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## Announcements



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• **United Methodist Church (20 1st St NE, Dodge Center) 150th Anniversary Dinner September 15 from 5:00-6:30pm (serving until gone).** What's for dinner? Pork loin, scalloped potatoes, corn. Your choice of pie: apple, coconut cream, pecan, or pumpkin. \*Take out only\* Free will donations for local missions.

Please join our 150th Anniversary Celebration on Sunday, September 26 at 8:00am. Dessert buffet after services.

• **The United Methodist Church of Dodge Center at 20 First Street NE offers a meal carry out from 5:00-6:00pm the third Wednesday of each month.**

• **American Red Cross blood donation opportunity in Dodge Center:** 8/30/2021: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., Triton High School, 813 Highway 14 W.

• **The KING with Cash & Diamond returns to Dennison!** (see pg.9)

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## Citizen's State Bank of Dodge Center To Be Sold to MBT Bank

MBT Bank has entered into an agreement to acquire Farmers & Merchants State Bank of Blooming Prairie (F&M) and Citizens State Bank of Hayfield (CSB). With this acquisition, MBT Bank will acquire F&M with locations in Blooming Prairie and Austin, Minn., and CSB with locations in Hayfield, Dodge Center, and Mantorville, Minn.

Dennis Busta, President and CEO of MBT Bank said, "For over 75 years, we have served our communities and customers the way F&M and CSB have. We are excited to have these two family owned banks and their employees become part of MBT Bank."

Jim Fiebiger, President of F&M said, "Our identical banking philosophy will pro-



vide more and better banking products for our customers, but will also maintain the local, friendly banking environment our customers have grown accustomed to."

"This is a great opportunity for our banks, staff, and communities to move forward with MBT Bank. Like MBT Bank, our dedicated employees take pride in offering personal customer service," said Mark Miedtke, President of CSB.

F&M has assets of \$110MM and CSB has assets of \$130MM. Subject to regulatory and shareholder approval, MBT Bank expects to close on the transaction in September. Upon the closing of the transaction, MBT Bank will have total assets of \$680MM.

MBT Bank, with branch offices in Forest City, Clear Lake, and Lake Mills, Iowa and Rochester, Minnesota. We are committed to making positive differences in the communities we serve. We strive to deliver exceptional personal service and help our customers achieve their unique financial goals through a competitive array of agricultural, commercial and consumer banking services, insurance products, and investment opportunities.



Church members Lisa O'Neil, Gerry Fahning, and Beth Hanggi serve free carry out meals to the public at Dodge Center United Methodist Church.

## Dodge Center UMC Community Carry Out Dinner Program

The Dodge Center United Methodist Church has been providing free hot carry out meals to the wider community the 3rd Wednesday of each month, from 5:00-6:00pm at the church. Beginning in April, we have distributed more than 230 free meals to individuals and families in the neighborhood. Reserving a meal is welcomed by our cooks by calling our church number 374-6885.

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## Walking the Walk

By Peter Moen

In the beginning of an old DC Talk song called "What if I Stumble" there is a quote from a respected Christian author by the name of Brennan Manning, "The greatest single cause of atheism in the world today is Christians who acknowledge Jesus with their lips and walk out the door and deny Him by their lifestyle. That is what an unbelieving world simply finds unbelievable."

I think there is some truth to that statement. We have a world full of "Christians" who are hypocrites. They will talk the talk when they are at church and around their church buddies, but they don't walk the walk when they're around their other friends or at work or wherever else in the world.

It is so critical that we live lifestyles which are an example, witness, and testimony to Christ, rather than one that gives just another reason for someone to ridicule or deny Christ. Someone once asked the question this way, "If you were arrested today for being a Christian, would there be enough evidence to convict you?"

In the book of James we get a concise admonition:

"What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, and

one of you says to them, 'Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill', and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

But someone will say, 'You have faith and I have works.' Show me your faith without works, and I by my works will show you my faith."

When the church is a model of good works, it becomes an example of the believer's faith in God on exhibit for the world to observe. What do people see us do? What do people hear us say? Where do people see us go? What do people see in us? How genuine is our walk with the Lord?

The truth is every area of our Christian life is to be an influence to others for Christ sake. Our ministry, our lifestyle, our friends, our family and our church relationship with each other to be intact and filled with purpose to instruct those who do not believe. That they see in us the hope of glory, and that Christ is truly the way, the truth, and the life.

People notice what we do for others, they examine our advice to determine our credibility, the way we conduct our business, the entertainment or habits we are involved in, the way we spend money, how we serve at church, the way we respond to the needs of those around us, the way we react to those who offend us, and so forth.

There is always someone watching to profile our work and life in Christ. Let's always remember that all of these things are teachable moments for someone. And even if our Christ-like efforts are not noticed by the world it is a work of labor and love that will not be forgotten by the Lord.

## Dodge Center UMC Community Carry Out Dinner Program

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Or you may drive up along the curb in front of the church at 20 1st Street NE during 5-6pm. The next carry out meals will be available on Wednesday, September 15. Free will donations are accepted.

We are excited about this being our 150th anniversary of being a faith organization in our beloved community of Dodge Center. The carry out meals and children's clothing drive are just two elements of our anniversary celebration of local mission to aid the neighborhood as we try to make our way out of the pandemic. We also invite you to worship with us either in person or via Facebook live stream (find us at Dodge Center United Methodist) at 8am on Sundays. If you would like to learn more about our church, feel free to call the church (374-6885) and visit with our pastor, Rev. Chad Christensen, or visit our website: [dodge-centerumc.org](http://dodge-centerumc.org)



Church youth McKenna Freerksen and Gavin O'Neil serve meals.

