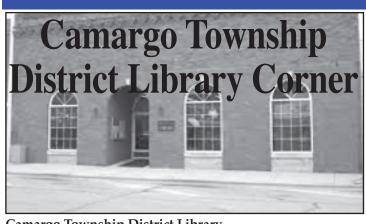
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# What's Happening... VG Community Report



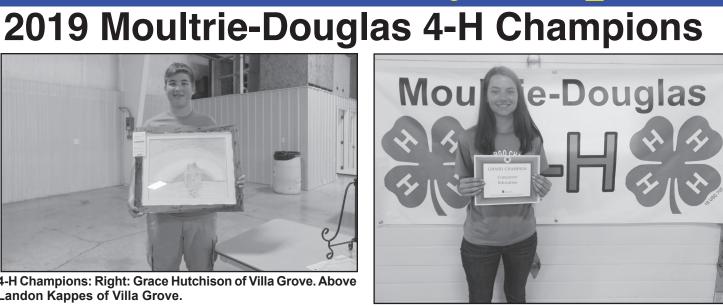
Camargo Township District Library July 4th and 5th Closed for 4th of July Holiday

July 12 Friday Funday 10-11 : Bingo

July 19 Friday Funday 10-11 : Craft Time

July 23: National Ice Cream Day- Stop in for a cup of ice cream 4-H Champions: Right: Grace Hutchison of Villa Grove. Above

July 26 Friday Funday 10-11 : Water Fun



# Community VBS Summertime Fun in Villa Grove







Community VBS Held at the VG Methodist Church offers many fun learning activities for local kids this summer.

### Villa Grove Freedom Celebration | Nine Holes for Nelo **Beautiful Babies Pagent Winnners**



Villa Grove Beautiful Babies Pageant Winners: 0-24 month winner Ellie Craig, 2-3 years old winner Clara Sue Anne Patton, 3-4 years old winner Rylan Lake.

Green and McCumber Capture

On Sunday, July 7, more than 40 golfers from 8th grade to 93 years old gathered at Tri-City Country Club to honor the life of Nelson Pankey. This was the 2nd year for "9 Holes for Nelo" (as Nelson was affectionately called), a 9-hole scramble in memory of Nelson who passed away on June 29, 2018. The tournament began with a tee-off on hole #1 by Nelson's greatnephew. Davin Smith, to whom Nelson was a mentor

to all his life. In Nelsons image, players were encouraged to wear flip-flops and enjoy a bud light. If only they'd had their dogs riding along, as Nelson had taken Snoopy and later Sparky, it would have been complete. A scholarship in Nelson's memory is being set up for this spring and for the following 4 years. The scholarship will be for graduating senior members of area high school golf teams within a 50-mile radius of Tri-City

Country Club. Applicants are to write an essay entitled "What golf means to me" and the scholarship recipient will be selected by Nelson's family. Although Nelson left us too early in his life, the scholarship can serve was a way to keep his love of golf alive. The annual tournament serves as a wonderful opportunity to share stories and memories of our friend. Nelo.

### JFL Weigh In: Football only a **Month Away**



## **Peering into the Past**



The 2019 Miss and Little Miss Moultrie-Dougals County Fair Queen pageant was held on Tuesday, July 9 as 27 contestants vied for their respective titles before a packed house. (Front row) Bentley Parsons, 2018 Little Miss Moultrie-Douglas and the new 2019 Little Miss Moultrie-Douglas Reagan McCumber (Villa Grove). (Back row) 2018 Jr. Miss Moultrie-Douglas Andrea Dehart, 2018 Miss Moultrie-Douglas Ashley Mattingly, 2019 Jr. Miss Moultrie-Douglas Reggan Smith, newly crowned 2019 Miss Moultrie-Douglas Makenna Green (Arthur), Kayla Hodge (Arthur) 1st Runner-Up, Molly Mahannah (Arcola) 2nd Runner-Up and Faith Hardwick (Tuscola) Miss Congeniality. McCumber's parents are Devon and Morgan McCumber and she was sponsored by Todd Edmundson Country Companies, Tuscola. Green is the daughter of Justin and Monica Green and her sponsor was Sloan Implement, Atwood.



Villa Grove Cemetery Committee outdoors for lunch in the early 1900's

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ing able to think for themselves. I listened to them.

Which is something ironic about our age of total interconnectivity – we have all these communications capabilities but is anyone really listening to us? Except for the government as they are evidently listening to everything! Can I interest you in these black shoes and match-

ing black purse to go with your spy outfit? How about The Greatest Hits of New Zealand Aboriginal Polka Music CD? Just a suggestion!