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July 27

Parade 10a

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**July 4** Forsyth Fire Dept. Games, Bingo & Food 11a

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7-19-20 HOG Bike Show

July 27 **Gwinn Lions Car-Truck** Tractor Show 10a-2:30p

American Legion Post #349 Little Lake

July

July 2 Gwinn **Booster Club** Bean Bag Tournament 6p-2

July 20 Skandia Days

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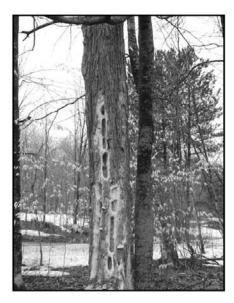
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Large trees such as the White Pine pictured above may have developed a lean over the winter. Strong winds and a weakening root system may be to blame. None the less, this tree should be removed.



## **U.P. Pink Power!**

The U.P. Pink Power Team of Gwinn recently awarded 12 A.E.D.'s , Automated External Defibrillator's, that they purchased thru pledges raised from their Annual 17 mile walk-a-thon from Tall Timber's in Gwinn to Gary's Knotty Pine in Arnold.

On April 13th, over 100 participants took on a wintry mix of weather to make the walk an amazing success. By doing so the U.P. Pink Power Team was able to help the following agency's.

U.P. Pink Power clothing is now being sold at 2 locations in the Gwinn area, Split Endz's Beauty Shop and The Full Throttle Bar & Grill in Little Lake.



Front row - Peter Ghiringhelli-Forsyth EMT. Pat Makela-U.P.Pink Power Team Member. Sally Searle-U.P.Pink Power Team Member. Tina Hiironen-Walk-a-thon-AED Coordinator. Laurie Van Damme-U.P.Pink Power Team member. Tara Armatti-Forsyth EMT-AED Instructor.

2nd row - Robin LuFleur-U.P. North Lodge. Ronda Mattila-Negaunee High School District Health Coordinator. Jenny VanElsacker- Gary's Knotty Pine Bar. Anne Michell-American Legion,Post #349. Little Lake. Nicole Snow-American Legion,Post #349 Little Lake.

Back row - John Miron-Cornell Volunteer Fire Dept,Chief. Pam Christensen-Peter White Public Library, Marquette. Dave Fairbanks-Red Fox Run Golf Course,Kl/Gwinn. Gary Evans-Gary's Knotty Pine, Arnold. Ginger Lakenen-Kl Sawyer Elementary School,Kl/Gwinn. Heather Winkler-Carroll-Kl Sawyer Elementary School, Kl/Gwinn. Kim Bourgeois-Big Bay. Not pictured - Forsyth Township Police Dept. & Crossroads Convience Store, Co.Rd 480 & 553.

#### Create An Impressive Float In 5 Simple Steps!!

It is not too early to start thinking about ideas for a FLOAT for July 27, 2013 Fun Daze Parade. Here are some basic instructions to help you in that regard.

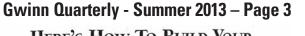
This years Theme is "Blue Skies and Butterflies" and we hope everyone can participate... The Ishpeming Blue Notes, Superior Pipes Band, Negaunee City Band and Ahmed Shriners, Lil Truckers, etc. have all been booked for this Summer and it should be a spectacular parade!!!

 #1 - Cover the float platform with plywood for durability. You will also need a hammer, nails, heavy duty stapler
 #2 - Apply the contour to give your float the desired shape

#3 - Staple or tape the floral sheeting to the platform of the trailer. Then finish the sides with a solid apron framework to prevent wind from pocketing underneath and tearing the materials
#4 - Staple the fringe to the lower portion of your float. Staple twist over the top of the fringe to hide its tape Heading. Also use the twist to outline backgrounds or as Contrasting trim between colors.

