had been coming up. Georgi stumbled and slid but he held on to the toolbox. The co-pilot waited for him to catch up and said, "Let me take that, Mr. Georgi."

Georgi wasn't too proud to share his burden. James was carrying the most. He stopped to brush the ants out of his hair. Then he had to take off his shirt as the ants were crawling down his back. The bug bite on his leg had swollen to the point that his pantleg was tight around his calf. Yet he struggled along without complaint.

They had made it across the wide cultivated valley when he heard an engine. "Listen!" The pilot shouted with his hand up.



## AREA COMMUNITY EVENTS CALENDAR

**First Monday of Every Month - Bowman, ND**  
Bowman Lions monthly meeting and dinner at 6:30 p.m. at Bowman Lodge and Convention Center

**Second Monday of Every Month - Scranton, ND**  
Scranton Lions monthly meeting at 6:30 p.m. at the Community Center.

**Second Monday of Every Month - Scranton, ND**  
City Board Meeting at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall

**Second Tuesday of Every Month - Bowman, ND**  
Southwest Cancer Survivors support group for anyone touched by cancer. 4:40pm • Pleasant Manor meeting room • 206 10th Ave NW. Questions call: 701-279-6603, 701-523-4657, 701-440-8344, or 701-440-8788.

**First Thursday of Every Month - Bowman, ND**  
**NOTICE TO ALL VETERANS:** Post 48 Local American Legion invites and encourages you to join our meetings. Back of the Crystal Bar at 7pm. For more info call Paul White, Adjutant, 701-574-3198.

**First Tuesday of Every Month - Amidon, ND**  
City Council Meeting at 8:30 a.m.

**Every Wednesday - Scranton, ND**  
Scranton TOPS meet at 9:00 a.m. in the Community Center.

**Third Wednesday of Every Month - Bowman, ND**  
**The Bowman/Slope Community Cupboard** is open from 3pm-5pm. No referrals necessary.

**Last Monday of Every Month - Check "Be the Light" on Facebook for the monthly location**  
Be the Light Suicide Support Group • 6:30pm. Everyone Welcome.

If you have a nonprofit, community event you would like published, free of charge, on the Area Monthly Community Events Calendar,  
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**SOLDIER FOR THE AGES**  
By Francis Martin  
**Continued from last week**

Georgi mulled this over and went inside the ship. The passengers were all in their seats. Their jackets were off, their shirts were open and sweat ran off their faces.

"Get these men out of here," Georgi told the pilot.

"I tried. They won't get out."

"Oh, they won't?" Georgi yelled, "If they want to get out of here alive then they better clear out of my way. I'm going to take a look in the tail and they're in my way."

One at a time, they began to come down the four-step ladder that was propped over the door sill. Georgi went to the cabin and told James to come with him.

He was as tall as James, but he wasn't as narrow. He opened the door to the tail and said to James, "Here, take the flashlight. Check every connection. If you see one that's been taped, un-tape it and check the connection. Check both walls and the ceiling. This is a commercial outfit and it's new. They might have changed since the last time I saw one of these."

James didn't ask Georgi why he didn't do it himself. It was so close he could barely crawl into it. Sans shade, it was over a 100° in there. He had his bandana tied around his head. There was no floor. He laid across the crossbeams so he could check the wires that came through a hole in the partition. He felt along the wire until he came to a junction. It had wire

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nuts but no tape. He checked it with a voltmeter and decided that it was all right. There wasn't room for him to go any further, so he followed the other lines with his fingers. There was another partition door about the size of a breadbox. He found the latch and opened it. Now the wire was over his head, and he was going over it by feel. There was a bulge on the line. It was taped clumsily. He could feel a loose end. A chill ran down his spine. He backed slowly out of the tail.

Georgi was about to ask him why he had come out until James gave him the 'mum' signal. "It's wired," he said Soto voz.

"Hot?"  
He nodded.

Georgi looked at the open door and back at James. The twelve men were standing outside in groups griping about the alleged shortcomings of the Air Cavalry and this helicopter in particular.

"We'll go down as if nothing happened," Georgi whispered to James. "The pilots are off to the front, I think. We'll tell them we need to move away from the passengers for a little conference. See, when we move away, the homo-sapiens will follow because they will think we're not telling the truth." He patted James on the shoulder, "How long?"

"It would depend on what sets it off. It looks to me like it goes to the taillight, but I could

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Basketball fans cheering on their Nighthawks and Eagles at Giving Hearts Night in Scranton Friday, January 26th.



Sheri Uecker and Kathy Kennedy of Hettinger enjoying their "Comfy Couch" experience!

### Giving Hearts Come Out In Spades for WRHS Foundation Night in Scranton!

By Ted Uecker, WRHS Foundation

The Scranton gym was colored red and white all over and reawakened with the most fans in a long time (fans literally came out of the woodwork, in spades so to speak); excited players, giving hearts everywhere and posters painted with "BELIEVE TOGETHER" and "GIVING HEARTS NIGHT" hung throughout the building.

On Friday evening, January 26th, West River Health Services Foundation, the fundraising arm for West River Health Services and Western Horizons Living Centers, along with their gracious and loyal partners Dakota Western Bank, Scranton Equity, Next Door Pizza, West Plains Inc., Kim Erickson Agency, Slope Electric Cooperative and Graphic Attic, hosted their "Giving Hearts Night with the Nighthawks & Eagles" at the Scranton School Gymnasium. It was SRO -- Standing Room Only; as Varsity, Junior Varsity and "C" squad boy's basketball

teams from Hettinger-Scranton and South Heart squared off in the adrenaline-fueled Scranton gymnasium.

Most fans arrived early to guarantee a seat! It was hot and sticky with the capacity crowd inside the Nighthawks Nest. Admission was complimentary via longtime partner Dakota Western Bank. Plus, in Dakota Western fashion, their Scranton Branch staff was there in red, ready to greet you at the door. In addition, the popcorn was Free, thanks to local Scranton pizzeria, Next Door Pizza. And all of the t-shirts and polos were donated to the players and coaches from both teams (including statisticians, student managers and 5th/6th grade players), by Scranton Equity, West Plains Inc., Kim Erickson Agency and Graphic Attic.

