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Eido Connect's
Philosophy for 2026

Different “Walk With Me”

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Again I saw him - but walked on the other side of the street - really didn't want to meet him again - not a very upbeat man one would want to be seen with - kinda dirty - not really dirty - just a little sun worn clothes - little unshaven - you know - kinda looks out of place in our community - - So - I will just avoid him - and not to sure what he wants cuz every time he sees me - he just questions me - come walk with me - so.

Josie continues her story. I met this man one day in the park. It was hot, muggy - I was sitting on the park bench trying to cool off - thought I was alone, admiring the soft breeze on the tree tops - helped cool me slightly - when out of no where this man came walking up to me.

Surprised but not afraid, for others were around, he came closer then asked - want to walk with me - I smiled said no thank you - and he walked away.

Afterwards, I felt kinda - not sad but maybe remorseful - he looked kinda lonely - maybe he had no friends - I should have been kind and at least talked to him -.

Oh, well - he left and I was again admiring the flowers, green grass and believe it or not - I was thankful I had said No to him. Had much more important things to do - buy groceries - check my emails - play a few games - make supper.

Anyway - next day - lunch hour I again went to the park - and this time he was sitting on the park bench - had to walk by him to get to my favorites spot - again he said - “Walk with me!” - not today - - busy maybe tomorrow -.”

Darn - what did I just say as I hurried away. No way do I want to walk with this man - I'll just stay away from the park - maybe he will leave - wonder why he keeps bugging me.?”

Avoided the park for a week - then the more I thought about it - how dumb - what am I afraid of - so - Josie continued -.

A beautiful day for a walk in the park - and there he was - almost like he were waiting - almost like he knew I would walk with him, he got up, came over to me and we began our walk -.

He took me down a path I had never been - sure was pretty - then he did something very strange - He



began picking up little rocks - when he saw one he just picked it up -.

I never questioned - it was as though he were going to explain later - not much was said - kept walking - then we came to beautiful pool - I have never seen - didn't even know it was in the park.

The water was crystal clear - he took a stone from his pocket - told me “watch” as the stone skipped across the water - ripples formed - going - going - to the edge of the water - “Beautiful,” I thought wow what one tiny stone can do.

He bid farewell - thanked me for the walk - and was gone - as I continued my journey home - turned on the car radio - storm warning - price of wheat down - war in Iran - shootings -.

That night as I readied for bed I thought about the walk - peaceful - quiet - then I thought about the world around - turmoil - fell into a deep sleep.

I was a little child. Mom was telling us a story about a young boy and a huge giant- this giant had everyone petrified - all except this young boy who believed he could make a difference - so took out his tiny rock.

Jocie woke from her dream - goes for walk - says okay - collects tiny rocks for she knows what beautiful things come from one walk - one tiny rock and one tiny believing.



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ENCHANTED HIGHWAY

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The new kiosk sign at the Deer Crossing metal sculpture. Vandalism had shot holes in the previous sign.



Things are changing on the Enchanted Highway. Gary and Dave are working on the changing of kiosk sign at the Grasshopper in the Field metal sculpture. At the time of this writing the Geese in Flight, Deer Crossing, Grasshoppers in the Field and Teddy Rides Again have new signage on the kiosks. The Fisherman's Dream, Pheasant Family and Tin Family are scheduled for this coming week to have the new kiosk signage installed.

The Enchanted Highway Foundation Board again thanks everyone who has donated and contributed to foundation. Donations either go to maintenance of the metal sculptures or invested in an endowment fund where only the earnings will be used in the future to maintain and promote the Enchanted Highway and the metal sculptures.

Rich Wardner,
Board Chair

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for letting us know the good
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Bowman County Fair Parade Celebrates America's 250th with Patriotic Theme

BOWMAN, N.D. — The Bowman County Fair Parade returns to Main Street in Bowman on Sunday, August 9, at 12:00 p.m., celebrating community spirit and America's 250th anniversary with this year's theme, "Red, White, and Blue, 250 Looks Good on You!"

Community members, businesses, organizations, and clubs are invited to participate by entering a patriotic float. Parade lineup begins at 11:15 a.m. at Bowman City Hall. Awards will be presented for the best decorated floats, offering participants an opportunity to showcase their creativity and community pride.

Spectators are encouraged to arrive early to find a great viewing spot and enjoy one of the highlights of the Bowman County Fair.

For parade questions or additional information, contact the Bowman Area Chamber of Commerce at 701-523-5880.

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Sat. July 25
Sun. July 26

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(R) 7:00 pm. Sat.
(NL) 8:00 am. Sun.
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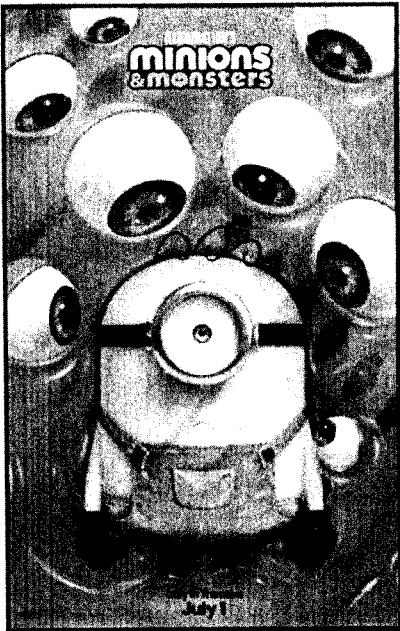
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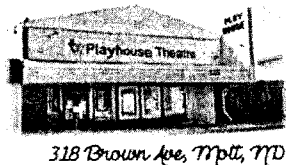
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July 31 & Aug 1-2



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Cloud Seeding Operations Summary for July 13-19, 2026

BISMARCK, N.D. — Southwestern North Dakota experienced hot and dry weather conditions last week as an upper-level ridge built into the region.

In the District 1 operations area, which includes Bowman and part of Slope Counties, no operational flights were flown last week.

A continuation of hot and dry weather conditions are forecasted for this week with highs near 100 degrees for the upcoming weekend.

Radar facilities in Bowman operate around the clock during the NDCMP. Radar images can be viewed on the Department of Water Resources' web site at <http://www.dwr.nd.gov/arb>. The NDCMP will continue through the end of August.

Western Plains Public Health Hold Area Clinics

Wednesday, August 12
(Carson) Footcare - Carson Manor (410 Grant Street, Carson) 12:30pm - 2:00pm MT. Call Western Plains Public Health at 622-3591 for an appointment.

Wednesday, August 12
(Carson) Immunizations - Carson Courthouse at Western Plains Public Health (106 2 Avenue NE, Carson) Clinic hours are between 9:00am - 12:00noon MT. Call 622-3591 for an appointment.