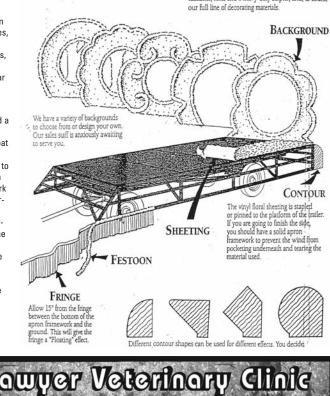
#5 - Apply the letters and props to the float

#6 - VICTORY CORPS - WEBSITE: http://parade-float.com has Parade, Float And Event Decoration -Toll Free Call: 1-800-328-6120



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### Page 4 – Gwinn Quarterly - Summer 2013 Gwinn Area Community Fund announces Spring Grants



FRONT ROW (L to R): Mitchell Paris, GHS Student, Michelle Ford-Thompson, Superior Arts Countil, Lee Nellist, Sr., Gwinn Area Community Fund Member. BACK ROW (L to R): Kim Tufnell, Gwinn Area Community Schools Superintendent, Julie Shaw, Forsyth Township Senior Center Director, Jeanette Maki, Chairperson, Gwinn Area Community Fund, Dave Dagenais, Superior Arts Council and John Maki, Thrivent Financial, representing the William and Mildred Andrews Fund of the Gwinn Area Community Fund. \$1,400.00 from EEW & Brian J. Watson Fund to the Gwinn Area Community Schools for Excellence in Education Day Awards

\$1,329.00 from the General Fund to Anderson Communications for a Wireless PA system for the Peter Nordeen Park

\$1,000.00 from General Fund to Forsyth Township Historical Society Clock Tower Restoration Project.

\$500.00 from the

William and Mildred Andrews Fund to Forsyth Merry Mixers to purchase a piece of equipment for Youth / Intergenerational Activities at the Forsyth Senior Center

\$350 from William and Mildred Andrews Youth Fund to the Superior Arts Council for their 2013 Summer 3 Week Drama Camp

\$200 to Mitchell Paris from the Gwinn Alumni Scholarship Fund

The Gwinn Area Community Fund is proud to announce they have given out a total of \$4,779.00 in grants back into to the community in May.

It is very important to note that if you donate to the Gwinn Area Community Fund and specify which fund you would like to donate to, then once a year we release the interest earned on these funds back into the community in the form of grants.

In past years we have given out grants to Gwinn Boy Scouts for Tents, etc. Skandia Boy Scouts for equipment, Forsyth Twp. Fire Department for equipment, Gwinn Area Cmty Schools for EEW Awards Ceremony annually, Lose the Training Wheels Project for disabled children and adults to learn how to ride a bike and the list goes on and on.

If you would like to donate to help us increase what we can give back in the community, please mail to Gwinn Area Community Fund, co Gwinn Sawyer Area Chamber Offices, 248 Wellington Drive, Gwinn, MI 49841



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### Gwinn Quarterly - Summer 2013 – Page 5 Don't Let Our House of Cards Fall

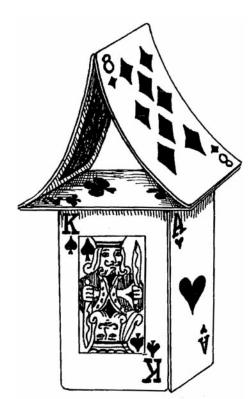
Our local economy is like a house of cards... as cards are removed, the foundation crumbles.

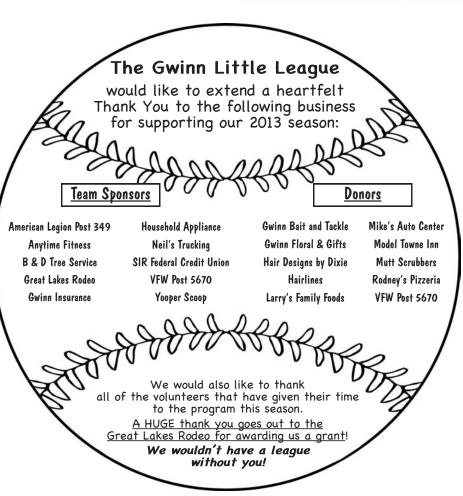
Shopping locally maintains an important part of our growth and prosperity.

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#### SHOP AT HOME AND WE WILL ALL BE WINNERS





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As I have aged, I have become kinder to myself and less critical of myself. I have become my own friend. I have seen too many dear friends leave this world, too soon; before they understood the great freedom that comes with aging.

