

MORTON AREA NEWSLETTER

March, 2016

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Morton Apple Gourd Community Garden

growing food,  growing families,  growing friendships

Do YOU want to join a community garden? ANYONE (young or old!) who wants to garden is welcome to join in. It is time to start thinking about the Morton Apple Gourd Garden!

Look forward to a planning meeting in early April (TBA) Please call Morton City Hall if you are interested so we can be sure to contact you when planning begins!

Spring Garden Party



Saturday, April 16

Starting at 10:00 a.m.

Scavenger Hunt, Ornament Hunt, Vendors, Home Made Food with the Seniors, Kids' Activities including: Hands on Bread Baking, Lego building contest, checker games, jewelry making and more!

Euchre tournament at the pub (1:00 start)

Container Planting tips from a Master Gardener and much more!

SPRING CLEAN UP DAY—SATURDAY, APRIL 23, 2016

NOTICE:

This clean up day is made available to residents for the primary purpose of providing an opportunity for residents to improve the appearance of their property at no cost.

Once clean up day has passed, the council will be enforcing the nuisance ordinance and will proceed with citations if necessary.

Details regarding clean up day will be provided

In the near future.

Need a Job?

Low income,
unemployed, age
55 and over?

- ▶ Receive paid community service assignments at local public and nonprofit organizations
- ▶ Access needed services and assistance
- ▶ Update skills and obtain training
- ▶ Obtain job search assistance

Contact us

1-855-270-9660

www.experienceworks.org

Ruby's Pantry Food Distribution

The 3rd Tuesday of the month
at the National Guard Armory in Red-
wood Falls

Registration begins at 4:00

Distribution runs from 4:30-6:00
a \$20 cash donation gets you a share
bring 2 laundry baskets for your food

contact rubysredwoodfalls@gmail.com
for information especially those who
want to volunteer.

Want to start a business? Or expand a business?

Morton welcomes you!

*For assistance with financing, business plans,
available lots, building and zoning criteria*

Call Shirley at 507-697-6912

*We will work with you to build and develop your business in
Morton!*

Attention Veterans!

Lee Stock of

Renville County Veterans' Services will be
at Morton City Hall

Tuesday, April 12th

to assist you with any of your veteran
service needs.

Would your house like a little TLC?



Do you need a new furnace,
or maybe some
insulation or windows?

Those are just some
of the eligible
improvements
under the Renville County
Homeownership Program.
If you are a homeowner in
Renville County
you may qualify for a
0% interest matching loan of
up to \$5,000.

Down payment assistance is
also available to first time
homebuyers.

For more information call
Renville County
HRA/EDA
at 320-523-3656 or
888-665-3745.

Maximum incomes

1 person	\$41,450
2 people	\$47,350
3 people	\$53,300
4 people	\$59,200
5 people	\$63,950
6 people	\$68,650
7 people	\$73,400
8 people	\$78,150



Newsletter/Local Access

Information

If you have items you wish to have in the newsletter or posted on the access channel, please drop them off at city hall and we will be happy to include them!

Church Service Schedule

Zion Lutheran

9:00 a.m. Sundays

Bible Study & Sunday school following services

St. John's Catholic

Mass at 8:00 a.m. Sundays

Council Meetings

Next Regular City Council Meeting

Wednesday, April 13

starting at 6:30 p.m.

The official newspaper for the City of Morton is the Renville County Register. All notices and publications as required by law are printed in that paper and as an additional means of providing public information, such notices will be printed in this newsletter when possible. All other publications and postings are done as a courtesy and means of informing residents of activities.

CHURCH SERVICES ARE AIRED ON
MEDIACOM CUSTOMERS'
CHANNEL 8

CHECK THE CHANNEL FOR DAYS AND
TIMES

BONE BUILDERS

Our group is continuing to meet on Wednesday & Friday at 9:30 am at the Senior Center. Everyone has a great time, sharing news, joking & laughing. Be sure to listen to KLGR for cancellations and changes

CIVIL DEFENSE

SIREN TESTING

Civil Defense sirens are tested each month on the first Wednesday at 1:00 p.m.

CENTRAL COMMUNITY TRANSIT

The Central Community Transit serves all of Renville County

Monday . Friday and all your Transportation needs.

For more information call:

Central Community Transit at:
320-523-3589 or 1-800-450-7964



Women, Infant & Children
Nutrition Program (WIC)

WIC is in Morton on the 3rd
Wednesday every 4 months

from 9:30am-11am at City Hall.

Next visit will be

April 20, 2016

Call 1-800-942-4030
for Information & Details

WIC provides nutrition tips and advice, support for breastfeeding, healthy foods such as milk, cheese, juice, cereals and infant formula, caring and supportive staff.

You may qualify if you are pregnant, nursing or have a child under age 5.

If you are doing home projects and improvements, please check with city hall to be sure you are complying with local requirements.

Happy Spring, the snow drifts are disappearing and the warmer temperatures are on the way. Don't forget to call North Star Plumbing and Heating to check out your air conditioning to keep you nice and cool in the climbing temps that are coming, also don't forget us when you are thinking about those remodeling jobs, big or small we are here to help you.

Centennial Mini-Storage

10 x 15 and 10 x 20 Units

Clean and Dry, Your Lock & Key!

Call Wes for Availability

507-627-6282



507-697-6405

YEAR –AROUND RECYCLE HANDHELD
ELECTRONICS,
EXTENSION CORDS AND STRING LIGHTS
DROP OFF AT CITY HALL

UPCOMING CURBSIDE RECYCLING DATES:

March 22, April 5 & 19

Have your container at the location of your
garbage pick up by 6:00 a.m.



MORTON AREA
Community Foundation

An Affiliate of Southwest Initiative Foundation

Give where you live.

Our mission is to support community and
business growth by building a permanent
resource through the generosity of past,
present and future residents.

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www.swifoundation.org/donate



SOUTHWEST INITIATIVE
FOUNDATION

**GARBAGE DAY IS
EACH TUESDAY MORNING**

PLEASE HAVE CONTAINERS AT THE CURB NO LATER
THAN
7:00 A.M.

AND ALLOW FOR ADEQUATE ROOM FOR THE ARM
OF THE TRUCK TO ATTACH TO YOUR CONTAINER..
ALL GARBAGE MUST IN THE CONTAINER AND THE
CONTAINER MUST BE ACCESSIBLE.

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Redwood/Renville Regional Solid Waste Authority – (RRRSWA) Guidelines

SINGLE STREAM RECYCLING GUIDELINES PERMITTED RECYCLABLE ITEMS:

**ALL ITEMS MUST BE EMPTY, CLEAN
AND RINSED (CONTAINERS)**



Plastic containers - #1 thru #5 (excluding caps)
No larger than 5 Gallons. **Must be removed from bags - No Styrofoam - No loose bags – No toys, pools, siding, PVC pipe, etc.**



Glass - Clear, green and brown bottles and jars (food and beverage containers only.) **No light bulbs, mirrors, ceramics or dishes. Must be empty and clean - Do Not remove labels.**



Steel and Aluminum - Food and beverage cans aluminum foil and pie pans, aerosol cans.
No food remaining - empty and clean. No need to remove labels on food cans.



Paper - Newspaper, junk mail, magazines, paperbacks, catalogs, phone books, envelopes (including windowed) paper egg cartons.
Do Not bundle or tie - place in cart loose.



