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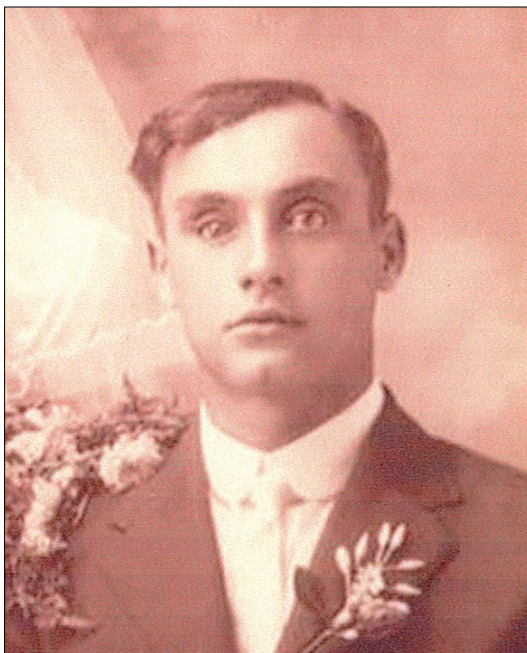
## WELCOME TO CHARLIE MEYER'S PLACE

Just over 80 years ago Charlie and Apollonia Meyer moved to town to allow their children to attend high school. Up until that time the Meyer's had farmed and operated a coal mine. In 1932, when they made the move, Mr. Meyer bought Skeel's Bar and Pool Hall in Westby.

In January of 1935 the bar and pool hall burned down. It was at this time when the Meyer's rebuilt across the street, the bar became known as Charlie's Place. (They also built The City Café.) Charlie died in 1952, but his name lives on.

Charlie's sons, Hugh and Jerry, ran the bar for several years following the retirement of their mother, Appy. For a few short years, the bar was owned by Normand Bartnes and the name was changed to The Four Aces. In 1982, when Gene Kavon acquired the bar, because of its history and reputation, he re-instated the name of the bar back to Charlie's Place.

Fast forward to March 6th, 2013, and a new generation of Meyers is behind the bar. Charlie's great-grandson-



Thayne Meyer bought the bar from Kavon and officially became the new owner of Charlie's Place. As a tribute to his great-grandfather and to distinguish his ownership, Thayne has included his full name in the bars title.

Thayne, a 1987 graduate of WHS, has been here since November learning the ropes of the bar and grill business. Having never worked in a bar, he felt it in his and the public's best interest to gain some experience before taking ownership.

At the present time, Thayne has stayed too busy to spend a lot of time considering

changes he may make to Charlie Meyer's Place, but is contemplating some menu changes and, of course, a new sign with the official name and logo on it.

Thayne's wife, Carina, and boys, junior Sonny and freshman Mitchell, will be staying in Billings to allow the boys to finish their high school education there. Thayne is the son of Vance and Karen Meyer of Westby.

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Westby Development Corporation is putting the finishing touches on a new web site for the greater Westby area designed to inform interested parties about our community and surrounding area and what we have to offer.

If you have not been contacted and would like your **business listed** on the web site please call or email the WDC listed below.

There will be a- **“help wanted” listing**-if you are in need of help send information to WDC member listed below.

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## THANK YOU

A huge thank you to all who made the Immanuel Lutheran Church corn beef and cabbage feed a success. The enthusiasm and attendance, despite Mother Nature, gives the planning committee cause to continue to make it an annual event. We would like to thank Superintendent Holecek and the Westby School for allowing us the use of their facility in the absence of our fellowship hall. We could not have pulled it off without their blessing. Next year we will be happy to serve out of our new kitchen which is possible, in part, to all of you. The winner of the "Cooks on Vacation" raffle was Nate Jensen of Westby and we can't thank enough the following businesses who so graciously donated to and helped make this well received raffle a huge success.

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All proceeds from the evening's events go towards the building fund.