Most of the fans came sporting RED for Giving Hearts Night! Some had pants full of colorful hearts. Others sported red shirts from previous events. If not, we had new red t-shirts available at the greeting table for a gift of \$50 or more to our WRHS Foundation, with "commUNITY, Together We Win" on the front of the shirts. The general hope was that local fans might consider paying forward \$10 or more to their local 501 (c) 3 non-profit, WRHS Foundation, for their sixth Annual "Giving Hearts Day" fundraiser on February 8th. This is the largest online fundraiser in the state of ND and western MN. Over the last five years, the WRHS Foundation has raised nearly \$1.5 million leading into Giving Hearts Day. Every \$10 or more gift counts for GHD, via check to "WRHSF" with "Giving Hearts Day" written in the memo section or via credit card online at givingheartsday.org, then search "West River."

The "C" teams battled throughout their contest, with the Eagles winning in a close game by seven. At halftime, the Hettinger-Scranton 4th/5th graders stormed the court dribbling their new red and white basketballs (brought in special for the occasion) and wearing their new red and white Giving Hearts t-shirts. Based on their all-out hustle, skills and eagerness to compete, it appears that we could have a terrific team in

a few years. Some of them sure looked big for 5th graders! Of course, tall aint all!

The JV game was a lively contest, with South Heart sneaking out a narrow two-point victory. The contest went right down to the wire, with both teams having a chance to win! Again, the 4th/5th grade boys "hustled on the hardwood" for ten minutes. We're guessing they all slept well Friday night. As did we all!

Between the JV and Varsity games, a Live Auction for five seats on a "Comfy Couch" at halfcourt on the stage, was conducted by guest auctioneer Mark Zimmerman. The bidding was fierce and resulted in five seats being sold for an all-time high total of \$1,200! Special thanks to Kathy Kennedy, Fred Parnow, Anne Gruber, Dr. Josh and Dr. Carrie Ranum and Sheri Uecker for placing the winning bids. We hope you enjoyed your unending concessions from our guest waiter for the evening. However you were able to eat all of those tacos in a bag, hotdogs, candy, popcorn, water and pop was amazing! Next time, we'll shoot for two couches so you're not compressed like sardines!

The Varsity contest was lopsided in the home team Nighthawks favor, as they displayed a more physical and spirited performance than ever before. Possibly the excitement and hype with all of the fans and hoopla got our players more pumped up to really perform? No matter, they sure were hitting on all cylinders. And they're kind of on a roll!

Which led right into our "Slope Electric Cooperative Freethrows for Pledges Shootout" at halftime. For weeks leading into the contest, fans from around the world had the opportunity to pledge gifts for made or attempted freethrows by three former area greats and two current high school stars. Some gave flat total dollar pledges by individual or all five participants. By halftime Friday night, we had received 95 pledges totaling a possible \$14,595 raised (if the shooters made all 40 of 40 freethrows attempted).

First up was Owen Stuber, senior leader of the South Heart

Eagles team. He shocked the world and made all five of his freethrows, including the fifth moneyball (which counted for two points), giving him a total of 6 points! This is the first time in Giving Hearts Night we've had an individual make all of his/her shots. His partner, Maddox Pierce, Hettinger-Scranton's senior all-around athlete, made three of five, but hit the money ball to score 4 points. As "Team Madd-O," they accounted for 10 of 10! This is also the first time in "Giving Hearts Night" history we've had a perfect score for ten shots!

Next up were the former area stars. Dustin Honeyman looked real comfortable in his home gym, coming back home as a former star Miner forward in the mid 90's and growing up as a Reeder Rocket only 10 miles away. He swished 7 of 10, but the money ball went in and out! Brandon Pierce, former Nighthawks star and now the Assistant Coach, started out pretty good, but also couldn't get the money ball to go down. In fact, Brandon had a quite a few tough in and outs, ending with 5 of 10. Bill Butterfield, the two-time All-Stater and part of Hettinger's State Championship Team in '83, hit 4 of 10. It's not easy being out there all alone! But how nice of all of these men to shoot freethrows, to help us raise a few dollars for our local healthcare system? Next time, we'll shoot at the north end bucket!

Overall, it was a lot of fun! We hope fans, players and coaches enjoyed this Giving Hearts Night. We are grateful for our sponsors and our local communities. We, at the WRHS Foundation, are still hoping that everyone considers a \$10 or more gift to our cause, between now and February 8th. It only takes a \$10 check or a \$10 online gift at givingheartsday.org. Together we can keep improving our top-quality healthcare "close to home." Onward to New England on Thursday, February 1st, 4:00pm, for "Giving Hearts Night with the Tigers & Nighthawks" girl's basketball game in New England. We hope the fans come out in spades again -- with their giving hearts. We know our youth will be giving their all for their communities.

## ~ School News ~

### Elgin/New Leipzig Public School

- Sunday, February 4**  
Open Swimming 1-3  
Adult Water Aerobics 3:30 - 4:30
- Monday, February 5**  
BBB AB vs Flasher @ Elgin @ 5:30
- Tuesday, February 6**  
GBB AB vs Glen Ullin/Hebron @ Elgin @ 5:30  
Pre School 8:15 - 3:15  
Gr 4-8 Spelling Bee @ Carson @ 9:00  
No Open Swimming
- Wednesday, February 7**  
Adult Water Aerobics 3:30 - 4:30 & 5:30 - 6:30  
Pre School 8:15 - 3:15  
GCMR Ballot For Coop  
Mascot & Colors
- Thursday, February 8**  
GBB District 5 Play-in Game (if necessary) @ Mott/ Regent TBA  
Pre School 8:15 - 3:15  
BBB A-B vs Centr/Stanton @ Elgin @ 5:00 (Make Up Game)  
CDE Meeting @ Little I @ Fargo  
No Open Swimming
- Friday, February 9**  
JH BB @ Richardton/Taylor Tourney TBA  
BBB AB @ New England @ 5:30  
No School Teacher PD Day  
CDE Meeting @ Little I @ Fargo TBA
- Saturday, February 10**  
GBB District 5 Girls' Basketball Tournament @ Glen Ullin/Hebron TBA  
JH BB @ Richardton/Taylor Tourney TBA  
CDE Meeting @ Kindred TBA

