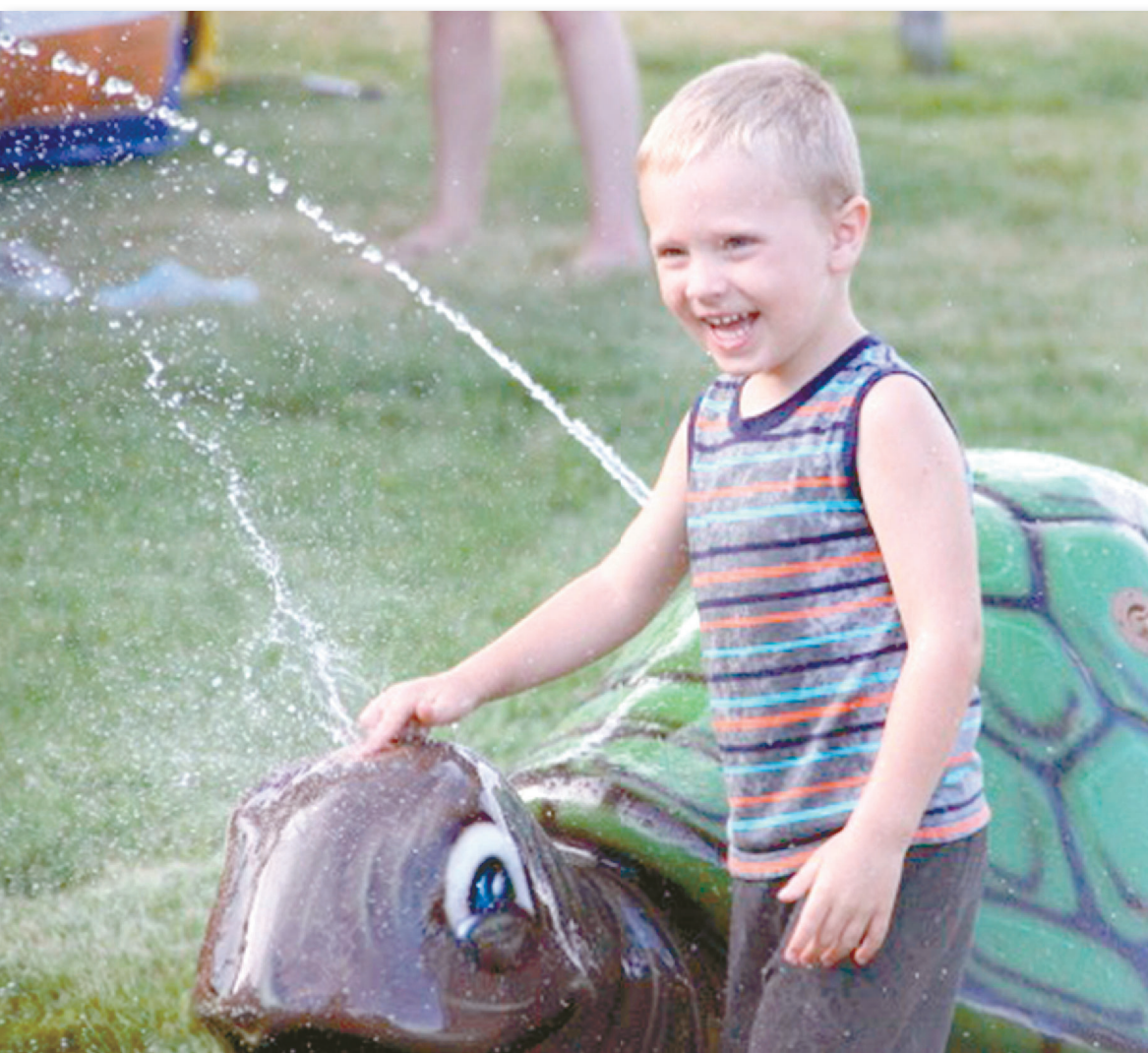


**IMAGE:** Art show winners on display July 14-Aug. 6. **PAGE 8**



LORI ZABEL | COUNTY STAR

## North Branch Concert in the Park makes a splash

Ryker, age 4, is in control of the flow from the splash pad turtle at North Branch's Concert in the Park on June 29. Transit Authority, a Chicago tribute band, drew a crowd to Central Park, which also featured a bouncy house, food options and the temporary splash elements. See more photos from the event on page 2.

## Isanti's McCallum is Tokyo bound

BY STAFF REPORT  
NEWS@COUNTYSTAR.COM

The City of Isanti can now officially proclaim to be the home of an Olympic athlete.

During this past week-end's Olympic women's gymnastics trials, Grace McCallum, who resides in Isanti while competing for Twin City Twisters out of Champlin, placed fourth in the trials, enabling her to be given strong consideration for placement on the U.S. Olympic Team. In naming the team, which is the prohibitive favorite to win the gold in Tokyo, the top two scorers at the trials were automatically selected. The other two selections would be made by a committee based partially on the results of that meet, but also based on achieving the best score possible based on potential scores.

McCallum's two-day total of 112.564 was a mere three-tenths of a point ahead of MyKayla Skinner for the fourth place spot. That three-tenths proved to be enough to convince the committee to name McCallum over Skinner, who was an

alternate on the 2016 Olympic Team before having an extremely successful college career at the University of Utah and then making a return to elite competition. Skinner was awarded the "individual" selection for the Olympics, meaning she will also be competing, however not as a member of the U.S. team competition.

McCallum will most likely compete in one or two of the four events at the Olympics. For the team competition, three of the four team members compete on each event, with all three scores counting toward the team score. However, since the qualifiers for the all-around competition will also be determined during the team competition, at least two of the three competitors will compete on all four events. For the U.S., those two will almost certainly be Simone Biles and Sunisa Lee, meaning McCallum and Jordan Chiles will somehow split competing on the four events.

The Olympic team competition is scheduled to take place on Sunday, July 25 and Tuesday, July 27.

## Isanti Rodeo/Jubilee Days returns next weekend

BY BILL STICKELS III  
EDITOR@COUNTYSTAR.COM

Much like the resilient cowboys that compete in the rugged sport, the Isanti Firefighters Rodeo and corresponding Jubilee Days have dusted themselves off after getting thrown last year by the COVID pandemic, and are ready for another ride in 2021.

The popular events, which attract thousands to Isanti during the three days of activities, will take place Thursday, July 8 through Saturday, July

10, featuring almost all of the traditional activities, with one or two new ones thrown into the mix.

The annual parade will again kick off the festivities on Thursday, July 8, beginning at 6:30 p.m. with a flyover by the T-6 Thunder planes. The Grand Marshall of this year's parade are employees of Isanti County Public Health in appreciation for all they did during the pandemic. Following the parade, at approximately 10 p.m., there will be a fireworks display shot off from Bluebird Park.

Also on Thursday will be the traditional Pie and Ice Cream social at Faith Lutheran Church.

Friday, July 9 features the biggest new addition, with the "Splish Splash Summer Bash!" in Bluebird Park from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. A mini version of this event took place last summer and was so popular the city decided to make it even bigger this year and include it in this weekend's activities. Kids of all ages are invited to play on water slides and splash zones free of charge. There will also be

pop bottle rockets, face painting, food trucks and more.

The first night of the rodeo itself begins with goat tying and Mutton Bustin' beginning at 5:30 p.m., with the rodeo performance, featuring all of the traditional competitions, beginning at 6:30 p.m. Following the rodeo, a concert featuring Them Pesky Kids ("TPK") will bring the day to a rocking conclusion.

Like always, Saturday, July 10 is jam packed with activities

SEE RODEO, PAGE 8



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A calf roper lassos his calf during his run in 2019.

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## North Branch's Concert in the Park keep summer cool

North Branch's Concert in the Park on June 29 featured live music by Transit Authority (left), a Chicago tribute band. The music drew a crowd to Central Park, which also featured a bouncy house and food.

Pictured at right, Nasra, age 4 (left), and Bailey Bonetti, 4 (right) enjoyed some temporary splash elements.

Photos by Lori Zabel



# Grilling turns the breakfast tables on a beloved morning staple

Grillmasters insist that just about everything tastes a little better when cooked over a flame. Even though grilling often is reserved for lunch or dinner, there's something to be said about preparing breakfast on those hot grates as well.

According to Andrew Schloss and David Joachim, authors of the cookbook "Mastering the Grill: The Owner's Manual for Outdoor Cooking" (Chronicle Books), there's reckless abandon involved in standing by an open fire in a robe preparing breakfast. It can

turn a mundane morning into one right out of a camping expedition. For their "Grilled French Toast," the extra crunch and slight char grilling provides catapults this breakfast staple to another level of flavor.

## GRILLED STUFFED FRENCH TOAST

Makes 4 servings

### Ingredients:

- 1 loaf Italian bread
- 8 ounces cream cheese, at room temperature
- 4 tablespoons confectioners' sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon almond extract
- 3/4 cup blueberries
- 5 eggs
- 1 1/2 cups half-and-half or milk
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- Pinch of kosher salt
- Oil for coating grill grate
- 1/4 cup Orange Honey-Butter Glaze (see below)

### Directions:

1. Cut off and discard a small diagonal slice from each end of the bread. Cut the bread on the diagonal into about eight 1 1/2-inch-thick slices. Cut a slit through the top crust of each slice to form a deep pocket.
2. In a medium bowl, mix together the cream cheese, 3 tablespoons of the confectioners' sugar, and the almond extract. Stir in the blueberries and spoon the filling equally into the bread



- pockets. Lay the stuffed slices of bread in a shallow 4-quart baking dish, such as a 15-by-10-inch dish.
3. Clean and dry the bowl, then use it to whisk together the eggs, half-and-half, vanilla extract, salt, and remaining 1 tablespoon confectioners' sugar. Pour the mixture evenly over the bread.

