

# "Pocket Full of Miracles"

Special Meeting - Special Meeting - Posters plastered around Heaven. "No one under 18" was small print on bottom of poster. St. Peter had called a special meeting because it was only a few days before Christmas and he was watching some of the smaller angels. They should have been rejoicing for they know the reason for Christmas. But - - he noticed decided maybe they could have a real Christmas in Heaven - So - - that was the reason for the Special Meeting.

The elder angels all agreed - - It was a wonderful idea. Plans were made, boxes of Christmas stars were plucked from the sky - - Northern lights were contacted. Mrs. Claus was asked to bake cookies. Fairy Godmother said she could produce anything they needed. And - - St. Peter - - he too could help with last minute preparations. But before anything was done he visited God to make sure it



Neuburg Church rural Burt, ND Merry Chritmas a few of the little angels - - one in particular, who was very sad. When talking to her about her sadness - all she could say was, "I never got to help. I was so little when I came here!"

Well, St. Peter assuming she had wanted to help decorate the tree - help wrap presents, bake cookies,

Continued on Page 2

09

EMAILS: MOTT - eido@ndsupernet.com · BOWMAN - connect@ndsupernet.com FREE Online at <u>eidoconnect.com</u>





As you read the **Eido** today, count the many blessings you have received, you can see, and know that next year there will be even more.

### **Merry Christmas**

Ove was born at Christmas

### **Continued from Front Page**

was okay. And God said, "If they ask for something special, for a special reason - - grant them their wish."

The big day arrived. Toys, candy, cookies - - Santa - elves - reindeer - -. Oh how beautiful the Heavens looked. Rejoicing wasn't even in it. There were no words expressing the celebration.

St. Peter walked the Heavens, saw the excitement, smiled - - then to his surprise, off by herself sat Little Amber - -looking very sad. St. Peter approached - - "Hey, Little Amber" - - and she cried. "What's wrong?" questioned St. Peter. "Didn't you get a toy for Christmas? Did Santa miss you - - what's the" and Little Amber cried all the harder. "I got everything - - so much - - I don't need anything - - but - -.' "Okay, Little One - - what do you want that you don't have?" and St. Peter picked her up, hugged her and she whispered in his ear. "That's a strange request for a little girl, but God said - - "and poof, Little Amber grinned from ear to ear. She began to sing, dance, run, skip -- Little Amber was now the happiest little

angel in Heaven, in fact she was so happy she left the party, jumped on the next cloud and disappeared.

After clean up, everyone exhausted, one of the elder angels asked St. Peter, "Where is Little Amber - didn't see her all night?" "Not really sure," answered St. Peter. "Let's go looking for her!"

They searched most of the day. About to quit for the night they heard laughter - happy laughter - there knelt Little Amber throwing things at people. She would throw something - - it would break and she would laugh - not just laugh but sometimes tears of joy would enter her eyes. St. Peter and the elder angel ran and grabbed her hand just before she could throw again. "What you doing?" he screamed. Little Amber smiled then reminded him what she whispered in his ear. (Well secrets are not allowed in Heaven so he didn't hear it) "What you doing?" Again he scolded.

Then Little Amber told them - - "I lived only a short time. After reaching Heaven and getting older I always watch my mommy and daddy below on earth.

### Mott's Playhouse Theatre Busy This past week with area schools

Once again some of the elementary schools in area brought their students to the Playhouse Theatre to celebrate the holiday season with movies. Richardton/Taylor brought about 200 students on Monday, Elgin/New Leipzig brought about 100 students and Mott/Regent brought about 150 students. The students and teachers got a visit from Mrs. Claus to top off the season! And on December 9th the Carson Head Start students came



They are unhappy - my community is unhappy. I want my community to be happy - after all - they worked hard at the hospital trying to save my life - - although they couldn't I was still born. I am a child of God and I am so happy.

Well - - I saw how unhappy they were, how they worried, were filled with fear - - Oh - if only I had a pocket full of miracles, tiny ones - just so they could somehow know. That's what I wanted St. Peter - that's what I whispered in your ear - - I want a pocket full of miracles so I can give them to others - - and that's what I have in my pocket - - look - - and I am throwing them at everyone - - when they hit and explode - - wow - - -.

Can't we give everyone a pocket full of Miracles so they can pass them out at Christmas - - and look the Tiniest Miracle. Jesus the tiny babe fits in your pocket. Maybe we can pass Him out to everyone this Christmas."





call ahead to assure showtimes. Thank you and Merry Christmas!

Upcoming Movies:



### **Bowman Lights Up For Christmas**









# OPEN HOUSE

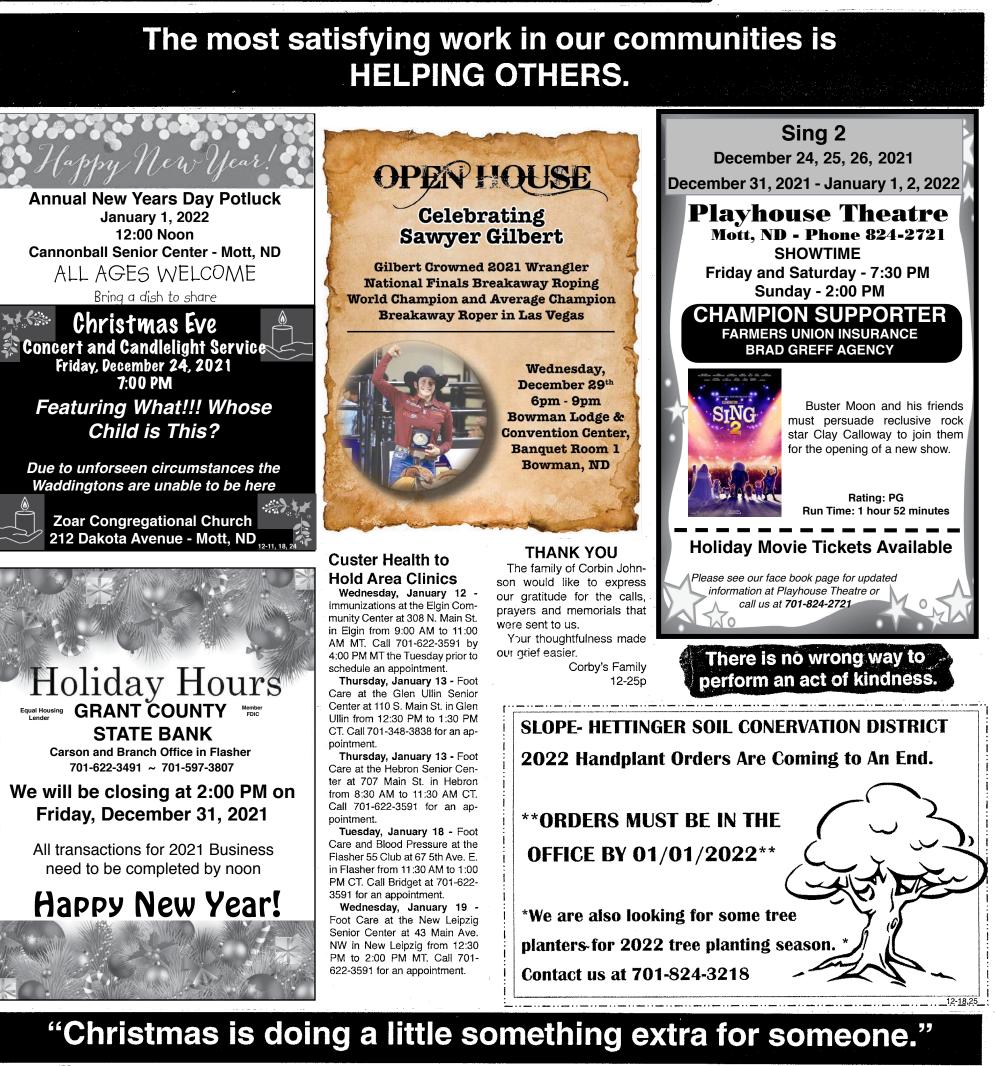
### Celebrating Sawyer Gilbert

**Gilbert Crowned 2021 Wrangler National Finals Breakaway Roping** World Champion and Average Champion **Breakaway Roper in Las Vegas** 



Mott - 701-824-2605 - Bowman - 701-523-4577

Page 3 - Saturday, December 25, 2021



### **KEEPSAKE**

I have work to do. The consequences of my inability to throw stuff away are multiplycial box with other mementos. Thirty some years later I finally got up enough courage to cut a portion of this shirt and include more by Christmas. Then I put that item aside, picked out another project, made one or two, again determining how many

like looking pieces of wood about one quarter inch thick. " Ahah", they say, for they all recognize these as what is left of grandpa's apple tree, the tree I salvaged from the fire after the house was burned in 1999. These are leftovers of yet another Christmas project. The charred tree trunk and branches were cut into dozens of pieces, a hole drilled into the top, natural raffia attached to make a hanger and bow, and transformed into Christmas tree decorations. Each of my five children, myself and a few family members received a dozen. They will cry at this time as they cried when they received them. A lot of keepsakes at our house end up on the Christmas tree. These have been on display enough times that everyone knows the significance of the small white cloth booties as being Kristi's Baptismal shoes and that the yellow and white hand knitted cap is part of a knitting project over forty years ago, in preparation of the birth of our first born, a girl we named Cassie. Another wooden medal-

lion with Dean written on it, his identifying name tag on the first day of kindergarten. Doug's blue booties, another knitting project, and David's Jewish cap that he got when spending Christmas in Israel a few years ago. There's the corn husk dolly made at Homemakers in Ethel Fraase's garage. That was the biggest mess of corn husks and water I have ever seen. But such fun. And two wooden dowels hand carved by Jim's grandpa Thompson that were used to stabilize and hold a table top together now hang on the tree. He was a carpenter who didn't use nails in a lot of his work. The table top is gone but the bottom part of the wood project is used as a toy box for Kristi. So if all these keepsakes have been turned into tree ornaments it is only right that we have a nice Christmas tree on which to display them. Right! The annual tree selection is now a keepsake memory. It was always my job, with the help of the kids to get the tree and put it up. By the time the older kids had left home Kristi was old enough

to help and it became a ritual for the two of us to go to the local tree lot, usually the weekend after Thanksgiving and pick out the Christmas tree. We surveyed all the trees, picking out a couple for final draft. I would reach in and twirl it around while Kristi checked for even branches and brown spots, size of trunk and general qualities to her liking. She had the gift and we always had a nice tree. Since she has left home the tree buying and putting up has not been the same. The last few trees have been put up on the big end table in the corner of the living room for various reasons, mostly space and older people living in the house who don't easily move heavy furniture anymore. This is okay, except now we have to buy either a smaller tree or cut one down to size. I should not say "we", because I alone have become the tree buyer and the tree putter-upper. Jim had usually been working

ing. Daily. My good intentions of wanting to save a few memorable items for all future generations to keep have turned my entire household and everything in it into one big keepsake. Every room, from the basement to the main floor and even the attic, has some portion of space reserved for precious stuff. Garbage to my kids, if I don't get on the ball and sort and identify. I am really getting worried that I will not live long enough to finish all the little projects that have been started from some small keepsake item with the hopes of turning it into an heirloom.

For example, I made son number one a shirt out of reddish brown material when he was about three years old. The material also had small figures that looked like lions on it and that boy wore that shirt for a long time. When he finally outgrew it, it was faded and well worn and was placed in a speit in a Christmas project for the former shirt owner. He was very pleased and proudly showed the gift to his younger brother, who became instantly hostile towards me and yelled, "Ma! You cut up Doug's lion shirt?" Son number two didn't quit harping about it until he got his own keepsake with a piece of lion shirt sewed in it.

The tradition of making homemade Christmas gifts was born out of necessity at first, because I discovered I could sew or fashion just about anything for a fraction of what it would cost ready made. Materials leftover from various projects were stored to make more projects. For probably thirty years I had a ritual of looking through my craft books, picking out something I wanted to make and give to various people. I then gathered the materials , made one of the items, and mentally calculated that if it took me ten hours to make, I could easily do four needed and length of time to make, and decide, yes, at six hours apiece for project number two, I could get at least three of these done by Christmas. Two days before Christmas I usually discovered I needed 200 more hours to finish ten half done projects. I'm what they call a slow learner. I keep making the same mistake year after year and now I have lots of drawers and boxes of unfinished stuff in them.

My youngest child has already told me how it will be when I die. They will gather in my room, pull out an item, hold it up with one hand and say, "Well, she started this in 1967", and off it goes with a flick of the wrist to the OUT pile. Next item held up the same way. "Let's see, she began this in 1995", and another flip of the wrist to the pile.

On and on it goes until they find a plastic bag full of one and two inch round medallion

#### Continued on next page

"A Pocket"

Mott - 701-824-2605 - Bowman - 701-523-4577

TOP PRODUCER

FUIC COMMERCIAL LINES

**Brad Greff** 

# **HOPE begins when we BELIEVE**

Public Transportation for All Residents of Adams, Bowman, Hettinger & Slope Counties of North Dakota for 30+ years

Out-of Town Trips Weekly
Under Federal Jaw

From your door to Dickinson, Bismarck.
Inder Federal Jaw

Rapid City, Ft. Meade etc.
On all public transit

CALL 800-280-0204
Information of the second s

Bowman - CALL 701-523-3241 • 8am - 4pm Hettinger - CALL 701-567-2476 • 8am - 4pm

Payment sources accepted include: Medicaid, Medicaid Expansion, VA & Private Pay.

