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Area briefs

Singers wanted for special hymn sing, July 10

Long-time Lake Mills resident, Virginia Thomas, passed away April of 2020. Times being what they were, her family held a private graveside service.

Diane Fleming, a friend of Virginia's, would like to honor her by coming together and singing beloved hymns in her own church (Salem Lutheran Church)—some of them chosen by her for the funeral she had planned.

The hymn sing will be held Saturday, July 10, at 4 p.m. with rehearsal beginning at 2 p.m., at Salem Lutheran Church, Lake Mills.

The hymn sing will be led by David Cherwien, Artistic Director of the National Lutheran Choir, a nationally known conductor, composer, and organist. David will be joined by a choir of friends and alumni of the National Lutheran Choir.

Past Salem choir members, Community Chorus/Tapestry Singers, and LMHS alums are encouraged to come join this choir to sing in honor of Virginia, who gave her gift of music to the Lake Mills community.

Email Kathy Nelson at sjknelson@ctel.net if you are interested in joining this special hymn sing.

Weather

THURSDAY			
Scattered T-Storms	88°	67°	
FRIDAY			
Scattered T-Storms	79°	59°	
SATURDAY			
Mostly Cloudy	78°	59°	
SUNDAY			
Partly Cloudy	79°	58°	
MONDAY			
Partly Cloudy	79°	59°	

Official temperatures and precipitation as recorded by the Lake Mills Power Plant are as follows:

Date	Hi	Low	Prec.
June 15	86°	54°	—
June 16	88°	55°	—
June 17	99°	66°	.04"
June 18	88°	61°	.04"
June 19	82°	61°	—
June 20	82°	60°	—
June 21	68°	45°	.20"

Markets

Prices reported as of Tuesday. Prices subject to change.

Five Star	2020	2021
Corn	\$2.97	\$ 6.64
Soybeans	\$8.25	\$13.70
Gavilon	2020	2021
Corn	\$3.01	\$ 6.64
Soybeans	\$8.30	\$13.63

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Alpaca shearing day a Rondeau family affair

BY BONNIE KAY BALDWIN
LAKE MILLS GRAPHIC

Bill and Jean Rondeau, owners of Rolling Prairie Alpacas, rural Scarville, invited the Graphic to view an annual alpaca shearing, Sunday of Memorial weekend, May 30. They are in their 10th year of raising alpacas in this area.

Jean is originally from the area. She was formerly a Sprecher, and her siblings are Ellis (Lori), Cleveland, Minn.; Wayne (Arlene), Lake Mills; and Rosemary Brackey (Jim), Thompson.

"I love living back where I grew up and being near family. And I love raising alpacas and doing what we do," said Jean.

This warm and friendly couple are a font of knowledge in the alpaca category and they love sharing their passion with others. They enjoy what they do and it shows.

Alpacas are originally from South America and are part of the camelid family. There are basically two breeds—huacaya (wah-KI-ah) and suri (SOO-ree), which are raised for their fleece—a beautiful, soft, lightweight, yet durable and warm fiber. Unlike wool, fleece does not irritate the skin.

"Alpacas are gentle animals, and very smart," stated Jean. "It doesn't take much to train them (basically putting on a halter) and they are relatively easy to care for. They generally only need to be fed and

watered. On average an alpaca can live from 15-20 years."

Bill added, "We get our feed from Kiester (Minn.)—Alpaca Family and Fiber Pellet. Then we grow our own special hay. It's clean, crystal clear hay. The hay should be free of things like alfalfa. The alpacas need their food to dissolve in their mouth, or they will choke. The alpaca eats fast . . . they get one cup of pellets per day during the summer, and one cup of pellets, twice a day during the winter."

The normally docile animals get sheared once a year, to keep them cool. Shearing Sunday itself (for the Rondeaus) was a cool, but comfortable day to do this.

Workers laid down two mats so they could shear the animals simultaneously.

It was a little chaotic in the beginning of shearing, which started early afternoon, but the Rondeaus, the shearer (Brett Winslow from Chatfield, Minn.) and a group of enthusiastic workers (all family and friends), whipped things into some semblance of order, and set up to shear their 27 alpacas and one llama.

"It's a family affair," commented Jean.

The alpacas were separated in pens on two sides of the barn, male on one side and female on the other. Workers were busy hanging plastic sheets (blue and pink, and clear) on a hook outside each pen. The barn was open on each end. Two mats were set away apart to make two shearing stations. Winslow was the only shearer.



Brett Winslow (pink shirt) and his nephew, Tre Bowron (left) shear the "blanket" from an alpaca.



In addition to shearing, the alpacas get their toes clipped and cleaned.

First, the workers brought out the alpacas one by one; got them to lay down on the mat and stabilized their front and back feet. Then Brett's nephew, Tre' Bowron, (and other helpers on the second mat), would kneel down beside them, stabilize their head, so they don't accidentally get cut, and help turn them, while Brett began shearing.

Only one female was witnessed spitting (a form of negative communication) which they tend to do when they are frightened or angry. Icy Illusion (a pregnant female) started to spit, so to combat this, they put a sock with a knot at one end over their mouth.

First the shearer gets what they call "the blanket" — starting from under the belly, and go up and over the back, shoulders and hips to get the choice fleece (in one piece), which is bagged and labeled with the alpacas name, so they know which animal it came from. Then the shearer goes for the secondary fleece or batting, from the neck and legs which is also bagged in the clear plastic and labeled, and then all the rest is thrown away.

The shearings are bagged and sent to a mill in Indiana, where they clean, spin and label where the yarn comes from, listing the name of the alpaca.

"The yarn can come in 22 different colors, and the white

yarn can be dyed any color . . . even using kool aid," said Jean.

Also done during the shearing session, is having the toes clipped and cleaned, and grinding the teeth down, if they are getting too long.

When asked why the Rondeaus chose to raise alpacas, they responded, "They are very gentle; they know their names and which pen they go into, which feeder they feed out of and if they are in the wrong pen, they get out and go to their own pen. They are very intelligent, and they are quiet; except the boys sometimes get screechy when they see the girls. I just enjoy them," said Jean, with a smile.

Bill continued, "When there is a strange something in the yard, whether a dog, cat, or coyote, they squeal, and I can hear it all he way up in the house. So, I come and check it all out. Sometimes it's just cranes that have landed in the back field. The alpacas tell you when they are in a dangerous situation, otherwise they are the easiest thing to take care of . . . and they supply you with free fertilizer. I put it directly on my garden. They are very good in keeping their community (pens) clean. They are very interesting animals."



Local couple gets engaged at Worth County Fair

TJ Hanson, a graduate of LMHS, proposed to his girlfriend, Bethany Gentz, last week at the Worth County Fair. Bethany was taking part in the barrel racing portion of the rodeo, when TJ got down on one knee and asked her to marry him. TJ's sister, Hannah, is pictured in the background, recording the event. The couple met six years ago at the Worth County Fair. TJ is the son of Mike and Beth Ades-Hanson, Lake Mills. Bethany is the daughter of Dave and Cheryl Gentz, Northwood.



