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School Is Just Around the Corner



Triton Public School will open the first full week of September with grades 6 through 12 starting on Tuesday September 6th and K through 5 starting on Thursday September 8th. Superintendent Craig Schlichting anticipates about 1,000 students to start out the 2022-23 school year. There will be fifteen new teachers starting with the Triton district this year.

The elementary, middle and high school principals will be the same as last school year and with the 2021 construction behind them the facilities are already prepared for the new school year. Everything is back to normal after the restrictions of the pandemic. The transportation department has added five new buses over the last two years to service the seventeen different bus routes. The new ZED building in Kasson will be completed by September making easier transportation for some thirty Triton students which assess that facility.

Fall sports are gearing up with a new football coach, Brandon Neseth, high school social studies teacher. Sadie Short will coach the cross country team and Rebecca Goossens will coach the volleyball team. Andrea Possehl started as the Triton nurse last spring and will be full time with the district.

CITY OF CLAREMONT CITY COUNCIL MEETING THURSDAY, JULY 7, 2022, 6:00 P.M.

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Claremont, Minnesota was held on Thursday, July 7, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. at Claremont City Hall. *(continued on page 13)*

Luminate Bank Lightens Up Claremont

You have probably noticed the new signs popping up in Claremont. After careful consideration, what was formerly American Equity Bank (AEB) has partnered with Luminate Home Loans and has officially changed its name to Luminate Bank.

This change is much more than a new name and the bank looks forward to showing Claremont improved services, technology enhancements, and access to new product offerings to help anyone in the community reach their financial and lifestyle goals. The bank will also remain locally owned and managed to continue to provide superior banking services to the local community.

"We are so thrilled to be sharing this exciting news," says Taryn Reuter, CEO of Lu-



minate Bank. "Our customers come first, which is why it's so important for us that this change has an emphasis on bettering our community. It's so exciting for us to be partnered with Luminate Home Loans so that we can continue to go above and beyond for our customers." *(continued on page 3)*

Mike Clark Named Citizen of the Year



Mike Clark riding in parade as Grand Marshal

By Megan Ziegler

Who pops into your head when you think of someone who has shown dedication to our community? *(continued on page 3)*

Minnesota Renaissance Festival Drawing

Be sure to enter the Messenger drawing for Minnesota Renaissance Festival tickets. You will be able to enter by e-mailing your name and address to hometown-messenger@gmail.com.



Winners will be drawn for a 4 pack of tickets on August 19th and you may be one of the lucky ones to enjoy the Renaissance Festival on us. *(continued on page 11)*



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Changed Lives

By Pastor Norman C. Hoffeld
Bible Lutheran Church

A little girl was once standing on the edge of a crowd while her daddy was giving a testimony about what Jesus Christ had done in his life. He was testifying how the Lord had saved him and delivered him from his old lifestyle as a drunkard.

There was a cynic standing on the edge of the crowd that day who could not bear to hear anymore of this religious nonsense. So he yelled, "Why don't you shut up and sit down, old man. You're just dreaming."

Soon, this skeptic felt a tug on his coat sleeve. He looked down and it was this little girl. She looked him square in the eyes and said, "Sir, that's my daddy you're talking about. You say that my daddy is a dreamer? Let me tell you about my daddy."

"My daddy used to be a drunkard and would come home at night and beat my mother. She would cry all through the night. And mister, we didn't have good clothes to wear because my daddy spent all his money on whiskey. Sometimes I didn't even have shoes to wear to school. But look at these shoes and look at this dress! My daddy has a good job now."

Then pointing across the way, she said, "Do you see that woman smiling over there? That's my mother. She doesn't cry through the night anymore. Now she sings."

Then the knockout punch. She said, "Jesus has changed my daddy. Jesus has changed our home. Mister, if my daddy is dreaming,

please don't wake him up."

I have met some people who seem to feel that their sins have been a shock to God. Because of this, God could not possibly forgive them or change them. Every sinner needs to remember this one fact: You did not invent the sin you committed. Thousands have committed that same sin before you ever existed. God is not shocked by our sin. However, God is also not pleased with our sin. He knows that the sins we commit will ultimately hurt us and hurt others. He reaches out His hand to us and says, "Come unto me all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest" (Matthew 11:28). God forgives us. We need to receive that forgiveness in Jesus Christ and allow the Lord to transform our lives. Only God can produce a truly changed heart and life. It all comes down to our willingness to give up our self-seeking and to surrender to Him, then we can be like the "dreamer"!

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Covid 19 has been hard on most individuals. It has closed down many of the things that we all hold dear – seeing family, worshiping together in church, going out to a favorite restaurant, browsing in shops, and on and on. Faith in Action has felt the impact of the pandemic also. Many of our limited volunteer drivers chose to put volunteering on hold early on in the pandemic. At first, it didn't effect our services because most medical appointments were canceled or postponed so there was no need for transportation services. As things began opening up, appointments became available again but some drivers still weren't comfortable transporting someone in the confines of their cars. The vaccine is helping to get us back on track but there is still an urgent need for volunteers to drive seniors to appointments.

Being a volunteer for Faith in Action is a very flexible position. When clients call for transportation, our coordinator contacts volunteers with the dates and times needed. At that point, it is the volunteer's decision whether they can take the transport or not. If not, the coordinator will contact other volunteers to fill the need. In a given month, a volunteer might choose to provide transportation for seniors perhaps 1 to 4 times. Please consider putting your "faith in action" by becoming a Faith in Action volunteer driver. On our website, fiadodgecounty.org (under forms on the menu) you will find a volunteer application to print, complete and return. If you do not have internet access, please call 507-634-3654 for an application.



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Area Church Directory

Looking for a Home

I will say of the Lord, "He is my refuge. . . ." — Psalm 91:2

It was a scene of great joy when three siblings and their family members were reunited after a long separation. Seeking safety, they had fled their homeland in the midst of a civil war, and for eight long years they had lived in different refugee camps, moving from one place to another and searching for each other. Now, in a crowded airport, they were finally reunited. Our church, responsible for their resettlement, had provided housing, but it would not be "home" until the arrival of their loved ones.

