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Polka Service in Waldorf, August 28

The Waldorf Days and All School Reunion Event is welcoming everyone to the Waldorf Community Polka Service on Sunday, August 28, at 10 a.m. at the Waldorf school. Polka music will begin 30 minutes prior to the service and continue 30 minutes after and will be followed by a pancake breakfast at the Waldorf Community Center.

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Oil pastels workshop at NR Library Aug. 11

On Thursday August 11 at 5:30 p.m. the NR Public Library is hosting an event for adults to create oil pastels pieces inspired by nature and discover a style that is all your own.

We have enough supplies for 10 adults please contact Kathy 507 465 3708 to reserve your space.

A word from The Word

But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. 1 John 1:7



Shanna Peoble, Kelly Beddeger, Jessica Stuckmayer, and Beth Stankiewicz pose by one of the donated paintings at the Waseca Art Center's Hometown Art Show Silent Auction.

A swanky soiree

Art center hosts enthusiasts July 29

By MELANIE PILTINGSRUD
Staff Writer

The Waseca Art Center hosted another swanky soiree on Friday, July 29, as the month-long Hometown Art Show Silent Auction, a fundraiser for the Waseca Area Caregiver Services (WACGS), culminated in a gathering of art enthusiasts to make final bids on their favorite art pieces.

Kelly Beddeger, executive director of WACGS and art center direc-

tor Jessica Stuckmayer teamed up to create an event that would raise awareness of the necessary services that WACGS provides for Waseca County, and at the same time raise funds for a ramp recently installed at WACGS headquarters.

WACGS provides services for aging adults in the community, who wish to remain in their homes, pro-

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Waseca celebrates national night out

Night to Unite

By AMELIA ROESSLER
Editorial Assistant

Night to Unite, a national event, was observed at the Waseca Water Park on Tuesday, August 2 from 5 to 7 p.m. This celebration, sponsored by public safety agencies to encourage a sense of community and offer neighbors a chance to get to know each other better, has been held at the waterpark for the last five years (disregarding a year skipped because of Covid) with attendance ranging anywhere from 300 to 500 people. The celebration included free admission to the waterpark, grilled hot dogs, giant freeze pops and water. The Waseca Food Shelf accepted non-perishable food items and the Waseca-LeSueur Public Library had a booth. Bike helmets were also given away on a first-come, first-served basis and a raffle which gave away two bikes at the end of the evening.

As police officers and firefighters served food and visited with attendees, the Minnwest Junior Board, made up of upcoming high school seniors, hosted fun water games. While some children chose water balloons, others chose to compete against an opponent in a sponge game, filling their sponges from one water bucket and squeezing them dry into an empty one. The first to empty the previously filled bucket walked away the champion.

While other jurisdictions may structure their celebrations by going to the people, having block parties and such, Waseca's uses the waterpark to bring people together.

According to Nick Wellman, who



UNITED - Minnwest Junior Board attending Waseca's national night out, from left: Charli Harguth, Hailey Dettmer, Emma Allen, Jenaro Delgado Jr., Will King, Jayme Sandbeck, Larry Johnson, Kloe Wadd, and lifeguard Jadyn Olsem.

Pioneer photos by Amelia Roessler

helped plan Tuesday's gathering, the event is for "putting a name to a face with public safety personnel, whether it be fire safety workers or members of the local police department here in Waseca." Wellman pointed out that the fun and fellowship of the event was a pleasant way of getting to know safety personnel, as opposed to seeing them for the first time during an emergency.

Wellman also observed that the evening seemed to be going well, allowing people to get together with their neighbors to meet with public safety personnel while having con-

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PROTECT AND SERVE - Nick Wellman, Waseca peace officer and night out organizer with Courtney Hartle.

Fowler thriving at 102

Waseca's Helen Fowler celebrates birthday today

By DEB BENTLY
Staff Writer

Though she has been driving—legally—since the age of 12, Helen Fowler has never taken a driver's test. "Well, back then," she explains, "you just went to town and paid, and they gave you a license." The cost, "back then" in 1932, was 25 cents.

Fowler, who turns 102 today, grew up on the Gallagher family farm located about 5 miles west of Waseca. At 12, she only drove the car to the fields to deliver lunch to the workers. "And the cars didn't move very fast," she admits.

She's driven a lot further since then, during a life which has moved very fast indeed.

"I don't feel old," she declares. "Time just rolls along, and I roll with it." Fowler still lives in a Waseca residence where she's lived the past 29

years. She manages her own affairs and prefers getting news and information on her iPad rather than by watching television. She loves to read, devouring a book every five to seven days. A member of the Lakeside Golf Club since the 1940s, she stopped golfing when she was 99—but still meets friends almost every week for a "Ladies' Night" meal. To commemorate her 101st birthday, the golf club began waiving the usual annual membership fee indefinitely.

Though her 1994 Buick can be classified as an "antique," she prefers it over newer cars with their many electronic features. "I wouldn't know how to drive something with all those fancy things," she says lightly. "This car is a good one for me, and I expect to keep it until I don't need a car anymore." She laughs about the surprise her great-

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— 102-year old Waseca resident Helen Fowler

grandchildren express when they discover "Grandma's car windows have cranks!"

She observes that the car gets relatively light use these days. "I only drive in town," she says. "And I don't drive after dark." Still, the vehicle does more than sit in the garage: shopping, Bridge tournaments



Helen Fowler plays Bridge during the weekly tournament at the Waseca Senior Citizens' Center.

and Bingo at the Waseca Senior Citizens' Center, an occasional drive around the lake—"just to see who's out golfing"—and other social gatherings.

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Rachel Cornelius

Grateful, happy to serve

By DEB BENTLY
Staff Writer

"My job is to seek justice, not convictions," says Waseca County Attorney Rachel Cornelius. Cornelius, who has been in the position since 2006, admits that "justice" can be difficult to define.

"We talk extensively with the victims and get to know what their wishes are," she clarifies. "We do our best to follow through on those wishes, within the context of our authority."

"The last thing I want is to see people who have already experienced trauma and mistreatment be 'revictimized' by the court system."

The Waseca County attorney's office includes four attorneys, a paralegal and an office manager. "We staff many cases as a team," says Cornelius.

The cases they take on cover quite a range, anything from a simple traffic stop to a serious felony. "Something many people don't know," observes Cornelius, "is that lawyers have ethical responsibilities to not charge matters which, ultimately, need to be proven beyond a reasonable doubt." When such cases come along, Cornelius says she collaborates closely with law enforcement to determine if more evidence can be gathered to pursue charges. "We work remarkably hard—often outside office hours—to determine what we think would be 'just' in a particular case. And when it doesn't happen, we feel the victims' pain."

In addition to all of the criminal work the County Attorney's Office does, its lawyers also represent MNPrairie in child protection and adult protection matters.

"We work with child protective services to try and bring about the best outcome for children and families," she says. "That's a really tough part of the job." She mentions trying to determine whether parents who claim to have "changed" will truly carry through on their promises, and having to balance the trauma children experience when removed from their homes against any physical or emotional harm they might encounter if they stay in an environment which has previously proven hostile to them.

"It can be heartbreaking," she comments, "when something we've done—whether it be reunification or not—doesn't work out."

On the other hand, she says she is grateful for the foster parents and other supportive adults who have the children's interests at heart. "We have wonderful, amazing foster parents," she says. "And that's good, because we have lots of kids who desperately need to be loved and cared for." When families can't be reunified, Cornelius says that adoptions are one of the happiest

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STAR GAZING

by Eli Lutgens

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Next steps for our paper

The Pioneer has now finished its first month of publications. I couldn't be more excited.

Last week we surpassed 500 subscribers; this week we are nearing 600. When we started the Pioneer, I told Michael, my co-publisher, that 500 was the number we needed to have a sustainable publication. I also told him we needed to reach that number within a year.

He made a comment several weeks ago about "if the newspaper succeeds" and I had to stop him this past week and tell him, it's not "if" anymore. With 500 subscriptions sold, figuring at least two readers per household, we have more than 1,000 readers—likely close to 2,000. That number makes the Pioneer a powerful outlet for advertising; the income from ads is what allows a newspaper to have a staff. The realities of newspaper publishing are these: Readers pay for the printing and delivery of their newspapers through their subscription. Advertisers pay for everything else.

Last week, Michael and I were invited to speak to members of the local rotary club. When we were invited, we were asked to tell the group about our "plan." Well there it is. There's an old saying that if your business plan can't fit on a napkin, it's not a sustainable model. I'm pretty sure our plan fits. Now to month two.

The next step in our plan is to develop our website while continuing to build our subscription base by proving we can consistently produce a quality newspaper. That will also help with another fundamental, continuing to market our product to local advertisers.

In a conversation with our copy editor Deb Bently this week, I mentioned how if every business in Waseca signed up for the equivalent amount of advertising as Jim Kozan does, our newspaper wouldn't have to worry about sustaining itself. We could focus entirely on the part I love best: sharing local stories.

After I said all this to Deb, I had to add that having all those local advertisers in one place would be of great value to the readers. In other words, everyone wins.

Readers get dedicated, specific information about local businesses while local businesses reach the people most likely to patronize them. Waseca is a small town, but there are a lot of businesses and that's why advertising exists.

I enjoy going for walks. While doing so I tend to venture further and further away from my point of origin, the Pioneer office on Main Street.

Friday night I discovered the Nature Garden along Doodlebug Trail, the old railway line converted to a bike and walking path. The garden just kind veers off along another walking path which goes by a river. I like to take my walks around sunset because I enjoy the changing colors in the sky. I snapped many interesting photos, which I hope to share in next week's edition.

There's something freeing in nature. It helps me a lot with writing, being creative and well, the stresses of publishing.

One of my favorite scenes in one of my all-time favorite TV shows, West Wing, shows some speech writers charged with the task of writing the State of the Union address for the president. The president's personal assistant is invited out to a bar, on the eve of the speech, by the writers.

Over a game of pool, Charlie asks, "What are we doing here? Aren't you guys supposed to be writing?"

"We are," Toby replies.

And Toby proceeds to rattle off three lines of a very impressive sounding speech.

The point was, writing happens naturally: It can't be forced.

I don't get many breaks, but I value my walks and make them a priority because they're vital for me and my creative process.

And based on the response we have gotten from readers, I, we, the newspaper, must be doing something right.

Fact of the week: Brushing your teeth less than 30 minutes after eating is actually more detrimental to your gum/teeth health than if you hadn't brushed at all because brushing with food particles still on your teeth damages enamel.

Can't take Janesville out of the kid

Last week was a rough one for Janesville.

Willow Bense left this world way too soon. You've probably seen at least one of the many summaries of what happened to her, so I will spare you the details. Then, with our hearts grieving, we had a drive-by shooting on Tuesday, July 26.

Two extraordinarily rare and unusual things happened to our community of 2,500 in just one week. One was, as Blue Earth County Sheriff Paul Barta put it, "nothing short of a tragedy." The other was something that just never happens in a small town like Janesville.

I won't lie: I was profoundly affected—not only as a newspaper writer, but as a Janesvillian. Seeing a TikTok of someone I know from high school crying and scared while police converged on main street nearly drove me to tears. But seeing Willow's obituary... that broke me.

Janesville's been through its fair share of hardships. I remember a few years back when I was in college, the town received a lot of rain in less than two days — I want to say about



Well, like I said...

by Michael Roy

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a foot. The town flooded, as my mom recalled. Then sometime last year, there was a high-speed chase that ended on the north side of town.

We've been through a lot, Janesville. But just as we have when facing past adversities, we will get through this.

It's times like these that remind me that though I don't have a last name like "Eustice," "Ewert," or "Westphal," I am still as much a Janesville resident as anyone else. I've spent 15 years of my life there, and I want to get back there someday.

I've talked almost daily to friends about how much I miss being in Janesville since moving to New Richland in April. It's been only three months, and I already miss that

closeness I had in the community. I initially moved to New Richland because I couldn't find a place for rent in Janesville, and an application for one apartment in Waseca got denied.

I still saw it as a plus to move to New Richland because I worked at the Star Eagle quite often, and my apartment was about 30 seconds away from its office. These days, however, I don't really work there anymore. I'm more focused on the Janesville Journal and the Pioneer.

Nothing against New Richland. The people there are great. I mean, half our staff at the Pioneer has some kind of connection with the town. But being a ten-minute walk from work or "Brew'd Awakenings Bistro" is a luxury I miss.

It just goes to show, you can take the kid out of Janesville, but you can't take Janesville out of the kid.

This week in music

This is a new item in my column that I plan on doing weekly to wrap things up. I love sharing musical facts with people, and a lot of them are quite interesting.

On July 31, 1968, the Beatles started work on one of their many chart-topping hits, "Hey Jude." They recorded four takes of the classic at Trident Studios in London.

Paul McCartney claimed that the inspiration for the song was John Lennon's son, Julian, who struggled with the idea of his father leaving his mother for Yoko Ono. The song spreads positivity to "Jude" while encouraging him to not give up on love himself.

The single was the most successful Beatles hit of all time in the United States, with sales in America accounting for half of the eight million copies sold worldwide.

For every day of fog, there will be snowfall

ECHOES FROM THE LOAFERS' CLUB MEETING

I signed up for the neighborhood watch.

Good for you.

I hope it's a Rolex.

DRIVING BY BRUCE'S DRIVE

I have a wonderful neighbor named Bruce. Whenever I pass his drive, thoughts occur to me. I was dressed as if I were on my way to clown college. I was on a walk to find the time to stop and smell the skunks. Just before beginning my hike on a gravel road, I'd looked at a couple of baseball box scores, both involving Los Angeles teams. The Dodgers moved from Brooklyn. The term "Trolley Dodgers" was attached to the Brooklyn ball club due to the abundant trolley cars weaving their way through the borough of Brooklyn. The name was shortened to "Dodgers" and the team took that nickname to Los Angeles. In Spanish, los angeles means "the angels." Therefore, the Los Angeles Angels are The Angels Angels. I met no angels on my walk on that rural road. I met biting insects. The mosquitoes were nearly nonexistent this year, but on this day, the mosquito was my spirit animal. We spend our lives waiting for something to happen and then we're bitten by mosquitoes. That's something happening. I used to run on that road, now I outdistance mosquitoes by walking briskly, but whenever I stopped to jot down a passing thought, they found me. I learned the importance of writing things down early in life. Ideas are



Compostings

by Al Batt

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fleeing. We forget things. I paused my walk and the skeeters attacked. I couldn't dodge them all and they were no angels. The sun had blinked and I became a popular attraction for the biting insects. I couldn't see my shadow and I thought I'd gone home. It was as Lily Tomlin said, "Things are going to get a lot worse before they get worse."

The following day found me traveling a long road in my car. "A ring around the sun or moon means rain or snow is coming soon."

The wind was from the south, but a torrential downpour fell around me from every direction. It rained cats, dogs, hamsters, gerbils, ferrets, hedgehogs and white mice. I was eager to get home as I felt like the third monkey getting on Noah's Ark. Not wanting to leave me alone in the dark, roadside reflector posts kept their eyes on me as I drove home.

A WALLET NAMED WALDO

I walked past shelves filled with energy drinks and wondered how anyone anywhere was sleeping. I found a man's wallet in a grocery store. His driver's license said he was from Arizona. I hoped he hadn't made it far down the road before he noticed his billfold's absence. I like-

wise hoped his panic was short-lived as I left it with the store's staff.

MY NEIGHBOR CRANDALL'S PLAN FOR GOOD HEALTH

Crandall has a permit to carry a concealed jelly doughnut, but he has cut back on his intake of green meat. He doesn't stand in the sun when he can sit in the shade.

SWEET CORN AND SNOWFALLS

For every fog in August, there will be a day of snowfall in winter. That made the sweet corn I was enjoying even more of a delicacy. The varieties were Sweetness, Cappuccino and Vitality. Each bite was enough to make me wish for an endless summer.

THE NEWS FROM HARTLAND

In Albert Lea Tribune's Reader's Choice voting, Arcadian Bank won the Best Bank/Credit Union, Best Mortgage Lender and Best Customer Service categories.

ARO Accounting was a finalist in the Best Tax Service class.

TNT Body Shop was a finalist in the Best Auto Body Shop group.

Christianson Plumbing & Heating was a finalist in both Best Plumber and Best Heating & Cooling voting. This owner of this Albert Lea business, Tim, was raised in Hartland.

IN GENEVA NEWS

Sorenson Appliance & TV won the Best Appliance Dealer category.

IN ELLENDALE NEWS

Steve's Meat Market was a finalist in the Best Meat Market division.

Lerberg's Foods was a finalist in the Best Grocery Store voting.

And the winner in the tooting your own horn category

I'm honored and humbled to have won the Best Writer category.

NATURE NOTES

I watched an opossum meander. What's a nervous tick? It's one that sees an opossum headed its way. How many ticks do they eat? Who knows, but Rick Ostfeld, Senior Scientist, Cary Institute of Ecosystem Studies said, "Opossums are extraordinarily good groomers it turns out—we never would have thought that ahead of time—but they kill the vast majority—more than 95% percent of the ticks that try to feed on them. So these opossums are walking around the forest floor, Hoovering up ticks right and left, killing over 90% of these things, and so they are really protecting our health."

MEETING ADJOURNED

Never let an unkindness keep you from being kind.

Comfortably suspended from adulthood

It's that time of year again! Target back-to-school ads are gracing our television screens, college bookstores are occupying our inboxes reminding us to buy our latest round of expensive textbooks, and for me personally, I'm bracing myself to readjust to living on my own in Winona again. It's been a fun summer and I've spent lots of quality time with my family: just last week we were in Door County, Wisconsin, enjoying beautiful natural landscapes and roadsides lined with tourist trap souvenir stores. In the middle of July, I was a Bible camp counselor, a role that offered me the opportunity to work with my dad, who's the director. Additionally, through the experience of writing for local newspapers for a few months, I have been able to dip my toes into a line of work I'd like to pursue for the rest of my life. But nothing good lasts forever; the time is coming when I must metamorphosize my life completely. At the end of this month I will once again be leaving this community that's become increasingly near and dear to my heart. Of course I'll return, and my writing will still likely find its way into these publications for years to come, especially in the summer. But saying goodbye, even temporarily, will be hard.