### New England Public School

- Monday, February 5th**  
2:20 p.m. dismissal for AB BBB traveling to Scranton for 5:30 game
- Tuesday, February 6th**  
5:30 p.m. AB GBB vs. South Heart in the new gym
- Wednesday, February 7th**  
Religion Release begins at 2:10 p.m.  
o St. Mary's: K-10  
o Our Redeemer's: K-8
- Thursday, February 8th**  
TBA A GBB 1st Round Region # 7 Tourney
- Friday, February 9th**  
5:30 p.m. AB BBB vs. Grant County/Mott-Regent in the new gym

### Mott/Regent Public School

- Monday, January 29**  
HS BBB (AB) vs Flasher @ Grant County, 5:30; Parent's Night
- Tuesday, January 30**  
Policy Committee Meeting, 7:00 AM  
HS GBB (AB) vs Glen Ullin/Hebron @ Grant County, 5:30; Parent's Night
- Wednesday, January 31**  
GCMR Co-Op Voting  
Wellness Day, 7-12 Grades 12:00
- Thursday, February 1**  
HS GBB (A) District 5 Play-In Game @ Mott (If Needed)  
HS BBB (AB) Center/Stanton @ Grant County, 5:00
- Friday, February 2**  
No School - Professional Development  
JH BBB @ Richardton/Taylor Tourney  
HS BBB (AB) @ New England, 5:30
- Saturday, February 3**  
HS GBB (A) District 5 Tournament @ Glen Ullin  
JH BBB @ Richardton/Taylor Tourney

## Area School Calendar February 5<sup>th</sup> - February 10<sup>th</sup>

Bowman County					
5 4pm GBB (AB) vs Central McLean @ Trinity 5pm BBB (AB) @ Glen Ullin	6 4pm GBB (ABC) vs R/T @ Home	7 3:30-6pm Student Conferences	8 TBA GBB Districts Opening Round @ TBA 3:30-6pm Student Conferences	9 3pm BBB (ABC) @ Williston Trinity Christian	10 10am WR Ind. Regional Tourn. @ Killdeer TBA GBB Districts Qtr. Finals @ Glen Ullin TBA BBB C Jamboree @ Trinity Speech @ Bismarck
Scranton					
5 4pm BBB (ABC) vs NE @ Hettinger 4pm GBB (ABC) vs Beach @ Scranton	6 5pm GBB (AB) vs Garrison @ Hettinger	7	8 TBA GBB Districts Opening Round @ TBA	9 5:30pm BBB (AB) vs HC @ Scranton	10 10am WR Ind. Regional Tourn. @ Killdeer TBA GBB Districts Qtr Finals @ Glen Ullin
Harding County					
5 5:30pm BBB JH vs Baker @ Home	6 5:30pm GBB (AB) @ Dupree	7	8 4pm BBB (AB) 4:30pm GBB (A) vs Tiospaye Topa @ Home	9 5:30pm BBB (AB) vs H/S @ Scranton 2pm BBB JH @ Bison	10 10am WR @ Badlands Brawler
Baker, MT					
5 5:30pm BBB JH @ Buffalo	6 4pm BBB JH @ Glendive	7 2:15pm Early Out	8 4:30pm BBB JH vs Lemmon @ Home	9 2pm GBB/ 3:30pm BBB (AB) Senior Night vs Colstrip @ Home	10 10am BBB JH @ Glendive Noon BBB (ABC)/ 2pm GBB (AB) @ St. Labre

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**Benjamin Joel Greff Rites Held**

Benjamin Joel Greff, 10 month old son of Lucas and



Angela Greff, passed away at his home on Thursday morning, January 18, 2024, north of Mott, ND.

Mass of Christian Burial was held at 10:30 a.m. on Monday, January 22, 2024 at St. Henry's Catholic Church in Regent, ND. Private family burial followed in the St. Michael's Cemetery north of Mott, ND.

Benjamin Joel Greff was born on March 6th, 2023, to Lucas and Angela Greff. From the beginning he was a light to both the lives of his parents and to his six siblings. Having a baby in the house always causes excitement and each sibling tried their best to undermine their parents in spoiling Benjamin any chance they got. As a member of a bustling household, he was constantly entertained and entertaining his siblings and parents. He continued to develop and grow as a normal child until his parents suspected that he was lacking in certain milestones for development. After two separate trips to the Minneapolis Children's Hospital in

August and September he was diagnosed with a very rare genetic disease called Krabbe Disease that prevented his brain from breaking down white matter. This caused him to regress in both motor and cognitive functions until each respective major function shut down over the past five months. Once we received the diagnosis and knew we had a limited time left with Benjamin we spent even more time with him as his journey in this life came to an end. We were fortunate to have him stay home the entire time and through the Christmas season, so he was able to experience all the joy of a large family holiday and have a picture taken with Santa Claus.

Benjamin Joel Greff will forever be missed by his Parents, Siblings, and all of his immediate family but his life was not without purpose. He showed us how precious life is, how each moment matters, and that you can always lean on family for support.

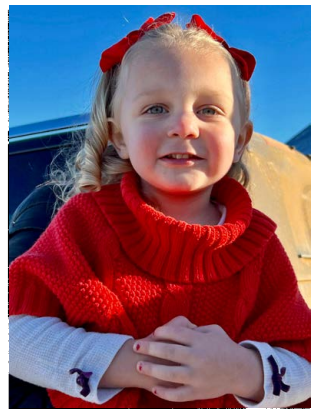
Benjamin is survived by his Parents, Lucas and Angela, His siblings Samantha, Michael, Simon, Jessica, Jacob, and Matthew, his Grandparents, Uncles, Aunts, and Cousins. Benjamin was preceded in death by his infant brother John Victor Greff.

