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'Run for America' makes stop in Cambridge



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(Left photo) Ultra marathoner Noah Coughlan is escorted by the Isanti County Sheriff's Office as he makes his way along Highway 95 into Cambridge on Thursday, March 12. (Top photo) Coughlan is presented with Isanti County Sheriff's Office, Cambridge Police, and Cambridge Fire Department patches during a stop at the Isanti County Fairgrounds. Coughlan is running across 20 states in 260 days as a tribute to Americans and in recognition of the U.S.'s 250th birthday. His trek will finish in Hawaii on July 4. Once completed, Coughlan will become just the third person to ever cross all 50 states on foot.

Zdon appointed to Isanti Council

BY BILL STICKELS III
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Erika Zdon has been chosen to fill the Isanti City Council seat vacancy, being chosen from four applicants who were interviewed during the March 17 City Council meeting.

As has seemingly become the norm for Isanti City Council appointments, a secret vote among the four council members resulted in a 2-2 tie, with Zdon and Brandon Boettcher each receiving two votes. This meant the mayor was again left to cast a tie-breaking vote. Mayor Luke Merrill did so by proclaiming Zdon as the appointee.

"I will go with the person that has been most involved in our community, I would like Erika to be up here," Merrill said in casting the tiebreaker. "I appreciate everybody else for applying. I look forward to continuing to work with everybody."

As of the interviews, Zdon was on the Isanti Parks & Recreation Board, although now that she has been appointed to the council, she had to relinquish that seat as the council chose to only have one council member on that board. Currently, Council member George Hemen is serving on the Parks & Recreation Board.

Zdon has been a resident of Isan-



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Erika Zdon is sworn in as the new Isanti Council member immediately following the council's vote to appoint her to fill the vacancy.

ti for 25 years. She is employed as a part-time teacher at Isanti Primary School. During her interview, she said her husband and she have been on "numerous" committees, including the Parent-Teacher Organization, volunteering at Ruby's Pantry, Family Pathways, and Rum River BMX. She is also one of the founding members of Isanti

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North Branch may install license plate readers

BY MOLLY WHELAN
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North Branch may be under increased surveillance by the police department as it considers installing seven license plate reading cameras around town.

Chief Dan Meyer got council consensus to move forward with a proposal from Flock Safety to install cameras at seven "key strategic entry points into the city."

According to the department's staff report, the cameras only capture still photos of license plates, plus time and location data, as required by state law. They do not capture video, speed or images of people, and they are not used for traffic and parking enforcement or facial recognition.

"This process assists law enforcement in identifying stolen vehicles, missing persons, AMBER Alerts, and individuals who may be wanted or involved in criminal activity," the staff report reads. "When a match is detected, the system sends a real-time alert to on-duty officers."

Flock says it automatically deletes data after 30 days by default, but by law data not involved in an active criminal investigation must be deleted no later than 60 days from collection, the staff report reads.

Chisago County already has 15 cameras in Rush City and throughout its townships. Sheriff Brandon Thyen recently told the Rush City council that 68 cases have been solved with data from LPR cameras, according to the staff report.

Meyer told the council the Forest Lake Police Department tracked down a stolen vehicle earlier this month, allowing officers to arrest the driver — and more.

"There was methamphetamine, cocaine and loaded handguns that they were able to get," Meyer said.

Flock has agreed to waive the one-time installation fee of \$650 per camera if the city signs a three-year contract, bringing the total cost to \$63,000. The staff report says the money will come from state public safety funds.

The staff report and Flock's deployment plan says all data will belong to the police department.

"All searches must be tied to a legitimate, specified, and documented law enforcement purpose," the staff report says. "Officers are not permit-

ted to arbitrarily access or browse the database."

Further, access to LPR logs will be monitored and subjected to biennial audits, the report says.

The Electronic Frontier Foundation and the American Civil Liberties Union warn against the increased surveillance LPRs afford law enforcement agencies, suggesting data be deleted within three minutes of collection, among other safeguards. These organizations point to cases of departments allegedly using the cameras to target religious and racial minorities for increased surveillance.

With council approval, Meyer said his next steps may include scheduling a public information meeting and bringing a draft LPR policy to the council for review.

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Allina Health, Sutter Health to join together for combined nonprofit health system

Sutter Health and Allina Health have signed a Letter of Intent (LOI) for Allina Health to join the California-based system, which would create a combined nonprofit health system that representatives from both systems say will deliver innovative solutions to improve access and affordability and reimagine exceptional care for patients and communities.

With Northern California at the forefront of AI and platform development and Minnesota's position as the leading hub for med-tech and engineering, the proposed combined system will be uniquely positioned to be a national leader in digital and technological advancements that meaningfully improve patients' and caregivers' experiences, while continuing to provide the compassionate care their respective communities have relied on for decades.

According to a press release, together with their combined innovative capabilities and enabled by an investment of more than \$2 billion in Minnesota and western Wisconsin, the combined system will:

- Improve patient access and affordability by establishing new ambulatory care locations and expanding specialty institutes to deliver excellent care to more patients in more

settings.

- Help caregivers spend more time with patients and less time on paperwork through AI and digital solutions that reduce administrative burdens.

- Drive high-quality and safe care, including a focus on prevention, to improve the health of the communities we serve.

- Make it easier for patients to get appointments through more convenient scheduling and innovative consumer digital tools.

- Accelerate physician and clinician recruitment to meet growing patient needs across the continuum of care.

- Advance discovery through research, clinical trials and more to directly impact patient care.

- Be one of the best places to work in healthcare in the nation by growing and investing in the strong teams we have today.

In addition, the organizations expect this combination to benefit California patients through smart, sustainable growth in Minnesota and western Wisconsin, complementary capability growth particularly in clinical centers of excellence, access to next-generation med-tech and clinical partnerships and advancements, national relevance to drive the conversation around healthcare delivery and more.

Allina Health would become the Upper Midwest Division of Sutter Health, maintaining the Allina Health name, brand and regional headquarters in Minneapolis. Sutter Health would maintain its headquarters in Northern California. Warner Thomas would continue to lead the combined system as President and Chief Executive Officer of Sutter Health, with Lisa Shannon remaining President and Chief Executive Officer of Allina Health as it becomes Sutter Health's Upper Midwest Division.

"Healthcare organizations across the country are facing complex challenges and a rapidly evolving landscape. As trusted nonprofit health systems, we have a responsibility to fundamentally transform care for patients and communities across the country," said Thomas. "When Allina Health joins Sutter Health, we look forward to making significant investments that improve care access and patient experience in Minnesota and western Wisconsin communities. This includes establishing new ambulatory and specialty care sites to fill care gaps and meet growing community needs, as well as recruiting more physicians and enhancing AI and digital health capabilities. Building on our complementary strengths and combined ex-

pertise, we will build a healthcare innovation engine that accelerates how ideas move from development and design into improving the health of patients and communities."

"We are incredibly excited for the opportunity to harness the collective strength of our two mission-driven organizations to make a difference in the lives of our patients, communities and care teams," said Shannon. "As one nationally leading, locally committed nonprofit health system, we will be uniquely positioned to be at the forefront of innovation, building upon the expertise of our physicians, advanced practice providers, nurses and team members to chart a new path for healthcare."

"Our two storied organizations share a common vision for the future and a proud history of caring for people and communities when they need us most," said Tim Welsh, chair of the Allina Health Board of Directors. "By coming together, we can build upon that legacy, combining our expertise to provide preventive and life-saving care, build nation-leading clinical programs, advance discovery through research and clinical trials, and strengthen access and affordability to better serve our communities now and into

the future."

"Together, with our combined resources and greater reach, we will lead the way for evolving how and where care is delivered," said Patrick Blake, chair of the Sutter Health Board of Directors. "We aim to reimagine how patients get and stay well, including focusing on proactive chronic disease prevention and management by combining innovation and more accessible ambulatory and virtual care settings to intervene earlier and improve outcomes."

Upon closing, the organization will have a combined footprint across Northern and Central California, Minnesota and Wisconsin, with 18,000 aligned physicians and 88,000 team members serving more than five million patients. The system will include 39 hospitals and more than 400 primary and specialty care sites, with 12 nationally ranked specialties.

Over the coming weeks and months Sutter Health and Allina Health will complete due diligence and finalize the terms and conditions of the proposed transaction prior to entering into a definitive agreement. The organizations anticipate closing by the end of 2026, pending regulatory approval. - Allina Health

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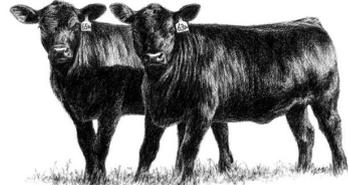

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MON - FRI

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

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

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Family Groups meets Monday's 7 - 8 p.m. at Access Church, 4359 - 392nd St., North Branch. Visit minnesotanorth-al-anon.org

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

Exercise for Those w/Parkinson's
Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10:15 a.m., 3:45 p.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 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

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 info.

PrimeTime Singers

Cambridge Lutheran Church, 1:30 p.m. A community choir for ages 60+, no audition or fee required. Fellowship follows rehearsal. Info: 612-619-2111.