Home is supposed to mean safety, belonging, and welcome. But for millions of people their home region has become dangerous and unwelcoming. War, violence, discrimination, and even natural disasters have forced millions to leave their homes. Some get to start a new life. Others languish, homeless and growing hopeless.

Baby Jesus was a refugee when his family fled to Egypt to escape death (Matthew 2). He later said that he had nowhere to rest his head. He understands the pain and sorrow of a refugee.

God has great concern for refugees. Psalm 68 says that God will give the desolate a home, and in Isaiah 65 we read of a "new" time when people can build houses and stay in them. More than that, God offers the deep shelter of belonging to him—under his wings we find refuge.

Heavenly Father, we give thanks for our homes. Please care for the homeless. Thank you for being our dwelling place. In Jesus, Amen.



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Mike Clark Named Citizen of the Year

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There are many wonderful people who want to make a difference in small towns and who want to see rural areas thrive. Having the opportunity to highlight good people doing good things is a great way to boost community morale and thank individuals who go the extra mile. Each year, the Claremont Area Chamber of Commerce helps to achieve that goal by awarding a Citizen of the Year Award during the annual HogFest celebration to a deserving community member. This year's winner is Mike Clark.

For the past 35 plus years, the Claremont Area Chamber has honored citizens of Claremont with the intent of "recognizing service to the community," as President of the Chamber Dean Schuette explained. The Chamber makes the decision with input from Claremont residents to help choose each year's recipient. Dean continued, "The award comes with a plaque, and their name is engraved on the past recipients' plaque located in the bank lobby."

Mike's family prepared a statement that was read as part of the award presentation on the evening of Friday, August 5th, 2022 when HogFest kicked off. In summary, Mike has been in Claremont most of his adult life. He has been married to his wife for 58 years, having raised three children in the Claremont school system. Mike and his wife also have five grandchildren. His family describes him as a "funny, caring, quick-witted, quiet leader whom we've all tried to emulate." They continue, "Dad is proud of the town of Claremont, proud of the home he and our mom have made here and proud of the family that they've raised here." As many of us can relate to, he takes great pride and joy in watching his grandchildren grow up.

Mike is currently enjoying his retirement in Claremont and has had the opportunity to assist the community in different ways. Dean explained, "He has been instrumental in the building and maintenance of the Claremont Veterans Memorial and a proud supporter of all things Claremont."

One of the final events of the HogFest weekend was the parade on Sunday afternoon. Thankfully the rain let up for the parade to go on without issue. Mike Clark was Grand Marshall of the parade in honor of his Citizen of the Year Award.

Congratulations, Mike, on being named Citizen of the Year! Thank you for your dedication to our community.

Luminate Bank Lightens Up Claremont

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In the coming months you will see a new and improved website, as well as a better online banking experience. Luminate Bank encourages you to reach out if you have any questions or would like more information on this transition.

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Gordon John Rassman

Gordon John Rassman, 86, died peacefully August 6, 2022 at Benedictine Living Community (Koda) in Owatonna, MN.



Gordy was born December 3, 1935 to John and Gertrude (Heide) Rassman in Cresco, Iowa where he was also baptized and confirmed.

In 1951, Gordy moved with his family to Claremont, MN where he graduated from Claremont High School in 1954. Shortly after graduation, Gordy enlisted in the U.S. Navy stationed in Port Hueneme, California. While on leave, Gordy met the love of his life, Gladys Kos at the Monterey Ballroom in Owatonna. Anxious to marry the woman of his dreams, in April 1956, he hitch-hiked from California to Minnesota to marry Gladys. A marriage that lasted 66 years. After

spending four years in the Navy, Gordy re-enlisted in the U.S. Naval Reserves in Minnesota at which time they moved back to Minnesota settling in Owatonna. In 1962, he was honorably discharged from the Naval Reserves.

Gordy lived in Owatonna, Claremont and Austin. He worked as a delivery driver for Wonder Bread and Tastee Bread, worked on the family farm in Claremont, and was in sales for Greene Doors and Hardware in Dodge Center. After retirement, he worked at Wal-Mart in Owatonna in the toy department putting bikes together.

In 2000, Gordy went back to school and earned a Kaipos Certificate of Completion from Luther Seminary for Lay Ministry. After which he was a substitute pastor at Aurora Lutheran and Trinity Lutheran in Blooming Prairie spreading the good word of the Lord.

Gordy's interests include the Minnesota Twins, Vikings, golfing, traveling, mission trips and spending time with family.

He will be greatly missed by his loving wife, Gladys of Owatonna, daughters, Kim (Dale) Wilder of Owatonna, Audrey (David) Tysdale of Owatonna, sons, Roger (Merry) Rassman of Fernandina Beach, FL and Rodney (Ann) Rassman of Waconia, MN, sister Betty Buss of Owatonna and brother Robert Rassman of New York and sister-in-law Francis Rassman of Owatonna, 11 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

Those meeting him in heaven are grandson Michael Tysdale, his parents, John and Gertrude, brothers, Wayne, Allan and Eugene, sisters Loretta (Donald) Moe and Mary Anderson, sister-in-law Kay Rassman, brother-in-law Allen Buss, and nephews, Scott Moe, Randy Moe, Jeff Thompson, Steve Thompson and Bruce Buss.

A memorial service was held Saturday, August 13, 2022 at Brick-Meger Funeral Home at 1:00 PM. Friends greeted the family two hours prior to the service beginning at 11:00 AM at the funeral home. Interment followed at Owatonna Memorial Gardens with military rites by the Steele County Funeral Unit.

Rachel Lynn Nesseth

Rachel Lynn Nesseth, 18, of Zumbrota, passed away suddenly on Wednesday, August 10, 2022.



