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Church Schedules

Catholic

Lismore-Sat. 5 p.m.

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

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

Changing Jan 6 & 7

St. Ann—5 pm

St. Columba 8 am

St. Mary LW-10 am

Immanuel Lutheran Pfingsten-rural Fulda

(Livestream Sunday worship available on Immanuel's Facebook page) Jan-April Worship 8:30 am Coffee and fellowship following worship

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

Join us for a baby shower honoring Rachel Eggers on Saturday, March 16, 2024 from 1:00-3:00 pm at the Wilmont Community Center.

Rachel and Evan, parents-to-be, are registered at Amazon.

Instead of a card, the expectant parents would love for you to bring a book with a sweet message inside the cover for their new little one to cherish forever.

Grandparents-to-be are Kurt and Lori Spartz and Terry and Mindy Eggers



Mark your calendars as the Wilmont
Booster Club is inviting you to join them on
Thursday, February 29th at 6:30 pm at the
Wilmont Community Center to help plan
the 125th Celebration of Wilmont! Please
bring your ideas for events or anything else
that you would like to see for the
Celebration. The Booster Club will be going
over the tentative schedule of events both
nights. Hope to see you there!!!

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March 13, 2024, 7 pm
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You are invited to celebrate the 40th Wedding Anniversary of Gene and Barb Reker.
Sunday, March 17, 2024
Join us for mass at 10:30 am at the St. Adrian Catholic Church, Adrian.
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There's 2 options - the bed race one and the Wilmont celebration one. The bed race shirt color options are white and light grey and the wilmont shirt color options are dark grey and black. The shirt can be order in hoodie sweatshirt, crewneck sweatshirt, long sleeve t-shirt and plain t-shirt. These are very cute with several different designs to select from.

RICHARD (RICK) SCHOLTES

May 28, 1948 - February 21, 2024

Rick passed away at age 75 after a lengthy illness. He was born in Wilmont to Joseph Jr. and Merie Scholtes. He attended OLGC and in the late1960s, he and his parents moved to Huntington Beach, CA. While living there, Rick met and married Patricia Graf and in 1981 Rick and his family, and parents, moved to Las Vegas, NV. where the family resides today.

Rick was a wonderful husband, father and friend. "No" was never in his vocabulary when it came to family and friends. He will be greatly missed by all.

Rick was preceded in death by his parents. He is survived by Pat, his wife of 50 years; three children – Kimberly, Rick Jr, (Jennifer), Christopher (Tammy), three grandchildren – Kaylee, Chase, and Alyssa; sister Sharon and brother-in-law Gary Einck of Huntington Beach CA.

Rick's final resting place will be at Good Shepherd Cemetery in Huntington Beach, CA.

If anyone has a special memory of Rick you would like to share with his family, or wish to send condolences, the address is.

Richard Scholtes Family

3245 N. Campbell Rd.

Las Vegas, NV 89129

702-464-5079

Card of Thanks

The family of Lorraine Hoffman would like to thank you for the flowers, cards, kind words and memorials given in honor of our mother. We would like to thank all the people who cared for Lorraine the past years. We especially want to thank the staff at Ecumen Meadows and Hospice of Murray County for their excellent care! Also, thank you to Father Colletti, St. Kilian Church, and Dingmann Funeral Home for helping us honor our mother at her funeral.

Family of Lorraine Hoffman



Wilmont Fire & Rescue 2023

Front-Eric Joens, Lance Rogers, Adam Vaske, Duane Vaske, Rylan Baumhoefner, Steve Joens, Logan Neyens, Deb Vaske. Back-Josh Balster, Alex Fuerstenberg, Dave Christians, Alan Fuerstenberg, Becky Remakel, Dave Reetz, James Joens, Tom Slater, Judy Christians, Duane Christians, Matt Dorschner, Melanie Penning. Missing—Jordan Brake, Brian Remakel, Isaac Joens



Fighting farm fire



Teamwork



Training is on-going through the year

Your support of the Wilmont Fire & Rescue is greatly appreciated! Mark your calendar for the 2024 pancake breakfast scheduled for

Sunday March 24 2024

8 am-12 noon

Wilmont VFW

(Snow date April 7, 2024)

Serving pancakes, sausage, eggs, and beverages.

Free Will Donation

Come and enjoy and meet your fire/rescue department members.

Dolores Joyce Bohning, age 89, of Worthington, MN, passed away on Saturday, February 24, 2024, at the Sanford USD Medical Center in Sioux Falls, SD.

