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## Mora celebrates longest days of summer

The Dala Heritage Society welcomed the community in celebrating their traditional Swedish midsummer celebration on Friday, June 17. The maypole was decorated with flowers and leaves before being erected in Mora's Library Park for dancing and folk songs led by the Svenskarnasdag Girls' Choir.

## ECE's fiber-to-home broadband initiative advances

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For many in outstate Minnesota, especially those not in larger cities, receiving high-speed internet access has been coming along slower than the dial-up speeds they are relegated to using. For them, a glimmer of hope can be found in the form of East Central Energy's renewed broadband initiative. According to ECE President/CEO Justin Jahnz, however, even its best efforts are progressing at slower-than-hoped-for speeds.

ECE's Board of Directors, back in November 2021, approved moving forward with developing a plan for a full-fiber-to-the-home project. According to a press release announcing the plan, ECE stated that the cost of such a project could be as much as \$300 million. Because of that, ECE Vice President Ty Hougum stated that the only way ECE could make it work would be through appropriate outside funding.

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## Ogilvie man killed in crash

BY HOPE MURRAY  
KANABEC COUNTY TIMES

A 37-year-old Ogilvie man was killed Friday, June 17, in a single-vehicle crash on Fish Lake Drive south of Bachelor Road.

According to a news release from Kanabec County Sheriff Brian Smith, Brandon Wesley Houtsma was driving north in a pickup truck, when he left the roadway on the west side of the road at a high rate of speed. The pickup struck a tree, breaking it and then struck another tree, bringing the pickup to a stop. The vehicle was heavily damaged.

Kanabec County deputies responded to the accident at 11:41 a.m. and found Houtsma

behind the wheel. The deputies removed Houtsma from the pickup to start first aid and were soon assisted by medics from Welia Ambulance, who were unable to get a pulse.

The Minnesota State Patrol and the Ramsey County Medical Examiner are assisting Kanabec County deputies in the crash investigation. Alcohol and speed are suspected to be contributing factors in this crash.

Houtsma was a sixth-grade math teacher at Cambridge-Isanti Middle School. He is survived by his wife Kailyn and three children.

"Our thoughts and prayers go out to the Houtsma Family," Sheriff Smith said in the news release.

## Scout project brings new playground equipment to park

BY ZETHAN SCHULTZ  
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Saturday, June 12, a group of volunteers led by Life Scout Zethan Schultz grabbed their shovels, drills and buckets to contribute to the Lion's Park. In the course of five hours of work they added to the current playground structure building a new Ga-Ga ball pit for community use. The Ga-Ga ball pit is a 3 foot tall 20 foot by 20 foot octagon of wood used to play

the popular Mediterranean game of Ga-Ga ball.

Ga-ga ball is a game similar to dodgeball. Players hold one hand to any wall and throw a ball into the center of the pit. After the ball bounces three times the ball is in play. The goal of the game is to hit the ball at or below the knees of other children in order to eliminate them from the game. Play continues until only one

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Pictured left to right: Anne LeRoy, Abijah Schultz, Rider Raigan, Zethan Schultz, Joah Schultz, Mason Schultz, Torsten Stenberg, Marvin Kunkel, Tate Herzog, Jermey Kunkel, Adam Kunkel. Not Pictured: Alex Warner, Amy Schultz, Dakota Sand, Derek Kohlgraf, Glen Gingrich, Joe Kohlgraf, John Pelowski, Nathan Nelson, Mason Nelson, Matthew Schultz, Tirzah Schultz, Tony Miller and Paul Kunkel.



**KANABEC COUNTY COURT REPORT**

The following charges were filed in Kanabec County Court on June 13-20, 2022. All individuals are presumed innocent until proven guilty.

**Dominick Mains** (12/18/1971) of Ogilvie was charged June 13 with one gross misdemeanor count of harassment.

**Jacob Eugene Musta** (04/11/1991) of Mora was charged June 14 with one felony count of possession of ammo/any firearm, one felony count of receiving stolen property and one felony count of drug possession in the fifth degree.

**Nicholas Michael Dye** (04/24/1992) of Albert Lea was charged June 14 with one misdemeanor count of assault in the fifth degree.

**Clancy Carl McGuire** (04/04/1981) of Fridley was charged June 14 with one misdemeanor count of assault in the fifth degree.

**Tiombe Tene Rollen** (09/19/1971) of Ogilvie was charged June 14 with one misdemeanor count of violating a domestic abuse no contact order.

**Justin Lee Niesen** (08/27/1986) of Mora was charged June 15 with one felony count of burglary in the first degree, one felony count of burglary in the second degree and one gross misdemeanor count of giving a peace officer a false name.

**Tricia Lynn Wachsmuth** (08/19/1984) of Mora was charged June 16 with one misdemeanor count

of damage to property in the fourth degree.

**Kelsie Ann Peterson** (10/30/1986) of Foley was charged June 17 with one gross misdemeanor count of drug possession in the fifth degree.

**Auston Lee Ruse** (05/20/1986) of Cambridge was charged June 20 with one felony count of drug possession in the third degree, one felony count of burglary in the third degree and one gross misdemeanor count of receiving stolen property.

**Jamie Lynn Geffre** (09/25/1981) of Brainerd was charged June 20 with one felony count of theft.

**Antonio Gonzalez Guzman** (07/23/1992) of Prior Lake was charged June 20 with one gross misdemeanor count of drug possession in the fifth degree.

**Savannah Jozett Milligan** (01/26/1989) of Larimore, North Dakota was charged June 20 with one gross misdemeanor count of driving while impaired in the third degree-under the influence of controlled substance and one gross misdemeanor count of driving while impaired in the third degree-body contains any amount schedule I/II drugs-not marijuana.

**Katrina Marie Peogel** (01/25/1996) of Grasston was charged June 20 with one gross misdemeanor count of drug possession in the fifth degree.

**Be alert for wrong way drivers**

**Q**uestion: It seems there are far too many wrong way drivers. On four-lane and two lane roadways, what should drivers do if they encounter a wrong-way driver?

**Answer:** Great question as this is a very dangerous situation. I was speaking with a Trooper who was part of a crash investigation involving a wrong way driver on I-90 in Olmsted County in 2019. The Trooper said it was one of the worst crashes he had seen in his 24-year career.



**Ask A Trooper**  
Jesse Grabow

A vehicle traveling east in the westbound lane

struck a vehicle traveling east in the eastbound lane at highway speeds. This direct head-on crash involved two passenger cars with three occupants in each vehicle. All six people were killed in the crash. The wrong way driver was impaired on a controlled substance. In 2021 State Patrol received 1,451 reports of wrong way drivers, so far this year we have had 676.

If a wrong way driver is approaching you on a two-lane roadway reduce speed and move as far to the right as possible, even if there is no shoulder.

Traveling on a multiple lane roadway, travel in the center lane so you can move to the right or left to avoid a wrong way driver heading in your direction. If you are traveling on a roadway with two lanes in the same direction then travel in

the right lane. Avoid slamming on your brakes if there is traffic behind you. Honk your horn and flash your lights to get the driver's attention.

Pull over on the shoulder as soon as possible after avoiding a wrong way driver and call 911 to report it. Give the dispatcher your location and a description of the vehicle.

You can avoid a ticket — and a crash — if you simply buckle up, drive at safe speeds, pay attention and always drive sober. Help us drive Minnesota toward Zero Deaths.

If you have any questions concerning traffic related laws or issues in Minnesota, send your questions to Trp. Jesse Grabow – Minnesota State Patrol at 1000 Highway 10 West, Detroit Lakes, MN 56501-2205. (You can follow him on Twitter @MSPPIO\_NW or reach him at, jesse.grabow@state.mn.us).

**Wet spring and rising temps lead to potential for harmful algae and need to reduce pollution**

**MN POLLUTION CONTROL AGENCY**  
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Nutrients in run-off from spring rainstorms combined with persistent hot weather on the way can mean trouble for lakes across Minnesota, triggering algal blooms that can be harmful to people and pets. Recent reports of blooms already spotted across the state have led to swimming advisories. With temperatures just now hitting the 90s and above, the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency predicts that several more blooms could develop in time for the July 4 holiday weekend.

The MPCA advises people to stay out of lakes and streams if the water looks green and slimy, especially if it has a blue-green tint. The algae could contain toxic bacteria that can sicken people and kill dogs, livestock and other animals within hours of contact. Unfortunately, you can't tell by looking at a bloom if it is harmful or not.

"If in doubt, stay out," says Lee Engel, surface water monitoring supervisor for the MPCA. "Excess nutrients such as phosphorus and warm water temps are ideal for growing algae and causing nuisance blooms. Holiday weekends typically see more people out on Minnesota lakes to boat, fish and swim, and due to this year's conditions, we need everyone to remain vigilant in looking for potentially harmful algae."

Higher temperatures



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**Harmful algae shown growing on Wall Lake in 2021. Beware of water that is discolored or streaky; looks like spilled paint or pea soup; has floating scum, globs or mats; or has small green dots floating in it. Do not swim in areas where you cannot see your feet in knee-deep water.**

due to climate change have led to warmer lakes, too. The MPCA has documented increased reports of potentially harmful algal blooms in more places that persist throughout the season.

**POTENTIAL HEALTH IMPACTS**

In recent years, multiple reports of dog deaths have been attributed to exposure to toxic algae. People can protect their dogs by:

- Keeping them out of algae-laden water
- Hosing them off immediately after playing in any lake or stream
- Preventing them from ingesting affected water or licking toxins from their coat
- Seeing a veterinarian immediately if your

dog may have been exposed to blue-green algae

People who come into contact with toxic blue-green algae can experience skin, throat, eye, and nose irritation and nausea. If you come in contact with algae, rinse off with clean water afterward.

**TIPS TO ADDRESS THE MAIN CAUSE OF ALGAE**

Phosphorus, the top pollutant of concern in Minnesota lakes, fuels the growth of algae. In 25 percent of Minnesota lakes, levels of phosphorus and algae are too high, and the lakes don't meet water quality standards for recreation. Generally, lakes in southern and western Minnesota contain more phosphorus and chloro-

phyll-a (algae) than those in the north and east.

In the northern half of the state, preventing phosphorus pollution from occurring is even more important with warmer lake temperatures, which mean more days of open water and more opportunity for algae to grow.

Landowners and residents can help reduce phosphorus pollution in local lakes by:

- Reducing urban stormwater with rain gardens, rain barrels, and fewer impervious surfaces.
- Using phosphorus-free lawn fertilizer, keeping grass clippings and other yard waste out of storm drains, and picking up after pets.
- Building soil health to reduce cropland runoff by planting cover crops, increasing organic matter, and reducing tillage.
- Planting deep-rooted native plants along ditches, lakes, and streams to slow down and filter runoff.
- Managing manure responsibly to keep it out of lakes and streams.
- Maintaining a healthy septic system.

Email photos of suspected harmful algal blooms to [algae.mPCA@state.mn.us](mailto:algae.mPCA@state.mn.us).

**FIRE CALLS**

**Friday, May 6:** At approximately 1:08 p.m. the Mora Area Fire Department was called to Hillman Township to extinguish a grass fire that had spread into the woods. The DNR was also on the scene.

**Friday, May 6:** At approximately 2:15 a.m. the Mora Area Fire Department was called to Peace Township where the smell of rotten eggs pervaded the home. The home was checked but no gas leak was found. The MAFD turned off the propane tank per the homeowners request.

**Saturday, May 7:** At approximately 3:00 p.m. the Mora Area Fire Department was called to Knife Lake Township where embers from a campfire the previous night had been blown onto a brush pile. The pile had caught on fire and the MAFD extinguished the blaze.

**Sunday, May 8:** At approximately 5:48 a.m. the Mora Area Fire Department was called to downtown Mora where a gas odor was noticed near Johnson Hardware. Upon arrival, no smell of gas was found. An odor like a bonfire was noted. On return to the fire hall the MAFD observed a group socializing with a bonfire in the front yard which may have been the smell originally reported.

**Saturday, May 14:** At approximately 7:08 a.m. the Mora Area Fire Department was called to the AmericInn where the fire alarm was sounding. The building was checked and no smoke, fire or heat were found. The building was evacuated during the alarm.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

### JUNE 23

#### Friends of the Mora Library

Meeting at 10:30 a.m. in the lower level of the library to discuss how to best support the library and grow literacy in the community.

#### Music in the Park

Bring your lawn chairs to enjoy the pop/folk music of Nicole Anderson at 6:30 p.m. in Library Park, 210 Maple Ave., Mora. Sponsored by Crisis Text Line/Northern MN Suicide Prevention.

### JUNE 24

#### For the Love of Loons Storytime

Come celebrate Minnesota's State Bird, the common loon, in this interactive storytime with two Minnesota children's authors at 10 a.m. at the Mora Public Library. Two picture books about loons will be featured: Little Loon Finds His Voice, by Yvonne Pearson and Regina Shklovsky; and Secrets of the Loon, by Laura Purdie Salas and Chuck Dayton. We'll learn loon language and practice loon calls; walk, dive and fly like loons; sing an active song; learn a bit about the threats to loons and a bit about the differences between loons and ducks. Kids will have a chance to ask questions and they will go home with a loon coloring sheet and a new sense of wonder about these amazing waterbirds.

### JUNE 25

#### All About Bears

Learn about bears during a special presentation from 10:30 a.m. to 12 p.m., at the Mora Public Library. Presenting will be Donna Andrews, executive director of the Bear Interest Group in Duluth. We will learn about the Minnesota black bear including the animal's behavior and language and how we can safely co-exist with them. This discussion is open to all ages, and questions are welcome. No registration required.

### JUNE 26

#### Hank Williams Revisited Benefit Concert

At 3 p.m. the Braham Event Center will host a benefit concert starring Tim Hadler and Larry Rose and the Band. All proceeds will benefit the GUMI Camp USA, a healing retreat for veterans. Concessions for purchase, as

well as a silent auction and love offering.