Leaving home initially wasn't



Looking in the Mirror

by Jonah Stafford

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nearly as difficult because besides my family, I was kind of leaving nothing behind. I'd lived in Janesville for about two and a half weeks when, adios, I was out the door pursuing a level of independence and activity that had seemed impossible during the wrath of Covid-19. In many ways, while away, I rose to the occasion. The classes I took during my first year of college provided an ideal foundation for my journey into the writing and communication fields. The new beginnings in many facets of my life afforded me many character building experiences. It was scary at first, but thankfully I made myself comfortable rather than getting eaten alive by my new reality.

Last year, August was definitely transitional for my family: we pulled up roots from our Hartland residence of ten years to the then-unfamiliar city of Janesville. My dad was beginning his new second career as a full-

time religion professor at Bethany Lutheran College, and I was preparing to go off to Saint Mary's University for my freshman year. This year, the beginning of August marked my sister Solveig's move from the family residence to her own place in Mankato, where she is now working as the director of fine arts events, also at Bethany. This move created a hectic couple of days in the Stafford household, but it was worth all of us pitching in to see Solveig off as she begins a new chapter of her life.

Independence to that level is a bit further off for me. I anticipate utilizing on-campus housing for the remainder of my studies in Winona. Someday getting my own place seems very far away. No one dreams of being a basement dweller forever, but I find myself being comfortably suspended between the benefits of adulthood and the safety net of hav-

ing my family behind me as I go through each step of my life.

Recently, I was approached to work as a tutor at my college's writing center and quickly accepted. Though I am far from a life expert, writing essays is the bread and butter of my existence: I'm excited to have the opportunity to help my fellow students. Amplifying the creative voices of my peers is a dream job, while building up interpersonal skills and heightening my writing prowess will serve me well in the future. Honestly, my life is all coming together, I just have to put a pause on my Janesville adventures to go back to Winona and complete another year of studies. Internships and tutoring positions are awaiting my return. Not to mention the friendly faces I haven't seen since May that I can't wait to see again! August is still going to be chaotic and messy as I put the finishing touches on my summer, but the prospect of beginning my sophomore year excites me! Still, I'm going to make the most of my remaining time here. Many more articles and columns will grace the pages of the Pioneer and beyond before and even after I'm back in Winona. What am I doing? I am living and like Natasha Bedingfield once sang, "the rest is unwritten."



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But then, society is something Fowler has craved since childhood.

Growing up on the farm, her life was kept in a very small frame. One of five children, she began helping with daily chores from the moment she was old enough to manage them. “I never really learned to be a good cook, though,” she observes. “My mother wanted to do all that on her own, and she didn’t want any help, so she gave me other jobs.”

She and her four siblings attended a one-room schoolhouse located directly across the road. In fact, it was so closely associated with their property that it was called the “Gallagher School.” The teacher, to the children’s chagrin, roomed in their 6-bedroom home.

“We always felt like she was paying a lot of attention to whether we were doing our homework,” recalls Fowler. In exchange for the room and board, Fowler says her mother received \$20 a month from the school district.

Also known as “District 16,” the Gallagher School is now located at Farmamerica.

The one-room school “graduated” its students at eighth grade, although Fowler attended only for six years because she was able to skip two grades. Asked whether she was a particularly intelligent child she suggests that it was really a matter of being able to hear everyone else’s lessons in addition to her own.

As she and her siblings—Fowler was the middle child—completed their learning at District 16, they transferred to Sacred Heart School in Waseca. There were no buses, so they all rode together in a family car. Fowler, especially, enjoyed the chance to widen her social circle and begin taking part in more activities.

After graduating in 1937 at age 16, she began attending what was then known as Mankato Commercial College to study business—that is, to learn typing, bookkeeping and shorthand: she was a woman, and it was the 1930s.

Here, too, whether she’ll admit she was a particularly clever student or not, she seems to have thrived. She had finished only one year of the two-year program when she was able to get a job with what was then called State Farmers’ Mutual. She became secretary to the company president, Ernest Rutledge. In the absence of any sort of recording devices, and with very limited ways of reproducing documents and information, her shorthand and typing skills were invaluable to the company.

Her dreams of a wider social circle were also being realized: there was roller skating at a rink near Loon Lake. There were weekly Monday-night dances at city hall.

And then, just as Fowler’s career was getting a good start, the United States entered World War II. While her professional plans blossomed, her social life withered.

She remembers the irritations of rationing, having to have “stamps” to be able to buy tires, sugar, and nylons. Since all their boyfriends—current or prospective—were away, Fowler and a group of friends began playing golf: thus her decades-long membership at Lakeside.

The war also interfered in her career. “Wages were frozen,” she explains. “The only way to get a raise was to get a promotion.” Already central to the bookkeeping and record keeping at Farmers’ Mutual, Fowler’s promotion came in the form of an important new task.

“After a storm, there would be a giant stack of checks to be signed, and the president didn’t want to have to sign them all. So I was promoted to ‘Authorized Signing Official.’

“But I had to sign the checks using my initials, so no one would know it was a woman’s signature.”

Her wages in the 1940s were \$25 a month. “And there was no overtime,” she recalls. “When there would be a storm or a fire or something like that, I would put in 50, sometimes 60 hours a week processing all the claims. There was no extra pay for that.”

Still, as an aspiring professional she did quite well for herself, purchasing her first car in 1943. Although she doesn’t remember what she paid, an internet source claims that a new car cost about \$800 at the time, and that gas sold for 18 cents a gallon. Fowler remembers she got a bargain, however, because she made the purchase alongside some new cars being acquired by the company. In fact, it having been war time, she might not have been able to buy a car at the time had it not been added to the company order.

When asked about a technological advance that changed her life, Fowler mentions the mimeograph. What many may think of as a mimeograph—a sort of reverse original which used strong-smelling chemicals to release blue ink onto paper—is, again according to internet sources, actually called a “ditto machine.”

The mimeograph machine is older technology: It required that ink be loaded into a large cylinder and then allowed to bleed outward through a stencil. It changed schools and offices greatly since, for the first time, it was possible for someone without a printing press to make as many as 3,000 identical copies of a single original. Prior to its availability, copies of a document had to be created individually—a very time-consuming process which often allowed for errors or inconsistencies.

Fowler first discovered the mimeograph in the 1970s. She remembers sometimes coming away from tasks as an inky mess, but it was still better than typing all the copies one by one.

She married in 1948, remaining with husband Harry for 42 years. They operated Fowler’s Dairy from 1954 to 1978, with Helen’s business skills, including bookkeeping and communications, as vital assets. The company was located near the modern Armstrong building: it purchased milk from Marigold Dairy near Rochester and delivered it via three different routes to back doorsteps all over Waseca. Early on in the business, glass bottles were used and had to be collected and returned for sanitizing. Later, disposable paper containers were used.

After selling the dairy business in 1978, Fowler became a member of the Brown Electric staff. Her skills benefitted the long-standing downtown television and appliance company from 1978 to 1994, when she retired at age 74.

Fowler remembers the 56 years which spanned her career as a busy time. She misses certain things which have changed, recalling that downtown Waseca once had five grocery stores and four dress shops, all within a few blocks of each other.

She and Harry raised four children: Mark, Mike, Connie, and Brad. Of the four, two are still living; daughter Connie lives in Virginia. The youngest, Brad, in his early 60s, is considering retiring from his career as a crop duster in North Dakota.

Fowler admits she has no genuine answer for all the people who ask for the secret to her longevity. “Just keep moving and keep breathing, I guess,” she says with a smile. She can make no claim to any special knowledge or technique, admitting she owes a great deal to genetics: her mother, Mary Marso Gallagher, died in 1994 at age 100.

In her case, she says, reaching this week’s 102-year milestone, is something of a perfect storm: “Good genes, good friends, good health—and a lot of good luck.”

Meet your neighbor, Joel

Name: Joel Weber	Favorite Food: Ice cream
Town: Waseca	All Time Favorite Movie: <i>Pirates of the Caribbean I</i> , followed by <i>Star Wars I</i>
Age: 63	Favorite Sports Team: Vikings
Hometown: Waseca	Favorite musical artist: The Stones
Family: Parents: Emery and Grace Weber; Wife Betty; Kids: John, Melissa, Christopher, Megan; 12 grandkids	My favorite activities when I was growing up: Getting together with my brother and cousin and neighbor on a Saturday morning playing board games. Our favorite game was RISK.
Occupation: Field Claims supervisor for Farmers Mutual Hail of Iowa	My biggest pet peeve: People who are late.
Hobbies: I like my yard. I like to travel too. Hiking and biking.	The best advice I’ve ever received: Always be honest
My dream vacation would be: A European River Cruise.	If I could have lunch with any one person, living or dead: John F. Kennedy
The best thing about small town living is: Friendliness of the community. It’s rare that I meet someone who is not friendly.	Something about me that would surprise people: I do have a soft heart.
Last Good Book I Read: A good <i>James Patterson</i> novel	
Favorite TV show: SWAT	



Neighbor Joel said his soft heart may come as a surprise to people who knew him growing up.



Sherry Scholljegerdes and Beth Stankiewicz in front of the painting they brought back from a medical missions trip to Haiti.



Beth Stankiewicz



The silent auction at the Waseca Art Center raised funds for the new ramp at Waseca Area Caregivers Services headquarters.



Bob Stephan entertains with his music at the Waseca Art Show silent auction. Pioneer photos by Melanie Piltingsrud



Trudy and Dick Fisher enjoy the art show.

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viding advice for making the home a safer place for the elderly, as well as breaks for caregivers. Journeys, another branch of WACGS, provides services for high risk youth, such as finding permanent residences and work for homeless individuals, who haven't been homeless long enough for county or state officials to step in.

Beddeger and Stuckmayer contacted businesses and community members, asking them to donate artworks for the silent auction. The response was phenomenal; both galleries at the Art Center were filled with donated drawings, paintings, and prints. Although the idea of a collaboration between WACGS and

the Art Center was first conceived in April, a last-minute cancellation by an exhibitor fast-tracked the event to take place July 8 – 29.

The reception on Friday began at 5 p.m. Beth Stankiewicz, program director and accounts manager for WACGS, attended a table at the door where visitors signed in and collected their bidding numbers, while local musician Bob Stephan entertain with his talented guitar playing. Morgan's Meat Market donated meat and cheese trays for the Friday evening event. Lush Cakes provided mini cakes and colorful macaroons. The Mill Event Center catered an array of wine and non-alcoholic beverages.

Attendees visited and toured the galleries to bid on artworks, and then toured them again to compare notes with friends on which pieces they hoped to win. Some of the attendees included Brad Donner, who recently

began working as office manager at the art center, Shanna Peoble, program coordinator for WACGS, Sherry Scholljegerdes, who donated artworks she brought back from a medical missions trip to Haiti with granddaughter Stankiewicz, Carol Wobshall and Diane Forsythe, whose bids won them both a small collection of paintings they found delightful, and Trudy and Dick Fisher, who unofficially shared a history of the building in which the Waseca Arts Center now exists.

As the clock ticked toward 6:30 p.m., Beddeger counted down the last five seconds, at which time the bidding closed, and those with winning bids collected and paid for their newly acquired artworks.

All of the proceeds for the Hometown Art Show Silent Auction went toward WACGS. It is estimated that this event raised over \$1,000 for the



Melanie Piltingsrud ecstatic with her \$10 art show prize.

organization. The organizers hope to make the collaboration between WACGS and the Waseca Art Center a yearly event.

OBITUARIES

Willow Rae Bense

Willow Rae Bense was born on November 15, 2013, at Immanuel St. Joseph Hospital in Mankato to John and Kelly (Nielsen) Bense. She resided in Waseca and Janesville with her parents and brothers: Jovah and Jack Bense. In 2018, HoneyRose Bense was born, and the young Bense family moved to the Janesville countryside.

Willow attended Head Start in Waseca, then kindergarten through 2nd grade at JWP elementary school in Janesville. Willow enjoyed all aspects of school, especially, Mathematics and Art. In crayon, marker, pencil, and paint, Willow colored and created her world. In every room there was pictures of family and wildlife. She decorated school and home alike. Butterflies and Unicorns were constant companions. Willow filled hours and pages with bright reflections. Much like Willow's art, her smile and personality was full of light and vibrant energy. Friends and family meant everything to Willow, and she knew the value of being a good friend to others.

Summer was alive with days in the sun at the pool, and winter was for curling up in blankets and pillows watching movies and having lively long conversations. Dancing and singing are Willow's favorite of all. She wrote and sang songs and choreographed moves for hours. Her dreams were of stars and stages. Willow recently began gymnastics and tumbling in Mankato, practicing everyday while cherishing her Monday evenings when she was able to meet with



Willow Bense

her teammates and coaches. Willow's greatest gift was the love from her heart that she shared with us all. She will be missed by many.

Willow is survived by her parents, John and Kelly Bense; siblings: Jovah, Jack, and Honey-Rose; grandparents: Jack and Terry Bense and Neil and Bonnie Neilsen; aunts, uncles, cousins, other relatives and many friends.

On July 21, 2022, Willow went to heaven to be received by God's unfailing love.

Visitation was Friday, July 29, 2022, at the Janesville Chapel of Dennis-Steffel-Omtvedt Funeral Homes. Visitation continued for one hour prior to the service at the church on Saturday.

Mass of Christian Burial was Saturday, July 30, 2022, at St. Ann's Catholic Church in Janesville with Father Brian Mulligan as Celebrant.

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Frederick Lorentz

Frederick Joseph Lorentz, age 69, of Janesville died on Wednesday, July 27, 2022, at Mayo Clinic Health System in Mankato.

Born on February 28, 1953, in Waseca to Ernest and Isabel (Lynch) Lorentz. Fred attended Janesville High School, graduating with the class of 1971. He continued his education at Vermillion Community College in Ely where he studied Forestry. Following his education, Fred began working at National Parks including Smoky Mountain, Yellowstone, Grand Teton, and Shenandoah. He also worked as a over the road truck driver for many years. In his early years, Fred loved snow skiing and running. He enjoyed country music, nature, spending time outdoors, fishing, and bowling. He was an avid fan of the Minnesota Vikings. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus and St. Ann Catholic Church in Janesville.

Frederick is survived by his siblings: Kathleen Lorentz of Janesville, Barbara Lorentz of Lake-



Frederick Lorentz

ville, and Roderick (Diane) Lorentz of Janesville; other relatives and friends.

Preceded in death by his parents and brother, Leo.

Mass of Christian Burial was at 11 am on Tuesday, August 2, 2022, at St. Ann Catholic Church in Janesville. Burial was in the church cemetery. Visitation was for one hour prior to the service at the church on Tuesday.

I guess reading is a cheat code

Reading is a finicky thing, don't you think? Some people need complete silence while reading. Others can do it in just about any surroundings. Some people have a certain reading spot, others can read sitting, laying, hanging upside down.

I remember in fourth grade reading *A Wrinkle In Time* during recess, drowning out the shouts, laughter, and screaming of my fellow fourth-graders on a playground. The nurse at the time asked me how I could possibly focus and read with all the noise. As I looked up at the others, my ears started attending to their sounds again, letting me hear them. It hadn't occurred to me that not everyone could do that, just get lost in the story enough to ignore the world around them.

In second grade, because I had been reading, spelling tests were less of a challenge for me. I would put a book on my lap under the desk and in between writing down the words the teacher called off, I would read. Write down a word, read. Write



To Be Determined

by Amelia Roessler
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down another word, go back to reading. I hadn't realized when the teacher came to be standing next to me, but she told me I had to put my book away. I realize now now that what I was doing could be considered cheating, but honestly, I was just bored in between writing words.

Sometimes, I miss being able to drown out life and just read. When I started reading and walking (skillfully, I might add), I got used to reading while also being aware of my surroundings, never able to fully drown out the world around me. When I got older, and reading time became precious, I would always be thinking in the back of my head about the alarm I had set to tell me I

needed to stop reading and go do something.

Now, I have little time to read for pleasure. I am 200 pages away from finishing Diana Gabaldon's third book in the Outlander series. Between school and work, it has taken me over a year to finish it. Also, why does she make the books so long? Ten books in the series, all of them close to 1,000 pages. I know I could just watch the show, but I would much rather read the stories than watch them. Many details are missed when a book is made into a movie or television show, so I think most avid readers can agree with me.

In elementary or middle school, when I was reading the Harry Potter

series for the first time, I refused to let my sister or my family watch the movies until I had finished reading it. It is still my philosophy today. Well, for the most part. Sometimes I will give in and watch the movie, knowing that I might never read the book, considering the never-ending list of books that I want to read next.

Anyway, reading is what inspired me to be an author. I have even started my own novel, but that was a couple of years ago. I got thirty pages into the story, with all the characters and the plot written out, when it hit me that I was just writing a spin-off of *Mulan*, so the project had to go back to the drawing board. Between work, school, and being forced to write papers for college (not fun), nothing yet has changed in my novel, but maybe someday I will get back to it.

"One day, you will be old enough to start reading fairy tales again." - C.S.Lewis, *The Chronicles Of Narnia*.

Night to Unite



SERVING LINE - From left, Kyle Gallagher, Brian Lange, Kayla Corneliusen, and Liz Gruenhagen serve hot dogs, buns and water donated by Kwik Trip and Morgan's Meat Market. Waseca Walmart also donated bikes for the bike raffle during Waseca's Night to Unite Tuesday, August 2.

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versations with them about crime prevention or anything else.

Among the local safety personnel Wasecans may want to become better acquainted with are Penny Vought, Kris Markeson, James Armendariz, Scott Girtler, Courtney Hartle, Jared Chrz, Chris Maziarka, Angie Grotberg, Tim Schroeder, Nick Wellman, Andrew Harren, Brent Brass, Jacob Kaplan, Elizabeth Gruenhagen, Greta Luiken, Barbara Kietzman, and Christine Worke.

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Mike Danberry is all set up in his new Remax office in Janesville. Pioneer photo by Michael Roy

Selling homes and putting out “fires”

By MICHAEL ROY
Publisher

Real estate has been part of Mike Danberry’s world for almost fifteen years.

After graduating from Janesville-Waldorf-Pemberton in 2007, he didn’t hesitate to get his feet wet, jumping head first into the real estate industry. He saved up the money to buy his first foreclosed house in 2008 and expanded his business through the years.

“I started buying multiple foreclosed properties after that first one,” Danberry says. He would buy the house and “flip” it, investing, renovating, and selling the house for a profit.

“I would remodel two to three of those properties at a time,” he remembers.