- Carefully tilt the pan and swirl the egg mixture to completely coat the bread. Let sit for 30 minutes, or cover and refrigerate for up to 8 hours.
4. Heat the grill to 350 F for a gas grill, medium ash for charcoal, and medium ash for wood.
  5. Brush the grill grate and coat it with oil. Put the French toast on the grill and cook until nicely browned and crisp on the outside, about 5 minutes per side. Transfer to a platter and, using a pastry or basting brush, brush both sides with the Orange Honey-Butter Glaze.

### Orange Honey-Butter Glaze Makes 1/4 cup

- 2 tablespoons butter, well softened
  - 1 tablespoon honey
  - 1 tablespoon grated orange zest
  - Pinch of grated nutmeg
- In a small bowl, mix all ingredients until creamy and spreadable like icing. Refrigerate for up to 2 weeks. Soften to a spreadable consistency before using.



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## WEDNESDAYS Viking Vittles

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## THURSDAYS Braham Farmers Market

The Braham Farmers Market will be open each Thursday from 3-6 p.m. at the south end of the Frandsen Bank parking lot. New vendors are always welcome.

## FRIDAYS Isanti Farmers Market

The Isanti Farmers Market will be open each Friday from 2 - 6 p.m. at 400 West Dual Boulevard, Isanti.

## SATURDAYS Cambridge Farmers Market

The Cambridge Farmers Market, located in the City Center Market parking lot, is open from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

## North Branch Farmers Market

The North Branch Farmers Market will be open beginning July 10 and running through Oct. 30. The market will be located again at the Members Cooperative Credit Union and be open from 8 a.m. to noon.

## JULY 4 Fireworks

The City of North Branch will be hosting a Fourth of July fireworks display, starting at 10 p.m. The display will be shot off at the North Branch Area High School. In case of rain, the display will be postponed to July 5.

## Fireworks

The City of Cambridge will be hosting a Fourth of July fireworks display, starting at approximately 10 p.m. The display will be shot off from the Isanti County Fairgrounds.

## JULY 6 Curious creatures

The City of Isanti is hosting a monthly nature-themed feature for kids 2-5 years old at Bluebird Park, with this month's theme of "Rodeo Roundup." This event is free



KIRSTEN FAURIE | SUBMITTED

**How does Minnesota's Homemade Pie Capital make all the pies needed each year to celebrate Braham Pie Day? Interested persons can hear how it works behind the scenes. Representatives from the Pie Baking committee will be presenting more at the Senior Social 2 p.m. Wednesday, July 14 at the Braham Event Center, Alice Studt Library.**

to City of Isanti residents, or \$2 for non-residents. Pre-registration via email to [isanti@cityofisanti.us](mailto:isanti@cityofisanti.us) or by calling 763-444-5512 at least one week in advance is required.

## JULY 8

### Concert in the Park - Cambridge

Devon Worley will be performing as part of the city's Summer Concert Series. Concert starts at 6:30 p.m. at City Park. Food trucks will also be on site.

## JULY 8 - 11

### Isanti Rodeo & Jubilee Days

The popular Isanti Fire District's annual rodeo and corresponding Jubilee Days, sponsored by the City of Isanti and the North 65 Chamber of Commerce is returning with all the favorite activities, including the rodeo, parade, kids day, and Outhouse Races, plus some new activities. Visit [www.north65chamber.com](http://www.north65chamber.com) for daily schedule of events. See Page 1 for a complete rundown of this year's events.

## JULY 8

### Isanti Jubilee Days Events Thursday

The Isanti Rodeo/Jubilee Days parade begins at 6:30 p.m. Food vendors and entertainment by Maddy Braun Trio will precede the parade beginning at 4 p.m. There will also be a pie and ice cream social at Faith Lutheran Church from 4 - 10 p.m., Hockey Association BINGO at Wintergreens starting at 7 p.m., plus fireworks shot off from Bluebird Park at 10 p.m.

### Blues concert

Common Ground United Methodist Church will be hosting a concert by Blues artist Lonsesome Dan Kase at North Folk Winery starting at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$15 and can be purchased at [Showtix4u.com](http://Showtix4u.com).

## JULY 9

### Isanti Jubilee Days Events Friday

Spish Splash Summer Bash! will be held at Bluebird Park from 11 a.m. - 3 p.m., featuring water slides, splash zones, pop bottle rockets, and more. The rodeo will begin at 5:30 p.m.

with goat tying and Mutton Bustin'. The rodeo itself begins at 6:30 p.m. and will be followed by a dance featuring the band Them Pesky Kids.

## JULY 10

### Isanti Jubilee Days events Saturday

A five and two mile fitness run/walk begins at 8 a.m. at the corner of 1st and Main Street. Food vendors and a Craft Fair will be held from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. BMX bike races will be held starting at 10 a.m. The free kids activities, featuring a kiddie parade, games, a performance by the Teddy Bear Band, and more will take place from 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. The Turtle races will be held at 12 p.m., and the Outhouse Races will be held at 1 p.m. The rodeo will follow the same schedule as Friday, with the post-rodeo dance featuring Six to Midnight.

### Ruby's Pop-Up Pantry - North Branch

Ruby's Pantry food distribution will be held 10-11:30 a.m. at Access Church, 4359 392nd St. North Branch.

Registration starts at 9:30 a.m. For \$20 donation receive grocery items. Open to anyone; no income requirements. Bring own boxes. For info call (651) 260-8505 or visit [www.rubyspantry.org](http://www.rubyspantry.org). Distributions will be the second Saturday of the month at this location.

### Senior Dining curbside distribution

Catholic Charities will be holding a curbside frozen meal distribution from 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. in conjunction with the Ruby's Pop-Up Pantry (see calendar item above). Participants must be 60 years of age or older to be eligible and complete an annual registration form. There is no cost. Meals are available in quantities of 10, up to 30 per calendar month. Visit [ccstcloud.org/events](http://ccstcloud.org/events) for more information.

## JULY 13

### Concert in the Park - North Branch

Alternate Rock band Sweethearts Dinner Band will perform at 7 p.m. as part of the city's Summer Concert Series. Kids storybook reading precedes concert at 6:45. Portable splash pad, food vendors also included.

## JULY 14

### Behind Pie Day

Did you ever wonder how all those pies for Pie Day get made? Representatives from the Pie Baking committee will be letting us know at the Senior Social on Wednesday, July 14 at the Braham Event Center, Alice Studt Library at 2:00 pm. This is a free event with refreshments and a fun time to do some socializing.

## JULY 15

### Senior Dining curbside distribution - Rush City

Catholic Charities will be holding a curbside frozen meal distribution from 10 - 11:30 a.m. at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, 425 S. Frandsen Ave, Rush City. Participants must be 60 years of age or older to be eligible and complete an annual registration form. There is no cost. Meals are available in quantities of 10, up to 30 per calendar month. Visit [ccstcloud.org/events](http://ccstcloud.org/events) for more information.



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## A “good death” addresses both the spiritual, physical aspects

The sweat was rolling down my neck as I dug a small grave (rabbit sized) in the back yard. Perhaps it was heat and exertion making me sweat — or maybe it was nerves from the question swirling in my head: How am I going to explain death to a small child?



**Minivan Musings**  
Kirsten Faurie

Our family pet had died, and I rehearsed the potential conversations over in my head as I dug. My 4 year old has seen dead things before like fish we’ve caught and deer I’ve hunted, but this was her first experience with the death of something she loved.

As parents, there’s a lot of pressure to have the right answers. From small questions like “Why do I need to brush my teeth?” to big ones like “What does it mean to die?”

There are 7.8 billion people in this world. If you ask each of them that big question you’ll likely get 7.8 billion different answers. Odds are I’m not the one human being in this world who has it right.

Cultures and religions across the world put a lot of pressure on answering our questions about death—but maybe the answer isn’t as important as we make it. What I want my girl to know more than “What does it mean to die?” is what it means to show love for others in life and how we can honor those lives when they’re gone.

### THE PHYSICAL BIT

While humanity might wrestle with the emotional and spiritual aspects of death, there’s also the physical bit that needs tending to.

I had the responsibility of tending to our pet’s body before the flies and heat took its toll, rummaging through the recycling bin for a cardboard box, posing the body inside it and storing it in the freezer until our family was ready for burial. Most often, our society hides these parts of death. Not all cultures do.

I’ve been reading a fascinating memoir by a mortician that addresses our natural human curiosity about what happens to dead bodies in a wryly comical way.

The book, “Smoke Gets in Your Eyes And Other Lessons from the Crematory” by Caitlin Doughty, explores the real but often hidden aspects of death. She address topics from the tools morticians use to keep a body’s eyelids closed to what happens when parts don’t completely burn during cremation. She explores how societies have approached death around the world and through time—from tribes that ate their dead as part of the mourning process, to the rise of embalming during the American Civil War.

Doughty’s work advocates death acceptance instead of fear. She founded The Order of the Good Death, an organization dedicated to build a culture with a more open and honest engagement with death.

SEE **GOOD DEATH**, PAGE 7



### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### Read with an open mind To the editor,

In my lifetime, I’ve been surprised repeatedly by the uneven flow of history, of life itself. Just when things seem to be stalled in unending stasis – a leap! While many of us wring our hands and wonder how long, how long, beneath the surface, hidden forces coalesce into uncontainable immediacy. The Berlin Wall tumbles, the Iron Curtain collapses, Nelson Mandela emerges after 27 years in a South African prison and becomes president of a nation long devastated by apartheid.