To purchase tickets go to brahamcenter.org to the Upcoming Events tab.

### JUNE 27

#### Monday Night Concert

Ivory North Farm will host a concert from 7-9 p.m. at 2065 Olympic St., Mora. Tickets are free but reservations are required. Call Jim at 805-807-8336.

#### Kanabec County Republicans

KCR invites those interested to come to this month's meeting at 6:30 p.m. at Freddie's Pine Room. Meet and greet candidates, hear speakers and help plan for the parades and Kanabec County Fair.

### JUNE 28

#### Pajama Storytime

Put on your pajamas and join Mac at the Mora Library for an evening pajama storytime. Scheduled from 6-6:45 p.m. the program will open with storytime plus some play and socialization before moving on to books and activities. Siblings (and stuffed animals) welcome.

This program is recommended for children of preschool age. No registration necessary.

#### Veterans Coffee Talk

Meet from 10-11 a.m. in the basement meeting rooms at Kanabec County Courthouse, 18 North Vine Street, Mora.

#### Science Explorers' Extreme Chemistry...Mystery Challenges

Sponsored by Mora Community Ed. from 9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. for children in grades 2-6 (Fall 2022)

Are you ready to get messy with some extreme chemistry experiments? Then step into the science lab to solve our mystery challenges. You will need to investigate polymers, chemical indicators and more to help solve the mysteries. Our classes are hands-on...so be sure to dress for a mess. For more information and to register go to the community ed page at moraschools.org.

### JUNE 30

#### Music in the Park

Bring your lawn chairs to enjoy the blues/pop music of Michael Shynes at 6:30 p.m. in Library

Park, 210 Maple Ave., Mora. Sponsored by Recovering Hope Treatment Center.

### JULY 1

#### Mora Library Geocache No. 2

Join the Geocache Treasure Hunt. The Mora Library has hidden three geocaches around Mora's parks and trails. Use your wits and map-reading skills to locate them and decipher the secret message. Bring the message back to the library before the end of the month for a special prize.

Pick up your geocaching instructions at the Mora Library circulation desk.

All ages welcome. No registration necessary.

### JULY 7

#### Kanabec Quilters

Kanabec Quilters will meet at 10:00 a.m. at the Ogilvie Civic Center.

### JULY 9

#### Kanabec County Art Association 60th Anniversary

Kanabec County Art Association will celebrate its 60th anniversary of supporting artists and the arts in our area. The celebration includes a gallery of artists, past and present, along with a gift shop in the lower level from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Mora Library; Chalk Art for all ages from 10 a.m. to noon in Library Park; and Art Demos from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the park shelter.

### JULY 12

#### Stuffed Animal Sleepover

Send your stuffed animal to Camp Read S'More for an overnight camping trip. Come and hear a bedtime story before leaving your fuzzy, little friend for a sleepover complete with s'mores, activities and more. Then pick them up the next morning to hear all about the fun they had complete with photos of their adventures. To ensure we have enough room for everybody's stuffed animals to spend the night, we ask that everyone bring only one to stay.

Recommended for children ages 2 and up. Registration is required. To register go to erclib.com events calendar.

## RECURRING

### MONDAYS AND WEDNESDAYS

#### SAIL-Free senior fitness class

SAIL (Stay Active and Independent for Life) is a strength, balance and fitness program offered from 1-2 p.m. at the Braham Event Center. For more information or to register contact Dr. Alisa Tomette at 651-243-4679 or on the events page at brahamcenter.org or in person at the Braham Event Center office. Class starts June 27 and goes until Sept. 21.

### MONDAYS

#### KCAA Open Studio

All artists are invited to join the Kanabec County Art Association for its weekly in person open studio at 11 a.m. at the Kanabec History Center. For more information, email Barb Orstad at art.kcaa@yahoo.com.

#### Narcotic Anonymous

7 p.m. at Mora United Methodist Church, 500 Clark St., Mora.

### TUESDAYS

#### TOPS Meets

TOPS will be meeting every Tuesday at 10:00 a.m. at Mora United Methodist Church. For information call Linda Skramstad at 679-4733.

### WEDNESDAYS

#### Santosh Recovery

Addiction recovery meetings using yogic methods at 10 a.m. at the History Center, 805 Forest Ave. W., Mora. For more information call Deb at 320-980-3880 or see website santosharecovery.org.

#### Bike Ride

Join Mora Ski Club Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. for a bike ride, meeting at the Mora Elementary School parking lot, weather permitting. Check the MSC Facebook page for updates and more information.

### THURSDAYS

#### Celebrate Recovery

Meets at 6:30 p.m. for recovery from hurts, habits and hang-ups at True Vine Lutheran Church, 130 S. Park Street, Mora. For information call Stephanie at 612-358-6566.

### SATURDAYS

#### Mora Farmers Market

Mora Area Farmers Market goes from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. It is located at the United Methodist Church parking lot with parking in the Zion Lutheran Church lot next door.

## SENIOR DINING MENU

**Location:** Dala Apts. 470 Bean Ave., Mora  
**Phone:** 320-679-4029 between 9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m.  
**Lunch is served** from 11:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.

**Monday, June 27:** Hamburger rice hotdish, peas, fruit salad, bread, dessert.

**Tuesday, June 28:** Bacon wrapped chicken, scalloped potatoes, green beans, bread, dessert.

**Wednesday, June 29:** Breaded shrimp, rice, mixed vegetables, fruit, dessert.

**Thursday, June 30:** Swedish meatballs, whipped potatoes w/ gravy, vegetable Normandy, bread, dessert.

**Friday, July 1:** Cook's choice.

## CLASS REUNIONS

**Mora High School Class of 1970**-Saturday, Sept. 24, 2022. Freddie's in Mora. Cost: \$20 person 4:00 social hour, 6:00 dinner

RSVP with check by Sept. 1 to: Richard Fuchs, 2028 180th Ave, Mora, MN 55051. Include your email and phone number. Spouses/partners and teachers welcome.

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## ... And now for something (not-quite) completely different

After a little over nine years, I have decided to leave my position as editor of the *Kanabec County Times* as I pursue a new career as the Community Development Director for the City of Mora.

As a fan of Monty Python's Flying Circus might say, "and now for something completely different."

But I've been thinking ... the careers are really not that different. In many ways, they are the same if centered around a passion to serve.

In the newspaper business, we talk of being there for our readers from birth until death.

We cover when new babies are welcomed home by their families and their accomplishments in school through graduation. We chronicle all the growth, struggles, celebrations and tragedies through adulthood. We are there till the end when we publish the obituaries.

A city is also with its residents from birth until death through the infrastructure and services it provides.



Editor

Kirsten Faurie

### HEALTHY COMMUNITY

A responsible city supports a healthy community—and I'm not talking about just physical health. A healthy community is comprised of many different dimensions including safety, infrastructure, services, spirituality, education, inclusion, recreation, artistic opportunity, stewardship of the land and economic opportunity.

All of these dimensions interact with each other, impacting each other in positive ways when they are strong, or negatively when they are weak.

Our community is made of people and events all connected in this beautiful web that is twisted, pulled and rebuilt many times over. I've loved working with the *Times* and being able to observe and be a part of that.

Now it is time for me to be a part of it in a different way: as an employee of the city trying to support that healthy community.

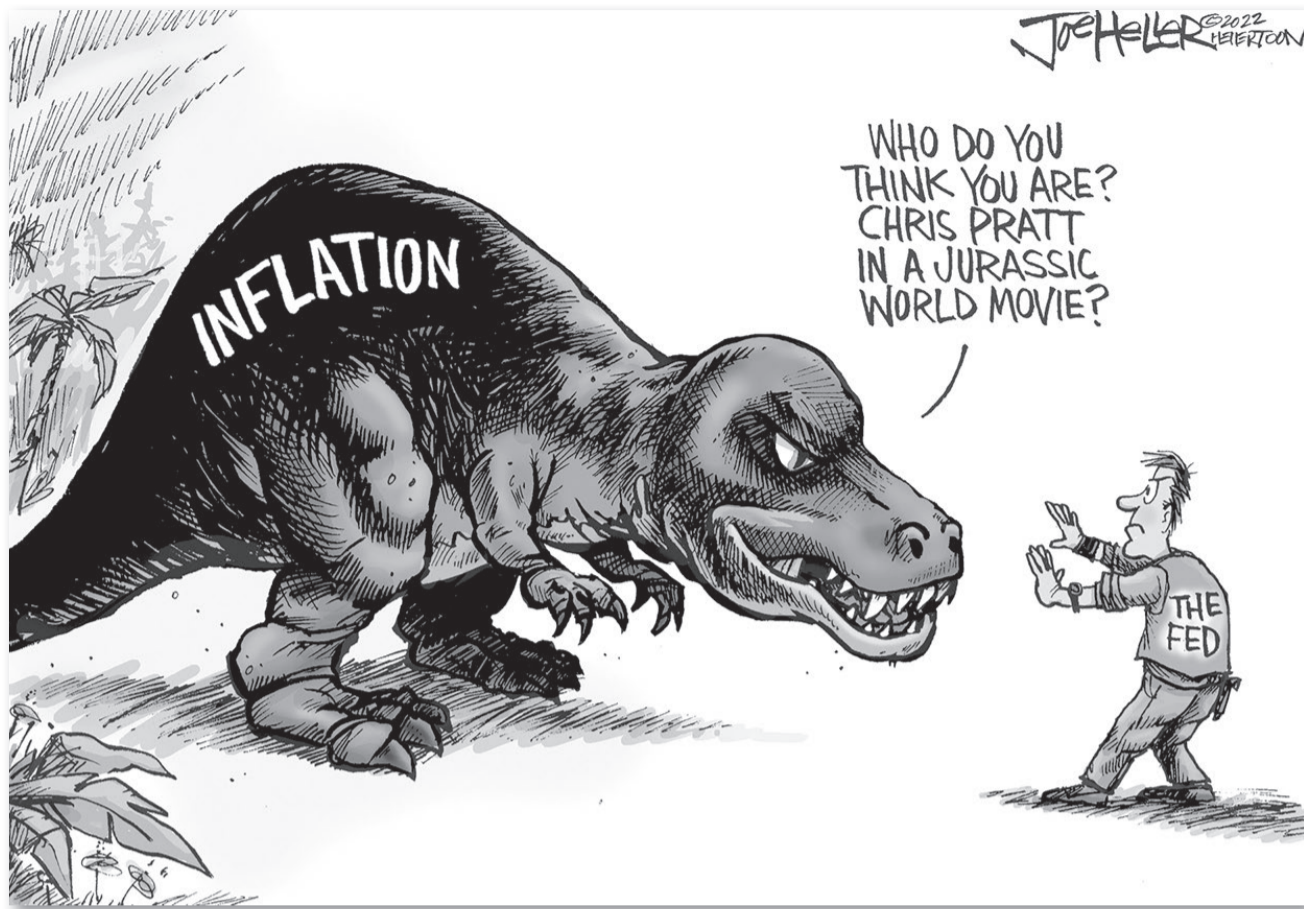
The details of supporting a healthy community might look like increasing the number of available child care slots, increasing the availability of certain types of housing, or opening the door to businesses—particularly by supporting locals interested in entrepreneurship.

I look forward to working with the city and seeing where a goal of "community development" takes us.

I've put so much of myself into this publication that it's hard not to feel a sense of sadness in leaving it and my many wonderful co-workers. At the same time, I'm very thankful to the city for the opportunity of a new career and I'm excited to see what we can accomplish together.

The July 7 issue of the *Times* will be my last before the reins are handed to my successor (more on that to come).

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### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### Tired of "Political Blame Games"

To the editor,

Today most, if not all, of the states in this country are paying for services "not received." The tax paying citizens are paying people above average yearly wages for less than half a year's work. We are also paying them a "per-diem" that is usually equal to their wages and often much more when you add in all the extras like travel expenses, etc.

What are these people hired to do? They are hired to represent the citizens of the state and conduct its business to the benefit of all. Not just the Reps. or the Dems. -- but all Minnesotans.

What do we get? Employees that spend most of their time promot-

ing themselves and bad-mouthing anyone who disagrees with them and traveling about like vacationers on a free air pass.

We do not get service for the citizenry. We in Minnesota have a multi-billion dollar budget surplus that these employees can not even agree on how to use.

Next year, because of inflation, that money will be worth millions of dollars less. Will they make that up to us? (Fat Chance -- they will ask for a raise.) But, don't worry, they will all be back next January to pick up where they left off --- at a stale-mate.

These people do not get hired by an HR director because of their qualifications, degrees or experience -- they are elected by the people because of their popularity. (Money and advertising buy popu-

larity, not qualifications.)

Regardless of the party, when will the people of Minnesota start to demand performance and results from these free-loading, non-productive political parasites instead of just "Political Blame Games?"

The citizens of Minnesota will continue to be over taxed and under represented until they demand results from our elected representatives and not just "Blame the other party" dialog.

When will we stop paying them when they do not perform?

This applies, equally, to all political parties in this state.

Dave Barrows  
Mora

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- Letters to the editor must be 400 words or less.
- Each letter writer may have one letter

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- Special rules apply during election season.

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# R.R. Schmidt relates early area history

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I was born in Lac qui Parle County by Odessa on the Yellow Banks on April 5, 1881. My sister Emma, Mrs. Otto Krause, was born Sept. 9, 1874, in a covered wagon somewhere near Rochester, Minnesota.

I can remember when a buck Indian and his squaw would come to our home with fish to trade for home smoked bacon. While the men worked making a deal, the squaw would come to the house and hold me on her lap.

I walked three miles to school over the prairie — there were no roads. School was held for four months in the winter. I had to walk alone for two miles as no other children traveled my way. Sometimes we had school for two months in the summer — that was fun.

