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SCHEDULING NIGHTMARE: Persistent rain causes multiple late-season postponements. **PAGE 2**



Bluejacket pole vaulters Calvin Piescher, Lucas Frank, Wesley Kennedy, Abby Kryzer, Aubrey Wilson, and Annabelle O'Brien all have a reasonable chance of advancing to the Class AAA State Meet.

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Rise of the sky walkers
Bluejacket pole vaulters look to exceed recent successes

BY BILL STICKELS III
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In the long, storied history of Cambridge-Isanti Bluejacket track and field, one event has consistently excelled over any other as of late: pole vault.

Since 2011, there has been only one season (excluding the COVID-canceled 2020 season) where the Bluejackets didn't have at least one athlete competing in the event at the State Meet. More impressively, in that same span, a total of 20 Bluejackets — 13 boys and seven girls — have qualified for state. To qualify for state, an athlete must finish first or second at the section meet, or they must beat a qualifying standard at the section meet. In the case of pole vault, that means clearing a predetermined minimum height.

As successful as the Bluejacket pole vaulters have been in the recent past, this year's group is on the verge of being the most successful ever. Based on previous results throughout this season, all six section competitors (each school is allowed up to three athletes per event at sections) have a reasonable chance of qualifying for state.

BOYS LOOK TO REPEAT THE FEAT

If all three boys pole vaulters advance to state, it will be the second season in a row for C-I, and the third time in school history. All three have already eclipsed this season's qualifying stan-

dard of 13 feet, 2 inches by at least eight inches, meaning at sections they could fall short of their personal best by half a foot and still advance to state.

Given that, the trio has collectively set their sights on the even more impressive result of all three medaling at state by finishing in the top nine.

Leading the boys is junior Calvin Piescher, who finished third at state last season. Not only does Calvin have his sights set on taking first at state, but doing so by breaking the state record of 16 feet, 2 inches. Calvin's official personal best is currently 15 feet, 8 inches.

"Calvin started out being a good athlete but not a great pole vaulter," Bluejacket boys track and field head coach Kent Viesselman said. "But once he figured out the basics of vaulting, he excelled. He is one of the hardest workers and most dedicated track athletes we have ever had at Cambridge-Isanti.

"He will go down as one of the greatest pole vaulters in the history of Minnesota by the time his high school career is over," Viesselman prophesized.

Senior Lucas Frank also competed at state last season, coming in 17th place. Lucas has already topped his height of 13 feet, 6 inches at last year's state, twice clearing 14 feet, even.

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Cambridge bans downtown cannabis stores

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Anyone wishing a marijuana sales store would open up in a certain downtown Cambridge space and keep the previous business' name will now be disappointed.

On a unanimous vote and with minimal discussion, the Cambridge City Council has approved an amendment to the city's cannabis sales ordinance that removes the downtown business district and downtown fringe business district from the zones where a cannabis sales business may open.

According to Cambridge City Administrator Evan Vogel, over the last few months, city staff have been approached by prospective cannabis business owners inquiring about two vacant buildings in downtown Cambridge: the former North Metro Auto Sales site and the former Herman's Bakery site. Before getting too far into the process, Vogel said staff wanted to get a final, definitive answer to whether the council wished to allow such a business to open downtown.

"Given the focus of previous strategic planning efforts, I did not want to presume the council would be supportive of a new and semi-controversial business class in that business district the council has deemed the cultural hub of the city," Vogel said.

According to Community and Economic Development Director Marcia Westover, the amendment would still allow for the sale of low-potency hemp edibles downtown, such as if one of the downtown restaurants decided to start selling THC-infused drinks that have become popular. Additionally, the change would still allow a cannabis sales business to open along the Highway 95 business corridor to the east of the railroad tracks, or in the industrial districts.

"There's ample opportunities in our city to open such a business," Westover said. "The callers have asked about the two businesses downtown, but there are other vacant buildings in the city they are also interested in."



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What does
this thing
do?

Kids of all ages got a chance to get an up-close look at a wide variety of heavy duty machinery during Isanti County's annual "Touch a Truck" event held at the Isanti County Fairgrounds. Despite strong winds and the threat of inclement weather, a large crowd attended this year's event. For more photos, go to www.isanti-chisago-countystar.com.

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VAULTERS: Jackets hope to send six to state for first time in school history

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“Lucas has been an excellent leader,” Viesselman said. “He has always been willing to compete in any event that could help the team.”

Junior Wesley Kennedy would be the state meet “rookie” among the three. Like Lucas, he has cleared 14 feet, even in multiple meets this season.

“Wesley has made himself a great pole vaulter through hard work both in and out of the season,” Viesselman said. “Wesley has passion for life and pole vaulting. He gets excited for not only himself but his teammates and his passion is infectious.”

“I think we are as good as we are because everyone is pushing each other to get better,” Wesley said. “That’s really helpful to have that competition throughout even our team.”

GIRLS LOOK TO MATCH BOYS

Unlike the boys, if the Bluejacket girls pull off the state meet trifecta, it would be the first time in school history. In fact, C-I has never had two pole vaulters share the same state meet runway before. Also unlike the boys, for the three girls to advance, two of them would have to beat their personal best height.

Abby Kryzer has the best chance of earning a state meet berth. The senior is currently tied for first in Section 7AAA, previously clearing 11 feet, even — the same height she cleared for eighth place at state last season.

“Abby has trained relentlessly, pursuing her goal of higher heights with a vengeance throughout her career,” said Bluejacket girls track and field head coach Michael Galligan. “She is

an amazing role model and leader to the vault squad.”

Junior Aubrey Wilson is currently a mere three inches away from the state-qualifying height of 10 feet, 10 inches.

“Aubrey is meticulous in her form and uses finesse to continue to soar higher and higher in her vaulting,” Galligan said. “She is the future leader of the squad.”

Not to put additional pressure on her, but accomplishing the girl’s trifecta may very well rest on the shoulders of eighth-grader Annabelle O’Brien. While competing on the varsity team the entire season, Annabelle went from clearing 9 feet in several meets to clearing 10 feet, 6 inches twice in the last three meets. This puts her within four inches of the state-qualifying height.

Her rapid ascension among the ranks has also caused Annabelle to modify her personal goals for the season.

“I do want to make it to state really bad,” Annabelle admitted. “But I think I really made my goal of ten-six.”

“Annabelle is a mashup of raw speed and force combined with great determination to make her mark on the team,” Galligan said, “which is an incredible feat at her age.”

The Bluejackets will make their run at history during the Section 7AAA Meet at Forest Lake. The boy’s pole vault will be held on Wednesday, May 28, with the girl’s pole vault being held on Friday, May 30. The Class AAA State Meet will be held at St. Michael-Albertville on Tuesday, June 10, and Thursday, June 12.



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C-I’s Christian Weltz tags out a Zimmermann base runner trying to steal second during the Jackets’ game against the Thunder. The Jackets topped the Thunder 7-1.

C-I, NORTH BRANCH SCOREBOARD: MAY 14 - 20

May 14

C-I girls golf @ Purple Hawk - 4th/9 teams

*Top finisher: Allie Nystrom - 8th place (94)

C-I softball 6, Sauk Rapids-Rice 1

C-I baseball 1, Chisago Lakes 2

NB girls golf @ Purple Hawk - 1st/9 teams

*Top finisher: Jenna Minke - 3rd place (88)

NB softball 3, Rock Ridge 13

NB baseball 1, Hermantown 6

NB boys tennis 4, Totino Grace 3 (Section 6A first round)

*Top finisher: Tyler Minke - 18th place (79)

NB baseball vs. Monticello - ppd to May 21

May 19

C-I girls golf @ Princeton - 4th/9 teams

*Top finisher: Amber Grecula - 8th place (93)

C-I baseball 7, Zimmermann 1

NB girls golf @ Princeton - 2nd/9 teams

*Top finisher: Jenna Minke - 6th place (90)

NB boys tennis 1, Pine City 6 (Section 6A Team Semifinals)

May 20

C-I boys golf vs. St. Francis (head-to-head match for Rum River Cup) - postponed

C-I boys tennis vs. Anoka (Section 7AA quarterfinals) - postponed to May 21

C-I baseball vs. Spring Lake Park - canceled

C-I softball vs. Anoka (Section 7AAAA double-elimination tournament) - postponed to May 21

NB baseball vs. Duluth Denfeld - postponed to May 23

NB softball 13, Cloquet 16 (First round, Section 7AAA double-elimination tournament)

May 15

C-I boys tennis @ Section 7AA Individual Tournament

*Phil Yerigan (singles), Keagen Lowman & Micah Gustafson (doubles) advance to semifinals

NB softball 4, Cloquet 19

May 16

C-I boys golf @ Grand National Golf Club - 16th/19 teams

*Top finisher: Keegan Westman - 38th place (84)

C-I softball 8, Duluth East 0

C-I baseball 8, Coon Rapids 5

NB boys golf @ Grand National Golf Club

UPCOMING HOME, SECTION TOURNAMENT SCHEDULES

To see both schools’ full schedules, go to www.mississippi8.org. Schedules are subject to change with minimal advanced notice based on weather, availability of officials, or other reasons.

Thursday, May 22

•NB softball @ Cloquet - Section 7AAA Double Elimination Tournament

•C-I & NB boys & girls track and field @ C-I (Mississippi8 Conference Championship) (11:30 a.m.)

Friday, May 23

•C-I softball @ Forest lake - Section 7AAAA Double Elimination Tournament (3:30 p.m.)

•NB baseball vs. Duluth Denfeld (4:30 p.m.)

Tuesday, May 27

•C-I boys tennis vs. TBD @ Forest Lake - Section 7AA Team semifinals (10 a.m.) & finals (2 p.m.)

*assuming continued victories in tournament

Wednesday, May 28

•C-I boys and girls track @ Forest Lake - Section 7AAA Prelims (11 a.m.)

•C-I baseball @ TBD - Section 7AAAA Double Elimination Tournament

•C-I boys and girls golf @ Grand National Golf Club - Section 7AAA Prelims

•NB boys and girls track @ home - Section 7AA Prelims (11 a.m.)

•NB baseball @ TBD - Section 7AAA Double Elimination Tournament

Thursday, May 29

•C-I baseball @ TBD - Section 7AAAA Double Elimination Tournament

•NB baseball @ TBD - Section 7AAA Double Elimination Tournament

•NB boys and girls golf @ Pebble Creek - Section 5AA Prelims

•C-I boys and girls golf @ Grand National Golf Club - Section 7AAA finals

Friday, May 30

•C-I boys and girls track @ Forest Lake - Section 7AAA Finals (5 p.m.)

Saturday, May 31

•NB boys and girls track @ home - Section 7AA Finals (11 a.m.)



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MON, WED & FRI
Exercise with Connie
At the Chisago County Senior Center 38790 6th Ave., North Branch. From 10:30-11:30 a.m.

MON & WED
500 Cards
At the Chisago County Senior Center 38790 6th Ave., North Branch at 12:45 p.m.

MON & THUR
Alcoholics Anonymous
7p.m. Main Street Church 6500 Main Street, North Branch, MN. Enter east door. Informational Hotline is 763-312-1088

MON - FRI
Senior Dining
North Branch, Chisago County Senior Center 11:45 a.m. Diners need to pre-register at least one day in advance call 651-674-1956 between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. An annual registration form is required before dining.