Dolores was born on January 13, 1935, in Worthington, MN, the daughter of Henry and Dora (Finke) Onken. She grew up on the family farm near Reading, MN and attended country school. Dolores graduated from Worthington High School in 1951 where she excelled on the tumbling squad and then did clerical studies at Worthington Junior College.

Dolores married Marlin Bohning on July 28, 1955, at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church in Wilmont, MN and they made their home in Worthington. She worked at Gordon Drug Store and then at Dr. Carlson and Dr. Hoevet Ophthalmology (later Worthington Ophthalmology) until her retirement. Dolores was active in the American Legion Auxiliary and Color Guard and enjoyed working part time as a bartender at the Legion Club. She was a cancer survivor and participated in the relay-for-life. Dolores volunteered at her church and the hospital. She liked to stay busy and enjoyed bowling, baking and canning, and spending time with family and friends.

Dolores is survived by her son, Bruce Bohning of Worthington, MN; daughter, Jill (Dean) Anderson of Le Sueur, MN; granddaughter, Katie (Matt) Breitigan of Oronoco, MN, and grandson, Lucas Anderson of Le Sueur, MN.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Marlin; two sisters, Lorraine Erichson and Luella Stolzenberg; brother, Myron Onken; daughter-in-law, Joni Bohning, and infant daughter, Beth Ann.

Visitation will be held on Friday, March 1, 2024, from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., followed by a memorial service at 11:00 a.m., at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Worthington, MN, with Father

ST. COLUMBA SPRING DINNER

SUNDAY, MARCH 24TH

10:30AM - 1:00PM

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Eggs will be available at the Wilmont Hardware store again!

The 2024 Nobles County corn and soybean growers' association annual banquet is Monday April 8 at the American Reformed Church in Worthington. A 10 oz. rib-eye steak super prepared by the Rock/Nobles Cattlemen association will be served at 6pm. Tickets are only \$10 and are available today at First State Bank Southwest locations. The association will present awards to individuals and businesses that have been a part of the groups successful efforts promoting production agriculture in Nobles County. The Worthington FFA will be a part of the program and the Mana food pantry will explain the importance of donations in the effort to feed those in need.

At 7 pm Edward Usset will share grain market thoughts. Ed serves as a Grain Marketing Economist for the Center for Farm Financial Management at the University of Minnesota, the developers of FINPACK software. Working with colleagues at CFFM and in extension, Ed developed several workshops including "Winning the Game" and "How to get \$4 Corn." He manages Commodity Challenge, an online marketing education game that uses real-time cash and futures data. Ed also teaches "Commodity Markets" and "Futures and Options Markets" at the University and is a regular contributor for Corn and Soybean Digest and Farm Futures. The 3rd Edition of his book, "Grain Marketing is Simple (it's just not easy)" was released in October 2023.

Tickets are only \$10 and are available today at First State Bank Southwest locations.

Brandon & Kaitlyn Weidert were recently featured in the Ag Week magazine, spotlighting agricultural news from North and South Dakota, Minnesota, and Iowa. The Weiderts began ranching near Des Lacs, ND several years ago. Twenty-five sheep on twenty acres of land were a much better fit for the Weiderts than raising cattle. They now have a flock of 70 and they sell lambs to many 4-H members while the rest go to customers who purchase them for meat. Brandon works as an outside sales rep for United Quality Co-op and Kaitlyn is an agricultural public policy advisor for Senator Kevin Cramer, R-ND. The Weiderts enjoy the opportunity to supplement their agricultural-related day jobs with hands-on work in production agriculture. The couple has a four-year old daughter, Nora and a 3-month old son, Wallen. Brandon is the youngest son of Jeff & Jan Weidert and the grandson of Jerome & Mary Weidert, all of Lismore.



Saturday, March 9th



Our Lady of Good Counsel Social Hall Wilmont, MN

6:00 PM - Social 6:30 PM - Dinner

Cost: \$15.00 Per Person

Serving a delicious Bacon Wrapped Pork Filet dinner with sides, dessert and beverage!

Purchase tickets after any of our weekend Masses or from our parish office (108 E 6th Street - Adrian) by March 5th. This year's winter get together will include Bingo with prizes! Hosted by St. Adrian, St. Anthony and OLGC churches for parish members and friends from our communities. Proceeds go towards the Youth Mission trip and tuition assistance for St. Mary's School families. All Are Welcome!

