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Slide it in

Even though the official “grand opening” ribbon cutting ceremony was delayed due to a lack of snow, the new, man-made sledding hill in Isanti’s Bluebird Park has seen plenty of users, especially once the area received a pair of measurable snowfalls during Christmas break. City officials will now hold the ribbon cutting ceremony at 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 13.

Isanti City Council takes second stab at final levy

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An error in the final 2021 levy that was approved by the Isanti City Council during the Dec. 1 council meeting prompted the council to call for a last-minute emergency meeting on Monday, Dec. 28 in order to correct the mistake. All final levies must be turned in to the county by the end of December.

According to a memo sent to City Administrator Josi Wood, Isanti Finance Director Mike Betker said he discovered the final levy was in fact \$29,566 over the preliminary levy adopted by the council in September. The final levy cannot exceed the preliminary adopted levy. The memo also stated the council must approve a levy that matches the preliminary levy in order to rectify the error.

The correction would lead to a 1% reduction in the tax rate compared to 2020, and reduce the fund balance for the 2021 budget by \$29,566, according to the memo.

During discussion, Gordon stated he had the same questions he had in September regarding \$450,000 being levied for future potential restrooms and an amphitheater. He told the council he had discussed it with Betker, and reducing the levy by \$450,000 would

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Isanti, Chisago County Public Transit to be transferred to Arrowhead

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The transferring Isanti County’s transit services, which is currently being performed by Heartland Express, to an outside organization, is one step closer to taking place after the boards of commissioners for Isanti and Chisago counties adopted a resolution to transfer its assets to Arrowhead Transit.

The process of dissolving Isanti-Chisago Heartland Express began when both Isanti and Chisago counties passed resolutions in August, 2020 to dissolve a 2020-2021 operating grant with the Minnesota Public Transit Participation Program.

The next step in the process will be for Isanti-Chisago Joint Transit Board to adopt a resolution setting the date of Feb. 28, 2021, terminating all opera-

tions under the grant agreement. That resolution will dissolve Heartland Express, according to Isanti County Administrator Julia Lines. The date for that meeting is currently unknown, but will take place before Feb. 28.

The resolution in August prompted the state to solicit bids for operation of public transportation services for the remainder of 2021, and the state selected Arrowhead Transit, according to Lines.

The resolution adopted Jan. 5 ensures a smooth transition for Arrowhead Transit’s ability to provide transit services in Isanti and Chisago counties beginning March 1, 2021.

Lines noted that assets of Heartland Express are not county-owned, but were obtained through the years with federal money granted through the Minnesota Department of Transportation, which is why those assets will



ARROWHEAD TRANSIT FACEBOOK PAGE

be transferred to Arrowhead Transit under the operating grant to provide public transportation.

Arrowhead Transit will continue to provide the same services as Heartland Express, and routes and regularly scheduled rides will continue as they were with Heartland Express, according to Lines.

Promotional materials and advertising will begin soon so local people know who to call when they need a ride.

Lines explained that current Heartland Express drivers who are interested will be interviewed by Arrowhead Transit.

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Saturday's long-lasting hoar frost, along with the bright blue skies made for an extremely picturesque scene.

Jack Frost makes an appearance in area

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Last week the area was blanketed with a layer of frost that turned the world into a winter wonderland. The question of the day is was it hoar frost or rime ice? The difference between the two lies in the weather pattern that encourages the formation. According to CBS 3 meteorologist Dave Anderson, what we saw last week was hoar frost.

HOAR FROST

The word “hoar” comes from an Old English adjective that means “showing signs of old age.” In this context it refers to the frost that forms on trees and such that makes them appear to have white hair.

Hoar frost forms on cold, clear nights when conditions are such that heat radiates out to the open air faster than it can be replaced from nearby sources such as wind or warm objects.

Hoar frost is a deposit of ice crystals on objects exposed to the air. For example, trees, grass or fence posts. According to

the Weather Channel in order to produce any frost you need water vapor, a gaseous form of water) in the air over cold ground with a surface dew point of at least 32 degrees.

When these water vapor molecules contact a subfreezing surface, such as a tree branch, they go directly from a gas to a solid. This process is called deposition and leads to the coating of tiny ice crystals.

In order for hoar frost to appear the air mass must be much more moist. With more moisture in the air, the interlocking crystal patterns of frost become more intricate and much larger, building up to a greater depth on tree branches, signs, fences, anything.

RIME FROST

Rime Frost differs from hoar frost in that it is denser and harder. Another difference is rime ice is formed by freezing fog or cloud droplets. The small “super-cooled” water droplets remain liquid until they come in contact with any obstacle when they freeze instantaneously.

Red Cross teams with NFL to urge blood and plasma donation during National Blood Donor Month

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AMERICAN RED CROSS

The American Red Cross and the National Football League are teaming up this January, during National Blood Donor Month, to urge individuals – especially those who have recovered from COVID-19 – to give blood and to help tackle the national convalescent plasma shortage. Right now, more donors are needed to help hospital patients.

During this critical time, the Red Cross and NFL are thrilled to offer all those who come to donate an opportunity to receive a special thank you this month. Those who come to donate blood or platelets this January will be automatically entered to win two tickets to next year's Super Bowl LVI in Los Angeles. In addition, those who come to give January 1-20, will also be automatically entered to win the Big Game at Home package for an awesome viewing experience safely at home, with a 65-inch television and a \$500 gift card to put toward food and fun.

Individuals can schedule an appointment to give blood today with the American Red Cross by visiting RedCrossBlood.org, using the Red Cross Blood Donor App, calling 1-800-RED-CROSS or activating the Blood Scheduling Skill for Amazon Alexa.

“Blood and plasma donors who have recovered from COVID-19 may have the power to help critically

ill patients currently battling the virus,” said Dr. Erin Goodhue, Red Cross medical director of clinical services. “With hospital distributions for convalescent plasma increasing about 250% since October, these generous donations are vital in helping to save lives throughout the winter – a time that is often challenging to collect enough blood products for those in need.”

As COVID-19 cases have risen across the U.S., so has the need for convalescent plasma – leading to a shortage of this potentially life-saving blood product. Like “special teams” units on the field, COVID-19 survivors have a unique ability to make a game-changing difference in the lives of COVID-19 patients. Individuals who have recovered from COVID-19 may have antibodies in their plasma that could provide a patient's immune system the boost it needs to beat the virus.

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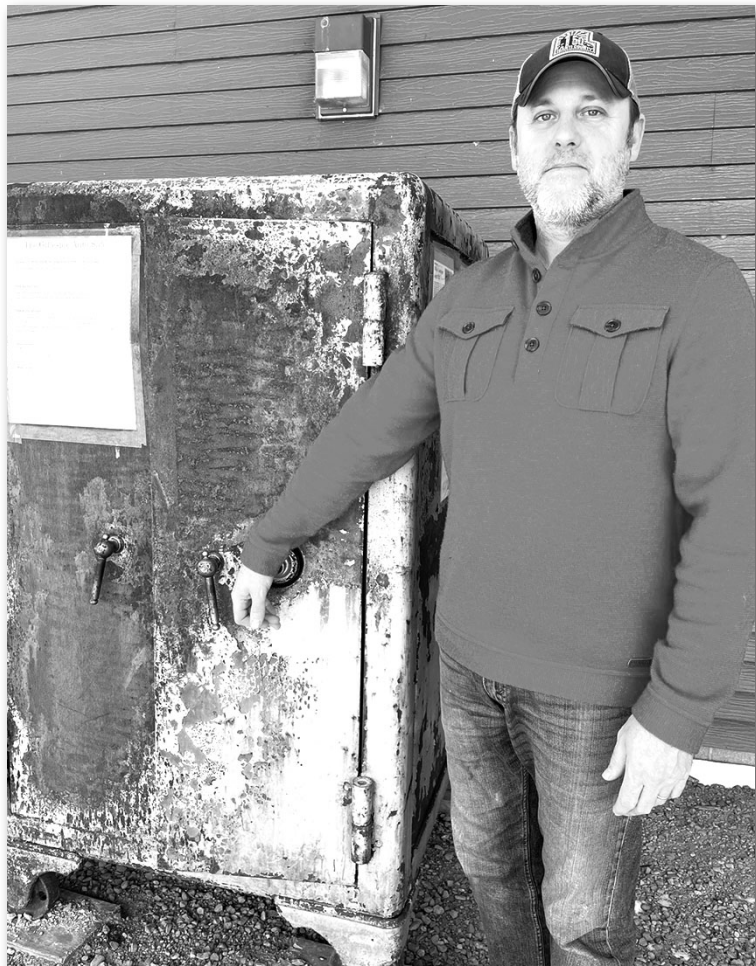
89 years ago, bandits plunder Cambridge

BY SAM KLOCKSIEEN
ISANTI COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Eighty-nine years ago, on Tuesday, Jan. 5, 1932, Cambridge citizens were trying to piece together what had happened to their town. On a quiet, cold January morning, six mysterious men arrived at the dimly lit streets of Cambridge. Dressed in fine clothes and long overcoats, the heavily armed men made their move. Traveling 55 miles from St. Paul, members of the Barker-Karpis gang had plenty of time to plan their heist. Figuring that Cambridge was far enough away from any big city, the gangsters had plenty of time to hit several businesses along Main Street in Cambridge. Their goal: steal as much as they could and get outta town. The gang did just that, hitting the Gillespie Auto first at 2 a.m. The sound of breaking glass alerted garage night watchman, Mart Dunning. Immediately Dunning was surrounded by the gang who instructed Mart to “call off his dog.” Mart was further persuaded to cooperate by a blow to the head with the butt of a gun. While being held hostage, the gang attempted to break

open the large 4,000 pound safe. Having no luck with the safe, they emptied the cash register. While at the garage, the gangsters eyed-up a getaway car. A fancy 1931 Buick 8 would fit the bill quite nicely. Exiting the garage and heading south on Main, the gangsters encountered Night Patrolman Frank Whitney making his rounds. Pointing their sawed-off shotguns at Whitney, they ordered him to “put his hands up.” With Whitney and Dunning in tow, the gang proceeded to loot Runyon Drug, Lewis Department Store, and finally Fairway Market. Loading the Buick with cash, clothes, and two hostages, the gang headed out of town. In Soderville, about 25 miles south of Cambridge, the gang finally let Whitney and Dunning out of the car. The two hostages walked north back into Isanti County where they were able to phone for help. It wasn’t until 1971 that the gangsters were identified as Al “Creepy” Karpis and other members of the Ma Barker Gang. Karpis, in an interview, joked about how he and his gang got away with the Cambridge heist and \$3,000 worth of loot.

