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## C-I Schools hints needed building updates

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Cambridge-Isanti Schools is in the initial stages of determining the future needs of the district's buildings, which more than likely will require a public referendum vote.

Over the past several months, a 59-person Community Facility Task Force has met to study the current condition of the district's facilities, assess both present and future needs, and develop a facilities recommendation. That recommendation will be formally presented to the school board during its June 26 regular meeting.

From February through the end of April, the task force met a total of seven times for two-to-three hours at a time going over background information, deferred maintenance needs, financial information, plus modernization concepts of learning spaces, recreation, athletics, and activities. The meetings also looked into a community survey that was completed recently, along with guided tours of every building.

"I was impressed with the systematic, comprehensive, educational process of presenting the evidence of areas of concerns for the district buildings," said task force member Dari Hogie. "Every single question (from the task force) was answered. Nothing was skipped."

**'It pains me to say, back when I got here in 1981, I thought our facilities were the best. (But) if you were to go to any Mississippi 8 school or section opponent today, our facilities are the worst.'**

**Mark Solberg**

C-I School Board & Facility Task Force Member

"I was extremely impressed with the open and honest behavior of those who conducted our meetings," added task force member Nick Izzo. "Through facts, statistics, and forecasts, they gave every member a perfect picture of the current status of every building."

### FINAL RECOMMENDATIONS

During the final task force meeting, the members were presented with three options to choose from for a final recommendation to make to the school board. The final vote was unanimous in favor of one of those three options.

Although no specifics regarding that final recommendation were

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## Emotional Memorial Day

Cambridge American Legion Commander Andy Fiedler (back to camera) receives a hug from Legion Riders Chaplain Ed Chromey after Fiedler struggled to get through the Roll Call of Deceased Veterans, which included two close friends of his. For more photos from the Cambridge, Isanti and North Branch Memorial Day ceremonies, go to [www.isanti-chisagocountystar.com](http://www.isanti-chisagocountystar.com).

# County Road 5 roundabout project enters fast lane

BY BILL STICKELS III  
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Construction of a roundabout at the intersection of County Road 5 and East Dual Blvd in Isanti may get started and completed much sooner than anticipated.

By a unanimous vote, the Isanti City Council approved the immediate calling for bids for the project, with a construction timeline set to begin in late July and finish in late October or early November.

According to Isanti City Engineer Jason Cook, the speed at which the city was able to acquire the needed land for the project enabled the main portion to begin sooner.

"Once the land acquisition got squared away as quickly as it did, we have a legitimate time window to get this bid and still have time to get it constructed this year," Cook said.

Interim Mayor Luke Merrill asked if calling for bids this late in the calendar year would cause higher bid amounts. Road construction bids are typically

called for during the winter, with construction slated for May through September/October to coincide with the typical "Minnesota road construction season."

"What I'm hearing in the industry is a lot of companies are light in the fall, which is when this project would be able to be constructed," Cook said. "So for the moment, no."

He added that if the bids did come in higher than hoped, the council could reject all bids and resubmit a bid request next winter.

Cook also assured the council that even with this aggressive timeline, construction would not begin until after the Isanti Rodeo.

Cook did acknowledge, though, that a three-month timeline would mean County Road 5 would have to be closed in that area. However, he asserted there are ample detours that could be set up to gain access to all adjacent businesses.

"That's the process to get this built in a three-month window instead of a six-month window," Cook said.

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# FACILITIES: Task Force members unanimous in recommendation to school board

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mentioned by the task force members, it was mentioned repeatedly that it will entail fixes, improvements, and upgrades to most, if not all district buildings.

“It soon became apparent the district building upgrades were not just wants, but were very, very evident needs,” Hogie said. “Most important is our facilities are no longer good enough to prepare our students to be competitive when leaving Cambridge-Isanti Schools.”

“As we got to take the tours of all the schools, we realized that the deferred maintenance, all the fixes the schools need, is so important,” said task force member Kathy Schmidt.

“It pains me to say, back when I got here in 1981, I thought our facilities were the best,” said School Board member Mark Solberg, who was also on the

task force. “(But) if you were to go to any Mississippi 8 school or section opponent today, it’s a sad thing to say, but our facilities are the worst.

“You go to Cambridge Intermediate School, built in 1937,” continued Solberg, “(those are) probably the same lockers they used (back then).”

One specific item a couple task force members did let slip was the inclusion of a “community center” featuring expanded gym space and a walking track in the final recommendation.

“It’s important that the district’s constituents understand why the improvements to Cambridge-Isanti buildings benefit the entire community, not just enrolled students,” Hogie said.

### PROBABLE REFERENDUM VOTE

Another aspect of the recommendation that was only briefly touched on was in order to accomplish this recommendation, a bond referendum vote will

have to be held. According to Minnesota statute, any school building construction costing over a certain amount, which varies from district to district, must have voter approval.

The last referendum vote was held in 2021. However, that was an operating referendum, with the money going towards covering day-to-day expenses. The last building referendum was for \$10 million, held in 2013 for safety upgrades and other delayed maintenance needs to several buildings. That referendum passed with a 52.34% to 47.66% margin. The district also constructed The Woodland Campus, which houses Riverside Academy, Moving Forward and Level IV special education classes in 2019 - 2020. However, the final cost for that project was under the district’s threshold for a mandatory referendum vote.

## USA BMX holds local registration drive

BY JANELLE BRANNOCK

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Just in time for the summer season when parents and kids alike are looking for new activities, USA BMX is holding a free registration event in Isanti, MN, where those who may be interested in BMX racing can get a sneak peek into what members can expect at their local track, from multiple weekly practices to local, regional and national racing opportunities that are open to all USA BMX members—regardless of age or skill level.

**WHAT**  
USA BMX “National Registration Week” registration event

### WHEN

June 3, 2025  
Sign-up: 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM  
Race start: ASAP

### WHERE

Rum River BMX  
101 Isanti Pkwy NW  
Isanti, MN

### COST

Free

### INFO

First-timers can borrow a loaner BMX bike and helmet (or bring their own) and take a spin on the track to get a taste of what BMX riding is all about. All participants receive a certificate.

## Bass fishing a highlight of spring

BY BENJI KOHN

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The bass fishing catch-and-keep season (mndnr.gov/regulations/fishing) opened Saturday, May 25. Spring is a great time to cast a line for these fun-to-catch fish. Largemouth and small-

mouth bass can be easier to catch in spring and early summer when they spend more time in shallow water. Later, as water temperatures rise, many bass move to deeper water in search of sunken points, rocky humps and aquatic plant edges that offer protec-

tion from larger fish and hiding places for prey. Learn more about how to fish for bass and other species at the Minnesota Department of Natural Resource’s learn to fish webpage (mndnr.gov/gofishing/how-catch-fish.html).



CONTRIBUTED

18 high school and middle school students were on board the bus that tipped onto its side May 23. No injuries were reported.

## Bus incident results in no injuries

STAFF REPORT

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No injuries were reported from a single-vehicle incident involving a Cambridge-Isanti school bus on Friday morning, May 23.

According to a press release from the Isanti County Sheriff’s Office, at approximately 7:56 a.m., dispatch received a call reporting a school bus had “rolled over” into a swamp on the 29200 block of Potassium St. NW in Spencer Brook Township. Upon arrival, the bus was discovered on its side in a swampy ditch. All students and the driver were evacuated from the bus without incident.

According to C-I Schools Superintendent Dr. Nate Rudolph, the bus got

stuck in the soft ground on the side of the road caused by the recent heavy rains and “slowly tipped over” onto its side. In a communication with the families, Rudolph said there were 18 high school and middle school students on the bus at the time of the incident.

**‘this situation was handled with the utmost professionalism and compassion.’**

**Dr. Nate Rudolph**  
CI Schools Superintendent

“We want to express our deep pride in our staff and heartfelt gratitude for the quick action and care shown this morning,” read the communication to parents. “From the bus driver’s calm response to the swift support from our transportation department and local law enforcement agencies, this situation was handled with the utmost professionalism and compassion. We are

truly grateful to everyone involved in ensuring our students’ safety.”

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and LaRae, to discuss the foundational steps you can take to help set yourself up for financial stability.

This program is geared towards teens, adults, and seniors. Teen/adult groups encouraged! Time to make those post-graduation plans!