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## Area Church Directory

Be Strong and Courageous

*"Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go." — Joshua 1:9*

It's natural to have some fear or apprehension at the beginning of a new task. We may ask ourselves questions like "What if I don't know what to do?" or "What if I'm not good enough?" Every time I stand up in front of a group of people to present something—whether it's a sermon, a lecture, or a presentation of some kind—those questions run through my head and are accompanied by fear and doubt.

In our passage today Joshua had just been told that Moses, the leader of God's people, was dead. And now God told Joshua that he would be the one to lead the people. What a huge task! We couldn't blame Joshua for at least having a little fear. But God tells him to be strong and courageous and not to be afraid or discouraged. And this encouragement is more than a pep talk. This is God's promise to Joshua that wherever he goes in the new land that God would bring them into—and however hard the task before him would be—God would always be right there with him.

We face difficulties all the time—at work and school, and with our families and friends. We have many opportunities to be discouraged and afraid. But God's promise to us is the same as it was to Joshua: God will be with us wherever we go.

And if God is with us, what do we have to fear?

*Prayer: Ever-present God, you promise to be with us wherever we go. Help us to remember this truth in the difficult tasks that lie ahead of us each day. Amen.*

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Contemporary Worship 10a.m.

### Grace Lutheran Church

404 Central Avenue N, Dodge Center  
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Worship 9a.m.; Sunday School 10:30a.m.

### Praise Fellowship Church

602 Central Avenue S, Dodge Center  
Roger Langworthy • 507-374-6400  
Kidz Church 9:15a.m.; Sunday Worship 9:30a.m.

### Dodge Center Methodist Church

201 1st St. SE, Dodge Center  
Rev. Chad Christensen • 507-374-6885  
Worship 8a.m.

### St. John Baptist De La Salle

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104 1st St. NW, Dodge Center  
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### Dodge Center SDA Church

410 3rd Ave. SW, Dodge Center • 507-374-6895  
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### Anchor of Hope Church, a 7th Day Baptist Congregation

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Sunday School 9:15a.m.; Worship 10:30a.m.  
(weekly sermons available on YouTube and on website)



## Richard Arthur Johnson

Richard Arthur Johnson, 87, of Dodge Center, MN died on Tuesday, July 20, 2021, at Good Samaritan Society in Albert Lea, MN.

Richard was born on January 30, 1934, to Sever and Frances (Stebbins)

Johnson in Dodge Center, MN, where his father had a trucking company. Richard graduated thru 8th grade in Dodge Center, MN. He served in the Air Force for twenty years and then he served another two years in the Army before he retired. After retirement from his service, he worked another twenty-one years for the City of Dodge Center.

Richard met his wife, Donna Engelhardt and they were married for sixty-five years. He loved his family, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and his dogs. He enjoyed fishing, sitting outside, wood working, and cars.

Richard is survived by his wife, Donna Johnson of Dodge Center, MN; four children, Brenda (Mike) Meyer of Zumbrota, MN, Kevin (Connie) Johnson of Hewitt, MN, Wanda (David) Kaiser of Dodge Center, MN, and Barbara (Tony) Johnson of Dodge Center, MN; nine grandchildren and sixteen great-grandchildren; two brothers, Lloyd Johnson and Harold (Marion) Johnson; Donna's siblings, Elaine (Donald) Dvorak, Lyle (Rosie) Engelhardt, Sharyl (Dallas) Herrick, Lorinda (Mike) Schieck; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents. A funeral service will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Friday, July 30, 2021, at Grace Lutheran Church, 404 Central Ave N in Dodge Center, MN, with Pastor Elliott Malm officiating. Visitation will be from 4:00-7:00 p.m. Thursday, July 29, 2021, at Czaplowski Family Funeral Homes, 25 South Street in Dodge Center, MN, and one hour prior to the service at the church. Inurnment will be in Riverside Cemetery in Dodge Center, MN.

To share a special memory or condolence please visit [www.czaplowskifuneralhomes.com](http://www.czaplowskifuneralhomes.com), Czaplowski Family Funeral Homes, 25 South Street P.O. Box 502, Dodge Center, MN 55927 (507) 374-2155. Blessed be his memory.

## Alvin "Stub" Burt, Sr.

Alvin "Stub" Burt, Sr., 77, of Pine Island died Thursday July 15, 2021 at the home of his daughter in Zumbrota, where he recently resided and was receiving hospice care for esophageal cancer.

Alvin Harold Burt, Sr. was born September 17, 1943 in Dodge Center, the son of Everett and Hazel (Cole) Burt. He married Stella Rose Maricle on March 23, 1963. The couple shared 39 years of marriage until Stella's passing in 2002. Stub was a dry-waller for Palmer Soderburg. He was an avid card player, particularly Euchre. He enjoyed fishing, the Minnesota Twins, and had a passion for gardening and canning vegetables. He will be remembered for his wonderful sense of humor, great one-liners, and he was a terrific storyteller.

