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Lismore-Sat. 5 p.m.

OLGC-Wilmont-Sun, 8:30 a.m.

St. Adrian-Sun. 10:30 a.m.

St Mary's LW Sat 5 pm St. Ann's Sun 8 am St. Columba-Iona—10 am

Church of the Brethren 3 East, 1 South, Reading 10:30 Services

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January-April

Worship Service at 8:30 AM Sunday School and Coffee/ Fellowship immediately after Worship

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Lismore -Sunday Service—8:45 a.m.

Reading—
Sunday Service-

Sunday Service-9:00 a.m Sunday School-10:15 a.m.

Iona—

Sunday Service 9 a.m.
2nd & 4th Sunday-Adult
Bible Study & Sunday School
Following Service

Ct. St. Bernard #886, Catholic Daughters of the Americas kicked off their annual baby shower this month. They have a display set up in the back of St. Anthony's church for donations that will be given to the Helping Hands Pregnancy Center in Worthington. When shopping for your own children or grandchildren, purchase a little something extra for this worthwhile cause! Donations will be collected until February 12th. Everyone is invited to participate with unwrapped gifts (clothes, diapers, baby items) or a cash donation. God bless you for your generosity!

Public Notice for NAPS (Second Harvest)

Nutrition Assistance Program for Seniors (NAPS) in the Murray County area, sponsored by Second Harvest Heartland distribution will be held at the office of A.C.E. of Southwest Minnesota – Murray County at 2989 Maple Rd., Slayton MN. Distribution will take place on Thursday, February 10th, from 1:30 – 2:30 pm. Remember if you cannot be there, please have your proxy pick your items up for you. For more information, call Joyce at 507-836-8705.

There will not be a distribution in Fulda this month.



Happy 90th Birthday to Elizabeth "Betty" Burkard on January 24th.

Help us celebrate with a card shower.

Cards may be sent to 1801 Collegeway Apt. #238, Worthington MN 56187

Are you looking for a place for an event in Wilmont? Call the city clerk for reservations for the Wilmont Community Center, Hilltop Park or the ballfield. If you have reservations for the coming year (2022), please call Amber Bertrand at 507-926-5235 for verify your reservation date and location Leave a message if she's not in the office.

Little learners daycare is now open for business!!! I am a licensed daycare provider with 16 years of experience working in child care. I currently have a couple openings for children ages 2-5! I am located just north of Wilmont mn. If you are interested please contact me at 605-360-6946 or you can send me a message through Facebook messenger (Nicole LeBrun)

I would like to thank everyone for donating blood at the Wilmont Community Center on the 18th. We had a goal of 33 and received 38 pints which will help 114 people.

I want to thank all my volunteers without you we couldn't do this.

To the city thanks for the use of the community center it's such a nice place to have these events!

Sandy Penning Bloodmobile coordinator

Happy Birthday to Bill & Don Fuerstenberg of Fulda. Don turned 90 on January 25th. Bill turns 80 on January 28th. Bill & Don grew up in the St. Killian area. Congratulations on reaching these milestone birthdays!

Jim Slater is still in rehab and making progress. He appreciates the well wishes.

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Thank you

Jerry & I would like to thank the Lismore Rescue & Adrian Ambulance for their quick job of getting to our place so early in the morning for Jerry on the 12th of January. We are so lucky to have people that take time to help others. We also want to thank our friend Vickie for takin me to the ER in Luverne at 5:30 am and coming back to take both Jerry & I home. Also for the many friends and neighbors who called to offer help and prayers. We live in a great community.