MONDAYS
Bridge
1 to 3 p.m. at the Cambridge SAC, 140 Buchanan St, Cambridge

Scrabble (2nd Monday)
10 a.m. to Noon at the Cambridge SAC, 140 Buchanan St, Cambridge

Women's only Adult Children of Alcoholics and Dysfunctional Families
7 p.m. at Cambridge Lutheran Church, 621 Old Main St N, Cambridge Mn 55008 For more information contact Rebecca at 612-702-2844 or CoraJayne 612-210-1605

Mahjong
Noon to 3 p.m. at Cambridge SAC, 140 Buchanan St, Cambridge

Fresh Beginnings Alanon
Family Groups meets each Monday 7 - 8 p.m. at Access Church, 4359 - 392nd St., North Branch. Visit minnesotanorth-al-anon.org for more information.

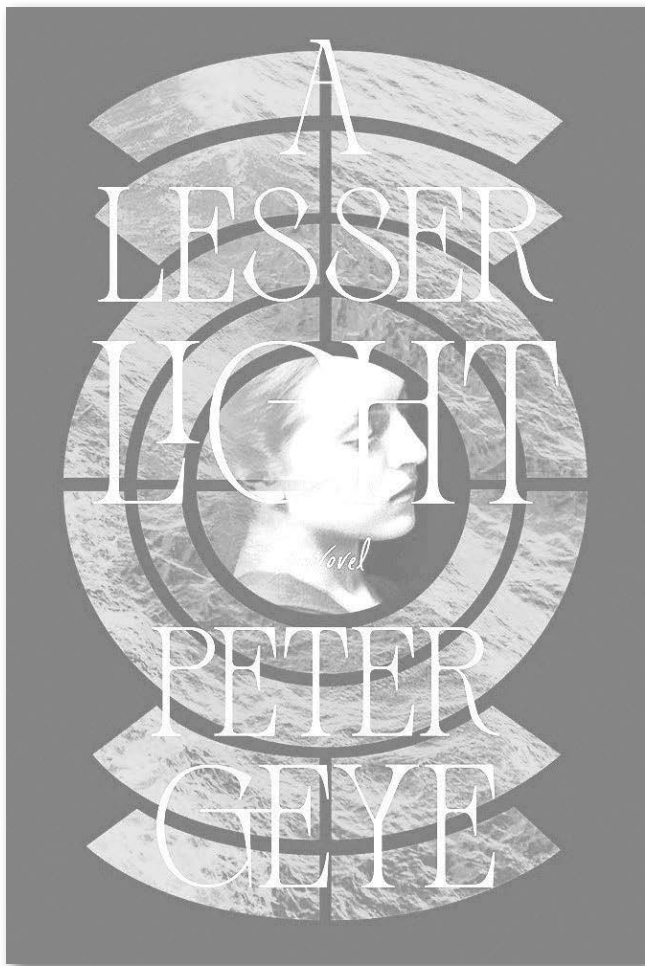
Book Club
Third Monday 11 a.m. to noon at Isanti SAC, 140 Buchanan St., N. #164 Cambridge. Isanti County Library lends the books and there is no cost to participate. For info: sacs@midco-network.com

TUES & THURS
Boxing for Those w/Parkinson's
Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10:15 a.m. and 5 p.m. at 115 Adams Street South, Cambridge. For more information, call 763-221-6883.

TUESDAYS
Braham Parkinson's Support
7 p.m. third Tuesday of the month. Braham Evangelical Lutheran Church, 905 Central Drive W., Braham. For more info. call Lonnie Anderson at 612-423-1863.

Alzheimer's Support
Third Tuesday of each month from 10-11 a.m. at GracePointe Heritage Center, 322 River Hills Place North, Cambridge. For info call Lyndsey Larson 763-691-6172.

Memory Cafe
A social gathering for people with memory loss and their loved ones to connect, build support networks, and have fun. First Tuesday of every month, 10 - 11:30 a.m. at GracePointe Crossing Heritage Center, 322 River Hills Place North, Cambridge. Contact Julie at 763-306-5066 for more info.



Author Peter Gey will be at Cambridge Library with Author Thomas Maltman on May 29.

Music
Chisago County Senior Center 38790 6th Ave., North Branch Area musicians and vocalists donate their time and talents to provide music before the meal 11:15 a.m.

Dominos
At the Chisago County Senior Center 38790 6th Ave North Branch at 10 a.m.

Dominoes
10 a.m. to Noon at the Cambridge SAC

WEDNESDAYS
Cribbage
9 to 11 a.m. at the Cambridge SAC, 140 Buchanan St, Cambridge

Wizard
11 a.m. to noon at the

Cambridge SAC, 140 Buchanan St, Cambridge

Pinochle
12:30 to 3 p.m. at the Cambridge SAC

Mahjong
12:30 to 2:30 p.m. at the Cambridge SAC, 140 Buchanan St, Cambridge

Alanon
7 p.m. at the Isanti Alano Club, 790 Heritage Blvd. Isanti. 763-444-4605

Chisago County Drop-In Center
Open 10 a.m.-2 p.m. located at Main Street Church, 6500 Main Street, North Branch. For individuals 18 yrs or older living with mental illness. This is a place to

spend time with peers in planned activities and groups. Our stff is also available to assist with connecting to resources and services. More info: 651-213-5600 or Adult-mentalhealth.org.

THURSDAYS
East Central Baby Cafe
Free drop-in breastfeeding support from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Adult Enrichment Center, 540 5th Ave NW, Cambridge, MN. For more info. call 763-689-1711.

Cambridge-Edgewood AFG
Cambridge-Edgewood Al-Anon Family Group meets from 7-8 p.m. at Cambridge Lutheran Church, 621 Old Main Street N. Visit minnesotanorth-al-anon.org for more information.

Parkinson's Support Group
Third Thursday of the month - 1-2:30 p.m. Walker Methodist Levande, 2011 6th Lane SE, Cambridge, MN for more info call 763-325-0100

Bingo
At the Chisago County Senior Center 38790 6th Ave North Branch at 10a.m.

Hand and Foot
At the Chisago County Senior Center 38790 6th Ave North Branch at 12:30p.m.

500
12:30 to 3 p.m. at the Cambridge SAC, 140 Buchanan St, Cambridge

Bunco
Third Thursday 10 a.m. to Noon at the Cambridge SAC, 140 Buchanan St, Cambridge

ACA Adult Children of Alcoholics/ Dysfunctional Families Meeting
7 p.m. at Access Church, 4359 392nd St,

North Branch. For more information call 612-251-6556 or email acanorth-branch@gmail.com

Fresh Beginnings Alanon Family Group
From 7-8 p.m. at Access Church, 4359 392nd Street, North Branch. Visit minnesota-al-anon.org for more information.

Medicare and Medicaid 101 Open House
Stop in to the Cambridge Library the third Thursday of the month from 1-3 p.m. to get your questions answered by trained agents. No pressure, just come on in and ask away! You may find out you know more than you think! (763) 689-7390 for more information or visit eclib.org.

FRIDAYS
Cribbage
12:45 p.m. at the Chisago County Senior Center 38790 6th Ave., North Branch.

MAY 26
Remember & Honor Memorial Day
A memorial service led by the Harris American Legion will be held 11 a.m. at Fish Lake Lutheran Church Cemetery. Following the services a chicken dinner will be served in the fellowship hall for a fee.

MAY 29
Minnesota Author Peter Geye at Cambridge Library
Minnesota author Peter Geye, will celebrate the release of his new novel, A Lesser Light, with an event at Cambridge Public Library (111 Dellwood St. N, Cambridge, MN) on at 6:30 p.m. Geye will be in conversation with fellow author Thomas Maltman. No registration is required.

UMN Extension to offer Tractor and Farm Safety Training for youth

BY EMILY KREKELBERG
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University of Minnesota Extension will be offering Youth Tractor and Farm Safety Training this summer. The youth tractor and farm safety certification program provides youth 14 years and older the opportunity to learn about safe equipment operation and general farm safety. Students who complete the program are eligible to receive a U.S. Department of Labor certificate of training. This certificate is required for 14- and 15-year-olds who

wish to work on farms as employees. This training is also a great opportunity for youth planning to work on their family's farm. This hybrid training includes an online course on the National Safe Tractor and Machinery Operation Program learning objectives and two days of in-person training that include tractor operation instruction in a safe learning environment. The online course takes 8 to 10 hours to complete and can be done at the participant's own pace. After completing the online course,

participants attend a two-day in-person training with hands-on instruction. All sections of the online course must be completed prior to attending an in-person session. In-person training is scheduled for June 12 - 13 at the Isanti County Fairgrounds, 3101 MN-95 in Cambridge. For more news from U of M Extension, visit <https://www.extension.umn.edu/news>. University of Minnesota Extension is an equal opportunity educator and employer. The cost of taking this course is

\$40 per student and includes all materials and meals on training days. Scholarships are available to ensure all students who want to complete the training can do so. Contact Emily Krekelberg at krek0033@umn.edu for more information about scholarships. Registration can be found at z.umn.edu/TractorSafetyReg25. Each location is limited to 10 students so register today! If you have any questions, please contact Emily Krekelberg at krek0033@umn.edu.

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Cambridge needs to increase number of election precincts

To the Cambridge City Council:
In light of the recent Isanti County Commissioners' decision to not purchase election epollbooks for every precinct in the county, which in turn forces the city of Cambridge precincts to revert back to paper roster books, I am asking that you immediately begin the process of increasing the city's number of precincts.

If my memory is correct, this has actually been somewhat considered before, which only makes sense. The two precincts' polling locations — one in the Fire Hall and one in the Council Chambers, are experiencing space constraints as the number of voters increases. However, the time for consideration is over and the time to take action is now.

I am convinced the only reason the city has been able to delay adding one or maybe even two precincts is because of the epollbooks. It is undeniable their use is the reason lines are shorter and the time it takes from parking your car to pulling back out is considerably shorter. When asked, Cambridge City Administrator Evan Vogel estimated the epollbooks were two or three times faster at checking in voters than the paper roster books. In my opinion, that estimate is conservative for voters whose last name begins with a more common letter of the alphabet.

Without epollbooks, I am seriously considering resorting to early in-person voting. However, based on new early in-person voting laws, that too will take longer than before thanks to not having the epollbooks.

The second reason for adding precincts is for after the polls close and the votes are tabulated. Even when utilizing the epollbooks, Cambridge's two precincts were notorious for being the last two having its results posted. Again, that makes sense based on how many more voters there are than any other precinct in the county. Now, without the epollbooks and with just the two precincts, voters might as well forget about finding out the city's election results until at the earliest the next day.

The obvious question would be where the additional precinct(s) would be? The most obvious answer is the Cambridge Library. But since the largest open space is below the ground level in the Great Northern Room, although it appears to be ADA compliant, it isn't an ideal location. Other possibilities include the Catholic Church's Parish Hall, Anoka-Ramsey Community College, or least ideally due to the distance from the parking lot to the building itself, the Armed Forces Reserve Center.

Now, I know adding precincts will cost the city more money for additional poll workers, election judges, ballot counter machines, plus other expenses. However, I feel that the city can justify the added expenses in the name of election efficiency and accuracy.

Or better yet, get Isanti County to pick up the tab. After all, it now has over \$90,000 it isn't using for any other common-sense election improvements like the epollbooks.