He is survived by his longtime companion Gloria Best; daughter Wonda (Peter) Cornell of Zumbrota; son Alvin (Cathy Clugston) Burt, Jr. of Mazeppa; daughter Melissa (Ryan Friese) Szuberski of Rochester; grandchildren Joshua Cornell, Brad (Lauren) Cornell, Elliott Cornell, Benjamin Burt, Bryan Clugston, Kaylar Szuberski, and Joe (Johanna) Szuberski Helfinstine; 10 great-grandchildren; a brother Curt Burt; sisters Judy Garske, Julaine Felstead, and Bonnie (Larry) Schumann. Also surviving is his dear friend Mark Szuberski, and he had a special place in his heart for his dog Mickey.

He was preceded in death by his wife Stella Burt; brothers and sisters Everett Burt, Jr., Robert Burt, Charlotte Stafford, Inez Brown, Harriet Towe, Margaret Berg, Gary "Stoney" Burt, and Linda Waranke. The visitation for Stub was held Thursday, July 22nd from 4:00 - 8:00 PM at Mahn Family Funeral Home, Mahler Chapel, located at 209 NW 1st Ave in Pine Island. This was the only public service for Stub. No flowers, cards, or gifts are necessary. If so desired, written tributes may be left at [mahnfamilyfuneralhome.com](http://mahnfamilyfuneralhome.com).

To send flowers to the family or plant a tree in memory of Alvin "Stub" Harold Burt, Sr., please visit our floral store.

## Roger Elmer Schley

Roger Elmer Schley, age 81, of Dodge Center, MN passed away Friday, July 23, 2021, at St. Mary's Hospital in Rochester, MN.

Roger was born November 12, 1939, in Owatonna, MN to Elmer and Ramah (Grunklee) Schley. He was born and raised on the family farm. He graduated high school in 1957 in Dodge Center and was involved with athletics along with FFA earning the Certificate as a member of the Dodge Center chapter and was awarded the "Degree of State Farmer" at the state convention. He then continued his education for a year at the University of Minnesota. Roger married his high school sweetheart, Janet Sackett, on September 11, 1958. The couple enjoyed sixty-two years of marriage and were blessed with 4 sons, Scott, Greg, Tim, and Steve. Jan raised the family while Roger was busy on the farm and also as a realtor in the area as well, eventually retiring in 2017. Roger loved life and was very proud of his family, especially all of his grandchildren and great grandchildren, which he would refer to them as his grand babies and great grand babies. In 2013, Roger and Jan moved from the family farm into Dodge Center to the house his parents had lived and which he had built.

Roger enjoyed attending fairs, ball games, and fishing. Living his life in the Dodge Center area, Roger was an avid Triton/Dodge Center sports fan as well as the Minnesota Vikings and Twins. During his life he raised Black Poland China hogs and bragged that he had spent 60+ years of his life showing them at the MN state fair. The family was honored to have the largest boar at the MN state fair for 3 years. Roger was also honored and inducted into the Hall of Fame at the Dodge County Fair. He enjoyed woodworking and would often make bird houses along with Easter bunnies, Raindeers and Valentine's Day hearts for the family.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Elmer and Ramah Schley; sister, Colleen; brothers in law, Bob Jonasen and Dennis Holtegaard; and two infant great grandchildren. Roger is survived by his wife of sixty-two years, Janet; children, Scott (Sue), Greg (Julie), Tim (Rosy), Steve (Debbie), and Deena; grandchildren, Boomer Schley (Elyse Baker), Chris (Shelby) Schley, Kathryn (Craig) Davis, Tony Schley (Maddie), Karl Schley, Andy (Allison) Schley, Adam (Bridgett) Schley, Jacie Schley, Jimmy (Whitney) Schley, Mallory Schley (Grant), Aaron (Chandra) Wilkemeyer, Garrett Wilkemeyer, and Tara (Jason) Pederson; great grandchildren,

Layla Schley, Bella Pederson, Zara Wilkemeyer, Donovin Pederson, Akasha Wilkemeyer, Aria Wilkemeyer, Natalie Schley, Ben Schley, Charlotte Schley, Paisley Schley, Marshall Jensen; sister in law, Joanne (Lowell) Wright and Jill Holtegaard; brother in law, Jim (DD) Sackett; and several nieces and nephews.

Visitation took place Friday July 30, 2021, from 3:00-7:00pm at Czaplowski Family Funeral Home in Dodge Center (25 South St SW, Dodge Center, MN). A celebration of life took place that evening, Friday July 30, 2021, at the Dodge Center Legion from 6:00-10:00pm. (401 Hwy St W, Dodge Center, MN 55927). Inurnment will be at a later date in Riverside Cemetery in Dodge Center, MN.

In lieu of flowers, family suggests memorials to the Dodge County 4-H or Dodge Center Alumni Association.

To share a special memory or condolence please visit [www.czaplowskifuneralhomes.com](http://www.czaplowskifuneralhomes.com), Czaplowski Family Funeral Homes, 25 South Street P.O. Box 502, Dodge Center, MN 55927 (507) 374-2155. Blessed be his memory.

## Roberta P. Hall

Roberta P. Hall, 99, of West Concord, died, Saturday, July 31, 2021, at Fairview Care Center in Dodge Center.

She was born on November 14, 1921 on a farm near West Concord the daughter of Frank and Thelma (Andrews) Pirkel. She grew up in West Concord and graduated from high school in 1939 as the valedictorian of her class. She continued her education at business school in the Twin Cities before moving to California. She worked as an executive secretary in California when she met Thomas Hall. The couple was married on July 9, 1945 in Glendale, California. The lived there until 1949 when the moved back to West Concord. Roberta began her banking career at First National Bank in West Concord where she worked for nearly 40 years. She worked for a brief time at Heritage Bank in West Concord before retiring in 1987.