Free In-Person Tax and Renter's rebate Preparation Service

AARP Foundation Tax-Aide and offers free tax preparation help to anyone who needs it – with special attention to those who are 50 or older or have low to moderate income. AARP Foundation Tax-Aide volunteers are trained to assist you in filing many income tax forms and schedules. However, the Volunteer Protection Act requires that our volunteers stay within the scope of tax law set by the IRS for the program. In certain situations, our volunteers may be unable to provide assistance. Please bring your previous year's tax return(s), SS card, any income forms - W-2, SSA, 1099, 1099R, 1099G, or other 1099 forms and self-employment income, records of any income tax paid, deductions if itemizing, health insurance forms 1095-A, 1095-B, 1095-C or any exemption correspondence, brokerage statements, and any credits for dependent care provider information. Appointments are necessary. They will be doing Tax Preparation on Wednesdays: March 13th & 27th, April 3rd, and 10th at the Slayton Public Library. Please call A.C.E. of Southwest MN – Murray County at 507-836-8705 to set up an appointment.



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Upcoming Events at Wilmont VFW—dates available!

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March 24-Wilmont Fire Dept Fundraiser May 27-Memorial Day

June 8 2024-Jenna Slater & Andy Henning wedding

June 29-30—Wilmont Celebration

July 6 2024-Logan McCarvel & Tara Tuin wedding

July 12 2024-Logan Huisman & Taylor Loosbrock wedding

Aug 17-Kurt Christians & Breanna Golda wedding

Aug 24-Dylan Werkman & Anna Post wedding

Sept21-Hunter Heitkamp & Anna Haper

Booking dates for 2024!

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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. 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.

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- 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
- 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
- 5) Scrapbooks from the Wilmont area
- 6) Photo albums from the Wilmont area

Call or email me: Audrey Brake 507-472-8267

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

Tuesday, March 12, 2024 Meeting 8:00 pm

*In case of inclement weather, the meeting will be Tuesday, March 19, 2024

February is American Heart month and last week was CHD (Congenital Heart Disease) awareness week. Mike and Melissa Einck and family celebrated their daughter Molly's 7th birthday, her 5th in heaven, during this week. They continue 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 at a date yet to be determined. If you'd like to pre-make a blanket, donate fabric, or have any questions, please contact the Eincks or Jim & Kris Weidert. So far they have donated approximately 1000 lbs. of pop tabs to RMH and 400 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!

Years Ago

Thanks to Audrey Brake for this snapshot in history!

Taken from April 12, 1945 Wilmont Tribune

Wilmont

Pvt. Cyril Jueneman has informed his parent, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Jueneman, that he is now stationed at Camp Livingston, La.

Pfc, Arthur Slater, who spend a 30-day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hub Slater, and other relatives, has returned to Camp Carson in Colorado.

Pvt. Arnold Probst left Sunday for Fort Meade in Maryland after spending a two week's furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Probst.

Pvt. Orville Schlichte has been transferred from France to somewhere in Germany according to a letter received Saturday by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clem Schlichte.

Pvt. Orlan Petersen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Peterson, has gone to Fort Meade, Maryland after spending a two-week's furlough at home.

Pvt. Edwin Jueneman left Sunday for Fort Meade, Maryland after spending a two-week furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Jueneman.

Staff Sgt. Gene Iversen left Wednesday for Omaha after spending several days with relatives here. Iversen is being transferred and his wife and daughter will remain here with her mother, Mrs. Anna Bremer.

In a letter to his parents, Sgt. Marvin Lonneman informed them that he spent a short pass in various places in Italy and while there, collected a number of souvenirs which he sent to them. Sgt. Lonneman is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lonneman and is stationed somewhere in Italy.

The collection for discarded clothing will be held in Wilmont on Tuesday, April 17th. Please bring your clothing to the Wilmont Hardware some time before noon. All kinds of clothing is wanted including shoes which should be tied in pairs. What have you for the United National Clothing collection that they can wear in the line of clothing, shoes and bedding for the destitute men, women, and children of the war-devastated countries. Look in your attic and clothes closets today and get a bundle ready to bring in.

Mr. and Mrs. John Krell received a telegram Saturday of last week from their son and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Krell in California, that a son was born to them last week.

Succeeding the Rev. Fr. J. H. Steger, The Rev. Fr. Frank Schimek, arrived here Tuesday of last week from Mapleton and has resumed duties as pastor of the Our Lady of Good Counsel Church.