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Worth a Thousand Words
Bill Stickels III



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Trump is destroying the country

To the editor,

Democracy – a government of the people, by the people and for the people. Democracy is not Trump's thing. He's a dictator/authoritarian, doing for himself, not the American people.

We the people did not ask him to dismantle every segment of our government. Is it our government any longer? The hate you talk about comes from Trump every day. When you elect a criminal as President, that's what you get, someone who thinks laws don't apply to him. Why do you think there are so many lawsuits against what he is doing? Because, he's going against the law on almost all of his executive orders. He has total disregard for the Constitution. It's all about power to him. He's destroyed many lives with mass firings of thousands of people and dismantling of our federal government.

He's taken away funding for organizations that provide food and healthcare to people (USAID), funding for schools, funding for research on diseases/cancer, funding for veterans, funding for farmers and funding of the climate change that you think doesn't matter.

Climate change involves all aspects of everyone's life: rising temperatures, changes in our ecosystem with more severe storms which affects health, food and the economy. The National Weather system which helps detect the incoming storms, etc. is dismantled. Trump wants to abolish FEMA which helps with disasters such as hurricanes, tornadoes, mudslides, the fires that have affected a lot of our nation. Natural disasters caused by storms because of climate change.

The fundings he's canceled were approved by Congress. He wants states to fund these things, which they cannot afford to do. It will now come to the states to help out – who do you think is going to bear the burden of the cost? The taxpayers. In the long run he has not saved money with his cost cutting measures. We now have higher unemployment, a worsening economy and much more chaos. This is all just the tip of the iceberg, the destruction he's done for us.

The First Amendment – Freedom of Speech,

without government interference, also includes the Freedom to Protest. He doesn't want us to have these freedoms. Freedoms that Trump wishes to take away. Have you not seen the thousands of protests that happen every day against what he is doing? It is both Republicans and Democrats protesting. Republican representatives refuse to show up at townhall meetings.

I pray everyday for all Americans and the country I love and I don't want to see it destroyed. With Trump at the helm, it's going that direction.

Cathy Nelson
East Cambridge

Where will we sleep?

To the editor,

I just finished 2½ months volunteering with AARP Tax Aide. First it was so much fun, I can't wait until next year. If you have ever thought about doing it, sign up.

I sat at the table and was the first person to greet the clients. Some came in excited to know it would be done in just a little time. Others came in very stressed, some crying, about what they heard on the news about Social Security and Medicare going away, not entitlements. One man was so upset, he was supposed to take care of his wife, both in their 90s, he had promised her father he would and now won't be able to do so.

I don't believe it will happen. But the stress is making them sick and with the threat of taking Medicaid away is making it worse. To all of you that voted for the person in the White House. Please open your doors to people that may be looking for a place to sleep.

When I moved up here about 4 1/2 years ago, I was so pleased with the respect that the community showed for the military. Having a son, brother, cousins, uncles and an uncle that died in WWII made me feel like people really cared about them. So, I was so surprised when this same community supported a man that called the military suckers and losers.

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Celebrating new beginnings, strong partnerships, community conversations

As we turn the page to May, the energy of spring continues to build across Cambridge-Isanti Schools. This season has been filled with meaningful connections, community celebrations, and forward-looking conversations about the future of our schools. From welcoming our youngest Bluejackets to honoring soon-to-be graduates, the past few weeks have served as a powerful reminder of what makes our school community so special.



C-I School News
Dr. Nate Rudolph
Celebrating the Class of 2038
This spring, we had the joy of welcoming the Class of 2038 through our Kindergarten Discovery events at Cambridge Primary, Isanti Primary, and C-I STEAM School. These students and their families are taking some of their first steps in a journey that will span

the next 13 years, filled with growth, learning, friendships, and memories. It's a moment full of excitement and pride, not only for the students but for our entire school community. Their Bluejacket stories will surely include these exciting moments.

Meanwhile, our current seniors—the Class of 2025—are preparing to take their final steps as Bluejackets. Earlier this month, the Cambridge-Isanti Dollars for Scholars program hosted its annual Scholarship Award Reception, where seniors met face-to-face with local donors who are investing in their futures. Thanks to the continued generosity of our community, this year's total scholarships reached nearly \$253,850—another record-breaking year! To date, our community has provided more than \$4.5 million in scholarships, making a lasting impact on generations of Bluejacket graduates.

Celebrating Community Commitment

The Dollars for Scholars program is just one example of the powerful partnerships that support our students.

On April 25, the Bluejacket Education Foundation hosted its annual Future Fest event—a joyful evening dedicated to raising funds for learning experiences across the district. Thanks to the generosity of those in attendance and the work of the Foundation's board and volunteers, the event was a resounding success. The Foundation will soon be awarding spring classroom grants, bringing creative, hands-on learning opportunities to life in schools across the district.

Every day, we are reminded of how fortunate we are to live and work in a community that deeply values education. Whether through financial support, mentorship, or volunteerism, our students benefit from the steady commitment of so many who give their time and resources. We do not take this for granted, and we are sincerely grateful.

Planning with Purpose

Over the past several months, more than 50 dedicated community members have come together to form our Facility Task Force—part of our Strategic Plan

(Priority 4.1). This group has now met seven times, toured district buildings, studied enrollment and facility data, and engaged in deep and thoughtful dialogue about the long-term needs of our schools. Their work culminated in a set of recommendations that will help guide our School Board in developing a responsible and community-driven facilities plan. We are grateful for their time, insight, and care for the future of Cambridge-Isanti Schools.

As we look ahead to the final weeks of the school year, we're excited to celebrate the Class of 2025 together. Graduation season is always a meaningful time—one where we come together as a community to honor the accomplishments, resilience, and promise of our students. We can't wait to share in those moments with all of you.

GO BIG BLUE!

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Memorial Hospital Foundation commits \$500,000 to New Pathways

BY BOB MCCLINTICK
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A \$500,000 gift from the Memorial Hospital Foundation is propelling New Pathways, Inc., closer to breaking ground on a permanent family shelter in Cambridge.

The Memorial Hospital Foundation's donation to the "Hope Lives Here" capital campaign represents a significant boost to the nonprofit's efforts to raise \$3.5 million for a new 12,000-square-foot facility that will offer year-round shelter and wraparound services to families experiencing homelessness. The city of Cambridge is playing a crucial role and is poised to sell a parcel of land to New Pathways for \$1.

With about 75 percent of funds now raised, construction on the new site—located adjacent to downtown Cambridge—could begin this summer if the remaining balance is secured.

"This [Memorial Hospital Foundation] gift is truly a game-changer," said Mary Westlund, executive director at New Pathways. The organization has been moving toward its centralized shelter vision since 2020 when the pandemic exposed gaps in its church-based shelter model. A \$60,000 grant from the Initiative Foundation in June 2022, supported by the Otto Bremer Trust, helped the organization explore the feasibility of the project, create plans and build its capital campaign.

"To see the community step up in such a meaningful way is incredibly moving," Westlund said. "Now it's no longer 'if' we get this done—it's 'when' we get this done."

New Pathways has served families across a five-county area for 25 years, helping them transition out of homelessness and into stable housing. The new shelter will double its current capacity, allowing the organization to serve up to 10 families at a time. Families will stay in private upper-floor efficient apartments and will be supported by on-site programming, case management and recovery services. Most families stabilize within 90 days, with some staying up to six months.

"I think it's really going to be life changing," Westlund said. "I can't

imagine what it's going to mean for families to get out of fight or flight more quickly and settle into rest and digest" so they can think and problem-solve and work toward finding permanent housing.

Lowell Becker, chair of the Memorial Hospital Foundation and a longtime physician in the community, said the decision to support the campaign was immediate and unanimous. Becker and another Memorial Hospital board member are part of the "Hope Lives Here" capital campaign and abstained from voting on the shelter project.

"When it was presented to our board, there wasn't even a question," Becker said. "This was exactly the kind of project we were looking for. Everybody was totally in favor of it. We wanted to help [New Pathways] get over that fundraising threshold to take it public. That's why we jumped in with a pretty sizable amount of money."

Becker added, "Just to feel the energy around this project—it's rewarding enough. We have a board that's focused and deeply committed to using our resources for something that truly matters in this community."

The Memorial Hospital Foundation was established after the sale of Cambridge's Memorial Hospital to Allina Health. Seeded with funds from the transaction, the Foundation has maintained a strong focus on supporting health-related initiatives in Isanti County. It operates as a Partner Fund of the Initiative Foundation, which provides professional fund management and ensures long-term impact in the region.

"This generous gift demonstrates the transformative impact Initiative Foundation Partner Funds have on their communities," said Brian Voerding, Initiative Foundation president. "We're grateful to support this incredible investment, and don't doubt that the community support behind this project will allow New Pathways to model the way and to support more families in the wider Cambridge area."

For more information, or to make a donation, visit <https://newpathwaysmn.networkforgood.com/projects/201711-hope-lives-here-capital-campaign>.

Think twice before cutting it close with big rigs

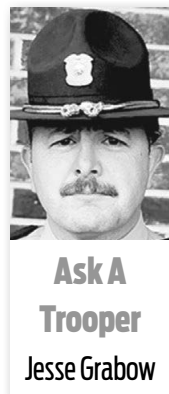
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Allina Health earns Platinum Bell Seal for workplace mental health

Mental Health America (MHA) recently awarded Allina Health with its 2025 Platinum Bell Seal for Workplace Mental Health. This is the third consecutive year Allina Health has earned this recognition. The platinum distinction is the highest level associated with MHA's Bell Seal for Workplace Mental Health, which is the nation's leading certification recognizing employers who are committed to creating mentally healthy workplaces.

As a Bell Seal recipient, Allina Health joins a select community of organizations – 359 employers across 40 states and 21 industries – who are committed to transforming the workplace into more supportive and psychologically safer spaces.

"Allina Health is proud to be recognized with the Bell Seal for Workplace Mental Health for the third year in a row," said Mary Beth Lardizabal, DO, vice president, Allina Health Mental Health and Addiction services. "Our leadership team's ongoing commitment to employee well-being is unmatched, and I credit our many work-

place mental health champions for their dedication to creating a positive workplace culture where all employees can thrive. We know when we take care of ourselves first, the patients in our care will benefit."

Employers earn MHA's Bell Seal certification by meeting or exceeding the national standards for best workplace mental health practices. Allina Health underwent a rigorous evaluation of its policies and practices in four areas: workplace culture, benefits, compliance, and wellness programs. Only two in five employers meet the standards for certification.

