

# The Westby Border News

News from the little town with a big ♥

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## SAFETY CONCERNS LEAD TO CHANGES FOR COMING SCHOOL YEAR

The 2013-2014 school year is fast approaching and Westby School has many improvements and changes to greet faculty, students, and the community with.

The 2013-14 Westby School year will begin on August 21st for students and for teachers on the 19th. Front and center for the school board and administration is always student safety. For this reason, a couple changes will be implemented in the system this year to ensure everyone and everything is as safe and secure as can be.

First off, for several reasons including the increase in truck traffic, the bus loading and unloading zone will be moved from the west door to the north door. No parking will be allowed from the north door and east to allow the buses to utilize this area for parking, loading and unloading. This change will require students, faculty, and community members to park west of the door or in the adjacent parking lot. Parents may continue to pick up their children at the west door if they so choose.

On the same note, card readers are being installed to monitor better who is accessing the school outside school hours. With the increase in use of the school, particularly the fitness center, it was becoming harder and harder to control the coming and going of school traffic. The cards will be issued to faculty first and community members will be assigned them when the system has been fully installed.

The same hours will still be adhered to for use of the facility before and after school hours. The community will be advised when the system is fully in place and given details on how to apply for a card.

Besides the usual deep cleaning that occurs each summer, several other projects were tackled to improve the facility and keep things in tip top shape.

First off, the north new addition was re-roofed and the west wing of the building was insulated and re-roofed. The next phase of this project will include the shop, gym, cafeteria, and band room so the entire building will be completed possibly by next summer. On this note, it needs mentioning the large tree that has garnished the front lawn for years had to be removed because of the damage it was causing to the roof. With the new roof in place it only made sense to eliminate the problem.

An audit found need for improved lighting in the gymnasium, locker rooms, and the industrial arts room. This was corrected throughout the designated areas and, in addition to new lighting, the boys and girls locker rooms received a facelift with a re-tiling of the shower rooms.

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We would also like to thank the Daniels County Military Families, and the community for your support of this worthy organization, in their continuing mission to support our troops.

Nancy Mullen

Jerry and Cecilia Raaum

Marvin Nelson

Miles and Lee Nelson and families

# Thank You

I would like to express a huge "THANK YOU" to all who helped in producing a fantastic Westby Centennial celebration and to the entire community for your hospitality. "The Little Town with a Big Heart" came shining through all week. You should be very proud of your great accomplishment. I cannot even envision the countless hours, weeks, months everyone put in to achieve the final product - the displays, the parade, the meals, the music and much, much more. Everyone is to be commended! I just wanted to let you know that your efforts did not go unnoticed and were greatly appreciated. It was great seeing and visiting with friends, relatives and acquaintances I hadn't seen in ages. Those of you who wished to come, but due to health or family issues, could not attend - we missed you. See you next time around!

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# Thank You

I would like to thank everyone for the flowers, cards, phone calls, gifts, visits, prayers and thoughts during my illness and surgery at Billings. Also, thank you to Dr. Kirk and the staff at the Plentywood Clinic for taking care of me, the WeeBee Quilters for the nice quilt, and a special thanks to my kids: Brenda, Deanna, Mike and Leann for making the trip to Billings to be with me and for taking care of me. I am doing good!  
Warren Solberg.

## MOORE

Memorial services for Fay Moore were held at 10:00 AM Monday, July 8, 2013. Pastor Johnette Grefe officiated at the service at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Westby; interment of cremated remains will be in Emmaus Cemetery. Jeremiah Paine was Lector; ushers were Brian and Doug Tommerup, and the Staff and Residents of Faith Lutheran Home and all of Fay;s other family and friends were recognized as Honorary Bearers. Fay, 70, died Tuesday evening, July 2 at Faith Lutheran Home in Wolf Point, where she had been resident for some time.