Roberta was a faith member of Concord Church of Christ where she was involved in music, playing organ, singing and leading the choir. She was also involved with the POW/MIA Association along with her husband, Tom. Along with music, Roberta loved spending time at the cabin, fishing, crossword and sudoku puzzles and keeping up with the West Concord history. She is survived by son, Craig (and Kris) Hall of Rochester and step-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, Thomas Hall and parents Frank and Thelma.

A Funeral Service was held at 12:00 Noon on Wednesday, August 4, 2021 at Concord Church of Christ in Old Concord with visitation one hour prior. Pastor Peter Moen officiated. Interment was in the Concord Cemetery in Concord Township. In lieu of flowers, memorials are preferred to Concord Church of Christ.



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## Triton Summer Trip

By Robert Ickler

The Triton FFA did a summer trip tour of local agricultural businesses. Some years we tour universities such as SDSU or tour factories such as Agco in Jackson. This year the group toured businesses in Goodhue and Rice counties. Farms that the group toured were Keith and Morgan Allen

in Wanamingo that milk 40 dairy goats, Shawn Erickson's family sheep operation in Cannon Falls, Herricks' beef and swine operation in West Concord, Sustane Fertilizer in Cannon Falls and Al Meyer's robotic dairy farm in Faribault. Students that attended the tour were Kiya Avery, Cadence Spearman, Melanie Andrist, John Moenning, Grady Klankowski, Brady Staub, Elyssa Robinson, Noah Kasper and Jacob Kasper. The Triton FFA members are very appreciative to have been able to see so many different agriculture industries in a day.



## Students of Nadine's Piano Studio in Dodge Center perform in Beethoven's Belated 250th Birthday Bash

On Friday evening, July 30th, six students of Nadine's Piano Studio in Dodge Center performed in Beethoven's Belated 250th Birthday Bash. The event was held at The Annadine. Ludwig van Beethoven was born on December 16, 1770, in Bonn, Germany. His life spanned from the Classical Era (1750 - 1825) into the Romantic Era (1825 - 1900).

The program was as follows:  
Moonlight Sonata Op. 27, 1st Mvt.....Nadine Langworthy  
Bagatelle in G minor Op. 119, No. 1.....Nadine Langworthy  
5th Symphony in C minor, Op 67, 1st Mvt.....London Symphony Orchestra  
Josef Krips, conducting  
Fur Elise.....Cohen McNeilus  
Sonatina in G Anh. 5, No. 1.....Katya Wheeler  
Sonatina in F Anh. 5, No. 2.....Kendra Willette  
Moonlight Sonata Op. 27, No. 2, 1st Mvt.....Abigail Walters  
Minuet in G.....Ellie Hruska  
Ode to Joy (from the 9th Symphony, Op.125).....Drew McNeilus



Katya Wheeler

Information on Beethoven's life and the times he lived in was presented by Nadine throughout the program. Balloons, games and refreshments added to the festive atmosphere.



## Cobra Communications



**Craig Schlichting**  
Superintendent



The light is at the end of the tunnel with our building project and it has gone very

well. We have had excellent weather to get the roofing and parking lot done on the outside. The work on the inside of the is also going very well. We have updated our HVAC and much of the plumbing that goes along with that system as well as the ceiling tiles in the hallways which needed to be removed to provide access to work on these systems. All of the project work is scheduled to be completed before the staff arrive at the end of August.

On the outside of the building, we have added a couple of additional areas for parking that I think will be very beneficial. One area is West of the bus garage, this can be used for visiting busses when we have large events that require busses from multiple

schools. The other area is a parking space off to the East of the varsity softball field. This will help with parking for spectators in that area. The elementary drop-off area will have a new design when it is repainted to help traffic flow and avoid the congestion. That area has created issues for parents in the past and we want to get that issue resolved. With the roofing part of the project, all areas of our roof will now have fully adhered roofs. This means that we were able to eliminate the rocks on top of the roof that were used to hold down the older bladder style roof that was used in the past. We have had very good success with these types of roofs and it will be great to have all of our roofing using the updated system. The only thing we are waiting on is the trim pieces around the top, which has been delayed due to the supply of materials availability.

Many schools that have had projects this year have run into supply issues and increased costs for the materials needed for their projects. I am very happy to report that this has not been the case on our project. Other than the trim work for the roof, the only other item that we have had to wait on is two of the chillers that will be installed in the HVAC units. These are both currently scheduled to be completed by the time the school year begins. The learning environment for our students will be all climate controlled. We had a number of areas that did not have air conditioning and it will be nice to have the ability to keep those areas climate controlled. The HVAC system will also be fully ionized. This helps clean the

air clean from particulates, microbes and odors. This is especially helpful to people that suffer from allergies, asthma and other respiratory ailments.

To have a project this large being completed on time and under budget is a huge relief. I am very happy that we have been able to get all of these upgrades completed to solidify the infrastructure of our facility so that it can continue to serve the district for years to come. Our district is very fortunate to have such nice facilities that serve the needs of our communities.

Please reach out to me with any questions

that you may have regarding our school district. You can email me at [schlich@triton.k12.mn.us](mailto:schlich@triton.k12.mn.us) or you can call me at 507-418-7530 to reach me at the district office. I would be happy to set up a time to meet with you or your organization. I believe that communication is an important aspect of my job responsibility, and I welcome the opportunity to learn from your perspective. GO COBRAS!

