

Church Schedules

Catholic

Lismore— Sat. 5 p.m.

*OLGC-Wilmont—
Sun. 8:30 a.m.*

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

*Sat: 5pm Mass St. Ann,
Slayton*

*Sun: 8:30am Mass St.
Columba, Iona (new time)*

*Sun: 10am Mass St. Mary,
Lake Wilson*

**Immanuel Lutheran
Pfingsten-rural Fulda**

(Livestream Sunday worship
available on Immanuel's
Facebook page)

January-April
Worship starts at 10 AM

Sunday School 9:15 AM
Coffee/Fellowship 9:15 AM

Presbyterian

*Lismore -
Sunday Service—8:45 a.m.*

*Reading—
Sunday School-9 am*

Service-10:00 a.m

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

Mark your calendar—

Wilmont Fire & Rescue Fundraiser Breakfast
Sunday March 26

8 am-12 noon

Serving pancakes, eggs, sausage & beverages

Free will donation

Everyone invited!

(Snow date April 2)



Pancake Breakfast at St. Ann Church, Slayton

9 – Noon

Sunday March 12th

Serving: Pancakes, Sausages, Fruit Cups, Juice,
and Coffee

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Free In-Person Tax Preparation Service

Sponsored by the AARP Foundation. Appoint-
ments are necessary. to help eliminate waiting
time. Masks are optional. They will be doing Tax
Preparation on Wednesdays: March 8th & 22nd,
April 5th and 12th at the Slayton Public Library.

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

Shadow Stations of the Cross

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March 15, 2023, 7 pm

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Sunday Brunch

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Take-outs are available by calling 507-227-6519

March 9

Annual Meeting of Bloom Township

The Annual Meeting of Bloom Township will be held at the Home of Dave & Nan Henning
11761 Knauf Ave, Fulda MN

Tuesday, March 14, 2023
Meeting 8:00 pm

*In case of inclement weather the meeting will be Tuesday,
March 21, 2023

Annual Meeting and Election
Wilmont Township

The Wilmont Township annual meeting and election will be held in St. Kilian School

Tuesday, March 14, 2023

Elect 1 Supervisor for three (3) years
and 1 Treasurer for two (2) years

Annual Meeting at 4 p.m.

Polls open 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

In case of inclement weather, the meeting & election will be held on
Tuesday, March 21, 2023

Audrey Brake, Clerk

Annual Meeting and Election Larkin Township

The annual meeting and election will be held at the
Wilmont Community Center

Tuesday, March 14, 2023

Polls open 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Annual Meeting at 8:05 pm

In case of inclement weather, the meeting & election will be held on
Tuesday, March 21, 2023

Bill Slater, Clerk



A HEART AND VASCULAR SCREENING EVENT
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January 7th
February 11th
March 11th
March 25th

TIME:

9:00 AM - 2:30 PM



COST:
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LOCATION:
Wilmont, MN

Call/Text Logan at (507) 360-0673 for more details or to register for the class

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 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 open for business!!! I am a licensed daycare provider with years of experience working in child care. 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)

We always welcome new ladies to the Wilmont Quilting group to sew squares, tie quilts, pattern out quilts, donate thread, baby flannel or material, sheets for backs and middles, offers of cake for coffee after a day of quilting. So you are welcome to join in on the creativity, conversation and fun. We tie at school in Wilmont at 1:00 on most Wednesdays. When in doubt call and check with Carolyn 370-3594. Thank you in advance for any donations and volunteering.

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The Lismore Legion Hall is available for rental to the area for graduations, showers, anniversaries etc. Please call the Lismore Bank for rental information and to set up a date.