The eldest of three daughters of John and Dorothy (Nelson) Tommerup, Fay was born at Kelso, Washington August 25, 1942. She grew up on the family farm in Divide County, North Dakota and attended school in Westby, graduating from Westby High School in 1960. The next year she moved to Helena, and married James Moore November 7, 1963.

Fay worked at Sears for six years, then started with the Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks. After more than 20 years with FWP as an Administrative Assistant, Fay retired as her health declined. Fay was very involved in her church, and served as president of the church council at St. John's Lutheran Church. She loved to play cards and board games, and loved movies – she especially liked to see independent films at Helena's Myrna Loy Theatre. She enjoyed planting and tending flowers.

As a child, her parents could not keep her out of the books and her love of reading continued the rest of her life. As a child on her grandmother Christine's bed, she started stitching anything she could learn and that became one of her favorite childhood memories. After retirement, Fay along with her very, very good friend, Julie Dess, opened a quilt fabric shop called "Scraps of Heaven." She believed in the saying, "Whoever dies with the most fabric, wins" — well, she had to be in the running! Her next favorite pastimes were cooking and baking; and her three children either picked up her love for quilting , cooking or baking. From the time she was a small child, Fay always had at least one dog, and cherished family memories included traveling to regional events where her children showed dogs. She loved them all, but her Irish Setters had a special place in her heart.

Fay's sparkling smile and ringing laugh would fill a room ~ there was no mistaking Fay's joyous presence. Her family suggests Memorials to the Faith Lutheran Home Alzheimer's Unit in Wolf Point, or to the Alzheimer's Association.

Fay is survived by her father, John Tommerup, and her sisters, Elgene Smith and Kay Tommerup all of Westby; her daughter Stephanie Paine and her husband, Joseph with children Nathaniel, Jeremiah and Adam all of Wolf Point; her daughter Kristina Branson and her husband Christopher with children Claire, Connor and Kevin all of Roseville, California; and her son Jonathan Moore and his wife Molly with children James and Abrahm all of Billings. She was preceded in death by her husband, Jim, in 1990; her mother, Dorothy, in 2006; and her brother-in-law, Rod Smith, in 2012.

Fulkerson Funeral Home of Plentywood had charge of arrangements: read the complete obituary, post remembrances, send cards and flowers online at [www.fulkersonsplentywood.com](http://www.fulkersonsplentywood.com)

# New Century Ag



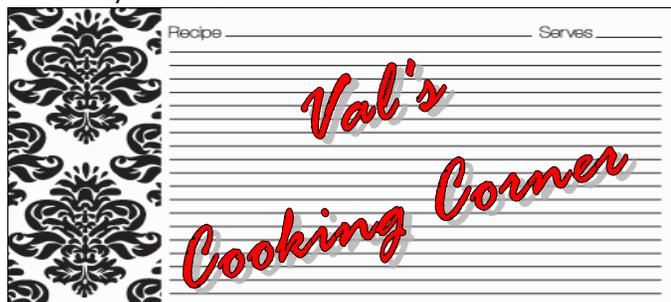
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Danny Moore  
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My nose would grow if I didn't say I am happy to have the 2013 Westby Centennial behind me, but without a doubt, I feel it was worth every minute of the three years of planning it took to pull it off. And based on all the emails, cards and phone calls I have received, the feeling was mutual among the attendees.

In my mind it was only entertaining, which is my first love, only on a grander scale than even I am used to. A gathering of people that had but one common thread: WESTBY. Their attachment to, their ties with, their memories of, their love for Westby was what brought them all together. But really, hosting a gathering on any scale all boils down to the same thing-details. It is the little things that make the difference and this committee was all over it. As I was told once, "You surround yourself with the best and they make you look good." I did, and they did, and I am feeling pretty darn good right now!

Oh, but I am happy to be back in the kitchen and back to cooking even if so far it has been pretty basic. It seems I have had little time this summer for anything else so getting antsy to tackle the many recipes sent my way or torn from the pages of the pile of magazines surrounding my desk. The garden produce is starting to show up and beautiful berries are everywhere.

