

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. Columba,
Iona

Sun: 8 am Mass St. Mary's
Lake Wilson

Sun: 10 am Mass: St. Ann's
Slayton

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

Sept-Dec

Sunday school 9:15

Coffee and fellowship 9:15

Worship 10:00 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

OLGC FALL BAZAAR
Sunday, October 8th

Please join us for food and fellowship at
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OLGC Catholic Church
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Card Shower for

AnnaMae Fuerstenberg who will be
celebrating her 90th birthday on
October 3rd.

Birthday greetings can be sent to
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AnnaMae Fuerstenberg
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Nobles 2 Wind Power has announced
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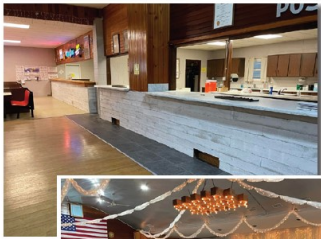
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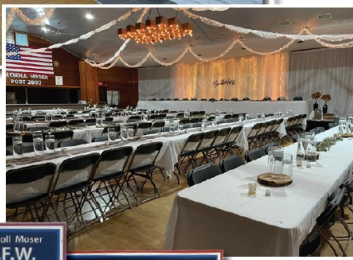
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Oct 7 - VFW District meeting
Dec 8— Wilmont Saloon No 7 dance
June 8 2024-Slater & Henning wedding
July 6 2024-McCarvel & Tuin wedding
July 12 2024-Huisman & Loosbrock wedding

Booking dates for 2023 & 2024!
Make sure you Like the Wilmont VFW Facebook page.

Wilmont Exercise Group
Mondays & Wednesdays—9 am
Wilmont Community Center
Welcome to join in!

Coffee in Lismore
Coffee 6 -10 am Monday-Saturday
Sunday starting at 6 am

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Charles A Bohlke

April 26, 1945-August 27 2023

Age 78 of Farmington

Charles passed away peacefully on Sunday, August 27, 2023. Preceded in death by Edmund and Agatha Bohlke (parents), Kenny Bohlke (brother), Violet Brown (mother-in-law), Richard Brown (father-in-law), Darla Stringer (granddaughter), Eli Krisnik (great-grandson).

He will be deeply missed by his loving wife Dixie of 31 years; children Charles (Gina_ Bohlke, Jennifer (Michael Grider) Bohlke, Susan Krisnik, Steven (Donna)Stringer, Sally Stringer, Shari Anderson; grandchildren , Justin and Christian Bohlke, Ashley Muehlberger, Lance (Catarina) Muehlberger, Colin (Jessica) Muehlberger, Tiffany (Dan) Milbrandt, Jacob (Marianna) Krisnik, Melissa (Jim) VanderVerde, Kimberly (Steve) Woodford, Bethany Stringer, Jeremy (Allie) Anderson, Jenny (Trevor) Jordheim; great-grandchildren, Zoey Muehlberger, Jack Muehlberger, Henry Muehlberger, Tehya and Ada Milbrandt, Caleb, Esme and Josiah Krisnik, Darla, Johnathan and Jackson Woodford, Lucas and Lennox Anderson; siblings Joan (Ralph) Klocke, Mary (Edwin) Schuster, Michael Bohlke, Bill Bohlke, Julie (Dennis) Klin, Richard (Laurie) Bohlke, Doris Apel, Joseph (Linda) Bohlke, Fran Bohlke; sister-in-law Marlis Bohlke and many nieces, nephews and good friends.

Charles was a memorable figure in the life of everyone who spent time and shared a laugh with him. He worked as a buldin engineer at the Rosemount-Apple Valley-Egan School District for over 30 years and, once retired, did part-time custodial work at Farmington Methodist Church and Hosanna Lutheran Church in Rochester.

He was a man who kept busy. He loved fishing and camping, gardening, working with wood and being in the kitch to bake break or make his famous meatloaf. He enjoyed time with his family including walkin his Siberian Huskies Mystique and Mariah.