Allina Health is committed to providing the best for its employees and looks forward to continued work to uphold the standards set forth by the Bell Seal for Workplace Mental Health. Learn more about MHA and the Bell Seal for Workplace Mental Health at mhanational.org/bestemployers. ~ **Allina Health**

OBITUARIES

Dehl D. Lindstrom

Dehl D. Lindstrom passed away on May 17, 2025 at the age of 94. Dehl was born September 23, 1930, in Maple Ridge Township MN, the son of John and Sigrid (Johnson) Lindstrom. Dehl attended Braham schools and after graduation in 1952, he joined the Army and served in the Korean War between 1952 and 1954. He was awarded a Bronze Star with V device for Valor and in Dec. 2024, he was awarded a Congressional Gold Medal for his bravery and heroism. After the Korean War Dehl attended

the University of Minnesota-St. Paul Campus for two years. Dehl met Janet B. Tillquist in 1957 while attending Central Baptist Church in St. Paul, MN where they were married in 1959. They lived in Cambridge for two years and were blessed with a son Steven and daughter Lorie. They moved to Osceola, Wisconsin for 5 years and there their daughter Amy was born. In 1967 the family moved back to Cambridge to make their home where their youngest son, David was born. Dehl worked at Polk County Co-Op in Osceola, Wisconsin and Midland Co-op in Cambridge, MN. He then began his career with United Power Association (Great River Energy) as a Lead Combustion Turbine Operator/Mechanic, retiring after 22 years. He also worked as a custodian at the First Baptist Church in Cambridge. Dehl volunteered on the Isanti County Safety and Rescue Squad for 29 years and during this time found another

passion volunteering on the Central Minnesota Critical Incident Stress Debriefing (CISD) for 20 years. Because he could not sit still after his initial retirement, Dehl went back to work for Great River Energy part time for another 15 years, fully retiring in 2014. Dehl was a true family man and a forever friend, one who would be there for anyone anytime. He truly enjoyed time with his family and becoming “Grandpa and further living the title “Great Grandpa”. Dehl worshiped at First Baptist Church and New Hope Church in Cambridge. You could find Dehl enjoying fellowship and food at his favorite spot, Peoples Cafe, where Bob, Cindy and staff treated him like family. You could often hear Dehl saying “isn’t that something,” his signature phrase that somehow fit every occasion. Dehl is survived by his wife Janet of 66 years, son Steven, daughters Lorie (David) Spangler, and Amy (Grady)

Dahl; grandchildren Patrick (Danielle) Lemieux, Erik (Jordan) Lemieux, Jesse Spangler, Jamie (Abby) Spangler, Kayla Yerigan, Briana (Jason) Ahrenholz, Darcy Dahl, Mallory (Nate) Travis, Hailey Dahl, Cody Dahl (Sam Boland); and his 12 great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, son David, brother John, and brother-in-law Jerry Tillquist. The family would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to the staff at GracePointe Crossings and Ecumen North Branch for their compassionate care given to Dehl. Memorial service 11 a.m. Wednesday May 28, 2025 at New Hope Church, Cambridge Campus 33030 Vickers St. NE. Visitation 4-7 p.m. Tuesday May, 27, 2025 at Carlson-Lillemoen Funeral Home and one hour prior to service at church on Wednesday. Interment at Cambridge Union Cemetery. Condolences at www.carlsonlillemoen.com

Patricia Louise Kosel

Patricia Louise Kosel, 87, of Cambridge, passed away on May 6, 2025 at Abbott Northwestern Hospital, leaving behind a legacy of love, warmth, and cherished memories. Born on November 12, 1937, in St. Cloud, MN, Patricia was the beloved daughter of Norbert and Lucille (Canfield) Zenner. A graduate of St. Cloud Technical High School (Class of 1955), she began her career as a bank teller before meeting the love of her life, Marcel Kosel. The two married in 1959 and together raised three wonderful sons, who were their pride and joy. Patricia enjoyed a fulfilling career as an office assistant in the Public Relations Department at St. Cloud State University, where she formed lasting connections with her work-study students, keeping in touch with many long after graduation. Known affectionately as “Patty”, she was a compassionate and social soul who found joy in cooking, tending to her flower beds, and gathering with loved ones. She especially treasured Kosel and Zenner family reunions, summer vacations at the lake, outings with her younger sisters, and travels with her sister-in-law, Linda Kosel. Above all, Patricia found the greatest happiness in spending time with her husband, sons, daughters-in-law, grandchildren, and many dogs over the years, most recently her grand dog, Daisy. She is survived by her children, Charles (Mary) Kosel of Minnesota City, Terry Kosel (Cindy Pryzbilla) of Minneapolis, and Tim (Deanne) Kosel of Cambridge; her beloved grandchildren, Hannah, Zachary, Victoria, Olivia, and Audrey; and her dear sisters, Cheryl (Zenner) Kalis and Phyllis (Zenner) Seitz. Patricia was preceded in death by her parents, six siblings, and her husband, Marcel Kosel. Heartfelt gratitude is extended to the compassionate staff at Walker Vivie Senior Living in Cambridge, Samatha Griffrow, NP, from Genevive Care, and the dedicated team at Abbott Northwestern Hospital for their care and support. A Memorial Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11:00 AM on Friday, May 30th, 2025, at St. Joseph Catholic Church in St. Joseph, MN, with visitation one hour prior. Inurnment will be held at the Minnesota Veteran’s Cemetery in Little Falls, MN. Arrangements are being handled by Daniel Funeral Home, St. Joseph, MN.



Anthony “Tony” Kratzke

Anthony “Tony” Kratzke passed away peacefully at his home on April 20,2025. Tony was born November 2, 1961, and was the first born son to Carl and Bonnie Kratzke of Maplewood. Tony is survived by his Mother Bonnie, wife Theresa, son Ryan (Emily), daughter Megan and two grandchildren. A private family gathering will be held on June 5, 2025.

Verna Mae Leaf

Verna Mae Leaf, 90, went to her heavenly home on May 18, 2025 with family surrounding her at Cambridge Medical Center. She was born February 12, 1935 at home in Maple Ridge Township to Jasper and Hulda Pearson. When her parents were no longer able to take care of her because of medical circumstances, she went to live with Gunnar and Elizabeth Woodland, whom became her foster parents. She felt so blessed and they meant the world to her. Verna attended first — eighth grades at Common (known as Stake School) in Cambridge. She attended Cambridge High School and graduated in 1953. Following graduation, she was employed by Honeywell, as a secretary in the Aeronautical Engineers Department. She was privileged to work on classified space projects for the U.S Government. She was united in marriage to Donald Leaf on October 27, 1956 at Cambridge Lutheran Church. They were blessed with three children: Mark, Julie, and Sharalyn. Verna was a stay-at-home mom until 1971 when she went to work at the Isanti County Courthouse for 27 years, eventually becoming a Deputy Auditor. She retired in 1998. She was a lifelong member of Cambridge Lutheran Church and an active member of Deborah Circle. She was also an active member of the Border Belles Homemakers Group, the Braham VFW Auxiliary and the Isanti Lioness. Verna was an outgoing person. She enjoyed solving crosswords, playing dominos and board games. Game Show Network was one of her favorite TV programs. She enjoyed her winter home in Hot Springs, Arkansas with Donald. They made several trips to California, Arizona, Florida and Northern Minnesota, but their trip to Norway and Sweden was a trip of a lifetime. Verna is survived by her son Mark (Rhonda) Leaf, Daughters Julie Grell, Sharalyn (Sharry) Schusted & significant other Jeff Haugrud and son-in-law Dave Schusted, brother Richard (Dick) Woodland and brother-in-law Tom Stahnke, 7 grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her loving husband Donald, parents Jasper and Hulda Pearson and foster parents Gunnar and Elizabeth Woodland as well as brother Oliver (Pat) Pearson, sister Lois Stahnke and son-in-law Dean Grell. The family would like to extend their gratitude to the Cambridge Allina Medical Center staff (especially to her devoted doctor, Dr. Kampa). Memorial Service 11 a.m., Tuesday, May 27, 2025 at Cambridge Lutheran Church. Visitation one hour prior to the service at the church. Interment in the church cemetery. Condolences at www.carlsonlillemoen.com. Arrangements by Carlson-Lillemoen Funeral Home and Cremation Services of Cambridge.



George Walter Eng

George Walter Eng, 94, of Grantsburg, Wisconsin, passed away peacefully surrounded by family. Born on October 28, 1930, in Pine County, Minnesota, George grew up on a dairy farm, learning hard work and resilience alongside his five siblings. Known for his athleticism, he excelled at Rush City High School, becoming a local legend in baseball and earning state championships with Braham in 1957 and Cushing in 1963. George’s passions included golf, where he made two hole-in-ones, one at age 78 and the other at age 80. The instance was a memorable Father’s Day shot using a club handcrafted by his late son Bill. He also loved hunting, spending time in deer stands well into his 90s. His sharp wit, one-liners, and unwavering faith were constants in his life. He was a devoted member of New Hope Lutheran Church, finding comfort in his faith both in person and later from his recliner. Professionally, George worked as a machinist at McNally Industries in Grantsburg for over 30 years before opening his own machine shop in Braham. His life was marked by two great loves—his first wife, Donna, with whom he had three children, and later Sandy Norenberg, his loving partner with whom he built a warm, blended family. In 2016, George’s family grew with the discovery of his son, Scott Buchanan, a cherished and unexpected blessing. George is survived by his wife, Sandy; his children, Scott (Karen), Beth, and Max (Carole); step-children, Barry (Colleen), Roxane (Van), and Teresa (Gregg); grandchildren, Sarah (Dave), Shannon (Travis), Rachel (Josh), Devin (Trent), Mandy (Drew), Damion (Noelle), Erin (Chad), Scotty, Ethan (Heather), Austyn (Justin); and 21 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, Walter and Bertha; his siblings; his first wife, Donna; his son, Bill; his son-in-law, Duane; and his grandson, Wesley. A celebration of George’s life will be held at New Hope Lutheran Church, Grantsburg, WI, on May 27, 2025, with visitation from 10 to 11 a.m., service at 11 a.m., and burial at Rice Lake Cemetery, Braham, MN.



NAMES IN THE NEWS

Student Achievement Lists
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of Jamestown
Eli Meltzer and **Noah Meltzer** of Cambridge (Dean’s) from Utah Tech University
Degrees
Sophie Lorraine Anderson of Stanchfield (College of Arts and Sciences, Bachelor of Arts with highest distinction) from The University of Nebraska-Lincoln

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OBITUARIES CONTINUED

Janet “Jan” J. Anderson



Janet “Jan” J. Anderson 90 year old resident of Isanti, MN passed away May 20, 2025 at GracePointe Crossing in Cambridge, MN.

Jan was born on March 9, 1935 in Isanti to Louis and Mary Lindell. She was united in marriage to Lee Anderson on November 7, 1953. They made their home in Blaine, MN until moving to Isanti in 1968. The couple were active members of Country Roads Church in rural Stacy, MN for many years. Jan loved baking and hosting holidays. She truly enjoyed visiting and having company. Jan spent many hours enjoying time with her cat, Precious.

Jan is survived by her children, Roger (Dona) Anderson, Sheila (Danny) Grams, Gregory (Debra) Anderson, Michelle (Greg) Becker, Lona Hill; 12 grandchildren; 28 great-grandchildren; five great-great-grandchildren; many other relatives and friends.

She is preceded in death by her parents; husband; sisters, Marbel Peterson, Bernice Munson, Ruth Dahlman, Beverly Hedin, and Joyce Priebe.

A funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, May 28, 2025 at Strike Life Tributes in Cambridge. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service at the funeral home. Burial will be at North Isanti Baptist Cemetery in Cambridge. Online condolences can be placed at StrikeLifeTributes.com.

Isanti County drone purchase grounded

BY BILL STICKELS III
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The fear of the fiscal unknown is causing the Isanti County Sheriff’s Office to drop a request to purchase a tethered drone.

Previously, Emergency Management Director Clinton Maxson had asked the Isanti County Commissioners to approve the purchase of a tethered drone, primarily using money that was awarded to the county through the Urban Area Security Initiative. While presenting to the board, Maxson acknowledged that program was being scrutinized by the U.S. Department of Government Efficiency, meaning there was a possibility the grant money could be withdrawn before the county was able to collect it from the state. Given that, the County Commissioners opted to table the request until either it was more certain if the grant money would still be available or the Sheriff’s Office was able to figure out an alternative way to pay for the drone should the grant be withdrawn.