Now, in America, at long last, in spite of a grueling pandemic, we stand, teetering, on the cusp of just such a moment of our own.

Admittedly, these moments of social fracture aren’t pretty. And while the initial Vesuvius of events is electrifying, especially when it unfolds on our television screens in real time, last-

ing change requires sustained engagement. A single exceptional verdict and sentencing in favor of the historically oppressed does not a new social order make. Do we want freedom and justice as living realities for all of our citizens, or is it enough to enshrine the words in wooden documents?

If we truly intend to breathe life into these platitudes, education is key. And the key to education, I believe, is reading. And I don’t mean social media posts.

I’m not a scholar of history – far from it – but I am a critical reader and recognize the signs of authentic scholarship when I see it. We often hear, you can’t re-write history, but if history hasn’t been fully and factually written in the first place, it’s imperative to take a closer look.

To get at a more expansive understanding of our history, it’s time to ask some uncomfortable questions, particularly about oppression and racism, even in a

small, largely white, Midwestern community like ours.

In recent years we’ve been blessed by the publication of many fine books that document long-hidden accounts of events that clarify and rectify the old versions of our history. In a true democracy, everyone gets to have their say, and there’s no reason to fear or reject these new voices without giving them a chance to be heard. Read with an open mind; I think you’ll be glad you did.

Suggested titles:

- The New Jim Crow by Michelle Alexander
- White Fragility by Robin DiAngelo
- How to be an Anti-Racist by Abram X. Kendi
- The Color of Law by Richard Rothstein
- Caste by Isabel Wilkerson

**Lindsay Lee Johnson**  
Cambridge

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ages 6:30pm. More info at  
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Converge

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763-689-1373  
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ages 9am. Sunday Service 10:25am.  
www.daleefc.com

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CR 72, SE of North Branch. 651-583-3281.  
Pastor, Josh Jensen  
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Lutheran

**Braham Evangelical Lutheran Church (ELCA)**  
West Central Drive & County Road 4, Braham  
320-396-2755  
Pastor Julie Beck  
**Sunday:** 9:00 a.m. Worship Service - BELC  
**Sunday:** 9:00 a.m. Worship Service Live on Facebook  
**Sunday:** 9:30 am Worship Service on KBEK 95.5 FM  
**Thursday:** 6:00 pm Campfire Worship  
Office hours 9:00 a.m. to Noon Tuesday thru Friday

**Calvary Evangelical Lutheran Church Of Rush Point (ELCA)**  
Pastor Vicki Vandervegt.  
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www.christcambridge.com

**Faith Lutheran Church (ELCA)**  
109 Second Ave NW, Isanti  
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Pastor Ian Coen-Frei  
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email:  
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**Joy Lutheran Church (Missouri Synod)**  
1155 Joy Circle, Cambridge  
Pastor Daniel Lewis  
763-689-4355  
www.joylutheran.net  
8 a.m. Traditional Service  
10:30 a.m. Contemporary Service  
9:15 a.m. Adult Bible Class

**Long Lake Lutheran Church (ELCA)**  
3921 277th Ave NW Isanti, MN 55040 763-444-5315.  
Pastor Sue Olson  
Worship Sundays at 8am & 10am Sunday School on the  
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beginning at 6:00pm  
longlakeluth.org

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school for 3 yrs to 6th gr.  
begins at 10:30am. 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: sl.church@gmail.com  
**Sunday, July 4th -**  
**8:30am** Worship in person & via Zoom, Holy  
Communion, Fellowship  
**Tuesday, July 6th -**  
**1:30pm** Iris Circle  
**7:00pm** Council Meeting  
**Thursday, July 8th -**  
**9:00am** Men's Coffee  
**7:00pm** Women of Grace Bible Study

**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 Evangelical Lutheran Church (LCMC)**  
31075 Genesis Ave., Stacy, MN 55079  
651-462-5115.  
Pastor Ben Hollingstead.  
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Sunday School during 9:30am Service.  
Email  
stjohns@midconetwork.com. Website -  
stjohnslutheranchurch-stacymn.org

**St. John's Lutheran Church (Missouri Synod)**  
980 West 4th Street, Rush City, Pastor Tim Renstrom  
320-358-3623, Sunday 8:45am Worship, 7:30am Rise &  
Shine Bible Study, Monday 10am Longer Look Bible Study.  
stjohnsrushcity.org

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

**Trinity Lutheran Church (ELCA)** 38460 Lincoln Trl,  
North Branch  
651-674-7047. Pastor Jon Yurk  
See our website for worship  
information. Messages are also  
posted on our facebook page.  
Email:  
office@trinitynorthbranch.l.org  
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Methodist

**Common Ground - A United Methodist Community**  
404 North Cypress St. North, Cambridge. 763-689-2071.  
Pastors Amelia & Andrew Buschena. Sunday 9:30am  
Worship. Livestream of  
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1321 Heritage Blvd. NE,  
Isanti, MN 612-888-4255.  
Reverend Pastor Guy E. Sederski. Sunday Worship  
Service and Christian Education 10:30am.  
spiritrivcomm.org

Non-Denominational

**Bethesda Church**  
38180 Hemingway Ave., North Branch, MN 651-674-5873.  
Pastor Mark Huber.  
9am Worship Service.  
10:30am Sunday School  
and adult Bible studies.  
bethesdachurchnb.com

**Lakeside Christian Church**  
32393 Rendova Cir. N.E., Cambridge (3 mi. E of Cambridge  
just off Hwy. 95). 763-689-3649. Ministry Coordinator  
Jeff Bonkoski. Administrative Assistant Sharon Dahl.  
Sunday 9:30am Worship.  
Retreat house & personal retreat cabins available. Call  
for reservation. Email:  
lakesidesecretary@gmail.com.  
lakesidechurchcambridge.org

**Journey of Faith**  
Bible based worship.  
651-600-9878.  
faiththroughaction777@gmail.com. Sunday fellowship  
9am  
Worship & Youth Ministry 10am Come as you are. All  
welcome. Junction Bowl. 123 Cajima Street, NE, Isanti.  
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North Branch, MN 55056)  
Church Office: 651-277-0100  
Frank Gomes, Pastor.  
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during worship.  
Mon-Fri: (call for details) Small Groups, Women's, Men's  
& Youth Ministries  
Email: office@nbchurchmn.org  
Website: nbchurchmn.org

**River of Life Church**  
Meeting at 150 Birch St. N., Ste 170, Cambridge. (Across  
from Minnco Credit Unon) Mark Radeke, Pastor. 763-689-  
5115.  
Sundays 9am & 10:30am  
Nursery at both services  
River Kid's for ages 4 yrs to 5th gr at the 10:30am service  
riveroflifehome.com

Pentecostal

**The Journey New Life Church**  
601 Heritage Blvd NE, Isanti  
Pastor David L. Willis.  
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763-689-4471  
Thejourneynlc.org

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# MILESTONES

## OBITUARIES

### Janine M. Aszmann

June 3, 1960 - June 22, 2021

Janine Marie Aszmann, of Braham, passed away on Tuesday, June 22, 2021, at her home. She was 61 years old.

Janine was born on June 3, 1960, in St. Paul, Minnesota to parents Kenneth and Donna (Kasel) Aszmann. She grew up in Eagan, graduating from Henry Sibley High School in 1978.

Janine loved to travel, which made her job as an over the road truck driver a perfect fit. She visited each of the lower 48 states and was even able to bring her kids with to experience the country from coast to coast.

Most of all, Janine loved her family, especially being able to dote on her grandchildren and nieces and nephews. She will be dearly missed.

Janine was preceded in death by her grandparents and mother Donna Aszmann.

She is survived by her father Kenneth Aszmann; daughter Melissa Aszmann (Albert Cameron); son Ryan Reller; grandchildren, Brittany, Nathan, Samantha, Wyatt, Evan, and Delilah; siblings, Deborah (Mike Sr) Widstrom, Robert Aszmann, Patrick (Paula) Aszmann, and Anthony "Tony" (Kelle) Aszmann; many beloved nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

A Memorial Service was held at 11 a.m. on Thursday, July 1, 2021, at True Vine Church in Mora with Pastor Marlin Harris officiating. Inurnment will be in the Rice Lake Cemetery in Braham. In lieu of flowers, memorials are preferred to the family. Arrangements are by Rock Ingebrand Funeral Home of Braham. Condolences may be posted at [www.aifuneralhome.com](http://www.aifuneralhome.com).

### Aurora J. Stewart

Jan. 9, 2003 - June 18, 2021

Aurora Jewel Stewart died Friday, June 18, 2021, as the result of an automotive accident. She was 18 years old.

She was born Jan. 9, 2003, in Cambridge. She attended Pine City Schools and recently graduated from the Pine City Area Learning Center. A huge milestone for Aurora was the day she graduated, her genuine excitement and passion for the graduation ceremony was contagious. She had plans to attend Pine Technical and Community College in the fall of 2021.

Everyone that knew her knew this was just the beginning of her dream to become a social worker. She was always willing to listen and extend a helpful hand to her many friends and family. She spent a lot

of time with and being very attentive to her grandmother, always asking what she needed and if there was anything she could do for her. She was just beginning a summer part-time job selling cutlery to help with school finances.

She will be dearly missed and never forgotten. Friends and family will cherish memories of a young vibrant life cut short.