Well maintained vehicles with wheelchair access and trained drivers to service social, employment, educational and medical transportation needs. Minimum 24 hours notice. Veterans Ride FREE to Medical Appointments





CHRISTMAS NIGHT by Pastor Ray Sherwood

United Methodist Church Bowman, North Dakota I realize that you might be

reading this on Christmas Eve, but I want to share some excerpts from a book called, God Came Near by Max Lucado.

It's Christmas night. The house is quiet. Even the crackle is gone from the fireplace. Warm coals issue a lighthouse glow in the darkened den. Stockings hang empty on the mantle. The tree stands naked in the corner. Christmas cards, tinsel, and memories remind Christmas night of Christmas Day.

It's Christmas night. What a day it has been! Spiced tea. Santa Claus. Cranberry sauce. "Thank you so much." "You shouldn't have!" "Grandma is on the phone." Knee-deep wrapping paper. "it just fits." Flashing cameras.

It's Christmas night. Presents are now possessions. Wrapping paper is bagged and in the dumpster. The dishes are washed, and leftover turkey awaits next week's sandwiches. It's Christmas night. The

midnight hour has chimed, and I should be asleep, but I'm awake. I'm kept awake by one stunning thought. The world was different this week. It was temporarily transformed.

The magical dust of Christmas glittered on the cheeks of humanity ever so briefly, reminding us of what is worth having and what we were intended to be. We forgot about our compulsion with winning, wooing, and warring. We put away our ladders and ledgers, we hung up our stopwatches and weapons. We stepped off our racetracks and roller coasters and looked outward toward the star of Bethlehem.

And the result? For a few precious hours our heavenly yearnings intermesh and we become a chorus. A ragtag chorus of longshoremen, Boston lawyers, illegal immigrants, housewives, and a thousand others peculiar persons who are banking that Bethlehem's mystery is in reality, a reality. "Come and behold him" we sing, stirring even the sleepiest of shepherds and pointing them toward the Christ-child.

For a few precious hours, He is beheld. Christ the Lord. Those who pass the year without seeing Him, suddenly see Him. People who have been accustomed to using His name in vain, pause to use it in praise. Eyes, now free of the blinders of self, marvel at His majesty.

All of sudden He's everywhere. In the grin of a policeman as he drives the paddy wagon full of presents to the orphanage. In the emotions of a father

OCTOBER

2021

Congratulations to Brad

Greff on being the top

producer for

**Farmers Union** 

**Insurance Company for** 

Commercial Lines for the

month of October 2021!

who is too thankful to finish the dinner table prayer. He's in the tears of the moth-

er as she welcomes home her son from overseas.

Emmanuel. He is with us. God came near.

It's Christmas night. In a few hours the cleanup will begin – lights will come down, trees will be thrown out. Size 36 will be exchanged for size 40, eggnog will be on sale for half price. Soon life will be normal again. December's generosity will become January's payments and the magic will begin to fade. more. I want to pray that those who beheld Him today will look for Him next August. And I can't help but linger on one fanciful thought: If He can do so much with such timid prayers lamely offered in December, how much more could He do if we thought of Him every day? (ps. 27-29) May our hearts sing out in

magic is still in the air. Maybe

that's why I am still awake. I

want to savor the spirit just a bit

A

Farmers Union

May our hearts sing out in chorus together: O Come Let Us Adore Him, Christ, the Lord! From our family to yours – May the blessings of God cascade on and over you as we celebrate the birth of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ! Merry Christmas!

But for the moment, the

### Compass Connection How Has Mental Health Counseling Helped You in Your Life?

"Counseling has helped me get along better with my family" – R.D "I know how to control my emotions" – D.K "Compass Counseling has helped me become happy and hopeful" – S.L

Merry Christmas from Compass Counseling Center!

PRIVATE MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELING JADA HOFLAND, MS-LPCC, NDCA PRESIDENT LICENSED PROFESSIONAL CLINICAL COUNSELOR CALL TO SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT 701.853.2795

If you have any questions email jada.hofland@yahoo.com

Northwest Farm & Home Supply Co., Inc.

406 10<sup>th</sup> Street West Lemmon, SD 57638 nwsupply@sdplains.com 605-374-3814 (Fax) 605-374-5383 (Toll Free) 800-351-3815

Having trouble deciding what Gift to give? How about a Gift Card and let them decide?

And now at

Northwest Supply Co. Lemmon, South Dakota You can buy a

\$30.00 Gift Card for \$25.00 \$60.00 Gift Card for \$50.00 that's 20% off Anything in our store.

Get them while they last at Northwest Supply Co. in Lemmon, SD

### "The best way to spread Christmas cheer is singing loud for all to hear."

#### Continued from page 3

out of town during this time and I got into the habit of just doing it, and until lately it was a one man job.

Last year, 1999 that is, was like all the previous years of doing it myself. I bought at the local tree lot, hauled it home in the pickup, cut off the bottom, put it in a brand new big tree stand for large trunks, on sale for only \$13.95, and lifted that five foot tree up onto the end table. Next I boiled some water, added four aspirin as I always did and watered the tree, watching to see how fast it drank water. It seemed very slow but I decided to go ahead and put on lights and decorations. Two weeks later, on Christmas morning after

Douglas and family left, I threw out the tree with the forty year old lights still on it. That tree never took one ounce of water. The little white blobs of stuff floating on top of the water in the stand was actually mold growing. The darn thing was ready to explode. Okay. Enough of this! Next year I will not go through this again. We will have an artificial tree. End of matter.

As Christmas of 2000 neared, I was stalling about the business of the tree, not quite ready to settle for the artificial but not willing to buy from the local tree lot again. My plan was to go to Bismarck and not come home till I found a tree. With that one goal in mind, I took off early one morning, figuring on being back home early evening in time to

get a good night's sleep and be fresh for my very early five thirty am shift at the nursing home the next morning. Arriving in Bismarck well before noon, I started looking for artificial trees right away, stopping first at Kirkwood Mall. I browsed in Herberger's, Dayton's, and Target, but all the trees were either not to my liking or the ones I did like were way too big, like seven feet or more. I was more than confident of finding just the right tree so I did a little extra shopping as long as I was in a particular store. The hours went by. Not finding what I wanted at the mall. I went over to Walmart, very sure of getting my tree and heading home. It's getting dark by now and I don't like to drive after dark. Walmart had a very nice selection of

trees. Here was one six foot tall tree that had lights already on it. It was on sale for only \$75.00.1 liked it immediately. A little voice inside me, "Buy this tree and go home". Another voice said. "You haven't looked at Gateway mall yet." It's still early. I can run up there, take a look and still come back to Walmart cause they're open twenty four hours. A quick trip from Walmart to Gateway during holiday season takes about twenty-five minutes if there is traffic. No suitable tree to be found.

By now I'm grumpy and tired and ready to head back to Walmart and just buy that tree I liked. Except I really wasn't totally ready to commit to fake stuff. Brainstorm!! I'll go back to Walmart by way of Cashman Nursery on the Expressway. A few of my friends have told me of the nice trees they got at Cashman's. The sign will be that Cashman Nursery will be closed and I will have to go on to Walmart. I arrive at Cashman's at eight fifteen, with forty five minutes to spare till closing.

As I entered the front door and looked around, a young man in a jacket and beanie cap approached me and asked if he could help me. I explained that I was after a Christmas tree but wasn't sure of what kind, arti-

ficial or real. The few artificial ones were not at all acceptable so he took me to the basement. It's dimly lit but he knew the way and went immediately over to a very large, full branched gorgeous looking tree. "Here's a nice one," he said. "It's too big", I replied. He said "We'll cut it for you. How big do you want it?" "No taller than six feet", I said. We measured but before he cut we looked around for other prospects. As we looked, this nice young man saw the back of my jacket, which identified me as Mott Ambulance personnel. He remarked, "Oh I see you're from Mott." And as he stood tall I got a good look at him and said," Yes, and you are a Friedt. But which one?"

He then identified himself as Kelly Johnson, Verena Friedt's son and that she came from Mott. I told him I had known his

Continued on next page

As we read through the Christmas ads and stories may we be reminded how each business listed help make our communities a better place to live, by their services to us. Be sure to thank them, for they enhance our communities.

тнв SILVER DOLLAR 27 N. Main · Bowman, ND BAR & GRILL 701-523-5000 Lunch Specials Order ahead Dec. 27<sup>th</sup> - Jan. 2<sup>nd</sup> 701-523-5000 for convenient drive-thru pick-up! Monday 27th Pulled Pork Sandwich on Sourdough, w/Mac & Cheese Tuesday 28th Silver \$ Chicken Fried Steak BINGO & Food every Tuesday at 6pm w/Mashed Potatoes, Gravy & Corn Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> bered Bacon Cheeseburger, w/Pepperjack Cheese Salad Bar EVERY WEEKDAY 11am-7pm Pepper Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> Roast Beef, w/Pepperjack/Swiss BREAKFAST BURRITOS at 7:00am Drive up Only, Weekdays! Cheese, Bacon & Au Jus <u>Friday 31</u><sup>st</sup> (9 Sloppy Joes w/Chips until 5pm Prime Rib Dinner @ 5:30pm, NEW YEAR'S EVE Powerplay DJ w/Karaoke 8:00 pm 2 Free Shuttles running w/Bacon Wrapped Asparagus, Baked Potato & Salad Bar Silver \$ Seasoned Siloin Sandwich w/Choice of Side <u>Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup></u> Enjave Credibile Depolytont Build your own Bloody Mary or Caesar Bill's BM Bar Enjoy a Great Sit-Down Open at 8am. own Breakfast







### **WRHS** Foundation **Paying It Forward** By Ted Uecker,

WRHS Foundation

"A Pocket'

The West River Health Services Foundation is doing its best to "pay it forward" during this holiday giving season. Since we could not hold our 45th Annual Community Turkey Luncheon on account of Covid, we decided to gift \$3,000 or \$500 to each of our area food pantries - including the Adams County Food Pantry, the Bowman/Slope Community Cupboard, the Amidon Community Cupboard, the Mott Food Pantry, the Lemmon Community Food Pantry and the Bison Food Pantry. We hope each of these nonprofits are able to increase their stock of their shelves for those needing nutrition this winter.

In addition, the WRHS Foundation has also gifted all \$6,000 of their net profits from their Annual "Fun Run & Walk" Funds for the following: \$2,500 for the new "Recreation Library" (eventually providing equipment for area activities like ice skates, tennis rackets, kayaks and more through our Adams County Library); \$1,400 for a new Spin Bike for Spin Classes this winter in Hettinger; \$1,000 for Concrete Tee-Off Pads at the Mirror Lake Disc Golf Course; \$500 for resident activities at Western Horizons Care Center and Assisted Living; \$400 for Hockey Nets for the Community Ice Skating Rink; and \$200 for The Granary.

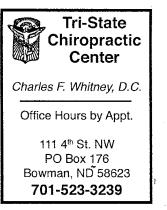
Thank you to all who have supported our Community Tur-

key Luncheons and Fun Run & Walks in the past. Hopefully, we can resume the Luncheon almost a vear from now in November. Since it is so close to December 31st, please keep in mind that up to \$300 can be deducted from your taxes with a gift to a 501 (c) 3 nonprofit organization like the WRHS Foundation. Plus, gifts of \$5,000 or more to an accredited endowment fund, also like the WRHS Foundation, can receive a 40% ND state tax credit. Contact Ted Uecker at 701-567-3666 before December 31st if you have any questions regarding either of these terrific incentives to help nonprofits, while at the same time paying fewer taxes. Onward!

### THANK YOU

Dear family and friends, thank you for all the birthday wishes, cards and gifts. It meant alot to me seeing you all there

Merry Christmas to all! Mike Frieze



### DWB Donates to Area Organizatons

The employees of the Bowman branches of Dakota Western Bank recently donated to several area organizations from their Jeans Dav fund. Employees contribute to the Jeans Day fund for the privilege of wearing jeans to work on Fridays



Shown in the photo are (left to right): Edna Paulson of the Giving Tree, Carla Kelly of the Bowman/Slope Community Cupboard, Peggy Lindstrom of Dakota Western Bank who made the check presentations, Chuck Whitney o fthe Bowman Community Chorus, and Charm Martian of the Bowman Community Band.

NOTICE: **During the COVID Pandemic** Southwest Public Transit in addition to Intown Rides and Out of Town Rides, also will be offering Intown **"INCIDENTAL RIDES"** 

### Call 701-523-3241 in Bowman or 701-567-2467 in Hettinger

An incidental ride entails a ride with no rider or fare. Please call us for pickup of your groceries, medications, mail, etc. There is no fare, but donations are appreciated.

UBLIC TRANSIT

800-280-0204

Serving Adams, Bowman, Hettinger, & Slope Counties

# "For it is in giving that we receive."

Continued from page 4

needed new lights. Mr. Cashhan was there howed me and

went to the shop to transact was slow going, with the trunk business and I remembered I lid gently bobbing up and down as I drove the many blocks of hill and curves. When I finally pulled into Doug's driveway the house was dark, an indication they're not home, it was also locked up tight and I needed the bathroom. To make matters worse, the twine holding the trunk lid broke and I couldn't find another piece of anything to re-tie it. Doug and kids arrived home just in time for a rescue. I used the bathroom while he re-tied the trunk lid. The kids were excited to show me their huge, fully lighted, decorated Christmas tree, standing gracefully erect from floor to ceiling in the living room, in front of the picture window. Their tree had been up for at least two weeks and it was the most beautiful thing I had ever seen----- and it was artificial. Presents were wrapped and placed around the front and back. My ever practical, efficient son was dumbfounded when he found out I had driven all the way to Bismarck just to get a tree. He refrained from making too much

comment. I appreciated that.

