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SPORTS: East Central tracksters compete at Pine City. **P8**



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Val Rogosheske at the finish of the Boston Marathon in 1972. She ran the marathon in 4:29 that year. Two years later she would accomplish her personal best in the Boston Marathon with a time of 3:09.

Woman Repeats history one step at a time

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In 1972 women competed in the Boston Marathon for the first time. Val Rogosheske was one of the women participating in that historic moment. The 75-year-old is headed back to run again for the 50 year anniversary. This time she will run with her two daughters, Allie, 43, and Abby 38. Her cousin, Kris Swanson, 51, will also accompany them.

Val was one of eight women who ran that first year and she is the only one competing again this year. Four others will attend but not run.

"The rules said women couldn't run because they're uteruses would fall out or something," Val said.

Obviously the eight women disagreed.

"The first year I thought, wow, this is really important," Val said. "It felt like all eyes were on us as a lot of people felt women shouldn't run marathons, so we had something to prove."

She said there were about 1200 runners that year. They bussed the runners to a nearby city and they ran back to Boston. She said the air pulsed with excitement at the historic moment unwinding in front of them. She said a highlight of the first race was when they ran past Wellesley College and the young women gathered on the lawn to cheer the female runners on as they made history. A few months later Title 9 went into effect.

According to the Boston Athletic Association website, Val placed in the top ten at the Boston Marathon three times, taking sixth in 1972 with a time of 4:29:42, ninth in 1973 with a time of 3:51:12 and eighth in 1974 with a time of 3:09:38.

She trained to compete from 1972 to 1977, sometimes up to 70 miles a week.

In 1977 she fell sick right before the marathon with a chest cold that morphed into other health issues, including asthma, which ended her racing.

She attended the 25th anniversary of the women's historic

achievement but suffered from knee problems and was not able to compete.

Now that she is 75, she takes more safety precautions while training. When it's icy she runs inside at the local YWCA in order to prevent a fall and potential serious injury.

"I don't want to get laid up, so I run for 30 seconds, then walk for 30 seconds," Val said. "I'm looking forward to the nostalgic feeling of progress. There will be 14,000 women running this year." While she hopes to finish the 26.2 mile course in under six hours, her main goal is to enjoy the experience with her daughters and cousin.

The Twin Cities native spent her summers at the family cabin at Sand Lake while growing up. She moved to the lake for several years with her husband, Phil, after retiring. She said her husband always supported and encouraged her in her competition endeavors and will be in Boston to cheer her on for the 50th anniversary on Monday, April 18.

Finlayson 4th of July in jeopardy

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For the past 50 plus years, Finlayson has been the place to go for the Fourth of July. The Finlayson Community Club works hard to organize and host the annual event. However, this year the event is in jeopardy.

Over the past few years the club has faced a shortage of volunteer members causing events to be eliminated. This shortage could mean there won't be a celebration this year.

Club member Lois Pizzella said "There is a need for commitment. The Fourth of July celebration used to be two days, but we don't have enough help to organize two days worth of events." She went on to say they are

in need of younger volunteers to step up. People who can come to the meetings and are willing to help plan and organize events.

"We try to better the community with events such as this," said Pizzella.

The Community Club not only organizes the July event, but they also hold events such as Santa Days and would like to work on fixing up the depot in town.

Anyone is invited to come to the meetings, even if you are not a Finlayson resident the club welcomes any help they can get.

People may join by simply attending a club meeting. The next club meeting is at 6 p.m. on April 25, 2022 at the Finlayson Community Center.

Kidney donation saves life of local man

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Jacob Roubinek, a Pine city native who now lives in Sandstone and works in the Mille Lacs area, was first diagnosed with genetic FSG (focal segmental glomerulosclerosis) kidney disease in 2006.

FSG kidney disease happens when the kidney function is altered as many diseases and conditions can attack glomeruli, the tiny filtering units inside the kidneys where blood is cleaned, and cause scarring in the kidney. In Primary FSG, the disease happens on its own without a known or obvious cause and can affect both children and adults and affect males slightly more often than females.

Treatment, such as Immunosuppressive drugs, plasmapheresis, ACE inhibitors and ARBs, diuretics, and diet change, can slow the process of kidney disease. But over time, some patients with FSG gradually get worse until they reach kidney failure. If this occurs, they will need a kidney transplant or dialysis to stay alive.

This is where Jacob

landed. Since his diagnosis, Jacob's kidney function has steadily declined over the years, and in February, he received news that he was in need of a donor transplant as his kidney function had dropped to 14%.

His hope and prayer was to get a new kidney and that a donor would come forward, and soon enough one did: Danielle, a former piano student of Jacob's mother, Adrienne Roubinek.

Danielle is private about the situation but said in a previous interview after reading Adrienne's heartfelt plea for a donor for her son, "I felt God calling me in a different direction – rather than pray for the donor, pray to see if I might be the donor."

ANSWERED PRAYER

Despite the slim odds of being a genetic match, as small as just 25% between siblings, Danielle found she was a match after two days of testing. Roubinek was overwhelmed with joy when he heard that she was a match and was willing to give him one of her kidneys.

The kidney donation

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OUT & ABOUT

SATURDAY,
APRIL 16, 2022

Fun with the Easter Bunny

Askov's Easter Egg Hunt, sponsored by the Askov Commercial Club, will be held on April 16 at 10 a.m. Please bring your own basket or bag. The event will be held on the children's playground.

MONDAY,
APRIL 18, 2022

Firearm Safety

Firearm Safety Class for adults and youth is coming soon. The sign-up night will be Monday, April 18 from 5 to 6 p.m. at the Finlayson-Giese Sportsman's Club. A parent or guardian must be present at time of registration. There will be NO on-line registration. For questions contact George Slama at 320-233-6381.

TUESDAY,
APRIL 19, 2022

Everyone's Table

Come to Everyone's Table for a FREE community meal and a chance to get together with friends and neighbors every 1st and 3rd Tuesday at the John Wright Building, 130 Oriole Street East. Drive all the way around to the back of the building. The Sandstone Flower and Garden Club will be serving hamburger rice casserole, veggies and dessert on April 19, serving from 4:30 – 6 p.m. See you for dinner!

