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QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER



Freedom Club News

August brings a bittersweet feeling as summer's warmth begins to fade, and the days grow shorter. We've cherished the long, sun-soaked days, the vacations, and the time spent with family and friends but now we prepare for the transition to fall. Back- to -school season is here, with the excitement of new beginnings and the promise of fresh starts. While we bid farewell to summer, we look forward to the crisp air, cozy sweaters, and the vibrant colors of autumn that lie ahead. August is a time of reflection on the summer we've enjoyed and anticipation for the beautiful season to come.

Our Freedom Club Ladies Weekend in July was a big success. We began our Saturday with a stop at Beans Coffee Roastery and Coffee House in Mankato before heading to St Peter to explore local boutiques and enjoy a bite to eat at one of the town's popular spots. The afternoon was capped off with a scenic walk at Chankaska Winery, where we savored a glass of wine or drink of choice and wonderful conversation.

One of our cherished traditions is visiting the Chanhassen Dinner Theatre, a favorite among many. This year we had the pleasure of seeing *Beautiful: The Carole King Story*, enjoying familiar music paired with a great storyline. The food was amazing as always, and we of course, finished the evening with dessert.

Sunday morning we had the privilege to visit Skyrock Farms in Medina, MN. Bill Nunn founded Skyrock Farms in 1982. We enjoyed his vast collection of carousels and vintage organs seen at fairs and amusement parks. After a traditional roast beef dinner we visited the stables and enjoyed a demonstration by hunter and jumper horses they train. We enjoyed the youth who shared their jumping skills paired with their horses. The horses were stunning and the children were amazing to watch.

Sunday afternoon was spent aboard Lady of the Lake, a historic Sternwheeler, on Lake Minnetonka. It was a beautiful day filled with scenic views, beautiful sunshine, and great conversation. We also enjoyed hearing a bit about the history and homes along the lake. It was the perfect way to end our weekend!!













In the quiet light of the stable, you hear a muffled snort, a stamp of a hoof, a friendly nicker. Gentle eyes inquire "How are you old friend?" and suddenly, all your troubles fade away. - Author Unknown

Events



Brown's Theater Le Mars, Iowa Wednesday December 11, 2024 10:30 Leave RR 12:00 Lunch 1:30 Show

The Brown's Family Christmas Show in Le Mars, Iowa, is a cherished tradition featuring the talented and musical Browns family. Before the show, we'll enjoy a festive Christmas buffet, followed by dessert, setting the stage for a cozy holiday experience. The theatre itself adds to the charm, providing a perfect setting for a heartwarming Christmas performance. This event brings together the joy of music, the warmth of family traditions, and the spirit of the holiday season. It's an experience that beautifully captures the magic of Christmas.