

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

**ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS** (open) Every Tues @ 7pm. 1st Lutheran Church basement 326 Bluff St, Enderlin, ND 58027

**"COMFORT MESSAGE:** Visit the First Lutheran Church Facebook page (FirstLutheranEnderlin) to hear a positive message. A new message is posted weekly." We have decided to discontinue the phone line.

**ENDERLIN AREA FOOD PANTRY** - Open the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month. Hours 9am-6pm. Located in First Lutheran Church, Enderlin. Serving the Enderlin, Alice, Sheldon, and Nome area.

**RANSOM COUNTY FOOD PANTRY:** Call the Food Pantry at 701-308-0905 by Wednesdays at 5 p.m. to receive a food basket to be picked up on Thursdays between 1 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. at the Ransm County Food Pantry.

**ENDERLIN ALUMNI ASSOCIATION:** will hold their monthly meetings on the fourth Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. during the school year and 9:00 a.m. during the summer months at the Enderlin Insurance Agency.

**MONTHLY MEETING FOR THE VFW AUXILIARY:** The monthly meeting of the VFW Auxiliary will be held on the third Tuesday of the month at 5:30 p.m. at the Enderlin VFW clubrooms.

**ENDERLIN SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER BONE BUILDERS: TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS** at 10:00 am "Helping to Fight Osteoporosis" \*Improve Balance, Increase Energy, Bone Density, Mobility and Lower Blood Pressure FREE, Open to the Public of all ages. **Whist every Tuesday at 12:30 PM & Dominos last Thursday of every month at 12:30 PM.**

**VETERAN'S SERVICES** available every 3rd Tuesday of the month from 1pm - 3pm at the Enderlin VFW Club.

**ENDERLIN MUSEUM HOURS:** Museum will open for the summer on May 22 from 1-4:00. It will be open every Thursday and Friday from 1-4

**ENDERLIN LIBRARY HOURS:** Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 12 noon until 6 p.m.; Early open: All Wednesdays, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Now open the first Saturday of the month from 12:00 noon until 6 p.m.

**DISTRICT 24 DEM-NPL MEMBERS** meet every 3rd Tuesday or Thursday in either Enderlin, Lisbon or Valley City (depending on the month). NO MEETING IN DECEMBER. We will meet Sunday, January 25, 2026 in Room 207 at the Gaukler Wellness Center in Valley City, ND at 2 p.m. for a 2026 Convention and meeting. The Gaukler Center is located at 733 8th Ave SW, Valley City. District 24 is comprised of Ransom and Barnes Counties. If you would like more information, please call 701-680-0484.

IN MEMORY OR HONOR OF A LOVED ONE?

*Enderlin Area Booster Club, 858 Center Street, Enderlin, ND 58027*

*Enderlin Youth Baseball, 5991 133 1/2 Ave SE, Enderlin, ND 58027*

*Veterans Monument, VFW, 225 3rd Avenue, Enderlin, ND 58027*

*Enderlin Alumni Association, PO Box 81, Enderlin, ND 58027*

*Enderlin Fine Arts Association, PO Box 32, Enderlin, ND 58027*

*Enderlin Municipal Library, 303 Railway, Enderlin, ND 58027*

*Enderlin/Sheldon Rural Fire District (Rescue Squad), PO Box 43, Enderlin, ND 58027*

*Enderlin Sunflower Festival, 5010 133rd Ave SE, Enderlin, ND 58027*

*SMP Health - Maryhill Auxiliary, 110 Hillcrest Drive, Enderlin, ND 58027*

*Enderlin Park Board, 411 Railway, Enderlin, ND 58027*

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*HEART Program, 221 3rd Ave., Enderlin, ND 58027*

*Sheldon Public School District #2 Scholarship Fund*

*Donations to: Enderlin Dollars for Scholars, Attn: Cindy Hansen, PO Box 102, Enderlin, ND 58027*

*Enderlin Community Cemetery, PO Box 84, Enderlin, ND 58027*

*Enderlin Historical Society and Museum, Attn: Secretary/Treasurer, Po Box 101 Enderlin, ND 58027*

*Maple River Senior Center, 221 3rd Avenue, Enderlin, ND 58027*

*Enderlin-Sheldon Wildlife Club, PO Box 121, Enderlin, ND 58027*

The Nome Schoolhouse

By Lynn Bueling

Many of us use digital media products such as Facebook. One of the founders of that company is Mark Zuckerberg, a name grown familiar as one of the young billionaires with a high profile in this economy. I confess to using it, using it too much really because of the time wasted with it. One of its features remembers what the user posts on its site, and then several years later reminds you with the option of sharing it again if you choose.

A four-year old memory for us recently showed up and my wife re-posted it. It had to do with the time we drove to the Nome schoolhouse for an event they called "Makers Mart." I wrote a brief narrative about our visit and placed it with some pictures on Facebook. The significance of the matter today has to do family history. It is best explained by printing it here.