No registration required, everyone is welcome! There will be light refreshments provided. -East Central Regional Library

**MON, WED & FRI**  
**Exercise with Connie**

At the Chisago County Senior Center 38790 6th Ave., North Branch. From 10:30-11:30 a.m.

**MON & WED**  
**500 Cards**

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

**MON & THUR**  
**Alcoholics Anonymous**

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

**MON - FRI**  
**Senior Dining**

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

**MONDAYS**  
**Bridge**

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

**Scrabble (2nd Monday)**

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

**Women's only Adult Children of Alcoholics and Dysfunctional Families**

7 p.m. at Cambridge Lutheran Church, 621 Old Main St N, Cambridge Mn 55008 For more information contact Rebecca at 612-702-2844 or CoraJayne 612-210-1605

**Mahjong**

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

**Fresh Beginnings Alanon**

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

**Book Club**

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

**TUES & THURS**  
**Boxing for Those w/Parkinson's**

Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10:15 a.m. and 5 p.m. at 115 Adams Street



Cambridge Isanti gardent Club is hosting a plant sale on May 31.

South, Cambridge. For more information, call 763-221-6883.

140 Buchanan St, Cambridge

**TUESDAYS**

**Braham Parkinson's Support**

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

**Alzheimer's Support**

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

**Memory Cafe**

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

**Music**

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

**Dominos**

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

**Dominoes**

10 a.m. to Noon at the Cambridge SAC

**WEDNESDAYS**

**Cribbage**

9 to 11 a.m. at the Cambridge SAC,

**Wizard**

11 a.m. to noon at the Cambridge SAC, 140 Buchanan St, Cambridge

**Pinochle**

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

**Mahjong**

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

**Alanon**

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

**Chisago County Drop-In Center**

Open 10 a.m.-2 p.m. located at Main Street Church, 6500 Main Street, North Branch. For individuals 18 yrs or older living with mental illness. This is a place to spend time with peers in planned activities and groups. Our staff is also available to assist with connecting to resources and services. More info: 651-213-5600 or Adultmentalhealth.org.

**THURSDAYS**

**East Central Baby Cafe**

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

**Cambridge-Edgewood AFG**

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

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

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

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

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

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

**ACA Adult Children of Alcoholics/ Dysfunctional Families Meeting**  
7 p.m. at Access Church, 4359 392nd St, North Branch. For more information call 612-251-6556 or email acanorthbranch@gmail.com

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

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

**FRIDAYS**  
**Cribbage**

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

**MAY 31**  
**Plant Sale**

Cambridge Isanti Garden Club plant sale is from 8 am to noon at the City Center Market parking lot. Perennials, annuals and vegetable plants for sale.

**JUNE 5**  
**Book Club!**

5:30pm at Dana's Bookstore, 120 Heritage Blvd NE, #3, Isanti We'll be discussing The Husbands by Holly Gramazio. All are welcome!

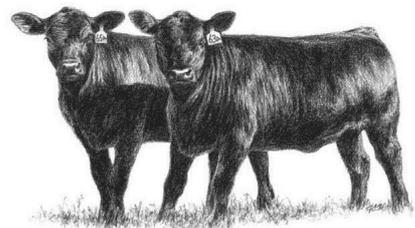
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**Book Sale hours:**  
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Like many businesses, we here at the Star are still feeling the financial crunch of inflation, with a majority of our mandatory expenses going up. Add to that the threatened tariffs on things such as paper and aluminum, and things are outright serious, to say the least.

We have made some proactive changes to lessen the financial burden such as dropping our doorstep deliveries over in North Branch. While that appears to be helping, we want to continue being proactive in cutting costs in case President Trump does follow through with more of his tariff threats. And that means more closely monitoring our weekly page counts.

In a nutshell, the amount of space the display ads, plus classifieds and public notices take up determines the number of pages we print each week. In the past, we have tried to make it so that around 50% of the space is taken up by those paid entities, leaving around 50% for news. If we had a choice between closer to 50% at say 20 pages and somewhere around 60% at 16 pages, we would typically choose the higher page count and utilize "filler" articles or an expanded photo spread.

While that made for some impressive looking newspapers, it quite frankly wasn't the financially wise thing to do. So now, we will tend to lean closer to the 60% ad percentage. And in all honesty, for the most part, that turned out to be pretty easy. We cut out much of those regional "filler" stories and focused on the hyper-local stories — which are probably more of interest to our readers to begin with. In addition, we worked on more efficient writing; providing the same amount of information but using fewer words. Finally, we reduced the number of photo spreads.

As we got out of the "winter doldrums," this did prove to be a little more difficult. Not only are there more events to photographically cover, but there just seem to be more interesting stories to write. That's where better utilizing our website comes in. While it costs money to increase the number of physical pages in a given edition, we have an infinite amount of space on our website.

Over the last several months, we have made it a point to have at least one "website exclusive" for each edition. Often, it is simply additional photos from an event. However, last week, we had two entire photo spreads that were exclusive to our website. This week, our Memorial Day, "Silent Dismissal" and sports coverage will be expanded online.

We understand not everyone is tech-savvy or they simply prefer browsing through a physical newspaper instead of clicking on a mouse and looking at a computer screen. So, we promise we will only do this when absolutely necessary, and please know this is the best, most economical way we can continue to be "Your Best Source for Community Information."

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Worth a Thousand Words

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### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### Alarm bell should be sounding

To the editor,

Yet another alarm bell should be ringing for all Americans who value our Constitution. During a recent Senate hearing, Homeland Security Secretary Kristi Noem could not define habeas corpus when asked. Instead, she claimed that it grants the President of the United States the constitutional ability to deport US citizens. Noem also erroneously stated that the POTUS has the ability to suspend habeas corpus, despite the fact that Article I of the Constitution grants such power to Congress.

We were assured by the current administration that only the "best and brightest" would be hired to fill important roles in government, rather than "DEI hires," yet Noem is stunningly ignorant about a fundamental Constitu-

tional right that separates us from police states and protects citizens from being detained without due process.

Perhaps this should come as no surprise, as the sitting president who nominated her stated in an interview that he doesn't know if he must uphold the Constitution, even though he took an oath only a few months ago to do just that.

**Gwen Ackerson**  
Isanti

#### Logging is not the way to fix our forests

To the editor,

I am deeply opposed to the "Fix Our Forests Act." The "Fix Our Forests Act" will not fix our forests, but instead will prioritize the interests of billionaires and the logging industry. Additionally, this act would only exacerbate the problem it claims it would solve. This bill would only allow more

logging which directly contributes to forest fires.

The last thing we need right now with climate change and the acceleration of natural disasters like forest fires is to cut down more trees. Cutting down more trees in critical forests will do nothing to address the root cause of wildfires. Please do everything in your power to oppose this legislation. The health and safety of our planet depends on it.

**Chloe Sims**  
Isanti

#### Appeal to Heaven

To the editor,

Don't quit now, there is still a long way to go. God declared, "Call unto Me and I will answer you." Join with us in the appeal to Heaven, Sunday, June 1 at 5 p.m. at Grace Gospel Church, Grandy.

**Bob Lex**  
For Concerned Citizens

### LETTER GUIDELINES

The Isanti-Chisago County Star encourages readers to share their viewpoints of community issues by writing Letters to the Editor. Publishing decisions are made on questions of free speech, good taste, public interest and public sensitivity.

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- Letters must be submitted by noon on Tuesdays to [editor@countystar.com](mailto:editor@countystar.com) or via mail to 930 S. Cleveland St., Cambridge MN 55008. The Star reserves the right to extend its deadline in the interest of timeliness of letters and/or space availability.
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## OBITUARIES

### Kimberly Dawn (O'Claire) Reichel

Kimberly Dawn (O'Claire) Reichel peacefully passed away on Friday, April 25, 2025, in the comfort of her husband's loving arms at their home. She was 63 years old.



Kim was born on December 17, 1961, at University Hospital in Minneapolis, a beloved daughter of Kenneth and Velma (Ritchie) O'Claire. As the fourth of seven children. Kim attended school in Braham, where she graduated in 1981, and went on to pursue a degree in Commercial Baking at Anoka Technical College.

Throughout her life, Kim held various positions, including working in the deli at Erickson Grocery

Store in Cambridge, Reichel's in Isanti, and Coborn's in Willmar. Despite facing health challenges, she demonstrated remarkable resilience and held several housekeeping jobs.