*Pictured Sue Meyer and Marvin Nelson members of Immanuel Fundraising Committee.*

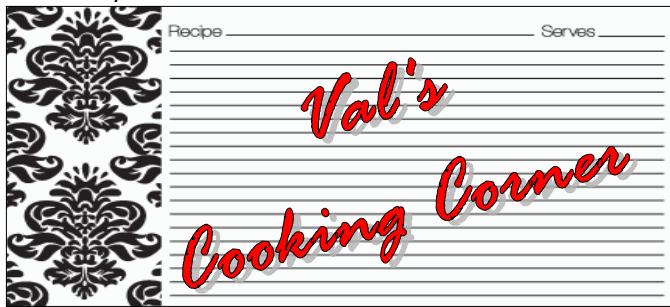


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If I am not mistaken, the first day of spring has appeared on the calendar. Nowhere else does it appear so, but I double checked, it definitely says it on the calendar. Another 6-8 inches last night and snow forecast every day for the next week, twenty degrees below normal temperatures for this time of year, and the wind blowing incessantly making travel hazardous. I feel the need to question the next person who claims we live in God's country. I guess in reality it is all God's country, but I'm thinking if it comes down to the nitty gritty, this may not be his first choice for a place to hang his shingle nor his first choice to visit in winter or, if a year like this, maybe not even spring and many years, we're not so sure about fall either. Right now, before anyone could hang their shingle or kick back to any degree, there would be a whole lot of shoveling to do and just when you thought you were done, a fresh batch would appear. It seems funny to look out most every evening in broad daylight and see the big snow drifts, watch the snow fall, and see the snow swirl and remember it is the later part of March and not January. OK, sometimes it does look beautiful and appear peaceful when you look across the undisturbed white snow and the big blue sky, but I would not verbalize this within 10 feet of a living, breathing soul as I would fear for my life!

Despite the weather, we keep plugging along. Scheduling and canceling and rescheduling. Although not as large as last year when the ground was mostly bare on March 17<sup>th</sup>, we were happy with the turn out for the corn beef feed. We did have to postpone it for a couple days because of another storm and road closures, but we are not easily deterred, mark your calendars, we will be back again next year.



Donna Sorenson captured grouse in the tree and a deer and pheasant in the background-all trying to stay warm and scrounge for food.



Some of us adapt better to snow than others. Case in point, Danny & Val Moore's dog pictured above.

The first one may seem like it lends more towards fall, but since the weather is more like fall than spring and sweet potatoes are plentiful year around, it will be just as tasty now as then. Chel and Heather recently enjoyed this with friends of theirs.

Easter is right around the corner and I thought these two bundt cakes would be great additions to any holiday table.

This moist bundt cake covered in a thickly drizzled maple flavored icing is as beautiful on a cake plate as it is delicious.

### **YAM CAKE with MAPLE FROSTING CAKE**

2 cups of mashed sweet potatoes or yams (2-4 potatoes)

2 & 3/4 cups all purpose flour

2 teaspoons cinnamon

1 & 3/4 teaspoons powdered ginger

1 teaspoon baking powder

1 teaspoon baking soda

1/2 teaspoon salt

2 cups sugar

1 cup vegetable oil

4 extra large eggs

1 teaspoon vanilla

### **ICING**

2 cups sifted powdered sugar

3/4 cup brown sugar, packed

1/2 cup whipped topping

1/4 cup (1/2 stick) unsalted butter

1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract

Wash the yams and bake in a preheated 400° oven for 1 hour or until done. Cool and scoop out the pulp. Mash and measure out 2 cups.

Place the yams in the bowl of your mixer.

Reduce oven temp to 325° and place the oven rack in the middle of the oven. Grease or spray with nonstick spray a 12 cup bundt pan. Combine the flour, cinnamon, ginger, baking powder, baking soda, and salt into a medium bowl and set aside. Place the mixing bowl in the mixer and beat yams until smooth on medium low speed. Next, add the sugar and oil to the yams, and starting on the lowest setting, beat until smooth. Add the eggs 2 at a time, beating well after each addition. Add the flour mixture and blend on low speed until just combined. Stir in the vanilla.

Fill the prepared pan only 2/3 full. If your Bundt pan is less than 12 cups, (many of the newer designs are not 12 cups) and you have left over batter, you can grease and fill individual small loaf pans with the extra batter.

Bake cake until a tester comes out clean, about 1 hour and 5 minutes or less if your pan is smaller. Cool cake in the pan on a rack for 15 minutes. Invert and turn cake out onto the rack to finish cooling.

