

A Minute With Mitzi



Hands-

An old man, probably some ninety plus years, sat feebly on the park bench.

He didn't move, just sat with his head down staring at his hands. When I sat down beside him he didn't acknowledge my presence and the longer I sat I wondered if he was ok.

Finally, not really wanting to disturb him but wanting to check on him at the same time, I asked him if he was ok. He raised his head and looked at me and smiled.

Yes, I'm fine, thank you for asking, he said in a clear strong voice.

I didn't mean to disturb you, sir, but you were just sitting here staring at your hands and I wanted to make sure you were okay I explained to him.

Have you ever looked at your hands he asked? I mean really looked at your hands?

I slowly opened my hands and stared down at them. I turned them over, palms up and then palms down. No, I guess I had never really looked at my hands as I tried to figure out the point he was making.

Stop and think for a moment about the hands you have, how they have served you well throughout your years.

These hands, though wrinkled, shriveled and weak have been the tools I have used all my life to reach out and grab and embrace life. They braced and caught my fall when as a toddler I crashed upon the floor. They put food in my mouth and clothes on my back. As a child my mother taught me to fold them in prayer. They tied my shoes and pulled on my boots. They dried the tears of my children and caressed the love of

my life.

They held my rifle and wiped my tears when I went off to war. They have been dirty, scraped and raw, swollen and bent. They were uneasy and clumsy when I tried to hold my newborn son. Decorated with my wedding band they showed the world that I was married and loved someone special. They wrote the letters home and trembled and shook when I buried my parents and spouse and walked my daughter down the aisle. Yet, they were strong and sure when I dug my buddy out of a foxhole and lifted a plow off my best friends foot.

They have held children, consoled neighbors, and shook in fists of anger when I didn't understand. They have covered my face, combed my hair, and washed and cleansed the rest of my body. They have been sticky and wet, bent and broken, dried and raw.

And to this day when not much of anything else of me works real well these hands hold me up, lay me down, and again continue to fold in prayer. These hands are the mark of where I've been and the ruggedness of my life. But more importantly it will be these hands that God will reach out and take when he leads me home. And He won't care about where these hands have been or what they have done. What He will care about is to whom these hands belong and how much He loves these hands. And with these hands He will lift me to His side and there I will use these hands to touch the face of Christ.

No doubt I will never look at my hands the same again.

Thank you God, for these hands.

A blessed Thanksgiving to you all.

*Travel with the
Good Neighbors Club*



GOOD NEIGHBOR CLUB TRIPS! SPIRIT LAKE CASINO November 15, 2021

Enjoy another day of trying your luck at the Spirit Lake Casino on beautiful Devils Lake!

Monday is their "55 Club" promotional day, so we want you to win BIG!

A minimum of 30 members to take the trip. A Waiver of Liability and Proof of Vaccination required.

Price: \$55

DPRCA PRESENTS WINTER WONDERETTES DECEMBER 10, 2021

The seasonal celebration finds the girls entertaining the annual Harper's Hardware Holiday Party. When Santa turns up missing, the girls use their talent and creative ingenuity to save the holiday party! Featuring great '60s versions of holiday classics. This energetic and glittering holiday package is guaranteed to delight audiences.

The GNC Package includes motorcoach, an amazing buffet at the Chieftain in Carrington, tickets to the production, drivers tip and Christmas treat aboard the coach!

A minimum of 30 members to take the trip. A Waiver of Liability and Proof of Vaccination required.

Price-\$100pp

Please watch for upcoming trips to "Steel Magnolias" at FMCT in February 2022, and "Jersey Boys" at the Fargodome "Church Basement Ladies" at the Historic Holmes Theatre in Detroit Lakes in April 2022.

You won't be disappointed.

2022 TRIPS WASHINGTON DC CHERRY BLOSSOMS APRIL 6-11, 2022

A trip you will never forget...Washington DC at Cherry Blossom time! Enjoy a 6 day stay in Washington DC at the Gaylord National Resort and see all the National Capitol has to offer. Arlington National Cemetery, DC City Tour, White House Visitors Center, Ford's Theater, Smithsonian Institutes, Library of Congress, Capitol Visitors Center, Potomac Cherry Blossoms Cruise, DC Twilight Illumination Tour, DC Memorial Visits, Mt. Vernon, US Naval Academy and Annapolis Maryland.