CARTOON CORNER



Iowa's TP rules the kingdom

BY STEVE CORBIN, EMERITUS PROFESSOR OF MARKETING UNIVERSITY OF NORTHERN IOWA

Iowa (ahy-uh-wuh); state in north-central United States. Totalitarian (toh-tal-i-tair-ee-uhn); dictatorially controlled government. Party (pah-tee); relating to a faction. Extensive evidence reveals Iowa's Republican Party—ever since garnering trifecta control of the Governors' Office, Senate and House in 2016—has become more dictatorial over the lives of her citizens and communities. Iowa's GOP should be renamed TP (Totalitarian Party). Likewise, by the national Republican Party recently embracing personality over policy they have changed their 1854 founding principles to become POTTY (Party of Trump Today & Yesterday). TP and POTTY go hand-in-hand. Iowa's elected TP officials' legislative dictums imposed on her plebeians—low life citizens like you and me—usually came from POTTY and right-wing conservative groups like the American Legislative Exchange Council and Heritage Foundation. Iowa's TP lords have imposed the following 11 edicts upon her kingdom: On May 20 the TP delegation prohibited Iowa's K-12 schools and 947 cities from enforcing the COVID-19-related face mask requirement, which successfully curbed the lethal viral pandemic. Between May 20 and June 16 (op-ed submission date), SARS-CoV2 in Iowa has caused 2,511 new cases (96.6 per day) and 87 deaths (3.4 daily) (Iowa Dept. of Public Health). Iowa has the 7th highest positivity rate in America (Johns Hopkins CRC). TP's manifesto was premature, irresponsible and ignored the safety of the general public. TP's prohibited public school districts' noble goal of improving diversity and integration, resulting in "white flight" across Iowa's largest school districts. There were no voter fraud cases in Iowa's Nov. 3, 2020 election. Yet the TP found numerous ways to restrict future election access, plus, as described by Kathie Obradovich, "spitefully enacted draconian penalties against local election officials who tried to make it easier for people to vote" (Iowa Capital Dispatch, May 24). Jessica Anderson of the Heritage Foundation boasted about creating Iowa's newly invoked voter suppression laws, which TP leaders denied.

The Fair Housing Act of 1968 prohibits housing discrimination. However, Iowa's TP gave landlords permission to deny low-income tenants from using federal housing assistance; inhumane. TP's animosity toward anything public (e.g., K-12 schools, community colleges, universities, government services, etc.) is clear as witnessed by year-after-year underfunding while private college scholarship support and charter school and home schooling—with no accountability—reigns supreme. A 2013 law required the state to refund local governments \$152 million—annually—for property tax relief. The TP reneged on the promise leaving hundreds of city coffers in-the-red; your property taxes will increase. TP's must fancy her peasants and serfs to remain poverty-stricken as illustrated by banning cities and counties from creating a minimum wage that exceeds \$7.25/hour; oppressive. The TP and governor tried to pass a slew of anti-LGBTQ bills with 106,000 Iowans aged 13-plus, 59,000 workers (4 percent of total workforce) and 27 percent of adults raising children among Iowa's LGBTQ population (Gallup/Williams Institute and U.S. Census, 2018-2020). All Iowans matter. While 61 percent of Americans support Roe v. Wade (Pew Research), Iowa's TP politicians are behaving like licensed physicians and Supreme Court justices by meddling with women's health care and their doctor's medical advice. Shall Iowans be permitted to discuss issues like racial inequities, bigotry, diversity and sexism? Nah. Iowa's TP banned such dialogue, surmising prejudice will magically (like Covid-19) disappear... not. Every day, 316 people are shot in America; 106 killed (CDC). Research reveals the best way to reduce America's shameful gun-violence problem is with license registration, red flag laws and safety training. Iowa's TP answer: ignore research and endorse pro-gun legitimate violence. The fall 2022 election can't come soon enough. But, we've got to endure another round (Jan.-May, 2022) of TP tyrannical legislative control. Iowa's quality of life, economic prosperity and democracy itself is in peril with TP and POTTY-influenced dictatorial rule. Steve Corbin is a non-paid freelance opinion editor and guest columnist contributor to 149 newspapers in six states who receives no remuneration, funding or endorsement from any for-profit business, not-for-profit organization, Political Action Committee or political party

Letter to the Editor

As we welcome the warmth of the summer months, many of the mask restrictions and limits on indoor and outdoor gatherings have been lifted, and plans are in place for many of our familiar and nostalgic summer events. We are certainly starting to see glimpses of that more familiar life. The rates of infection and spread of the virus are down significantly. As we look ahead and anticipate returning to a more normal, familiar life, it is important to pause and look back at the road we've traveled over this incredibly challenging past year. During the early days of the Pandemic, the #Essential, but often invisible, forgotten faces of healthcare came to the forefront of our social media feeds and nightly news. Our Direct Care employees have always been, and will continue to be #Essential to One Vision long after we pack away our face masks. Every day they come to work ready to do what is necessary to support the people we serve. Sometimes that means missing out on time with family, summer gatherings, and holidays when shifts need to be covered. In a healthcare field where staff turnover is often high, One Vision remains committed to continual improvement for employee retention. We have among the highest retention rates in the state among disability service providers, and will never stop advocating for our employees, because we know they advocate for the people we support every single day. The dedication and commitment our staff have demonstrated over this past year is nothing short of heroic. Because direct care workers across the nation have given so much of their time, energy and spirit, in spite of the notoriously low Medicaid reimbursements that have remained stagnant for the past 30 years and depressed wages across the industry, One Vision has partnered with other disability service providers to not let the faces of our #Essential employees be forgotten because the mask mandates have been rescinded. OV Leadership continues to meet with state representatives to promote fairness in reimbursement rates to bring levels back on par to what they should reflect taking into account a 30-year inflation adjustment. I am advocating on behalf of our staff—those whose primary job is direct care and all the other staff who have stepped in to ensure we continue to fulfill our mission even when quarantine and illness resulted in extra long shifts—for their essential and mostly unseen work they provide for the persons we serve. The work they do is truly a labor of love and commitment—love for the persons they work with and commitment to the idea that every person has value and is deserving of support to live his or her best life. The work is often both physically and emotionally demanding. The daily impact and demands of providing services during the pandemic only made it more so: the physical toll of maintaining the disinfection schedule and necessary use of personal protective equipment to keep everyone safe and healthy; plus the added emotional toll of putting oneself at risk of being exposed to the virus simply by coming to work. There was no "working remotely" for them. The strain and sacrifice required have been tremendous. Words are inadequate to convey the full measure of appreciation, respect, and gratitude I have for our staff. They are the epitome of "everyday heroes" in 2020—and today. It is an honor to work with and for them. Mark Dodd, CEO One Vision Clear Lake