Rachel was born April 22, 2004 in Rochester, MN to Barney and Laura (Shelton) Nesseth. She was a recent graduate of Kenyon-Wanamingo High School and was planning to leave for Concordia College, where she would major in Biochemistry and compete on Concordia's Track and Field team. In school, Rachel was full of energy and was active in band, choir, chamber choir, and theater. She would often play her flute and sing at church, where she was also involved in the Emmanuel Lutheran youth group. Along with her musical talents, Rachel was a Member of the National Honor Society and was a Board Scholar. Rachel also excelled in track as a sprinter and hurdler. She enjoyed being a

member of the volleyball team. Her love of dance brought her to Triton where she was captain of the dance team and met friends that quickly became family. Rachel was also an officer for band and choir and was a school board representative for student council. She was the first student from Kenyon-Wanamingo to receive the Region 1A TripleA Award. She was also a 4-H member, a 4-H camp counselor, and earned multiple trips to state with her horse, Fortune. Rachel was a radiant light. Her love of Jesus was obvious. She was known for her smile and her genuine heart and was always encouraging to others with her positive spirit. Anyone that knew her knew she was uniquely Rachel.

Rachel is survived by her parents, Barney and Laura Nesseth of Zumbrota; brother, Alec Nesseth of Zumbrota; paternal grandparents, Darrell and Lovey Nesseth; maternal grandmother, Lenora Shelton; uncles, Leo Nesseth, Micky (Betty) Nesseth, Bruce (Theresa) Shelton; Aunts, Karen (David) VanderKaay, Gianna (Ken) Keating and cousins, Jason Nesseth, Jynnylee Nesseth, Rowdy (Aly) VanderKaay, Jacinda (Brett) Bainum and Shelbi (Nathan) Eggerss. Rachel was preceded in death by her maternal grandfather, Jimmy Shelton.

A funeral service was held 11:00 AM Tuesday, August 16, 2022, at Holden Lutheran Church, 6949 30th Ave. Blvd, Kenyon, MN 55946. Visitation was held 4:00-8:00 PM Monday, August 15, 2022, at Mahn Family Funeral Home-Larson Chapel, 1475 Jefferson Dr. Zumbrota, MN 55992 and one hour prior to the service at the church. Pastor Lyle Aadahl officiated and burial was at Emmanuel Lutheran Church Cemetery, Aspelund, MN. To share a special memory or condolence, please visit www.mahnfamilyfuneral-home.com

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Craig Schlichting
Superintendent

Hello Triton Families,

The beginning of the school year often brings with it many emotions, and this year is no different. As we prepare to welcome students into our schools for the 2022-23 school year, I realize that the question of school safety is at the top of many of your minds.

Since the Uvalde, Texas, tragedy that took place in late May, I have been asked this question again and again: Are our schools safe? Considering the importance of this question

and the understandable concern about school safety that many of you share, I would like to answer it directly.

The top priority of our school district is the safety and wellbeing of our students and staff. While we cannot share all the ways we work to protect students and staff, we employ the best school safety practices and work with local law enforcement as critical partners to seek every opportunity to ensure our students and staff are safe. On August 6th we had many local law enforcement personnel and first responders at our school for an Active Shooter Training. I was able to attend the classroom session and view one of the actual scenario drills. It was very intense, but it is important for them to be able to use our facilities to prepare for possible situations. The hope is that they will never need to use that training but being prepared helps them perform in the event of an actual situation.

Beyond protecting our students from horrific tragedies, we also take a broader view of student safety. Triton Public Schools are places where students are welcomed, encouraged, accepted, and celebrated for their differences; where bullying and harassment have no place; and where students have access to high-quality, nutritious school meals and safe rides to and from school and school-

sponsored events. Finally, our schools are places where outstanding teachers and staff seek to make positive and meaningful connections with students as individuals and to work with you, our families, to determine how our schools can best serve your children.

Please understand that just as we cannot release the details of our school safety efforts, we are unable to share specific student information when disciplinary incidents occur, as we must adhere to student privacy requirements. Despite this, we will continue to do all we can to engage you in our school safety efforts. With that in mind, we encourage you to speak with your child and encourage them to

report to their principal anything that makes them feel unsafe or concerns them.

As we approach the beginning of the school year, I recognize the safety concerns you may have. Our schools are safe, and with your assistance, we will work to make them even safer.

I encourage you to reach out to your child's principal or me with any concerns or questions you may have regarding safety issues.

As always, thank you for your support.

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University of Wyoming Spring Semester Graduates: Minnesota

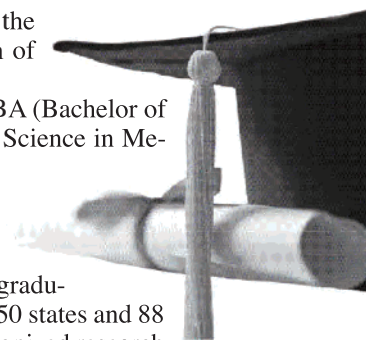
The University of Wyoming accorded degrees upon the following students from Minnesota at the completion of the spring 2022 semester.

The following degrees may be included on this list: BA (Bachelor of Arts); BS (Bachelor of Science); BSME (Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering); CERT (Certificate); EdD (Doctor of Education); MBA (Master of Business Administration); MS (Master of Science); and PhD (Doctor of Philosophy).

The University of Wyoming provides quality undergraduate and graduate programs to 12,249 students from all 50 states and 88 countries. Established in 1886, UW is a nationally recognized research institution with accomplished faculty and world-class facilities. Offering 200 areas of study, UW provides an environment for success. A low student/faculty ratio allows for individual instruction and attention, and undergraduates often participate in cutting-edge research projects.

For more information about the University of Wyoming, view the webpage at www.uwyo.edu.

West Concord
Deacon E. Schlichting BA



Triton FFA Officer Team



At the end of July the Triton FFA officer team conducted a three day retreat at Harvestfarm Campground in Cresco Iowa to plan out the events for the upcoming school year. Pictured left to right are: Jacob Kasper, Caleb Chilson, Jacob Kasper, Stella Streich, Elyssa Robinson, Cadence Spearman, Noah Kasper, and John Moenning.

TRITON CLASS OF 2022



SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

Galen Anguiano was a senior at Triton High School in 2021-22. His parents are Maria Ramirez and Leonardo Anguiano. He has one brother, Miquel and one sister Brianna. He enjoys playing soccer in and out of school. His pastimes include crypto research, reading books, researching herbs and playing guitar. His favorite movies are Spiderman and Spiderman 2 and Let Me In. He enjoys music by Kid Cudi and Kayne West. After graduation he plans to go to Mexico and pursue a career in soccer or holistic medicine.



