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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 an open house bridal shower honoring Dana Kingery (daughter of Bruce and Gail Kingery)

Sunday, April 21st at 12:00 noon

Bethel Evangelical Presbyterian church in Reading, MN

Dana will be marrying Rishi Murugesan in June.

They are registered at Zola.com

Please bring your favorite recipe to the shower!



It only takes about an hour to donate blood, a little longer if you donate double red cells. If you have never tried to donate, maybe now is the time to try. The American Red Cross Bloodmobile will be in Lismore on Tuesday, April 23rd from 12:30-6:15 p.m. Please make an appointment online at https://www.redcrossblood.org or call 1-800-RED-CROSS.

To contact someone locally, leave a message for Deb Lutmer at 507-360-7001 or Debby Wieneke at 507-360-7095. Do what you can, so many people are counting on these lifesaving blood products. When you donate blood, you help save lives.

Save the Date-Wilmont Swimming Lessons- June 17-27. More info to come!

Minnesota naturalist, photographer and author Stan Tekiela presents the fascinating world of Wildflowers

Join us Tuesday, May 7 at 2:00 p.m. at the 4-H building on the Murray County Fairgrounds

Program is Free and Refreshments will be served

Program sponsored by the Slayton Public Library, the Murray County Master Gardeners, the Friends of the Slayton Library and Prairielands Library Exchange

Wilmont Hardware & Lumber is open! The phone number is 507-926-6019. They will carry hardware, tools, pet food, boots, spray paint, automobile supplies, cleaning supplies and basic lumber, sheet rock, insulation plus a mini convenience store offering cold drinks and snacks.

Annual Smelt Fry
Saturday May 4
6 pm til gone
Lismore American Legion
Serving smelt, potato salad, beans and beverages

The OLGC Steak Fry will be on Sunday, April
21st. Dinner tickets are now available from any Finance
Council member (Keith Spartz, Tarri Joens, Becky Remakel,
Cindy Penning and Jim Joens). They will also be available
before and after the 8:30 AM Mass. Tickets are \$50 each
with proceeds going towards new wood paneling in the
church.

## LISMORE COOPERATIVE TELEPHONE COMPANY

**Annual Stockholder's Meeting** 

Wednesday April 24, 2024 • 6:30 PM American Legion Hall – Lismore, MN

This meeting is for the purpose of electing three (3) directors for a three (3) year term.

The financial report the year of 2023 will be reviewed and any other business coming before the meeting will be acted upon.

PLEASE BRING STATEMENT WITH YOU TO THE MEETING!

EVERYONE IS INVITED TO ATTEND!

#### DOOR PRIZES

- 5lb. box hamburger patties
  - JBL Portable Speaker
  - Amazon Gift Cards and more!

Thank you Wilmont Fire & Rescue for all you did to help my sister Kathy. No words can even thank you enough. What a great group of caring hometown people.

Nancy Vaske

Thank you to the Stacy Morrison family for the Easter baskets shared with many folks.

A.C.E. (Advocate, Connect, Educate) Program: A Matter of Balance Classes will be offered on Tuesdays and Fridays at the Wilmont Community Center, beginning Tuesday, April 23rd until Friday, May 17th. Each class begins at 10:15 AM. There is no cost to attend these classes; however, donations will be accepted. To preregister contact: A.C.E. Program Director, Joanne Bartosh, at (507) 295-5262

Presale of the Wilmont 125th Celebration t-shirts and sweatshirts is now available.

https://507designs.com/search?q=Wilmont

The options are to have them shipped to you or pick them up at the 507– Designs shop in Slayton. Not ready to place a shirt order quite yet? There will be plenty of other opportunities to get your Wilmont Celebration shirts before the celebration this summer!

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.





Jon and Michaela (Kern) Hey of Pipestone,
MN welcomed a daughter, Spencer Anne,
who was born on January 17, 2024.
Spencer's "tickled pink" grandparents are
Kristine Kern of Fairmont and Todd Kern of
Lismore. Marvin Kern of Lismore is a very
proud great grandpa! Congratulations to
everyone!