As always, we are behind most areas of the country when it comes to garden produce. Many magazines are featuring tomatoes and corn and I have seen neither from a garden in our corner of the world. I don't believe corn should be too far off so wanted to share some tips on preparation for summer gatherings. The first little tip is in regards to grilling corn. I am not a big fan of charred corn so found this a perfect solution.

## STEAMED CORN ON THE GRILL

Wrap individual husked corn cobs in foil with a few ice cubes and place on the grill over medium heat for 10-12 minutes. As the ice melts, the steam created in the packet cooks the corn. Brilliant!

Cooking corn for a crowd just got easier....

## COOLER CORN

Shuck corn and place in cooler large enough to hold water to cover. Boil enough water to immerse corn. Pour hot water over and close lid for 20 minutes. Once cooked the corn stays hot and it travels well.

And the Elberta's have arrived. I can't think of a better way to enjoy peaches than in this Cooking Light recipe. A delicious ice-cream recipe that doesn't require an ice-cream maker: Just stir the ingredients together, and freeze. Fold the whipped topping in with as few strokes as possible while making sure everything is well blended.

## PEACH COBBLER ICE CREAM WITH BOURBON-CARAMEL SAUCE

Ice cream:

4 ounces refrigerated pie dough

Cooking spray

1 tablespoon sugar

1/4 teaspoon ground cinnamon

1 cup chopped peeled peaches, divided (about 2 medium peaches)

1/2 cup fat-free sweetened condensed milk

2 tablespoons peach schnapps

1 tablespoon fresh lemon juice

Dash of salt

2 cups frozen reduced-fat whipped topping, thawed

Sauce:

1/2 cup sugar

2 tablespoons water

1 tablespoon light-colored corn syrup

Dash of salt

1/4 cup half-and-half

1 tablespoon butter, softened

1 tablespoon bourbon

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Preheat oven to 425°.

To prepare ice cream, place pie dough on a baking sheet lined with parchment paper; lightly coat with cooking spray. Combine 1 tablespoon sugar and cinnamon in a small bowl. Sprinkle sugar mixture evenly over pie dough. Using a knife or pizza cutter, score dough at 1-inch intervals. Bake at 425° for 10 minutes or until browned. Cool completely; break into 1/2-inch pieces.

Place 1/2 cup peaches in a medium bowl, and mash with a fork until almost smooth. Add the remaining 1/2 cup peaches and next 4 ingredients (through dash of salt); stir well. Gently fold in the crumbled piecrust and whipped topping. Scoop the mixture into a freezer-safe container; cover and freeze overnight.

To prepare sauce, combine 1/2 cup sugar, 2 tablespoons water, corn syrup, and dash of salt in a small saucepan over medium heat, stirring just until sugar melts; bring to a boil. Cook 12 minutes or until amber; remove from heat. Drizzle in half-and-half, stirring constantly with a whisk. Add butter and bourbon; whisk until smooth.

Last, but not least I wanted to share this salad recipe which was served at our bridge marathon play-offs this spring. Normally, I am not much of a meat eater, but the flavor in this salad was phenomenal. The marinade is also used to dress the salad and this combined with the fresh herbs in the greens makes for a mouth-watering entrée.

### **GRILLED THAI BEEF SALAD**

- \* 1 pound top-round London broil or flank steak, 1 to 1 1/2 inches thick
- \* 3 tablespoons fresh lime juice
- \* 3 tablespoons low-sodium soy sauce
- \* 3 tablespoons canola oil
- \* 2 tablespoons firmly packed dark brown sugar
- \* 1 clove garlic, minced (about 1 teaspoon)
- \* 1 1/2 teaspoons peeled and minced fresh ginger
- \* 1 1/4 teaspoons red curry paste or chili-garlic sauce