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Triton FFA

Many of the Triton FFA members took advantage of summer opportunities provided for them. In early summer the chapter toured two different businesses in southeast Minnesota: Schech's Mill in Caledonia and Fastenal in Winona. At the mill the members saw a water turbine powered mill grind corn and wheat with milling stones that were installed in the late 1800's. Over the years the mill has ground flour for people and feed for animals

and is currently grinding flour for beer production and for bread. At Fastenal the members learned about machining careers and got to see the fabrication shop. Several members exhibited at the Dodge County Fair FFA Livestock show. All species had at least one exhibitor showcasing their knowledge of selecting and raising the animal. They are all looking forward to showing at the state fair. At the end of July the Triton FFA officer team had a three day camping planning retreat at Harvestfarm Campground in Cresco, Iowa. Officers did some team building activities and planned events for the school year. They are looking forward to a productive school year!



Dodge County FFA Exhibitors from Triton: Sam Gochnauer and Elyssa Robinson



Triton FFA Goat Exhibitors from left to right: Stella Streich, Jason Wolf, Dasmine Marquardt and Anna Ridenour



Triton FFA Beef Exhibitors from left to right: Elyssa Robinson, Noah Kasper and Sam Gochnauer



Triton FFA Swine Exhibitors from left to right: Elyssa Robinson and John Moenning



Triton FFA member Anna Ridenour exhibiting her goat.

2022 Dodge County Fair FFA Livestock Show Results

FFA Beef Show Results		
Champion Angus	Sadie Sullivan	Kasson Mantorville FFA
Reserve Champion Angus	Emma Aarsvold	Kasson Mantorville FFA
Champion Simmental	Lidia Faulhaber	Hayfield FFA
Res. Champion Simmental	Bodie Fitch	Kasson Mantorville FFA
Champion AOB	Karlee Paulson	Pine Island FFA
Res. Champion AOB	Maddy Johnson	Hayfield FFA
Champion Commercial	Lydia Faulhaber	Hayfield FFA
Res. Champion Commercial	Elyssa Robinson	Triton FFA
Supreme Champion Female	Karlee Paulson	Pine Island FFA
Res. Supreme Ch. Female	Lydia Faulhaber	Hayfield FFA
Champion Market Beef Hfr.	Maddy Johnson	Hayfield FFA
Res. Ch. Market Beef Hfr.	Austin Fitch	Kasson Mantorville FFA
Champion Market Steer	Lydia Faulhaber	Hayfield FFA
Res. Ch. Market Steer	Schuyler Sullivan	Kasson Mantorville FFA
Champion Dairy Steer	Brody Johnson	Hayfield FFA
Res. Ch. Dairy Steer	Maddy Johnson	Hayfield FFA
Supreme Ch. Market Beef	Lydia Faulhaber	Hayfield FFA
Res. Supreme Ch. Market Beef	Schuyler Sullivan	Kasson Mantorville FFA

FFA Dairy Show Results		
Jr. Champion Holstein	Elyssa Robinson	Triton FFA
Res. Jr. Champion Holstein	Elyssa Robinson	Triton FFA
Jr. Champion Brown Swiss	Bethany Bauer	Hayfield FFA
Res. Jr. Champion Brown Swiss	Bethany Bauer	Hayfield FFA
Jr. Champion AOB	Brooke Bauer	Hayfield FFA
Res. Jr. Champion AOB	Buck Oeltjenbruns	Kenyon Wanamingo FFA
Jr. Champion Crossbred	Alita Rinehart	Kasson Mantorville FFA
Res. Jr. Champion Crossbred	Elyssa Robinson	Triton FFA
Sr. Holstein Champion	Sam Gochnauer	Triton FFA
Res. Sr. Holstein Champion	Sam Gochnauer	Triton FFA
Sr. Brown Swiss Champion	Brooke Bauer	Hayfield FFA
Res. Sr. Brown Swiss Champion	Bethany Bauer	Hayfield FFA
Sr. Champion Crossbred	Elyssa Robinson	Triton FFA
Sr. Champion AOB	Sam Gochnauer	Triton FFA
Grand Champion Holstein	Sam Gochnauer	Triton FFA
Res. Gr. Champion Holstein	Sam Gochnauer	Triton FFA
Gr. Champion Brown Swiss	Brooke Bauer	Hayfield FFA

Res. Gr. Champion Brown Swiss	Bethany Bauer	Hayfield FFA
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Res. Gr. Champion AOB	Brooke Bauer	Hayfield FFA
Gr. Champion Crossbred	Alita Rinehart	Kasson Mantorville FFA
Res. Gr. Champion Crossbred	Sam Gochnauer	Triton FFA
Supreme Dairy	Sam Gochnauer	Triton FFA
Res. Supreme Dairy	Brooke Bauer	Hayfield FFA

FFA Goat Show Results		
Champion Dairy Goat	Emma Aarsvold	Kasson Mantorville FFA
Res. Champion Dairy Goat	Stella Streich	Triton FFA
Champion Meat Breeding Doe	Anna Ridenour	Triton FFA
Res. Ch. Meat Breeding Doe	Anna Ridenour	Triton FFA
Champion Market Wether Goat	Anna Ridenour	Triton FFA
Res. Ch. Market Wether Goat	Anna Ridenour	Triton FFA
Champion Market Doe	Anna Ridenour	Triton FFA
Res. Ch. Market Doe	Brooke O'Brien	Kenyon Wanamingo FFA
Gr. Champion Market Goat	Anna Ridenour	Triton FFA
Res. Gr. Ch. Market Goat	Anna Ridenour	Triton FFA
Champion Dairy Wether	Dasmine Marquardt	Triton FFA
Res. Champion Dairy Wether	Dasmine Marquardt	Triton FFA