At this point, you can wrap the cake well and freeze it for up to two weeks, then defrost and ice just before your occasion. For the icing, sift the powdered sugar into medium bowl. Stir the brown sugar, whipped topping, and butter in a small heavy bottomed saucepan over medium low heat until butter melts and the sugar dissolves. Increase heat to medium high and bring brown sugar mix to a boil. Lower the heat and simmer 3 minutes, occasionally stirring and swirling pan. Remove from heat and stir in the vanilla. Pour the brown sugar syrup over the powdered sugar. Whisk icing until smooth and lightened in color. It will be very liquid. Cool the icing until luke warm, whisking occasionally. It will thicken as it cools. When the icing is not quite cold and falls like thick ribbons from a spoon, slowly pour it over the top of the cake very thickly. The icing will drip down the sides in thick rivers. Let the iced cake stand for at least one hour before serving. It keeps refrigerated for two days.

While in Arizona, our neighbor brought over another bundt cake. It was a Rum Cake and we all thought it delicious. I found a similar recipe and tried it for myself. A very moist cake, it gets even better after it sits for a day or two. I would like to try subbing Malibu Rum for dark rum and coconut for the nuts. What wouldn't be good about this combination?

### **RUM CAKE**

For cake:

1 cup chopped walnuts (I used sliced almonds)

1 yellow cake mix with pudding

4 eggs

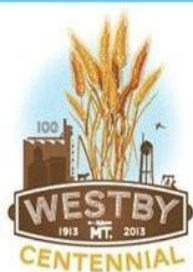
½ cup water

½ cup vegetable oil

½ cup dark rum (I used light)

Preheat oven to 325 degrees. Spray bundt pan, coat with granulated sugar, and sprinkle nuts in pan. Put all cake ingredients in large mixing bowl, beat on low for 30 seconds with electric mixer. *(Continues Page 12)*





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### RALPH AND MINDA LININGER

It is with fond memories and love in our hearts that we pay tribute to our early pioneers and residents of Westby. We especially want to honor our parents Ralph and Minda Lininger.

Ralph was born in 1881 in Diagonal, Iowa, to James and Matilta Lininger in 1917 he emigrated [to] Sheridan County along with 17 rail cars of horses, which he sold both in Montana and Minnesota.

Minda Ellingson was born in Walcott, North Dakota, to Peter and Agnes Ellington in 1900. The family moved to the Elkhorn Township near Westby in the early part of the century. When Minda completed the 8<sup>th</sup> grade, she went to work in cook cars preparing meals for threshing crews. Minda also worked in cafes in Fortuna and Westby.

Ralph and Minda were married in 1927 in the Lutheran Parsonage in Plentywood, MT. Ralph and Linda built a small home in Westby where their four children were born, Audrey, James, Darrell and Donnaleen. Ralph farmed north of Westby and also with this two uncles-in-law in the Peerless area. Subsequently, he ran a dairy business using a horse and wagon. He met the train each morning and evening to pick up dairy cans, mail, and merchandise which he delivered to local businesses. Times were hard and jobs were scarce. Over the years, Ralph worked on the WPA, and assisted Minnie Bundt in raising a huge Victory Garden. The garden was located south of Jim Weiler's residence. Produce from this garden was used in the first school lunch program in the Westby School. Minnie Bundt was the head school cook and Ralph the assistant cook. He later worked for Roy Listoe's block plant. Ralph's last job was as a bartender at the Crystal Bar in Westby. After a bad fall in 1954, which resulted in a broken hip and surgery, Ralph returned home and was bedridden.

Ralph passed away February 14, 1960.

Minda was a hard worker, a good cook and a wonderful mother. Her various jobs included Haugen Grocery Store, the Thorpe Gambles Store and in later years the Westby School lunch program. She enjoyed those years working with Minnie Bundt, Marlys Nordhagen, and Gladys Wirtberger at the school. Her first concern was always for her children and she was adamant about college educations for her 4 children, which they all received. She also took great pride in her eight grandchildren. Minda's son, James, passed away in September of 1973 of a sudden massive heart attack at the young age of 40. Minda enjoyed life immensely! She belonged to the CIC, Birthday Club, WMF, along with attending church, playing cards and checkers, and socializing with her many lady friends. A few days after her 81<sup>st</sup> birthday in 1981 she passed away. Minda was found in her kitchen with a spoon in her hand and a roast and potatoes cooking in the [oven]. Minda was laid to rest next to her husband, Ralph, in the Westby Lutheran Cemetery.