SCOTUS wars and packing the court: It's nothing new

Imagine Rip Van Winkle awakening from a decades-long nap. It's October 2020. He watches the nasty challenges of the nominee during Senate hearings to replace Associate Supreme Court Justice Ginsburg. "What's happened to my government whilst I slept?" wonders Rip. Can you imagine Ol' Rip's further surprise as he watched 2021 unfold, with constant talk about democrats trying to "pack the court." He yawned, thought a bit, and exclaimed, "I think I remember something like that happening just before I took my nap." He's right. Let's recall some bitter Supreme Court politics and shenanigans from Franklin Delano Roosevelt's presidency. It was 1937 and President Roosevelt felt down on his luck. He was pushing the envelope of executive and legislative authority to deploy his aggressive liberal economic "solutions." The Supreme Court had blocked several key components of his "New Deal" legislation. Roosevelt secretly planned to create a more liberal SCOTUS majority simply by adding several "friendly" new justices, as is technically allowed by our constitution. Opposition built and his project hit a dead end in the Senate after the Judiciary Committee thought ill of this "power-grab" proposal. The Committee's conclusion emphatically stated: "It is a measure which should be so emphatically rejected that its parallel will never again be presented." It's now 2021, and the issue isn't yet dead. President Trump's success nominating conservative justices inspired democrats to consider court packing after defeating Trump in the 2020 election. Given the 50/50 status in the Senate, success at packing requires 100 percent democrat support, but Virginia democrat Senator Manchin, and possibly others, won't support the effort, so perhaps this skirmish has ended. Here are some other interesting "SCOTUS wars": • 1805: Republican President Thomas Jefferson attempted to impeach and then remove Federalist Justice Samuel Chase. Republican Senators wouldn't go along, and Chase was acquitted. • 1987: Robert Bork, a Reagan nominee, was denied confirmation. His reputation was brutally pilloried by Ted Kennedy and others. Being "borked," became a popular term. • 1991: Clarence Thomas was "borked" by Joe Biden, Judiciary Committee Chair. Referring to unsubstantiated sexual harassment charges, Thomas called it a "high-tech lynching." He was confirmed. • 1992: Biden declared that the Senate wouldn't consider a "Bush 41" court nomination during his

entire last year as President. This became "The Biden Rule." • 2006: Then-Senator Obama publicly supported a filibuster to block confirmation of Justice Alito. • 2007: 19 months before the end of "Bush 43's" term, Senator Schumer declared that the lame-duck President would likely get no nominees approved by the Senate. • 2016: Applying the Biden Rule, Republicans blocked the nomination of Merrick Garland to fill Justice Scalia's chair. • 2017: The Garland strategy paid off when Trump nominated Neil Gorsuch after employing the "nuclear option" to break a democrat filibuster. • 2018: Trump's nomination of Bret Kavanaugh turned into days of brutal attacks at character assassination. The accusations were discredited. Kavanaugh was confirmed. • 2020: Amy Coney Barrett replaced ionic Ruth Bader Ginsberg despite attacks implying Barrett was disingenuous and dangerous. Eventually, democrats boycotted the Judicial Committee vote. The Supreme Court has become an ever-increasing object of political maneuvering. Some legislators have concluded it's easier to get things done through Supreme Court cases or challenges, than through a deliberative legislative process. If one party plays the game of character assassination during confirmation hearings or attempts to employ a strategy of court-packing, the other party is likely to follow suit. A dismal never-ending process would be inevitable. Very recently, almost foretelling a future "SCOTUS" skirmish, Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell declared that if Republicans take control of the Senate in 2022, "it's highly unlikely" he would allow a Biden appointee to fill a Supreme Court vacancy in 2024. Many SCOTUS wars are in our future. Let's heed the sound advice spoken in 1983 during a discussion about Franklin Roosevelt's attempt to pack the court. Senator Joe Biden stated that FDR "was legalistically, absolutely correct—but it was a bonehead idea. It was a terrible mistake to make." Let's listen to our President's good advice and deny both parties any attempt to besmirch the image, or to compromise the independence, of judges or the entire judiciary.



Steve Bakke My Slant on Things

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City Council Reg. Mtg.	Third Monday, 7 p.m.	City Hall
School Board Reg. Mtg.	Second Monday, 5:30 p.m.	Lake Mills School
Library Board Mtg.	1st Wednesday, 4:30 p.m.	Library
Ambulance Board Mtg.	3rd Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.	Ambulance Shed
American Legion	2nd Monday	Lower Level of Civic Center
American Legion Breakfast	2nd Sunday	Civic Center
Senior Citizens Mtg.	2nd Tuesday of the month	Civic Center
Lions Club	1st and 3rd Tuesday	Asbury Meth. Church
Fire Department Mtg.	1st and 3rd Wednesday, 7 p.m.	Fire Hall
Literesses Club	4th Wednesday	Hostesses
LM Garden Club	4th Monday, 7 p.m.	Hostesses
LM Area Historical Society	2nd Monday, 5 p.m.	1901 Victorian House
AA and Al-Anon	Wednesday, 7 p.m.	Sr. Cit. Ctr., Emmons
Congregate Meals	Monday-Friday	Civic Center
Drivers License	Mon.-Fri., 8 a.m.-4 p.m.	FC Courthouse
	No Written Test after 3:30 p.m.	Treasurer's office
	Drive Test by Appointment	
Library Hours	Mon.-Fri., 10 a.m.-6 p.m.	Lake Mills Library
	Sat., 10 a.m.-2 p.m.	
Joice Library Hours	Tues. 9 a.m.-Noon, 1-6 p.m.	Joice Library
	Wed.-Thurs., 1-6 p.m.	
	Fri. 2-5 p.m., Sat. 9 a.m.-Noon	Joice Library
Board Meeting	2nd Thursday, 7 p.m.	Joice Library
Fitness Center Hours	6 a.m.-7 p.m.	Fleetguard Fitness Ctr.
Winn. Food Bank Sign-up	Every Monday, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.	Salem Resource Rm.

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Earlier Days

From the files of the *Lake Mills Graphic*



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Backpack in the Rockies

These eight students and their advisors are leaving Monday, June 30th, for a 3-week Rocky Mountain field trip. Behind them is one of the two vans they are using to travel to the mountains, where they start their walking trip. In front, from the left, Larry Skellenger, Char Hanson, and Don Borey, advisors, an unidentified girl from Fort Dodge. In back, an unidentified boy from Fort Dodge, Ed Brunsvold, Kathy Loge, Russ Rodberg, Bob Peterson, and Deb Arndt.

If you have pictures of the earlier days in Lake Mills you would like to share, send them to graphic@wctatel.net, or drop off at our office at 204 North Mill St. Please send original photos, scans or negatives only. No newspaper clippings please.

Q&A: Border Security Update

With U.S. Senator Chuck Grassley

Q: What grade do you give the Biden administration for its immigration policies?

A: President Biden's promises on the campaign trail, as well as the administration's messaging and policies enacted during his First 100 Days have created chaos, uncertainty and confusion at our southern border. The Biden administration's missteps are resulting in negative consequences. Consider that foreign leaders say Biden's policies have incentivized migrants to make the trip to our southern border and created conditions that allow the smuggling operations of organized crime and gangs to thrive. Tasked with leading the administration's effort to address the "root causes" of migration, Vice President Harris traveled to Mexico and Guatemala in June. There, the president of Guatemala delivered a blunt message when asked by the press why his citizens are leaving Guatemala for the United States since President Trump left office. He said, "The message changed to, 'We are going to reunite families and we are going to reunite children.' The very next day the coyotes here were organizing groups of children to take to the United States."