Whose business is it, if I choose to read or play on the computer until 4:00 a.m. or sleep until noon?

I will dance with myself to those wonderful tunes of the 50's, 60's and 70's and if I, at the same time wish to weep over a lost love, I will.

I will walk the beach, in a swim suit that is stretched over a bulging body and will dive into the waves with abandon if I choose to, despite the pitying glances from the jet set. They, too, will get old!!

I know I am sometimes forgetful, but there again, some of life is just as well forgotten and I eventually remember the important things.

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# Gwinn Schools Announces Excellence In Education Scholarship Recipients

The Gwinn Area Community Schools recently announced the recipients of the District's \$1,500 Excellence in Education scholarships for the top 5% of the graduating class of 2013.

The attached photo shows Matthew Moilanen, Mitchell Paris, Lydia Asplund, Alana Smith and Makayla Mayo with Superintendent of Schools, Kimberly Tufnell.

Excellence in Education week is a cooperative program supported by a unique partnership between the school and business community. During



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Gwinn Area Community Schools 2013 Excellence in Education \$1,500 Scholarship recipients from the EEW and Brian J. Watson Fund are from left to right: Matt Moilanen; Mitchell Paris; Lydia Asplund; Alana Smith; Makayla Mayo and Superintendent Kim Tufnell

EEW the Gwinn School District, in conjunction with local businesses, celebrate the success of approximately 60 high school students who have demonstrated academic excellence during the school year. These students (and selected teachers) participate in educational tours of community businesses and industries and are also honored at a special breakfast and luncheon hosted by EEW partners. In addition, the top five percent of the senior class receives a \$1,500 scholarship, which is presented at a banquet sponsored by the Great Lakes Center for Youth Development.

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Sure, over the years my heart has been broken. How can your heart not break when you lose a loved one or when a child suffers or even when somebody's beloved pet gets hit by a car? But, broken hearts are what give us strength and understanding and compassion. A heart never broken is pristine and sterile and will never know the joy of being imperfect.

I am so blessed to have lived long enough to have my hair turning gray, and to have my youthful laughs be forever etched into deep grooves on my face. So many have never laughed and so many have died before their hair could turn silver.

As you get older, it is easier to be positive. You care less about what other people think. I don't question myself anymore. I have even earned the right to be wrong.

So, to answer a question, I like being old. It has set me free. I like the person I have become.

I am not going to live forever, but while I am still here, I will not waste time lamenting what could have been, or worrying about what will be. I shall also eat dessert every single day (if I feel like it)!!



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The main purpose of EEW is to celebrate the success of students and teachers and to recognize the important role the school district plays in the Gwinn/Sawyer community. Excellence in Education Week also recognizes the efforts made by the business community to partner with the school district and encourages community support of that partnership.

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Close the door securely whenever you are in your room and use all of the locking devices provided. Don't needlessly display guest room keys in public or carelessly leave them on restaurant tables, at the swimming pool, or other places where they can be easily stolen.

Do not draw attention to yourself by displaying large amounts of cash or expensive jewelry. Don't invite strangers to your room. Place all valuables in the hotel or motel's safe deposit box. Do not leave valuables in your vehicle. Check to see that any sliding glass doors or windows and any connecting room doors are locked.

If you see any suspicious activity, please report your observations to the management.



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The non-medical use of prescription drugs ranks second only to marijuana as the most common form of drug abuse in the United States.

The majority of teenagers abusing prescription drugs got

them from family and friends. with the home medicine cabinet a primary source.

Unused drugs thrown in the trash in their bottles can be retrieved and abused or illegally sold. Proper disposal of unused prescription drugs can save lives.

Take back programs are the best way to dispose of old drugs. But if a program is not available:

1. Take the meds out of their bottles.

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### **Summer Youth Drama Camp!**

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WHO: All area students entering third through ninth grade (in the fall).

WHAT: Superior Arts Council's Summer Drama Camp

WHEN: July 8-11, July 15-18, and July 22-25 from 9:00am-12:00 noon. Performances are the evenings of July 25 & 26 at 7:00 p.m.

**WHY:** A fun casual atmosphere to participate in a youth theater production. Learn what it takes to put on a production, be part of a great show, spend time with friends, make new ones too. Be part of a great show!