\* Cooking spray

\* 1/2 head red-leaf lettuce, torn (about 5 cups lightly packed)

\* 3 shallots, thinly sliced (about 1/2 cup)

\* 1/2 cup coarsely chopped fresh cilantro leaves

\* 1 cup fresh basil leaves, sliced into ribbons

Rinse meat and pat dry and place in sealable plastic bag or small glass dish. In medium bowl, combine 1 tablespoon of the lime juice, soy sauce, oil, brown sugar, garlic, ginger, and red curry paste. Pour half of mixture into bag with meat. Add remaining 2 tablespoons lime juice to bag. Seal tightly and marinate meat in refrigerator for at least 4 hours or overnight, turning occasionally. Reserve rest of mixture to dress salad. Coat a grate or grill pan with cooking spray and preheat over medium-high heat until hot. Grill steak until medium-rare, about 5 minutes per side or to your desired degree of doneness. Let it rest for 5 minutes until room temperature, then slice thinly against grain. Combine lettuce, shallots (reserving a few slices for garnish), cilantro, basil, and beef in large salad bowl. Add reserved dressing and toss to coat.

Divide salad among 4 plates and garnish with sliced shallots. I would serve with thick slice of crusty bread and a nice Pinot Noir.

Wow! A hundred years and counting....

Here's to the next hundred and  
may you  
Enjoy  
For  
Life  
is  
GRAND!

## NORDHAGEN

Funeral services for Milo Nordhagen were held at 10:00 AM Friday, August 2, 2013. Pastor Brandon Smithson officiated the service at the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Westby. Milo died Friday, July 19th at Sheridan Memorial Nursing Home where he had been resident since last September; he was 91.

Milo, the son of Edward and Marie (Gabrielson) Nordhagen, was born January 24, 1922 on the family farm 3 miles southwest of Westby. He grew up there, and attended schools in Westby, graduating from Westby High School in 1941. He drove truck delivering coal and worked in the Herman Coal Mine for a couple of years, then started farming with his family. He married Louise (Anna Louise Marie) Madsen June 1, 1943, and made their home in Westby. Milo farmed and raised cattle in the Westby community, and ran a custom combining business for 30 years, too. He and his crew, often one of his brothers and several cousins as well as other hands, went to Texas after spring's work was finished here. They "cut their way northwards", following the ripening grain through Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas, Nebraska, the Dakotas, and into Canada, ending the season at home for the harvest in Westby. Louise stayed home, caring for their family, farm, and milk cows while Milo was away.

Milo and Louise were devoted members of the Westby Assembly of God Church, and were among those responsible for maintaining the church and keeping the congregation going amidst pressures of declining local population and membership.

Milo was an avid hunter and fisherman who loved to hunt waterfowl, upland birds, and big game, locally and in Canada. His family fondly recalls fishing trips to Fort Qu'Appelle and the Souris River lakes in Saskatchewan, and Milo and several friends hunted moose in Canada, too. "It was fun while it lasted!"

Since Louise's death October 8, 2008, Milo's health has dwindled, too. In recent years he was content to just be at home, up early every morning to "check the perimeter" – puttering in the yard, watching and feeding the birds, trapping gophers, maintaining the fence, and just sitting on his bench enjoying sunshine and savoring the day.

Milo is survived by four children and their families: Arnold and his wife Lucy, of McNeal, Arizona; Peggy Downey and her husband Dennis Swanson, of Apple Valley, Minnesota; and Kenny and Mark, both of Westby. He is also survived by 5 grandchildren, Arla (Steve) Little, of LaHabra, California; Jessica (Jason) Ross, of Tucson, Arizona; Lisa (John) Cannito, of Henderson, Nevada; Shelly (Charles) Recer, of Eagan, Minnesota; and Brian Downey, of Apple Valley, Minnesota; and 12 great-grandchildren. He is also survived by a sister, Mickey Martini, of Glendive, Montana; and a brother, James Nordhagen, of Westby. Besides his parents and his wife, Milo was preceded in death by a brother, "Bud", and two sisters, Pearl, as a child, and Marion Berezay.