Cardboard - (folded flat), paper bags, boxboard (e.g. cereal, cracker, pasta and shoe boxes.)
No frozen food or refrigerated food boxes. No packing foam – No waxed cardboard.

Plastic bags

Knot it, Bag it



Put only full bags of clean knotted plastic bags in the Mixed Recycling bin.

NO LOOSE BAGS!

ADDITIONAL NON-RECYCLABLE ITEMS: APPLIANCES, ELECTRONICS, SYRINGES, NEEDLES, YARD WASTE, MEDICAL WASTE, GARBAGE, BUILDING MATERIALS, KLEENEX, HAZARDOUS WASTE, ETC.

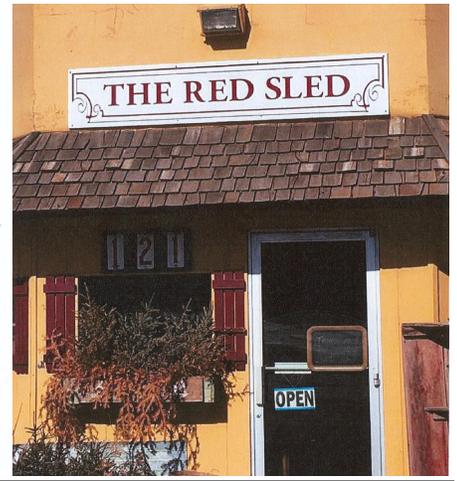
For more information log on to:

www.renvillecountymn.com or www.co.redwood.mn.us

And follow the Redwood/Renville Regional Solid Waste Authority (RRRSWA) Link

Becky Menk would like to thank everyone over the years for business at The Red Sled!!! It was always her passion to own a store and express her creativity with her hand made products and meeting such wonderful people!

Due to Becky's health...The Red Sled will be having a Going Out Of Business Sale Saturday, March 12th door opens at 10AM!Please spread the word and come down for some deals! Again, thank you for supporting Becky all these years she truly appreciated it!



Thank you to Becky for your contributions to the City of Morton over the years.

We thank you for choosing Morton for your business.

NEWS RELEASE

The Mid-Minnesota Development Commission (MMDC) will hold its annual public informational meeting for the Area Transportation Partnership's 2016-2019 Area Transportation Improvement Program (ATIP) on Thursday, March 31, 2016, at 10:00 a.m. The meeting will be located at the Kandiyohi County Health & Human Services Building, Multi-Purpose Room, 2200 23rd Street NE, Willmar.

The Southwest Minnesota Area Transportation Partnership makes decisions on how Federal dollars will be spent within a 12-county area of southwest Minnesota, which includes all four counties of Region Six-East (Kandiyohi, McLeod, Meeker, and Renville). The ATIP lays out the four-year plan for Federally-funded transportation improvements. This plan is then sent on to the State to be included within the State Transportation Improvement Program. As this is an annual process, the main focus of decision making every year is on the fourth year of the program. Thus, this year the principal decision will be made on 2020 submitted projects. Eligible projects include road and bridge, safety, transit capital, and Transportation Alternatives Program projects submitted by MnDOT, counties, and cities.

Approximately \$23 million will be programmed each year within this ATP district. This meeting gives all the opportunity to make comments on what projects are planned and what projects need to be placed on the Improvement Program now or in the future. The meeting will be part of the Mid-Minnesota Development Commission's Transportation Advisory Committee meeting.

In case of bad weather please call the MMDC office at 320-235-8504, or check our website at www.mmrdc.org.

Just Chattin' by Joanie Brown

*Where do I begin...Thank You! For the beautiful sympathy cards (which I have read again). The monetary memorials, food and flowers., Masses for Bob and hugs. You have all made it easier. And my family: Becky, Patrick, Jay, Peter and Tony...when they walk in the door:
"What can I do for you, Mother."*

"The Oldest Story in North America"

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AMENDMENTS TO THE FEBRUARY 10 NOTES: NONE

The following are the NOTES from the most recent council meeting (March 9th).

These NOTES have not been approved by the council as of this publication. Any changes will be noted in the next newsletter.

March 9, 2016:

Regular meeting called to order in open session at 6:30 p.m. with all members present. Others present: Brandon Koerner and Sarah Madsen.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA:

4B. Presenters: Brandon Koerner – request for adjustment of on sale liquor license fee

8C. Red Sled closing

CITIZEN ISSUES:

A. Bob Baune – Use of South Main Street: Bob Baune is purchasing heavy equipment (dump trucks, possibly payloaders, etc) There is a truck route policy in place and that policy does not allow heavy trucks to travel on that street. We recently incurred costs to improve the condition of the road by applying crushed rock to it. Bob has relayed to us that he would only be traveling on this road with empty trucks and would provide maintenance to street as needed and when necessary. Discussion on what other truck drivers who live on streets that are not designated as truck routes do: They park their vehicles on streets where such vehicles are allowed and walk to their place of residence. Discussion on maintenance of a public street or alley by a resident was discussed: This is not recommended and any maintenance of streets and alleys should be done by the city. Motion by Hogy to deny the request to deviate from the truck route ordinance for South Main Street as requested by Bob Baune. Second by Balsley. Motion carried.

B. Chuck Steffl-Request for Abatement Hearing: Chuck Steffl (Step Saver) is planning to build a building on their property by the railroad track. He is requesting consideration of abatement of the city portion of taxes on this development. This property is currently in the TIF district and would need to be removed from the district. The request for the council at this time is to authorize scheduling of the necessary hearings with plans and details to be provided at the time advertising is completed. Motion by Walker and second by Jacobson to authorize scheduling hearings as requested by Chuck Steffl for consideration of abatement for his proposed development project with dates of the hearings to be determined by the requirements that need to be met. Motion carried.

C. Brandon Koerner – Adjustment in On Sale Liquor License Fee: Current fees are: On Sale \$2,000; Off Sale \$200; Sunday Liquor \$200. The Off Sale Liquor and Sunday Liquor were determined by statute. The On Sale License is determined by the city. Review of what other cities charge and how we compare (we are significantly higher than most). Motion by Balsley and second by Hogy to reduce the On Sale Liquor License from \$2,000 per year to \$800 per year effective with the April 1, 2016 renewal and keep the Off Sale Liquor and Sunday Liquor at \$200/year each. Motion carried.

BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT:

A. Conditional Use Request (Tabled). Sarah Madsen present. Tom Jacobson abstains from all participation in discussion and determination due to a conflict of interest. Council presented their findings:

Sandy: She stated she is opposed to granting the conditional use permit for the following reasons:

- (a) Traffic along Park Drive and Fourth Street may become an issue
- (b) Change of ownership of property (either by neighbors or Sarah) may change the views that the neighbors have regarding business activity in the neighborhood.
- (c) In talking with other communities that have businesses in residential areas, vandalism and property damage was an issue (a parent/guardian is getting a haircut, brings their kids with and they are allowed to run unattended and will cause some vandalism or property damage
- (d) Disposal of chemicals. Concern about pets and kids getting into these chemicals since it is in a residential area.
- (e) If this request is approved, where does the council draw the line?
- (f) Sandy stated she would be more apt to be in favor of the request if it was for a short period of time and only temporary until something in a properly zoned area were to become available.