In 1988, Kim met Duane when he hired her to work in the deli department at Reichel's. They forged a strong bond and, in 1994, moved to Spicer. They celebrated their love with a heartfelt wedding on September 14, 1996. Their wedding took place at Kettle Falls in Voyageurs National Park, was made even more special as a Justice of the Peace traveled 20 miles by boat to officiate. Surrounded by their best friends, Jon and Kris Stull, were their witnesses. To commemorate their union, Duane surprised Kim with a memorable four-day houseboat rental. They continued making memories at their home on Nest Lake in Spicer, Minnesota.

Kim became seriously ill in December 2003 when a virus attacked her liver, requiring a full liver transplant, which she received on January 17, 2004. The illness also resulted in a traumatic brain injury that left her with aphasia. However, through determination and strength, Kim devoted herself to months of therapy, working tirelessly to regain her independence and manage her household. Her spirit as a go-getter never wavered. Duane's job led them to move to Park Rapids, where they lived until his retirement in 2021. Over the years, they spent their winters vacationing in Florida, which Kim loved so much that they ultimately decided to move there in 2021.

Kim found immense joy in entertaining family and friends at her lake home. She cherished simple pleasures like barbecuing, cooking, baking, and swimming. Kim took pleasure in growing flowers and watching various birds, especially hummingbirds, which she lovingly referred to as "hummers." Music was a cherished part of her life. Kim loved to dance and was particularly fond of Bob Seger's songs. One of her childhood memories was taking her little sister, LuRinda, to the county demolition derbies.

She was preceded in death by her parents, daughter Jessica Vorel, brother Mark O'Claire, great niece Alivia Hasser, brother-in-law Loren Reichel, and sisters-in-law Elizabeth Reichel and Sandra Reichel.

Kimberly is survived by her loving husband, Duane; sons Brandon (Cindy) Reichel and Joshua Reichel; brother Andrew O'Claire; sisters Annette (Henry) Hasser, Dawn (William) Johnson, Stacy (Darold) Lindman, and LuRinda (Steve) Johnson; sisters-in-law Linda (Shannon) Stepp and Lois (Herman) Oestreich; brother-in-law Daniel (Bonnie White) Reichel; grandchildren Kaitlyn Reichel, Joseph Reichel, and Riley Kram; and many nieces and nephews; and special friends Jon (Kris) Stull.

Though her journey was filled with challenges, Kim's legacy of love, resilience, and joy will forever live on in the hearts of those she touched.

A Gathering of family and friends will be held on Sunday, July 20, 2025, at the Grandy Community Center and Pavilion from noon - 3 p.m. This event will also honor Kim's daughter, Jessica Vorel, who passed away in March 2025.

### Jill Renee Baldwin

Jill Renee Baldwin, 55, passed away unexpectedly at her home in Isanti, MN, on May 23, 2025.

Born on March 8, 1970, in Fridley, MN, to John and Sharon (Larson) Baldwin.



Jill's early education began at Sunnyside Elementary in New Brighton before moving to Rogers, where she graduated from high school. Her passion for helping others led her to pursue a career in nursing, and she graduated from North Hennepin Community College as a Registered Nurse. She began her nursing career at Unity Hospital where she delighted in working in the mom and baby unit. While attending

school, Jill worked at Twin City West Truck Stop, balancing her studies and work. Jill's work ethic and dedication to her profession were evident as she worked mostly overnight shifts at Cambridge and Maple Grove Hospitals.

Jill's love for animals was a constant throughout her life. As a young girl in Rogers, she participated in 4-H programs, competing in sewing and dog obedience. She had a special bond with her horses and dogs. Her rescue dog, Mojo, was a loyal companion for 14 years.

At the time of her passing, Jill was employed at Cambridge Medical Center, where she was respected for her hard work and compassion for the patients.

Jill is survived by her parents, John and Sharon Baldwin of Princeton; her sisters, Lori Baldwin of St. Paul; nephew and niece, Cody Baldwin and Helen Stanton; Patricia (Jerry) Spencer of Princeton; nieces and nephews, Chelsea Spencer, Ivy Grieger, Graeham, Raven, Harrison, and Eaeen Spencer; aunts and uncles Ken (Diane) Larson, Kathy Kranz, Dawn (Irving) Kroska, and many cousins; other relatives, friends, and co-workers. Her gentle soul and compassionate heart will be missed by all who had the privilege of knowing her.

A Private Graveside Service will be held at Cambridge Union Cemetery. Celebration of Life to take place at a later date. Condolences at [www.carlsonlillemoen.com](http://www.carlsonlillemoen.com). Arrangements by Carlson-Lillemoen Funeral Home and Cremation Services of Cambridge.

## A tribute to service, sacrifice

As we pause this week to observe Memorial Day, I was reminded of what makes our communities truly Viking Proud. Across North Branch and beyond, I witnessed examples of gratitude in action, small gestures,



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Sara Paul

dedicated efforts, and quiet commitments to honor those who have served and sacrificed for our country.

At a local restaurant, every guest received a small American flag. What a powerful reminder of the freedoms we enjoy and the lives given to protect them. I heard about a local family, parents and children together, who spent part of their day volunteering at Fort Snelling, helping place flags at the graves of fallen service members. Their actions speak volumes about their gratitude.

Closer to home, I've seen the time, effort, and pride being poured into our own Veterans Memorial. The energy behind this project reflects the very best of who we are as a Viking community.

Our students, too, continue to embody these values. Several graduating seniors are choosing to enter military service, a selfless and courageous path that deserves our highest respect. Their decisions reflect both individual strength and the support of families, schools, and a community that recognizes the importance of service.

And to the many veterans among us, our neighbors, educators, family members, and friends, thank you! Your courage inspires us and reminds us what it truly means to give back.

As we move forward, may we carry a spirit of service in how we honor each other, each and every day. Like the family that invests time with their elderly neighbor to listen and learn from the stories he shares. Or the friend, a veteran himself, who is the first to say yes, quietly and without hesitation, to help others when they need a hand. Or the teacher who shows up unannounced to cheer on her students at a youth event. These are the everyday moments that reflect the heart of our Viking community. These are Viking values in action. Thank you for your service. SKOL!

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## Beware of scam E-Z Pass texts

**Q**uestion: I have been receiving text messages about an "E-Z Pass Final Reminder." It's something about having an outstanding toll and submitting payment. I was told it was a scam.



Ask A Trooper  
Jesse Grabow

Can you get me more information on this?

**A**nswer: Here is information from the Minnesota Department of Transportation E-ZPass page. <https://www.dot.state.mn.us/ez-passmn/news.html>

Scammers are sending fake messages pretending to be MnDOT, E-ZPass or other tolling agencies. These messages claim you owe money and direct you to a payment link. This is a scam! We will never text or email you asking for payment or personal information. If you receive a suspicious text or email message, delete and do not respond. Don't set up an account due to a text or email scam.

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- Do not set up a new or different E-ZPass account due to a text or email scam.

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- You can report fraud activity to the FBI's Internet Crime Complaint Center or the Federal Trade Commission.

If you have questions or concerns, check your account through the secure customer portal, or contact us (MNDOT E-ZPass) directly.

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# Lowman, Gustafson return to state

BY BILL STICKELS III  
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The Bluejacket boys tennis doubles team of Keagen Lowman and Micah Gustafson cruised to their second-straight Section 7AA title, earning the duo another state tournament berth.

After earning a first-round bye via the #1 seed, the team blanked their first opponents from Duluth East 6-0, 6-0. In the next round, the two dropped only one game, topping a doubles team from Andover 6-1, 6-0.

Their "closest" match came in the semifinals, where Lowman and Gustafson defeated the brother team of Malachi and Maverick McKinnon from Forest Lake 6-2, 6-3.

The finals featured another quick victory, with the Jacket tandem topping #11-seeded Carter Fellows and Brandon Hill from Elk River 6-0, 6-1.

The two will compete in the Class AA Doubles Tournament, which will be held at the Baseline Tennis Center on Thursday and Friday, June 5-6. The first round begins at 10 a.m. on June 5. Both the quarterfinals and first consolation round would be that same day at 2 p.m. The semifinals for both championship and consolation rounds would be at 8 a.m. on

June 6, with the consolation, third place, and championship matches beginning at 11:30 a.m.