In 1899, my folks saw an ad in a weekly newspaper listing land for sale cheap at Aitkin. My father went to Aitkin to look at the land. On the train he met a Mr. Swartzbauer who was also planning to look at the land. They looked over the land the real estate agent had for sale but could find nothing they wanted. This was on July 2, 1899.

Mr. Swartzbauer had some advertising from a real estate man in Mora by the name of Rutherford, so my father and Swartzbauer started walking to Mora. They reached the east side of Mille Lacs on July 4. A big celebration was under way with boat racing, foot races, horse and buggy racing and much other entertainment. Those who wanted beer could get it out on a raft. Many went out to the raft by boat.

The two men remained there that night and the next morning they started walking on toward Mora. I think it took them four days to reach Mora.

Mr. Rutherford took them out about six miles into the country and showed them some land. My father bought some and arranged to have some hay put up.

## HAYING WAS HARD WORK

Haying was much different from what it is today. You took a scythe and walked up to a swamp with blue joint grass up to your ears and started swinging. By working all day you would have several tons down by night. When it got dry you would take a fork and put it in small piles. We called them hay cocks. Then we had two poles about 12 feet long and would push them under the hay cock. One man would stand in front of the cock and take a pole in each hand and another man would take the poles behind the cock. This way it was possible to carry the hay to higher ground where a round stack of one or two ton size was made.

When my father came home he told us in detail about his trip. I really was delighted to go to a timber country where there were deer, bear, wolves and where I could trap. As the season wore on, we gathered our crop of wheat and got things ready for the move to Mora.

We got some of our neighbors to help haul our things to Bellingham Nov. 3. There we hired a Great Northern railroad car and loaded it. We had six cows, two horses, some oats, a few pieces of farm machinery, household goods and a few other things.

I bunked with the cows and horses all the way. We left Bellingham the evening of Nov. 3, 1899, and arrived in Willmar the morning of Nov. 4, and reached St. Cloud that evening. Leaving St. Cloud the same evening, we reached Mora in the morning of Nov. 5.

When it was daylight I looked out — and what a sight! Where Hanenburg Implement, Land O'Lakes, Glen's Tire, Hospital and Zetterberg Mercantile are located there was a cattail swamp. There were hundreds of ducks swimming in it.

The rest of the family arrived about nine that morning on a passenger train. We unloaded our livestock and my father took the team and wagon and drove out about three miles northeast of town. There were a few farmers out there. He asked them if they would help us move out. Everybody came; we loaded everything on wagons, tied the cows behind the wagons and away we went. The place was about six miles out and is now known as the Ringler place in Whited Township. In some places the road was mud and water almost knee deep, but we made it through.



R.R. Schmidt

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## FAMILY HOME IS BUILT

When we were somewhat settled, my father got lumber to build a house on our land. We had to use a tote road that the logging company used to haul supplies from Mora to their camps on upper Snake River. We dug a hole in the ground for a basement and got wood blocks about 12 inches across. We set them on end and laid the sides on them for the house.

We had a neighbor, Mr. Stolle, who lived about half a mile away through the woods. He had done some carpenter work in Minneapolis. I helped Mr. Stolle build the house. It was 16 by 24 with 12 feet posts. When he was finished he charged us \$23 for his labor.

Dad and I went into the woods and cut logs — trees that logging companies had left. We used these to build a shelter for our livestock. We cut them 30 feet long for the sides and 20 feet for the ends. We rolled them up to about seven feet high and laid poles across. Next we went into the swamp and cut that tall grass which we hauled on top of the pole for the roof. Then we had a shelter for the animals.

We used water from the Snake River for the cattle — they walked to the river once a day to drink; for household use I had a stoneboat and two wooden barrels. Every other day I hauled water for a distance of 80 rods.

We used to keep a few sheep in Lac qui Parle County, and we brought some wool and wool fleeces with us. Mother would sit and spin. Sister would knit mittens stockings and sweaters. But we had to have some money. Our only cash crop was wood so Dad got me an ax and a buck saw. In the morning I would take care of the cattle, then take my ax and saw and head for the woods. Everyone in Mora used wood for fuel. There was no other fuel known in town. Wood was cut differently then. I would cut down a tree and mark it with a 16 inch ruler because every piece had to be 16 inches. We sold it by the stove cord, which is eight feet long, four feet high and 16 inches wide.

The winter of 1900 I would saw two stove cord a day and take care of the cattle and water for the house. Dad would load the two cord on the wagon or sled, go to town and sell it for \$1.80 five or six times a week.

## LAND IS CLEARED

In the spring we started to clear land. All the tools we had were a team of horses, a chain, a pry pole and an ax, but we got some land open for a good garden and a few potatoes. Then haying time would come. We would take our scythe, walk up to swamp grass up to our ears and start swinging. In the fall we dug potatoes with a six tined fork.

The winter of 1901 went a little better for us. We had a little cream to sell, and we had lots of stuff in the basement. We got our roads fixed up some and the best of all was that the price of wood rose 10 cents a cord.

## HUNTING AND FISHING

What a wonderful country was the township of Whited with wild game, big and small, a hunter's paradise. Louis and Otto Stolle and myself were the only young guys in the whole township and we three would hunt together for partridge, prairie chicken, ducks and deer.

One day we got a deer over in Sec. 10 and we hung it up in our tree, tied a license tag to his leg and then hunted for several more hours. When we got back to our deer, it was gone, and in its place a snowshoe rabbit was hanging there with the tag tied to its hind leg.

It did not make any difference to us as there were many more to get. I used to trap wolves, bobcats, mink and rats.

I also did a lot of fishing which was fun. Louis and I (Otto did not do much fishing) would spear suckers which would start running about the middle of April. We would spear a bunch and then smoke them.

Sturgeons would start running about the middle of May and we would smoke them, too. One evening when Louis and I went, the river was just alive with sturgeons, and we would go in and get one apiece, take them to shore and go back for more. We finally quit and went home leaving our fish on the river bank. That night it snowed about 10 inches. The next morning, Mr. Stolle came over with his team and sled and we went after the fish. We had 24 of them weighing from 40 to 70 pounds each.

Now when I set back and think and relive those days, I know what a wonderful country this was. And did the three of us have fun! We would walk into Comfort township, four or five miles and hang May baskets; or walk four miles to dance all night and then walk home in the morning. We would walk to Mora six miles for the Fourth of July with 30 to 35 cents between us where we would stay all day, have a wonderful time and then walk home in the evening.

That was about the way it went, but we all were happy and had fun. From 1901 on more people came in and opened up ground and began farming. More roads and schools were built.

It was fun to live in those days, and I still think it is fun to live now days.

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# Mora United Methodist Church welcomes new pastor

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The Mora United Methodist Church is pleased to welcome Pastor Dean Roush. His first service will be Sunday, July 3.

Pastor Dean has accepted his first call to ministry. Roush is a husband, father, grandfather, a sheep and beef farmer and a newly retired high school math and physics teacher. He has been a committed and active United Methodist member for most of his life, recently a very active member of the Taylor's Falls United Methodist Church.

Roush will bring his love and talent for music ministry and his guitar, so music

will remain a key component of the services.

Pastor Dean is excited about his ministry in Mora and eager to share his love of God with the community. He says, "God finds us all and sets us on our God journey when we least expect it: in the midst of your work, while on the golf course, driving tractor and in your times of need. Take time to listen, God speaks to us all."

The Mora United Methodist Church is at 500 Clark Street, Mora. 320-679-2713, moraogilvie.umcs@gmail.com. Services are at 10:30 a.m. every Sunday, and all are welcome.



**Pastor Dean and Rhonda Roush, Mora United Methodist Church.**

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320-396-2755  
Pastor Julie Beck  
Sunday: 9 a.m. Worship Service  
Live on Facebook; 9:30 a.m. Worship Service on KBEK 95.5 FM.

Office hours - Tues. - Fri. 9:00 a.m. to Noon.

### Calvary Lutheran Church (ELCA)

414 S. Wood St., Mora  
320-679-1706  
www.calvarymora.org  
Pastor Dean Oelfke  
Deacon Susan Williams  
Sunday: 9 a.m. Worship; Holy Communion celebrated on first and third Sundays of each month.

### Emmanuel Baptist Church

536 Union St. S., Mora  
320-679-2530  
Mike Rue, Senior Pastor  
David Everson, Associate Pastor  
Jeanine Kitterman, Children's Director  
Sunday: 9 a.m. Sunday School (all ages); 10:30 a.m. Worship Service.  
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### First Presbyterian Church, Mora

551 Wood St. South, 320-679-1969  
Dr. Gus Schill, Pastor, 828-329-9307  
schillg28@gmail.com  
9:00 a.m. Sunday School; 10:00 a.m. Worship Service.  
Wednesday 6:30 p.m. Adult class and kids chaos.  
Thursday 6:15 p.m. Women's Bible Study. Handicapped accessible.

### Fish Lake Chapel

Non-denominational  
1602 Jade St., Ogilvie  
Just off Fish Lake Road  
Pastor Dale Clifton,  
320-982-1017  
Services posted on: <https://www.facebook.com/fishlakechapel/>  
Sunday: 9 a.m. Sunday School; 10 a.m. Morning Worship Service.

### Friendship Church of the Nazarene

525 2nd St., Mora, 320-679-1125  
Micah Rogers, Pastor  
Sunday: 10 a.m. Worship Service. Sermon Message: Real Men Do. In case of inclement weather, the sermon will be on YouTube. The church is beginning a building renovation program — come and celebrate with us.

### Generation Church

300 E. Forest Ave., Mora  
Lead Pastor Randy Mitchell  
Associate Pastor Bob Herder  
Church: 320-679-1708  
www.generationchurchmora.com  
Wednesday: 7 p.m. Bible Study.  
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### Grace Lutheran Church (ELCA)

301 E. Forest Ave., Mora  
Senior Pastor: Gary Guptill  
320-679-1062  
Website: [www.gracechurchmora.com](http://www.gracechurchmora.com)  
Facebook: @moragrancelutheran  
Sunday Service (Memorial Day - Labor Day): 9 a.m. Sanctuary.

### Henriette Free Methodist Church

One mile North of Henriette on HWY 107.  
320-679-4875  
Pastor Jack Droste  
Sunday morning worship, 10:15 a.m.

### Hillman Baptist Church

2748 Jade Street, Mora  
320-679-1756  
David Melin, Interim Pastor  
www.hillmanbaptist.org  
Sunday: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School, 10:30 a.m. Worship Service.  
Piecemakers - 1st & 3rd Monday of each month, 1 p.m.  
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### Hope Lutheran Church

Grasston, 320-396-3925  
Dean Oelfke, Pastor  
hopelutheranbrasston.org  
11 a.m. Sunday Worship Service; Holy Communion first and third Sundays and festival days

### Immanuel Lutheran Church (ELCA)

Brunswick, 320-679-2015  
Pastor Sierra Westerman  
2088 Highway 70, Mora  
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### Lewis Lake Covenant Church

1030 Grand St., Ogilvie  
320-396-3293  
www.lewislake.org  
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### Maple Ridge Free Church

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### Mora United Methodist Church

500 Clark St., Mora, MN 55051  
320-679-2713  
Interim Pastor Guy Sederski  
pastorguy@comcast.net  
Sunday: 10:30 a.m. Worship. Handicapped Accessible.  
moraumc.org

### Ogilvie United Methodist Church

201 W. Bragg St., Box 267, Ogilvie, MN 56358  
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ogilvieumc@gmail.com  
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### Open Arms Church of God

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### St. Stephen's Lutheran Church

(Missouri Synod)  
400 SE 8th Street, Braham,  
320-396-3103  
Pastor Tim Renstrom  
www.ststephensbraham.org  
Sunday: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Bible Study; 10:30 a.m. Worship.

### Trio Community Church

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www.triochurch.com  
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130 Park St. S., Mora  
320-362-4823  
James L. Johnson, Interim Pastor  
805-807-8336  
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763-245-1226  
www.truevinelutheran.org  
Sunday: 9 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Bible Study; 10 a.m. Worship with Communion.  
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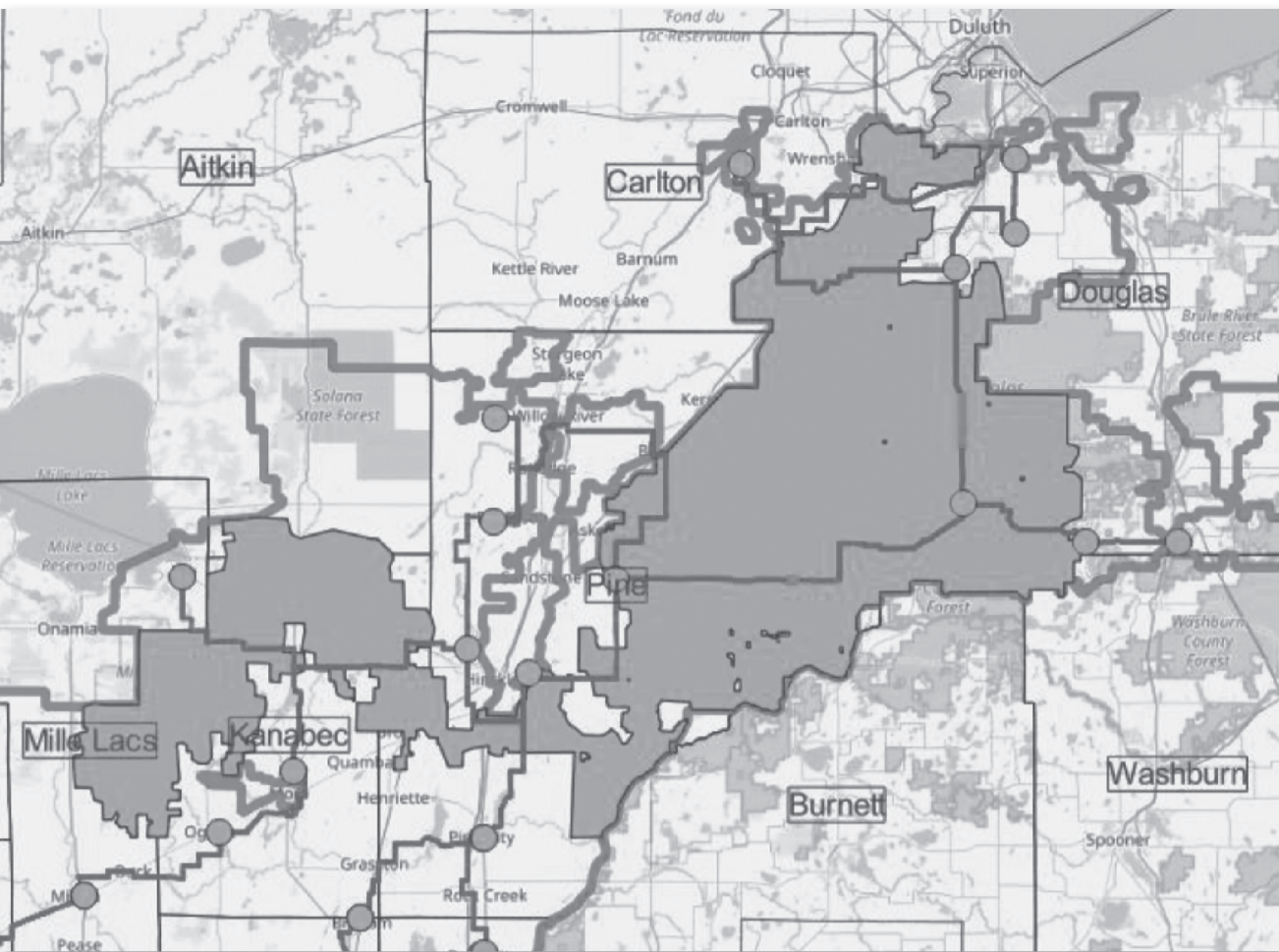
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# GA-GA: Eagle Scout builds pit at Lion's Park/ Kids' Kingdom