Thursday, August 13
(Glen Ullin) Footcare - Glen Ullin Senior Center (110 S Main Street, Glen Ullin) 12:30pm - 1:30pm CT. Call Western Plains Public Health at 622-3591 for an appointment.

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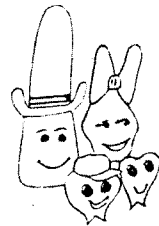
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Thursday, July 30 - Blueberry French Toast,
Sausage Patty, O'Brien Potatoes, Hot Spiced
Apples, Milk
Friday, July 31 - Pasta with Meat Sauce,
House Salad w/dressing, Glazed Carrots,
Garlic Bread, Milk

North Dakota Facts and Figures



WORKFORCE SAFETY INSURANCE (WSI)

North Dakota Workforce Safety insurance is the state's exclusive provider of workers' compensation insurance, dedicated to workplace safety and employee protection. The North Dakota workers' compensation insurance is financed through premiums paid by employers. The question some may be asking is this a tax? Yes, it is and it does affect everyone because the employers treat the premiums that they pay to Workforce Safety Insurance (WSI) as a cost to do business and the cost is passed on to the consumer or recipient of the service. This article is not pros and cons of WSI but that it is a low cost fee or tax to the citizens of North Dakota. The following are some facts about North Dakota's Workforce Safety Insurance.

Fact #1: Currently WSI has a record number of employer accounts 27,700, employing 420,000 North Dakotans.

Fact #2: Over the past 10 years, injury rates (Claims) have fallen by 21%. Safety programs that have been added such as Serve and Protect, Safety Technology Grants and the Get Home Safe North Dakota Initiative promoted by the WSI and are proving effective, plus employers have become increasingly safety minded.

Fact #3: North Dakota has the lowest rate of all 50 states of 58 cents per \$100 of payroll. The three highest are New Jersey at \$2.44, Hawaii \$2.27 and California \$2.16 per \$100 of payroll. Surrounding states South Dakota \$1.30, Montana \$1.46, Minnesota \$1.46 and Wyoming \$1.86 per \$100 of payroll.

Fact #4: WSI has increased benefits in the areas of allowable death benefits, scholarship awards for dependents of deceased workers and vehicle and home adaptations for those critically injured.

Fact #5: Litigations are at an all-time low. Less than one half of one percent of all decisions ended up in an administrative court hearing.

Remember the legislature set all of the rules for Workforce Safety Insurance and the Staff at Workforce Safety must follow the law. The legislature has a committee that hears from injured individuals who feel they were not treated fairly. The legislature has made corrections and improvements to the WSI rules and regulations over the past ten years.

You may be wondering, "Who gives a rip about WSI premiums?". The bottom line is that it is a hidden tax that employer's figure in their "cost of doing business" and we as consumers of goods and services pay it in the end.

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Not:

By Kathy Craig Harteis

It's unusually hot here in North Dakota.

Even having grown up in California where high summer heat is the norm, I still struggle with the heat.

I can't believe I was ok with driving a 54 Ford and a Volkswagen bug with no air back in the day I did it. I guess I was just happy to have wheels.

I'm hoping to get into the pool today. Yesterday it was too hot to be out there, even in the pool.

I'm getting ready to welcome my darling niece Sonya for a visit. It'll be an adventure for the California girl. She's looking forward to sharing the North Dakota lifestyle and exploring the wonders of the prairie. She's wants to pet a cow!

She's really my cousin but her mom (my dad's baby sister) grew up with us and was more my sister than my aunt. Thus; Sonya calls me Aunt Kathy.

In recent days we lost a longtime friend Bev Wolff. Bev and her late husband Darrel have treated me like family for as long as I've been in North Dakota. Auntie and Uncle to me and mine, I loved and appreciated both of them.

Bev never stopped missing Darrel these many years he has been gone.

She was devout in her faith. I have no doubt that they are together again in heaven. There is a sense of peace when one of God's children is called home. We know our loved ones are fine and blessed. They have gone home. It is those left behind who grieve.

We have been blessed by many in our lives.

Miss them we do, but the joy of knowing them remains. Life is good today.

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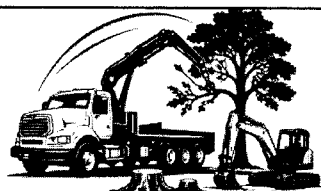
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| National Parents Day | |
| National Uncle and Aunt Day | |
| National Coffee Milkshake Day | |
| Natl. Disability Independence Day | |
| Monday 7/27/2026 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:00am Move N Grove Monday 2:00pm Discuss and Decide August Wall Decorations |
| National Love is Kind Day | |
| National New Jersey Day | |
| National Creme Brulee Day | |
| Tuesday 7/28/2026 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:00am Shopping at Downtown Mott 10:30am Chair Exercises in the Solarium 12pm ELDERCARE MEAL ALL ARE WELCOME 1:00pm Card Players in the Solarium 2:00pm Work on August Wall Decorations 3:00pm Gracie Visits 5:45pm Music at the Bandshell – Queen City Band "country western" |
| National Buffalo Soldiers Day | |
| National Milk Chocolate Day | |
| National Soccer Day | |
| Natl. Nature Conservation Day | |
| Wednesday 7/29/2026 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:00am Chair Exercises in the Solarium 10:00am Keep Your Faith Going with Pastor John 2:00pm Candy Bar BINGO |
| National Lipstick Day | |
| National Chicken Wing Day | |
| National Lasagna Day | |
| Thursday 7/30/2026 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:00am Mass with Father Kadrmas 10:30am Chair Exercises in the Solarium 12pm ELDERCARE MEAL ALL ARE WELCOME 12:30pm Bridge Players 12:45pm Spa Day for Nails 2:00pm Octagon Game 3:00pm Book Club with Father Kadrmas 9:00am Spa Day Hair Care 10:30am Fitness Friday in the Solarium 12pm ELDERCARE MEAL ALL ARE WELCOME 2:00pm Make Guacamole and Enjoy |
| National Friendship Day | |
| Natl. Support Public Education Day | |
| National Whistleblower Day | |
| Natl. Paperback Book Day | |
| National Share A Hug Day | |
| Friday 7/31/2026 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:00am Sit N Be Fit Chair Exercises 2:00pm Left, Right, Center Dice Game 4:30pm Mass at St. Vincent's |
| National Avocado Day | |
| National Mutt Day | |
| National World Ranger Day | |
| Natl. Lifeguard Appreciation Day | |
| National Raspberry Cake Day | |
| Saturday 8/01/2026 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:00am Sit N Be Fit Chair Exercises 2:00pm Left, Right, Center Dice Game 4:30pm Mass at St. Vincent's |
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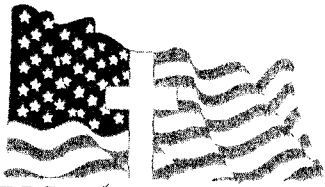
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Christian Life

Fr. Ben Franchuk - St. Charles, Bowman; St. Mel's, Rhame; St. Mary's, Marmarth

For my reflection this week I want to quote an ancient writing from a letter to Diognetus that appears in the Office of Readings that I pray:

"Christians are indistinguishable from other men either by nationality, language or customs. They do not inhabit separate cities of their own, or speak a strange dialect, or follow some outlandish way of life. Their teaching is not based upon reveries inspired by the curiosity of men. Unlike some other people, they champion no purely human doctrine. With regard to dress, food and manner of life in general, they follow the customs of whatever city they happen to be living in, whether it is Greek or foreign.