In 2019, he extended his interests further into the real estate industry, starting a radon mitigation business. He recalls that he was running around all the time checking his customers’ homes for radon and managing his own renovations. Things were looking great for him.

Then 2020 came.

Danberry broke his back while insulating a shed during the fall of that year. While recovering, he decided to take a different step in his career and began online schooling for his real estate license.

“When I fell and broke my back, I was unsure about how recovery was going to go,” he admits. “I was looking into something that I already had knowledge in. That’s when I decided to get my license.”

He officially received his real estate license in January 2021. Since then, he’s been on the other side of the flipping business, giving advice to new property owners on how to do what he’s done over the years while helping young couples buy their first home. He started his job at Remax recently and is excited for the new step in his real estate career.

“My primary focus now is helping people buy and sell properties,” Danberry says. “I also like taking new flippers and talking over investment numbers and giving them tips to help them become successful.”

Danberry works out of the brand-new Remax Janesville office as part of the “home team.” He describes their coverage area as “far west in Mankato to Owatonna” and “a ways” north and south of the Highway 14 corridor.

His boss is Dennis Terrell, a man who owns four Remax offices in St. Peter, Mankato, Le Center, and most recently Janesville. Terrell says he hired Danberry because of his experience in various parts of the real estate industry.

“If he’s listing a home for you, he will help find things that you

should correct so it sells for the highest price,” Terrell says. “If he’s representing a buyer, he can help look for stuff that could cause potential troubles.”

Terrell says another reason that he wanted Danberry as part of his Remax team is that he was “a good family man.” Danberry married his high school sweetheart from Waseca and has four children. His family has been with him every step of the way, including moving 17 times in 13 years. They currently live on a farm south of Janesville.

Danberry’s typical day can vary depending on what pops up on his schedule. He helps with farm chores in the morning, gets to the office to prepare his paperwork, and hits the road to help clients buy or sell properties throughout the day. As Terrell puts it, “Our typical day is anywhere from selling something to putting out fires.”

Both Danberry and Terrell explain that being a real estate agent means juggling multiple jobs at one time.

“We are dealing with people in a high emotional stage in their lives,” Danberry says. “We are trying to look at both sides’ interests. That naturally creates tense emotions. We should be licensed counselors, financial aid representatives, and investors. Those are all different things that we assist people with.”

One thing he didn’t expect when getting into the real estate industry is that every house, new or old, has a story. “There’s always a history of the house, whether it’s family memories or its construction. A house is a place where people become emotionally attached, whether it’s a five-year-old house or a fifty-year-old one. Some will tell us, ‘This is where the tree fell. This is where our dog died. This is where our daughter took her first steps.’”

It’s these stories that make the challenges and troubles of being a real estate agent worthwhile.

What will be Danberry’s next steps in the real estate industry? He says that he wants to expand his business to include selling farmland. “I do some farming, too,” he says. “I have this desire for it. I like to understand the barn structures. When I help clients buy farm sites, whether they plan on farming or not, it’s good to tell them what to expect.”

Terrell also expressed interest in it. “I’ve been farming for 40 years,” he says. “There’s a lot of money to be made selling farmland, you need the right people.”

Danberry’s ready to help his clients navigate the real estate business. “I love helping clients through the first stages of home ownership. It’s one of the most enjoyable parts of the job.”

New assessor, attorney sworn in

Weber, Nelson take oath of office

By AMELIA ROESSLER
Editorial Assistant

Two new county employees were sworn in at the August 2 meeting of the Waseca County Board of Commissioners: Attorney Deja Weber joined the county attorney’s office. Waseca resident and former Steele County Assessor Brock Nelson was sworn in for a four-year term as the county assessor.

MnDOT Presentation

Representatives from the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT), including the district engineer and acting planning director, gave a presentation regarding the Capital Highway Investment Plan (CHIP). The presentation summarized a 10-year plan which looks at available funding and at roadway conditions, and prioritizes repairs and construction projects. According to MnDOT’s Ride Quality Index (RDI), Waseca County’s highways have been found to be either in good

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or fair shape, although two intersections in the county are regarded as “poor”: One is the junction of Highways 13 and 30 at the eastern edge of New Richland, another is along Hwy 13 in the northern half of Waseca.

The earliest MnDOT project scheduled to take place in Waseca County isn’t until 2031, when Hwy 13 north from Waseca to state Hwy 60 will be repaved. In 2032, a “potential project” is under consideration: a section of Hwy 13 entering Waseca from the south is on the schedule to be resurfaced.

Action Items

Authorization for the County Engineer to purchase highway right of way for a bridge located on County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 5 over the Little LeSueur River was approved. The bridge is in need of re-



Brock Nelson was sworn in as the new county assessor during the county commissioners’ meeting Tuesday, August 2.

Pioneer photo by Amelia Roessler

placement and construction plans have been prepared in accordance with state requirements.

The VFW donated money toward the purchase of a new Veteran Transportation van. Commissioners voted to approve acquiring the needed vehicle, which will cost about \$45,000, and will have more safety features than the one currently in use. It was suggested that the replacement is badly needed, since the current van already has 300,000 miles on it.

Commissioners also approved updating the mileage reimbursement rate for standard mileage when on county business. Eligible miles will now be paid at the new federal rate

of 62.5 cents up from the previous rate of 58.5 cents.

Administration

A water quality assessment for milfoil in Loon Lake is underway to determine some baseline numbers. Workers on this will come before the Board of Commissioners at some point in the future.

Construction should be wrapped up in the courthouse at the end of this week, possibly the beginning of next week.

The public is reminded that special elections are coming up on August 9. Sample ballots were run in last week’s *Pioneer*.

Two men charged in Janesville drive-by

By DEB BENTLY
Staff Writer

Following a drive-by shooting on Main Street in Janesville Tuesday afternoon, a man in his 20s is in stable condition after being treated for a gunshot wound to the back. Two men, William Peavy, 31, of Waseca and Devonte Phillips, 26, of Mankato, are in custody at the Waseca County Jail after being charged with, in Peavy’s case, aiding an offender to avoid arrest, and in Phillips’, first degree assault leading to great bodily harm.

Accounts from various witnesses of Tuesday’s occurrence paint a picture of the victim’s vehicle being pursued at high speed by the two detainees’ vehicle off of Minnesota Highway 14 and down some area roads into Janesville, where the victim was fired upon and injured along Main Street.

Janesville resident Mike Sheehy describes having been at “a normal

day at work” at the Janesville Hardware store when he heard the sounds of squealing tires followed by gunfire— except that it was so rapid Sheehy describes it as having been similar to a large truck gearing down its transmission. Another commenter speculated that the sound seemed similar to a nail gun.

Sheehy and others stepped out into the street where they observed a vehicle driving rapidly eastward on Old Highway 14, and also saw the victim in his car, which was still rolling forward. “He shouted ‘Call 9-1-1!’” says Sheehy. The vehicle, a black Kia Forte, collided with the Janesville Post Office before coming to a stop.

The Janesville Police Department reports numerous emergency calls received at about 3 p.m. Based on witness descriptions of the escaping vehicle and its direction of travel, deputies from the Waseca County Sheriff’s office and officers from the



Devonte Phillips



William Peavy

Waseca Police Department were able to identify and stop the fleeing vehicle without incident. One handgun was recovered.

Sheehy describes the victim’s car as having been riddled with bullet holes, including having a broken windshield and passenger-side window. He and another witness stood near the broken glass to prevent approaching cars from driving across it. “We counted 25 9-millimeter casings,” he says.

As part of an on-going investigation, the Janesville Police Department requests that any witnesses

who made video of the occurrence make those available to law enforcement. Submissions can be anonymous if desired. At this time, the police department is working with the Waseca County Sheriff’s office and the Bureau of Criminal Apprehension to investigate the relationship between the occupants of the two vehicles. Assistance was provided at the scene by the Blue Earth County drug task force, the Waseca Police Department, and the Minnesota State Highway Patrol.

Waldorf man sentenced to 15 years for sexual conduct

By DEB BENTLY
Staff Writer

Michael Lee Bennett, 33, of Waldorf, will be serving 10 years in prison followed by 15 years of “conditional release” for criminal sexual conduct he committed against six victims including children from at least two different households. The sentence was pronounced July 13 after Bennett had previously pleaded guilty to the charges.

During the sentencing hearing, Waseca County Attorney Rachel Cornelius called Bennett’s case “one of the most egregious of my career,” citing the number of victims, the 2-year span of the abuse, and that Bennett “preyed on children with special

needs and past histories of trauma.” In a victim impact statement shared during the hearing, one minor revealed having attempted suicide twice after being made to feel “ugly, worthless and nasty” by Bennett’s abuse.

Noting that people who are sexually abused as children have increased chances of someday becoming sexual predators, Cornelius suggested that Bennett “lacks an appreciation for the impact of his behavior.” She further commented that he had caused harm which would lead to years of trauma and possibly lifelong therapy for the victims, and even had a chance of harming future generations. Cornelius requested the

maximum possible sentence for Bennett’s circumstances, 18 years.

Defending attorney Dawn Johnson requested the minimum sentence for Bennett’s circumstances, citing that he had requested and begun taking part in treatment during the 225 days he had already served in jail. She suggested that he had shown “insight and remorse” regarding his behavior during that treatment, and that he had chosen to plead guilty to the charges against him “to save the victims from the trauma of testifying.”

As she pronounced her decision, presiding judge Carol M. Hanks accused Bennett of “warped thinking” in claiming that “your absence from [victims’] lives is a greater loss than



Michael Lee Bennett

the trauma you inflicted.” Her final statement was “I sincerely hope you get the help you need to deal with your issues.”

The minor who had shared her feelings in her victim impact statement had phrased things a bit more strongly: “I’m hoping you get everything you deserve in prison.”

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Waseca Blood Drive, August 1



The Waseca American Legion sponsored a blood drive from 12:30 pm to 5 pm on Monday, August 1. Pictured here are donor and *Pioneer* writer Amelia Roessler with Red Cross technicians Carlos, Alex, Jeremy and Ari.

Pioneer selfie by Amelia Roessler

Child's History of Waseca

The following is a continuation of Chapter V of Child's History.

About two weeks after the arrival of Mr. Sutlief and his company, as detailed in chapter three, MR. Christopher Scott and family, accompanied by a man called "Pat," came over from Straight River, where they had been staying since the previous fall. They, too, were from Wisconsin, near Fox Lake. This family stayed, or "hung up," in the Sutlief cabin, which, on their arrival, was pretty well filled; at least, it contained twelve persons, although it was only 14x16 feet with no chamber room. But in those days the stranger was welcome so long as there was standing room in the abode of the pioneer.

Mr. Scott immediately made a claim about a mile north of Sutlief's. This claim is now owned by Mr. John Carmody, Sr. Mr. Scott commenced building a cabin, which was constructed of logs notched together at the corners; the building was "shingled" was basswood troughs; the crewices between the logs and troughs were chinked with prairie grass, cut in February, and then daubed, or plastered, with mud; the floor was the frozen ground, and the "banking" around the cabin was made of snow.

There was no lumber in the country nearer than Mankato, and such a cabin was all that could be constructed with the materials at hand. Mrs. Scott having two or three small children, the bottom of a wagon box was brought in and laid upon the ground for them to play on, and for Mrs. Scott to use as a sort of sitting room.

Near the close of February Mr. Sutlief started for Dodge County, Wis. Leaving his business in Minnesota in charge of J. E. Child. Mr. Scott, who was going to La Crosse for provisions, accompanied Mr. Sutlief. They went by way of Owatonna, having learned that several teams had been driven from Owatonna to La Crosse within the month of February. Mr. Sutlief reached his destination in due time; and Mr. Scott, after a long and laborious struggle and much expense, returned with a small supply of flour and pork.

Chapter VI, 1856

Great thaw in march followed by a second winter – Alone and blind with cattle to care for – Mrs. Scott's kindness – two men from Iowa out in all that storm and nearly starved.

The first week in March brought a thaw and a freshet. The snow entirely disappeared and the weather was warm and pleasant. So, on a very fine Sunday morning I concluded to take a tour of inspection around Silver Lake. In passing around the lake, when crossing its outlet on what is now the Pat Madden farm, I broke through the ice and was thoroughly drenched in ice water.

Very soon after this baptism, the wind sprang up from the northwest and before I reached the cabin that afternoon, a severe snow storm was raging. In returning from school Section 36, that evening, where I was obliged to go to feed the cattle, I faced the storm for half a mile, and my eyes were injured by the hail and sleet.

I also contracted a severe cold that day, and the next morning, my eyes were so inflamed that I could not open them nor bear the light. I was in a "Fletcherian fix" being all alone, with fifty cattle and sheep to

feed and water, and I as blind as a bat. I tried to raise the only neighbors – those at Scott's claim a mile away – by loading and firing a rifle that was in the cabin; but this availed nothing.

However, as good luck would have it, the storm ceased about noon, and Mr. Plummer from Scott's claim, came over on an errand. He fed and watered the stock, brought in some wood and promised to return next morning. I could see no better that day than on the previous day; so, when Mr. Plummer had cared for the cattle, he proposed that I should go with him to the Scott cabin where Mrs. Scott could poultice my eyes and care for them. The proposition was gratefully accepted.

"Sim" said that as soon as spring should arrive, he could furnish the eyes if "Pat" would the legs, and they would "leg it" back to the scenes of their childhood, etc.

After being kindly treated for a week, I so far recovered my sight that I was able to return to the Sutlief cabin and attend to my duties. The country was really having a second winter in March. The weather was cold, and ice had again formed on all the streams and ponds.

A morning or two after I had returned to the Sutlief cabin, and while I was preparing my breakfast, I heard rapping at the door and said "come in." A stranger, looking haggard enough, walked in, and grasping me by the hand, expressed his joy at finding a cabin and someone living in it.

He said that he and another man, during the warm spell of weather had left the northernmost settlement, on the Des Moines River, in Iowa, with a horse and "jumper," bound for Mankato. On the third day of their journey they had met the heavy snowstorm which had swept over the Northwest, and partly lost their course, but struck the headwaters of the Le Sueur on the east side, and, supposing it to be the Blue Earth River, had followed along down, expecting to find the Mankato settlement.

For three days preceding their arrival here, they had been without anything to eat, except a few ears of corn that they had brought along for horsefeed. The horse had subsisted for several days on nothing save dead prairie grass, and the browse from the bushes in the small groves along their route.

One of the men was nearly blind from exposure to wind, sun, and storm, and both were very much reduced in strength for want of food and rest. The horse was nearly starved. They had come into he riverbend opposite the Sutlief cabin the evening before and had camped overnight, almost discouraged and with little hope of ever reaching Mankato or seeing their families again.

Within the night they thought they could hear occasionally, the sound of a cowbell, and at early dawn they surely heard the roosters crow. Hope revived; and, as daylight came on, the man who could yet see, following the sounds which they had heard, crossed the river and found the shanty. They were gladly welcomed, and remained at the cabin several days before they and their horse were strong enough to pursue their journey to Mankato. I never saw nor heard of them afterwards.

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Prechel's happy place, the library

By JONAH STAFFORD
Staff Writer

On Thursdays from 2 to 8 p.m., local retiree Linda Prechel offers a smiling face and helping hand at the Janesville Public Library, where she works as a part-time librarian.

"I used to go to this library when I was a kid," said Prechel, who added that the house she shares with her husband in Janesville is only two blocks from where she grew up.

While Prechel said she did not anticipate remaining in Janesville her entire life, she needed to return home to help her grandparents during her young adulthood and it ended up being a convenient place to live when she was employed in Mankato and her husband in Waseca.

Prechel is a graduate of South Central College, where she studied computer science and business. An avid coder, Prechel designed an original payroll program for Honeynead, a soybean oil corporation formerly based in Mankato.

Prechel also worked for a time as a bank teller in downtown Minneapolis, but did not remain there for long.

Dedicated to her church community, Prechel started volunteering and later working at Janesville's Trinity Lutheran Church and School when her own children attended class

"I used to go to this library when I was a kid. This is my happy place."

— Linda Prechel,
Janesville librarian

there. For 20 years, she was a cook and preschool teacher at Trinity.

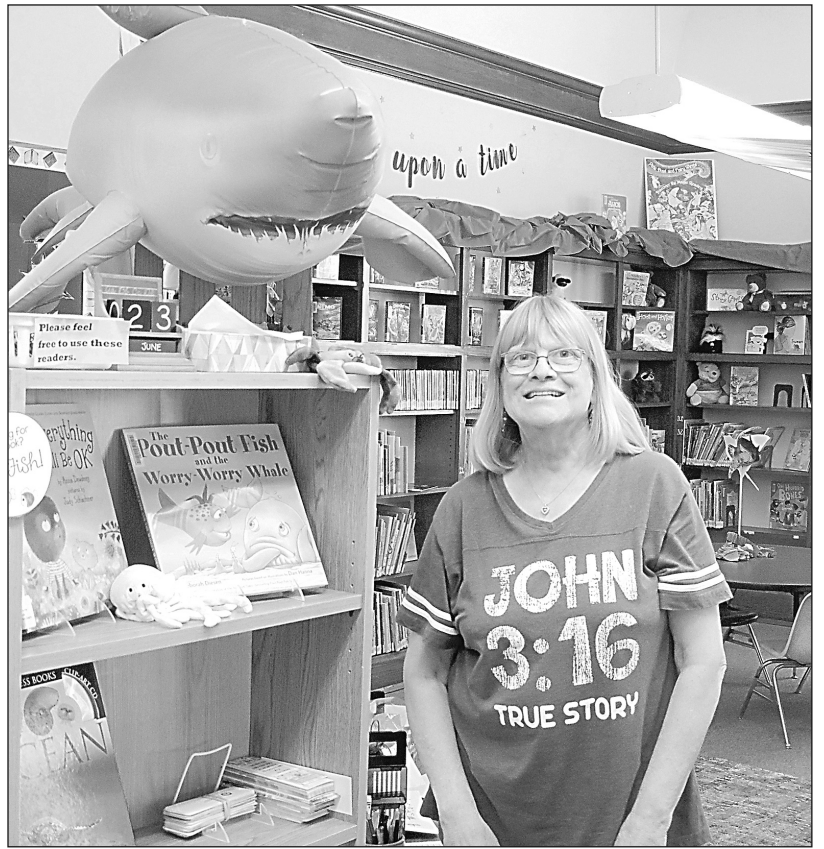
Prechel said her final class of preschoolers graduated from high school last year.