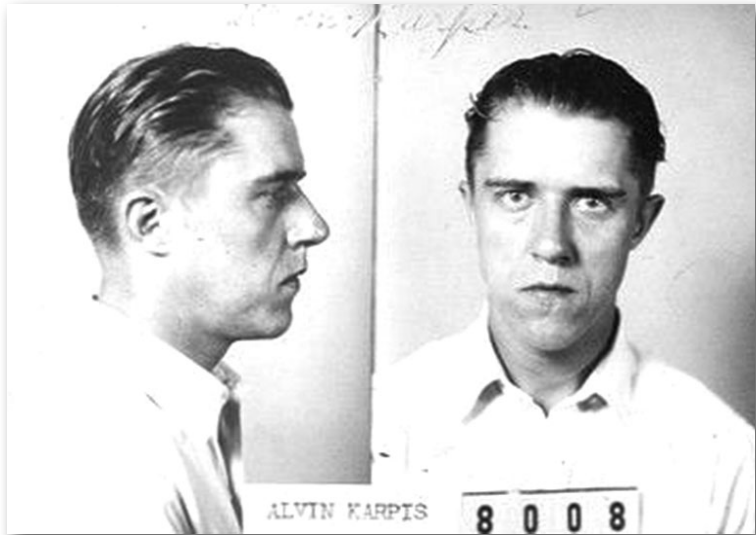
A tragic link to the Cambridge heist of ‘32 was of two women associated with the Barker-Karpis Gang. The following March, just two months after the heist, two women were found murdered inside the getaway car. Margaret “Indian Rose” Perry and her girlfriend Sadie Carmacher were going to report the Cambridge heist to authorities if they weren’t paid a hefty sum of money. Someone on “the inside” alerted members of the gang to the plan. Their badly burnt bodies were found in the Buick near Balsam Lake, Wisconsin. They were shot with a .38 caliber handgun and doused in nitric acid before setting the car ablaze. Clearly, these gangsters were cold-blooded killers, and Patrolman Whitney and watchman Dunning were lucky to escape with their lives. Especially considering Karpis and his gang murdered a Sheriff just two weeks before the Cambridge heist. Frank Whitney mentioned to authorities and the newspapers that, “he was caught off guard and was happy to survive the ordeal.” The Gillespie safe currently resides at the Isanti County Historical Society. It, along with the Jack Lewis safe is available for viewing. You’ll notice the Gillespie safe is discolored, as it sustained cosmetic damage from the 2011 arson fire at ICHS. It will be refinished and painted at a future date. Look closely at the image of Mart Dunning as he’s pointing to the dial, the gang attempted to torch it open, but failed. Bridging the past with the present, Frank’s grandson, 92-year-old Paul Whitney, and his wife Cynthia have been involved in the Isanti County Historical Society for over 20 years. Growing up, Paul said Frank didn’t talk too much about the incident. **SAM KLOCKSIEEN** is Executive Director of the Isanti County Historical Society, which is located at 33525 Flanders St. NE, Cambridge. He can be reached at 763-689-4229 or director@isanticountyhistory.org.



ISANTI COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY
Isanti County Historical Society Executive Director Sam Klocksien shows the Gillespie Auto safe that is on display at ICHS. The safe received some cosmetic damage in 2011 during a fire at the ICHS building.



The exploits in Cambridge of the gangsters made the front page of The Minneapolis Tribune.



ISANTI COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY
A 1930 mugshot of Al “Creepy” Karpis, who was the leader of the gang that went on a one-night crime spree in Cambridge, taking two hostages and stealing a getaway car in the process.

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OPINION

Maybe next year, or the next year...

Well, here we are at what sadly could easily be an annual rehashed column bemoaning the ending of the Minnesota Vikings' season. As any fans of the purple are fully aware, this team just can't find the formula that will bring even a Super Bowl appearance to the "Bold North."

I will admit that my expectations for this year were tempered from the start. With no public training camp or preseason games, it was very hard to figure out what kind of a team we had. Sure, most fans knew we still had high-caliber players such as Dalvin Cook, Adam Thielen and Kirk Cousins (who at least to this fan is considered "high-caliber") on offense. Plus we still had the framework of a solid defense, only with a few more unknowns than in previous years.

As it turned out, however, those tempered expectations could have been a little too high. Sure, I would pit our offense against any in the league. Trading Stefon Diggs to Buffalo and using the first round draft pick on Justin Jefferson turned out to be possibly the biggest "win-win" trade in NFL history.

But our defense turned out to have a lot of growing to do. True, numerous injuries to almost all of the veteran players couldn't be predicted, but even with them in the lineup, our defense was prone to giving up big plays. It also seemed like both the offense and defense couldn't have a good game at the same time, with the possible exception of at Green Bay.

Head coach Mike Zimmer in his season-ending press conference said in essence that this year's final record was about as good as could be expected given all of the unique situations. I don't agree with this though. We lost the Seattle game mainly because of a questionable coaching decision. We lost the Dallas game in large part because of a ridiculous touchdown catch late in the game. We lost the Tampa Bay game because our kicker all of a sudden forgot how to kick. We lost the Tennessee game on a late 55-yard field goal. A win in any of those games would have meant a trip to the playoffs. Win all of them and we would have been tied for the third-best record in the NFC.

While its true with most teams, "what if" just seems to be the Vikings' mantra. What if Dallas' Drew Pearson had been called for offensive pass interference on the original "Hail Mary" play back in the 1975 playoffs? What if Gary Anderson hadn't missed that field goal attempt (his only miss all season) that would have avoided overtime in the 1998 NFC Championship game?

Ultimately, it is what it is, and Vikings fans will just have to once again suck it up and hope that next year will be our year. In the meantime, I will be rooting for what has always been my favorite non-home team, the Buffalo Bills, who themselves have had their fair share of "what if" moments in their history. In fact, these two teams could be considered "brothers from different mothers" just based on fans' misery.

Boy, what does that say about me as a sports fan? **BILL STICKELS III** is editor of the Isanti-Chisago County Star. He can be reached at 763-689-1181 ext. 107 or editor@countystar.com.



Worth a Thousand Words

Bill Stickels III



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Trump should accept election results

To the editor,

One of the foundations of our nation's democracy is the peaceful transfer of power after an election. President Trump is putting our very democracy at risk by continuing to challenge the election results and claiming wide-spread fraud in the election. His actions are causing people to question the fairness of our elections, when they are fair and transparent.

People I know are putting on Facebook that the election was stolen from President Trump. It wasn't! Yet they continue to claim it was. In 2016 Donald Trump won the Electoral College while Hillary Clinton received over 3 million more votes than Donald Trump nationwide. Joe Biden and his campaign were very aware of this and concentrated on winning the Electoral College which he did along with 7 million more votes than the President nationwide. For the good of our country President Trump needs to accept he lost and quit trying to overturn the vote of the majority of people in the country.

Closer to home our 8th District Congressman Pete Stauber signed onto the Texas lawsuit to throw out the elections from four states. Thankfully the Supreme Court refused to even hear this nonsense! Will Congressman Stauber also vote against certifying the Electoral College this week? If he does it's just shameful!

Even closer to home our State Senator Mark Koran also signed onto the Texas lawsuit. Why? Suing the State over employee raises and signing onto the Texas lawsuit, what is he thinking?

I believe supporting these unsubstantiated claims of voter fraud are tearing our nation apart and I can't believe Congressman Stauber and State Sena-

tor Koran are supporting this!

Rick Olseen Harris

County Parks are wonderful

To the editor,

During this isolation for COVID 19, my husband and I decided to visit all the County Parks in Isanti County. They have been wonderful places to renew our spirits and souls!

We would like to thank ALL the people and organizations who had the foresight to create them and those who continue to restore and upgrade them. THANK YOU!

Jan & John Wheelock Cambridge

With great appreciation

To the editor,

We would like to thank everyone for your help this holiday season for the Braham Girl Scouts "Season of Giving." We were able to help: 19 families, 46 kids, we received \$1175.00 in cash donations, and spent \$1174.25 of it.

Although many toy donation areas were closed due to COVID closures, we were still able to collect enough toys to help.

Everything we collect in Braham - Stays in Braham!!

Again, thank you so much for your help. Our community is great!!

Tish Carlson Braham Girl Scouts

CORRECTION

The name of the Braham man who was charged with murder as reported in the Dec. 17, 2020 edition of the Star was incorrect. The suspect should have been identified as David Daryl Pangerl, not Daryl Pangerl. We apologize for this mistake.

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Greeting gifts

THE NEW YEAR is underway and we hope and pray the pandemic will end soon. Vaccinations are underway but it will take several months before the majority of the population has been treated. It may be necessary to use masks for the next two years. They will reduce the spreading of other diseases as well.



About the Town
Gene Johnson

SKIP THE RESOLUTIONS and set realistic goals for yourself and family. Couples can make their list separately and later compare them and discuss more ideas. Vacation plans, books to read, added education, home projects, retirement plans, volunteer work and health and wellness plans can all enhance the quality of life's purpose.

MY NIECE AND her husband moved from Ocala, FL to Union Lake near Fertile, MN. This was a major loss to us at Thanksgiving time in Florida. Cynthia is an excellent cook and especially a pie-baker. Lemon meringue, cherry, chocolate, pecan, key lime, pumpkin and banana cream are all choices she shared throughout the years. Feeling a little nostalgic, I called them at their lake home and expressed my disappointment of not being with them for Thanksgiving. Lo and behold, three days before Christmas Perkins restaurant delivered a lemon meringue and a cherry pie to our Legacy Harbour Marina at Ft. Myers. Kathy and I were delighted and the pies were excellent.

THIS WAS THE first Christmas in 52 years that our family was not together. Gifts arrived by mail, Zoom conversations took place with each of the children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren, emails, cards, letters and phone calls kept us in contact with family and friends.

A few days before Christmas a large box of Scandinavian taste treats arrived from Rushford, MN compliments of our daughter Stephanie and son-in-law Chuck. It included lefse, thin anise cookies, lingonberries, hard tack, flatbrod and Nordic sweets. This heightened my desire for lutefisk. Thus, the search began. A small Scandinavian shop in Ft. Myers saved the day and we came home with two packages of lutefisk, approximately four pounds. Full of excitement I called friends to plan the day of the feast.

OUR CHILDREN HAVE advised us to answer the unidentified phone calls with "good morning" or "good afternoon" instead of the usual, "hello." It trips up their automated answering service and causes delay of their message. When the pause occurs just hang up. So far it hasn't prevented them from calling back.