Her dear canine companion CiCi, always by her side, also died as a result of the automotive accident.

A celebration of her life will be held from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. with a service at noon Saturday, July 10, 2021 at Aurora's home.

Funeral arrangements are entrusted to Funeral and Cremation Service of Pine City, Swanson Chapel, [www.FuneralAndCremationService.com](http://www.FuneralAndCremationService.com).



### William G. Asp

William (Bill) George Asp passed away in Venice, Florida on Wednesday, June 16, 2021. He was 77 years old.

He loved his family and was a people person who touched the lives of his many friends, students and colleagues. You may not realize it but if you live in Minnesota, Bill may be the reason there is a library in your area.



He was born and raised in Hutchinson, then attended the University of Minnesota in the Twin Cities. After earning both a bachelors degree in history and a master degree in library science, he went on to become the director of the East Central Regional Library system and to teach at the University of Iowa, before becoming the direc-

tor of the Office of Library Development Services at the State of MN from 1975 to 1996. He was then the director of the Dakota County Library system until his retirement in 2003.

He had many achievements during his career, including establishment of the first reciprocal borrowing program between some of the regional public libraries in the ECRL system. While he was state library director, Minnesota became one of the few states with border-to-border comprehensive public library service for everybody in the state along with a guaranteed source of funding in all counties. He provided strong support for the development of state aid to libraries based on need, created a state-wide network of reciprocal borrowing among Minnesota public libraries and advocated for funding and standards for technology in public libraries.

While at Dakota County, he established "Ask-a Librarian" email services, expanded youth services (particularly the Summer Reading Program), inaugurated the successful multicultural MN programs to reach out to diverse communities, and led the introduction of new formats for circulation (DVDs, eBooks, and Book Group Kits).

He was preceded in death by parents George and Blanche (Mattson) Asp and sister Marlyce Lee.

He is survived by sisters Carol Whalen and Marcia (Lew) Johnson, brother-in-law Don Lee, eight nieces and nephews and 14 great nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be scheduled at a later date. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to MN Library Foundation, MN Historical Society or MN Orchestral Assn.



Faye L. Reber passed away June 13, 2021, at the age of 87.

Faye graduated from Cambridge High School and earned her teaching degree from Gustavus Adolphus College. Her teaching career included Kindergarten and Second Grade in Austin and Richfield, MN. Faye loved to travel, visiting 60 countries and taking great photos of every trip. She enjoyed golfing into her mid-eighties, bowling, and watching her favorite MN sports teams. Faye had a zest for life, an infectious laugh, and a great smile.

Funeral services will be Thursday, July 15, 10:30 a.m. at Cremation Society of MN, Edina chapel, 7110 France Ave. S. Burial at Rice Lake Cemetary, Braham, MN. In lieu of flowers memorials are preferred to Retired Richfield Education Association Scholarships. 2172 Schoolmaster Dr. Chaska, MN 55318.

### Betty J. Krona

May 6, 1927 - June 18, 2021

Betty Jane Krona, of Cambridge died Friday, June 18, 2021 at her home in GracePointe Crossing. She was 94 years old.

She was born in Braham to parents Ben and Henrietta (Olson) Hanson on May 6, 1927. She was united in marriage to Wayne Krona on April 6, 1946.



Her main passion for work included being an Extraordinary Domestic Goddess. Other significant accomplishments include director of operations, Master Gardener and food service director at the Krona Farm. Other notable titles she excelled at were, president of Kevin and Kenny's fan club, and outstanding

volunteer at the local nursing homes. She also kept up her Lutfisk Culinary License and was deemed Isanti County's Lutfisk Master Chef. Her most honorary title was that of devoted loving mother, wife and friend.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband Wayne, infant son Peter, grandson Michael, sisters June Hanson and Lorraine Norling, nephews Randy, Gene and Gary Norling and niece Sharon.

She is survived by her sons Kenny (Tana) Krona, Kevin (Deborah) Krona; grandsons Brandon and Travis Krona; nieces Gloria (Bruce) Rittenauer, Jane (Wes) Peterman, Pam (Tom) Hove, Sandra Barnhart (goddaughter), Jane Johnson, Karen Norling; nephews Dick (JoJo) Norling, Lee (Tony) Norling, John Norling, John Ritzinger; sisters from another mother, life-long friends Rosie Ernst, Shirley Strand, Maxine Manthei, Joyce Martin; extended family includes, Pamela Menke Pudwill (goddaughter), Nicky, Lisa and Marla (daughters), Alexandra and Lindsey (granddaughters), Franco (grandson), Willow (great grandbaby); numerous friends, neighbors and acquaintances, too many to mention each individual, however remembered with appreciation.

There are no words to convey our gratitude and heartfelt appreciation to Betty's GracePointe family, Hospice family and Cambridge Lutheran Church family for the love, laughter and light you shared in Betty's life.

A private memorial service was held Monday, June 28, 2021, at Carlson-Lillemoen Funeral Home. Burial was in the Cambridge Lutheran Cemetery. Condolences at [www.carlsonlillemoen.com](http://www.carlsonlillemoen.com).

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OBITUARIES

Steven L. Erickson

June 16, 1945 - June 28, 2021

Steven Leland Erickson died Monday, June 28, 2021, at his home at Walker Methodist Levande in Cambridge. He was 76 years old.



He was born June 16, 1945, in Minneapolis to Linden and Grace Erickson of Cambridge. He attended Dowling District No. 59 Country School through 8th grade and graduated from Cambridge High School in 1963. He earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in Physics from Augsburg College in 1967. He went on to graduate school at Arizona State University but left there to enroll in

Officer Candidate School with the Air Force in 1969. While in the Air Force he earned his Master's Degree in Atmospheric Science from Colorado State University in 1977. He attained the rank of Lt. Colonel. After 22 years of distinguished service in the U.S. Air Force, he retired in 1991. His last assignment was at Offutt Air Force Base in Omaha, Nebraska. He worked in the public sector as a meteorologist until he decided to move back home to the Cambridge area. He settled in Maple Ridge Township and helped his brother Ken farm. In November, 2020 he moved to Walker Methodist Levande Home in Cambridge where he was well cared for.

He was married for a time to Cynthia Bailey and had stepsons Adam and Wesley Bailey.

He was preceded in death by his parents Linden and Grace Erickson; uncle August Erickson, and stepson Adam Bailey.

He is survived by his sister, Laurel (Wendell) Johnson of Cambridge; brothers Kenneth (Sharon) Erickson of Cambridge, Donovan (Gayle) Erickson of Stanchfield; sister Deborah (Lawrence) Lawman of Blaine; stepson Wesley (Kristian) Bailey of Council Bluffs; and many other relatives and friends.

Funeral service 11 a.m., Saturday, July 3, 2021, at Salem Lutheran Church in Dalbo. Visitation one hour prior to the service. Burial in the church cemetery with Military Honors provided by the Cambridge American Legion Honor Guard. In lieu of flowers, memorials are preferred. Condolences at [www.carlsonlillemoen.com](http://www.carlsonlillemoen.com). Arrangements by the Carlson-Lillemoen Funeral Home and Cremation Services of Cambridge.

NAMES IN THE NEWS

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT LISTS

**Lee Enos**, of Harris (Dean's), from Alexandria Technical and Community College.

**Calub Klontz** and **Samantha Tempesta** of Isanti (Dean's), from Central Lakes College.

**Jordan Anderson**, **Tess Griffin**, and **Faith Nelson** of Cambridge; **Emily Carlson** of Dalbo; and **Ella Egeland** and **Abigail Johnson** of North Branch (Dean's), from the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire.

**Victoria Nelson** of Harris (President's), from Rochester Community and Technical College.

DEGREES

**Cynthia Fiedler** (Masters, Special Education), **Luke Johnson** (Bachelors, Criminal Justice), and **Susan Pulcher** (Bachelors, Nursing) of Cambridge; **Kristie Block** (Bachelors, Nursing) of Stanchfield; and **Danielle Tagtmeier** (Masters, Special Education) from Braham High School, from Minnesota State University - Moorhead.

**Russell Malterud** (Bachelors) of North Branch, from Concordia University, Nebraska.

**Connor Flanigan** (Bachelors, Aviation), **Brandon Kuehne** (Bachelors, Marketing), **Joslynn LaRock** (Bachelors, Exercise Science) of Cambridge; **Nathan Dupre** (Bachelors, Accounting), **Brittany Mehle** (Masters, Elementary Education), **Deena Oberlander** (Bachelors, Gender and Women Studies), **Jamie Rogers** (Bachelors, Biology, Summa Cum Laude) of Isanti; and **Abigail Lyons** (Associates of Arts and Bachelors, Dental Hygiene, Cum Laude), from Minnesota State University, Mankato.

**Carter Scharber** (Diploma, Electrical Line Worker) of Isanti, and **Jacob Kozel** (AAS, Electrical Line Worker Technology), from Minnesota State Community and Technical College.

**Linnea Schlueter** (Bachelors, Forensic Science), of Stanchfield, from Cedarville University.

**Spencer Harvey** (Bachelors, Marketing) and **Cara Shaw** (Bachelors, Marketing) of Cambridge, from the University of Minnesota-Crookston.

**Weston Olson** (Bachelors, Business Intelligence and Analytics and Finance) of Cambridge, and **Emilia Jury** (Bachelors, Elementary Education K-6) of North Branch, from Saint Mary's University of Minnesota.