## HELBERG ALSO RETURNING TO STATE

North Branch's Wyatt Helberg will also be making a return trip to the State Class A Singles Tournament after capturing the Section 6A championship.

Up until the championship match, Helberg had similarly lopsided wins. After receiving a first-round bye, Helberg shut out his round 2 opponent 6-0, 6-0. He followed that up with a 6-1, 6-1 win over Mora's Chase Axtell in the semifinals.

Facing the #1 seeded Joe Sampson from Mora in the finals, Helberg had to come back from a 3-6 first set loss, winning the second set 6-3 and then clinching the championship with a 6-1 third set victory.

Helberg will compete in the Class A Singles Tournament at the Reed-Sweatt Tennis Center in Minneapolis on Thursday and Friday, June 5-6. The first round will begin at 8 a.m. on June 5, with the quarterfinals and consolation first round taking place at noon. The semifinals will be held at 8 a.m. on June 6, with the consolation, third place, and championship matches taking place at 11:30 a.m.



CONTRIBUTED

Bluejacket doubles team Micah Gustafson (left) and Keagen Lowman will be making a second trip to the Class AA State Doubles Tournament after clinching the Section 7AA championship.



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Cambridge-Isanti's Peyton Dombek runs the anchor leg of the 4x800 at the Mississippi 8 Conference Championships, picking up first place for the Bluejackets.



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Cambridge-Isanti's Zoe Klocksien took first place in the 100 dash at the Mississippi 8 Conference Championships held in Cambridge.

## C-I, NB SCOREBOARD: MAY 21 - 27

### May 21

C-I girls golf @ Purple Hawk - 5th/8 teams  
\*Top finisher: Amber Grecula - 7th place (88)  
C-I boys tennis 5, Anoka 2 (Section 7AA Team Quarterfinals)  
C-I baseball 0, St. Anthony 8  
NB girls golf @ Purple Hawk - 2nd/8 teams  
\*Top finishers: Jenna Minke - 2nd place (84), Ashley Bistodeau - 4th place (85)

(400), 4x200 relay, 4x400 relay  
NB boys track & field @ Mississippi8 Conference Championships - 9th/9 teams  
Top finisher: Brody Rothe - 2nd place (110 hurdles)  
NB softball 14, Hibbing 1 (Section 7AAA tournament elimination bracket)  
NB softball 3, Hermantown 8 (Section 7AAA tournament elimination bracket)  
NB baseball 0, Monticello 10

### May 22

C-I boys track & field @ Mississippi8 Conference Championships - 1st/9 teams  
\*1st place finishers: Jackson Ziebarth (200), Hunter Jacobson (1600), Jay Ziebarth (discus), Calvin Piescher (pole vault), 4x100 relay, 4x800 relay  
C-I girls track & field @ Mississippi8 Conference Championships - 4th/9 teams  
\*1st place finishers: Zoe Klocksien (100), Abby Kryzer (pole vault)  
C-I softball 6, Anoka 9 (Section 7AAAA first round, double elimination tournament)  
C-I baseball 3, Big Lake 7  
NB girls track & field @ Mississippi8 Conference Championships - 6th/9 teams  
\*1st place finishers: Sophia Thorsen (200), Ella Kuhlman

### May 23

C-I boys golf @ Princeton - 8th/9 teams  
\*Top finisher: Zach Bauer - 30th place (86)  
C-I softball 3, team 6 (Section 7AAAA tournament - elimination bracket)  
NB boys golf @ Princeton - 2nd/9 teams  
\*Top finisher: Tyler Minke - 1st place (73)  
NB baseball 4, Duluth Denfeld 8

### May 27

C-I boys tennis 4, Blaine 3 (Section 7AA Team semifinals)  
\*First-ever C-I tennis team to advance to section championship  
C-I boys tennis 3, Elk River 4 (Section 7AA Team finals)

## UPCOMING POSTSEASON TOURNAMENTS

To see both schools' full schedules, go to [www.mississippi8.org](http://www.mississippi8.org). Schedules are subject to change with minimal advanced notice based on weather, availability of officials, or other reasons.

### Thursday, May 29

•C-I baseball @ Andover or home vs. Duluth East - Section 7AAAA Double Elimination Tournament  
•NB baseball @ Chisago Lakes or Hermantown - Section 7AAA Double Elimination Tournament  
•NB boys and girls golf @ Pebble Creek - Section 5AA Prelims  
•C-I boys and girls golf @ Grand National Golf Club - Section 7AAA finals

### Friday, May 30

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

### Saturday, May 31

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

### Monday, June 2

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

### Thursday, June 5

•C-I boys tennis @ State Class AA Doubles Tournament  
•NB boys tennis @ State Class A Singles Tournament

### Friday, June 6

•C-I boys tennis @ State Class AA Doubles Tournament  
•NB boys tennis @ State Class A Singles Tournament

# Bluejackets may 'bring back the red'

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One of the less expensive recommendations coming from the Cambridge-Isanti Schools' Facility Task Force (see front page article) also may very well become the most talked-about aspect.

According to task force member Scott Lindell, the final image shown during the last meeting was that of the "traditional" Cambridge-Isanti Bluejacket logo, complete with the return of a red outline.

The original Bluejacket logo was a blue "C" with a white and red outline. When the name of the high school was officially changed to Cambridge-Isanti, the logo was modified to both the "C" and an "I" with that same white and red outline. According to former Activities Director and



current School Board and Task Force member Mark Solberg, approximately 10 years ago or so, the decision was made to drop the red outline and go with simply a blue and white logo. Over the past few years, a black outline has been allowed to be added, however, it was never made the official logo.

"At the time, I was the athletics and activities director," Solberg said regarding when the decision

was made to drop the red. "I go to Cambridge Lutheran Church, and for about nine months during every coffee fellowship, that's what we discussed — 'how in the world can you get rid of the red?' You would go to the grocery store, people would come up and say, 'How can you get rid of red?'"

Currently, the most visible remnant of the original blue, white, and red logo is at center court in the main gym at the high school. According to Superintendent Dr. Nate Rudolph, the new logo may have "some minor upgrades to the font, but I do not see a big change coming our way."

While the "new" logo won't need to be voter-approved like it is anticipated the rest of the task force's recommendations will be, it will need school board approval to become official.



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# No words, just respect as students walk for veterans

Cambridge Primary School students walk silently to their buses during the 5th Annual Silent Dismissal on May 23, a quiet tribute inviting local veterans to witness their show of respect. Clutching handmade signs and patriotic art, the children honored service members with silence, forming a powerful and moving farewell that spoke volumes without a single word.

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# Students bring Almost, Maine to life at Play Inc Arts

Play Inc Arts is pleased to present "Almost, Maine," a student-organized production representing students from Cambridge-Isanti, Mora and Pine City high schools.

Play Inc Arts is proud to end their 20th season with "Almost, Maine." Beginning the year with bringing the 2020 COVID production of "The Theory of Relativity" to the stage with two-thirds of the original cast, they explore the themes of hope, promise, love, loss, belonging and empowerment through each of their productions. They are proud to explore these themes one final time this season with "Almost, Maine."

On a cold winter night graced with the Northern lights, the remote com-

munity of Almost, Maine, sparkles with wonder. As the night progresses, nine couples experience the various, unpredictable elements of love: that first spark, heartbreak, falling in love, breaking up, and the joys of discovering you're meant for each other, or perhaps not. Filled with comic and poignant tales, "Almost, Maine" examines our search for human connection.

Performances will be held at 7 p.m. on Friday, May 30, and at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. on Saturday, May 31, in the Play Inc Arts Studio located within the Cambridge Public Library, 111 Dellwood St. N., Cambridge. There is limited seating, and all seats are \$10. Tickets can be purchased online at

www.cur8.com. Runtime is 90 minutes with a short intermission. The play is rated PG-13 for language, adult themes and alcohol.

"Almost, Maine" was written by John Cariani as a novel and then condensed by the author to a play as a homage to the people he grew up with in Northern Maine.

The students have taken charge of all aspects of the production from writing and presenting the original proposal to the Play Inc Board, auditions, casting, rehearsal schedules, finding a space to perform, costumes, set needs, props, lighting design and composing/performing all the original musical underscoring.