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winner remains and the game can begin once again.

The planning for this addition began last winter when Life Scout Zethan Schultz went before Troop 191, the Lions Club, the Gateway district and the City parks board for approval on this Eagle Scout Project. After five months and much work, the time and efforts of everyone involved has finally paid off. In total the project took almost 190 hours to complete from planning to completion.

The addition was such a hit that before the work crew had even finished construction the pit was in use by neighborhood kids. This addition to Kids Kingdom will provide enjoyment to the community for many years to come.

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# INTERNET: East Central Energy moves to bring fiber to rural residents

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Chamber of Commerce luncheon. Jahnz expounded on that position. "Fiber and internet, in general, is a crisis in our region," Jahnz said of residents within ECE's electricity service area, which includes around 65,000 members over 14 counties, including Isanti, Chisago, Kanabec, and Pine Counties. "If you look at a distribution map of internet service within the region, East Central Minnesota is probably the largest contiguous area that is underserved."

Jahnz said while ECE has looked at adding broadband service for a while now, the federal infrastructure bill that dedicated \$65 billion to high-speed internet greatly increased the feasibility of it getting accomplished.

"What we're doing right now is a campaign to raise awareness that ECE is a great candidate to provide fiber-to-home across our service territory," Jahnz said. "We are working with state and federal folks to talk about why that's important and why we can be the best option for that."

Jahnz said that in March, ECE applied for its first grant, which is for "a little bit of Wis-

consin, a little bit in Pine County, a little in Kanabec, stretching over to Mille Lacs and up to Aitkin." (see shaded area on map)

He said that one grant would be \$48 million in scope, with it equally being divided between the grant and a low-interest loan.

"That's a very desolate area up there," he said, "that does not have any internet to speak of."

He added that ECE is applying for a second grant in August that would cover other parts of Pine and Kanabec Counties.

### A RENAISSANCE MOMENT

Jahnz explained that providing internet service is completely different from providing electric service to areas. He said that in 1974, the Public Utilities Commission defined service territories for electricity. "(For example, this (Isanti) is Connexus service territory. We couldn't provide electricity here if we wanted to."

"Internet, fortunately or unfortunately, does not have that same thing," he continued. "So you can literally put fiber in on top of someone else's fiber. So it's kind of a little 'Wild, Wild West.'"

However, one controlling factor prevents a

potential chaotic scenario, and it also is what ECE hopes puts it over the edge for its territory.

"These are huge infrastructure investments that can be derailed by federal dollars," he said. "So there are requirements around grants — so if ECE got a grant for this area, Comcast couldn't get that same grant for this area."

But like everything else, a drawback to that exists as well. Recently, LTD Broadband was the recipient of one such grant, however, the Minnesota Telecom Alliance and Minnesota Rural Electric Association claim that LTD isn't following through on its promised service to parts of Pine County, thus bringing the process to a standstill. According to an article in the June 16 edition of the *Pine City Pioneer*, a petition has been submitted to the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission to revoke the eligible carrier designation of LTD, which would release its funding and allow others, such as ECE, to apply for funding for service to that area.

Besides that snafu, however, Jahnz is confident ECE will be able to obtain funding for a majority of its members' areas.

"To date, the area that we're talking about, no one wants to go," he concluded. "Even with funding, no one wants to go there. It's one thing to get the money to build it. It's another thing to have the wherewithal to maintain it, take care of it, repair it. We've been here 85 years, and I think we do a pretty good job of standing things back up when they fall down."

Finally, the sheer size of the territory ECE is eying is to its advantage, according to Jahnz. He pointed out how many companies are looking at smaller areas for providing services, such as cities.

"It's really nice to serve a city," he said. "It's really nice to service around a lake. It's not so great to go down a county road, where there's five houses per mile, and have to serve those. That's why those folks don't have internet now, because there's no money in it."

"Quite frankly, it's why electric cooperatives were formed in the 1930s because no one else could do it. So it's a kind of a renaissance moment for us to do something that no one else could do, and we can leverage our electric business to do it, but we're not going to put it in jeopardy."



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## Quamba Cubs hold Blue Devils to 2 runs in victory

BY NICK HOFFMAN  
KANABEC COUNTY TIMES

The Mora Blue Devils were the home team playing in Quamba on Friday, June 17, but the Cubs made sure they were the victors at their ballpark in front of a crowd of over 230 fans.

It was a beautiful evening for baseball in Quamba and the Cubs got things rolling in the first inning off Mora's ace, Derek Graves. An error contributed to Quamba's Justin Krie, reaching first base safely, followed by a Kevin McFerran single. Cole Steffen then ripped a two RBI double to left center. Caleb Koch then laced an RBI single, scoring Steffen and putting the Cubs up 3-0.

Mora answered with a leadoff triple for the Blue Devils in the bottom of the first inning. Graves scored on a hit by Michael Humphrey to make it 3-1 before Quamba's ace, Chase Oslin retired the heart of Mora's batting order, 1-2-3, to end the first inning.

Quamba added another run in the third when Caleb Koch hit a triple to right center scoring Steffen to put the Cubs up 4-1. Four Mora errors contributed to the Cubs batting around the order to add three more runs in the top of the fourth inning. Steffen's hot bat contributed another RBI single after a beautiful sacrifice bunt by Logan Sjoberg to advance runners to second and third base. Quamba had a 7-1 lead after four innings as Chase Oslin contributed by putting up goose eggs.

The Blue Devils handed Bryce Norby the ball in the top of fifth inning, but Jordan Nelson and Jagger Steiner led off with hits before Sjoberg hit both in for a two RBI double. Justin Krie followed it up with an RBI single to score Sjoberg. The Eastern Minny League veteran, Brandon Schmidt also got in on the action by hitting an opposite field single that hopped past the outfielder, scoring Krie to increase the lead to 11-1.

Mora picked up a run in the bottom of the fifth inning as Bryce Norby hit a single to score Nelson to make it 11-2. Jordan Nelson and Sjoberg would score on a Logan Peterson two RBI single in the sixth inning to make it 13-2. James Oslin pitched an inning of relief for Chase Oslin and retired three Mora batters on seven pitches to end the game in seven innings.

Chase Oslin collected the win as he pitched six innings, giving up two runs on four hits and striking out nine.



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**No. 33 Kevin McFerran rounds third base and scores for the Quamba Cubs on Friday, June 17, versus the Mora Blue Devils. Quamba won game one of two Eastern Minny North division games by a score of 13-2. Kevin McFerran went 2-4, with two RBIs and a run scored.**

Steffen led the Cubs offensively by collecting three of the 14 total hits. Steiner, Sjoberg, McFerran and Koch each added two hits. Schmidt, Jordan Nelson and Justin Krie each had a hit.

Despite the victory, Quamba remains in third place in the Eastern Minny North Division with a 4-2 record. Hinckley leads the division with a 5-2 record as Mora holds onto second place with a 4-1 record. Mora and Quamba will square off again in Quamba on Friday, July 22.

Up Next: Mora will travel to Isanti on Friday, June 24, and host Ramsey for a 3:00 p.m. start on Saturday, June 25. The Quamba Cubs host a tough Chisago Lakes team on Friday, June 24, and host Ramsey with a 6:00 p.m. start on Saturday, June 25.

## Klapmeier competes at State; girls golf finishes strong

BY NICK HOFFMAN  
KANABEC COUNTY TIMES

MORA GIRLS GOLF

The Mora girls golf team concluded their season in Biwabik for the Section 7AA Golf Tournament at The Quarry at Giants Ridge from Tuesday, May 31 - Thursday, June 2. The girls placed third behind Hermantown and Mesabi East, with Mesabi East advancing to state as a team.

Mora freshman Ellie Whitbred was close to making it to state, missing the cut by two strokes, finishing ninth overall.

"The girls had some incredible rounds," said Head Coach Joy Whitbred. "Senior Emma Anderson chose to finish off her senior golf season with a bang and shot her lowest round ever, a 97, and placed 14th overall. I'm so proud of that! Erin Radeke had the lowest nine of her career as well, coming in on the back nine with a score of 55!"

Junior Kate Anderson finished with a 112 and junior Lauren Berry had a fantastic front nine score of 55. Junior Sophie Peterson came in with another 121.

"I am so impressed with our girls and how we finished off the season," said Whitbred. "I'm especially thrilled with the seniors of Emma, Erin and Lauren. They have only been playing golf since last year and have improved so very much. It was a great season!"

The last Mustang golfers to make it to the boys state golf tournament were Mike Yocum and Matt Piescher in 2005 and Abe Dickinson in 2006.

This year, Mora junior Noah Klapmeier competed at the state tournament at Ridges at Sand Creek in Jordan. Klapmeier was paired with Hunter Berg of Proctor-Esko, and Ian Mikulich of Rock Ridge on day one, Tuesday, June 14. Klapmeier finished the day with an 85. Day two fared better for Noah as he shot an 80 for a combined score of 165. He earned 52nd place out of 85 golfers.

"Noah did really well overall," said Head Coach Sarah Ellstrom. "He had a tough front nine on the first day, but played a lot better on the second nine. He did very well the second day and shot an 80 for a total of 165. The weather was tough both days with heat, wind, rain and a two hour rain delay. I'm very proud of Noah!"

Noah said it was a great experience. "I was a little disappointed in my play, but that is just golf," said Klapmeier. "I hope to make it next year. But right now I am focused on the State Amateur."

## Ogilvie High School releases 4th quarter honor roll

### A HONOR ROLL

#### 7th Grade

Anderson, Adoline  
Anderson, Talen  
Baker, Ryley  
Baumann, Daniel  
Beier, Tucker  
Berg, Marris  
Carroll, Jackson  
Hagle, Ava  
Halvorson, Sophia  
Herges, Austin  
Jones, Mason  
Mclroy, Talon  
Peterson, Joline  
Sholtz, Ammelia  
Taylor, Julia  
VanderPlaats, Gabby

#### 8th Grade

Beier, Ruby  
Dahl, Maddalynn  
Forcelle, Mason  
Fradette, Lucas  
Hatfield, Landon  
Jones, Josey  
Pierce, Kadence

Sholtz, Matthew  
Smith, Brody  
Wallace, Allivbealyn  
Whalen, Reese

#### 9th Grade

Baker, Talon  
Belsheim, Allysen  
Burggraft, Elizabeth  
Cramsie, Braylynn  
Doffing, Kaylee  
Engel, Olivia  
Halbert, Savannah  
Halvorson, Ava  
Hanson, Landon  
Heald, Tanner  
Maciej, Kage  
Mclroy, Tatum  
Morey, Ethan  
Nelson, Olivia  
Nyquist, Caiden  
Rappl, Hunter  
Sanborn, Chloe  
Smith, Hailey  
Voss, Isaiah  
Wallace, Onnickajo

#### 10th Grade

Arnold, Amelia  
Hagle, Nathan  
Haines, Icelynn  
Heins, Grace  
Heins, Owen  
Herges, Cole  
Hudoba, Beau  
Keebler, Brooklyn  
Sundet, Kaitlynn  
Sundet, Olivia  
Sward, Ella

#### 11th Grade

Beier, Bryce  
Devito, Natalie  
Dockter, Annaliese  
Halvorson, Landen  
Heald, Bailey  
Nelson, Jerah  
Peterson, Alexa  
Tillman, Zachary

#### 12th Grade

Arnold, Kailey  
Beck, Katelynn  
Berg, Andrew  
Brasch, Jonathan  
Davis, Olivia

Fratzke, Ailee  
Heins, Ella  
Hudoba, Rhett  
Lashinski, Tate  
Piasecki, Mateusz  
Sanborn, Cecelia  
Schultz, Carissa  
Schumacher, Ryan  
Wallace, Alexander  
Ziegler, Keve