Thanks-

Mary & Jerry Kellen



St. Columba Hall Iona, MN Saturday, February 26, 2022 6-8 pm

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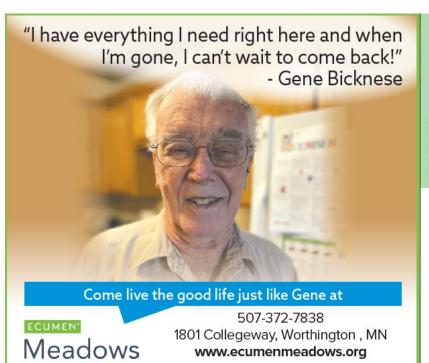
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- 4) 4 x 6 family pictures for the Wilmont area family photo album
- 5) Obituaries of Wilmont area people
- 5) Scrapbooks from the Wilmont area
- 6) Photo albums from the Wilmont area

Call or email me Andrew Brake 507.477.8767

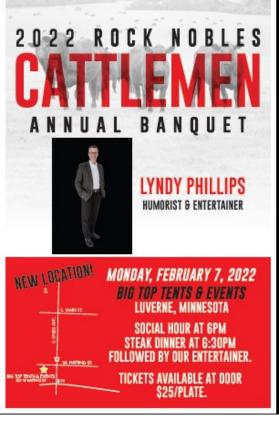
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The Agribusiness Committee of the Worthington Area Chamber of Commerce is partnering with Nobles

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Any high school graduate can apply for the scholarships that fulfill the following:

- Nobles County resident;
- 2022 graduating senior;
- Attending any two or four year college for an agriculture or bio-science related field of study.

The application deadline is February 25, 2022. Applications are available at the Worthington Area

Chamber of Commerce, 1121 Third Avenue or on our website www.worthingtonmnchamber.com

St. Ann Catholic Church



When: Sunday, February 6th

Where: St. Ann Church Hall

Time: 9 a.m. to Noon

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Thank You!!

NATIONAL EDUCATION CONTEST: Each year the
National Catholic Daughters of the Americas sponsor an
education contest. The contest is open to students in
grades 4-12 and students do NOT need to be Catholic to
participate. The contest themes are "With God All Things are
Possible" or "Where is God in My Life When I am Struggling?" Each
entry must relate to one of the themes. Contest areas are: Poetry,
Essay, Music, Computer Art, Photography and Art. There are
awards given at the local, state & national level. Although the local
& state prizes are small, the National level 1st place prize is
\$100. The deadline at the local level is February 1, 2022. To
obtain an entry form and rules, please contact Deb Lutmer, Ct. St.
Bernard #886 at 472-8770

In Memoriam- Zachary Robert Cowan, age 29, was born on May 28, 1992, in Sioux Falls, SD, the son of Daniel and Rita (Weber) Cowan. As a child, Zach enjoyed doing anything outdoors. He loved being a dare devil on his 4-wheeler and working on the farm with his dad and grandpa. When he was in school, he played football and basketball. Zach graduated from Fulda High School in 2010 and then attended Mitchell Technical College in Mitchell, SD, graduating in 2012 with an Associate's Degree in Wind Turbine Technology. After college, he began working on wind turbines in Reading, MN and then got a job at Ag Co in Jackson, MN. In May of 2014, he began working at Bedford Industries in Worthington, MN.

Zach married Kayla Dyer on June 15, 2019, in Terril, IA.In the Fall of 2019, he went back to college at Minnesota West Community College after applying to the maintenance department at Bedford. He graduated in May of 2021 with an Associate's Degree in Mechatronics. He was student of the year in the mechatronics program.

As an adult, Zach's dare devil tendencies continued. He loved anything with a motor and got into his fair share of accidents. Zach loved hunting and fishing with friends. One of his favorite hobbies was going to auctions "just to see how much something brought" even if he had no intention of buying anything. He spent many hours scrolling auction websites to find hidden treasures for everyone. He was a hard worker who never gave up on any project. Zach could take apart anything you put in front of him and put it back together with ease. With his wife, Zach enjoyed playing with their two dogs, Oakley and Harley, building furniture for their house, and mini golfing. They also enjoyed watching football together every weekend. Zach passed away on Thursday, January 20, 2022, at his residence in Brewster, MN.

