

Finlayson Fire now serving Dell Grove Township

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Finlayson Fire Department is working to finalize a contract that would provide service to Dell Grove Township. Dell Grove Township was formerly under contract with Sandstone Fire Department. At their May meeting a vote approved changing their contract to one with Finlayson Fire and Rescue. The Finlayson City Council and members of the fire department present discussed how this would be a longer run for them, but that most often they are called on

mutual aide to respond to emergencies in this area. Mayor Price mentioned that with a mutual aide call Finlayson Fire Department does not get paid to respond, with an approved contract they will. Several members of the Finlayson Fire Department present discussed how they were often on a scene and responding before Sandstone Fire Department arrived. The contract was approved by the council and will be effective as soon as Pine County updates the responding department.

BROADBAND: Finding funding to finish the line

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County. Stauber met with the Broadband Board on May 6 to review the submitted funding request. A recommendation from Stauber was submitted to the House Appropriations Committee to allocate funds to Pine County. Pine County currently serves 52.49% of households with broadband in a study by Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development. Pine County Administrator David Minke let the Congressman and board members know that Rock County which has a population

density of 8.1 compared to Pine County's 7.9 and has a 99.93% percentage of service. County Commissioner Josh Mohr lives in the Beroun area and shared the struggles that his household has had with internet access. Mohr has three children in school. At one point Mohr said he had three internet hotspots running simultaneously in his home. His household still had trouble with access. Angelia Grochowski with Hinckley-Finlayson Schools shared the struggles of having access with an internet hotspot, but not having a satellite or tower able to

connect reliably. Steve Savage from SCI Broadband explained that when SCI Broadband constructs what they call middle mile infrastructure, like internet fiber lines along roadways, they also construct vaults at each road intersection so that eventually new fiber lines can be connected. Jamie Edwards Special Advisor to Government Affairs with Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe mentioned the difficulty of traveling between three different counties with three different levels of access. The House Appropriations Committee will meet to review the

project between October and December. Funding was requested for fiscal year 2022. Pine County is one of the few counties to be given priority in the highly competitive application process. Pine County is exploring other funding options for expanding broadband. As regulations over the use of American Rescue Plan Funding become available, the county board has plans to use some of that funding for expansion. SCI Broadband is applying for a grant through the DEED Small Cities Corona Virus Relief Program to help the county with projects.

PINE COUNTY COVID UPDATE

Total number of cases: 3,265
New cases last week: 45
Deaths: 22
People with at least one vaccine dose: 9,984
Percentage of Pine County residents 16+ vaccinated: 41%
Percentage of Pine County residents age 65+ vaccinated: 74%

Register to receive a vaccine through <https://mn.gov/covid19/vaccine/connector/index.jsp>

Contact the Pine County COVID-19 Hotline at 320-591-1690 or public.health@co.pine.mn.us

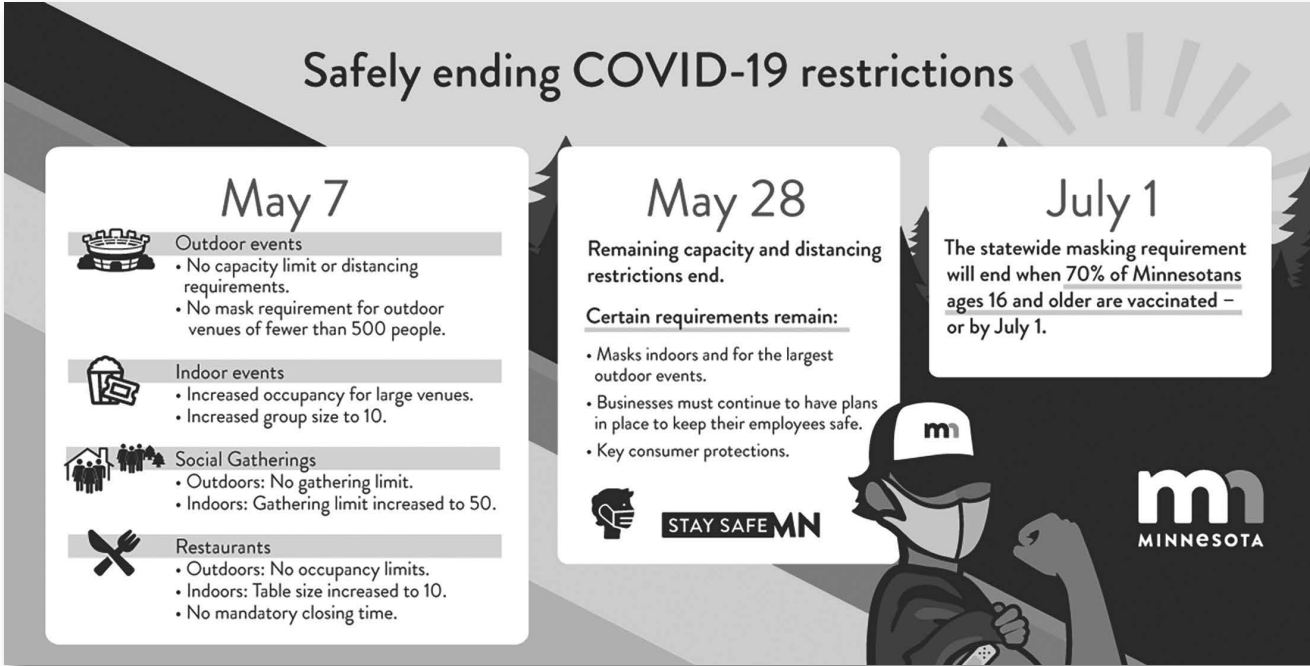
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On Thursday, Governor Walz announced a three-step timeline to end nearly all COVID-19 restrictions by May 28, and end the statewide masking requirement once 70% of Minnesotans age 16 years and older get their vaccine, or by July 1. The announcement comes as more than 2.6 million Minnesotans have gotten their shot and the state is on track to vaccinate 70 percent of Minnesotans by the end of June. Since mid-April, COVID-19 cases have declined. Hospitals are seeing fewer admissions and vaccination progress has relentlessly pushed forward. Vaccines held COVID-19 variants at

