

## North Dakota 4-H honors Century Families, volunteers and hall of fame inductee



**Mike Hanson was posthumously inducted into the North Dakota 4-H Hall of Fame. His wife, LuAnn Hanson, and sister, Myrna Hanson, accepted the award on his behalf. Pictured are, from left, state 4-H activities coordinator Karla Meikle, LuAnn Hanson and Myrna Hanson. (NDSU)**

The North Dakota 4-H Foundation and North Dakota State University Extension 4-H Youth Development program recognized six North Dakota 4-H Century Families, four Salute to Excellence Award recipients, and the North Dakota 4-H Hall of Fame inductee during the 2024 Recognition Luncheon at the North Dakota 4-H Camp near Washburn, North Dakota.

"It was a day of celebration and gratitude as we honored the legacy, dedication and impact of our 4-H Century Families, volunteer award recipients and Hall of Fame inductee," says Leigh Ann Skurupcy, assistant director for NDSU Extension 4-H Youth Development. "Their contributions are the heart of 4-H, inspiring generations and shaping the future of our youth."

Any family whose years as 4-H members, leaders or volunteers add up to 100 or more is eligible to be named a North Dakota 4-H Century Family. The six families honored for their years of 4-H participation are:

- Leier Family, Emmons County, 101 years
- Larsen Family, Cass County, 128 years
- Motter Family, Steele County, 221 years
- Kraemer Family, Grand Forks County, 214 years
- Anderson Family, Sargent

County, 109 years  
Gulleson-Harris Family, Sargent County, 138 years

The 4-H Salute to Excellence Volunteer of the Year Award is given to an individual who has volunteered for 4-H for less than 10 years. The NDSU Extension 4-H Youth Development program presented the 2023 Volunteer of the Year Award to Travis Anliker of Dickey County and the 2024 Volunteer of the Year Award to Shane Giedd of McLean County.

The 4-H Salute to Excellence Outstanding Lifetime Volunteer Award is given to an individual who has spent 10 or more years as a 4-H volunteer. The NDSU Extension 4-H Youth Development program presented the 2023 Outstanding Lifetime Volunteer Award to Norman Howard of Ramsey County and the 2024 Outstanding Lifetime Volunteer Award to Duane Hauck of Cass County.

The North Dakota 4-H Hall of Fame award recognizes an individual for their outstanding leadership and commitment to 4-H on a local, county, regional and state level. Michael "Mike" Hanson was posthumously inducted into the North Dakota 4-H Hall of Fame. His wife, LuAnn Hanson, and sister, Myrna Hanson, accepted the award on his behalf.

Hanson's love for 4-H began when he became involved in 4-H

at the age of 8 in Grand Forks County and continued into his 37-year professional career with NDSU Extension, which started in 1981. He worked as an Extension Agent in Richland, Benson and Emmons counties, where he assisted numerous 4-H'ers with their photography projects and livestock judging. Among his favorite activities were 4-H Camp, 4-H Achievement Days and the North Dakota State Fair. In 2017, Hanson concluded his Extension career as the district director for the northwest region of the state.

"Mike believed in the potential of 4-H youth to become future leaders and develop essential life skills," says nominator Karla Meikle, state 4-H activities coordinator. "His commitment to youth development reflects the core values of 4-H, which focuses on building strong, capable and resilient individuals through experiential learning."

In addition, the North Dakota 4-H Foundation recognized outgoing board members Tammy Meyer of Benson County and Duane Hauck of Cass County for their 12 years of service. Deb Clarys of Oliver County was recognized as past board chair for her leadership from 2022 to 2023.

## Life's Outtakes

### Deep-Fried Twinkies by Daris Howard

When my nephew, Brandon, first brought Hannah to our house, we all loved her immediately. The two of them were going to school at the nearby university, and they joined my other nieces and nephews who were going to school there in coming out for dinner. Hannah was from Kentucky and had a bit of a Southern accent. She told us that she came from a unique family. Her father's family are engineers, doctors, and lawyers. "But my mother's family are what people would call Rednecks," she said. "Both families are wonderful, and we'd all get together at our house for holidays."

"How did they get along?" I asked.

"They all thought the other family was strange," she replied. "But they did seem to like each other. That's why they kept organizing family gatherings together."

Hannah showed both parts of her heritage in her personality. I saw in her a lot of her father's love for learning. But it was one Thanksgiving Day when I first saw her mother's side.

By then, Brandon and Hannah had gotten married. We invited them and all my other nieces and nephews out for Thanksgiving dinner. When Hannah walked in, she was carrying a pecan pie. Hannah made one of the best

pecan pies a person ever tasted. She set it on the table and turned to me. "Are you having turkey?" she asked. I nodded. "It's in the oven."

She paused and looked at me with disbelief. "It's in the oven? You mean you're not making a deep-fried turkey?"

"No," I replied. "I'm cooking it in the oven. I've never had deep-fried turkey." "Well, I've never had an oven," she said. "We always had our Thanksgiving turkeys deep-fried."

"I'd like to try that sometime," I told her. "I bought an extra one for another day. Maybe you can teach me how to deep fry it."