Banns of the approaching marriage of Marie Reiffenberger of Adrian and Harold Coyer were announced Sunday by Father Frank Schimek at the Our Lady of Good Counsel Church.

A large crowd attended the play given by the High School pupils of the Our Lady of Good Counsel school Sunday night.

Mrs. Alice Hurlbut has received the news of a new great grandson born to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Addy (Dorothy Rusho) of Seattle, Washington just recently. Mrs. Addy is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Rusho, who formerly lived in this community. Mr. Addy is in the Navy.

'Prize Night' will start in Wilmont on Wednesday evening, Mary 16, at 10 p.m. Watch for rules and regulations to be posted soon or contact your local business firm for further information.

Relatives here have received word of the death of Mrs. John

Schlichte at her home in Granville, Iowa on Sunday. Mrs. Joe Vortherms, her daughter, had been at her bedside since Wednesday, having received a message saying her mother had suffered a stroke. Joe Vortherms and family and Mr. and Mrs. Al Balster attended the funeral services which were held at Granville on Wednesday morning.

Mrs. John Albersman and Mrs. Clara Bruns went to Granville, Iowa Tuesday to attend the funeral services of their aunt, Mrs. John Schlichte, held there Wednesday morning.

Patricia Ann and Michael James Hendel of Kinbrae are staying with their grandmother, Mrs. Josephine Driessen, while their parants are moving. The Hendel's, who disposed of their business in Kinbrae, are moving to Worthington.

The wheelchair that was order by Dr. J. D. Waller has arrived here and can be seen at the Wilmont Hardware. This chair was purchase through the rabbit and fox hunts staged here some time ago and is to be kept in this vicinity in case of emergency.

The Presbyterian Ladies Aid will meet at the church basement on Thursday, April 12, with Mrs. Bena Ennenga and Mrs. Arthur Wulf as hostesses. Meeting to begin promptly at 2.

Nutrena Chick Mash is for sale at Huisenga's Store.

The birth and death rate in Wilmont Village was: Births - 1 in 1944, 1 in 1943 and 6 in 1942 Deaths - 3 in 1944, 1 in 1943, and 1 in 1942.

Lismore

Lt. Rufus 'Bud' Loebig of Dothen, Alabama came Monday evening to spend a few days with his mother, Mrs. M. R. Loebig & other relatives and friends.

Pvt. Wm Gilfoy of Camp Bliss, Texas is spending a furlough with relatives and friends here and at Worthington.

Pvt. Jackie Kontz left Sunday afternoon for Maryland after spending a furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Kontz and family.

Pvt. Donald Wieneke left Sunday afternoon for Maryland after spending a furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Wieneke and family.

Pvt. Clarence VonHoltum left Sunday afternoon for Maryland after spending a furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lou VonHoltum and family.

Lt. and Mrs. Milo Kontz left Saturday for Texas after spending several days with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Kontz.

Joe Gengler, U.S.N., left Saturday evening for Shumaker, Cal. after spending a short lead in the Martin Gengler home.

Field Army Workers of the American Cancer Society for Lismore are: Mrs. Fred Kerner, chairman, Mrs. C. Graff, Mrs. F. Krogman, Mrs. Wm. McCann, Mrs. Jack Stoffel, and Mrs. Clyde Lacore.

The Junior-Senior Class play and dance held Monday evening in the public school auditorium was attended by a large crowd.

Mr. and Mrs. Carol Kontz moved their household goods the past week into the house vacated by J. N. Didier.

A group of relatives and friends held a miscellaneous shower Sunday afternoon in the church basement in honor of Miss Rita Fehring. An enjoyable afternoon was spend in playing cards and bingo, after which a delicious lunch was served.

St. Kilian

Pvt. Wilfred Loosbrock, who is somewhere in the South Pacific has been wounded in action, according to word received here by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Email Loosbrock. Loosbrock has two brothers in service, Sgt. Victor Loosbrock and Pvt. Urban Loosbrock, both Continued

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somewhere in Germany. The latter has been wounded in action three times.

Nick Probst Jr., who enlisted in the Navy, has received his call and left Wednesday for Minneapolis for induction. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Nick Probst, Sr.