And yet there is something extraordinary about their lives. They live in their own countries as though they were only passing through. They play their full role as citizens, but labor under all the disabilities of aliens. Any country can be their homeland, but for them their homeland, wherever it may be, is a foreign country. Like others, they marry and have children, but they do not expose them. They share their meals, but not their wives. They live in the flesh, but they are not governed by the desires of the flesh. They pass their days upon earth, but they are citizens of heaven. Obedient to the laws, they yet live on a level that transcends the law.

Christians love all men, but all men persecute them. Condemned because they are not understood, they are put to death, but raised to life again. They live in poverty, but enrich many; they are totally destitute, but possess an abundance of everything. They suffer dishonor, but that is their glory. They are defamed, but vindicated. A blessing is their answer to abuse, deference their response to insult. For the good they do they receive the punishment of malefactors, but even then they rejoice, as though receiving the gift of life. They are attacked by the Jews as aliens, they are persecuted by the Greeks, yet no one can explain the reason for this hatred.

To speak in general terms, we may say that the Christian is to the world what the soul is to the body. As the soul is present in every part of the body, while remaining distinct from it, so Christians are found in all the cities of the world, but cannot be identified with the world. As the visible body contains the

invisible soul, so Christians are seen living in the world, but their religious life remains unseen. The body hates the soul and wars against it, not because of any injury the soul has done it, but because of the restriction the soul places on its pleasures. Similarly, the world hates the Christians, not because they have done it any wrong, but because they are opposed to its enjoyments.

Christians love those who hate them just as the soul loves the body and all its members despite the body's hatred. It is by the soul, enclosed within the body, that the body is held together, and similarly, it is by the Christians, detained in the world as in a prison, that the world is held together. The soul, though immortal, has a mortal dwelling place; and Christians also live for a time amidst perishable things, while awaiting the freedom from change and decay that will be theirs in heaven. As the soul benefits from the deprivation of food and drink, so Christians flourish under persecution. Such is the Christian's lofty and divinely appointed function, from which he is not permitted to excuse himself."

All Christians are called to live in this world but not to be of this world. Our focus is to remain focused on God and His presence in every aspect of daily life. Know of my continued prayers that we may grow in faith by living the Christian life.



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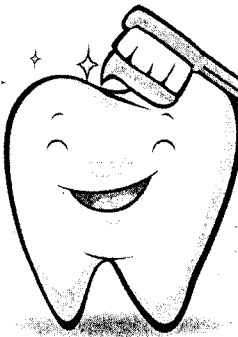
Bids for leasing of hay land in the Bowman-Haley Recreation Area are being accepted by the Bowman County Water Resource District. The area being leased is the south side area of the dam and is approximately 300 acres. Hay shall be cut on or after August 1st, 2026. Only one cutting is permitted. **Hay shall be removed from the area by Sept. 15, 2026.** Bids should be in writing and submitted to one of the board members, Paul Fischer, 8306 160th Ave. SW, Rhame, ND 58651, Chanell Walby, Box 1109, Bowman, ND 58623 or Bowman Co. Water Resource Dist., 9706 137th Ave. SW, Scranton, ND 58653.

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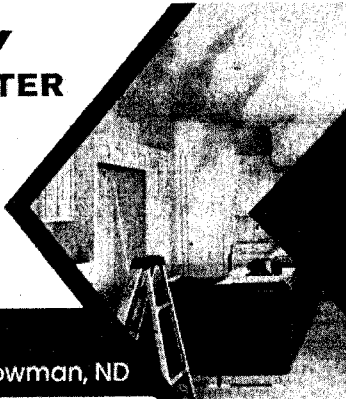
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Daylight Savings Time. Do we really have any idea what it is? The U.S. and Canada call it that but, the European Union refers to it as "summer time" and Wikipedia says it is "the practice of advancing clocks to [in theory] make better use of the longer daylight available during summer by having darkness fall at a later clock time." For me, it's just...stupid and messes up my sleep each time it happens. I mean, the Egyptians figured out in 1500 BC how to use the position of the sun to determine Noon on their sundials (shadow clocks), and that worked for over 3,000 years, so, what prompted Ontario, Canada, to monkey around in 1908 at Port Arthur and Fort William; and, then, the German and Austro-Hungarian Empires going full speed commencing on April 30 1916? I was always taught, if it ain't broke, don't fix it! And, have these guys, historically, had good ideas all the time?

As of 2023, +/- 34% of the world's population still plays this game. In the United States, Wikipedia says, "it is observed everywhere except the states of Hawaii and Arizona (within the latter, however, the Navajo Nation does observe it) and the territories of the US." Again, why? There is no historical evidence to support the practice and, frankly, again, it's a pain in

the backside twice each year. In 1784, Benjamin Franklin even suggested that if the French couldn't wake up on time in the summer, they were wasting money on candle and oil usage, but, they should leave the clocks alone. Amen! Proponents simply say, the practice gives us an extra hour in the summer. I mean it's bad enough in North Dakota where my car changes time zones 3 times (back and forth) on a 100-mile trip to Bismarck taking the southerly route. Add daylight savings time to the mix and, my brain simply melts down. I want to stick with the other Ben Franklin observation, "Early to bed and early to rise..." you know the rest.

So, as Congress (the Senate now) fumbles around with the House's Sunshine Protection Act passed on July 14th, the former wants to make daylight saving time permanent, thus, eliminating, the biannual clock changes each spring and fall. Despite the fact that virtually 2/3rds of us want that change, the Senate seems to be split between the North and the South again as the bill languishes while the parties try to decide whether daylight savings time or, standard time will be the permanent norm. I really don't care as long as we opt for one or the other. What are the odds? They can't seem to agree on anything else, so... Have a great week!



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Scranton's Future Business Leaders of America Compete at National Leadership Conference

Scranton's FBLA (Future Business Leaders of America) seven National Qualifying Chapter Members attended the National Leadership Conference in San Antonio, TX, June 29 – July 2. The event attracted more than 16,000 middle school and high school students, educators, and volunteers from across the country. The NLC provides education, competition, and networking opportunities centered on business.