GOOD FRIENDS STAN and Karen Smith sent some worthy advice in their Christmas greeting card this year. "Smile for today" 1. 2019: stay away from negative people. 2020: stay away from positive people. 2. Does anyone know if we can take showers yet or should we just keep washing our hands? 3. I need to practice social-distancing from the refrigerator. 4. Never in a million years could I have imagined I would go up to a bank teller wearing a mask and asking for money. 5. The spread of COVID-19 is based on two things: a. how dense the population is, and b. how dense the population is.

SCANDINAVIANS ARE LOSING their ties to lutefisk and yielding to Nigerian Americans and other West Africans who prefer dried fish. Americans are eating more herring.

First described by Swedish scholar and archbishop Olaus Magnus in 1555, people have eaten lutefisk in Norway, Sweden and parts of Finland for centuries. Lutefisk, when translated from its original Norwegian, is self-explanatory: Lut means lye, and Fisk is fish. To make it, dried cod is soaked in caustic lye solution for days, transforming it into quivering fillets.

Nobody quite knows who invented it; tales range from someone accidentally dropping a fish into a bowl of lye to "The Swedes trying to poison the Norwegians," jokes Travis Dahl, a meat salesman at Ingebretsen's Nordic Marketplace in Minneapolis. Once rinsed, the mild-flavored meat is either baked or boiled, then smothered with everything from melted butter to sautéed onion and bacon bits. The smell can linger long after people clean their plates-an odor that's the butt of many a Minnesotan grandpa jokes.

On northern Norway's Lofoten Islands, fisheries have long dried fresh cod on wooden racks. Stock fish was nutritious and hardy. It would remain viable for years and when soaked in water would be reconstituted basically to its original state when caught," explains Terje Leiren, professor emeritus of Scandinavian Studies at the University of Washington. This made it ideal for long sea voyages, thus indelibly tying it to the transatlantic slave trade-and to Norway, which was once part of a dual monarchy with Denmark. During voyages to the Danish West Indies, today's United States Virgin Islands, stock-fish-laden ships would stop in Nigeria.

Cultures and traditions change through marriage, generations and food availability. Minnesota and Wisconsin won't give up easily.

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Thanks Kirby - for your decades of service

Just prior to the Christmas break, we were informed that North Branch Area Public Schools school board chair Kirby Ekstrom will be stepping down from his position this January.



NB School News
Sara Paul

Thus, a day we all knew would come, but no one looked forward to, has come.

Kirby has served the students, staff, families and community on the NBAPS school board since his election in 1999. Yes, his service goes all the way back to the 20th century. To use the word "service" in this case is to get the very most out of its meaning; Kirby was always looking for additional ways he could have an impact on local education, and education statewide, through his position. He has served on too many committees to count over the years, and is currently deeply involved in the Minnesota School Boards Association and the Minnesota State High School League.

A graduate of NBAPS, Kirby loves his school district and his community, and never tires of supporting both. He is a regular attendee at activities and events, and jumps at any chance to represent the school district.

When one moves to a new community, it is inspiring to meet those that dedicate themselves to making that community great. There are many

such people in the greater North Branch community, of which Kirby is certainly one.

Personally, Kirby was instrumental in my transition to superintendent and spent countless hours helping me build relationships in our community. I am honored to call him a mentor.

COVID creates challenges for gathering to honor Kirby for his long and dedicated service, but we are exploring some options and will communicate plans as soon as they are finalized. Look for more information at the school district website (www.isd138.org) or the district Facebook page in the coming days.

Kirby's resignation from the school board provides an opportunity to celebrate what has been accomplished and to continue accelerating to new levels. All of us at NBAPS will miss his passion for education, his dedication to the student experience, and his always welcoming demeanor and sense of humor. No doubt he will bring those same attributes to the next phase of his life. Both Kirby, and his wife Jan, are owed our deepest gratitude for his incredible stewardship.

SARA PAUL is superintendent of North Branch Area Public Schools. She can be reached at 651-674-1000 or spaul@isd138.org.



Kirby Ekstrom

Why are judges so opinionated?

Judges are so "opinionated" because in most civil cases they are required to detail the factual basis and legal reasoning for their decision in a written opinion. In the vast majority of



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Hon. Judge Steve Halsey

criminal cases, other than pretrial motions to suppress evidence or dismiss a criminal charge or a court trial on the charge, the judge is not required to file "findings of fact, conclusions of law, and order," the explanation for the judge's decision. This may leave some citizens charged with a petty misdemeanor, misdemeanor or gross misdemeanor charge (none of which can involve a prison sentence) wondering why the judge found them guilty or not guilty following a court (no jury) trial or why the judge rendered a particular sentence. Frequently the judge will verbally explain the decision, but the volume of such non-felony cases makes it impractical for the judge to be required to prepare a written opinion in every case.

In most contested civil cases decided by a judge and not a jury, the judge must prepare written findings of fact. An example would be a traffic accident in which one party was alleged to have been speeding or failed to obey a traffic light. The judge's findings of fact would indicate what the judge found to have occurred, for example, "Defendant was driving her vehicle at 70 mph, in excess of the posted speed limit of 55 mph, when her vehicle rear-ended the Plaintiff's vehicle." In a family law case a finding of fact may be, "Petitioner is employed at XYZ Corp. and earns a gross monthly income of \$3000."

The judge's order will also include "conclusions of law," that is, how the law applies to the facts as found by the judge. In the first scenario above, the judge could conclude, "Defendant was negligent, driving her vehicle at an illegal and unsafe speed, causing the collision with Plaintiff's vehicle and being the proximate cause of the injuries that Plaintiff sustained." In the second scenario, after more extensive findings of fact about the number of children and the other party's income, the conclusion of law might be, "That under the child support guidelines the Petitioner's child support obligation is \$700 per month."

In most family law cases the judge is required to make detailed findings of fact and conclusions of law, not only so the parties understand the basis for the decision, but also so that the appellate court can review whether the findings of fact are support

by the evidence at trial, and whether applying the applicable law (both statutory and case law) to the facts the judge made the right decision. For example, in a contested custody case the judge must make detailed findings of fact on 13 factors, therefore those opinions often run to several dozen pages. Not infrequently the appellate court remands cases to the trial courts for more detailed findings of fact.

While judges must render a detailed opinion in most civil cases, juries are not required to render verdicts in great detail. In criminal cases nearly all verdicts will be "guilty" or "not guilty" without any explanation being allowed. In civil cases juries are often required to complete a special verdict form detailing, for example, whether either or both parties were negligent, to what percentage of negligence did each party contribute to the collision, whether their negligence was a direct cause of the Plaintiff's injuries and damages, and itemizing the damages (if any) being awarded to the Plaintiff. The jury need not and cannot further explain how it arrived at the verdict.

Hennepin County District Court Judge Mel Dickstein prior to retirement wrote in an article in Minnesota Lawyer as follows:

"Imagine how terrifying our system of justice would be if judges made decisions without explanation. In Family Court, judges would divide up property, and award child custody, without giving any reason for their choices. In civil cases, judges would resolve business disputes, and determine personal responsibility for accidents, without explanation. In criminal cases judges would make important rulings regarding a defendant's constitutional rights without stating a basis for the decision.

"We wouldn't stand for such a system because we want to know that decisions are fairly reached. We want an explanation for how the judge reached his or her decision . . .

"What I think is so wonderful about our system is that we come to a clear understanding of the law when opinions are well written and clearly expressed. A reader, following the arc of the decisions in this case, knows how the ultimate decision was made—what arguments were considered and accepted and rejected. It leads to a respect for the law, whether or not you agree with it. That's how our law develops, and one way we assure respect for the process—it's the reason we write legal decisions; sometimes very long ones."

JUDGE STEVE HALSEY, Wright County District Court, is chambered in Buffalo and is the host of "The District Court Show" on local cable TV public access channels throughout the Tenth Judicial District. Excerpts can be viewed at WWW.QCTV.org. Go to Community and click "The District Court Show."

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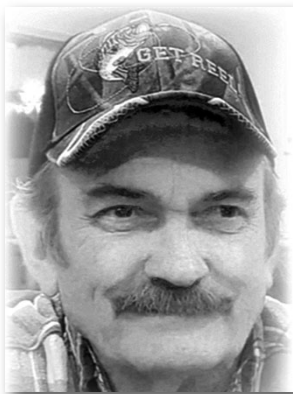
MILESTONES

OBITUARIES

Lynn (Gator) A. Guthrie

Lynn Alan Guthrie of Cambridge died on Dec. 26, 2020. He was 73 years old.

Lynn was born in Albert Lea, Minnesota to Wallace and Thelma (Grapes) Guthrie. The family moved to Cambridge in 1951. Lynn attended Pine



Lake Country School and graduated from Cambridge High School in 1965. On Jan. 29, 1966, he married his high school sweetheart Marnie Peterson at Crown Lutheran Church. They made their home in the Cambridge/North Branch area where they raised their five children.

Lynn started his career in route sales to include Watson Candy Company, and Guthrie Distributing.

Lynn then went to work for General Safety (now Rosenbauer) which manufactures fire trucks where he retired in 2013.

Lynn was a charter member of the Gateway Curling Club in Cambridge. He was very proud of his children and grandchildren who have and continue to serve in the military. After retiring, Lynn enjoyed attending auctions, flea markets, and purchasing his daily lotto tickets. Lynn was a gentle soul with an infectious smile and was the man who never met a stranger. He would strike up a conversation with anyone he met.

He was preceded in death by his father Wallace, mother Thelma and brother Lonnie Guthrie; in-laws Melva and Donald Peterson, Terry Peterson, Tommy Peterson, Ken Drilling, Jim Sutherland, and Byron Yerigan, and Craig Lindquist.

He is survived by his wife, Marnie; son, Jesse Guthrie (Skeeter); daughters, Leslie Guthrie, Beth Bird (Paul), Rebecca Guthrie-Miller (Jason) and Amy Cain (John); 16 grandchildren and 11 great grandchildren, with another on its way; brothers Art Guthrie (Di), Tom Guthrie; sisters, Gloria Yerigan, Deb Geller (Ken); sister-in-laws Kathy Guthrie, Lori Daudt (Terry), Cathy Drilling, Judy Peterson, Allison Adkins, and brother-in-law; Jimmy Peterson (Karen), and many nieces and nephews and other relatives and friends.

A memorial service was held at Spring Lake Lutheran Church, North Branch on Dec. 30. A celebration of life is planned for next summer.

Rose Marie A. Krebbs

Rose Marie A. Krebbs, of Cambridge, passed away unexpectedly at her home surrounded by her family on Jan. 1, 2021. She was 84 years old.

Rose Marie loved to tend to her vegetable and flower gardens. She traveled extensively throughout the 48 states, enjoying the mountains of Utah the most. She loved to dance.

Rose Marie met Bob at a Lawrence Welk concert in California, where they danced the night away and fell in love. The rest is history.