Governor Walz announces timeline to end COVID-19 restrictions

Capacity restrictions to end May 28, mask requirement to end July 1



Graphic laying out Minnesota's timeline to end COVID restrictions .

bay and avoided having them overwhelm our state. Minnesotans can

visit VaccineConnector.mn.gov to make a vaccine appointment at a

Community Vaccination Program site, or use the Find Vaccine Locations

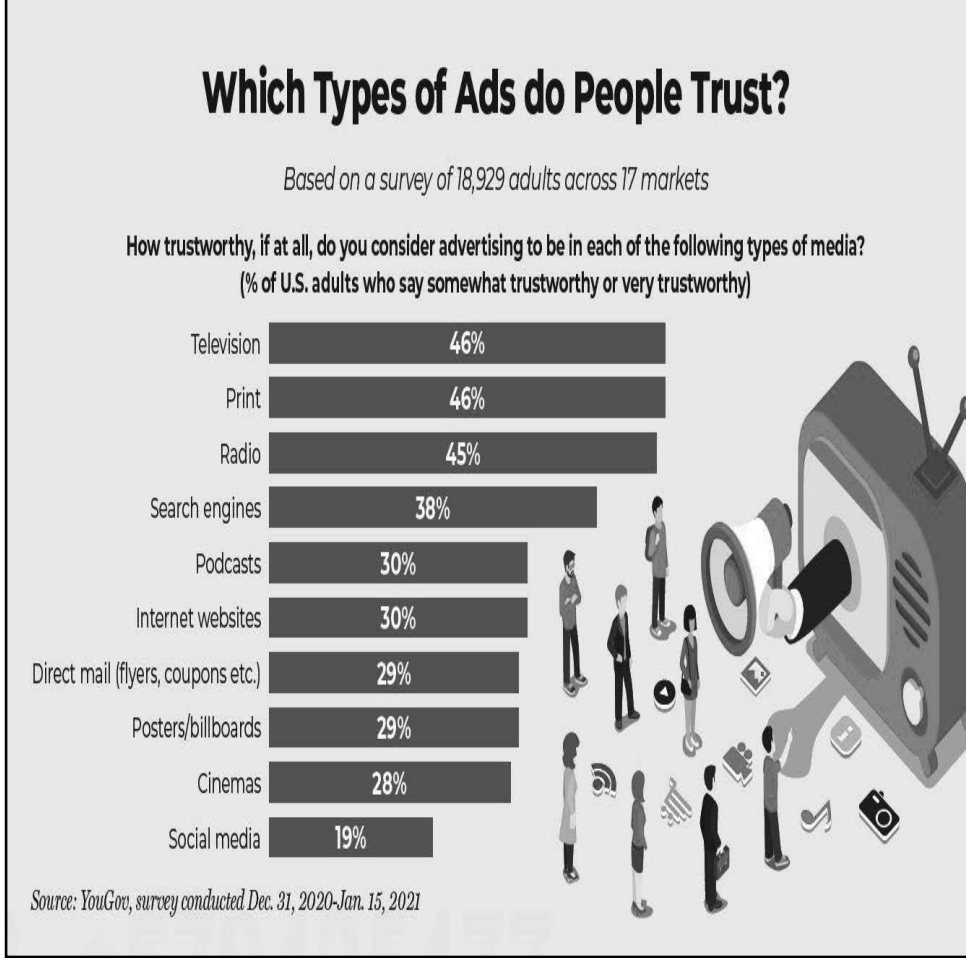
map to locate a provider near them.