Border encounters are reaching 20-year highs, according to federal statistics. U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) reported it had encountered 180,034 individuals attempting to cross into the United States along our southern border in May. That's up 675 percent from May 2020. Of those, 14,158 were unaccompanied minors. That's up 1,305 percent from last May. For family units, it's up 4,143 percent. Despite these staggering numbers, the Biden administration has announced it's expanding an Obama era program to give Central American youth a pathway to come to the United States. Some Democratic

lawmakers want to extend legal status to virtually any child who was brought to America illegally by their parents. They have proposed legislation that would wrap millions of illegal immigrants who have no connection to the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program into an amnesty blanket, including some with criminal records. Such proposals won't stem the flow of illegal immigration today or 20 years from now.

During my visit to the Rio Grande Valley in March, I saw first-hand what happens when the federal government telegraphs an amnesty message. Federal shelters were overflowing with unaccompanied minors. A month later, Gov. Kim Reynolds got the runaround from the federal bureaucracy when state officials asked about a chartered flight with 19 unaccompanied children landing at the Des Moines airport in April. Thankfully, my office was finally able to help the Iowa governor's office get confirmation about what happened.

Q: What needs to happen to secure the border?

A: It's inconceivable that neither the president nor the vice president has visited our southern border to see what's happening since taking office. Members of Congress who represent border states have asked for more federal resources to help secure the border, and at least one Democratic lawmaker has called for Biden and Harris to come talk with local officials who are facing tremendous public safety challenges.

Border patrol agents I spoke with in March said they advised the Biden administration not to rescind the "Remain in Mexico" policy implemented by President Trump. Their recommendation was ignored. Now, border patrol and local law enforcement officials say they're encountering human smuggling, drug trafficking and other violent crimes. According to the CBP, drug seizures nationwide were up 18 percent from April to May. Seizures of methamphetamine increased 53 percent and seizures of fentanyl (a potent synthetic opioid)

are 56 percent higher than all of fiscal year 2020. That's the last thing America needs as we struggle to overcome the opioid crisis. I've amplified the urgency for Congress and the administration to stop the flow of this fatal poison from killing tens of thousands of Americans each year. The Drug Enforcement Administration recently announced an effort to disrupt the supply networks operated by Mexican transnational crime rings. Border security is vital to keeping American families and communities safe from illicit drugs and crime that follows.

As former chairman and current ranking member of the Senate Judiciary Committee, I've worked to build consensus on immigration reform proposals that uphold the rule of law, secure the border and offer a fair, permanent solution for DACA-eligible individuals and those who respect our immigration laws. Blanket amnesty and open borders are not sensible or sustainable for our sovereignty and national security.

**100 years ago
June 22, 1921**

In Clarke County several head of cattle have died from hydrophobia. The heads of two dogs thought to be afflicted were sent to the State University at Iowa City and a chemical test left no doubt as to the presence of rabies. The State Board of Health has sent to a number of communities an inoculation substance to be used in case anyone is bitten and a warning has been sent out urging prompt treatment in case persons are bitten by afflicted dogs. In some sections, all dogs have been ordered muzzled until the danger has passed.

E.G. Johnson took possession as the new proprietor of the Sanden & Son implement and hardware concern. Mr. Johnson comes here from Lake Mills. It is his intention to carry a full line of hardware as well as farm implements, and is preparing to fill his shelves with new merchandise. Tom McClain, the old reliable, will remain with the new firm, as it seems that no matter who takes over the business, Tom is one of the indispensable with this establishment.

Oliver Sveen and Miss Pauline Bredeson were united in marriage at Albert Lea last Thursday, springing a surprise on their friends. Miss Bredeson is a graduate of the Lake Mills High School, class of 1920, and has taught rural school the past year. Mr. Sveen is one of the mechanics at the Winnebago Auto Company. They are a fine young couple and we wish them a happy married life.

A surprise was sprung on Mr. and Mrs. Martin Peterson, Sunday, at their home just northwest of town, when a large gathering of friends and relatives came to their home uninvited, bringing with them an abundance of good things to eat and proceeding to make themselves perfectly at home. The occasion was the twenty-fifth wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Peterson and their friends did not propose to let this important event go by unnoticed.

**75 years ago
June 19, 1946**

On July 4, Albert Lea and Freeborn County will have the first real Fourth of July celebration to be held in Albert Lea in many years. This should be the largest gathering of Freeborn and adjoining counties' people in Albert Lea history. The celebration is being sponsored by the county fair, American legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars and all service and commercial organizations in Albert Lea. Start the Fourth out by attending the ball game at Hyek field at 9:30 a.m. between Albert Lea and Austin. Then go to the

fairgrounds where you will be entertained until late into the night.

Ed Sheimo has bought the former Mrs. Nels Thoe residence property from S.R. Torgeron, who bought it a few months ago. Mr. and Mrs. Sheimo, Mary Mae and Arden are moving to Lake Mills in July. Mr. Sheimo will continue his work for the DeKalb Hybrid Seed Corn Company. Mr. and Mrs. Roger Sheimo and family will occupy the farm home east of Lake Mills and will work the 160-acre farm. Mr. and Mrs. Torgeron will occupy a second-floor apartment at the Sheimo residence.

The Lake Mills fire department was called to the William Martinson farm, four miles northwest of Lake Mills, Saturday morning when a fire started in the roof of the house. The north gable was burned off and some damage was done to the interior. It is believed that the fire started from sparks flying from the chimney. The damage is covered by insurance.

**50 years ago
June 23, 1971**

Winnebago River Park, near Leland, a project of the Winnebago County Conservation Board, received a favorable appraisal by the U.S. Bureau of Outdoor Recreation. The site is approximately half of Casper (Casp) Olson's 100-acre tract in Section 36, Newton Township, on both sides of a stretch of rifles between two bends in the Winnebago River. The proposed park, which would preserve 10 to 12 acres of native timber, was approved by the State Conservation Commission last October, and subsequently by the U.S. Bureau of Outdoor Recreation. The area was appraised for the B.O.R. and the figure set at \$9,615 the amount on which cost sharing federal funds could be obtained. The area includes a fish rearing pond and grassland on the north and west sides on the river. The wooded area on the other side contains many oak trees and some walnuts.

**25 years ago
June 19, 1996**

A gas spill at Casey's General Store was reported at 9:40 p.m. Tuesday, June 11. The Lake Mills Fire Department was at the scene for one-half hour and applied a drying solvent to the spill. On Wednesday, June 5, the Lake Mills Fire Department was called to assist at a fire at the Molly Gjerstad residence, rural Scarville. The fire was extinguished when they arrived on the scene.

**10 years ago
June 22, 2011**

Very few times does a six-year-old witness something that will

define and shape the future course of their lives, but that is what happened Jan. 28, 1986, as Jon Vermedahl saw the scene of the Challenger Space Shuttle tragedy play out on his television. The curiosity and love affair with space exploration was sparked inside of him at that moment. When he graduated from Lake Mills Community School in 1998, Vermedahl already had a career path etched out in his mind. He attended Drake University, majoring in physics and astronomy, and then went to graduate school at the University of Minnesota, where he received a masters degree in astro-physics, although he says that degree is not really applicable to his current career.

RULES AND REGULATIONS AMENDMENT

By authority granted to the Winnebago County Conservation Board through 350.5 Code of Iowa hereby amends the following rules and regulations: Section 18 and 26.