Grief Share

Faith Lutheran Church, 109 2nd Ave. NW, Isanti. Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month at 2 p.m. 763-444-9201.

Celebrate Recovery

At First Baptist in Cambridge(304 Main St S.) every Tuesday. There is a light meal at 5:45 p.m., large group at 6:30 p.m., and small groups at 7:30 p.m. Visit Celebraterecovery.com for more info.

WEDNESDAYS

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. at Main Street Church, 6500 Main Street, North Branch. For individuals 18 yrs or older living with mental illness. Info:



Angie Hong the coordinator for Minnesota's East Metro Water Education Program in partnership with Isanti Soil and Water Conservation District is presenting gardening for the birds and bees on March 24 at Cambridge Library

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 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 info.

Parkinson's Support Group

Third Thursday of the month - 1-2:30 p.m. The Levande, 2011 6th Lane SE, Cambridge, MN for info call 763-325-0100

ACA Adult Children of Alcoholics/ Dysfunctional Families Meeting

7 p.m. at Access Church, 4359 392nd St, North Branch. For info. call 612-251-6556 or email acanorthbranch@gmail.com

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From 7-8 p.m. at Access Church, 4359 392nd Street, North Branch. Visit minnesota-al-anon.org for info.

Medicare and Medicaid 101 Open House

Third Thursday of the month from 1-3 p.m. Get your questions answered by trained agents. (763) 689-7390 or eclib.org for info.

Tax Help with AARP

at North Branch Public Library from noon to 3 p.m. through April 16 By appointment only by calling Seven County Senior Federation at 320-679-4700.

SATURDAY

GriefShare

At Joy Lutheran Church, from 9-10:30 a.m. each Saturday, except for the 1st Saturday of each month. Contact Mary Schuett, 561-222-3347, for more information.

Joyful Walking Club

The 1st Saturday of each month, from 9-10 a.m., around the perimeter of Joy Lutheran's ball field in Cambridge.

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MARCH 21

Spring Craft Fair

9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Braham Event Center, 655 8th St. SW, Braham. Free admission, lunch available & Bake sale.

MARCH 22

Cash Bingo

The Christ the King Knights of Columbus, Council # 12813 is sponsoring bingo on Sunday at 2 p.m. in the Parish Hall on Fern Street. We will serve Pizza, Beverage and snacks. Freewill donation for the eats. All proceeds benefit our Council fund community and Parish projects. We canceled Sunday March 15 Bingo due to the storm and rescheduled

MARCH 24

Gardening for the birds and bees

From 6 to 7:30 p.m. at Cambridge Library Register at tinyurl.com/2026isantigardens March is the perfect time to begin planning gardening projects, but there are also some common mistakes that you should avoid. Learn about native gardens, bee lawns, flowering trees and shrubs, and large-scale habitat restoration.

MARCH 26

Empowering Youth and Preventing Substance Use

5:30 to 8 p.m. at North Branch High School for Parent, caregivers, and community members. Hazelden Betty Ford to present on red flags and early interventions, and conversation starts.

Panel discussions and resource fair.

The Cross County Band Concert

We R Able invites area residents to a Concert at the Chisago County Senior Center at 38790 6th North Branch. The evening begins with a meal at 5 p.m. followed by music by the Cross County Band. Call 320-358-3616 for more info.

SENIOR CENTER WEEKLY EVENTS

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Bridge - 1 to 3 p.m.
Mahjong - noon to 3 p.m.

Tuesdays

Dominoes - 10 a.m. to noon
Coloring - 9 a.m.
Hand and Foot - 12:30 to 3 p.m.

Wednesdays

Cribbage - 9 to 11 a.m.
Wizard 11 a.m. to noon
Pinochle 12:30 to 3 p.m.
Mahjong noon to 3 p.m.

Thursdays

500 - 12:30 to 3 p.m.
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Exercise with Connie - 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.

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Thursdays

Bingo - starting at 10 a.m.

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Cribbage - starting at 12:45 p.m.

The problem with relying on automatic headlights

Question: I enjoy reading your column in the weekly newspaper. I have a question I hope you can address. We've had some heavy fog recently and I get frustrated with the vehicles that do not have their lights on. Sometimes the headlights are on and the rear lights are not. What is the advice/law in using your lights during the daytime when there is fog/rain/snow?

I think in the newer vehicles, the owners don't check if the lights are on thinking they automatically come on under those conditions. More often than not my 2025 Subaru does not have any lights

on, at least in the early stages of lower vision conditions. I look at my dashboard and can see if the headlights are on via the instrument lights. Then I go outside to the rear and sometimes the rear lights are not on.

The best way I have found is to get to know your vehicle switches and lights. So, when I am parked, I can try the different positions on the switch to see exactly what lights are coming on. If the light conditions haven't triggered the auto lights, I can manually turn them on. In general, I keep the switch in the position of headlights and running lights (rear lights included) automatically coming on when light conditions warrant coming on. They automatically turn off when the car is turned off.

Thank you for addressing my question.

Answer: Thank you for the question and you bring up a lot of good advice

and points. Your headlights and tail-lights must be turned on at sunset and used until sunrise. Use them during weather conditions that include rain, snow, hail, sleet or fog, and any time you cannot clearly see the road ahead for at least 500 feet.

People often fail to turn on their headlights in rain and fog due to a false sense of security, over-reliance on automatic light sensors that don't always activate, and the mistaken belief that lights are only for seeing, rather than being seen. Other factors include confusion with daytime running lights (DRLs) and simply forgetting.

Key reasons for this dangerous habit include:

- Misunderstanding of Purpose: Many drivers do not realize that in the rain, headlights are crucial to make their vehicle visible to others, especially from the rear.

- Automatic System Failure: Auto-light sensors often do not register daytime, overcast, or rainy conditions as "dark enough" to activate headlights.

- Dashboard/DRL Confusion: Modern dashboards are often always lit, leading drivers to mistakenly believe their headlights are on.

- Habit/Forgetfulness: Drivers often forget to manually activate lights if they are used to automatic systems.

- Ineffective DRLs: While Daytime Running Lights are on, they often do not activate rear tail lights, making the car invisible from behind.

A portion of state statutes were used with permission from the Office of the Revisor of Statutes. If you have any questions concerning traffic related laws or issues in Minnesota, send your questions to Trp. Jesse Grabow - Minnesota State Patrol at 1000 Highway 10 West, Detroit Lakes, MN 56501-2205. (You can follow him on "X" @MSPPPIO_NW or reach him at, jesse.grabow@state.mn.us).



Ask A Trooper
Jesse Grabow

Do we need to impose governor term limits?

Minnesota House District 28A Representative Jimmy Gordon has recently introduced a bill that would put a State Constitution Amendment on the 2026 election ballot to limit the governor and lieutenant governor to a maximum of two terms. On the surface, it seems like a logical thing to do. After all, the US President is limited to two terms. Additionally, 37 states have already enacted this.

But, when digging a little deeper, I can't help but wonder if this isn't another one of these solutions to a problem that doesn't exist. Looking back at the history books, there have been 10 three-term governors in Minnesota. Of those, only one — Rudy Perpich, who technically served two and a half terms that were split between 1976 and 1979, and again from 1983 to 1991 — had four-year terms. The other nine were two-year terms.

True, current Governor Walz was originally running for a third term before backing out a few months ago. However, I still contend the only reason why he ran for a third term is the Democrats didn't have a strong replacement for him in mind.

Some might contend not having an incumbent governor running for re-election is the perfect time to introduce this for voters to consider. I can't argue with that. However, it still doesn't answer the question of whether we need to spend the time and money putting it to a vote in the first place.

I would also contend we already have a built-in method for limiting terms: if you don't want someone to serve a third term, then don't vote for them. If Walz had continued on in the race, I have a feeling he would have become the prime example of this. Conversely, if a majority of Minnesota voters thinks an incumbent is doing a good job, why shouldn't that person be able to continue on for a third term?

Bluntly speaking, I'm confused as to why anyone would be in favor of this. One of the biggest rallying cries is people don't want their right to vote taken away from them. Locally, this has been exemplified by Isanti County returning to voting for an auditor-treasurer. However, what good is the right to vote when you basically have no choice who to vote for?

Yes, you will always have at least two candidates on the ballot, but those candidates are now predetermined by an elitist vocal minority within each party. Quite frankly, term limits only gives these people an easy out for not endorsing an incumbent. Ironically, prior to the 22nd Amendment, the idea was political parties would self-police term limits and refuse to endorse an incumbent for a third term. However, doing so today is considered a sign of the party's weakness.

Ultimately, I think that until someone actually succeeds in being elected to a third term for governor, let's not waste our time trying to prevent something that may never happen. Instead, let's try to come up with solutions to things that are actually currently problems. There's plenty of that to keep everyone busy for quite a while.

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Worth a Thousand Words

Bill

Stickels III

WHICH GROWS BEST IN THE DARK?



a. mushrooms



b. stalactites



c. government secrecy

MARGULIES
HONORARY FOOT

JIMMY MARGULIES

Independent study finds public engagement drops when public notices leave newspapers

A recently released academic study has found measurable declines in public engagement after local governments were allowed to move legally required public notices from newspapers to government-run websites.