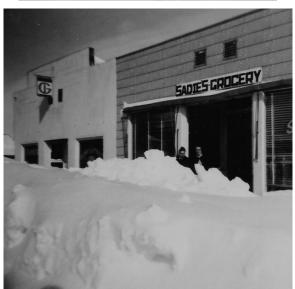
Lois Kay, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Schmidt was baptized Sunday at the St. Kilian Church by the Rev. H. J. Tennessen. The sponsors were Mrs. L. Fritz of Lismore and Nick Schmidt.

Tidbits

The number of farmers who own farms they operate is steadily increasing according to a census report just released by the state statistician. The 1944 report show Nobles County has an equal number of owners and tenants - 1,083 of each. The report shows more farms in Nobles County now than there was in 1938.

No new electric fans will be available for home or office use in 1945, announced WPB officials today. The Army and Navy gets them all.







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Photo From the Past

The three photos this week are of Sadie's grocery store, which is now the Wilmont Hardware Store, Sadie operated the grocery store in the 1960's, The first photo is of Sadie standing in front of her store. The second one reminds us just how much snow can accumulate on main street. The third photo is of Norma Majeres/Lais and Pat Larson/Majeres standing in front of Sadie's Grocery.

NOTICE OF TOWNSHIP ANNUAL MEETINGS AND ELECTIONS

Notice is hereby given to the qualified voters of the following Townships in Nobles County, State of Minnesota, that the Annual Elections of Town Officers and Annual Town Meetings will be held on March 12, 2024. In case of inclement weather the meeting and election will be postponed until the third Tuesday of March.

The voters will elect:

One Supervisor for a 3 year term. One Clerk for a two year term.

TownshipMeeting	Location	Polls Ope	en	Meeting Time
Larkin	Wilmont Communit	ty Ct	5:00-8:00 p.m.	8:00 p.m.
Olney	Adrian American Le	egion	5:00-8:00 p.m.	3:00 p.m.
Summit Lake	Reading Communit	ty Ct.	5:00-8:00 p.m.	8:00 p.m.
Westside	Adrian American Le	egion	5:00-8:00 p.m.	8:00 p.m.
Wilmont	St. Kilian School		5:00-8:00 p.m.	4:00 p.m.

For additional information contact your local township clerk.

Dorothy J. Graf, 100, was born August 21, 1923 in Nobles County, the daughter of Edward Edson and Lillian Claussen Edson. She attended country school, graduated from Brewster school, and Business College in Mankato. She married Gaylord Graf on September 9, 1945. They had five children; Janine, Carolyn, Luana, Nadine and Deanna. Dorothy worked as a bookkeeper at the Brewster Elevator and the Brewster Bank. She was the bookkeeper and administrator for Graf Construction. She was a volunteer at the Brewster School, Worthington Hospital, Election Judge, Girl Scouts, Brewster flower planter, TAC, and other agencies. She loved golf, bowling, square dancing, 500, music, gardening, walking, weightlifting, sewing, and shopping with her daughters. She was an active member of the Lutheran Church, where she sung in the choir, American Legion Auxiliary, where she was their reporter, the Hospital Auxiliary, Civic Club, Loon Lake Golf, 4-H, the award winning Brewster Drum and Bugle Corps where she played a Bugle and the Brewster Senior Center. She has awards for sewing, golf and voluntarism. She enjoyed traveling especially when she went to England, a cruise to the Caribbean, Oregon and Washington, DC. Dorothy retired from cooking in 2017 and joined a host of friends and activities at Meadows, her current residence. Dorothy passed away on Monday, February 26, 2024, at the Sanford Worthington Medical Center in Worthington, MN.

Dorothy is survived by three daughters, Carolyn, Luana and Deanna, four grandchildren, Tony, Edward, Arika, and Joseph, plus a great grandchild and a great grandchild. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, two sisters, one brother and two children.

Visitation will be held on Friday, March 1, 2024, from 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m., followed by a Celebration of Life at 1:30 p.m., at the Benson Funeral Home in Worthington, MN, with Pastor Jeanette McCormick officiating. Burial will be at 3:30 p.m. in the Summit Lake Township Cemetery near Reading, MN.

Notice to voters in Larkin Township—

The Larkin township board wishes to inform Larkin township voters that the option to move township officer elections from March to the regular November election will appear on the ballot this March.

In the past, March elections were a simpler process. Over time, new election laws and rules have mandated that the township board attend election judge training. Currently Larkin township must have at least 3 or more trained election judges present. With a move to the November elections, the cost of training would be eliminated.

Also with additional mandated time to staff the polls for early voting on Saturday and Monday before election day, a move to a November election would also be a cost savings for the township.

