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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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Presbyterian

Lismore - Sunday Service—8:45 a.m.

Reading—

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!

Many "locals" have been enjoying Tuesday night Bingo at the Lismore Bar. Come join the fun.

Free In-Person Tax Preparation Service

Sponsored by the AARP Foundation. Appointments are necessary to help keep everyone healthy during this time. Masks are required. They will be doing Tax Preparation on Wednesdays: February 23rd, March 9th & 23rd, April 6th and 13th at the Slayton Public Library.

Please call A.C.E. of Southwest MN – Murray County at 507-836-8705 to set up an appointment.

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.

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LARKIN TOWNSHIP

Annual meeting and election will be held at the Wilmont Community Center Tuesday, March 8, 2022.

Voting from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. with meeting to follow Election for 1 Supervisor for 3 year term and 1 Clerk for two year term

In case of inclement weather the meeting and election will be held March 15, 2022

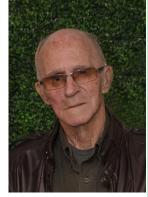
William Slater Larkin Township Clerk LEROY WILLIAM MADISON, was born on December 7, 1936 on a small farm northwest of Adrian, Minnesota to Floyd and Alma (Wieneke) Madison. He was raised on the farm, and attended rural school until the eighth grade and later went on to complete his GED in 1955. He enlisted in the National Guard in 1957 and served until 1963. He continued working on the farm until 1965 when he married the love of his life, Alverna Mary Beckmann. The couple moved to their own farm a few miles down the road and then to a farm southeast of Kenneth. In 1976, the couple moved to their current farm north of Wilmont, Minnesota. Leroy and Alverna were blessed with four children, 11 grandchildren and 3 great-grand-children, all of whom they loved deeply. Leroy was also very fond of his horses and was a gifted caretaker of the animals on his farm. He milked cows until he was 70 years old and he was an active farmer until his death. Though his primary passion was being a father and a farmer, Leroy also held various jobs throughout the years including a truck driver working for Gangstad's, picking up canned milk from area farmers, and selling and delivering Archer oil. In the summer of 2021, after a stay in the hospital, Leroy was transferred to the Good Samaritan Nursing Home in Canton, South Dakota. In the early morning of February 8, 2022, Leroy passed away peacefully surrounded by family at the age of 85 years, 2 months, and 1 day.

Leroy is lovingly remembered as a very hard worker who strived to care for his family and his farm. He loved his family and was always very patient and kind, especially toward his grandchildren, and he enjoyed passing on his lessons and stories to any who would listen. He enjoyed horses in particular and was able to join his family trail-riding after his 80th birthday. He was also fond of welding and attending auctions when he was able to find time. He was a life-long member of the Knights of Columbus and a member of the St. Kilian Holy Name Society. Outside of his work ethic, he is remembered for his quick wit, his loud laugh, and his unique ability to wiggle his ears, a skill he loved to show off to the delight of his grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Grateful for having shared his life are his wife of 56 years, Alverna Madison of Wilmont, Minnesota and his four children, Dennis (Melanie) Madison of Magnolia, Minnesota and their children Jacob and Lucas, Leslie Madison of Rushmore, Minnesota, and his children Paige, Blake and Lauren, Allen (Michelle) Madison of Reading, Minnesota, and their children Nicole (Tommy Sithad), Nathan (Claire Christie) and Zack, and Lynn (Robert) Somnis of Magnolia, Minnesota, and their children Sierra (Addison) Jobe, Adam (Linda Zheng) and Eric; three great-grandchildren, Rayden Madison, Ellowny Jobe, Korbin Jobe, and one more on the way; siblings, Morris (Brenda) Madison of Aurora, Colorado, Earl (Marilyn) Madison of Adrian, Rita Becker, Joyce Faragher and her friend Harold of Worthington, Minnesota, Dianne Beckmann of Wilmont, and Margaret Pick and her friend Gene of Luverne, Minnesota; sisters-in-law Karen Madison of Adrian, and Marie Onken of Reading; and brother-in-law Norman Beckmann of Wilmont. Leroy was preceded in death by his parents, Floyd and Alma Madison; brothers, Edward Madison and Gary Madison; sisters, Janet Madison, Joan Tayler, and Agnes Beckmann; and brothers-in-law, Jim Taylor, Harold Beckmann, Phil Faragher, Dick Becker, Joe Beckmann, Gerald Pick, and Myron Onken.