During the May 20 Isanti County Commissioner meeting, Maxson gave an update on the request. “Last week, (County Administrator) Amanda Usher, Sheriff Sieberlich, and I met to discuss the grant,” Maxson told the board. “We discussed possible temporary funding sources while awaiting reimbursement, the potential risk for non-reimbursement, and the overall wants versus needs. We came to the consensus that the uncertain landscape for federal reimbursement post-purchase exposes the county to too much financial risk.”

With that, Maxson informed the board the Sheriff’s Office would be declining the grant at this time. “It’s tough to not accept free money,” said Chair Alan Duff, “but in this case, it may not come.”

AFFECTS OF TARIFFS

In other county commissioner actions caused by recent federal government actions, the commissioners scheduled a special, single-topic Committee of the Whole meeting for 9 a.m. Tuesday, May 27. According to County Administrator Amanda Usher, the county is starting to see additional costs on previously approved purchases due to recently enacted tariffs. She said some of those additional costs might push the purchase price above the “not to exceed” amount approved by the commissioners.

Usher wants the board to discuss what staff should do in such an instance. She said the commissioners could have leaders bring the purchase request back before the board, or it could continue the approval process with the “up to” amount including any imposed tariff costs.

Whatever the board decides at the COW meeting will have to be formally voted on at a future regular meeting.



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SCAN ME

Event rental business opens in Cambridge

Northern Lights Event Rental owner Jeff Schomel (with scissors) is joined by representatives of the North 65 Chamber of Commerce, along with friends and family for a ribbon cutting commemorating the opening of his event rental business, located at 33687 Washington Street NE, Cambridge.

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North Branch Council considers zoning changes

BY MOLLY WHELAN
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Developers will get another chance to try to convince North Branch officials to allow single-family homes in areas zoned for multi-family housing.

Kris Carroll is hoping to develop a mix of single-family homes and apartments on vacant land just west of Interstate 35, across Falcon Avenue from the Wildridge communities, and south of the Ecumen facilities and furniture stores. The development would be called Cedar Ridge Community.

The parcel in question is 62 acres, and Carroll is seeking approval of plans to divide it into 75 small single-family home sites, three apartment buildings containing a total of 167 units, and seven additional outlots “which will be for future commercial development or stormwater ponding depending upon the location of the parcel,” according to the staff report.

The area is currently zoned R3, high-density residential, which requires a density of six units per acre and does not technically allow for the construction of single-family homes.

Carroll is hoping to change that by meeting density requirements through apartment buildings.

Developers initially thought single-family homes were permitted on the site due to a conflict in city code. While the zoning code does not officially permit building of single-family homes in an R3 district, the section dedicated to design standards for all types of districts includes standards for single-family homes located in an R3 district.

According to Community Development Director Nathan Sondrol, the resolution to the conflict is also in the code: the city is required to side with the more restrictive rules in case of conflict, which in this case would mean no single-family homes in R3 districts.

Thus, for Cedar Ridge to proceed, the

city would need to amend its zoning code to allow for single-family homes to be built in high-density residential areas, provided the density requirement is met.

This would change the code in all R3 districts across the city, which constitute more than 200 acres of vacant land, said Mayor Kevin Schieber.

The request comes as North Branch begins the process of updating its comprehensive plan, which could mean changes to zoning and other laws that affect development in the city.

At the May 6 Planning Commission meeting, several residents from the nearby Wildridge developments spoke against allowing apartments on the parcel, citing traffic and safety concerns.

Commissioner Gary Schaefer countered that to attract the type of commercial activity residents said they also wanted, more housing was a necessity.

“To get businesses, we need rooftops,”

Schaefer said at the planning commission meeting.

At the May 13 council meeting, Schieber pointed out that the land is presently zoned to only allow apartments — regardless of what nearby residents want or don’t want to be built there. It’s the proposed single-family homes that would require a change of policy.

Carroll updated the plan’s phasing between the Planning Commission and the city council meeting to get all the apartments built within the first two phases, quelling the city’s fears of a potential zoning change that would allow a development that would ultimately not meet density requirements.

The council tabled consideration of the zoning change to its June 10 meeting. Carroll said that if the change goes her way, she is hoping to start the project in July.

W O R S H I P *guide*

Baptist First Baptist Church 304 S. Main St., Cambridge, 763-689-1173. Call the church office or visit our website for current service times and programs. firstbaptistcambridge.org North Isanti Baptist Church Lead Pastor: Travis Blake 2248 313th Ave. NE, Cambridge, MN 55008. www.nibchurch.com Email: nibchurch@msn.com 763-689-3576. 8:30am Worship Service (traditional style) 10:45am Worship Service (contemporary style) Springvale Baptist Pastor Zane Hall 9:30am Sunday School 10:30am Sunday Worship Wednesday: 6:00 pm Band of Brothers Thursday: 10:00 am Ladies Bible Study 410 County Road 6 NW Stanchfield, MN 55080 763-689-1373 springvalechurchmn.org Sunrise Bible Church 41300 Second St., North Branch, Pastor David Stertz. Sunday school for all ages 9:30am, Sunday morning Worship 10:30am, Sunday evening 6pm, Wed. Kids 4 Truth & Bible studies for all ages 6:30pm. More info at sunriseiblechurch.org or 651-674-4107.	Lead Pastor: Jason Hovis Pastor of Youth: Kohl Hanson Sunday School for all ages 9:00 am Sunday Worship Service 10:00 am Wednesday AWANA 6:30 pm Wednesday Youth Group 6:30 pm Karmelcov.org Evangelical Free Dale Evangelical Free Church 45268 Brunswick Rd, Harris, MN 763-689-5817 Pastor/Teacher Dr. Harvey Martin. Sunday School – all ages 9am. Sunday Service 10:25am. www.daleefc.com	Lutheran Braham Evangelical Lutheran Church (ELCA) Central Drive W. & Cty Rd 4, Braham 320-396-2755 Sunday: 10 a.m. Worship Service - In-person & Live on Facebook Office hours 9:00 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tues., Wed., Thurs.	Living Branch Lutheran Church (LCMS) 6486 Elm St (PO Box 335), North Branch 651-674-5576 Pastor Glen Kleppe Sunday Worship 8am Sunday School @ 9:15am Sunday Adult Bible Study @ 9:15am Tuesday Adult Bible Study @ 7pm Wednesday Youth Group @ 6:30pm www.livingbranch.org email: office@livingbranch.org Long Lake Lutheran Church (ELCA) 3921 277th Ave NW Isanti, MN 55040 763-444-5315 Pastor Sue Olson All Are Welcome! Sunday Schedule Worship: 9:00 am Communion the 1st & 3rd Sunday Salem Lutheran Church 4638 381st Ave. NW, Dalbo, MN 55017. 763-689-1687 Join us for worship every Sunday at 9am Sunday school for 3 yrs to 6th gr. begins at 9:30am Coffee fellowship after worship www.salemlutherandalbo.com	St. John's Lutheran Church (Missouri Synod) 980 West 4th Street, Rush City 320-358-3623 Sunday 8:45am Worship Monday 10am Longer Look Bible Study stjohnsrushcity.org St. Stephen's Lutheran Church (Missouri Synod) 400 SE 8th St., (Isanti #4 E.), PO Box 37, Braham 320-396-3103 9:30am Sunday School & Adult Bible Study. 10:30am Worship. ststephensbraham.org Trinity Lutheran Church (ELCA) 38460 Lincoln Trail, North Branch 651-674-7047 Pastor Paul Cannon In person and online worship 9 am worship 10 am Fellowship and Coffee Hour 9 am Sunday School www.trinitynorthbranch.org office@trinitynorthbranch.org	Journey of Faith Bible based worship. 651-600-9878. faiththroughaction777@gmail.com Sunday fellowship 9am Worship & Youth Ministry 10am Come as you are. All welcome. Junction Bowl. 123 Cajima Street, NE, Isanti. Refreshments served. JustPassinthru IHS Ministries Becoming Agape – Allowing the Holy Spirit to transform lives 763-228-0883 Meeting at Crossroads Commons 1001 1st Ave. E., Suite 100, Cambridge MN justpassinihs@gmail.com Justpassinthru.net Pastor Tom Bakke Sunday mornings at 10 am Sunday nights and Wednesdays
Catholic St. Elizabeth Ann Seton 207 Whiskey Rd NW, Isanti, MN. 763-444-4035 Email: annseton76@gmail.com. Mass: Tues. & Wed. 8:30am. Sun. 8:30am. stelizabeth-isanti.org.	Wyanett Evangelical Free Church 12 Miles West of Cambridge on Hwy 95 www.wyanettevangelicalfree.org Pastor Bruce Talso 763-221-4469 Sunday School 9:30 am Morning Worship 10:30 am Mondays - Women's Evening Bible Study 6:00 pm Tuesdays - Men's Bible Study 5:00 pm Wednesdays - Midweek Bible Study/Prayer 2:00 pm Thursdays - Women's Morning Bible Study 9:30 a.m. at Heart Matters Ministry, 403 1st St. Princeton A LOVING CHURCH PROCLAIMING A LIVING MESSAGE!	Cambridge Lutheran Church (ELCA) 621 Old North Main Street, Cambridge 763-689-1211 Traditional service: 8:30 a.m. Contemporary service: 9:30 a.m. www.cambridgelutheran.org - fb.com/CambridgeLutheran Christ Ev. Lutheran Church (WELS) 32962 Vickers St. NE, Cambridge, 763-689-5333 Pastor Samuel L. Biebert. Sunday Worship 9am, Sunday School/ Bible Class 10:30am www.christcambridge.com First Lutheran Church (ELCA) 43779 Gates Ave., Harris. 651-674-4498. Handicapped accessible. Pastor Vicki VanderVegt Sunday Worship 9:20am Coffee & fellowship following service Email: firstlutheran@q.com www.firstlutheranharris.org Joy Lutheran Church (Missouri Synod) 1155 Joy Circle, Cambridge 763-689-4355 www.joylutheran.net Pastor James Ritter 8:30 a.m. Traditional Service 10:30 a.m. Contemporary Service	Spring Lake Lutheran Church (ELCA) 8440 Erickson Road, PO Box 958, North Branch, MN 55056 (9 mi. E. of Cambridge on Hwy. 95, North one block on Erickson Road). 651-674-4606. Pastor Vicki VanderVegt.sllchurch.org Email: sll.church@gmail.com 8:15am Worship with fellowship following St. John Lutheran Church (Missouri Synod) 28168 Jodrell St. NE, North Branch Located 6 mi. E. of Isanti on Co. Rd. 5; (or 7 mi. W. of North Branch on Co. Rd. 5); then 1-1/2 mi. S. on Co. Rd. 12. 763-444-5988, Paul Anderson, Pastor; Sunday 9am Worship; 10:20am Adult Bible Study; Thursday 6:30pm Bible study. Email: stjohnlutheran@att.net	Methodist Common Ground - A United Methodist Community 404 Cypress St. North, Cambridge. 763-689-2071. Pastors Amelia & Andrew Buschena. Sunday 9:30am Worship. Livestream of services and more info at commongroundumc.org. Everyone Counts! Non-Denominational Grace Gospel Church 37126 MN-65, Stanchfield, MN 55080 763-308-5618 Coffee fellowship: 9:45am Service: 10:00am Pastor: Tim Miller www.gracegospelmn.org info@gracegospelchurchmn.com Located just north of Grandy on 65, across from East Central Diesel, with three large crosses near the road. We look forward to having you!	Pentecostal The Journey New Life Church 601 Heritage Blvd NE, Isanti Pastor David L. Willis. Sunday 10am Worship & the Word & Kids' Church. Sunday 6pm Family Worship. Wednesday 7pm Family Breakout Classes. 763-689-4471 Thejourneynlc.org