#### B HONOR ROLL

#### 7th Grade

Anderson, Rhett  
Erickson, Zachary  
Kelley, Addison  
Kelley, Dominic  
Morgan, Luke  
Rittenour, Jonas

#### 8th Grade

Bell, Molly  
Burggraft, Rebecca  
Felde, Kaden  
Kimble, Xander  
Lewellin, Trevor  
Maas, Leighton

Magaard, Carter  
Nehring, Brady  
Parsons, Bailey  
Small, Aiden  
Stromberg, James  
Tharp, Andrew

#### 9th Grade

Besser, Bethany  
Birkaker, Deegan  
Conderman, Wylie  
Hansmeier Reed, Ian  
Kastenbauer, Andrew  
Molin, Thomas  
Morgan, Cade  
Norvell, Amberly  
Parsons, Tristen  
Peterson, Hunter  
Robyn, Aleah  
Spears, Dominik

#### 10th Grade

Beck, Michael  
Bolling, Hayden  
Cho, Jaehoon  
Forcelle, Adam  
Haines, Irelynn  
Hansen, Izabella

Hoffman, Austin  
Hoffman, Gabriel  
Humphrey, Autumn  
Kenyon, Hunter  
Kenyon, Tucker  
Merrill, Justine  
Milbradt, Colby  
Nolan, Jorja  
Pike, Greyson  
Pohl, Katelyn  
Reed, Addison  
Rittenour, Spencer  
Smith, Bradley  
Smith, Dylan

#### 11th Grade

Baumann, Chad  
Bolling, Haileigh  
Bridgeman, Mya  
Crowell, Blake  
Dickson, Laney  
Gay, Erica  
Handy, Emily  
Hass, Mason  
Houtsma, Ethan  
Lambert, Aidan  
Peterson, Breyanna  
Plemel, Justin  
Roodell, Vaughn

Wilder, Emily

#### 12th Grade

Ambrose, Nathan  
Anderson, Madalynn  
Bridgeman, Austin  
Bullock, Brooke  
Carrick, Sydney  
Dutton, Jackson  
Felde, Caleb  
Hagen, Michaela  
Hanson, Chase  
Hill, Savannah  
Johnsen, Tommy  
Lang, Alyssa  
McDowell, Trey  
Milbradt, Brody  
Nelson, Bryce  
Nielsen, Lilian  
Peterson, Neveah  
Pike, Ella  
Ponto, Montgomery  
Rodenborg, Annie  
Turk, Cheyanne  
VanderVegt, Alex  
Vogel, LaTia

# 1897: Steam shovel a marvel of technology

## 125 YEARS AGO (1897)

The Mora tug-of-war team has been selected to compete with Brunswick July 3rd. The team is a good one and our country friends will have a hard tussle to hold the championship.

Some of our citizens should secure boats before the training school commences. The attractions of our lake will be the cause of a great demand for the water vehicle and we want the teachers to enjoy all of the pleasures.

The steam shovel, which is at work removing the covering of the gravel pit, reminds one of a human monster, during operation. A train of 30 or 40 cars can be easily loaded by this machine in one hour and a half. No gravel has yet been removed from the pit.



News from Yesteryear  
Matt Anderson

## 100 YEARS AGO (1922)

Leonard Adamson, who was arrested some time ago for selling intoxicating liquors to Robert Rogers and was released on bonds to appear before the grand jury at the next term when a jury was summoned, was arraigned before Judge J. N. Searles Wednesday after-



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**A SNAPSHOT IN TIME: 1946 - 1959: Exterior view from the parking lot of the Kanabec County Hospital. This photo and others are preserved through the efforts of the Kanabec History Center. Learn more about saving local history at [www.kanabechistory.org](http://www.kanabechistory.org).**

noon and entered a plea of guilty. He was sentenced to jail for 60 days or pay a fine of \$150. The old saying is that "it costs money to buy whiskey." It evidently costs something to sell it.

## 75 YEARS AGO (1947)

The Kanabec County Organized Reserve unit will be formally activated Tuesday, July 1, at 8:00 p.m. The ceremony is scheduled to take place at the fairgrounds in Mora if good weather prevails, otherwise it will be held at the Legion hall at Mora.

## 50 YEARS AGO (1972)

Sunday will mark another milestone in the history of Kanabec Hospital -- an open house will be held that day to show the public the newly completed addition and remodeled hospital building. The new addition has more than doubled the size of the hospital -- from 18,500 square feet to 43,000 square feet -- and was completed at a cost of \$1,349,541, which was paid out of revenue bonds thus saving the taxpayer of the county any additional taxes to pay for the facility.

Started in 1945 with just 22 beds,

Kanabec Hospital has been enlarged through the years to meet the growing demand for services. An addition was built in 1953 making the hospital a 33-bed institution. In May 1961, the hospital held an open house to give the public an opportunity to view its newly completed addition, 73x24 feet, which brought the hospital up to a 42-bed maximum capacity.

The present new addition, consisting of two new wings, brings the hospital up to a 64-bed institution.

## 25 YEARS AGO (1997)

It's no secret that Minnesota's dairy industry has been losing farmers, farms and cows since the 1960s. But after a prolonged battle, there are finally some positive signs on the horizon. For the first time in years, new dairy barns are being built. Cow numbers seem to be stabilized and the 1996 output per cow set a new record high at 15,786 pounds per cow.

**THE NEWS** From Yesteryear is compiled by Matt Anderson from the Times historical editions housed by the Kanabec History Center. The "News from Yesteryear" contains articles published in historic issues of the Times. The articles may contain language with ethnic and racial prejudices that were once common but are no longer acceptable in today's society. These articles are being presented as they were originally published.

## TALKING WITH THE EXPERTS

# Summer reading slows loss of learning in kids

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Summer learning loss is a concern for many parents and educators as students finish the school year and spend time away from the classroom.

Lack of access to reading materials and continued education are two factors that often contribute to this loss of learning, but families can take steps on their own to support reading development.

Lisa Von Drasek, curator of the Kerlan Collection of Children's Literature at the University of Minnesota, answers questions about how to keep kids reading this summer.

### Q: Why is it so important to make sure kids continue reading over the summer?

Teachers and librarians are concerned about what they call the "summer slide." This would be defined as losing reading and comprehension skills by not reading during the summer months. To slow this loss of learning, think outside the box and remember that reading is reading is reading. All reading improves comprehension, competency and fluency. Cookbooks count. Guinness Book of World Records count. Comics count.

### Q: What steps can families take to keep kids engaged with reading?

The most important piece of advice I would give to parents and caregivers is to facilitate self-selection no matter the age of the child. Take time to explore different book options together at the library. Allow kids to select three books to take home and give them permission to change their minds if they lose interest.

On a beautiful summer day, bring the books outside. Explore the outdoors and read aloud science picture books like "Plant a Pocket of Prairie" by Phyllis Root, a book about the prairie ecosystem and how kids can help restore the landscape. Or be a citizen scientist and read "The Girl Who Drew Butterflies" by Joyce Sidman, a biography about one of the first female entomologists.

If the weather turns cold and rainy, take advantage of the opportunity to stay inside and read together as a fami-

ly. Read aloud "They Call Me Güero" by David Bowles, a novel about a boy who navigates life growing up on the border through poetry. Another great option is Kate DiCamillo's new book, "The Beatryce Prophecy," a fantasy story in a magical medieval setting.

Look at the book list and suggestions from the National Ambassador for Young People's Literature, Bank Street College of Education's Best Books of the Year and the Cooperative Children's Book Center.

### Q: What resources are available to help kids access reading materials?

Do you know about Ebooks Minnesota? It's a free online ebook collection for all Minnesotans. The collection covers a wide variety of fiction and non-fiction subjects for readers of all ages. The titles are searchable by authors, series or topics. The collection development librarians have focused on providing high interest topics and formats from dinosaurs and science to comics.

Another great resource that can be downloaded for free is Writing Boxes: The Reading/Writing Connection in Libraries, which is full of literacy activities and includes writing prompts to inspire poems, maps and recipes. All you need to do is have paper and pencil, markers and cardstock ready to engage with the prompts.

Try to find a StoryWalk near you, a movement where counties or libraries deconstruct a story book and place each page of the story on a poster along an outdoor walking path in an effort to encourage both reading and movement. If there aren't any near you, consider making your own.

And, of course, get to know the children's librarian at your local public library and sign up for their summer reading programs.

### Q: Are there any specific books or series you can recommend?

I would select the following series, which are all great reads that may not be on your radar already.

#### GRADES K-1

Series of informational comic format science books from Kevin McCloskey:



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**Lisa Von Drasek conducts community workshops on creative writing, reading aloud and selecting books for children and young adults.**

"We Dig Worms!," "The Real Poop on Pigeons!," "Something's Fishy," "Snails Are Just My Speed!" and "Ants Don't Wear Pants!"

Got a kid who is young and a fluent reader with a great sense of humor? Andy Griffith's, "The 13-story Treehouse" is just the right series to start. The book is about two kids who live in a giant treehouse filled with magical creatures and amazing rooms. It's such a good story that it will also interest kids who are struggling to read and kids who typically dislike reading.

#### GRADES 2-3

"Astrid and Apollo" by Minnesotan V.T. Bidania is a series about 8-year-old twins of Hmong heritage trying different activities and learning about their cultural traditions.

#### GRADES 4-6

"Lowriders in Space" by Cathy Camper, illustrated by Raul the Third, is a graphic format story about a team

that loves working on cars together and enters a competition to win a cash prize that would allow them to open their own shop.

#### GRADE 5-7

"Hereville: How Mirka Got Her Sword" by Barry Deutsch is a graphic format story about a brave 11-year-old girl searching for a dragon slaying sword.

#### HIGH SCHOOL

"Braiding Sweetgrass" by Robin Wall Kimmerer is a series of essays on Indigenous wisdom, nature and the teachings of plants.

### Q: How does your work at the Kerlan Collection of Children's Literature intersect with the community?

The Kerlan Collection is an open access collection of materials related to children's literature. Anyone who makes an appointment for a visit to the Andersen Library may hold the original picture book art of Wanda Gág's "Millions of Cats," or page through the preliminary sketches of James Marshall's "George and Martha," or read Jean Craighead George's field journals containing original sketches that inspired her award-winning novel, "My Side of the Mountain." We have had visits from classes studying "Love that Dog" and writing their own poetry in response — as well as third-graders reviewing Kate DiCamillo's editor's notes on her first book, "Because of Winn-Dixie."

Kerlan staff, volunteers and friends are often invited to present lectures and workshops at public events like the Twin Cities Book Festival and the Children's Literature Festival in Red Wing, Minnesota.

**LISA VON** Drasek is the curator of the Kerlan Collection of Children's Literature at the University of Minnesota. The Kerlan, an internationally recognized resource in the field of children's literature, contains six core collections and several smaller collections. Von Drasek has lectured on the topics of "Writing Boxes: The Reading/Writing Connection in Libraries," "Emergent Literacy," "Diversity in Children's Literature," "Comics and Literacy," "The New Adult," "What Makes an Award Winning Book" and "Children's Choice Awards."

## OBITUARIES

### Ray C. Voss

May 5, 1942 — June 16, 2022

Raymond "Ray" Charles Voss, of Cambridge, died unexpectedly at his home June 16, 2022. He was 80 years old.

He was born May 5, 1942, in Anoka, to Vern and Clara (Schultz) Voss. He was raised with his seven siblings on farms in the Ogilvie area and graduated from Ogilvie High School in 1960. On June 8, 1963, he was united in marriage to Patricia (Seline), and they were blessed with two daughters, Terri and Karen. After 30 years of marriage, they divorced.

He worked in both shipping and ballistics at Federal Cartridge for 36 years. In addition, he operated a beef cattle and crop farm. He enjoyed his land immensely: deer hunting, snowmobiling, four-wheeling, raising cattle and cutting wood.

He loved visiting- especially with his EC's (gas station) morning coffee friends, his Riverwood Village neighbors, his former classmates and coworkers, his family and anyone he happened to run in to.

He liked classic cars, old-time country music, reading, Westerns, country drives, John Deere tractors, threshing shows and auctions (which resulted in him collecting way too much stuff!).

Most of all, he was a proud, loving father and grandfather. He was a very special guy and will be dearly missed.

Besides his parents he was preceded in death by two brothers, Henry and Clifford.

He is survived by his daughters, Terri (Patrick) Gerold and Karen Voss (Dan); grandchildren, Mitch (Amanda), Chase (Miranda), Tess (Mark) and Calli (Aaron); great-granddaughters, Clara and Willa; brothers, Larry (Eileen), Bill (Sharon), Dennis (Rose) and Jerry (Peggy); sister, Judy (Steve) Taylor; sister-in-law, Carolyn; special friend, Pat Larson; and by many other relatives and friends.

A memorial service will be held at 11:00 a.m. Friday, June 24, 2022, at Salem Lutheran Church in Dalbo. A time for visiting will be held one hour prior to the service at the church. Lunch will follow the service. Online condolences can be made at [StrikeLifeTributes.com](http://StrikeLifeTributes.com).

### Brandon W. Houtsma

May 17, 1985 — June 17, 2022

Brandon Wesley Houtsma, of Ogilvie, died on Friday, June 17, 2022. He was 37 years old.

He is survived by his wife, Kailyn; children, Rowdy, Dugan and Elsyn; parents, Wes and Lori; sister, Rachel (Dan) Peterson; brother / cousin, Ryan (Lia) Hass; father and mother-in-law, Doug (Mary) Heins; brothers-in-law, Brandon (Mary) Heins, Corbin (Vera) Heins; grandparents, Kenny (Nancy) Hass and Phyllis Houtsma; and many other relatives and friends.

A gathering of friends and family will be held from 1:00-5:00 p.m. on Sunday, June 26, 2022, at the Cambridge-Isanti High School with a time of remembrance at 4:00 p.m. Inurnment will follow at 6 p.m. at Graceland Cemetery in Ogilvie. A full obituary will follow next week. Arrangements are by the Hamilton Funeral Homes - Akkerman Chapel in Mora. Condolences may be posted at [www.hamiltonfhs.com](http://www.hamiltonfhs.com).