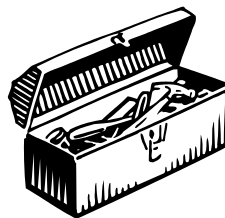
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## RALPH AND MINDA LININGER

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Ralph and Minda's children have great memories of growing up in Westby. They love to come back and visit their hometown. The Westby work ethic continues to impress them, especially as they watch the Centennial Celebration planning in *The Westby Border News*. Audrey, Darrell, and Donny would like to thank the residents of Westby for carrying on the torch of the "small town with a big heart". They look forward to celebrating with Westby in July at the Centennial celebration, which promises to be "one of a kind". They would like to thank their old Westby friends and the many new Westby friends they will meet, for working together to make this upcoming celebration happen.



### *Easter at Immanuel*







Easter Sunday services will be held at

7:00 AM

March 31st at Immanuel Lutheran Church

*Special music will be performed by Logan Olson.*

Pastor Barb, Immanuel Church council members, and the entire congregation were in high hopes the fellowship hall would be ready for Easter breakfast. Weather has played a big part in delaying the opening, but all are happy with the progress and know it won't be long until the dream will be fulfilled. In the meantime, Easter breakfast will be held at the Westby Community Center immediately following the service.

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## HELP WANTED

Immediate opening for secretary at Immanuel Lutheran Parish. This is a part time position with flexible hours. Duties include secretarial and support services for the Westby Lutheran Parish. For further information contact the church office at 385-2341.

[Immluth@nemont.net](mailto:Immluth@nemont.net)

## HELP WANTED

### **Recruitment Area: School Counseling: Westby, MT**

Salary: DOE

Ad Placed On: 2013-01-22

### **Job Description:**

The Westby School District #3 is seeking a part-time school counselor. The successful applicant will hold a K 12 School Counseling endorsement.

### **Academic Qualifications:**

Applicant must be able to meet the qualifications for appropriate Montana Certification and Endorsement.

### **Supplemental Information:**

The district is also seeking a middle school teacher, which could be incorporated into this position if the applicant's properly endorsed. Information is available regarding the combined position upon request of the applicant. Westby School District is located in the far northeast corner of Montana. The school district serves approximately 70 students district wide. Housing is available.

District: Westby K-12 Schools(LEO810)

School: District Wide

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## **WDC MINUTES**

### **February 27, 2013**

The regular meeting of the Westby Development Corporation was held February 27<sup>th</sup>, 2013, at the Westby School. President Nate Olson called the meeting to order at 7:05 with board members Jody Lagerquist, Val Moore, Aldy Joyes, Mike Gebhardt, and Cindy S. Brenda Ryals joined the meeting at 7:25. The January minutes were read and, with one addition, placed on file.

Treasurers report: Previous balance of \$8,893.34 . No new bills. Deposits: memberships of \$40.00 new balance of \$8, 938.34. Border News account balance \$4635.79. Paid out \$300.00 to Tracy and Val and \$102.82 to postmaster for stamps. Received in \$1,122.00 for subscriptions, papers sold and ads for a new balance of \$5,354.97.

#### **Old Business:**

##### **MUSEUM:**

The board will continue to pursue other options for a museum site.

A person approached Brenda about the status of the Wirtzberger house. They were in hopes the building could be given to them for a nominal fee since it was not feasible for a museum. The group was given the building as a charitable donation to a nonprofit organization. The WDC has paid taxes on the building for 2 years and has incurred other expenses (electricity, etc.). Also, it was felt it would not be fair to other interested parties if it was merely given away. After much discussion, it was felt if the interested party was willing to pay for an appraisal of the building and lot, the WDC would be willing to sell to interested party for the appraised value. Brenda will bring the decision to the interested party.

##### **SHOOTING RANGE:**

Nate will be conducting hunter safety classes in the spring.

For further information he may be reached at [luv2carve@hotmail.com](mailto:luv2carve@hotmail.com). -

The Gun Club will have an Annie Oakley competition in conjunction with the Centennial in July. Guns will be available. Nate and Aldy will apply for the Fish, Wildlife, and Parks grant for the gun range. The grant is due this spring. The gun club is holding a multi-gun raffle and has sweatshirts to sell with their logo on as fundraisers.

##### **WEB SITE**

The WDC met at the school for the purpose of going over the proposed website on the computer. Nate presented a draft of the home page for the new Westby Web Site. The appearance was very favorable. The homepage will give a brief overview of the community. Links will include businesses, organizations, history, community calendar, recreation, photo gallery. There will also be a centennial link. The board input info on the site with additional information to be added before March 18<sup>th</sup> meeting. At that time a person will be delegated to fine tune and proof it before it goes on the web.