BUNDT

William Bundt, 96, passed on April 24, 2013, at the Montana Veterans Home in Columbia Falls.

"There is a special place in Heaven for Bill." He was born on Jan. 27, 1917, in Manfred, N.D. Bill was the oldest child of Emil and Minnie Bundt of Westby. He attended school in Westby, and later attended college in Seattle.

He served in the U.S. Army from 1942 to 1946, stateside, as a technician 5th grade, in the 800th Sig. Serv. Regt.

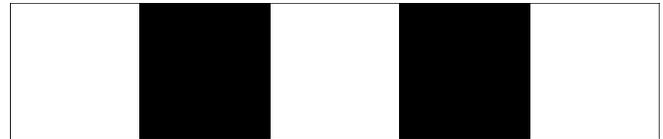
Bill held various jobs in his life, a few being working for an electric company, and as owner of the hardware store in Westby with his brother-in-law Earl Strand and his wife Elaine.

In April of 1949 he married Helen Strand, in Glendive. In the '60s they moved to Billings where he worked as director of maintenance at the St. John's Lutheran Home. After retiring in 1982, they moved to the beautiful Kalispell area to be near family. Bill and Helen enjoyed many happy years camping and fishing. One of Bill's many hobbies was his natural talent for painting. He had a God-given talent for painting beautiful landscapes.

Preceding him in death were his parents, a sister Irene, wife Helen, and stepson Guy. Bill was a kind, gentle and very humble man. He will be greatly missed.

Survivors are a sister, Dotty, and Bobby Leininger; brother, Gene, and wife, Willie Bundt, of Minnesota; also a sister, Elaine, of Minnesota; also Earl and Elaine Strand, niece, Terri Strand Beatty, husband Wayne, and family, all of Kalispell; great-niece, Jamie, and Brian Putnam and family, also of Kalispell; and many other nieces and nephews.

At Bill's request there will be no service. We will return him to Westby this summer with a small memorial there. We also want to thank all of the support services who have helped care for him, Home Options, Meals on Wheels, Frontier Hospice and the wonderful care he received at the Veterans Home in Columbia Falls; also a thank you to Kathy and Marcus who were wonderful friends to Bill. He always looked forward to their visits. Memorials can be made to the Montana Veterans Home in Columbia Falls.



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<u>August 15th</u>	Grades 6-7-8 Football practice begins at Grenora 7am MT bus leaves at 6:20am
<u>August 19th</u>	Grades 6-12 Football Practice at Grenora 7am MT bus leaves at 6:20am MT Grades 9-12 Volleyball Practice at Grenora 7 am MT bus leaves at 6:20am MT
<u>August 21st</u>	First day of School Breakfast served from 7:45-8:15am, Class begins at 8:25
<u>August 22nd</u>	6-7-8 Volleyball begins at Westby after school
<u>August 23rd</u>	Grades 6-12 Volleyball and Football Team and Individual pictures 4:00pm MT at Grenora School
<u>August 30th</u>	Thunder Night: Grades 9-12 Football Scrimmage @ Westby Football Field 6:00pm MT Grades 9-12 Volleyball Scrimmage @ Westby School 7pm MT Thunder Potluck Feed 7:45pm MT @ Westby School Cafeteria

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## SAFETY CONCERNS LEAD TO CHANGES FOR COMING SCHOOL YEAR

*(Continued)*

New faculty members include Michelle Bills. Ms. Bills has been teaching in Wyoming and will replace Chuck Somppi as the middle school teacher.

Teena Holecek will fill another position vacated by Mr. Somppi as she comes on board as K-12 counselor. This is a part time position.

Heath Howard, a PHS graduate, will student teach in Grenora in the AM and Westby in the PM as well as fill the assistant football position.