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

Taken from May 25, 1944 & June 1 & 8, 1944 Wilmont Tribune

Wilmont

On Friday evening, June 9th, the following men are asked to report at the fire hall to get their instructions for the 5th war loan drive, which starts on Monday, June 12th of next week. When a solicitor calls at your place for the 5th war loan drive, be ready to meet your quota. The village of Wilmont's quota is \$21,000, compared to \$20,000 in the 4th war loan drive. Following are the names that are asked to be present at the fire hall Friday night: J. J. Broich, P. J. Wagner, C. W. Becker, Wm. Boecker, W. J. Sievers, Leo Scholtes, Joe Probst, Joseph Scholtes Jr., N. D. Bertrand, Fred Alberts, Joe Hebbelman, John Pacholl, Hub Slater, Ed Olson, H. J. Murphy, Paul Probst, John Probst, Frank Johanning, Lambert McCann, Art Wulf, E. L. Meyer, Ed Vaske, Clem Schlichte, George Moser, and Alphonse Hendel. The quotas for Wilmont Township is \$42,500; Larkin Township is \$37,500; Bloom is \$37,500; and Summit Lake is \$42,500. The quota for the two of Lismore is \$18,000 and Lismore Township is \$37,500.

Dear Pete; Well, it has been sometime since you have heard from me. I guess it is about time I thank you and the Vets for the paper. I sure enjoy it and as I intend to have this address for a long time, it will help the paper is getting to me regular. Well, I haven't any more to say, only I plan to see it pretty hot this summer. Suppose the boys here will have to sweat too this summer, so few to do the work. Yours truly, Raphael Mensen, San Francisco, California.

Francis Leo Enright arrived home Friday from Camp Polk, La and is enjoying a furlough at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Enright.

Pvt. Art Slater from Camp Fannie, Texas arrived home for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hub Slater. From here he goes to Camp Van Dorn, Miss. for further specialized training.

Staff Sgt. and Mrs. Bob Probst and son, Danny Lee, returned to St. Joseph, Mo. Saturday after visiting with the former's mother, Mrs. Barbara Probst, and other relatives and also with Mr. and Mrs. Ed Lais at Minneapolis.

V.F.W. Buddy Poppies will blossom on the streets of Wilmont on Saturday, May 27th, when the Boy Scouts will sell the little red memorial flowers in the 23rd annual sale sponsored by the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States and its Ladies Auxiliaries.

A number of local people attended the Memorial Services for Ray Vogt, held in Reading Sunday. He was killed in action overseas.

Sioux Falls - War Production Board announced today that as a result of increased production, allocations of potash in the form of high grade muriate salts for agricultural use in the ten months from June through March, 1943, will be 30 percent larger than those of last year. Requests for allocations still exceed the supply. Improved production technique, incentive wages adopted by potash producing plants, and expanded facilities are responsible for the increased output.

Funeral services were held at Avoca on Wednesday morning for Patrick Joseph, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Voss of Avoca. Patrick Joseph was a year old the 17th day of March. He is survived by his parents, his twin sister, Patricia Ann, and eight other sisters and brothers. He is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Voss of our city. Patrick Joseph passed away on Monday morning at 11:43 at the

home of Mr. and Mrs. Andy Pacholl, where he had been staying. Sympathy is extended to the relatives in their sorrow.

Milo Reker, who is employed at the Clarence Majeres farm, had his shoulder badly bruised Monday afternoon. He was backing the tractor up to the manure spreader when the spreader began to roll back. Mr. Reker got off the tractor to stop it when the tractor began to roll back pinning him between the tongue of the spreader and the tractor wheel. Mr. Majeres, who was near at the time, loosened him.

The Wilmont Go-Getters held their meeting at the George Sieve home Sunday, May 28th. Marilyn Sieve gave a demonstration on how to sew on buttons. Walter Sieve gave a talk about gardening for a program. Lunch was served by Mrs. George Sieve. Mary Jo Vaske acted as president in the absence of Theresa Hartman. Marilyn Sieve, reporter.

The first and second graders of the Parochial school and their teacher, Sister M. Vriel had their picnic Friday on the school grounds.

Mrs. Ardes Lebens entertained her school pupils at a picnic Friday, a lunch at her home, and then she took the pupils for a little trip by train to Hardwick and back. The children enjoyed the outing very much.

Marshall DeKamp will play for the opening dance at the Pavilion Thursday, May 25th, this week.