Sarah Madsen responded by pointing out that there will only be two chairs in the salon until JoAnn retires, then she would go back to one and eventually revert back to a residential use.

Sarah Hogy: In favor of allowing the request. Sarah reached out to nine communities; all of which had no issue with the salons they have in their residential areas. Sarah stated she may have an issue with signs and placement of them but does not want to turn away a business.

Jeff: In favor of allowing the request. We need to keep business in town and encourage people to stay here. In favor of the request as long as conditions are met.

Ben: There is space in the downtown area and there may be buildings or space available where zoning is for businesses.

Motion by Hogy to approve a conditional use permit for Sarah Madsen for parcel 34-06 125-00 allowing salon business in a residential area with variances needed to be outlined, reviewed by the city attorney to be approved at the next meeting. Second by Balsley. Jacobson abstains, Walker opposed. Mammen votes opposed. Ben stated his reason for opposing at this time is because the variances that are needed are not clearly identified.

Sarah Madsen reviewed her plan to be open by April 1, 2017 at which time the lease on the existing location is up with the hopes that JoAnn would come with her to the new location to finish out her career.

Council reviewed all items of Zoning Ordinance Article 9, Section 9.02. It was identified that variances within section 9.02 needed are Section A,C,D,F,G,H,I,J,K. Information needed from Sarah: (1) Clarification on the area set aside for the occupation (2) Sign-age location and size (3) setbacks from property lines.

Ben expressed concern about consistency. Council earlier denied a business a request for a use not allowed by ordinance (Baune) and now they are considering doing the opposite. Sarah Hogy explained that her reasoning for denying the previous one is because of additional costs that the city may incur with street maintenance and repairs after just having spent significant funds to make improvements to the road.

Motion by Hogy to table the decision on the conditional use and variances as requested by Sarah Madsen until the next meeting when all items requiring variances are identified and all additional information has been received. Second by Balsley. Motion carried.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Motion by Jacobson and second by Walker to approve the secretary's report as presented. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Motion by Jacobson to approve the treasurer's report as presented (monthly statement, fund balances and year to date statement). Second by Walker. Motion carried.

BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT:

Conditional Use Request: Covered as a citizen issue

EDA Discussion and Recommendation: A request was presented by Brandon Koerner to the EDA board (via email) to refinance his EDA loan. The request would be to pay off the first mortgage holder; putting the Morton EDA in the first position for the mortgage. Included in the closing costs is payment of licensing fees, taxes and utilities; since a requirement of the loan and licensing is that these items be current. Review of the financing package that was done at the beginning; review of payment history which is good – all payments have been made on time each month. Discussion on terms of the loan being proposed: Council agreed that if they move forward with the loan, the final payment date should remain the same as it currently is; making it an 8 year loan at 2%. At the time the proposal was presented to the EDA estimated numbers were used. Review of what the actual numbers are. The amount requested for improvements would be omitted with the idea that with the reduced monthly payment due, the improvements could be made independently. Motion by Walker to accept the EDA recommendation to refinance the loan with Morton Pub (Brandon Koerner) as outlined. Second by Hogy. Motion carried.

Red Sled Closing: Due to health conditions, the Red Sled will be closing. There will be a sale on Saturday, March 12, beginning at 10:00 a.m. The council thanks Becky Menk for her contributions as a Morton Business.

RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT: None

SUPPORT TO KIDS: None

COMMUNITY PRIDE:

Clean Up Days: As indicated from Waste Management April 23 will work for Clean Up Day. Discussion on disposal of appliances. The Redwood/Renville County Recycling Center has a schedule of days when they will be accepting appliances at their site. Council agreed to research options that may be available for curbside pickup and disposal of appliances.

Nuisance Ordinance Enforcement: Review of issues that occurred with enforcement of the ordinance last year and the need for everyone being in agreement of the process to be used and to support it. Motion by Jacobson to advertise clean up day (April 23) as an opportunity to clean up properties at no cost or reduced costs to the residents and to note that once clean up day has been completed, the steps as outlined in the nuisance ordinance will be followed and enforced uniformly. Second by Walker. Motion carried.

Benefits: There are three benefits coming up: March 19 for Tim & Amy Nesburg, March 20 for Dick Sindelir and April 9 for Tom Jacobson. Details will be in the newsletter.

Liquor Permit: Motion by Walker and second by Balsley to issue a temporary liquor license to the Morton Chamber for the Tom Jacobson Benefit on April 9. Motion carried.

Beer Permit: Motion by Jacobson and second by Balsley to issue a one day beer permit to the Morton Chamber for operation of the beer garden on July 4 in the park. Motion carried.

PROVIDING MUNICIPAL SERVICES:

Water/Sewer-Utility Payment Reminder: Payment for delinquent utility bills will be due on April 15th. Failure to make payment IN FULL will result in the water service being disconnected. Council was also reminded that the penalty for late payments has not been implemented yet and council should consider acting on implementation at the next meeting.

Sanitation: None.

STREETS:

MNDOT Open House: MNDOT will host an open house on March 31 from 6-7 p.m. at City Hall to discuss their construction project from Morton to Fairfax.

Beyond the Yellow Ribbon Signs: Motion by Walker and second by Balsley to approve purchase/installation of Beyond the Yellow Ribbon signs as outlined. Motion carried.

Seal Coating: Motion by Walker and second by Hogy to work jointly with Bolten & Menk and the City of Olivia on seal coating for summer of 2016. Motion carried.

Centennial and Valley Drive Maintenance: Motion by Hogy and second by Balsley to approve purchase of crushed rock from Gordy Serbus & Sons on Centennial Drive and Valley Drive as needed. Motion carried.

Alley Maintenance: Discussion on adding gravel/crushed rock to the alley between Park Drive and Walnut Drive and First Street/Monument Drive (Rick Farmer property – Jolene Lucio's). Letters to the property owners involved will be sent with feedback to be provided at the next meeting.

PARK & RECREATION:

Shelter Maintenance: Further discussion at the next meeting

Lawn Mower Replacement: Quotes provided by Kibble (\$12,500) and Haug Implement (\$15,885). These quotes include the purchase of a broom attachment that can be used for street sweeping. If the broom is purchased we would no longer contract for street sweeping. Discussion on continuing with the rotation trading to keep equipment with current warranty. This discussion will continue at budget time. Motion by Balsley and second by Hogy to approve the trade of the John Deere lawn mower and the purchase of the broom attachment as proposed from Kibble equipment in the amount of \$12,500. Motion carried.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

POLICE: Activity Report: No issues.
 FIRE: None.
 MANAGEMENT:

