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Hoxmeier Still With Sturm

In June, when we introduced Lindsay Huhn as a new employee at Sturm Funeral Home, the article should have said Huhn was interning as a funeral director and was being trained in by Rose Hoxmeier, who has been a staple at Sturm Funeral Home in Madelia for years. The article inadvertently gave the impression that Hoxmeier was leaving, and that is not the case. Both Hoxmeier and Huhn are serving the area helping people with all their needs when it comes to caring for deceased loved ones and planning a funeral.

In fact they will both also be helping at an event coming up on Tuesday, August 23, at the Madelia American Legion at 6 p.m. Join them and other experts as they explain powers of attorney, wills or trusts, health care directives, funeral and/or cremation direc-



Photos courtesy of Sturm Funeral Home

Rose Hoxmeier (left) continues as one of the long-time licensed directors at Sturm Funeral Home, and has also been training Lindsay Huhn, a director intern.

tives, and long-term care options in connection to end-of-life planning. This is a free event and a light meal is included.

Call 507-642-3214, email jeannid@sturmfh.com or text 507-227-1138 to reserve your place.



Photo courtesy of Watonwan County 4-H Extension Educator Michaela Kellner

SUBMITTED PHOTO

Nina from the University of Minnesota College of Veterinary Medicine's Raptor Center shows youth in Watonwan County one of the birds she recently brought for a presentation during a day camp sponsored by the Watonwan County 4-H and the Soil & Water Conservation District. In addition to this bald eagle, she also brought a red-tailed hawk, American kestrel and a great horned owl.

U of M Raptor Center comes to Watonwan County

BY MICHAELA KELLNER
4-H EXTENSION EDUCATOR

Watonwan County 4-H and Soil & Water Conservation District recently came together to offer an Educational Environmental Day Camp for the local youth. The theme was birds and the youth participated in activities, played games and enjoyed a special presentation brought to them from the University of Minnesota College of Veterinary Medicine's Raptor Center.

The day camp started out with the youth assembling and decorating their own birdhouses they would later take home. They then played a Prey vs. Predator game and enjoyed a snack donated by the St. James Public School.

Nina from the Raptor Center

arrived and gave a captivating presentation on the birds of prey we call raptors. She brought with her a live red-tailed hawk, American kestrel, great horned owl and bald eagle. The presentation lasted an entire hour and the youth were able to get the experience of being in the presence of these incredible birds and be able to see, hear and learn about each one.

The children learned that bald eagles only weigh 8 to 9 pounds, even though some people thought they weighed closer to 50 pounds based on their size. Participants also learned that owls have a third eyelid that protects their eyes when they are eating, but it is clear so they can still see.

The Watonwan County 4-H and Soil & Water Conservation

District were excited to offer this day camp to the local youth. And, we were so glad we were able to host the Raptor Center. Nina from the center did an excellent job teaching everybody about these types of birds. My favorite part was when she pulled out the bald eagle and the look on the kids' faces was priceless! It was an impressive bird and having the chance to see it up close and in person was incredible.

Every summer, 4-H and the Soil & Water District collaborate to put on an Environmental Day Camp for all youth in the county. Each year there is a different theme that includes activities, games and professionals from their designated fields to give youth a hands-on learning opportunity.



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Happy Birthday Prairie Nutrition!

Prairie Nutrition of Madelia is celebrating the completion of their first year in business. On Tuesday, August 9, they commemorated the occasion with Madelia Area Chamber of Commerce members conducting a ribbon cutting ceremony and presenting owner Kim Allore with a "First Dollar" plaque. All week there were specials taking place for the customers to thank them for their business and loyalty. L-R: Jake Redden, Tess Johnson, Kim Allore, Chamber Director Karla Angus, Crystal Suiter, Cody Eager, Chris Fischer and Chamber Assistant Director Katie Wolle.



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Community Vacation Bible School

The 2022 Madelia Area Community Vacation Bible School was hosted at Faith Lutheran Church July 31 through August 4. The theme this year was "Monumental: Celebrating God's Greatness."



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