Judy Ann, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Wagner, had a bone broken in her right arm between her wrist and elbow Sunday when she fell at her home.

Sister Christians of LaCrosse, Wisconsin was a Tuesday evening visitor of Mrs. Emma Middendorf.

Ervin Jueneman is ill at the home of his parents, with pneumonia.

There will be roller skating at the Wilmont Pavilion on Saturday evenings, Sunday afternoons, and Sunday evenings.

Oscar Kuhl is a patient in the General Hospital at Worthington for a few days.

Arlene Slater is assisting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Matt Arens, Sr.

Miss Marcella Probst returned home last week after having been employed at the Bernard Stuntebeck home for the past seven months.

We will have ice on hand at all times, except Sunday. Wilmont Hardware

Lismore

Leo J. Gleis, M M 2-c, left Thursday for New York after spending a few days visiting with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Gleis and family.

Pvt. Robert Galagan of Camp Fannie, Texas spent a few days here visiting with friends.

Mrs. Fred Recker returned home Thursday from Adrian where she spent several days with her daughter, Mrs. Stubbs, after being in the hospital for about two weeks.

The Juniors and their mothers entertained the Seniors and their parents, Father Hiltner of Lismore, Father Tennesen of St. Kilian, and Father Prokes of Lakefield on Friday, the nineteenth of May. The hall was decorated in a nautical theme carrying through the class colors of blue and white and their motto "Out of the Harbor into Deep Channels". A delicious dinner was served by the mothers of the Juniors and Viola Lynn, Mrs. Virgil Dollander and Mary VonHoltum. After the meal, the banqueters were entertained by various speeches. They were given by the Seniors, the Toastmaster, and the three priests. The Toastmaster started the program with a welcome speech, followed by a toast given to the Seniors. Then the Seniors gave their talks as of the

Class History, Motto, Flower, Colors, Patron, Class Will, and the Class Prophecy. After this the three priests were asked to say a few words. They gave the Seniors good advice for starting out in life. There also were a few musical selections. The evening's entertainment was concluded by a Grand March. The Seniors are Colleen Kontz, Winifred Hebig, Mildred Hebig, Lila Waller, Brian Lacore, Nicholas Probst, John VonHoltum, Gordon Gengler, Francis Loosbrock, Loren Peterburs, and Delbert Lutmer.

Mr. and Mrs. Baylen Loosbrock are the parents of a baby boy born Thursday, May 25th, at the Luverne Hospital.

Miss Avis Rose Loonan came Saturday from Mapleton, where she had been teaching school.

Billy VonHoltum, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed VonHoltum, had the misfortune of breaking his arm last Wednesday when he fell from the barn at his home.

St. Kilian

Baseball will again be in full swing when on Sunday, June 4th, the Gopher League will open the season, consisting of four teams in the league. They are: St. Kilian, Worthington, Hadley, and Westbrook. Sunday, June 4th, St. Kilian will play Hadley at the Slayton ball park, where Hadley will play all their home games. Manager Hebig states that he will have a good team in the field this year as he has picked players from different towns to make up for players that are in the armed forces. All you baseball fans are asked to follow the St. Kilian team this year and give them your support.

On Sunday, June 11th, Corpus Christi will be celebrated in St. Kilian, as usual. The ladies will serve dinner at 12 o'clock sharp. The menu will consist of roast beef and cold ham with all the trimmings. In the afternoon at 2:30, the Worthington baseball club will be at St. Kilian to meet the Saints in a gopher league home game. Plan now to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Bremer received a letter from their son, Wilfred Bremer. He is now stationed at San Francisco, California, Treasure Island.

Sunday dinner guests at the Nick Probst home were Mr. and Mrs. Nick Schmidt and Elizabeth, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Schmidt, Mrs. Barbara Probst, Mr. and Mrs. W. Probst and son, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Probst and sons, Mr. and Mrs. John Probst and family, Mrs. Paul Probst and Esther, Mr. and Mrs. George Probst and family, Mike Schmidt, Ted Schmidt, Mrs. Norman Stangl and son. The dinner was in honor of little Engeline, who received First Holy Communion that morning.