**Be sure to read the obituaries - they are stories that inspire - although passed on they leave a legacy of inspiration. May we follow their examples.**

**Avery Beckman Rites Held**

Avery Beckman, age 2, of Prairie City, SD, tragically passed away in Prairie City, SD, on Sunday, January 21, 2024.

Funeral services for Avery were held at 11:00 a.m. on



Saturday, January 27, 2024 at the New Hope Worship Center in Lemmon, SD. Pastor Rand Bentley and Pastor Brad Burkhalter officiated. Burial was held at 3:30 p.m. on Saturday, January 27, 2024 at the Prairie City Cemetery near Prairie City, SD.

Visitation was held Friday, January 26, 2024 and started at 10:00 a.m. until 12 noon at the Evanson Jensen Funeral Home in Lemmon, SD. Visitation was from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Friday, January 26, 2024 at the Beckman Memorial Wesleyan Church in Prairie City, SD.

Avery is the oldest of two children born to Joshua Beckman and Kodi Swedlund.

In her 3 beautiful years she brought so much light, love, and happiness to everyone she met. With blue eyes, and chubby cheeks Avery had us all wrapped around her little finger. As she grew so did her curls that fit her crazy, independent personality. Avery was her daddy's "shop" girl, and little shadow that went everywhere with him. She never passed up an opportunity to be outside of the house, whether it was with her uncles, "mama" (grandma), or Papa (grandpa) out on the ranch doing chores and seeing all the sheep, cows, "neigh, neigh's", mama's' puppies, and "Papa's" kitties. Avery loved anything that kept her active including volleyball practice with mom, or even just playing outside at home with her kitties and her sissy. Avery was her daddy's little "shop" girl and would more often than not be covered head to toe in grease, oil, and dirt, but she also loved her tutu's, makeup, bows, and mommy's high heels. She loved her farm animals and cars just as much as her Minnies, and baby's. Avery also loved to chase balloons, watch airplanes, work on derby cars, stargaze and everything purple. She had to smell

every flower she walked past, and with a wildflower personality of her own you would often find her stealing daddy's tools, jumping in puddles, and loving all the little creatures she came across from grasshoppers, to salamanders. Though Avery was our 'busy' body she always had time for candy bars, and pop from daddy's shop stash, ice cream at home with mom, pizza at "mama's" or cookies with "papa". Avery Lynn was the brightest light and touched so many lives in the time God blessed us with her. There are no words to describe just how amazing our little blue eyed, curly haired wild child was to everyone around her. Avery gave her mommy and daddy so much joy everyday and taught us so much. We will treasure every second we had with her.

Avery is survived by her parents Joshua Beckman, Kodi Swedlund, her little sister Kathryn Blake Beckman; her grandparents Dan and Jenny Beckman, Jane and Richard Amiotte, and Kelly Swedlund; Her aunts, uncles, and cousins Dylan, Kaylee, and Skylar Beckman (cousin), Jaren, Paige, and Baby Beckman (cousin), Jaylie Beckman, Kevin, LaTia, and Katarina Swedlund (cousin), Kyle Swedlund, Brenden, Ashley, Maeve (cousin), and Spencer Amiotte (cousin); Her great grandparents Stanley and Mary Brixey, Janita Amiotte, and LaVerna Mateicka; As well as numerous extended family members. Avery was welcomed into Heaven by those who passed before her; great grandparents Daniel and Kathy Beckman, James Mateicka, Henry "Wayne" Amiotte, and Dennis and Barbara Swedlund.

Special thanks to auntie Kay, and the first responders who helped us in the first moments of our loss. We also want to thank our family and friends for the outpouring of love and support. You have all been a blessing to us in our time of need.

Avery was as wild as her curls and she loved to swing 'high' in the sky, and go down the slides 'so fast'.

All funds will be going towards a park in her memory in Prairie City, SD.

Condolences may be sent and a livestream of the funeral viewed at [www.evansonjensenfuneralhome.com](http://www.evansonjensenfuneralhome.com).

**Martha L. Holsti Rites Held**

Martha L. Holsti, 82 of Belle Fourche, SD, passed away on Sunday, January 21, 2024 at the Monument Health in Spearfish, SD.

Funeral Services for Martha were held on Saturday, January 27, 2024 at 1:00pm at the Spearfish Seventh-Day Adventist Church with a burial that followed in the Cave Hills Cemetery, rural Buffalo, SD.

I, Martha Lu (Boyd) Holsti, was born March 24, 1941 the second of six children to Earl Wesley and Ursul Mae (Woody) Boyd, in Adams County, Iowa. My young parents lived on 40 acres that Mother's parents



had given them. There was no house, only a barn. I was born in that barn, much to the horror of the physician attending the birth who wrote in the newspaper that he was aghast to deliver a baby just across from a bawling cow!

When I was a year old, our parents moved me and my older sister, Mary, to Washington state where Earl worked in the shipyards, building ships for the war effort (World War II). On the way through South Dakota, we visited my father's folks (William and Lulu Grace Boyd) who lived in Kimball, SD and celebrated my first birthday there. Throughout the years we came back to Kimball many times to visit. I proclaimed in my pre-teen years that I would never live in South Dakota and I would never marry a farmer, (both of which I ended up doing!)

Our family moved around some, living on farms in Oregon, Idaho, and California. Later, we moved and farmed in Missouri, Kansas, and Nebraska. When our father was attending pastoral college in Ohio and West Virginia, he moved the family to those places as well.

By the time I graduated 8th grade, I had been taught by 18 different teachers.

I graduated salutatorian of Odell High School at Odell, Nebraska.