FFA Sheep Show Results		
Champion Dorset Ram	Brody Erickson	Stewartville FFA
Res. Champion Dorset Ram	Braeden Erickson	Stewartville FFA
Champion Dorset Ewe	Braeden Erickson	Stewartville FFA
Res. Champion Dorset Ewe	Brody Erickson	Stewartville FFA
Champion Babydoll Southdown Ram	Brooke O'Brien	Kenyon Wanamingo FFA
Res. Ch. Babydoll Southdown Ram	Brooke O'Brien	Kenyon Wanamingo FFA
Champion Babydoll Ewe	Brooke O'Brien	Kenyon Wanamingo FFA
Res. Ch. Babydoll Ewe	Belle O'Brien	Kenyon Wanamingo FFA
Champion Crossbred Ewe	Brody Erickson	Stewartville FFA
Res. Ch. Crossbred Ewe	Brooke O'Brien	Kenyon Wanamingo FFA
Supreme Ram	Brody Erickson	Stewartville FFA
Res. Supreme Ram	Braeden Erickson	Stewartville FFA
Supreme Ewe	Body Erickson	Stewartville FFA
Res. Supreme Ewe	Braeden Erickson	Stewartville FFA

Champion White Face Market Lamb	Brody Erickson	Stewartville FFA
Res. Ch. White Face Market Lamb	Caden Boehm	Stewartville FFA
Champion Speckled Face Market Lamb	Brooke O'Brien	Kenyon Wanamingo FFA
Res. Ch. Speckled Face Market Lamb	McKenzie Boehm	Stewartville FFA
Champion Black Face Market Lamb	Maddy Johnson	Hayfield FFA
Res. Ch. Black Face Market Lamb	Braeden Erickson	Stewartville FFA
Grand Champion Market Lamb	Maddy Johnson	Hayfield FFA
Res. Gr. Champion Market Lamb	Braeden Erickson	Stewartville FFA

FFA Swine Show Results		
Grand Champion Breeding Sow	Braeden Erickson	Stewartville FFA
Res. Gr. Champion Breeding Sow	Braxton Erickson	Stewartville FFA
Champion Market Barrow	Caden Boehm	Stewartville FFA
Res. Champion Market Barrow	Braeden Erickson	Stewartville FFA
Champion Market Gilt	McKenzie Boehm	Stewartville FFA
Res. Champion Market Gilt	Wyatt Sullivan	Kasson Mantorville FFA
Grand Champion Market Hog	Caden Boehm	Stewartville FFA
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August 22, 2022
Bidding Begins: ... Aug. 13, 2022
Starts Closing: ... Aug. 22, 2022
Utica, MN
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Farmington, MN
 ONLINE ONLY FORAGE AND LIVESTOCK EQUIPMENT FROM DEVENSHIRE FARMS Case IH 7210, New Holland FP230 Chopper, (2) H&S HD Twin Auger 18' Boxes, (2) Meyer 3750 Dry Box Spreaders, Haying Equipment, Skid Loader Attachments, Conveyors, (4) VD Silo Unloaders, Bins, Trailers, Squeeze Shoot, Highline Bale Buster, Roller Mill, Augers

August 26, 2022 ... 10:00 AM CDT
New Richland, MN
 EXCEPTIONALLY CLEAN LIVE & ONLINE FARM RETIREMENT AUCTION FOR RICK ARNOLD John Deere 8230 MFW 2400 Hours, John Deere 5058M W/Loader MFW/D, Freightliner Day Cab, Timpco Grain Trailer, Tillage & Spraying Equipment, Grain Bins, Grain Augers, Clean Ford F600 Truck

August 28, 2022
Bidding Begins: ... Aug. 20, 2022
Starts Closing: ... Aug. 28, 2022
Inver Grove Heights, MN
 ONLINE ONLY FARM ESTATE AUCTION FOR THE HERMAN CLIFF JR. ESTATE John Deere 4430, 4320, (2) 730, G Tractors, John Deere 6620 Combine, Heads, Tillage Machinery, IHC W-6 & C Tractors, Skid Loader, 1940 Chevy Pickup, 1990 Chevy 1500, Lawn & Garden, Old Gas Pump, Farm Primitives, House Antiques, Building Salvage Rights

August 30, 2022 ... 10:00 AM CDT
Kenyon, MN
 171 ACRES CROP LAND IN RICE CO., MN FOR THE MATEJCEK FAMILY LTD PARTNERSHIP Live and Online Bidding for 171 Acres of Crop Land in Section 10 & 15 of Walcott Township, Rice Co., MN, Selling in 2 Separate Parcels, 80 Acres in Sec. 10 With 86.7 CPI, 91.40 Acres in Sec. 15 With 75.3 CPI, Drain Tile in Place.

September 10, 2022
Bidding Begins: ... Sept. 1, 2022
Starts Closing: ... Sept. 10, 2022
Rochester, MN
 ONLINE ONLY FARM RETIREMENT AUCTION FOR STANLEY & SUSAN DODGE Low Housed Case IH 7220 2WD, International 1256, 1206, 560 & H Tractors, Like New Bushhog 1815 Batwing Mower, Case IH 496, Wilrich Field Cultivator, John Deere 7000 Planter, Farm Trucks, Grain Bin, Farm Support Items, Lumber

Sept. 15, 2022 ... 10:00 AM CDT
Montgomery, MN
 98 ACRES OF FARM CROP LAND IN LESUEUR CO., MN FOR RON KROCAK 98 Acres of Bare Crop Land, Selling in Two Separate Parcels, In Section 9 Of Montgomery Township, Le Sueur Co., MN, 61.5 Tillable Acres, Live and Online Bidding