Charlie was raised on a farm in Southwestern Minnesota along side five brothers and fiver sisters. He saw many parts of the country and the world while serving in the Air Force. He settled in the Twin Cities to raise two children. He was a father, stepfather, grandfather, great-grandfather and uncle to many individuals who will dearly miss his quite and gentle demeanor, good-hearted nature and witt.

Congratulations to Elizabeth Erwin and Cody Klassen who were married on September 9, 2023 in rural Windom, MN with pastor Tom Voigt officiating. Elizabeth is the daughter of Joe & Sheila Erwin of rural Lismore and Cody is the son of Stan and Darlene Klassen of rural Windom, MN. The newlyweds will make their home in Windom, MN.



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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.

Wilmont Area Quilters

Come join us; Wilmont Senior Citizens:
Pool every Monday, Wednesday & Friday.

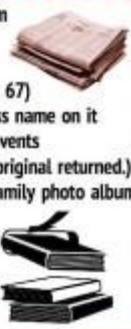
Cards every Monday. Quarterly Meetings to discuss local goings on.

New members welcome.

Wanted: Donations for the Wilmont Heritage Room

- 1) Old Wilmont Tribune newspapers: (Will make copies and return original if you want it back - already have 1957 - 67)
- 2) Wilmont business promotional gifts - business name on it
- 3) Photos of the town of Wilmont & Wilmont events (Scan and email, or copies will be made & original returned.)
- 4) 4 x 6 family pictures for the Wilmont area family photo album
- 5) Obituaries of Wilmont area people
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\$2/dozen with a portion of that donated to the Wilmont Fire Department
Eggs are provided by Carolyn Zemler and located in the Wilmont Community Center Fridge

Years Ago

Thanks to Audrey Brake for this snapshot in history!

Taken from the Dec. 7 & 14 1944 Wilmont Tribune

Wilmont

Mr. and Mrs. Nic Broich received a message from the War Department Friday of last week stating that their son, Pfc. Cletus F. Broich, was 'killed in action' in France on July 12, 1944 instead of July 29, 1944, as previously been reported.

S 2c Edmond Michels left Sunday after spending a leave at the home of his father, Matt Michels and family. Edmond is stationed at Farragut, Idaho.

The engagement of Elanor McIntosh of Needham, Mass. to Lt. Byron Fellows, USNR, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Fellows, has been announced by Miss McIntosh's parents. Lt. Fellows was graduated from Worthington Jr. College in 1940 and the University of Minnesota with the class of 1942. Following his graduation he entered the service and is now executive officer aboard a patrol gunner's ship in the North Atlantic.

The Advanced First Aid Class held their annual Christmas party last Friday evening at the Public School.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Gengler and Peter Reuter of Lismore, Henry Probst, John Hebbelman, and Evelyn Jueneman were Friday supper guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Probst. Mr. Gengler is in the Navy and is home on leave.

At a special meeting of local businessmen was held last Thursday evening at the Fire Hall. Clarence Majeres, local hardware man, was named head of the Commercial Club. W. J. Sievers was elected Sec./Trea. and E. M. Noethe and Henry Ahmann as directors. It was decided at this meeting to set up a permanent organization. C. W. Becker will draft a set of bylaws and present them for approval at the next meeting in January. Many postwar projects will come before this club and several projects are already under consideration and will be supported by the Commercial Club 100%. At this meeting a special committee was appointed to make arrangements for Wilmont's Santa Claus Day with Christmas packages for all the children of the community. This has been the practice in the past years and the group felt that it should continue. It was one way of showing their appreciation for a generous year's business from this community. Santa will visit Wilmont on Saturday, December 23rd.

About 80 men participated in the fox and rabbit hunt staged here Sunday. Iona, St. Kilian, and Wilmont were the gang that took to the fields at about 1 p.m. and 49 jacks and two fox were taken into camp. LeRoy Hindt and Alfred Becker were the men who banged the red skins.