##### **CAFÉ**

All of the tickets were sold for the money calendar and drawings will begin March 4, 2013. The proceeds were designated to help bring the café building up to code. The Fire Guys, a Helena based business, are scheduled to update the fire extinguisher system on March 6<sup>th</sup> as they will be in the area. The WDC has agreed to pay for this update and will pay the bill when the process is complete. The WDC, per their last meeting, agreed to pay for the cost of a hand washing sink also needed to bring the restaurant up to code. The group will contribute up to \$4,000.00 for these two items. The balance of the money not raised through the money calendar will come out of the treasury. Cindy reported her daughter and son-in-law have completed menus and have every intention of being open by the centennial.

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## WDC MINUTES (Continued)

### COMMUNITY CENTER

Prior to our last meeting, Mayor Weiler had contacted Nate about forming a group to address the state of the community center. At the present, no meeting has been called by him with us or any other group and Commissioner Nikolaisen about moving forward to check out cost and feasibility of a new fire hall/community center combination similar to other communities in our county.

Mike has done a walkthrough of the center, per Jim's request, to estimate what it would cost to revamp kitchen, fix bathrooms, address the issue of the stage and entry and replace flooring in these areas. Mike reported he had an estimated cost to lay new carpet and linoleum in the community center from Perry Stratton. All are in agreement, work needs to be done on the center before the centennial, but our hands are tied without cooperation from the city.

### NEW BUSINESS

Brenda wanted to remind all April 12 is the deadline for scholarship application. Ten hours of approved community service must be initiated before the application can be complete.

Next meeting March 18<sup>th</sup>, 6:00

Meeting adjourned 9:00  
Val Moore, secretary

## HELP WANTED

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**Curriculum: Westby, MT**

Salary: DOE

Ad Placed On: 2013-01-22

Closing Date: Until Filled

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Considering all the recent winter weather activity we've been experiencing in NE Montana, it seemed only fitting to reprint...

## The Diary of a Snow Shoveler

### October 6

It started to snow.

The first snow of the season and the wife and I took our cocktails and sat for hours by the window watching the huge soft flakes drift down from heaven.

It looked like a Grandma Moses Print.

So romantic we felt like newlyweds again.

I love snow!

### November 10

We woke to a beautiful blanket of crystal white snow covering every inch of the landscape.

What a fantastic sight!

Can there be a lovelier place in the whole world?

Moving here was the best idea I've ever had!

Shoveled for the first time in years and felt like a boy again.

I did both our driveway and the sidewalks.

This afternoon the snowplow came along and covered up the sidewalks and closed in the driveway, so I got to shovel again.

What a perfect life!

### December 12

The sun has melted all our lovely snow.

Such a disappointment!

My neighbor tells me not to worry- we'll definitely have a white Christmas.

No snow on Christmas would be awful!

Bob says we'll have so much snow by the end of winter, that I'll never want to see snow again

I don't think that's possible.

Bob is such a nice man, I'm glad he's our neighbor.

### December 14

Snow, lovely snow! 8 inches last night.

The temperature dropped to -20.

The cold makes everything sparkle so.

The wind took my breath away, but I warmed up by shoveling the driveway and sidewalks.

This is the life!

The snowplow came back this afternoon and buried everything again.

I didn't realize I would have to do quite this much shoveling, but I'll certainly get back in shape this way.

I wish I wouldn't huff and puff so.

### December 15

20 inches forecast.

Sold my van and bought a 4x4 Blazer.

Bought snow tires for the wife's car and 2 extra shovels.

Stocked the freezer.

The wife wants a wood stove in case the electricity goes out.

I think that's silly.

We aren't in Alaska, after all.

### December 16

Ice storm this morning.

Fell on the ice in the driveway putting down salt.

Hurt like heck.

The wife laughed for an hour, which I think was very cruel.

### December 17

Still way below freezing.

Roads are too icy to go anywhere.

Electricity was off for 5 hours.

I had to pile the blankets on to stay warm.

Nothing to do but stare at the wife and try not to irritate her.

Guess I should've bought a wood stove, but won't admit it to her.

I hate it when she's right.

I can't believe I'm freezing to death in my own living room.

### December 20

Electricity's back on, but had another 14 inches of the darn stuff last night.

More shoveling!

Took all day.

The dang snowplow came by twice.

Tried to find a neighbor kid to shovel, but they said they're too busy playing hockey.

I think they're lying.

Called the only hardware store around to see about buying a snow blower and they're out.