Before heading out I decided to fill the car with gas and get a snack at the Amoco station or

mother for many years and that when she was ten years old she could not only make homemade chicken soup, she could go out and kill and clean the chicken. She was the oldest of several children and very capable. I also told him that I helped look for his grandmother's wedding ring when their house burned to the ground. I also threw in the fact that his cousin's mother was my sister-in-law. Small world huh? By then we are practically family and of course I let him cut that tree for me. Six feet on the nose. I didn't ask the price because by then I didn't care what the tree cost.

Kelly took me out the back door and out and put that nice tree in a metal tube and the thing came out all wrapped up in this nice plastic netting, all compact and ready to be loaded into the trunk of my car, which he did for me tying the trunk lid down with a length of twine. Then we

all sorts of lights. For a six foot tree the recommendation was three hundred of these particular small clear lights. To be sure I had enough, I bought three packs of one hundred lights at \$7.00 a pack. The total bill was around \$50-\$60 or so with my tree, lights and five packs of tree preserve to be added to the tree water.

Mr. Cashman also instructed me to let the tree warm up a bit before bringing it into a warm house from the outside. He suggested leaving it in the garage for a time, protected from the wind while I unload the car. A half hour to forty five minutes would be good. He also mentioned that if the tree was not put up for a few days it would need to have a fresh cut on the bottom. Okay. I got all that. I was very pleased not to have to go to Walmart and decided to make a quick stop at son Doug's home in north Bismarck before heading home. It the hill by the interstate. It's only a few short blocks from Doug's place but again, the twine broke and my trunk lid was bouncing all over by the time I got there. It was getting windy and colder and I couldn't find anything with which to tie the damn lid down. It was also 8:10 pm mountain time and I should've been home in bed.

Frustrated. I went into the station and approached the first person i saw and asked this nice man if he would help a lady in distress. He came willingly but the two of us were not able to tie that lid down. There wasn't enough twine left. Well, I certainly couldn't drive 100 miles home with a floppy lid so the next best thing was to put the tree inside my car. It took both our efforts to get the tree out of the trunk. Man, that thing was

#### Continued on next page



"A Pocket'

Mott - 701-824-2605 - Bowman - 701-523-4577

# Attitude is not just the way you think - it's the way you live

# **Seed Cleaning**

Certified, Common and **Ergot Grain Cleaning** 

Tri Agri Seeds - Regent, ND **Contact Jim Krebs at** 701-264-9019 11-20, 26, 12-4, 11, 18, 25

### **HETTINGER COUNTY CROPLAND** FOR RENT ON BIDS

**OWNER: PHILLIP REBEL** WRITTEN BIDS DUE: TUESDAY, JANUARY 4, 2022 BY 12:00 P.M.

The currently tilled cropland (a total of approximately 934 acres according to FSA maps) in the following tract will be offered for lease on written bids subject to terms contained in the bid packet.

### Township 136 North, Range 93 West

Section 3:	SW1/4
Section 8:	W1⁄2NE14; SE14NE14; NE14SE14
Section 9:	NW1⁄4
Section 10:	W1⁄2

Township 136 North, Range 94 West Section 2: S1/2S1/2 E1/2NE1/4 Section 10:

The lease term will be for 3 years.

Interested parties must submit a written bid on all lands (land will be rented as one combined tract to one renter). Written bids must be received by 12:00 P.M. on Tuesday, January 4, 2022. Bidders will be notified by January 14, 2022 whether or not their bid was accepted. Owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids and alter the manner of bidding and terms of leasing at his discretion. There will be no oral bidding.

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

12-18,25-1-1



Anna Nasset, Maria Geerts, Joe Geerts, Tanner Anderson and their Advisor Jared Dewald.

### Mott Lions Give Gift Baskets On December 20th, the Mott

Lions met for their regular meeting at an earlier time to prepare for delivery of the gift baskets that were purchased for some of the Mott city residents. Joining us for this were some of the members of the Mott/Regent Student Council who contributed to the funds used for this as well as their time in making those deliveries. This is one of the more rewarding events that we have every year to give back to some residents that don't have the income for a proper Christmas meal. We try to make it a bit easier on them to have something special for their families for this season. This is what the Lions are all about - service to our Community, and we were very happy to have the Student Council join us in this effort. Participating from the Council were Anna Nasset, Maria Geerts, Joe Geerts, Tanner Anderson and their Advisor Jared Dewald. If you are interested in in this project that is done and any others, please come to a meeting or as a Lion. Merry Christmas to you all

Just wanted to say again what a great time we had on December 4th for the Holiday Celebration and tree lighting.

The food was served by our trusty crew - at least the ones that let us take a picture - and there were other members doing cleanup that are not pictured. Thanks again to Heather Jahner who was the cook for the soup and chili. We had no complaints and lots of compliments!



Steven Meckle, Lions member and Maria Geerts, Anna Nasset



Heather Jahner, Shirley Halvorson, June Schmidt, Troy Mosbrucker, Michael Schmidt and Leo Brackel

"Christmas my child, is love in action."

### **Continued from page 5**

heavy. We succeeded in getting

and began to pull the tree out, grabbing hold of the bottom of the tree trunk and the nice plas-

steps, opened the back door



dling and there was sap oozing from the branch cuts, making a sticky mess and lots of pine needles on the carpet. After 3 tries, I got the tree in the stand and it didn't tip over. Yah for me! I picked up the tree and stand and set it on the table and over it went ever so slowly towards the window. It stopped. I wiped my hands and went to bed, only to toss and turn the entire night. developed chest pain and thought I was having a heart attack and should I call 911 or just call Mary Pat and Paul to come haul me away, I remembered the 20 0z coke I 'd consumed knowing full well I was overcharged and overtired and only need to sleep. And I did.

The next morning at work 1 asked Jeff, the young adminis-

the tree into the car by opening the back seat driver's side door and sliding it kitty corner across the front seat passenger side, with the seat laid back and flat as it would go. The doors barely closed but it was in. I got a 20 oz. Coke, paid for the gas, gave my helper a five dollar tip and was on my way. I rationalized that having the tree inside was a very good move because it would be nice and warm and ready to put up that very night. The weather forecast for the following day was for very cold temperature with a sixty below wind chill. Driving along that dark road, all alone, surrounded by a six foot strong smelling pine tree and drinking coke, I had a fleeting thought that maybe this wasn't such a good idea.

I got home at ten after ten. two hours past my bedtime, fully charged after drinking the 20 oz. Coke and ready to zip that tree into the stand and go to bed. I parked the car by the front

tic mesh around it. It seemed even heavier now. I dragged it up the few cement steps and opened the front door, thinking I would just go on in and the door would close behind me. Not so. The nice plastic mesh around the tree caught on several places on the door and the door frame, stopping all movement. With much effort I managed to get us all inside, with only a few hundred pine needles loose on the floor. Back to the garage for the tree stand hanging on the wall.

With the tree stand on the floor, I decided to double check the height of the tree before putting it in the stand and or cutting off the mesh, just to make sure it would fit on the end table. @#%. It was at least a foot too tall and needed to be cut off. Right then that very night. Dragging the tree through the doorway again and down the steps to the garage was not my idea of fun. It wasn't so cold yet, about zero

and I was protected by the garage, being half in and half out. Finding a saw in the cupboard, I began to cut the bottom main part of the trunk, only to find I couldn't quite get it because of the nice plastic mesh that covered everything. Back to the cupboard to find something sharp to cut plastic. No luck. I went to the house for scissors and finally got some of the fish line like stuff out of the way enough to saw. The saw didn't move. My tree was so fresh it resisted the worn teeth of my old faithful saw. I got another saw, the one my mother-in-law used to miter picture frames. That didn't work out too well either so I grabbed the tree pruner. Soon I was cutting branches with the tree pruner and hand sawing, alternating the two worn saws.

With a chain saw, which I'm not strong enough to start, this would have been a 5 minute job. It took an hour with two saws and pruner. I was committed by then.

At 11:20 pm I returned my freshly cut tree to the living room to be put in the stand. Thank God. I could go to bed soon. It would be a short night but I'd manage. Standing the tree upright and holding it level to put in the stand was not easy. The diameter of the stand was too big for the trunk, so those 4 long screws had to be turned all the way in as far as they would go. That wasn't so hard except the tree was so fresh the screws went into the flesh of the tree and when I let go of the tree, it tipped over. My hands were scratched from all the tree hanter in training if he would help me straighten my tree. He came over and we stabilized and straightened the tree with a clothes pin between the tree and screws. It was beautiful tree and drank lots of water. My hope is that I can convince myself to make a real tree another keepsake memory. But as I said before, I'm a slow learner.

Patricia Schwartz 2001



Fault Locating



# "Christmas is doing a little something extra for someone."

### **80th Surprise Birthday Party**

Big thank you goes out to my step children, especially Don and Carmen Schaible, Monty and Jackie Larson and Allen and Randeen Schulz to include my grand kids and great grand kids



Storytelling: A Gift that Keeps on Giving



Children love stories! The best stories are ones about themselves and their family. Does your child know where you were born? Where you went to school? How you celebrated special holidays as a child? Does he know his grandparents met or what kinds of jobs they had throughout their lifetime? How about why you chose his name or what family member he mostly resembles.

and friends for the wonderful birthday surprise party.

Thanks for all the cards and gifts to include the special pizza from Lemmon, SD. It took me 80 years but perhaps one of the best parties in my life time, again thank you all.

I also need to thank the Senior Citizen Gals for the nice birthday greeting they sang when I picked up my senior meal on my birthday, December 16th.

God bless you all and thank you very much for the great day.

Thank you, Larry Schlosser 12-25p

Studies have shown that children and adolescents who know more of their family stories do better emotionally, socially, academically, and behaviorally.

Whether its as bedtime with just you and your child or around the table with extended family members, storytelling is one of the most valuable gifts your child will ever receive. The really great thing is that is costs nothing, except a little time. Reminiscing about the joys, the sorrows, or challenges that you and your family overcame together can instill positive traits and help your child develop a secure sense of belonging and connection to the family. Storytelling is also a way for your child to improve listening comprehension, language and vocabulary skills, and sharpen his memory. As your child hears stories told over and over she will remember these special moments, and one day be able to pass them on to the next generation.

### "Gifts of time and love are surely the basic ingredients of a truly Merry Christmas."

"A Pocket"

Mott - 701-824-2605 - Bowman - 701-523-4577



### "Gifts of time and love are surely the basic ingredients of a truly Merry Christmas."







One 1 bedroom apartment and one 2 bedroom apartment for rent, available February 2022. Subsidized by the USDA Rural Development. Rent is \$280 for 1 bedroom apartments and \$310 for 2 bedroom apartments.





**Bowman County Housing Authority** 

805 3<sup>rd</sup> St NW Bowman, ND 58623

Phone:701-523-76352 Email: MRuss@mandlaccounting.com

Website: http://www.bowmannd.com/county/housing/



# anaging Editor/Office Manager

The Bowman County Pioneer, located in Bowman, ND, is looking for a FT managing editor/office manager for the weekly paper. This publication has been a part of Bowman County since 1907. The managing editor/office manager position handles all incoming content for the Pioneer as well as the administrative tasks for the paper.

> For more information call 701-623-5312. Apply online at badlandspatriotmedia.com or send your cover letter and resume to: editor@badlandspatriot.com

KET is hiring!

BOWMAN COUNTY

701naucti peers com to 1-8-22c 878-4001.

LOST: A small red Sony camera in a red case with wrist handle on December 19 in the Regent Legion Hall during the Christmas party. No good to anyone without the charger. Reward. Call 701-563-4560. 12-25, 1-1p

Get Results With "The EIDO CONNECT Want Ads". Only \$5.00 per week. Ph. 701-523-4577 or 866-523-4577. Email: connect@ndsupernet.com Contact: Duane, Mitt, Janel or Terrill to place your ad.

older Hay ok, any amount. If you called in the past please call again I lost my phone book. Anywhere in the Eido area. Call Joe at 209-402-9198. If no answer please leave message. 12-18,25-1-1,8pd



**GIVE AWAY: Wood burning** stove. Call 701-567-3197. 12-25, 1-1p



HELP WANTED: Gooseneck Implement in Elgin is currently hiring for a Shop Foreman, Technicians, а Parts Counterperson, and a Store Administrator. Join this family-oriented business and receive full benefits, 401K and competitive pay. To view job details and apply, visit gooseneckimp.com/careers.

# "Christmas my child, is love in action."

MOTT

Eido/Connect Country

"A Pocket

### Mott - 701-824-2605 - Bowman - 701-523-4577

### Words of love and affirmation keep our hearts alive!

Fox Hills Fencing **H & H CARPET CLEANERS** Carpet and Upholstery Cleaning Commercial Pet Odor Control Farm & Commercial Spot Removal Residential Fencing Stain Guard Waterline Installation Erosion Control 701-567-4593 • Trenching **Bob and Shawn Hoffer** 701-260-0702 Hettinger, ND Bowman, ND FULL TIME HELP WANTED IN THE SHOP EQUITY **Duties Include:** Light Mechanic Work, Farm Service Truck, Tire Repairs 45+hours per week with rotating every other Saturday Wages Depend on Experience - Will Train Benefits Include: Blue Cross Blue Shield, Defined Benefit Retirement Plan 401K Retirement, Vacation Policy, Sick Leave Policy, Life Insurance Policy Paid Holidays Send Resume to: Mott Equity Exchange 509 Highway 8 - Mott, ND 58646 E-mail:manager@mottequity.com

Contact Sherry or Pat at 701-824-3296 Accepting Applications until January 3, 2022

### SIX LITTLE STORIES WITH LOTS OF MEANINGS

1. Once all villagers decided to pray for rain. On the day of prayer, all the people gathered, but only one boy came with an umbrella. That is faith.