If the majority of the voters affirm the resolution to move to November elections, the terms will be four years in length and staggered.

Four other Nobles county townships have already transitioned to November elections. A copy of the resolution will be available on election day for review.

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, March 14th, 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.

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, March 18th, 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.

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Ellsworth, Oakwood Apartments—Tuesday & Thursday at 8:30 am;

Reading Community Center—Tuesday & Thursday at 9:00 am; (starting again in June)

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.

Bone Builders every Tuesday & Thursday at 9 a.m. at the Reading Community Center.

Need a place to hold a family gathering or a business meeting? Consider the Reading Community Center.

Contact Marlys Somnis for details (507) 370-0236.

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

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The next Wilmont Shopper is scheduled for Thursday March 14. Please send information by Tuesday March 12th by 5 pm Information can be sent to judy@wilmontshopper.com, dchristi185@gmail.com or call evenings 472-8412 or mail to 19503 160th St.

Wilmont 56185

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



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Remember to take advantage of the Lending Library located in the Lismore City Hall. There have been donations to the lending library where you can stop and take a look and borrow a book. The library is available for all ages. Come take a look!

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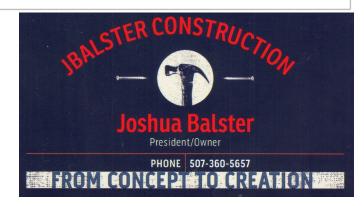
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NOTICE OF TOWNSHIP ANNUAL MEETINGS AND ELECTIONS

Notice is hereby given to the qualified voters of the following Townships in Nobles County, State of Minnesota, that the Annual Elections of Town Officers and Annual Meetings will be held on March 12, 2024. In case of inclement weather the meeting and election will be postponed until the third Tuesday of March.

POLLS WILL BE OPEN FROM 5:00 PM TO 8:00 PM (UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED - *).

The voters will elect:

One Supervisor for a 3 year term One Clerk for a 2 year term

Township	Meeting Location	Meeting Time
Bigelow* p.m.	Bigelow Fire Hall	8:05 p.m. *Voting 7-8:00
Bloom	Township Shed	8:00 p.m. *No Election
Dewald	Rushmore Senior School	8:00 p.m.
Elk	Church of the Brethren	8:00 p.m.
Graham Lakes	Dundee American Legion	7:00 p.m. *No Election
Grand Prairie	Township Shop/Ellsworth	4:00 p.m.
Hersey	Brewster Legion Hall	8:05 p.m.
Indian Lake	Indian Lake Baptist Church	5:30 p.m.
Leota* 2:00	Township Hall	9:30 a.m. *Voting 10:00-
Lismore	Township Holl	8:00 n m
Listriore Little Rock*	Township Hall Township Hall	8:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m. *Voting 4-8:00
p.m.	Township Hall	8.00 p.m. Voting 4-6.00
Lorain	Nobles Co. Government Center	8:00 p.m. *Supervisor Only
	*Conference Room at 9th St. Entrand	ce
Olney*	Adrian Legion Hall	3:00 p.m.
Ransom	Township Hall	4:30 p.m. *Supervisor Only
Seward	Township Hall	7:30 p.m. *No Election
Summit Lake	Reading Community Center	8:00 p.m.

TIM ALLAN RUPPERT, age 61, of Adrian, died Friday, February 24, 2024, at his home. He was born June 29, 1962, in Adrian. Tim graduated from Adrian High School in 1981. He then graduated from Worthington Community College in 1984.

Tim lived in Adrian. He worked at Swift, which later became JBS in Worthington, as a loading dock supervisor. He later worked in construction for his brother, Mike and later for his friend, Cody.

He was a member of St. Adrian Catholic Church in Adrian. He enjoyed fishing, golfing, wrestling and boxing. He was always willing to lend a helping hand to anyone in need. He loved visiting with friends and neighbors and spending time with them.

Tim is survived by his three children, Josh Ruppert, Sioux Falls, SD; Saprina Ruppert, Phoenix, AZ; and Logan Ruppert, Fairfield, CA; a grandson, Matthew Ruppert; six siblings, Pat (Pam) Ruppert, Texas; Dorothy Seeman, Sioux Falls, SD; Don Ruppert, Madison, SD; Mike Ruppert, Lismore; James (Kim) Ruppert, Adrian; and Sheryl McBride, Adrian; and many nieces & nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Lorrell and Rose Hanson; a sister-in-law, Sharon Ruppert; a brother, Lorrell Hanson Junior; and an infant niece, Michaela Ruppert.