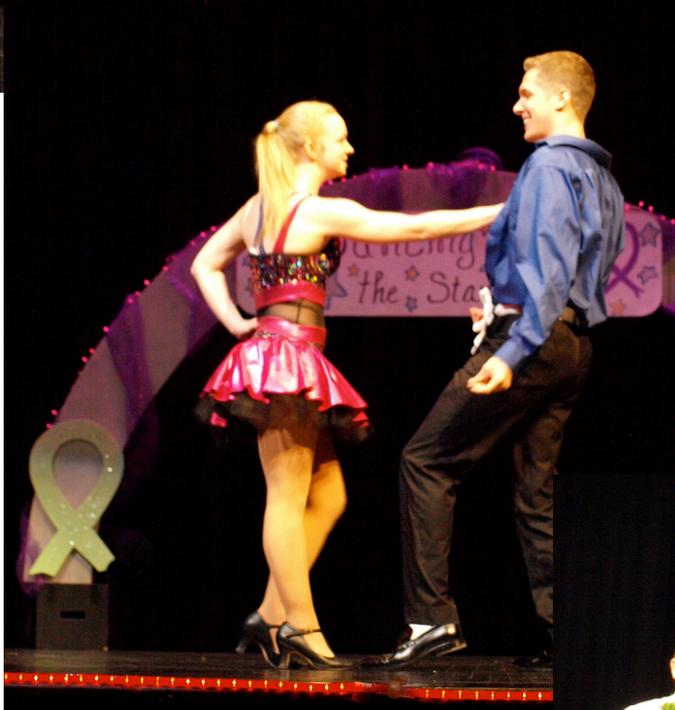
Old Copier: One offer in the amount of \$550 was received. We have more than that in the value of the extra toner cartridges that we have on hand. Motion by Balsley and second by Hogy to reject the offer received for the purchase of the old copier and keep it at city hall for use as needed. Motion carried.

Board of Equalization Meeting: Scheduled and advertised for the April meeting.
 Experience Works: All documentation has been submitted to the federal office and we are waiting for their final approval.
 Central Community Transit: Request for a local share of \$663. We have \$500 budgeted for this. Motion by Walker to approve a contribution to Central Community Transit in the amount of \$500. Second by Jacobson. Motion carried.

PAY BILLS: Motion by Hogy and second by Walker to pay bills as presented. Motion carried.

ADJOURN: There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

<p>Electronics and Appliance Recycling!!</p> <p><u>The first Wednesday of each month April-October:</u></p> <p>2:00 p.m.—6:00 p.m. Located behind the Redwood County Museum</p>			
April 6, 2016		May 4, 2016	
June 1, 2016		July 6, 2016	
August 3, 2016		September 7, 2016	
October 5, 2016			
<p>PLEASE SAVE THIS FLYER!</p>			
<p>For more information, contact S.W. Recycling at 1-800-366-8665 or www.swrecycling.com</p>			
<p>Electronics</p>		<p>Appliances</p>	
<p><u>FREE</u></p>	<p><u>COST</u></p>	<p><u>FREE</u></p>	<p><u>COST</u></p>
<p>CPUs, mice, cell phones, radios, keyboards, VCRs, speakers, iPods, cameras, GPS units, CD players, MP3 players, etc.</p>	<p>\$8.00: TVs, laptops, anything with a screen or monitor</p> <p>\$4.00: scanners, printers, copiers and fax machines</p>	<p>Washers, dryers, dehumidifiers, grills, fans, water heaters, vacuum cleaners, water softeners, stove/ovens, etc.</p>	<p>\$50.00: RV Refrigerators</p>
<p>The following will <u>NOT</u> be accepted at this collection: Household Hazardous Waste (HHW), standard recyclable materials, fluorescent bulbs.</p>			



Dancing with the Stars



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Important Information Regarding Assessment and Classification of Property
This may affect your 2017 property tax payments.

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeal and Equalization for the City of Morton shall meet on Wednesday, April 13, 2016, at 7:00-7:30 pm at the Morton City Office Building. The purpose of this meeting is to determine whether taxable property in the jurisdiction has been properly valued and classified by the assessor, and to determine whether corrections need to be made.

If you believe the value or classification of your property is incorrect, please contact your assessor's office to discuss your concerns. If you are still not satisfied with the valuation or classification after discussing it with your assessor, you may appear before the local board of appeal and equalization. The board shall review the valuation, classification, or both if necessary, and shall correct it as needed. Generally, an appearance before your local board of appeal and equalization is required by law before an appeal can be taken to the county board of appeal and equalization.

Cub Scout Pack 70 Calendar

- March 19 Scouting for food pick-up, start from the food shelf at 10:00am. Pizza Ranch after
March 28 Pack 70 Pine Wood Derby race 6:30 at Kolhs- Weelborg Ford
April 9 District Pine Wood Derby Details to come
April 11 Lions and Wolf meet in RAMSEY 6:30 start Amanda
April 12 Tigers meet in RAMSEY 6:30 start Amanda
Bears and Webelos meet in RAMSEY 6:30 start Chad
April 25 Lions and Wolf meet in Ramsey 6:30 start Amanda
April 26 Tigers meet in Ramsey 6:30 start Amanda
Bears and Webelos meet at Recycle Center Details to come
May 6-7 Spring Camp-o-Ree for Webelos only!
May 9 Lion and Wolf meet in Ramsey 6:30 start Amanda
May 10 Tiger meet 6:30 in Ramsey Amanda
Bears and Webelos meet in Ramsey 6:30 start Chad
May 13-14 Cub-o-Ree /Intro to Cub Camping. Details to come!
May 23 Lion and Wolf meet in Ramsey 6:30 start Amanda
May 30 Memorial Day, Details to come
June 7 Blue and Gold at 6:30 in Zebgrey Shelter By the west entrance to Ramsey, also is pot luck

**ALL YOU CAN EAT
SCOUT EGG
BREAKFAST!**



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BOY SCOUT TROOP 70
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SUNDAY, MARCH 13
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**MENU: SCOUT EGG IN TOAST WITH SAUSAGE LINKS AND
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2016 Construction Open House

MnDOT District 8

Thursday, March 31, 2016

Morton City Hall

6:00-7:00 p.m.



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MORTON LIONS' CLUB

MEETING

3RD MONDAY OF THE MONTH

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RENVILLE COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY & MUSEUM

Preserving Renville County History Since 1940

Renville County Historical Society's Annual Meeting Invitation

Saturday, March 12, 2016

Morton, Minnesota

Morton Senior Center 2 Meat Buffet

11 AM—1 PM

Introducing Renville County resident, Duane Luttenauer, who is originally from '3 Corner Land', France and now resides in Renville, Minnesota.

Please RSVP by Monday, March 7, 2016! 2 Meat Buffet and entertainment! Tickets \$15.00 for Members \$20.00 for Non-Members. Send checks to RCHS 441 N Park Dr, Morton, MN 56270 Attn. Annual Meeting. The Main Museum will be open 1 PM - 3 PM that day! Please share this event with your family & friends!



RENVILLE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT



Since 2012, Renville County has been a part of the Medication Disposal Program. This is a great program as it helps with preventing medication misuse, abuse, and contamination.

Since 2012, Renville County has received 1,216 pounds of medication. From 2012 to 2015, Renville County had three drop-off locations. They are located in the Renville County Office Building in Olivia, the City Hall in Renville, and the City Hall in Fairfax. In 2016, two more drop off locations have been added. They are located in the City Hall in Morton and the City Hall in Bird Island. All of the locations are open during normal business hours, except for the Renville County Office Building, which is available 24 hours.

Here is a breakdown of pounds of medication disposed of by year:

2012 - 347 pounds
2013 - 208 pounds
2014 - 317 pounds
2015 - 344 pounds

Once the medications are dropped off in a drop box, they are collected by the Renville County Sheriff's Office and weighed. The medications are taken to another site where they are safely destroyed only by incineration. In the past, people have flushed their medications down the toilet. Wastewater treatment plants cannot remove pharmaceuticals from our wastewater. By having the medications incinerated, we are helping the environment.