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## TRITON CLASS OF 2021

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### SENIOR SPOTLIGHT



Madilyn Styndl is a 2021 senior at Triton High School.

Her parents are Brian and Michele Styndl and she has one sibling, Morgan Styndl.

She enjoys school activities such as FFA, Theater and Trap shooting.

She is also active in 4-H.

Her favorite music is 80s rock and 60s, 70s, 80s country.

After graduation she will be attending RCTC in the fall.



### MADILYN STYNDL

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# Dodge County Fair



Triton Goat exhibitor Left to right: Triton FFA Advisor Ms. Zimmerman, Tegan Ridenour, Connor Kleinwort, Carissa Kleinwort, Stella Streich, Dasmine Marquardt, Triton FFA Advisor Mr. Ickler



Left to right dairy exhibitors: Elyssa Robinson, Cadence Spearman, Gigi Polikowski, Stella Streich, Sam Gochnauer and Carissa Kleinwort



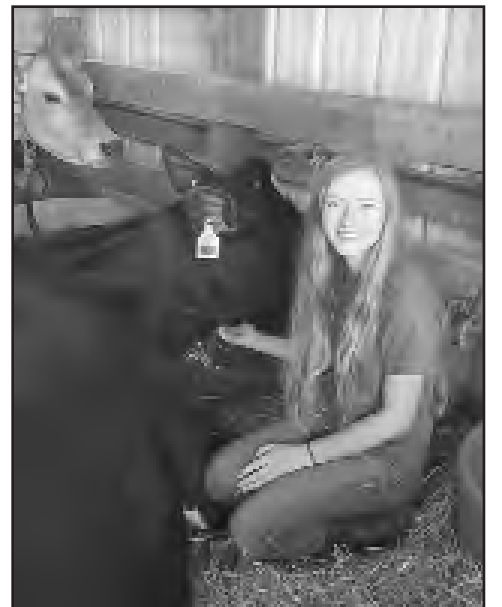
Left to right sheep exhibitors: Sam Gochnauer, Carissa Kleinwort and Courtney Dohrmann



Left to right beef exhibitors: Sam Gochnauer, Triton FFA Advisor Mr. Ickler, Noah Kasper and Triton FFA Advisor Ms. Zimmerman



Pig exhibitor John Moenning



Dodge County Dairy Princess Amanda Sauder and her 3 yr old Holstein milk cow



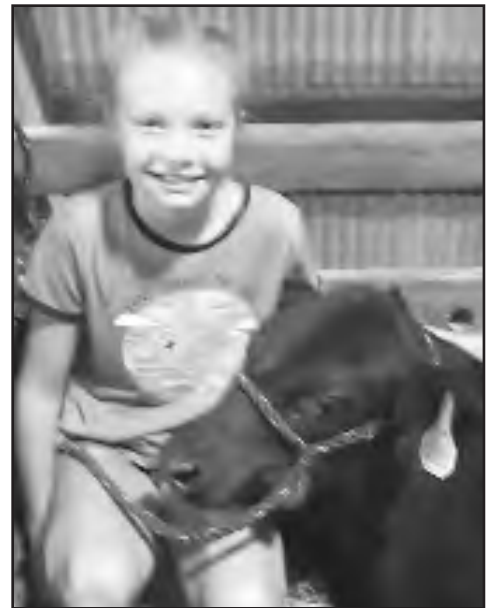
Henry Peterson and his Jersey heifer calf