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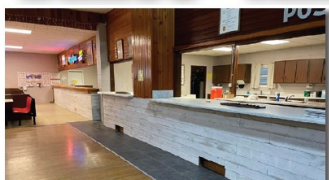
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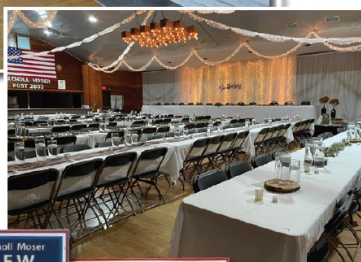
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Booking dates for 2023!

March 4— Mitch Gordon Band

March 26-Wilmont Fire Rescue Fundraiser

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David A Spomer, age 58, of Savage, MN, passed away on Monday, February 13, 2023.

Funeral services were held at Eden Baptist Church in Burnsville, MN. Pall bearers for Dave will be Lorin Ruesch, Alan Ruesch, Myron Ruesch, Michael Terning, Verlis Schilling and Jeremy Schmidt. Burial at Memorial Garden Cemetery, Worthington, MN.

Dave was the first child born to Marvin and Jeanine Spomer on September 24, 1964, in Sioux Falls, SD. He spent his first years living in Marion, SD, where his love of cars was nurtured by his dad. In 1972 the family, including Dave's younger sister Debra, moved to Worthington, MN. He spent his school years there, graduating from Worthington High School in 1982. Dave spent many days of his childhood at the local pool, his grandpa's farm in South Dakota, and cruising around town on his bicycle, skateboard, and later by car.

Dave played on the WHS football team, and he thoroughly enjoyed football season throughout his life. After attending community college in Worthington and graduating from St Cloud State University in 1987, he moved to Rochester, MN. Dave met his wife Diane while they were both living in Rochester, and they were married in October 1993. They made Savage, MN their home in 1994, and raised 2 children there, Amanda was born in 2001, and Paul in 2003.

Dave spent the majority of his working years in the car business, first at his dad's dealership, Spomer Motors, then later at Grossman Chevrolet, and lastly at US Bank as an Account Manager in the automotive division. This position at US Bank was a perfect fit for Dave, given his amiable personality and excellent attention to details. He loved to serve his customers, and highly valued the business relationships that he established.

In his leisure time, he enjoyed boating, bicycling, skating, skateboarding, skiing, car shows and exploring nature. He had a great memory for obscure sports facts, car knowledge, and music trivia. He enjoyed planning vacations for his family, and he loved animals, especially his dogs.

Dave's life journey took a turn when he was diagnosed with a vascular brain tumor in 2019. He suffered many related health crises since then but did not complain during any of these trials and remained his sweet, gentle self. His soul passed peacefully into heaven on Monday evening, February 13th, with loving family by his side. We cherish the memory of our dear Dave and know he trusted Jesus Christ as his Savior and Lord and is now in glory with Him.

Survived by his loving family, including wife Diane, daughter Amanda and son Paul; parents Marvin and Jeanine Spomer; sister Debra (Michael) Terning; numerous nieces, nephews, brothers-in-law, sisters-in-law, and other relatives and friends.



Photo From the Past

The photo this week is of Herman (Mulley) Voss, Wilmont's town constable, and Francis Enright, Wilmont mechanic. It was taken in the Wilmont Pool Hall when Bob and Theresa Larson were owner/operators of the business.

No one contacted me as to any information about the mattress-making business that was in Wilmont, possibly in the 1940's. It was the Photo From the Past in the last issue of the Wilmont Shopper.

JEROME HENRY ERPELDING, age 93, of Adrian, died Tuesday, February 21, 2023, at the Parkview Manor Nursing Home in Ellsworth. He was born August 27, 1929, in Lismore, to Nicholas and Clara (Scheitler) Erpelding. He was their seventh son. Jerome's education took him through the eighth grade before he was needed on the family farm.