Might have another shipment in March.

I think they're lying.

Bob says I have to shovel or the city will have it done and bill me.

I think he's lying.

### December 22

Bob was right about a white Christmas because 13 more inches of the white stuff fell today, and it's so cold, it probably won't melt till August.

Took me 45 minutes to get all dressed up to go out to shovel and then I had to go the bathroom.

By the time I got undressed, took care of business and dressed again I was too tired to shovel.

Tried to hire Bob who has a plow on his truck for the rest of the winter, but he says he's too busy. I think the jerk is lying.

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## The Diary of a Snow Shoveler

### December 23

Only 2 inches of snow today

And it warmed up to 0.

The wife wanted me to decorate the front of the house this morning.

What is she, nuts?!!

Why didn't she tell me to do that a month ago?

She says she did but I think she's lying.

### December 24

6 inches - Snow packed so hard by snowplow, I broke the shovel.

Thought I was having a heart attack.

If I ever catch the son of a gun who drives that snow plow, I'll drag him through the snow by his hair and beat him to death with my broken shovel.

I know he hides around the corner and waits for me to finish shoveling and then he comes down the street at a 100 miles an hour and throws snow all over where I've just been!

Tonight the wife wanted me to sing Christmas carols with her and open our presents, but I was too busy watching for the darn snowplow.

### December 25

Merry freaking Christmas!

20 more inches of the darn slop tonight -Snowed in.

The idea of shoveling makes my blood boil.

Man, I hate the snow!

Then the snowplow driver came by asking for a donation and I hit him over the head with my shovel.

The wife says I have a bad attitude.

I think she's an idiot.

If I have to watch "It's A Wonderful Life" one more time, I'm going to stuff her into the microwave.

### December 26

Still snowed in.

Why the world did I ever move here?

It was all HER idea.

She's really getting on my nerves.

### December 27

Temperature dropped to -30 and the pipes froze; plumber came after 14 hours of waiting for him, he only charged me \$1,400 to replace all my pipes.

### December 28

Warmed up to above -20.

Still snowed in.

The wife is driving me crazy!!!

### December 29

10 more inches.

Bob says I have to shovel the roof or it could cave in. That's the silliest thing I ever heard. How dumb does he think I am?

### December 30

Roof caved in.

I beat up the snow plow driver, and now he is suing me for a million dollars, not only the beating I gave him, but also for trying to shove the broken snow shovel somewhere he didn't much appreciate.

The wife went home to her mother.

Nine more inches predicted.

### December 31

I set fire to what's left of the house.

No more shoveling.

### January 8

Feel so good.

I just love those little white pills they keep giving me.

Why am I tied to the bed?

## VAL'S RECIPE CORNER

*(continued)*

Increase speed to medium and beat for 2 additional minutes. Pour into prepared pan. Bake 60 minutes or until toothpick comes out clean.

Glaze

1 cup sugar

½ cup water

¼ cup butter

½ cup dark rum

Combine sugar, water, & butter in small saucepan. Bring to boil, reduce to medium and continue to boil for 5 minutes. Remove from heat and add rum. Leaving cake in pan, poke holes in warm cake and slowly pour glaze over cake. Cool completely and invert cake onto plate.

**ENJOY**  
for  
*Life is Good!*

# Centennial Meeting Minutes

The sixteenth meeting of the Westby Centennial organization was held Monday, February 25, 2013 at the Westby Community Center. The meeting was called to order at 7:07 p.m. by Chair Val Moore with 10 committee members and 6 guests present. Gene Kavon noted a balance of \$32698.24. Gene noted we need about \$45000.00 to cover all costs associated with the Centennial; therefore more fundraising is needed.

In an effort to allow our guest the courtesy of speaking first, we went to the New Business agenda. Jim Lossing, Doug Kittelson, and Ron Nelson were at the meeting to let the committee know they are putting together a wagon train to be involved in the Centennial celebration. They will participate in the parade and they are open to suggestions in regards to what people would like to see. Val will take care of advertising for the wagon train, and Mavis will see that they are entered in the parade. Kenny Nordhagen suggested there may be children interested in wagon rides while the wagon train is in town. Jandy Jorgenson suggested a wagon ride around town for children for a few hours.

## Old Business

### Committee Reports

#### Registration Committee

Sandy Elm reported that she had been advised to acquire registration wristbands online, and their committee will pursue that. Val Moore will get out the registration deadline of May 1<sup>st</sup>.