In lieu of flowers, family request donations be sent to St. Kilian Catholic Church. Services will be held at St. Kilian Catholic Church on Friday February 11th at 10:30 am.

In Memoriam—Rodney Duane
Groenewold, age 81, of Lismore, died on
Thursday, January 27, 2022 peacefully at
the Sunset Cottage in Worthington,
Minnesota. He was born on January, 30,
1940 to Carl and Ella (Hilfers)
Groenewold in Adrian, Minnesota. He
attended Country School until 8th grade,
graduating from Worthington High
School in 1957.



Rodney was united in marriage to Delores Drost in 1960. The couple made their home in Rushmore until Rodney

joined the Army Reserves, serving for 6 years. Rodney worked at Farington's in Worthington and the First State Bank of Rushmore. In 1962 the couple moved to their farm near Wilmont. Rodney farmed and served as the Treasurer for Larkin Township for 25 years. After his retirement from farming Rodney was a crop adjuster, both independently as well as working for NAU.

He was a member of 1st Presbyterian Church in Rushmore until 1996 when they transferred their membership to the American Reformed Church in Worthington. Rodney found profound pleasure in his girls, grandchildren and great grandchildren; never missing a chance to attend a sporting event, concert or recital. Rodney loved fishing, spring car races, snowmobiling, morning coffee with the neighbors and countless card games with friends.

Left to cherish his memory are his two daughters, Cheryl (Jeff) Minton of Estherville, Iowa and Charlene (Mike) Meyeraan of Hitterdal, Minnesota. Grandchildren Dustin (Cassie) Wagley of Jackson, Amanda (Brent) Harris of Lake Park, Iowa, Carlee (Steve) Moe of Osage, Minnesota, Trevor (Sam) Meyeraan of Pelican Rapids and Tyler (MacKensie) Meyeraan of Lake Park, Minnesota. His great grandchildren Ella, Maddie, Hudson, Lidia and Ivy – along with two great grands soon to be making their debut. Rodney's sister Marlene (Don) Rabenberg of Wilmont, In-Laws Sharon (Dennis) Wessels of Balaton, Marcia (Harvey) VanRuler of Rushmore, Linda (Steve) Verdoorn of Mooresville NC, Garry (Gin) Drost of Rushmore, Verlis Drost of Rushmore, Lisa (Duane) Drost of Sibley, Iowa and someone more special than a brother-in-law Larry (Twyla) Rasmussen of Phoenix, Arizona -- along with many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his beloved wife of 61 years Delores, his parents Carl and Ella Groenewold, infant brother Ronald Groenewold. Blessed be the memory of Rodney.

Memorial Service was held at the Dingmann Funeral Home, in Worthington, officiated by Deacon Vern Behrends. A private family burial of cremains will take place at a later date.

Bill Baecker passed away on Sunday, Jan. 23rd after a hard-fought battle with Parkinson's disease for 25 years. He is survived by his wife Marge (Klein) and his sons and grandsons. The "Klein Sisters" and other family members made the trip to Independence, WI to support Marge and attend Bill's visitation and funeral, including Tom and Mary Krogman and Mark and Jeanne Loosbrock of Lismore; Earl and Laurie Hokeness and Ann Solomon, of Rushmore; Jessica Fedt of Sioux Falls, SD; Nikki Jansen Matte of Colorado Springs, CO; and Janelle Vis of Brandon, SD. Blessed be his memory.



Milbrath authors children's book Book signing at Public Library February 10 By Jeff Krueger

Lori Milbrath has always enjoyed reading, especially good children's books. She has expanded that enjoyment by writing a children's picture book and having it published.

Lori's book is called Tiny Tim and Big Bertha. It is based on a story that she told to her kids as they were growing up. "There were parts that made my kids laugh and they would ask me to tell it again and again. It felt good that they enjoyed hearing it," she said in a recent interview.

For her teaching license, Milbrath has taken numerous reading conferences with some well-known authors and was intrigued by how they got started writing books and the processes involved with it. One author made the comment "If you have an interest in writing a book, what are you waiting for?" That got her thinking about putting her story on paper.

Her grandmother also inspired her to author the book. "My grandma was a storyteller. I remember as a child if she was over at bedtime, we would ask her to tell us a bedtime story. She would make them up and I remember loving that!, Lori said.