WEDNESDAY,
APRIL 20, 2022

Pine County Genealogical Society

The Pine County Genealogical Society will meet Wednesday, April 20th at the Pine County Historical Museum 6333 H C Anderson Alle in Askov at noon for lunch followed by a program on the 1950 Census, which was released on April 1st. See what you can learn about yourself and your family. Visitors are always welcome.

OBITUARIES

Glen M. Mortensen

April 29, 1930 - February 4, 2022

Glen "Buzz" Marvin Mortensen passed away peacefully on Friday, February 4, 2022 at Essentia Health in Sandstone. He was 91 years old.

Buzz was born on April 29, 1930 in Askov, Minn. He graduated from Askov High School in 1948. He joined the Army in January of 1951 and served until honorably discharged in Decemeber of 1953. Buzz returned to Askov where he met Sally Kelch of Markville and was married on June 12, 1954. They followed his construction jobs from Superior to Two Harbors, Osseo, Blaine, Eveleth, back to Blaine, then back to Askov for a while, Buzz even tried his hand at self-employment refurbishing bowling pins. All the while raising four children, Randy, Julie, Wendy and David, when the kids all graduated, he took a job as an apartment caretaker and moved to Minnetonka then Eagan and eventually back to Askov to stay. After retiring, they bought a place in Donna, Texas, where Buzz spent winters learning to whittle. He spent -his summers tending to his garden and doing small carpentry jobs. Buzz was a long standing member of the Askov American Legion Post 243 and Bethlehem Lutheran Church.

He is preceded in death by parents Harry and Minnie Mortensen; brother Harry Mortensen Jr; sisters, Lucille Cleveland, Joyce Willie, Ila Christensen and Beverly Buchanan.

Buzz is survived by his wife of 67 years, Sally, sister Lois Sahlen, his children, Randy(Cindy) Mortensen, Julie (Pete) Saxe, Wendy (Rob) Best, Dave (Sandy) Mortensen; grandchildren Justin, Danny, Josh, Jaime, Jodi, Stephanie, Terra, Lisha, Craig, Danica, Easton, Jacque, Jordan, Dawson, Randy, Shane, Rani and many great-grand children and extended family members and friends.

Services will be held at Bethlehem Lutheran Church by Clara Edin SAM on April 23, 2022 at 11 a.m.

The urnbearers will be the grandchildren, honorary urnbearers will be the great grandchildren.

Burial will follow the service at Bethlehem Lutheran Church Cemetery.

Luncheon will follow burial at the Askov Community Center.



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Robert W. Wallner

June 6, 1938 - April 8, 2022

Robert "Bob" William Wallner, 83, of Duluth died Friday, April 8, 2022 at St. Luke's Hospital surrounded by family. Bob was born on June 6, 1938 in Bruno, Minn. to Edwin and Adeline (Domning) Wallner.

Bob attended grade school in Bruno, graduated from Askov High School and attended Vo Tech where he studied carpentry. He married Helga Larsen on June 20, 1959 in Askov. Bob served in the Army during Vietnam era.

Bob was the owner of RWC, Inc. for 34 years, retiring in 2003. During his career, Bob was a member and past president of the Arrowhead Home Builders Association, a charter member of the Minnesota State Builders Association and was inducted into the Minnesota Builders Hall of Fame, and for many years, Bob was a Life Director for the National Association of Home Builders.

He was a member of Holy Cross Lutheran Church, with the biggest projects being the addition to the church and faithfully plowing the snow for 34 years, American Legion in Askov, a past member of Duluth Hts. Community Club and helping with the Winter Frolic, a past member of the Northland Optimist Club, a past member of the BPO Elks. Bob loved hunting, the annual venison sausage making party, fishing, snowmobiling and being a member of the Turtle Patrol. He enjoyed traveling, visiting Rio De Janeiro, Sydney, Europe, all 50 states and especially his trip to London on the Concord. He loved old cars and was particularly proud of his '56 Ford and his old Ford tractor that he used in his garden. Bob enjoyed having family and friends at the cabin, first at Lake Vermillion and later years at Island Lake.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a brother, John H. Wallner; a daughter, Kim Bettina Ruhnke. Bob is survived by his wife, Helga; a daughter, Marcella Wallner of Duluth; a sister, Judith (Tom Renner) Burdick of Mound, Minn.; brothers, Richard (Louise) of Cottonwood, Ariz., Gerald of Virginia, Minn. and Lawrence of Mesa, Ariz.; sisters-in-law, Arlene Wallner of Olympia, Wash. and Ruth Wagner of Williston, N.D.; seven grandchildren, Bettina, Danielle, Brock, Kaylene, Monica, Rachel and Mariah; seven great-grandchildren, Bamlaak, Davion, Connor, Christopher, Janie, Hazel and Nico.



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Good Friday Service

April 15th at 7 p.m.

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Our second service is
at 10 a.m.

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The weeks of April 16th & 30th

Please be aware that pressure and quality of water
may fluctuate. You may want to refrain from doing
laundry those days, and then let your faucet run
until clear.

If you have any questions, contact the city office,
(218) 372-3733, during normal business hours.

COMMUNITY

Enjoying life’s little victories

My first order of business this week is to mention that Finlayson’s Community Club is meeting on April 25th at 6 p.m. and they are addressing the Finlayson 4th of July plans. This is a community event for our friends and family and we need to come together and pitch in to make this happen. The alternative is no celebration, so please join the club meeting at the Finlayson Community Center on the 25th and see



Finlayson News
Maxine Meyer

what you can do to help. The Fourth of July is one of our biggest and best days of the summer. Let’s have something for all to really enjoy. It was Thursday afternoon when the cardiac coordinator called Gary Meyer with test results. It’s been two months of testing, and labs and then the right heart catheter last week so we waited to hear if it was all good news, or not. It turned out the good news we were hoping for was not forthcoming. However, the news wasn’t really bad either. The big surprise was the procedure to remove antibodies didn’t change Gary’s antibody values the way our doctor was expecting. The news was not exactly what we had hoped for. I pri-

vately wondered if the cardiac team’s weekly Friday meeting would also review Gary’s case. They all know Gary’s ups and downs, and have previously reviewed other results Gary’s body throws at them. So, as I suspected, after their meeting on Friday we got a call. The team determined they were not conclusively seeing rejection, and they even noted improvements. And the team also evaluated objections we made earlier in the week about a medication. So when it was all said and done the medication was changed and we were much happier about all the results. Gary is feeling great, so we best enjoy our little victories and continue to take it one day at a time.

