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Another successful Mages Fest held Sunday. Thank you to Jeff, LeAnn and family for all their hard work. Congratulations to all the anniversary couples as we wish you many more years of married bliss.

The above picture is the centerpiece at Jennifer Janni, bride to be of David Fischer, shower. Beautiful!!
God's blessings to all. Love, Linda



Coming Events

August Birthdays

Brian Strate	Aug 02
Duane Mages	Aug 03
Grady Rath	Aug 03
Veda Tonneson Plath	Aug 04
Julia Mages	Aug 07
Nathan Gall	Aug 09
Jennifer Butler	Aug 10
James Mages	Aug 15
MaKayla Strand	Aug 16
Tess Mages	Aug 22
Imia Mages	Aug 26
Joe Mages	Aug 28
Bella Bemmels	Aug 31

August Anniversaries

Larry and Maggie Mages
Aug 18 43 years

Kevin and Barb Plath
Aug 29 39 years

Tony and Lisa Schmitz
Aug 29 27 years

Brad and Tess Mages
Aug 15 16 years

Adam and Amanda Bemmels
Aug 25 12 years

Stevie and Melanie Miller
Aug 28 04 years

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August 09, 2014- Wedding of Jennifer Janni and David Fischer

August 16,2014-Kodet Sisters Day, Morton, Mn. Senior Citizen Center 9am.(Potluck)

August 18,2014-Music in the Park, New Ulm, Mn. 6:30pm. The Mages Family Band.

September 20-21,2014- Sister's Weekend at Emerald Hiway. Hosted by Kathy and Sharon.

September 23, 2014-Renville County Expo 9am. Bird Island Minn.

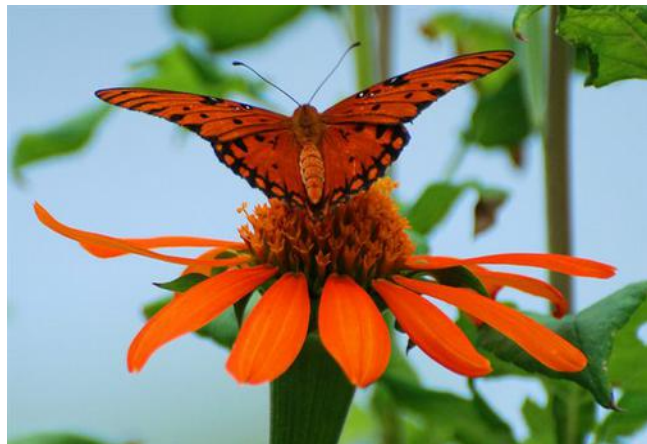
November 7 and 8,2014-Sister's shopping Mankato, Mn overnight by Barb Plath Friday evening.

November 29,2014- Mages Family Christmas Party

April 18,2015-Wedding of Kate Mages and Justin White.

June 06. 2015-Bridal Shower for Madeline Schmitz and TJ Ibberson

July 11, 2015- Wedding for Madeline Schmitz and TJ Ibberson



A Special Hello to my Grandson Tobi Mages From Oma Barbara!!!!

A special hello to our German cousins, Helmut, Birgit, Andi, and Tobi

Chimney Fire by Mom

It was a late fall day, the trees had lost their leaves. The days were beginning to get cold, and the nights even colder.

I was about eight or nine years old. I was upstairs in my room trying on my new dress. Mother and Dad had been shopping, and I loved my new dress. Someone kept calling me, "supper is ready, come and eat!!!!" BUT I POKED ALONG, admiring how I looked in the mirror. Then I heard- "FIRE!! FIRE!! COME QUICK!!!!!!!" I ran down stairs, and I did not take my new dress off.

It was a chimney fire. We were all outside, flames were coming out of the chimney.

We had all been in the house having supper-until the neighbors started driving in. They had seen the fire through the trees. Our angels, Uncle John Wilt and Uncle Wencel Kojetin were there, and also others. They got the tall ladder to the top of the roof, and Uncle Wencel went up the ladder, and threw chemicals in the fire, they were just chemicals. He got up on the roof, and he started throwing small boxes or balls or something trying to land them in the chimney. I guess it worked because the fire went down, and went out.

After it cooled off, they put a small ladder on the roof to reach the chimney. They tied a rope on a log chain, and the chain went into the chimney to knock the soot off the walls. There was a clean out door way at the bottom of the chimney in the basement. They cleaned all the soot, and junk out of the chimney. That had to be quite a job to drag that heavy log chain up the big ladder, and the smaller ladder on the roof.