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### John C. Kehn

John Chester Kehn, formerly of Mora, died on Friday, June 17, 2022, at the Villa at Osseo. He was 72 years old.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Glenn and Helen (Conley) Kehn; brother, Richard Kehn, and brother-in-law, Francis Schwarzbauer.



He is survived by his son, Chad (Healthier) Kehn; grandchildren, Olivia and Odin; sister, Sharon Schwarzbauer; sister-in-law, Linda Kehn; as well as other relatives and friends.

A graveside service and inurnment will be held at 4:00 p.m. on Friday, July 8, 2022, at the Sacred Heart Catholic Cemetery in Waukon with Rita Clasemann officiating. Arrangements are by the Hamilton Funeral Homes-Akkerman Chapel in Mora. Condolences may be posted at [www.hamiltonfhs.com](http://www.hamiltonfhs.com).

### Valborg L. Kylo Ellingson

July 19, 1932 — June 14, 2022

Valborg Louise Kylo Ellingson died Tuesday, June 14, 2022. She was 89 years old.

She was born to Adolph and Hanna Kylo in rural Kenyon, on July 19, 1932. After her father's death in 1936, the family moved into the city of Kenyon, where she attended grade and high school, graduating in 1950. She attended and graduated from Augsburg College in 1954. From 1954 to 1957 she was a school librarian in Mora, where she met Phillip Ellingson.



On Aug. 23, 1957, she was united in marriage to Phillip Ellingson at Hegre Lutheran Church in rural Kenyon where she had been baptized and confirmed.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 62 years, Phillip; sons, Mark and Erik; sisters, Doris Beaudoin and Audrey Smith Engler; daughter-in-law, Audrey Ellingson; and grandchildren, Jonathan Ellingson and Brianne Rubbelke.

She is survived by sons, Jon Ellingson of Titusville, Florida and Joel (Hanh) Ellingson of Shakopee; daughter, Kay (Joseph) Rubbelke of St. Paul; daughter-in-law, Joan Ellingson; grandchildren, Stephen Ellingson, Elizabeth Sundberg, Amanda Ellingson, Alisa and Andrew Ellingson, Seth, Kylla, Corinne and Danika Rubbelke; and many nieces and nephews, other relatives and friends.

In lieu of flowers, memorials are preferred to Cambridge Lutheran Church, Augsburg College, Our Lady of Peace Hospice, St. Paul, or donor's choice.

A memorial service was held Monday, June 20, 2022, at Cambridge Lutheran Church. Burial was at Cambridge Lutheran Cemetery. Condolences at [www.carlsonlillemoen.com](http://www.carlsonlillemoen.com). Arrangements by Carlson-Lillemoen Funeral Home and Cremation Services of Cambridge.

### NAMES IN THE NEWS

**Litzy Chamu** of Mora received a Bachelor of Science degree in architecture from North Dakota State University.

**Nicholas McCallum** of Mora received a degree in heating, ventilation, AC and refrigeration from Minnesota State Community and Technical College.

**Hunter Sykes** of Mora received a degree in electrical line worker technology-AAS from Minnesota State Community and Technical College.

**Jordan Woods** of Mora graduated from the University of Minnesota Duluth with a Master of Business Administration degree.

**Alana Walters** of Mora has been named to the dean's list of Upper Iowa University for achieving a grade point average of 3.5 or higher.

### Lila A. Johnson

June 29, 1952 — June 7, 2022

Lila Ann Johnson, of Mora, died unexpectedly on Tuesday, June 7, 2022, at her home. She was 69 years old.

She was born to Clyde and Elma (Atkins) Mell on June 29, 1952. She was united in marriage to John Johnson on Dec. 26, 1975 in Rush Point. They moved to Braham in 1989 and owned and operated 65 Bait. She moved to Mora after her husband passed away in 2009. She worked at Olympak in Mora until she retired.



She was involved in Kick Cancer to the Curb, a fundraiser for cancer patients in the community, for many years. She enjoyed reading, bowling, playing cards,

family outings and spending time with friends and family.

She will be desperately missed by all those that she's left behind. Our hearts are so broken by this unexpected loss. She was one of a kind and to be loved by her was to be truly blessed.

She was preceded in death by her husband, John Johnson; parents, Clyde and Elma (Atkins) Mell; sister, Carol Mell; brother, Ted Mell; grandsons, Cody and Brandon Johnson; and granddaughter, Elizabeth Berglund.

She is survived by her sons, Cory (Heidi) Johnson of Mora and Randy (JeryAnn) Johnson of Elk River; step-daughter, Angie Bonneville of Cloquet; brothers, Butch of Phoenix, Fred of Hibbing, Mike of St. Paul; sisters, Beverly of Two Harbors and Debbie of Hibbing; grandchildren, Jacob and Hope of Mora, Braydin, Coltin, Astraya, Mike and John of Elk River and Airon of Cloquet; great-granddaughters, Layla of Forest Lake and Faith of Mora; nieces, nephews and many friends.

Memorials may be given to Kick Cancer to the Curb in honor of Lila.

The family of Lila wishes to extend our sincere thanks for all the condolences, thoughts and prayers in this difficult time.

A celebration of life will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, June 26, 2022, at the Braham Moose Lodge.

### ENGAGEMENT



### Isaacson, VanderVegt to wed

Rachel VanderVegt, daughter of Mark and Mary VanderVegt of Ogilvie, is engaged to Phillip Isaacson, son of Kasey and Michelle Frank of Duluth. A May 20, 2023 wedding is planned in Duluth. Rachel is a 2011 graduate of Ogilvie High School.

# PUBLIC NOTICES

## NOTICE OF EXPIRATION OF REDEMPTION

### NOTICE OF EXPIRATION OF REDEMPTION

STATE OF MINNESOTA  
COUNTY OF KANABEC  
DENISE M. SNYDER  
COUNTY AUDITOR

TO: ALL PERSONS WITH A LEGAL INTEREST IN THE PARCELS OF REAL PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN THE FOLLOWING NOTICE:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT THE PARCELS OF REAL PROPERTY DESCRIBED BELOW AND LOCATED IN KANABEC COUNTY, MINNESOTA, ARE SUBJECT TO FORFEITURE TO THE STATE OF MINNESOTA BECAUSE OF THE NONPAYMENT OF DELINQUENT PROPERTY TAXES, SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS, PENALTIES, INTEREST AND COSTS LEVIED ON THOSE PARCELS. THE TIME FOR REDEMPTION FROM FORFEITURE EXPIRES IF A REDEMPTION IS NOT MADE BY THE LATER OF (1) 60 DAYS AFTER SERVICE OF THIS NOTICE ON ALL PERSONS HAVING AN INTEREST IN THE PARCELS OR (2) AUGUST 31, 2022.

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS LISTED BELOW: THE NAMES OF THE PROPERTY OWNERS, TAXPAYERS, AND INTERESTED PARTIES WHO HAVE FILED THEIR ADDRESSES UNDER M.S.276.041; THE LEGAL DESCRIPTION AND PARCEL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER OF EACH PARCEL; AND THE AMOUNT NECESSARY TO REDEEM A PARCEL AS OF THE DATE LISTED BELOW:

NAME	PID AND LEGAL DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT DUE**
Trent & Melissa Carlson 2316 Cable St Ogilvie, MN 56358	01.00760.10 W 200' of N 225' of S 612' of that pt of SW1/4 desc as beg at NW cor of said forty then E along N line 225' then S par to W line 1000' then W par to line 2225' m/l to W line then N along W line 1000' m/l to POB Sec 28 Twp 40 Range 25 1.03 acres m/l	\$1,352.74
James Stodola 1718 Hwy 23 Ogilvie, MN 56358	02.02545.00 Portion of SW1/4 of SW1/4 & W of Hwy 23, ex E 264' & exceptions described in Doc#234059	\$6,908.71
Brian & Trisha Pederson 2428 Hwy 70 Braham, MN 55006 RE: 1636 Harbor St. Ogilvie, MN 56358	02.02780.00 Pt of NW 1/4 of SW 1/4 S 528' of N 1078' of W 330' Sec 32 Twp 39 Range 24 4.00 acres m/l	\$5,535.28
Joan Weiss 2097 153rd Ave. Mora, MN 55051	03.00080.00 Pt SE1/4 of SE1/4 E 417.44' of N 626.16' EX N 208.72' of W 208.72' Thereof. Sec 2 Twp 38 Range 24 5.00 acres m/l	\$4,203.49
John C & Denise B Kern 2627 210th Ave Mora, MN 55051 Fee Owners: Jeffrey & Dawn Schwieger 1759 Monticeto Dr. Shakopee, MN 55379	04.00740.40 N1/2 of NW1/4 ex W 1150' of NW1/4 of NW1/4 Sec 11 Twp 39 Range 23 45.15 acres m/l	\$21,195.86
Charles J Surdey 2272 160th Ave Mora, MN 55051 Fee Owners: Larry & Donna Schwarz 3220 183rd Trail Lakeside, NB 69351	04.01755.00 Pt SW1/4 of SE1/4 lying ELY of foll desc line: com at SW COR of W1/2 of SE1/4 then ely 467' along S line of said W1/2 of SE1/4 to POB of desc Line, then NLY par with S line 100' then NELY to pt On N line of said W1/2 of SE1/4, said pt lying 905' W of NE cor of said W1/2 of SE1/4 & said Line there terminating. Sec 31 Twp 39 Range 23 28.20 acres m/l	\$4,079.46
Joseph J Becker 1239 Fremont St Paul, MN 55016	05.00210.00 E1/2 of SW1/4 of SE1/4 ex W 33' thereof, incl easements for roadway purposes. Sec 6 Twp 42 Range 23 1p.00 acres m/l	\$2,891.72
Dennis H Beaver ETAL 42664 Daisy Ave Harris, MN 55032 ETAL: James B Beaver, Pacer Beaver, Richard Beaver Fee Owner: Ted M Thompson 534 24th Ave Rock Island, IL 61201-4139	05.00490.00 Pt NW1/4 of E 200' of W 400' Sec 13 Twp 42 Range 23 12.00 acres m/l	\$2,565.31
Douglas J Bartlett 1167 Pheasant St Braham, MN 55006	06.01310.00 SW1/4 of SE1/4 ex W 906.7' Sec 21 Twp 38 Range 23 12.53 acres m/l	\$321.32
Brian C Rustad 1284 Quail St Braham, MN 55006 Fee Owner: Johnathan M Crider 6927 Hawk Ridge Rd Grasston, MN 55030	06.01455.00 S1/2 of NW1/4 of NW1/4, incl road easement over pt of N1/2 of NW1/4 of NW1/4 Sec 23 Twp 38 Range 23 20.00 acres m/l	\$4,986.30
Donald M Perron 2726 120th Ave Braham, MN 55006	06.01580.00 Pt of SE1/4 of SW1/4 S 610' Lying ELY of RR Sec 24 Twp 38 Range 23 15.92 acres m/l	\$2,177.96
Daniel A Strom 2792 Keystone St. Mora, MN 55051	08.01330.00 NW1/4 of NE1/4 Sec 28 Twp 41 Range 24 40.00 acres m/l	\$2,356.38
Arnold M & Cheryl M Simcox 1340 210th Ave Ogilvie, MN 56358	09.00195.00 W1/2 of w1/2 of SE1/4 Sec 3 Twp 39 Range 25 40.00 acres m/l	\$1,901.98
Kent Dressel ETAL 1461 Ann Lake Rd Ogilvie, MN 56358 Fee Owner: Jeannie Enochson 1289 150th Ave Ogilvie, MN 56358	09.01675.00 Lot 24 (also desc as pt of govt lot 1 desc as com at NE cor of said Govt lot 1 then assmd bearing of N 85D 15' 12" W along N line thereof 448.74' then S 27D 08' 08" W 691.17' to POB of Parcel then cont S 27D 08' 08" W 125', S 85D 15' 46" E 253.06' then N 27D 08' 08" E 125' then N 85D 15' 46" W 253.06' to POB; subj to W 33' for Co Hwy 90; & pt lot 26 desc as beg at SE cor lot 24 then E on ELY ext of S line of Lot 24 125' Then NELY par with ELY line of lot 24 125' to ELY ext of NLY line. Aud Subd #1 Sec 2 Twp 39 Range 25	\$4,283.40