Jerome married Frances Boltjes on April 19, 1949, in Lismore. The couple moved to Woodstock where they farmed for twenty eight years. In 1977, they retired from farming and moved into town and ran the service station on Main Street. He enjoyed working on old tractors and fixing things. He became the handyman for many of the senior citizens in town. In 2002, they moved to Adrian. As his health began to decline, Jerome entered the Parkview Manor Nursing Home in 2019.

He was a member of St. Adrian Catholic Church.

Jerome is survived by his wife, Frances Erpelding, Adrian; a son, Jerry (Sheri) Erpelding, Woodstock; two granddaughters, Jennifer (Curtis) Lee, Pipestone; and Amy (fiancé, Darren Harris) Erpelding, Marshall; and two great-grandchildren, Shayla & Hannah who brought him so much joy.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and six brothers, Lawrence, Leo, Isadore, Wilfred, Art and Alvin Erpelding.

A Memorial Mass will be Saturday, March 4, at 11 am at St. Adrian Catholic Church, in Adrian, officiated by Monsignor Gerald Kosse. A time of fellowship will be one hour prior to the service at the church on Saturday. A private family burial will take place at a later date.

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am; (starting again in June)

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

Rushmore Community Center—Monday & Wednesday at
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Tuesday and Thursday at 10:00 am.

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Leon Joseph Pick, 78, passed away on February 23, 2023, at the Lyons Care Facility in Rock Rapids, IA. Leon was born to Leonard and Arlene (Fath) Pick on June 4, 1944, in Lismore, MN. He attended St. Anthony's Grade School and Adrian High School. As a young man, Leon played baseball and softball for Lismore, while working on the family farm. He was active in the Lismore 4H Club for ten years and was a junior leader. Leon won several trips to the Minnesota State Fair due to his 4H exhibits.

After high school he attended and graduated from Worthington Junior College and received a BA degree from the University of Sioux Falls. Leon began his teaching career at Hills-Beaver Creek and taught English and social studies for thirty-one years. He also started Pick Painting in 1968 and ran that business for thirty-eight years. His son, Dan worked with him for several years. He was an elected leader of his teacher profession for twenty-three years, including 6 years as chairman of MEA's State Negotiation Council and 6 years as a member of MEA's Board of Directors. Leon was named HBC Teacher of the Year twice. In 1986 he was a state finalist in the Teacher of the Year contest.

Leon was treasurer of the Rock County DFL for 6 years and also treasurer for the Minnesota Sixth District DFL (26 counties) for 6 years. He ran several legislature campaigns in Southwest Minnesota and was a co-coordinator for Hubert Humphrey and Walter Mondale in the 1970's and 1980's.

Leon was a member and officer of the Luverne Eagles 3403. He was the local secretary and was re-elected state secretary in 2005. Leon was a member of St. Catherine's Catholic Church in Luverne and a member and past Grand Knight of the Knights of Columbus. He was also a 4th Degree member of the Knights of Columbus in Marshall. He and his wife Mary started L&M Housing in 1988 and was a real estate salesperson.

Leon enjoyed being with his wife Mary, watching the Twins, Yankee's and Vikings. He liked being with friends at their Lake Benton cabin and traveling, especially to Las Vegas and Hawaii.

Leon is survived by his wife Mary. Children: Daniel (Diane) of Luverne, Julie (Craig) Becker of Sioux Falls and Jackie Pick of Sioux Falls. Stepchildren: Rob (Holly) Arp of Jackson and Jodi (Jason) Bosch of Luverne. Grandchildren: Thomas and Sydney Becker of Sioux Falls. Step-Grandchildren: Nicholas and Kayla Arp of Jackson and Cole (Bryan) Bosch of Jefferson, Gracie (Erik) Ode of Brandon, SD and Luke Bosh of Luverne. Great Step Grandchild: James Bosch. One brother Duane (Jana) Pick of Edgerton.

He was preceded in death by his parents Leonard and Arlene Pick. Services were held at St. Catherine, Luverne. Burial at St. Catherine Cemetery, Luverne.

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Joyce Floraine Burk, age 93, Worthington, formerly of Rushmore, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, February 22, 2023 at the Sunset Hospice Cottage in Worthington.