This production has pushed this group of students to really stretch their acting skills in a non-musical format. Focusing on deeper connections with their characters, they are working on believable intimacy through dialogue and subtle body language, which can be hard to see in a large performance space. Having an audience member within arms reach of you can challenge the most seasoned actor, as characters and emotions must be realistic and believable. This cast has risen to the challenges and are excited to tell their stories of hopes, dreams, possibilities, and love. -PlayInc.Arts

## GREEN THUMB - Lawn & Garden Guide QUICK GUIDE TO FERTILIZING PLANTS

### Plants need nutrients

Like us, plants need nutrients in varying amounts for healthy growth. There are 17 essential nutrients that all plants need, including carbon, hydrogen, and oxygen, which plants get from air and water. The remaining 14 are obtained from soil but may need to be supplemented with fertilizers or organic materials such as compost.

- Nitrogen, phosphorus, and potassium are needed in larger amounts than other nutrients; they are considered primary macronutrients.
- Secondary macronutrients include sulfur, calcium, and magnesium.
- Micronutrients such as iron and copper are necessary in much smaller amounts.

### General guidelines for fertilizer use

**NITROGEN** - Because nitrogen promotes leafy growth, too much nitrogen late in the season can minimize or delay fruiting.

- Nitrogen is considered to be mobile in the soil, meaning that it moves with water, so it's best to apply nitrogen when plants will be ready to use it.
  - Apply nitrogen immediately before or after planting annual crops or following green-up for perennial crops.
  - If you have sandy soil, consider using more frequent applications of nitrogen but using a lower application rate.
- PHOSPHORUS/POTASSIUM** - Among other things, phosphorus supports root growth and fruiting, while potassium supports disease resistance and plant hardiness.
- Phosphorus and potassium are not mobile in the soil and need close contact with plant roots in order to be taken up.
  - They should be applied and incorporated prior to planting, either in spring or fall.

### USE THEM WISELY

N-P-K fertilizers with ratios of 1:2:2 or 1:2:1 are particularly well-suited for transplants and can be applied when plants are set in the ground.

Foliar fertilizers may also be helpful in some cases, although most nutrient acquisition is through plant roots.

Foliar fertilization may be used to correct deficiencies during the growing season, to provide micronutrients such as zinc or iron when soil pH is greater than 7, or to supply nutrients such as potassium and phosphorus in cool spring soils, when plant roots absorb fewer nutrients

Finally, remember to use fertilizer wisely and always follow label instructions. Too much fertilizer is not only a waste of money, but it can damage plants and harm the environment. With the right amount of nutrients, however, your garden can thrive and provide pounds of produce for harvest.

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

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

Maids of White Bear hiring house cleaners. No exp needed, will train 651.\*247\*2807

**150 Help Wanted**

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

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

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

The Preschools of St. Andrews is now hiring a full-time Preschool teacher and Preschool teacher/Assistant teacher. \$2,000 signing bonus 651.\*426 -\*3261

**160 Hire Me**

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

**201 Child Care**

**Deb's Tiny Tots** experience. Infant thru school ages. Certified CPR/First Aid. Braham. 763-333-4990.

**300 For Sale**

Many memories can be made with this 2400lb Hewitt Cantilever pontoon lift w/stainless cable, in great condition older aluminum lift with wheel kit x 2. Accommodates 8'1" wide pontoon wooden bunks Model 1501 winch \$1,500. Located on White Bear Lake Call/TXT 612.\*770.\*4783

**300 For Sale**

Must sell due to purchase of larger boat. 4000lb ShoreMaster Boat Lift with bunks and 23' canopy. Mint condition \$5,200 comes w/ wheels, 2 batteries and solar panel. Model 40966 Located on White Bear Lake. Open to offers. Call/TXT 612.\*770.\*4783

**305 Pets/Services**

**Puppies:** Husky / German Shepherd mix. \$200-350. Mora, 320-674-0256. Text for pics. Lots of TLC!

**351 Antiques**

**Wanted Antiques,** lamps, signs, toys, tools, deer horns, crocks. Gary, 651-238-0909. East Central Minnesota.

**358 Firewood**

**16-Inch seasoned,** mixed hardwood. Two cord loads \$475. 20-inch outdoor stove wood, mixed hardwoods. Two cord loads \$450. Two cord loads 16" birch or oak \$475. Delivery charge over 25 miles. 320-679-1815.

**358 Firewood**

**TERRY'S FIREWOOD** 16" cut & split mixed hardwood \$260 cord, red oak \$290 cord. 22" for outside stove mixed hardwood \$250 cord, red oak \$280 cord. Delivery available. 651-245-6735

**362 Miscellaneous**

**Buying sports card** collections call Tom 612-701-7396

**Looking for** that perfect gift for an anniversary or birthday? Think about giving a subscription to the Kanabec County Times. Call our office today (320)679-2661 to start delivery - we accept Visa or Mastercard!

**401 Auctions**

**Saturday June 7 9:00** a.m. Live On-Site Personal Property. Roger & Gerri Teich Estate. 2119 Highway 65, Mora. Vehicles/Equipment/Trailers/Boats, Outdoor Equipment, Garage/Shop, Household. Col. Byron Robyn, Auctioneer, Lic. no. 33-21. 320-291-9566, robyn2229@gmail.com, midwestauctions.com/robyn, auctionsbyrobyn.com.

**401 Auctions**

**Saturday, May 31** 10:02 a.m. On-Site Auction, Donavon & Janeva Stromberg, Owners. 2475 170<sup>th</sup> Ave., Mora. Tractors, Hay Equipment, Planting & Tillage Equipment, Hay & Grain/Auger/Conveyor Equipment, Livestock Equipment & Fencing, Dairy Equipment, Vehicles/Trailers/Motorcycles/Snowmobile (sold @ 12:02 pm), Collectibles, Some Scrap Machinery & Iron, Terry Stolquist Estate Items, Darin Hendershot Estate Items. Auctions by Norby, Col. Kevin C. Norby, Auctioneer, Lic. no. 33-03, 320-279-0712, midwest-auctions.com/norby, facebook.com/auctionsbyroby1, auctionsbyrobyn.com.

**404 Garage Sales**

**St. Mary's of Mora** Rummage Sale. May 29-31, 8a.m.-5p.m.; June 5-7, 8a.m.-5p.m.; June 8, 10a.m.-2p.m.; June 12-13, \$5.00 Bag Sale 8a.m.-5p.m.

**CLASSIFIED ADS GET RESULTS** Call 763.689.1181 or email sales@countystar.com

**452 Rentals/Residential**

**Ogilvie Square Apartments** Affordable Housing for Seniors (62+)/ Individuals with Disabilities 1-Bedroom Apartments Available Heat, Water, and Trash Included On-Site Laundry & Plug-In Parking Controlled Entry for Your Safety Rental Assistance for Qualified Applicants Income Restrictions Apply **Contact Marj at 320-496-5415**

**For Rent:** 2 bedroom apartment with detached garage in the City of Pine City. \$1,200.00 per month. Available Immediately. For more information please call 320-629-7537 or 320-364-3997

**Whispering Pines** Apartments in Mora. 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment available July 11. Rent is \$975. Please call 320-203-7771 for further information.

**EMAIL CLASSIFIEDS TO** sales@countystar.com

## NOTICES

### ISANTI COUNTY SUMMARY PUBLICATION OF THE APRIL 15, 2025, REGULAR MEETING OF THE ISANTI COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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Members Present: Chairman Alan Duff; Commissioners: Steve Westerberg, Bill Berg, Todd Christensen, Kristi LaRowe  
Members Absent: None

Meeting called to order by Chairman Alan Duff.

• Approved the following County Business Items: April 1, 2025, County Board Meeting Minutes and Minutes Summary, Personnel Action Items, Donations to Isanti County, Utility Permits, and Claims and Warrants.

• Approved the 2025 Solid Waste Collection and Transportation Licenses for Jim's Mille Lacs Disposal, LePage & Sons, Walters Recycling & Refuse, Waste Management of MN, Inc. Ace Solid Waste Inc. and Quality Disposal Systems, Inc. and the Waste Management of MN, Inc. Recycling Facility License.