Thursday, Janet Halonen and her granddaughter, Ayla, stopped over with fresh baked chocolate chip cookies. Oh were they yummy. I understand 4 year old Ayla helped make them and we sure enjoyed those cookies. While here, Ayla played with the dogs, and when Sampson got to be too much, she politely put him in his kennel, with a few kernels of dog food and a half dozen toys. That four-year-old knows her way around a big dog, ha! The dog thought that was very considerate of her to toss in the goodies. A little later we spotted King was in the barn so we all got ready to go visit him. King was pleased to see everyone, and we promised Ayla she can come back when

it’s warmer and he will give her a short ride. Easter is April 17, and of course April 18 is the last day to file your federal taxes-you don’t want to forget either event. And the latest COVID variant is taking the country pretty fast. Although folks aren’t dying, they are getting sick. Face masks are not a thing of the past yet so stay safe. And if you are eligible for the next booster, you should protect you and your family. No one likes being sick.

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Enjoy Traditional Easter Recipes



Food N' Friends
Mary Ellen Dewey

IF YOU have a favorite recipe you would like to share, send it to Mary Ellen at recipe@pinecountycourier.com. ENJOY!!

AUNT GEORGIA'S PEA SALAD

- 1/3 c. sour cream
- 1 Tbsp. mayonnaise
- Salt and pepper
- 1 Tbsp. white vinegar
- 4 c. frozen green peas, almost thawed
- 8 slices bacon, cooked until crisp and chopped
- 1/2 small red onion, halved and sliced very thin
- 6 oz. American or cheddar cheese, cut into small cubes
- 3 Tbsp. minced fresh parsley

Mix the sour cream, mayonnaise, salt, pepper, and vinegar together to make the dressing. Stir 2/3 of the dressing into the peas until the peas are coated. Gently stir in bacon, onion, cheese, and parsley until combined. Cover, refrigerate 2 to 4 hours before serving. Stir in the remaining dressing before serving. Garnish with parsley. (Georgia always used American cheese. Don't chop the onions leave them in half rings so the kids can pick out the onions and discard them.) Serves 10-12.

STRAWBERRY MUFFINS WITH STRAWBERRY BUTTER

BUTTER:

- 1 stick softened butter
- 1/2 c. sliced strawberries

MUFFINS:

- 2-1/2 c. all-purpose flour
- 1 c. granulated sugar
- 2 tsp. baking powder
- 1/2 tsp. baking soda
- 1/2 tsp. salt
- 3/4 c. melted butter, cooled
- 2 large eggs, room temperature
- 1/2 c. plain yogurt, room temperature
- 2 tsp. vanilla extract
- 2 c. chopped strawberries, divided
- 1 Tbsp turbinado sugar, (Sugar in the Raw) optional

Butter: Combine strawberries and butter in a food processor, pulse on and off until the butter is combined. Or put in bowl and mix with a beater. Can use strawberry jam instead of fresh strawberries and it will last longer in the refrigerator if it is not all used. **Muffins:** Preheat oven 375 degrees. Line 12 regular muffin tin with paper cups, spray cups with nonstick cooking spray. Stir together the flour, sugar, baking powder, baking soda, and salt in a large bowl. Set aside. Whisk together the melted butter, eggs, yogurt, and vanilla in a medium bowl. Add the wet ingredients to the dry ingredients; stir together until combined. Fold 1-1/2 cups of strawberries. Batter will be thick. Using a scoop, drop into each lined muffin cup. Top scooped batter evenly with remaining 1/2 cup berries; sprinkle with turbinado sugar, if using. Bake until tops are golden brown and wooden pick inserted in the center of a muffin comes out clean, 20-22 minutes. Serve with the fruit butter. This recipe works great with raspberries (or other fruits) in the butter and muffins also.

TRIFLE FRUIT SALAD

- 2 c. (1-inch) chunks fresh pineapple or 1 (20 oz.) can pineapple chunks drained
- 2 c. halved, fresh strawberries
- 2 c. fresh or frozen blueberries, thawed
- 2 c. seedless green grapes
- 1 (4 oz.) pkg. instant banana cream pudding mix
- 1-1/4 c. milk
- 1/2 c. dairy sour cream
- 1 can (8-oz.) can crushed pineapple
- Pineapple leaves, (opt.)

In a 2-quart clear glass trifle bowl, layer pineapple chunks, strawberries, blueberries, and grapes; set aside. In medium bowl, whisk together dry pudding mix, milk and sour cream. Stir in undrained, crushed pineapple. Pour over the layered fruit. Cover and chill at least 2 hours or up to 8 hours. Garnish with pineapple leaves.

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BRUNO/KERRICK NEWS



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Friday Jean Jensen traveled to Anoka to celebrate grand daughter, Ameilia Hanson’s 9th birthday. Saturday evening Derrell and Jean supported the Hinckley Legion by attending Ham Bingo. Sunday afternoon they attended granddaughter, Lily Jensen’s 8th birthday party at Adam and Sarah Jensen’s home in Pine City.

Last Saturday, Doug and Sue Blechinger had the grandchildren Maddie and Bauer Borchardt for the weekend and then on Saturday, grandma Sue took the kids to the sock hop dance at Willow River School...it was a fun time for all.

Heard the maple tree tappers in the area are now working on processing the maple syrup.

Sympathy is extended to Gladys Johnson’s family and friends. Gladys, age 94, was a long time resident of Bruno until 2013, when she moved

to Sandstone and passed away at her home there on April 4, 2022. Gladys served as treasurer for the City of Bruno for 37 years and was also involved with many community functions and events in the area. Her funeral service was held on Monday April 11, 2022 at Memorial Drive Fellowship in Askov. Arrangements by Methven Funeral Home-Sandstone.

