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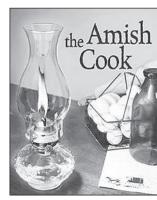
# Gloria shares her recipe for 'Pie of Life'

By Gloria Yoder, the Amish Cook

I blinked. What was I seeing? I opened my eyes in the stillness of the night. The room had like a dark cloud all over it.

Strange. I closed my eyes again, only to have them pop right open. With my eyes shut I could easily tell that there was a light in the room. In bygone years Daniel would give me a hard time (in fun) thinking that if eyes are shut they are shut and not made to see light, but somehow to me it makes a difference even if my eyes are tight shut. I still prefer sleeping in the dark for maximum relaxation. Now as I looked to see where the light was coming from, there was no actual light. Nothing.

Once more I shut my eyes; as I did so, that thin layer of eyelids let in a soft white light. I knew something was lit in the room. My eyes popped wide opened to see what it was- lo and behold, all was dark as the night! "God must be up to something," I told my-self, relaxing completely. I told Him He can speak to me if He has something to tell me.



In the softness of His presence there were words impressed on my heart, including those comforting words, "Be not afraid, only believe...

Later I wondered where in Scripture those words were found. I searched for a bit, then placed it on the side for some time later. A couple mornings passed, when I decided now would be the time to find that verse. Seeing an open Bible on the desk where I had left it earlier, I glanced at it. What should I see but those very words I had been ready to go look for?! "Be not afraid, only believe." In awe, I bowed before my Maker. "What an amazing God You are!"

The following week I

had gone out after dark to check on the goat. As I walked under the canopy of the heavens above me I noticed a gathering of blackish clouds, much like I had seen that night in the bedroom before the light had moved in which I could easily see each time I had shut my eyes.

I walked back to the house with a new perspective. I knew in my heart that a glory-light would keep shining if I only close my eyes, resting in my Lord Jesus instead of focusing on the black cloud of life.

Honestly, since that night of a dark cloud in my room, followed by the glory light, I have faced things I had not anticipated, and perhaps have hurt more than I knew it was possible to hurt. This is what I am finding- don't give up! "Lord open our eyes to see Your real light even in those hardest darkest times of our lives!'

The deep dark painful things in life, whether it be unanswered questions or prayers, strained relationships, or a gutwrenching pain, does not feel good. They are dark, and they can hurt deep

and hard, but oh glory! The light of the Lord has a way of filtering in during or after those renting

times. Even children face their own dimension of joys and sadness, I do not doubt that every child will face hard things, even those who have both parents. My cry to God is that He can lead us as parents and keep us in tune with the Himself, so that our children have something to follow. Aren't they just created to be little imitators? On Father's Day a brother shared how children will track their parents, even when we as parents think we are good at hiding negatives in our own lives. Now I know this brother was primarily speaking to the Fathers, but it blessed and challenged my own heart. May God lead us in an ever closer walk with Himself to give our children a greater chance to connect with Him on a real and personal level, even in their young innocent years!

I find too, that our children who have struggled the most also have the most tender hearts. Today in town one of my

youngsters insisted on buying roses and chocolates for me. Really? What do little boys know about chocolate and red roses? I don't know, but there must have been a God in heaven who wanted to show His love and did so through an innocent little boy, delighted to bring delight to

his mother. There is no recipe that will touch the glory and light of our Savior in the harder times of life, so I'll jot down a Pie of Life you may have tried for yourself. And then for those of you want an actual pie that will refresh you during these warm summer months, try the lemon pie.