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Starts Closing: ... Sept. 18, 2022
Faribault, MN
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<p>1978 Chevrolet C20 (Brown) 2wd, Flat Bed Truck 7'x8' bed, 350 AT, air not working, 129,000 miles (Nice)</p>	<p>White 508 3x18" semi mounted plow w/poly mold board covers - (looks great) SN:45722</p>
<p>1995 Chevrolet Silverado 1500 271 Regular Cab (Red) 4x4, 81" Box w/ Topper, V8, AT, Air, Cruise, Alum. Wheels (High Miles & Some Rust)</p>	<p>John Deere F145H 3x16 semi mounted plow (nice)</p>
<p>1948 Chevrolet Grain Truck (Red), w/12 box & hoist, like new rubber 8-25-20, 12volt system, cab solid (Always sheathed)</p>	<p>John Deere 623 2 bottom plow</p>
<p>Grain bin approx. 2000 bu. (to be removed by buyer)</p>	<p>Chicken Coop 10'x12' (to be removed by buyer)</p>
<p>16' Lund fishing boat w/ heavy hauler slide trailer & Johnson 25-hp motor (nice)</p>	<p>John Deere 623 2 bottom plow</p>
<p>Antique Oak Veneer 2 Pedestal Dining Room Table w/ 4 Leaves & Pads - (4) Oak Chairs - Antique Oak Veneer Library Table 2 Pedestals - Red Wing Crocks 15gal, 10 gal, 5gal - Angel Collection - Small Wood Writing Desk & Chair - Singer Sewing Machine & Cabinet - Microwave - Nice Kitchen Items - Rooster & Hen Collection - Spice Rack - Like New Center Pieces - Pots & Pans - Blankets - Side Tables - Lamps - Idea Vintage VP Pose Doll - Ginny Baby Doll - Vintage 2-door China Hutch (55"x38"x15") - Oil Lamps - Board Games - Hurricane Lamps - Holiday Items - Pro Form 835 Treadmill - Schwinn Exercise Bike - Flatware & Box - Kids Table w/ 2 chairs - Box Fans - Tonka Dump Truck & Loaders - 60 years of stuff!!</p>	<p>Delta 10" miter & table saw - Industrial plus 5 hp gas power washer - (2) yard trailers - Lots of fishing tackle, rods and reels - Craftsman 6.5 shop vac (new) - Steel Corn Planter plates - (2) New 56" ceiling fans - Forks & shovels - Rolling metal picnic table - Metal yard cart - Milco 225 mg welder - Lincoln 225 stick welder - step jack - Large two stage air compressor - (2) Reddy heaters - Johnson model 1 metal band saw - Lots of new flat metal & tubing - Metal jack - B/D 14" chop saw - Horsfield metal bender - Welding table - Many hand tools - Torch set w/ cart - Bench vises - (2) chain hoist - Powermate belt sander & disc - Duacraft 6 spd. floor drill press - Dekalb metal sign - Fram Filter clock - Sears 3 ton floor jack - (2) stock tanks - T post - (2) 300 gal fuel tank on stand - Many steel wheels - Old out house - Box corn sheller - Dump rack on steel - 9 horse digger on steel - Birch 2 row rotary hoe - Cement block, tile & brick - Chicken water & feeders - Nail kegs - (2) 36" wood wagon wheels - Milk cans - Box Corn Sheller - Many egg pails - (2) lightning rods & balls - (2) wood porch poles - cheese boxes - Zap wood pop or ate - Armstrong bottling Co. wood crate - Puma clothes pin bag - Wood block pulleys - (2) Homelite gas chain saws - 24" stone wheel - Land Measuring Wheel-Treadle Sewing Machine Bases - Stamped Tractor Wrenches - (2) Wheel Barrows - Kids Sleds & 2 Wheel Scooter - B/S Model L 2200 Electric Power Washer - House Casement Windows (1-8'x6' 2-7'x4'0" 2-5'2" x4'0") - American Gas Lamp - Cabela's 25 Snow Shoes - Fish House on Sled - Large Dog House - Homemade Steel Feeder on skids - Live Traps - Cattle Gates - Cattle Water - Werner 6' Step Ladder - 20" Alum. Ext. Ladder - 32" Wood Ext. Ladder - Murray Single Stage 21" 4.5hp Electric Start Snowblower - 2 Building full of used lumber</p>
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Early Literacy Promotes Lifelong Success



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As summer days turn into evening, many parents pull out a book or two to read to their kids at bedtime. This is important because studies consistently show that reading at a young age drastically improves a child's educational trajectory. At Southern Minnesota Initiative Foundation (SMIF) we know it is important to invest in early literacy efforts as a long-term strategy to support lifelong success.

According to Minnesota Compass, the abil-

ity to read by the end of third grade often predicts future academic and life success. Sadly, only forty-eight percent of third graders in Minnesota are proficient in reading, and our 20-county region is just a fraction above the statewide average.

One way SMIF supports these literacy efforts is through our Early Literacy Grant program. We recently distributed more than 21,000 books – English, Spanish and bilingual – to 46 organizations in our region through this grant. These organizations – libraries, schools, public health organizations, reading centers, and more – work with children birth to age eight. The beauty of this program is that these organizations will distribute the books to children who will be able to take them home, hopefully encouraging a lifelong love of reading.

Minnesota-based publishing companies, ABDO and Capstone, generously donate the majority of the books for this program. Over the years of partnering with these companies, we have been able to distribute more than one hundred thousand books throughout the region.

Our AmeriCorps LEAP Initiative program is another way we facilitate early literacy. LEAP stands for Learning Early Achieves Potential, which is the mantra that guides this program. Each year, AmeriCorps members are placed throughout the region at preschools and nonprofit organizations. Our members work on social and emotional development with children who are at risk of falling behind. Reading exercises are a major

part of the program.

As we continue to invest in early literacy efforts, we hope to see reading proficiencies rise in our region. Our partner organizations and grant recipients are doing wonderful work ensuring that our future adults will be prepared for success in life. We are proud to be a partner in these efforts.

We are currently seeking AmeriCorps members for our 2022 – 2023 term. Contact Barbara Gunderson at 507-456-0353 or barbarag@smifoundation.org to learn more.

As always, I welcome your comments and questions. You can reach me at timp@smifoundation.org or 507-455-3215.



Minnesota Renaissance Festival Drawing

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The Minnesota RenFest is the country's largest Renaissance-themed festival, this rousing event will delightfully engage and entertain you as the festival grounds are transformed into a 16th century village, complete with hundreds of unique characters. You're encouraged to dress the part, too!

The authentic village is filled with costumed characters such as peasants, nobles and royal courtiers. On 16 lively stages you'll find magicians, musicians, comedians, jugglers, mimes and more who entertain the kid in all of us. Plus, cheer on the jousting knights who mount their horses to do battle. And, as mentioned, festival goers are encouraged to the dress the part as well. So plan your costume now.

The festival marketplace features 250 arti-

sans who display and sell their handcrafted treasures. Demonstrations are given daily by masters of historic skills such as armor making, bronze casting, glass blowing and calligraphy. Additionally, visitors have more than 150 food choices including the famous roasted turkey drumstick, scotch eggs, soup in a bread bowl and apple dumplings.