St Paul’s Lutheran Church in Bruno Holy Week schedule is as follows:

Maundy Thursday (April 14) Joint Worship Service with Peace Lutheran and held at Peace in Finlayson at 7 p.m. Good Friday (April 15) joint worship service with Peace Lutheran and held at Peace in Finlayson at 7 p.m. Easter Sunday service (April 17) will be at 9:30 a.m.at St.Paul’s Lutheran in Bruno. Peace Lutheran will have a service at 7 a.m.

Trinity Lutheran Church Bruno and Oak Lake Lutheran Church in Kerrick Holy Week schedule is as follows: Maundy Thursday(April 14) includes a joint Passover meal at Oak Lake at 6:30 p.m Good Friday (April 15) at Trinity is a 4 p.m. service, at Oak Lake at 7 p.m. Easter worship (April 17) is at Trinity at 7 a.m. with breakfast to follow; Oak Lake at 9:30 a.m.

WILLOW RIVER NEWS

About twenty years ago my husband brought home a piece of paper with this written on it. He got it from a guy he worked with. It made me laugh because it



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River News
Kathi
Bennett

is so true. I do not know who wrote it. They hit the nail on the head. “Who’s job is it? This is a story about four people named Everybody, Somebody, Anybody and Nobody. There was an important job to be done and Everybody was sure Somebody would do it. Anybody could have done it, but Nobody did it. Somebody got angry about that, because it was

Everybody’s job. Everybody thought Anybody could do it but Nobody realized that Everybody wouldn’t do it. It ended up that Everybody blamed Somebody when Nobody did what Anybody could have done.” This definitely rings true to me when thinking about all the volunteer groups that do things for this community. There are a good number of good people volunteering and doing a lot of good things for this community, but as I get older I realize that we need some more young people to step up and get involved or this will be our problem. If you have ever appreciated the community events that you have gone to, the scholarships that your children have benefited from, the first responders that come to your door when there is an emergency, the person who taught your children bible school, etc.? Then please consider how you can help these things continue in your community. I know that the economy sucks and we are all working many hours, but sometimes just a few hours a month are all that is required to contribute in a big way. How can you help your community?

With that said...the Willow River Community Club and the Willow River Fire Department want to thank the community for bringing all those lovely children to the Fun with the Easter Bunny. We had a blast and raised some money for scholarships and other community functions. Thank You for your generosity and fun attitude. Happy Easter.

Last week I had a resident of a

neighboring town come up to me and ask me why the city has not opened up the park by the Rock Arch Rapids. He stated that he has a lot of people asking about it. I explained that the city cannot open up the park until the DNR is done with the Rock Arch Rapids project and gives the city permission to open up the park. The contractor still has work to do on the rapids once the spring thaw happens. They will be making sure all the boulders are settled properly and safe. The final landscaping will be done after that and then the city will be finalizing their work on the park area. Then it will be opened to the public. He also wondered where you find information on this issue. I explained that he can look on the city of Willow River website at cityofwillowriver.com. The minutes of the meetings are on the website. Also, information about the city parks is on that website as well. Also, the monthly city council meetings are open to the public. Updates are given on this subject at the city council meetings. The meetings are the first Monday of the month at 7 p.m. at city hall. The public is welcome.

At the School: April 14 there is an Early Release Day, April 15 is no school for Easter, April 19 there is a WR School Board Meeting at 6 p.m. Kindergarten Round-up will be from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. on Friday, May 6. All future Kindergarten students will need to be five years of age before September 1st to enroll for kindergarten. Please call or email Ms. Chas Balut for more information at: cbalut@isd577.org or by calling 218-372-3131 ext. 169. If your kiddos are too young for kindergarten you might want to sign them up for Early Childhood programs at Willow River. It really gives the kids a leg up when they get to kindergarten...and they have fun too.

At St. Mary’s/ St. Isidore’s Church: There will be Stations of the Cross on Good Friday, April 15 at St. Isidore’s Church at 12 noon. St. Isidore upcoming CCW meeting will be Tuesday, May 3 at St. Isidore’s at 6 p.m. The Knights of Columbus meeting will be held on April 24 at St. Isidore’s Church with Rosary at 6:30 p.m. and meeting to follow at 7 p.m. First Communion Sunday is May 1, 2022 at 10:30 a.m. Mass at Holy Angels Church. May 29, 2022 is Doughnut Sunday at St. Isidore’s after Mass.

Where do people come up with their nonsense?

Dear Tante Ingeborg,

My friend Shotsie is the kind of person that was sure the COVID vaccine would alter her DNA.



Ask
Tante

“Shotsie”, I told her, “you should welcome the opportunity!” Lately she’s been

plagued with back pain and hasn’t been able to get any relief. Her doctor told her to try acupuncture but she said she was afraid of what she called Chinese voodoo. She said it was New Age claptrap. When the pain was at a twelve on a scale of one to

ten she made an appointment to try it. Lo, and behold, it worked. I tried to tell her that the Chinese have used acupuncture for centuries and that there were many areas of physiology that they understood but westerners didn’t. Did she think whatever sense she had was going to seep out from the needle holes? Where do people come up with such nonsense?

Signed, Dinah on De-gerstrom

Dear Dinah,

When someone is a couple of steps past being stupid you’re wasting your time and energy trying to reason with them.

Acupuncture has been widely practiced in the

West for many years.

I wonder if Shotsie realizes that over one hundred prescription drugs come from the Amazon rain forest. In the Middle Ages people used many plants and herbs to medicate those under their care.

In our race to embrace the wonders of technology it might be a good idea to hang on to concepts that have proven beneficial in the past.

Don’t get me wrong, I’m all for modern science. I’d even like to suggest that Shotsie should get her brain scanned.

Try some medicinal wine to stay patient with her and remember, Tante Ingeborg cares....but not so much.

DO YOU REMEMBER

1972: Tom Stine retires as Willow River basketball coach

100 YEARS AGO
APRIL 9, 1922

- At the American Legion Post meeting in Askov steps were taken to have a good baseball team again this summer. Emil Christensen was chosen as manager.