At the Janesville Public Library, Prechel formerly headed summer art programs, around the same time she worked at Trinity. She is now unable to work full time because her husband has Parkinson's Disease and she must take him to appointments and ensure he receives the medical care he needs.

When she comes in, though, Prechel very much enjoys her job.

"This is my happy place," Prechel said of the Janesville Public Library.

Talking to the various people who come in, especially children, is Prechel's favorite part of her job. She



Janesville Librarian Linda Prechel in her "happy place," the Janesville Public Library.

Pioneer photo by Jonah Stafford

especially enjoys when families visit the library together.

In addition to engaging with community members who come into the library, Prechel is close with her co-workers.

She describes the other Janesville librarian, Sharon Tlusty as a "sweet person" and considers herself "blessed to have some really awesome people to work with" in the Waseca-Lesueur Library System.

This summer, the Janesville Public Library is running the "Ocean of Possibilities" summer reading program, hosting story times, and holding various programs and parties.

While Prechel "can't clean house all day," she enthusiastically wears her position at the Janesville Public Library as a badge of honor, happily offering book recommendations and other assistance to those who come in.



Amy Loufek

A crafty time at the Starfire Event Center

By JONAH STAFFORD
Staff Writer

Over a dozen vendors greeted a crowd of eager shoppers at the first ever Summer Bazaar Craft Show held Saturday at Waseca's Starfire Event Center. Offered for sale was a wide variety of merchandise from signs to hand-stitched gifts to hair and wellness products.

Many of the items on display at the bazaar were locally sourced. Amy Wagle of A&M Creations, was selling signs made in her Waseca home, 6 blocks from the sale.

Starfire Event Center manager Mindy Jimenez organized the summer bazaar, which was similar in format to a holiday-themed show that took place last winter. Like the holiday sale, Saturday's event took

two months of planning, advertising, and organizing.

Looking ahead, Jimenez said preparations are already underway for this year's holiday craft show.

Jimenez herself had a booth at the bazaar, where she sold Wink Well all-natural supplements. Another vendor, Amy Loufek of Montgomery, offered handmade pouches, travel bags, water bottles, and more. Owatonna's Dawn Canny sold wooden crafts, baked goods, jams, and more for her home business, Dawn's Delightful Creations.

After the summer bazaar closed for business, the Starfire Event Center hosted a country music concert featuring performers Penny Gilley and Doug Nash.



Amy Wagle



Dawn Canny

■ Cornelius

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days in the courtroom. "Those are waterproof mascara days," she jokes.

There are also other ways Cornelius and her staff try to look out for children. Over the past few months she gave presentations at area schools warning teens that it is literally dangerous to give out too much information on social media. She reveals that every 2-3 months or so, her office deals with a case where a teen has been victimized by a "friend" met online. "These are only the cases we know about. Unfortunately there are lots of youth who don't report."

In addition to criminal, child protection and adult protection cases, Cornelius mentions that her office has the task of advising various county offices on civil matters, such as contracts, planning and zoning,

elections and tax questions. "It really is a vast array of law that we cover here. We have to be knowledgeable in many different areas of the law. When we can't answer, we make sure to seek assistance from other attorneys in order to protect Waseca County."

Along with the difficult and routine, the job also offers moments of fulfillment. For Cornelius, one such incident happened in the summer of 2021, when, after working with many organizations and individuals, she was instrumental in helping get the "Matson Strong" legislation enacted. The law, named after Waseca Police Officer Arik Matson, stiffens the penalties for criminals who harm law enforcement personnel, including everyone from judges to correctional officers.

"The reason I take such pride," she comments, "is because it's very difficult to change a law. But we managed to do it with a lot of hard work and collaboration."

In another case, she is proud to have appealed a probationary (non-

prison) sentence given to a sex offender. "An appeal from the prosecution is quite unusual," she says. "In fact, in all my years here, this was the first appeal where I have been the one appealing the judge's decision."

"Generally, whether we may agree or disagree with a court's ruling, we accept it and move on." However, in this case, the defendant, Timothy Wright, was supposed to go to prison for 168 months as part of a plea agreement. However, when the defense argued for a non-prison sen-

tence, the judge agreed. Cornelius appealed the district court's decision to the Minnesota Court of Appeals, which ultimately ruled in her favor: Wright went to prison for 168 months.

"It's a difficult, often frustrating job, but there is fulfillment in knowing we are able to make a difference—sometimes in small ways, sometimes in bigger ones. I absolutely love my job in serving and protecting Waseca County," says Cornelius.

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Cody Cunningham and Coach Tink Larson’s great-grandson Wyatt smile after the Braves tied the score at two against Minnesota Lake. Right, Peyton Garza tries to make the catch just prior to a collision at first base during the Braves’ final game of 2022, as they fell 3-2 to the Royals, Saturday, in Minnesota Lake. Pioneer photos by Eli Lutgens

Heartbreaking loss ends Braves’ season

By ELI LUTGENS
Publisher/Editor

The Royals sent the Braves home for the final time this year after a bases-loaded, two-out, walk-off error ended Waseca’s season 3-2 Saturday in Minnesota Lake.

Veteran left-hander Kelvin Nelson pitched another gem, going the distance, only allowing three runs, one earned, while striking out two and walking four, including the lead-off batter in the ninth, Nathan Moore, who represented the game-winning run.

Moore was erased and replaced at first base after a failed sacrifice bunt attempt from T.J. Nowak.

An errant throw on a grounder to third put runners on the corners. After stealing second, Nelson made a great play on a swinging bunt attempt, fielding the ball three feet up the first baseline, on the foul line. After tagging the hitter on the foot, Nelson ran Nowak, who was on third, back to the bag, but the throw was dropped at third and the umpires called everyone safe.

“You weren’t watching close enough,” Nelson told the umpires after the play, as the pair of officials discussed the play. The umpires agreed because they hadn’t seen the tag, that everyone was safe. A notably upset Nelson shook his head as he looked to the Royals’ runner at first, Jay Byram, who remained silent.

With the infield in, a grounder to hometown kid, Maple River graduate Seth Anderson, erased the runner at third as he came home with the play, catching the runner by a step and a half for the second out.

With two outs, the infield returned to normal depth. The eight-hole hitter, Koby Nagel, grounded a slow grounder to short. Tyson Reger bobbled it, looked to second, and threw to first. Nagel was safe by three steps as Ethan Sandelir, who reached on the throwing error earlier in the inning, scored the game winning run.

How did we get here?

A leadoff double, followed by a pop fly single between the right fielder, the center

fielder, and second base, led to two runners in scoring position for the Royals in the bottom of the third with nobody out. A grounder to third had Nagel, the runner occupying second, confused. He ran to third, but Danny Cromer, who fielded the grounder, didn’t see him. He threw to first for the out as Nagel nearly collided with the runner occupying third, who then went home to score the first run of the game.

A grounder to Reger at short was thrown home on the next play to limit the damage.

The Braves answered right away in the fourth. A two-out single from catcher Chris Glynn, who said he appreciates all the help he can get from the newspaper in his dating life, was followed by an RBI double to the deepest part of the park, left-center, from Kyle Waugh.

The inning ended after a Ryan Wangen groundout off the glove of the pitcher. Wangen grounded out two more times to the pitcher and kept asking why his batted balls kept finding their way to the pitcher’s mitt.

A leadoff double from Royal Nowak was plated on an RBI single from Ethan Sandelir, putting the Royals ahead 2-1 in their half of the fourth.

The Braves tied the game in sixth, but left two runners in scoring position. Uriah Possin singled on a screaming one-out single off the glove of Royal third baseman TJ Schmidtke, and scored on a Glynn single up the middle.

Waugh struck out and Wangen grounded out to the pitcher, again, to end the inning.

The Brave struck out five times over their next nine at-bats, going down in order the final three frames.

The Braves end their season with a record of 8-14.

Braves manager Blake Nelson — Kelvin’s dad — thanked all who played for the team this season and looks forward to better things next year.

“This is what you play for,” said Blake. “The guys need to remember this feeling next year, the fun of it. As you get older, you don’t get this competition anymore. This is what

you play for. Come January, we need to start taking this more seriously.”

Assistant Braves manager Tink Larson revealed the team broke one record in 2022, a mark that stood for 50 years. The team batting average was .210. The previous record was .219 in 1972.

Larson is confident the Braves will fare better in 2023.

“We could just as well have beat (Minnesota Lake),” he said. “We played with them but made a couple mistakes.”

Larson was pleased to see the squad keep battling despite facing adversity, including some players who did not return from the previous season and Nelson sustaining an injury.

“It makes such a difference when Kelvin pitches,” said Larson. “We hope everyone is looking forward to next year. We will definitely be better.”

				WASECA BRAVES - 2022															
NAME	G	AB	R	H	E	2B	3B	HR	SB	SAC	BB	SO	RBI	SLG%	OB%	AVG			
Hitting																			
Anderson, Seth	14	50	10	12	6	2	0	0	0	1	7	6	2	0.280	0.333	0.240			
Cromer, Danny	21	55	4	10	6	2	0	1	1	2	5	12	7	0.273	0.250	0.182			
Cunningham, Kodi	4	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	0.000	0.000	0.000			
Feeney, Alex	17	54	6	10	2	2	0	0	1	1	7	14	2	0.222	0.279	0.185			
Garza, Payton	11	26	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	7	2	0.154	0.154	0.154			
Glynn, Chris	20	68	11	18	8	5	0	0	3	2	15	16	5	0.338	0.398	0.265			
Hanson, Scott	13	37	3	7	0	2	0	1	0	0	11	12	4	0.324	0.375	0.189			
Hoehn, Zach	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.000	0.000	0.000			
Larson, Tink	7	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0.000	0.000	0.000			
Mann, Ty	2	3	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	0.667	0.333	0.333			
Madsen, Cam	3	10	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	0.200	0.182	0.100			
McQuery, Carter	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0.000	0.000	0.000			
Nelson, Blake	5	7	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	3	2	0.143	0.333	0.143			
Nelson, Kelvin	18	56	9	15	5	0	0	0	2	2	13	7	5	0.268	0.406	0.268			
Phelps, Taylor	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.000	0.000	0.000			
Possin, Uriah	20	66	8	13	8	1	0	0	1	2	9	10	0	0.212	0.293	0.197			
Reger, Jason	6	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0.333	0.333	0.333			
Reger, Tyson	19	42	4	4	4	1	0	0	2	0	4	7	1	0.119	0.174	0.095			
Schoenrock, Ben	5	14	1	4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	3	0.286	0.286	0.286			
Simmons, Eric	13	32	2	6	2	0	0	0	0	0	5	5	3	0.188	0.297	0.188			
Wangen, Ryan	19	52	6	12	1	1	0	0	0	4	11	12	5	0.250	0.365	0.231			
Waugh, Kyle	21	83	14	22	0	3	0	6	5	0	11	25	22	0.518	0.351	0.265			
TOTALS	22	671	80	141	45	21	0	8	16	16	101	153	65	0.277	0.313	0.210			
OPPONENTS	22	668	133	156	40	25	2	3	38	17	130	131	90	0.290	0.358	0.234			
NAME	G	CG	SH	S	W	L		R	ER		H	BB	SO	HBP	IP	ERA			
Pitching																			
Cromer, Danny	10	2	1	1	3	4		20	17		50	16	33	1	52.67	2.90			
Hoehn, Zach	1	0	0	0	1	0		5	4		5	7	4	2	6.33	5.69			
Larson, Tink	2	0	0	0	0	0		3	3		4	1	0	0	1.00	27.00			
Madsen, Cam	3	1	0	1	0	2		20	14		13	22	16	1	11.67	10.80			
McQuery, Carter	4	1	0	0	0	3		31	19		20	26	29	1	20.00	8.55			
Nelson, Kelvin	7	2	0	0	1	1		11	8		26	11	21	1	31.33	2.30			
Possin, Uriah	9	0	0	0	2	2		23	16		19	16	13	8	22.67	6.35			
Reger, Jason	5	0	0	0	0	0		1	1		4	6	1	0	7.00	1.29			
Reger, Tyson	1	0	0	0	0	0		1	1		0	2	2	0	2.00	4.50			
Simmons, Eric	4	0	0	0	0	2		18	15		15	23	12	2	16.67	8.10			
Forfeit	1	0	0	0	1	0		0	0		0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00			
TOTALS	22	6	1	2	8	14		133	98		156	130	131	16	171.34	5.15			



ALMOST... YES! HE CAUGHT IT - Danny Cromer makes a foul ball catch which popped in, then out, and then back into his glove. Eighty-year old Tink Larson jogs off the field after catching warm-up pitches. Below, Maple River graduate, head Waseca Jays basketball coach Seth Anderson lays down a bunt and delivers the relay throw to first base on a double play.



2022 Waseca County Fair 4H judging results

The 2022 Waseca County Fair has been the highlight of the year for over 200 members in Waseca County 4-H, as they saw their hard work pay off with livestock shows, exhibit judging, and other fun events. Below are the 4-H youth who received recognition for their project work at the 2022 Waseca County Fair

DOG SHOW RESULTS – Saturday, July 9 and Sunday, July 10, 2022

Grand Champion Beginner Agility – Sydney Lewer, Riverside Ramblers
Reserve Champion Beginner Agility – August Bethke, Vista Busy Bees
Grand Champion Jumpers 1A Agility – August Bethke, Vista Busy Bees
Reserve Champion Jumpers 1A Agility – Eliza Sankovitz, Homegrown Explorers
Grand Champion Obedience Foundation – Rylie Cromwell, Vista Busy Bees
Reserve Champion Obedience Foundation – Angel Myers, Riverside Ramblers
Grand Champion Obedience Beginner – Sydney Lewer, Riverside Ramblers
Reserve Champion Obedience Beginner – Eliza Sankovitz, Homegrown Explorers
Grand Champion Obedience Graduate Beginner – Christopher Hopper, Riverside Ramblers
Reserve Champion Obedience Graduate Beginner – Kaylee Ahna Berg, Janesville Jacks & Jills
Grand Champion Foundation Rally – Eliza Sankovitz, Homegrown Explorers
Reserve Champion Foundation Rally – Rylie Cromwell, Vista Busy Bees
Grand Champion Pre-Novice Rally – Eliza Sankovitz, Homegrown Explorers
Reserve Champion Pre-Novice Rally – Mikayla Lewer, Riverside Ramblers
Grand Champion Novice Rally – Christopher Hopper, Riverside Ramblers
Reserve Champion Novice Rally – Kaylee Ahna Berg, Riverside Ramblers
Grand Champion Novice Junior Showmanship – Alexis Myers, Riverside Ramblers
Reserve Champion Novice Junior Showmanship – Rylie Cromwell, Vista Busy Bees
Grand Champion Novice Senior Showmanship – Angel Myers
Grand Champion Open Junior Showmanship – Kaylee Ahna Berg, Janesville Jacks & Jills
Reserve Champion Open Junior Showmanship – Mikayla Lewer, Riverside Ramblers
Grand Champion Open Senior Showmanship – Eliza Sankovitz, Homegrown Explorers
Reserve Champion Open Senior Showmanship – Sydney Lewer, Riverside Ramblers
Grand Champion Open Excellent Showmanship – Christopher Hopper, Riverside Ramblers
Grand Champion Junior Dog Interview (Grades 3-8) – Mikayla Lewer, Riverside Ramblers
Reserve Champion Junior Dog Interview (Grades 3-8) – Alexis Myers, Riverside Ramblers
Grand Champion Dog Interview (Grades 9+) – Bailey Hodgkins, Clover Clan
Reserve Champion Dog Interview (Grades 9+) – Sydney Lewer, Riverside Ramblers
HORSE SHOW RESULTS – Monday, July 11, 2022
Grand Champion Training – Eliza Sankovitz, Homegrown Explorers
Grand Champion Showmanship, Miniature – Eliza Sankovitz, Homegrown Explorers
Grand Champion Showmanship, Training – Eliza Sankovitz, Homegrown Explorers
Grand Champion Junior (Grade 3-5) Showmanship – August Bethke, Vista Busy Bees
Reserve Champion Junior (Grade 3-5) Showmanship – Adler Bethke, Vista Busy Bees
Grand Champion Senior (Grades 10+) Showmanship – Eliza Sankovitz, Homegrown Explorers
Reserve Champion Senior (Grades 10+) Showmanship – Sydney Lewer, Riverside Ramblers
Grand Champion Senior (Grades 10+) English Equitation – Eliza Sankovitz, Homegrown Explorers
Reserve Champion Senior (Grades 10+) English Equitation – Jadyn White, Riverside Ramblers
Grand Champion Senior (Grades 10+) English Pleasure – Eliza Sankovitz, Homegrown Explorers
Reserve Champion Senior (Grades 10+) English Pleasure – Jadyn White, Riverside Ramblers
Grand Champion Junior (Grade 3-5) Western Horsemanship – Mikayla Lewer, Riverside Ramblers
Reserve Champion Junior (Grade