The Presbyterian Sunday School program will be held December 24, at 2 p.m.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Spartz and family moved their household goods to the rooms above the produce station, owned by Henry Stuntebeck and are now nicely settled.

The tall body from Ellsworth defeated Wilmont in two games Wednesday, December 6. The Ellsworth boys seemed to have the jinx on the Wilmont boys for the first half. The score was 18 to 6 at the half. The second half was different, when the Wilmont boys made 15 points, compared to the 9 made by Ellsworth. So, the final score was 27 to 21 in favor of Ellsworth. Dick Kuhl was high point man with 14 and Paul Burke had 13 points for Ellsworth. The second team game was more like a baseball score with Ellsworth winning 7 to 5 in two overtime periods.

Wilmont High won both games from Iona High December 8th at Iona. The first team won their game by a score of 13 to 8 with

Dreamy Pacholl getting six points and Kale Kasper got four for Iona. The second team also won their game by a score of 8 to 6. Vince Slater got six points to his credit.

Marie Hoffman/Dorr was chosen as one of the twelve girls who represented the Western Electric Company at the 75th Anniversary party given at the Municipal Auditorium in St. Paul, Friday the 24th. The twelve girls were dressed in gay nineties dresses of postal shades. Marie wore a dress of light blue with a hoop skirt. The skirt was formed of ruffles of which each was separately trimmed with black velvet. She wore a black velvet ribbon in her hair and one on each wrist. Each girl was presented with a corsage of pink rose buds. A shower was given in the Auditorium Theatre section after which dancing and refreshments were served. Marie is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hoffman.

School District 84 will have a Christmas program Wednesday evening, December 20th at 7:45 p.m. Everyone is cordially invited to attend. Coffee and doughnuts will be served. Ardes Lebens is teacher.

Anton Lutmer and daughter, Grace, left Wednesday for Charleston, West Va., where they will join Mrs. Lutmer, who has been there for some time.

Frank Springman of Sioux City was a weekend visitor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Springman.

Jerry Lee, son of Mr and Mrs. P. J. Wagner, was baptized Sunday at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church. Sponsors were Mr. and Mrs. D. N. Wagner.

Judith Ann, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bremer, was baptized Sunday at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church. Sponsors were John Schroer and Mrs. Ben Bremer.

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Miss Vie Hoffman is employed at the Ray Penning home, assisting with the care of their twin daughters, Mary Susan and Margaret Ann.

Agnes Vortherms is employed at the Robert Thomas home near Rushmore.

Lismore

Celester Fath was among those who left Monday morning for induction into the service at Fort Snelling.

Joe Gengler, USN, came Friday to spend a 30-day leave with his wife and son and with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Gengler. He had been overseas for nearly two years.

Pioneer of Nobles County, William Tentler, passed away at his home at Lismore on December 5th. Mr. Tentler was born December 27th, 1860 at Cleveland, Ohio. Mr. Tentler came to Iowa City, Iowa with his parents in 1873 and engaged in farming. In 1885 he came to Nobles County and settled in Leota Township where he was engaged in farming. On March 19, 1890 he was married to Louise Ladehoff at Adrian. To this union five children were born. They are: Lefa, now deceased, Mrs. H. J. Lebens of Ellsworth; William of Van Nuys, Cal.; Edward and Mrs. Leo McCann of Lismore. Mr. Tentler moved to Lismore in 1903 and lived there until the time of his death. While in Lismore he was engaged in the Real Estate and Banking Business and also served as mayor and clerk of the Lismore Public School for a number of years. He donated the land to the village of Lismore, which constitutes the City Park. Funeral services were held at the Lismore Presbyterian Church.