Lillian C Vanalst 1379 170th Ave Ogilvie, MN 56358	09.01425.10	Pt of NE1/4 of NE1/4 beg at NE cor then W 1133' to POB then S par with E line 450', W par with N line 205' to W line, N along W line 450 to NW cor, E along N line 205' to POB. Sec 34 Twp 39 Range 25 2.12 Acres m/l	\$9,630.53
Michael G Iversen 2585 Jade St Mora, MN 55051	10.01080.00	Pt of NE1/4 of NE1/4 S 500' of N1000' of E 435.6' Sec 16 Twp 40 Range24 5.00 Acres m/l	\$2,166.50
Michael G Iversen 2585 Jade St Mora, MN 55051	10.01085.50	Pt of NE1/4 of NE1/4 beg at pt 1000' S & 50' W of NE cor, W 385.6' S 250.85' E 385.6' N 250.85' to POB Sec 16 Twp 40 Range 24 2.22 Acres m/l	\$821.53
Christine Smyser 2584 Ivory St. Mora, MN 55051	10.01120.00	Pt of NW1/4 of NE1/4 N 330' of S 660' of W 660' Sec 16 Twp 40 Range 24 5.00 Acres m/l	\$2,900.91
Rosalie N Hallaway 58480 Makwa Ct Hinckley, MN 55037-4100	10.01260.50	Pt of NW1/4 of NE1/4 N 330' of S 660' of W 660' Sec 19 Twp 40 Range 24 5.92 Acres m/l	\$6,231.82
Brian J Turck 108 20th Ave N St Cloud, MN 56303-4437	10.02905.00	Lot 10 Sorenson's Addition Sec 2 Twp 40 Range 24	\$5,904.20
Curt J Nelson 3830 Vista St Sandstone, MN 55072	11.00610.00	E 3/4 of W1/2 of NE1/4 Sec 12 Twp 42 Range 22 60.00 Acres m/l	\$3,144.88
Timothy A Kneiszler 13655 Alamo St NE Anoka, MN 55304	12.00575.10	N1/2 of S1/2 of N1/2 of SE1/4 Sec 10 Twp 41 Range 23 19.82 Acres m/l	\$2,924.50
Timothy A Kneiszler 13655 Alamo St NE Anoka, MN 55304	12.00635.10	S1/2 of NW1/4 of SW1/4 Sec 11 Twp 41 Range 23 20.00 Acres m/l	\$4,191.82
Tamera M Ammerman % Greg Thompson 17620 Sunrise CT Prior Lake, MN 55372	12.01325.40	That pt of NW 1/4 lying NLY of S 2113.32'; Subj to .68 ac hwy easement Sec 26 Twp 41 Range 23 32.00 Acres m/l	\$4,199.80
Virginia L Strom 2792 Keystone St. Mora, MN 55051	12.01510.10	Pt of Se1/4 of Ne1/4 Com at NE cor of sec 30; S 1935.56' to pob; W 467.56' S 77.84' S 34D 37' E233.90' S 2D 59' W 338.8' S 25D 56' E 88' to S line, E 314' to E line, E 314' to E line, N 685.74' to POB, ex Hwy. Sec 30 Twp 41 Range 23 5.00 Acres m/l	\$6,685.08
Robert W Nielsen 2287 Cotton Tail Cir Brook Park, Mn 55007	12.03260.00	Lot 3 Block 3 Chokecherry Acres Sec 33 Twp 41 Range 23 7.80 Acres m/l	\$3,251.61
Jacob J Jabe 1033 Beech St. Saint Paul, MN 55106	12.04145.00	Lot 6 Block 2 Pine View Beach North Sec 24 Twp 41 Range 23	\$798.43
Stanley Berkholz P.O. Box 244 Isle, MN 56342	14.00210.10	Pt of Se1/4 of SW1/4 That part lying N of RR R/W Sec 5 Twp 38 Range 25 .22 Acres m/l	\$37.94
Doris E Panka % Joseph E Panka 2638 Olympic St. Brook Park, MN 55007	15.01590.00	Pt of Se1/4 of SW1/4 E 175' of S 300' of W1/2 thereof, & easement across adjacent E 30' Sec 29 Twp 40 Range 23 1.20 Acres m/l	\$2,382.97
Mary A Ritchie % Toni Ritchie 4402 Markle Rd La Crosse, WI 54601	22.06270.00	Lots 4,5,6 & 7 Block 3 Lake Park Addition Sec 11 Twp 39 Range 24	\$85.94
Maureen M Cooper % Angel Watters 37824 Gerald Ave North Branch, MN	23.00355.00	N1/2 of Lot 2 Block 2 Ogilvie Plat Sec 35 Twp 39 Range 25	\$262.29
Dean A Rollins 8324 Westwood Rd NE Spring Lake Park, MN 55432 RE: 211 George St. E Ogilvie, MN 56358	23.00695.00	Lot 12 State Subd. Including easement for access over & across W 14' of lot 32 of State Subd. Sec 26 Twp 39 Range 25	\$6,112.91

**FAILURE TO REDEEM SUCH LANDS PRIOR TO THE EXPIRATION OF REDEMPTION WILL RESULT IN THE LOSS OF THE LAND AND FORFEITURE OF SAID LAND TO THE STATE OF MINNESOTA.**

**THE AMOUNTS LISTED ABOVE MUST BE PAID TO REDEEM IF PAID ON OR BEFORE JUNE 30, 2022.** PLEASE CONTACT THE KANABEC COUNTY AUDITOR'S OFFICE TO VERIFY THE AMOUNT DUE IF PAID BEFORE OR AFTER THAT DATE. **\*\*THERE WILL BE ADDITIONAL COSTS INVOLVED IN REDEEMING THESE PARCELS FOR THE MAILING, PUBLISHING, AND SERVICE OF THIS NOTICE OTHER THAN THE AMOUNTS LISTED HERE.**

INQUIRIES ABOUT THE DELINQUENT TAX PROCEEDINGS DESCRIBED ABOVE CAN BE MADE TO THE KANABEC COUNTY AUDITOR AT THE ADDRESS LISTED BELOW.

WITNESS MY HAND AND OFFICIAL SEAL THIS 3rd DAY OF JUNE, 2022

DENISE M. SNYDER, KANABEC COUNTY AUDITOR  
18 NORTH VINE ST, SUITE 261A, MORa, MN 55051-1384  
TELEPHONE (320) 679-6430

Published in the Kanabec County Times June 16, 23, 2022

## FORECLOSURES

### NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

Dated: May 26, 2022

THE RIGHT TO VERIFICATION OF THE DEBT AND IDENTITY OF THE ORIGINAL CREDITOR WITHIN THE TIME PROVIDED BY LAW IS NOT AFFECTED BY THIS ACTION.

YOU ARE NOTIFIED THAT:

1. Default has occurred in the conditions of the Mortgage dated September 21, 2006, executed by Richard L. Benson, Barbara R. Benson, husband and wife, Barbely L. Lows aka Barbely L. Benson, Tony Lows, wife and husband, as Mortgagor(s) to Peoples National Bank of Mora n/k/a Neighborhood National Bank, as Mortgagee, and filed for record September 28, 2006, as Document No. 220920, in the Office of the County Recorder of Kanabec County, Minnesota. A

corrective Mortgage was filed on November 22, 2006 as Document No. 221722 with the Office of the Kanabec County Recorder. The land described in the Mortgage is not registered land.

2. The Mortgage has been assigned as follows: None.

3. The original principal amount secured by the Mortgage was Forty-Three Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$43,000.00).

4. No action or proceeding at law is now pending to recover the debt secured by the Mortgage, or any part thereof.

5. The holder of the Mortgage has complied with all conditions precedent to acceleration of the debt secured by the Mortgage and foreclosure of the Mortgage, and all notice and other requirements of applicable statutes.

6. At the date of this notice the amount due on the Mortgage, and taxes, if any paid by the holder of the

Mortgage is Twenty-Four Thousand Nine Hundred Seventy-Six and 97/100 Dollars (\$24,976.97).

7. Pursuant to the power of sale in the Mortgage, the Mortgage will be foreclosed, and the land described as follows:

Lot One (1) Block (2), Pomroy Acres, together with an easement for roadway purposes, together with the unrestricted right to improve the same, over and across a 15 foot strip of land immediately to the Southeast of the following described line: Beginning at the Southwest corner of Lot Two (2), Block Two (2), Pomroy Acres, thence in a Northeasterly direction along the Westerly line of said Lot Two (2), Block Two (2), Pomroy Acres a distance of 300 feet and there said line to terminate.

Physical Address: 28572 Pine View Beach Road South, Brook Park, MN 55007

Parcel ID Number: 12.04060.00 will be sold by the County Sheriff

of Kanabec County, Minnesota, at public auction on July 28, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. at the Kanabec County Sheriff's Office at 18 North Vine Street, Mora, MN 55051.

8. The time allowed by law for redemption by Mortgagor(s) or Mortgagor's personal representatives or assigns is twelve (12) months after the date of sale.

9. If this is an owner occupied single-family dwelling, the premises must be vacated by July 27, 2023 at 11:59 p.m.

10. THE TIME ALLOWED BY LAW FOR REDEMPTION BY THE MORTGAGOR, THE MORTGAGOR'S PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES OR ASSIGNS MAY BE REDUCED TO FIVE WEEKS IF A JUDICIAL ORDER IS ENTERED UNDER MINNESOTA STATUTES, SECTION 582.032, DETERMINING, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THAT THE MORTGAGED PREMISES ARE IMPROVED

WITH A RESIDENTIAL DWELLING OF LESS THAN FIVE UNITS, ARE NOT PROPERTY USED IN AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION, AND ARE ABANDONED.

11. THIS COMMUNICATION IS FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT, ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

Attorney for Mortgagee or Assignee of Mortgage: D. Sherwood McKinnis, I.D. No. 176898

McKinnis & Doom, P.A.  
200 - 3rd Avenue NE, Suite 300  
Cambridge, MN 55008  
(763) 552-7777  
Neighborhood National Bank  
MORTGAGEE OR ASSIGNEE OF MORTGAGE

Published in the Kanabec County Times June 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, July 7, 2022

### NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

THE RIGHT TO VERIFICATION OF THE DEBT AND IDENTITY OF THE ORIGINAL CREDITOR WITHIN THE TIME PROVIDED BY LAW IS NOT AFFECTED BY THIS ACTION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That default has occurred in the conditions of the following described mortgage:

DATE OF MORTGAGE: December 3, 2015

ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: \$158,354.00

MORTGAGOR(S): Deborah J. Blowers, a single woman

MORTGAGEE: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for First Option Mortgage, LLC

DATE AND PLACE OF FILING: Recorded on December 3, 2015 as

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Document Number 254657 in the Office of the County Recorder of Kanabec County, Minnesota.

ASSIGNMENTS OF MORTGAGE: Assigned to: Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC by assignment recorded on October 14, 2019 as Document Number 267865 in the Office of the County Recorder of Kanabec County, Minnesota.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: Lot One (1), Block Two (2), Jewell Acres, Kanabec County, Minnesota, and The South 33 feet as measured at right angle to the South boundary of the following described property: 181 feet of Nelson Avenue (now vacated) located in Jewell Acres that is bordered on the North by Lot 6, Block 1, Jewell Acres and on the South by Lot 1, Block 2, Jewell Acres, Kanabec County, Minnesota.

STREET ADDRESS OF PROPERTY: 740 WALNUT ST, MORAVILLE, MN 55051

COUNTY IN WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED: Kanabec County, Minnesota.

THE AMOUNT CLAIMED TO BE DUE ON THE MORTGAGE ON THE DATE OF THE NOTICE: \$168,071.67

TRANSACTION AGENT: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.

NAME OF MORTGAGE ORIGINATOR: First Option Mortgage, LLC

RESIDENTIAL SERVICER: Flagstar Bank, FSB

TAX PARCEL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 22.07255.00

TRANSACTION AGENT'S MORTGAGE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 100440600082213656

THAT no action or proceeding has been instituted at law to recover the debt then remaining secured by such mortgage, or any part thereof, or, if the action or proceeding has been instituted, that the same has been discontinued, or that an execution upon the judgment rendered therein has been returned unsatisfied, in whole or in part.

PURSUANT to the power of sale contained in said mortgage, the above described property will be sold by the Sheriff of said county as follows:

DATE AND TIME OF SALE: July 20, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.

PLACE OF SALE: Kanabec County Sheriff's Office, 18 North Vine Street, Suite 143, Mora, MN 55051.

to pay the debt then secured by said mortgage and taxes, if any actually paid by the mortgagee, on the premises and the costs and disbursements allowed by law. The time allowed by law for redemption by said mortgagor(s), their personal representatives or assigns is six (6) months from the date of sale.

TIME AND DATE TO VACATE PROPERTY: Unless said mortgage is reinstated or the property redeemed, or unless the time for redemption is reduced by judicial order, you must vacate the premises by 11:59 p.m. on January 20, 2023.

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

MORTGAGOR(S) RELEASED FROM FINANCIAL OBLIGATION ON MORTGAGE: None

Dated: May 17, 2022 LAKEVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC

Mortgagee TROTT LAW, P.C. By: /s/ N. Kibongni Fondungallah, Esq. Samuel R. Coleman, Esq. \*Sung Woo Hong, Esq.\* Attorneys for Mortgagee 25 Dale Street North St. Paul, MN 55102 (651) 209-9760 (22-0553-FC01)

THIS IS A COMMUNICATION FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR. Published in the Kanabec County Times May 26, June 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, 2022

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that default has occurred in the conditions of the following described mortgage:

DATE OF MORTGAGE: December 2, 2019

ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: \$132,554.00

MORTGAGOR(S): Erin Lynn Lemke and Micky Lemke, wife and husband

MORTGAGEE: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for Waterstone Mortgage Corporation, its successors and assigns

DATE AND PLACE OF RECORDING: Recorded: January 22, 2020 Kanabec County Recorder Document Number: 268978

ASSIGNMENTS OF MORTGAGE: And assigned to: U.S. Bank National Association

Dated: June 10, 2020

Recorded: June 12, 2020 Kanabec County Recorder Document Number: 270214

And corrected by: Corrective Assignment of Mortgage

Recorded: May 4, 2022 Document Number: 278524

Transaction Agent: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.

Transaction Agent Mortgage Identification Number: 1003715-0000470878-8

Lender/Broker/Mortgage Originator: Waterstone Mortgage Corporation

Residential Mortgage Servicer: U.S. Bank National Association

COUNTY IN WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED: Kanabec

Property Address: 430 Grove St S, Mora, MN 55051

Tax Parcel ID Number: 22.04245.00

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: Lots 7 and 8, Block 9, Plat of Park Addition to Mora, Kanabec County, Minnesota

AMOUNT DUE AND CLAIMED TO BE DUE AS OF DATE OF NOTICE: \$154,953.56

THAT all pre-foreclosure requirements have been complied with; that no action or proceeding has been instituted at law or otherwise to recover the debt secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof; that this is registered property;

PURSUANT to the power of sale contained in said mortgage, the above-described property will be sold by the Sheriff of said county as follows:

DATE AND TIME OF SALE: July 28, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.