The Wilmont Fire and Rescue would like to thank everyone who joined us for our annual fundraiser breakfast. We were overwhelmed with the generosity of the community and glad to see everyone come to enjoy the meal and fellowship. Thanks especially to the following people and businesses for their donations which helped make this fundraiser successful. A special thank you to the VFW auxiliary who helped with the breakfast and VFW for providing such a nice location to gather and Spartz car wash for allowing us to use the car wash garage for grilling. Thanks to Steve Joens for the loan of his trailer and griddle.

Jouwstra Trucking-Butter for tables

Chuck & Carolyn Zemler Family-Eggs

Jordan & Kelli Brake Family-Eggs

Scott & Michelle Brunk Family-Real Maple syrup for pancakes

#### Donor-prize-winner

Brake Feed Yard- 1/2 hog - Kitty Brown

Brake Feed Yard-1/2 hog-Joy Joens

Henning Construction - Load of Gravel-Logan Nevens

Henning Construction-Load of Gravel-Joe Brake

Josh Balster Construction-Impact Driver-Dave Christians

Wilmont Hardware & Lumber-Smoke alarm, carbon monoxide detector-J. Brandsgaard—Fire Extinguisher—Adam Henning

Lee's Locker-\$25 gift card—Candace Joens

Deb & Duane Vaske – Wilmont 125<sup>th</sup> Shirts– Tina Vosler & Reese Morrison

Runnings – 2 chairs & cooler-Amanda Croatt

Pawn-It -\$25 gift cards—Barb Reker & Wes (no last name)

Titan Machinery – Worthington – toy Case IH Steiger 620—Lance Rogers

Titan Machinery-Worthington-toy Case Magnum 340-Lance Rogers

C&B Equipment - Slayton - Pedal tractor-Mike Remakel

Miller-Sellner - Slayton - Toy IH crawler- Carter Brake

Russ & Melanie Penning – 2 fire rescue mugs—Jim Stefferud

Russ & Melanie Penning—blanket-Bob Hoffman

Heiman Fire Equipment – mugs, hats & cozies—Troy Christians, Joy Joens, Lance Rogers, Bob Hoffman, Doug Brake, Linda Loonan, Reese Morrison, Reese Morrison, Stacy Morrison, Aaron Hoffman, Joy Joens, Chuck Vaske

Lance Rogers - Fire extinguisher – Mike Remakel

Veld Lumber - hat & shirt-Breanna Golda

Baumhoefner family-baby blanket & burp cloth-Karen Honermann

Al's Plumbing & Heating – Ferguson & Win Supply– 3 Milwaukee Pack Outs & Mug—LeAnn Mulder, Jackie Rogers, Rhett Penning, Troy Christians

Wilmont Quilters – 3 quilts-Troy Christians, Linda Loonan, Margo Newman Joanne Burkard/Brake family – Fire themed blanket-Curt Luing

Cooperative Energy – gift set including mug, blanket and more-Nancy Brake Silent Auction Item – Hot Dawg 45,000 BTU garage heater – Al's Plumbing & Heating-Air Management-Russ Penning

\$100 gift certificate to Wilmont Hardware – anonymous donor-Trent Slater Chuck & Rita Vaske -CR Design – metal design eagle-Jaelle Schalow

We plan to use the funds towards matching funds for 20 self contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) and fill station, Jaws of Life and attachments, washer and dryer for turnout gear, and updated turnout gear. In the future we are looking for an updated tanker, updated turnout gear, update equipment, replenish supplies, AEDs etc.

Plan to join us again on Sunday June 30th for breakfast to celebrate 125 years of Wilmont.

RAYMOND BERNARD (PETER) EBBERS, age 89, of Worthington, MN, died Sunday, March 31, 2024, at his home. He was born August 4, 1934, in Iona, MN, to Francis "Frank" and Rose (Kappes) Ebbers. He graduated from St. Columbia Catholic High School in Iona.

Ray married Joyce Baumgartner on November 6, 1954, at St. Kilian Catholic Church in St. Kilian. After their marriage, the couple lived in Worthington, where Ray worked for Campbell Soup Co, was transferred to Tecumseh, NE for 6 years, and then back to Worthington. Then Ray was employed at Butterfield foods, where he worked at Butterfield, MN and Wilton WI. They moved to Wilmont, Mn, where they owned and operated J & R Grocery. In 1981, they moved back to Worthington, where Ray worked at Fey Industries before owning and operating Pro Transportation Services, doing dispatch services for Tiesler Trucking Incorporated.