"We made our first visit Saturday to the Nome Schoolhouse to check out their Makers Mart featuring vendors of handmade items. I've been wanting to enter and see the school where my dad and many of his siblings attended for a few years. Upon entering I made the wooden stairs squeak and groan like any of the buildings of this type but must say the owners have done a great job in making the over-one hundred year place presentable and usable. One room housed a collection of interesting artifacts. I wanted to verify the age of the building and a couple of men were standing in there. One was looking at an old 1928 Barnes county atlas opened to Raritan Township. He asked my name and said 'Right there is where Buelings used to live on Carl Lindemann's place.' Turned out he knew quite a few stories about my family."

The platte map clearly showed Carl Lindemann's name printed on that map of Raritan Township about a mile north of the village of Nome. I always knew my dad's family lived there, but so many details remained to learn. On that same Facebook post, something Dad had written clarified some of it.

He wrote about his parents, "Charles married Ottillia (Tillie) Menge in 1907, and they started farming in the Alice area. Then they moved one half mile north of Nome where they lived from 1922 to 1927. Charlie had a threshing machine and did lots of work in the Nome area. Later they purchased the John Adams farm near Sheldon."

While this all might seem hohum to many readers, I think it illustrates a point of living in a rural area. We are products of a variety of connections. So far, this article mentions Nome, Alice, Sheldon, Raritan Township, Menge, Lindemann, and Bueling. In this household my wife and I are both addicted to family history, and this little story is a small part of what makes me who I am. Who was it that pointed to the farmstead in Raritan Township? I believe it was Gary Lindemann.

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This article is my last one in 2025. I struggle with the fact of advancing age, soon to be 84, and debate whether or not to continue writing into 2026. The article above illustrates a glaring hole of knowledge about my family history that makes me think I should devote more time to it. My stories have always been accepted by the editors and the publisher for which I am grateful. It would be refreshing to see others pick up their pen and write. Surely there are many out there that can. In closing I wish everybody a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

We Need The Good News of Christmas.

Dr. Glenn Mollette

We never get a break from bad news. In recent days we have heard of people being killed at a Hanukkah celebration in Australia. There have been more school shootings from Brown University to Kentucky State University. Russia continues to bomb Ukraine and groceries continue to assault Americans' pocketbooks.

Yet, at Christmas time the overriding theme is good news. In a world of so much bad news comes the holiday of good news. The angel who appeared to the Shepherds who were watching their flock said, "Do not be afraid, I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. Today in the city of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord," Luke 2:10-11.

The central person of the good news is Jesus. He is the one the angels celebrated. His birth gave them reason to appear and make the wonderful announcement that brought joy to the shepherds and all who would be impacted by the birth of Jesus.

This Christmas you are probably one of many who welcomes good news. Maybe you have buried a wife, a husband or a child. At times, the loneliness and grief are unbearable and you wonder how you will ever survive your missing loved one. People are suffering financial stress from the cost of everyday living. Sickness invades our lives at one time or another impacting us or someone we love. Life is filled with stressful situations that often rob us of peace.

The good news of Christmas is God has come in the flesh to love us, walk with us and bring joy that nothing or no one else can give. Jesus said "My peace I give unto you, not as the world gives, but give I unto you," John 14:27.

This Christmas there is much to focus on. You can spend your day focused on the Democrats or the Republicans. You can focus on our President or members of Congress. You can focus on all that you do not have or all that you wish you did not have. You can focus on your situation, your age, your health or you can focus on everyone else. Will this bring you joy?

Do not focus on regrets. Do not focus on mistakes, problems, old habits or sins. Jesus came to help us overcome all of these and more. Because of his life, death and resurrection we have a Savior who has given us every reason to look up and forward instead of down and back. Jesus told his disciples in John 16:33, "Take heart, I have overcome the world."

While the media is filled with bad news, take heart, the message of Christmas is good news. Therefore, as Jesus said, "Let not your heart be troubled." May we all be filled with the good news of the great story of Christmas.

ENDERLIN CITY COUNCIL

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application form will be available at the city offices. In reference to the Aaron Stenson property on 1st Avenue, Mr. Stenson's son was served with the legal notice by the city. Some vehicles were moved and cleaned up. The city will move vehicles by December 8th, if not moved out by the owner and the owner will be responsible for any costs incurred. The property owned by Darrell Nellermoe was addressed as having numerous abandoned vehicles. The council directed Mr. Kelly to issue legal directive to Mr. Nellermoe to clean up the property. In other business, the council committed to supporting the SunFest Rodeo.

In other business, Lions Mike Martin and Karl Stordalen presented concerns to the city advocate to plant trees lost during tornado. They asked if sales tax revenue can be used for that. The council directed Mr. Kelly to explore the legality of using sales tax funds for use outside of the city limits. In closing, the city is looking at increasing online storage for cameras through MLGC from 14 days to 30 days.

Enderlin VFW Post 9050 November donations

VFW Auxiliary - \$300.00  
Hardship - \$400.00  
ND National Guard Foundation - \$500.00  
Replace Kneeling Soldier - \$600.00  
HEART Program - \$1,000.00  
Enderlin Food Pantry - \$1,000.00  
ND Veterans Home Activity and Gifts - \$1,000.00  
VFW Community Giving Tree - \$1,000.00  
Total Donations - \$5,800.00

THANKS

to all of the customers and friends who have made our year so special!

We appreciate your support, and we wish you a Merry Christmas & Happy New Year

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