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Thomas Noonan of Lismore village passed away Sunday, December 3rd, after a short illness. He was born in Lismore Township August 2, 1896. He attended St. Anthony's School, St. Mary's at Winona, and graduated from Trinity College at Sioux City, Iowa. High mass was held August 6th with the burial at the Lismore Cemetery. Thomas Noonan was the only son of Thomas and Cathryn Noonan and was a life long resident of Lismore. He is survived by four sisters, Mrs. Herman Olberding of Lismore, with whom he made his home; Miss Elizabeth Noonan, Little Falls, N.Jersey; Mrs. Alice Otteson and Mrs. Wm. Merrill of Minneapolis. Pallbearers were Clarence Arens, Aloys Riesselman, Ben Kemper, Hubert Loonan, Isadore Kern and Leo Erdman.

Ben Pieper had the misfortune of falling down the steps of winding staircase at his home on Wednesday morning, causing him a broken leg. He was taken to Adrian and from there to Sioux Falls in an ambulance. He is now receiving treatment in the Soo Hospital there.

The following have attained Honor Roll Grades for this six weeks. Grade 12, Rita Fath and Helen Lynn. Grade 11, Rose Glen, Lois Von Holtum and Janice Maher. Grade 10, Mercedes Tennessen and Dale Miller. Grade 6, Doris Witty, Lucy McCann, Betty Kern and Irma Hebig. Grade 3, Ronnie Waller, Clarice VonHoltum, David VonHoltum, and Marlene Maher. Grade 2, Jeanette Tennessen.

St. Kilian

Word was received that Pvt. Urban Loosbrock, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Loosbrock, was wounded in action on November 7th somewhere in France. He is now recuperating in a hospital. He was awarded the 'Purple Heart[.

The marriage of Margaret Loosbrock, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Loosbrock of St. Kilian, and Clemens Suedkamp, son of William Suedkamp of Adrian took place Tuesday of last week at 9 a.m. at St. Kilian's Catholic Church with Rev. H. Tennessen officiating. Mrs. Mary Schwartz of Wilmont, a sister of the bride, and Dr. G. R. Suedkamp of Lake Wilson, the bridegroom's brother, were attendants. The bride was gowned in white satin with a train, a three-quarter length veil with lace tiara. Her gold locket was a gift of the bridegroom.

Mrs. George Hebig played the nuptial music. Dinner was served at the home of the bride's parents for about sixty guests. After December 15, the couple will live on a farm near Adrian. Congratulations are extended to the newlyweds by their many friends here and at Adrian.

In Memoriam-Dorothy Diekmann, age 95, formerly of Owatonna, died Sunday, September 17, 2023, at Benedictine Living Community-Regina, Hastings, MN. Mass of Christian Burial was held at Sacred Heart Catholic Church. Interment was at Sacred Heart Cemetery.

Dorothy was born July 11, 1928, in Wilmont, MN, the daughter of Henry and Magdaline (Kremer) Fuerstenberg. She attended St. Kilian's Catholic School in Wilmont Township. She was united in marriage to Lawrence Diekmann at St. Kilian Catholic Church on June 4, 1947. They farmed in Nobles County where Dorothy was a homemaker, raising their two children.

In 1967, the couple moved to Owatonna and Dorothy began working at Truth Hardware. She continued until her retirement in 1992.

Dorothy enjoyed spending time with her family, crocheting, Hardanger embroidery, playing cards, cooking, and hosting friends and family. She was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Women's Council, Catholic Daughters of the Americas, and the Catholic Aid Society. Dorothy volunteered at church, leading the rosary, and as a member of the funeral lunch committee.

Dorothy is survived by her daughter Cathy "Tootie" Diekmann of Hastings, grandchildren Sol Renee Diekmann, Jasha Diekmann-Smith-Murphy, and Brandon Diekmann; three great-grandchildren Matthew, Blake, and Max; and brother Melvin (Agatha) Fuerstenberg.

She was preceded in death by husband Lawrence, son David, son-in-law Thom Smith, sister Arnetta Middendorf, and brother Ralph.

Memorials are preferred to Sacred Heart Catholic Church, St. Mary's School, or donor's choice.