Zach is survived by his wife Kayla Cowan; father Dan Cowan (girlfriend Sara Petersen); mother Rita (Chuck) Vaske; brothers, Jacob Cowan, Stephen Cowan, and Mitchel Cowan; grandfather William Cowan; mother-in-law Angie Sikora; father-in-law Steve Flint; brother-in-law Brady (Gabby) Flint; special friends, Tom (Tammy) Prins and Christopher (Ashley) Prins; goddaughter Miranda Prins, and niece Nora Cowan. He was preceded in death by his grandfather Robert Weber; grandmother Avis (Bonn) Aden; grandmother Marilyn (Stenzel) Cowan, and adopted uncle David Hartman.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, January 25, 2022, at the Benson Funeral Home in Worthington, MN, with Deacon Vern Behrends officiating. Honorary casket bearers will be Stephen Cowan, Mitchel Cowan, Jacob Cowan, Tom Prins, Christopher Prins, and Brady Flint. Casket bearers will be Nathan Bosch, Craig Falor, Bill Kor, Ron Sikora, Jared Sikora, and Aaron Hauschen. Burial was at Wilmont Calvary Cemetery in Wilmont, MN.

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Years Ago—By Audrey Brake Thanks for the many memories!
Years Ago - Taken from the January 27, 1944 Wilmont Tribune
Wilmont

Pvt. Louis F. Spartz, son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Spartz, who has for some months has been under treatment at Kennedy General Hospital for serious wounds suffered in the Mediterranean War Theater, prior to the Sicilian Invasion, has been given a medical discharge. He was also, a while ago, given unpleasant and unmerited prominence by being reported absent without leave, and the subject of an Army search with circulars and everything. A letter, under date of January 14, from Lt. W. H. Mackie, chief of the Louisville headquarters, personnel division, stated that his headquarters had been incorrectly informed. It is supposed here that in a recent transfer from one department to another, someone neglected to make the necessary report. Private Spartz naturally feels quite badly about being so treated. Spartz, an Army engineer, was accidentally shot June 25 while on active duty in North Africa. Since entering the service he has been awarded the Purple Heart, African campaign and good conduct ribbons. As a result of his injury he was operated on at Sousse, Tunisia and again at Oran, Algeria.

The St. Columba Church at Iona was the scene of the wedding of Madonna Hermeling, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hermeling of Iona, and Sgt. Raymond J. Kremer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Matt Kremer, on Monday morning, January 24th at eight o'clock. Rev. S. N. Majerus read the mass. The bride wore a pretty blue suit with black accessories. She carried a bouquet of pink and white carnations. Her attendant was her sister, May Hermeling, whose suit was of beige with blue accessories. Her floors were blue and white carnations. The groom's attendant was his cousin, Lloyd Balk of Wilmont. Sgt. Kremer is home on furlough. When he returns to Longley Field, Virginia, Mrs. Kremer will go with him. Best wishes are extended to the newlyweds by a host of friends here and at Iona.

Pvt. Clarence Penning, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Penning and Mrs. Anna Hebbelman were Tuesday evening visitors at the John Hoffman home.

Cpl. Richard Hartman of Las Vegas is spending a 15-day furlough at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fredo Hartman.

Ensign Byron Fellows arrived home Wednesday to spend a short leave at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Fellows and other relatives and friends. Mr. Fellows has been at sea.

Mrs. Arnold Hoffman visited at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Hoffman Wednesday. She returned on Monday from visiting her husband, Pfc. Arnold Hoffman at Fort Leonardwood, Mo. and the home of his aunt, Mrs. Teresa Butler at Sedalia, Mo.

On next Wednesday evening, February 2nd, there will be a card party and Old time dance at the school gym. The Barnes Orchestra from Worthington will furnish the music. Plan now to dress for the occasion.

On Sunday evening, January 30th at eight o'clock, moving pictures will be shown at the school gym for the Infantile Paralysis drive. Pictures of the Alean Highway in Alaska, taken during construction by Frank Leguil of Adrian, will be shown. Also local and northern pictures, taken by Dr. Waller, Jos. Scholtes Jr., and Art Wulf, will be seen. Planned to attend. Admission 15 cents and 35 cents. The proceeds will go into the Infantile Paralysis Fund.