### Pie Of Life

3 tablespoons disappointments

1 cup trials

2 cups unanswered questions 1/2 cup lack of sleep

2 cups misunderstand-5 teaspoons insecurity

1. Mix altogether and realize you cannot handle it another moment. 2. Tell Jesus you accept the bitter taste.

3. Thank Him for taking it when He took that

bitter cup at His death. 4. Generously allow Him to slather grace, healing, and mercy over

Let set, absorb in wonder, and taste the good-

ness of the Lord. You will notice the sting of unfairness has left and find yourself coming back for liberal servings of this

soothing concoction that is sure to satisfy

### Gloria's Luscious Lemon Pie

1 cup sugar 3 tablespoons cornstarch

> 1 cup milk 3 egg yolks

½ cup lemon juice ½ teaspoon lemon extract

pinch salt

4 tablespoons butter 1 cup sour cream

Mix sugar and cornstarch and add milk. Bring to a boil and cook several minutes and add egg yolks and boil gently. Next add lemon juice, lemon flavoring and a pinch of salt plus butter. Cool a bit and add 1 cup sour cream. Pour into a baked 9-inch pie shell, top with whipped topping. Chill.

# Our Yesterdays

## 2015

Whitney Horras, a 2015 Pekin graduate was named queen at the Jefferson County Fair last Wednesday. She was also named Miss Congeniality, Miss Leadership, and she won the "Think on Your Feet" award. Taylor Lock, also from Pekin, was named first runner-up. Following all of her responsibilities at the Jefferson County Fair, Horras will compete in the Iowa State Fair Queen Contest in August held at the beginning of the State Fair

Jaydin Dixon Wade was born Thursday, June 4, 2015 at 12:46 p.m. He weighed four pounds. 11 ounces, and measured 18-1/2 inches long. His parents are Samantha Roach of Brighton and Adam Wade of Mount Pleasant. His brothers are four-year-old Kaydin Wade and one-year-old Avin Wade. Grandparents are Laura Roach of Brighton and Bry-an Roach of Houston, Texas. Great-grandparents in Iowa are Patty Bass and Denny Wade. Greatgrandparents in Illinois are Debra and Robert Carter.

The following area Central College students

are abroad with Central summer programs: Torie Hollingsworth of Hedrick, business management major, is studying and completing a summer internship in London, England. The summer program provides opportunities across disciplines, including art, business, politics, marketing, theater, social services and more. Todd Clubb of Richland, physics major, is studying in Merida, Yuca-tan. The language and culture program helps students learn and improve written and oral Spanish skills, and they develop an understanding of Merida's history, culture and cus-toms. To reinforce the practical use of Spanish, instruction takes place in local cafes, markets and grocery stores as well as in classrooms.

The Brighton Bear Reunion was held on the Saturday of Whoopee Days. Approximately 75 people were in attendance. Introductions were made and class members and friends had fun sharing stories of their school days and time in Brighton. The class of 1955 was honored for their 60 year reunion and rode in the parade

earlier in the day. Marjorie (Hesseltine) Polton from the class of 1942 was the oldest graduate in attendance. Lee Schafer spoke about Lake Darling, the progress on the all-season cabins, and the many happenings and accomplishments. Several books about Ding Darling, his editorial cartoons, and pictures of the lake today

were on display. Charles Phillip Wikoff (1961) of Oakwood Hills, Delaware presented one of his paintings to Chuck Emry, a city council member, for the city. This beautiful picture will be displayed in the community center. Mr. Wiloff is an accomplished artist in Delaware, where he was chosen New Castle County (Delaware) Ducks Unlimited Artist of the Year in 1986, 1987, and 1988. He was also commissioned to do a poster for the LPGA McDonald's Golf Classis, as well as many other awards. The class of 1961, of which Wikoff was a mem-ber also rode in the parade. Fred Robinson (1961) and Wanda Lowe (1961) organized and hosted an open house at Lake Darling Lodge on Friday for former Brighton classmates, teachers,

and residents.

Kathryn Pacha (1954) and Shirley Schooley (1954) took care of the registration table. Phyllis Scheeler (1960), Wanda Lowe (1961), Rosemary Pacha (1961), and Mary Mitch-ell (1962) served at the reception table. Rose mary Pacha served as Master of Ceremonies for the afternoon. She read an article about Brighton of Brighton appeared in 1917 which focused on the many businesses and activities taking place at the time. Those in attendance were from all over Iowa, Illinois, Florida, Arizona, Oregon, Washington, Missouri, and Arkansas. Everyone who attended the different festivities during Whoopee Days enjoyed renewing acquaintances and visiting. They were especially pleased with Lake Darling. Some even camped there for the weekend. The Brighton Bear Reunion will plan to meet again next year during Whoopee Days, the third weekend in June.