When dropping off medication at a drop off location, please keep the medicine in its original container. The name of the drug and other content information should also be left on the bottle. You may remove the person's name and other identifying information from the bottle. You can either scratch the name off, cut the label, or cover it with a permanent marker.

By using the drop off sites, you are helping the community. A growing trend in our communities is people using drugs that were not prescribed to them. By having the medications dropped off, it helps reduce access and the temptation to use them.

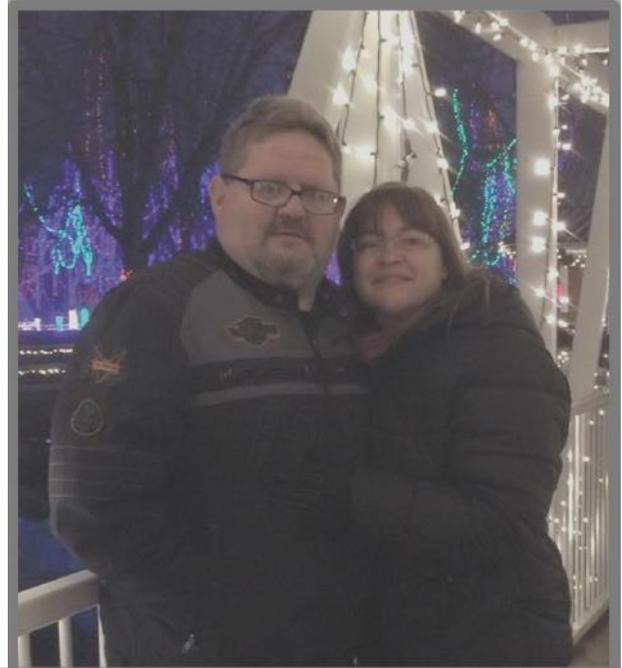
If you have any questions about the Medication Disposal Program, you can contact us at the Renville County Sheriff's Office at (320)523-1161.



TOM JACOBSON BENEFIT

**Saturday, April 9, 2016
4 p.m. to 11:30 p.m.**

BARBEQUE FEED BENEFIT



Date: Saturday, March 19, 2016

Time: 4:00pm-8:00pm

Place: Redwood Falls National Guard Armory
530 County Rd 101
Redwood Falls, MN 56283

Palm Sunday

Pancake Feed Benefit



All proceeds go to help with
medical expenses for
Dick Sindelir

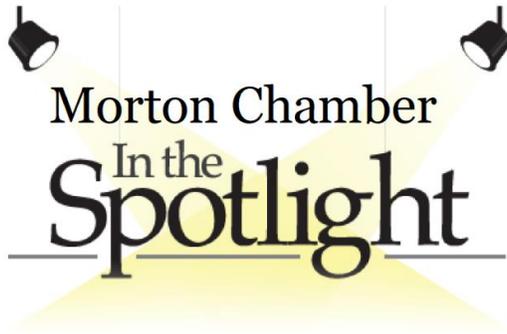
Sunday, March 20th

9:00am - 1:00pm

St. Johns Catholic Church, Morton, MN

Affiliated Medical Center		637-2985
Affordable Dirt Works	Mike Rassmussen	507-829-6774
Altimate Medical	Todd Tholkes	507-697-6393
Amber's Day Care	Amber Schottenbauer	320-221-6663
Avon (Kelly Robinson)		430-2445
Bankers' Life Insurance	Stacey Kodet	430-3628
Barclay Computer Repair & Web Design	Jake Barclay	507-530-5701
Birch Coulee Arena	Tim Hennen	697-6167
Birch Coulee Direct	Jim Simmons	637-8000
Blossom Town	Becky Kuglin	507-637-2943
Blue Ribbon Service LLC	Tony Mages	507-430-1947
Morton Business Plaza	Mark Schmitt	612-940-3060
Centennial Mini Storage	Wes Ovre	507-627-6282
Central Community Transit(former Heartland Bus)		1-8001-450-7964
Cold Springs Granite Company	Steve Knopp	320-685-5133
Creative Memories	Margaret Keller	507-697-6320
Dakotah Ridge Golf Course		697-8050
Dakotah Wicohan - School		507-697-6272
Dehncke Planning	Jo Ann Dehncke	507-697-6261
Doug's Lawn & Landscape		637-5653
Everstrong Construction - RWF	Mike U'Ren	507-644-3616
Farmer's Union Insurance	Joel Harmoning	507-557-7000
First Street Apartments	Debbie Gresch	697-9077
Franklin State Bank	Scott Nissen	507-557-2233
Franklin Wellness Center	Connie Lund	507-430-2191
Gallery, John - Misc.	John Gallery	507-697-6988
G & R Tiling & Bathroom Remodeling	Ryan Becklund	507-430-0148
Green Lighthouse Photography	Bryan/Bonnie Green	507-249-3315
Guidepoint Pharmacy		637-3549
Hairstop of Morton	JoAnn Jacobson	507-697-6306
Half's Heating & Cooling	John Hall	507-828-2561
Harvestland		507-697-6113
Hometown Bank		507-637-1000
Jackpot Junction		507-697-8000
John Goelz - Auctioneer	John Goelz	507-557-8394
Lower Sioux Community		507-697-6185
Lower Sioux Health Care Center	Darin Prescott	507-697-8600
Mama's Massage	Anita Tatge	507-640-0497
McGowan Lawn Service/Snow Rem.	Dennis McGowan	507-829-4328
Mediacom		637-7095
Minnesota Prairie Line		
Minnesota Valley History Learning Center	Ann Vote	697-6119
Minnesota Valley Telephone Co.		507-557-2275
MinnWest Bank		507-637-5731
Morton City Hall	Shirley Dove	507-697-6912
Morton Mini Storage	Paul Neudecker	507-697-6349
Morton BP (America's Best Value Inn)	Rakesh	507-697-6205
Morton Post Office	Barb Hennen	507-697-6488
Morton Pub & Eatery	Brandon Koerner	697-2004
Morton Senior Center	Joan Brown	697-6112
Nelson-Hillestad Funeral Service		637-8359
Northstar Plumbing & Heating	Mark Morlock	507-697-6405
Olson Flooring	Bryce Olson	507-829-2635
Palmyra Farmer's Mutual Ins. Co.		507-557-2221
Prescott Construction	Greg Prescott	430-3650
Prescott Sanitation		
Rebstock Agency	Dick Rebstock	507-644-8600
Red Door Kennel	Sandy Nestande	507-430-1319
Redpoll-Upholstery Fabricators	Michael Bentson	507-697-9013
Redwood Area Animal Shelter		507-644-3853
Redwood Area TV Improvement Corp.	Rich	697-6489
Rehschuh's Handblown Glass		651-280-8490
Redwood/Renville Regional Solid Waste Authority		637-1800
Redwood Falls Golf Club		627-8901
Redwood Falls Nursery		637-8615
Redwood Gazette		637-2929
Redwood Valley Technical Solutions	Sarah Kuglin	
Renville County Historical Society	Nicole Elzenga	507-697-6147
Renville County Energy Assistance		320-523-5522
Renville County HRA/EDA	Susie Lang	320-523-3837
Renville County Landfill		320-523-1144
Renville County Sheriff's Office	Non emergency	320-523-1161
Renville County Veterans' Service Officer	Lee Stock	320-523-3763
Renville County WIC Program		800-942-4030
River Valley Arms & Ammo	Steve Anderson/Heather Koffler	507-829-2439
River Valley Pet Lodge	Miranda Fuller	763-587-1374
Gordy & Sons		430-0650
SMC		507-644-2185
Schmidt Construction		644-5596
Scott's Lawn Service	Scott Warner	507-829-5220
Snyder Drug		637-2911
Spray Foam Solutions	Dan Haase	507-430-9201
State Farm Insurance	Loran Kaardal	637-3595
Step Saver	Chuck Steffi	644-2185
Stephens Funeral Service		637-5877
St. John's Catholic Church	Chris Tetrick	507-697-6120
Waste Management		507-929-3772
Young Living Essential Oils	Meghann Kodet	507-829-8647