- James Flanagan and Elvira Lofgren of Windemere were married at Moose Lake. They will make their home near Sturgeon Lake.

- Miss Katie Clausen returned home from Minneapolis to assist at home....her mother being ill with inflammatory rheumatism.

75 YEARS AGO
APRIL 10 1947

- A party was tendered in the clubhouse of the Jens H. Jensen Post #243 American Legion Tuesday evening for Mr. and Mrs. John Thinesen of Sandstone silver wedding anniversary.

- Two Nickerson girls exchange vows Saturday April 5th...Jean Wiggins, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Pete Wiggins, and Donald Longerbone, son of Mr. and Mrs. C.E. Longerbone, of Minneapolis were married at

the Nickerson Lutheran Church and Norma Van Guilder, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Van Guilder and John Fraedrick, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Fraedrick of Grand Rapids were married in Hermantown .

50 YEARS AGO
APRIL 13, 1972

- Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Furey on the birth of a baby girl April 5th.

- Tom Stine, who is retiring as basketball coach after 28 years in Willow River, was honored at the annual athletic banquet.

- The Bruno Legion Post # 563 bowling team took the championship by a 40 pin margin over Kerrick’s Park’s Bar at the Sandstone Lanes. They rolled a 2752 series.

25 YEARS AGO
APRIL 10, 1997

- Former Askov American Publisher Medora Petersen dies in Willmar at age 100.

- Clara Edin of Askov wins photo contest for the new county plat book.

- Diane Hoffman and Lyle Bloom were married April 5th at the Oak Lake Church.

- Ed Kozlowski, age 90 formerly of Duquette passed away on March 30th.

- Cliff and Wilma Krogstad celebrated their 80th and 75th birthdays at an open house at Trinity Lutheran Church - Bruno.

- The Parrish hall of St. Isidore’s Catholic Church in Sturgeon Lake has been demolished due to the roof caving in this winter from heavy snow on it.

10 YEARS AGO
APRIL 5, 2012

- Friends to last a lifetime when Marian Paschall, Vera Olson Lick and Hazel Nelson Molis graduated from Willow River High School in 1936 and have kept in touch and see each other quite often since then ...they celebrated their 75th reunion last year.

- Disabled American Veterans Chapter 4 presented a \$5,000 check to Pine County Veterans Council ...the money will go towards the purchase of a new van.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICES

PARTRIDGE TOWNSHIP MEETING DATES

Partridge Township Residents: The Township Board meetings will be held on Wednesday 5/4/2022, 6/1/2022, 7/6/2022, 8/3/2022, 9/7/2022, 10/5/2022, 11/2/2022, 12/7/2022, 1/4/2023, 2/1/2023, 3/15/2023, and 4/5/2023 at 7:00 PM at the Askov Community Center. Spring Road inspection will be at 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday 5/4/2022 leaving from the Askov Community Center and the regular Board Meeting following the Road Inspection. The Board of Audit will be held 2/1/2023 at 6:30 PM before the regular monthly meeting. The Township Election will be held Tuesday March 14, 2023 from 5:00 to 8:00 PM with the Annual Meeting following once the election process is complete. The Re-organization meeting will be held 4/5/2023 at 6:30 PM before the regular monthly meeting. Respectfully posted, Anne M Stitt Partridge Township Published on the Askov American April 14, 21, 2022

CITY OF WILLOW RIVER IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING PROPERTY ASSESSMENTS

This may affect your 2023 property taxes. The Board of Appeal and Equalization of the City of Willow River will meet on April 21, 2022, at 6:00 PM at Willow River City Hall. The purpose of this meeting is to determine whether property in the jurisdiction has been properly valued and classified by the assessor. If you believe the value or classification of your property is incorrect, please contact your assessor's office to discuss your concerns. If you disagree with the valuation or classification after discussing it with your assessor, you may appear before the local board of appeal and equalization. The board will review your assessments and may make corrections as needed. Generally, you must appeal to the local board before appealing to the county board of appeal and equalization. Published in the Askov American April 14, 2022

BRUNO TOWNSHIP IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING PROPERTY ASSESSMENTS

This may affect your 2023 property taxes. The Board of Appeal and Equalization for Bruno Township will meet on Wednesday, April 20, 2022 at 1:00 pm at the Bruno Township Hall. The purpose of this meeting is to determine whether property in the jurisdiction has been properly valued and classified by the assessor. If you believe the value or classification of your property is incorrect, please contact your assessor's office to discuss your concerns. If you disagree with the valuation or classification after discussing it with the assessor, you may appear before the local board of appeal and equalization. The board will review your assessments and may make corrections as needed. Generally, you must appeal to the local board before appealing to the county board of appeal and equalization. Karen Dracy Clerk Published in the Askov American April 7, 14, 2022

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

Court File No. 58-PR-22-39 NOTICE OF INFORMAL APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS (INTESTATE) Estate of Steven Charles Johnson, also known as Steven C. Johnson, also known as Steven Johnson, Decedent Notice is given that an application for informal appointment of personal representative has been filed with the Registrar. No will has been presented for probate. The application has been granted. Notice is also given that the Registrar has informally appointed Jeremiah Johnson, whose address is 62388 S. Fleming Loop, Askov, Minnesota, 55704, as personal representative of the Estate of the Decedent. Any heir 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 with the Court (pursuant to Minnesota Statutes section 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 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 Minnesota Statutes section 524.3-801) all creditors having claims against the Estate are required to present the claims to the personal representative or to the Court Administrator within four months after the date of this Notice or the claims will be barred. Dated: March 29, 2022 BY THE COURT

Pamela Kreier Registrar Amy Willert Court Administrator Attorney for Personal Representative Kevin A. Hofstad LEDIN & HOFSTAD, LTD. 539 Main Street S. Pine City, MN, 55063 Attorney License No: 12445X Telephone:(320)629-7537 Fax:320629-2479 Email: kevinh@ledinandhofstad.com Published in the Askov American April 7, 14, 2022