**Mohamed Hamed**, and **Calub Klontz** of Isanti; **Matthew Courtright**, and **John Thauwald** of North Branch (all Diploma of Occupational Proficiency, Heavy Equipment Operation and Maintenance); and **Edward Johnson** (Associate of Applied Science, Natural Resources Technology) of Rush City, from Central Lakes College.

North Branch alumni make a difference

Few things inspire people to achieve great things more than seeing others like themselves who have done it. With that in mind we have started a new feature at the North Branch Area Public Schools Facebook ([www.facebook.com/nbapschools](http://www.facebook.com/nbapschools)) called Alumni Spotlight.

We kicked off this feature with Madison Tetzlaff, a 2016 North Branch Area High School graduate who went on to graduate with honors from the University of Minnesota with a Bachelor of Arts in Neuroscience and has been selected to participate in the Medical Scientist Training Program at the University of California - Irvine beginning this fall.

Since Madison's spotlight went live, we have had more people sending us updates about former graduates. We continue to find NBAPS alumni to spotlight and be inspired from.

I know some of our 2021 graduates aspire to attend college and go on to law school. Chasse Thomas, 2016 graduate, is currently featured in our Alumni Spotlight. He just completed his first year of law school at St. Thomas and is working as a Student Certified Attorney at the Ramsey County Public Defender's Office this summer. Some of our current students are discovering their passion for the arts, and 2000 graduate Lindsey Aho, a successful metro area artist, will be featured in our NBAPS Alumni Spotlight coming soon.

So many of our former NBAPS students have gone on to do great things. By being the best you can be, you inspire others to do the same.

If you know an alumnus to be featured for their accomplishments since leaving NBAPS, please send them to Community Relations Coordinator Patrick Tepoorten at [ptepoorten@isd138.org](mailto:ptepoorten@isd138.org). I can't wait for more inspiration from Vikings making a difference in the world.

**SARA PAUL** is superintendent of North Branch Area Public Schools. She can be reached at 651-674-1000 or [spaul@isd138.org](mailto:spaul@isd138.org).

GOOD DEATH: Honoring wishes shows love for the deceased

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Part of her advocacy is that a person's wishes about death, dying and end-of-life care are honored.

THANKS

Thank you to the pets of this world who's deaths have provided valuable lessons to children about the inevitable end of life. I recognize there are far more tragic ways to learn this lesson.

Thank you to the families and friends that come together to help others through grief.

Thank you to those in our society who manage the biological parts of life and death from medical personnel, first responders, long-term care staff to morticians and others.

Thank you to the cemetery managers who honor our dead by keeping their final resting places tidy.

A GOOD DEATH

The Institute of Medicine defines a good death as "one that is free from avoidable distress and suffering, for patients, family and caregivers; in general accord with the patients' and families' wishes; and reasonably consistent with clinical, cultural and ethical standards."

Not all of us will have the opportunity for a good death. It's hard to control. We have far more opportunity to ensure we lead a good life.

May you have a good life full of love and when it ends, I do hope it is a good death, but at a minimum I hope you and your family can look back on your life with joy.

**KIRSTEN FAURIE** is the group editor for Northstar Media, which includes the Isanti-Chisago County Star and others. She can be contacted at [editor@moraminn.com](mailto:editor@moraminn.com) or by calling 320-225-5128.

Jesse Seabrooks appointed to fill Tenth Judicial District vacancy

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Governor Tim Walz and Lieutenant Governor Peggy Flanagan today announced the appointment of Jesse Seabrooks as district court judge in Minnesota's Tenth Judicial District. Mr. Seabrooks will be replacing the Honorable Kathleen A. Mottl and will be chambered in Center City in Chisago County.

"I am excited to appoint Jesse Seabrooks to the Tenth Judicial District," said Governor Walz. "Mr. Seabrooks has a broad range of legal experience—including as a brigade judge advocate in the Army National Guard. I am confident that his strong desire to serve and deep commitment to the people of the Tenth Judicial District

will make him an excellent judge."

"Mr. Seabrooks is a strong addition to the Chisago County bench," said Lieutenant Governor Flanagan. "He is a servant leader committed to using his knowledge, experience, and role to create a more just, inclusive and equitable judicial system."

Minnesota's Tenth Judicial District encompasses Anoka, Chisago, Isanti, Kanabec, Pine, Sherburne, Washington, and Wright counties.

ABOUT JESSE SEABROOKS

Mr. Seabrooks is an assistant county attorney in Washington County, where he prosecutes a variety of felony and gross misdemeanor offenses. Mr. Seabrooks is tasked as the county's auto theft attorney, responsible for the office's

compliance with the state-wide automobile theft grant. He also serves as a judge advocate in the Minnesota Army National Guard, where he was deployed in support of Operation Enduring Freedom/Operation Spartan Shield in 2017-2018. Prior to his work in Washington County, Mr. Seabrooks was an assistant prosecuting attorney in the Franklin County Prosecutor's Office in Columbus, Ohio, where he worked in the juvenile and grand jury divisions. His community involvement includes volunteering with Ujamaa Place's Men's Group, Washington County's food drive, high school mock trial, and the Veteran's Appreciation Program.

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# Art show winners on display July 14-Aug. 6

BY ECRAC  
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The East Central Regional Arts Council is proud to honor the award winners of the 34th annual IMAGE Art Show is now open online at [www.ECRAC.org](http://www.ECRAC.org).

The IMAGE Art Show is an annual event open to any artist residing in Region 7E (the MN counties of Chisago, Kanabec, Isanti, Mille Lacs, and Pine.) The Art Show and the awards honor some of the finest art in the area.

The judges for this year's show were Mary Bruno and Ginger Porcella. A total of 114 artists from the East Central Minnesota region entered this year's IMAGE Art Show. People's Choice and Artists Choice judging is open until Aug. 6, 2021.

There will be a gallery showing of the award winning art from July 14-Aug. 6 at the ECRAC Office and Gallery at 540 Weber Ave S - Ste 109, Hinckley, MN 55037.

Viewing days are Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 12-4 p.m. Best of Show will be chosen from the artwork on display.



**"The End" an oil painting by Barbara Van Dell Robinson of Isanti County received an Award of Artistic Excellence at the annual IMAGE Art Show.**

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## Awards of Artistic Excellence

**Richard Vincent**, Chisago  
**Cathie Hendren**, Chisago  
**Christina Thurston**, Mille Lacs  
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**Victoria Kosel**, Isanti  
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**Barbara Van Dell Robinson**, Chisago  
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## Awards of Artistic Merit

**Anita Gislason**, Kanabec  
**Robert Olson**, Pine  
**Robert DesJarlait**, Mille Lacs  
**David Spohn**, Chisago  
**Jacque Sabolik**, Kanabec  
**Melissa Strand**, Isanti  
**Gary Carlson**, Chisago  
**MaryAnn Carlson**, Chisago  
**Michelle Malley**, Pine  
**Cynthia Rue**, Mille Lacs

# RODEO: Cowboys ready for another ride

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geared for all ages. The day starts with a five or two mile fitness run/walk, with registration beginning at 7:30 a.m. and the run/walk commencing at 8 a.m.

Another new activity this year will be a balance bike race along Main Street, sponsored by Rum River BMX. Registration for that begins at 9:30 a.m., with races kicking off at 10 a.m.

The free kids activities will take place from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Besides fun games with prizes, there will be a balloon artist and strolling juggler from "A Touch of Magic," the kiddie parade starting at 11 a.m., the annual Isanti Lions Corn Feed at the Community Center also at 11 a.m., plus a performance by The Teddy Bear Band on Main Street from 11 - 11:45 a.m.

The popular turtle races will take place at noon, with cash prizes for the winners in each heat, plus a grand prize for the winner of the free-for-all final race. Sponsors the Isanti Lions would like to emphasize that no Blandings turtles are allowed, and turtles cannot be sold without a DNR permit.

The activities conclude with the 31st annual Out-house Races along Main Street. There will again be two divisions of four-person teams - a junior division featuring three team members aged 12-16 and one over 18 years old, plus the regular division. Teams can construct their own outhouses (contact North 65 Chamber of Commerce for construction rules), or there will be extra outhouses available.

Saturday night's rodeo will follow the same schedule as Friday's, with the band Six to Midnight performing afterward. Advanced tickets for either rodeo performance are only available online at [www.isantifiedistrict.org](http://www.isantifiedistrict.org). According to Rodeo Chairman Tom Pagel, tickets will be available at the gate, "but based on the interest in this year's rodeo, why wait?"

## NEWS BRIEFS

### Leave fireworks to the experts

Now that things are opening up and more Minnesotans are getting together for outdoor entertainment, Minnesota's physicians want to remind their fellow citizens to leave the lighting of fireworks to the professionals this Independence Day.

"We see it every year. Many Minnesotans are injured and wind up in the emergency department because of injuries caused by fireworks," said MMA President Marilyn Peitso, MD. "Physicians urge people to leave these dangerous explosives to the professionals. Serious injuries can result from accidents with fireworks."

According to the latest statistics from the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission an estimated 7,300 fireworks-related injuries were treated in emergency departments between June 21, 2019, and July 21, 2019. Overall, in 2019, 10,000 injuries were treated in emergency departments.

The parts of the body most often injured were hands and fingers (an estimated 30 percent); legs (an estimated 23

percent); eyes (an estimated 15 percent); head, face, and ears (an estimated 15 percent); and arms (an estimated 10 percent).

### MN Guardsmen return from Guantanamo Bay

Approximately 150 soldiers from the Minnesota National Guard's 34th Military Police Company headquartered in Stillwater, will be returning to Minnesota Saturday after a nine-month deployment to Cuba.

