VBS offers a stellar experience for kids

A space-themed adventure awaits youth who take part in Vacation Bible Study (VBS) this year.

St. John's Lutheran Church in Cadott, is hosting the three-day trek into the cosmos, Sunday, Aug. 6, from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m., and Monday and Tuesday, Aug. 7 and 8, from 5-8 p.m., for students entering kindergarten through fifth grade.

"We have lots of activities planned and good fellowship," said Christy Roshell, VBS organizer.

Little Drywood Creek Bridge to be replaced

Residents and those out for a jaunt will need to find an alternate route over the Little Drywood Creek Bridge in the Town of Arthur, as it is scheduled to be closed until August.

The road is closed for replacement of the structure on 155th Avenue, for a cost of \$364,106.

Roshell says the youth will also get to meet the characters Cosmo, Luna and Sol, as part of the programming. The theme this year is Stellar – Shine Jesus' Light.

"Each of the activities for the day, are based around the character and different Bible stories that go along with that theme," said Roshell.

The youngsters will rotate through craft/science projects, storytimes, videos and outdoor activities.

"And then, we always, of course, have music at the beginning and the end," said Roshell.

A light meal will also be provided each day.

Registration forms can be picked up at the church or downloaded from cadottlutheran.org, under the christian education tab. The forms can be dropped off at the church, placed in the drop box outside the church or mailed to: St. John's Lutheran Church, P.O. Box 9, Cadott, WI 54727.

Children can also be signed up the first day of the program



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Cornell postal workers collected approximately 430 pounds of food through their Stamp Out Hunger drive in May. The non-perishable items were then delivered to the Cornell Food Pantry for distribution to community members in need.

Make food safety the main ingredient at the cookouts

Whether a grill master or a first-time barbecue cook, food safety should always be part of the routine, to ensure a healthy and happy Fourth of July.

Recent consumer behavior studies have shown that individuals don't always properly wash their hands or use a food thermometer.

Always clean and scrub the grill before use, and clean utensils and plates before they touch food. No access to a faucet? Carry bottled water, soap and paper towels.

Remember to wash hands before, and after, handling raw meat and poultry. Follow proper handwashing steps to stop bacteria from spreading from hands to the meal. Make sure to wet hands, lather with soap, scrub for 20 seconds, rinse and dry.

Avoid cross contamination. Separate raw meat and vegetables, by using different cutting boards. Place raw meat or

poultry on one plate, and cooked meat and poultry on another. Don't use the same utensils to place raw meat and poultry on the grill, and take cooked food off.

Use food thermometers to ensure grilled food is ready. Insert the thermometer through the side of the patty until the probe reaches the center. Color is never a reliable indicator of doneness. Cook food to a safe minimum internal temperature, by using a food thermometer:

Although frozen products may appear to be pre-cooked or browned, treat them as raw food and cook thoroughly. Products labeled as "Cook and Serve," "Ready to Cook" and "Oven Ready," must be cooked.

Perishable food should be consumed or refrigerated within two hours.

For more food safety information, call 888-674-6854, email MPHotline@usda.gov or chat live, at ask.usda.gov.

Summer promises fun happenings for Lions

The Cadott Lions Club started out May, with a cold, rainy day, for the first brat stand of the season. The weather did not keep those brat lovers from stopping for a hot meal and some visiting.

Then, May 10, the Lions hosted an honors night at the school forest, where 80 students were recognized for high marks. Guests were treated to a meal, followed by awards and an address from speaker Brent Crank.

Moving on, the club held their annual golf tournament at Whispering Pines.

"Again the weather was far from perfect, a little rain, some lightning and thunder," said Lion Carolyn Wanish. "A few brave teams stayed out under some trees."

The weather did get the best of a couple teams, and they headed indoors to take part in the activities going on in the club house and to have a chicken dinner.

Later that month, senior BINGO was held at the Goetz Town Hall.

"A great group of seniors came to try out their luck, with some visiting, and a break for coffee and a good treat," said Wanish

Then came Sunday, and a group of Lions gathered to not only clean out a hoarder garage, but to have a plastic party. The bread bag ladies did some catching up on the latest happenings and went to help the men to bag up the big mound of plastic that was collected, followed by a potluck.

"What fun things will June bring for this club," said Wanish.

Make sure fireworks go off in the air, not in your face

According to the Wisconsin Department of Health Services, nearly 100 people across the state, visited an emergency room with a fireworks-related injury in 2019; 25 percent of those injuries involved children.

Additionally, the U.S. Consumer Products Safety Commission finds a 50 percent increase in injuries and deaths from fireworks-related incidents in 2020, compared to 2019.

"The majority of injuries from fireworks are burns that occur to the hands or fingers, legs, face and eyes," said local hospital director of emergency services Robin Schultz. "We recommend fireworks be left to experts specially trained and certified, so you can have a safe and enjoyable holiday."

When deciding to use fireworks, it's strongly recommended these safety tips from the Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) be followed at all times:

- Make sure fireworks are legal in the area, before buying or using them.
- Never allow children to play with, or ignite, fireworks. Young children can suffer injuries from sparklers, which burn at temperatures of about 2,000 degrees, which is 20 times the boiling point of water. As a safe alternative to spar-

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- Always read and follow label instructions.
- Only light fireworks on a smooth, flat surface away from houses, dry leaves and flammable materials.
- Keep a bucket of water or a garden hose handy, in case of fire or other mishap.
- Never place any part of the body directly over a firework when lighting the fuse. Back up to a safe distance immediately after lighting a firework (only light one at a time) and wear eye protection.
- Never try to re-light or pick up fireworks that have not ignited fully.
- Never carry fireworks in a pocket, or shoot them from metal or glass containers.
- Soak all spent fireworks in a bucket of water before throwing them in the trash can. Never discard fireworks, including used ones, in a fire pit.
- Avoid buying fireworks packaged in brown paper. This is often a sign they were made for professional use only.

More fireworks safety tips are available on the CPSC website, at cpsc.gov.

– Where Am I –

If you guessed The Cat at Entwood Golf Course in Holcombe, is the location of this week's "Where am I" on Page 2, you were right!