Visitation will be from 3-6 pm Thursday Feb. 29, at St. Adrian Church in Adrian. Funeral will be 6 pm Thursday at St. Adrian Church in Adrian. A private family burial will take place at a later date.



Sister Francine Balster, OSF
Sister Francine Balster, 98, a
Franciscan Sister of the
Congregation of Our Lady of
Lourdes, Rochester, MN, died at
Assisi Heights on Thursday,
February 15, 2024.

Sister Francine was born Dorothy Evelyn Balster on June 27, 1925, in Wilmont, Minnesota, to Frank and Anna (Lenz) Balster. She entered the Sisters of St. Francis



in 1945, received the name of Sister Francine, and made perpetual vows in 1950. She received her Master's in Elementary School Administration from Winona State University, Winona, Minnesota, in 1964.

Sister Francine served as an elementary and intermediate teacher for forty-six years in Minnesota and a little time in Ohio. After teaching, she served in the ministry of care at St. Augustine Catholic Church, Austin, Minnesota, before her retirement and move to Assisi Heights in 2018.

Survivors of Sister Francine include her Franciscan Sisters, with whom she shared life for 79 years, a brother, Richard Balster, and a sister, Marie Vortherms. She was preceded in death by her parents, brothers Franklin (Red) and Bob, and a sister, Kathleen Jueneman.

Wilmont 125th Celebration Tentative events Friday June 28th—evening

Tenaska/CattImen's Foodstand—Steak Sandwiches

Inflatables
Car/Truck/Tractor/Motorcycle Show

Volleyball Tournament

DJ Spaz music

Heritage Room

Saturday June 29th - Tentative

Vendors in Community Center

Food Trucks

Volleyball tournament

Heritage Room open

Bed Races

Parade

Street Dance with Hicktown Mafia playing

JBS/Pork Producers food stand

Possible all school reunion

Children's events

ArtMobile

Pedal Pull

Face Painting

Zoo Man shows

Inflatables open

Phoebe Vargas was selected to be one of the 20 featured survivors for the 20th anniversary of Go Red for Women and the 100th anniversary of the American Heart Association. The evening stirred emotions for many as survivors were celebrated through their inspiring stories and those lost were remembered. The Vargas family thank those who continue to dedicate their careers to advancing cardiac care, disease prevention and research. Because of them, they have a survivor to celebrate on nights such as these. Phoebe is the daughter of Ivan and Jean (Lorang) and granddaughter of Ruth and the late Marvin Lorang, formerly of Lismore.



Sunday June 30th—Tentative

Fireman's Fundraiser Breakfast 8 am-11 am

Inflatables

Workout/wellness in park?

Heritage room open

Volleyball tournament

Bean Bag Tournament



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Feb 29-Wilmont 125th planning meeting, 6:30 pm, Wilmont Community Center

March 9-St. Paddy's Day Dinner, 6 pm social, 6:30 pm dinner, OLGC Wilmont (get your tickets by March 5)

March 12-Township Meetings & elections

March 13-Shadow Stations of the Cross, 7 pm, St Anns Slayton MN

March 13-Shadow Stations of the Cross, St. Anthony

March 16-Baby shower for Rachel Eggers, 1-3 pm, Wilmont Community Center

March 17-40th Wedding anniversary celebration for Gene & Barb Reker, following 10:30 am

mass until 2 pm, St. Adrian's Catholic Church, Adrian

March 24-Wilmont Fire Department Fundraiser, 8 am-12 noon, Wilmont VFW

March 24-Rushmore Fire Department Fundraiser, 9 am-1 pm, Rushmore School Gym

March 24-St. Columba Spring Dinner, 10:30 am-1 pm, St. Columba Hall, Iona

April 3-Nobles County Corn & Soybean Growers Banquet, American Reformed Church, Worthington

April 20-Benefit for Beth & Steve Prins, 3-7 pm, The Barn, 1815 East Ave, Worthington

April 23—American Red Cross Blood Drive, 12:30-6:30, Lismore Legion

Mark your calendars—Wilmont 125th Celebration is planned for June 28-29-30 2024. Get your bed races bed out of the shed and start thinking about your parade entry! Parade entry information available on the Wilmontshopper.com web page now!

See free tax prep dates—page 4

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