The paper, "Newspaper Notice as a Government Transparency Mechanism: Evidence from Florida," was authored by researchers from Texas A&M University, the Yale School of Management and INSEAD and released in January 2026. The study provides the first systematic empirical analysis of what happens when a state removes longstanding requirements that public notices be published in newspapers.

Researchers examined the effects of Florida House Bill 7049, which took effect Jan. 1, 2023. The law allowed local governments to publish required public notices exclusively on county-operated websites rather than in newspapers.

Using statewide data from 2020 through 2024, the researchers analyzed public notice filings, county website traffic, public meeting transcripts and commercial building permit records.

The results were significant. In counties that had established public notice websites before the law took effect, governments reduced newspaper notices by 37 percent overall. Cities reduced their newspaper notices by 48 percent, while public hearing notices — the category most closely tied to citizen participation — declined by 44 percent.

At the same time, the study found no measurable increase in traffic to county public notice websites, suggesting residents did not shift their attention to

the new platforms.

"We now have independent data confirming what many communities have long understood," said Dean Ridings, president and CEO of America's Newspapers. "When public notices leave newspapers, fewer people see them. This study quantifies that impact."

The researchers also examined whether reduced newspaper publication affected civic participation.

Using transcripts from public meetings across Florida cities, the study found a 14 to 18 percent decline in the number of citizens speaking at meetings in jurisdictions that shifted notices away from newspapers.

During the same period, affected cities issued 28 to 35 percent more commercial zoning permits, a pattern the study's authors say is consistent with reduced public scrutiny of development decisions.

Public notices include zoning changes, budget hearings, ordinances, tax levies, procurement opportunities and other official actions that directly affect property, taxes and development decisions in local communities.

Tony Baranowski, state policy director for America's Newspapers, said the findings offer important evidence for policymakers considering changes to public notice laws.

"When notices about zoning, taxes or public hearings become less visible, participation declines," Baranowski said. "This study shows that the platform where notices appear directly affects whether citizens see them and whether they engage."

Ridings said the findings reinforce the longstanding role of local newspapers as the most effective platform for distributing public notices.

"Public notice laws were created to ensure citizens are informed before decisions affecting their communities are made," Ridings said. "Local newspapers continue to provide the broadest and most reliable public visibility for those notices across both print and digital platforms."



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Safety improvements coming near Isanti Intermediate School

A major intersection near the Isanti Intermediate School is slated for safety improvements this summer. Heritage Boulevard and 8th Avenue NE has been a concerning area for the city of Isanti for many years. In 2021, two students were crossing the road, when they were struck and seriously injured by a vehicle. On March 3, 2026, the Isanti City Council approved a resolution for a safety improvement project to that intersection, in collaboration with the county.

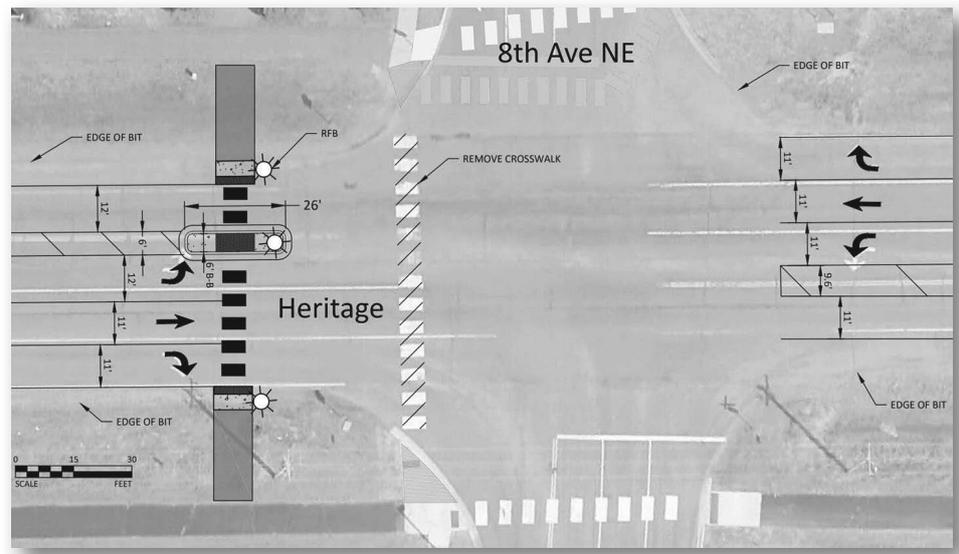
The collaborative project addresses the pedestrian crossing and also makes the turn and drive lanes more distinct, so drivers can be more confident in maneuvers. Additionally, we recently designated that section of the road as a “No Parking” zone. This change will reduce visual obstructions caused by apartment residents who previously parked on the shoulder of the county road instead of using the apartment parking lot.



Inside Isanti
Luke Merrill

Many students and residents use the aforementioned Heritage and 8th intersection to cross the county road. This project will place a center “refuge island” in-between the eastbound and westbound traffic. It also includes a flashing beacon with buttons on either side of the street for pedestrians to press as they cross. The beacon will flash and let drivers know that pedestrians are present.

Changes to the roadway layout are incorporated in this plan as well. The most impactful is moving the crosswalk to a narrower section of the road. This change cuts almost 30 feet off the total length of crossing, which means significantly faster and safer pedestrian road crossing times. Currently a pedestrian must cross approximately 80 feet of road at one time, with traffic moving in both directions. With these changes, the crossing will be cut down to approximately 34 feet of eastbound lanes to cross, then refuge island, and then 12 feet of a westbound lane to cross, with no impact to vehicular traffic. The county will also be repaving that section of roadway, east of Highway 65, at the same time to save costs. The current city council has put a significant focus on sidewalks and public safety. We are happy to see some



improvements finally coming this summer!
On March 3 and March 10, I had meetings with the Isanti County Commissioners and county engineer to discuss the possibility of repaving Heritage Boulevard west of the railroad tracks out to Whiskey Road sooner. Heritage Boulevard is a county-owned road (aka County Road 5), so the city of Isanti is not responsible for its condition. Currently, that stretch of road is in the county’s plan for 2028 replacement. They are not willing or able to move

that sooner, but they are willing to get better patchwork done this summer, during the final phase of the roundabout construction. If you are unhappy with that section of road, I encourage you reach out to the county and voice your concerns. The city, unfortunately, cannot do anything about the condition of that road. Cheers to orange cone season!
LUKE MERRILL is mayor for the city of Isanti. He can be directly reached at 763-516-5082, or Lmerrill@cityofisanti.us.

What students teach us about doing hard things

At North Branch Area Public Schools, we prioritize making time to listen to our students. Their experiences, challenges, and hopes for the future offer an important perspective on what school feels like from their point of view. Often that simply means being willing to listen and learn from what they share.

Recently, I sat down with a couple of our students and asked some simple questions: What helps you succeed? What makes school difficult? What do adults sometimes misunderstand about being a student today? What stood out in our conversations was how clearly they understood that the choices they make today shape the opportunities they will have tomorrow.

One student talked about how learning did not always come easily for him, especially in math. What made the difference was a teacher who took the time to slow things down and walk through problems step-by-step until it finally clicked. Instead of moving on, the teacher stayed with him and explained the work in different ways until he understood. That experience helped him realize that struggling with something doesn’t mean you can’t do it. Sometimes it just means you have to stick with it a little longer. He also shared a perspective about discipline. He said discipline helps you become the person you want to be. In his view, the expectations adults set today help shape who students become.

Another student talked about something we don’t always see from the outside, that many students are working through challenges beyond the classroom. She described experiencing a traumatic event and the importance of having trusted adults who helped her process those experiences and find stability again. Today, she is focused on her future. She is completing courses she needed to catch up on, and exploring future careers in health care, coding, and online marketing. She talked about learning to pace herself and follow a path that keeps a steady heart and a clear mind. Her goal, she said, is to build her life around strong morals and make decisions that move her forward.

One student also shared that students often follow the example of people they respect. When adults show patience, persistence, and high expectations, students notice.

Listening to these students reminded me that young people are thinking about their futures more than we might assume. The easy choice is not always the one that leads somewhere meaningful. Doing hard things now, asking for help, staying disciplined, and pushing through challenges, can open doors for your future self.

Learning to push through challenges takes time. It happens through encouragement, expectations, and the support of people who believe in students when the work feels difficult. When students learn to push through challenges and stay focused on their goals, they are doing more than finishing school. They are preparing for life.

In learning how to do hard things, students often end up teaching the rest of us something too, sometimes more than they realize.

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



NB School News
Sara Paul

Listening, learning, and shaping the path ahead

March is a season of momentum in our schools and in our community. The third trimester is now underway. Seniors are moving steadily toward graduation, and many families and community members are beginning to look ahead to the summer months.

Our spring and summer Community Education brochure is now available, offering opportunities for learners of all ages to stay active, explore new interests, and stay connected throughout the season. Across the district, Bluejacket staff remain focused on finishing the year strong while continuing to support every learner and serve families and community members well.