On Friday of last week, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Baton moved their household goods to Worthington where they have bought a home. Mr. and Mrs. Matt Wagner moved onto the Bathon farm and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Fuerstenberg moved on the N. D. Bertrand farm vacated by the Wagners. Miss Elvira Hoffman is assisting the Fuerstenbergs with their moving.

The Wilmont North Star Boosters met at the Harm Meyer home Friday, January 21. Increasing the club's membership was discussed. Mable Just gave a demonstration on making a head scarf. Thenext meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Gertrude Just. Games were played after which Mrs. Meyer served lunch.

Mr. and Mrs. John Lebens returned home Tuesday from minneapolis where they visited at the homes of their daughters. The LeBen's Cafe is being completely cleaned and re-decorated. Just short orders will be served until Monday when meals will again be served.

The card party given Monday evening at the school gym was attended by a nice crowd. Winners in 500 were Armella Krell, Mrs. Hub Slater, N.D. Bertrand and Father Steger. Pinochle winners were, Mrs. Nick Bertrand, Mrs. Francis Arens, Joe Sieve, and Richard Kuhl.

Joe Cuddigan, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Cuddigan, farmer living northwest of Wilmont, was seen discing on their farm on Tuesday of this week. Joe was also in the field on Wednesday, which is something unusual for this time of year. Why go to California for the winter when it is so nice here.

The Farmers Elevator Co. will ship a car of white corn this week, which is very unusual for this territory. People of this vicinity should raise more white corn as it is 15 cents a bushel higher than yellow corn.

Attend the movies at the school gym Sunday evening.

Mrs. P. J. Wagner of Wilmont is the local chairman for the Nobles County Chapter of the Prevention of Infantile Paralysis Foundation. A drive will be launched throughout the county to aid in the work which prevents the disease that has crippled the children of America for years. More than 1200 new cases being added in 1943 serves as a warning for us all. We must not only win the fight to treat the disease but the fight to prevent its striking at all.

Lismore

Greg Diekmann, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Diekmann was operated on for appendicitis Thursday at the Adrian Hospital.

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There will be a card party and dance at the Lismore School Auditorium on Thursday, January 27, sponsored by the Holy Name society. 500 and Pinochle will be played which will begin at 7:45. Jack Milton and his orchestra will furnish the music. Plan now to attend.

The seventh and eighth grade girls at St. Anthony School have begun sewing for the Red Cross. Each girl is working at a tray cover which will be used in a hospital. Besides doing something for the soldiers, they are learning to sew at the same time.

St. Kilian

Mrs. Ray Johanning and her sister, Margaret, returned home Saturday from California and Mexico where they spentt the past six weeks visiting relatives and sight-seeing.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Einck and son, Virgil, Mr. and Mrs. Art Einck, Mr. and Mrs Wm. Einck, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Einck, Bernard Stuntebeck, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Brake, and Mr. and Mrs. Wm John visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Lonneman at Little Rock, Iowa Wednesday evening, the occasion being their wedding anniversary.

The card party and dance at St. Kilian Tuesday evening was attended by a large crowd. Winners in pinochle were Mrs. Frank Balster, Mrs. Art Loosborck, Leo Fuerstenberg, and Ted Kass. In 500 Mrs. Ed Carlson, Mrs. Paul Probst, Herman Henning, and Mrs. Wm. Brake. On next Tuesday evening the Catholic Daughters are giving a card party and dance at the St. Kilian Hall.