2. When you throw babies in the air, they laugh because they know you will catch them. That is trust.

3. Every night we go to bed without any assurance of being alive the next morning, but still we set alarms to wake up. That is hope.

4. We plan big things for tomorrow in spite of zero knowledge of the future. That is confidence.

5. We see the world suffering, but still, we get

### "SMILE from your heart, it can unlock someone else's heart"

by, Don Taskila - Regent, ND "SMILE from your heart,

it can unlock someone else's heart"- Because smiles usually communicate great pleasure to others. Smiles oft times bring feelings of openness; and happiness. I think that when I allow myself to "crack a smile" or (2). those smiles have helped 'My Five Senses' to be more healthy and comfortable.

It has already been said that smiling in the right spirit can have a favorable influence upon others, it can make the smiling person seem likable and more approachable.

In social situations, smiling and laughter often seem to go "hand in hand". Smiling is sometimes a pre-laughing tool; a common way to bring about laughter. Other times, smiling is the after response following laughter. Smiling likens to the "green traffic light" for successfully navigating through communication. Question: "What IF the United States Senate and the House of Representatives did more 'Smiling' collectively; respectfully?"

OK ... let's keep moving 'THIS-Intended POSITIVE' feature story FORWARD with 'What likely makes "Us" SMILE':

12-25, 1-1

\*SEEING a "Dear Friend"-Hearing a happy song that reminds us of our past- and- Perhaps getting into a pair of jeans that we once thought were too small hastens a smile!

\*Hearing 'GOOD News'-Getting a "Thank-You from Our Boss" or, from that 'Someone SPECIAL' close to us- and- Doing something to make someone else laugh with a smile; makes us smile too!

\*Eating comfort food- Getting into a bed with freshly washed sheets- finding a \$10 bill in last winter's pair of pantsand- Seeing a 'Warm & Fuzzy' Movie online!

\*Waking up on a sunny day-Booking a vacation - Walks in the country- Getting a nice message text from a "Loved One"-Being surprised with flowersand- Getting a quiet moment to yourself!

The smell of freshly baked bread- Hearing your baby-child say their first words- Sunday dinner with your family- Finding out your children/grandchildren have done well at school- and-Celebrating 'Christmas', the Birth of Jesus Christ!

\*Waking up to find out that Santa Claus came overnight-









married and have children. That is love.

6. On an old man's shirt was written a sentence "I am not 80 years old; I am sweet 16 with 64 years of experience." That is attitude.

Have a happy day and live your life like these six stories. Remember - Good friends are the rare jewels of life, difficult to find and impossible to replace!!

Getting a spontaneous kiss or hug from your children/grandchildren- Being made a 'Cup of Coffee' by your Husband: Wife or Significant Other- and- Of course, 'The Available SMILE List GOES-ON' !!!

My suggestion for 2022: "Let's not waste "Our Time" being sad, lonely, or angry. SMILE ... It'll make a whole world of difference in each of "Us".

"SMILE from your heart, it can unlock someone else's heart."

### To Everyone Making a Difference

# "Christmas my child, is love in action."



### COMPETITIVE WAGE AND BENEFITS **Apply Online**

https://www.wrhs.com

West River Health Services in Hettinger, ND is an Equal Opportunity and Affirmative Action Employer.

# Serving Christmas Day Dinner

Ham, Pot Roast, Potatoes, Gravy, Bun, Corn, Salad, and Ice cream!

Serving 11am - 2pm Adults - \$13.99 Kids 10 & Under \$7.50

705 Hwy 12 W. · Bowman, ND 701-523-4737

FRONTI



ANNOUNCES THE RETIREMENT OF

# Carleen Ensign

### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2021

THE MANAGEMENT AND STAFF OF DWB EXTEND THEIR SINCERE GRATITUDE TO CARLEEN FOR HER 15 YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE!

Have an enjoyable retirement, Carleen!





Assisted living services provide housing, hospitality services and personal care services for adults who can live independently and make decisions on their own behalf but require a supportive environment due to physical and functional health challenges.



### OUR **SERVICES INCLUDE:**

- A private housing unit with a lockable door.
- Personal care services if needed.
- Patio and gardening area. .
- Access to basic activity programming.
- Weekly housekeeping if needed.
- A 24-hour emergency response system and more.

HETTINGER. ND WRHS.COM

We hope your holiday season is full of peace, joy, and good health. From your local cooperative to you!







### 2002 Chevrolet K3500 Silverado

Starting bid \$1,000 Gas, Actual miles 180,613, 4-wheel drive, crew cab, automatic transmission, dually Bids must be postmarked by January 14, 2022 Bids will be opened on January 18, 2022 at 1:30 MST

Please mail bids to

### Grant County Soil Conservation District P.O. Box 257 Carson ND, 58529

For additional pictures or more information please call **Sam Jensen at 701-622-3381 Ext. 3** 

The Grant County Soil Conservation District reserves the right to reject any and all bids



2nd Place - Prairie Clovers 4-H



3rd Place - Prairie Rose 4-H

12-18,25

### & OIL SALE

XTROM

For every 100 gallons of Premium Cenex®

Lubricants you purchase, you can earn a

\$50 VISA<sup>®</sup> gift card

Products include: bulk and packaged engine oils, tractor hydraulic fluids, gear oils & grease.

CH3

November 1, 2021 – February 28, 2022



In addition to the Gift Cards for Gallons Program, Southwest Grain is offering our annual oil sale.

10% off packaged oil products,10% off select store equipment and5% off bulk oil products.

Southwest Grain Petroleum Office: (701) 483-5157 Savanna Meier: (701) 260-6415 Jared Bookhardt: (701) 260-5235 SWG Lemmon: (605) 374-3318

Dickinson | Gladstone | Richardton | New Salem | Elgin | Killdeer | New England | Reeder | Lemmon, SD thru 2-

Southwest

Grain

- Bowman - 701-523-4577 Mott - 701-824-2605

Ranchers,

Now is the time to call Bowman Grain to check out what we have for supplements to help you stretch your feed or increase the quality of your feed.

We have a complete line of Sunnyside Feed Liquid products from high protein products or products with added fat. Plus our 30% Bale Booster to help out on consumption of low quality feed.

> A complete line of Crystalyx products Full line of Vitaferm Barrels Cakes



Soy Hull Pellets to replace hay Dry Distillers Grain

Bowman, ND Bowman, ND Bowman, ND

Call Bowman Grain for more information on any of these products: 701-523-3173 or 701-523-1395





CodyBPyrotechnics **Commercial Bank of Mott** Levorsen Accounting & Tax Midwest Metal Art Plains Grain & Agronomy Celebrations by Design Cardinal Insurance Fitterer Oil Company Laufer Vermeer Hettinger & Sioux **County Abstractors** Blickensderfer Farms Kautzman Trucking Country Style Beaty Salon Centennial Insurance **Elgin True Value** Dakota Community Bank Gooseneck Implement Jerry Schaible

Apollonia Dental



MAIN STREET MOTT

Live D] Fireworks@10 Proudly Sponsored by

ma Uli

W.C.



GC Pyro FX Messmer Trucking South 40 Beef LIS Insurance In-Complex Laufer Farms Farmers Union-Brad Greff 4 Corners Car Wash LCDM Rentals **Oiens Grocery** Farm Credit Services of Mandan Crane & Merriman Law McKenzie Mercantile Dakota Western Bank Helena Agri-Enterprises LLC **Kelsch Family** Sippin Chicken Harvey Schmidt Ron and Margie Herner



Really? If I'd have known that, I would have given to West River Health Services Foundation's accredited Healthcare Heroes, Physician Recruitment and General Endowment Funds a long time ago (at least since 2011, when this almost unbelievable North Dakota state legislation was passed).

### Now you know. And you can realize the tax savings.

The following table shows you how this 40% tax credit works:

**December 31st** is coming up fast! For more details on this amazing 40%

Gift Amount:	\$5,000	\$10,000	\$25,000	\$50,000
ND Credit:	-2,000	-4,000	-10,000	-20,000
*Fed Credit:	-2,000	-4,000	-10,000	-20,000
Gift Cost:	\$1,000	\$2,000	\$5,000	\$10,000

\*Table example shown using 40% tax bracket

ND tax credit, call Ted Uecker at the WRHS Foundation at 701-567-3666. Why not? You may as well receive the largest state tax credit in the USA! And who knows how long North Dakota will offer this tremendous savings? Call us or come see us. 40% is unreal!

To receive a federal tax deduction for charitable gifts, a person must itemize. Please consult your own attorney, accountant or financial advisor on your situation.



# FOR ALL WHO SERVED..



Four simple words etched on a black granite stone, honoring the men and women who served our great nation. It rests in the northwest corner of Rosehill cemetery. Standing with it is a flag pole and four beautiful evergreen trees

Our Veterans memorial is nearing completion..We are planning to do some landscaping and hope to dedicate it in the spring.

This memorial was made possible by many meetings with exchanges of ideas, cooperation of the cemetery board, generous monetary donations from the community and the Legion family, the donation of two beautiful trees and a lot of physical labor. We can't .thank you enough for your contributions to make this possible. Carl Hendrickson Post and Unit #51 Reeder, North Dakota



Heartfelt thanks to all of the kind folks who have dropped in on us and made this year so special. We wouldn't be here without your support, and we appreciate your trust in us!

Wishing you and yours a blessed 2022!

> **HETTINGER LOCATION:** 201 HIGHWAY 12 E HETTINGER, ND 58639 | 701-567-7500

LEMMON LOCATION: 1000 1ST AVE W, LEMMON, SD 57638 | 605-374-7688





# THE RIGHT EQUIPMENT MATTERS. YOU NEED IT, WE'LL FIND IT.

Call AgPro Machinery today and let us find you the equipment you need to make your operation work at its best!









2014 VERSATILE 310

# LOOKING FOR AN END OF YEAR PURCHASE? COME CHECK OUT OUR CURRENT INVENTORY OR CALL OR TEXT US TODAY AT 701-567-7500 WITH YOUR CUSTOM EQUIPMENT ORDER.

Hettinger Location: 201 HIGHWAY 12 E HETTINGER, ND 58639 | 701-567-7500 • Lemmon Location: 1000 1ST AVE W, LEMMON, SD 57638 | 605-374-7688

Merri

Mott - 701-824-2605 - Bowman - 701-523-4577

Page 15 -Saturday, December 25, 2021



Maybe when social distancing is a thing of the past, we'll hug a little harder, hold on a little longer, and remember that nothing matters more than TIME WE SPEND WITH **PEOPLE WE LOVE.** 



**Activity Aide** 

sign on bonus.

ence.

**Radiology Tech** 

1 full-time position. Starting

wage \$12.88/hr may increase

based on experience. This po-

sition is eligible for a \$2,000

1 full-time radiology tech, ro-

tating nights, weekends, and

holidays call. Must have a ra-

diology degree, willing to train

in CT. This position is eligible

for a \$10,000 sign on bonus

and \$25,000 student loan re-

payment. Starting wage \$21.12

may increase based on experi-

Enrich the lives of patients while

choosing your own schedule

in full-time or part-time LPN

position. Eligible for \$25,000

student loan repayment and

\$7,500 sign-on bonus. Starting

wage \$22.66/hr, may increase

**Registered Nurse (RN)** 

based on experience.

**Licensed Practical** 

Nurse (LPN)

Are you loyal, driven, and compassionate? Join our team of like-minded people.

### EMT

Full-time, Part-time or PRN EMT's, rotating night, weekend and holiday call. Starting wage \$19.31/hr may increase based on experience. This position is eligible for a \$2,000 sign on bonus.

### Ambulance Driver

Full-time, Part-time or PRN EMT's, rotating night, weekend and holiday call. Starting wage \$19.31/hr may increase based on experience. This position is eligible for a \$2,000 sian on bonus.

### **Certified Nurse** Assistant (CNA)

Full-time or part-time positions are available. CNA certification required, but we can assist you in obtaining certi-

### **Thoughts for** the week

"A Pocket

bu June Schmidt, Mott,ND My thoughts were all about family and spending time together. It was 2 years since we were able to be together for the Christmas Holidays and it was a wonderful time with a house full of family and children and good food. How special everything seemed and yes we hugged and laughed and made up for lost time. There were a few that were missing because of circumstances, and hopefully in the future, that will change and we will see them as well.

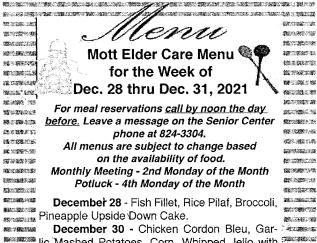
Christmas is the season of joy and to celebrate the greatest gift of all. The birth of Jesus in a manger destined to be the savior of the world. The gift that all Christians celebrate or should celebrate. How wonderful a season it is and we need to never forget that. As they say, Jesus is the reason for the season and the gifts that we give each other pale in comparison to that special one.