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 MORTON CITY HALL
 TO MAKE CHANGES OR FOR
 ADDITIONS



Morton Chamber In the Spotlight



Minnesota Valley History Learning Center

PO Box 127, Morton, MN 56270
www.MVHLC.org
 Phone: (507) 697-6119

Program Director: Ann Vote
mvhlc.explorerprogram@gmail.com



The Minnesota Valley History Learning Center has hired a full time staff member to manage all of their educational programs for 2016. Ann Vote, who has directed just the MVHLC Explorer Program in the past, is now involved with the Lunch & Learn Series and MVHLC Curriculum Training. Ann has a Bachelor of Science in Education from Minnesota State University, Mankato and taught history at Cedar Mountain for 9 years. She plans to bring all of her experience to this position to create high quality educational programs for all generations which has hopes to expand to year round programming.

The MVHLC owns the building on Main Street where Ann's office space is shared with the Morton City Hall. For all programs, the MVHLC utilizes the beautiful outdoor classrooms all around us! The Minnesota River Valley gives a great backdrop for learning about the area's natural and cultural history. Getting out to experience the valley is just as important as being educated about it!

The MVHLC has three dynamite programs offered to people from all ages!

**MVHLC Explorer Program
Registration Now Open**

Register at www.mvhlc.org

Morton Program
 June 13 – 30, 2016
 Mondays – Thursdays
 9:30 am – 3:30 pm



2016 Lunch & Learn Series

May 7 at 10:00 am
 Granite Falls Prohibition Tour
 with lunch at Bootleggers
 followed by a tour of the
 Fagan Fighters WWII Museum

Register at www.mvhlc.org
 Only \$25 for the day OR buy a
 membership for reduced pricing



2016 Curriculum Training

K-12 Educators are invited to
 learn about the valley and gain
 science and social studies
 content and lesson plans to use
 in their classrooms!

July 19 & 20

Check out our website for
 specific information!



Do you want your business in the Spotlight? Purchase your Morton Chamber Membership today!
 Annual Membership Fee: \$30 for Individuals and \$50 for Businesses

Minnesota Valley History Learning Center

2016 Summer Explorer Program

All students in Gr 1 – 6 are invited

June 13 – 30

Mondays – Thursdays

9:30 am – 3:30 pm

Morton City Park

The Summer Explorer Program is a three week learning adventure for kids! Students are organized into small groups and experience educational programming through interactive presentations and field trips. Your child will be supervised by trained counselors and professional teaching staff. Each day of the Explorer Program is packed with fun, hands-on activities related to the three Minnesota River Valley themes.

Explorers are issued a program t-shirt, name badge, water bottle and backpack. These items are for identification and safety and must be with them daily. Explorers must bring a lunch daily.

Explorer Program Fee: \$225.00**

****Fee will be considerably reduced thanks to the Morton City Council. Register by April 22 and you will be notified of the new (significantly less) amount due on April 25. Payment is due by April 29. Last year Morton students paid \$45 to attend the program.**

REGISTER ONLINE NOW through April 22 at www.mvhlc.org

Paper registration forms can be found at our website. Payments and immunization forms should be mailed to the MVHLC Office following registration.

Mail to: MVHLC, PO Box 127, Morton, MN 56270

Questions? Contact Ann Vote, Program Director
Email: mvhlc.explorerprogram@gmail.com
Phone: (507) 697-6119

Go to www.mvhlc.org to learn about our new programs
2016 Lunch and Learn Series * K-12 Curriculum Training

2016 Explorer Weekly Themes



Minnesota River Week

Students will enjoy tons of outdoor recreational activities: fishing, kayaking, boating, geocaching, archery, and hiking --- all while learning about being safe in the outdoors, the uniqueness of our area and the importance of preserving the valley.



Dakota Culture/Pioneer Life

From Dakota arts to museum visits, the explorers will dive into the valley's unique history during a variety of field trips. Our explorers get to experience culture from the past and present.



Agriculture

Explorers will have many up close encounters with farm animals and equipment all while focusing on farm safety. They will experiment with food products made from local crops also.



Annie Tepfer, RAPAD Coalition Coordinator
Renville Alliance for the Prevention of Alcohol and Drugs
105 South 5th St. Suite 119H
Olivia, MN 56277

Before the big sleepover.



A perfect moment to talk about alcohol.

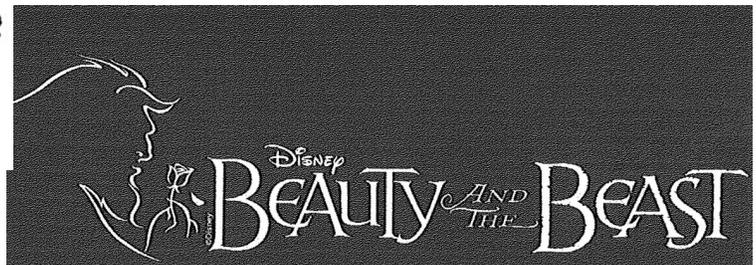
Alarming numbers of pre-teens are drinking alcohol- which makes it urgent to find every opportunity to talk to your kids about the dangers of underage drinking.

**The #1 reason kids do not smoke or use drugs
is fear of disappointing their parents.**

You can be a powerful influence.

Chanhassen Dinner Theatre

April 23, 2016



\$90, per person:

Includes, Dinner, Performance and the bus ride

Contact Jo Ann Dehncke: 507 828 0965

By March 19th

BECOME A POWER USER.

Technology Lunch & Learn Series

All Classes - \$10 each (includes lunch)

Located at the Redwood Connect Technology Training Lab (basement of Redwood Co. Courthouse)

11:30am-1:00pm

Register at least one week in advance - limited number of space

February 10 – Intro to Social Media, *RV Tech Solutions*

Have a Facebook account? What about Twitter? Whether you've already dipped your toes in the waters of social media or are still standing on the shore wondering what to make of it all, learning how to interact on various social media platforms is crucial in order to survive and thrive in this age of digital communication. In this course, you'll learn the ins and outs of social media platforms such as Facebook, Twitter, Pinterest, Google+, and more. You'll also discover other types of social media you may not have been aware of and how to use them for your benefit—personally, academically, and eventually professionally as well.