9 yr old Layla Schley with her Jersey heifer calf



Maddi Hoeren and her Holstein heifer



Norah Hesar and her Angus calf



## 2021 Dodge County FFA Livestock Exhibit Results

Beef Show Results		
Champion Hereford	Sadie Sullivan	Kasson Mantorville
Champion Angus	Sadie Sullivan	Kasson Mantorville
Res. Champion Angus	Brody Johnson	Kasson Mantorville
Champion Simmental	Noah Kasper	Triton
Res. Champion Simmental	Noah Kasper	Triton
Champion AOB Bull Calf	Karlee Paulson	Pine Island
Res. Champion AOB Bull Calf	Samuel Gochnauer	Triton
Champion AOB	Karlee Paulson	Pine Island
Res. Champion AOB	Karlee Paulson	Pine Island
Champion Commercial	Karlee Paulson	Pine Island
Res. Champion Commercial	Samuel Gochnauer	Triton
Grand Champion Beef	Noah Kasper	Triton
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Dairy Show Results		
Champion Jr. Holstein	Reagan Schimek	Pine Island
Res. Champion Jr. Holstein	Samuel Gochnauer	Triton
Champion Jr. Brown Swiss	Brooke Bauer	Hayfield
Res. Champion Brown Swiss	Ella Bauer	Hayfield
Champion Jr. Jersey	Gigi Polikowski	Triton
Res. Champion Jr. Jersey	Alita Reinhart	Kasson Mantorville
Champion Jr. Ayrshire	Stella Striech	Triton
Res. Champion Jr. Ayrshire	Cadence Spearman	Triton
Champion Crossbred	Sam Gochnauer	Triton
Res. Champion Crossbred	Alita Reinhart	Kasson Mantorville
Grand Champion Jr. Dairy	Reagan Schimek	Pine Island
Res. Grand Champion Jr. Dairy	Ella Bauer	Hayfield
Champion Sr. Holstein	Samuel Gochnauer	Triton
Res. Champion Sr. Holstein	Samuel Gochnauer	Triton
Champion Sr. Brown Swiss	Bethany Bauer	Triton
Res. Champion Sr. Brown Swiss	Bethany Bauer	Triton
Supreme Dairy	Bethany Bauer	Hayfield
Res. Supreme Dairy	Samuel Gochnauer	Triton
Sheep Show Results		
Champion Babydoll Ram	Brooke O'Brien	Kenyon Wanamingo
Res. Champion Babydoll Ram	Brooke O'Brien	Kenyon Wanamingo
Champion Babydoll Ewe	Brooke O'Brien	Kenyon Wanamingo
Res. Champion Babydoll Ewe	Brooke O'Brien	Kenyon Wanamingo
Champion Crossbred Ewe	Courtney Dohrmann	Triton
Res. Champion Crossbred Ewe	Courtney Dohrmann	Triton
Supreme Champion Ram	Brooke O'Brien	Kenyon Wanamingo
Res. Supreme Champion Ram	Brooke O'Brien	Kenyon Wanamingo
Supreme Champion Ewe	Courtney Dohrmann	Triton
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Champion Speckled Face Market Lamb	Brody Erickson	Stewartville
Res. Champion Speckled Face Market Lamb	Brody Erickson	Stewartville
Champion Black Face Market Lamb	Maddy Johnson	Hayfield
Res. Champion Black Face Market Lamb	Maddy Johnson	Hayfield
Champion Pen of 3 Market Lambs	Maddy Johnson	Hayfield
Res. Champion Pen of 3 Market Lambs	Braeden Erickson	Stewartville
Grand Champion Market Sheep	Maddy Johnson	Hayfield
Res. Grand Champion Market Sheep	Braeden Erickson	Stewartville
Swine Show Results		
Champion Breeding Gilt	Wyatt Sullivan	Kasson Mantorville
Res. Champion Breeding Gilt	Henry Smith	Kasson Mantorville
Champion Market Barrow	Hannah Falhauber	Hayfield
Res. Champion Market Barrow	Braeden Erickson	Stewartville
Champion Market Gilt	Braeden Erickson	Stewartville
Res. Champion Market Gilt	Henry Smith	Kasson Mantorville
Grand Champion Market Swine	Hannah Falhauber	Hayfield
Res. Grand Champion Market Swine	Braeden Erickson	Stewartville
Champion Pen of Three Market Hogs	Hannah Falhauber	Hayfield
Res. Champion Pen of Three Market Hogs	Lily Carstensen	Kasson Mantorville
Champion Dairy Goat	Emma Aarsvold	Kasson Mantorville
Res. Champion Dairy Goat	Stella Striech	Triton
Champion Meat Breeding Doe	Carissa Kleinwort	Triton
Res. Champion Meat Breeding Doe	Tegan Ridenour	Triton
Champion Market Goat	Tegan Ridenour	Triton
Res. Champion Market Goat	Tegan Ridenour	Triton

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## How to Track Down Old Friends Online

**Dear Savvy Senior: I'm interested in tracking down some old friends I've lost touch with over the years but could use some help. What websites can you recommend that can help me find them?**

**--Tracking Tom**

Dear Tom: Thanks to the Internet, tracking down long lost friends from many years ago is relatively easy to do and, in most cases, it won't cost you a cent. Here are some tips and online tools to help you get started.

### Remembering the Details

Before you begin your search, a good first step is to jot down any information you can remember or find out about the people you're trying to locate. Things like their full name (maiden and married), age or birth date, last known address or phone number, old e-mail address, names of family members, etc. Knowing details can help you turn up clues while you search.

### Social Media and Search Engines

After you compile your information, a good place to start your search is at social media sites like Facebook, LinkedIn, Twitter and Instagram. And search engines like Google and Yahoo. When using search engines, type in the name of the person you're searching for in quotation marks, for example, "John Smith." You can narrow your search by adding other criteria like their nickname or middle name, the city or state they may live in, or even their occupation.

### People Search Sites

If your initial search comes up empty, you can also use people searches like AnyWho.com, Intelius.com or WhitePages.com. These sites will provide a list of potential matches from across the U.S. Because many people share the same name, these sites will also supply details to help identify the right person, perhaps including their age, prior hometowns, names of relatives, colleges attended or employer. While these sites are free to use at a basic level, they charge a small fee for providing certain details like the persons contact information. WhitePages, however, sometimes provides home phone numbers for free.

### Niche Finding Sites

Here are a few other niche people-finding websites to help you with your search. To look for old high school classmates, try Classmates.com. This site has contact information only for people who have registered with it. But even if your friend hasn't registered, it could provide contact info for another classmate who remains in touch with your friend. Another option is to check out your high school alumni website. Not every school has its own site, but some do, and you can look for it by going to any search engine and typing in the name of the school with the city and state it's located in. You can also search at AlumniClass.com, a huge hosting site for thousands of high schools across the U.S. If you're looking for old college friends, look for an alumni directory on the school's website. You might be able to access your friend's contact info by completing an online registration. Or, try calling or emailing your alumni relations department and ask them to pass on your contact info to your friend. If you're looking for someone you served with in the military, Military.com offers a free "Buddy Finder" service that has a database of more than 20 million records – visit Military.com/buddy-finder. You can also search for free at GIssearch.com, TogetherWeServed.com and VetFriends.com. If you can't find any current information about the person you're searching for, it could be that he or she is dead. To find out if that's the case, use obituary databases such as Tributes.com and Legacy.com, which has a newspaper obituary search tool from hundreds of U.S. newspapers.