• Approved the following requests for preliminary plat: Cross Creek Meadows, Pine Meadow Estates, Wiese Acres, Maple Ridge Meadows, Erickson's Acres Rearrangement, LaRowe's Rendova Woodlands, and St. Joseph's Junction.

• Approved the Request for Affidavit for Tax Forfeited Property - Cambridge Laundromat/Dry Cleaners Building.

• Approved the Health and Human Services Vouchers and payments.

• Approved the purchase of a 2025 John Deere 6120m Cab Tractor for the Highway department.

• Approved and awarded the following road construction contracts: Contract No 2503 - SAP 030-603-027 to Bituminous Roadways Inc and No 2504 - SP 030-598-004 to Redstone Construction, LLC.

• Approved annual dust control quote from Central Minnesota Dust Control LLC, for magnesium chloride application and the annual gravel quote from Bjorklund Companies, LLC for gravel placement on CSAH 6 and for the Highway department stockpile.

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### SUMMARY PUBLICATION OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE CAMBRIDGE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING - MAY 19, 2025

The complete minutes are available for public inspection at the office of the City Administrator, 300 3rd Ave. NE, Cambridge, Minnesota.

Members Present: Mayor James Gofrey; Councilmembers Aaron Berg, Bob Shogren, Molly Christian, and Mark Ziebarth.

Called meeting to order at 6:00 pm

### ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS HERITAGE BOULEVARD INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS SAP 245-102-001 SAP 030-605-037 CITY OF ISANTI ISANTI, MN RECEIPT AND OPENING OF PROPOSALS: Proposals for

6,660 SQ YD	Remove Bituminous Pavement	146	LIN FT	12" RCP Sewer CL V
8,725 SQ FT	Remove Concrete Sidewalk	16,785	SQ FT	Concrete Walk
2,543 CU YD	Excavation - Common	4,167	LIN FT	Concrete Curb & Gutter
2,770 CU YD	Select Granular Embankment	580	SQ YD	Concrete Driveway Pavement
1,340 CU YD	Aggregate Base Class 5	13	EACH	Lighting Unit Type 9-40
2,145 TON	Bituminous Pavement (4,C)	5,034	LIN FT	Multi Comp Ground In Marking

together with numerous related items of work, all in accordance with Plans and Specifications. This project is subject to Prevailing Wage Rates, Truck Rentals, and Responsible Contractor Certification.

**COMPLETION OF WORK:** All work under the Contract must be complete by 11/21/2025.

**PLAN HOLDERS LIST, ADDENDUMS AND BID TABULATION:** The plan holders list, addendums and bid tabulations will be available for download on-line at [www.questcdn.com](http://www.questcdn.com) or [www.bolton-menk.com](http://www.bolton-menk.com).

**TO OBTAIN BID DOCUMENTS:** Complete digital project bidding documents are available at [www.questcdn.com](http://www.questcdn.com) or [www.bolton-menk.com](http://www.bolton-menk.com). You may view the digital plan documents for free by entering

• Approved consent agenda items A - H

• Heard the second informational session on zoning and land use

• Approved Resolutions for a preliminary and final plot for Woodhaven Acres 4th Addition

• Approved Ordinance 804 an Amendment to Cannabis Zoning

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### SUMMARY PUBLICATION

Ordinance 804 amended Title XV Land Use, Chapter 156 Zoning, Section 156.040 Business Districts for Cannabis to regulate the Cannabis industry. A complete copy of the ordinance is available at City Hall, 300 3rd Avenue NE, Cambridge for inspection.

ATTEST:  
Evan C. Vogel  
City Administrator

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### STATE OF MINNESOTA ISANTI COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

#### SEATED AS DRAINAGE AUTHORITY UNDER STATUTES CHAPTER 103E

#### FOR THE REDETERMINATION OF BENEFITS OF ISANTI COUNTY DITCH 17

#### NOTICE OF FINAL HEARING

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

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

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

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

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

**The following owners of**

**property are affected by the redetermination of benefits for CD 17:**

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

OLSON JOHN P; OLSON TIMOTHY R; ORVIS REBECCA RAE; PAGE CHARLENE M; PASCHAL JAMES E; PETERSON DANNY B; PETROWITZ JACOB; POTVIN ROBERT; PRIOR PATRICIA M & DUANE M PRIOR; RATFIELD DWAIN & KATHLEEN & DOUGLAS RATFIELD; RICHARD L MEIER, TRUSTEE; RICHARDSON TYAN JOEL; RIGSBY CHRISTOPHER & LYNETTE RIGSBY; RIPPBERGER RUSSELL ROBERT; ROHACH NICHOLAS; ROMSDAHL NATHAN; SCHANUS NEIL J & LORI A SCHANUS; SCHARMER MACKENZIE; SCHNAPP ELLA; SCHNEIDER JEROME D & CAROL SCHNEIDER; SCHNEIDER MICHAEL J; SCHROEDER ARLAN D & SHARON C SCHROEDER; SCHULDT NEIL & DEBORAH A SCHULDT; SCOBEE BRANDY; SHAW BRIAN; SJOSTEDT STACEY; STROMGREN DANIEL W & LINDA J STROMGREN; SUNDE DENNIS GEORGE; SWEDISH EVANGELICAL FREE SOC & C/O WYANETT EVANGICAL FREE; THIELING MICHAEL; THOMPSON CHARLES J & CARRIE L RICKARD; THOMPSON DAVID G & SHARI L THOMPSON; TIMMANN GLEN; TNT PROPERTIES OF CAMBRIDGE LLC; TORKELSON CASSIE; TORKELSON CHAD; TRIPP STEVE; TRUST H.PETER LARSEN & MARY LYNN LARSEN TRUST; VOGEL EVAN CHARLES; VOGT CARL E & SALLY V; WASTE THOMAS EDWARD; WESTMAN CAROL; WHITNEY DAVID E; WILLIAMS LARRY; WILSON ANNIE D; WITHROW MATTHEW; WOLCYN BENJAMIN M & REBECCA WOLCYN; WOLCYN NICHOLAS M & HEATHER WOLCYN; WOLCYN THOMAS A & ADRIENNE M WOLCYN; WORD OF LIFE MINISTRIES & OF LOUISVILLE INC; YERIGAN DEAN G TRUST & DEAN G & MARY LOU E YERIGAN; YERIGAN SANDRA K; YERIGAN TRUST MARY LOU & DEAN & DEAN G YERIGAN TRUST; ZETTERVALL WALTER CARL; ZIMMER ANTHONY; 36720 LLC

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

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

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### ISANTI COUNTY SUMMARY PUBLICATION OF THE MAY 6, 2025, REGULAR MEETING OF THE ISANTI COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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Members Present: Chairman Alan Duff; Commissioners: Steve Westerberg, Bill Berg, Todd Christensen, Kristi LaRowe  
Members Absent: None

Meeting called to order by Chairman Alan Duff.

• Approved the following County Business Items: May 6, 2025, County Board Meeting Minutes and Minutes Summary, Personnel Committee Recommendation, Personnel Action Items, 2025 Snowmobile Trail Sponsorship Resolutions, Utility Permits, and Claims and Warrants.

• Acknowledged the GFOA Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting Award.

• Approved the 2025 State Boat Grant.

• Awarded the low bid to Arrow Fence Co. for the construction of a dog fence, and the low bid to Vacker Inc., for park signage. Both projects will be completed at the Irving & John Anderson County Park.

• Approved the following Highway department items: purchase of a Sign Truck for the Highway department; approved Resolution No. 25-13-05 authorizing Isanti County to enter into MnDOT Grant Agreement No. 1059172 for SP 030-598-004 and execute the Local Bridge Replacement Program grant agreement, and Resolution No. 25-13-04 authorizing Isanti County to enter into MnDOT Grant Agreement No. 1059249 for SAP 030-603-027 and execute the Local Road Improvement Program grant agreement; approved and awarded the following road construction contracts: Contract No 2506 for sealcoating to Allied Blacktop Company, and Contract No 2510 for pavement markings to Sir Lines-A-Lot, LLC.

• Approved the following requests for Zoning department items: Interim Use permit for TK Wilderness for the mining of sand, gravel, peat, and black dirt (soil); Conditional Use permit for Carl Noelting for an automobile sales business, final plat approval of Pine Meadow Estates, Maple Ridge Meadows, CL Gerads Acres, and Saint Joseph's Junction.