Lexi Leininger has accepted the position of head girls' basketball coach. Her assistant is AJ Allard.

Leann Westgard will replace Peggy Bowman as school secretary and Kolby Ruggles has joined the staff as assistant custodian.

Westby School is still in need of a route bus driver as well as extracurricular drivers specifically for co-op practices and games (August-March). Anyone interested in these positions may contact Mr. Holecek at Westby School.

MonDak Thunder season will be in full swing soon after the first bell rings. The season will kick off with THUNDER NIGHT on August 30th. This will include a 9-12 football scrimmage at the Westby Field at 6:00 MDT, a 9-12 volleyball scrimmage at the Westby School gym at 7:00 MDT with a potluck feed to follow in the school cafeteria. The public is invited to come and cheer the Thunder on to another great season.

The first football game will be played in Valier on September 6th with the first home game the following weekend in Grenora on September 13th.

The volleyball girls will start with a triangular including Culbertson and Nashua in Westby on September 7th.

Things are shaping up for a safe and productive 2013-2014 school year.

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(FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL)

WHY: SCHOOL SAFETY CONCERNS

DEAR PUBLIC: THE WESTBY SCHOOL DISTRICT IS MOVING ITS SCHOOL BUS LOADING AND UNLOADING ZONE EFFECTIVE AUGUST 21ST, 2013. THE NEW ZONE WILL BE LOCATED AT THE NORTH ENTRANCE TO THE BUILDING. PARKING WILL BE AVAILABE TO STAFF, STUDENTS, PARENTS, AND COMMUNITY ON THE WEST END OF THE FIFTH AVENUE PARKING AREA, THE NORTH PARKING LOT ACROSS FROM THE SCHOOL, AND THE WEST ENTRANCE PARKING AREA.

**FOR SAFTEY REASONS, PUBLIC ACCESS TO THE BUILDING WILL BE RESTRICTED TO THE NORTH ENTRANCE.**

**THANK YOU**

We would like to thank our friends and relatives for all their care and support during these difficult last few years. Everything you have done is greatly appreciated.

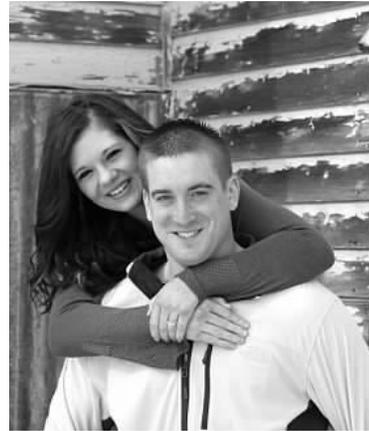
The Milo Nordhagen Family

**THANK YOU**

On behalf of Ashley, we would like to thank all who have sent love, prayers, and kind words during this difficult time for her. Once again we are reminded, we are not in control and age is irrelevant. It is not easy to loose a best friend and we are all saddened by the loss of Blaine.

May God Bless..... Danny & Val Moore

*Kylie Ryals,  
daughter of Jed and Brenda  
Ryals of Westby,  
and  
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announce their engagement and  
upcoming marriage  
on  
September 7, 2013,  
at  
the St. Joseph's Catholic Church  
in Plentywood, MT.*



# Thank You!

We want to take this opportunity to thank ONE AND ALL for your part in planning and making the centennial happen! We enjoyed every bit of it and are looking forward to receiving the DVD so we can watch the whole thing again! It was so great to see people we've known all our lives, old friends and, of course, family! We are very proud of our little hometown, "the little town with a big heart"!

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU,  
EVERYONE!!

Jan (Onstad) Rasmussen  
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Open House Bridal Shower for Kylie Ryals,  
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The heirloom-quality professionally published book will contain nearly 100 of the best frames taken by our official photographer Deana (Andersen) Klein and her husband John throughout the event. All of the major events like the Opening Ceremony, fashion show, parade and entertainment are featured, mixed with a more intimate look into smaller gatherings like class reunions and the Annie Oakley Trap Shoot.