This time of year also invites us to look ahead. As we begin thinking about the work ahead of us, strong partnerships with families and community members remain an essential part of how we continue to grow. Our district’s mission calls us to educate, empower, and inspire every learner, every day, in partnership with the community. That is made possible through many forms of engagement throughout the year.

Families and community members connect with our schools through advisory groups, committees, conferences, Community Educa-

tion events and activities, individual meetings, surveys, and everyday conversations at concerts, games, and community gatherings. These connections help us better understand the experiences, questions, and perspectives that shape our district. This is also a time when we reflect on progress, consider what we are hearing from families and community members, and begin planning for what comes next.

No one perspective tells the full story of a school community. Meaningful understanding grows when many voices and experiences are reflected in the conversations that guide our work. In the coming weeks, families and community members will see additional opportunities to participate in surveys and share their perspectives. That input, combined with the many other ways people engage with our schools, helps inform the direction of our work as we look ahead to the 2026-27 school year.

When families, educators, and community members share their perspectives and approach one another with honesty, respect, responsibility, self-discipline, and compassion, it strengthens the foundation that supports our learners. These partnerships help ensure that our schools continue to grow in ways that reflect the needs and hopes of the community we serve. As spring begins, we are grateful for this partnership and excited for all we will continue to accomplish together.

Christina Thayer Anderson is director of Community Education of Cambridge-Isanti Schools. She can be reached at 763.689.6220 or canderson1@c-ischools.org.



C-I Schools Community Ed
Christina Thayer Anderson

Minnesota climate projections detail updated trends

Updated climate projections from the University of Minnesota Climate Adaptation Partnership offer significant improvements in future temperature and precipitation information for Minnesota communities, including details on lake ice and lake temperatures for the coming decades.

These projections, published in February in the journal *Water Resources Research*, use a sophisticated regional climate model to analyze urban heat islands, inland lake temperatures, snow depth, soil moisture and other variables with major implications for human and ecological health.

“With this updated model, we include a detailed analysis of future snowfall for the first time,” said Stefan Liess, climate scientist with the Climate Adaptation Partnership. “This and other variables were directly informed by the needs of farmers, businesses, emergency

managers and others across the state who are looking to prepare for future weather and climate risks.”

The projections — the only future climate information available to Minnesota communities at a 2.5 square miles scale — are available free-of-charge through the Climate Adaptation Partnership’s online climate mapping tool, MN CliMAT. <https://climate.umn.edu/MN-CliMAT>

“We actively partner with end users on these projections and provide technical assistance, tailored education, and Extension programs to help Minnesotans prepare for the years ahead,” said Climate Adaptation Partnership Director Heidi Roop. “We encourage individuals, communities and businesses interested in learning how to make climate-informed decisions to connect with us.”

Wireless cell tower to be constructed northwest of Cambridge

BY BILL STICKELS III
EDITOR@COUNTYSTAR.COM

Within the next year, people living or simply traveling through a portion of Isanti County — specifically to the northwest of Cambridge — will have improved wireless broadband reception, compliments of a new cell phone tower.

The tower, which will have a height of 197.5 feet tall, will be constructed in the middle of 31 acres of cornfields in Cambridge Township. The tower will be part of a statewide high-speed broadband network dedicated to public safety.

According to the Isanti County Planning Commission minutes, the nearest existing tower is just under one mile away from this location, however it is not capable of providing the necessary coverage and capacity for Verizon's network. This new tower would also be able to accommodate at least two other wireless providers besides Verizon.

Despite the increased wireless reception for the area, the tower is being welcomed by everyone. During the Planning Commission meeting, multiple people voiced their opposition to its construction. Among the concerns voiced were excess noise, a reduction in neighboring property values, plus a decrease in visual aesthetics.

According to Isanti County Assessor Elisha Long, "Assessed market values are derived from comparable sales, prevailing market conditions, and standard mass appraisal practices used for property taxation purposes," she said. "In reviewing available market data and general appraisal principles, there is no consistent or measurable evidence indicating that the presence of a nearby cellular tower has a direct impact on the assessed value of residential properties."

According to the Planning Commission

'Elisha Long has said many times it doesn't affect property values.'

Steve Westerberg
Isanti County Commissioner

minutes, the noise level of the tower will be 65 decibels at the property lines, which means the neighboring properties will not be impacted.

Another concern was the relative proximity to the Cambridge Airport, which was estimated to be 7,500 feet. However, the owners of the proposed cell tower were able to produce a Determination of No hazard to Air Navigation from the Federal Aviation Administration. Finally, a Federal Communications Commission license was obtained.

The only point of contention among the Isanti County Commissioners during discussion on whether to issue a conditional use permit for the tower dealt with the aesthetics.

"It does affect other properties with sight lines or 'now my beautiful sunset has a tower in the middle of it,' those sort of things," Commissioner Bill Berg said.

"But Elisha Long has said many times it doesn't affect property values," Commissioner Steve Westerberg quickly added.

"Yeah, so it is just aesthetic," continued Berg.

"I believe it could negatively impact the properties," Commissioner Todd Christensen said.

Ultimately, a motion to approve the CUP with 12 conditions and five findings passed on a 3-2 vote, with Christensen and Commissioner Kristi LaRowe casting the nay votes.

Isanti County crisis response ready to help

NAMI Minnesota (the National Alliance on Mental Illness) is reminding residents of Isanti and Chisago counties that help is available 24/7 for mental health crises through their local Mobile Crisis Response Team at 1-800-523-3333.

Every Minnesota county and four tribal communities have Mobile Crisis Response Teams that provide direct, in-person assistance to people experiencing a mental health crisis — whether at home, at school, at work, or elsewhere in the community. These teams, staffed by licensed mental health professionals, help de-escalate situations, create safety plans, and connect individuals to ongoing support. Still, many Minnesotans remain unaware of this vital resource.

"We've worked hard to build this system," said Marcus Schmit, executive director of NAMI Minnesota. "When someone experiences a mental health crisis, getting the right help at the right time can make all the difference. Minnesota's Mobile Crisis Response Teams provide in-person support with no out-of-pocket costs, offering

professional care when it's needed most. If you or someone you love is in crisis, call your local Mobile Crisis Team instead of 911 whenever possible.

These teams are trained to respond with care."

Mobile Crisis Response Teams can bill insurance, but they cannot deny services based on ability to pay. All services are confidential and HIPAA-protected. The fastest way to reach help in Isanti and Chisago counties is by calling 1-800-523-3333 directly. Crisis numbers for every Minnesota county can also be found at

JustCallMN.com.

NAMI Minnesota encourages parents, caregivers, teachers, and community members to save the Mobile Crisis Response Team number for Isanti and Chisago counties — 1-800-523-3333 — in their phone contacts. "Knowing who to call before a crisis happens is one of the best ways to stay safe," added Schmit. "We want every Minnesotan to know that professional, compassionate help is available — anytime, anywhere." -NAMI Minnesota

'When someone experiences a mental health crisis, getting the right help at the right time can make all the difference..'

Marcus Schmit
Executive Director of NAMI MN



Tuesday, March 24
2:00-3:00 PM

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Call Welia Health Cardiac Rehabilitation at **320.225.3364**.

Scan the QR code for more upcoming dates or visit WeliaHealth.org/SupportGroups to explore all Welia Health Support Groups.



ZDON: Appointee is first woman to hold Isanti City Council seat since end of 2014

FROM PAGE I

Together, the volunteer organization that took over running Illuminate Isanti this past winter.

Zdon is the first woman to serve on the council since Sue Larson, whose most recent term was from 2010 through 2014. Zdon made this a point of emphasis during her interview.

"I think what you guys are missing

is a lady up there," she said. "I really feel that women talk. We get together, we gather, and we talk about problems and issues. You guys seem pretty set in your viewpoints. I do like to hear other people's opinions."

The seat Zdon is filling expires on Dec. 31, 2026, so if she wishes to serve past this year, she will have to run for election for a full, four-year term in the November election.

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Distinguished Service Award- Left ICLEA President Jonathan Westberg, Officer Schaefer Isanti PD



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Life Saving Award- Right ICLEA President Jonathan Westberg, Officer Dougall Cambridge PD.



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Life Saving Award- Right ICLEA President Jonathan Westberg, Officer Ives, Braham PD



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Life Saving Award- Right ICLEA President Jonathan Westberg, Officers Miller and Stene, Isanti County Sheriff's Department



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Employee of the year, Left ICLEA president Jonathan Westberg, Isanti County Victim Services Brenda Skogman



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Volunteer of the year, Left Reserve Officer Nate Prins Isanti PD, ICLEA President Jonathan Westberg.



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Life Saving Award- Right ICLEA President Jonathan Westberg, Officers Verke, Braham PD

Officers recognized in annual awards ceremony

Members of the Isanti County Law Enforcement Association (ICLEA) are recognized during the ICLEA 2025 awards event held Feb. 26 at Pinewood Weddings and Events.



Wednesday, March 25
1:30-2:30 PM
Timber Pines Assisted Living
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Thursday, March 26
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Have questions or want to learn more?
Call Stacy Shamblott, CTRS, Aging Eyes Program Coordinator, at **651.249.5118**.

