

New Community Project
Spearheaded by One of our Own

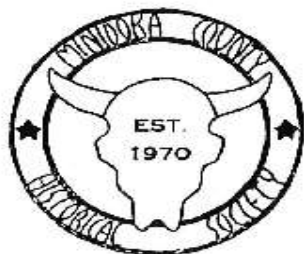
Our member, Gary Schorzman, also the resident historian of the Mini-Cassia area, is spearheading a new project. All information is contained in the poster to the right. It may be a little hard to read, so here are the highlights.

It is Gary's "brain storm" to bring 103 years of our once local newspaper history from a heavy tome on a library shelf into the 21st century by digitalization. The Minidoka County Historical Society and the DeMary Memorial Library, in partnership, have come together to fund this enormous endeavor and they need the public's help. Your help of any monetary denomination is needed. This is a community wide project.

The finished product (CD's) will be placed in the DeMary Memorial Library and the Minidoka County Museum. You can contact Gary for further information at: 436-3982 (home), 312-1556 (cell), wgschorzman@pmt.org.

"The lost cannot be recovered, but let us save what remains; not by vault and locks that fence them from the public eye and use, in consigning them to the waste of time, but by such a multiplication of copies as shall place them beyond the reach of accident." ---Thomas Jefferson

Modern Technology has brought 103 Years of the "Minidoka County News" back to our finger tips!



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A COMMUNITY PROJECT

Digitizing our local history for the "Benefit" of:
Minidoka County Historical Society and DeMary Memorial Library.

Bringing 103 years of our newspaper history from a heavy book on a shelf to the "computer" is the "Brain Storm" of Gary Schorzman. In partnership, the Library and Museum have come together to fund this enormous endeavor with your help.



"Information Technologies, Inc." of Boise, Idaho has been chosen for the job!

Document Conversion:

- 118 Hardbound books will be taken apart and placed in Archival Safe boxes-\$3,000-
- Prepping books, scanning, indexing & OCR (Optical Character Recognition for full text search.)
- Hard Drive deliverable Format according to customer requirements = \$67,364.63.
- Volunteers will take books apart at Minidoka County Museum.
- Finished (CD's) product will go to DeMary Memorial Library and Minidoka County Museum.

YOUR HELP OF ANY MONETARY DENOMINATION IS NEEDED

This is a 501 C 3 tax-deductible, charitable, literary and educational benefit to the community
Minidoka County Historical Society and Museum EIN: 82-0344610.

Make your contribution payable to: Minidoka County Historical Society— and Mail to:
Gary Schorzman with envelope provided.

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Attitude of Gratitude

Pastor David Madden

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In today's consumer economy, we are inundated with advertising prompting us to spend, spend, and spend some more. Advertising is everywhere; on the internet, TV, radio, billboards, and in magazines. I took several economic classes in college. Thus, I understand that our economy needs people to spend money in order to create jobs and grow our economy. But, instead of constant spending, do we ever take the time to be grateful for what we have?

Being grateful for the simple things in life can reset our minds towards what truly is important in life; family, friends, food, clothing, shelter, and our relationship with Christ. When we move past the basics in life, and focus on the "stuff", we can become greedy and self-centered. This self-centered mindset will lead to the rampant individualism we see in our country, and sadly being preached in some churches.

The Christian Church was formed as a community of Jewish and Gentile believers that lived in a community and followed The Way of Christ. They lived to share the Good News of Christ, and they shared everything. In reading the book of Acts, we see where the followers of The Way constantly gave thanks for the simple things in life like food, their community of believers, and for Christ.

So, when you find yourself watching your credit card balance increase, take some time to be grateful for the things you already have. Be grateful that you belong to a community of believers can celebrate the joys and pitfalls of life together. Be grateful that you have food to share with those that have little to eat. And be grateful that God loves you so much that he sent His Son to teach us that love and gratitude conquers all.



John J.

It was a special Mother's Day Sunday here at RUMC. Nine month old Grace Linden Elisabeth Joosten was baptized. She was joined by her father & mother, Dan Joosten & Karen Johnson, her older sister, Bryn, her grandparents, John & Barbara Joosten and a whole 'family' of special Godparents. This was Pastor David's first baptism. He was very proud that he didn't drop her. It was a good day.



Barbara J.

Karen & Grace

Bryn & Dan



Rupert United Methodist Church, Thank you for the newsletter you send me every month. I enjoy reading it. Naoma Zemke

Thank you to all the Rupert United Methodist Church congregation for the prayers during these past two years, as I attended ISU. I received my BS in nursing May 7th, and I know your prayers helped me through this time, giving me strength and encouragement. God Bless, Celeste Woodward (Marion Weickum's granddaughter).

On behalf of the Color Me Calm group, I want to thank Peggy Hess for these past 7 months of leadership she gave us and the dedication she had during this time. It not only was a fun and calming time, but it allowed those of us who participated, to get to know one another and share our concerns and day to day happenings. Thank you BUNCHES, Peggy. God Bless, Marion Weickum.