PLACE OF SALE: County Sheriff's office, 18 North Vine Street, Suite 143, Mora, Minnesota

to pay the debt secured by said mortgage and taxes, if any, on said premises and the costs and disbursements, including attorney fees allowed by law, subject to redemption within six (6) months from the date of sale by the mortgagor(s), their personal representatives or assigns.

If the Mortgage is not reinstated under Minn. Stat. §580.30 or the property is not redeemed under Minn. Stat. §580.23, the Mortgagor must vacate the property on or before 11:59 p.m. on January 27, 2023, or the next business day if January 27, 2023 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday.

Mortgagor(s) released from financial obligation: NONE

THIS COMMUNICATION IS FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

THE RIGHT TO VERIFICATION OF THE DEBT AND IDENTITY OF THE ORIGINAL CREDITOR WITHIN THE TIME PROVIDED BY LAW IS NOT AFFECTED BY THIS ACTION.

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

MORTGAGOR(S) RELEASED FROM FINANCIAL OBLIGATION ON MORTGAGE: None

Dated: June 3, 2022

MORTGAGEE: U.S. Bank

National Association Wilford, Geske & Cook, P.A. Attorneys for Mortgagee 7616 Currell Boulevard, Suite 200 Woodbury, MN 55125 (651) 209-3300 File Number: 050962-F1

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NOTICES

NOTICE COMFORT TOWNSHIP

The Comfort Town Board of Supervisors will meet at 8 a.m. on Saturday, June 25, 2022, beginning at the Town Hall 1948 Olympic St, Mora, MN. The purpose is to conduct the Annual Road Tour to inspect and review the condition of Comfort Township roads.

Patty Kruse Clerk Comfort Township

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KNIFE LAKE PROPERTY OWNERS WEED NOTIFICATION

The Knife Lake Improvement District along with the approval of the MNDNR will be treating Aquatic Plants (Nuisance weeds) in Knife Lake from Mid June to late August 2022. There will be two treatments in this time frame. Central Minnesota Aquatics Inc. will be doing the treatment using Diquat/Tribune herbicide.

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PROBATE

STATE OF MINNESOTA KANABEC COUNTY DISTRICT COURT 10TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case Type: Informal Probate Case File Number: 33-PR-22-25 In re the Estate of Ronald Lee Domino, a/k/a Ronald L. Domino, Deceased

Amended Notice of Informal Probate of Will and Appointment of Personal Representative and Notice to Creditors

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND CREDITORS:

Notice is hereby given that an application for informal probate of the above-named Decedent's Last Will dated October 4, 2001 has been filed with the Probate Registrar, and the application has been granted.

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

Robert Domino, 8173 Rusheba TRL, Rush City, MN 55069

Lowell Domino, 21927 US HWY 169, Unit 11, Aitkin, MN 56431

As personal representatives of the Estate of the Decedent. Any heir, devisee or other interested person may be entitled to appointment as personal representative, or may object to the appointment of the personal representative. Unless objections are filed pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 524.3-607, and the court otherwise orders, the personal representative has full power to administer the Estate, including, after 30 days from the date of issuance of letters, the power to sell, encumber, lease or distribute real estate.

Any objections to the probate of the Will, or to the appointment of the personal representative, must be filed with this court, and will be heard by the court after the filing of an appropriate petition and proper notice of hearing.

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

Date: June 9, 2022 Pamela Kreier Probate Registrar Heather Mickelson Court Administrator

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STATE OF MINNESOTA COUNTY OF KANABEC TENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT DISTRICT COURT PROBATE DIVISION

Case File No. 33-PR-22-26 Estate of: James L. Brown aka James Leonard Brown

Decedent. NOTICE AND ORDER OF HEARING ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION OF INTESTACY, DETERMINATION OF HEIRSHIP, APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

It is Ordered and Notice is given that on August 9, 2022, at 10:30 a.m., a hearing will be held in this Court Remotely VIA Zoom, for the adjudication of intestacy and determination of heirship of the Decedent, and for the appointment of James Leonard Brown, whose address is 1 564 Ivory St., Ogilvie, Minnesota 56358, of Jody Francis Brown, whose address is 900 27th Ave NE, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55418 as Personal Representatives of the Estate of the Decedent in an UNSUPERVISED administration.

Any objections to the petition must be filed with the Court prior to or raised at the hearing. If proper and if no objections are filed or raised, the Personal Representatives will be appointed with full power to administer the Estate, including the power to collect all assets, to pay all legal debts, claims, taxes and expenses, to sell real and personal property, and to do all necessary acts for the Estate.

Notice is also given that (subject to Minnesota Statutes section 524.3-801) all creditors having claims against the Estate are required to present the claims to the Personal Representatives or to the Court Administrator within four months after the date of this Notice or the claims will be barred.

Date: June 8, 2022 BY THE COURT Amy Erickson Deputy Heather Mickelson Court Administrator Attorney for: Petitioners Name: John P. Ahlgren Firm: Ahlgren Law Office, LLC Street: One North Lake City, State, ZIP: Mora, MN 55051 Attorney License No: 12039X Telephone: (320) 679-1754 FAX: (320) 679-1378 Email: john@ahlgrenlawoffice.com

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REQUEST FOR BID

CENTRAL MN COUNCIL ON AGING REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

Central MN Council on Aging will publish a competitive request for proposal (RFP) for the following federal Older Americans Act for services in the calendar year 2023: Title III E Caregiver Support Services. RFP will be posted to our website on or about June 22, 2022. Visit our website: http://www.cmcoa.org/titleiii.shtml for further information and RFP.

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SCHOOL BOARD

OGILVIE PUBLIC SCHOOL - DISTRICT #333 SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

Approved Minutes - Monday, March 28, 2022 6:00 p.m.

Ogilvie Board Room The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Board Members present: Koenings, Beck, Smith, Heins, Vice Board Members absent: Peterson and Student Board Members Arnold and Heald

Also present: Superintendent Belsheim, Becky Coleman Chair Smith called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. and welcomed everyone.

Member Koenings motioned to approve the agenda noting the changes made and removal of 7.e. Motion seconded by Member Heins. Motion passed unanimously.

Open Forum: None.

Reports: Reports were provided by: Principal Davis, Principal Koenigs, Superintendent Belsheim, Board Member Smith, Board Member Heins, Student School Board Member Arnold and Student School Board Member Heald. Board Meeting reports found on the school website.

CONSENT AGENDA: Member Koenings motioned to approve the following minutes: 6a and b.

Motion seconded by Member

Vice. Motion passed unanimously.

Member Heins motioned to approve Personnel:

a. Sue Davis, Principal 2021-23 Contract

b. Holly Johnson, Long-term 6th grade substitute teacher remaining 2022-23 school year

c. Darilyn Stulc, resignation as of 6/2/2022

d. Dylan Altendorf, JH Baseball Coach 2022

Motion seconded by Member Vice. Motion passed unanimously.

ACTION ITEMS:

Member Heins motioned to approve March claims in the amount of \$208,388.36. Motion seconded by Member Koenings. Discussion followed. Roll call vote passed unanimously.

Member Heins motioned to approve the Adjusted Scoreboards Purchase (increase of \$1,560.00 which changes the total amount to \$50,498.00). Motion seconded by Member Vice. Discussion followed. Roll call vote passed unanimously.

Member Heins motioned to approve the 4-day School Calendar Draft for 2022-23. Motion second by Member Koenigs. Discussion followed. Superintendent Belsheim introduced the New Lion Link/ Advocacy Open House as well as other updates and changes to the calendar. Member Heins amended her previous motion to approve the calendar as presented. Member Koenings seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Member Heins motioned to approve the 5-day School Calendar Draft for 2022-23 as presented. Motion seconded by Member Vice. Discussion followed. Superintendent Belsheim stated there is not much room for changes and the calendar does not have enough staff development days or any Lion Link days built in. Motion passed unanimously.

Member Vice motioned to approve Ogilvie Public Schools 4-Day School Week Structure Application to continue for up to three (3) years: 2022-2025. Motion seconded by Chair Smith. Discussion followed. Motion passed unanimously.

Member Koenings motioned to approve Enrollment Numbers of 509. Motion seconded by Member Vice. Discussion followed. Motion passed unanimously.

Member Heins motioned to approve the job description of:

a. Maintenance Department: i. Class I: Custodian/Grounds Assistant

ii. Class II: Maintenance Specialist

b. Technology Department: i. District Technology/Testing Coordinator

ii. District Technician

iii. Technology Assistant

Motion seconded by Member Vice. Discussion followed. Motion passed unanimously.

Member Koenings motioned to approve the following donations:

Ogilvie Lions Club- \$27,300 (\$10,000 Pool Scoreboard, \$17,000 Main Gym Scoreboards and \$500 Gun Training Program)

Motion seconded by Member Beck. Roll call vote passed unanimously.

NON-ACTION ITEMS:

New class offerings and projected class sizes. Discussion of staff members who are teaching classes for college credit. Took a look at the enrollment for next year- 46 graduates will leave, projected enrollment for kindergarten will be 40-42 students.

OTHER:

Superintendent Belsheim shared how successful All-Staff training was this past Monday, March 21st on the armed intruder training, followed by training necessary for each specific department.

Member Koenings motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m. Motion seconded by Member Heins. Motion passed unanimously.

Kathryn Beck, Board Clerk Date

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COUNTY BOARD

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD STATE OF MINNESOTA

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OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COORDINATOR

Synopsis of the County Board Minutes of 5/17/22 in pursuance of M.S.375.12 Subd.1.

1. The Kanabec County Board of Commissioners met at 9 a.m. on 5/17/22 pursuant to adjournment with the following board members present: Les Nielsen, Rick Mattson, Dennis McNally, Craig Smith.

2. Carried unanimously to approve the agenda as presented.

3. Carried unanimously to approve the 5/3/22 minutes as corrected.

4. Carried unanimously to approve the following paid claims:

Table with Vendor, Amount, and Revenue Fund columns. Includes items like Kwik Trip, Mora Municipal Util., MN Dept. of Finance, Spire, Verizon, and Revenue Fund.

5. Carried unanimously to approve the following claims on the funds indicated:

Table with Revenue Fund, Vendor, and Amount columns. Includes items like Adv. Corr. Healthcare, Am. Soln. for Business, Clifton Larson Allen, E. Cent. Reg. Juv. Ctr., Election Sys. & Software, Envir. Sys. Res. Inst, FBG, HR Green, Kanabec Co. A/T, Marco, Michael Pepin Law, MN DOT, Motorola, MPCA, Summit Food Svc Mgmt, and Revenue Fund.

Road & Bridge

Table with Vendor, Amount, and Revenue Fund columns. Includes items like Auto Value, North Cent Int., Wisdeth, and Revenue Fund.

6. Carried unanimously to recess the meeting at 9:06 a.m. to a time immediately following the Family Services Board.

7. Carried unanimously to approve the Family Services Board Agenda as presented.

8. Carried unanimously to approve SCHA as the Managed Care Organization to provide Senior Care.

9. Carried unanimously to approve SCHA as the Special Needs Basic Care Provider for healthcare svcs for disabled persons.

10. Carried unanimously to approve the payment of 111 claims totaling \$138,783.64 on Welfare Funds.

11. Carried unanimously to adjourn Family Services Board at 9:29 a.m.

10:32 a.m. - The Chairperson called for public comment. Those that responded included: Charlie Strickland Jr. - suggestion to consider appointing a citizen at large to the Opioid Settlement Committee.

10:34 a.m. - The Chairperson closed public comment.

12. Carried unanimously to accept the low quote of \$17,906.14 from Newman Signs for signs and supplies inventory.

13. Carried unanimously to obtain quotes for the demolition of the Old Jail Building.

14. Carried unanimously to approve the creation of the Opioid Settlement Fund.

15. Carried unanimously to appoint Commissioner Smith to the internal Opioid Settlement Committee.

16. Carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 11:19 a.m.

To view the official minutes in their entirety, please contact the Kanabec County Coordinator's Office at 320-679-6440 or visit our website at www.kanabecounty.org.

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## 401 AUCTION CALENDAR

**Sat., June 25 10:00 a.m., Real Estate at 12:00 p.m.** Real Estate and Personal Property Auction. 9349 385th St., Onamia MN 56359 Parcel 1: 160 acres with older farm house and outbuildings, tillable and wooded ground. Parcel 2: 120 acres some tillable, mostly wooded. Parcel 3: 43 acres, tillable and wooded ground. Parcel 4: 17 acres with older well, tillable acres. Special real estate auction terms. Vehicle, garage related items, farm related equipment, items of interest. Janzen Auction Service. Auctioneers: Bob Janzen, Lic. No. 01-14; Jeremy Janzen, Lic. No. 01-10; Dan Masloski, Lic. No. 01-111; Dallas Smith, Lic. No. 01-41. www.janzenauctions.com. 218-927-4488

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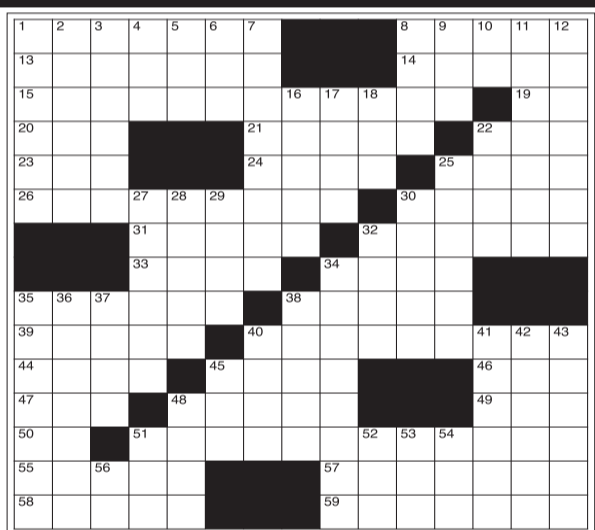
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