She was preceded in death by her parents Edward and Rose Kryzer; brothers Joe, Edward, Wencel and Robert Kryzer.

Rose Marie is survived by her loving husband of 63 years, Bob; children Diana (Leonard) Patraw, Dan (Cheryl) Krebbs, Donald (Sharon) Krebbs, David Krebbs, Denise Krebbs and Douglas Krebbs. Grandmother to: Jacob Schurmier. She is also survived by many nieces, nephews, relatives and friends.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 9, 2021, at Christ the King Catholic Church, 230 N. Fern St. Cambridge. A private interment will take place.

Arrangements by Carlson-Lillemoen Funeral Home 763-689-2244. Online condolences can be shared at www.carlsonlillemoen.com.

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Elizabeth A. Wyatt

Betty Wyatt, of Isanti, went home to be with the Lord Dec. 29, 2020. She was 90 years old.

Betty was born on Jan. 16, 1930, in Cambridge, MN on the family farm in a home built by her grandfather. The daughter of John and Mable



(Anderson) Johnson, they lived on the family farm until the late 1930's and Betty attended grade school at Moody School but soon moved to Isanti district #9. As the eldest girl in her family of six children, Betty was tasked at a young age with the care of her younger siblings. These early years of hardship and responsibility forged in Betty a will of iron, a rich sense of generosity, and a deep

faith. She graduated from Cambridge High School and was very involved in the youth group at Elim Baptist Church, Isanti.

Betty married the love of her life, Gordy Wyatt, in 1954 and they shared 57 ½ amazing years together. Betty and Gordy built their dream home in 1971 on the banks of the Rum River. They never had children but curated strong bonds with their families, and nieces and nephews, and community. Together they lived a life of hard work and adventure. They had several airplanes and motor homes, snowmobiles and ATVs, traveling all over the country, and hosting adventures along the Rum River. Betty got her pilot's license so the two of them could fly together, she wanted to be prepared if something happened to Gordy. Snowmobiling in the West Yellowstone area was a yearly favorite.

Betty was a loyal friend, a faithful part of New Hope Church (formerly Elim Baptist), a warm and gracious hostess and a generous loving aunt and sister.

Betty was preceded in death by cherished husband Gordy Wyatt, her parents, siblings George Johnson and Dorothy Danca, as well as many other loved ones. She is survived by siblings Janice Johnson, John Johnson and Shirley Lindberg, the Wyatt family, as well as numerous nieces and nephews, extended family and so many friends.

Memorial visitation will be from 9:30 - 11 a.m. on Friday, Jan. 8, 2021, at Strike Life Tributes in Isanti, with a family service to follow. Online condolences can be made at StrikeLifeTributes.com.

Della M. Moen

Della Mae Moen, of GracePointe Crossing in Cambridge, MN and formerly of Isle, MN passed away peacefully on Dec. 29, 2020. She was 88 years old.

Della was a homemaker for many years, enjoyed spending time with her grandchildren and later working at the Fridley Convalescent Nursing Home.



Throughout Della's life, she enjoyed many things. Della was an avid reader, enjoyed a good puzzle, fishing, bird watching, road trips and let's not forget a good old Minnesota Twins ball game. Her biggest love was her family and she made sure that we all knew it. Once you met Della, you could not help but to like/love her. Della's laughter

was infectious and her smile could light up a room! Della will be sadly missed by all, yet forever in our hearts!

She was preceded in death by her husband of 63 years, Lou Verne Moen; her parents, Ervin and Evelyn Keehr; brothers, Richard Keehr, Eugene Keehr, sisters, Marjorie Yager, and Joyce Thompson.

Della is survived by her children, Lou Ann (Michael) Gulbranson, Norman Moen, Vernon (Laura) Moen, Cathy Sullivan, Steven (Nancy) Moen; sister, Arlene Coplan; sister-in-laws, Lorraine Clarin, Diana Keehr; grandchildren, many great-grandchildren, cousins, nieces and nephews.

A private graveside service will be held in the spring. Online condolences can be placed at StrikeLifeTributes.com.

Hugh Peabody

Hugh Peabody, of Cambridge went home to be with his Lord Dec. 22, 2020. He was 83 years old.

Hugh Roger Peabody was born Dec. 31, 1936, in Richfield, Minnesota to Charles and Lillian (Davis) Peabody. When he was one year old his family



moved to Isanti and they attended St. John Lutheran Church in Bradford and Weber. Hugh graduated from Cambridge High School in 1954. He served his country in the US Navy from March 1956 through March 1959.

On May 23, 1959, Hugh married Nancy Doble at Springvale Baptist Church. They made their home in several places and after retirement made their home in Cambridge. Wherever

God sent them, there was a purpose. They met many friends, were encouraged or were able to encourage others along their journey. Hugh always loved the idea of being a farmer but it never worked out. He worked several jobs including one of his favorite, being a cattle feeder. Hugh enjoyed going to toy shows with his son, Stuart, collecting toy tractors. He and Nancy liked traveling to Branson where they went antiquing and played mini-golf. He also enjoyed woodworking, playing table games with family, and he loved music, especially singing with Nancy. His family and church were very important parts of his life and he enjoyed being at church and seeing people there even when he could not participate as much. He was a kind person and will be missed dearly.

Besides his parents he was preceded in death by three siblings, Paul Peabody, Art Peabody, and Emily Tousley; and brother-in-law, Earle Tousley.

Hugh will be lovingly remembered by his wife, Nancy; five children, Tod (Kelly) Peabody, Bruce (Glenda) Peabody, Keri (Brian) Ek, Kay Peabody, and Stuart (Maria) Peabody; 11 grandchildren, 20 great-grandchildren; and by many other relatives and friends.

A public celebration of life will be held at Springvale Baptist Church in the spring. Online condolences can be made at StrikeLifeTributes.com.

"Jesus welcomed Hugh home with open arms"

Helen J. Woodland

Helen J. Woodland, of Princeton, passed away peacefully on Dec. 24, 2020, at Fairview Southdale Hospital, Edina, MN. She was 74 years old.

Helen J. Malcolm was born on May 12, 1946, in Princeton, to Forrest and Gladys (Robertson) Malcolm. She graduated from Princeton High School in 1964 and was then married to Richard "Dick" Woodland on April 19, 1965.

After working as a nurse's aide at Grandview in Cambridge for many years, Helen went back to school to receive her LPN. In 1984 she and Dick opened their own board and lodging home for seniors. She worked at various other nursing facilities before her retirement.

Above all else in life, Helen had a kind heart and was a dedicated caregiver to her family and the elderly she served in her community. She loved spending time with her children, grandchildren, great-grandchild and will be dearly missed by all who knew her.

She was preceded in death by her parents; and siblings, Albert Malcolm, Donald Malcolm, Betty Syverson, Robert Malcolm, Earl Malcolm, Evelyn Sproessig, and Richard Malcolm.

Helen is survived by her children, Jacqueline (Shannon) Kruse of Grasston and John Woodland of Minneapolis; grandchildren, Codi, Quinn, and Abby Kruse, and Vivian and Augustine Woodland; great-grandchild, Madison; and sisters, Joyce Stedman, Elaine Anderson, and Carol Wilson.

Memorial Services for Helen will take place at a later date.

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Eunice E. Hupfer

Eunice Elaine Hupfer, of Cambridge passed away on Jan. 2, 2021, after suffering years of dementia complicated by Covid-19. She was 100 years old.

Eunice was born June 13, 1920, in Minneapolis. The family moved to Cambridge in 1923 where her parents opened Cambridge Launderers and Cleaners. She graduated in 1938 from Cambridge High School and 1942 from Hamline University in St. Paul. She was the Snow Queen and featured soloist in the Hamline A Cappella Choir where she met and fell in love with her future husband, Robert Hupfer. They were married on March 15, 1941.

Eunice sang on KSTP radio during the war years both on Clellan Card’s “Card Table” and on her own nationally broadcast show, “A Date with Elaine.” Shortly after WWII, Eunice and Hup moved to Cambridge where Hup joined Eunice’s parents as manager of the cleaners. They subsequently purchased the business, and later sold it to their sons, Bob Jr. and Paul upon Hup’s retirement in 1985.

Eunice had an extraordinarily beautiful voice and blessed many people in the community by singing at funerals and weddings for decades. Eunice and Hup sang for Barry Goldwater at the Republican National Convention in 1964. She recorded an album of hymns and donated all profits to the First Baptist Church.

Eunice raised her family with music and her wonderful sense of humor. She lost her sight completely 26 years ago but never complained or felt sorry for herself. She shared her sweet nature with and was loved by the staff at GracePointe Crossing and St. Croix Hospice. We thank them very much for their outstanding, loving care.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Gustav and Marie Stroberg, sisters Dorothy Dunbar and Phyllis Ryan, and infant brother, Warner. Eunice was happily married to Robert Hupfer for 64 years before his death in 2005.

She will be mourned by her family: daughters Peggy Hupfer and Nancy Hupfer (Ralph Chappa); sons Bob Jr. (Anita) and Paul (Sue) Hupfer; nine grandchildren: Trent Hupfer, Wendy Peterson (fiancé Teddy Travica), Tracy Lund, Jennifer (Shawn) Treptau, Erik (Sarah) Lund, Amanda (Dale) Marty, Ben (Nicole) Hupfer, Taylor Hupfer, and Casey Hupfer; ten great-grandchildren: Charlotte Peterson; Tommie and Darci Treptau; Lucy, Maggie and Leo Lund; Morgan and Alex Marty; and Grayson and Camden Hupfer; and many nieces, nephews, and friends.

A private family funeral service will be held Friday, Jan. 8, 2021. A Celebration of Life will be held June 13, 2021. In lieu of flowers, memorials preferred to the State Services for the Blind (<https://mn.gov/deed/ssb/about/contact/financial-support.jsp>). Condolences at www.carlsonlillemoen.com. Arrangements by the Carlson-Lillemoen Funeral Home Funeral Home and Cremation Services of Cambridge.



Donald C. Nelson

Donald Carl Nelson, of Cambridge passed away on Monday, Dec. 28, 2020, at home surrounded by family. He was 88 years old.

He was born Sept. 15, 1932, in Minneapolis, Minnesota to Carl and Ida (Johnson) Nelson. Don was baptized into the Lutheran faith in Minneapolis. At the age of 12 his family moved to Milaca and he was confirmed at Zion Lutheran Church. He attended grade school and Milaca High School.

In January, 1953 he was drafted into the U.S. Army and was stationed in Japan during the Korean Conflict. He was honorably discharged in December, 1954 and continued in the Army Reserves for eight more years. Upon returning to Milaca, Don worked at the local grocery store and became a meat cutter. He also worked construction for a number years, building silos in the area.