FORECLOSURE

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that default has occurred in the conditions of the following described mortgage: DATE OF MORTGAGE: January 30, 2018 ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: \$75,600.00 MORTGAGOR(S): Michael Currie and Nancy Currie, husband and wife MORTGAGEE: Mortgage Electronic Registrations Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for Quicken Loans Inc., its successors and assigns DATE AND PLACE OF RECORDING: Recorded: February 9, 2018 Pine County Recorder Document Number: A-538317 ASSIGNMENTS OF MORTGAGE: And assigned to: Quicken Loans Inc. Dated: March 9, 2020 Recorded: March 17, 2020 Pine County Recorder Document Number: A552115 Transaction Agent: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. Transaction Agent Mortgage Identification Number: 100039033946453820 Lender/Broker/Mortgage Originator: Quicken Loans Inc. Residential Mortgage Servicer: Rocket Mortgage, LLC COUNTY IN WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED: Pine Property Address: 402 2nd St SE, Hinckley, MN 55037-8732 Tax Parcel ID Number: 405363000 LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: Lot 1, Except the Easterly 5 feet thereof, Newman's First Addition to the Village of Hinckley, Pine County, Minnesota AMOUNT DUE AND CLAIMED TO BE DUE AS OF DATE OF NOTICE: \$81,943.97 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: June 16, 2022 at 10:00 AM PLACE OF SALE: County Sheriff's office, Pine County Courthouse, 635 Northridge Drive Northwest, Pine City, 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 said 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 December 16, 2022, or the next business day if December 16, 2022 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. DATED: March 19, 2022 MORTGAGEE: Rocket Mortgage, LLC f/k/a Quicken Loans, LLC f/k/a Quicken Loans Inc. Wilford, Geske & Cook, P.A. Attorneys for Mortgagee 7616 Currell Boulevard, Suite 200 Woodbury, MN 55125 (651) 209-3300 File Number: 050662-F1 Published on the Askov American March 24, 31, April 7, 14, 21, 28, 2022

MINUTES

SUMMARY OF MINUTES OF THE PINE COUNTY BOARD MEETING Regular Meeting Tuesday, March 15, 2022 - 10:00 a.m.

North Pine Government Center, 1602 Highway 23 No., Sandstone, Minnesota Chair Hallan called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Present were Commissioners Josh Mohr, Terry Lovgren, J.J. Waldhalm and Matt Ludwig. Also present was County Administrator David Minke and County Attorney Reese Frederickson. The public was invited to join the meeting remotely by phone, Zoom, or watch via live stream on YouTube. The Pledge of Allegiance was said. Chair Hallan called for public comment. There was no public comment. **Motion** by Commissioner Ludwig to adopt the amended Agenda. Second by Commissioner Lovgren. Motion carried 5-0. **Motion** by Commissioner Mohr to approve the Minutes of the March 1, 2022 County Board Meeting and Summary for publication. Second by Commissioner Waldhalm. Motion carried 5-0. Minutes of Boards, Reports and Correspondence Pine County Zoning Board Minutes – January 27, 2022 Pine County Land Surveyor Monthly Report – February 2022 **Motion** by Commissioner Ludwig to acknowledge the Minutes of Boards, Reports and Correspondence. Second by Commissioner Lovgren. Motion carried 5-0. **Motion** by Commissioner Lovgren to approve the amended Consent Agenda. Second by Commissioner Mohr. Motion carried 5-0. **Approve February, 2022 Cash Balance Fund**

February 28, 2021	February 28, 2022	Increase/Decrease
General Fund		
4,279,954	4,462,588	182,634
Health and Human Services Fund		
1,942,706	2,346,262	403,556
Road and Bridge Fund		
1,845,418	2,817,201	971,783
COVID Relief		
0.00	2,503,513	2,503,513
Land		
2,374,934	2,461,114	86,180
Self Insurance		
373,110	501,726	128,616
TOTAL (inc non-major funds)		
11,973,765	17,387,406	5,413,641

 The following vendors with claims of \$2,000 or more, and 423 claims under \$2,000 or not needing approval totaling \$450,597 were paid during the period of February 1, 2022-February 28, 2022: ACCURATE CONTROLS INC, 14,422.12; AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES, 3,358.28; Aml Cleaning Service, Inc, 4,000.00; ANOKA COUNTY TREASURY OFFICE, 12,500.00; Aspen Mills, 3,899.44; BERGERSON ELECTRIC, INC, 15,000.00; CLOQUET RIVERSIDE RECYCLING, INC, 6,950.45; COMPUTER INTEGRATION TECHNOLOGIES, 9,488.00; DSC Communications, 2,415.00; DSC Communications, 3,089.00; East Central Energy Of Braham, 12,744.41; GUARDIAN RFID, 4,950.00; Independent Emergency Serv Llc, 110,500.47; Information Systems Corp-ISC, 22,348.00; Interstate Power Systems Inc, 2,122.00; KRONOS SAASHR INC, 2,576.04; LOFFLER COMPANIES-131511, 3,419.01; MEND CORRECTIONAL CARE PLLC, 27,856.71; MINNESOTA ENERGY RESOURCES CORP, 20,335.73; MINNESOTA POWER,