Students qualify for national competition by competing at the State Leadership Conference held in Bismarck in March. Competitors must place first, second, third or fourth place at the high school level and first or second at the middle school level. Competing, representing Scranton Public School were: Sawyer Weber - Spreadsheet Applications Layla Krinke - Representing as State Champion - Impromptu Speaking Isabelle Palczewski - Introduction to Retail and Merchandising Management Tripp Mack - Voting Delegate Logan Mausehund, Zander Evans, & Aidyn Fisher - Broadcast Journalism

Sawyer's proficiency earned her a 9th place national finish. The test required Sawyer to demonstrate her abilities within spreadsheets. She had to show mastery of skills such as formatting, formulas, and IF statements through creating spreadsheets during a one-hour test period.

"FBLA NLC is an experience in growth and building entrepreneurial and life skills." Shared adviser Laura Weber.

Ms. Weber and her co-adviser, Ms. Jana Anderson accompanied the students to NLC. Aidyn Fisher, Scranton FBLA President "NLC was a great opportunity for us to display our hard work and get out of our comfort zones for a week." Additionally, student members heard from Jared Ebersole, FBLA high school alumnus and co-founder of Lectec, who shared his journey from FBLA member to entrepreneur, and what it takes to build, fail, and lead.

"This year's National Leadership Conference showcased the incredible talent and dedication of our student members," said FBLA President & CEO Jennifer Woods. "From analytical thinking to dynamic communication, they demonstrated the skills that will shape tomorrow's workforce. These students leave San Antonio not only with well-earned recognition, but also with new connections, confidence, and a clearer path toward their future careers."

Future Business Leaders of America, Inc. is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) education association with more than 200,000 middle school, high school, and college members worldwide. FBLA inspires and prepares students to become community-minded business leaders in a global society through relevant career preparation and leadership experiences. The association is headquartered in Reston, Virginia, just outside of Washington, D.C. For more information, visit fbla.org.



2026 National FBLA Scranton High School Competitors: Zander Evans, Tripp Mack Logan Mausehund, Aidyn Fisher, Sawyer Weber, Isabelle Palczewski, Layla Krinke

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Rock the Block is proudly hosted each year by the Bowman Area Chamber of Commerce. Thank you to our generous sponsors, vendors, volunteers, and community partners whose support makes this event possible. We also extend our appreciation to everyone who joined us for a fun evening in downtown Bowman. We look forward to seeing you again next year!



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3:00 - 8:00 pm

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11:00 am - 5:00 pm

12:00 pm

1:00 pm

1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

5:30 pm

8:00 pm

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Round Robin Showmanship

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8:00 - 1:00 pm

8:00 am

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Reflections on the Words of Life

by Pastor Paul Ferrie, Grace
Reformed Church of the Lord
Jesus, New Leipzig

Last time in our study we considered the end of 1 Peter 3, which deals with the sufferings of the Lord Jesus Christ and His victoriously emerging from them. Chapter 4 begins by drawing out important implications for those who are trusting in the Lord Jesus Christ as their Savior and Lord. Peter 4:1: "Therefore, since Christ suffered for us in the flesh, arm yourselves also with the same mind, for he who has suffered in the flesh has ceased from sin." When Jesus suffered on the cross, the extent of His sufferings were unto death. Remember that the wages of sin is death (Romans 6:23). As Jesus hung on the cross, He bore the actual sins of all of His people and paid their price in full.

Now Peter calls on believers to have the same attitude as that of their Lord. He says,

"Arm yourselves also with the same mind." Believers in Jesus Christ need to be willing to suffer to any extent in following their Lord. Again we must remember how the last chapter ended. Yes, Jesus suffered, and His sufferings were necessary in order to provide the perfect payment for His people's sins. But He did not stay dead! He rose again. And He is now reigning as the omnipotent Lord. Believers in Christ need to be prepared to suffer for the sake of the Lord Jesus. But like Christ's sufferings, theirs are also temporary.

Peter goes on to say that the believer is not the person he used to be: "For he who has suffered in the flesh has ceased from sin." The word translated "has ceased" is in the perfect tense. In Greek this refers to something which was completed in the past and has ongoing results. When Peter says that the believer has ceased from sin, he is talking about something that has been completed. But we ask, "How can Peter say that believers have ceased from sin, when we obviously sin every day?" Here is what Peter means: Jesus died once for all His people on the cross, He paid the penalty for sin in full and dealt with it completely. When a person believes in

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Submit sealed bids marked "Propane Bid" on the envelope to Jennifer Morgan, City Auditor, Box 128, New Leipzig, ND 58562.

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Christ, he or she becomes one with Christ. This means that the victory over sin which Christ accomplished also belongs to the believer. And even though the believer still continues to sin in this life, he can truly say that he has ceased from sin because his being one with Jesus Christ guarantees that one day he will sin no more.

Another example of this concept is found in Romans 6:18: "And having been set free from sin, you became slaves of righteousness." Paul cannot mean that the believer no longer sins because in the very next chapter he talks about the tremendous struggle with sin which every believer experiences. What he meant is that the believer has a new master. The Lord Jesus Christ—not sin—is the Christian's Master. And by conquering sin, Jesus has guaranteed that sin will be conquered completely in every one of His people.

In the early part of the Revolutionary War, it seemed certain that the colonies were going to lose to the British. But finally, a victory came at Trenton, New Jersey. And from that point, Washington's army grew stronger, and the British lost more ground until finally, America won her independence. In the same way, the believer's struggle with sin is a very severe one in which it seems at times that the flesh is going to win. But it is not going to win because Jesus Christ already



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defeated it at the cross. And although we lose many battles, the overall outcome of the war is certain. Sin will not have the ultimate dominion over believers. One day, they will be delivered from it completely.

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7:00am - 11:30am

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Tuesday, August 4, 2026
2:30pm - 3:00pm

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7-18-25

In family life, love is the oil that eases friction, the cement that binds closer together, and the music that brings harmony.



Clarence "Otto" Vetter Rites To Be Held

Clarence "Otto" Vetter – August 3, 1932 – November 21, 2025

The funeral for Clarence "Otto" Vetter will be held on August 3rd at 9:30am at the Zoar Congregational Church, 212 Dakota Avenue, Mott, ND 58646. As we honor his life, we invite friends and family to share their favorite memories about Clarence and the many ways he touched the lives of those around him.

Following the funeral service, military honors will be held outside the church, followed by a luncheon.

It is with a heavy heart that we announce that Clarence "Otto" Vetter, age 93, former-



ly of Mott, ND, passed away on November 21, 2025, in Loveland, CO. He was born to Adolph and Mathilda (Wiege) Vetter on August 3, 1932, in Hebron, ND.