He was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church, The Knights of Columbus, where he served as Grand Knight and the Worthington Elks. He enjoyed horses, singing with his siblings while his mother played the organ, in choirs and on road trips. Playing cards, bowling, dancing, square dancing, gardening, and all-time pitcher for softball games at Grandpa Baumgartner's farm were other things he enjoyed doing with his family.

Ray is survived by his wife, Joyce Ebbers, Worthington; seven children, Gerald "Jerry" (Shar) Ebbers, Windom; Linda (Lee) Kuhl, Hutchinson; Judy (Dan) Johnson, Worthington; Barb (Robert) Vargas, Worthington; Dale (Laurie) Ebbers, Worthington; Dr. Al (Amy) Ebbers, Worthington; and Ron (Julie) Ebbers, Worthington; bonus son, Eugene Harris, Hibbing; twenty grandchildren, Christy (Jeff) Furmanek, Corey (Diana) Ebbers, Jeremy (Shelby) Ebbers, Jordan Shrake, Brian (Jesca) Kuhl, Nikki (Josh) VandenBerg, Rodney (Amy) Kuhl, Kevin (Trish) Kuhl, Mike (Ashley) Johnson, Josh (Kristen) Johnson, Anthony (Joya) Watson, Ashley (special friend, Cole) Vargas, Nancy (fiance' Marco) Oterot, Robby (Eric) Vargas-VanderLee, Adam (Linh) Ebbers, Karissa (Cody) Reverts, Erin (Mitchell) Jensen, Sarah (Glenn) Lee, Emily (friend, Zach) Ebbers and Nathan (special friend, Brooke) Ebbers; forty two great-grandchildren; sister, Margaret Baumgartner, Lino Lakes; and a grandson-inlaw, Michael Gaarder.

He was preceded in death by his parents; granddaughter, Laura Gaarder; five sisters, Mary( Delores) Ebbers, Teresa Ford, Dorothy Reisdorfer, Bernice Collins; and Frances Torkelson.

Funeral Mass was held at St. Mary Catholic Church, in Worthington, officiated by Fr. Tim Biren and Fr. James Callahan. Burial was at St. Mary Cemetery.

# CITY OF WILMONT CITY WIDE RUMMAGE SALES

Friday, May 17th & Saturday, May 18th

IF YOU HAVE ITEMS THAT YOU ARE LOOKING TO GET RID OF NOW IS THE TIME!
CASEY HECTOR WILL PUT TOGETHER A MAP OF WHO IS HAVING ONE (LIKE SHE DOES FOR HALLOWEEN). YOU DON'T NEED TO BE ON THE MAP TO HAVE YOUR OWN RUMMAGE BUT WE FIGURED IT MIGHT HELP OTHERS TO FIND RUMMAGES
THROUGHOUT TOWN. IF INTERESTED IN GETTING ON THE MAP YOU CAN REACH OUT TO CASEY AT 507.360.0389 OR EMAIL CASEY HECTOR@YAHOO.COM & JUST LET HER KNOW WHICH DATES & TIMES YOU PLAN TO BE OPEN OR YOU CAN EMAIL WILMONT316@GMAIL.COM. HOPE WE CAN HAVE A FEW RUMMAGES AROUND TOWN & IF GOES WELL MAKE THIS AN ANNUAL EVENT!







#### Assessment Notice

Notice is hereby given, that the Board of Appeal and Equalization of the Township of Bloom in Nobles County, Minnesota, will meet at the Wilmont City Community Center at 10:30 AM on Tuesday, April 23rd, 2024, for the purpose of reviewing and correcting the assessment of said Township for the year 2024. All persons considering themselves aggrieved by said assessment, or who wish to appeal that the property of another is assessed too low, are hereby notified to appear at said meeting, and show cause of having such assessment corrected.

No appeal that another person is assessed too low will be acted upon until the person so assessed, or the agent, shall have been notified of such appeal

Given under my hand this 25th day of March 2024.