3,576.94; Motorola Solutions Inc, 8,672.50; OFFICE OF MN.IT SERVICES, 5,294.08; PDQ.COM CORPORATION, 3,600.00; PTS OF AMERICA LLC, 2,642.50; Reliance Systems, 2,000.00; SHI INTERNATIONAL CORP, 108,888.00; Storm Training Group - Card Member Service, 2,096.85; SUMMIT FOOD SERVICE MANAGEMENT LLC, 18,044.61; THRIFTY WHITE PHARMACY, 2,326.02; TRACEPOINT LLC, 10,000.00; TRITECH SOFTWARE SYSTEMS, 4,662.00; TRITECH SOFTWARE SYSTEMS, 13,865.31; Verizon Wireless, 11,755.47; West Group, 2,027.57; Am Indian Fam & Child Serv Inc, 2,639.96; Assoc Of Minn Counties, 2,244.00; Central Mn Jobs & Training Services, 24,338.21; DHS State Operated Services, 4,491.90; East Central Reg Juvenile Center, 2,520.00; East Central Reg Juvenile Center, 8,669.00; Family Pathways - North Branch, 3,432.50; Heartland Girls Ranch, 17,185.78; Lighthouse Child & Family Services, LLC, 6,290.34; Mille Lacs Band Family Services, 8,797.80; Nexus-Gerard Family Healing LLC, 12,400.00; Nexus-Kindred Family Healing, 6,212.40; Nexus-Mille Lacs Family Healing, 21,767.58; Pine County Sheriff FPI Contract, 9,831.53; Prairie Lakes Youth Programs, 9,221.26; Solid Oak Financial Services, LLC, 7,420.00; Sue's Bus Service Inc, 4,305.60; Verizon Wireless, 2,926.55; Askov Deep Rock, 5,596.90; Askov Deep Rock, 5,668.62; Boyer Trucks, 2,227.87; Chamberlain Oil Co., Inc, 2,555.17; COMPASS MINERALS AMERICA, 14,777.79; COMPASS MINERALS AMERICA, 14,960.33; COMPASS MINERALS AMERICA, 5,996.99; COMPASS MINERALS AMERICA, 15,604.67; Daves Oil Corporation, 3,142.87; DLT SOLUTIONS LLC, 6,162.75; DOOLEYS PETROLEUM INC, 48,499.60; Emergency Automotive Technologies, Inc, 41,328.06; Emergency Automotive Technologies, Inc, 26,400.00; ENVIRONMENTAL TROUBLESHOOTERS INC, 11,442.90; ERICKSON ENGINEERING CO LLC, 2,459.50; Landwehr Construction Inc, 8,749.90; MINNESOTA ENERGY RESOURCES CORP, 2,493.81; Mn Dept Of Natural Resources, 2,000.00; M-R Sign Company, Inc., 4,835.03; Nuss Truck Group Inc, 10,950.22; Slims Texaco Service, 6,093.55; STAN'S EQUIPMENT CENTER, 2,610.00; WALDOCH, 2,129.00; HOMETOWN FIBER LLC, 7,050.00; Anderson Electric, 1,275.35; LSS, 5,600.00; TIERNEY, 5,622.74; UNITEDHEALTH GROUP – VOID, 64,929.76; UNITEDHEALTH GROUP – VOID, 120,749.98; UNITEDHEALTH GROUP – VOID, 93,952.62; UNITEDHEALTH GROUP – VOID, 56,168.20; BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF MINNESOTA, 3,870.50; FURTHER, 6,249.09; FURTHER-VOID, 2,190.10; GUARDIAN, 9,751.27; MADISON NATIONAL LIFE INS CO INC, 3,980.21; MEDICAREBLUE RX, 5,234.80; Mn Life Insurance Company, 4,498.60; TEAMSTERS JOINT COUNCIL 32, 52,530.00; TEAMSTERS JOINT COUNCIL 32, 5,820.00. Approve the following: **A. Application for Premises Permit** i. Resolution 2022-15 approving the application for Northern Pine Riders to conduct lawful gambling at Banning Junction Bar, 60684 State Hwy. 23, Finlayson, MN and authorize County Auditor-Treasurer Kelly Schroeder to sign the application. **B. Consumption & Display License** i. Acknowledge application and authorize County Auditor-Treasurer Schroeder to sign the consumption and display license for Aufderhar & Aufderhar, LLC. Ratify Grant Agreement with the Blandin Foundation accepting the \$75,000 grant for broadband, dated March 8, 2022. Approve the 2021-23 Office Highway Vehicle Enforcement Grant in the total amount of \$17,824. The grant will be used for enforcement, equipment and training for the community. This grant does not require matching funds. Approve Commissioners' Expense Claim Forms. Approve the hiring of: A. Highway Maintenance Worker Nathan Romanowski, effective April 4, 2022, Grade 6, Step 1, \$20.49 per hour. B. Full Time Deputy Sheriff David Moe, effective March 21, 2022, Grade 10, Step 1, \$26.65 per hour. C. Social Worker Austin Lessard, effective March 28, 2022, Grade 10, Step 1, \$25.88, subject to successful completion of background check. Approve the promotion of

corrections officers Kristi Arnoff and Andrew Degerstrom from part-time status to full-time status effective March 16, 2022. Wage and grade remain unchanged. Approve Veterans Service Officer Michael Harshman to attend the 2022 National Association of County Veterans Service Officers in San Antonio, Texas. Approximate total cost: \$2,194. Approve Social Worker Samantha Maser to attend the Minnesota Social Services Association conference. Registration \$215. Approve any county commissioner interested to attend the Association of Minnesota Counties Leadership Summit. Registration: \$400, Lodging: \$134/night. **Personnel Committee Report** Commissioner Ludwig provided an overview of the March 7, 2022 Personnel Committee meeting. The Personnel Committee made the following recommendation: **A. Sheriff's Office - Jail** i. Acknowledge the retirement of Jail Programmer Brent Jahnz, effective April 30, 2022 and request backfill of the position and any subsequent vacancies that may occur due to internal promotion or lateral transfer. ii. Acknowledge the resignation of Corrections Officer Nicholas Marolt, effective February 23, 2022 and request backfill of the position and any subsequent vacancies that may occur due to internal promotion or lateral transfer. iii. Acknowledge the resignation of Corrections Officer Duane Begay, effective March 13, 2022 and request backfill of the position and any subsequent vacancies that may occur due to internal promotion or lateral transfer. **B. Sheriff's Office - Dispatch** i. Acknowledge the resignation of Dispatcher Jenny McClain, effective July 16, 2022 and request backfill of the position and any subsequent vacancies that may occur due to internal promotion or lateral transfer. **Motion** by Commissioner Ludwig to approve the recommendations of the Personnel Committee. Second by Commissioner Mohr. Motion carried 5-0. **Motion** by Commissioner Lovgren to approve a Professional Services Agreement with LHB for architectural services for A Place For You, in the amount of \$82,306, and authorize Board Chair and County Administrator to sign. Second by Commissioner Mohr. Motion carried 5-0. **Motion** by Commissioner Mohr to schedule the following Special Meetings: A. Special Meeting–Pine County Education Collaborative Leadership Network, March 23, 2022, 6:00 p.m., North Pine Government Center, 1602 Hwy. 23 No., Sandstone, Minnesota B. Special Meeting-Committee of the Whole, April 12, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. at the Pine County Courthouse, Board Room, Pine City, Minnesota. C. Special Meeting-Annual Road Tour, May 10, 2022, 9:00 a.m., commencing at the courthouse, followed by a road tour traveling/ reviewing and discussing roads, bridges and transportation. Second by Commissioner Lovgren. Motion carried 5-0. With no further business, Chair Hallan adjourned the meeting at 11:14 a.m. The next regular meeting of the county board is scheduled for Tuesday, April 5, 2022 at 10:00 a.m., Pine County Courthouse, 635 Northridge Drive NW, Pine City, Minnesota. Stephen M. Hallan, Chair Board of Commissioners David J. Minke, Administrator Clerk to County Board of Commissioners **The full text of the board's Minutes are available at the County Administrator's Office and the county's website (www.co.pine.mn.us). Copies may also be requested from the administrator's office.** Published in the Askov American April 14, 2022