On Dec. 1, 1962, he was united in marriage to Sandra Leaf at Calvary Lutheran Church at Rush Point. They lived in Princeton and Braham before purchasing their home just north of Cambridge and raised their five children.

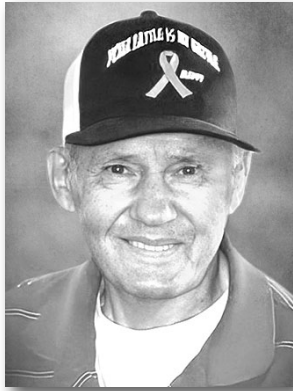
Don worked as a meat cutter for several years at Red Owl, Super Valu and retired from Applebaum’s in 1980.

He was a member of Calvary Lutheran Church at Rush Point where he served on the church council and sang in the choir. He enjoyed deer hunting, fishing, tending to his vegetable garden and woodworking. Don loved his family and the time spent attending his children’s and grandchildren’s sporting events. Don and Sandy enjoyed an Alaskan Cruise they went on a few years ago, but couldn’t wait to get back to their family. He stayed active and loved playing kickball, bocce ball and other activities with his family. He was always very competitive and always encouraged his kids and grandkids to be the best they could be at everything in life. Don never trusted anyone to maintain his vehicles and changed oil on all of his vehicles up until the age of 87.

He was preceded in death by his parents, sisters Sandy Ranzinger and Mary Nygard, brother Bruce Nelson, and granddaughter Madison Nelson.

Don is survived by his loving family; wife Sandy of Cambridge, children Brian (Lisa) Nelson of Big Lake, Rick (Sheila) Nelson of Harris, Scott (Karen) Nelson of Cambridge, Dawn (Alan) Hanson of Cambridge, Terry (Kelly) Nelson of Cambridge, 17 grandchildren, 12 great grandchildren, brother Tom (Marlys) Nelson of Oak Grove, sister Virginia (Donald) Christensen of Rochester, sister-in-law Linda Nelson of Crystal Lake, IL, brother-in-law Dennis Ranzinger of Broomfield, CO, as well as numerous nieces, nephews other relatives and friends.

A Memorial Service was held at 2 p.m., Wednesday, Jan. 6, 2021, at Cambridge Lutheran Church. Condolences at www.carlsonlillemoen.com. Arrangements by the Carlson-Lillemoen Funeral Home and Cremation Services of Cambridge.



Madeline K. Alexander

Madeline “Bobbie” Kathryn Alexander (Woods), of Cambridge, formerly of St. Paul and Philadelphia, PA, passed away peacefully on Monday, Dec. 28, 2020, with her family around her. She was 77 years old.



Madeline loved helping out the elderly and the people in her community. She could easily talk with anyone and could make friends instantly. Madeline liked going “bumming” with the grandkids and friends (that meant going shopping in Cambridge). She loved her candles and her house always smelled so good. Madeline loved being with her grandkids and great grandkids as much as possible. Her favorite holiday was Christmas, and she loved spending time with family. She will be deeply missed by all that knew her.

She loved her nieces, Tiny, Lenny, Theresa, Darcel-la and Jamie. She was known by many as Grandma or Nanny.

Madeline was preceded in death by her father, Edward Woods, mother, Elsie Roland (Ben), brother, Jackie Hooven, sister, Georgeine Nearhoof and her niece, Debbie Hackett. She is survived by her best friend and significant other, Harlan Ingberg; children, Barbara Ednie, Jerry (Angie) Henery, Renee Braden, Fred (Katie) Alexander; Maggie (Tom) Triechel, Robert Ingberg, Todd (Amy) Ingberg, Ray (Asia) Ingberg; grandchildren, Theresa, Brenda, J.T., Crystal, Jordan, Carrie, Jacob, Benny, Hannah, Peyton, Johnny, Ronny, Tabitha, Allyson, McKenzie, Veronica, Nina, Samantha, Lenora, Ian, Ciara, Emily, Hailey, Lizzy, Bekah, Ella and Eli; along with 15 great-grandchildren that she loved with all of her heart.

Funeral services were held at 3 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 2, 2021, at Strike Life Tributes in Cambridge. Online condolences can be placed at StrikeLifeTributes.com.

STUDENT NAMES IN THE NEWS

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT LISTS

MollyAnn Harvey of Cambridge (President’s) from Montana State University.

Cadence Eischens of Stacy (Dean’s) from Knox College.

Lauren Steltz of Braham, **Kendra Hollie** of Cambridge, **Brianna Hillman-Schultz** and **Ashley Schintz** of Isanti, and **Macy Bombard** and **Emily Kristo** of North Branch (Dean’s) from University of Wisconsin - Superior.

Megan Lanhart of Braham; **Calub Klontz**, **Paul Swanson**, and **Samantha Tempesta** of Isanti (Dean’s); and **Edward Johnson** of Rush City (President’s) from Central Lakes College, Brainerd and Staples.

DEGREES

Zachary Nyquist of Cambridge, in John Deere Tech, from North Dakota State College of Science.

Whitney Carlson of Princeton and Cambridge Christian School, (Summa Cum Laude) in Early Childhood Education; **Kyle Groves** of Cambridge in Educational Leadership; **Ashley Nyblom** of Cambridge, in Biology: Health & Medical Sciences; and **Jaclyn Hollenkamp** of Siren and Braham Area High School, in Psychology, from Minnesota State University Moorhead.

Larriane Acre-Kendall of Cambridge, (Magna Cum Laude) in Philosophy, Politics & Economics; **Stone Anderson** of Cambridge, in Management; **Joshua Coyle** of Cambridge, in Economics; **Madeline Johnson** of Cambridge, (Summa Cum Laude) in Communication Disorders; **Cassandra Terriizzi** of Cambridge, in Exercise Science; **Jennifer Hass** of Isanti, (Magna Cum Laude) in Nursing; and **Melissa Melby** of North Branch, (Masters) in Education Technology, from Minnesota State University, Mankato.

North Chisago Historical Society earns grant

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MINNESOTA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Minnesota Historical Society is pleased to announce the newest recipients of 42 Minnesota Historical and Cultural Heritage Small Grants (\$10,000 and less), totaling \$361,234 in 29 counties. Included in the grant recipients is North Chisago Historical Society in Rush City, which was awarded \$6,240 to hire a qualified consultant to prepare a collections management policies and procedures document.

Small grants are awarded quarterly to help nonprofits, educational organizations, government units and federally recognized tribes to preserve and share Minnesota history. This cycle of awards was approved by the MNHS Executive Council on Dec. 10, 2020.

This state-funded program is made possible by the Legacy Amendment’s Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund through the vote of Minnesotans on Nov. 4, 2008. The Legacy Amendment supports efforts to preserve Minnesota land, water and legacy, including Minnesota history and cultural heritage.

North Branch grad participates in BSU Student Senate

CONTRIBUTED
BEMIDJI STATE UNIVERSITY

A student from North Branch is participating in the Bemidji State University Student Association, the official voice of the BSU student body, during the 2020-21 school year.

Nicholas Mench, a senior studying marketing communication, is one of 25 student senators this year.

The BSU Student Association represents the student body to administration, faculty, staff and various levels of government. The collective proposes regulations, services and activities to benefit the students at the university.

Current initiatives include sustainability projects, mental health awareness and campus life participation.





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Cambridge Medical Center's first baby of 2021

Cambridge Medical Center welcomed its first baby of the New Year on Jan. 1 at 7:10 a.m. Owen Nicholas Hovik was born to Alyssa and Nick Hovik of Pine City. Owen came into the world weighing 6lbs 9oz and 19 inches long. He has an older sister Alice and grandparents Shirley Fitch of Cambridge, Nils Hovik of Rosenberg, Oregon, Todd Vodden of Lino Lakes, and Kelly & Grant Riebel of Lino Lakes.

East Central Crisis Services offers mental health help

BY CONTRIBUTED
CANVAS HEALTH

"We're all in this together." That's a phrase we seem to be hearing a lot these days, as each of us find ways to cope with the pandemic.

During this time in our lives, people are facing stress and stressors. Whether those stressors are feelings of isolation, loneliness, separation from those we love, not being able to be with and do those things we used to enjoy, or dealing with losses, such as those faced by our children in not being able to be with their friends, enjoy team sports, go to church, or participate in all that is offered through our schools. Canvas Health's East Central Crisis Services team has seen an increase in depression, anxiety, substance use, loss and grief, and for some, suicidal thoughts and actions.

Through Canvas Health's East Central Crisis Services, a team of mental health providers is available to members of the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe, as well as residents of Chisago, Isanti, Pine, Kanabec, and Mille Lacs counties. Team members respond to calls 24 hours a day, 7 days a week if residents need to talk with someone, need help in coping with thoughts, emotions, and feelings, or if they are experiencing a mental health crisis, including thoughts of ending their life.

East Central Crisis Services offers help through telephone or televideo counseling and is available to all ages - children, adolescents, adults, parents, and grandparents - free of charge.

Because we are "all in this together," if someone needs help, support, or have questions about what crisis services can offer, they can call East Central Crisis Services at 1-800-523-3333.

East Central Crisis Services is a cooperative effort of Canvas Health, Therapeutic Services Agency, Lighthouse Child & Family Services LLC, and Avivo. It is offered in partnership with the Adult Mental Health Initiative in Region 7E.



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Wolf conservation continues to be a DNR priority

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MN DEPT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

Although federal Endangered Species Act protections for wolves ended on Jan. 4, Minnesota laws have and will continue to protect wolves and ensure the responsible stewardship of this important wildlife species.

Minnesota has the largest wolf population in the lower 48 states and is home to an estimated 2,700 wolves across nearly 40,000 square miles of northern and central Minnesota. Through the efforts of federal, state and tribal partners, the wolf population is well established in all parts of its suitable range.

“Our wolf population is a reflection of all the management efforts of federal, state and tribal partners, and includes a strong monitoring program here in Minnesota that enables us to make sound decisions,” said Dave Olfelt, Department of Natural Resources Fish and Wildlife Division director.

Olfelt said changes in the wolf’s legal status have occurred multiple times since 2007, but the future of Minnesota’s wolf population is secure and the DNR commitment to active and effective wolf management will continue.

“Because of the success of wolf conservation in Minnesota and the fact that wolves and humans share the same landscape, there is also the

potential for conflict,” Olfelt said. “Management balances a robust wolf population with effective tools for addressing conflicts with livestock and pets.”

On Jan. 4, per existing state law, Minnesota recognized two management zones. Zone A, the northeastern part of the state, has more protections for wolves, while Zone B, which represents the southern two-thirds of the state, has more flexibility for people to manage wolves to protect livestock and pets.