Pastor Madden, On behalf of The Gideons of the Burley Camp and The Gideons International, I want to express my sincere thanks to your congregation for your support of the Gideon work. The offering which was given in the amount of \$293.00 is tangible evidence of the love your congregation has for making the Word of God available to those who otherwise may not have a copy. This will enable 58 Bibles or 217 Testaments to be purchased and placed. We can pray that many precious souls will come to a saving faith in the Lord Jesus Christ as a result of these Scriptures being distributed. Thank you again for allowing me to make a presentation at your church on April 24, 2016. Sincerely, yours in Christ, Larry Schwarz, Burley Gideon Camp.

New Ministry Team formed

Pastor Madden has formed a new ministry team for the purpose of taking care of the flower beds around the church. Jim Rodgers is retiring from taking care of the flowers for too many years to remember. Being the Master Gardener that he is, you know how lovely the flowers always look. Thank you Jim for the many years you beautified the church property. As of Sunday, May 22nd, all eight flower beds have been claimed by people who are willing to give their time to this project, however, there is always room for more help. Notify the office, Pastor David or Jim if you would like to help. Jim is offering his knowledge and years of experience to help get everyone started.



HAPPY FATHER'S DAY



Church Cleanup

Update report from the East Wall Ministry Team



The East Wall Ministry Team is developing a strategy for the reconstruction of the east wall of our sanctuary. As mentioned in an earlier newsletter article, the blue fiberglass panels have pulled away from the frames in places, weather stripping is worn, and the expanse of uninsulated window is not energy efficient. Our plan is to frame and insulate the portion of the east wall which is now enclosed by the blue panels. Finish work would be sheetrock. The exterior would be finished with dryvit, stucco, or siding (glance at the exterior of the east wall. It's pretty embarrassing). Textured glass would replace the upper half of the pastel panels. Our historic "Jesus Knocking at the Door" stained glass, which is from the original church building of 1907, would be installed below that. The floor level window would display the other panels of historic stained glass, and the Randall Hunt window would be featured in what could become the "Randall Hunt Memorial Hallway." The remaining exterior wall of the hallway would be framed, insulated and finished to improve the energy efficiency of that area. The ministry team will give a short presentation in worship, Sunday, May 29th, to help you visualize our plan. As more information is received on costs, that information will be shared with you.



Report from Color Me Calm Ministry Team

This weekly meeting time together to color, get to know each other, share personal concerns and current events, turned out to be very popular. It filled a niche for several people. Their last get together was on May 17th for a two hour session with a potluck. They may meet again in the fall. Thank you to the leader of this team, Peggy Hess and her aides, Marion Weickum, David & Diana Buetow and Sue Hare.

The Church Spring Cleaning Ministry is going very well. Several of the suggested tasks have already been completed and others are being worked on. The idea of putting out a list of tasks, letting you pick the task that fits your time and ability and giving you the month of May to complete the task, has worked out very well. Thank you to everyone that has helped with this ministry.



First Annual Volunteer Brunch
Saturday June 4, 2016 - 9:30 a.m.
to honor those who have given their time to serve this ministry for the past year. Thank you all so much.
(please RSVP, if you have received your invitation)



Are you asking yourself any of these questions?

- Is it okay for me to grieve?
- How long will my grief last?
- How do I deal with these overwhelming emotions?
- How should I handle the big decisions that need to be made?

A new Grief Share® group began on Tues., May 24th, 6:30 p.m., led by Pastor David. There is still time to join this group. They will meet each Tuesday for 13 weeks.



Since setting the dates for this year's Vacation Bible School, it has been discovered that a couple of other congregations in the area have their VBS scheduled at or near the same time. Not wanting an overload of VBS' happening at the same time, our Education Team is working on a new schedule. Watch for announcements of new dates in a Sunday bulletin.

Budget Update

Thank you to all of the members of our congregation who have given generously to the general fund. Your gifts have enabled all of our bills and apportionments, to date, to be paid in full. Often the summer season is a time of reduced giving. Your continued monthly support will keep us financially current.
Jim Rodgers, Finance Team



Congratulations High School Graduates

Carson Skaggs son of Jared & Michelle Skaggs
Josh Statham son of Roy & Marcie McGuire
Aspyn Smith daughter of Erwin & Tawny Pirtle

Congratulations College Graduates

Sara Somsen-Fowler (USU) daughter of Gary Fowler & Kris Somsen
Colton Bruns (U of I) son of Bryan & Terri Bruns
Kayla McNeel (Lewis & Clark) daughter of Randy & Teresa McNeel
Celeste Woodward (ISU) granddaughter of Marion Weickum
Mason Skaggs (Lewis & Clark) son of Jared & Michele Skaggs
(Mason graduated with a two year degree and will be continuing his education at Lewis & Clark)

Tawny Pirtle, Aspyn Smith, Kris Somsen, Sara Fowler, Gary Fowler, Pastor David



Senior Breakfast for graduates and family
(Thank you Education Team)



Cathy Jarolimek, Mason Skaggs, Carson, Skaggs, Jackson Skaggs, Michelle & Jared Skaggs, Dan Jarolimek



Congratulations to Carson & Mason Skaggs, recipients of scholarships from RUMC Foundation, \$1,500 each and UMM, \$500 each.