## 1990

Four people were injured and two people charged with willful injury following what authorities called a "riot" on Main Street in Hedrick. James Peden and Jeffrey Peden, both of Hedrick, were charged with willful injury

Richland and Ollie are having a "Welcome Back Graduation" party for Jane Jordan who finished her Seminary Schooling at the Richland United Methodist Church.

Jo Carroll (Jody) Rich in court on a warrant charging her with first degree theft. Rich is charged with the theft of \$10,000 from the Vittetoe Veterinary Clinic in Brighton, where she was employed for 10 years.

A family business and two pieces of history went up in flames when fire destroyed Miller Plumbing and Heating on Main Street in Wayland. The business was housed in two buildings that have been a part of Wayland Main Street since the late 1800s. The build-ing that housed the Miller office and metal working room, according to records, build in the late 1800s and known as the C.E. Bergh Variety Store. The building on the right of that building was a garage for many

Mike Hadley of Richland placed an overall

second place in the 13th annual Pro Balloon Races in Ottumwa.

An Open House was held at the Sasseen Hardware store. The business was recently moved from the Greeson building on the south side of the Richland square to the building on the north side formerly owned by J.H. Plitt, and operated as "The Drug Store." Employees of the firm, Vic Oswalt, Wilford Elmore, Jack Hesseltine, and part-time helper Keith Sasseen were on hand to welcome all visitors.

Mrs. Howard Thomas is the new president of the Richland High School alumni association. She succeeds Bruce Robinson, who served the past year.

Dick Conklin has been elected as president of the Richland Lions Club for the coming year. Other officers are Dick Caughlan, first vice president; A. J. "Steamer" Steinbeck, second vice president, and Bruce Robinson, third vice president. John King will serve as secretary-treasurer. Lion Tamer will be Jerry Robinson, with Ben Rusk and Orin Davis serving as Tail Twisters.

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JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' PROCEEDINGS

July 2, 2025 At 2:30 P.M., Chair Dimmitt called the

meeting of the Board of Supervisors to order. The meeting was held in the First Floor meeting room of the Jefferson County Courthouse.

County Courthouse.
Board members present were: Lee
Dimmitt, Chairman; Susie Drish, ViceChairman; Joe Ledger, Supervisor.
Supervisors met with Chelsea Mock
with the ambulance billing company and
Ambulance Director to discuss
ambulance billing.
There being no further business, the
meeting was adjourned.
ATTEST:
Christy I. Conner

Lee Dimmitt, Chairman

Board of Supervisors

JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' PROCEEDINGS

At 9:00 A.M., Chair Dimmitt called the meeting of the Board of Supervisors to order. The meeting was held in the First Floor meeting room of the Jefferson County Courthouse.

Board members present were: Lee Dimmitt, Chairman; Susie Drish, Vice-

Chairman; Joe Ledger, Supervisor. It was moved by Dimmitt, seconded by

Drish that the following resolution be

RESOLUTION WHEREAS, it is desired to appropriate additional budget to Department 36 (Ambulance) in Service Area 1000 (Public Safety and Legal Services); and

Christy L. Conner

County Auditor

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NAYS: None

Subdivision

WHEREAS, Service Area 1000 within Department 05 (Sheriff) has budget remaining; THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by

the Board of Supervisors of Jefferson County that a reappropriation of Service Area 1000 in the amount of \$16,097 from the Sheriff's budget to the Ambulance

It was moved by Ledger, seconded by Dimmitt to adjourn. All "Aye". Motion

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oudget be made. Passed this 27th day of June, 2025

Lee Dimmitt Susie Drish Joseph Ledger

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Attest: Christy L. Conner

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