**WHERE:** All rehearsals and performances will be at GWINN HIGH SCHOOL. Please use the doors on the gym side of the building near the dumpsters.

**HOW:** We would really really like to have you pre-register so we can plan on developing the cast. Use the bottom of this sheet and mail it to us so we can include you on the list of participants. In the past, we have also recruited many young actors from friends of registrants. Encourage your friends to join us!

There is no cost to participate – this is fully sponsored by the Superior Arts Council. There will not be an admission charge for the show either – we just put out a donation can to help defray expenses. Light snacks and drinks will be provided during camp.

Our director this year is Dave Dagenais, Gwinn High School and Middle School Drama and Music Director and he will be assisted by Emily Bianchi Mayer, Music Teacher for the Baraga Area Schools, and Emily Strazzinski, Music Teacher at Lakeview School in Negaunee. Numerous GHS students and alumni will assist as well.

Contacts: Dave Dagenais, Director ddagenai@gwinn.k12.mi.us Michael Prokopowicz, SAC mikeyooper@aol.com 346 – 3909

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Names of friends we should contact:

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### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** SCHOOLHOUSE ROCK LIVE

WHO: Responsible musicians, actors, and technicians entering 9th grade or older

WHAT: Superior Arts Council's Summer Drama Camp

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WHEN: July 8-11, July 15-18, and July 22-25 from 9:00am-12:00 noon Performances evenings of July 25 & 26 at 7:00 p.m.

WHY: Putting on a show is a lot of fun, but we need a lot of help with supervision, acting and music direction, choreography, set building, lights, sound, props, and so much more! The kids involved in the show will really look up to high school helpers and will hopefully want to be just like you—which means the drama program at GHS will continue to grow!

WHERE: The entire camp is being held at Gwinn High School this year. Use the doors by the dumpsters.

HOW: Email or sign up with Mr. Dagenais (ddagenai@gwinn.k12.mi.us). Even if you can't help every day or if you can be there every day but not for the whole time... Any help you can give would be appreciated and rewarding!

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- Swimming Pottery Games
  Climbing Wall And much more!

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# Carrie Galvez

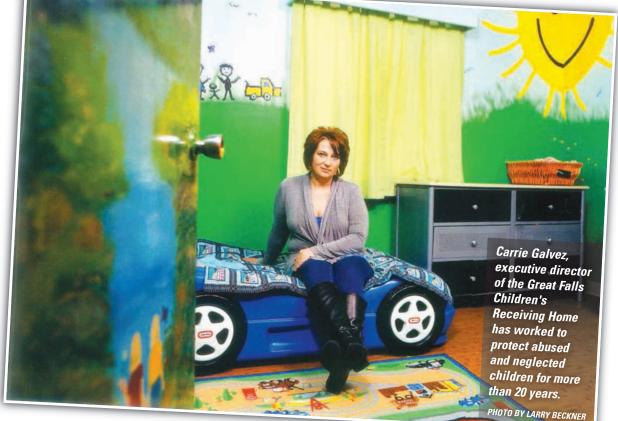
Carrie Smale Galvez Is A GHS Graduate

STORY BY AMY GRISAK

#### The Great Falls Montana Tribune –

"Everyone has a purpose in life. I believe, personally, that God sets us upon the earth for a reason. said Carrie Galvez, director of the Great Falls Children's Receiving Home? "I know what my purpose is."

The Great Falls Children's Receiving Home is a place where kids ranging from newborns to 18 years old can find shelter from an abusive home environment. Galvez has served as director for five years but has spent the past 20 years working with abused and neglected children. WHAT ARE GHS GRADS DOING NOW.



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Everwalk into a room with some purpose in mind, only to completely forget what that purpose was?

Turns out, doors themselves are to blame for these strange memory lapses.

Psychologists at the University of Notre Dame have discovered that passing through a doorway triggers what's known as an event boundary in the mind, separating one set of thoughts and memories from the next.

Your brain files away the thoughts you had in the previous room and prepares a blank slate for the new locale.

It's not aging, it's the stupid door!