After that Dad had a special ladder that stayed on the roof, so they could clean the chimney a couple times a year. All the wood and cobs in the cookstove, and wood and coal in the furnace caused the soot to catch on the walls of the chimney. Later on my sister, Martha, told me it was salt that was thrown into the burning chimney.

We kids sat in the Model A Ford, and watched the fire, as they were putting it out. We were praying our house would not burn down, but I was sure glad I was wearing my new dress.

Mom on the left and Martha on the right. Note the ladder on the roof.



Mother and Dad used to entertain a lot, especially in the winter. So that was a good reason to have a party, to thank those who helped put out the fire. We kids would be sent to bed after awhile, but we would peek down through the register in our room. We soon got tired of that, and got into bed, and went to sleep. More next time.

Love,

Mom, Grandma, Great Grandma

Artstone's 100 Year Anniversary

June 25, 2014, Artstone in New Ulm, Minnesota celebrated their 100 year anniversary. Our brother, Tom has worked for Artstone for 24 years, and Jeff and I were fortunate to be in Tom's group as we got the tour of this fabulous company. Artstone forms designs in different concrete mixtures which are apply wherever the customer wants them. Many Mages family members attended the open house.



Tom giving the tour as brother Jeff looks on in the photo on the left.



A Scary Ride

On July 16th going down County Road 8 a little west of LeSueur I met a farm truck. This 28.6 pound rock came off of his truck directly at me. Everything went miraculously well for me as I just missed it with my wheel and it was at it's lowest point when I hit it. All I had time for was too grip the handlebars a little tighter. It crossed in front of me and hit the right side of the bike. The highway bar saved me. The highway bar is that big piece of metal on each side in the front that looks like a bike stand. The rock also wrecked my right side footboard, the brake master cylinder, and the right side exhaust and heat shield. All of that saved me from broken bones, but my right foot did get bruised. I figure between my speed and his, that was a 100-120 mph rock..... Every now and then the good Lord gives us a wake up call, I'm awake!

Larry



Bridal Shower for Jennifer Janni bride to be of David Fischer



Jennifer and Debbie



Bridesmaid, Jennifer, Jennifer's Mom, Debbie and Grandma Barbara



M.C. Lisa



Entertainer Donna



Grandma Barbara's quilt she made as a gift.

June 21, 2014

The 4th of July at Mike & Amy's Cabin

We had a wonderful 4th of July weekend at Mike and Amy's cabin. We had a blast tubing, skiing, kayaking, watching fireworks, playing cards, golfing, etc. One of the highlights of the weekend was setting a new Mages record by getting up 6 skiers behind Mike's new boat. The skiers were Suzanne, Mike, Kristen, Doug,(Suzanne's boyfriend,) Mikayla, & Alex (Grandma decided not to ski this year). Other attendees of the weekend included Grandma Mages, Amy, Bryant, Jeff, LeAnn, Jessica, Brandon, Curt, and Kathy. We had a great time watching fireworks as Mike's two next door neighbors seemed to be in competition for the best fireworks on Lake Sarah. Later we play cards, 11 of us played Grandma's Game on Mike & Amy's big square table (Suzanne kicked our butt). Mike tried to gain the advantage by mixing Margaritas for all of the ladies but it didn't work. Thank you Mike, Amy, Mikayla, Alex, & Bryant for your hospitality and for a fun weekend.

Photos

1. The six skiers
2. The spectators
3. Alex Slalom Skiing
4. Tubing Brandon, Jessica, Bryant, Kristen
5. Mike & Amy's Backyard
6. Mike & Amy's Dock & Shoreline
7. Jeff manning the grill
8. Playing Grandma's Game
9. Mike making the ladies Margaritas
10. Mike & Curt Kayaking



The 4th Continued



LeAnn, Kathy, Mom, Amy and Jeff



Alex



Kristen, Brandon, Bryant and Jessica



Mike and Amy's Backyard



Jeff



View from the shore

The 4th Continued Again

Playing Grandma's Game, L-R, Kristen, Alex, Doug, Suzanne, Mikayla, Bill Burgemann, Mike, Bryant, Kathy and Amy's back of head.



L-R, Mike, Amy, Kristen, Mikayla, Suzanne and Kathy

Mike on the left, and Curt on the right.