EARLY DEADLINE NOTICE

June 3 Issue of the Pine County Courier

DEADLINE is 3PM Friday, May 28

Our offices will be closed on Monday, May 31 in observance of Memorial Day.



Bugs, fishing season on the way

Greetings,
Last Monday Gary and I started training and learned home dialysis over the next 6 days. Nothing is difficult, it's just a lot of steps. We learned the manual way to perform home dialysis, and next month it's more training to learn operations of a more automated system. The training was excellent, the supplies where all available, the process wasn't painful, the expectations were reasonable. Just one little potential hitch, Gary is their first dialysis patient to



Finlayson News
Maxine Meyer

be put on a new automated internet training, and reporting process. What could go wrong. Gary's dialysis went without a hitch on day one of our first day out of training. I went to log into the dialysis center's report, and I got the error stating they were loading an "upgrade." I think hair stood up on the back of my neck and deep inside I knew this just can't be good. By 9 p.m. that day I was sure I was cursed. With four sessions to report, I only managed to get in one time to report our progress. As of this writing we are using good old fashion pen and paper to document our progress and we are happy its just the reporting we are having trouble with and not the dialysis. Another highlight of the week was of course Mother's Day. Our daughter and her

husband, Tiffany and Tom Farr, Eden Prairie, along with Gary, treated me to a lunch last Sunday at The Boat Club in the Fitgers Building in Duluth. It was very nice. And over the weekend, Tom (with some assistance from Tiffany and Gary) built a 12 foot by 3 foot raised planter box for this year's garden. Besides that being a great gift, it was made from scraps of wood found in the garage. What a great repurpose of wood odds-and-ends that have been collecting dust over the years. I'll put some paint on it, and Gary will use the skid loader to dump in dirt and we are in business. Many thanks to Tom and Tiffany for their thoughtful gifts and that great lunch. This past weekend we had some nice temperatures, along with those warmer days comes

bugs, and bees. Apparently King got stung a couple times and just had enough and layed down in a spot near a gate. Gary was walking to the mail box when he spotted the horse and thought the horse must have dropped dead. Gary quickly found me and I ran to check King over. He was breathing heavy, but overall ok. Checking him over further and found his bee stings. I groomed his winter coat off some more and tried to cool him down and put a cool, wet bug mask on him and soon he got up and I walked him out until he joined Prince. Poor guy. It's fishing opener this coming weekend, an increase in traffic, gas stations and restaurants not to mention

the lakes. It's always nice to see the summer visitors come back. I hope everyone has a safe and fun fishing season and summer. Welcome back and best of luck. The Minnesota Governor has lifted more COVID-19 pandemic restrictions. To keep these freedoms from the pandemic be smart and get your vaccinations, it never hurts to continue mask use, especially in group settings, and continue good hand sanitizing. If you have news please feel free to drop us a line, or call in news to Maxine, 612/590-6907, or email mnmaxgram@yahoo.com. I'm always happy to hear from our readers.

It's Rhubarb Season



Food N' Friends
Mary Ellen Dewey

RHUBARB TORTE

- Crust:
- 2 c. all-purpose flour
- 3/4 c. packed brown sugar
- 1/2 tsp. salt
- 3/4 c. shortening
- 2 c. quick-cooking rolled oats
- Filling:
- 8 eggs
- 3 c. granulated sugar
- 1/2 c. all-purpose flour
- Dash of salt
- 6 c. cut-up fresh or partially thawed, frozen rhubarb
- Cinnamon
- Butter

Crust: Heat oven to 350 degrees. In large bowl, combine crust ingredients with pastry blender; reserve 1 cup. Press remaining mixture firmly in 9x13x2-inch pan. Filling: In large bowl, beat eggs. Add sugar, flour and salt; mix well. Add rhubarb and stir to mix. Slowly pour filling into crust. Sprinkle with reserved oat mixture. Sprinkle top lightly with cinnamon; dot with butter. Bake about 1 hour, or until custard is set. Makes 15 servings.