Otto, has called both Hebron and Mott "Home". He grew up in Hebron, N.D. and graduated from Hebron High School in 1950. He proudly served as a staff sergeant in the Air Force from 1951-1955 and was stationed in Germany at Ramstein Air Force Base during the Korean War. Following his military service, he studied accounting in Dickinson, ND, which led him to his primary career and passion in banking. He started his career as a teller in Hebron, followed by an examiner for the state of North Dakota, and finished his 22-year career in 1994 when he retired from the Commercial Bank of Mott.

Outside of Otto's career, he was very involved in community service. He was an active member of the American Legion for 72 years, and was a member of the Mott Volunteer Fire Department. On a more personal level he also spent his lifetime quietly supporting oth-

ers in need.

It's touching to see what Otto himself noted as the most meaningful moments of his life. As a young man, he cherished attending Boys State in 1949, an experience that shaped his sense of leadership and purpose. That same year, he bravely saved a seventh grader from drowning in the Hebron Dam, an act of courage that reflected his character throughout his life. Otto took great pride in sports and loved to share stories of his athletic days; if you asked him, he was quite the athlete. Later in life, Otto developed a love for golf and had two holes in one in his career. While we all know better, he insists it was total luck and not skill.

Above all, Otto treasured his family. He often said how blessed he felt to have stepchildren and grandchildren in his life, and he adored his siblings, nieces, nephews, and the many dear friends who shared countless rounds of golf and good times with him. Otto loved his best friend and devoted wife, Diane, who stood by his side through every chapter. And at the heart of it all, Otto loved his Lord, whose presence guided him throughout his journey.

Otto was married to Leona Schaible from July 28, 1984, to June 1, 2000, with stepchildren LeeAnn Messer (Schaible), Valerie Scott (Schaible), Roland Schaible, and the late Rebecca Wentler (Schaible) and the late Rick Schaible, as well as their spouses and numerous grandchildren.

On May 18, 2001, he married Diane Friedt with stepchildren Carri Weller (husband DJ Fuchs), Scott Friedt (wife Wendy), the late Lorri Jones (husband Darrell), Dana Miller (husband Pat Payne), and Jessica Friedt. He also acquired six grandchildren - Chris (and Christina), Lindsey (and Jordan), Andy (and Joanna), Seth, Erica (and Colton), and Olivia, and two great-grandchildren

(Owen and Mosley). In July 2023, Otto and Diane made the decision to move from Mott to Loveland, CO, to escape the cold winters and to be closer to family.

In addition to Otto's parents, he has a sister, Florence (Vetter) Riedlinger, of Bismarck, ND, and a brother, the late Delbert Vetter of Comfort, TX. Otto is preceded in death by his parents, Adolph and Mathilda Vetter, and brother Delbert Vetter.

Memorial donations may be made in memory of Clarence "Otto" Vetter to a charity of your choice.

In Otto's own words as he reflected on his life, "He was never a hero. He just served his time as a proud American. He loved his Lord and had a good life. A simple life is what he led, and that is what he wanted."

Delores Kathleen (Oster) Thormodsgard Rites Held

Delores Kathleen (Oster) Thormodsgard, 96, passed



away on July 12, 2026, at Western Horizons Care Center in Hettinger, ND.

Delores was born on April 15, 1930, on her grandparents' farm near Scranton, ND, to Peter and Katherine Oster. She attended Scranton Public School, graduating as valedictorian of the Class of 1948. During high school, she worked at the Albion Hotel dining room and as a telephone operator for Northwestern Bell. She was active in choir, glee club, and pep club, and co-captained the girls' basketball team to an undefeated district championship.

After graduation, Delores went to work at Arnold's Garage in Hettinger. As office manager, she handled everything from bookkeeping and the parts department to whatever else needed to be done. There she met Dale Thormodsgard, whom she married on June 24, 1951, at Peace Lutheran Church in Scranton. Together they shared 63 years of marriage and raised six children on the family farm.

After moving to the farm in 1953, Delores managed the books for several small businesses from her home while raising her family. She later served as clerk for Taylor Butte School for more than 20 years until the school closed.

In 1972, Farmers Union Oil Company asked Delores to help in the bookkeeping depart-

ment. What was expected to be a short-term position became a 32-year career. She eventually became office manager and retired at age 74.

She was a longtime member of Richland Church, where she taught Sunday School and was active in Ladies Aid. She also served in the Title I program at Hettinger School, was an Adams County 4-H leader for more than 20 years, and taught sewing to many young people. After moving to town in 2011, she volunteered with the Council on Aging and the Clothes Closet.

Delores moved to Western Horizons Assisted Living in February 2021 and to Western Horizons Care Center in November 2023, where she received compassionate care until her passing.

Delores enjoyed gardening, sewing, baking, and working outdoors. She took great pride in her vegetable garden and flower beds and loved sharing what she grew with family, friends, and neighbors. Family was the most important part of her life. She loved teaching her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren the skills and values that meant so much to her and was always proud of their accomplishments. Her favorite saying about her family was, "There's not a bum in the bunch."

Delores is survived by her children, Susan (Peter) Anderson of Lodgepole, SD; James (Lynne) Thormodsgard of Miles City, MT; Neil (Karen) Thormodsgard of Ismay, MT; Allen Thormodsgard of Edmond, OK; and her son-in-law Dean Erickson of Bismarck, ND; 15 grandchildren; and 30 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Dale; son Norman Thormodsgard; daughter Kathy Erickson; daughter-in-law Vonda Thormodsgard; her parents, Peter and Katherine Oster; brother Harold Oster; grandson Mark Thormodsgard; great-granddaughter Saylor Anderson. Condolences to Delores' family can be sent through our website at www.evansonjensenfuneralhome.com

The Funeral Service for Delores was held at 10:30am, Saturday, July 18, 2026 at the Centennial Chapel of Evanson Jensen Funeral Homes in Hettinger, ND. SAM Barb West officiated and burial followed at the Hettinger Cemetery.

Visitation was held one hour prior to the Funeral at the Centennial Chapel on Saturday.

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Betty Kusler Rites Held

Funeral Service for Betty Kusler, 94, of Baker took place at 10:00 am Friday,



July 24, 2026 at First Baptist Church in Plevna with Pastor Jason Castleberry officiating. Burial followed the luncheon at Bonnievale Cemetery in Baker.

Prayer Service was held at 7:00 pm Thursday, July 23, 2026 at Stevenson Funeral Home in Baker.

Visitation was from 6:00-7:00 pm Thursday, July 23, 2026 at Stevenson Funeral Home in Baker.

Betty Kusler entered into the arms of her personal Lord and Savior on July 19, 2026 at Fallon Medical Complex.

Lorain (Schueler) Kusler was born December 5th, 1931, to John and Emma (Losing) Schueler in the Elizabeth Hospital in Baker, Montana.

attended all her school years in Baker, graduating in 1949.

She married Leroy Kusler, in Baker, on September 11th, 1949, and became Life partners for 59 1/2 years! To this union five children were born: Kathy, Darrell, Connie, Carleen and Doug.