Winnebago County Conservation Board establishes Hour of Operation for the Hogsback Wildlife Area Target Range, to be between 9:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. or Sunset, whichever is sooner, Effective July 1, 2021. The target range is located at 480250, 210th Ave., Lake Mills, Iowa 50450.

Robert Schwartz, Executive Director, Winnebago County Conservation Board, 34496 110th Ave., Forest City, IA 50436. 641-565-3390.

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July 14; 11 - 1 p.m.

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EARLY HIGHLIGHTS!!

Risius Charitable Trust (Randy and Beth) Retirement Line
Tractors: '13 John Deere 9360R (2230 hours, PTO, 4 remotes, Duals, Starfire 3000, IFT, Greaseable Steering Pins and Trunnion), '05 John Deere 8420 (5753 hours, Duals, Inner Weights, Triple PTO, Auto track Ready, 4 remotes, quick hitch). Tillage, Planting, and Spraying Equipment: '14 Case IH 200 Field Cultivator (40', Rolling Baskets), '12 John Deere 2410 Chisel Plow (24'), '15 Unverferth 3750 Seed Tender (Scale, 8" Conveyor, Wired Remote), '08 John Deere 1770 Planter (350 monitor, Center Fill), '01 Fast 7400 Sprayer (90' boom, Raven 440, 1600 gallon, 4 shut offs). Combine, Heads, Mowers, and Grain Cart: '08 John Deere 9670 STS (2433-1707 hours, Duals, Sharp!), '02 John Deere 893 Corn Head, '14 John Deere 635F Platform (Crary Air Reel), '16 Dose Head Hunter Head Trailer, Brent HT 30 Head Trailer, '18 Brent 1282 Grain Cart (Digistar 520 Autolog Scale, Walking Tandems. Other: '85 GMC Fuel Truck, '09 PJ Tilt Trailer.
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Dana Bolie Estate
John Deere 2440 with 145 Loader (4841 hours), Woods Cadet C72 Mower, John Deere #10 Lawn Cart, '05 Tandem Axle Trailer (16'), IH Tandem Disk (12'), John Deere X485 Mower (1601 hours, 62" deck), John Deere 1 1/2 HP Hit Miss Motor, John Deere Parts (Three Point for A, Draw Bar, Cultivator, Weights, Boom Pole, F and H Weights, B Tractor Parts), '05 Chevrolet 1500 (Ext. Cab, 4x4). Small Items: Large Toy Collection, Tools and Garage Items.

Another Local Retirement Line
Tractors and Skidloader: Steiger Puma 1000 (4163 hours, Duals), International 1586 (7411 hours, Duals), International 1486 (5465 hours, Nice), Case 580B Tractor Backhoe, '14 New Holland L230 Skidloader (1539 hours, Cab). Tillage: IH 480 Disk (16'), John Deere 960 Field Cultivator (36'), John Deere 856 Cultivator, Combine, Heads, and Grain Handling: International 1480 Combine, IH 1083 Corn Head, IH 1020 Bean Head, Farm Fans CF/SA 320 Grain Dryer, Kongskilde Grain Vac, Feterl 8x6 Auger, Mayrath 6x42 Auger, SnoCo 8x48 Auger. Livestock and Hay Equipment: H and S 425 HydraPush Manure Spreader, New Idea 3669 Manure Spreader, H&S Hay Rake, New Holland 855 Round Bales, Stronghold Cattle Chute (Scale), Hopper Bins, Knight Feed Mixer, Feed Truck, Pickup and Gator: '88 Ford with Feed Body, '00 Ford F350 (152,155 miles, Auto, 4x4, Diesel), '06 John Deere Gator (4x4). Other: John Deere 322 Mower (Hydro), Keifer Built Trailer, Milk Wagon.

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College News

University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, Alabama—Spring President's List: Samuel Redinger, Hanlontown.

Kirkwood Community College, Cedar Rapids—Spring Dean's List: Robyn Bowman, Lake Mills.

University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire, Wis.—Spring Dean's List: Mallory Baumann, Emmons, Minn.

Riverland Community College, Austin, Minn.—Spring President's List: Carrie Warmka, Emmons, Minn.; Spring Dean's List: Ashley Alphs, Lake Mills; Isaac Burgett, Bayley Halvorsen, Emmons, Minn.

University of Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls—Spring Dean's List: LAKE MILLS—Parker Eaton, Meghan Fails, Mason Fritz, Megan Groe, Samantha Jamtgaard, Autumn Lauen, Olivia Moen, Lauren Scholbrock, Samantha Soni; THOMPSON—Sarah Kirschbaum; RAKE—Samantha Davis; JOICE—Elisabeth Heagel, Tyler Swenson, Ashley Thoma; KENSETT—Kaylee Parks, Sarah Yezek; NORTHWOOD—Coltn Benson, Mackenzie Costello, Paige DeArmoun, Josie Einertson, Emily Follmuth, Lindsay Harris, Angel Martin, Jamie Steinman, Ethan Welch.

Graduates: LAKE MILLS—Autumn Lauen, BA, computer science, English; Samantha Soni, BA, market advertising and digital media; NORTHWOOD—Emily Christianson, BA, psychology; Mackenzie Costello, BA, biology, highest honors; Kailey Eskildsen, BA, early childhood education and elementary education; Miranda Stambaugh, BA, management business administration and marketing advertising and digital media.

Class Reunions

LMHS Class of 1952
The LMHS Class of 1952 will hold their class reunion Friday, July 9, at 5:30 p.m. in the back room at Main Street Pizza, Lake Mills.

LMHS Class of 1981
The LMHS Class of 1981 will hold their 40th reunion, Saturday, July 10, at the new Joice Community Center. Social hour starts at 5 p.m. Food will be served at 6 p.m. Keep in mind, we can practice social distancing and wear masks. Hand sanitizer will be available.

Men's senior best shot

Men's senior four-man best shot for June 14 had the team of Bob O'sell, Dave Iverson, Chip Stelter and Terry Rodberg winning with a 60. Second was the team of Paul Yost, Doug Richards, Jerry Hoffman, and Larry Svoboda with a 61. Closest to the pin on the par 3's were Chip Stelter, #2; Larry Svoboda, #4; Terry Rodberg, #6; Lyle Thomson, #12; and Steve Pederson, #14. Larry Svoboda had a hole-in-one on #4.

Men's senior four-man best shot for June 16 had the teams of Bob O'sell, Jeff O'Toole, Terry Ringham, Ken Mannes, and Lyle Thomson, Steve Iverson, Rick Adams, Mike Hansen tying with a 61. Third was the team of Mick Keyser, Chip Stelter, Dave Kading, and Harris Honsey with a 62. Closest to the pin on the par 3's were John Evans, #2; Kevin Hebrink, #4; Bob O'sell, #6; Dave Kading, #12; and Keith Johnson, #14.