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### CITY OF ISANTI REQUEST FOR QUOTES FOR LEASE OF EDA/ CITY OWNED CROP LAND

The EDA/City of Isanti is accepting quotes for leasing EDA/ City owned property for crop farming for the 2026 crop year. Specifications are available upon request from the Community Development Director's Office at Isanti City Hall, 110 - 1st Avenue NW, PO Box 428, Isanti MN 55040. 763-444-5512. The City of Isanti Economic Development Authority reserves the authority to waive irregularities and award in the best interest of the City of Isanti. Quotes shall be submitted in sealed envelopes addressed to the Community Development Director at 110 - 1st Avenue NW, PO Box 428, Isanti MN 55040. All quotes submitted must be clearly marked as "Quote for Leasing EDA/City Crop Land". Quotes will be accepted until 11:00 a.m. Friday, June 20, 2025. The EDA/City reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all quotes.

Stephanie Hillesheim  
Community Development Director

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### PUBLIC HEARING

#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City Council of the City of Harris will hold a public hearing on Monday June 16th at 6pm at City Hall in Council Chambers, 43970 Ginger Avenue, Harris. This will be an informational hearing to discuss the proposed drinking, waste, and storm water infrastructure improvement projects, including economic and environmental impacts, service area, alternatives to the project, and potential funding sources, such as the Water and Environmental Program from USDA Rural Development. All resident and property owners within the City of Harris are encouraged to attend.

BY ORDER OF HARRIS CITY COUNCIL

/s/ Shannon Geier, City Clerk  
Dated: 5/21/2025

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### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

#### May 22, 2025

Notice is hereby given the Isanti County Board of Adjustment will hold a public hearing on **Thursday, June 12, 2025, at 9:00 a.m.** in the County Board Room at the Isanti County Government Center, 555 18th Avenue SW, Cambridge, MN 55008 to consider the following requests:

1. The request of Great River Energy, 12300 Elm Creek Blvd N., Maple Grove, MN 55369 to vary the Isanti County Zoning Ordinance, Section 14, General Regulations, Subdivision 10, Commercial Wireless Telecommunication Towers and Antennas, #7 e. & I to construct a commercial wireless telecommunication tower and antenna with less than the required setback from the DNR protected waters wetland and to be less than the required setback from the right of way of all county, township and private road easements. Legal description is Pt. of the NE ¼ of the NE ¼ of Section 21, Township 36, Range 23, Cambridge, Township.

2. The request of Nicholas Weinhandle, 33213 Flanders Street NE, Cambridge, MN 55008 to construct a carport with less than the required setback from the centerline of a Township Road and with less than the required setback from the centerline of a private road easement. Legal description is Pt of the NW ¼ OF NE ¼ of Section 34, Township 36, Range 23, Cambridge Township.

3. The request of Robert & Janet Orrick, 2750 Dahlia Court NW, Isanti, MN 55040 to construct a single family dwelling with less than the required setback from the ordinary high watermark of a Natural Environmental Lake. Legal description is Lot 8 Block 2 Dahlia Shores of Section 4, Township 34, Range 24, Stanford Township.

4. The request of Grant & Linda Warning, 9350 281st Avenue NW, Zimmerman, MN 55398 to construct a gazebo with less than the required setback from the ordinary high watermark of a Recreational Development Lake. Legal description

is Pt. Govt Lot 5 of Section 31, Township 35, Range 25, Spencer Brook Township.

5. The request of Chad Davis, 374 322nd Lane NW, Cambridge, MN 55008 to construct a guest cottage on a lot with less than the required lot area and lot width dimensions (duplex lot area and width) and with less than the required setback from the right of way of the Township Road. Legal description is Lot 6 Block 7 Westbriar of Section 1, Township 35, Range 24, Bradford Township.

6. The request of Timothy Gambeski & Leslie Crosby, 5651 Peterson Trail NE, Cambridge, MN 55008 to construct a garage with less than the required setback from the centerline of the Township Road. Legal description is Pt. of the E ½ of the NE ¼ of Section 7, Township 35, Range 22, North Branch Township.

7. The request of Sandra Culver Trust, 25770 Jivaro Street NW, Isanti, MN 55040 to install a building entitlement on a parcel that was created after the lot of record date of February 10, 1982 and without the need to plat. Legal description is the S ½ of the SE ¼ of the NW ¼ & N ½ of the NE ¼ of the SW ¼ of Section 18, Township 34, Range 24, Stanford Township.

Trina Bergloff  
Isanti County Zoning Administrator

This further serves as notice that if the legal criteria are met for members to participate in the meeting by telephone or interactive technology, some members may do so.

If you would like to attend this meeting via Tele - Conference, please go to the Isanti County webpage at [www.co.isanti.mn.us](http://www.co.isanti.mn.us) for instructions.

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### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

#### May 22, 2025

Notice is hereby given the Isanti County Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on **Thursday, June 12, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.** in the County Board Room at the Isanti County Government Center, 555 18th Avenue SW, Cambridge, MN 55008 to consider the following requests:

1. The request of James Pankan, 3184 379th Avenue NE, Stanchfield, MN 55080 to present a preliminary plat of WLH Pines Addition. Legal description is All that Pt of the S ½ of the NE ¼ of Section 34, Township 37, Range 23, Stanchfield Township.

2. The request of Kurt & Melissa Altendorf, 2075 397th Avenue NE, Stanchfield, MN 55080 to present a preliminary plat of J & P Acres. Legal description is the SE ¼ of the SW ¼ ft. of Section 16, Township 37, Range 23, Stanchfield Township.

3. The request of Shaun Fiedler, 2574 Crest Way, Rush City, MN 55069 to present a preliminary plat of Country View Farms 2nd Addition. Legal description is Lots 1-3 and 8-1 Block 2 Country View Farms 1st Addition of Section 12, Township 37, Range 23, Stanchfield Township.

4. The request of Jason & Nicole Simoneau and James & Charotte Lein, 31443 London Drive NE, Cambridge, MN 55008 to present a preliminary plat of London Creek 4. Legal description is Lots 1 & 2 Block 1 London Creek 2 of Section 9, Township 35, Range 23, Isanti Township.

5. The request of Michael Cox & Paige Fields, 35524 London Street NE, Cambridge, MN 55008 for an interim use permit for a Limited Rural Business with an extended home occupation conducted within an accessory structure for a Pet Grooming Business. Legal description is Lot 8 Block 1 Meadowood IV of Section 16, Township 36, Range 23, Cambridge Township.

6. The request of Tim Mattson & Linnea Lentz, 24898 Nebula Street NE, Stacy, MN 55079 & the Anoka Conservation District, 1318 McKay Drive NE, Suite 300, Ham Lake, MN 55304, for an Interim Use Permit for the mining of sand, gravel, peat and black dirt (soil) for a wetland restoration project adjacent to County Ditch 20. Legal description is the E ½ of the SW ¼; NW ¼ of the SW ¼ & NW ¼ of the SE ¼ of Section 20, Township 34, Range 22, Oxford Township.

7. The request of Tom Knudson & Dan Knudson, 25031 Highway 47 NW, Isanti, MN 55040 to amend an existing Conditional Use Permit dated April 12, 2012, for a resource recovery site/station for the storage of roll-offs. Legal description is the SW ¼ of the SW ¼ of the NW ¼ of Section 20, Township 34, Range 24, Stanford Township.

8. The request of Todd Belmore, 1475 301st Street NE, Isanti, MN 55040 & John Buzick, Branson LLC,

**PUBLIC NOTICES CONTINUED**

1460 211th Avenue NW, Oak Grove, MN 55011 to rezone two parcels from the Agriculture/Residential District to the Business District. Legal description is Pt S ½ of the SE ¼ & Pt SW ¼ of the SE ¼ of Section 17, Township 35, Range 23, Isanti Township.

9. The request of Brian & Ruth Boardley, 28937 Goldenrod Drive NW, Isanti, MN 55040 for an Interim Use Permit for a Limited Rural Business with an extended home occupation conducted within an accessory building for an auto repair business. Legal description is Lot 3 Block 3 River Ridge 3rd Addition of Section 25, Township 35, Range 24,

Bradford Township.