Betty started babysitting when she was in the 8th grade, she worked at the Red Owl grocery store and the Economy grocery store, cooked at the Baker Hospital for 12 years and worked for Tiers Studio for 2 years and while her daughter, Connie, operated her sewing shop, Creative Stitches, she worked doing the alterations that came into the shop and she was the bookkeeper for Kusler Electric for many years.

Betty took a big interest in Family Tree's which led her to working with her cousin, Gloria (Kusler) Follmer and they created a book with the entire Kusler family tree. She also helped others in their search for family members, which led her to document all the births, marriages and deaths that had ever been published in the Fallon County Times, entering well over 72 thousand names into the Fallon County library's computer system.

She was a 4-H leader for 14 years, a member, and President several times, of the Adventure's Homemakers Club since 1958. Member of the Baker Senior Citizens for 8 years, member of RSVP for 8 years where she would go the library and listen to young students read and help them with their reading and spelling, she was Committee member of her 50th class reunion in 1999 and of the All Class Reunion in 2000 and a Fallon County election judge for many years. In 2000 she was named Senior Citizen of the Year for Fallon County. Betty was the keeper of history, collecting obituaries, honoring every deceased in

Fallon County.

Betty has been an active member of the Plevna Baptist Church for many years, serving as both the President and Vice President of the Plevna Mission Circle where one of their duties included make bandages, diapers and blankets to send to the missionaries in Africa. She sang in the choir for many years and taught Sunday School and Vacation Bible School.

She was very adventurous and would seldom back down from trying new things!

Sadly, we know of at least two things mom wanted to do in her lifetime, but the time of a willing and able body just ran out. 1. Ride in a hot air balloon. 2. Hang gliding.

Betty is survived by her children: Kathy (Walt) Stieg of Billings/Custer, MT, Darrell of Summerville, SC, Connie (Gary) Lang of Plevna, MT, Carleen (Eddy) Susa of Baker, MT and Doug (Lisa) Kusler of Everett, WA.

12 Grandchildren: Ryan (Jill) Stieg, Aaron (Sarah) Stieg, Tyler (Kristen) Stieg, Jeff (Stannell) Kusler, Steve (Anna) Kusler, Joni (Karsten) Finseth, Josh (Lisa) Lang, Nichole (Jake) Hould, Neal (Victoria) Susa, Heather (Ryan) Borman, Darin (Danielle) Kusler, and Holly Kusler.

And so far, 33 Great Grandchildren!!

Other than one Sister-in-Law, Sarah Schueler, Betty has outlived her generation of close family relatives and is preceded in death by: her Parents, Husband LeRoy in 2009, brothers, sister and their spouses Herbert and Helen Schueler and Richard Schueler, Violet and Bob Baird, Edmund Freier, Lynn Holm and Idella Holm, Glenn and Bonnie Kusler, Arleen and Verle Graham, one Grandson, Kurt Kusler and one Great Granddaughter, Elyse Finseth.

As kids we would often hear Mom talk about praying that God would spare her from having to bury one of her own children, He has been faithful in sparing her that heartache.

Along with her strong faith in Jesus Christ, Mom passed down, many sayings and thoughts to us kids, some that she heard from her own Mom:

1. How important it is to have the younger generations smile and speak to us, as we get older.

2. It is important to enjoy reading

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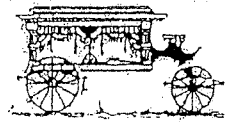
4. A smile doesn't cost you anything (and Mom always had a beautiful smile!)

Today we say, "see you soon" Mom! You have helped in teaching all of us kids to love the Lord and to have the assurance that we will all meet again someday!

The family would like to extend their heartfelt thanks to the staff of The Villa for the compassionate care, kindness, and friendship they shared with Betty throughout her years there. They also express their sincere appreciation to the doctors, nurses, CNAs, and kitchen staff at Fallon Medical Hospital for the exceptional care and compassion they provided. Your kindness and dedication brought comfort to Betty and meant so much to her family.

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Western Plains Baptist Church Moves Services to Saturday August 1st, 2026

One of the greatest resources that we as followers of Jesus Christ have is our copy of God's Word. As Christians to build our relationship with Jesus stronger daily, we read and study the Bible and pray for His guidance and direction for our lives as in His plan for us. Jeremiah 29:11 says, "For I know the thoughts that I think towards you, says the Lord, thoughts of peace not of evil, to give you a future and hope. God knows the plan that He has for us as individuals. Now, we take that same verse and apply it to our Church. As Pastor and leader of Western Plains Baptist Church my calling is to do for our Church as I do in my personal life. I pray for God's guidance, His direction and His Will for Western Plains Baptist Church and how He would allow our Church to move forward into the future. In my studies of the Gospels in the New Testament, I come to realize something that was very wrong about what our Church was calling the Lord's Day. As I got to studying deeper and allowing the Bible to verify and interpret itself, I found that we had missed the mark of the Lords Day and was following a 1705-year tradition of man by calling Sunday the Lord's Day. When we look in the Bible, letting the Bible provide the answer to this question, What Day is the Lord's Day. We first go to Genesis Chapter 2:2-3 and on the seventh day God ended His work which He had done, and He rested on the seventh day from all His work which He had done. Then God blessed the seventh day and sanctified it, because in it He rested from all His work, which God had created and made. Now we look to Exodus 20:8-10 Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it Holy. Six days you shall labor and do all your work. But the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord your God. In it you shall do no work; you, nor your son, nor your daughter, nor your male servant, nor your female servant, nor your cattle, nor your stranger who is within your gates. Here now we need to look at Deuteronomy 19:15 one witness shall not rise against a man concerning any iniquity or any sin that he commits; by the mouth of 2 or 3 witnesses the matter shall be established. As we study the Bible from Genesis to Revelation, we see