The Minnesota Renaissance Festival runs its 51st season August 20 through October 2, 2022. The Festival is open weekends plus Labor Day September 5 and Festival Friday, September 30, 2022, from 9 a.m. – 7 p.m., rain or shine. The Festival is located seven miles south of Shakopee on Highway 169. Festival patrons can enjoy 16 stages of live entertainment, 250 artisan vendors for endless shopping, 7 theme weekends, full combat jousting and food fit for a king or queen!

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New Dollar General

Concrete has been poured for the new Dollar General in West Concord. Construction is on schedule to be completed by the end of the year, with a store opening planned for early

2023. The new location will offer a full line of housewares, clothing, cosmetics, pharmaceuticals and groceries for retail.

The company started with one store in 1939 in Kentucky. By 1955 it had grown to 35 stores in Tennessee and Kentucky and changed the name to Dollar General. Currently there are 18,216 locations in 47 states and since 2020 has been opening about 1,000 new stores each year.



Bridge Collapse



Last Friday while road crews were working on resurfacing Dodge County 5 the bridge collapsed under the weight of the equipment. From reports it was determined that a milling machine was parked on the bridge while some adjustments were being done when the bridge gave way and dumped the ½ million dollar machine into the Zumbro River. The operator was not on the unit at the time and no one was hurt from the accident. It required four large trucks to extract the machine from the river and it was considered to be a total loss. The bridge spans the Zumbro River and is a wood structure with an asphalt overlay.



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Cheap Basic Cell Phone Plans for Penny Pinching Seniors

Dear Savvy Senior,

A few months ago, I read a column you wrote on extremely cheap smartphone plans for budget-conscious seniors. Can you do a similar column for those of us who still use basic flip phones? My old 3G flip phone is about to become obsolete, so I'm looking for the cheapest possible replacement. I only need a simple cell phone (no data) for emergency calls when I'm away from home.

--Penny Pincher

Dear Penny,

For many seniors, like yourself, who only want a simple basic cell phone for emergency purposes and occasional calls, there are a number of super cheap plans available from small wireless providers you may have never heard of. Here are some of the best deals available right now.

Cheapest Basic Plans

For extremely light cell phone users, the cheapest wireless plan available is through US Mobile (USMobile.com), which has a "build your own plan" that starts at only \$2 per month for 75 minutes of talk time. If you want text messaging capabilities, an extra \$1.50/month will buy you 50 texts per month.

US Mobile runs on Verizon's and T-Mobile's networks and gives you the option to bring your existing phone (if compatible or unlocked) or purchase a new device, while keeping your same phone number if you wish.

If your flip phone is becoming obsolete, as you mentioned in your question, you'll need to buy a new device, which you can do through US Mobile if you choose their plan. They offer the "NUU F4L" flip phone for \$39 for new customers. Or you can purchase an unlocked phone through retail stores like Walmart or Best Buy, or online. One of the best value flip phones right now is the (unlocked) "Alcatel GO FLIP 4044 4G LTE," available at Amazon.com for \$80.

Some other super cheap wireless plans worth a look are Ultra Mobile's "PayGo" plan (UltraMobile.com/PayGo), which provides 100 talk minutes, 100 texts for only \$3 per month. And Tello's (Tello.com) "build your own plan" that starts at \$5 per month for 100 talk minutes and unlimited texting.

Both Ultra Mobile PayGo and Tello also run on T-Mobile's network and will let you use your existing phone (if compatible or unlocked) or buy a new one.

Senior Targeted Providers

In addition to these super cheap plans, there are several other wireless companies that cater to older customers and offer low-cost basic plans and simple flip phones. One of the least expensive is through TracFone (Tracfone.com), which offers a 60-minute talk, text and web plan for \$20 that lasts for 90 days. That averages out to \$6.66 per month.

Three other providers that are popular among seniors are Snapfon (Snapfon.com), which offers a 100 minutes and unlimited texting plan for \$10. Consumer Cellular (ConsumerCellular.com), which provides an unlimited talk plan or \$15 per month. They also give 5 percent discounts to AARP members. And Lively (Lively.com), maker of the popular Jitterbug Flip2 senior-friendly flip phone. Their cheapest monthly plan is 300 minutes of talk and text for \$15.

Subsidized Plans

You also need to know that if you're on a government program such as Medicaid, Supplemental Security Income or food stamps/SNAP. Or, if your annual household income is at or below 135 percent of the Federal Poverty Guidelines - \$18,347 for one person, or \$24,719 for two - you might also qualify for free or subsidized wireless plans from various carriers via the federal Lifeline program. To find out if you're eligible or apply, visit LifelineSupport.org.

Claremont City Council

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Members present: Mayor Tasha Dahl, City Council Members Jacob Klejeski, Hunter McGovern, and Deb Ellis. Council Members absent: None. There is 1 vacant city council seat.

City staff and others present: City Administrator Evan Brown, City Clerk/Treasurer Elizabeth Sorg, City Attorney Mark Rahrnick, and First Responder Director Casey Dahl.

Motion by Klejeski to approve the Agenda with 1 addition of City Administrator Brown's 90-day Performance Review under Personnel Committee, second by McGovern. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC INPUT

None

CONSENT AGENDA

The Consent Agenda consisted of: Minutes of the June 7, 2022, City Council Meeting and Resolution No. 22-19: Resolution Certifying Past-Due Bills to Dodge County for Collection with 2023 Property Taxes. Motion by Ellis to approve the Consent Agenda, second by McGovern. Motion carried unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Council held a 90-day performance review for Administrator Brown before this meeting. Council stated overall he is doing very satisfactory.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Motion by McGovern to approve the financial reports, second by Ellis. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by McGovern to approve the amended list of bills to be paid, second by Ellis. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY COMMITTEE

Nothing at this time.

PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE

Nothing at this time.

EDA

Dean Schuette turned in a bill for the business façade grant reimbursement. Schuette stated ½ of the bill is for his property on West Front Street and ½ for Gatorbak for their parking lot improvements. Both grant applications requested \$2500, and the bill total was \$8850. The council wanted the bill broken out on how much of blacktop millings went to Gatorbak and how much to Schuette's property and to remove the part of the bill that was for Schuette's personal driveway.