The soldiers provided base security in support of Joint Task Force Guantanamo whose mission is to conduct detention operations. The unit left Minnesota in August 2020 for Fort Bliss, Texas, to conduct additional training prior to arriving in Cuba.

Since Sept. 11, 2001, the 34th Military Police Company has deployed soldiers to Bosnia, Kosovo, Afghanistan, Iraq and now Guantanamo Bay. The unit also responded to civil unrest in the Twin Cities metro area in May and June of 2020.



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# Vape shop loses license after repeated sales to minors

BY JEN KOTILA

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It was the tale of two tobacco shops at North Branch City Council June 22, with two different approaches to failing compliance checks and facing the possibility of losing their tobacco license.

The council moved forward with revoking the tobacco license for Cloud X Vapes, and agreed to provide E-Cig Guyz with another opportunity to prove his business could remain in compliance in the future.

## CLOUD X VAPES

Introducing the problems city staff and the police detachment had with Cloud X Vapes, North Branch Police Chief Dan Meyer summarized the issues the business had complying with city ordinance, the Governor's Executive Order relating to COVID-19, and problems the business owners had in other cities being in compliance with tobacco ordinances.

Originally applying for a tobacco license for Cloud X Vapes Jan. 13, 2019, William Shocinski found out he could be denied a license due to a prior drug offense found in his background check. A second application was received Jan. 17, 2019 from Shocinski's girlfriend, Courtney James, which was approved by the city council Jan. 22, 2019, according to Meyer.

The first tobacco compliance check of Cloud X Vapes took place in June of 2019 under a "Congratulate and Educate" grant through the Minnesota Department of Human Services, and the business failed by selling a tobacco product to the underage decoy.

A fine was not issued because the compliance check under the grant did

not allow for the issuance of fines. Instead, the business received educational materials, according to Meyer.

A subsequent tobacco compliance check took place in Aug. of 2019, which the business passed, Meyer said.

In April 2020, the police department received reports of the business being open in violation of the Governor's Executive Order on April 2, 3 and 13. An employee was spoken with and warned of the violation the first time, and Meyer contacted James and warned her the second time.

The third time, James and an employee were cited by the Chisago County Attorney, and James was subsequently convicted of that offense July 21, 2020, according to Meyer.

The police department received eight complaints of the business selling tobacco products to minors between Feb. 2020 and Dec. 2020, which led to a meeting with James, Meyer and City Clerk Regini Varma Jan. 11, 2021 to address those concerns.

James assured Varma and Meyer she would speak with and provide training to all of her employees, according to Meyer.

However, the police department received two additional complaints of underage sales. With the cooperation of a parent who filed one of the complaints, the city developed probable cause and the business was issued a \$200 administrative fine per city ordinance May 17.

Per ordinance, license holders can contest the administrative offense or pay the administrative fines within 20 days after they are given notice of the violation, neither of which James has done, according to Meyer.

Another compliance check took place May 7, and the business again failed,

selling tobacco products to an underage decoy without verifying their age or asking for identification.

It was also noted by the officer on duty during the compliance check that there was no signage to indicate that individuals under the age of 21 were not allowed to enter the establishment and observed several individuals under the age of 21 inside of the business at the time of the compliance check, which is also a violation of city ordinance and state statutes.

The business was issued an administrative fine of \$500 for the second violation within 12 months per city ordinance. James failed to contest the offense or pay the fine until June 22, according to Meyer. The license holder attempted to pay the fine that day using a credit card, but it did not go through, Meyer noted, adding that James promised to send in payment.

Other pertinent information provided by Meyer:

- Shocinski, James' boyfriend and original tobacco license applicant, owned the Cloud X store in Forest Lake and Forest Lake City Council revoked the business' tobacco license in Dec. 2018 after its third failed compliance check within one year. The manager for that business, Cole Nye, was then a manger/employee of the Cloud X Vapes in North Branch.
- James was issued a tobacco license in the City of Buffalo for a business called Northshore Vape, which was revoked in Dec. 2020 after the Buffalo Police Department documented five separate instances of sales to minors during a four month period. Shocinski was listed as the manager

of that business.

The North Branch Police Department is also aware that the State of New York Office of the Attorney General sent a Cease and Desist Notification letter to Shocinski and Cloud X Vapes in July 2020 for online sales of flavored vape products to New York residents, including minors, in violation of New York state law.

James was sent a letter and an email notifying her of the council meeting, but she was not in attendance, according to Meyer, who recommended revocation of Cloud X Vapes tobacco license and to consider not renewing its tobacco license in 2022.

"There is clearly a trend and I'm glad that it's being brought to us to take seriously," said North Branch Council Member Amanda Darwin. "As the parent of a minor and having a lot of minors in my circle as far as sports go, I appreciate that stores do their due diligence in protecting minors from things that can be addictive and harmful to them. Clearly the license holders and their affiliates do not take that responsibility seriously."

"The track record speaks for itself, obviously, and that's unfortunate. I don't like to see any businesses just shut down, but when you can't follow the rules as a business owner here in North Branch I would totally expect nothing less than taking the responsibility and the authority to make sure that they can't operate under those guidelines any longer," said North Branch Council Member Kelly Neider.

Council Member Patrick Meacham verified with Meyer that all tobacco

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**Mary Stanko**

*Executive Director Chamber of Commerce*

I have really exciting news to share this month. We have hired a new Administrative Assistant! Shelby Rollins joined the chamber on June 8th and hit the road running in overseeing the Midsummer Days registrations and aiding the American Legion. Her skills for organization and administration of our office have already demonstrated that she will be an incredible asset. Stop in and introduce yourself or welcome her by email at shelby@northbranchchamber.com.

I too have discovered firsthand how difficult it is right now to find a new employee. The search for Shelby took weeks of trying to get applications and going through interviews that seemed to go nowhere. Universally, our members are asking for help in finding employees. I encourage everyone to use our website to post your jobs. This is free to members!

The monthly newsletter will now only be in electronic format. This allows us to keep current with the trends of promotional pieces to benefit our members. I hope you enjoy the new format!

As always, the door is open. The coffee is on. You are always welcome to stop in and talk together about the future.



**Jenna Jones**

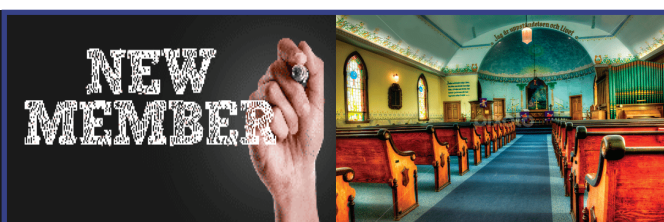
*President Board of Directors*

As we head in to the dog days of summer, many of us have exciting plans in our personal life. We head up to the cabin, out to the lake, grill, and watch baseball. Professionally, many businesses are still struggling. While COVID-19 restrictions have eased, we are facing a different challenge: finding employees. When COVID-19 hit, we all know unemployment skyrocketed. In May 2021, the unemployment rate in Minnesota has

continued to slowly decrease back down, landing at 3.7% (MN DEED, MN Unemployment Statistics/LAUS Data). Since we're pretty close to where we were before COVID-19, why are we all still struggling with finding employees?

With the "Baby Boomer" population hitting retirement age and population growth slowing, this is going to be a continued trend. One thing to consider and make a part of your hiring process is how to KEEP employees. With so many opportunities out there- it's easy for someone to leave a job for a "better" one. It's not always about the money, though! Can your staff work remotely? Can you offer flexible scheduling? Can you put together a quarterly employee appreciation day to create a positive work environment? Even better- ASK your employees what they would think of as a benefit!

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*The City is also very excited for other projects taking place this summer including: the development of Meadows North Park and the revamping of the Skateboard Park!*

*Meadows North Park is a new 5 acre park site located at 5333 399th St, near the southwest corner of 400th St and Flink Ave. The development of this park will provide for the only developed park in the northwest portion of the city and the first newly developed city park in over the past 10 years! The park is planned to have a playground area including a swing set, shelter, walking paths, multi-purpose field, sport court and a parking lot. The development of the park is scheduled to be substantially completed by fall 2021. The City will be looking for volunteers to assist with a community build on the installation of the playground equipment and will be reaching out via the city's website and Facebook pages.*

*The skateboard park will be also receiving a much needed facelift with new surfacing to be installed. This will provide for a much more enjoyable and safe rider experience!*

*For more info, please visit the city's webpage at www.ci.north-branch.mn.us*

*Hope to see you out enjoying the City's parks and trails this summer!*

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# VAPE: North Branch business loses tobacco license following violations

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license holders in the city undergo the same compliance checks.

Mayor Jim Swenson said, “I want to be supportive of our businesses in our community, but I’m hearing it from the council, from every one of us, that we’re not happy with how this operation is going. Obviously selling to underage kids is not a good thing.”

## E-CIG GUYZ

A tobacco compliance check took place July 24, 2020 at E-Cig Guyz, and the business failed the compliance check and sold

to the underage decoy, according to Meyer. The business was issued an administrative fine of \$200 and the clerk who sold to the minor was issued an administrative fine of \$100 per our city ordinance.

Then, North Branch Police Department received a complaint in Feb. 2021 the business sold a tobacco product to a minor. The investigation developed probable cause to believe the underage sale took place and the business was issued an administrative fine of \$500 per city ordinance.

Another compliance check took place May 7, and the business again failed the check and sold to

the underage decoy, according to Meyer. The clerk who sold to the underage decoy this time was the same clerk who sold to the decoy in July 2020.