Christmas is also a time to give thanks for all the things that we have and share our blessings with others. There is something special about watching a child open a present. The wonder and happiness is timeless no matter how often you see it. Truly more fun to watch the little ones as no matter what they get they are so excited just to be able to tear open the package and it doesn't much matter to them how much it cost. As they get older, its more difficult to find things that they like and sometimes it feels that if you don't spend a lot of money, they are not happy. Are we becoming too materialistic and loosing the point of the whole idea? Shouldn't we just be happy to get any gift that we are given because there are many that have

### little or nothing? Its something to think about. Something else that I am

happy to be doing is something that the Lions do every year. We use funds collected to purchase gift baskets for the needy in our community. There are some families that do not have the money or the funds to make it a special Christmas, so we try to do our part to help them out in our community. There are a few groups in the area that do this for toys for children and all these things are a wonderful opportunity to share what we have with those who are not as fortunate as others. If you have the desire to help, please find a group that meets your need to help and donate or volunteer.

The one thing that I do not want to forget and I don't think that anyone should is that family and friends are important in everyone's life. If you have family and spend time with them for whatever reason, then wonderful for you and be grateful that do you have them. If you have let your family ties go because of circumstances that seemed to be important at the time, is it time to reconsider that decision? One day when all those that you knew are gone, will you still be happy with how that turned out? I know that there are people that I wish I would have spent more time with, but now am unable to do so. Life is too short to have regrets if you have time and opportunity to make a change. It is truly something to consider. In any case, cherish those that you love, hug the ones that mean the most to you and love without condition. Some day the words that you say today will be those that may mean the most to you in the future - truly up to you what decision you must make. God Bless you all and God's Love keep you happy and healthy in the future.



raíríe Dental, Inc. Dr. Jennifer Sarsland Dr. Kevin Mark 12 6th Ave SW Bowman, ND 58623 701-523-3255 www.prairiedentalinc.com

### Never alone

By Kathy Craigo-Harteis Christmas is meant to be a time of rejoicing. It is a time for us to reflect. A time to share and

especially love. That doesn't always hap-

pen. Sadly it is also a time of sorrow for many people. While we feel like the celebration and the gatherings should be joyful it is instead strained at best.

There was a time when our Christmas Eve included my dad Jim Bowden reading the Christmas story. Then he shared his own childhood story of poverty and even at times hunger. But he was joyful when he shared

that his struggles as a child led him to know that he was not alone. He knew that Christmas wasn't about presents and Santa. He now knew that Christmas was about a boy child in a manager. He knew until the day of his death that no matter what crisis he faced, that baby boy was as at his side. He was his strength when he didn't think he had any left.

None of us are perfect. No one will have a flawless Christmas no matter what preparations we try to make.

We need only remember we are not alone and we are always loved.

Life can be good today.



### Dear Santa

Mia writes a poem to Santa about the importance of washing his hands, wearing a mask and social distancing in Christmas 2020.

It was time to write Santa a letter, send it off to the North Pole. Mia sat down with some paper and her sprinkly ice cream bowl!

"Dear Santa" she began to write "I hope you're keeping well ... "Here's my list" she wrote in letters bright, "I have so much to tell.

Since last year when you came, Saint Nick, upon your But when you do so every time, please try to wear a mask."

And although you'll have much work to do, traveling to many lands, no matter how busy things might get be sure to wash you hands!

And see you busy working elves, are wearing masks and gloves, and that they stand six feet apart, making gifts for those we love!

I hear the scientists are working hard, to find the virus cure, Healthcare workers are busy too. Please leave them a gift for sure.

I hope and pray the world feels better, pleas bring us hope and peace, Dear Santa don't forget this letter. (And things on my list PLEEEASE.) written by Prarthana Gururaj

fication if necessary. These positions are eligible for a \$4,000 sign on bonus. Starting wage \$17.00/hr, may increase based on experience.

### **RN clinic nurse**

1 part-time RN floating between 3 clinics. Starting wage \$21.15/hr, may increase based on experience. This position is eligible for a \$7,500 sign on bonus and \$25,000 student loan repayment program.

### LPN clinic nurse

1 part-time LPN floating between 3 clinics. Starting wage \$19.57/hr, may increase based on experience. This position is eligible for a \$7,500 sign on bonus and \$25,000 student loan repayment program.

Make a difference and gain valuable experience as a fulltime or part-time charge nurse at JMHCC! This position is eligible for a \$7,500 sign on bonus and \$25,000 student loan repayment program. Starting wage \$29.36/hr, may increase based on experience.

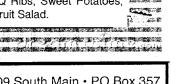
All full-time and part-time positions are eligible for our competitive benefits package. **Contact Kristin at** (701) 584-7247 or kheid@jmhcc.org to apply. JMHCC is an equal opportunity employer.

lic Mashed Potatoes, Corn, Whipped Jello with THE A BOAR AS 1007-0740-122 Fruit. 编 注意 电 December 31 - BBQ Ribs, Sweet Potatoes, ALC: MALLING LOS SALSE March Colorado Green Beans, Lemon Fruit Salad. Second C A MARK AND AND A AND A The second s nar in second

an 1979. The second Cart's Kinthe

Δ

 $\nabla$ 

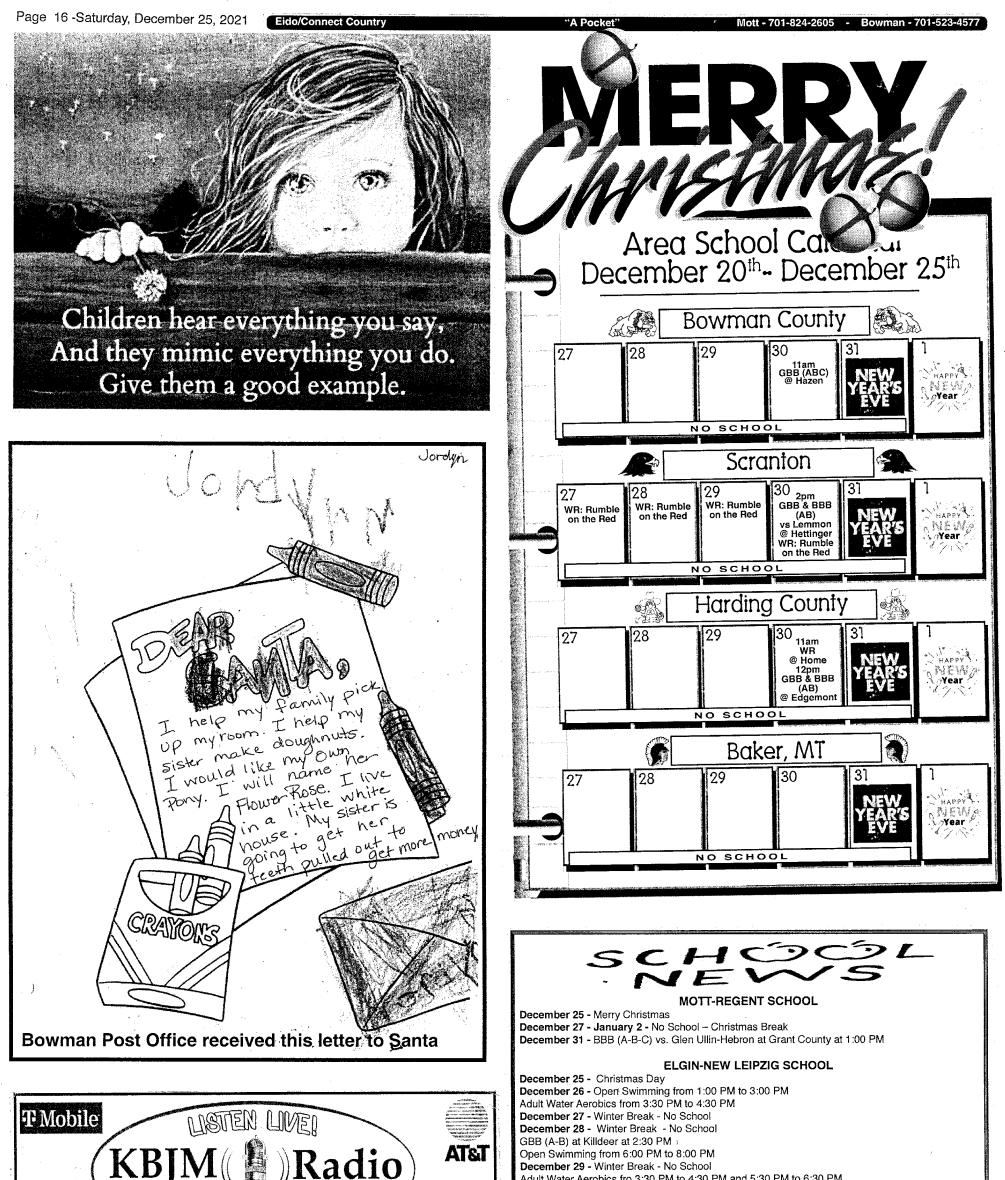


reindeer sleigh, A virus now makes people sick, so we have new rules today.

"I know you come the chimney pipe, it's not an easy task.



ove the giver more than the gift." "



ON THE WEB AT www.kbjm.com LEMMON, SOUTH DAKOTA We offer sales and service for AT&T and T-Mobile and we carry quality chargers, cases and accessories for phones. We also offer repair services on many wireless phones. Office hours are 9 am to 5 pm Monday-Friday and by appointment by calling 605-374-5747.

KBI

1400 AM

Open Swimming from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM December 29 - Winter Break - No School Adult Water Aerobics fro 3:30 PM to 4:30 PM and 5:30 PM to 6:30 PM December 30 - Winter Break - No School Open Swimming from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM December 31 - Winter Break - No School BBB (A-B-C) vs. Glen Ullin-Hebron at Grant County at 1:00 PM

#### **NEW ENGLAND SCHOOL**

December 23 -24 - Christmas Vacation - No School - Christmas Eve - Be Good Santa's Coming! December 25 - Christmas Vacation - No School - Christmas Day - Enjoy with Family and Friends! December 26 - 29 - Christmas Vacation - No School December 30 - Christmas Vacation - No School GBB (A-B) Flasher at New England at 2:00 PM



### "The best way to spread Christmas cheer is singing loud for all to hear."

### Zeke And Zack

by Judith Shields Regini -Christmas 1994 There were two field mice, Zeke and Zack, who lived in Bethlehem. They made their home in a bed of straw in a stable near an inn.

"Come look outside," said Zeke to Zack, "Come see the crowded street." Zack hurried over to the door and through the opening, peeked.

"I wonder what that's all about." Zack thought aloud to Zeke. "What brings these people to Bethlehem? What is it that they seek?"

As they sat and stared at passers-by, they saw a weary man. Beside him, on a donkey, a

young girl looked pale and wan.

As they walked toward the stable, Zeke and Zack fled from the door. They watched from behind a water pail as the two stepped

on the floor.

Zeke looked at Zack and they crept closer to view an infant child. They crawled up the manger and sat on the side, near the virgin mild.

Mary smiled at the two as they peeked at the child and gently touched their heads. She told them the baby was

Jesus and she nodded toward the bed.

The child turned his head and looked at the mice as they lovingly sat on the side. They scurried down quickly and ran through the stable and Zeke excitedly cried.

"Come cows and oxen, come lamb and come bird. Come to the stable bare ' "Come see the Christ Child, wrapped in swaddling clothes. Come see what awaits you

here.'

The animals gathered around the stall and looked at the baby boy. They mooed, squawked, and chirped, and they bleated and squeaked, as they proclaimed

Soon others would join them, man, woman, and beast, at the stable by the inn. Wise men would come, on

their joy.

camels, would come, and the wonderful life did begin.

The angel chorus was joined that night by the singing of the dove.

All voices united in one single spirit, proclaiming God's great gift of love.

Christmas comes to us all once a year, but lives on in our hearts all year long. From field mouse to king, together we sing the greatest song of songs.

A CHILD 95 BORN

### Notice of Public Meeting ENL Public School

The Elgin/New Leipzig Public School plans to submit a Community Facilities application to USDA-Rural Development. The application being considered would request funds for on the school's HVAC system. The school is looking at repiping the boiler to have the building return and building supply on separate loops, the installation of a unit ventilator, and adding propane to the system, and other indoor air quality improvements. A public hearing will be held at January 19, 2022 at ENL High School to obtain views and answer questions to project economic and environmental impacts, service area, and alternatives to the project.

### **Request for Bids – Heating System** Commissioning

The Elgin/New Leipzig Public School District is seeking bids to do work on our HVAC system. We are seeking bids to put the building return and building supply on separate loops with repiping, replacing one unit ventilator, consideration of adding propane to the HVAC system, and installation of destratification fans. Please view Request for Bids (RFB) for more details. Bids are due by January 14th. A required walkthrough will occur on January 17th at 9 AM Mountain Time for those interested in bidding. Send an email to gayle.beyer@k12.nd.us to request the RFB document. If you have questions about the project, bids, or other inquires you can contact Mr. Ludvigson at 701-584-2374 or daneil.ludvigson@k12. nd.us. Bids will be discussed at the January 19th regular meeting of the school board.

**Jim's Repair** & Implement Bowman, ND 701-523-5579

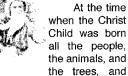
Farm Tractors & Equipment Repair 🕔 Interstate Batteries Crary Products

Jim - 701-523-3372 Sheldon - 701-206-1190



### How the Fir Tree Became the **Christmas Tree**

This is the story of how the fir tree became Christmas the tree.



plants were very happy. The Child was born to bring peace and happiness to the whole world. People came daily to see the little One, and they always brought gifts with them.

There were three trees standing near the crypt which saw the people, and they wished that they, too, might give presents to the Christ Child. The Palm said: "I will choose

my most beautiful leaf, and place it as a fan over the Child.' "And I," said the Olive, "will sprinkle sweet-smelling oil upon His head."

"What can I give to the Child?" asked the Fir, who stood near.