February 24 – Intro to Computers (Windows 7), *Paul Parsons*

This hands-on class will help you get started with what you need to get going on a computer. Learn to use the mouse properly, how to access programs, how to build folders and how to save your documents. You'll learn how to connect to the Internet and how to find some of the free applications available online. There will be a general questions period to discuss viruses and buying a computer. You'll leave class with a better understanding of how to get around on a computer. For those who have a laptop please bring, but not required. No computer experience necessary.

March 9 – Facebook for Business, *RV Tech Solutions*

Facebook should never be underestimated. With over a billion global users and nearly 6 million active brands, Facebook is an amazing platform for; engaging with customers, generating leads, managing customer service, launching products, driving traffic to websites and amplifying brand messages. Understanding what Facebook users want to read and which content is preferred, is necessary to succeed. Learn steps to become more confident and successful in using Facebook as a marketing tool to build and

March 23 – GIS (Geographical Information System), *Paul Parsons*

GIS is everywhere. From your smartphone to your tablet, location enabled devices are present in almost every household. With over 80% of all data having some type of spatial (or geographical) component, GIS and the principles of geographic data have relevancy everywhere. This course will introduce students to GIS and the principles of spatial data in their personal life as well as applications of GIS across Redwood County.

April 13 – Make your Smartphone a Business Powertool,

VantagePoint Marketing

Take your business on the go with your Smartphone. Discover apps that will make emailing, converting images, using calendars, processing credit cards, and more, a whole lot easier. Learn to sync, share and process all the latest information. Please bring your Smartphone to class.

April 27 – Blogging for Business, *RV Tech Solutions*

What is a blog? How do you get started? Are you struggling with content for your blog? Blogging is a great way to share with the world, what your business has to offer. Whether you are new to the idea, or an active blogger, learn tips and tricks on effective blogging.

May 11 – Skyping & Emailing for Seniors, *VantagePoint Marketing*

Stay in touch with your children, grandchildren and family all over the world through skyping and emailing. These simple technology applications are easy to use and can be done with any desktop computer, laptop or digital device! Please bring your laptop, iPad or other device if you have one.

May 25 – Microsoft Word 2010, *Lael Dornseif*

Learn basics, shortcuts, and practical uses for Word. Learn menus, toolbars, and functions. Work with Clip Art, Word Art, Formatting, Envelopes and mailing labels, Tables, Text Boxes, Bullets and Numbering, AutoShapes, etc. Participants must have basic computer knowledge including the use of Win-

June 8 – Intro to iPads, *Darren Tighe*

If you recently received an iPad or are thinking about purchasing one, this class is a must have! Learn how to set up your iPad, download and organize apps and how to use the many features. Please bring your iPad to class.

June 22 – Microsoft Excel 2010, *Lael Dornseif*

Learn basics, shortcuts, and practical uses for Excel. Learn menus, toolbars, and functions. Work with formulas, charts and graphs, cell formatting, and sorting. Learn to create worksheets and graphs. Participants must have basic computer knowledge including the use of Windows to participate successfully in this class.

July 13 - Microsoft Outlook, *Paul Parsons*

Microsoft Outlook is a standard office tool for working with email, scheduling appointments and organizing. This class teaches basic to advanced features and functionality and shows how these features can be applied to the real world. Bring your own laptop or device if you have one.

July 27 - Google Sites/Places for Business, *VantagePoint Marketing*

Google Sites is used to centralize documents, spreadsheets, presentations, videos, slideshows and more to keep teams organized. Google Places is the information that a search engine receives and uses when listing your business. Learn all about managing your Google Sites and Places, both of which are important free tools used internally and externally for your business.

TO REGISTER:

Online (Credit or Debit):

<http://www.redwoodareaschools.com/page/2544>

In Person: ISD #2897 District Office,
100 George Ramseth Drive, Redwood Falls

Mail: Registration form and payment

Questions? Call 507-644-8024

REDWOOD AREA COMMUNITY EDUCATION REGISTRATION FORM

Name & Company (if applicable) _____
 Address _____
 City/State/Zip _____
 Phone _____
 Email _____

CLASS	DATES	FEE



Renville County WIC Program



Since 1985, Renville County Public Health has offered the Women, Infant, and Children (WIC) program. WIC is a nutrition and breastfeeding program that helps families eat well, learn about nutrition and stay healthy. The purpose of the WIC Program is to prevent health problems and to improve health during critical times of growth and development. Research has shown time and time again that WIC works... healthier pregnancies, healthier births and healthier children.

WIC is intended to serve three main groups:

- Women who are pregnant, breastfeeding, or who recently had a baby. A mother can stay on WIC for one year after her baby is born if she is breastfeeding.

- Infants from birth to 1 year of age.
- Children from 1 year of age to their 5th birthday.

To get WIC, participants need to have a nutritional and/or medical need, reside in Minnesota, and meet the WIC income guidelines.

Appointments are scheduled at the Public Health Office in Olivia, to check height, weight, and hemoglobin and to certify for the program. Participants talk to a nurse about good nutrition and healthy eating for your family. If eligible, WIC vouchers are given for mom and child. Every 1 to 3 months, parents return for nutrition education and counseling, nutritious foods, and referrals to health and other social services.

Breastfeeding is promoted because it is the healthiest way to feed your baby. Breast milk has just the right protein, vitamins, and minerals for the baby. It helps protect the baby from infections and illnesses. It helps baby's eyes and brain develop. Breastfeeding is also good for moms, helping lose weight and keep bones healthy.

Specific food vouchers are written for each participant. The food vouchers list the types and quantities of WIC foods that meet individual nutritional needs.

- Fruits, vegetables, and 100% fruit juices provide nutrients and fiber vital for health and maintenance of your body.
- Milk, yogurt and cheese give protein and calcium for growth of strong bones and teeth.
- Eggs, dried beans, canned fish, tofu and peanut butter provide protein to build and repair body cells, fiber and iron.
- Whole grain breads and iron-fortified cereal give fiber and energy. Cereals also have iron and folic acid.

Infant foods to supplement breastfeeding/formula until table food is appropriate.

For more information about the WIC program, call Renville County Public Health at 320/ 523-3762 or the state website at <http://www.health.state.mn.us/wic/>.

Harvest Land & AgQuest Easter Coloring Contest

For all children between the ages of 3 to 10.
Stop in at your local HLC site and pick up a
coloring contest page.

Print directly at www.harvestland.com, or
www.agquest.biz.

Locations in Morgan, Morton,
Springfield, Comfrey, & Wabasso.



All colored pictures must be in by
Thursday, March 24, 2016
Prizes to winner of each age group
All participants entered for a grand prize!



Resource booth for entrepreneurs
or business start-ups!