This amazing trip includes the following: Round Trip Airfare from Fargo, ND, 5 nights at the Gaylord National Resort, 8 meals: 5 breakfasts & 3 dinners, Professional Tour Director, Motorcoach Transportation, Admissions, Comprehensive Sightseeing, Baggage Handling at Hotels, Hotel Transfers, Travel Protection Plan.

Price-\$3110pp/double. Brochures available at Unison Bank.

NOTE: Premier World Discovery has professional tour guides on all of their excursions. A local GNC director may not accompany this tour.

NOVEMBER GNC MORNING AT THE MOVIES!

The Good Neighbors Club welcomes all members to our Morning at the Movies. Please bring a prospective member guest and have them experience the fun of being a GNC member.



Date: Date: November 17, 2021

Clifford The Big Red Dog-PG
Eternals-PG-13 2hrs. 13min.
Ron's Gone Wrong-PG (Animated)
Dune-PG-13 2hrs. 35 min.

Time: 9:20 doors open popcorn and coffee served. Fountain pop available at Bison 6 Cinema's regular price. 9:50 drawings, 10:00 Showtime!

Place: Bison 6 Cinema Theatre, Buffalo Mall

NOTE: The presentation of all movies may change due to availability to the theatre. The Good Neighbors Club nor Bison 6 Cinema have any control over such changes. Thank you for understanding.

MONEY BAG WINNER & PRIZE PRIZES!

Our Good Neighbor member number was #1384 Janet Thielman. Janet did not make it to the movies so the total for the Money Bag will be \$135 for the November showings. Good luck to you all.



This year we are giving away **\$10 Gift Cards** to eleven different local businesses. Places like Dairy Queen, Quizno's, Arby's, Pizza Ranch, Domino's, S&R Truck Plaza, Paradiso's, Hardee's & Exxon. Our drawing winners were Sandy Jansen, Bonnie Nelson & Ken Frey.

OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHIES

To the family and friends of GNC members Doris Greenstein, Lawrence Ebel, Verna Wirrenga, Therese Solinger, Edna Kleingartner, Dale Harr. Our sincere sympathy for your loss. We know how much family means to you, so our Unison family extends our sympathies.

WELCOME NEW GNC MEMBERS

On behalf of Unison Bank, I would like to welcome our newest Club member's, Margie Farley, Scot & Darla Nething, Karen Rene, Patricia Lindbo, Bruce & Tammy Meidinger, Bruce & June Kaseman, Kandas Wold, and Thomas & Linda Regner of Wishek. If you refer someone to our Good Neighbor Club like Shirley Jackson did, you will receive a \$5.00 referral award, as a thank you from Unison Bank and the Good Neighbors Club!

NEW GREATS & GRANDCHILDREN TO ANNOUNCE!

If you have the wonderful joy of being new Grandparents, let us know and we would love to announce the "Grand" news to all our GNC members. We are giving Grandparents a stuffed Teddy Bear Bank as a benefit for being a GNC member. (A \$15 value)

Maren Kenna Henke is the newest Great Granddaughter to GNC members John & Janet Henke. Maren arrived on September 20th, 2021. Congratulations!

Bridger Gerald Thom is the new son of Matthew & Brook Thom. Bridger arrived in this world June 14, 2021. Grandparents are Dan & Angie Lukach and Great Grandparents are GNC members Gerald and Dianna Carlson. Blessings to Bridger and his extended family.

Galilee Grace Knudtson is the new member of the Nate & Ally Knudtson family! Galilee was born September 29th, 2021. GNC members Tim & Kathy Nill are Galilee's Grandparents. Lots of pink ribbons and bows, congrats!

Payton Lucille Lothspeich, born September 16, 2021, is the newest Great Granddaughter of GNC member Lucy Mayer. Congratulations to all!