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Public Notice for NAPS (Second Harvest)

Nutrition Assistance Program for Seniors (NAPS) in the Slayton 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, October 12th, 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.

Public Notice for NAPS (Second Harvest)

Nutrition Assistance Program for Seniors (NAPS) in the Slayton area, sponsored by Second Harvest Heartland distribution and A.C.E. of Southwest Minnesota – Murray County near the Fulda Food Shelf at 305 S Lafayette Ave, Fulda, MN. Distribution will take place on Monday, October 16th, from 1:30 – 2:00 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.

Gary Dean Swart

Gary Swart was born on December 3, 1946, in Slayton, Minnesota to Lois Swart. As an infant Gary went to live with his aunt and uncle Connie and Jerry Scheerhorn. He grew up on the family farm and graduated from Chandler High School in 1964. On January 1966 Gary enlisted in the United States Army and was stationed in Germany. Following his honorable discharge on December 1967 he returned to the family farm in Fenton Township. On April 3, 1971, he and Deb Farrell were married at St. Ann's Church in Slayton, MN. Following their marriage, they made their home in Chandler, MN for one year before moving to the Swart family farm in Fenton Township. Gary spent all but 2 years of his life on the Swart family farm, farming and raising his two children. Gary retired in 2010 but remained a vital part of the farming operation now being run by his son, Dave. Gary and his fishing buddies have fished every reservoir on the Missouri River with his last trip being in June 2023 in Montana. Due to failing health Gary moved to Dougherty Hospice House in Sioux Falls, on Tuesday, September 26, 2023. He passed away there on Thursday, September 28, 2023, at the age of 76. He was a member of St. Columba Church in Iona, MN. He was a lifetime member of the Iona VFW Post which eventually joined with the Wilmont VFW Post. Gary enjoyed spending time with his family, fishing, hunting, reading, playing cards, sports, coffee at Lloyds, shaking dice, watching the MN Vikings and Gophers and having a few cold ones.

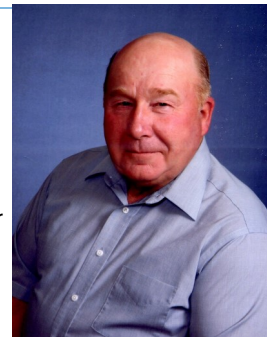
Survivors include his wife, Deb Swart of Slayton, MN, two children and their spouses, Renee and Perry Estebo of Brookings, SD, Dave and Brooke Swart of Slayton, MN, four grandchildren, Deon and Jaydon Estebo, and Jacob and Devin Swart, one sister-in-law, Diana Elsing and her husband, Rodney of Worthington, MN, one nephew, Shawn Elsing and his wife, Melissa of Worthington, MN, and one niece, Nikki Elsing and Mitchell Koch of Sioux Falls, SD. He is preceded in death by his mother, Lois Swart, aunt and uncle, Connie and Jerry Scheerhorn, and parents-in-law, Edmond "Dudd" and Patricia "Pat" Farrell.

Memorial Services

St. Columba Church in Iona, MN on Monday, October 2, 2023, at 10:30 a.m. with Fr. Dharma Pasala officiating. The organist is Sharon Lais. The song leader is Wesley Biern. The honorary pallbearers are his grandchildren. Interment is at St. Ann's Cemetery in Slayton, MN. Military honors accorded by the Wilmont VFW Post.

Visitation will be on Sunday, October 1, 2023, at St. Columba Church in Iona from 4-6 pm. also one hour prior to the services at the church on Monday. Totzke Funeral Home of Slayton, MN is entrusted with arrangements. In lieu of flowers the family is asking for memorials so they may be donated to the new Murray Country gym floor.

JOHN PENNING, age 75, of Wilmont, died Monday, September 18, 2023, at the Sunset Hospice Cottage in Worthington. He was born May 14, 1948, in Adrian, to Clarence and Harriet (Hoffman) Penning. John graduated from Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic School in Wilmont. He later attended Vets Ag School. He served his country in the United States Army from 1966 to 1969 during the Vietnam War.