3-5) Western Horsemanship – Adler Bethke, Vista Busy Bees
Grand Champion Senior (Grades 10+) Western Horsemanship – Eliza Sankovitz, Homegrown Explorers
Reserve Champion Senior (Grades 10+) Western Horsemanship – Jadyn White, Riverside Ramblers
Grand Champion Junior (Grade 3-5) Western Pleasure – Adler Bethke, Vista Busy Bees
Reserve Champion Junior (Grade 3-5) Western Pleasure – Mikayla Lewer, Riverside Ramblers
Grand Champion Senior (Grades 10+) Western Pleasure – Eliza Sankovitz, Homegrown Explorers
Grand Champion Senior (Grades 10+) Ranch Pleasure – Jadyn White, Riverside Ramblers
Reserve Champion Senior (Grades 10+) Ranch Pleasure – Timothea Volkmer, Independent
Grand Champion Senior (Grades 10+) Trail Class – Eliza Sankovitz, Homegrown Explorers
Reserve Champion Senior (Grades 10+) Trail Class – Erin Volkmer, Independent
Grand Champion Mini, In-Hand Trail Class – Eliza Sankovitz, Homegrown Explorers
Grand Champion Mini, In-Hand Jumping – Brooke Jahr, Waldorf Peppy Peppers
Reserve Champion Mini, In-Hand Jumping – Eliza Sankovitz, Homegrown Explorers
Grand Champion Junior (Grades 3-5) Barrel Race – Isabel Anderson, Homegrown Explorers
Grand Champion Intermediate (Grades 6-9) Barrel Race – Ezra Boerner, Vista Busy Bees
Reserve Champion Intermediate (Grades 6-9) Barrel Race – Izley Boerner, Vista Busy Bees
Grand Champion Senior (Grades 10+) Barrel Race – Bailey Hodgkins, Clover Clan
Reserve Champion Senior (Grades 10+) Barrel Race – Taylor Anderson, Homegrown Explorers
Grand Champion Junior (Grades 3-5) Jumping Figure 8 – Isabel Anderson, Homegrown Explorers
Grand Champion Intermediate (Grades 6-9) Jumping Figure 8 – Ezra Boerner, Vista Busy Bees
Reserve Champion Intermediate (Grades 6-9) Jumping Figure 8 – Izley Boerner, Vista Busy Bees
•Grand Champion Senior (Grades 10+) Jumping Figure 8 – Taylor Anderson, Homegrown Explorers
Reserve Champion Senior (Grades 10+) Jumping Figure 8 – Bailey Hodgkins, Clover Clan
Grand Champion Junior (Grades 3-5) Key Race – Isabel Anderson, Homegrown Explorers
Grand Champion Intermediate (Grades 6-9) Key Race – Ezra Boerner, Vista Busy Bees
Reserve Champion Intermediate (Grades 6-9) Key Race – Izley Boerner, Vista Busy Bees
Grand Champion Senior (Grades 10+) Key Race – Taylor Anderson, Homegrown Explorers
Reserve Champion Senior (Grades 10+) Key Race – Bailey Hodgkins, Clover Clan
Grand Champion Junior (Grades 3-5) Pole Weaving – Isabel Anderson, Homegrown Explorers
Grand Champion Intermediate (Grades 6-9) Pole Weaving – Ezra Boerner, Vista Busy Bees
Reserve Champion Intermediate (Grades 6-9) Pole Weaving – Izley Boerner, Vista Busy Bees
Grand Champion Senior (Grades 10+) Pole Weaving – Taylor Anderson, Homegrown Explorers
Reserve Champion Senior (Grades 10+) Pole Weaving – Timothea Volkmer, Independent
Grand Champion Costume Class – Ezra Boerner, Vista Busy Bees
Grand Champion Egg & Spoon – Ezra Boerner, Vista Busy Bees
Reserve Champion Egg & Spoon – Eliza Sankovitz, Homegrown Explorers
Grand Champion Heart Run – Ezra Boerner, Vista Busy Bees
Reserve Champion Heart Run – Bailey Hodgkins, Clover Clan
Grand Champion Horse-Related – Karley Hamilton, Clover Clan
Grand Champion Horseless Horse – Chloe Vogt, Independent
Reserve Champion Horseless Horse – Angel Myers, Riverside Ramblers
Grand Champion Junior Interview (Grades 3-8) – Mikayla Lewer, Riverside Ramblers
Reserve Champion Junior Interview (Grades 3-8) – Isabel Anderson, Homegrown Explorers
Grand Champion Senior Interview (Grades 9+) – Taylor Anderson, Homegrown Explorers
Reserve Champion Senior Interview (Grades 9+) – Eliza Sankovitz, Homegrown Explorers
RABBIT SHOW RESULTS – Wednesday, July 13, 2022
Grand Champion Overall Purebred

Rabbit – Audrey Gray, Homegrown Explorers
Reserve Champion Overall Purebred Rabbit – Matthew Feldkamp, Clover Clan
Grand Champion Overall 4 Class Rabbit – Audrey Gray, Homegrown Explorers
Reserve Champion Overall 4 Class Rabbit – Karley Hamilton, Clover Clan
Grand Champion Overall 6 Class Rabbit – Matthew Feldkamp, Clover Clan
Reserve Champion Overall 6 Class Rabbit – Liah Adams, Janesville Jacks & Jills
Grand Champion Doe and Litter – Angel Myers, Riverside Ramblers
Reserve Champion Doe and Litter – Bailey Hodgkins, Clover Clan
Grand Champion Market Pen – Angel Myers, Riverside Ramblers
Grand Champion Market Single Fryer – Angel Myers, Riverside Ramblers
Reserve Champion Market Single Fryer – Brody Gray, Homegrown Explorers
Grand Champion 4 Class Junior Buck – Karley Hamilton, Clover Clan
Reserve Champion 4 Class Junior Buck – Brody Gray, Homegrown Explorers
Grand Champion 4 Class Senior Buck – Audrey Gray, Homegrown Explorers
Reserve Champion 4 Class Senior Buck – Chloe Vogt, Independent
Grand Champion 4 Class Junior Doe – Audrey Gray, Homegrown Explorers
Reserve Champion 4 Class Junior Doe – Matthew Feldkamp, Clover Clan
Grand Champion 4 Class Senior Doe – Brody Gray, Homegrown Explorers
Reserve Champion 4 Class Senior Doe – Ezra Boerner, Vista Busy Bees
Grand Champion 6 Class Junior Doe – Isaac Feldkamp, Clover Clan
Reserve Champion 6 Class Junior Doe – Joe Feldkamp, Clover Clan
Grand Champion 6 Class Junior Buck – Matthew Feldkamp, Clover Clan
Reserve Champion 6 Class Junior Buck – Sam Feldkamp, Clover Clan
Grand Champion 6 Class Senior Doe – Liah Adams, Janesville Jacks & Jills
Reserve Champion 6 Class Senior Doe – Angel Myers, Riverside Ramblers
Grand Champion 6 Class Senior Buck – Matthew Feldkamp, Clover Clan
Reserve Champion 6 Class Senior Buck – Angel Myers, Riverside Ramblers
Grand Champion Rabbits for Fun – Ezra Boerner, Vista Busy Bees
Reserve Champion Rabbits for Fun – Gavin Hodgkins, Clover Clan
Grand Champion Junior Rabbit Interview (Grades 3-8) – Ezra Boerner, Vista Busy Bees
Reserve Champion Junior Rabbit Interview (Grades 3-8) – Sam Feldkamp, Clover Clan
Grand Champion Senior Rabbit Interview (Grades 9+) – Matthew Feldkamp, Clover Clan
Reserve Champion Senior Rabbit Interview (Grades 9+) – Angel Myers, Riverside Ramblers
Grand Champion Junior Rabbit Showmanship – August Bethke, Vista Busy Bees
Reserve Champion Junior Rabbit Showmanship – Adler Bethke, Vista Busy Bees
Grand Champion Intermediate Rabbit Showmanship – Sam Feldkamp, Clover Clan
Reserve Champion Intermediate Rabbit Showmanship – Kaylee Ahna Berg, Janesville Jacks & Jills
Grand Champion Senior Rabbit Showmanship – Karley Hamilton, Clover Clan
Reserve Champion Senior Rabbit Showmanship – Matthew Feldkamp, Clover Clan
POULTRY SHOW RESULTS – Wednesday, July 13, 2022
Grand Champion Overall Poultry – Matthew Feldkamp, Clover Clan
Reserve Champion Overall Poultry – Benjamin Walechka, Janesville Jacks & Jills
Grand Champion Breeding Chickens – Oriana Jewison, Homegrown Explorers
Reserve Champion Breeding Chickens – Teagan Tietje, Janesville Jacks & Jills
Grand Champion Chicken Egg production White egg layers – Matthew Feldkamp, Clover Clan
Reserve Champion Chicken Egg production White egg layers – Kayla Knutson, Homegrown Explorers
Grand Champion Chicken Egg production Brown egg layers – Benjamin Walechka, Janesville Jacks & Jills
Reserve Champion Chicken Egg production Brown egg layers – Isaac Feldkamp, Clover Clan
Grand Champion Market Chickens



Liah A.

– Matthew Feldkamp, Clover Clan
Reserve Champion Market Chickens – Luke Feldkamp, Homegrown Explorers
Grand Champion Market Ducks – Sam Feldkamp, Clover Clan
Reserve Champion Market Ducks – Matthew Feldkamp, Clover Clan
Grand Champion Breeding Ducks – Samuel Carlson, Palmer Sunbeams
Grand Champion Bantam Breeding Ducks – Theodore Carlson, Palmer Sunbeams
Grand Champion Show & Hobby – Joe Feldkamp, Clover Clan
Grand Champion Junior Poultry Interview (Grades 3-8) – Jacob Knutson, Homegrown Explorers
Reserve Champion Junior Poultry Interview (Grades 3-8) – Mikayla Lewer, Riverside Ramblers
Grand Champion Senior Poultry Interview (Grades 9+) – Matthew Feldkamp, Clover Clan
Reserve Champion Senior Poultry Interview (Grades 9+) – Ben Walechka, Janesville Jacks & Jills
Grand Champion Junior Poultry Showmanship – Luke Feldkamp, Clover Clan
Reserve Champion Junior Poultry Showmanship – Mackenzie James, Palmer Sunbeams
Grand Champion Intermediate Poultry Showmanship – Oriana Jewison, Homegrown Explorers
Reserve Champion Intermediate Poultry Showmanship – Jacob Knutson, Homegrown Explorers
Grand Champion Senior Poultry Showmanship – Theodore Carlson, Palmer Sunbeams
Reserve Champion Senior Poultry Showmanship – Matthew Feldkamp, Clover Clan

SHEEP SHOW RESULTS – Wednesday, July 13, 2022

Grand Champion Junior Lamb Lead – Jaiden Johnson, Clover Clan
Grand Champion Senior Lamb Lead – Kloe Wadd, Homegrown Explorers
Reserve Champion Senior Lamb Lead – Bailey Hodgkins, Clover Clan
Grand Champion Commercial Breeding Sheep – Karley Hamilton, Clover Clan
Reserve Champion Commercial Breeding Sheep – Kloe Wadd, Homegrown Explorers
Grand Champion Registered Breeding Sheep – Karley Hamilton, Clover Clan
Reserve Champion Registered Breeding Sheep – Karley Hamilton, Clover Clan
Grand Champion Wether Dam – Hannah Sommers, Riverside Ramblers
Reserve Champion Wether Dam – Hannah Sommers, Riverside Ramblers
Grand Champion Market Lamb – Kloe Wadd, Homegrown Explorers
Reserve Champion Market Lamb – Hannah Sommers, Riverside Ramblers
Champion Fleece – Karley Hamilton, Clover Clan
Grand Champion Sheep Interview (All Grades) – Karley Hamilton, Clover Clan
Reserve Champion Sheep Interview (All Grades) – Bailey Hodgkins, Clover Clan
Grand Champion Junior Sheep Showmanship – Hannah Sommers, Riverside Ramblers
Reserve Champion Junior Sheep Showmanship – Jaiden Johnson, Clover Clan
Grand Champion Senior Sheep Showmanship – Kloe Wadd, Homegrown Explorers
Reserve Champion Senior Sheep Showmanship – Cole Gartner, Riverside Ramblers
GOAT SHOW RESULTS – Thursday July 14, 2022
Grand Champion Overall Dairy Goat – Alexis Myers, Riverside Ramblers
Reserve Champion Overall Dairy Goat – Rylee Cromwell, Vista Busy Bees
Grand Champion Dairy Goat Doe Kid – Rylee Cromwell, Vista Busy Bees
Reserve Champion Dairy Goat Doe Kid – Eliza Sankovitz, Homegrown Explorers
Grand Champion Yearling Doe – Alexis Myers, Riverside Ramblers
Reserve Champion Yearling Doe – Rylee Cromwell, Vista Busy Bees



Angel M.

Grand Champion Goat Interview (All Grades) – Karley Hamilton, Clover Clan
Reserve Champion Goat Interview (All Grades) – Eliza Sankovitz, Homegrown Explorers
Grand Champion Junior Dairy Goat Showmanship – Rylee Cromwell, Vista Busy Bees
Reserve Champion Junior Dairy Goat Showmanship – Gavin Hodgkins, Clover Clan
Grand Champion Intermediate Dairy Goat Showmanship – Alexis Myers, Riverside Ramblers
Reserve Champion Intermediate Dairy Goat Showmanship – Jax Ge-reau Mulcahey
Grand Champion Senior Dairy Goat Showmanship – Eliza Sankovitz, Homegrown Explorers
Reserve Champion Senior Dairy Goat Showmanship – Karley Hamilton, Clover Clan
Grand Champion Dairy Market Wether – Alexis Myers, Riverside Ramblers
Reserve Champion Dairy Market Wether – Rylie Cromwell, Vista Busy Bees
Grand Champion Overall Meat Goat – Isabella Eaton, Homegrown Explorers
Reserve Champion Overall Meat Goat – Cole Schlueter, Janesville Jacks & Jills
Grand Champion Meat Market Doe – Ty Krautkremer, Homegrown Explorers
Reserve Champion Meat Market Doe – Cole Schlueter, Janesville Jacks & Jills
Grand Champion Meat Market Wether – Cole Schlueter, Janesville Jacks & Jills
Reserve Champion Meat Market Wether – Ty Krautkremer, Homegrown Explorers
Grand Champion Meat Goat Breeding Doe – Isabella Eaton, Homegrown Explorers
Reserve Champion Meat Goat Breeding Doe – Mya Gartner, Riverside Ramblers
Grand Champion Goat Interview (All Grades) – Karley Hamilton, Clover Clan
Reserve Champion Goat Interview (All Grades) – Eliza Sankovitz, Homegrown Explorers
Grand Champion Junior Meat Goat Showmanship – Rylie Cromwell, Vista Busy Bees
Reserve Champion Junior Meat Goat Showmanship – Mya Gartner, Riverside Ramblers
Grand Champion Intermediate Meat Goat Showmanship – Ty Krautkremer, Homegrown Explorers
Reserve Champion Intermediate Meat Goat Showmanship – Alexis Myers, Riverside Ramblers
Grand Champion Senior Meat Goat Showmanship – Karley Hamilton, Clover Clan
Reserve Champion Senior Meat Goat Showmanship – Cole Schlueter, Janesville Jacks & Jills

BEEF SHOW RESULTS – Thursday, July 14, 2022

Grand Champion Registered Breeding Beef Heifer – Brielle Gunsolus, Waldorf Peppy Peppers
Reserve Champion Registered Breeding Beef Heifer – Liah Adams, Janesville Jacks & Jills
Grand Champion Commercial Breeding Beef Heifer – Liah Adams, Janesville Jacks & Jills
Reserve Champion Commercial Breeding Beef Heifer – Lukas Love-rink, Vista Busy Bees
Grand Champion Cow / Calf Pair – Paige Gunsolus, Waldorf Peppy Peppers
Reserve Champion Cow / Calf Pair – Mackenzie Levos, Janesville Jacks & Jills
Grand Champion Market Beef Steer – Paige Gunsolus, Waldorf Peppy Peppers
Reserve Champion Market Beef



Liah A.



Brayleigh K.



Alexis M.

Steer – Brielle Gunsolus, Waldorf Peppy Peppers
Grand Champion Market Beef Heifer – Liah Adams, Janesville Jacks & Jills
Reserve Champion Market Beef Heifer – Hailey Levos, Janesville Jacks & Jills
Grand Champion Dairy Steer Prospect Calf – Hadley Roeker, Waldorf Peppy Peppers
Reserve Champion Dairy Steer Prospect Calf – Brayleigh Kuball, Palmer Sunbeams
Grand Champion Dairy Steer – Brayleigh Kuball, Palmer Sunbeams
Grand Champion Beef Prospect Calf – Abigail Miller, Janesville Jacks & Jills
Reserve Champion Beef Prospect Calf – Siri Kuhns, Riverside Ramblers
Grand Champion Heifer Prospect Calf – Paige Gunsolus, Waldorf Peppy Peppers
Reserve Champion Heifer Prospect Calf – Ella Ryks, Riverside Ramblers
Grand Champion Senior (Grades 9+) Beef Interview – Stranton Ofte-dahl, Waldorf Peppy Peppers
Reserve Champion Senior (Grades 9+) Beef Interview – Bailey Hodg-kins, Clover Clan
Grand Champion Intermediate (Grades 6-8) Beef Interview – Brielle Gunsolus, Waldorf Peppy Peppers
Reserve Champion Intermediate (Grades 6-8) Beef Interview – Paige Johnson, Vista Busy Bees
Grand Champion Junior (Grades 3-5) Beef Interview – Ryan Harguth, Riverside Ramblers
Reserve Champion Junior (Grades 3-5) Beef Interview – Mikayla Lewer, Riverside Ramblers
Grand Champion Senior Beef Showmanship – Paige Gunsolus, Waldorf Peppy Peppers
Reserve Champion Senior Beef Showmanship – Abigail Miller, Janesville Jacks & Jills
Grand Champion Intermediate Beef Showmanship – Brielle Gunsolus, Waldorf Peppy Peppers
Reserve Champion Intermediate Beef Showmanship – Paige Johnson, Vista Busy Bees
Grand Champion Junior Beef Showmanship – Liah Adams, Janesville Jacks & Jills
Reserve Champion Junior Beef Showmanship – Hadley Roeker, Wal-dorf Peppy Peppers

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SWINE SHOW RESULTS – Friday, July 15, 2022

Grand Champion Registered Breeding Gilt – Hadley Roeker, Waldorf Peppy Peppers
Reserve Champion Registered Breeding Gilt – Mikael Nelson, Vista Busy Bees
Grand Champion Commercial Breeding Gilt – Hadley Roeker, Waldorf Peppy Peppers
Reserve Champion Commercial Breeding Gilt – Jacob Knutson, Homegrown Explorers
Grand Champion Market Barrow – Hadley Roeker, Waldorf Peppy Peppers
Reserve Champion Market Barrow – Jaiden Johnson, Clover Clan
Grand Champion Market Gilt – Jaiden Johnson, Clover Clan
Reserve Champion Market Gilt – Owen Schlaak, Riverside Ramblers
Grand Champion Junior Swine Interview (Grades 3-5) – Kayla Knutson, Homegrown Explorers
Reserve Champion Junior Swine Interview (Grades 3-5) – Hadley Roeker, Waldorf Peppy Peppers
Grand Champion Senior Swine Interview (Grades 6+) – Jacob Knutson, Homegrown Explorers
Reserve Champion Senior Swine Interview (Grades 6+) – Aaron Merritt, Waldorf Peppy Peppers
Grand Champion Swine Rate of Gain – Ralph Roesler, Waldorf Peppy Peppers
Reserve Champion Swine Rate of Gain – Aaron Merritt, Waldorf Peppy Peppers
Grand Champion Junior Swine Showmanship – Hadley Roeker, Waldorf Peppy Peppers
Reserve Champion Junior Swine Showmanship – Jaiden Johnson, Clover Clan
Grand Champion Intermediate Swine Showmanship – Nathan Hager, Vista Busy Bees
Reserve Champion Intermediate Swine Showmanship – Paige Johnson, Vista Busy Bees
Grand Champion Senior Swine Showmanship – Ralph Roesler, Waldorf Peppy Peppers
Reserve Champion Senior Swine Showmanship – Payden Loverink, Vista Busy Bees