Tiny Tim and Big Bertha is an entertaining story of a family of mice that need to find food for the upcoming winter months. Their search for food comes with risks and dangers on the farm, especially with the farm cat, Jaws, around.

The book was published through Balboa Press, a division of Hay House. "I did research on the internet to find a publisher that offered what I was looking for and could help develop the book the way I envisioned it," Milbrath stated. Balboa Press assigned her an illustrator that worked with her in completing the book.

Balboa Press recently contacted her about writing another book, perhaps even in the same series.

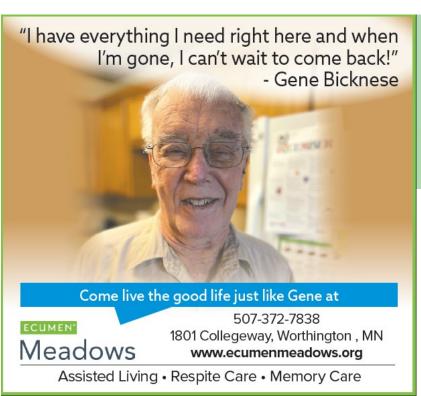
Reaction to the book has been fantastic. "I have gotten a lot of positive feedback regarding the book as well as getting it published. Many people were surprised because I didn't talk a lot about working on it. I wasn't sure of the process required and I wanted to make sure the book turned out the way I was envisioning it," she commented.

Tiny Tim and Big Bertha is now available on amazon.com or barnesandnoble.com. She also has some books available with more on order.

The Springfield Public Library will be hosting a presentation and book signing on Thursday, February 10 at 6:30 p.m.

Writing a children's book is something Milbrath has wanted to do for some time. "It is something that I wanted to do for myself as well as for my kids and grandkids," she said. "I am happy that I followed through on writing this book! I was able to surprise each of my kids and grandkids with their copies for Christmas," she concluded.

Lori is the daughter of Vonnie Huisman, Sioux Falls, and the late Marv Huisman. Lori grew up in Wilmont!





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651-288-4417; or at statewide county extension and county Farm Bureau offices. The submission deadline is Monday, March 7. Recipients will be announced in April. Previously recognized families should not reapply. Congratulations to Montana "Moe" Erdman and Roberto Hernandez who participated in the 9th grade state wrestling tournament held in Champlin on Saturday. Both boys have a "Lismore Connection". Montana is the son of Jessica and Bob Slinger of Adrian and great-grandson of Joyce Erd-

man. Roberto is the son of Stacie and Roberto of Lismore and placed seventh in the competition.

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February is American Heart month and this week is CHD awareness week. Mike and Melissa Einck and family will be celebrating their daughter Molly's 5th birthday, her 3rd in heaven, during this week. In honor of her birthday, they are collecting pop tabs to bring to the Ronald McDonald House, supporting those kiddos and families who have to stay in the hospital. They plan to do another tie blanketmaking event on February 27th at the OLGC Catholic Church lower hall in Wilmont at 1 PM. If you'd like to pre-make a blanket, donate fabric, or have any questions please contact the Eincks or Weiderts. In the last two years they have donated approximately 700lbs of pop tabs to RMH and 250 tie blankets to children in the hospital. The Eincks are grateful to have so many generous and faithful people to help keep Molly's legacy alive!

Parish Cluster Mardi Gras Pork Chop dinner on Saturday, February 26th at 6:00 PM. Our winter event isa traditional celebration before the season of Lent. This is for our parish members and guests from our communities.

You can purchase tickets or sign up after any of our weekend Masses on the weekends of the 13th and 20th of February, or from our parish office.

St Adrian Church will host Mardi Gras in the lower Church Hall after the 5:00 PM Mass. (Mass times change this weekend to 5:00 PM St. Adrian and 10:30am to St. Anthony)

There will be Mardi Gras games and entertainment. \$15.00 per person for a delicious grilled pork chop dinner with all the fixings including beverages.

Proceeds will go for the Youth Mission Trip to Colorado this summer, and tuition assistance for St. Mary's School families.