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Applications are available at City Hall, 119 Fourth Street, Sandstone, MN 55072, (320) 245-5241, or online at www.sandstone.govoffice.com.



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ANSWER:



East Central track results

1ST PLACE
High Jump - Izzy Olson - 5'2 11
(Ties School Record)
200m dash - Jake Ackerman -
24.44 (personal record)
Shot Put - Crosby Keranen -
43' 3"
Discus - Crosby Keranen - 117'
5"

2ND PLACE
3200m run - Jemi Keranen
- 12:52
100m dash - Jake Ackerman -
12.06 (personal record)

4TH PLACE
100m dash - Josh Swanson -
12.22 (personal record)
110m hurdles - Dylan Chle-
beck - 19.81 (personal record)

4X200m relay - John Pinson,
Chanse Clark, Austin
Clennon, Josh Swanson -
1:50.70
Long Jump- Jake Ackerman
-18 17.75" (personal record)

• 5TH PLACE
1600m run - Kennadee
Volk - 6:20
Discus - Nie DePaulis
- 10616.511

• 6TH PLACE
4X800m relay - Arabella
Presley, Avila Burch, Mazie
Gebhart, Kennadee Volk -
12:13.54
4X100m relay - Jake Ack-
erman, Dylan Chlebeck, John
Pinson, Josh Swanson - 50.82

KIDNEY: April is National Transplant Month

FROM PAGE 1

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gery took place “without
a hitch” on March 16 at
the Mayo Clinic Hospi-
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donor was in the operat-
ing room for about two
hours, and he was there
about one to two hours
longer.

Jacob’s wife, Amanda,
recalls receiving texts
from the doctor during
the surgery. “A text came
at 10:06 during the sur-
gery stating, ‘Starting to
sew in donor kidney.’ The
meaning behind those
six words carried more
than can be explained in
words. At that moment,
I knew Jacob’s life was
being saved by a virtual
stranger – someone we
met only a couple months
prior. As this reality set
in, I couldn’t help but sit
in that waiting room in
peace and awe, knowing
God had worked every-
thing out in His time.”

The donor kidney start-
ed working immediately,
said Jacob.

“It was a miracle to see
how quickly my blood
work numbers returned
to a more healthy state.
My creatinine went from
4.0 pre-transplant to 1.6
in just 3 days. They say
my creatinine will never
be in the normal range,
but should stabilize be-
tween 1.6 and 1.8.”

Jacob was released
from the hospital to a
rental house on March
19 and remained in

Rochester until March
29. “During my stay, my
wife and I had substan-
tial educational appoint-
ments to participate in,”
he said. “Food safety and
medication accuracy are
probably the two biggest
concerns post transplant.
I will need to take immu-
nosuppressant or anti-re-
jection medications for
life. This means I can get
sick from small bacteria
on foods that the average
person would never react
to. I also cannot miss my
medications. The meds
are what mask the for-
eign kidney in my body
from my immune system.
Without the medication,
my body would attack the
new kidney and I would
be very sick.”

Thus far, Jacob has
been recovering well and
is still healing from the
surgery. He expects to
return to work in May.
“I try to be as active as
possible, but my body
still demands a bit of rest
throughout the day,” he
said. “Each passing week
I notice more energy
returning to my body. I
have been extremely for-
tunate to have minimal
side effects from these
very serious medications.
I do have mild tremors
though.”

LONG-TERM PROGNOSIS
Having a living donor
gives Jacob’s transplant
kidney a high likelihood
of longevity, and his do-
nor is young and healthy
which also helps. The
Mayo Clinic expects he
will have a minimum of
20 years with this kidney,
but it could last the rest
of his life.

“I do need to live a
healthy lifestyle and take
my medications as direct-
ed,” said Jacob. “Because
I have no other health
problems and my kidney
disease is genetic, the
disease will not return to
my donor kidney. As I get

He added that while we
were appreciative from
the beginning, this really
hit him and his wife
stronger post surgery.
“The miracle of science
to accomplish this task,
and the miracle of the
sacrificial heart of a do-



comfortable with some
of the changes related to
having a transplanted
organ, I expect my life
will feel quite normal
over time.”

SPECIAL THANKS
Jacob is beyond
thankful to his donor, his
family and to all those
in the community who
supported him and his
family along the way.
“My donor had never
even met me when she
decided to save my life
with a kidney donation,”
he recalled. “While we
know the risks associat-
ed with being a donor are
low, few people are will-
ing to make the sacrifice.
She is a true blessing and
has a beautiful spirit.”

nor willing to put her life
on hold to save mine.
God sent her and she
listened. We wish there
were more people like
her,” he said.
On the home front, his
five-year-old is glad to
have the family all under
one roof again, and Jacob
is grateful to his adult
son who was able to stay
home and take care of the
animals while they were
in Rochester.
“My wife was wonder-
ful with all she did before
transplant and keeping
the house running after
transplant and being my
main support through
everything before and
after transplant,” he said.
“Overall, we are getting
back to a new normal.”

Spaghetti Dinner

Saturday, April 23rd from 5pm – 8pm

Pine County Historical Museum – Askov

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