This time, the clerk was issued an administrative fine of \$200 due to being the second violation within 12 months. However, it was the business’ third violation within 12 months, and the city may permanently revoke the tobacco license under the provisions of city ordinance, Meyer said. He also informed the council the licensee and the employee have paid the administrative fines and business owner Josef Kranavek advised that the em-

ployee who was involved in the underage sales no longer works for the business. Kranavek was present at the meeting.

“The license holder, in my opinion, is trying to resolve and get back into compliance,” Meyer said. “My recommendation is to hold off on a revocation. It feels like, I want to be fair with E-Cig, just like we were with Cloud X. We contacted the owner (of Cloud X), and we met with her and tried to give her some time to comply. We did not do that with Mr. Kranavek. I am recommending to hold off. Now, if the council chooses to hold off, I can assure you the PD can continue to conduct compli-

ance checks and monitor any complaints. If problems with the business continue, I will be back here and recommending revocation.”

“I appreciate the fact that you are here in chambers tonight,” Neider told Kranavek. “It shows an initiative to potentially make some changes. Just keep your nose clean and have your employees do what’s right. I’m fine with allowing him to continue his business here in North Branch under the guidelines that Chief Meyer has set forward and according to our ordinances.”

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### July 2<sup>nd</sup>

- Rush Lake – Flickabirds Resort, 10:00 p.m.

### July 4<sup>th</sup>

- Cambridge – Isanti County fairgrounds - 10:00 p.m.
- Braham – West of the High School at dusk

- North Branch – (Rain date: July 5th)

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### July 10<sup>th</sup>

- Ogilvie Raceway Fireworks Spectacular after races

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WEEKDAY MORNING												
	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
BROADCAST STATIONS												
2	KTCA	Ready Jet Go!	Arthur	Molly of Denali	Wild Kratts	Hero Elementary	Xavier Riddle	Curious George	Daniel Tiger	Donkey Hodie	Elinor Wonders	Let's Learn
4	WCCO	WCCO 4 News This Morning at 6		CBS This Morning			WCCO Mid-Morning		The Price Is Right		The Young and the Restless	
5	KSTP	5 Eyewitness News at 6am		Good Morning America			Live with Kelly and Ryan		The View		5 Eyewitness News Midday	
9	KMSP	FOX 9 Morning at 6AM		FOX 9 Morning at 7AM		FOX 9 Morning at 8AM		FOX 9 Buzz		The Jason Show		FOX 9 News at 11 a.m.
11	KARE	KARE 11 News Sunrise		Today			Today 3rd Hour		Today With Hoda & Jenna		Rachael Ray	
23	WUCW	The National Desk		The National Desk		Spine Surgery	Goetz & Sieben	Family Feud	Be a Millionaire	Judge Jerry	Judge Jerry	Paternity Court Couples Court
29	WFTC	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Wommack	Dateline		Judge	Judge	Divorce	Divorce	Hot Bench Hot Bench
31	KPXM	NCIS: N.O. Varied		NCIS: N.O. Varied		NCIS: N.O. Varied		NCIS: New Orleans		Varied Programs		

WEEKDAY AFTERNOON													
	12:00	12:30	1:00	1:30	2:00	2:30	3:00	3:30	4:00	4:30	5:00	5:30	
BROADCAST STATIONS													
2	KTCA	Dinosaur Train	Clifford-Dog	Sesame Street	Donkey Hodie	Daniel Tiger	Let's Go Luna!	Nature Cat	Hero Elementary	Wild Kratts	Molly of Denali	Odd Squad	Arthur
4	WCCO	News	Bold/Beautiful	The Talk		Let's Make a Deal		Dr. Phil		The Ellen DeGeneres Show		News	CBS Evening News
5	KSTP	GMA3: What You Need to Know		General Hospital		The Kelly Clarkson Show		Twin Cities Live		Twin Cities	5 Eyewitness News	News Live at 5	ABC World News
9	KMSP	The Wendy Williams Show		The Real		TMZ Live		The Dr. Oz Show		Judge Judy	Judge Judy	FOX 9 at 5p	FOX 9 at 5:30p
11	KARE	Days of our Lives		The Drew Barrymore Show		Daily Blast Live	Daily Blast Live	Inside Edition	Ent. Tonight	KARE 11 News	Jeopardy!	KARE 11 News at 5	Nightly News
23	WUCW	Judge Mathis		The People's Court		The Steve Wilkos Show		Jerry Springer		Maury		Be a Millionaire	Funny You Ask
29	WFTC	The Jason Show		Access Daily		Wendy Williams Show		25 Words	25 Words	TMZ Live		Jdg Judy	Jdg Judy
31	KPXM	Varied Programs											

MONDAY PRIME TIME										JULY 5, 2021			
	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	
BROADCAST STATIONS													
2	KTCA	PBS NewsHour (N) (cc)		Antiques Roadshow "Vintage Kansas City"		A Very British Romance with		Great Australian Railway Journeys (cc)		POV The removal of Confederate monuments. (N) (cc)		On Story (cc)	
4	WCCO	News	Wheel of Fortune	The Neighborhood	Bob Hearts Abishola	NCIS: New Orleans (cc)		NCIS: Los Angeles (cc)		News	The Late Show With Stephen Colbert (cc)	James Corden	
5	KSTP	News	News	The Bachelorette (N) (cc)				The Celebrity Dating Game (cc)		5 Eyewitness News	Jimmy Kimmel Live! (cc)	Nightline (N) (cc)	
9	KMSP	FOX 9 at 6p (N)	FOX 9 at 6:30p (N)	Hell's Kitchen (N) (cc)		House-Broken	Duncanville	FOX 9 at 9p (N)		FOX 9's 10 at 10 (N)	TMZ (N) (cc)	Access Hollywood	Dish Nation (N)
11	KARE	KARE 11 News at 6	Breaking The News	2021 Stanley Cup Final Game 4. (N) (Live) (cc)		Tampa Bay Lightning at Montreal Canadiens.				News	The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon	Seth Meyers	
23	WUCW	Family Feud (cc)	Family Feud (cc)	All American (N) (cc)		The Republic of Sarah "In Us We Trust" (N)		Family Feud (cc)	Two and a Half Men	Two and a Half Men	Extra (N) (cc)	Daily-MailTV (N)	Daily-MailTV (N)
29	WFTC	Big Bang	Big Bang	News	News	Mod Fam	Mod Fam	Big Bang	Creek	TMZ (N)	Dish Nat.	Law & Order: SVU	
31	KPXM	NCIS: Los Angeles		NCIS: Los Angeles		NCIS: Los Angeles		NCIS: Los Angeles		NCIS: Los Angeles		NCIS: Los Angeles	

TUESDAY PRIME TIME										JULY 6, 2021		
	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
BROADCAST STATIONS												
2	KTCA	PBS NewsHour (N) (cc)		Finding Your Roots With Henry		The Latino Experience (N) (cc)		Frontline "Fire in Paradise" (cc)		NOVA The world's first riders of wild horses.		Neanderthal (cc)
4	WCCO	News	Wheel of Fortune	NCIS Two dead bodies are found in a forest.		FBI A shooting at a quinceañera. (cc)		FBI: Most Wanted "Criminal Justice"		News	The Late Show With Stephen Colbert (cc) James Corden	
5	KSTP	News	News	The Goldbergs	Home Economics	The Conners	black-ish	To Tell the Truth (cc)		5 Eyewitness News	Jimmy Kimmel Live! (cc) Nightline (N) (cc)	
9	KMSP	FOX 9 at 6p (N)	FOX 9 at 6:30p (N)	LEGO Masters "One Floating Brick" (N)		Mental Samurai "Episode 208" (N)		FOX 9 at 9p (N)		FOX 9's 10 at 10 (N)	TMZ (N) (cc)	Access Hollywood Dish Nation (N)
11	KARE	KARE 11 News at 6	Breaking The News	America's Got Talent acts audition. (N) (cc)		"Auditions 6" Variety		College Bowl USC vs. UCLA and more. (N)		News	The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon Seth Meyers	
23	WUCW	Family Feud (cc)	Family Feud (cc)	The Flash John Diggle arrives in Central City.		Superman & Lois "Loyal Subjects" (cc)		Family Feud (cc)	Two and a Half Men	Two and a Half Men	Extra (N) (cc)	Daily-MailTV (N) Daily-MailTV (N)
29	WFTC	Big Bang	Big Bang	News	News	Mod Fam	Mod Fam	Big Bang	Creek	TMZ (N)	Dish Nat.	Chicago P.D. (cc)
31	KPXM	Chicago Fire (cc)		Chicago Fire (cc)		Chicago Fire (cc)		Chicago Fire (cc)		Chicago Fire (cc)		Chicago Fire (cc)