Virgil Shelquist

Bruce Shelquist, from Oregon, recently sent a baseball that he wanted to donate to the Wilmont Heritage Room. His father, Virgil Shelquist, played baseball for Wilmont. Virgil save a baseball, probably used in a home game, and he wrote all the names of his 1948 team members on the ball. All the names on the baseball include: Jack Probst, manager; Dim Wagner, assistant manager; Virgil Shelquist; Neil Maxa (hired player); Lyle Schlichte; Dick Kuhl; Bud Kuhl; Marv Heinrichs; Virgil Balster; Jim Gerber; Eddie Probst; Willie Middendorf; Joe Probst; Don Peterson; Milton Venter

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Years Ago—By Audrey Brake Thanks for the many memories!

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Wilmont

Fidelis Hermeling, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hermeling of Iona, became the bride of Ray Hoffman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Hoffman of Wilmont, at the St. Columba Catholic Church at Iona on Tuesday morning, February 1st at nine o'clock. Rev. S. N. Majerus officiated at the ceremony. Nuptial music was rendered by the St. Columba choir. The bride wore a white wool street length dress, with a corsage of white and pink carnations. She chose as her attendant, her sister, Mary Jane Hermeling. Her dress was pink crepe. She wore a corsage of pink carnations. The groom's attendant was his brother, Tom Hoffman. Both men wore dark suits. Following the wedding a reception was held at the home of the bride's parents for forty guests. The young couple will be at home on a farm north of Wilmont. Congratulations are extended to them by their many friends here and at Iona.

Hazel Coyour, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Coyour of Wilmont and Wilfred Reiffenberger, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Reiffenberg, of Rosen, were married at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church on Tuesday morning, January 25th. The Rev. J. H. Steger performed the double ring ceremony at nine o'clock. The bride's gown was of white slipper satin with lace inserted sleeves and sweetheart neckline. Her fingertip veil was held in place with a tiara of seed pearls. Her gold locket was a gift of the groom. Her attendant was Loretta Reiffenberger, who wore a gown of pink chiffon with a matching headdress. Her gold cross was a gift of the bride. The best man was Lawrence Spors of Rosen. Both men wore blue suits. Dinner was served at noon to forty guests at the home of the bride's parents by Mrs. Steve Feit, Mrs. Ben Thompson, and Mrs. Anton Lutmer. Table waitresses were Misses Eva Feit, Evelyn Jueneman, and Marcella Probst. After March 1st the couple will be at home on a farm near Rosen.

One of the largest crowds for some time was seen at the school gym Sunday evening, when pictures were shown of the Alaskan highway taken by Frank Leguil of Adrian. Also local and northern pictures were shown by Dr. Waller; First Aid Pictures, some of Yellowstone National Park, and pictures taken in Wyoming by Wm. Brake and shown by Joseph Scholtes, Jr. The pictures were greatly enjoyed by all. Following are the collections taken in for the Infantile Paralysis drive: School donation boxes - \$15.83; Town donations boxes - \$8,55; the photography show - \$83.00. After expenses, the collection balance was \$98.33. A great deal of credit must be given to our local chairman, J. J. Broich, and the men who helped with the show.

An accident occurred at the Meyer corner southwest of town last Wednesday afternoon, when Hans Rabenberg and Matt Arens, Jr. collided head-on. Both cars were damaged badly, but no one was hurt. Mr. Rabenberg was going home and Mr. Arens was coming to town. It seem funny that something can't be done with that corner, as many accidents have happened there.

While returning to his home Friday afternoon, Bernard Gotmer had the misfortune of losing control of his car on the gravel road a little more than a mile north of the Wilmont cemetery. The car hit the ditch and rolled over several times and came back on the road upside down facing south. Mr. Gotmer was brought to Dr. Waller's office and was taken from there to a Worthington hospital. He suffered rib fractures and a slight cerebral concussion. He was kept under observation until assurance was gained that there were no worse injuries.

While working in the hog yard last Wednesday, Matt Wagner accidently had a pitch fork run into his leg which required medical attention. After hobbling around for a couple of days, "Mutts" is almost as good as new.

While repairing the tank on the oil truck Thursday morning, Fab Scholtes had a painful gash cut in his thumb when it was caught between the frame and the tank. Five stitches were put into his thumb.

While cutting meat Thursday morning, Mrs. Frank Balster Jr. had the misfortune of cutting her wrist when the knife slipped. Five stitches were necessary to close the gash.

Mrs. Art Siebell (Gen Hoffman) left Thursday for Kansas City, Missouri where she will visit her husband who is in the Army.

Cpl. Harry Coyour is leaving Wednesday evening for Camp Hood, Texas after enjoying a furlough at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Coyour, and attending the wedding of his sister which took place last week.