Scan the QR code for more upcoming dates or visit WeliaHealth.org/SupportGroups to explore all Welia Health Support Groups.



OBITUARIES

Robert John Monson

Robert John Monson, of Braham, passed away peacefully on Monday, March 9, 2026, at his home. He was 91 years old.

Robert was born on September 9, 1934, in Whited Township, Kanabec County, to parents John and Christine (Hinderer) Monson. He grew up on the family farm attending grade school in Quamba and high school in Mora. When his father passed away in 1956, he and his brother George took over the family farm for many years.

On September 4, 1993, he married Edna Wolf and they made their home on her farm near Hinckley until 2000 when they moved into Braham. He was an active member of Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Brook Park, and later a member of St. Stephen's Lutheran Church in Braham.

He enjoyed gardening and the flowers at their home. He loved his Savior Jesus Christ, his wife, family, and friends. He will be dearly missed.

Robert is preceded in death by his parents; brother George and sister Mabel.

Robert is survived by his wife Edna; special friends Bob and Alexis Hochstatter and Lucas McMonagle; many other relatives and friends

A Funeral Service was held at 1 p.m. on Tuesday, March 17, 2026, at the St. Stephen's Lutheran Church in Braham. Interment was in the Oakwood Cemetery in Mora. Arrangements were entrusted to the Hamilton Funeral Homes - Rock Chapel in Braham. Condolences may be posted at: www.hamiltonfhs.com.



Merri Wayne (Matheny) Dordal

Merri Wayne (Matheny) Dordal, of Stanchfield, passed away on Saturday, March 7, 2026, at Abbott Northwestern Hospital in Minneapolis. She was 81 years old.

Merri graduated from Anoka High School as salutatorian of her class in 1962 and then attended University of Minnesota where she earned her teaching degree, and began her career in elementary education. Her first teaching job was in Westby, Montana, followed by ten years at Mississippi elementary school in Anoka, and later in the Cambridge school district.

In more recent years, Merri reveled in her retirement, spending time on the couch with her Boston Terrier puppy, Peggy Sue, reading new books by independent authors, indulging in the occasional glass of white zinfandel, and enjoying the company of her husband, son, and daughter-in-law.

She will be remembered as an exceptionally smart, well-spoken, kind, loving, fiercely loyal friend whose greatest joys were her family, dogs, and teaching people how to read.

Merri is preceded in death by her parents William and June (Butts) Matheny, father and mother-in-law Jerome and Josephine Dordal, brothers-in-law Alton and Lynn Dordal.

She is survived by her husband Keith; son William (Victoria); brothers and sisters-in-law, Steve (Carol) Dordal, Gene (Jackie) Dordal, Dale Dordal, Mary (Mark) Anderson, and Karen (Tim) Harmsen; many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

A Memorial Service will be held at 2 p.m. on Saturday, March 28, 2026, at the Stanchfield Baptist Church. Memorial Visitation will be held one hour prior to the service at the church. A meal and time of fellowship will immediately follow the service at church. A private family inurnment will be in the Cedar Cemetery in Cedar, Minnesota. Arrangements are entrusted to the Hamilton Funeral Homes - Rock Chapel in Braham. Condolences may be posted at www.hamiltonfhs.com.



David R. Blosberg

David R. Blosberg, 86, of Cambridge, MN passed away on Tuesday, March 10, 2026 at Cambridge Medical Center.

He was born September 21, 1939 in Minneapolis, Minnesota to Ole and Ruth (Hawkinson) Blosberg.

David is survived by his wife Lorna of Cambridge, brother Kenneth (Marilyn) Blosberg of Cambridge, nine special nieces and nephews, many cousins and friends.

Full obituary to follow. Celebration of Life begins at 11 a.m., Thursday, April 9, 2026 with a brief service at 11:30 a.m. at the Isanti Community Center, 208 1/2 1st Avenue NW, Isanti, MN. With a Celebration of Life Gathering and reception to follow. Interment in Cambridge Lutheran Cemetery. Memorials are Preferred to the Isanti County Historical Society. Condolences at www.carlsonlillemoen.com.

Arrangements by Carlson-Lillemoen Funeral Home and Cremation Services of Cambridge.



Local lender retiring after 40 years

After 40 years in the world of finance, Minnco Credit Union's Brian Anderson is retiring as a commercial lender. Brian began his career in the Red River Valley before establishing roots in Cambridge. Brian was a commercial lender in east central Minnesota for over 33 years, serving in Cambridge, Braham, and Princeton. Brian joined Minnco Credit Union in 2021 to lead Minnco's Commercial Lending department. He was later joined by another experienced lender, Bruce Montgomery, who will continue to lead the department with the assistance of Chris Elbert. Brian's down-to-earth personality and work ethic made it a pleasure for clients and members to conduct business with him. Many of his clients followed him throughout his career moves, and many became friends.

As accomplished as he was at lending, Brian's passions extended outside of work. Brian was an early advocate for and former board member of New Pathways. He remains actively involved in Kinship, a mentorship organization in Princeton serving youth. Brian's modesty rivals his unique sense of humor as one of his greatest assets. As his retirement nears, Brian stated simply: "I'm just a blue-collar lender who was lucky enough to make a career out of helping people for 40 years. I am especially blessed to have had amazing co-workers." Minnco Credit Union is hosting a retirement Open House for Brian in its Cambridge downtown branch (235 1st Ave. West). The public is invited to attend between 11:00 am and 3:00 pm on Tuesday, March 31, for cake and coffee.



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Brian Anderson

STUDENT NAMES IN THE NEWS

Student Achievement Lists

Miciah Reichle of Cambridge (Dean's) from Concordia University.

Degrees

Riley Puck of Isanti (Master of Science) from South Dakota State University College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences.

Warmer weather prompts seasonal road, trail closures

The MN DNR has begun temporarily closing some DNR-managed roads and motorized trails as seasonal melting makes them too soft to support vehicle traffic without causing damage. The duration of the temporary closures in state forests, state parks, recreation areas, and wildlife management areas depends on local weather and surface conditions,

which can shift rapidly.

For info, visit the DNR's road and trail closure webpage (mndnr.gov/closures). The DNR also posts signs at entry points and parking lots when temporary closures are in effect. Roads that can handle vehicle traffic during the spring thaw will remain open but might have vehicle weight restrictions. - MNDNR



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Analysis of 90-million-year-old fossil rewrites history

A team co-led by University of Minnesota researcher Peter Makovicky and Argentinean colleague Sebastian Apesteguía has identified a 90-million-year-old fossil that provides the “missing link” for a mysterious group of prehistoric animals.

The study, published in *Nature*, details the discovery of a complete skeleton of *Alnashetri cerropolicensis*. *Alnashetri* belongs to a group of bird-like dinosaurs, known as alvarezsaurids, that are famous for their tiny teeth and stubby arms ending in a single large thumb claw. For decades, they have remained a mystery because most of the well-preserved fossils were found in Asia, while records from South America were fragmented and difficult to interpret.

“Going from fragmentary skeletons that are hard to interpret, to having a near complete and articulated animal is like finding a paleontological Rosetta Stone,” said Peter Makovicky, lead author and a professor in the College of Science and Engineering. “We now have a reference point that allows us to accurately identify more scrappy finds

and map out evolutionary transitions in anatomy and body size.”

The discovery of this nearly complete skeleton opens up a new understanding of how its lineage evolved, shrank and spread across the ancient world.

Unlike its later relatives, *Alnashetri* had long arms and larger teeth. This proves that some alvarezsaurids evolved to be tiny long before they developed these specialized features thought to be adaptations for an “ant-eating” diet.

Bone analysis confirmed this specimen was a four-year-old adult weighing less than 2 lbs, making it one of the smallest dinosaurs ever found in South America.

By identifying previously found alvarezsaurid fossils in museum collections from North America and Europe, the team showed that these dinosaurs originated on the supercontinent Pangaea and were separated by shifting landmasses rather than ocean crossings.

Their work is far from over, as the scientists continue to discover and study fossils from the same area where they discovered *Alnashetri*. “We have already found the next chapter of the al-



MINYOUNG SON, UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

U of M Professor Peter Makovicky uncovers fossil bones at the La Buitrera fossil area.

varezsaurid story there, and it is in the lab being prepared right now,” added Makovicky.

The research was supported by the National Scientific and Technical Research Council (CONICET), The Field Museum, National Geographic, University of Minnesota, United States

National Science Foundation and the Fulbright U.S. Scholar program.

Read more on the University of Minnesota’s College of Science and Engineering website. - The University of Minnesota College of Science and Engineering

WORSHIP *guide*

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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

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Karmel Covenant Church

5799 County Road 6, Princeton MN 763-389-3169
Lead Pastor: Jason Hovis
Pastor of Youth: Kohl Hanson

Sunday School for All Ages (school year only): 9-10 a.m.