God applying His words to His actions by allowing multiple verses to verify the Sabbath as His day. We now go to the New Testament and see how Jesus responds to the Sabbath as the Lord's Day. In Matthew 12:1-8 Jesus is confronted by the Pharisee's for the Disciples plucking grain heads from the field and eating them. When Jesus finishes the conversation in Matthew 12:8 Jesus say's, For the Son of man is Lord over even the Sabbath. In Mark 2:27-28 Jesus has this same conversation again with the Pharisee's and here Jesus say's, the Sabbath was made for man, and not man for the Sabbath. Therefore, the Son of man is also Lord of the Sabbath. Now we go to Luke 6:5 again, Jesus is having this conversation with the same Pharisee's about the disciple's plucking heads of grain from the field to eat and again Jesus said to them, The Son of man is also the Lord of the Sabbath. Here again in the New Testament God has allowed 3 or more witnesses to confirm that Jesus is the Lord of the Sabbath, the 7th day of the week. Now in John 19:42 God used the 2 witnesses at the burial of Jesus. Joseph of Arimathea and Nicodemus was given the authority by Pilate to remove Jesus body after His crucifixion. This was done in haste to have Jesus body laid to rest as it was of the Jew's Preparation Day. This was the time you had everything done by sunset, because the next day was the Sabbath Day, the tomb was in a garden close to where Jesus was crucified. John 20:1 says now the first day of the week Mary Magdalene went to the tomb early, while it was still dark, and saw that the stone had been taken away from the tomb. We see in Luke 23:56 Then they returned and prepared spices and fragrant oils. And they rested on the Sabbath according to the Commandment. Luke 24:1 Now on the first day of the week, very early in the morning, they and certain other women with them, came to the tomb bringing the spices which they had prepared. In Mark 16:1 Now when the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James and Salome bought spices that they might come and anoint Him. 16:2 Very early in the morning on the first day of the week, they came to the tomb when the sun had risen. Lastly, we look in Matthew 28:1 Now after the Sabbath, as the first day of the week began to dawn, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary came to see the tomb. We see 2 or 3 witnesses that the Sabbath is the 7th day and the first day of the week is not the Lord's Day. My reason to share these Bible verses is to show just how important it is for us to read and study the Bible, to really study and allow God to teach you, His Word. The Most important possession that we own is our Bible. a True copy of God's Word is Genesis to Revelation. If you add to or take away from His Word, then the true harmony of how God wrote His Word is destroyed. In Matthew alone, the Old Testament is referred to 60 plus times. Western Plains Baptist Church will be moving our worship time to Saturday at 10:00 beginning August 1st, 2026. My name is Pastor Julian Burgess and my number is 605-461-6727. If you have questions or want more information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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Southwest Healthcare Auxiliary will meet on the second Wednesday of April, May, June, Aug., Sept., Oct. & Nov. at 1:30pm at the Sunrise Village. Anyone is welcome to join.

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. 4:30pm • Bowman Regional Public Library • All are welcome to attend our meeting.

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 Tom Bakken, Adjutant, 701-440-8364.

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.

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Thoughts for the Week

by June Schmidt

There was a lot of talk last week about the guy that got hit with the Bison in Yellowstone park. It's good he survived as it was a pretty big hit and it only underscores that we are not the biggest thing on the planet. We don't rule the world and we need to make space for the animals. Yes I know he said he was in the 'safe space' recommended by the park rangers, but outside, on foot with an animal in plain site that weighs over 2000 lbs is not a safe space. People not raised around animals have no concept of size and strength of an animal of that size. Most of them have never seen any animal outside of a zoo bigger than a dog. So was it really a safe distance away? I guess in retrospect, it wasn't.

We who live in a farming community have more experience with animals, but it's getting harder to explain our lifestyle to the rest of the world. With the majority of people living in an urban area, the concept of farming and ranching is becoming something that we need to explain rather than have it understood. In fact, those people in urban areas sometimes don't have any idea where the food that they eat comes from. They just routinely go to the local grocery store, maybe a Publix or a Whole Foods or a Wal-mart and there it is. Packaged in a neat cellophane bag or more than likely in a box in the freezer section and they heat it up and voila, there is their food. There is no milk delivery, but you can get your groceries from Amazon dropped at your door from anywhere in the world if it's not a perishable product. And don't worry about having to learn to cook your meals, you can get a kit if you want to play at cooking that tells you what you got and how to prepare what's in the box. And if that's too much for you, just order pre-prepared meals that you pull out of your freezer and pop in a microwave or a special little oven. No need to learn to cook! So what's in our future? Are we going to get those little meal pills like they used to have on the Jetsons? Don't laugh too loud, it may happen.

So back to the experiences with animals and the fact that most people only know cats and dogs out there in the world. But they don't know them very well either. They see that cute little puppy or kitten in the store or online and they want one. They have this vision of how wonderful it would be to have one that you can cuddle with and that will love you no matter what. And that part is true, but what they don't have any concept of is how to take care of them. Not everybody, obviously, some people are great with their pets. They buy them the special foods and all the toys

and beds and spoil them so much that sometimes their cat or dog is so overweight, they have literally loved it to death. They dress them up in little matching outfits, and they parade them on the internet with thousands of pictures. Is this love or obsession? Seems odd to me but what do I know! But what they often don't do is respect the breed. If you get a big dog, its generally a working dog and you think when you come home at night that you can relax, but you need to walk that dog. You can't leave it locked up in a cage all day, which to me is cruelty and then expect it to lie down beside you quietly. It needs to work and run and burn off that energy or it will destroy your house just to have something to do. That's not being kind to an animal, that's just wrong. Don't have time for your pet? Don't get one. Get yourself a furry stuffed animal that can sit on the shelf until you are ready for a cuddle and then when you are done, you can put it back on the shelf. Love your animals, but think before buying if you don't have room for one or don't have the energy to care for them properly.

We all want our kids to know the joys of having a pet, but they have to be just as committed to the pet as you are to your kids. If your kids don't want to take care of the pet all the time, and I mean all the dirty little jobs that go with them, please be kind to the pets and say no. There are lots of unloved and uncared for pets in the world, so don't add to the problem. And if you do have the desire, go to a shelter or somewhere that you can get one that someone else gave up. They need you more than you need them. And if you can't do that, donate to someone who's taking care of what you can't. It's expensive to feed and care for a pet and those that do it out of love, need help once in a while. God Bless you all.

Have faith, greater things are on their way



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RECIPE OF THE DAY

VIRGINIA BARS

1 Box Lemon Cake Mix
1 Stick Butter or Margarine
1 Egg

Mix above ingredients together until well blended. Press in to a 13 x 9 greased pan.

3 Cups Powdered Sugar
8 oz. Cream Cheese
1 Egg

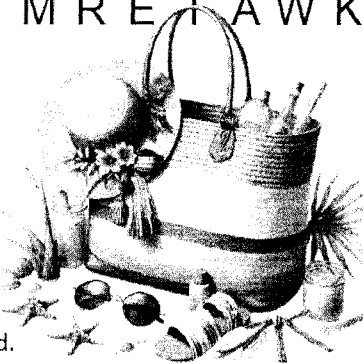
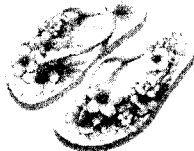
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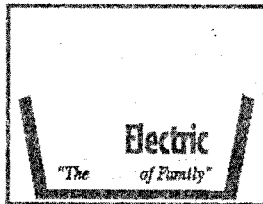
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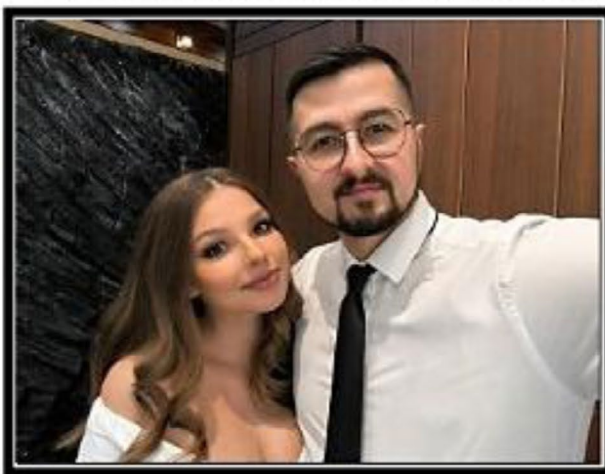
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Internationally Acclaimed Musicians to Perform Free Concert in Reeder, Aug. 9, 2026