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NATIONAL ANTHEM Braham High School Band, Director: Mr. Bryan Johnson		<i>On Memorial Day we pay tribute to those who fought and died in battle for our great country. Let us Always remember them and their families. Thank you for coming today, and may you always be Appreciative of our Freedom in America.</i>
WELCOME Mr. Gregg Peters, Member of Braham VFW Post 1731 Veteran of Desert Storm and Operation Iraqi Freedom	ROLL CALL OF THE HONORED DEAD Men and Women who served their country and have died since Memorial Day 2024 Mr. Doug Meske, Braham VFW Post Member	<i>There will be no refreshments as our auxiliary is on sabbatical until September. However, donations will be accepted and applied towards future scholarships.</i>
INVOCATION Rev. Jacob Burkman Braham Evangelical Lutheran Church	PLACING OF MEMORIAL WREATHS Braham Girl Scouts	<i>The public is invited to a Flag Retirement Ceremony Braham Freedom Park.</i>
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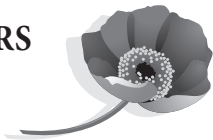
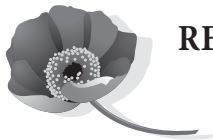
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Memorial Day Monday, May 26, 2025

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Kienitz.....	9:45 a.m.	Atna.....	11:30 a.m.
Strike.....	10:00 a.m.	Athens.....	11:45 a.m.
Rum River (Cty Rd 5 at Bridge).....	10:15 a.m.	Gerdin.....	12:00 p.m.
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STATE OF MINNESOTA WADENA COUNTY DISTRICT COURT SEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT Court File Number: 80-JV-24-635 Rescheduled SUMMONS Child In Need of Protection or Services Petition

In the Matter of the Welfare of the Child(ren) of: Jennifer Rose Huotari and Chase Gordy Lee Olmsted, Parents

Please take notice that on September 13, 2024, a Petition was filed with the above-named court alleging that the child(ren) of the above-named parent(s) or legal custodian(s) to be in need of protection or services. A copy of the Petition is attached.

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED AND REQUIRED TO APPEAR IN COURT at the following date, time, and place where a hearing regarding the Petition and the best interests of the child(ren) will be held:

June 4, 2025 Admit/Deny Permanency Petition Hearing :30 PM District Court Judge Doug Clark

Wadena County District Court Court Room 1 415 S. Jefferson St. Wadena MN 56482 218-631-7633

YOU HAVE BEEN SERVED WITH THIS SUMMONS because, pursuant to statute or court rule:

- You are a parent to the child(ren) named in the petition; or
- You are a party to this proceeding pursuant to Juvenile Protection Rule 21.01 or an attorney for a party, or
- You have legal custody of the child who is the subject of the Petition; or
- You are a person whose presence the court believes is important to a determination concerning the

best interests of the child(ren) who are the subject of the Petition. IF YOU FAIL TO APPEAR AT THE HEARING:

- The court may conduct the hearing without you; and
- The court may find that the factual allegations and statutory grounds set forth in the petition have been proved; and

YOUR RIGHTS AS A PARTY OR PARTICIPANT ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Party	Participant	Your Rights
X	X	To receive a copy of the Petition regarding this Juvenile Protection Matter
X	X	To receive notice of all hearings (only if you keep the court administrator informed of your address)
X	X	To attend all hearings, unless excluded by the Court.
X		To receive copies of your social services file and other records.
X		To bring motions before the court and to present evidence.
X		To participate in settlement discussions and agreements.
X		To subpoena witnesses to testify on your behalf.
X		To make argument in support of or against the petition.

Party	Participant	Your Rights
X		To examine and cross-examine witnesses.
X		To request review of the referee's findings and order, if your case is heard by a referee.
X		To ask the court to review its disposition upon a showing of a substantial change of circumstances or that the previous disposition was inappropriate.
X		To bring post-trial motions and to appeal from final orders of the court.
X	X	To be represented by an attorney. If you are the child, the child's parent, or the child's legal custodian, the Court may appoint an attorney to represent you if the Court determines that you qualify financially and that the appointment is appropriate. If you are the parent or Indian custodian of an Indian child, the court is required to appoint an attorney to represent you if you qualify financially. The Court cannot appoint an attorney to represent you if the only allegation is that the child is a truant, unless out-of-home placement is being considered by the court. The Court may order a parent or legal custodian to reimburse some or all of the attorney's fees.
X	X	If you are the child's foster parent, preadoptive parent, relative providing care for the child, or a relative to whom the social services agency proposes to transfer permanent legal and physical custody of the child, you have a right to offer information at each hearing. Any other person may request an opportunity to be heard, but the court is not required to grant your request.
	X	To automatically become a party to the case if you are the child who is the subject of this proceeding, or the child's parent, or the child's grandparent and the child has lived with you at any time during the two years prior to the filing of the petition in this matter. All other persons may ask the Court's permission to become a party to the case. Ask the court administrator for the correct form to intervene as a party.

QUESTIONS ABOUT YOUR RIGHTS should be addressed to your attorney or to the Court at any hearing

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STATE OF MINNESOTA COUNTY OF WADENA DISTRICT COURT SEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT CASE TYPE: TERMINATION OF PARENT RIGHTS In Re the Welfare of the Child of: Court File No. 80-JV-24-635 Jennifer Rose Huotari, Petitioner/ Mother, and Chase Gordy Lee Olmsted, Respondents/Father. SECOND AMENDED PETITION TO TERMINATION PARENTAL RIGHTS To: DISTRICT COURT – JUVENILE DIVISION

1. My name is Jennifer Rose Huotari (hereinafter "Jennifer Huotari"). I am the Petitioner in this matter. I am not a county attorney

- The court may enter an order granting the relief requested in the petition, which may include:
 - removing the child(ren) from the home of the parent or legal custodian and placing the child(ren) in foster care;
 - permanently severing the parent's rights to the child(ren) pursuant to a termination of parental rights petition;
 - permanently transferring the child(ren)'s legal and physical custody to a relative; or
 - an order for other permanent placement of the child(ren).

A STATEMENT OF YOUR RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES IS ATTACHED, including the right to be represented by an attorney as authorized under the statutes and court rules. It is your responsibility to immediately notify the court administrator if your address changes.

There is more information under the Child in Need of Protection or Services (CHIPS) Help Topic on the MN Judicial Branch website at www.mncourts.gov/help-topics/CHIPS. There you will find: a child protection video (www.mncourts.gov/ChildProtectionVideo), information on asking for a court-appointed attorney, and other tools and resources.

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ADVISORY OF PARTY AND PARTICIPANT RIGHTS - CHIPS WHO IS A PARTY

You are a party to this case pursuant to Rule 32 of the Rules of Juvenile Protection Procedure if you are one of the following:

- The child's legal custodian, including a parent or legal guardian who has sole or joint legal or physical custody of the child.
- In the case of an Indian child, the child's parent, child's Indian

custodian, or child's Indian tribe.

- The person or social services agency who filed the petition.
- The social services agency when someone else has filed a termination of parental rights or other permanency petition.
- The child's guardian ad litem.
- A relative to whom the social services agency proposes to transfer the child's permanent legal and physical custody.
- The child in a case where the only allegation in the petition is that the child is an habitual truant or a runaway.
- The school district in a case where the only allegation in the petition is that the child is an habitual truant.
- Any person who intervenes as a party pursuant to Rule 34 or who is joined as a party pursuant to Rule 35.
- Any other person who is determined by the court to be important to a resolution that is in the best

interests of the child. WHO IS A PARTICIPANT

You are a participant to this case pursuant to Rule 33 of the Rules of Juvenile Protection Procedure if you are one of the following:

- The child who is the subject of petition.
- The child's parent if you are not the child's legal custodian or if you are the child's alleged, adjudicated, or presumed father.
- The child's grandparent if the child has lived with you at any time during the two years before the filing of the petition.
- The child's relative or other person providing care for the child.
- The child's foster parent or a person proposed as a long-term foster parent.
- The child's spouse.
- The responsible social services agency, when the responsible social services agency is not the petitioner.
- The guardian ad litem for the child's legal custodian.
- Any other person who is determined by the court to be important to a resolution that is in the best interests of the child.

7. Purpose of filing this Petition. I am filing this petition for the sole purpose of terminating the child's biological father's rights to the child, and I am NOT filing this Petition for the sole purpose of trying to change the custody between the child's parents.

8. Other Past or Pending Court Cases. I am aware of the following information about other past or pending court cases (such as divorce or dissolution, child support, paternity, child protection, or criminal) in Minnesota or other states relating to the child, parents, or legal custodians named in this Petition:

Child Support – Wadena County Court File Number 80-FA-14-81

9. Child's Information. This case involves one (1) minor child as follows: Skye Marie Olmsted, born August 6, 2013, female, a non-native, Caucasian child currently residing at 38562 Blueberry VW, Menahga, Minnesota, 56464.

10. Applicability of Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA). The child listed above is not a member of an Indian tribe and is not eligible for tribal membership, and the Indian Child Welfare Act does not apply.

11. Child's Parents. The biological parents of the child are:

a) Mother, Jennifer Rose Huotari, October 10, 1986, female, Caucasian, 38562 Blueberry VW, Menahga, MN 56464

b) Father, Chase Gordy Lee Olmsted, July 3, 1983, male, Caucasian, 48280 Arbor Ave. W, Stanchfield, MN 55080.

12. Parties and Participants.

The name address of each party and participant identified in Rules 32 and 33 of the Rules of Juvenile Protection Procedure are as follows:

Parties Category Name Address

Child's parents Jennifer Rose Huotari, mother: 38562 Blueberry VW, Menahga, MN 56464

Chase Gordy Lee Olmsted, father: 48280 Arbor Ave. W, Stanchfield, MN 55080.

Child's legal custodians, if different from child's parents: N/A N/A

Child's Indian custodian, if child is an Indian child and if different from parent: N/A N/A

Child's Indian tribe, if the child is an Indian Child: N/A N/A

Child's Guardian ad Litem: To be identified by the Court, if one is appointed

Petitioner: Identified in Question #1 Identified in Question #1

County social services agency: Wadena County Social Services 124 1st Street SE, Wadena, MN 56482

Participants Category Name Address

Children Identified in Question #7 Identified in question #7

County Attorney Guardian ad Litem for child's parent or legal custodian (if appointed)

To be identified by the Court, if one is appointed To be identified by the Court, if one is appointed

To be identified by the Court, if one is appointed To be identified by the Court, if one is appointed

Child's grandparents if child has lived with grandparents any time within last 2 years N / A

N/A Relatives, or other persons providing care for the child, who requests notice of the court proceedings

Derek Michael Huotari, stepfather 38562 Blueberry VW, Menahga, MN 56464

Foster parents of child, if child has been removed from home N/A N/A

Child's spouse, if child is married N/A N/A

13. Parents Whose Rights Should Be Terminated. All parental rights of Parent, Chase Gordy Lee Olmsted, to the Skye Marie Olmsted, should be terminated.