REFRIGERATOR RHUBARB DESSERT

- 1-1/2 c. flour
- 3/4 c. melted butter
- 3/4 c. chopped walnuts (optional)
- 6 c. rhubarb, chopped fine
- 1 tsp. cinnamon
- 3 tsp. water
- 1-1/2 c. sugar
- 4-1/2 Tbsp. corn starch
- 1 c. whipping cream or 1 container of frozen whipped topping, thawed
- 1-1/2 c. miniature marshmallows
- 2 small pkgs. Vanilla instant pudding
- 3 c. milk
- Coconut or nuts (optional)

Crust: Mix the first 3 ingredients and press in a 9x13-inch pan. Bake at 325 degrees for 15 minutes. Combine in saucepan the next 5 ingredients and boil until thick. Cool. Spread rhubarb over crust. Whip cream or frozen whipped topping (thawed) and fold into marshmallows. Spread over rhubarb mixture. Prepare two packages of instant vanilla pudding using 3 cups of milk. Spoon over cream mixture. Garnish with coconut or nuts, if desired. Refrigerate.

RHUBARB FLUFF DESSERT

- Crust:
- 2 c. flour
- 1/2 c. butter
- 2 Tbsp. sugar
- Filling:
- 5 to 6 c. rhubarb
- 1/4 tsp. salt
- 6 egg yolks
- 6 Tbsp. flour
- 2 c. sugar
- 1 c. evaporated milk
- Topping:
- 6 egg whites
- 3/4 c. sugar
- 1/4 tsp. cream of tartar

Blend together first 3 ingredients and press into bottom of a 9x13-inch pan. Bake at 350 degrees for 10 minutes. Remove from oven and arrange 5 to 6 cups cut-up rhubarb over it. Combine salt, egg yolks, flour, 2 c. sugar and milk, pour over rhubarb, return to oven for 45 to 50 minutes, or until puffed up and tests done. Beat 6 egg whites, 3/4 c. sugar with cream of tartar until it is a stiff meringue. Spread over top and bake another 10 minutes.



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CORRECTION

In the May 6 edition of the Pine County Courier Gabe Koland was misidentified on page two in the photo to associate with the National Honor Society Story.



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OPINION

Learning about the red dress

Watching television with the team this week, we found ourselves having a conversation that seemed to come from no where.



A Millennial Mile
Alanea White

On the show we were viewing someone was leaving dumb notes on stranger's cars. The conversation took a quick turn from the comedy we were watching when I asked why any of these people were actually stopping to read notes that had been left on their car. The rest of the team asked why I was so confused.

I explained that I had always assumed that it wasn't safe to stop and take things off your car when you are out alone. I had heard, that this is actually a tactic that traffickers use to

kidnap people.

As someone who has done my fair share of traveling I tend to try my very best to be aware of my surroundings. Not texting and walking, not stopping to check on things attached to my car, walking with my keys out and at the ready, simple things that get me safely and quickly from point A to point B.