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# The Physical Impact of Pets on People

As pet lovers, we can all agree there are many benefits to having pets in our lives, especially when times are tough. And science agrees. From emotional well-being to physical health, dogs and cats have a measurable, positive effect on us. This positive effect is especially important during stressful life events, particularly when we are faced with threats to our personal health and livelihoods. During these times, much-needed relief and comfort can be gained by spending time with your pet.

Fortunately, stress and anxiety both tend to improve when you interact with your pets, in part due to the “feel good” hormones like oxytocin, dopamine, and serotonin being released. Stress hormones like cortisol are also decreased. All of this is proven to boost your immune system, which helps maintain good health<sup>[1]</sup>.

Additionally, people who have a pet tend to be more active (especially if you have a dog that loves their walks), which could mean reduced blood pressure, cholesterol, and triglyceride levels, leading to an overall improvement in cardiovascular health<sup>[1]</sup>. Studies have also shown that owning a dog is associated with a lower risk of cardiovascular disease and, ultimately, mortality<sup>[2]</sup>.

Whether it's in the form of stress, fear, depression, anxiety, or insecurity — when things get rough, our mood and overall mental health can be seriously compromised. Thankfully, we have our cats and dogs to help us through. Most of the time, just being around animals can lift your mood. But it goes much deeper than that.

**Diversion.** Having a pet can divert your attention from the stress and anxiety you may be feeling at any given moment and help you focus instead on giving and receiving love and care.

**Morale.** Pets can help keep your morale up and can motivate you to continue or seek treatment for emotional and mental health issues<sup>[3]</sup>.

**Less destructive behavior.** People with pets tend to engage more in positive and self-enhancing behaviors, with fewer destructive, aggressive, and self-harm tendencies<sup>[3]</sup>.

**Comfort.** When you're feeling down, angry, or frustrated, a pet provides an important source of comfort. Pets are very good at reading our body language and frequently offer connection with proximity (closeness) or physical touch, which helps lower blood pressure and regulates heart rate<sup>[3]</sup>.

**Fighting loneliness and worry.** Studies show that pets help reduce feelings of loneliness, depression, worry, and irritability<sup>[4]</sup>. Our dogs and cats help us feel less lonely simply by being present with us. Being able to talk to our pets when we feel socially isolated helps us process emotions and keeps us engaged in our surroundings and day-to-day routine.

**A reason to get up in the morning.** The act of caring for another living creature generates a feeling of purpose and accomplishment we often lack during difficult times. This also boosts self-confidence and enhances social interactions<sup>[4]</sup>.

**A confidant.** Many people feel they can confide in their pets, talking out loud and helping to sort out whatever they're struggling with. Pets represent a judgement-free and unconditionally loving confidant.

**Security.** Pets can provide a sense of security when a person is feeling exposed or at risk.

Science supports that our pets make us healthier and happier, even in the most difficult times. Their ability to mentally lift us up, physically get us moving, and sometimes even force us out of our comfort zone cannot be overstated. During stressful times as well as happy times, we will continue to turn to our pets for their love, loyalty, and companionship.

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## DODGE CENTER

### COUNCIL MINUTES July 12, 2021

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Dodge Center, Minnesota was held on Monday, July 12, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. City Council Chambers and Tele-Meeting, City Hall, Dodge Center, Minnesota.

Council members present: Mayor Bill Ketchum, Gary Trelstad, Cath Skogen, Paul Blaisdell, Matt Maas

City staff and others present: Joshua Tetzlaff, City Administrator; Mark Barwald, Maintenance Superintendent; Dave Kenworthy, Fire Chief.

### Meeting Called to Order

Meeting called to order by Mayor Bill Ketchum at 6:00 p.m.

### Adopt Agenda

Motion made by Trelstad, seconded by Skogen, to approve the Agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

### Public Participation

There was no participation from the public at this meeting.

### Approval of Minutes

Motion made by Skogen, seconded by Blaisdell, to approve minutes of the June 28, 2021, City Council Meeting and the June 7, 2021, Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

### Approve Payment of Bills

Two bills were added to the original list, \$149.52 for Custom Alarm and \$154.80 for Kwik Trip.

Motion made by Trelstad, seconded by Maas, to approve payment of bills as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

### Staff Reports

#### Maintenance Superintendent

Mark Barwald gave an update on the delivery of the ordered loader. He is hoping we have received delivery in the next few weeks. Until that time, we have been given a rental free of charge along with our new attachments.

Last Friday, one water pipe along County H (2nd Street NW) broke four times over the course of the day along a couple block

stretch.

Answering a question from Councilman Trelstad, Barwald said that if a fire hydrant has a bag over it, it is inoperable and will be worked on. The Fire Department is aware of this setup and know to not try to use a hydrant that is bagged.

### Administrator's Report

A. Liability Coverage – Waiver Form  
Staff is recommending Council not waive the tort liability limits established by State law.

Motion made by Trelstad, seconded by Blaisdell, to not waive the tort liability limits established by State law. Motion carried unanimously.

B. Temporary Summer Employee  
The council discussed hiring an employee to take care of the landscaping around the City. Karla Tate applied for the position. Staff recommended hiring Ms. Tate at \$15/hour to work a flexible schedule.

Motion made by Trelstad, seconded by Skogen, to approve the hire of Karla Tate for \$15/hour to work a flexible schedule and clean the garden beds around the City. Motion carried unanimously.

C. Resignation  
Tetzlaff formally announced that he is resigning from his position as City Administrator on August 20, 2021.