John married Carolyn Paulzine on November 12, 1977 in Wilmont. After their marriage, the couple farmed between Reading and Wilmont. They moved into Wilmont in 2013.

He was a member of Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church in Wilmont where he served on the church board and as an usher. He also served on the FMHA Board; the Wilmont Elevator Board from 1983 to 1999; Nobles County Public Works since 2016; the Coop Energy Board from 2006 to 2022; and the 5-Star Fertilizer Board. He was a life member of the Wilmont VFW Post 2603 and the DAV. John enjoyed farming, trucking cattle, and playing poker and pinochle with his family and friends. John was Santa Claus in Wilmont from 1970 to 1976. He & Carolyn were foster parents for eleven years from 1986 to 1997, and they were the Farm Family of the Year in 2008.

John is survived by his wife Carolyn Penning, Wilmont; six children, Coreen (Kent) Slater, Rushmore; Angela (Bobby) Ferguson, Ponder, TX; Gregory (Jana) Penning, Wilmont; Brian (Angela) Penning, Wilmont; Russell (Melanie) Penning, Wilmont; and Michael (Erin) Hoffman, Rushmore; twenty-three grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and five siblings, Joanne (Norm) Klein, Reading; Richard (Cindy) Penning, Wilmont; Charlotte (John) DeChaine, Bozeman, MT; Christina (Lynn) Vosler, Belgrade, MT; and Kathleen (Monte) Brown, Helena, MT.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and two brothers, Anthony in 2002; and Thomas in 2023.

Funeral Mass was held at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church, in Wilmont, officiated by Monsignor Richard Colletti. Burial with full military honors was provided by the Wilmont VFW at the Calvary Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorials are preferred to the Wilmont VFW or the Sunset Hospice Cottage.

Dingmann Funeral Home, in Wilmont, was in charge of arrangements.

The Molly Jo Memorial Glow Ball Golf Tournament was held on Saturday, September 16th at the Adrian Country Club. All proceeds were donated to M-Chord (Michigan Congenital Heart Outcomes Research and Discovery) Research Program at C.S Motts Children's Hospital in Ann Arbor, Michigan in Molly's honor. M-CHORD is dedicated to supporting pediatric and congenital cardiovascular research. Molly's parents, Mike and Melissa Einck, continue to honor her memory by the many ways they give back to the organizations that assisted them during Molly's hospitalizations.

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What an adventure we weren't expecting earlier this year. Bill had a stroke at his home on April 15th. Thanks to our Wilmont Rescue Squad and Fire Department he was ready for transport to Worthington ER when the ambulance got here. Bill was taken by plane to Sioux Falls Sanford Hospital for immediate surgery for a blood clot in his brain that caused the stroke and traumatic brain injury. After 10 days in intensive care and a whirlwind of Drs., tests, a lot of prayers he was transferred to the Sanford Acute Care Unit. From this unit Bill was transferred to Sanford Select Care Unit. After 4 weeks he was transferred to Omaha NE to the Madonna Rehabilitation Center. After 7 1/2 weeks of intense rehabilitation and therapy he was transferred to a skilled nursing home in Waconia MN, we were blessed as this nursing home was only 20 miles from our daughter Tami and son Dan homes. Bill was a resident of the nursing home for 7 weeks with daily therapy. On August 16th Bill came HOME by VA transport

Words can't express the out pouring of love during this time. Our kids, Adam, Dan and Tami and their families. Father Coletti for his prayers and texts for Bills healing. Our cousins for their many visits while at Waconia MN and getting our house wheelchair assessable. Our friends for keeping our placed mowed and plants watered. Our neighbors, friends and especially our prayer warriors from all over the country. All the Sanford and VA staff, DAV staff, patient advocates for taking care of all the paperwork for Bill's many hospitals stays. Especially for all who sent cards, texts, and prayers. Last but not least to the Wagner family for the use of Mitchell's handicap van.