YOUR OPPORTUNITY:

Your business is valuable to us! This exciting event is an opportunity for you to:

- Find employees — take job applications on site
- Meet job seekers from an 11-county area
- Increase community awareness of your business
- Attract new customers for your products and services
- Network with other businesses

YOUR INVESTMENT:

The cost to participate is \$300 (\$350 after March 14) and you will receive:

- 10-30 second ads to be aired on KDJS, K95 & The River letting listeners know you will be at the Business Expo/Job Fair
- Live coverage or interview broadcast from the Expo/Fair
- 8 foot table, skirting, and 2 chairs for your display area
- Print support in local/area newspapers and radio mentions in Willmar, Morris, Montevideo, and Hutchinson

WEST CENTRAL MINNESOTA AREA JOB FAIR

Tuesday, March 22, 2016 • 2pm – 6pm

Willmar Conference Center • 240 23rd ST SE, Willmar

SPONSORED BY:





GIFT CERTIFICATES		Call JOANIE 697-6112		Senior Nutrition Program	
for meals available at your site or purchase on line at our website: www.lssmn.org/nutrition		To reserve your meal <i>Please call one day in advance</i>		Friday, April 1 6 oz. Chicken Spinach Lasagna 1/2 c. Tropical Fruit 1/2 c. Lettuce/Dressing Dinner Roll/Margarine Cookie 8 oz. Low Fat Milk	
Monday, April 4 4 oz. Swedish Meatballs 1/2 c. Paprika Potatoes 1/2 c Spinach Bread/Margarine 1/2 c. Ice Cream 8 oz. Low Fat Milk	Tuesday, April 5 \$2.00 Day 3 oz. Liver or Pepper Steak 1/2 c. Buttered Boiled Potatoes 1/2 c. Peas Bread/Margarine 1/2 c. Apricots 8 oz. Low Fat Milk	Wednesday, April 6 Chef Salad 1 oz. each Turkey, Ham, Cheese on 1 cup Lettuce/Salad Drsg. 1/2 c. Tomato & Cucum. Slices Muffin/Marg./2"x2" Bar 8 oz. Low Fat Milk	Thursday, April 7 3oz. Honey Mustard Chicken Brst 1/2 c. Potato Salad 1/2 c. Green Beans Bread/Margarine 2"x2" Cake 8 oz. Low Fat Milk	Friday, April 8 8 oz. Meaty Beef Stew with Carrots & Potatoes 1/2 c. Cole Slaw Biscuit/Margarine 2"x2" Cheesecake 8 oz. Low Fat Milk	
Monday, April 11 Stuffed Baked Potato: 2 oz. Ham, 1oz. Cheese 1/2 c. Broccoli Bread/Margarine 1/2 c. Pudding 8 oz. Low Fat Milk	Tuesday, April 12 3 oz. Roast Pork 1/2 c. Whole Potatoes 1/2 c. Buttered Cabbage Bread/Margarine 1/2 c. Rosy Applesauce 8 oz. Low Fat Milk	Wednesday, April 13 6 oz. Lasagna 1/2 c. Carrots 1/2 c. Lettuce Salad/Drsg Garlic Bread/Margarine 2"x2" Bar 8 oz. Low Fat Milk	Thursday, April 14 5 oz. Oven Crispy Chicken 1/2 c. Sweet Potatoes 1/2 c. Mixed Vegetables Bread/Margarine 2"x2" Cake 8 oz. Low Fat Milk	Friday, April 15 \$2.00 Day 4 oz. Baked Fish 1/2 c. Rice Pilaf 1/2 c. California Blend Veg 1/2 c. Gelatin with Fruit 2"x2" Fruit Cobbler 8 oz. Low Fat Milk	
Monday, April 18 3 oz. Swiss Steak 1/2 c. Buttered Boiled Potatoes 1/2 c. Corn Bread/Margarine 1/2 c. Pineapple 8 oz. Low Fat Milk	Tuesday, April 19 3 oz. Roast Turkey 1/2c. Mashed Potatoes 1/2 c. Peas & Carrots Cranberry Garnish/Bread/Marg 2"x2" Fruit Shortcake 8 oz. Low Fat Milk	Wednesday, April 20 3 oz. Grilled Chicken 1/2 c. Fresh Fruit 1/2 c. Cloeslaw Margarine Bun 8 oz. Low Fat Milk	Thursday, April 21 4 oz. Pork Chop/Gravy 1/2 c. Mashed Potatoes 1/2 c. Carrots Dinner Roll/Margarine 2"x2" Angel Food Cake w/Fruit Sc. 8 oz. Low Fat Milk	Friday, April 22 4 oz. Meatloaf/Catsup 1/2 c. Whole Parsiled Potatoes 1/2 c. Country Blend Veg Bread/Margarine 1/2 c. Pears 8 oz. Low Fat Milk	
Monday, April 25 6 oz. Chicken Tetrazzini 1/2 c. Beets 1/2 c. Lettuce/Drsg. Bread/Margarine 1/2 c. Tropical Fruit 8 oz. Low Fat Milk	Tuesday, April 26 4 oz. Lemon Pepper Fish 1 med. Baked Potato/Sr. Crm. 1/2 c. Creamed Peas Bread/Margarine 1/8 Slice Pie 8 oz. Low Fat Milk	Wednesday, April 27 6 oz. Sweet & Sour Pork 1/2c. Rice 1/2 c. Oriental Vegetables 1/2 c. Fruit 2"x2" Gelatin/Wln. Topping 8 oz. Low Fat Milk	Thursday, April 28 \$2.00 Day 5 oz. Baked Chicken 1/2 c. Potato Salad 1/2 c. Mixed Vegetables Bread/Margarine 1/2 c. Fresh Melon Cubes 8 oz. Low Fat Milk	Friday, April 29 4 oz. Meatballs/Gravy 1/2 c. Mashed Potatoes 1/2 c. Beets Bread/Margarine 2"x2" Fruit Crisp 8 oz. Low Fat Milk	

This service is funded in part by a contract from the Area Agency on Aging with funding from the Federal Older Americans Act through the Minnesota Board on Aging. Additional funds are provided by the State of Minnesota, United Ways, local communities, and other adult contributions. Approved by: Terri Weyer, RD, LD
Posted menu is regular diet. Diabetic, sodium and fat restricted menus available upon request. MENU SUBJECT TO CHANGE.

Favorite Cheesy Potatoes Recipe

Ingredients

- 3-1/2 pounds potatoes (about 7 medium), peeled and cut into 3/4-inch cubes
- 1 can (10-1/2 ounces) condensed cream of potato soup, undiluted
- 1 cup French onion dip
- 3/4 cup 2% milk
- 2/3 cup sour cream
- 1 teaspoon minced fresh parsley
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon pepper
- 1 package (16 ounces) process cheese (Velveeta), cubed
- Additional minced fresh parsley

Directions

- **1.** Preheat oven to 350°. Place potatoes in a Dutch oven; add water to cover. Bring to a boil. Reduce heat; cook, uncovered, 8-12 minutes or until tender. Drain. Cool slightly.
- **2.** In a large bowl, mix soup, onion dip, milk, sour cream, parsley, salt and pepper; gently fold in potatoes and cheese. Transfer to a greased 13x9-in. baking dish.
- **3.** Bake, covered, 30 minutes. Uncover; bake 15-20 minutes longer or until heated through and cheese is melted. Just before serving, stir to combine and sprinkle with additional parsley. (Potatoes will thicken upon standing.) **Freeze option:** Cover and freeze unbaked casserole. To use, partially thaw in refrigerator overnight. Remove from refrigerator 30 minutes before baking. Preheat oven to 350°. Cover casserole with foil; bake as directed, increasing covered time to 1-1/4 to 1-1/2 hours or until heated through and a thermometer inserted in center reads 165°. Uncover; bake 15-20 minutes longer or until lightly browned. Just before serving, stir to combine and, if desired, sprinkle with additional parsley.

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