In the core range (Zone A), state law allows owners of livestock, guard animals, or domestic animals to shoot or destroy wolves that pose an immediate threat to their animals, on property they own or lease, in accordance with local statutes. “Immediate threat” means the owner observed a wolf in the act of stalking, attacking, or killing livestock, a guard animal, or a domestic pet under the supervision of the owner.

In all cases, a person shooting or destroying a wolf under these provisions must protect all evidence, and report the taking to a DNR conservation officer within 48 hours. The wolf carcass must be surrendered to the conservation officer.

In the southern two-thirds of the state (Zone B), a person may shoot a wolf at any time to protect livestock, domestic



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The Minnesota DNR will continue to enforce laws to protect wolves despite federal protections being lifted.

animals or domestic pets on land they own, lease, or manage. The “immediate threat” circumstance does not apply. The owner must notify a DNR conservation officer within 48 hours of taking the wolf and must surrender the wolf carcass to the conservation officer. People in Zone B also may employ a state certified wolf predator controller to trap wolves on or within one mile of land they own, lease or


manage.

State statute also allows harassment of wolves that are within 500 yards of people, buildings, livestock or domestic pets to discourage wolves from contacting people and domestic animals. Wolves cannot be attracted or searched out for purposes of harassment and harassment cannot result in physical harm to the wolf(ves).

Similar to federal regulations, state statute allows

anyone to take a wolf to defend human life. Any wolves taken in the course of defending human life must be reported to a DNR conservation officer within 48 hours, and evidence must be protected. These details are available on the DNR wolf management page.

The DNR intends to complete its wolf plan update process before considering any adjustments to wolf management in Minnesota.



FIVE STAR STORIES

Here are the five most-read stories on our website from Dec. 27- Jan. 2.

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Cambridge City Hall reopens to public

BY BILL STICKELS III
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Based on the continuing decline of positive COVID cases in the area, the Cambridge City Council has decided to once again open City Hall to the public, effective immediately. City Hall had been closed to general public walk-ins since November when the positive test rates drastically increased.

“The infection rate has begun to decline again with a positivity testing percentage of less than three percent,” City Administrator Lynda Woulfe said in her report to the council.

Woulfe noted that since this most recent closure, plexiglass barriers have been put into place at the front counters, which will add an additional level of safety for both staff and the general public.

In addition to City Hall reopening, Northbound Liquor Manager Bobbi Mix asked the council to approve the store reopening on Sundays. Also in November, the city-owned liquor store was closed on Sundays in order to give employees a full cleaning day without customers. Mix said since winter sales tend to be lower, she felt the store could be open seven days a week and still keep up with cleaning.

Based on this information, the council unanimously approved reopening City Hall beginning Tuesday, Jan. 5 and having Northbound Liquors be open 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Saturday, and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sundays, beginning on Sunday, Jan. 10.

ODDS AND ENDS

Also at the Jan. 4 meeting, the council:

- Approved a request from Mix to replace four beer doors of shelving from flat to the track rolling. Mix said this will allow more product on the shelves. The cost of this will be \$5,110, which will come from the liquor store’s budget.

- Named the *Isanti-Chisago County Star* as the city’s official newspaper. While both local publications presented nearly identical bids, the council chose the *Star* based on them being a free distribution newspaper versus the *NewsReview*’s subscription-based distribution.

- Designated Todd Schuster as the new Deputy Director of Emergency Management. Previously, Woulfe held that position, but based on her upcoming retirement later this year, a change needed to be made.

- Approved a survey proposal to draft



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Mark Ziebarth (left) gets sworn in as the new Cambridge City Council member by Mayor Jim Godfrey (right). Mark’s wife, Cathy, is holding the Bible during the ceremony.

a legal description for a property located in Calhoun Place. According to Assistant City Administrator Evan Vogel, the property, which is currently city-owned, was approved by the council in April, 2019 to be donated to Habitat for Humanity. Vogel said in order to complete the donation, a survey needs to be

completed to clarify the lot lines. They city has received an estimate from Kyle Roddy of LHB, Inc. to perform the survey for \$800, which Vogel said is a very low bid for such services.

- Set the council’s annual visioning session to be held on Friday, Feb. 12.

ISANTI: Council approve new levy after staff finds error in original final levy

FROM PAGE I

lead to a reduction of approximately \$230 per parcel for Isanti taxpayers.

It was also his opinion that if the council did not reduce the levy by \$450,000, the money should instead go toward building up the city’s fund balance rather than being earmarked for potential future restrooms and amphitheater.

Council Member Paul Bergley said he was against reducing the levy.

“My only reason for wanting it to go forward is because I’m not ready to kill it yet,” Bergley said, noting if the levy was reduced, it would be impossible for the council to even consider going forward with these projects in 2021.

“For right now, we should just accept the levy the way it is, we’re giving them a 1% tax decrease, we could transfer that money at a later time,” said Council Member Steve Lundeen. “I don’t have a lot of time today to sit and discuss doing this and this and that, so I propose that we just accept the tax levy as is and move forward.”

Mayor Jeff Johnson agreed with Lundeen, adding he felt they should continue to earmark the money specifically for those projects.

“I understand we could just put it in the general fund,” Johnson said. “But to me, it would be more easier to spend that money if we put it in the general fund, versus earmarking it for a specific item.”

City Administrator Josi Wood explained that, although the \$450,000 is earmarked for those projects, it is still in the general fund and the council could transfer it to the fund balance at any time.

The council passed a resolution adopting the new final levy 3-1, with Council Member Jimmy Gordon voting against the resolution; Council Member Dan Collison was not in attendance.

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Jeff Johnson
 Isanti Mayor

Restaurants, bars again able to reopen to indoor service

STAFF REPORT
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The roller-coaster of COVID restrictions on restaurants, bars, and other entertainment venues once again has gone on the upswing as Minnesota Governor Tim Walz announced an easing of the restrictions on those establishments amid the decline in the number of positive cases state-wide.

In a speech made on Wednesday, Jan. 6, Walz said restaurants and bars would be able to return to offering indoor service, but on a limited basis. Beginning Monday, Jan. 11, bars and restaurants will be able to host up to 50% of their capacity, or a maximum of 150, whichever is smaller. Additionally, Walz encouraged those establishments to keep a limit of no more than six people at a table, along with two people at bar service. Tables should be at least six feet apart. Finally, restaurants and bars are to close at 10 p.m.

Entertainment venues such as bowling alleys and movie theaters will also be able to reopen at 25% capacity, or a maximum of 150 people. Gym capacities

have also been increased to those same capacities. Outdoor venues will be allowed 25% capacity, with a maximum of 250 people.

In making these changes in restrictions, Walz commended Minnesotans and especially business owners for making sacrifices in order to bring about the decrease in the number of positive cases. At the same time, he urged everyone to “stay vigilant,” by social distancing, wearing a mask, staying home if they are feeling sick, and to test for COVID for any reason, including simply because they were in a social gathering over the holidays.

Walz noted on a graph how there were two small “bumps” in the number of positive cases, with those corresponding to Thanksgiving and Christmas. He was quick to state that those bumps would have been much higher if the recommended social gathering guidelines were not adhered to.

He concluded by saying if numbers continue to decline, the restrictions on businesses and other social gatherings will also gradually be loosened.

Senator Koran takes Oath of Office

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Minnesota’s 2021 Legislative Session officially began January 5 with Senator Mark Koran (R-North Branch) and 66 other State Senators swearing-into office during a ceremony at the State Capitol.

“I look forward to serving our district and the state of Minnesota in the legislature over the next two years,” said Sen. Koran. “As I continue to grapple with COVID and prepare to pass a new, two-year state budget, I will continue to be an advocate for taxpayers and the interests of people of Greater Minnesota. Now, more than ever, we must stand against the wasteful government and put a priority on restoring life for ev-

ery Minnesotan, opening our schools and businesses, and getting our economy back on track.”

During the first few weeks of the session, most of Sen. Koran’s work will take place in Senate Committees. During the 2021-2022 session, Senator Koran has been appointed to serve on the following committees:

- Chair of the Technology and Reform Policy Committee
- Vice-Chair of the Aging and Long-Term Care Policy Committee
- Health and Human Services Finance and Policy Committee
- State Government Finance and Policy and Elections Committee

Johnson sworn in, named GOP Public Safety Lead

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Representative Brian Johnson, R-Cambridge, was sworn in Tuesday for his second term as the State Representative for House District 32A. Johnson, a former law enforcement officer, lives in Cambridge with his wife and son.

“I am honored to be sworn in for another term as State Representative for District 32A,” said Johnson. “This session will look different from past sessions,

but I look forward to getting back to work for our community. This session will be a very important one, and I hope to hear from the people of our community about their priorities and concerns about the issues that we will be facing this year.”

Johnson was named to three House committees: Judiciary Finance and Policy, Public Safety and Criminal Justice Finance and Policy, and Ways and Means. He was also selected to continue as Republican Lead on the Public Safety and Criminal Justice Finance and Policy committee.



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Email: nibchurch@msn.com
763-689-3576. 8:30am Worship Service (traditional style) 10:45am Worship Service (contemporary style)

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763-444-5860, Pastor Bob Venneman. Sunday Worship 9:30am. Wednesday "Life & Light" Bible studies for all ages. Adults & children. For info call or go to southisantibaptist.org.

Sunrise Bible Church
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9:30am, Sunday morning Worship 10:30am, Sunday evening 6pm, Wed. Kids 4 Truth & Bible studies for all ages 6:30pm. More info at sunrisebiblechurch.org or 651-674-4107.

