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Community Events

Meetings

Generations all-members meeting — All Generations members and new members, please attend the meeting at 12:15 p.m. Monday, Dec. 8. Election of two new board members, financial reports and review of the year are on the agenda.

Beaver Creek Township Board will meet at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Dec. 8, in the township hall.

Vienna Township Board will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 9, at the Kenneth Community Center.

Compassionate Friends Group grief support group, loss of a child/grandchild will meet at 6:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 14, at the Luverne Area Community Foundation, 102 E. Main Street, Luverne. This is the worldwide candle lighting event for the loss of a child. Please bring a photo of your loved one and a candle.

Refreshments will be served. Call Mary 507-290-1642 or Kristi 507-227-7821 with questions.

Crafts, cookies and conversation

Join for crafts, cookies and friendly conversation at 2:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 11, at Generations, 105 S. Estey Street in Luverne. Sign up by Dec. 8 in the Generations lobby or email Jackie at generationseventscoordinator@gmail.com.

SHARE distribution

The Rock County SHARE program will be distributing groceries, clothing, toys, socks/underwear, and personal hygiene products to Rock County residents in need from noon to 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 10, at the American Reformed Church in Luverne (304 N. Fairview Drive). Please note, the SHARE program will NOT be accepting donations of used items at this time. To support SHARE, please mail your monetary donation to SHARE, PO Box 792, Luverne, MN 56156. For more information contact Amy at 507-227-6944 or Monica at 507-820-1100.

Holiday choir concert Dec. 11

The Luverne Middle/High School Holiday Choir Concert will be at 1:45 and 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 11. Admission is a freewill donation with all proceeds going to support the Backpack Program. The concert will feature the sixth grade choir, the seventh-eighth grade choir, the treble choir, the tenor-bass choir, and the concert choir all under the direction of Seana Graber.

Hardwick Santa Day Dec. 13

The Hardwick Community Club will host the Hardwick Santa Claus Day from 2 to 3:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 13, in the Hardwick Community Hall.

Jesse Moffitt Entertainment will present a magic show beginning at 2 p.m. Photos with Santa begins at 2:45 p.m. along with decorating Christmas cookies and make and take craft items.

Community Ed class offered

Taking **Defensive Driving** classes allows adults 55 years of age and older to save on insurance premiums. As of July 1, 2024, you are able to take a four-hour class to receive the discount, and then repeat the class every three years to continue receiving the discount. The schedule for Luverne classes follows: upcoming class —Dec. 8.

Kids ages 10 and up can join Janet Marshall of Yellow Rose Cookie Shoppe on Dec. 9, for **Happy Holly-Days** sugar cookie decorating to learn the basics of cookie design using royal icing. Each participant will decorate and take home three fun, groovy cookies—no experience needed! Fee is \$25 and includes all supplies.

Students (grades 1-6) will follow along with the instructor step by step to create a painting at **Paint & Snack class** on Dec. 11. Fee is \$35.

Boys and girls in grades three through six can attend **Holiday Hoops Skills Camp** on Dec. 29 and 30. This camp is optional. Players of all skill levels are encouraged to participate. Fee is \$20.

Census information needed for preschool children

If you are new to the community, please call Community Education at 507-283-4724 with your family information for all children ages zero up to kindergarten. The school district uses the information for planning purposes, mailing out flyers regarding school events, including the state-mandated preschool screening for all three-year-old children living in Minnesota. If your child is four years old and has not been screened, please call 507-283-4724. The screening should be completed prior to kindergarten.

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4:30–6:30 pm

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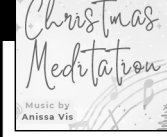
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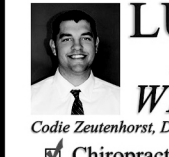
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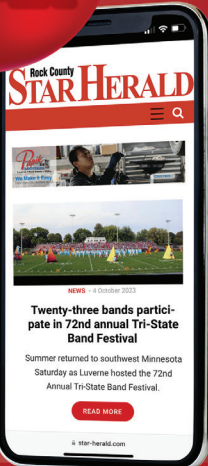