Sunday Worship (in person & online): 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Wednesday Programming (school year only):
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Evangelical Free

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Sunday Service 10:25am.
www.daleefc.com

Kost Evangelical Free Church

37405 Kost Trail, North Branch, MN – Jct. of CR 11 & CR 72
651-583-3281 • Kostchurch.org
Pastor Josh Jensen
Sunday worship service 9:30 am followed by fellowship & Sunday School
Youth group Wednesdays 7 pm
Respawn Gaming Ministry for teen boys – 2 Fridays per month.

Oxlip Evangelical Free Church

29237 Roanoke St NW, Isanti (1 mile West of Cty 5 and Hwy 47)
763-444-5134 oxlip.org
9am Worship Service
10:45am Christian Education
Awana children’s ministry Wednesdays 6 to 7:30pm

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
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Lutheran

Braham Evangelical Lutheran Church (ELCA)

Dr. Suzanne Begin, Minister
905 Central Drive West
320-396-2755
www.brahamlutheran.org
9:30 a.m. Worship Service
In-person & Live on Facebook
9:00 - 9:45 Sunday School
Children may join worship service or be picked up by an adult
All Are Welcome!

Calvary Evangelical Lutheran Church Of Rush Point (ELCA)

Pastor Vicki Vandervegt.
320-358-4829, 600 Rush Point Dr.
10:30am Worship with Fellowship following
my.calvaryofrushpoint.org.
Office: calvaryrushpoint@gmail.com

Cambridge Lutheran Church (ELCA)

621 Old North Main Street, Cambridge 763-689-1211
Traditional service: 8:30 a.m.
Contemp service: 9:15 & 10:30 a.m.
KidZone 9:15 & 10:30 a.m.
www.cambridgelutheran.org
Facebook: fb.com/Cambridgelutheran
YouTube: tinyurl.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)

33525 Jefferson Street NE, Cambridge 763-689-4355
www.joylutheran.net
Pastor James Ritter
8:30 a.m. Traditional Service
10:30 a.m. Contemporary Service

Living Branch Lutheran Church (LCMS)

6486 Elm St (PO Box 335), North Branch 651-674-5576
Pastor Glen Kleppe
Sunday Worship 10am
Sunday School 9am
Sunday Adult Bible Study 9am
LENT SERVICES TUESDAYS @ 7PM
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 & Pastor Rebecca Holland
All Are Welcome!
Sundays
9 am Worship & 10 am Sunday School
Holy Communion: 1st and 3rd Sundays
Wednesdays 6 pm Confirmation

Salem Lutheran Church

4638 381st Ave. NW, Dalbo, MN 55017. 763-689-1687
Join us for worship every Sunday at 10:30
Sunday School 11:00 resuming in the Fall
Coffee fellowship after worship
www.salemlutherandalbo.com

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.slchurch.org
Email: slchurch@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

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.), Braham 320-396-3103
9 :15 am Sunday School & Adult Bible Study.
8am Worship.
ststephensbraham.org

Trinity Lutheran Church (ELCA)

38460 Lincoln Trail, North Branch 651-674-7047 Pastor Paul Cannon
In person and online worship
8 & 10 am Worship
9 am Coffee Hour
9 am Sunday School
www.trinitynorthbranch.org
office@trinitynorthbranch.org

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!

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

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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FORECLOSURES

PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

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Lot 120, Block 4, Villages on the Rum, CIC No. 5, Isanti County, Minnesota

WHEREAS, pursuant to said Declaration, there is claimed to be due and owing as of March 9, 2026, from Sarah Peterson, title holder, to Villages on the Rum V Homeowners' Association, a Minnesota non-profit corporation, the principal amount of Fifteen Thousand, Eight Hundred One and 25/100ths Dollars (\$15,801.25) for assessments, late fees and related charges, plus assessments, collection costs, attorneys' fees and other amounts will be incurred since said date, including costs of collection and foreclosure;

WHEREAS, no action is now pending at law or otherwise to recover said debt or any part thereof;

WHEREAS, the owner has not been released from the financial obligation to pay said amount;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Declaration and Minn. Stat. §515B.3-116(h), said debt created a lien upon said premises in favor of Villages on the Rum V Homeowners' Association as evidenced by the lien statement recorded on February 20, 2026, in the office of the Isanti County Recorder as Document No. A543084;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the power of sale granted by the owner(s) in taking title to the premises subject to said Declaration, said lien will be foreclosed by the sale of said property by the sheriff of said county at the Isanti County Sheriff's Department, 2440 Main Street South, Cambridge, MN 55008, on April 30, 2026, at 10:00 o'clock a.m., at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, to pay the amount then due for said assessments, together with the costs of foreclosure, including attorneys' fees as allowed by law. The time allowed by law for redemption by the unit owners, their personal representatives or assigns is six (6) months from the date of said sale.

The following information is provided pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Sections 580.025 and 580.04:

- (1) Street Address of Property: 945 Golden Way Northwest, Isanti, MN 55040
- (2) Name of Transaction Agent, Residential Mortgage Servicer, Lender &/or Broker: N/A
- (3) Tax Parcel Identification Number of the Property: 16-092-2560
- (4) Transaction Agent's Mortgage Identification Number, if known: N/A
- (5) Name of Mortgage Originator, if stated on mortgage: N/A
- (6) Date on which Occupant must vacate Property, if mortgage is not reinstated under Section 580.30 or property redeemed under 580.23: 11:59 p.m. on October 30, 2026. If the foregoing date is a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday, then the date to vacate is the next business day at 11:59 p.m.

REDEMPTION NOTICE

THE TIME ALLOWED BY LAW FOR REDEMPTION BY THE MORTGAGOR, THE MORTGAGOR'S PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES OR ASSIGNS, MAY BE REDUCED TO FIVE WEEKS IF A JUDICIAL ORDER IS ENTERED UNDER MINNESOTA STATUTES, SECTION 582.032, DETERMINING, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THAT THE MORTGAGED PREMISES ARE IMPROVED WITH A RESIDENTIAL DWELLING OF LESS THAN FIVE UNITS, ARE NOT PROPERTY USED IN AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION, AND ARE ABANDONED.

MORTGAGORS RELEASED FROM FINANCIAL OBLIGATION ON MORTGAGE: None Dated: February 26, 2026 Rocket Mortgage, LLC s/b/m to Nationstar Mortgage LLC Randall S. Miller And Associates, PLLC Attorneys for Assignee of Mortgage/Mortgagee Edinburg Executive Office Center, 8525 Edinbrook Crossing North Suite #210 Brooklyn Park, MN 55443 Phone: 612-223-6873 Our File No. 25MN00257-1 A-4866202 02/26/2026, 03/05/2026, 03/12/2026, 03/19/2026, 03/26/2026, 04/02/2026

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NOTICE OF ASSESSMENT LIEN FORECLOSURE SALE

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- (2) Name of Transaction Agent, Residential Mortgage Servicer, Lender &/or Broker: N/A
- (3) Tax Parcel Identification Number of the Property: 16-092-2560
- (4) Transaction Agent's Mortgage Identification Number, if known: N/A
- (5) Name of Mortgage Originator, if stated on mortgage: N/A
- (6) Date on which Occupant must vacate Property, if mortgage is not reinstated under Section 580.30 or property redeemed under 580.23: 11:59 p.m. on October 30, 2026. If the foregoing date is a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday, then the date to vacate is the next business day at 11:59 p.m.

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Brooklyn Park, MN 55428 (763) 401-4120 Lienor: Villages on the Rum V Homeowners' Association

By: _____ Jennifer C. Toohey Its: Attorney in Fact THIS INSTRUMENT WAS DRAFTED BY: TOOHEY LAW FIRM, P.A. 7100 Northland Circle North, Suite 101 Brooklyn Park, MN 55428 (763) 401-4120 File No. 115061.014

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Lot 47, Block 4, Villages on the Rum, according to the plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the County Recorder, Isanti County, Minnesota

WHEREAS, pursuant to said Declaration, there is claimed to be due and owing as of March 4, 2026, from Hayden Johnson, title holder, to Villages on the Rum V Homeowners' Association, a Minnesota non-profit corporation, the principal amount of Eight Thousand, Two Hundred Seventy-Nine and 92/100th Dollars (\$8,279.92) for assessments, late fees and related charges, plus assessments, collection costs, attorneys' fees and other amounts will be incurred since said date, including costs of collection and foreclosure;

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WHEREAS, pursuant to the power of sale granted by the owner(s) in taking title to the premises subject to said Declaration, said lien will be foreclosed by the sale of said property by the sheriff of said county at the Isanti County Sheriff's Department, 2440 Main Street South, Cambridge, MN 55008, on April 30, 2026, at 10:00 o'clock a.m., at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, to pay the amount then due for said assessments, together with the costs of foreclosure, including attorneys' fees as allowed by law. The time allowed by law for redemption by the unit owners, their personal representatives or assigns is six (6) months from the date of said sale.

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PROBATE

STATE OF MINNESOTA COUNTY OF: CHISAGO DISTRICT COURT

Court File Number: 13-PR-26-21 Judicial District: 10th Case Type: Probate

In Re the Estate of James Richard Deitner Sr. Decedent (Deceased Person)

Notice and Order for Hearing on Petition for Formal Adjudication of Intestacy, Determination of Heirship, and Appointment of Personal Representative and Notice to Creditors

It is ordered and notice is given that a hearing will be held as follows:

Date: April 1, 2026 Time: 2:00 p.m.