We put Bill's life in God's hands and were blessed that God brought Bill HOME!! Bill has in home therapy and is doing well

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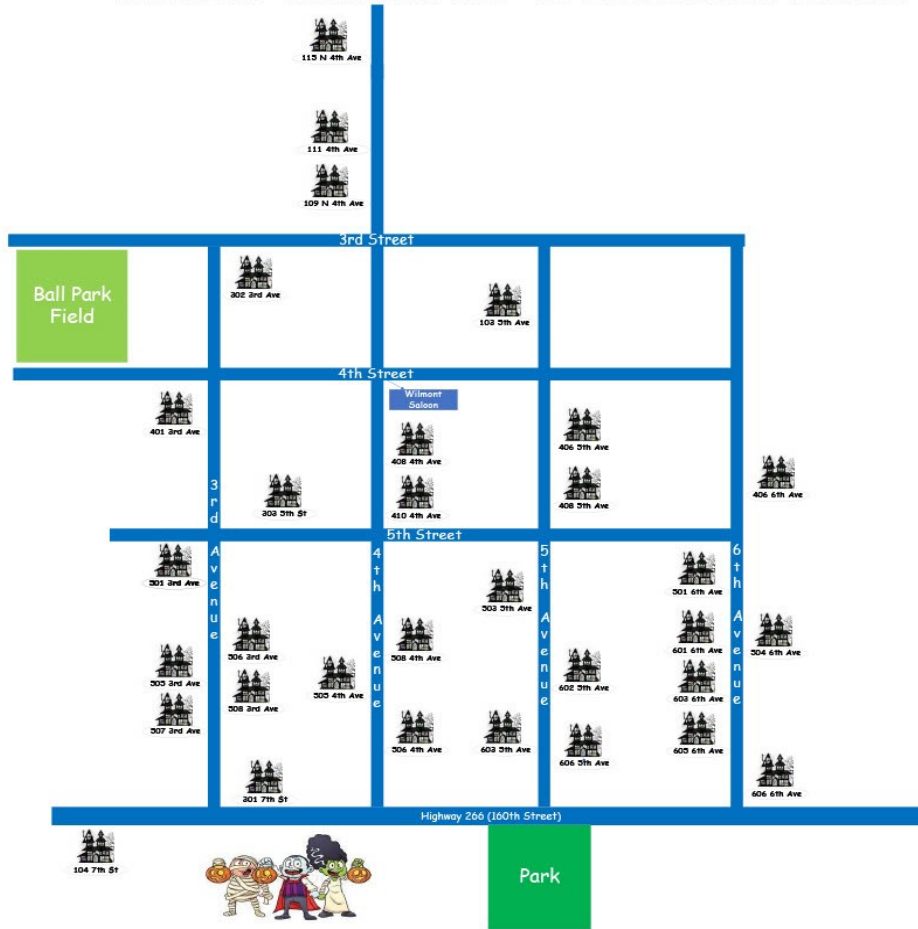


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WILMONT TREASURE MAP TO HALLOWEEN TREATS 2022



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Halloween is coming up before we know it! This is last year's map of the trick or treat treasures!

Let Casey know by emailing casey_hector@yahoo.com or calling 507-360-0389 if you want to be added or taken off the Wilmont Halloween Treasure Map!!



Photos From the Past

The photo this week is taken of a band in a parade route in Wilmont on June 25th, 1910. This shows the west side of main street on the north end with Mead's Ice Cream Parlor and the Commercial Hotel. The building to the left of the hotel has the name Tillman on the awning. It may have been a hardware business. Take note of the ladies apparel at the time.

Victoria (Vicki) Ann Groenewold, 85, of Rushmore, Minnesota went to her Eternal home on Sunday, September 24, 2023, surrounded by her greatest joy, her family.