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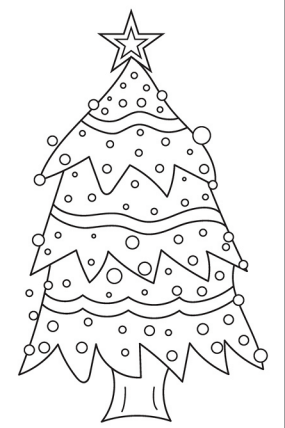
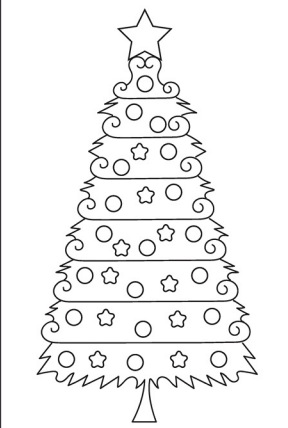
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PRIZES will be awarded in SIX age categories!
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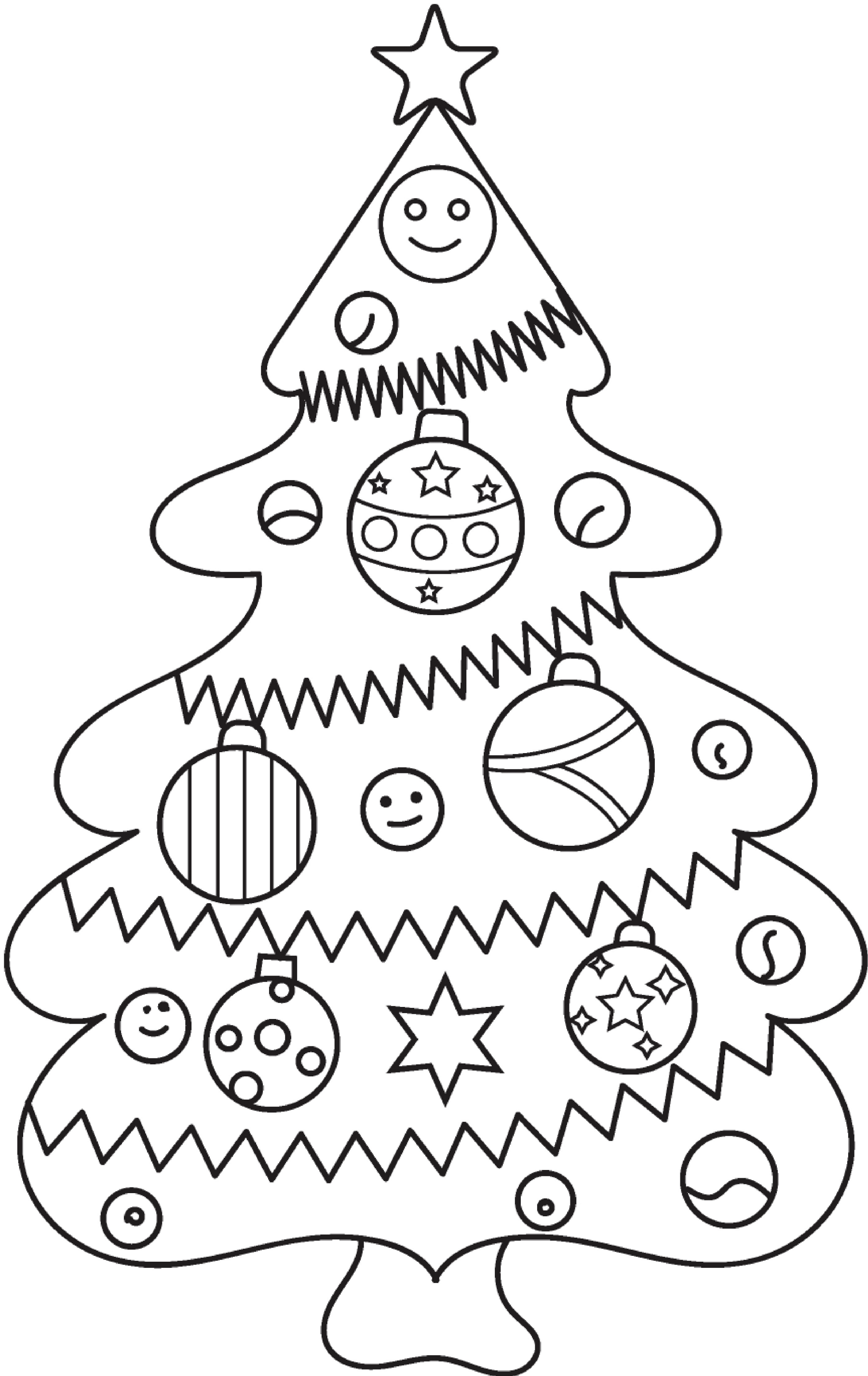
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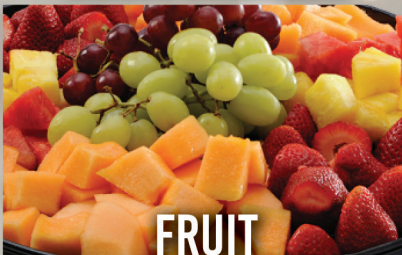
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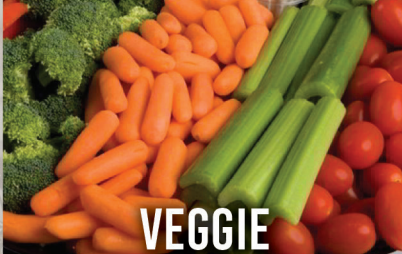
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