"You!" cried the others. "You have nothing to offer Him. Your needles would prick Him, and your tears are sticky."

So the poor little Fir tree was very unhappy, and it said: "Yes, you are right. I have nothing to offer the Christ Child."

Now, quite near the trees stood the Christmas Angel, who had heard all that the trees had said. The Angel was sorry for the Fir tree who was so lowly and without envy of the other trees. So, when it was dark, and the stars came out, he begged. a few of the little stars to come

down and rest upon the branches of the Fir tree. They did as the Christmas Angel asked, and the Fir tree shone suddenly with a beautiful light.

And, at that very moment, the Christ Child opened His eves-for He had been asleep-and as the lovely light fell upon Him He smiled.

Every year people keep the dear Christmas Child's birthday by giving gifts to each other, and every year, in remembrance of His first birthday, the Christmas Angel places in every house a fir tree, also. Covered with starry candles it shines for the children as the stars shone for the Christ Child. The Fir tree was rewarded for its meekness, for to no other tree is it given to shine upon so many happy faces. The First Christmas Roses Christmas Story



Merry Christmas to you and your Family! We've had a great turn out this year in our area but first a little something from Samaritan's Purse.

"Millions of Operation Christmas Child shoebox gifts were dropped off during National Collection Week at over 4,000 locations across the U.S. Now, those boxes are being processed by thousands of volunteers at our eight processing centers before they are

shipped overseas to children in need. "Thank-You" from Franklin Graham" I received this info in an email on Dec.18 and I was able to search with my email address where some of our packed shoeboxes went. They were shipped on Dec. 9 and headed to Mexico this year. Go to this site to find out where your shoeboxes went if you donated online this year or any previous year. I can see all the way back to 2016

where my shoeboxes went. https://www.samaritanspurse.org/operation-christmaschild/label-options/#fyb

Thank-You to those that came to the packing party this year, you helped pack 193 shoeboxes and to those that brought in shoeboxes you helped collect 63 shoeboxes with a total of 256 SHOEBOXES this year!! What a true joy that will be on those children's faces when they receive your shoebox! Thank-You so much for being a part of this special gift. Thank-You to each business in Mott, New Leipzig, Elgin and Carson for letting me set up shoeboxes for those to pick up and pack. Thank-You for allowing your place of business to be a place for drop off as well during collection week. Thank-You to each and every person that packed a shoebox. Thank-You to each individual that helped collect items throughout the year for the packing party to be possible and to each person, business and organization that helped with shipping costs for each of the shoeboxes packed. Thank-You to those that were able to come. Many hands make light work and a packing party and collection week wouldn't be possible without you. I don't want to miss anyone so Thank-You so very much in every way you helped and until next time. Blessings, Brooke-



"A Pocket"

Mott - 701-824-2605 - Bowman - 701-523-4577

# "Christmas is doing a little something extra for someone."



TREE REMOVAL STUMP GRINDING North Dakota and South Dakota Fall Dates Available **Call David Stockert** 

605-490-2181

Expressions 9

chadnezzar had dreams: and

his spirit was so troubled that

his sleep left him. Then the king

gave the command to call the

magicians, the astrologers, the

sorcerers, and the Chaldeans to

tell the king his dreams. So they

came and stood before the king.

And the king said to them, 'I

have had a dream, and my spirit

matter how rich or powerful

a person becomes, he is not

exempt from anxiety? Nebu-

chadnezzar was surrounded

by the best of guards, but they

could not produce a calm spir-

it or peaceful sleep. Let us be

careful not to envy those with

great power and riches. For if

we could look into their hearts.

we might find that they are con-

Isn't it interesting that no

is anxious to know the dream."

to 1-8-22

### **Reflections on the** Words of Life

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

We come today to chapter two of the book of Daniel. In the first chapter, we saw how God in His grace enabled Daniel and his three friends to stand up under testing and temptation. Then He blessed the four young Hebrews with greater gifts with which to serve Him. Daniel received the gifts of a prophet and the ability to understand dreams and visions. In verses 1-3 of chapter two, we see the first opportunity which God gave Daniel to use this special gift:

"Now in the second year of Nebuchadnezzar's reign, Nebusumed with cares.

In the following verses, we have the exchange between Nebuchadnezzar and those he considers the wisest men in the kingdom: "Then the Chaldeans spoke to the king in Aramaic, 'O king, live forever! Tell your servants the dream, and we will give the interpretation.' The king answered and said to the Chaldeans, 'My decision is firm: if you do not make known the dream to me, and its interpretation, you shall be cut in pieces, and your houses shall be made an ash heap. However, if you tell the dream and its interpretation, you shall receive from me gifts, rewards, and great honor. Therefore tell me the dream and its interpretation.' They answered again and said, 'Let the king tell his servants the dream, and we will give its interpretation.' The king answered and said, 'I know for certain that you would gain time, because you see that my decision is firm: if you do not make known the dream to me, there is only one decree for you! For you have agreed to speak lying and corrupt words before me till the time has changed. Therefore tell me the dream, and I shall know that you can give me its interpretation.' The Chaldeans answered the king, and said, 'There is not a man on earth who can tell the king's matter; therefore no king, lord, or ruler has ever asked such things of any magician, astrologer, or Chaldean. It is a difficult thing that the king requests, and there is no other who can tell it to the king except the gods, whose dwelling is not with flesh."

We would expect that men who had received the best possible training and education of their day would apply sound knowledge and wisdom in solving problems. Instead they relied on tactics which are condemned in Scripture. Rather than seeking the truth of God, they turned to magic, astrology, and sorcery. The rampant idolatry of their culture had them looking for answers in all the



Scranton

Equity

wrong places.

The Lord here is showing us the inadequacy of human wisdom. Man without God does not have real answers to the most basic questions of life because he has rejected the only source of truth as it is in Christ Jesus. With all the advances in science and technology, man is not able to solve his most fundamental problems or meet his deepest needs. Our greatest need is to be restored to a right relationship with our Creator, and the only way that can happen is for God to open man's eyes to his lost condition and reveal to him that Jesus Christ is the Savior that he needs. Salvation is a free gift of God, received by faith alone in what Christ did on the cross to pay for the sins of His people. It is my hope this Christmas, that you have received this





Using the telling of time to help us to pray, or to remind us to pray, for our country, your family, someone who is sick, someone in need, for help in your day, for whatever your thoughts or needs are. You can use this to help remind you.

Mobile Tire Repair · Complete Automotive Care

We Now have Beet Juice for Tractor Tires

Call today to make an appointment 275-8169

If you need prayer or want to know how

to experience God in your own life.

Contact:

thelitpath.777@gmail.com

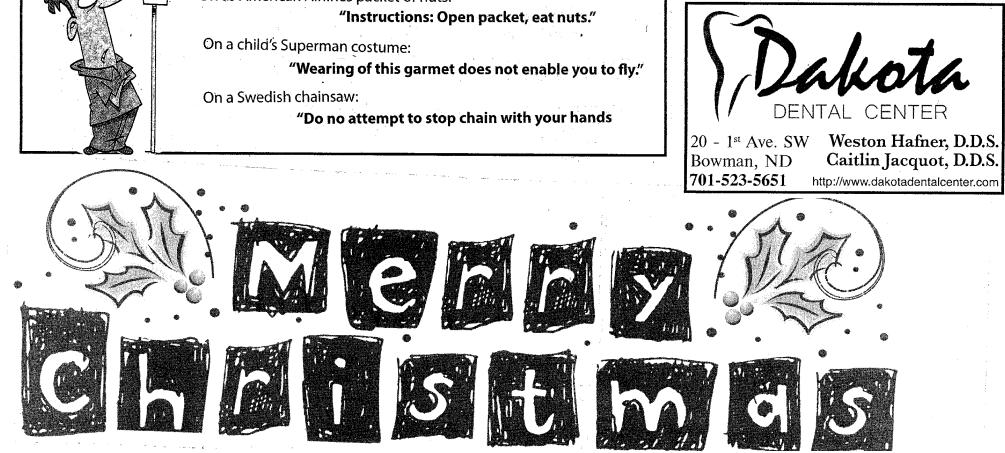
Or PO Box 84,

Mott ND 58646

All inquiries are confidential

Scranton, ND



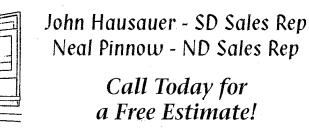


Mott - 701-824-2605 - Bowman - 701-523-4577

Page 19 - Saturday, December 25, 2021

Siding - Windows Seamless Gutter Standing Seam Roofing Doors - Patio Doors Stone Coated Steel Shingles







### Robert "Bob" Murrel Lewis Rites Held

Robert "Bob" Murrel Lewis 89 years old, of Hettinger, ND,



passed away peacefully Monday, December 13, 2021, in Minot, ND.

Service of Remembrance for Bob was held Friday, December 17, 2021 at 10:30 a.m. MT at the United Methodist Church in Hettinger, ND. Rev. Duane Coates officiated and burial followed at the Hettinger Cemetery.

Bob was born April 29, 1932, at Mrs. Clark's house in Hettinger, ND. Bob's parents were Chester Murrel and Agnes Olson Lewis. The family moved to the T. E. Hayes' place in 1938.

until moving into Hettinger in 2000. He was a child of the Depression Era, growing up with an older sister Marilyn Lewis Mundahl and younger sister Patti Lewis Ohnemus. He attended the Ellingson country school, stayed in town during the week to attend Hettinger High School, and graduated in 1950. He was a fast-running football player who played both offense and defense. He loved horses and one of his favorites was Bird--a fast, spirited horse that only he could ride and usually as bareback.

Bob and Helen Marie Sather were united in marriage at Miles City, MT, on June 2, 1952. They celebrated 60 years of marriage. Helen passed away in January 2013. They had 3 children-Dr. Mark Lewis, a veterinarian in Lisbon, ND; Constance Lewis Priest, teacher, deceased in January 2005; and James, audio/video technician in Bismarck, ND.

Besides working the land and operating the ranch, Bob was a carpenter and used his skills to build and upgrade houses, churches, garages, and many cabinets. In later years, while driving around the area, he could name every location and remember the work done there. He recalled falling off the vocalist in high school, so he was naturally one of the original Borderline Singers and anchored that bass section with his deep voice way down in the bottom range of the musical scale. He sang many solos for weddings and funerals.

"A Pocket"

Bob served on the church administration board, township and school boards and volunteered with numerous other community groups. He was instrumental in expanding the West River medical community, hospital, and Foundation Board by serving for over 20 years as member and chairman. He supported the Adams County Fair and 4-H. He loved to learn about new places; and he and Helen traveled to Europe and many states, wintering for 7 years in Winterhaven, CA. But his home, his heart, was the land of the Dakotas.

Bob was a true servant for his community and fellow man. He and Helen were members of Bethany United Methodist Church until its closing, and then attended the Hettinger United Methodist Church. Even as life changed for Bob, he continued to pray for his family, friends, and expressed genuine concern for those who were ill or suffering. He was known for his common sense, work ethic, and commitment, and remained humble his entire life.

"Well done good and faithful servant."

Bob is survived by Mark (Tammy Nelson), Lisbon, ND; James (Melissa) Lewis, Bismarck, ND; Patti Ohnemus, Spearfish, SD; and grandchildren and their families-Daniel (Stefanie) Lewis; Matthew (Amber) and Karley; Kristen (Kyle) Rhone; Samantha Lewis and River; Keaton Lewis; Samuel (Nichole) Abdallah and Colton, Anthony, Evangelina, Jax, and Nash; Bobbi Jo (Todd) Cody; Staci (Chris) Schmitz and Carter and Elyanna; and Nyhus and Laura Schaffer and Hennasy, Briggs, and Brooks. A note to genealogists, all grands and great grands are listed as his family. He loved you all.

He was preceeded in death by his parents, Murrel and Agnes: wife Helen, daughter Connie; sister and brother-in-law, Marilyn and Robert Mundahl; brother-in-law, Bill Ohnemus; brothers-in-law and sisters-inlaw Earl and Liv Laufer, Birger and Barbara Sather, Darrell and Joan Bowman; nephews Kris Braaten and Stanley Laufer; beloved grandparents, aunts, uncles, and cousins; and so many special friends and other family members.

Memorials may be given to the West River Health Services Foundation or the donor's choice.

Condolences to the Lewis family can be sent through our website at www.evansonjensenfuneralhome.com

### JoAnn (Schmidt) Ryherd Rites

JoAnn Ryherd, age 85 of Elgin, ND; passed away on



Sunday, December 12, 2021 at Essentia Health in Fargo, ND.

Cremation has taken place and a memorial service will be

held in January 2022. JoAnn Naomi Emilia Hintz was born on May 16, 1936 to

Otto and Ann (Nuss) Hintz, eight miles northwest of Elgin, ND at the Henry Nuss farm. She was the third of six children. In 1941, just before starting school her parents relocated to Dickinson, ND where she attended Berg Elementary School and Dickinson High School. While in Dickinson, she was very active in the Camp Fire Girls Organization. In 1951, her family headed west to California. Her first home in California was in the little town of Dos Palso where she completed one semester of her sophomore year in high school. Next came a move to Fresno where she attended Central High School from which she graduated in 1954. Following graduation, she was employed by Pacific Telephone Co. She left that position to work as a secretary and office manager for Youth for Christ. She remained in that position until her marriage in 1966 to Gerald D. Schmidt when they moved to Coalinga, California. It was in Coalinga where their son, Jon was born. While in Coalinga, "Jo" worked as a secretary for the First Presbyterian Church and Coalinga School District before accepting a position with Fresno Co. Dept of Social SerShe acted as a site manager for Senior Meals as well as being on the Board of Directors serving as treasurer, president and secretary. (not all at once) She entertained also with others at Dakota Hill, Jacobson Memorial Care Center, and Senior Meals in Elgin, New Leipzig, and Carson.