Down Home Cooking

by **Bonnie Kay Baldwin**

- PRETTY PINK SALAD**
1 (3 oz.) pkg. concord grape gelatin
1 (15-1/2 oz.) can crushed pineapple
16 lg. marshmallows
1 (8 oz.) ctn. whipped topping
1 (8 oz.) pkg. cream cheese
1/4 c. milk
Mix dry gelatin with crushed pineapple, undrained, and the large marshmallows, in a medium saucepan. Place on stove over medium heat; stir until marshmallows are melted. Take off the stove and set aside to cool. Mix cream cheese and milk, until smooth, in a large bowl. Add whipped topping and mix well. Add the cooled gelatin-pineapple mixture. Mix all together and place in refrigerator to cool overnight.
- CARROT STROGANOFF**
1 can mushroom soup
1 c. raw egg noodles
1/2 tsp. basil
2/3 c. sour cream or cottage cheese
2 Tbsp. margarine
1-1/2 c. shredded carrots
1 (4 oz.) can mushrooms
1/2 c. chopped onion
In skillet with margarine, cook mushrooms, onions and carrots until tender. Add soup and basil. Layer raw noodles on top of mixture and cover. Simmer 15 minutes until noodles are soft. Stir together. Add sour cream. Heat through. Yield: 4 servings.
- CHOW MEIN**
1/4 c. butter or margarine
1-1/2 lbs. pork and/or beef, diced
1-1/2 c. onions, chopped
3 c. celery, sliced on the bias, about 1/4-inch thick
2 c. water
1 tsp. salt
- STRAWBERRY CAKE**
1 white cake mix
1/4 c. flour
1 sm. pkg. strawberry gelatin
4 eggs
2/3 c. oil
1/2 c. milk
1/2 pkg. frozen strawberries
1 sm. pkg. strawberry gelatin
1 c. boiling water
3-1/2 c. powdered sugar
1 stick butter
1/2 pkg. frozen strawberries
Mix first 7 ingredients at high speed, scraping bowl frequently. Pour into a 9x13-inch greased and floured pan. Bake at 350 degrees for 45 minutes. Cool 5 minutes. Poke all over with meat fork. Mix 1 pkg. gelatin with boiling water. Pour over cake. Cool completely. Combine powdered sugar, butter and strawberries. Beat until smooth. Spread over cake. Refrigerate.

The Postscript

"No News"
Tanner wasn't waiting for me at the fence yesterday. Dakota and Tanner, my two oldest dogs, are always waiting for me at the chain-link fence. Dakota can't hear and doesn't see well, so she stays close to the fence in the afternoon when I walk by in order to collect her treat. Tanner really can't see or hear at all, so he keeps close to Dakota. Yesterday he wasn't there.



Carrie Classon
The Postscript

I try not to ask Peter, "Any news on Shelley?" because he would tell me if there was. And so I go for my walk and always in the back of my mind I'm wondering about Shelley. And then, yesterday, Tanner was missing. "Where is Tanner?" I asked Dakota, as she ate her treat. She did not answer. I could tell she thought she should get a second treat, since I had another one in my hand, ready. "This treat is for Tanner!" I told her. But she kept staring at me, giving me no clue where he might be. I used to think bad news was the hardest thing to bear. Now I'm not sure if no news isn't a little worse. No news is a constant buzzing. It is hopeful one moment and doom-filled the next. It is the anticipation of loss, and it causes me to see ill omens and sadness everywhere. There is still no news on Shelley. Her son and daughter-in-law can't know any more than the doctors, and the doctors don't know what is happening. She is tired. She is sad. I imagine she must be lonely. All we know is that she does not call and her voicemail is full and that is not like Shelley. I brought a couple of extra-large treats with me on my walk today. When I got to Tanner's house, there was only one dog waiting outside. It was Tanner. I hollered at him to no avail. I jumped up and down and waved my arms and finally caught his eye. He tottered over.

Iowa gas price report

Iowa gas prices have fallen 0.7 cents per gallon in the past week, averaging \$2.86/g today, according to GasBuddy's daily survey of 2,036 stations in Iowa. Gas prices in Iowa are 2.4 cents per gallon lower than a month ago and stand 81.6 cents per gallon higher than a year ago. According to price reports, the cheapest station in Iowa is priced at \$2.26/g today while the most expensive is \$3.38/g, a difference of \$1.12/g. The lowest price in the state today is \$2.26/g while the highest is \$3.38/g, a difference of \$1.12/g. The national average price of gasoline has fallen 2.1 cents per gallon in the last week, averaging \$3.05/g today. The national average is up 2.0 cents per gallon from a month ago and stands 93.5 cents per gallon higher than a year ago. Historical gasoline prices in Iowa and the national average going back ten years:
June 21, 2020: \$2.04/g (U.S. Average: \$2.12/g)
June 21, 2019: \$2.53/g (U.S. Average: \$2.65/g)
June 21, 2018: \$2.75/g (U.S. Average: \$2.86/g)
June 21, 2017: \$2.22/g (U.S. Average: \$2.28/g)
June 21, 2016: \$2.30/g (U.S. Average: \$2.32/g)
June 21, 2015: \$2.75/g (U.S. Average: \$2.80/g)
June 21, 2014: \$3.58/g (U.S. Average: \$3.68/g)
June 21, 2013: \$3.60/g (U.S. Average: \$3.59/g)
June 21, 2012: \$3.49/g (U.S. Average: \$3.46/g)
June 21, 2011: \$3.59/g (U.S. Average: \$3.63/g)
Neighboring areas and their current gas prices:
Quad Cities—\$2.96/g, down 1.7 cents per gallon from last week's \$2.98/g.
Des Moines—\$2.80/g, down 3.1 cents per gallon from last week's \$2.83/g.
"The ferocious rise in gas prices has finally started to cool as gas prices have eased across a majority of the country for the first time in months," said Patrick De Haan, head of petroleum analysis for GasBuddy. "There have been some challenges in pockets across the country as demand remains very healthy, and stations in some areas where demand is very high struggle to keep up with demand thanks to the truck driver shortage. As we head toward the July 4 holiday, I'm optimistic that we'll continue to see prices slowly drift lower before possibly rising in later July or August should we see any disruptions from hurricane season. But for now, it seems most Americans are simply happy to be getting outside and back to some sense of normal."

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Donna M. Anderson

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We strive to cover news in this area as thoroughly as possible, but we need your help and appreciate when you inform us with items of interest. We hope you will email, call, or mail your news to us.

- If you take a trip
- If your club meets
- If you get engaged
- If you get married
- If you have a class or family reunion
- If you are celebrating an anniversary
- If you welcome a new baby to the family
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Hy-Vee will be at the courthouse square serving a variety of meal options. All proceeds will be donated to Relay for Life.

Come check out the beautiful luminaries display in honor and remembrance of loved ones. Luminaries are available to purchase at Hy-Vee through Saturday, June 26. Bags will also be available on site at the event with a donation.

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Winnebago Co. Fair set, July 15-18

The 2021 Winnebago County Fair, a fair two years in the making, is almost here. The fair runs July 15-18 in Thompson and there are a number of much improved line-up of events.

For the first time in over two decades there will be a carnival. Next Generation Shows, an Iowa-based, family-run carnival will be on hand for all four days of the fair. Get your tickets early and save some money, while supporting the fair by visiting local businesses whom will have tickets for sale.