Free Give-away: 84" Lazy Boy Sleeper Sofa and matching loveseat. Fabric completely intact, back/top of loveseat sun-faded. Also, regular length twin mattress set, and simple wooden swing set. Contact Curt and Kathy (Sorry Duane, I know that was your bed.)



Cards at Moms- July 17,2014



Before we started to play Hand and Foot at Moms a round of massages were given. The top picture is Mom, Nancy, Lisa and Arlene.

The bottom picture is L_R, Barb, LeAnn, Nancy, Arlene, Lisa, Betty, Mom and Debbie. Linda is behind the camera. We are at the Railway in Sleepy Eye for sauerkraut and dumplings for lunch.



Avery Jeffery Cook- July 11,2014

Avery was born at 5:44am weighing 8#6oz. 20 1/2 inches long. Avery is the son of Amanda and John Cook and the first Grandchild of Lisa and Tony Schmitz.

L-R, front row, Brandon, John, Amanda, Avery, Lisa.

L-R, back row, Jessica, Tony, T.J. And Becca

Left photo is sweet Avery Jeffery



Mages Fest 2014

Our hosts Jeff and LeAnn



Mom's 85th Birthday



The new Ms. MagesFest-Mom with 2012 Ms Magesfest, Amanda, and 2013 Miss Magesfest Kristen



Giving Mom birthday hugs

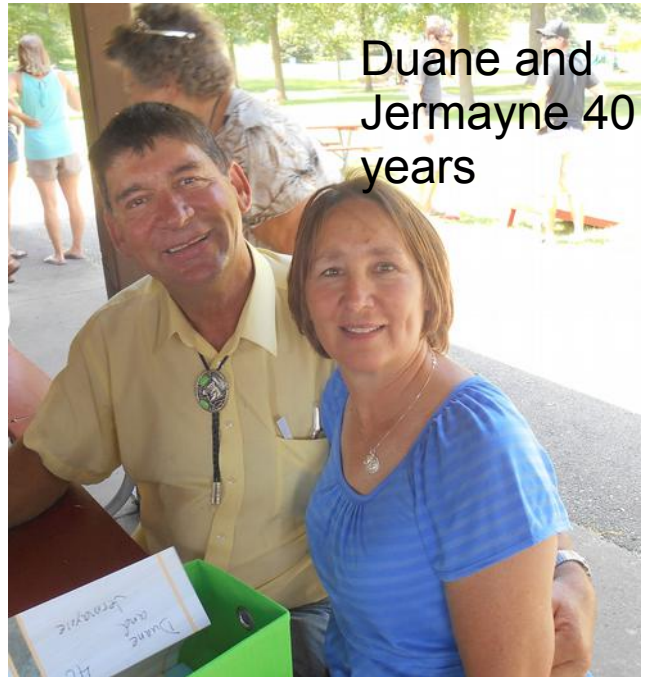


Giving Mom birthday hugs

Mages Fest Anniversaries



John and Cindy 35 years



Duane and Jermayne 40 years



Mike and Amy 25 years



Dean and Donna 30 years



Mages Fest 2014 Continued



The entertainers Larry, Amanda, and Halle to the left and Donna to the right.



Amy, Kathy and LeAnn



Ed, Mike and Curt



Brianna, Jane, Baby Everly and Mom



Duane and Jermayne

Mages Fest 2014 Continued

Alphonse and Barbara Mages Scholarship Winners for 2014



The scholarship winners for 2014 are Jessica Schmitz and Alex Mages children of Lisa and Tony Schmitz, and Mike and Amy Mages. Pictured here with the scholarship name sake Grandma Barbara Mages.

Mages Fest 2014 Continued



Queen Mom and Rick



Lisa and Mom



Duane



Queen Mom

Sister's Weekend Update

Fiesta – Sista

Sisters Weekend Celebration of 2014

September 20-21, 2014 at Emerald Hideaway

All adult Female Family Members Welcome

Hola Chicas!

Here's the next clue, Enter your salsa recipe...is up to you!

Cooked or fresh,

Whatever you think you make the best.

Enter your favorite salsa recipe,

For the committee of family to agree.

A salsa winner there will be!

Please RSVP to Kathy Or Sharon. More final details to come next month.

Shower Thank You

David and I would like to thank everyone for the wonderful gifts and well wishes we received at our wedding shower. Thank you to our family and friends for hosting this shower for us. We feel truly blessed to have so many friends and family supporting us as we prepare for our wedding day.

Jennifer Janni and David Fischer