14. Statutory Grounds for Termination of Parental Rights. All rights of the parent named above to the child named above should be terminated based upon the following Minnesota Statute grounds.

- 260C.301, subd. 1(a): With the written consent of a parent who for good cause desires to terminate parental rights

□ 260.301, subd. 1(b)(1): The parent has abandoned the child.

□ 260C.301, subd. 1(b)(2): The parent has substantially, continuously, or repeatedly refused or neglected to comply with the duties imposed upon that parent by the parent and child relationship, including but not limited to providing the child with necessary food, clothing, shelter, education, and other care and control necessary for the child's physical, mental, or emotional health and development, if the parent is physically and financially able, and either reasonable efforts by the social services agency have failed to correct the conditions that formed the basis of the petition or reasonable efforts would be futile and therefore unreasonable.

□ 260.301, subd. 1(b)(3): A parent

has been ordered to contribute to the support of the child or financially aid in the child's birth and has continuously failed to do so without good cause. This clause shall not be construed to state a grounds for termination of parental rights of a non-custodial parent if that parent has not been ordered to or cannot financially contribute to the support of the child or aid in the child's birth.

□ 260C.301, subd. 1(b)(4): A parent is palpably unfit to be a party to the parent and child relationship because of a consistent pattern of specific conduct before the child or of specific conditions directly relating to the parent and child relationship either of which are determined by the court to be of a duration or nature that renders the parent unable for the reasonably foreseeable future, to care appropriately for the ongoing physical, mental, or emotional needs of the child. It is presumed that a parent is palpably unfit to be a party to the parent and child relationship upon a showing that the parent's parental rights to one or more other children were involuntarily terminated.

• 260C.301, subd.1(b)(5): Following the child's placement out of the home, reasonable efforts, under the direction of the court, have failed to correct the conditions leading to the child's placement. It is presumed that reasonable efforts under this clause have failed upon a showing that:

- (i) A child has resided out of the parental home under court order for a cumulative period of 12 months within the preceding 22 months. In the case of a child under age eight at the time the petition was filed alleging the child to be in need of protection or services, he presumption arises when the child has resided out of the parental home under court order for six months unless the parent has maintained regular contact with the child and the parent is complying with the case plan.
- (ii) The court has approved a case plan required under Section 260C.212 and filed with the court under Section 260C.178.
- (iii) Conditions leading to the out-of-home placement have not been corrected. It is presumed that conditions leading to a child's out-of-home placement have not been corrected upon a showing that the parent or parents have not substantially complied with the court's orders and a reasonable case plan.

o (iv) Reasonable efforts have been made by the social services agency to rehabilitate the parent and reunite the family, and : (A) the parent has been diagnosed as chemically dependent by a professional certified to make the diagnoses.

• (B) the parent has been required by a case plan to participate in a chemical dependency treatment program.

• (C) the treatment programs offered to the parent were culturally, linguistically, and clinically appropriate.

• (D) the parent has either failed two or more times to successfully complete a treatment program or has refused at two or more separate meetings with a caseworker to participate in a treatment program.

• (E) the parent continues to abuse chemicals.

• 260C.301, subd. 1(b)(6): A child has experienced egregious harm in the parent's care which is of a nature, duration, or chronicity that indicates a lack of regard for the child's well-being, such that a reasonable person would believe it contrary to the best interest of the child or of any child to be in the parent's care.

• 260C.301, subd. 1(b)(7): In the case of a child born to a mother who was not married to the child's father when the child was conceived nor when the child was born the person is not entitled to notice of an adoption hearing under Section 259.49 and the person has not registered with the fathers' adoption registry under Section 259.52.

• 260C.301, subd. 1(b)(8): The child is neglected and in foster care.

• 260C.301, subd. 1(b)(9): The parent has been convicted of a crime listed in Section 260.012, paragraph (b), clauses (1) to (3).

• 260C.301, subd. 3: The child has been subjected egregious harm or is a sibling of another child of the parent who was subjected to egregious harm or is an abandoned infant.

15. Facts Supporting Termination of Parental Rights. The facts supporting this petition for termination of parental rights are as follows:

a) Chase Gordy Lee Olmsted has had minimal to no contact with the child for the past seven (7) years.

b) Chase Gordy Lee Olmsted has never filed a custody action to

establish his parental rights. Chase Gordy Lee Olmsted is ordered by this court to pay child support and currently owes over \$30,000.00 in arrears per the Minnesota Child Support and Collection Office and has been found in contempt.

c) Chase Gordy Lee Olmsted has refused to sign the Consent for the step-parent adoption of the minor child.

d) Chase Gordy Lee Olmsted has abandoned and deserted the child and does not show an intent to return to care for the child.

e) Chase Gordy Lee Olmsted has never provided food, clothing or education necessary for child's physical, mental or emotional health or development and reasonable efforts would be futile and are therefore unreasonable.

f) Chase Gordy Lee Olmsted has a consistent pattern of chemical behavior which has resulted in repeated incarcerations and has made him palpably unfit to parent or care for the ongoing needs of the child.

g) It is in the best interest of the child that reasonable efforts toward reunification not be undertaken as the child considers Derek Huotari her father and has a particular fear of any contact with Chase Gordy Lee Olmsted due to his history of violent crime and abuse upon Petitioner.

16. Best Interests of the Child. Termination of Parental Rights is in the best interests of the child because the child would be free to be adopted by her stepfather, Derek Michael Huotari.

17. Because of the conditions and surroundings of the child named above, the welfare and best interests of the child require that this Court immediately take the child into custody.

18. Amended Petition. The original petition was filed with the court on September 13, 2024, and the court requested an amended petition be filed. The Respondent has not interposed an answer in this matter.

19. Representation. Upon information and belief, Respondent is represented by Robert Roby, Esq. as indicated in the certificate of representation on file in Court file 80-FA-14-81. Mr. Roby has been e-served this filing on behalf of his client.

Requests Based on the information included above, I ask that:

1. A hearing be scheduled in this case regarding the Petition.

2. The Court issue an Order terminating all parental rights of the parent, Chase Gordy Lee Olmsted, as requested in this Petition.

I declare under penalty of perjury that everything I have stated in this document is true and correct. Minn. Stat. § 358.116.

Date: 2/28/2025

Jennifer Rose Huotari, Petitioner 38562 Blueberry VW Menahga, MN 56464

County and State where signed: Attorney for Petitioner Katie M. Jendro, #0386498

Hess & Jendro Law Office, P.A. 11070 183rd Circle NW, Suite A Elk River, MN 55330

(763) 241-4855

kjendro@hesslawoffice.net

Verification

I, Jennifer Rose Huotari, state that I am the Petitioner in the above-entitled action. I have read and know the contents of the Petition, and its contents are true and correct to the best of my information and belief.

I declare under penalty of perjury that everything I have stated in this document is true and correct. Minn. Stat. § 358.116

Date: 2/28/2025

Jennifer Rose Huotari, Petitioner 38562 Blueberry VW Menahga, MN 56464

County and State where signed:

Acknowledgement

I, Jennifer Rose Huotari, acknowledge that, pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 549.21, costs, disbursements, and reasonable attorney and witness fees may be awarded to the opposing party or parties for actions I commence in bad faith; for any claim or defense that I assert that is frivolous and costly to the other party or parties; for any position I assert that is unfounded and meant solely to delay the ordinary course of the proceedings or to harass; or for any fraud I commit upon the Court.

I declare under penalty of perjury that everything I have stated in this document is true and correct. Minn. Stat. § 358.116

Date: 2/28/2025

Jennifer Rose Huotari, Petitioner 38562 Blueberry VW Menahga, MN 56464

County and State where signed:

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NOTICES

CAMBRIDGE PLANNING COMMISSION NOTICE OF MEETING

The City of Cambridge Planning Commission will hold a regular meeting on Tuesday, June 3, 2025, at 7:00 pm in the Council Chambers of Cambridge City Hall, 300 3rd Avenue NE, Cambridge, Minnesota 55008, to discuss the following public hearing items and other items on the agenda.

1. PUBLIC HEARING – A request by Kayla Boettcher, 1145 Carriage Hills Dr S, Cambridge, MN 55008, for the keeping of Fowl. The legal description is Lot 4, Block 1, Carriage Hills 1st Addition, Isanti County, Minnesota.

2. PUBLIC HEARING – A request by James Carlson, 2444 Davis St S, Cambridge, MN 55008; for the keeping of Fowl. The legal description is Lot 2, Block 1, Bridgewater 3rd Addition, Isanti County, Minnesota.

3. PUBLIC HEARING – A request by Centra North LLC, 11460 Robinson Dr NE, Minneapolis MN, 55433, for a Planned Unit Development (rezoning) in an area presently zoned R-1 Single Family Residential with an overlay of SR-Shoreland Residential for the Millside at Cambridge Shores plat. The legal description is a lengthy metes and bounds description including part of Government Lot 2; and part of the NW quarter of Section 3, Isanti Township, Isanti County, Minnesota. The location is south of 16th Ave SE and east of Opportunity Blvd S.

4. PUBLIC HEARING – A request by Centra North LLC, 11460 Robinson Dr NE, Minneapolis MN, 55433, for a Preliminary Plat of Millside at Cambridge Shores. The legal description is a lengthy metes and bounds description including part of Government Lot 2; and part of the NW quarter of Section 3, Isanti Township, Isanti County, Minnesota. The location is south of 16th Ave SE and east of Opportunity Blvd S.

More information is available at Cambridge City Hall, 300 3rd Avenue NE, Cambridge, MN 55008, including full legal descriptions. Cambridge Planning Commission Meetings are typically scheduled on the 1st Tuesday of every month and are open to the public.

Marcia Westover
Community Development Director

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STATE OF MINNESOTA ISANTI COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS SEATED AS DRAINAGE AUTHORITY UNDER STATUTES CHAPTER 103E FOR THE REDETERMINATION OF BENEFITS OF ISANTI COUNTY DITCH 17

NOTICE OF FINAL HEARING
Please Take Notice: The Isanti County Board of Commissioners, Drainage Authority for Isanti County Ditch 17 ("CD 17"), will hold a final hearing on the Viewers' Report of Benefits and Damages for the redetermination of benefits of CD 17. The Viewers' Report has been filed with the Drainage Authority. The hearing will be held on June 5, 2025, at 10:00 a.m., in the Board Room (1st Floor) of the Isanti County Government Center, 555 18th Avenue SW, Cambridge, Minnesota. Members of the public are welcome to attend.

The Viewers' Report, along with amendments, if any, are available for inspection by contacting Joe Willaert by email or phone (joe.willaert@co.isanti.mn.us or (763) 689-8259). Written comments may be directed to Joe Willaert by email or by U.S. Mail to Isanti County Drainage Authority, Attn: Joe Willaert, 555 18th Avenue SW, Cambridge, MN 55008.

At the final hearing, the Drainage Authority will accept public comment regarding the Viewers' Reports. Any party having an interest in the proceedings may appear and provide comment per the instructions above. Written comments will be accepted through close of business on June 4, 2025, by email or by U.S. Mail to Joe Willaert (joe.willaert@co.isanti.mn.us or Isanti County Drainage Authority, Attn: Joe Willaert, 555 18th Avenue SW, Cambridge, MN 55008).