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763-444-4035
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BROADCAST STATIONS													
2	KTCA	Ready Jet Go!	Arthur	Molly of Denali	Wild Kratts	Hero Elementary	Xavier Riddle	Curious George	Daniel Tiger	Daniel Tiger	Elinor Wonders	Sesame Street	Pinkalicious
4	WCCO	WCCO 4 News This Morning at 6		CBS This Morning				WCCO Mid-Morning		The Price Is Right		The Young and the Restless	
5	KSTP	5 Eyewitness News at 6am		Good Morning America				Live with Kelly and Ryan		The View		5 Eyewitness News Midday	
9	KMSP	FOX 9 Morning at 6AM		FOX 9 Morning at 7AM		FOX 9 Morning at 8AM		FOX 9 Buzz		The Jason Show		FOX 9 News at 11 a.m.	
11	KARE	KARE 11 News Sunrise		Today				Today 3rd Hour		Today With Hoda & Jenna		Rachael Ray	
23	WUCW	The Doctors		Paid Program	Paid Program	Varied Programs	Paid Program	Family Feud	Be a Millionaire	Judge Jerry	Judge Jerry	Paternity Court	Couples Court
29	WFTC	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Wommack	Dateline		Judge	Judge	Divorce	Divorce	Hot Bench	Hot Bench
31	KPXM	Law	Varied	Law	Varied	Law & Order		Law & Order		Varied Programs			

WEEKDAY AFTERNOON													
	12:00	12:30	1:00	1:30	2:00	2:30	3:00	3:30	4:00	4:30	5:00	5:30	
BROADCAST STATIONS													
2	KTCA	Dinosaur Train	Clifford-Dog	Sesame Street	Elinor Wonders	Hero Elementary	Let's Go Luna!	Nature Cat	Wild Kratts	Molly of Denali	Xavier Riddle	Odd Squad	Arthur
4	WCCO	News	Bold/Beautiful	The Talk		Let's Make a Deal		Dr. Phil		The Ellen DeGeneres Show		News	CBS Evening News
5	KSTP	GMA3: What You Need to Know		General Hospital		The Kelly Clarkson Show		Twin Cities Live		Twin Cities	5 Eyewitness News	News Live at 5	ABC World News
9	KMSP	The Wendy Williams Show		The Real		TMZ Live		The Dr. Oz Show		Judge Judy	Judge Judy	FOX 9 at 5p	FOX 9 at 5:30p
11	KARE	Days of our Lives		The Drew Barrymore Show		Daily Blast Live	Daily Blast Live	Inside Edition	Ent. Tonight	KARE 11 News	Jeopardy!	KARE 11 News at 5	Nightly News
23	WUCW	Judge Mathis		The People's Court		The Steve Wilkos Show		Jerry Springer		Maury		Be a Millionaire	Funny You Ask
29	WFTC	The Jason Show		Access Daily		Wendy Williams Show		25 Words	25 Words	TMZ Live		Jdg Judy	Jdg Judy
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BROADCAST STATIONS												
2 KTCA	PBS NewsHour (N) (cc)		Antiques Roadshow (N) (cc)		Minnesota Experience (cc)		American Experience "The Codebreaker"		Independent Lens Life in America over a 24-hour period. (N) (cc)		POV Shorts	
4 WCCO	News	Wheel of Fortune (N)	The Neighborhood	Bob Hearts Abishola	All Rise (cc)		Bull A woman evades criminal charges. (cc)		News	The Late Show With Stephen Colbert (cc)		James Corden
5 KSTP	News	News	The Bachelor (N) (cc)				The Good Doctor "Lim" (N) (cc)		5 Eyewitness News	Jimmy Kimmel Live! (cc)		Nightline (N) (cc)
9 KMSF	FOX 9 at 6p (N)	FOX 9 at 6:30p (N)	9-1-1 The aftermath of a train derailment.		9-1-1: Lone Star (cc)		FOX 9 at 9p (N)		FOX 9's 10 at 10 (N)	TMZ (N) (cc)	Access Hollywood	Dish Nation (N)
11 KARE	KARE 11 News at 6	Breaking The News	Ellen's Game of Games (N) (cc)		The Wall Brittany and CJ take on the wall.		Weakest Link (N) (cc)		News	The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon		Seth Meyers
23 WUCW	Family Feud (cc)	Family Feud (cc)	All American Stories (N) (cc)		Penn & Teller: Fool Us (cc)		Family Feud (cc)	Two and a Half Men	Two and a Half Men	Extra (N) (cc)	Daily-MailTV (N)	Daily-MailTV (N)
29 WFTC	Big Bang	Big Bang	News	News	Mod Fam	Mod Fam	Big Bang	Creek	Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU	
31 KPXM	NCIS: Los Angeles		NCIS: Los Angeles		NCIS: Los Angeles		NCIS: Los Angeles		NCIS: Los Angeles		NCIS: Los Angeles	

TUESDAY PRIME TIME							JANUARY 12, 2021					
	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
BROADCAST STATIONS												
2	KTCA	PBS NewsHour (N) (cc)		Finding Your Roots With Henry		PBS American Portrait Jobs and careers. (N)		Frontline "Plastic Wars" (cc)		NOVA Why some predictions fail. (cc)		When Disaster Strikes (Series Premiere) (cc)
4	WCCO	News	Wheel of Fortune (N)	NCIS The team must verify a man's identity.		FBI Jess LaCroix and his team help OA.		FBI: Most Wanted "Reveille" (cc)		News	The Late Show With Stephen Colbert (cc) James Corden	
5	KSTP	News	News	Movie: *** Captain America: The Winter Soldier (2014) (Chris Evans, Scarlett Johansson) (cc)					5 Eyewitness News		Jimmy Kimmel Live! (cc) Nightline (N) (cc)	
9	KMSP	FOX 9 at 6p (N)	FOX 9 at 6:30p (N)	The Resident "A Wedding, A Funeral" (N)		Prodigal Son Malcolm must find a killer. (N)		FOX 9 at 9p (N)		FOX 9's 10 at 10 (N)	Gopher Coach	Access Hollywood Dish Nation (N)
11	KARE	KARE 11 News at 6	Breaking The News	Zoey's Extraordinary Playlist (N)		This Is Us "Birth Mother" (N)		Nurses "Chrysalis" (N) (cc)		News	The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon Seth Meyers	
23	WUCW	Family Feud (cc)	Family Feud (cc)	Horror Stories	Horror Stories	Trickster "Episode 1" (Series Premiere) (N)		Family Feud (cc)	Two and a Half Men	Two and a Half Men	Extra (N) (cc)	Daily-MailTV (N) Daily-MailTV (N)
29	WFTC	Big Bang	Big Bang	News	News	Mod Fam	Mod Fam	Big Bang	Creek	Chicago P.D. "Trust"		Chicago P.D.
31	KPXM	NCIS: New Orleans		NCIS: New Orleans		NCIS: New Orleans		NCIS: New Orleans		NCIS: New Orleans		NCIS: New Orleans

WEDNESDAY PRIME TIME												
	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
BROADCAST STATIONS												
2 KTCA	PBS NewsHour (N) (cc)		Nature Newborn animals in the Alps. (N)		NOVA The value of DNA testing. (N)		When Disaster Strikes (N) (cc)		Almanac	Dream-land (cc)	Escape to the Chateau (cc)	
4 WCCO	News	Wheel of Fortune (N)	The Price Is Right at Night (N) (cc)		SEAL Team Ray tries to survive captivity. (N)		S.W.A.T. The team hunts for a sniper. (N)		News	The Late Show With Stephen Colbert (cc)		James Corden
5 KSTP	News	News	The Goldbergs (N)	American Housewife	The Con-ners (N)	Call Your Mother (N)	The Chase Three competitors face off.		5 Eyewitness News	Jimmy Kimmel Live! (cc)		Nightline (N) (cc)
9 KMSF	FOX 9 at 6p (N)	FOX 9 at 6:30p (N)	The Masked Dancer (N) (cc)		Name That Tune "Episode 2" (N)		FOX 9 at 9p (N)		FOX 9's 10 at 10 (N)	TMZ (N) (cc)	Access Hollywood	Dish Nation (N)
11 KARE	KARE 11 News at 6	Breaking The News	Chicago Med (N) (cc)		Chicago Fire (N) (cc)		Chicago P.D. A cop is murdered. (N)		News	The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon		Seth Meyers
23 WUCW	Family Feud (cc)	Family Feud (cc)	Riverdale (cc)		Nancy Drew (cc)		Family Feud (cc)	Two and a Half Men	Two and a Half Men	Extra (N) (cc)	Daily-MailTV (N)	Daily-MailTV (N)
29 WFTC	Big Bang	Big Bang	News	News	Mod Fam	Mod Fam	Big Bang	Creek	Dateline		Dateline	
31 KPXM	Blue Bloods		Blue Bloods		Blue Bloods		Blue Bloods "Trust"		Blue Bloods		Blue Bloods	

THURSDAY PRIME TIME												
	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
BROADCAST STATIONS												
2 KTCA	PBS NewsHour (N) (cc)		This Old House (N)		Ask This Old House		Father Brown Mrs. McCarthy's friend dies.		Vera "The Moth Catcher" Mysterious double murder. (cc)		Dream-land (cc)	East-Enders
4 WCCO	News	Wheel of Fortune (N)	Young Sheldon	B Positive (N) (cc)	Mom (N) (cc)		The Unicorn (cc)		Star Trek: Discovery "Vaulting Ambition"		News	The Late Show With Stephen Colbert (cc)
5 KSTP	News	News	Celebrity Wheel of Fortune (N)		The Chase Three new contestants complete.		The Hustler (N) (cc)		5 Eyewitness News	Jimmy Kimmel Live! (cc)		Nightline (N) (cc)
9 KMSF	FOX 9 at 6p (N)	FOX 9 at 6:30p (N)	Hell's Kitchen "Shrimply Spectacular" (N)		Call Me Kat (N)	Last Man Standing	FOX 9 at 9p (N)		FOX 9's 10 at 10 (N)	TMZ (N) (cc)	Access Hollywood	Dish Nation (N)
11 KARE	KARE 11 News at 6	Breaking The News	Mr. Mayor	Superstore (N)	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit (N)		Dateline NBC (cc)		News	The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon		Seth Meyers
23 WUCW	Family Feud (cc)	Family Feud (cc)	Funniest Animals		Funniest Animals		Legacies Hope tries to save Josie. (cc)		Family Feud (cc)	Two and a Half Men	Two and a Half Men	Extra (N) (cc)
29 WFTC	Big Bang	Big Bang	News	News	Mod Fam	Mod Fam	Big Bang	Creek	Dateline (cc)		Law Order: CI	
31 KPXM	Chicago P.D.		Chicago P.D.		Chicago P.D.		Chicago P.D.		Chicago P.D.		Chicago P.D.	