Nan Henning

Clerk of the Township of Bloom

#### Assessment Notice

Notice is hereby given, that the Board of Appeal and Equalization of the Township of Summit Lake in Nobles County, Minnesota, will meet at the Reading Community Center at 9 AM on Friday April 26th, 2024, for the purpose of reviewing and correcting the assessment of said Township for the year 2024. All persons considering themselves aggrieved by said assessment, or who wish to appeal that the property of another is assessed too low, are hereby notified to appear at said meeting, and show cause of having such assessment corrected.

No appeal that another person is assessed too low will be acted upon until the person so assessed, or the agent, shall have been notified of such appeal

Given under my hand this 25th day of March 2024.

JoAnn Burkard

Clerk of the Township of Summit Lake



Eggs will be available at the Wilmont Hardware store again!

#### Assessment Notice

Notice is hereby given, that the Board of Appeal and Equalization of the Township of Larkin in Nobles County, Minnesota, will meet at the Wilmont Community Center at 1 PM on Tuesday April 30th, for the purpose of reviewing and correcting the assessment of said Township for the year 2024. All persons considering themselves aggrieved by said assessment, or who wish to appeal that the property of another is assessed too low, are hereby notified to appear at said meeting, and show cause of having such assessment corrected.

No appeal that another person is assessed too low will be acted upon until the person so assessed, or the agent, shall have been notified of such appeal Given under my hand this 25th day of March 2024.

**David Christians** 

Clerk of the Township of Larkin

SAVE THE DATE! Lismore is turning 125! A Town Celebration will occur on June 27-28th, 2025! Lots of fun things will be happening. Stay tunes for more details.

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#### **Assessment Notice**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Board of Appeal and Equalization of the Township of Wilmont in Nobles County, Minnesota will meet at the St. Kilian School Building, at 10:30 AM on Tuesday, April 30th, 2024 for the purpose of reviewing and correcting the assessment of said Township for the year 2024.

All persons considering themselves aggrieved by said assessment, or who wish to appeal that the property of another is assessed too low, are hereby notified to appear at said meeting, and show cause of having such assessment corrected.

No appeal that another person is assessed too low will be acted upon until the person so assessed, or the agent, shall have been notified of such appeal.

Given under my hand this 11th day of April, 2024. Audrey Brake, Clerk of the Township of Wilmont



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#### For sale

Wilmont Minnesota

Farm fresh eggs Text or call Lisa Scroggs at (507) 360-7661.

Upcoming Events at Wilmont VFW—dates available!

Great place for a reception or meeting!

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!

Make sure you Like the Wilmont VFW Facebook page.

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

#### Wilmont 125th Celebration Tentative events

#### Friday June 28th—evening

Tenaska/Cattlmen's Foodstand—Steak Sandwiches

Inflatables

Car/Truck/Tractor/Motorcycle Show

Volleyball Tournament

DJ Spaz music

Heritage Room

#### Saturday June 29th

Vendors in Community Center

Food Trucks

Volleyball tournament

All School Reunion

Heritage Room open

**Bed Races** 

Parade

Street Dance with Hicktown Mafia playing

JBS/Pork Producers food stand

All school reunion onfirmed

#### Children's events

ArtMobile

Pedal Pull

**Face Painting** 

Zoo Man shows

Inflatables open

#### Sunday June 30th

Fireman's Fundraiser Breakfast 8 am-11 am

Inflatables

Workout/wellness in park?

Heritage room open

Volleyball tournament

Bean Bag Tournament

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. They will teach you if you don't know how! Quarterly Meetings to discuss local goings on.

New members always welcome.

Wanted: Donations for the Wilmont Heritage Room





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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 your

reservation date and location Leave a message if

she's not in the office.