She was born on November 29, 1929 in Wilmont, Minnesota to Louis and Minnie (Elsing) Ebeling. She was baptized in the Christian faith on May 11, 1930 at East Friesland Church in Rushmore.

She attended country school (District 94) north east of Rushmore until 1939 when her family moved to Bigelow. She continued her education in Bigelow and later attended Worthington High School, graduating in 1947. She then enrolled, and completed her training, at the School of Cosmetology in Sioux City, IA in 1948 and went to work at a Salon in Sanborn, IA. A short while after her employment began, Joyce left her occupation and embarked for Minneapolis with family members to aide her brother Arvid, who having been stricken with polio, was hospitalized there.

Upon her brothers recovery and release from the hospital, Joyce returned home and married William Burk, Jr. on November 29, 1949 in Rushmore Minnesota. The couple farmed a short time before moving into the town of Rushmore.

Joyce owned and operated "Burk's Cafe" in Rushmore for 13 years (1964-1977). She worked other various jobs after selling the café. Michaels and Burkes in the Worthington Mall, the Country Kitchen and the Worthington Daily Globe.

Joyce was a former member of East Friesland Church of Christ in Rushmore, The Dorcas Society, the Rushmore American Legion Auxiliary, the Rushmore Senior Citizens and the Elks in Worthington.

Joyce enjoyed life !! Dancing at the Worthington Coliseum was Joyce & Bill's passion. She loved playing games and cards and was somewhat competitive. She enjoyed bowling and golfing. She will be remembered for many things including her "hamburger gravy" and "sugar cookies."

Joyce is survived by her two children, Steve Burk, Belle Fourche, SD; and Mavis (Dan) Lohre, Forest Lake, MN; four grandchildren and spouses and eight great-grandchildren, Joyce is survived by her two children, Steve Burk, Belle Fourche, SD and Mavis (Dan) Lohre, Forest Lake, MN; four grandchildren and spouses and eight great grandchildren, Michael (Heather) Burk, Hannah & Ella, Shane (Sarah) Lohre, Donovan (Van) & Liberty (Libby), Grant Lohre, Mark (Sienna) Crew, Lake, Jack and Tripp; sister-in-law, Judy Ebeling; and many nieces, nephews and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, William Jr, on March 5, 1998; and one brother, Arvid Ebeling.


Visitation will be Tuesday, March 7, from 10 to 11 am at the Dingmann Funeral Home in Worthington. Funeral will be 11 am Tuesday at the Dingmann Funeral Home, in Worthington, officiated by Pastor John Nau. Burial will be 1 pm Wednesday in the Ft. Snelling National Cemetery in Minneapolis.

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If you submit something, please look to make sure I have it included. Judy Christians

March 4-Mitch Gordon at Wilmont VFW

March 5-Sunday brunch following 8:30 am mass, Our Lady of Good Counsel, Wilmont

March 9-Lent Lunch- 11 am-12:30 pm, St. Ann's Church, Slayton

March 12-Iona First Responder & Fire Department Chili Feed, 10 am-1 pm, Iona

March 12-Pancake breakfast, 9-noon, St. Ann's Church, Slayton

March 14-Annual Meeting Bloom Township, 8 pm, Dave & Nan Henning, 11761 Knauf Ave, Fulda

March 14-Annual Meeting & Election Wilmont Township, meeting 4 pm, polls open 5-8 pm, St. Kilian School

March 14-Annual Meeting & Election, Larkin Township, polls open 5-8 pm, meeting @ 8:05 pm, Wilmont Community Center

March 15-Shadow Stations of the Cross, 7 pm, St. Ann Catholic Church, Slayton

March 26-Wilmont Fire & Rescue Pancake Breakfast, 8 am-12 noon, Wilmont VFW

April 18- Heart & Vascular screening event, 8 am-5 pm, Murray County Medical Center

July 22-AHS Class of 73 50th reunion

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www.lismore.govoffice2.com

Lismore American Legion web site

www.lismorepost636.com

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