The following properties are affected by the redetermination of benefits and damages for CD 17:

Springvale Township, T36N-R24W, Sections 5, 6, 7, 17, 18, 19, 20, 30 and 31; Wyanett Township, T36N-R25W, Sections 1, 11, 12, 13, 24 and 25; all in Isanti County.

The following owners of property are affected by the redetermination of benefits for CD 17:

AHLMAN DAVID P & MONICA

C AHLMAN; AHLMAN DAVID P TRUSTEE; ANDERSON ANN; ANDERSON MICHAEL & TRACEY ANDERSON; ANDERSON STEPHEN C & COLLEEN F ANDERSON; ANDERSON SUSAN D; ANDERSON SUZANNE; ANDERT DIANE C; BECKER FRANK L; BECKER KARIN E & DENNIS W ANDERSON; BECKER KEITH A; BERGLOFF DOUGLAS L; BERGLOFF LOWELL H & ELEANOR M BERGLOFF; BERNIER TIMMY G; BISTODEAU ANTHONY J; BJORK MICHELE R; BJORK PHILIP; BORISOV ROMAN D; BOSER GARY F & PATRICIA J BOSER; BRADOW WILLIAM T TRUSTEE; BROWEN TIMOTHY A; BRUSS WAYNE E & LINDA M BRUSS; BYRNE CHRISTOPHER J; CARLSON DANIEL L; COLBERT PATRICK H & MARY R COLBERT; CROMWELL AUSTIN; DALE LAWRENCE S; DALEN JAMES & DEBRA G DALEN; DARGAY JAMES P; DARGAY JAMES PETER; DEBRA A BURDICK TRUST; DEJOOOE ROXANNE JUNE; DURHAM FAMILY REVOCABLE TRUST & JACK L & LYNETTE L DURHAM; EAST CENTRAL ENERGY; ERICKSON FAYE M; ERICKSON MATHEW; ERNHART MATTHEW; FEIGUM TERRY L & SUSAN M FEIGUM; FEIGUM ZACHARY; FERRIS ROBERT T; FIALA KYLE DOUGLAS; FIXELL PAUL A; FOREMAN CHARLES LEWIS; FOSS LYNN; FRANK EUGENE; FRIEZ KYLE R; FRIEZ RANDY R; GASTONI VICENT T & LESLIE I GASTONI; GUINN DUSTIN L; GUNION GREGORY L; HAARALA CYNTHIA L; HALVORSON DUANE M & JEANNINE I HALVORSON TRUSTEES; HANSEN HAROLD C & AARLYS N HANSEN; HAUGER CLARK A; HERNANDEZ BRIAN L; HILL STEPHEN C & MARJORIE M HILL; HOLLAND MERLIN J & CAROL J HOLLAND; HOLLENBECK MILDRED A; HUNTER SPECIAL LLC; JENDRO RYAN; JOHNSON CASEY; JOHNSON SHAWN; JUST GREGORY & KAREN L JUST; KALSTABAKKEN ROBERT MARVIN; KELLY COLIN R; KLOSOWSKI ANDREW J; KN BUILDERS INC; KOLSTAD TROY D & LEESA J KOLSTAD; KOZELSKY TIMOTHY FRANK; KRONA KENNETH W; LARSON BENJAMIN; LEADENS MICHAEL J; LECLAIR KELLY J; LUBRECHT THOMAS R; LUECK KYLA; LUEDKE CHAD R; LUNDBERG DAROLD L & MARY

A LUNDBERG; LUNDEEN ALBERT A JR; LYMER DUSTIN M; LYMER DUSTIN MICHAEL; MALSAM MARK A; MCNEAR DONNA L & G ROGER MCNEAR III; MEIER RICHARD L TRUSTEE; MEYER WARD J; MIKKELSON RYAN; MILLES ANDREW G; MONSON RONALD B & LUCINDA J MONSON; MORISSETTE DAVID RICHARD TRUSTEE; MOYER TRAVIS DEAN; MYERS CHARLES A TRUSTEE; NELSON REBECCA A; NIELSEN STEVEN E; NOLD GREGORY G; NOLD MARILYN V & GEORGE F NOLD; OLSON GORDON ALLEN; OLSON JOHN P; OLSON TIMOTHY R; ORVIS REBECCA RAE; PAGE CHARLENE M; PASCHAL JAMES E; PETERSON DANNY B; PETROWITZ JACOB; POTVIN ROBERT; PRIOR PATRICIA M & DUANE M PRIOR; RATFIELD DWAIN & KATHLEEN & DOUGLAS RATFIELD; RICHARD L MEIER, TRUSTEE; RICHARDSON TYAN JOEL; RIGSBY CHRISTOPHER & LYNETTE RIGSBY; RIPPBERGER RUSSELL ROBERT; ROHACH NICHOLAS; ROMSDAHL NATHAN; SCHANUS NEIL J & LORI A SCHANUS; SCHARMER MACKENZIE; SCHNAPP ELLA; SCHNEIDER JEROME D & CAROL SCHNEIDER; SCHNEIDER MICHAEL J; SCHROEDER ARLAN D & SHARON C SCHROEDER; SCHULTD NEIL & DEBORAH A SCHULTD; SCOBEE BRANDY; SHAW BRIAN; SJOSTEDT STACEY; STROMGREN DANIEL W & LINDA J STROMGREN; SUNDE DENNIS GEORGE; SWEDISH EVANGELICAL FREE SOC & C/O WYANETT EVANGICAL FREE; THIELING MICHAEL; THOMPSON CHARLES J & CARRIE L RICKARD; THOMPSON DAVID G & SHARI L THOMPSON; TIMMANN GLEN; TNT PROPERTIES OF CAMBRIDGE LLC; TORKELSON CASSIE; TORKELSON CHAD; TRIPP STEVE; TRUST H.PETER LARSEN & MARY LYNN LARSEN TRUST; VOGEL EVAN CHARLES; VOGT CARL E & SALLY V; WASTE THOMAS EDWARD; WESTMAN CAROL; WHITNEY DAVID E; WILLIAMS LARRY; WILSON ANNIE D; WITHROW MATTHEW; WOLCYN BENJAMIN M & REBECCA WOLCYN; WOLCYN NICHOLAS M & HEATHER WOLCYN; WOLCYN THOMAS A & ADRIENNE M WOLCYN; WORD OF LIFE MINISTRIES & OF LOUISVILLE INC; YERIGAN DEAN

G TRUST & DEAN G & MARY LOU E YERIGAN; YERIGAN SANDRA K; YERIGAN TRUST MARY LOU & DEAN & DEAN G YERIGAN TRUST; ZETTERVALL WALTER CARL; ZIMMER ANTHONY; 36720 LLC

The following governmental entities are affected by the redetermination of benefits for CD 17:

ISANTI COUNTY; SPRINGVALE TOWNSHIP; WYANETT TOWNSHIP; STATE OF MINNESOTA (MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION; MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES).

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ORDINANCE NO. 2025-03

SUMMARY OF AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING A FEE SCHEDULE CHANGE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HARRIS, CHISAGO COUNTY, MINNESOTA ORDAINS:

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Section 412.191, in the case of a lengthy ordinance, a summary may be published. While a copy of the entire ordinance is available without cost at the office of the City Clerk, the following summary is approved by the City Council and shall be published in lieu of publishing the entire ordinance: the City of Harris Fee Schedule is hereby repealed and replaced with a new fee schedule.

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PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING NORTH BRANCH PLANNING COMMISSION

Notice is hereby given that the North Branch Planning Commission will hold Public Hearing on Tuesday, June 3, 2025, at 6:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, at North Branch City Hall, 6408 Elm Street, North Branch, Minnesota. The purpose of this public hearing is to allow for public testimony regarding a proposed preliminary plat on the property known as Westside Commons 3rd Addition.

Applicant(s)
Isaac Ryba
Property Owners(s)
GS2, LLC
General Location(s)
Southwest Corner of Hwy 95 and Falcon Ave

Legal Description

Outlot A Westside Commons 2nd Addition, Chisago County, Minnesota

PID(s)
11.00399.05
Pertinent information about this request is on file at City Hall. Persons interested in providing comment as to this request may do so in writing at or before the public hearing. Comments may be sent to: Nate Sondrol at nathans@ci.north-branch.mn.us.

Nate Sondrol
nathans@ci.north-branch.mn.us
(651) 674-8113

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING NORTH BRANCH PLANNING COMMISSION

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Applicant(s)
North Branch EDA
Property Owner(s)
North Branch EDA
General Location(s)
Lot 1, Block 1, Cherokee Place 3rd Addition
PID(s)
11.00359.30
Pertinent information about this request is on file at City Hall. Persons interested in providing comment as to this request may do so in writing at or before the public hearing. Comments may be sent to: Nate Sondrol at nathans@ci.north-branch.mn.us.

Matthew Hill, City Administrator
matthewh@ci.north-branch.mn.us
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102 Services

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Get up to 50 channels free. No monthly charge. Dave's TV and Antenna. Call 320-515-0270.

109 Lawn Care

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109 Lawn Care

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150 Help Wanted

Agape Spanish Immersion Academy is hiring lead teachers & classroom aids. Must speak Spanish. For more info visit: Agapemn.com To apply send resume to: Hugo@agapemn.com

Chisago County now hiring Corrections Officer Duties: Provide care, supervision, and transportion of inmates, juveniles, and mentally ill; perform intake procedures, supervise daily housing area and periodically subdue prisoners if necessary. Variety of assigned shifts. Must be able to perform CPR & emergency first aid. \$26.83 to \$35.34 DOQ. Apply online www.chisago-countymn.gov.

Chisago County now hiring Engineering Technician Senior Duties: Reviewing construction plans, conducting engineering inspections and investigations, and reviewing the work of contractors for conformance to approved specifications. \$38.07 to \$50.13 DOQ. Apply online at www.chisago-countymn.gov.

150 Help Wanted

GreenGuard Construction is hiring Sales Representatives to help homeowners with roofing & siding solutions. No experience required. Base pay plus commission for every closed job. Flexible full-time or part-time schedules Must have: Reliable transportation, valid driver's license, positive attitude, and strong work ethic. Apply now at green-guardconstruction.com/careers Or find on Indeed and ZipRecruiter

Retired concrete mason wanted for townhome association Call Dan Bucholz 651.*335.*5684

Ruddy's Rental hiring Yard/Lot Person. Duties: Load & unload tables, chairs, trailers, & rental equipment. Also, hiring someone to work counter. Duties: Answer phones & write up contracts for customers. Flexible hrs, 10-30hrs/wk. No evenings, closed Sundays. Apply in person. 21380 Forest Blvd, Forest Lake

Worker needed in Hinckley for private home care \$20/hr. Call Lynette at 320-279-2131 or Trista at 320-279-1879.

150 Help Wanted

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160 Hire Me

Do you manage freight? Have you been frustrated with your vendor? My name is Adam and I have been working in the transportation industry for 20+ years. Call me today and I will be your One Stop for all your Freight Shipping needs. Capacity on Demand. Call or text 651.230.1405

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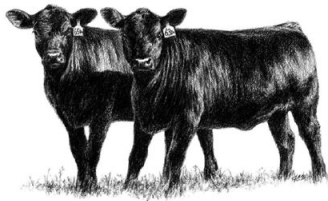


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