Braelyn Rose Ruud blossomed into the world on August 18, 2021, to parents Adam & Joleesa Ruud of Harwood, ND. Grandparents are Bob & Janelle Moser and Great Grandmother is GNC member Darlene Trautman of Medina.

THE PERFECT GIFT IDEAS

Are you looking for that perfect "something" for that "hard to buy for" someone? We now have in stock, 2021 Silver Eagles, 2021 Proof Sets, and for the new baby born in 2021, a 2021 Gift Set. Stop in and pick one up or see Teri Searle if you are having a difficult time finding a certain coin set.

NEWNEWNEW 2022 TRIPS NEWNEWNEW CANADIAN ROCKIES VIA RAIL AUGUST 20-27TH, 2022

Well, we are going to try this one more time!! The requests were high for an awe-inspiring trip thru the Canadian Rockies, Jasper National Park, Banff & Lake Louise. We begin the trip with a flight into Vancouver BC, a Vancouver City Tour, Vancouver Island and infamous Buchart Gardens and then board the VIA Rails train, The Canadian for a 2 day & overnight rail excursion of the breath-taking Canadian Rockies. It's a trip you will not soon forget!

The trip includes Round Trip Airfare from Fargo, 2 days on The Canadian plus Sleeper Berths, 11 meals, Professional Tour Director, Motorcoach transportation, admissions per Itinerary, Baggage Handling at Hotels and Train, Travel Protection Plan.

Price: \$5160PP/double. A \$635 per person deposit due with Reservation form. Final Payment due June 5, 2022.

NOTE: Premier World Discovery has professional tour guides on all of their excursions. A local GNC director may not accompany this tour.

THE MAGNOLIA TRAIL & THE HEART OF TEXAS OCTOBER 15-19, 2022

If you watch HGTV, you know Chip & JoAnna Gaines and their Magnolia Empire! This trip includes the best of Waco and the heart of Texas.

Highlights of this 5 day trip are: Dallas City Tour, Tour of AT&T Stadium, Historic JFK Sites & Locations, Six Floor Museum at Dealey Plaza, George W. Bush Presidential Library, Fort Worth Stockyards Historic District & Cattle Drive Viewing, Southfork Ranch, Waco City Tour & HGTV Series Sites, Magnolia Markets at the Silos, Silos Baking Company & the Dr. Pepper Museum.

Inclusions on this terrific tour are: Roundtrip airfare from Fargo, ND, 4 nights stay in First Class Hotels, 6 meals: 4 breakfasts & 2 dinners, Professional Tour Director, Motorcoach Transportation, Admissions, Comprehensive Sightseeing, Baggage Handling at Hotels, Hotel Transfers & Travel Protection Plan.

Price-\$2434pp/double. Brochures available at Unison Bank.

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STAR DESTINATIONS PRESENTS DOOR COUNTY WISCONSIN OCTOBER 4-10, 2022

Come and be captivated with a glimpse of Door County during the most colorful time of the year! The highlights of Red Wing, MN, & Sturgeon Bay, WI.

The Pottery Museum of Red Wing, an overnight stay at historic St. James Hotel, Hobgoblin Stoney End to see where traditional folk lever harps are handmade then off to Door County and enjoy the vibrant foliage along the way. Other highlights will be the Door County Trolley, Door Artisan Cheese Company, the Viking Train, Seaquist Orchards, a Door County Fish Boil, Door County Maritime Museum, glass blowing at Popelka Trenchard Glass and a performance at America's oldest resident summer theater Peninsula Players Theatre.

Brochures available upon request. Price-\$2295pp/Double, \$2729pp/Single

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2021 CHRISTMAS TREE OF WARMTH SALVATION ARMY ANGEL TREE



Once again, we will be taking donations of caps, gloves, scarves and mittens to be given to our local Salvation Army in time for Christmas giving. If you would like to donate to this worthy cause, please bring any size accessory to Unison Bank to be placed on our Tree of Warmth beginning November 15th.

Unison Bank also will be a site for the Salvation Army Christmas Angel Tree. Please stop in and pick out an angel with the name of a boy or girl in the area in need of some Christmas Joy. You won't be sorry.