On June 25, 2005 Jo married Ellis Ryherd. Along with a new husband, she gained three new grandsons and three granddaughters and his sons, Kevin and Michael who were both ministers so they officiated the ceremony.

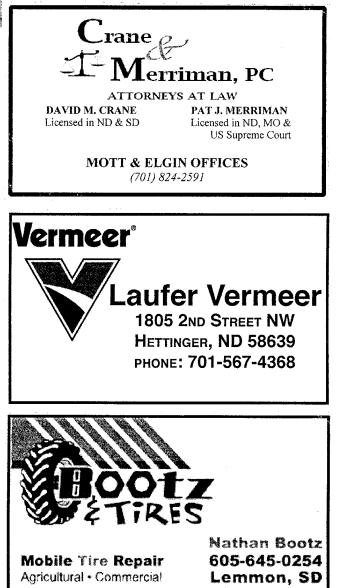
Jo loved playing "Stix" with several of her lady friends (an "old hen's party" according to her husband) Jo loved to sing but was disappointed that in later years her voice "cracked" and she could no longer do solos.

She is survived by her son,

Jon (Camie) Schmidt, Brentwood, CA; three step-sons, Keith (Reda) Schmidt, New Caney, TX, Kevin Ryherd, Scotland, SD; and Michael Ryherd, Flower Mound, TX; one step-daughter, Pam (Joe) Rodrigues, Madera; grandsons, Eric Schmidt, Christian Schmidt, Mike Schmidt, Shawn Rodrigues, Zakk Ryherd, Tyus Ryherd, Isaac Ryherd, and granddaughters, Ashley, Payton, and Hailey Ryherd and great grandson, Mark along with many nieces, nephews, and great nieces and nephews.

Preceding Jo in death where her husbands, Jerry Schmidt, Ellis Ryherd, her parents, Otto and Ann Hintz, several aunts and uncles and one great-nephew, Jeff Hann.

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.evansonjensenfuneralhome.com



Bob was a long-time area farmer/rancher from Ellingson, SD, who said he always lived within 5 miles of the home place ladder and landing in a basement. The ladder is still useable, but it has a dent!

Bob was an award-winning



vices where she remained for 20 years.

Following her retirement in 1990, Jo and Jerry moved to Elgin, ND. Jerry passed away in 2001 after a bout with cancer. Jo attended Hope Congregational Church where she was involved in the music program. She was active in Germans from Russia, (Treasurer) and Elgin Days Committee. She was also involved with hair care at Dakota Hill Housing and Jacobson Memorial Care Center.

Whatever you do be sure it makes a positive

difference in someones life!

#### AND AND AND AND AND AND AND AND

Mott - 701-824-2605 - Bowman - 701-523-4577

# "Christmas is doing a little something extra for someone."

Sometimes things happen in our lives that wake us up to the truth, about how short life is. It's then we wonder why we spent so much wasted time looking too far into the l'uture.

### **Charles Emil Vetter Rites Held**

1

Charles Emil Vetter passed into eternity at his home, surrounded by his family, Wednes-



day, December 15, 2021, after a courageous battle with pancreatic cancer.

The Funeral Service for Chuck, age 72 of Elgin was held at 10:30am, Wednesday, December 22, 2021 at the Assembly of God Church in Elgin. Pastor Vern Finck officiated with burial in the Assembly of God Cemetery at Elgin.

The Funeral Service was livestreamed on the website www.evansonjensenfuneralhome.com and can be viewed by going to Chuck's obituary and "view funeral service here". In lieu of flowers, a memorial

has been established.

Charles was born September 19, 1949 at Elgin Lorenzen Memorial Hospital to Emil and Ella (Rieger) Vetter. The oldest of 4 boys, he was raised on the family farm 12 miles northwest of Elgin, ND and attended grade school at the Will country school. Charles then attended Elgin Public High School, graduating in 1967.

Upon graduation, he attend-

1972, Suzanne in 1976 and Justin in 1981. He instilled in them a love of agriculture, God's creation, and a work ethic of caring for what God has entrusted to them. He enjoyed sharing the country ways with his city-born nephews and nieces whenever he could.

In 1972, Charles put his mechanic training to use by working for Lippert's Repair in Elgin. He started driving school bus during this time, which became a part of his life over the next 48 years. In 1973, he began working for Dittus Inc., assembling and repairing farm equipment. He enjoyed this line of work, especially meeting and helping area farmers trouble shoot their equipment.

In the spring of 1981, Charles decided to branch out on his own and start ranching, raising cattle and breeding Quarter horses, which was his ultimate dream. By this time, he and his family were living on a farm 8 miles north of Elgin, where he and Colleen raised their family. Like any rancher, he enjoyed and found satisfaction in every aspect of agricultural life, especially caring for and providing for his livestock. In 2004, Charles obtained his real estate license to assist his wife in a growing business.

Over the years he enjoyed serving his church in several capacities. He was actively involved in his children's education by attending & serving on the school board for many years. He also served on the Leipzig Township board. He made many lifelong friends over the years and will be missed by many. His sense of humor

Colleen of 52 years, daughters Janine Vetter of Missoula, MT and Suzanne (Jason) Smith of Deer Lodge, MT, son Justin (Brandi) Vetter, Elgin, ND; 4 grandchildren, Matteson, Jordan & Wyatt Smith, all of Deer Lodge, MT, and Breanne Fugate, Elgin, ND; 3 brothers, Loren (Naeko) Vetter, New Hope, MN, Glen (Karen) Vetter, New Hope, MN, and Bill (Shelly) Vetter, Big Lake, MN. He is also survived by step-mother Janice Vetter, Elgin, ND, brother-inlaw, Ray (Donna) Eslinger of Granite Falls, WA, sister-in-law Elaine Mutschelknaus, Elgin, ND, nephews and nieces Billy (Rachel) Vetter, Angie (Ben) Emmrich, Lisa (Shawn) Stroebl, Daniel (Andrea) Vetter, Eric Vetter, Jessica, Nikki & Emily Vetter, all of the Minneapolis, MN area, Bruce (Donna) Mutschelknaus, New Leipzig, ND, Wanda (Myles) Stoller, Elgin, ND, Monte Mutschelknaus, Lignite, ND, Sandra Arndt, Mandan, ND, Mary Wysocki, Granite Falls, WA, Mike (Debbie) Eslinger, Puyallup, WA, and many great nephews and nieces. He is preceded in death

by his parents, Emil and Ella Vetter, parental in-laws, John & Tillie Eslinger, sister-in-law, Lucille Eslinger, brother-in-law, Clarence Mutschelknaus, nephew Russell Mutschelknaus and niece Robin Willoughby.

Cards can be mailed to Colleen Vetter, 6765 62nd St SW, Elgin, ND 58639.

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.evansonjensenfuneralhome.com

People believing in each other

**Duaine Marxen Rites To Be Held** Duaine Marxen, 65, of Mott ND, died as a result of Covid, Sunday, Dec 12,2021 at Legacy



land, OR. Celebration of life service will be held on January 9th 2022 at 2:00pm at The Castle in Regent, ND

Duaine was born April 24,1956 to Harold and Helen (ALTHOFF) Marxen in Pipestone. MN. During his youth, he was very active in 4H and FFA showing beef, sheep, and swine. He placed Third High Individual at the national FFA meats judging contest.He graduated from the Pipestone School district in 1974. He then went on to be a member of the SDSU meats judging team as He continued his education at South Dakota State University, graduating with a Bachelor's degree in Animal Science in 1978. After graduating college he returned to the family farm with his parents and brother, Bill.

He was united in marriage Cindy Kunze on January 30th, 1981. They had 3 children, Aaron, Allison (Daniel Bush ), and Benjamin (Heidi Block). October of 2001, Duaine retired from farming due to health reasons. Duaine and Cindy then moved to Bigstone City, South Dakota where they lived for 10 years. During this time, he started his Extension Agent career in 2006 with SDSU extension as the Grant County SD, Extension Agent. In January 2012, Duaine and Cindy move to Mott, North Dakota where he became Hettinger County Extension Agent with NDSU. He retired from this position in January of 2021. He took great pride in the accomplishments of the 4H kids he worked with. While in South Dakota, he coached the Grant County general livestock team to the state champjonship and on to the nationals in Louisville Kentucky.

While in North Dakota, the 4H program grew from 32 to 75 members, he started the shooting sports program in both archery and shotgun. He helped coach the 2019 shotgun team to



**DEUTSCHER CLINICS PC** Joel A Deutscher DC Reece A. Deutscher DC **Chiropractic Care** 11 4th St E Lemmon, SD 57638 (605) 374-5654 Charle's Augels of Caring, LLC - Contract Charle's Augels of Caring, LLC We provide care and companionship for elderly and disabled people in the comfort of their own home. Prepare Meals · Clean · ADL's · QSP Certified Phone: 701-567-3173 Charlotte Lee · Owner Fax: 701-567-6552 Charlottelee945@gmail.com Hettinger, ND 1<sup>st</sup> Look Inspection, LLC Robin Shoberg, President/CEO

Services Look Inspection LLC Full Home Inspection • Commercial Inspection Radon & Mold Inspection Home Plumbing, Winterization & De-Winterization, Age in Place Survey, Contractor Progress Payment Verification and more "Inspected Once, Inspected Right"

www.1stlookinspectionllc.com (701) 928-1151 1stlookinspection@ndsupernet.com ND HI License #158 - SD HI License #15951

the state championship. He was very proud of the legacy of Hettinger county coming together to rebuild the 4H static building that was destroyed during the fair in 2019.

During the winter months, Duaine enjoyed snowmobiling with family and friends. He was often the one needing to be rescued from a moving snowdrift getting in his way. He was also a constant danger to any trees smaller than a dinner plate in diameter.

Duaine found great enjoyment in his children and grandchildren and his "4H kids". His family was his pride and joy. In October of 2021, he went to Silverton Oregon, to spend time with his daughter, son-in-law, and their children. While there, he discovered the possibilities of winter gardening. He then commandeered the greenproclaimed them slaves to the gardening adventure. He then taught them the beauty and wonders of creating soil by mixing top soil, composted manure, and peat by hand. His unique laughter was heard 3 houses down as he walked them through building the raised beds and starting the seeds and then having an animated argument with his daughter over the value or lack there of (her opinion), of radishes. Sharing his love of growing things was given to all his Grandchildren.

house and the grandkids and

On November 7th he was diagnosed with covid. He fought hard until December 12th, 2021 when he went home to our Lord, surrounded by his family. Left to cherish his memory are his wife Cindy, children: Aaron Marxen (of Mott, ND), Allison and Daniel Bush (of Silverton, OR), Benjamin and Heidi Marx-

### "The best way to spread Christmas cheer is singing loud for all to hear."



### Lauretta Bolte **Rites Held**

A memorial service for Lauretta Bolte was held at 2:00 pm on Tuesday, November 30,



2021, at Davis Funeral Home with inurnment following at Mountain View Cemetery.

Lauretta Mae Soehren was born on October 25, 1931 in Mott North Dakota, and passed away on November 18, 2021 at her home in Riverton, Wyoming.

She was born to Hans and Viola (Graeber) Soehren. She was the oldest of five children. Her siblings are Hazel Clark, Eldon Soehren, Lee Soehren and Viola Soehren. She spent most of her younger years growing up in Regent North Dakota. Her mother passed away when Lauretta was very young, so

she became the mother figure to her younger siblings. Her father then married Rose Tracksinger in 1956.

Lauretta married Anton "Tony" Bolte on June 22, 1949 in North Dakota. They moved around to several different towns in North Dakota and Wyoming, before buying a farm and settling down in Missouri Valley, Shoshoni Wyoming in 1971.

Lauretta had five children: Renee, Allan, Russ, Lance and Stacey.

Lauretta loved to watch her children, grand children and great grand children participate in all of their different activities. She would travel many miles to enjoy watching them.

And of course Lauretta LOVED her Colorado Rockies. They definitely lost one of their biggest fans!!

Lauretta was also part of the Missouri Valley Women's Club. She enjoyed their monthly meetings and talking with all of her friends and neighbors. They still would meet every now and again.

Lauretta was also a part of the bowling league in Riverton. She really enjoyed being around all of her family and

602 Ash Ave., Glen Ullin • 348-9175 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. CT Monday, Thursday, Friday

Monday 8 a.m.- 5 p.m. MT Wednesday 8 a.m.-6:30 p.m. MT

Emergency care 24/7 584-2792 www.jacobsonhospital.org

Good things come to those who believe, better things come to those who are patient and the best things come to those who don't give up.

friends while bowling.