Location: 313 N Main Street, Center City, MN 55012 – via zoom for the formal adjudication of intestacy and determination of heirship of the Decedent, and for the appointment of:

Name: Julie A. Johnson and James Deitner Jr. Address: 13639 Ghia Street NE, Ham Lake MN 55304, 3511 White Pine Way, Stillwater, MN 55082

as Personal Representative of the Estate of the Decedent in: a supervised administration

Any objections to the petition should be filed with the Court before, or raised at, the hearing.

If proper and if no objections are filed or raised, the personal representative will be appointed with full power to administer the Estate including the power to collect all assets; to pay all legal debts, claims, taxes, and expenses; to sell real and personal property; and to do all necessary acts for the Estate.

Notice is also given that (subject to Minn. Stat. § 524.3-801) all creditors having claims against the Estate are required to present the claims to the personal representative or to the Court Administrator within four months after the date of this Notice or the claims will be barred.

Date: 2026.02.19 14:49:57 BY THE COURT: Dowdal, Bridgid (Judge)

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STATE OF MINNESOTA ISANTI COUNTY DISTRICT COURT 10TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT FILE NUMBER: 30-PR-26-11 C ASE TYPE: INFORMAL PROBATE

Notice of Informal Appointment of Personal Representative and Notice to Creditors (Without a Will)

In Re The Estate Of Shirley Ann Cirhan A/k/a Shirley A. Cirhan A/k/a Shirley Cirhan, Deceased

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND CREDITORS:

Notice is hereby given that an application for informal appointment of personal representative has been filed with the Probate Registrar. No will has been presented for probate. The application has been granted.

Notice is also given that the Probate Registrar has informally appointed the following:

Name: Charles Edward Cirhan Address: 8811 Norway Street NW, Coon Rapids MN 55433 as Personal Representative of the Estate of the Decedent. Any heir, devisee or other interested person may be entitled to appointment as Personal Representative, or may object to the appointment of the Personal Representative. Unless objections are filed pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 524.3-607, and the court otherwise orders, the Personal Representative has full power to administer the Estate, including, after 30 days from the date of issuance of letters, the power to sell, encumber, lease or distribute real estate.

Notice is also given that, subject to Minn. Stat. § 524.3-801, all creditors having claims against the Estate are required to present the claims to the Personal Representative or to the Court Administrator within four (4) months after the date of this Notice, or the claims will be barred.

Attorney for Personal Representative STEVEN CAESAR OPHEIM Attorney License No.: 169080 Dudley and Smith PA 1295 Northland Drive Suite 250 Mendota Heights MN 55120 Telephone: 651-291-1717 Email: sopheim@dudleyandsmith.com Probate Registrar Date: March 11, 2026 Erin Boettcher, Court Administrator Date: March 11, 2026

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CITY OF EAST BETHEL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

You are hereby notified that the City of East Bethel Planning Commission will hold a public hearing to review the following:

A requested Variance and subsequent Interim Use Permit Request for the purposes of allowing Domestic Farm Animals (Horse) within the Rural Residential District on lands currently platted.

The hearing will be held in the East Bethel City Hall located at 2241 221st Ave NE on: **Tuesday March 24th, 2026 at or about 7:00 pm**

Applicant/Owner: Ms. Lynnsey Plaisance Site Location: 656 192 Ave., NE PID: 303323420024

Request(s): Generally: Grant a variance from the requirement that only allows the keeping of Domestic Farm Animals (Horses) on property that has not been platted (City Ord. 10-151(c)); if approved, grant Interim Use Permit.

If you desire to be heard in reference to this matter, you are encouraged to attend the scheduled public hearing or submit written comments to City Hall prior to the hearing.

Comments can be emailed to Eric.Johnson@ci.east-bethel.mn.us or via US MAIL to City Hall at 2241 221st Ave NE. City of East Bethel, MN 55011

Eric Johnson 3/5/26 Senior Planner

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Requests to enable the construction of a Dairy Queen upon the 1.63 acre parcel with a PID# 323323120012 for Amended PUD, Site Plan Review, Preliminary and Final Plat.

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Applicant/Owner: EB Commercial LLC.

Site Location: Located at the NE quadrant of the roundabout Sandhill Parkway NE and 187th Ln NE. (Also adjacent - southerly to the Kwik Trip Convenience Store)

PID: 323323120012

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Comments can be emailed to Eric.Johnson@ci.east-bethel.mn.us or to City Hall at 2241 221st Ave NE. City of East Bethel, MN 55011

Eric Johnson 3/5/26 Senior Planner

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NOTICES

CAMBRIDGE TOWNSHIP PUBLIC NOTICE SEALED BIDS FOR PAVING

Cambridge Township will be accepting Bids for the paving of approximately 5400 feet of 328th Ave NE. Bids will be opened at the April 13, 2026, monthly meeting at 8PM. For specifications contact the Cambridge Township Road Maintenance Supervisor: Rob A. Anderson (763-286-9117)

3568 337th Ave NE, Cambridge, Mn 55008

The Cambridge Township Monthly Board meeting is held at the following location: Isanti County Historical Society Building 33525 Flanders St NE, Cambridge, Mn 55008

Sealed Bids should be clearly marked on the outside of the envelope "Bituminous Bid 2026". The Township has the right to accept and/or reject all bids.

Darrell Vosika Cambridge Township Clerk

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS CLEANING, REPAIRING, & PAINTING 500,000-GALLON ELEVATED RESERVOIR TOWER NUMBER THREE

NORTH BRANCH, MINNESOTA CITY PROJECT NO.: R-032787-000 KLM PROJECT NO.: 2071-25 MARCH 2026

MANDATORY PRE-BID DATE: March 26, 2026 BID OPEN DATE: April 7, 2026

A mandatory pre-bid conference call will be held at 10:00 AM CST on March 26, 2026, to discuss the scope of the project with the Owner's representatives, Engineer, and prospective bidders. An on-site visit can be arranged for bidders by contacting the Project Engineer at the number listed on the Title Page. **Attendance by prospective bidders or their designated representatives at the pre-bid conference is a pre-requisite to bidding the project.**

Conference call information is as follows:

Number – 1-612-351-3093 Access Code – 434056

The Owner will receive bids for the furnishing of all labor, materials, and equipment necessary for the project until 2:00 PM CST, April 7, 2026, at which time all bids will be publicly opened and read aloud via a live video conferencing platform. Those desiring to attend the conference should contact the KLM representative below to obtain access information.

Project documents are available starting March 16, 2026, at http://www.questcdn.com. You may download the complete set of digital bidding documents for \$30.00 by entering eBidDocTM #10084878 in the "Search Projects" page. Contact QuestCDN at 952-233-1632 or info@questcdn.com for assistance in free membership registration, downloading, and working with this digital project information.

All bids shall be accompanied by a 5% bid bond payable to the City of North Branch.

Project bids shall only be received and accepted via the online electronic bid service through QuestCDN.com. To access the electronic bid form, download the project documents and click the online bidding button at the top of the advertisement. A \$50 fee is charged to provide a bid.

For any bidding questions, please contact Joseph Clasemann, P.E. at KLM Engineering, Inc., at 651-773- 5111 or jclasemann@klmengineering.com.

ADVERTISEMENT LOCATIONS & START DATES

QuestCDN: March 16, 2026 Isanti-Chisago County Star: March 19, 2026

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Dining OUT FOR Lent



Lent Begins March 5, & Ends on April 5

Friday Fish Fry



3-piece beer-battered or broiled Atlantic Cod served with your choice of potato or hush puppies & coleslaw

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410 Railroad Ave South, Isanti, MN 55040

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All You Can Eat Fish (baked or fried), french fries, coleslaw, bun, dessert, coffee & milk

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Downtown Cambridge
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\$13.00

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CLASSIFIEDS

16 Lost & Found

LOST: Elderly person's dentures lost in Pine City. Reward may be offered. Contact sheriff's office.

102 Services

Alterations and clothing repairs, 25 years experience. 320-396-4152 Contact Rosemary. Braham

115 Heating & Cooling

Classie Edge Titanium HDX EPA certified OUTDOOR WOOD FURNACE. \$2,000 Tax Credit. Prices as low as \$230 per month! Call Rasmussen Construction Inc. 612-805-2362.

