

Bluffland Highlights

A Regionally-Themed Stained Glass Window

by Pilot Mound Sculptor and Stained Glass Artist Karl Unnasch

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F&M Community Bank

in Preston, MN

An alluring medley of regional color, this 4x6-foot stained glass window in the main lobby of F&M Bank in Preston – a work by local sculptor and stained glass artist Karl Unnasch – turns “mundane” elements from Fillmore County culture into a glowing whirl of rural fantasy. Plays on scale have a river tube floating in a glass of milk and a strawberry dwarfing a doe and her fawn, while a giant Angus beef cow peeks shyly from behind a canoe and a monstrous brook trout emerges from behind a bicycle wheel. Art becomes a puzzle as the window draws one in to start picking out the elements. There is even a sly nod to F&M Bank directly in the design – hidden in plain sight at front center stage. Can you find it?

Karl presents this work with great respect and affection for the people of Fillmore County and F&M Bank and hopes that it will continue to please passersby for many years to come.



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Not sure you've spotted everything?

Here is a list of the elements Karl included in the design:

Representing local wildlife:

Whitetail Deer (Buck, Doe, Fawn)
Turkey
Cardinal
Bluebird
Monarch Butterfly
Honey Bee
Bald Eagle
Brook Trout

Representing local agriculture and farming:

Angus Beef Cow
Field Corn
Oats
Soybeans
Hay Bale
Egg
Glass of Milk
Apple
Strawberry

Representing area history and recreational pastimes:

Arrowhead
River Tube
Bicycle (Wheel)
Canoe
Skis (Cross-Country)
Golf-Ball

Representing local flora:

Morel Mushroom
Oak Tree (Bur, Pin, & Red and/or Black Oak Leaves)
American Elm Tree (Leaf)
Black Cherry Tree (Leaf)
Cottonwood Tree (Leaf)
Red Ash Tree (Leaf)
Black Walnut Tree (Leaf)
Bitternut Hickory Tree (Leaf)
Maple Tree (Silver, Sugar & Red Maple Leaves)

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