PARKS COMMITTEE

They will be having a meeting soon.

PEOPLESERVICE

Waiting for MPCA's approval on the pump replacement.

CITY ATTORNEY

Nothing at this time.

CITY ENGINEER

Nothing at this time.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

The 2004 Ford maintenance truck isn't getting used much since there is only 1 employee in the maintenance department and a major reason it was purchased was for lifting manhole covers but that can be done with the heavy-duty magnet and the skid loader. The council agreed to sell it on MN Bid. Motion by Ellis to approve selling the 2004 Ford Truck on MN Bid with a minimum of \$7000, second by McGovern. Motion carried unanimously.

The city council will have a budget workshop on Tuesday, July 26 at 6 p.m.

Motion by Klejeski to adjourn the meeting at 6:22 p.m., second by Ellis. Motion carried unanimously.

ATTEST:

Elizabeth Sorg, City Clerk/Treasurer
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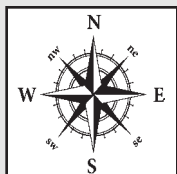


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By Terry Campbell

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.

One of my concerns with traveling 720 miles in one day across five states is encountering breakdowns on the highway. I am usually pulling a loaded trailer so there are more tires to contend with. I always carry a spare for the trailer along with a jack and wrenches. My first experience was a couple years ago, and the flat was on the trailer. I had just stopped for fuel in New London, Missouri and I noticed a low tire on the trailer. I pulled over to the air hose at the station and pumped up the tire. I could hear it hissing out as fast as I put it in. Since it was 100 degrees and the noon sun bearing down, I decided to pull into town and find a shady spot under a tree to change the tire. What I found was a repair shop and I pulled up and asked the guy if he would do the job for me. He wheeled his

five-ton floor jack over and buzzed the lug nuts off with his air wrench. After changing the tire in about two-minutes he told me he had a tire to replace my spare. Another five minutes and the spare was full of air and good to go. I asked him what I owed him and he said \$20. I handed him \$40 and he looked at me and handed one of the Andrew Jackson's back to me.

Last month I had another road hazard. I was coming home one night and just as I swung into the turn lane I heard a bang from the area of my rear tire. Sounded like a gunshot. This was not good, I thought and sure enough, my low tire pressure light came on within in a couple minutes. I backed onto the concrete in the garage and there in the driver's side rear tire was a shiny, large chunk of metal sticking out of the face of the tire. My first thought was to change the tire, but after removing all six lug nuts I found that even with a fence post pounder, I couldn't knock the rim off the hub.

So, the next attack was to plug the damaged tire. I could not pull the object out so I drove it in. Then I had a hole almost big enough to put my little finger in. I got three repair cords in the shank of the tool at the same time and squeezed the tube of glue liberally over all three. Then I plunged them into the face of the tire and slowly worked the tool back out. I pumped the tire up to 40# of air and went to bed. The next morning there was only 20# of air in the tire. I pumped it back up and drove for the tire shop.

I had been laying water and electrical line in a two-foot deep trench in the hot Tennessee sun and the wet chirt soil. Chirt soil is the standard ground covering down there

and it is gravel and clay mixed together. Add sweat and it will stick to you like mud.

So, when I walked into Barrett's Tire shop in dirty jeans and a ripped sweat soaked-shirt and asked for a 275/65 R18 tire, I might have not looked like a promising customer. The girl looked at me and said, "we have an entry level tire for \$149." I said, "I want the best tire you have." Her look back at me was one of disbelief and pity. "But that one is a Cooper and it costs \$229.00." I handed her

my card and said put it on and I would like to see the object that pierced my tire.

Thirty minutes later the Ford F-150 was sporting a brand-new tire and I had I my hand half a wheel weight that was the culprit expensive delay. I was thankful this had happened a couple miles from my home and not out on the busy Interstate somewhere far from help. Both events occurred at a place where I could easily resolve them.

A Minnesotan: Boats



By RosaLin Alcoser

I have said it before and I will say it again. Minnesotans live our lives on the lake. We swim in it, we look at it, we fish in it, and we boat on it.

Recently I went home from the Twin Cities, back home to the Zumbro River Valley to the Zumbro Lake. During my visit home I not only spent time looking at

the lake but I also went boating on the lake.

As a Minnesotan I have been boating many, many times, but this time was different because this time my grandpa taught me how to run the boat's outboard.

Now anyone of you who has ever run an outboard knows that you have to steer right to go left, left to go right and push against the torque to keep the boat straight.

It took me a little while, and a break in the middle, to get a handle on everything. I also went fairly slowly so that I would not lose control of the boat and was fairly nervous the entire time.

Learning to do this was great and also overwhelming at times mostly because I was terrified of docks, people and other boats that were also in the water. So, I would say that I did probably like 75% of the boat running and Grandpa did the rest.

Still 75% is not bad for my first time, in fact I even brought the boat into the dock at the end. So, all in all I think that we can count this experience as a massive success.

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40. Like some wedding cakes

42. A Bobbsey twin

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45. *Like waterskier's dream lake surface

47. Jean-Claude ____ Damme

48. Not our

50. *Dangle them in the pool?

52. *Tossing around, pl.

55. Drunkard

56. Falling out

57. Like one deserving of a Christmas gift

59. On and on (2 words)

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63. "Owner of a Lonely Heart" band

64. Typically 5 of these in a men's tennis match
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3. Crosby, Stills and Nash, e.g.

4. Attention-grabbing shout

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9. "Sittin' On The Dock Of The Bay" singer

10. Cowboy's heel prod

12. Courage to carry on

13. Counter seat

14. *Summer activity: berry ____

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23. Granite store units

24. Explorer John ____, a.k.a. Giovanni Caboto

25. Commotion

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27. Farm structure, pl.

28. Part of an eye, pl.

29. *Adjective for bikini?

32. *County event

33. Tall tale

36. *#5 Down venue

38. Improvise

40. Sophomore's grade

41. Antonym of ingests

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46. NBA venues

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49. No-distortion sound reproduction, pl.

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- Always use the handrails when entering and exiting the bus.
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