Henry Probst returned home last week after spending a few days in Denver, Colorado.

Joe Schmit has moved his household goods into his home vacated by Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Vandenberg.

Sgt. Ray Kremer left for Longley Field, Va. Tuesday after having enjoyed a furlough at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Kremer. Ray was accompanied as far as Cincinnati, Ohio by his wife who will visit there with relatives and friends.

On Thursday evening, February 10, there will be a card party and dance at Wilmont school gym. Luchtels Trio will furnish the music for dancing.

A deal was completed here Tuesday, whereby Alphonse Arens became the owner of the Earl Dean house, which was tenanted by Joe Schmit. Possession was given immediately.

Mrs. Gerald Shidaker received a letter from her husband Sgt. Gerald Shidaker, stationed in England. In the letter he said he had been in the hospital 33 days then and would very likely be shipped back to the U.S.

Lismore

The Lismore/St. Kilian Midway Livewires Local and the Reading Star Local are having a joint Farmers Union meeting in the Wilmont School Gym at 8 p.m. on Wednesday, February 9, 1944. The purpose of this meeting is to acquaint the farmers of the various obstacles confronting them today. The principle speaker will be Mr. John Skage, the President

of the South Dakota Farmers Union and Mr. Carlson, manager of the Sioux Falls Farmers Union Livestock Commission Company. There will also be a movie of some interesting subjects shown by Arthur Wulf, our local grocery store manager. The St. Kilian Junior Community Band will be on had to render musical numbers. There will also be refreshments served by the Wilmont Catholic Ladies Aid, for which there will be a small charge.

Pfc. Mac Pick returned to North Carolina Friday after having spent his furlough with relatives and friends at Lismore.

Miss Rose Gengler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Gengler, who has been a student nurse for three years at St. John's Hospital, Fargo, N. Dak., completed her training on January 28 and is now a Registered Nurse. After a brief vacation at Jamestown, N. Dakota and Dumont, Minn., Rose will be home with her parents until she receives her call for the Armed Service.

Winifred Hebig, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hebig, underwent an operation for appendicitis at the Adrian Hospital.

Alphonse Lorang of the USN left Thursday for Chicago, Illinois after spending two-week furlough visiting his father, John Lorang Sr. and other relatives.

St. Kilian

Pvt. Wilfred Loosbrock of Oregon is spending a furlough at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Emil Loosbrock and other relatives and friends.

On Tuesday evening, February 8, there will be a card party and dance at the St. Kilian Hall. The Jolly Five Orchestra will furnish the music for dancing.

Bans of the approaching marriage of Reynold Hebig and Malinda Schneider were published by Rev. Fr. Tennessen at St. Kilian Sunday.

LOST - Two-wheel rubber beer cart, between St. Kilian and Lismore.

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Marty John Huisman 1969 - 2022

Marty John Huisman,52, of Ankeny, Iowa passed away peacefully after having a stroke on January 21, 2022.

Born in Worthington, Minnesota June 3, 1969, to Donald and Karon Huisman. Marty grew up in Moravia, lowa moving to Baxter, lowa his senior year and graduating from Baxter High School in 1987. Marty was fun-loving, bringing lots of laughs and joy to those around him. He enjoyed spending time with his family, camping and fishing. Marty was a dedicated Minnesota Vikings fan, a member of the Mason Lodge and a volunteer for the Baxter Fire dept in his younger years. He was a hardworking, Journeyman Carpenter employed by Doors Inc. for 16 years. Marty will never be forgotten and will always hold a special place in the hearts of those who knew him.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Karon Huisman. He is survived by his father, Donald Huisman; wife, Teresa Carr; son, Corbin Huisman (Lauren); stepson, JR Burgett; stepdaughter, Lisa Groen; sisters, Patty (Mike) Smith, JoDee (Troy) Buis, and Shari (Kevin) Butler; niece, Jessica Buis; nephews, Justin Smith, Tanner Buis, Conner Butler, and Jarett Butler; grandchildren, Brooklynn Brown, Paxton Ross (his fishing buddy) Paisley Ross and Gracelynn Groen.

Celebration of Life Services were held at The Bridge Church 10025 Johnston, Iowa 50131.