By 1964, I had attained some college education and experience in teaching as well as in nursing. That year I came to Harding County, and accepted the job of teaching the Painter School, a group of all girls where Gordon Holsti's nieces attended. Gordon faithfully came to all the school programs and eventually I got acquainted with him and started helping him with ranch chores, painting corrals, checking cows, and cooking for him and Ida, his mother who became bed-ridden at the time.

December 23, 1965, we were married at the Cave Hills Lutheran church. Kenneth Burghdoff, one of my patrons at the Tarter/Slick Creek school, drove the team and wagon that brought me to the church. It was a simple but beautiful wedding. We were married nearly 51 years.

I graduated Black Hills State

University with a degree in education and psychology. For 9 years I taught one-room country schools, often with 1st through 8th grades enrolled there.

We were blessed in 1967 when John Boyd Holsti was born. Another blessing, Joseph Mark, was born in 1969. The boys spent a lot of time riding along on whatever equipment Gordon and I were operating at the time. Gordon welded barrels on each so that we could have them with us all of the time. I swathed hay for 40 years. I did summer fallowing, planted grain, combined and hauled grain to town. I broke sod, chisel plowed, and disked along side Gordon who had the matching piece of equipment. He did not have a matching swather, though.

Gordon and I raised the two boys who attended school in the area or wherever I was teaching school. One of the highlights of my life was our family trip to Europe when the boys were 11 and 13 years old.

Another highlight was visiting the Assemblies of Yahweh in Rocheport, MO; Eaton Rapids, MI; Frystown, PA; Sterling, IL, and Cisco, TX.

John married Melanie Stevens, another highlight of my life. They have two daughters, Morgan and Camille and live in Tennessee.

Mark lives on his place in rural Belle Fourche. I talked to him every day.

I loved to travel by bus, car, truck, plane, or train. I loved poetry and stories, writing them and giving oral presentations.

My latest challenge in life was learning to operate a smart phone. Hopefully I won't need it in the next life. The ultimate smart phone is the human body and I haven't figured that out either.

I lived in an apartment in Spearfish until I could no longer live alone and then moved into the Rolling Hills Nursing Home in Belle Fourche for about a week before having to go into ICU/Comfort Care at the Spearfish Hospital.

Yes, I truly was born in a barn and I really did raise my kids in a barrel. But it was all good.

Those who have gone before Martha: parents, Wesley and Ursul Boyd; infant brother, Paul Albert Boyd; her husband, Gordon Holsti; a brother Mark Boyd.

Left behind to grieve Martha are her two sons: John (Melanie) and Mark Holsti; her granddaughters Morgan and Camille; Martha's sister Mary Wallace, her brothers Luke and David, and nieces and nephews.

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## Delores B. Frieze Rites Held

Delores B. Frieze, 88, formerly of Mott, died on Tuesday, January 23, 2024 at Richardton



Health Center, with family by her side. A Mass of Christian Burial for Delores was held at 9:30 a.m., Tuesday, January 30, 2024 at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Dickinson with Fr. Justin Waltz as celebrant. Interment took place at the North Dakota Veterans Cemetery, Mandan. Visitation was on Monday from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Ladbury Funeral Service, Dickinson with a rosary and vigil at 7 p.m. with Deacon Leonard Krebs presiding. Visitation continued one hour prior to the Mass at the church.

Delores Betty Helfrich was born August 3, 1935 in Bentley, the daughter of Arthur and Anna (Lindemann) Helfrich. She was raised and educated in the Bentley area.

Delores was united in marriage to Mike Frieze, Jr. on October 13, 1954. She was employed as a CNA at the Mott Good Samaritan Nursing Home. Following her retirement, she worked part-time with her husband managing the Pheasant Manor Apartments. On June 2, 2023 she became a resident of the Richardton Health Center.

She belonged to St. Vincent's Catholic Church Women's Auxiliary. Delores enjoyed spending time with family and friends, playing games, drinking coffee, visiting, crocheting, gardening, canning, and loved traveling to casinos. She was known for being an excellent cook and baker, always having baked goods ready for visitors. She loved to listen to polka music.

Delores is survived by her children, Linda Frieze, Regent, LeeRoy Frieze, Valley City, Randy (Patty) Frieze, Albany, OR, Kyle (Stacy) Frieze, Dickinson, Scott (Nancy) Frieze, Mandan, LuAnn (Todd) Berger, Dickinson, and Gloria (Kerry)

Ulmer, Elgin; 15 grandchildren; 29 great-grandchildren; siblings, Mathew Helfrich, Billings, MT, Harvey (Katherine) Helfrich, Gillette, WY, Vince (Ella) Helfrich, Dickinson, Kenneth (Vicki) Helfrich, Lincoln, Mary Ann (Harry) Wiedmer, Tioga, and Louis Helfrich, Dickinson.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 67 years, Mike, on March 24, 2022; infant children, Peter and Peggy; her parents; step-mother, Magdalena; and siblings, Arthur, Anton, Gary, Clara Messmer, Betty Herner, and Patty Helfrich.

Arrangements were with Ladbury Funeral Service, Dickinson, [www.ladburyfuneralservice.com](http://www.ladburyfuneralservice.com).

## Virgil Hendrickson Rites Held

Virgil Hendrickson, 85, of Scranton, ND, passed away on January 23, 2024 at the West



River Medical Center in Hettinger, ND.

Funeral Services for Virgil were held on Sunday, January 28, 2024 at 3:00 p.m. at the Peace Lutheran Church in Scranton. Reverend Alex Thompson officiated with a burial that followed in the Peace Lutheran Cemetery, Scranton, ND. There was a Family and Friends Service for Virgil on Saturday, January 27, 2024 at the Peace Lutheran Church beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Virgil Norman Hendrickson 85 of Scranton, ND, the epicenter of his world, passed away peacefully at West River Health Services in Hettinger, ND January 23, 2024. Virgil was born on October 29, 1938, to Harold and Palma (Pierce) Hendrickson on their farmstead north of Scranton in Stillwater Township. Unfortunately, Virgil's parents both tragically passed away when he was very young. Virgil quit school in his early teens and went to work with his stepdad Walter Brew. He helped raise

nine of his siblings working in road construction with his stepdad. Virgil and Walter were very close, and he always referred to his stepdad as John Wayne. He taught Virgil his hard work, ethic and his love for horses. Virgil loved telling stories of his team of horses, Buttons and Ribbons and how he worked the fields and raked hay with them. This experience later led to his drawing, literally, thousands of horses just from memory. When asked how he could do that without looking at anything, he would always say, "I spent my youth looking between the ears of a horse!" Virgil only finished junior high school and never attended college. He was a student of life and of common sensical intellect.