A great line-up of grounds entertainment is scheduled, most of which is free—The Great Lakes Timber Show (eight shows); Critter Close-ups (three shows); mini-tractor pull; Zoops balloon fun; axe-throwing booth; Klobberball; Doyle Carving Niche (chainsaw artist); and Peter Bloedel-Perpetual Vaudeville.

In the grandstand, Johnny Holm returns for Thursday night with Brother's Walker as the opening act. Brother's Walker sticks around for an encore Friday night, along with a performance by Morgan Kuecker.

That night they will try out their knockerball package with inflatable arena, which if you don't know what Knockerball is, it's bubble soccer, where people get in a plastic bubble and run into each other.

Saturday will showcase a bigger and better Demo Derby with a Tuff Trucks class.

Sunday for the first time ever, Monster Trucks come to the Winnebago County Fair.

There is still time to register for the Bucket Bottle Calf/Sheep/Goat Show, with a registration deadline of Thursday, July 1.

This is a wonderful learning opportunity for children to learn about animals. Message or email niesa04@gmail.com for the registration forms.

Calling all little ladies aged six through eight in Winnebago County. Are you interested in participating in the Little Miss pageant?

This event takes place at the Winnebago County Fairgrounds Thursday, July 15, at 4:45 p.m. in the 4H Building. Judging and crowning will take place at 6 p.m. Wear your favorite dress and come with a smile.

Registration deadline is Monday, July 5. For more information, call 641-584-2261.

For more information about the fair, check out winnebagocoiofair.com.

MACBETH

BrickStreet Theatre, Forest City, presents "MACBETH," William Shakespeare's classic tale of ambition and tyranny set in-between the world wars. This production will feature projected sets and modern music in the storytelling. A brave Scottish general named Macbeth receives a prophecy from a trio of witches that one day he will become King of Scotland. Consumed by ambition and spurred to action by his wife, Macbeth murders King Duncan and takes the Scottish throne for himself. He is then wracked with guilt and paranoia. Forced to commit more and more

murders to protect himself from enmity and suspicion, he soon becomes a tyrannical ruler. The blood-bath and consequent civil war swiftly take Macbeth and Lady Macbeth into the realms of madness and death.

Showtimes are Friday-Saturday, July 23-24, and July 30-31 at 7 p.m. and Sundays, July 25 and Aug. 1 at 2 p.m.

Tickets are available at www.brickstreettheatre.org. The Boman Fine Arts Center is located at 225 John K Hanson Drive, Forest City, and can be reached at 641-585-2210.

Treasurer Fitzgerald awards \$529 College Savings Iowa contribution to Winnebago and Worth Co. families

State Treasurer Michael Fitzgerald recently awarded a \$529 College Savings Iowa contribution to the Grunhoy family of Forest City. Isla was randomly drawn as the Winnebago County winner for the 2021 College Savings Iowa 529 Day Giveaway.

State Treasurer Michael Fitzgerald also recently awarded a \$529 College Savings Iowa contribution to the Krull family of Northwood. Amelia was randomly drawn as the Worth County winner for the 2021 College Savings Iowa 529 Day Giveaway.

"I'm pleased to award this contribution and help boost education savings for another Iowa family," Fitzgerald said. "Our 529 Day celebration was a great opportunity to reach families across the state and help spread the message about the importance of saving for education with the College Savings Iowa 529 plan."

College Savings Iowa celebrated 529 Day with a \$529 giveaway in each of Iowa's 99 counties. One grand prize recipient received a \$1,529 College Savings Iowa contribution and was selected from all entrants across the state. "It's a rewarding experience to be able to help 100 different families with their future," Fitzgerald said. "No matter what stage they are in their savings journey, I'm hoping these contributions will inspire an increased motivation to achieve their dreams."

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Climate Change program scheduled


Are you a little confused by all the talk about climate change? If you would like to get the facts about our changing climate, you are invited to join Winnebago County Naturalist Lisa Ralls as she discusses this important issue on a live Zoom program entitled Climate Change 101. The hour-long program will be held Saturday morning, July 10, from 10-11 a.m.

During the program, Ralls will use various illustrations to discuss what climate change is, what's causing it, and how scientists say it's affecting our planet.

The program will provide scientifically-based information to demonstrate what is currently happening, as well as what scientists are predicting for the future. Ralls will also discuss numerous ways that people can help to alleviate the problem of our rapidly changing climate. As part of the program, all participants will also be emailed informational handouts that will help them to do their part to combat climate change in their everyday lives.

To participate in this free, educational program, people should contact Naturalist Lisa Ralls at lralls@winnebagocountyia.gov for the Zoom link. They can also contact Ralls at 641-565-3390 if they have any questions about the program.

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LMCS BOARD MINUTES

LAKE MILLS COMMUNITY SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES LIBRARY/MEDIA CENTER JUNE 14, 2021 5:00 P.M. APPOINTMENT OF BOARD MEMBER: President Ryan Jojnt called the meeting to order at 5:01 P.M. and determined a quorum. The following board members were present: President Ryan Jojnt, Vice President Kathy Christianson, Jolene Piper, and Don Knudtson. Others present included Superintendent Chad Kohagen, Board Secretary Drake Abbey, and other staff and community members. Amanda Jensen was also in attendance.

bers and ideas about class sizes. Board members discussed this item with the administrators and teachers in attendance. The Board did not make any motions related to this item at this time, so if Board action is required, it will need to be acted upon in a future meeting.

Board Secretary PERSONNEL: Resignations: Motion by Jolene Piper, seconded by Amanda Jensen, to accept the resignations as presented. All ayes. Approved.

The next regular school board meeting is scheduled to be held in the library/media center on Monday, July 12, 2021, at 5:00 P.M. ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Kathy Christianson, seconded by Don Knudtson, to adjourn the meeting. All ayes. Approved. The meeting adjourned at 6:32 P.M.

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Softball team secures second in TIC West; baseball team record improves to 6-6

BY TYLER CARDARELLA-GASPER
LAKE MILLS GRAPHIC

Softball vs West Hancock
Last week got off to a strong start for the LMHS softball team, as they took the field against the West Hancock Eagles for the second time this season Monday, June 14, decisively defeating their opponents 15-1 in four innings.

"The game was total domination by the Bulldogs," said Head Coach Bill Byrnes. "We had great hitting and pitching throughout the game." Scout Kohagen pitched a no-hitter for the Bulldogs, racking up six strikeouts in four innings, while allowing just one run in the first inning due to walks and an error. Kohagen was credited with the win.

The bats were on fire for the Bulldogs against the Eagles, with the team collectively getting 10 hits and 13 RBIs. Maddie Edwards hit two homeruns and got four RBIs during the game, while Finley Rogstad and Leah Moen each hit two doubles during the game, with Rogstad driving in three runs while Moen drove in two. Scout Kohagen singled twice while Natalie Brandenburg and Taylor Vanek each singled once during the game.

The Bulldogs also had a great game when it came to base-running, with six players successfully stealing at least one base during the four-inning game. Brandenburg stole two bases, while Finley Rogstad, Madison Edwards, Kit Byars, Taylor Vanek, and Leah Moen each stole a single base.

Lake Mills' overall season record improved to 6-8 after this win, while their record in the TIC improved to 6-3, which had them tied for second place in the TIC West.