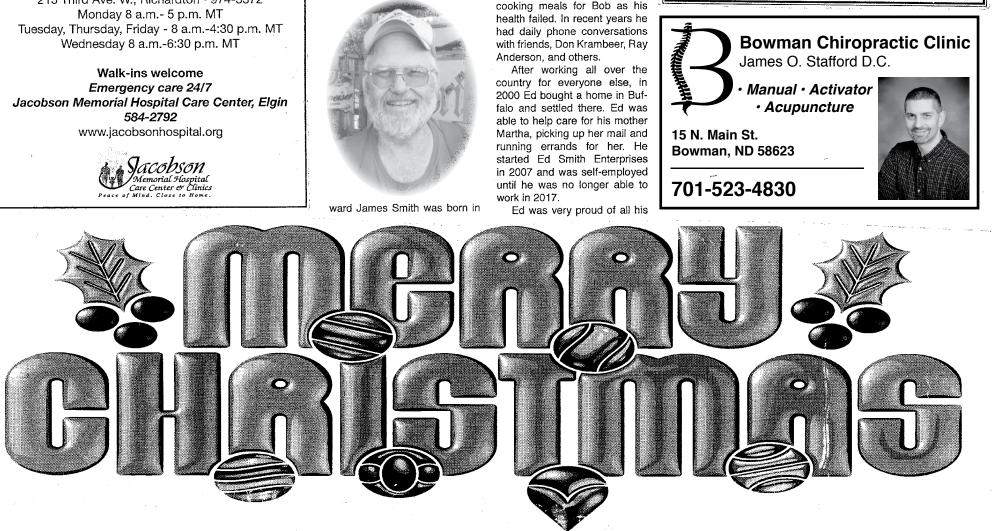
Lauretta is survived by her five children; Renee Fullerton, Alian (Sandra) Bolte, Russ Bolte, Lance (Misti) Bolte and Stacey (Wayne) Gaudern. 10 Grand Children; Daryl Fullerton, Curtis Bolte, Bret Bolte, Rachael Bolte, Jake Bolte, Patricia Gaudern, Chantel Menzies, Kami Bolte, Dylan Gaudern and Samantha Gaudern, 13 great grandchildren and 1 great great grandchild.

Lauretta was preceded in death by her grandparents, parents Hans and Viola Soehren, Step Mother Rose Soehren, Husband Tony Bolte, Sisters Hazel Clark and Viola Soehren, Brother Eldon Soehren and many wonderful friends.

On-line condolences may be made to the family at www. TheDavisFuneralHome.com.

Services were under the direction of Davis Funeral Home.

officiated the services.



Belle Fouche, SD to J. Richard (Dick) and Martha (Anderson) Smith, Ed was the 11th of 12 children in the family. Ed attended kindergarten through high school in Buffalo, where he graduated in 1976.

As a young man, Ed enjoyed playing pool and darts, bowling, and fishing. He was also an avid horseshoe pitcher and enjoyed competing all over the region until he started dialysis in 2018. Ed worked on several ranch-

es in eastern Montana, North Dakota, and South Dakota. Of course, he was often found at one of his brother's or sister's ranches, lending a hand. He also worked for American Colloid, Baroid, Belle Fourche and St Onge Sale Barns, and worked on road construction for 8 years. He graduated from Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture in 1996 with an Associate's Degree in Feedlot and very proud to have won

were his friends. He had weekly

nieces and nephews and kept a record of all their names and birthdays in his little book. He would often say," Guess whose birthday it is today? "or "Did you call your cousin and wish her a happy birthday?

Ed was known to be rather stubborn, and determined to live, and die, on his own terms. He was able to stay home, where he wanted to be, until a week before his death. Ed was a simple guy who will be missed by many.

Ed was proceeded in death by his dad J. Richard (Dick) Smith, mom Martha Sabo and her second husband Ivan Sabo, sister Joann, brother George, sisters-in-law Marie Smith and Maryann Smith, brothers-in-law Gene Ladson, Willy Tenold, Wesley Schalesky, and Keith Hanson.

Ed is survived by his brothers Richard (Diana) Smith, Conrad (Kaye) Smith, Kenny (Carol) Smith, David (Paula) Smith, Fred (Karen) Smith, all of the Buffalo area, and sisters Carol Schalesky of Hettinger, ND, Margaretta Hanson of Almont, ND, Venoy Tenold of Reva, SD, and Evelyn (Dan) Flees of Wichita, KS, and many nieces and nephews, greats, great-greats, and great-great-greats - too numerous to list

Memorials are suggested to: Southwest Healthcare in Bowman or the Spearfish Dialysis Center

If you would like a free copy of a booklet 'How Vital It Is to Have a Right View of Christian Baptism' by Pastor Paul Ferrie

please email p-ferrie@live.com and send your name and mailing address. Or you can call 701-622-3212 and leave a message if no one answers.

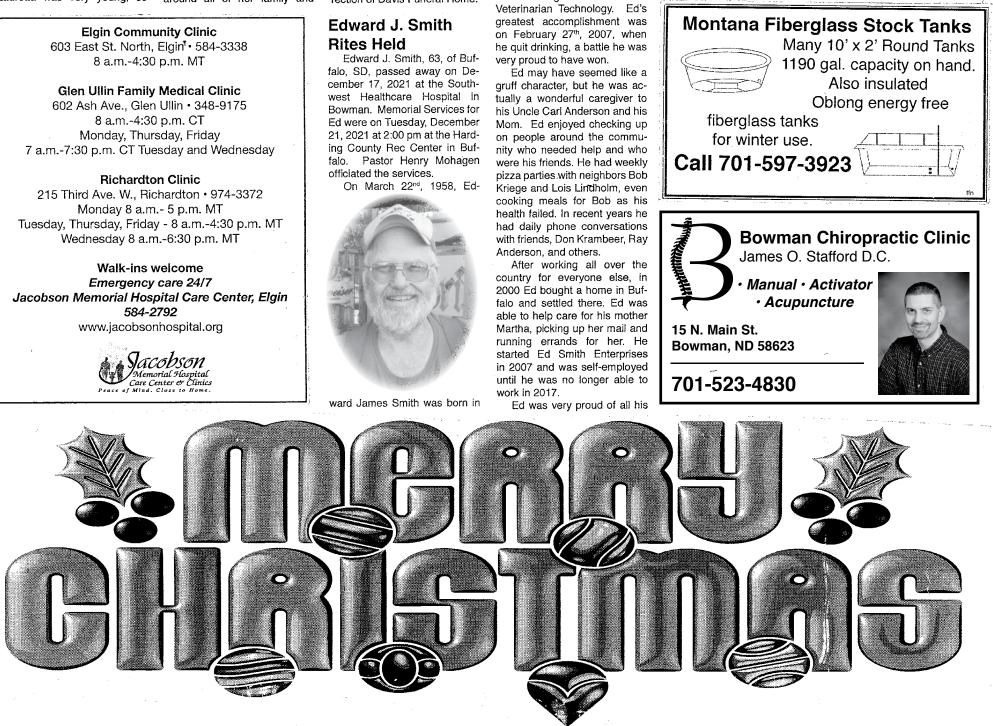
### thrivent

A personalized financial strategy based on your values.



Bryan Clendenen, FIC, CLTC® Financial Associate 112 N Main St, Bowman, ND 58623 701-523-3953

Advice | Investments | Insurance | Banking | Generosity 27193 R7-21

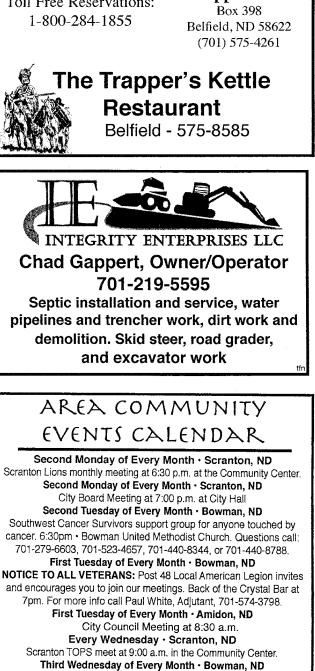


Mott - 701-824-2605 - Bowman - 701-523-4577

Page 22 -Saturday, December 25, 2021

# "Christmas is doing a little something extra for someone."





The Bowman/Slope Community Cupboard is open from 3pm-5pm. No referrals necessary. If you have a nonprofit, community event you would like published, free of charge, on the Area Monthly Community Events Calendar, Send them to: Eido Connect, PO Box 97, Bowman, ND 58623 by 4:00 p.m. Wednesday.



### Merry Christmas

by Allen Kohl, Elgin The Holy Bible- The King James Version. The Gospel according to

Saint Matthew.

18th - Now the birth of Jesus Christ was on this Wise: when as his Mother Mary was expoused to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Ghost.

19th - Then Joseph her husband, being a just man, and not willing to make her a public example, was minded to put her away privately.

20th - But while he thought on these things, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared into him in a dream, saying, Joseph, thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife: for that which is conceived in her is

of the Holy Ghost. 21st - And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shall call

his name Jesus: for he shall save his people from their sins. 22nd - Now all this was done, that it might be done, that

it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet saying,

23rd - Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us.

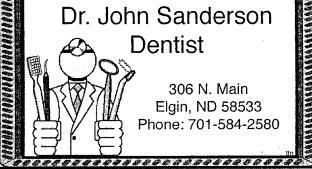
24th - Then Joseph being raised from sleep did as the angel of the Lord had bidden him, and took unto him his wife:

25th - and knew - her not till

born son: and he call his name Jesus.

she had brought forth her first

which is conceived in her is Happy Birthday Jesus



### Dorthy (Kilzer) Schmitz Rites Dorothy (Kilzer) Schmitz, 83,

Bismarck, passed away at St.



Gabriel's Community, Bismarck. A Mass of Christian Burial were held at 9:30 AM on Thursday, December 23, 2021, at Corpus Christi Catholic Church, Bismarck, ND. Burial was at the North Dakota Veterans Cemetery, Mandan, ND. A Livestream of the Service was available on the Corpus Christi Church website.

Dorothy (Kilzer) Schmitz, Bismarck, ND, was born June 15, 1938, in Hettinger County, ND. She was reunited in heaven with her loving husband Alvin on December 18, 2021. She received her education in Bentley, at New England-St. Mary's, at Dickinson State University, and Northern State University-Aberdeen, SD. She began her career as a teacher in Golva ND, where she met and married Alvin in 1959. They farmed near Golva until moving to Bismarck in 1986 where she worked as a counselor. She enjoyed her grandchildren, great grandchildren, reading, praying the Rosary, playing cards, sewing, puzzles, and musicals. She especially liked spending time with friends and at book club. Dorothy is survived by her children, Mike (Tad Hilborn), Pat (Brenda), Mary, Theresa (Scott Fritton), Ron (Cindy) and Jack (Allison); grandchildren, Adam Martin (Louisa McIntvre): Holli and Jordan Schmitz; Sam (Ellen), Jennifer, Beth, Rachel and Ben Fritton, Paul (Natalie) Nation: April (Nick) Ulrich and Cameron Schmitz; Morgan (Grant Toler) and Kyle Schmitz; great grandchildren, Henry and Arianna Ulrich and Annabelle Fritton. She is also survived by



### CANDY CANE SHORTBREAD BARS

1 cup butter, softened

- 1 cup packed brown sugar
- 1 large egg yolk, room temperature
- 1-1/2 teaspoons peppermint extract

#### 2 cups all-purpose flour BUTTERCREAM:

- 2 cups confectioners' sugar
- 1/4 cup butter, melted
- 2 tablespoons 2% milk
- 1/2 teaspoon peppermint extract
- 2 drops red food coloring, optional

### TOPPING:

9 ounces white baking chocolate, melted and cooled slightly 3/4 cup crushed candy canes (about 10 regular)

Preheat oven to 350°. Line a 13x9-in. baking pan with parchment, letting ends extend up sides. In a large bowl, cream butter and brown sugar until light and fluffy. Beat in egg yolk and extract. Gradually beat in flour. Press evenly into prepared pan. Bake 16-19 minutes or until edges are brown. Cool completely in pan on a wire rack. In a bowl, combine buttercream ingredients; beat until smooth. Spread over shortbread. Carefully spread white chocolate over top. Sprinkle with candy canes; let stand until set. Lifting with parchment, remove shortbread from pan. Cut into bars.



• Auto • Home • Commercial • House Windows • Garage Doors & Door Openers

> Mike & Jodi Tivey 205 1<sup>st</sup> St. SE • Bowman, ND 58623 701-523-5647 • 800-869-8096

### bowglass@gmail.com

brothers Ralph (Marcia) Kilzer and Robert (Katherine) Kilzer as well as family friend Krista Martin.

She was preceded in death by her loving husband Alvin and her parents Jean (Ferguson) and Alois Kilzer. The recording of the service will be posted to the Bismarck Funeral Home website where you can also sign the online guestbook and share memories with her family at www.bismarckfuneralhome.com.





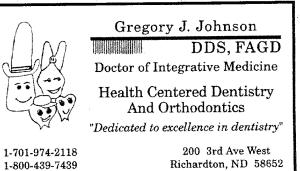
Congratulations to our \$5 Winners Lorraine Theurer, Mandan, ND - (Mott Winner) Dixie Smith, Bowman, ND - (Bowman Winner) S

Eveglasses were on page 2 on the Clover Construction Ad

### (hours for calling) Monday thru Wednesday (9:00 am - 4:00 pm)

Be sure to check the ads in this weeks Eido Connect for the lost eye glasses - and win \$5.00 Call (701) 824-2605 - Mott or (701) 523-4577 - Bowman





www.richardtondental.com

**4**6...

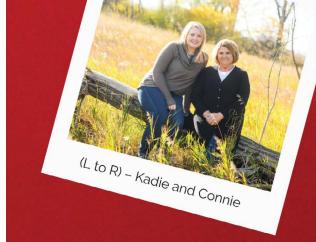




(L to R) – Dorothy, Kaitlynn, Stephanie, Kayla, Cody, Bridget, Lisa, Wanda

SCRANTON BRANCH

RHAME BRANCH



REGENT BRANCH



(L to R) – Nikki, Carla, Dianne, Shelly



# dakota western bank

Mott - 701-824-2605 - Bowman - 701-523-4577