When Virgil was 18, he joined the US Navy and served as an Ordnance Officer on the USS Bon Homme Richard CV-31 Aircraft Carrier. He crossed the Pacific Ocean 4 times during his service from 1957 until 1963. He spent most of his deployment in Japan. He was very proud of his military service to this country.

After discharge he spent a lot of his time at Donald and Bernadine Sipma's farm north of Scranton. Bernadine was Virgil's older sister. He and Cordell Eien were married on June 18, 1964. They lived in Dickinson, ND until they moved to Scranton where Virgil worked for Wagner Construction in Reeder, ND and on his wife's parent's farm with his in-laws, Elmer and Eleanor Eien. Virgil eventually went to work at Knife River Coal and worked there for 25 years until he retired in 1994. He continued to help Elmer and Eleanor on the farm. In the mornings if he worked the swing shift or the afternoons if the morning shift. Even when he had graveyard duty, he would still be at the farm later that morning or afternoon. Virgil and Cordell eventually operated the family farm until they retired and started to lease it to neighbors. He loved to work and even more so, help others with their work.

He was the Mayor of Scranton for 12 years after he retired from the coal mine. Everyone knew his campaign slogan, 'Over worked, Under paid and Under loved!' Knife River Coal, Eien Farms, the town of Scranton, and his family were everything to Virgil. Virgil and Cordell were actively involved in just about any and everything that went on in Scranton, Church, School, Community and State when he was a member of the ND Oil and Gas Commission while serving as Mayor of Scranton. He served on City Council for years before becoming Mayor. Church board, Community Club, Jaycees, instrumental in providing the machinery from Knife River for the development of the Scranton School Sporting Complex and doing the heavy lifting with even more machinery for the development of the Scranton Golf course. Helping lead Boy Scout Troop 71 with two of his best friends, Riley Ballweber and Frank Dilse. Always helping his kids with their 4-H projects and later would help Cordell while she was on the Bowman County Fair Board at the drop of a dime. Just like anyone or anything that needed assistance. Like the shepherd of his flock of sheep on the west end of town and eventually on the farm, always watching for that one lost sheep, or child, or person, or activity that was being left behind. Just as Christ has taught. It was said by his

best friend's son Mark Pierce, "Big Virg was a mountain of a man with a heart bigger than his body."

Virgil's wife Cordell passed away in October of 2017. Her passing left a void that could not be filled. He had a great support system of family, friends, and relatives that kept him happy, but that void was present until his last breath. But now, it is well! That void has been filled with Virgil and Cordell's reunion on the grandest farm ever tilled and a city that even Virgil's epicenter Scranton cannot compare to. Virgil's shoes are probably too big to ever be filled, but the lessons of how to lead a helping, caring, supportive, joyful life, no matter what hardships are thrown your way, is the legacy Virgil leaves as an example for all to follow.

Virgil is survived by his children Paul (Cathy) Hendrickson, Renee Hendrickson, Tanna Hendrickson, Kjrsten (Bill) Meckert, Grand children Jacob, Emma, and Eleanor (Elle) Mina. Todd (Yvonne) Hendrickson and children Chad, Desirae, and Amber. Brothers Leroy Hendrickson, Raymond Brew, Sister Phylis (Ron) Gibson.

## Goldie Baker Rites Held

Goldie Baker, age 96, of Hettinger, ND, passed away on Friday, January 26, 2024 at the



Western Horizon's Care Center in Hettinger, ND.

Memorial services for Goldie were held at 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, February 1, 2024 at the United Methodist Church in Hettinger, ND. Rev. Laurie Kidd officiated. Burial in the Hettinger Cemetery will be at a later date.

Goldie Mae Bartels was born on August 14, 1927 in a tar paper shack in Adams Coun-

ty, ND by the Chandler Store. Her parents, Milton and Ethel (Haynes) Bartels homesteaded in Adams County. Goldie attended a country school in the area for her first 8 years of grade school. Her family attended a little country church on the Cedar River called Cedar Valley Church. During high school Goldie roomed in Mott, ND and worked at the Mott Cafe.

In 1945 Goldie went to Beauty School in Bismarck, ND. After getting her beauty license, she worked in Mott for a short time. She married Ervin Oelke and to that union three boys were born - Reid, Rhys and William. She divorced and moved to Hettinger and worked at Marty's Beauty Shop. She married Leo Grunstead and to this union two more children were born - Robert and Jody. She started Goldie's Beauty Shop in the front of their home.

Goldie enjoyed dancing, golfing, bowling, horseback riding, reading, traveling and playing cards, especially Bridge.

In 1977 after Leo and Goldie's divorce, she moved to Missouri for a short time with family. She settled in Sapulpa, OK and worked in a Montgomery Wards store and managed an apartment complex there. She married C.B. Baker while in Oklahoma but when he passed away, she decided to move back

to Hettinger, ND. She always felt Hettinger was her home.

Goldie's life revolved around her family and friends. Many elderly in the Hettinger area had Goldie as a caregiver before transitioning to the nursing home.

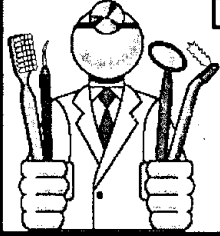
In 2010 Goldie's health started deteriorating so she entered the Western Horizon's Care Center until her death on January 26, 2024 at the age of 96.