Victoria (Vicki) Ann Groenewold was born on June 14, 1938, in Nobles County to Walter & Marie (Brunk) Oltmans. She was baptized and confirmed at the St. John's Lutheran Church in Rushmore, MN. Vicki went to school in Austin, Worthington, Rushmore and graduated from Luverne in 1956.

Vicki worked as a secretary and bookkeeper in Sioux Falls, SD until marrying Harlan Groenewold on December 28, 1958, at St John's Lutheran Church in Luverne, MN. She was a member of the First Presbyterian Church in Rushmore.

She was a full-time homemaker, helpmate to Harlan & stay at stay-at-home mom. She enjoyed sewing, cooking, baking, dancing, playing pinochle, and having coffee with her friends. But most of all she enjoyed spending time with her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren.

Vicki is survived by her husband of 64 years, Harlan. Children: Linda (Jerry) Loonan, Larry (Brenda) Groenewold, and Nancy (Kenny) Feeken. 7 grandchildren – Sheila (Joe) Erwin; Daniel (Jenn) Groenewold; Bobby Groenewold; Sadie (Craig) Correll; Jesse (Tawnia) Feeken; Jena (Lee) Meinders and Brandon (Felicia) Feeken. Great grandchildren Elizabeth (Cody) Klassen; Jordan Erwin; Tyler & Alexa Groenewold; Izaiah, Ryan, Zakiah & Zayne Groenewold; Payslee & Vincent Correll; Kenli & Breklyn Feeken; Jayden & Marshall Meinders & Claire & Addison Feeken. Sister-in-law Carol Oltmans; Brothers-in-law Wayne (Neva) Groenewold and Myron Grussing. Vicki is also survived by many nieces, nephews & friends.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Granddaughter Theresa Lenz; Great-granddaughter Brooke Groenewold; brother Virgil Oltmans, Sisters-in-law Darleen (Robert) White and Ann Mae (Bill) Johnson; sister-in-law Claribel Grussing; brothers-in-law Robert (Sharon) Groenewold and LeeRoy (Arlene) Groenewold.

Funeral service were held at the Emmanuel First United Presbyterian Church near Rushmore. Burial was at the Sunset Rest Cemetery.

The community offers sympathy to the family of Dudley (Duke) Henriksen of Casper, WY who passed away on June 12th following complications from a major surgery. A memorial mass was held at St. Anthony Catholic Church on Saturday evening, September 16th, followed by a gathering of friends and family at the Lismore Legion Hall. Duke was born May 12, 1958 to Lloyd and Marie Henriksen and grew up in Lismore; he enjoyed small town living and all the shenanigans. He is survived by his three children, Desiree (Mike) Schreck of Arvada, CO; Kyle (Trisha) Henriksen of Casper, WY; Blake Henriksen of Casper, WY; six beautiful grandchildren; his ex-wife and friend, Christine Henriksen; four of his ten siblings, Jerry (Verna) Henriksen, Butch (Theresa) Henriksen, Wes (Rose) Henriksen, and Tami (Denny) Loosbrock and their families; two sisters-in law Marlys Henriksen and Donna Henriksen; and a brother-in-law Denny Gerber. Blessed be his memory.

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Oct 3-Happy 90th birthday to AnnaMae Fuerstenberg

Oct 8-OLGC Fall Bazaar after 10 am mass, silent auction, raffle tickets

Oct 9-Kiwanis Grocery Dash Fareway—buy your tickets now

Oct 12-NAPS distribution, 1:30-2:30 pm, ACE of SW MN, 2989 Maple Road Slayton

Oct 16-NAPS food distribution, 1:30-2 pm, Fulda Food Shelf, 305 S Lafayette Ave, Fulda

Oct 18-Happy 75th Anniversary to Melvin & Agatha Fuerstenberg

Oct 31-Halloween—Wilmont residents check out the treasure map

Nov 26-Dec 1-Branson bus trip—deposit due by Sept 1, call 612-296-9409 to sign up and find out more

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