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

#### Thanks to Audrey Brake for this snapshot in history!

Taken from the May 3 & May 10, 1945 Wilmont Tribune

#### Wilmont

Memorial services were conducted Sunday afternoon for Pfc. Harold M. Killen at the Presbyterian Church at 2:30 by Dr. W. J. Ratz of Worthington. Pfc. Killen was a member of the Pacholl-Mosesr Post 2603 & American Legion. He was born n VanMeter, Dallas County, Iowa May 18, 1907. On June 26, 1941 he was inducted into the Armed Services. He was killed in action April 1, 1945 in Germany. Honorary pallbearers were Lawrence Paradise, Carl Hurlbut, August Schettler, Herman Meyer, Alphonse Hendel, and Raymond Klenken. "Sweet Hour of Prayer", "Beautiful Isle of Somewhere", and "Sweetly Resting" were sung by Mrs. Louis Lohse, Mrs. Edward McKenny, and Mr. Ira VandeBerg. They were assisted by Mrs. VandeBerg at the piano.

Staff Sgt/ Bernard Kuhl left Sunday on his return to Camp at Trinadad, Colorado after spending a furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Kuhl and other relatives.

Tech. Sgt. Joseph Hartman is stationed somewhere in the Pacific, his wife, here, has been informed. Mrs. Hartman had no word from him since his return to overseas duty 10 weeks ago. He is with the Field Artillery.

Pfc. and Mrs. John Perry of Woodward, Iowa came Friday morning to visit several days in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nic Broich.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Sievers entertained a dinner Sunday evening in honor of their nephew, Virgil Shelquist of Sioux Falls, who is leaving for the Navy next month. Others attending were Mr. and Mrs. Gus Shelquist, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Carey, and Walter Shelquist of Worthington.

Pvt. Milo Hurlbut, in a letter to his sister, Mrs. LeRoy Hindt, stated he was well and was still stationed somewhere on the Mariana Islands.

Headquarters United States Strategic Air Forces in Europe has been moved from England to France. Women of the WAC were first assigned to this headquarters a year and a half ago. Among the Air Wacs now stationed on the continent is Sgt. Teresa M. Schettler of Wilmont, along with a number of girls who worked in England for over a year. These women took on jobs in the highest American Air Force headquarters in the European Theater of Operations.

At the regular meeting of the Wilmont Civic and Commerce on Tuesday evening, the following closing was to be observed by all Wilmont business firms in honor of VE-Day. Upon a proclamation by the President of the United States, all church and school bells will be run in Wilmont to let the public know that VE-Day has been declared. VE-Day is not victory day, but merely the fact that one phase of this Global war is over. It should not be a day of celebration, but rather a day of prayer. The Wilmont Civic and Commerce Assn. urges you to attend services that day. All churches in Wilmont and other towns are planning VE-Day services.

On Monday, May 7th, we are to furnish cake, cookies, and doughnuts for the Worthington Canteen. The following furnished baked goods in April: Mrs. Lloyd Slone, Mrs. Hub Slater, Mrs. Nick Bertrand, Mrs. Harry Clarke, Mrs. George Fellows, Mrs. Jennie Kelso, and Ardes Lebens. Mrs. Joe Hippert donated \$1. We still have some Army kits left to make. Grace Smith, Production Chairman

Plan now to be in Wilmont for "Prize Night" on Wednesday evening, May 16th, and on each Wednesday thereafter. The first coupons are being handed out May 9th. All you have to do to get in

on the big cash prizes is to trade in Wimont. Tickets will be given out with purchases of \$1 or more, or on produce brought in for sale. Ask your merchant for tickets. No tickets are to be given out for purchases of less than \$1, with a limit of not more than 25 tickets on any one purchase. All drawings are on purchases of previous week, up to 10 minutes prior to the time of the drawing. The first drawing will be on Wednesday evening, Mary 16th, at 10:00 P.M., and you must be here to win. The following business firms and individuals are sponsoring these drawings: First National Bank, Henry Ahmann, Brake & Johanning, C. W. Becker Lumber Co., Probst Bros. Implement, Huisenga's Store, Foley Produce, Sievers and Probst Pool Hall, W. J. Sievers, barber, J. J. Broich, Mrs. Anna Reilly, Liquor Store, Wm Boecker, Wilmont Hardware, J.D. Waller, P. J. Heinrichs, E. M. Noethe, P.J. Wagner, Driessen Bros., John Pacholl, Joe Hebbelman, E. L. Meyer, Elizabeth Mccormick, George Moser, E.A. Brown Elevator, and the Farmers Elevator Co.