#### Publicity Committee

Val Moore reported that she will start putting all registration information, deadlines, etc. to the papers on a regular basis. Val reported that Marlene Anderson is in Arizona and will try to get registrations and float participants from that area.

Val reminded everyone to submit information, corrections, and changes for the web site to Tracy Johanson.

#### Adult Entertainment

Kenny Nordhagen reported he has the band, Abby Road, from Rapid City, SD, booked for entertainment on Thursday night prior to the Centennial celebration. He has a room booked, the money required for the band, and will get a contract signed from the group.

The same stage could be used for all the bands and the open entertainment. Val Moore reported that Julie Leininger has secured a large tent (40 X 100) for the event. There will be a dance area in front of the stage, and that will be under the tent. Gene Kavon asked for clarification on the Thursday night event if it is part of the centennial. Val Moore clarified that there will be people coming in that evening so we would be happy to have entertainment and food available for those people arriving on Thursday. This will be a pre-function or kick-off event. Beatie Petersen will contact 2 food vendors for Thursday. It was discussed there will be a need for clean-up after Thursday evening as well as the remainder of centennial celebration. There was a discussion regarding the closing of Main Street during the celebration and also on Thursday evening. Gene Kavon reported that we will not know until closer to the event what will happen with Main Street. It was reported that Jody Lagerquist is trying to get approval for Westby to use the shuttle from the fair board to use to transport people around town. He should hear something after their next meeting.

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# Centennial Meeting Minutes

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## Parade Committee

Mavis Weiler sent out letters and talked to Bruce Lapke at KATQ about using their PA system. Bruce will help with the set-up and parade PA system. She urged families and high school classes to consider coming up with floats for the parade.

## Sunday Service

Jandy Jorgenson asked for clarification as to where the service would be held. The Sunday brunch and worship service will be held at the school. Val Moore reported that she asked Donna Sorenson to be the school/centennial coordinator for all events that will be held at the school. Jandy asked if the chairs set up for the Cent-imental Journey program be left up for the church service in the gym.

## New Business

Val Moore reported that Tracy Johanson had suggested a weekly radio spot concerning the centennial. Jandy Jorgenson will take charge of that and line up people to participate in the weekly program with a historical article or trivia item. Tracy also suggested coffee time when the date gets closer.

Val also reported that she had the program from the jubilee in 1988 transferred to DVD as well as a couple other programs so they can be viewed during the centennial days. Val reminded everyone that March 15<sup>th</sup> is the picture deadline. May 1<sup>st</sup> is the deadline for the Fun Walk/Run registration for the \$20.00 cost. After that date, the fee will be \$25.00. Val suggested that anyone considering holding class or family reunions, etc. give some thought as to where they could be held. Some areas available are the Immanuel Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall, New Century Ag Office building, Westby School, Westby Park, and the Westby Gun Club. Also, Val will send out a reminder for travelers to secure their motel rooms for the event. Beatie Petersen will be the contact person for any vendors wishing to have a craft or antique table during the celebration.

Gene Kavon suggested we discuss at the next meeting what we will be done with any excess Centennial dollars should there be any. The next meeting is scheduled for March 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at the Westby Community Center.

Secretary Brenda Ryals

## ADULT ED CLASS OFFERED

An Adult Ed quilting class on Saturday, April 13 is scheduled to begin at 9:00 AM. The class will be on the Stargello pattern. Cost will be \$11.

Please sign up by April 5th by calling the school (406.385.2225) or by emailing Jennifer Pulvermacher directly at:

[jpulvermacher@westbyschool.k12.mt.us](mailto:jpulvermacher@westbyschool.k12.mt.us)

## Hamsters For Sale

Syrian/Teddy Bear baby Hamsters  
For \$8.00 each.

Contact Melissa Heckman  
701-834-2482

## THANK YOU

Thank you to Daryl Sorenson and the other members of the Diamond B crew, Danny Moore, and Randy Muse, of New Century Ag for pushing out the snow from our drive way.

Thank you to Pastor Barb and Gaylan for the visit while I was in the hospital.

Thank you Wee Bee Quilters for the comfort quilt. I never expected such a nice gift.

Thank you to all for the phone calls, visits after I got home, and everyone who sent get well cards. Thank you to my wife, Lorna, for all the good care.