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"I made it my cause:' she said. "You have to have the desire to make a difference." Being immersed in the world of parental abuse is a far cry from Galvez's own upbringing.

"My life was so Brady Bunch growing up," she said.

Her parents were together, and she grew up in the same house her entire life. Once she started working with child protective services, she discovered a world completely foreign to her but felt the call to help.

In Great Falls the need is immense. "It's epidemic around here," Galvez noted. She said it spiked two years ago. "We went from not a lot of places to we can't meet the needs." "I was sick to my stomach wondering, 'Where are these kids going to go?'" she said. So she became a foster parent and has had her foster children for 15 months.

Galvez believes part of the uptick is because people are more vigilant after 2-year-old October Perez suffered fatal injuries by her mother's boyfriend in 2011. She also believes an increase in drugs and alcohol use, as well as a tight economy, has put atrisk parents those who might not have the tools to deal with stressful situations - in a greater hind.

Part of the goal of Child and Family Services, which works closely with the Children's Receiving Home. is to provide the parents with resources and skills to bring the family hack together.

"I've seen success with parents. Parents that have embraced the learning experience, ' she said. "You want to empower parents."

But she's also witnessed those who've struggled and who haven't been able to rise above their circumstances. In these situations, sometimes the best outcome is for the children to stay with foster parents or to he adopted by a loving family.

The goal is to break the cycle of abuse because it's generational.

In the 20 years Galvez has been involved with abused children in Great Falls, she's seen instances where the grandmother, mother and, ultimately,

the child passed through the Receiving Home's doors.

If they can improve the life of a child, it causes a positive ripple effect for the next generation, but it's a long road.

They can house tip to 14 children at once at the Great Falls Children's Receiving Home. Many of these are larger sibling groups since they're more difficult to place without splitting up into foster homes. Galvez said it's important to keep them together since they're often dependent upon each other, often with the older ones assuming the responsibility as the caretaker.

She said they've had 5- and 6-year olds who have diapered infants, put siblings to sleep and generally cared for the needs of the younger ones because that's what they were used to doing.

"Some of these kids are pretty good little parents," she noted.

But it's heartbreaking because they were never allowed to experience childhood, she added. Their goal at the Children's Receiving Home is to relieve the burden so these hyper-responsible kids can be kids.

Galvez takes her role very seriously since her most important role in life is being a mother.

"You want (the parents) to see how precious their child is, and how much of a gift it is being a mom," she said.

And her heart goes out for the children who see abuse as normal. "I want to give these kids a chance. I want to show them what life has to offer; see that a kid realizes that life is pretty good."

The best outcome is when the parents can be motivated to improve the situation. If not, thankfully, there are people willing to step up. She's quick to point out that fostering abused children is not for everyone, but for those who choose to open their heart and home to a child in need, it can make a world of difference.

"Everyone is cut out for something different," she said. "You have to have a love for kids, and you have to have a heart."

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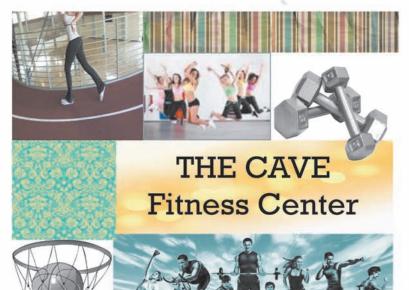
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#### Page 24 – Gwinn Quarterly - Summer 2013 GWINN-SAWYER AREA CHAMBER CALENDAR OF EVENTS

#### Gwinn – K.I. Sawyer – Little Lake – Austin – Princeton Areas

#### <u>JUNE</u>

30th - CHICKEN BBQ – Gwinn Lions Club – Peter Nordeen Park – 12 Noon . Tickets can be obtained from any Lions Club member.

#### <u>JULY</u>

3rd - STREET DANCE – HOST: Forsyth Twp. Fire Dept.