"I don't know how to deep fry it. That was always Uncle Bubba Bob's job. He said the secret was in the marinating sauce injected into it, and he never shared that secret with anyone."

A couple of months later, when it was my wife's birthday, Brandon and Hannah came for dinner again. I was making my usual Twinkie cake. I first made it when my wife and I were engaged. It was my only option after I destroyed three cakes in attempting to bake one for her. The Twinkie cake consisted of Twinkies stacked in a pan, frosted with whipped cream, and decorated with M&M'S. I thought

it was impossible to lose with that combination, and it was a big hit with everyone. Everyone, that is, except for Hannah.

"What are you making?" she asked when she came into the kitchen.

"A Twinkie cake," I replied.

"What's a Twinkie?" I couldn't believe she had never had one before, but after visiting with her, I found out she truly hadn't.

"I don't think they have those out where I live," she said.

I tossed her one from the stack.

"Here. Try that."

She unwrapped it and took a bite. She got a horrified look on her face. She ran to the sink and spit it out and washed out her mouth.

"How can you stand that thing?" she asked. "It was all sweet and gushy and everything. That has got to be the most disgusting thing I've ever put in my mouth."

I laughed. "Why, because it wasn't deep-fried?"

"That might have helped it," she said, "but I'm not sure."

I made some brownies for Hannah, and we often laughed at our differences after that. But someday I want to try deep-fried turkey. And maybe both Hannah and I will try deep-fried Twinkies.

## THIS DAY IN HISTORY:

- 1911 – The Doom Bar in Cornwall claims two ships, Island Maid and Angele, the latter killing the entire crew except the captain.
- 1912 – First Balkan War: The Serbian Army captures Bitola, ending the five-century-long Ottoman rule of Macedonia.
- 1916 – Samuel Goldwyn and Edgar Selwyn establish Goldwyn Pictures.
- 1941 – World War II: Battle between HMAS Sydney and HSK Kormoran. The two ships sink each other off the coast of Western Australia, with the loss of 645 Australians and about 77 German seamen.
- 1942 – World War II: Battle of Stalingrad: Soviet Union forces under General Georgy Zhukov launch the Operation Uranus counterattacks at Stalingrad, turning the tide of the battle in the USSR's favor.
- 1942 – Mutesa II is crowned the 35th and last Kabaka (king) of Buganda, prior to the restoration of the kingdom in 1993.
- 1943 – Holocaust: Nazis liquidate Janowska concentration camp in Lemberg (Lviv), western Ukraine, murdering at least 6,000 Jews after a failed uprising and mass escape attempt.
- 1944 – World War II: U.S. President Franklin D. Roosevelt announces the sixth War Loan Drive, aimed at selling US\$14 billion in war bonds to help pay for the war effort.
- 1944 – World War II: Thirty members of the Luxembourgish resistance defend the town of Vianden against a larger Waffen-SS attack in the Battle of Vianden. 1946 – Afghanistan, Iceland and Sweden join the United Nations.
- 1950 – US General Dwight D. Eisenhower becomes Supreme Commander of NATO-Europe.
- 1952 – Greek Field Marshal Alexander Papagos becomes the 152nd Prime Minister of Greece.
- 1954 – Télé Monte Carlo, Europe's oldest private television channel, is launched by Prince Rainier III.
- 1955 – National Review publishes its first issue.
- 1967 – The establishment of TVB, the first wireless commercial television station in Hong Kong.
- 1969 – Apollo program: Apollo 12 astronauts Pete Conrad and Alan Bean land at Oceanus Procellarum (the "Ocean of Storms") and become the third and fourth humans to walk on the Moon.
- 1969 – Association football player Pelé scores his 1,000th goal.
- 1977 – TAP Air Portugal Flight 425 crashes in the Madeira Islands, killing 131.
- 1979 – Iran hostage crisis: Iranian leader Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini orders the release of 13 female and black American hostages being held at the US Embassy in Tehran.
- 1984 – San Juanico disaster: A series of explosions at the Pemex petroleum storage facility at San Juan Ixhuatepec in Mexico City starts a major fire and kills about 500 people.
- 1985 – Cold War: In Geneva, U.S. President Ronald Reagan and Soviet Union General Secretary Mikhail Gorbachev meet for the first time.
- 1985 – Police in Baling, Malaysia, lay siege to houses occupied by an Islamic sect of about 400 people led by Ibrahim Mahmud.

## Public Notices

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### City Council Meeting November, 14th 2024

Meeting held in the back room of the Ludden Tavern  
Mayor- Matt German called meeting to order at 7:00PM  
Auditor- Erica German read minutes from October, 10th 2024 Meeting. read financial statements & monthly bills Mark Young made a motion to approve financial report Matt German 2nd the motion. all in favor, motion passed.  
Old Business:

Discussion was held on garbage & rural water for city residents  
New Business:  
More discussion on city garbage  
Discussion on residents burning garbage  
Mark Young made a motion to adjourn the meeting  
Next monthly Meeting December, 12th 2024  
(November 28, 2024)

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