DAIRY SHOW RESULTS – Friday, July 16, 2021

Grand Champion Grade Holstein – Maia Bartelt, Riverside Ramblers
Reserve Champion Grade Holstein – Maia Bartelt, Riverside Ramblers
Grand Champion Registered Holstein – Hannah Sommers, Riverside Ramblers
Reserve Champion Registered Holstein – Hannah Sommers, Riverside Ramblers
Grand Champion Crossbred/Color Breed – Maia Bartelt, Riverside Ramblers
Reserve Champion Crossbred/Color Breed – Brooke Jahr, Waldorf Peppy Peppers
Grand Champion Dairy Interview (All Grades) – Karley Hamilton, Clover Clan
Reserve Champion Junior Dairy Interview (All Grades) – Jady White, Riverside Ramblers
Grand Champion Junior Dairy Showmanship – Hannah Sommers, Riverside Ramblers
Reserve Champion Junior Dairy Showmanship – Owen Sommers, Riverside Ramblers
Grand Champion Intermediate Dairy Showmanship – Jada Braund, Waldorf Peppy Peppers
Grand Champion Senior Dairy Showmanship – Maia Bartelt, Riverside Ramblers
Reserve Champion Senior Dairy Showmanship – Jady White, Riverside Ramblers

NON-LIVESTOCK JUDGING RESULTS

Overall Grand Champion Agronomy – Oriana Jewison, Homegrown Explorers
Overall Reserve Champion Agronomy – Jacob Harguth, Riverside Ramblers
Overall Grand Champion Animal Science – Oriana Jewison, Homegrown Explorers
Overall Reserve Champion Animal Science – Hannah Sommers, Riverside Ramblers
Overall Grand Champion Expressive Arts – Alexis Olson, Vista Busy Bees
Overall Reserve Champion Expressive Arts – Rylee Gruenhagen, Vista Busy Bees
Overall Grand Champion Family & Consumer Science – Hunter Myers, Riverside Ramblers
Overall Reserve Champion Family & Consumer Science – Isabel Anderson, Homegrown Explorers
Overall Grand Champion Food & Nutrition – Alexis Olson, Vista Busy Bees
Overall Reserve Champion Food & Nutrition – Joe Feldkamp, Clover Clan

Overall Grand Champion Gardening – Matthew Feldkamp, Clover Clan
Overall Reserve Champion Gardening – Alexis Myers, Riverside Ramblers
Overall Grand Champion Horticulture – Joe Feldkamp, Clover Clan
Overall Reserve Champion Horticulture – Kloe Wadd, Homegrown Explorers
Overall Grand Champion Personal Growth & Development – Rylee Gruenhagen, Vista Busy Bees
Overall Reserve Champion Personal Growth & Development – Mikael Nelson, Vista Busy Bees
Overall Grand Champion Photography & Video – Rylee Gruenhagen, Vista Busy Bees
Overall Reserve Champion Photography & Video – Eliza Sankovitz, Homegrown Explorers
Grand Champion Agronomy: Corn – Nick Harguth, Palmer Sunbeams
Reserve Champion Agronomy: Corn – Oriana Jewison, Homegrown Explorers
Grand Champion Agronomy: Plant & Soil Science – Oriana Jewison, Homegrown Explorers
Grand Champion Agronomy: Soybeans – Oriana Jewison, Homegrown Explorers
Reserve Champion Agronomy: Soybeans – Kloe Wadd, Homegrown Explorers
Grand Champion Agronomy: Weeds & Pests – Oriana Jewison, Homegrown Explorers
Reserve Champion Agronomy: Weeds & Pests – Jacob Knutson, Homegrown Explorers
Grand Champion Aerospace – Quinton Myers, Riverside Ramblers
Grand Champion Citizenship – Alexis Myers, Riverside Ramblers
Reserve Champion Citizenship – Alexis Olson, Vista Busy Bees
Grand Champion Consumer Education & Money Management – Kenley Gehrke, Waldorf Peppy Peppers
Grand Champion Crafts – Rylee Gruenhagen, Vista Busy Bees
Reserve Champion Crafts – Kinley Thostenson, Homegrown Explorers
Grand Champion Creative Writing – Quinton Myers, Riverside Ramblers
Reserve Champion Creative Writing – Teagan Tietje, Janesville Jacks & Jills
Grand Champion Elements of Photography – Rylee Gruenhagen, Vista Busy Bees
Reserve Champion Elements of Photography – Eliza Sankovitz, Homegrown Explorers
Grand Champion Fine Arts – Alexis Olson, Vista Busy Bees
Reserve Champion Fine Arts – Isaac Feldkamp, Clover Clan
Grand Champion Engineering Design – Joe Feldkamp, Clover Clan
Reserve Champion Engineering Design – Matthew Feldkamp, Clover Clan
Grand Champion Exploring Animals – Oriana Jewison, Homegrown Explorers
Reserve Champion Exploring Animals – Hannah Sommers, Riverside Ramblers
Grand Champion Exploring the Environment – Isaac Feldkamp, Clover Clan
Reserve Champion Exploring the Environment – Jamison Berg, Janesville Jacks & Jills
Grand Champion Fashion Revue – Alexis Myers, Riverside Ramblers
Reserve Champion Fashion Revue – Angel Myers, Riverside Ramblers
Grand Champion Flower Gardening – Joe Feldkamp, Clover Clan
Reserve Champion Flower Gardening – Luke Feldkamp, Clover Clan
Grand Champion Fruit – Isaac Feldkamp, Clover Clan
Grand Champion Food – Joe Feldkamp, Clover Clan
Reserve Champion Food – Luke Feldkamp, Clover Clan
Grand Champion Food Preservation – Alexis Olson, Vista Busy Bees
Reserve Champion Food Preservation – Isaac Feldkamp, Clover Clan
Grand Champion Food Revue – Alexis Myers, Riverside Ramblers
Reserve Champion Food Revue – Angel Myers, Riverside Ramblers
Grand Champion Global Connections – Quinton Myers, Riverside Ramblers
Grand Champion Home Environment – Hunter Myers, Riverside Ramblers
Reserve Champion Home Environment – Mark Myers, Riverside Ramblers
Grand Champion Indoor Gardening – Kloe Wadd, Homegrown Explorers
Reserve Champion Indoor Gardening – Karley Hamilton, Clover Clan
Grand Champion Industrial Technology: Metal – Theodore Carlson, Palmer Sunbeams
Grand Champion Industrial Technology: Wood – Landen Haefs, Homegrown Explorers
Reserve Champion Industrial Technology: Wood – Brody Gray, Home-

grown Explorers
Grand Champion Largest Vegetable – Matthew Feldkamp, Clover Clan
Grand Champion Mechanical Science – Isiah Alvarado, Riverside Ramblers
Reserve Champion Mechanical Science – Jamison Berg, Janesville Jacks & Jills
Grand Champion Needle Arts – Oriana Jewison, Homegrown Explorers
Grand Champion Nutrition – Alexis Myers, Riverside Ramblers
Grand Champion Performing Arts: Performance Based – Angel Myers, Riverside Ramblers
Reserve Champion Performing Arts: Performance Based – Myers Hand Clap Group, Riverside Ramblers
Grand Champion Performing Arts: Virtual – Matthew Feldkamp, Clover Clan
Reserve Champion Performing Arts: Virtual – Sam Feldkamp along with Matthew & Isaac Feldkamp, Clover Clan
Grand Champion Pets: Cat – Alexis Myers, Riverside Ramblers
Reserve Champion Pets: Cat – Gavin Hodgkins, Clover Clan
Grand Champion Pets: Dog – Josephine Olson, Palmer Sunbeams
Reserve Champion Pets: Dog – Gavin Hodgkins, Clover Clan
Grand Champion Pets: Pet – Adler Bethke, Vista Busy Bees
Reserve Champion Pets: Pet – August Bethke, Vista Busy Bees
Grand Champion Photo Manipulation – Eliza Sankovitz, Homegrown Explorers
Reserve Champion Photo Manipulation – Quinton Myers, Riverside Ramblers
Grand Champion Potato – Sam Feldkamp, Clover Clan
Reserve Champion Potato – Joe Feldkamp, Clover Clan
Grand Champion Purchased Clothing – Alexis Myers, Riverside Ramblers
Reserve Champion Purchased Clothing – Angel Myers, Riverside Ramblers
Grand Champion Quilting – Isabel Anderson, Homegrown Explorers
Grand Champion Safety – Rylee Gruenhagen, Vista Busy Bees
Reserve Champion Safety – Karley Hamilton, Clover Clan
Grand Champion Science of Animals – Karley Hamilton, Clover Clan
Reserve Champion Science of Animals – Karley Hamilton, Clover Clan
Grand Champion Science Inquiry – Karley Hamilton, Clover Clan
Grand Champion Self-Determined – Mikael Nelson, Vista Busy Bees
Reserve Champion Self-Determined – Kate Olson, Palmer Sunbeams
Grand Champion Shooting Sports – Hunter Myers, Riverside Ramblers
Reserve Champion Shooting Sports – Sam Feldkamp, Clover Clan
Grand Champion Technology – Isiah Alvarado, Riverside Ramblers
Grand Champion Upcycled Clothing – Angel Myers
Grand Champion Vegetable Gardening Box – Alexis Myers, Riverside Ramblers
Grand Champion Vegetable Plate – Alexis Myers, Riverside Ramblers
Reserve Champion Vegetable Plate – Alexis Myers, Riverside Ramblers
Grand Champion Wildlife Biology / Management – Gracie Morgan, Homegrown Explorers
Reserve Champion Wildlife Biology / Management – Molly Volovsek, Homegrown Explorers
Grand Champion Youth Leadership – Rylee Gruenhagen, Vista Busy bees

ADDITIONAL AWARDS & CHAMPIONS
Grand Champion Beef Promotional Poster – Jacob Harguth, Palmer Sunbeams
Reserve Champion Beef Promotional Poster – Karley Hamilton, Clover Clan
Grand Champion Dog Promotional Poster – Joe Harguth, Palmer Sunbeams
Grand Champion Dairy Goat Promotional Poster – Rylie Cromwell, Vista Busy Bees
Grand Champion Meat Goat Promotional Poster – Isabella Eaton, Homegrown Explorers
Grand Champion Llama-Alpaca Promotional Poster – Isabella Eaton, Homegrown Explorers

Grand Champion Rabbits Promotional Poster – Claire Harguth, Palmer Sunbeams
Grand Champion Swine Promotional Poster – Karley Hamilton, Clover Clan
Reserve Champion Swine Promotional Poster – Kayla Knutson, Homegrown Explorers
Champion Premier Showmanship – Matthew Feldkamp, Clover Clan
Reserve Champion Premier Showmanship – Karley Hamilton, Clover Clan
Champion Bale Decoration Contest – Riverside Ramblers 4-H Club
Reserve Champion Bale Decoration Contest – Janesville Jacks & Jills 4-H Club
Champion Club Skit – Riverside Ramblers
Champion Herdsmanship – Dairy: Abby Sommers, Brooke Jahr, Caden Sommers, Emerson Braund, Hadley Roeker, Hannah Sommers, Jada Braund, Jady White, Maia Bartelt, Owen Sommers, Presley Roeker

SOIL & WATER YOUTH CONSERVATION AWARDS

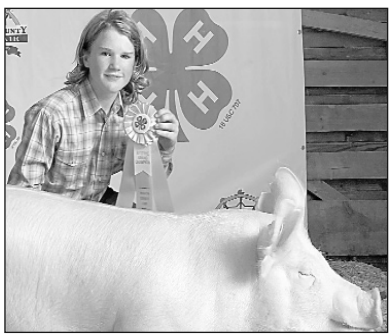
The Waseca County Soil and Water Conservation District awarded select exhibits with Youth Conservation Awards for their accomplishments in conservation. This year award winners were:
Adler Bethke, Vista Busy Bees
Alexis Olson, Vista Busy Bees
Cole Christensen, Palmer Sunbeams
Isaac Feldkamp, Clover Clan
Jacob Harguth, Riverside Ramblers
Lucas Hoehn, Riverside Ramblers
Mikael Nelson, Vista Busy Bees
Oriana Jewison, Homegrown Explorers
Rylee Gruenhagen, Vista Busy Bees

SENIOR SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

Waseca County 4-H awarded \$1,000 in scholarships to youth members who graduated High School in the spring of 2022. The scholarship recipients were:
Ben Walechka, Janesville Jacks & Jills
Brooke Jahr, Waldorf Peppy Peppers
Eliza Sankovitz, Homegrown Explorers
Rylee Gruenhagen, Vista Busy Bees
Taylor Anderson, Homegrown Explorers
Teagan Dann, Homegrown Explorers

MARKET LIVESTOCK BLUE RIBBON AUCTION

Several representatives from local businesses gathered at the recent Waseca County Fair to purchase the ribbons of 4-H market livestock animals. 4-H youth who earned a blue ribbon on their animal participated in the sale, with the ribbon being sold on 69 dairy steers, beef steers, swine, sheep, poultry, rabbits, and goats. Area auctioneers Larry Born, Ray Rew, and Bill Harguth volunteered their time as auctioneers for the event.
The Blue Ribbon Livestock Auction is the biggest fundraiser for the Waseca County 4-H Federation. This year \$32,273.25 was raised for youth in market livestock projects with the 4-H Federation receiving \$10,757.75 to be used for programming and scholarships to camps and leadership development opportunities. It will also support existing 4-H programming, like clubs, adventures, project workshops, and adult volunteer trainings. All 244 youth in Waseca County 4-H will benefit from profits raised at the 2022 auction.
Individuals and businesses who were buyers at the 2022 Waseca County 4-H Blue Ribbon Livestock Auction included Janike Seeds, Ag Partners, Jule & Wendy Johnson, Vista Farms, Knutson Grain & Seed LLC, Minnwest Bank, Brad Krause, Roesler Seed Schlaak Seed (Chanell), Androli Ag, Matt Groskreutz, Arnoldt Power Washing, Dead End Cattle Company, Tyler Raimann, Midwest Machinery – Neil Schlaak, Johnson Berkshires, TDL Farms, Waseca County Fair Food Vendors, Crystal Valley Coop, Whitewater Creek Grain & Feed, Dairyland Seed, First National Bank, Waseca Morgan's Meat Market, Charles Priebe Agency, Neighbors Meats, Southfork Seed, Mark Sommers, Gaylord Feed



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Jaiden J.

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Waseca County 4-H would like to say a big thank you to our sponsors, buyers and volunteers who took part and helped with the Auction. Without them, Waseca County 4-H wouldn't be able to support the youth program members in such an enormous way.

2022 MINNESOTA STATE FAIR TRIP WINNERS

Youth advancing to the Minnesota State Fair August 24 – August 28 with livestock projects are:
Beef – Brielle Gunsolus, Paige Gunsolus, Addison Kelm, Siri Kuhns, Hailey Levos, Mackenzie Levos, Lukas Loverink, Abigail Miller, Stranton Ofstedahl,
Dairy – Maia Bartelt, Jada Braund, Jady White
Goat – Olivia Eaton, Isabella Eaton, Ty Krautkremer, Alexis Myers, Whitnie Norton, Cole Schlueter
Poultry – Samuel Carlson, Theodore Carlson, Oriana Jewison, Benjamin Walechka
Rabbit – Ezra Boerner, Izley Boerner, Isaac Feldkamp, Joe Feldkamp, Matthew Feldkamp, Angel Myers, Chloe Vogt
Sheep – Cody Gartner, Cole Gartner, Karley Hamilton, Bailey Hodgkins, Kloe Wadd
Swine – Nathan Hager, Jacob Knutson, Mikael Nelson
Youth advancing to the State Horse Show from September 16 – September 19 are:
Taylor Anderson
Ezra Boerner
Avary Hopper
Bailey Hodgkins
Angel Myers
Eliza Sankovitz
Jady White
Erin Volkmer
Timothea Volkmer
Chloe Vogt
Youth advancing to the State Dog Show from September 24 – September 25 are:
Rylie Cromwell
Christopher Hopper
Jacob Lewer
Mikayla Lewer
Sydney Lewer
Alexis Myers
Angel Myers
Youth advancing with static projects will participate in the Minnesota State Fair August 30 – September 1 include:
Kenley Gehrke – Consumer Education & Money Management
Rylee Gruenhagen – Safety
Avary Hopper – Child & Family Development
Alexis Myers – Citizenship
Angel Myers – Exploring Animals
Hunter Myers – Home Environment
Quinton Myers – Creative Writing
Alexis Olson – Food Preservation
Youth advancing to the State Fair to participate with Waseca County Arts-In Performance titled “Teen Beach Party” at the State Fair include:
Julia Alvarado
Jaxon Alvarado
Isabel Berg
Olivia Eaton
Gemma Eaton
Avary Hopper
Alexis Myers
Angel Myers



Isiah A.



Hunter M.



Oriana J.



Alexis M.



Quinton M.



Rylee G.

Clubs advancing to the State Fair with their exhibits:
Homegrown Explorers – Club Banner
Riverside Ramblers – Share the Fun Club Skit

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BECK'S

Obedience or understanding?

By SANTIAGO RAMIREZ
Pastor's Column

In Matthew chapter 13, we find a story in which Jesus sits in a boat on the seashore; he speaks to many people, telling them the parable of the sower who went out to sow and the seeds were falling in different places: by the wayside, on the rocky areas, on the thorns, and good soil; verses later Jesus explains to his disciples why he uses parables and the meaning of the parable he just told.

A couple of years ago, I shared a message about this text with a group of young people who were very close to me. Each one of us shared what kind of place [we considered] our heart was at the moment when the word of the kingdom fell into it, as in the parable; it was a time of reflection, and in an impulse of emotion, I wanted to share the text with my mom. I asked her what she thought was the place in her heart where the word of the kingdom had fallen. To my surprise, Mom said, "Son, I believe I have experienced each of the stages described in the parable at different times in my life." I remained thoughtful for a few days.