Goldie had seven brothers - Lloyd, Kenneth, Merton, Gene, Glenn, Stanly and Arthur, who all preceded her in death along with her parents, Milton and Ethel. She has one sister, Myrtle Ruth LaMont, Kansas City, MO, four surviving children, Reid (Lauree), Ely NV, Rhys (Carla) Belle Fourche, SD, Robert (Vicky) Sparks, NV and Jody (Allan) LeFebre, Hettinger, ND. One son William Oelke died of brain cancer at an early age. Goldie's children, grandchildren, great grandchildren and great-great grandchildren were her pride and joy.

Cremation has taken place and inurnment of her ashes will take place at a later date in the Hettinger Cemetery.

Condolences to Goldie's family can be sent through our website at [www.evansonjensen-funeralhome.com](http://www.evansonjensen-funeralhome.com)

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**Thoughts for the Week**

by June Schmidt

It seems to me that children do not see the need to read anymore. With the amount of technology that there is in the world now, reading is taking a backseat. It could be a combination of watching too much television at home and doing a lot of boring worksheets in school. Once children lose interest in reading, it's hard to get them back. The motivation to read also tends to decrease as kids get older. Reading is like any other skill. This decline in reading closely tracks the rise of social media and smartphones. It is surprising when you look at statistics as it shows that approximately two-thirds of American children are unable to read with proficiency. An astounding 40 percent are essentially non-readers.

How did it happen that our children can no longer read or have any desire to read? Coming from a family that read magazines and newspapers and books on a daily basis and being a proliferate reader myself I find that this is truly a sad situation. I am sure it is not as prevalent in our area and most probably much more common in the big cities, but that becomes something that is starting to trend for us as well. It was standard practice when we were kids that when we questioned what something was about to be told to 'go look it up' and with groans and moans, we had to haul down the book on the subject and find out for ourselves, then report back to our elders what we had found. Having Google at our fingertips, means that we no longer have to look

up anything in a library nor do we have the entire Encyclopedia of Information series in our homes. Somehow that means that we lose something in that kind of progress. It is essential to learn how to research to be able to find solutions to problems, expand knowledge and advance our understanding of the world.

Reading challenges our minds and sparks our creativity. It makes us see things in our 'minds eye' rather than simply interpreting someone else's vision. Reading is good for you, it doesn't matter how long the book is, just the act of reading increases your knowledge and knowledge is power. Just because you take a few minutes of your day to look at some form of social media for your information, does not make that the right way to find out what you want to know. Social media brings content to us in short bursts. We receive snippets of information here and bits of information there. We train our minds for the immediate gratification rather than the satisfaction received at the end of a long read.

Reading a book helps us start something and finish it - no matter how long that book might be. Knowledge is Power is something that has aided the weak in overcoming their suppressors. Knowledge unlocks hidden mysteries. Knowledge helps free the innocent and bridges the gaps between us and helps us to understand ourselves, others and the world.

Having come from a reading family, it is harder for me to understand when there are families that do not read, or read very little. From a young age, my Mother and Father read to me

until I learned to read for myself, and then I sat with them and read my books while they read theirs. My Mother was a great fan of Earl Stanley Gardner books and my Father was more eclectic, having membership in a book club, which was quite surprising if you would have known my Father. However, he read a great number of books from various authors. When I was old enough, I learned the joys of getting a box of books from the State Library in Bismarck. You would write them as to what kind of books that you wanted to read and then they would send you a box filled with the kind you requested. My first box consisted of 5 books, which I promptly devoured in 5 days and returned them with a request for more. My next box

was 10 books, again I read them all in less than 2 weeks and returned them. The third box and those following were always 30 or more books. Guess the gal that filled that out was a bit tired of doing the same thing in a short period of time.

What I am trying to say is that we need to go back to some of the basics of life. We need to see that our children can read and we need to teach them the joy of reading. As with any skill, if we don't do it, how do we expect our children to do it and show their children how? We have forgotten how simple some of our joy can be and what we can teach our own children. It does not need to be a teacher that shows our children how to read or how much fun it is, that is something we can do. It can start with the simplest of books and once a child figures it out, it is much more likely that they will continue to find out that reading can be fun and possibly more fun than the latest program on the television. If you don't try, how will you know if it will succeed? If we don't start, soon we will be in the same statistics that they show for the rest of the Country and that would truly be a shame. It is said that great things come from small beginnings. Maybe this can be one of them. God Bless you all.

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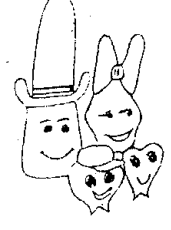
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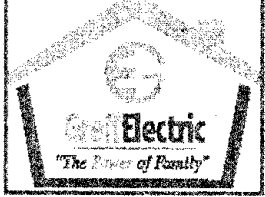


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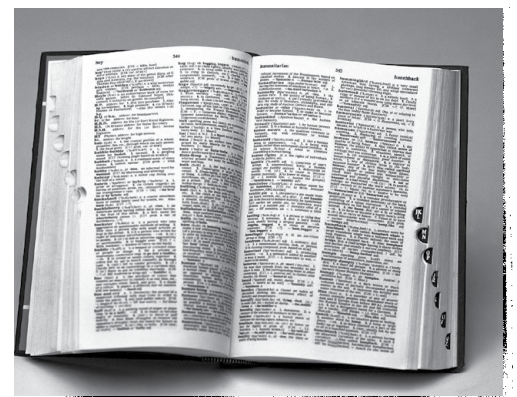
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**Wordsmith**

I wrote a book called 'YOU DON'T SAY.' It is a book of quotations. "Quotations by no one in particular and everyone in general."