The Rev. Fr. Francis J. Schimek will distribute the First Holy Communion to a class of 17 children on Mother's Day, Sunday, May 13, at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church. The communicants and their attendants are respectively; Joeeph Arens, Leslie Johanning, Robert Balster, John Slater, Harold Beckmann, Lawrence Vaske, Gary Einck, Michael Gerber, Arthur Lonneman, Donald Sieve, Glenwood Pacholl, Maynard Majeres, Stanley Probst, Joseph Probst, Donald Voss, Donnie Voss, Clara Bertrand, Alverna Beckmann, Romona Betherds, Maria Bethesda, Kathleen Gerber, Coleen Probst, Dan Hoffman, Leona Sieve, Janice Majeres, Pauline Heinrichs, Ida Mae Probst, Kathleen Hebbelman, Donna Scholtes, Rose Marie Heinrich's, Carol Slater, Eleanor Vaske, Shirley Voss, Florence Vaske. Four girls dressed as angels will lead the procession. They are Margaret Ellen Arens, Norma Sieve, Sharon Scholtes, and LaVonne Scholtes.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Winters are the parents of a daughter, Betty Lou, born at their home Thursday, April 26th.

Joe Scholtes, general merchant, shipped a carload of eggs to New York, which were loaded at the local Rock Island depot here Monday.

John Albersman, employee at the C.W. Becker Lumber Yard for the past 27 years, has resigned his position due to ill health. Bud Winters has taken his place in the yards.

Cecelia Ann, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Probst, was baptized Sunday at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church by the Rev. Fr. Schimek. Mrs. Joe Probst and Ray Honermann were the sponsors.

Janet Sieve, two-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. August Sieve, received a broken collar bone when she fell down a flight of stairs at her home Saturday. She was immediately brought to the local doctor's office for treatment.

Mrs. Barbara Pass was a Sunday dinner guest in the home of her daughter, Mrs. Charles Lopshire and family at Worthington. Mr. and Mrs. Ed Olson, Rodney, Donald, and Marilyn of Fairmont were also guests in the Lopshire home that day, Accompanied back to Wilmont by Mrs. Pass, Beverly Lopshire spent the afternoon here in the Pass home.

On Thursday evening, May 10, Larkin Twp. will meet Bloom Twp. at the local ball park here. Friday night, May 11, Summit Lake Twp. will meet Wilmont Twp. These games will start at 8 o'clock P.M. sharp. Admission will be 10 cents. Let's go.

Martin Spillman, Donald Axdahl, Ralph Arey, Richard Hindt, & Melvin Kinsey, all of Iona, were picked up Sunday night for disturbing the peace and brought before the judge Monday evening and were released after a warning by the judge and a promise to behave after this.

Roy Graven of Rushmore was picked up Sunday afternoon for being drunk and is out on bonds to appear for a hearing at a later date.

#### Lismore

Sgt. Omer Hensen received the Bronze Star Medal for his heroic service in connection with military operations in a field near a town in Germany. On November 18, 1944, shortly after dawn, enemy tanks approached the area and immediately took Sgt. Hensen's vehicle, an M-2 Half Track, under direct fire. All personnel, except Sgt. Hensen, promptly secured cover. Sgt. Hensen realized that the section vehicle and radio would be damaged or destroyed and their sole means of communication would be lost, so he ran across the heavily shelled field, without regard for his own safety, and jumped into the vehicle and drove it through the shelling to a place of comparative safety behind a stone building. A few minutes later the supported unit commander called for smoke to cover the entry of friendly troops into the town. Sgt. Hensen was able to secure this support from his battalion successfully as a result of his previous actions. Subsequent Fire Support for the Task Force was also rendered from Sgt. Hensen's battalion through this section's radio communication which materially aided the Task Force in accomplishing their mission. Sgt. Hensen's actions won for him the greatest respect from his officers and fellow soldiers and reflects credit upon himself and the Army of the United States.

Cpl. Wilfred Fritz of Fort Sill, Ok., came Wednesday to spend a furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lou Fritz and other relatives and friends.

Pfc. Ted Henning left Wednesday for McChord Field, Washington, after spending a furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Henning and other relatives and friends.