FRIDAY PRIME TIME												
	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
BROADCAST STATIONS												
2 KTCA	PBS NewsHour (N) (cc)		Almanac (cc)		Antiques Roadshow "Harrisburg Hour 1"		Great Performances "The Magic of Callas"		Maigret The murder of a Jewish diamond dealer. (cc)		Beyond (N) (cc)	
4 WCCO	News	Wheel of Fortune (N)	MacGyver (cc)		Magnum P.I. (cc)		Blue Bloods (cc)		News	The Late Show With Stephen Colbert (cc)		James Corden
5 KSTP	News	News	Shark Tank (N) (cc)		20/20 (N) (cc)			5 Eyewitness News (cc)	Jimmy Kimmel Live! (cc)		Nightline (N) (cc)	
9 KMSF	FOX 9 at 6p (N)	FOX 9 at 6:30p (N)	WWE Friday Night SmackDown (N) (Live)				FOX 9 at 9p (N)	Enough Said (cc)	Sports Now	TMZ (N) (cc)	Access Hollywood	Dish Nation (N)
11 KARE	KARE 11 News at 6	Breaking The News	Figure Skating U.S. Championships - Ladies Free. From Orleans Arena in Las Vegas. (N) (Live)				News		The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon		Seth Meyers	
23 WUCW	Family Feud (cc)	Family Feud (cc)	Whose Line Is It?	Whose Line Is It?	Penn & Teller: Fool Us (N) (cc)	Family Feud (cc)	Two and a Half Men	Two and a Half Men	Extra (N) (cc)	Daily-MailTV (N)		Daily-MailTV (N)
29 WFTC	Big Bang	Big Bang	News	News	Mod Fam	Mod Fam	Big Bang	Creek	Law Order: CI		Law Order: CI	
31 KPXM	Hawaii Five-0 (cc)		Hawaii Five-0 (cc)		Hawaii Five-0 (cc)		Hawaii Five-0 (cc)		Hawaii Five-0 (cc)		Hawaii Five-0 "Ki'ilia"	

SATURDAY								JANUARY 16, 2021					
	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	
BROADCAST STATIONS													
2	KTCA	Woodsmith Shop (cc)	American Woodshop	Steven Raichlen's	Kitchen Queens:	Simply Ming (cc)	Moveable Feast	Joanne Weir	Mexican Table	Sara's Weeknight	Nick Stelino	Jacques Pépin	Lidia's Kitchen
4	WCCO	CBS This Morning: Saturday (N) (cc)				WCCO 4 News Saturday Morning (N) (cc)		Lucky Dog (N) (El)	Innovation Nation	Mission Unstop	Hope in the Wild	To Be Announced	College Basketball
5	KSTP	5 Eyewitness News AM (N) (cc)		Good Morning America (N) (cc)		Good Morning America (N) (cc)		5 Eyewitness News AM (N) (cc)		Ocean Treks	Sea Rescue	Hearts of Heroes (N)	Rock the Park (El)
9	KMSP	Xploration Space	Awesome Planet	FOX 9 Morning Saturday (N)				Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program
11	KARE	Today (N) (cc)			Roots Less		KARE 11 News Saturday (N) (cc)			Earth Odyssey	Wild Child (N) (El)	Vets Saving Pets	Premier Soccer
28	WUCW	Paid Program	Paid Program	Wild America (El)	Teen Kids News (N)	Hanna Into the Wild	Hanna Into the Wild	Hanna Into the Wild	This Old H.	Best Friends	Tails of Valor (cc)	Paid Program	Paid Program
29	WFTC	Life 2.0 (N)	Heartland	Biz Kid\$	Sports	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	The Jason Show (cc)	
41	KPKM	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU	

NOTICES

STATE OF MINNESOTA
DISTRICT COURT
COUNTY OF MCLEOD
FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Notice of Motion and Motion
In Re the divorce of Thomas L.
Heimel and Angela L. Villarreal
January 29, 2021 at 1:00 p.m.
McLeod Courthouse
830 11th St. E.
Glencoe, MN

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2020, Jan. 7, 2021

ISANTI TOWNSHIP
FILING NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to qualified
voters of Isanti Township, Isanti
County, State of Minnesota that the
filing for Town Office will be held
for a two week period beginning
December 29, 2020 and ending
January 12, 2021 at 5:00 p.m.. The
last day to withdraw from candidacy
is Thursday, January 14, 2021 at
5:00 p.m.

Offices to be filed at the March
Annual election are one supervisor
for a 3-year term.

Affidavits of candidacy shall be
filed by making an appointment
with the Town Clerk by calling
612-964-3155 or emailing heather.
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filing fee is \$2.00

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Jan. 7, 2021

PUBLIC NOTICE
CITY OF ISANTI

Notice is hereby given that
the Mayor and City Council plan
to meet for the Grand Opening of
the Sledding Hill on Wednesday,
January 13th at 4:30 p.m. at Bluebird
Park, 201 Isanti Parkway NW, Isanti,
MN, 55040. The public is welcome
to join.

Date: 12/30/2020
Jaden Strand
City Clerk

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ISANTI COUNTY PUBLIC NOTICE

The Isanti County Manufactured
Homes used as a second dwelling
for elderly parents and/or family
members Task Force will be holding a
working session on Monday, January
11, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. to develop
an ordinance regarding second
dwellings on a property within Isanti
County. This meeting will be held in
the County Board Room of the Isanti
County Government Center, 555 –
18th Avenue SW, Cambridge, MN
55008. Please call the Isanti County
Zoning Department at 763-689-5165
for further information.

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PUBLIC HEARING

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
CAMBRIDGE CITY COUNCIL
Tuesday, January 19, 2021
6:00 p.m.

The City of Cambridge will hold
a public hearing at approximately
6:00 p.m. on the Cambridge Police
Department's body worn camera
policy. The meeting will be held
at Cambridge City Hall, 300 3rd
Avenue NE, Cambridge. "Public
comments will also be accepted by
mail if they arrive at City Hall prior to
January 19, 2021.

/s/ Linda J. Woulfe
City Administrator
Todd Schuster
Chief of Police

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PUBLIC HEARING
CITY OF ISANTI
PLANNING COMMISSION

Public Hearing on January 19,
2021

Notice is hereby given that on
**Tuesday, January 19, 2021, at 7:00
P.M. or shortly thereafter following
the City Council Meeting, at the
Isanti City Hall located at 110
First Avenue NW;** the Planning
Commission will hold a Public
Hearing on the following items:

1) Request by Homepride,

Inc for approval of a Preliminary
Subdivision and Planned Unit
Development under City Ordinance
536 and City Ordinance 445, Section
10, Article 3. Said request is for a
Preliminary Subdivision and Planned
Unit Development called "Fairway
Greens North" at PID's 16.020.1000
and 16.020.0803

2) Request by the City of Isanti
for a Preliminary Subdivision under
City Ordinance 536, said request is
to combine the current UPS parcel,
PID 16.053.0151, with a city-owned
vacant parcels to the east located
at PID 16.029.1400 and 16.053.0151

3) Request by the City of Isanti
for a Preliminary Subdivision under
City Ordinance 536, said request
is to subdivide Lot OOA of Isanti
Centennial Comp 5th Rearrange PID
16.124.0020 into three five-acre lots

BY ORDER OF THE CITY OF
ISANTI, MINNESOTA.

Sheila Sellman

Community Development Director
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REQUEST FOR BID

REQUEST FOR BID
CAMBRIDGE-ISANTI SCHOOLS
ISD#911

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PROPOSALS

The Board of Education,

Cambridge-Isanti Schools ISD#911,
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following:

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2021, at Cambridge-Isanti Schools
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Proposal, existing labor management
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the proposal. Instruction on how to
submit a response is contained in
the RFP materials.

No Vendor may withdraw his/
her proposal within thirty (30) days
after date of opening proposals
without the consent of the Board of
Education.

Cambridge-Isanti Schools
ISD#911 reserves the right to
reject any or all proposals and to
waive informalities in bidding of
advertisement. Cambridge-Isanti
Schools ISD#911 reserves the right
to select the proposal that best
meets the needs of the Cambridge-
Isanti Schools ISD#911 pursuant to
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REQUEST FOR BID
CAMBRIDGE-ISANTI SCHOOLS

ISD NO. 911

625A Main Street North
Cambridge, MN 55008

ADVERTISEMENT FOR
PROPOSALS

Cambridge-Isanti Schools
ISD#911 will receive sealed
proposals on the following;

Group Health and Welfare
Benefits: Self-Funded Dental,
Vision, Employee Assistance
Program, Group Life, Voluntary
Life, and Long-Term Disability until
12:00 P.M. on January 27, 2021, at
OneDigital Health and Benefits.

Copies of the Request
for Proposal, existing labor
management agreements, and
existing contracts are available free
of charge by contacting Charlie
Fystrom via email at cfystrom@
onedigital.com at OneDigital Health
and Benefits. Instruction on how to
submit a response is contained in
the RFP materials.

No Vendor may withdraw his/her
proposal within thirty (30) days after
date of opening proposals without
the consent of the District.

The District reserves the right to
reject any or all proposals and to
waive informalities in bidding.

The District reserves the right to
select the proposal which best meets
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City of Isanti Open Position Parks, Recreation & Event Coordinator

The Parks, Recreation and Event Coordinator is the facilitator of recreation programs and City events including Street Dances and the Isanti Farmers Market. Responsibilities include managing City parks, community gardens, Isanti Community Center and facilities. This position is required to coordinate marketing and updates of the department through social media, City website and flyers. This person will also serve as the staff liaison to the Parks, Recreation, and Culture Board. Willingness to work flexible hours, including some weekends will be required. Possibility of advancement after 6-12 months of demonstrated performance proficiency and successful reviews.

Minimum Requirements:

Associates degree in Business Administration, Marketing, Hospitality or related field; or two years of post-secondary coursework and or experience in Event Planning, Hospitality, Marketing, Business Administration or related field.

Preferred requirements:

Bachelor's degree in Parks and Recreation Administration, City Planning, Urban Studies or related field. Previous applicable local government experience.

Hourly wage is: **\$27.82 - \$35.24**, plus full city benefit package.
Starting wage will be based on qualifications and experience.

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Virtual Luncheon Via Zoom

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New Board Members

The North Branch Area Chamber is governed by volunteer Directors elected by the membership. Any member in good standing is eligible for election.

Congratulations to Jenna Jones, Lakes Center for Youth & Families for succeeding to President while Jeffrey Richardson, Ecumen North Branch succeeds to Vice-President.

Thank you to Lori Helms, Results Title & Brett Carlson, NBA Community Education for their service and dedication on the Board.

Congratulations to Chis DuBose, Chisago County Commissioner, newly elected Director.

The Board meets at 7:30am on the third Tuesday of each month at the Chamber office. Meetings are open to all. Contact Chamber staff or Board Members to have items added to the agenda. Questions or concerns may be directed to any board member. All reports including financial are available on request.

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2020 has been a challenge, to say the least. We can only hope you have found the Chamber to be a resource for you as we all tried to make it through. One of the services we provide at Lakes Center is counseling for individuals and families of all ages. The message we have been emphasizing as of late is the importance of self-care; one piece of self-care is connection. That is one thing we as a chamber will always be able to provide in one way or another to our members and community. Connection. We hope you join us in 2021 by renewing your Chamber membership, staying connected and moving forward.



We invite you all to start 2021 off strong. We will be hosting our monthly luncheon on January 12 with some important updates. While it will be via Zoom, this is a way for us to stay connected and move forward. Help us start the year off strong- we want to see this meeting have the most attendees than we had all of 2020! Let's make 2021 the real year to remember- together!

Board of Directors Corner

Jenna Jones, Lakes Center for Youth and Families - President

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