10. The request of Megan Swanberg, 25751 Lily Street NW, Isanti, MN 55040 for an Interim Use Permit for a Limited Rural Business with an extended home occupation for a concrete business. Legal description is the SW ¼ of the NW ¼ of Section 16, Township 34, Range 24, Stanford Township.

Trina Bergloff  
Isanti County Zoning Administrator  
“PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a quorum of the Isanti County Board of Commissioners may be in attendance at this meeting with one member of the Isanti County Board of Commissioners as the designated

voting representative to the Isanti County Planning Commission. Any other members of the Isanti County Board of Commissioners will be attending as members of the audience with no participation, membership, or voting rights at this meeting of the Isanti County Planning Commission.”

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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**  
May 22, 2025

Notice is hereby given the Isanti County Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on **Thursday, June 26, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.** in the County Board Room at the Isanti County Government Center, 555 18th Avenue SW, Cambridge, MN 55008 to consider the following requests:

1. The request of Megan Swanberg, 25751 Lily Street NW, Isanti, MN 55040 for a Conditional

Use Permit for a Rural Tourism request to operate an event center for wedding venues and events. Legal description is the SW ¼ of the NW ¼ of Section 16, Township 34, Range 24, Stanford Township.

Trina Bergloff  
Isanti County Zoning Administrator  
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# Garms Family will present gospel music concert in Cambridge

The Garms Family will present “A Night of Encouragement” gospel concert on Sunday, June 22, at 6 p.m. at North Isanti Baptist Church, 2248 313th Ave. NE, Cambridge.

The parents and six children, formerly of Braham, are skilled vocalists – from soprano to deep bass – and play over 15 instruments including guitars, piano, fiddle, banjo, mandolin, upright bass and drums. Audiences

have described their performances as “Bran-son, but better.” See videos of the family at [www.thegarmsfamily.com](http://www.thegarmsfamily.com).

There is no charge, but a freewill offering will be received. Refreshments will be available following the concert.

For information call the church office at 763-689-3576. ~The Garms Family



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# WORSHIP *guide*

**Baptist**

**First Baptist Church**  
304 S. Main St., Cambridge,  
763-689-1173. Call the church office or visit our website for current service times and programs.  
[firstbaptistcambridge.org](http://firstbaptistcambridge.org)

**North Isanti Baptist Church**  
Lead Pastor: Travis Blake  
2248 313th Ave. NE, Cambridge, MN 55008. [www.nibchurch.com](http://www.nibchurch.com)  
Email: [nibchurch@msn.com](mailto:nibchurch@msn.com)  
763-689-3576.  
8:30am Worship Service (traditional style)  
10:45am Worship Service (contemporary style)

**Springvale Baptist**  
Pastor Zane Hall  
9:30am Sunday School  
10:30am Sunday Worship  
Wednesday: 6:00 pm Band of Brothers  
Thursday: 10:00 am Ladies Bible Study  
410 County Road 6 NW  
Stanchfield, MN 55080  
763-689-1373  
[springvalechurchmn.org](http://springvalechurchmn.org)

**Sunrise Bible Church**  
41300 Second St., North Branch, Pastor David Stertz. Sunday school for all ages  
9:30am, Sunday morning Worship  
10:30am, Sunday evening 6pm, Wed.  
Kids 4 Truth & Bible studies for all ages 6:30pm. More info at [sunrisebiblechurch.org](http://sunrisebiblechurch.org) or 651-674-4107.

**Catholic**

**St. Elizabeth Ann Seton**  
207 Whiskey Rd NW, Isanti, MN.  
763-444-4035  
Email: [annseton76@gmail.com](mailto:annseton76@gmail.com). Mass: Tues. & Wed. 8:30am. Sun. 8:30am. [stelizabeth-isanti.org](http://stelizabeth-isanti.org).

**Evangelical Covenant**

**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 9:00 am  
Sunday Worship Service 10:00 am  
Wednesday AWANA 6:30 pm  
Wednesday Youth Group 6:30 pm  
[Karmelcov.org](http://Karmelcov.org)

**Evangelical Free**

**Dale Evangelical Free Church**  
45268 Brunswick Rd,  
Harris, MN 763-689-5817  
Pastor/Teacher Dr. Harvey Martin.  
Sunday School – all ages 9am.  
Sunday Service 10:25am.  
[www.daleefc.com](http://www.daleefc.com)

**Kost Evangelical Free Church**  
37405 Kost Trail, North Branch, MN – Jct. of CR 11 & CR 72  
651-583-3281 · [Kostchurch.org](http://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](http://oxlip.org)  
9am Worship Service  
10:45am Christian Education  
Awana children's ministry Wednesdays 6:30 to 8pm

**Wyanett Evangelical Free Church**  
12 Miles West of Cambridge on Hwy 95  
[www.wyanettevangelicalfree.org](http://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)**  
Central Drive W. & Cty Rd 4, Braham  
320-396-2755  
**Sunday:** 10 a.m. Worship Service - In-person & Live on Facebook  
Office hours 9:00 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tues., Wed., Thurs.

**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](http://my.calvaryofrushpoint.org)  
Office: [calvaryrushpoint@gmail.com](mailto:calvaryrushpoint@gmail.com)

**Cambridge Lutheran Church (ELCA)**  
621 Old North Main Street, Cambridge  
763-689-1211  
Traditional service: 8:30 a.m.  
Contemporary service: 9:30 a.m.  
[www.cambridgelutheran.org](http://www.cambridgelutheran.org) - [fb.com/CambridgeLutheran](https://fb.com/CambridgeLutheran)

**Christ Ev. Lutheran Church (WELS)**  
32962 Vickers St. NE, Cambridge, 763-689-5333  
Pastor Samuel L. Biebert.  
Sunday Worship 9am, Sunday School/Bible Class 10:30am  
[www.christcambridge.com](http://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](mailto:firstlutheran@q.com)  
[www.firstlutheranharris.org](http://www.firstlutheranharris.org)

**Joy Lutheran Church (Missouri Synod)**  
1155 Joy Circle, Cambridge  
763-689-4355  
[www.joylutheran.net](http://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 8am  
Sunday Adult Bible Study @ 9:15am  
VBS! June 22nd-26th; 6-8pm  
[www.livingbranch.org](http://www.livingbranch.org)  
email: [office@livingbranch.org](mailto:office@livingbranch.org)

**Long Lake Lutheran Church (ELCA)**  
3921 277th Ave NW Isanti, MN 55040  
763-444-5315  
Pastor Sue Olson  
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Sunday Schedule  
Worship: 9:00 am  
Communion the 1st & 3rd Sunday

**Salem Lutheran Church**  
4638 381st Ave. NW, Dalbo, MN 55017.  
763-689-1687  
Join us for worship every Sunday at 9am  
Sunday school for 3 yrs to 6th gr. begins at 9:30am  
Coffee fellowship after worship  
[www.salemlutherandalbo.com](http://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](mailto: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](mailto: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](http://stjohnsrushcity.org)

**St. Stephen's Lutheran Church (Missouri Synod)**  
400 SE 8th St., (Isanti #4 E.), PO Box 37, Braham  
320-396-3103  
9:30am Sunday School & Adult Bible Study.  
10:30am Worship.  
[ststephensbraham.org](http://ststephensbraham.org)

**Trinity Lutheran Church (ELCA)**  
38460 Lincoln Trail, North Branch  
651-674-7047 Pastor Paul Cannon  
In person and online worship  
9 am worship  
10 am Fellowship and Coffee Hour  
9 am Sunday School  
[www.trinitynorthbranch.org](http://www.trinitynorthbranch.org)  
[office@trinitynorthbranch.org](mailto: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](http://commongroundumc.org).  
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**Non-Denominational**

**Grace Gospel Church**  
37126 MN-65, Stanchfield, MN 55080  
763-308-5618  
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Service: 10:00am  
Pastor: Tim Miller  
[www.gracegospelmn.org](http://www.gracegospelmn.org)  
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1001 1st Ave. E., Suite 100, Cambridge MN  
[justpassinihs@gmail.com](mailto:justpassinihs@gmail.com)  
[JustpassinThru.net](http://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.  
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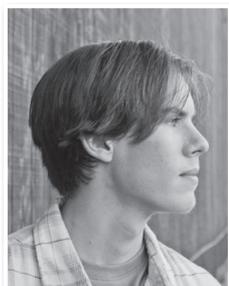
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