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## WASHBURN OLDTIMER'S CORNER

Compiled by Shelly Wallace from the files of the Wilton News and the Washburn Leader

**100 Years Ago**  
**April 30, 1926**

The senior class at the high school will present their class play next week. The name of the play is, "The Mummy and the Mumps," and it will take the audience all the way from the mummy of King Tut's queen to a professor who is breaking quarantine.

W.K. Williams, proprietor of the Williams Confectionary, has bought the stock of the Forbes Drug Store and it is understood he will continue in the business with the help of a registered pharmacist.

Otto Vetter, who is attending school in Coleharbor, has been home for a week with the mumps.

Russel Anderson, who since last fall has been in California, returned here last Tuesday in his Essex coach, which he drove out in last fall. He was employed in a garage in Norco, Calif.

**90 Years Ago**  
**April 24, 1936**

Mrs. Cecil Patterson has taken over the management of the R.E. Cobb Cream Station previously managed by Mrs. Eddie Brunmeier.

G.C. Hoffmann will build two new homes in the Bergquist addition in East Washburn this summer. The houses will be built by Tom Grothe and will be for sale or rent.

Mrs. Chas. Scholl was taken to the hospital in Bismarck last Thursday and was operated on for mastoid Saturday morning. On Tuesday Mr. Scholl was taken to the hospital suffering with the same infection.

Three days were really nice, with everybody throwing away their overcoat, but then they had to dig them out again when it got colder.

**80 Years Ago**  
**April 25, 1946**

A building boom for Washburn is evident by the two subdivisions being added to the city and several new buildings being planned within the present-platted areas.

E.I. Schulz and his son-in-law, R. Lyle Luttrell, purchased Clarence Hanson's Red and White Store and will assume management within the next week or two.

Hi! Ho! Silver! The Lone Ranger rode through Washburn! Yes, and it was not the masked rider of the comic strips, but Chester Huston, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Huston, mounted on the Shetland pony he was awarded at the Four Aces Night Club in Coleharbor.

**70 Years Ago**  
**April 26, 1956**

All the teenagers in McLean County have been invited to the Teen Canteen dance at the Memorial Hall in Washburn on Friday evening, April 27. Music for dancing will be furnished by the Basin City Eight. There will be no charge for admittance. Morris Nelson will oversee the event.

Wally Anderson of Falkirk and Chuck Hendrickson of Washburn are the co-owners of Anderson Hendrickson Boat Sales, and people interested in boats and motors can contact either of the men at their homes or places of business. They are stocking the Aristo-Craft line of boats and Mercury motors.

The Hillsdale 4-H Club met at the Lester Tweeten home on Saturday evening, April 7th with 12 members answering roll call. Wesley Sauer and Jeff Sheldon taught the group how to make and use a garden row marker.

**60 Years Ago**  
**April 28, 1966**

Lesley Romanick and Pamela Nordquist

Oldtimers cont. on 16



### Debbie Jans Recognized by Thrivent Charitable for Driving Generosity in the Community

*Jans is among 101 advisors honored for empowering clients to create financial plans supporting the causes they cherish.*

Bismarck, April 09, 2026 – Debbie Jans, a financial advisor with Thrivent, a Fortune 500 financial services company that puts generosity at the heart of saving and investing, received the Voices in Philanthropy (VIP) award from Thrivent Charitable. As a public charity working collaboratively with Thrivent and its financial advisors, Thrivent Charitable provides a wide range of charitable planning options to help clients make a lasting impact in their communities.

This recognition celebrates Jans exemplary service in empowering clients to put their values into action by prioritizing generosity as part of their financial plans. Selection for the award is based on total outright and deferred charitable gifts made by Jans clients through Thrivent Charitable in 2025. Only 101 financial advisors nationwide earned this distinction.

"Through Debbie's expertise and dedication, she has empowered clients to achieve what so many aspire to: live generously and bring hope to the world," says Mandy Tuong, Thrivent Charitable president & CEO. "This work creates meaningful impact and inspires lasting change in our communities."

Charitable gifts made through Thrivent Charitable, according to the wishes of Jans clients, support a variety of local, national, and global causes. Land that was going to be gifted to charity upon Debbie's clients death was now able to be gifted while the client is alive without causing capital gains tax. In a Charitable Remainder Unit Trust, the client will now receive income for the rest of her life. Upon her passing, 2 charities will get 50% of the remaining fund value; 4 charities will receive the remaining amount over 10 years. What a wonderful legacy!

*"This recognition reflects my commitment to helping clients build financial plans that empower them to live generously and support the causes they love," said Jans, a financial advisor at Thrivent. "Together, we're building impact that lasts beyond today."*