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Judy Christians

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Photo From the Past

The photo this week was taken in the Wilmont Pool Hall when Joe and Marcella Probst owned and operated the pool hall and cafe. From L-R: Gus Sievers, Bob Olson, Clarence Fuerstenberg, John Albersman, Marv Schlichte, Bill Sievers, Paul Probst Behind bar - ?(in back), Joe Probst, ?Broich, Marcella Hebig/Probst, Rita Hebig/Probst If anyone knows the missing names in this photo, call Audrey at 507-472-8267 or email aubrake@gmail.com

I received a call from Jim Slater with a few details on last weeks Years Ago column. The Joe Thurman house that was moved by the George Fox crew was located in the field just beyond the fence line of the dead-end going north out of Wilmont. George Fox had a big, old tractor that he used to move it, and they did it before the frost was out of the ground. Jim thought it is the house now owned by Lois Bullerman, which is located just north of the catholic church parking lot.

In Memoriam-Betty Hermeling was born on August 4, 1926 in Blue Earth, MN. She grew up in Blue Earth and attended school. Betty then attended Beauty School in Mankato, MN. She then moved to Fulda, MN and met Joseph Hermeling at the Ritz Ballroom in Lismore, MN. Betty was united in marriage to Joseph Hermeling on June 4, 1956 at St. Gabriel's Catholic Church in Fulda. After their marriage they lived and farmed south of Iona, MN. In 1987 they moved off the farm and into Fulda. Betty remained at their home after Joe passed away in August of 2006. In 2016 she moved to the Maple Wood C and in 2019 she entered the Maple Lawn Nursing Home. Betty passed away on Thursday, January 20, 2022 at the Maple Lawn Nursing Home at the age of 95. She was a member of St. Gabriel's Catholic Church in Fulda and a former member of St. Columba Catholic Church in Iona, MN. Betty enjoyed word searches, scrabble, puzzles, gardening, crocheting, but most of all she loved her grandkids.

Survivors include her 4 children, JoAnn Harbeck of Sioux City, IA, Doug (Julie) Hermeling of Adrian, MN, Tim (Laurie) Hermeling of Iona, MN and Jeff (Sarah) Hermeling of Richland Hills, TX; 12 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren (with 4 more on the way). She is preceded in death by her parents, husband, 3 daughters, (2 infants and Kristine Hermeling), 1 grandson, Michael Hermeling, 1 greatgranddaughter, 1 sister and 3 brothers.

Funeral Services were held at St. Gabriel's Catholic Church Fulda, MN . Interment at St. Columba Cemetery Iona, MN.

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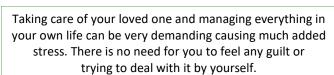
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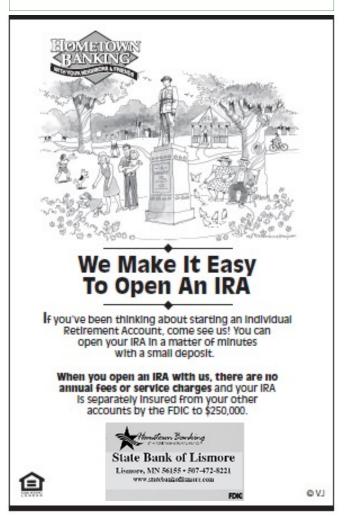
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Save a trip to Worthington & help the Reading community center in 1 stop! Bring your bagged aluminum cans to the old corn crib at Reading Community Center. Money collected goes towards operational costs & keeping the center open.

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Jan 28-Happy 80th Birthday to Bill Fuerstenberg!

Feb 2-St. Mary's School Soup & Pie Supper, 4:30-6:30 pm, Talen Show starts at 6:30 pm, St. Mary's School, Worthington

Feb 7-St. Ann Catholic Church Pancake Breakfast, 9 am-12 noon, St. Ann's Catholic church, Slayton

Feb 7—Rock Nobles Cattlemen Annual Banquet, Social 6 pm, Steak dinner 6:30 pm, Big Top Tents & Events, Luverne

Feb 11-Nobles 2 Wind Farm College Scholarship applications due

Feb 14-Heart & Vascular screening, 8 am-5 pm, Murray County Medical Center

Feb 25-Worthington Chamber Scholarship applications due

Feb 26-Mardi Gras, 6-8 pm, St. Columba Hall Iona

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