WEDNESDAY PRIME TIME											JULY 7, 2021			
	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30		
BROADCAST STATIONS														
2	KTCA	PBS NewsHour (N) (cc)		Nature The white wolf fights for survival.		NOVA Antarctica's under-ice landscape.		Wonders of Mexico Mexico's mountains.		Wonders of Mexico "Burning North" (cc)		Wild Travels: America's Most Unusual		
4	WCCO	News	Wheel of Fortune	Big Brother (Season Premiere) (N) (Live) (cc)			Love Island (Season Premiere) (N) (cc)			News	The Late Show With Stephen Colbert (cc)		James Corden	
5	KSTP	News	News	Press Your Luck (cc)		The \$100,000 Pyramid (N) (cc)		Card Sharks "210" (N) (cc)		5 Eyewitness News	Jimmy Kimmel Live! (cc)		Nightline (N) (cc)	
9	KMSP	FOX 9 at 6p (N)	FOX 9 at 6:30p (N)	MasterChef (N) (cc)		Crime Scene Kitchen "The Rise and Fall"		FOX 9 at 9p (N)		FOX 9's 10 at 10 (N)	TMZ (N) (cc)	Access Hollywood	Dish Nation (N)	
11	KARE	KARE 11 News at 6	Breaking The News	2021 Stanley Cup Final Game 5. (If necessary). (N) (Live) (cc)				Montreal Canadiens at Tampa Bay Lightning.			News	The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon		Seth Meyers
23	WUCW	Family Feud (cc)	Family Feud (cc)	Kung Fu Nicky and Henry follow a lead.			In the Dark (N) (cc)		Family Feud (cc)	Two and a Half Men	Two and a Half Men	Extra (N) (cc)	Daily-MailTV (N)	Daily-MailTV (N)
29	WFTC	Big Bang	Big Bang	News	News	Mod Fam	Mod Fam	Big Bang	Creek	TMZ (N)	Dish Nat.	Dateline "The Feud"		
31	KPXM	Blue Bloods (cc)		Blue Bloods (cc)		Blue Bloods (cc)		Blue Bloods (cc)		Blue Bloods (cc)		Blue Bloods (cc)		

THURSDAY PRIME TIME										JULY 8, 2021										
	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30								
BROADCAST STATIONS																				
2	KTCA	PBS NewsHour (N) (cc)		Scandinavian	AskTOH Summer	Death in Paradise (cc)		Shakespeare and Hathaway -- Private		A Very British Romance with		East-Enders	East-Enders							
4	WCCO	News	Wheel of Fortune	Young Sheldon	United States	Love Island (N) (cc)		Bull (cc)		News	The Late Show With Stephen Colbert (cc)		James Corden							
5	KSTP	News	News	Jimmy Kimmel	NBA	2021 NBA Finals Game 1: Teams TBA. (N) (Live)					5 Eyewitness News (cc)	Jimmy Kimmel Live! (cc)								
9	KMSP	FOX 9 at 6p (N)		FOX 9 at 6:30p (N)		Beat Shazam (N) (cc)		LEGO Masters "Hats Incredible!"		FOX 9 at 9p (N)		FOX 9's 10 at 10 (N)	TMZ (N) (cc)	Access Hollywood	Dish Nation (N)					
11	KARE	KARE 11 News at 6		Breaking The News		Making It The makers convert a closet. (N)		Good Girls "You" (N) (cc)		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit		News		The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon		Seth Meyers				
23	WUCW	Family Feud (cc)		Family Feud (cc)		Funniest Animals		Funniest Animals		90210MG! The Cast Tells All (N) (cc)		Family Feud (cc)		Two and a Half Men		Two and a Half Men	Extra (N) (cc)	Daily-MailTV (N)	Daily-MailTV (N)	
29	WFTC	Big Bang		Big Bang		News		News		Mod Fam		Mod Fam		Big Bang		Creek		TMZ (N)	Dish Nat.	Dateline (cc)
31	KPXM	Chicago P.D.			Chicago P.D.			Chicago P.D. (cc)			Chicago P.D. (cc)			Chicago P.D. (cc)			Chicago P.D. (cc)			

FRIDAY PRIME TIME													JULY 9, 2021	
	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30		
BROADCAST STATIONS														
2	KTCA	PBS NewsHour (N) (cc)		Almanac (cc)		Antiques Roadshow "Ca' d'Zan Hour 2"		Great Performances Exploring Brazil and its music. (N) (cc)			Chaka Khan Homecoming (cc)		Beyond	
4	WCCO	News	Wheel of Fortune	Secret Celebrity Renovation (N) (cc)		Love Island (N) (cc)		Blue Bloods "The End" (cc)		News	The Late Show With Stephen Colbert (cc)		James Corden	
5	KSTP	News	News	Shark Tank (cc)		20/20 (cc)					5 Eyewitness News (cc)	Jimmy Kimmel Live! (cc)		Nightline (N) (cc)
9	KMSP	FOX 9 at 6p (N)	FOX 9 at 6:30p (N)	WWE Friday Night SmackDown (N) (Live)			FOX 9 at 9p (N)	Enough Said (N)	Sports Now	TMZ (N) (cc)	Access Hollywood	Dish Nation (N)		
11	KARE	KARE 11 News at 6	Breaking The News	2021 Stanley Cup Final Tampa Bay Lightning at Montreal Canadiens. Game 6. (If necessary, (N) (Live) (cc)					News	The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon			Seth Meyers	
23	WUCW	Family Feud (cc)	Family Feud (cc)	Gossip Girl (Series Premiere) (N) (cc)			To Be Announced	Family Feud (cc)	Two and a Half Men	Two and a Half Men	Extra (N) (cc)	Daily-MailTV (N)	Daily-MailTV (N)	
29	WFTC	Big Bang	Big Bang	News	Enough	Mod Fam	Mod Fam	Big Bang	Creek	TMZ (N)	Dish Nat.	Law Order: CI		
41	KPXM	Hawaii Five-0 (cc)		Hawaii Five-0 (cc)		Hawaii Five-0 (cc)		Hawaii Five-0 (cc)			Hawaii Five-0 (cc)		Hawaii Five-0 (cc)	

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## PUBLIC NOTICES

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property made by A. Berg, seconded by H. Sprandel. Resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

Motion to approve the 2021-2022 Primary Food Vendor be awarded to Indianhead Foodservice Distributor as the lowest responsible bidder made by G. Hawkins, seconded by L. Wedlund.

Motion to implement a two-tier transportation model beginning at the start of the 2021-22 school year made by A. Berg, seconded by N. Johnson. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to approve Policy 422 - Policies Incorporated by Reference-Employee as presented made by L. Wedlund, seconded by N. Johnson. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to approve Policy 523 - Policies Incorporated by Reference-Student as presented made by N. Johnson, seconded by G. Hawkins. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to approve Policy 531 - The Pledge of Allegiance as presented made by A. Berg, seconded by H. Sprandel. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to approve Policy 905 - Advertising as presented made by A. Berg, seconded by N. Johnson. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to approve Policy 907 - Rewards as presented made by L. Wedlund, seconded by A. Berg. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by H. Sprandel, seconded by N. Johnson to adjourn at 7:50 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

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## ISANTI COUNTY COURT REPORT

**The following felony charges were filed in Isanti County Court on June 21 - 25. All individuals are presumed innocent until proven guilty.**

**Steven Douglas Nelson** (DOB 04/15/1980) of Rush City, was charged June 21 with one count receiving stolen property, and one count burglary - 3rd deg - steal/commit felony or gross misd.

**Thomas William Tolve** (DOB 12/06/1980) of Stacy, was charged June 22 with one count assault - 2nd degree - dangerous weapon; one count threats of violence; and one count domestic assault.

**Jeffrey Allen Whitworth** (DOB 10/26/1999) of Bastrop, Texas, was charged June 22 with theft - take/drive motor vehicle - no owner consent.

**Tanner James Porter** (DOB 03/16/2000) of Isanti, was charged June 23 with two counts of domestic assault.

**Rita Catherine Bergmann** (DOB 02/24/1984) of Circle Pines, was charged June 24 with fleeing a peace officer in a motor vehicle.

**Alex William Palmer** (DOB 01/03/1998) of Stacy, was charged June 24 with fleeing a peace officer in a motor vehicle.

**Gregory Joseph Solheim** (DOB 03/03/1986) of Isanti, was charged June 24 with three counts of financial transaction card fraud - use - no consent.

## CHISAGO COUNTY COURT REPORT

**The following felony charges were filed in Chisago County Court on June 21 - 25. All individuals are presumed innocent until proven guilty.**

**Anthony James Hanson-Wall** (DOB 07/05/2001) of Frederic, Wisconsin, was charged June 21 with one count fleeing a peace officer in a motor vehicle, and one count receiving stolen property.

**James Lee Rejsa** (DOB 12/18/1976) of North Branch, was charged June 21 with assault - 2nd degree - dangerous weapon.

**Noah Christian Xzavier Martinez** (DOB 12/18/2002) of North Branch, was charged June 21 with domestic assault - by strangulation.

**Alexander Edward Hannibal** (DOB 09/19/1986) of Stacy, was charged June 22 with drugs - 5th degree - possess schedule 1,2,3,4 - not small amount marijuana.

**Kyle Joseph Hockert** (DOB 10/08/1998) of Ham Lake, was charged June 22 with forgery - use false writing - identification/recommended.

**Jonathon Robert Beckman** (DOB 08/16/1985) of Rush City, was charged June 23 with one count criminal sex conduct - 1st degree - penetration - victim 13-15 - position of authority; and one count criminal sex conduct - 2nd degree - victim 13-15 - position authority.

**Andrew Lee Davis** (DOB 08/03/1992) of Shoreview, was charged June 24 with criminal sex conduct - 3rd degree - force or coercion.

**Taylor Shawn Shill** (DOB 02/08/1991) of Blaine, was charged June 25 with fleeing a peace officer in a motor vehicle.

## State courts lift face covering mandates

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Judges, employees, and courthouse visitors will still be allowed to wear face coverings in court facilities if they choose to do so, although judges may direct people to remove face coverings as necessary to conduct court hearings.

There will continue to be limitations on the types of in-person activities that take place at court facilities through Sept. 6, 2021.

Also effective July 6, 2021, the Judicial Branch will suspend requirements in its COVID-19 Preparedness Plan and Jury Management Resource Team recommendations for jury trials during COVID-19.

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