The book will be available for order at <http://smu.gs/18ZG18v> within the next few weeks.

## ALL FOR A GOOD CAUSE



Nate Jensen and Jack Solberg had a new twist on a lemonade stand. In addition to cookies, coffee, and lemonade, the boys sold their Uncle Chase's sports cards to raise money for Primary Children's Hospital in Utah. Primary is the hospital where Nate makes regular visits for check-ups and where all his surgeries have been performed. Nate and Jack are very proud to have raised \$136.00 for a good cause. Nate is the son of Chris and Cheri Jensen and Jack is the son of Chad and Misty Solberg.

## WESTBY CENTENNIAL DVD'S

The History of Westby in Pictures and a video collection of the entire Centennial celebration is available for \$25.00. This 5 DVD collection may be purchased by sending a check to Westby Centennial, P O Box 61, Westby, MT 59275, calling Jerry Herman at 701-985-2413, or by going on the Centennial Web site. It is expected the DVD collection will be available the middle of August.



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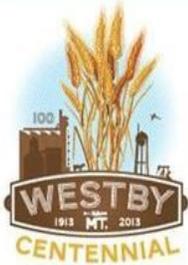


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### 2013 WESTBY CENTENNIAL IS BUT A MEMORY

As preparing for a big trip, a wedding or any large gathering, you plan, and plan, and plan, and then it is over. A distant memory. Fortunately our planning paid off and nothing, but praises about the entire event has been heard from far and wide.

Any minor glitches that arose were addressed and the one and only major one (the horrific winds) was out of our control and even that was handled without a catastrophe.

The Thursday pre-function was enjoyed by all who attended. Immanuel served about 400 at the steak fry, Chuck wowed them at the wine tasting which was oversold and Abby Road was a huge success.

Friday's welcome ceremony brought many together for a rousing rendition of the school song. Thanks to Monte, Travis, and Jim for welcoming all home.

Eighteen teams had a beautiful day on the golf course and the Centennial Journey played to a packed house. What a job Darcy, her crew, and models did despite the heat.

The Friday night BBQ served close to a thousand and many enjoyed the Friday night band.

On Saturday, approximately 100 woke to just a sprinkle and a great day for the fun run. The parade started promptly at 11 with 67 entries. It was just awesome! Great job Mavis and Maggie even with all the last minutes stress you made it all come together beautifully.

Robin and Karla, thanks for all your hard work and stress handling the last minutes changes with the band, the tent, and the terrible winds. Most did not know what was going on behind the scene, but you handled it well.

With all the worries about the registration, I heard about very few problems. Great job Bruce & crew!

And Beatie took charge of the food committee and never let up. It was a lot of phone time and struggling to get things just the way she wanted. It all turned out despite the wind. 600 were served at the second BBQ and the remainder of the meat was frozen for a future gathering (see ad for details on August 18th BBQ).

The souvenir shop was packed for 2 days and practically sold out. Good job ladies.

Jody L. handled all the logistics and kept things in line. It was a major undertaking, but it all came together.



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The kid's entertainment was popular as was the wagon train.

The school events were a hit. Westby Rangers are still in vogue as all Ranger items sold out. Beautiful job with the quilt display by the Wee Bee Quilters and the history power point was talked about all around town.

The Sunday Service was a perfect wrap up to a perfect weekend.

On another note, special kudos to Tracy for all her technical skills in keeping all informed on social networks. Person after person commented on the beautiful job done with the publicity regarding the web site and Face book. Many said it was very easy to navigate the site and also felt very well informed and connected. The Centennial Committee could not have done it without her. Thanks a million, Tracy.

Gene, on every level was a dream to work with and did a very professional job as treasurer. Brenda has also done a great job in keeping all on track as secretary.

The mutual consensus is it couldn't have gone any better and those distant memories will be treasured for a lifetime.



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