REEDER, N.D. — Few communities the size of Reeder ever have the opportunity to host performers whose careers have reached the highest levels of international music. On Sunday, Aug. 9, that rare opportunity will become a reality when internationally acclaimed Ukrainian musicians Dmytro Somkin and Kseniia Somkina, together with one of North Dakota's finest performers, Colleen Reinhardt, take the stage for the Third Annual Rockin' In Reeder. The free concert begins at 5 p.m. at the Reeder Community Center (the Old School) and promises an unforgettable evening of exceptional music.

For one remarkable evening, residents of southwest North Dakota will experience musicians whose performances have captivated audiences across Europe, North America, and beyond—without purchasing an expensive ticket or traveling hundreds of miles to

a major metropolitan venue. Sponsored by the Dakota Prairie Enrichment Center (DPEC) and the North Dakota Council of the Arts, Rockin' In Reeder has quickly become one of the region's signature summer events, and this year's concert promises to be its most impressive yet.

Headlining the evening are internationally acclaimed Ukrainian musicians Dmytro Somkin and Kseniia Somkina, joined by Colleen Reinhardt, recognized as one of North Dakota's outstanding musicians.

Dmytro Somkin is internationally recognized as one of Ukraine's premier vocalists—a grandmaster of choral art, a Guinness World Records participant, an Oxford graduate, conductor, pianist, composer, educator, and cultural ambassador. His performances have touched audiences around the world, and his artistry has twice helped rewrite the history of Eu-

ropean choral music. His voice has made those in concert halls weep.

Through his music, he reveals the depth, beauty, and enduring spirit of Ukrainian culture while building bridges between nations. His remarkable career has taken him to audiences in 35 countries, yet on Sunday, Aug. 9, that extraordinary musical journey will bring him to the stage in Reeder.

Long before he became an internationally acclaimed performer, Dmytro Somkin was a remarkable child whose extraordinary musical gifts became evident almost from the moment he learned to speak. He began singing at just two years of age, appeared on national television when he was only three, and by the age of five was already performing as a soloist on a major concert stage. Those extraordinary beginnings launched a

lifetime devoted to music and foreshadowed a career that would carry him to some of the world's finest concert halls.

Known throughout Europe as "The Golden Voice of Ukraine's Capital," Somkin has earned international acclaim for the beauty, power, and versatility of his tenor and countertenor voice. His achievements have helped rewrite the history of Ukrainian choral music.

In 2022, he and his wife, Kseniia Somkina, captured the Grand Prix at the prestigious Tolosa International Choral Competition in Spain while performing with the internationally acclaimed Sofia Choir. Their victory marked the first time in the history of independent Ukraine that a Ukrainian choir had won one of the world's most demanding international choral competitions.

Only one year later, they achieved an even greater milestone. Per-

forming with the Sofia Choir, they won the European Grand Prix for Choral Singing in Debrecen, Hungary, widely regarded as the highest honor in international choral music and often referred to as the "Academy Award of the choral world." Their historic victory established Ukraine among the elite of international choral performance and represented another milestone in the nation's musical history.

Somkin's accomplishments extend well beyond competition. He participated in establishing a Guinness World Record during the world's longest continuous song marathon, performing with three different musical ensembles. Today, his talents continue to expand beyond the concert stage. During 2026, he is introducing his first major original compositions to international audiences, including a majestic a cappella setting of "The Lord's Prayer" and the original piano composition "Rain in Paris."

Standing beside him throughout that remarkable journey has been his wife, Kseniia Somkina, one of Ukraine's finest alto vocalists. After graduating with honors from the Cherkasy Music College, she earned her degree from Mykhailo Drahomanov Kyiv National Pedagogical University before becoming a leading artist with the renowned Khreshchatyk Academic Chamber Choir. Her exceptional musicianship led to dozens of technically demanding solo performances throughout Europe, earning admiration for the warmth, beauty, and precision of her voice. Together, Dmytro and Kseniia have devoted thousands of hours to professional performances throughout Europe and North America, presenting concerts that blend Ukrainian musical heritage with timeless masterpieces from the world's great composers.

Today, Dmytro and Kseniia proudly call Bismarck, North Dakota, home. Dmytro serves as Music Director at Faith Lutheran Church, where he directs the choir, accompanies worship services on piano, oversees the church's music ministry, and teaches piano to members of the community. Although they have performed in many of the world's greatest concert halls, they have embraced North Dakota with enthusiasm and continue presenting concerts throughout the Upper Midwest. They believe great music should not

be reserved exclusively for audiences in major metropolitan centers but should be shared with communities of every size. Their appearance in Reeder reflects that philosophy and offers local audiences a rare opportunity to experience internationally celebrated performers without leaving western North Dakota.

Joining the internationally acclaimed duo is Colleen Reinhardt, recognized as one of North Dakota's outstanding musicians. Known for her expressive piano artistry, exceptional vocal ability, and engaging stage presence, Reinhardt has become one of the state's most respected performers. Her performances have consistently been among the highlights of previous Rockin' In Reeder concerts, and organizers are delighted to welcome her back for another memorable evening of music.

Organizers believe audiences from throughout western North Dakota, eastern Montana, and northwestern South Dakota will not want to miss this exceptional event. Opportunities to hear performers of this caliber seldom come to rural America. Many people travel hundreds of miles—and spend hundreds of dollars—to experience artists of this stature in major metropolitan concert halls. On Aug. 9, however, that same level of international artistry will be found in the welcoming community of Reeder.

Unlike most concerts featuring internationally acclaimed performers, Rockin' In Reeder is offered through a free-will donation, ensuring that everyone has the opportunity to attend regardless of financial circumstances. Refreshments and food will be available throughout the evening, making the concert an enjoyable outing for families, friends, and music lovers of every age.

As the final notes fill the Reeder Community Center on the evening of Aug. 9, those in attendance will experience something rarely found in North Dakota—an evening where internationally acclaimed artistry meets the warmth, hospitality, and spirit of rural North Dakota. It promises to be far more than a concert. It will be a celebration of music's unique ability to unite people across cultures, continents, and generations, reminding us that extraordinary artistry can inspire audiences wherever it is shared.