D. Pool Pass Policy  
Council discussed the possibility of changing the pool pass rates for mid-season purchases.

Motion made by Trelstad, seconded by Skogen, to cut the cost of season pool passes in half on July 15th each year for new residents in town. Motion carried unanimously.

E. Airport Taxilane Update  
Tetzlaff updated the Council on the Airport Taxilane project. According to TKDA, who is the consultant on the project, it appears the aggregate work will be wrapped up this week and paving should begin next week. Councilman Blaisdell said he has heard some people haven't been able to access their planes through the process. Tetzlaff stated that the schedule is still being followed per the contract.

\*\*At 6:15 PM the meeting was closed for an Executive Session.

\*\*Council re-opened the meeting at 6:44 PM.

### Miscellaneous

Council decided to hold a special meeting at 5:00 p.m. on July 26, 2021, to discuss the person who will be holding the next City Administrator position.

Council asked staff to check into the tents and campers parked near the airport to ensure it is legal.

### Adjournment

Motion made by Trelstad, seconded by Skogen, to adjourn at 6:48 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Joshua M. Tetzlaff, City Administrator

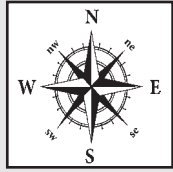
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# Changes in Latitudes, Changes in Attitudes Run Aground



By Terry Campbell

*This column is written by Messenger editor and Minnesota native Terry Campbell. Terry now splits his time between Minnesota when it's warm here and Tennessee when it's cold here.*

The American Cruise Line has big boat that comes past Dover frequently. It is on the Music City Cruise route. The 8-day trip starts at Memphis and heads up the Mississippi to Paducah where it stops for the first night. There the ship passes through the lock into the Cumberland River. It comes down Lake Barkley and stops for a

day at Dover to tour the historical Civil War battlefields. From there it is on to Clarkesville and finally to Nashville.

The cruise ship has six decks and 99 cabins, accommodating 190 guests. There are two lounges, a dining room, a café, a library, yoga/fitness room, laundry and four observation/sundecks.

We see many barges coming up and down river on a daily basis and have a couple times passed the cruise ship while piloting our 17' runabout on the river. Our little bowrider has a draft of a couple feet and one makes sure to stay between the marker buoys on the river because even a small runabout can touch bottom in some places. Lake Barkley was formed about seventy years ago when the hydro-electric dam was built on the Cumberland River. Flooding a river will give you a lot wider waterway, but the shoreline can be misleadingly shallow if you are not careful.

So back to the mechanics of boating where the weight of your craft determines the draft, or depth of your hull below the waterline. One assumes if you were piloting a mega-million dollar cruise ship, the captain would be well schooled in avoiding

river bottoms. Really no excuse for a mistake with modern depth finders and navigational tools.

But imagine our amusement in June when the American Jazz Cruise Ship ran aground just outside Dover. Seems the captain steered the ship on the wrong side of the channel buoy and got stuck in the mud. Took a couple Coast Guard tug boats to pull the ship free. And plenty of amusement to the local folk. Moral of the story seems to be if you see a tree growing in the lake, you might be in pretty shallow water.



# A Minnesotan: Rain Above the Trees



By RosaLin Alcoser

Growing up in rural Minnesota one of my favorite things to do was always sit on the porch or by the window and watch it rain. Getting to watch the droplets of water roll down the glass of the window is the only thing that you can really do from this high up.

There was what should have been a good thunderstorm up in the Twin Cities one morning in late July. So I took my morning coffee and settled by the window to watch it rain. I did this only to find out that the sound of the rain hitting the road while the wind pushes through the leaves creating a damp spray through the air are all lost once you get above tree level.

Now don't get me wrong, living above tree level has its moments; like when balloons get loose from a graduation party and drift past the window as they make a break for freedom. But that comforting feeling of being out on the porch with a steaming cup of coffee watching the rain hit the pathment in the driveway while the trees sway in the wind is completely lost when you live so high up you can watch stray balloons drift in the wind.

Watching the rain come down during a thunderstorm from the 11th floor of a high rise apartment building is one of the most anti-climatic experiences of my life. As it would turn out living so high up might give you a nice view of the city but takes away the wonders of watching it rain.

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  6. Not many (2 words)
  7. "Movin' on up to the east side, we finally got a piece of the \_\_\_"
  8. Right-hand page
  9. Schneider and Reiner
  10. Afresh
  11. Astronaut's insignia
  12. Three pointer
  15. Evening party
  20. Sad newspaper notices
  22. Goes with skip and a jump
  24. Without a trace of moisture (2 words)
  25. "Everybody's got a special kind of story, everybody finds a way to \_\_\_"
  26. Podium, pl.
  27. Concerning, archaic
  29. "Sometimes you wanna go where everybody knows your \_\_\_"
  31. Heidi's "Magic Wooden Shoe"
  32. The Beatles' "\_\_\_ Road"
  33. Not a soul (2 words)
  34. "Sunny day, sweepin' the clouds away on my way to where the air is \_\_\_"
  36. "Good \_\_\_" cooking show
  38. Lady nEe Stefani Joanne Angelina Germanotta
  42. Extend subscription
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  49. Naught
  51. Barley kernels
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  58. Initial stake
  59. Hollywood Walk of Fame honor
  60. A snob puts them on
  61. Use a keyboard
  62. Marine eagle
  63. Bibliographical abbr.
  64. "Just sit right back and you'll hear a \_\_\_"
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