#### St. Kilian

Mrs. Urban Loosbrock and daughter, Carmelita, of Los Angeles, Cal., are visiting with her husband's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Emil Loosbrock. Mrs. Loosbrock and daughter made the trip to Omaha by plane and there were brought here by her sister-in-law, Mildren Loosbrock.





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#### **Photo From the Past**

The photo this week was in the Worthington Daily Globe, sometime in August of 1944. The caption under the photo stated: Teresa Hartman (left) and Mary Jo Vaske (right), Wilmont Go-Getters, placed in the blue ribbon class during 4-H Achievement Day on Tuesday with their talking demonstration on how to lay out a pattern. Their parents are Mr. and Mrs. Fredo Hartman and Mr. and Mrs. Gregory Vaske.

In the last issue of the Shopper I omitted the name of another reader, Barb Reker, who also called in the name of one of the postal workers in the photo in the March 14, 2024 issue of the Shopper. Thank you, Barb.

Brittany Anne Lais, the daughter of Steven Lais and Shandra Jans, was born on December 22, 2001 in Worthington, MN. They lived in Lismore until she was 2 and then moved with Shandra and Brooke to Fulda. Her favorite pastime growing up was watching Scooby Doo. She spent 7 years enjoying dance at Kay Prunty's Dance Academy in Worthington. Brittany attended school in Fulda up until the last few months of her senior year and then transferred to Worthington High School, where she graduated with honors. She was a member of the National Honor Society. In Fulda Brittany was involved in FFA, FCCLA, band, and choir. During her high school years, she played volleyball and basketball as well. After graduating high school, she worked various jobs, but found a great fit at Maple Lawn Senior Care in Fulda, as a dietary aid. Brittany recently received a Gold Star Award for being reliable and dependable, as voted by her peers. She thoroughly enjoyed working and getting to know the residents there. She also loved spending time with her family, camping and fishing. She was excellent at drawing and creating art projects, and especially liked flowers. Brittany passed away on Monday, April 8, 2024 at the Sanford Worthington Medical Center at the age of 22.

Survivors include her parents, Steve Lais of Chandler, MN and Shandra (Matthew) Meier of Fulda, MN; 3 sisters, Brooke Lais of Mankato, MN, Jaycee Meier of Fulda, MN and Mercede Meier of Fulda, MN; paternal grandparents, Tom & Cecelia Lais of Chandler, MN; maternal grandmother, Chris Jans of Worthington, MN; step-grandparents, Gerald (Grace) Meier of Fulda, MN; many aunts, uncles, other relatives and friends. She is preceded in death by her maternal grandpa, Kevin Jans.

#### **Funeral Services**

St. Gabriel's Catholic Church Fulda, MN at 10:30 AM on Saturday, April 13, 2024 with Fr. Peter Schuster officiating. The organist is Sherri Isder. The song leader is Sheila Crowley. Special music provided by Anna Meyer. The pallbearers are Jeff Lais, Mike Lais, Ryan Doyle, Cainaan Weise, Carlos Garcia and Tony Lopez. Interment at Prairie Hill Cemetery Fulda, MN.

Visitation will be Friday from 4 to 6 PM at St. Gabriel's Catholic Church in Fulda and one hour prior to the service at the church on Saturday. The Totzke Funeral Home in Fulda is assisting the family with arrangements.

Nobles Cty RSVP Bone Builders Exercise Classes:

Adrian Senior Center—Monday & Thursday at 12:30 pm;

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.

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, April 15th, 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.

Melvin Leo Fuerstenberg, age 99, of Worthington, MN, passed away peacefully on Monday, March 4, 2024, surrounded by his loving family.

Melvin was born on April 6, 1924, in Wilmont Township, Nobles County, to Henry and Magdalen (Kremer) Fuerstenberg. On October 18, 1948, Melvin was united in marriage to Agatha Amelia Diekmann at St. Kilian Catholic Church, officiated by the bride's brother, Rev. Alphonse Diekmann.