1 "There's nothing out there but rattlesnakes and cowboys and sometimes it's hard to tell the difference."  
 2 Elaborate coffins are a pathetic attempt to evade the carbon cycle.  
 3 When I die, I want the floor swept clean behind me; all trace of me gone, nothing left.  
 4 If cleanliness is next to Godliness, this would make you the Anti-Christ.  
 5 Man is a very successful kind of parasite that is destroying its host.  
 6 A certain man had his eye put out in a car accident when he hit the St. Christopher statue on the dashboard. He was blinded by religion.  
 7 A compromise is an agreement that satisfies no one.  
 8 A child who is uncertain of his date of birth is a classic symptom of family disfunction.  
 9 Nobody is ever divorced 100%. There is always residual affect.  
 10 There is a price to pay for daring to dream.  
 11 He died of chronic bitterness.  
 12 The creator of a masterpiece died in the throes of post-partum depression.  
 13 If you don't stand for something you are liable to fall for anything.  
 14 She had cancer of the personality.  
 15 The yard was so small it looked like a grass throw rug.  
 16 Every man must risk something so that in the end he does not have to risk everything.  
 17 Time is a great teacher. Unfortunately, it kills all of its pupils.  
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Pastor Beth Parks  
Our Redeemer's Lutheran Church (New England) and Zion Lutheran Church (rural Regent)

Recently I led the worship service at a local nursing home, and I was reminded that music reaches people and sticks with people in ways that words alone cannot. Some of the people that attended that worship did find "I Love to Tell the Story" on page 38 just fine, but many needed help turning to that page. More could sing along than could find that page, but everyone knew about that story we love to tell. That's why they came to worship on that Tuesday morning: they knew, they had experienced, they have shared the story "of Jesus and his love."

With energy and enthusiasm, they sang this song that they knew very well. The apostle Paul writes in Ephesians 5 about singing "psalms and hymns and spiritual songs". We Christians have been singing since our very beginnings, starting with the psalms, and adding to our collection with every generation.

In church, we often sing the same songs over and over again. This helps put them into our memory, so they are available when we need them. They remind us of the God who loves us, each and every one of us, and of the love we have for God. They teach us about what God has done in our lives and in the world. They give us words for those times when we don't have any of our own. Songs help us tell the story of our life, our faith, and all the troubles and joys we experience.

What songs stick in your mind? Songs you learned at camp or with the Girl or Boy Scouts? Hymns from church when you were growing up or more recently? The popular songs on the radio from high school or that special love song you shared with your sweetheart? Or that annoying 'earworm', that song that sticks in your memory for days? All of these are part of your own life story, helping to express a particular time or place or event that has shaped you into the person you are now.

If there's a song that has come to mind as you read this, you might go find it and sing along, even if it's in the privacy of your car or bathroom. If it is really important in shaping your life, you might share it with your family or pastor or include it in your funeral plans. Today, I invite you to join me and those elders at that nursing home worship service, as we all declare through this song that "I love to tell the story; 'twill be my theme in glory to tell the old, told story of Jesus and his love."  
(Katherine Hankey, 1834-1911)  
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### Beach Firearms and Trap Club Is Formed

The North Dakota Wildlife Federation (NDWF) is an association of local clubs (affiliate clubs) and individuals from across the state of North Dakota. Founded in 1935 by hunters, anglers, trappers, and farmers, who rallied around a common mission and vision, NDWF provides a single united voice in the interests of North Dakota's wildlife and habitat resources. The North Dakota Wildlife Federation is a grassroots organization, which protects and enhances North Dakota's wildlife, wildlife habitat and access to that habitat, and promotes hunting, fishing, trapping and other wildlife related activities through education, programs, and projects.

The NDWF wants to welcome and share the news of its newest affiliate club Beach Firearms and Trap Club in Beach, ND. This club is newly formed after being combined with the local Pheasants Forever Chapter for the past few years.

The club decided it wanted to focus on supporting the Beach High Trap Team and other projects that support youth in outdoor hunting and fishing skills. The new club members were approached about opportunities with the NDWF for grants that would help them accomplish these goals.

Beach Firearms and Trap Club applied for and was awarded a \$2500 grant to help meet their costs of supporting the Beach High Trap Team (BHTT). This grant will support the 20 plus shooters on the team with ammunition, attending the State tournament in Fargo, and other equipment needed for the sport. The BHTT was established 7 years ago and holds weekly practices during the spring season. A practice or competition event will consist of shooting two 25 target rounds for a total of 50 targets from the 16-yard station. Up to five athletes (squad) will occupy the stations on a trap field. Station

one is assigned the "squad leader".

Trap and Shooting sports are one of the fastest growing sports in the United States. The sport at the high school level started in neighboring Minnesota when Jim Sable from the Plymouth Gun Club noticed that all the shooters at his local gun club were older than him and there was a need to recruit the next generation to the sport. Since 2001, the sport has taken off and is now in 30 states with over 40,000 participants.

NDWF wants to encourage clubs to support shooting sports through 4-H programs, High School teams, events, and local clubs. That is why there are several opportunities for funds to do this work. Check out our website for these opportunities. <https://www.northdakotawildlife.org/grants>

The other benefit of being an affiliate club of NDWF is the network of other clubs around the state of North



Beach High School Trap team at the North Dakota State competition last year.

Dakota. You become a part of a group where resources, ideas, and concerns about fishing, hunting and outdoor issues can be shared, and solutions can be found.

North Dakota has a rich history with Rod and Gun clubs, Sportsman clubs, Wildlife clubs, Wildlife Federations, or whatever the club goes by, but all have the same mission. Preserving and nurturing an apprecia-

tion for the outdoors. Clubs like Beach Firearms and Trap Club are working to nurture the next generation. North Dakota Wildlife Federation wants to work with those clubs to make sure this is possible.

For more information on the Beach Firearms and Trap Club or the Beach Highschool Trap Team contact Ryan Thompson [ryant@midstate.net](mailto:ryant@midstate.net) or call 701-260-

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For more information on the North Dakota Wildlife Federation contact Cara Greger at [cgreger.ndwf@gmail.com](mailto:cgreger.ndwf@gmail.com) or call 320-808-4897.

Submitted by Cara Greger, Western ND Conservation Coordinator, ND Wildlife Federation, stationed in Bel- field, ND

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