150 Help Wanted

ACADEMIC PROGRAM ASSOCIATE: Northwood Technical College, New Richmond Campus seeks full-time detail-oriented individual to provide administrative and program support for Business, I.T., and Family & Consumer Services areas. Apply: northwoodtech.edu/employment. Find this ad and others at www.applylocal.jobs

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FINANCIAL AID ASSOCIATE: Northwood Technical College, New Richmond Campus seeks full-time Financial Aid Associate to support efficient operation of financial aid programs and assist students college-wide. Apply: northwoodtech.edu/employment. Find this ad and others at www.applylocal.jobs

150 Help Wanted

FOOD SERVICE: School District of Clear Lake seeks Elementary Food Service worker. \$19.83/hr, 8:30am-1:15pm on school days. Immediate start. Apply by March 27 at clwarriors.org or contact tpetter@clwarriors.org. Find this ad and others at www.applylocal.jobs

150 Help Wanted

BUS/VAN DRIVERS: St. Croix Falls School District hiring regular substitute Bus/Van Drivers. CDL preferred, training available. Part-time, competitive pay. Pass drug test/background check required. Apply: platttri@scfschools.com. Find this ad and others at www.applylocal.jobs

150 Help Wanted

BRAIDERS & EXTRUSION OPERATORS - Northwire, Inc., Osceola, WI. All shifts. Requires HS diploma/GED, computer skills. Apply in person or send resume 110 Prospect Way, Osceola, WI 54020 or HumanResources_Northwire@lemo.com. EOE: Find ad at www.applylocal.jobs

150 Help Wanted

CNC MACHINIST 1st shift. \$25\$30/hr. 5+ yrs CNC lathe experience, setups, blueprint reading required. Mazatrol/G-Code preferred. Steel & O'Brien Manufacturing. steelobrien.com Find this ad and others at www.applylocal.jobs

150 Help Wanted

COACHES WANTED: Prairie Farm and Clayton School Districts seek qualified, student-centered Head Coaches for Spring 2027 co-op teams: Track, Boys Golf, Baseball, and Softball. Submit letter of interest to appropriate contact below. Track & Boys Golf: aseeger@prairiefarm.k12.wi.us Baseball: mateskis@claytons-d.k12.wi.us Softball: schradler@claytons-d.k12.wi.us Find this ad and others at www.applylocal.jobs

150 Help Wanted

GRANTSBURG HIGH SCHOOL Full-time Special Education/Intervention Aide, 9-month position with benefits, 7:45am-3:45pm. IEP support, academic intervention, behavior assistance. SpEd Aide certification or ability to obtain. Apply at wecan.waspa.org. Find this ad and others at www.applylocal.jobs

150 Help Wanted

HUGO FEED MILL and Hardware hiring seasonal workers for May & June. Duties: Helping customers and plant care. Hours and days flexible. Call Steve 651.429-3361

150 Help Wanted

LEGENDERRY AUTO BODY -- Competitive wages, flexible schedule, paid holidays/PTO, paid training & parts discounts. Stop by or call 715-463-2593 to schedule an interview. Find this ad and others at www.applylocal.jobs

150 Help Wanted

The City of Sandstone is accepting applications for the full-time position of Community Service Partner. Submit application and resume to City of Sandstone, PO Box 641, Sandstone, MN 55072 or by email to administrator@sandstonemn.gov. For more information and Questions call 320-245-5241. Applications must be submitted by Noon on March 31, 2026.

150 Help Wanted

HINCKLEY-FINLAYSON School District is seeking a full-time District wide transportation mechanic to maintain bus and type 3 fleets. To apply contact Julie Nelson, HR, julie.nelson@isd2165.org or Bruce at 320-384-0434

150 Help Wanted

GEHRMAN AUTO BODY Centuria Full-time auto body shop helper, M-F 8-4, no weekends. Basic auto knowledge helpful, will train. Reliable transportation required. Call 715-825-3401 or apply at 1965 160th St., Centuria. Ask for John. Find this ad and others at www.applylocal.jobs

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GREENHOUSE HELP WANTED Hugo Feed Mill and Hardware hiring seasonal workers for May & June. Duties: Helping customers and plant care. Hours and days flexible. Call Steve 651.429-3361

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HUMAN SERVICES ASSOCIATE INSTRUCTOR: Northwood Technical College, Superior Campus seeks full-time instructor to deliver learner-centered human services instruction. Apply by March 29 at northwoodtech.edu/employment. Find this ad and others at www.applylocal.jobs

150 Help Wanted

KANABEC Publications in Mora is looking for a motivated person who likes to work with customers in person as a Sales Rep. 40 hours per week. Must have strong people skills, be able to multi-task, be good with computers and have strong organizational skills. Wage is \$39,000 - \$50,000 per year plus bonus opportunities. If interested, please submit resume to Jeff Andres, Publisher jeff@northstarmedia.net

150 Help Wanted

McPhillips Bros. Roofing Experienced flat roofers needed. Competitive wages, health/dental/life insurance, profit sharing & 401k. Email kim@mcpPhillipsbros.com or apply at 2590 Centennial Dr., North St. Paul, MN. Find this ad and others at www.applylocal.jobs

150 Help Wanted

ORBITAL WELDER Entry level, will train! No experience necessary. Mechanical aptitude helpful. Great career opportunity. Steel & O'Brien Manufacturing. steelobrien.com Find this ad and others at www.applylocal.jobs

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PARAPROFESSIONAL: St. Croix Falls School District seeks full-time Paraprofessional for Middle School. Provide student support, 1:1 instruction, and work with medically fragile students. Apply: wallakr@scfschools.com. Find this ad and others at www.applylocal.jobs

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150 Help Wanted

Prairie Farm/Clayton School Districts MS Track Coach needed for PFC co-op starting April 2026 through mid-May. Send letter of interest to Alethea Seeger at aseeger@prairiefarm.k12.wi.us. Find this ad and others at www.applylocal.jobs

150 Help Wanted

SHIPPING & RECEIVING CLERK 1st shift. \$19\$22/hr + biweekly bonus. UPS/FedEx/LTL experience preferred. Forklift cert helpful. Steel & O'Brien Manufacturing. steelobrien.com Find this ad and others at www.applylocal.jobs

150 Help Wanted

SPECIAL EDUCATION PARAPROFESSIONAL: School District of Clear Lake seeks dependable, student-centered Elementary SpEd Paraprofessional. 7 hrs/day, \$19.14/hr with benefits. Immediate start. Apply by March 27 at clwarriors.org or contact tanderson@clwarriors.org. Find this ad and others at www.applylocal.jobs

150 Help Wanted

ST. CROIX CHIPPEWA INDIANS Webster Multiple openings in Admin and Health Clinic including Accountant, Dentist, Pharmacist, CMA/LPN, AODA Counselor, Housing, Head Start positions and more. Contact Shelly LeMieux: (715)-349-2195 Ext. 5196 or shellyle@stcroixjob-we-nsn.gov. Find this ad and others at www.applylocal.jobs

150 Help Wanted

SUBSTITUTES: St. Croix Falls School District seeks substitutes for Teaching, Paraprofessional, Custodian, and Food Service positions. Apply: whitech@scfschools.com. Find this ad and others at www.applylocal.jobs

150 Help Wanted

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150 Help Wanted

The City of Hugo is NOW HIRING for seasonal public works employees. These positions are responsible for assisting the Public Works Dept in tasks including park, street and utilities maintenance. Positions are from May - Sept and will not exceed 40 hrs/wk. Pay is \$18/hr. Applicants must have a valid MN drivers license and be at least 18 yrs old. Applications are available at Public Works, 8220 140th St. N., Hugo, MN 55038, 651-762-6301 or on the City's web site at www.ci.hugo.mn.us/employment. Applications must be completed and returned to Public Works or emailed to pw@ci.hugo.mn.us by 4:00 p.m., Mar 30, 2026.

150 Help Wanted

Village of Baldwin, Wis. - Part-time seasonal mower, approx. 30 hrs/week, April-October. Mowing parks/green spaces. Must be 18+, licensed, self-motivated. \$16.85 to \$18.10/hr. Apply at villageofbaldwin.com or 400 Cedar St. Deadline March 23. Find this ad and others at www.applylocal.jobs

150 Help Wanted

Village of Osceola, Wis. - Utility Operator needed. Responsible for water production, distribution, wastewater collection & treatment plant operation/maintenance. See full details at myosceola.com/departments/employment-opportunities/Find this ad and others at www.applylocal.jobs

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150 Help Wanted

White Bear Township NOW HIRING Public Works Maintenance Worker to perform skill labor in the maintenance of roads, water systems, sanitary sewer systems, storm water infrastructure, parks, equipment, and township facilities.

Minimum Qualifications: HS Diploma/eq, 2 yrs exp in operation of pwr tools, operation of trucks & heavy equipment, completing vehicle/equipment maintenance or equivalent. Anticipated hiring range \$32.98 - \$41.05

To apply, complete and submit a White Bear Township Employment Application found on whitebear-township.org/Job.s.aspx. Applications will be accepted until 4:30 p.m., Friday, March 27, 2026 at 4:30 pm. Submit completed applications to: White Bear Township, 1281 Hammond Road, White Bear Township, MN 55110 or via email adminoffices@whitebear-township.org

150 Help Wanted

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358 Firewood

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362 Miscellaneous

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501 Real Estate Wanted

Recently married Army Veteran looking to buy 10+ acres to build a home or purchase an existing home to raise a family. Preferred location Isanti or Chisago County. Call or text 651-278-5882

369 Want to Buy

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452 Rentals/Residential

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452 Rentals/Residential

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452 Rentals/Residential

Mora one bedroom apartment available May 1st. Quiet building. Heat, garbage, laundry, and garage included. No smoking. \$890 per month. 612-720-5296 Terry

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