Melvin attended St. Kilian Catholic School through 8th grade. He served his country during WWII when he was drafted in the Army in 1945 and was Honorable discharged in 1946. He was a proud lifetime member of the Wilmont V.F.W. Following his Honorable Discharge from the Army, Melvin started farming with his brother Ralph on the family farm. After marriage Melvin and Agatha dedicated themselves to raising their family and farming in the St. Kilian area until their retirement in 1987, after which they settled in Worthington, MN. Melvin's faith was central to his life, evident in his membership with St. Kilian Catholic Church and St. Mary's Catholic Church in Worthington, The Catholic Order of Foresters for over 75 years, and The Catholic Aid Association for 67 years.

Melvin found joy in simple pleasures; he had a passion for baseball, playing for the St. Kilian Saints, and remained a devoted fan of the Minnesota Twins and Vikings throughout his life. In retirement, he enjoyed assisting with farmwork alongside Rob Fuerstenberg helping with spring planting and fall harvest. He shared a love for gardening with his wife, Agatha. They also enjoyed taking walks and going on road trips. Melvin is remembered as a man of great strength, hard work, caring and strong faith.

Melvin is survived by his beloved wife of over 75 years, Agatha, and their four children: Diane Roubik of Worthington, MN, Karen (Dale) Rusch of Hutchinson, MN, Steven (Barb) Fuerstenberg of Worthington, MN, and Mary Ann (Steven) Unger of Brook Park, MN. He is also survived by his cherished grandchildren Eric (Andrea) Unger of Maple Grove, MN, Mark (Tessa) Unger of Duluth, MN, Nicholas Rusch of Hutchinson, MN, and Katherine (Jordan) Brooks of Canyon Lake, TX, along with two great-grandchildren, Evelyn Unger and Ethan Unger. He was preceded in death by his parents, infant sister, brother and sisterin-law Ralph & Leona (Probst) Fuerstenberg, sister and brother-in-law Arneta and William Middendorf, sister and brother-in-law Dorothy and Lawrence Diekmann, and son-in-law Thomas Roubik.

Visitation was held at Benson funeral home with private family services held.



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

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This past Saturday some of the Middendorf's came to enjoy lunch at Saloon #7. They met up with Barb & Pat Strassburg, Becky Remakel, and Ray and I. Their parents, Bill and Arnetaa Middendorf, ran the Wilmont cafe, pool hall, and bowling alley back in the 1960's. Luckily, the bowing alley was open, so they got to also go there before they left. Left to Right in the photo are: Barb Strassburg, Jane Middendorf, Janice Middendorf, Becky Remakel, and Jack Middendorf

April 15-NAPS Food pick-up, 1:30-2 pm, Fulda Food Shelf

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

April 21-Open House Bridal Shower for Dana Kingery, 12 noon, Bethel Evangelical Presbyterian, Reading

April 21-OLGC Wilmont Steak Fry

April 23-Bloom Township Board of Appeal & Equalization, 10:30 am, Wilmont Community Center

April 23—American Red Cross Blood Drive, 12:30-6:15 pm, Lismore Legion

April 24-St. Mary's Catholic School & Little Blessings Preschool Open House, 5:30-7:30 pm, Worthington

April 24-Lismore Cooperative Telephone Co Annual Stockholder's meeting, 6:30 pm, Lismore American Legion

April 23-Bloom Township Board of Appeal and Equalization, 10:30 am, Wilmont Community Center

April 26-Summit Lake Township Board of Appeal and Equalization, 9 am, Reading Community Center

April 30-Wilmont Township Board of Appeal and Equalization, 10:30 am, St. Kilian School

April 30-Larkin Township Board of Appeal and Equalization, 1 pm, Wilmont Community Center

May 4-Annual Smelt Fry, 6 pm til gone, Lismore American Legion

May 7-Minnesota naturalist Stan Sekiela presentation about wildflowers, 2 pm, Murray County 4-H building on fairgrounds

Matter of Balance—classes at Wilmont community center, 10:15 am, Tuesdays & Fridays starting April 23 through May 17

May 17 & 18—Wilmont Rummage Sales—get your name on the list!

June 17-27—Wilmont Swimming Lessons—mark your calendar

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!

City of Lismore is also going to turn 125 in 2025—mark your calendar for June 27 & 28 2025!!

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