I don't know if you identify with me, but Jonah is synonymous with disobedience in my head. Although Jonas did disobey, I consider it unfair to limit the whole story to that superficial conclusion.

At this point, you may wonder what these two stories have in common. In my eyes, they have in common a problem that concerns us all: reductionism.

Much of the technological progress of the last century is due to the tendency toward standardization and uniformity, mass production, and the opportunity for everyone to have access to the same thing seduced us so much that the idea materialized. Standardization and uniformity set the pattern of what is desired; their nature makes processes extremely practical, they streamline, and, in the face of difference, there are two options: it molds, that is, it takes the form that is desired, or it simply does not work. In their book Recomposition (2019), Alan Hirsch and Mark Nelson dedicate a whole chapter to this topic. They talk about: a significantly reduced God and a greatly reduced history and life. The tendency towards standardization and uniformity has led us to produce standard Christians, to facilitate a book of books (The Bible) to socially accepted patterns to fit in, as if there is any way to contain God in our minds.

The question I asked Mom was already narrowed down to my experience, hence the surprise at her answer. I consider reading Jonah's disobedience to be reduced to our lazy way of approaching the Bible. Rather than like it, we get used to letting others think for us; we buy ideas that suit us because it is easier than thinking, and that is where the success of this trend we have been talking about lies.

Nineveh was the capital of the Assyrian Empire, an Empire that threatened the people of Israel with its close presence. Jonah was a Hebrew (Jonas 1:9); apparently, he was clear about who the Lord is (Jonas 1:9; 4:2), and he was also an effective prophet (2 Kings 14:25). From one moment to another, the story tells us that Jonah, after having obeyed, was furious with God because He is kind and compassionate, not forgetting that his first reaction to God's words was to flee far enough away. I don't know about you, but to me, there is something here that doesn't quite add up.

The prophet Jonah is angry with God because the word He sent him to proclaim to Nineveh - the capital of an enemy Empire - is leading them to repentance. He is mad because God is showing mercy to a people that are not his people, and that is also the enemy's people! What is wrong with you, Jonah? Do you want God to do wrong with these people that are not your people? Do you expect that by fleeing from God, mercy will not reach them? How disobedient Jonah; how did it cross your mind to disobey God in the face of such a command?

I ask: where is our heart? Do we act out of obedience or out of understanding?

En Mateo capitulo 13 encontramos una historia en la que Jesus se sienta en una barca a la orilla del

mar, le habla a muchas personas contándoles la parábola del sembrador que salió a sembrar y las semillas iban cayendo en diferentes lugares: junto al camino, en los pedregales, en los espinos, y en buena tierra; versículos mas adelante Jesús le explica a sus discípulos el por qué usa parábolas y el sentido de esa parábola que acaba de contar.

Un par de años atrás estaba compartiendo un mensaje acerca de este texto con un grupo de jóvenes que era muy cercano a mí, y cada uno de nosotros compartió qué tipo de lugar [consideraba] era su corazón al momento en que la palabra del reino caía en él, como en la parábola; fue un tiempo de reflexión, y en un impulso de emoción quise compartir el texto con mi mamá. Le pregunté a ella, cuál pensaba que era el lugar en su corazón en que la palabra del reino había caído. Para mí sorpresa, mamá me dijo: "hijo, yo creo que he experimentado cada una de las etapas que describe la parábola en diferentes momentos de mi vida". Quedé pensativo por unos días.

No sé si se identifican conmigo, pero en mi cabeza Jonás es sinónimo de desobediencia, y aunque Jonas sí desobedeció, considero totalmente injusto limitar toda la historia a una conclusión tan superficial.

Se preguntaran a estas alturas ¿qué tienen en común estas dos historias? Ante mis ojos, tienen en común un problema que nos concierne a todos: el reduccionismo.

Gran parte del avance tecnológico del ultimo siglo se debe a la tendencia a la estandarización y la uniformidad, la producción en masa, la oportunidad de todos tener acceso a lo mismo nos sedujo tanto, que la idea se materializó. La estandarización y la uniformidad marcan el patrón de lo que se desea, su naturaleza hace de los procesos algo extremadamente practico, agilizan y, ante la diferencia hay dos opciones: se amolda, o sea toma la forma que se desea o simplemente no sirve. Creo que como iglesia no hemos sido ni somos ajenos a este fenómeno, Alan Hirsch y Mark Nelson en su libro Recomposición (2019) le dedican un capítulo completo a este tema, y nos hablan de: un Dios grandemente reducido, una historia grandemente reducida y una vida grandemente reducida. La tendencia a la estandarización y uniformidad nos han llevado a producir cristianos standard, a reducir un libro de libros (La Biblia) a patrones socialmente aceptados con tal de encajar, como si hubiera manera alguna de contener a Dios en nuestras mentes.

La pregunta que le hice a mamá estaba de antemano reducida a mi experiencia, de ahí la sorpresa a su respuesta. La lectura de la desobediencia de Jonas considero que está reducida a nuestra perezosa manera de acercarnos a la Biblia. Más que gustarnos, nos acostumbramos a dejar que otros piensen por nosotros, compramos ideas que se amoldan a nosotros porque es más fácil que pensar, y es tal vez ahí donde se encuentra el éxito de esta tendencia de la que venimos hablando.

Ninive era capital del Imperio Asirio, Imperio que amenazaba con su cercana presencia al pueblo de Israel. Jonas era un Hebreo (Jonas 1:9), al parecer tenía claro quien es el Señor (Jonas 1:9; 4:2), y además era un profeta eficaz (2 Reyes 14:25). De un momento a otro la historia nos cuenta que Jonas después de haber obedecido, estaba enfurecido con Dios porque Él es bondadoso compasivo, esto sin olvidar que su primera reacción ante las palabras de Dios fue huir lo suficientemente lejos. Yo no se ustedes, pero a mí hay algo aquí que no me cuadra mucho.

Jonás el profeta está enojado con Dios porque la palabra que Él le mando a proclamar a Ninive —la capital de un Imperio enemigo, los está llevando al arrepentimiento. Está enojado porque Dios le muestra misericordia a un pueblo que no es el suyo, ¡y que además es el pueblo enemigo! ¿Qué te pasa Jonás, acaso quieres que Dios acabe con ese pueblo que no es tu pueblo?, ¿pretendes que al huir de Dios, la misericordia no los alcance? Que desobediente Jonas, ¿cómo se te paso por la cabeza desobedecer a Dios ante tal mandato?

Pregunto yo: ¿dónde esta nuestro corazón?, ¿actuamos por obediencia o por entendimiento?

Sweet annual picnic
Burger, corn feed hosted by Knights of Columbus

By AMELIA ROESSLER
Editorial Assistant

On a beautiful sunny evening Monday, August 1, the families and members of the Catholic group "Knights of Columbus" had their annual KC Family Picnic Burger and Sweet Corn Feed at Northeast Park in Waseca.

As people trickled in from 5:30 to 7, quite a few families enjoyed their freshly fried burgers and sweet corn, along with sides and drinks.

This family picnic has been going on for a long time, according to Grand Knight and man in charge, Kevin Walter. Explaining that the Knights of Columbus council itself has been active for about 80 years, Walter speculates that the annual family picnic has been going on for a large portion of that time.

Acting as Grand Knight means more than just planning events such as this for Walter, who became ac-



The Petsingers, Becky, Matt, Matilyn, and Michael enjoy the annual Knights of Columbus picnic.

tive with the Knights of Columbus shortly after moving back into town 21 years ago. "I grew up in the church and knew everybody, but once you turn 18, you're invited to be a member. They called me the year I moved back to town and said 'stop by at a meeting and we'll get you inducted.' I've been a member ever since," Walter explains. His approach is that members of an organization should be involved and get to know people.

As for being Grand Knight, Walter knows that leadership is tough, especially in an organization based on volunteering. In June of next year, Walter will hand over his grand knighthood to Todd Norton, who will then take on the tasks of leading the council, organizing events, helping with local and national initiatives, and being active in the Catholic Church.



Flipper Brian Harguth

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50 YEARS AGO - PLANNED RETIREMENT - Harold Mitchell was working on his retaining wall along Lake Elysian when the Argus photographer stopped by Monday. He retired as an instructor of the Mankato Area Vocational Technical Institute last month, but says he has at least three years' work on his home out on the lake. Retirement is something he and his wife have planned ever since they were married, Mitchell said.

Argus Archives
100 years ago (1922)

- J. W. Jennison, who returned from the East Wednesday last, has but little to say with reference to what was disclosed during his trip. In fact, he did not even attempt to form an opinion. All he saw were hurrying crowds in the cities and smoke stacks galore with plenty of smoke issuing from the tops. If this is an indication of good times and a return to prosperous conditions, it was not appreciated at the time. He was away for about three weeks, spending time at Montclair, New Jersey.
- James McBride has been on the job at the C. H. Rickerman place of business since the latter left on account of business.
- The Waseca County Fair, Waseca, August 28-30, will emphasize all the progress which has been made in the livestock raising, home making, agriculture and children's work in this territory this past year.
- The rye and winter wheat harvest is over with reports of splendid crops everywhere and now the spring wheat crop is about to be cut.
- The Princess Theatre announces James Oliver Curwood's romance of snow drifts, with special Northwest prologue and musical setting, Friday and Saturday July 28 and 29, Special music with this program.
- No births have been reported to the office since the 11th of February and we feel confident that the matter of reporting births to the Recorder is being neglected. We have a record of two births only this year.

75 years ago (1947)

- One hundred and eighty-three cases of diptheria in Minnesota during the first six and one-half months of 1947, with 11 deaths, have been reported by Dr. A. J. Chesley, secretary and executive officer of the Minnesota Department of Health.
- Mrs. George Strunk entertained the Neighborhood Birthday club at her home Thursday evening. Five hundred was played at three tables with prizes awarded to Mrs. Carl Doss, Mrs. Walter Bergman and Mrs. Sully Walther.
- The Janesville Home Demonstration group held their monthly meeting on July 9th at the home of Mrs. Emil Miller.
- Near Paynesville, Lester Martinson found an albino gopher on his farm.
- After suffering for two weeks with a blood clot in the brain, Anthony Munz was called to his last reward Tuesday morning. When the attack was developed he was taken to Memorial hospital in Waseca where he passed away.
- State Commissioner of Agriculture R. A. Troatten, who is also a member of the State Soil Conservation Committee will be present at the soil conservation bearing to be held Friday evening, August 1st at the court room in the Court House in Waseca at 8:00. It is a public meeting and all interested parties may attend.
- The local branch of the Minneapolis Knitting Works has made arrangements for an Open House to be held on Thursday evening, August 7th, from 6:30 until 10:00 o'clock this evening. This occasion will give residents of Janesville and the surrounding community a good chance to see how the machines work and how the remodeled Town Hall looks and see exhibits of the company's merchandise.

50 years ago (1972)

- Mrs. Earl Gens and Nancy and grandchildchild, Tommy Steinborn of St. Peter visited Mrs. Ann Sieberg on Friday. Norma Kischke became the bride of Jim Fury on June 10 at 5 p.m. They were married at a double ring ceremony at Trinity Lutheran Church, Janesville.
- The Bingo Club members and their husbands were entertained in a pot luck picnic dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sully Walter on Monday, July 17.
- The Fortnightly Club met on Thursday afternoon, July 13, with Miss Isabel Finley, Mrs. H. A. Finley was a guest.
- "Bring your garage sale up town." That's the theme Janesville merchants have given their Second Annual Flea Market set for Saturday, August 12.
- The 93rd annual Waseca County Free Fair will get underway today at the country fairgrounds with Kids' Day and Snowmobile Drag Races being highlights of the afternoon
- Girl scout day camp will be at Maplewood Park, Waseca, from July 31 through August 4.
- American Legion Post 281 will host a memorial service for Comrade Art Koentopp at 8 p.m. Thursday evening at Janesville Cemetary.
- Mrs. John (Lynnell) Pemble, a graduate of the University of Minnesota in home economics and nursery school education, will be opening a nursery school in St. Clair in mid-September.

25 years ago (1997)

- Janesville's community theater is showcasing the talents of local residents. The children's theater will be performing "The Pied Piper of Hamelin," on Saturday-Sunday Aug. 16-17. Enough interest was also raised for an adult theater to begin. This group will perform "Oliver Twisted", a sort of comedy spoof on Charles Dickens' classic "Oliver Twist," on Saturday-Sunday 23-24.
- The talent of students, staff and alumni shined during the second annual JWP Fest held Saturday, July 26, at Sharon and Leo Keyes' residence.
- A Janesville-Waldorf-Pemberton Middle School teacher is being honored once again for her hard work and help to students. Fauniece Witt of Janesville, an English teacher at the middle school, has received a Golden Apple Achiever Award from Ashland-Oil Company.

Waseca archives

Waseca Herald
1922 (100 years ago)

Following a plan outlined by W. C. Coffey, director of the University Department of Agriculture, a group of Experiment Station staff men and editors of the agricultural papers visited the State Experimental Farm, adjoining this city last Saturday.

James Houdek, aged 37, a laborer employed with a road construction crew near Albert Lea, fell out of a boat and was drowned in Clear Lake Sunday morning.

Mrs. Geo. Scholljegerdes, St., and daughters, Leona and Lucille, entertained at a picnic luncheon at Mineral Springs, in honor of the former's niece, Miss Edna Prechel of Wichita Falls, Texas, the occasion being Miss Edna's seventeenth birthday.

Mrs. Anna D. Olesen, democratic candidate for U. S. senator, delivered an interesting address before an audience of nearly 300 people in the park at New Richland Monday morning. Following the address, a large number of those present, many of them republicans, congratulated the speaker and pledged her their support.

Premiums totaling \$250 are to be awarded prize-winning dairy cattle at the Waseca County Fair, Waseca, August 28-30, it was announced today.

Few people are aware of the wealth derived from butter and eggs in this locality. During the month of June approximately \$1,000 was paid out by the Waseca Creamery Association for every working day in the month. The total amount paid to the farmers by the Creamery Association was \$26,032.37.

Swift and Co. started work Monday on an addition to their Produce House in this city.

Waseca Herald
1947 (75 years ago)

The second health examination for our 4-H club members will be held this coming week in each of the four trade centers in the county according to Mrs. Doris Wyman, home demonstration agent.

The Waseca ball team had two games left in the regular schedule. Waseca plays here against New Ulm on July 30th in a twilight game which is an exhibition affair. It will meet Faribault this Sunday, July 27, at Faribault. The last game of the season is against Winona on Sunday, August 3rd and the two teams play at the Community Field here.

The marriage of Miss Ruth E. Bosacker and Anthony W. Syblirud took place in the Trinity Lutheran church of Waterville on Saturday, June 26 at three o'clock in the afternoon, Rev. H. P. Eggers performed the single ring ceremony.

Blue Ribbon winners in the field of Canine entertainment, these clever and beautifully trained dogs rank among the world's greatest. They will be seen in front of the Grandstand at the Steele County Free Fair for six days, starting August 12.

Waseca Daily Journal
1972 (50 years ago)

The reports of two more deaths in Minnesota traffic accidents have boosted the 1972 state road total with 442, compared with 501 to this date last year.

The Waseca American Legion baseball team under the direction of coach Tink Larson meets Caledonia in the first round of the District One Baseball Tournament at Planeview Saturday.

The Waseca Braves were rained-out of their Four County Play-off game with the Lakers Wednesday night. The game is rescheduled for 7:30 p.m. Friday night and will be played at Faribault.

Mankato State College's Highland Summer Theatre will present "You're A Good Man Charlie Brown" July 26, 27, 28, 29, and 30 in the PErforming Arts Center. Based on the comic strip "Peanuts" by Charles Schultz, the play is a musical romp through a day in the life of Charlie Brown, written by Clark Gesner.

Congress has approved a \$512,689 Housing Project for the city of New Richland.

Waseca County News
1997 (25 years ago)

A man on parole was sent back to prison after pleading guilty to stealing from a Southside kindergarten classroom and breaking into a Waseca home occupied by an elderly woman and her daughter. Gary Allen White, 27, was transported to a state prison Monday.

The fourth rabid skunk in Waseca County last week, and area veterinarians are warning residents to get their pets vaccinated. "We're really concerned, because when we see that number, it tells us there's something going on in the skunk population," said Dr. Jim Rundquist of Waseca.

Mandi Barbknecht of Janesville was crowned as the new Miss Waseca County at Saturday night's pageant.

To meet a growing community need for employees 24 hours a day, Elm Care Day Care has decided to offer night care, beginning Aug. 17.



Barbara Poppe
50 YEARS AGO - Mr. and Mrs. Harold Poppe, Preston, announce the engagement of their daughter, Barbara to Steven Stiernagle, son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Stiernagle. A Sept. 30 wedding has been planned. Barbara and Steven are both attending the University of Minnesota, St. Paul.

Elm Care is Waseca's only child care center, taking up to 59 children from infants to school age.

Weather at the Waseca County Free Fair went from hot and humid to wet and muddy last week. Most events, however, still went on as planned.

A prototype of the three-dimensional ornament depicting Waseca County's courthouse has arrived. "This is the first ornament in what is planned to be a collection of architectural miniatures of Waseca," said Robin Roberts, Waseca Revitalization Association (WRA) project manager.

A person who loves the outdoors, Wasecan Judy Larson is praying for good weather this week for her first "The Ride Across Minnesota (TRAM)" for multiple sclerosis.

Internet access in Waseca could become a whole lot faster. Triax Cablevision and Platinum Internet Technologies are working on an agreement to test 20 cable modems this fall and winter to see if the service would be feasible to offer to the entire community.

A recent boom in Waseca's lodging industry is becoming what could be called the battle for the bed and breakfast. Dr. Bradley Ness applied for a conditional use permit to establish a bed and breakfast at his home at 608 East Elm Avenue. That appli-



JOSEPH GLYNN
50 YEARS AGO - Joseph Glynn, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene and a 1972 graduate of Waseca High School, has been selected to represent Waseca in the 1972 Minnesota Teen Program to be held at Alexandria Aug. 4 and 5. The program, in its third year, has been set up to recognize outstanding young men in the state of Minnesota and to foster and promote worthwhile ideals among today's teens.

cation was approved. Now, Ron and Jaymie LaFavor have also applied for a bed and breakfast in his home at 814 E. Elm Ave. The new business would be called Mahogany Row Executive Suites and would cater to elite clientele, Potter said. The problem arises because the two homes are only 800 feet apart. Waseca's ordinance stipulates that bed and breakfast establishments must be at least 1,500 feet away from each other.