4th - 4TH OF JULY CELEBRA-TION HOST: Forsyth Township Fire Dept. - NO PARADE

14th – Grace Lutheran Church Croation ChickenDinner - Noon to 1:30 p.m. Call 346-3156. For prices. Dine In or Take Out

19-20 - H.O.G. BIKE SHOW – American Legion Post #349, Little Lake. Call 346-6000 for details

20th - SKANDIA DAYS – Call 942-7404 for details on Wednesdays Or Fridays

27th - GWINN FUN DAZE – PARADE 10:00 A.M. HOST: Gwinn Sawyer Area Chamber of Commerce. Park Events 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

27th - ANTIQUE CLASSIC CAR / TRUCK/TRACTOR SHOW: Gwinn Lions Club on M-35 in front of Gwinn High School 10:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

27th - BEAN BAG TOURNA-MENT - Host Gwinn All Sports Booster Club 6:00 p.m. to ??? evening of Fun Daze In Peter Nordeen Park

#### <u>AUGUST</u>

7th – 11th - Marquette County Fair – M-553 at Fairgrounds

12th-18th - UP State Fair – Escanaba MI Fairgrounds on US 2 19-23 - Little Lake Day Camp 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. Call 346-3066 for details

#### **SEPTEMBER**

21ST - ACHIEVING HEALTHY LIFE STYLES FALL FEST @ 1:00-4:00 PM. At the Salvation Army at K.I. Sawyer

#### **NOVEMBER**

30th - TREE LIGHTING CERE-MONY – In Peter Nordeen Park on M-35 in downtown Gwinn 6:00 p.m. =Santa, Mrs. Claus and Elves will be there along with Forsyth Sings and the Girl Scouts with their hot chocolate Coffee and goodies 18

#### DECEMBER

24TH - Vigil of the Nativity of the Lord 4:00 p.m. The Nativity of the Lord 11:45 a.m.

25th - The Nativity of the Lord 10:30 a.m.



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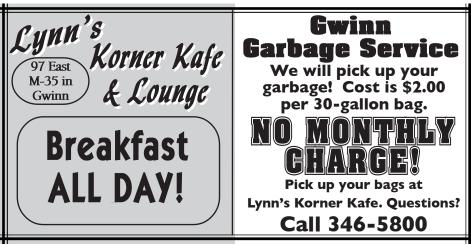
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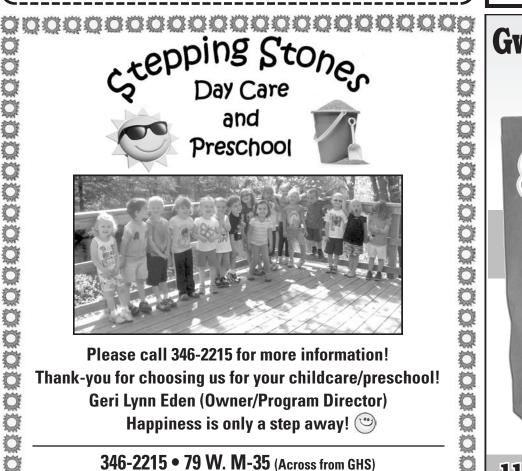
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GWINN AREA 'FUN DAZE' 10 am TO 4 pm PETER NORDEEN PARK FRIDAY 07-26-2013 SATURDAY 07-27-2013 SIDEWALK SALES PARADE 10:00 A.M. (by participating merchants)

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Cesar Guevara

I spent most of my life as an Air Force brat as my dad was a fire fighter for the Air Force. I grew up at SHAPE, Belgium, where my dad was stationed for a good part of his military career. When it was time for him to start thinking of retirement in 1986 he chose to do his last assignment at K.I. Sawyer AFB in the beautiful U.P. I went to Gwinn High School, and graduated in 1990, and liked the area and the community so much that I decided to make it my home. My wife Beth was also raised in Gwinn along with my children Isaiah and Mariah. We are very proud to be a part of the Gwinn Community. We support the local businesses in Gwinn, and I would ask you that whenever you're ready for a new or used vehicle that you would come see me at Riverside Auto Mall.



I was born on K. I. Sawyer AFB in 1987. My dad was in the service for 15 years, until '95, when we moved into Gwinn. I've lived here my whole life, and was a 2005 GHS graduate. I played golf, football and basketball all four years I was there, as well as sang in the chorus and was in a drama presentation or two. When you find yourself going off to college or to a new job be sure to get ahold of me for your new or used car, truck, van or suv. Go Modeltowners!





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