Bob Lagerquist





## Notes & Dates of Interest

Clothing and Costumes needed for the Westby Centennial Program. All items must be clean, in excellent shape and ready to be worn or modeled. All must be tagged with history of garment or accessory if available.

For more information contact :  
Diann Kaul.

### IMPORTANT CENTENNIAL DATES & UPDATES

The following are dates to remember:

**MARCH 15TH** Deadline for pictures to be included in history DVD.

**MAY 1<sup>ST</sup>** Deadline for registration to be included in meal count.

**MAY 1<sup>ST</sup>** Deadline to preregister for fun run/walk cost \$20.00. After May 1<sup>st</sup>- \$25.00. Please include t-shirt size (youth-S, M, L, XL), (adult-S, M, L, XL, XXL).

Registration forms are now available for parade entries. Forms may be accessed on the website, picked up at various local businesses, or be requested by emailing:

[mjweiler@nemont.net](mailto:mjweiler@nemont.net)

## 2013 Westby Centennial Meeting

Tuesday, April 9th

7:00 PM

Westby Community Center

All Committee members need to attend and any willing to help are welcome.

### WANTED:

Westby Ranger items to display during the centennial as a tribute to the now retired mascot "Westby Rangers". Cheerleading outfits, letterman jackets, jerseys shirts, pins, pom-poms, -anything with a logo or associated with the Rangers. Items will be returned to the owners. Contact Misty Solberg at 385-7987 or email centennial web site at:

[westbycentennial2013@gmail.com](mailto:westbycentennial2013@gmail.com).

Items may be left at the school or brought to the centennial in July.

Next, talent is needed to entertain on the FREE STAGE during the Centennial. This event is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, July 6<sup>th</sup> from 1 to 5:00 p.m.

If you'd like to be part of the fun, please contact one of the following people by phone, e-mail, or message them on Facebook:

Karla Christensen: (701) 985-2603

[kchristensen@nemont.net](mailto:kchristensen@nemont.net)

Kolby Ruggles: (406) 385-2327

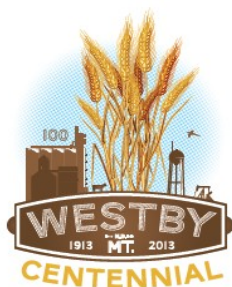
Mary McMinn: (406) 765-1214

[mcminnmary@yahoo.com](mailto:mcminnmary@yahoo.com)

### MAY 1<sup>ST</sup> DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION

March 15<sup>th</sup> deadline for pictures to be included on dvd

Fun run/walk deadline May 1<sup>st</sup> 20.00 after \$25.00



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*Letters to the editor are welcome but must be signed.*

## *Letter to the Editor*

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Dear Editor,

Effective March 21, 2013, Westby Hardware will be moving to 303 Main Street, to join Families 4 Heaven Satellite Services.

We remain deeply grateful to Dennis and Enid Kittelson for the opportunity they gave us, and for their willingness to work with us throughout this process. We are also thankful for Mike and Vicki Kittelson, and for their hard work and encouragement. We have enjoyed working with all of them, and wish Kittelson's Hardware every success in its future enterprises. Our intention is not to compete with Kittelson's. Such an established institution has already earned its own place in the community. Thus Westby Hardware will be shifting our focus to supplies and services not currently available in town. We will carry a small stock of items, as well as having access to tens of thousands of items, ranging from major appliances to safety gear, TV's to satellite radio, and much, much more! We're dealers with a variety of companies, and committed to finding the best product at the best price.

On the automotive side, we will be providing a number of services, such as diesel engine repair, transmission work, and computer diagnostics. We will still be working to obtain tools and equipment to make available for rental, so stay tuned for further announcements.

Our mailing address will remain PO Box 5, and our phone number is 406-385-7294. Any payments for charges at our previous location at 105 Maint Street, between the dates of December 16, 2012 and March 21, 2013 can still be mailed to our PO box, or brought in to our new location.

Beginning April 15, our regular office hours will be M-Th 8-12, with auto appointments available from 1-6 in the afternoons. A limited number of Friday morning or Sunday afternoon appointments may be available, so please tell us if one of those options would work better for you. We'll be closed on Saturdays.

We hope you will stop by soon and let us know how we can assist you.

Thank you,  
Jack and Noni Gibbs







WHS juniors and seniors made their biannual trip to Helena to witness government action first hand. They also had the opportunity to meet with Governor Steve Bullock. The students were accompanied by Advisor Shari Olson.

*We've moved!!*  
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