Softball vs Belmont-Klemme
The Bulldogs secured their second win last week after defeating the Belmont Klemme Broncos 10-5 in seven innings.

Lake Mills established an early lead, putting four runs on the board in the bottom of the second inning to lead by 4-0. The Broncos would attempt a rally in the fourth and fifth innings, as they scored five runs during that time. However, the Bulldogs were able to score six runs in those same two innings to ensure their victory.

"The team took sole possession of second place in the TIC West with a big 10-5 victory," commented Head Coach Bill Byrnes. "The girls played a complete game tonight in all phases and did a great job securing the win."

Scout Kohagen continued to show improvement on the mound, and once again pitched a complete game for the Bulldogs, striking out nine batters and giving up just five runs to earn the win on the mound.

It was another active night for the Bulldogs at the plate as well, with eight team members getting hits during the game. As a team, the Bulldogs totaled 13 hits and seven RBIs. Natalie Brandenburg had two hits, including a triple, in her appearances at the plate. Leah Moen had three hits including a double, while Scout Kohagen had two hits including a double. Taylor Vanek hit one double, Kit Byars singled three times, while Bella Jensen and Kit Byars each singled once.

Lake Mills' overall season record improved to 7-8 with the win, while their conference record improved to 7-3.

Softball vs Bishop-Garrigan
The Bulldogs winning streak ended at two games after they were soundly defeated by Bishop-Garrigan 1-12 in five innings last Friday, June 18, as the team was unable to muster a solid defense or any offensive momentum.

"The Bulldogs came out flat tonight and Bishop-Garrigan took the opportunity," said Head Coach Bill Byrnes. "We had very little offense tonight, and the team was not as sharp as they have been in other areas as well."

Scout Kohagen was once again on the mound for the Bulldogs against the Golden Bears. Pitching another complete game, Kohagen racked up six strikeouts, but also committed a large number of errors and walked seven batters, giving up eight hits and 12 runs to Bishop-Garrigan.

Madison Edwards, Finley Rogstad, and Taylor Vanek were the only Bulldogs that got hits during the game, with each of them managing to single once. Scout Kohagen got one RBI after driving in Vanek for the teams' only run.

Baseball vs Forest City
The LMHS baseball team suffered a tough loss to the bats and gloves of conference rival Forest City, Friday, June 11, as the Bulldogs were defeated 4-8 in seven innings.

Casey Hanson was the starting pitcher for the Bulldogs, getting eight strikeouts in five innings and also committing seven errors and giving up five hits and eight runs. Dalton Thorson came on to relieve Hanson, and got one strikeout. Hanson was credited with the loss.

As a team, the Bulldogs had 11 hits during the game, but a lack of follow-up meant many were left on base as the inning came to a close. Brady Hanson went 3-4 at the plate, with three singles and one RBI. Casey Hanson hit two doubles during the game and also had one RBI. Wyatt Helming hit a single and one double, getting two RBIs. Also getting hits for the Bulldogs were Dalton Thorson, who singled twice, and Hayden Brua, who hit one single. Thorson also successfully stole a base during the game.

Baseball vs West Hancock
The LMHS baseball team defeated the West Hancock Eagles for the second time this season last Monday, June 14, with a final score of 6-2.

The game was closely contested, and the Bulldogs held a narrow 3-2 as they went into the seventh and final inning. However, Lake Mills was able to put three more runs on the board to extend their lead and secure their victory.

Dalton Thorson pitched a complete game for the Bulldogs and had a solid night on the mound, with nine strikeouts and just four hits and two runs allowed.

It was a combination of productive bats and effective base-running that secured the victory for the Bulldogs. Casey Hanson and AJ Ramaker each singled twice during the game, while Eli Menke and Brady Hanson each singled once, with Hanson also getting one RBI. Hayden Brua also got one RBI during the game. Dalton Thorson successfully stole two bases, while Brady Hanson and AJ Ramaker each had one stolen base during the game.

Baseball vs CGD
The Bulldogs got their second straight win last week with a 4-1 victory over Clarion-Goldfield-Dows last Thursday, June 17, defeating the Cowboys in a close seven-inning game.

Lake Mills jumped out to an early 3-1 lead by the end of the first inning, but the bats then went quiet for both teams until the Bulldogs scored another run in the bottom of the fifth. After walking two batters in the seventh, it looked as though the Cowboys might rally, but the Bulldogs were able to strand those runners on base and finish the game with no further runs allowed.

Eli Menke was the starting pitcher for the Bulldogs, and in his six innings on the mound got eight strikeouts, while giving up just three hits and one run. AJ Ramaker came on in the seventh inning to close the game, getting two strikeouts and earning the save. Menke was credited with the win.

As a team, the Bulldogs had eight hits and two RBIs throughout the game. AJ Ramaker hit the only double of the night for Lake Mills and got one RBI. Jack Ramaker and Hayden Brua each singled twice, while Casey Hanson, Dalton Thorson, and Brady Hanson each singled once. Hanson and Jack Ramaker each successfully stole one base during the game as well.

The Bulldogs' overall season record improved to 6-6 after this win over Clarion-Goldfield-Dows.



Summer Youth Basketball Camp

The Lake Mills boys' basketball program held its annual fifth through eighth grade summer youth camp, June 14-17. Head coach Kyle Menke led the camp and was assisted by Bulldog varsity players David Hugo and Eli Menke. "It was a fun and productive week of camp," said Coach Menke. "I am very impressed by the improvement these boys have made over the past year. There are many talented and skilled players in these grades."

At the conclusion of camp, awards were presented to the following athletes:

Fifth/sixth graders: Free throw champion—Tucker Koch; Mr. Hustle—Chace Evans.

Seventh/eighth graders: Free throw champion—Hayden Thompson; Mr. Hustle—Landyn Christian.

Pictured, front row (L-R): Chace Evans, Lloyd Heggstad, Tucker Koch, Braylon Hanson, Josh Leerar, Connor VanRoekel, Aiden Reese, Kaeden Dagestad, Scott Helgeson, Asher Reese, Brayden Eden. Back row.: Joseph Charlson, Lane Helgeland, Landyn Christian, Hayden Thompson, Austin Henderson, Ryker Kohagen, Lucas Helgeland, Asher Stensrud, Gavin Paton, Kaden Lee.

Swim team does well at first meet

Last Wednesday, June 16, the Lake Mills Family Aquatic Center Swim Team competed in their first meet of the season. The team traveled to Forest City. Also in attendance was the team from Laurens.

Competing for Lake Mills were Lauren Bohonek (eight and under), Afton Dean (9-10), Lily Young (11-12), Ava Menke (13-14), Mya Peterson (13-14), Reagan Ham (13-14), Avah Klebsch (13-14), and Teyla VanHeiden (13-14).

Bohonek placed first in her eight and under 25-yard backstroke with a time of 26.97. In the 200-yard freestyle relay, the Lake Mills teams finished first and second. The team placing first was Peterson, Klebsch, VanHeiden, and Menke.

The next meet will be held today, Wednesday, June 23, in Forest City.



Swim team members (13-14 years of age)—Avah Klebsch, Mya Peterson, Reagan Ham, Ava Menke and Teyla VanHeiden.

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