The Rotary Group Study Exchange Program (GSE) is looking for participants for its unique educational experiences that furthers international understanding and provides an opportunity for outstanding business and professional people to visit another country. A Rotary District 5960 team will visit Bangladesh from Nov. 22 to Decemember 21, 1997.

Steve and Theresa Johnson of Waseca are proud to announce the birth of their daught Savannah Kathryn, born July 19 at Owatonna Hospital. She weighed 7 pounds, 7 ounces and was 19 inches long.

James and Kenny Gibson of Verona, Wis. and Charles and Betty Sonnek of Waldorf, are happy to announce the engagement of their children, Brenda Marie Gibson and Anthony Charles Sonnek.

Star Archives

100 Years Ago – August 25, 1922

Another good ball game was taken out of the lost column in the ninth inning at Blooming Prairie when the Champs won an uphill battle 6 to 5. Blooming Prairie held a 5 to 3 lead when the ninth opened and at the close the game was won by New Richland.

New Richland made it two out of three by defeating Amboy on the last day of the three day base ball tournament on Thursday. The last game proved to be one of the best contests of the three and one of the hardest fought battles of the season. Amboy was held in the 10th when Gute struck out two men and forced Goodge to ground out. Kaplan then won the little old ball game for New Richland when with Gute and Kreuze on base and two men down he laid the pill over the fence for a home run.

The first poultry culling demonstration of the season was held at the John Mackey home and the second one at the Lynn Rollins home in Freedom township. Since this the local leaders who were present have held culling demonstrations in their own communities. Other culling demonstrations have been held in various points in the county.

A set of calf club ribbons have been received from the Holstein-Friesian association of America, to be awarded to the successful winners in the boys and girls calf club show at the county fair. The national Holstein association is very much interested in this activity and are using this method of encouraging the dairy calf club work in connection with the various county fairs throughout the country.

75 Years Ago – August 21, 1947

Mrs. Kristen Syblirud, one of the pioneer residents of New Richland township since 1866, died at the home of her daughter and son-in-law, Lillian and Alf Midje of Kenyon, Minnesota, on Saturday morning, August 16, 1947, at the age

of 81 years, 5 months, and 28 days.

The association to promote the permanent construction of Trunk Highway No. 13 met Thursday evening at Waterville with several representatives from New Richland in attendance. It seems there is a counter movement emanating from the larger towns along Highway 65 to divert Highway No. 69 coming up from the south to near Albert Lea, to that highway. By all that is logical, No. 69 should be routed over No. 13 which is fast approaching the "good highway" stage and which must be permanently surfaced before improvement can be made on No. 65, now a long way from a modern road.

The faculty for the New Richland high and grade school is now complete with a staff of fully certified instructors. There will be three new teachers in the high school and six in the elementary grades.

Eighty-two names have been signed to the petition seeking oiled streets in the residential section of New Richland. A preponderance of these signatures were affixed without any solicitation. The object of the petition is merely to show the Village Council the desire of the people in regard to the dust nuisance. It is not expected that the streets will be oiled this season but the petitioners would like that their desires be known so that preparations may be made for next season.

50 Years Ago – August 24, 1972

The Rev. Eldon J. Underdahl, Hartland Pastor, has resigned and taken a call extended to him by Faith Lutheran Church, Dodge Center. Mr. and Mrs. Underdahl and family will be leaving the Cross of Glory and West Freeborn charges of Hartland in August with the 27th as the pastor's last Sunday in leading the congregations in worship.

Superintendent Earl Hedman of New Richland-Hartland high school announced the appointment of Norvin H Rueckert as vocational director for the Waseca County Secondary

Vocational Center representing Janesville, New Richland-Hartland, Waldorf-Pemberton and Waseca. Mr. Rueckert taught Vocational Business and Distributive Education in the Waseca public school system for the past two years. Before coming to Waseca, he taught three years as Vocational Business and Distributive Education Instructor at Cannon Falls high school.

Social Security benefit payments to residents of Waseca county will be increased by \$54,000 per month as a result of the 1972 Amendments signed into law July 1, Emil C. John, social security district manager, said. Monthly benefit checks totaling \$272,000 are now being paid to 2670 county residents. The twenty percent increase included in the Amendments will raise this county's total monthly benefits to \$326,000. Checks showing the twenty percent increase will reach beneficiaries on October 3rd, the regular date for delivery of checks covering September – the month for which the increase is effective.

Luis Fernando Laverde has already pitched in to help with the chores on the Dean Knutson farm, south of Hartland where he will spend the 1972-73 school year as New Richland-Hartland's AFS student – and he has blisters to show it! He is anxious for school to open. Fernando comes from Medellin, a city of 1,006,000 population, so that living on a farm near a village of 340 is a great change for him. The city of Medellin is located in a valley surrounded by the Los Andes mountains in northeastern Colombia.

25 Years Ago – August 14, 1997

New Richland City Council members were informed Monday evening that there will be no small cities grants available. Deb Borham of the Minnesota Valley Action Council explained with the flood damage in northwestern Minnesota this year full allocation will be sent there.

As Sprint puts the finishing touches on its new computerized switching equipment, New Richland area customers are reminded to dial all seven digits beginning September 10. Patricia Brown, customer relations manager for Sprint, said the dialing change is the only change for customers. "We want to make sure customers remember to dial the 465 prefix when calling a New Richland area customer," Bown said.

Pemberton will celebrate Summerfest Saturday, August 16 with lots of exciting events including a parade, a supper and the coronation of Miss Pemberton 1997. All events will be held on the grounds of the former Pemberton school. All proceeds from the affair will go to the Pemberton Firefighters Relief Association which provides a small benefit fund for retiring firemen.

Guest speaker Wednesday evening, August 6, at the Congregational United Church of Christ in New Richland was the Rev. Susan M. Adams. Now in her eighth year as a missionary in Japan, Susan teaches at Keiwa College in Niigata, performs pastoral work at the high school and in churches of the Niigata District and helps with English language correspondence. "I teach English and some Bible classes, as well," she said. "I enjoy my work, I enjoy where I live and the wonderful rice fields."

Attorney General Hubert Humphrey III recently warned farmer and other landowners in west central and southern Minnesota that agents for Alliance Pipeline Inc. are expected to be contacting them in the next few weeks about obtaining easements for a natural gas pipeline. Alliance is proposing to build a 1900-mile, 36-inch diameter, high-pressure natural gas pipeline transmission system that will extend from British Columbia to Chicago crossing through 13 Minnesota counties.

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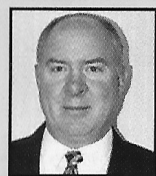
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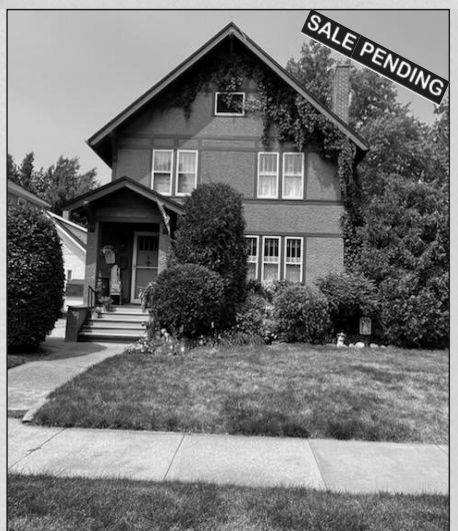
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2005 Dodge Grand Caravan — 110,000 miles, 3.3 V6 engine, Gold in color, Third row seating, no rust (nice)



Black Bear full body mount on log



Seeburg Stereo Model STD-2 Entertainer Jukebox Phonograph (SN: 1595067)

Vehicles/Outdoor Equipment

2005 Dodge Caravan — 136,000 miles, 3.3 V6 engine, gray in color, (has some rust)
Big Max 5'x 8' Black Steel Utility Trailer w/ramp
Toro/Wheel Horse Model 15-380HXL lawn tractor w/ 38" deck
EV Rider Royale 4-wheel scooter (needs repair)

Collectibles

— 1948 St Paul Fire hydrant and dalmatian dog — 2 47" wagon wheels — (JD) BR toy tractor in box — JD 1953 D toy tractor in box, — Allis Chalmers 8030 toy tractor in box — 200+ vinyl 45 records — many country western CD's — National Model 724 cash register — Crosley CR-9 No. 3615 collector radio (19) Ertl Farm Country sets — Hohner student accordion — Vietnam accordion — Scandall accordion w/case — Echo Holmer harmonica — Antonius Stradivarius violin & case — Sekova banjo w/case — Jim Beam Spc Train Decanter set plus many other decanters — Many Collector plates of Elvis, Gun-smoke & Marilyn Monroe, — Elvis Dolls in box (Jailhouse Rock, 68 Special, Teen Idol) - 1/64 farm toys — 8 track tapes — 2 Gumball machines — Daisy Western Carbine Model 111 Lever action BB gun — Crossman Power master Model 66 air rifle — Crossman CO2 10 shot semiautomatic 22 cal. Pistol — Large floor safe 40"x24"x28" — Many beer signs lighted & unlighted — Many beer steins (in boxes) — Coke glasses — Many plastic horse figurines — Animated items — Horse TV clock — Deerskin coat — (2) leather coats — Holiday Blow molds — Many brass & cast figurines — (10) prestige plastic model car cases — (3) Hurricane table lamps (electric)

Household & Furniture

8 pc Nautilus Egg Shell Dinner set — (2) coffee tables w/site tables — Coat Hall tree — Round back chair — wood desk — Antique American Tiger oak side by side bowed glass bookcase secretary — Duncan Phyfe table w/6 chairs — Whirlpool stacking washer & Dryer — Full size Grandfather clock — Entertainment center — Black side by side Refrigerator w/water — Black electric range and microwave oven — Round oak table w/press back chairs — corner curio hutch — Amana washer & dryer (white)

Sunday, August 7, 2022

TIME: 9:30 a.m. • Auction Location: Waseca County Fairgrounds ~ 8th Ave., NE, Waseca MN



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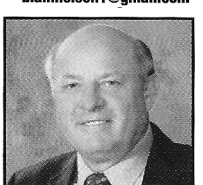


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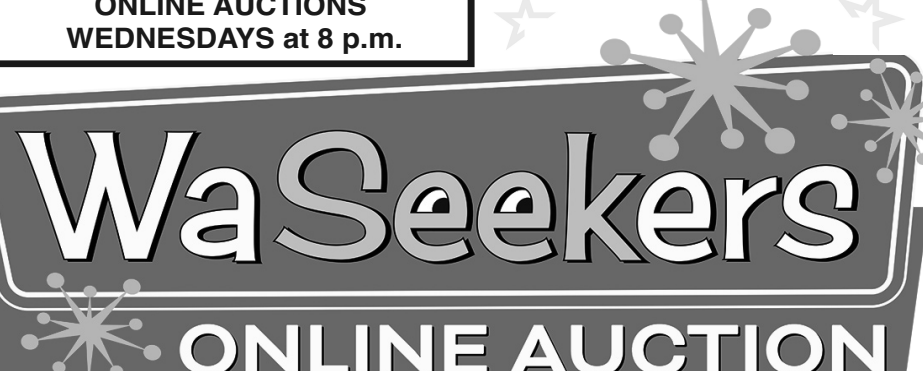
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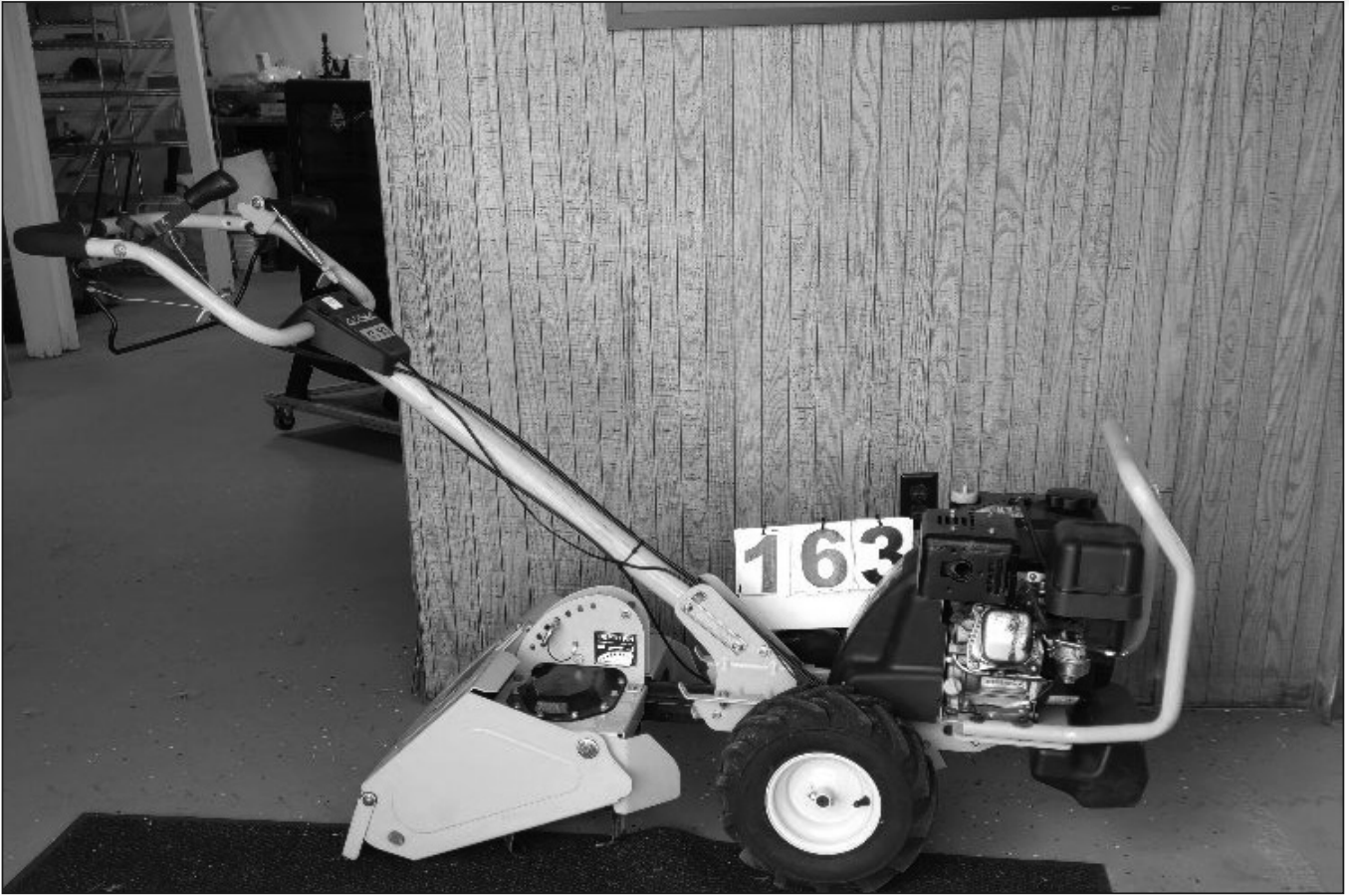


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Old Street Sign, 3rd St- N Broadway Retired street sign from the city of New Richland



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Imaginary Invalid brings back community theatre



Emily Rux as "Toinette" checks the pulse of "Argon" played by Andrew Harrison.



Talon Krummel Walter as "Mr. De Bonnefoi" on the left and Katelyn Severson as "Beline" on the right.



Andrew Harrison, "Argan," gets important information from his daughter "Louise" played by Mandy Root



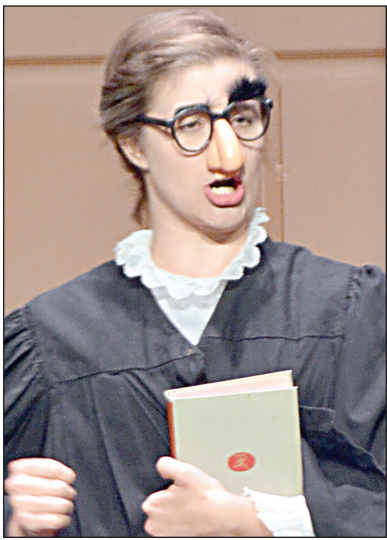
Kit Krmpotich as "Angelique"



CAST AND CREW - From the left: Hope Ring, Cinder Blackwater, Carlie Marie, Talon Krummel Walter, Emily Rux, Ryan Wendland, Kit Krmpotich, Andrew Harrison, Ethan Becker, Mandy Root, Katelyn Severson, Emily Perrizo, Alex Ayers, Elijah Ayers, Richard Stahl, Patrick Leigh, and Elliana Ring.



Katelyn Severson as "Beline"



Emily Rux as "Toinette"



Alex Ayers as "Beralde"



Kit Krmpotich as "Angelique" runs to "Cleante" played by Ryan Wendland after being frightened



Emily Perrizo as "Ms. Fleurant" waits for "Mr. Purgon," played by Elijah Ayers, to give an enema.



Ethan Becker as "Thomas Diafoirus" reads off his introduction to the family



Elijah Ayers, Producer and Assistant Director



Director Patrick Leigh gives thanks before the performance



Emily Rux



Andrew Harrison



Kit Krmpotich



Richard Stahl as Mr. Diafoirus



An outstanding performance given by the cast of *Imaginary Invalid* left audience members smiling with pleasure after the play's performances July 29, 30, and 31 at the Performing Arts Center in the Waseca High School. From the grumpy old man "Argan" played skillfully by Andrew Harrison, to Emily Rux's wit and sarcasm as "Toinette" the servant, to the purposely off-key opera singing of Ryan Wendland as "Cleante" and Kit Krmpotich as "Angelique," there was never a dull moment in *Imaginary Invalid*. In a director's note, Waseca graduate Patrick Leigh, commented: "We would not have been able to do it without the hard work of the rest of the individuals involved. The cast and crew have worked endlessly to bring this show to a point Waseca hasn't seen in community theater for some years now. I am incredibly proud to know each and every one of these people." Photos by Amelia Roessler

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