Memorial may be made to the family in loving memory of Marty. Donald Huisman

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ESTHER BECKER, age 97, of Worthington, died, January 27, 2022 at Ecumen Meadows in Worthington. She was born April 1, 1924 on a farm one and half miles south of Wilmont, MN; to parents Henry and Lena (Balster) Slater. She attended school at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic School in Wilmont.

Esther married Alfred (Jiggs) Becker on May 14, 1946 at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church in Wilmont. To this union



two sons were born Keith and Robert Becker. After their marriage they farmed southwest of Wilmont for 18 years. They then moved to Adrian and later to Valley City, ND where she worked at the Valley City Newspaper. She was later trained for hospital office work and worked at Mercy Hospital in Valley City, ND; and also at Rice Memorial Hospital in Willmar, MN.

They moved to Mesa, AZ in 1985 and Esther spent 30 years in Mesa, AZ; until 2016 when she moved to the Meadows in Worthington, MN. Her husband died in 1992 while in Arizona.

Esther is survived by her brother, Jim (Mary) Slater, Worthington and a sister, Arlene Schlichte, Worthington; two grandchildren, Chad and Heather and a daughter-in-law, Mary Becker.

She was preceded in death by her parents; Henry and Lena, step mother Gen Slater, her sons, Keith and Robert Becker, brothers Ray and Tom Slater, sisters, Joan Slater and Marie Schutz, grandparents Henry and Caroline Slater, Frank and Elizabeth Balster, baptismal parents, Wm and Lena Slater.

A Celebration of Life will take place at a later date.

Dingmann Funeral Home & Cremation Services, of Worthington are in charge of arrangements.



Photo From the Past

The photo this week was taken at the same time as the 'pool hall' photo in the last issue of the Shoppe., It was also owned and operated by Joe and Marcella Probst. The cafe that was located on the south side of the pool hall. A wall separated the pool hall and the cafe. At this time the cooking area of the cafe was not enclosed and there was no bowling alley behind (to the east) the kitchen area. L-R Rita Hebig/Probst, Marcella Hebig/Probst, Bill Sievers, ?, Pete Wagner, and Gus Sievers If anyone can identify the man in this photo, to the left of Pete Wagner, call Audrey 507-360-1136 or email aubrake@gmail.com

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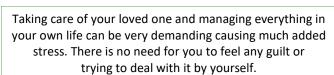
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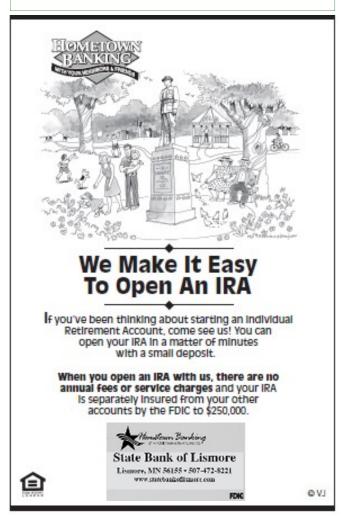
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Wilmont VFW post teamed up with the DAV (Disabled American Veterans) and have clothing drop-off boxes around the area—next to Wilmont Hardware, two by Ace Hardware in Worthington, one by Peterson Cleaning next to Graham Tire in Worthington and in Rushmore across from the bank.

Everyone's donations and help are greatly appreciated!

Donations help support our local VFW Post especially during the pandemic.



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Round Lake Community Center—Tuesday & Thursday at 10:30 am;

Rushmore Community Center—Monday & Wednesday at 10:00 am; Worthington, American Reformed Church—Tuesday and Thursday at 10:00 am.

New exercisers are welcome at all the classes. People may drop in to try it out or come on a regular schedule. All are welcome. For more information please call: A.C.E. of SW Minnesota/Nobles Co. at 507-295-5262.

Please call ahead to find out if these are having sessions.

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Feb 12-Baby Shower donations—last day to drop off

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

Feb 26-Parish Cluster Mardi Gas Pork Chop dinner, St. Adrian church following 5:00 pm mass in

Adrian (masses are changed for St. Adrian and St. Anthony this weekend)

Feb 27-Blanket tying event, 1 pm, OLGC Catholic church lower hall

Feb 28-United Prairie Crop Insurance Meeting, 12 noon lunch, meeting 12:30 pm, Wilmont Community Center, RSVP by Feb 24

March 7-2022 Century Farm Applications due

March 8-Larkin Township Annual Meeting, voting 5-8 pm, meeting to follow, Wilmont Community Center

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