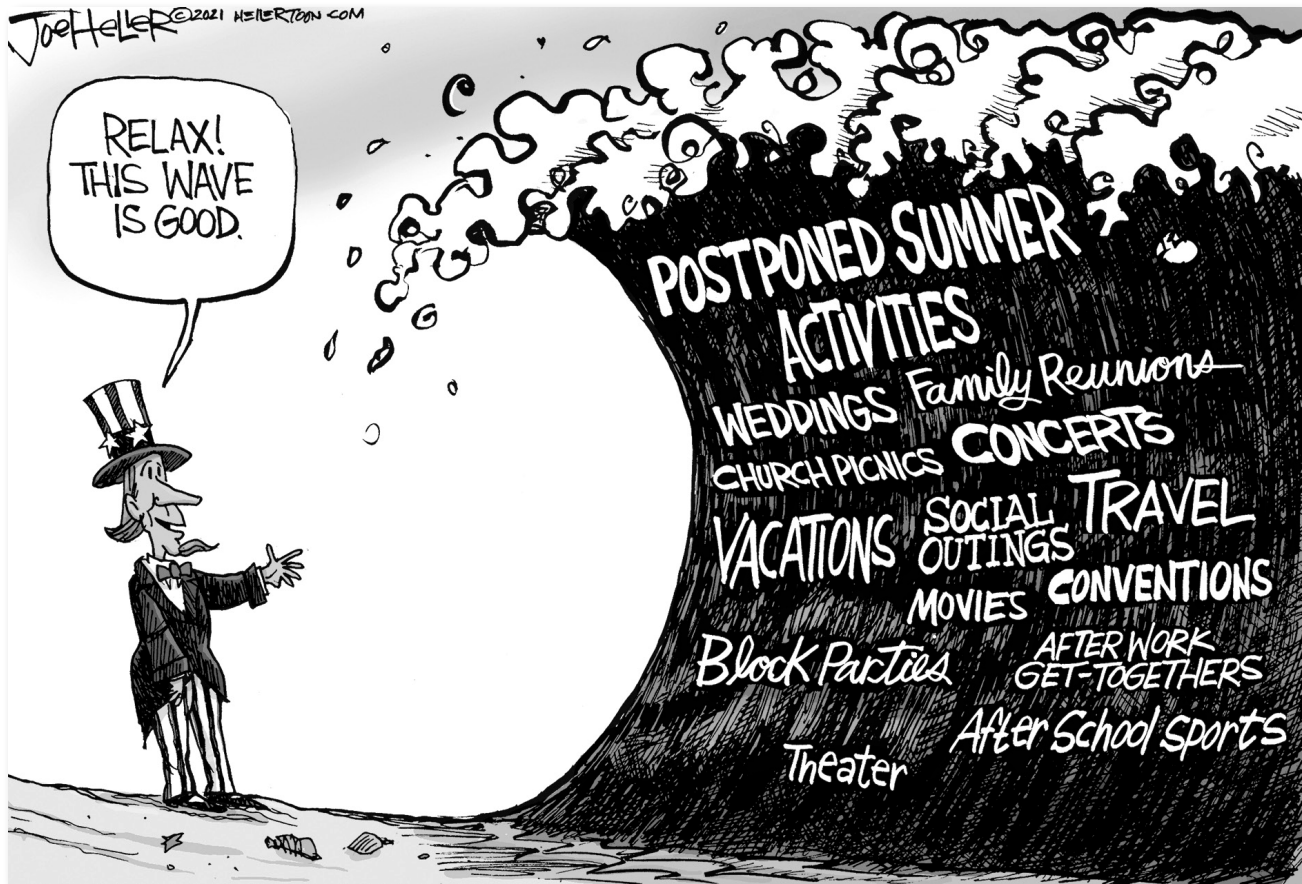
It does frustrate me that to make sure that I am safe, that I need to take hundreds of extra small steps every day. What I can't forget is when I learned about what The REDdress project and what those red dresses really mean.

Indigenous women go missing and are murdered at record breaking highs. Red dresses at one British Columbia art project are used to symbolically represent these women. At art installations, rallies and events across the United States and Canada the symbol of the red dress continued to spread the word about the disproportionately high number of Indigenous women and girls who were being lost.

President Biden officially declared May 5, 2021 as a day of awareness for Missing and Murdered Indigenous. There are thousands of cases of women who have disappeared, some of them years old.

When I travel I do have to worry and be hyper aware of my surroundings, but I don't have the weight of the same staggering statistics that Indigenous and Aboriginal women across the United States and Canada stacked against me. Be aware out there and stay safe!

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Flower shopping brings nature therapy, memories



[SUBMITTED]

Jamie Lund and her grandmother.

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WHERE FLOWERS BLOOM, SO DOES HOPE, LADY BIRD JOHNSON.

Hi, I'm the new reporter at the Hinckley, Courier, Askov and Moose Lake newspapers.

I recently had the fun job of taking photographs and writing a story about local greenhouses. I noticed I take a lot of close up

photos and started to wonder what a greenhouse and the flowers mean in my world.

I came to the conclusion that a greenhouse is a creative place full of happy colors, textures and shapes combined with the scents of various herbs and freshly potted plants.

I love taking close up photos and capturing the little details of the flowers. In my mind they are pieces of art. After a looong year of pandemic rules and restrictions, a cold drab winter and weeks of rain, it was rejuvenating to see the bright colors of the flowers. Bright pink hydrangeas, deep red petunias, happy pansies and delicate cosmo's swaying gently on long delicate stems in the warming breeze and bright sunshine make me sigh with contentment and anticipation. The flowers, herbs and budding vegetables are nature's promise that spring is finally on the way.

They also bring back memories. My gram, Dot Bolme, was a Cloquet resident and master gardener. As she got older, I brought my kids over to help her weed and work in her gardens. When she was in her

late 80's and early 90s, I dutifully brought a bouquet of her beautiful hydrangeas to enter in the Carlton County Fair each year. The first year I stopped by her house excited to tell her that she won first place. She laughed, then informed me my auntie had brought her to the fair and she knew her bouquet was the only entry. It turns out a hydrangea is a shrub, not a flower. The people created the category for my gram. My gram has been gone about six years, but everytime I see hydrangeas I remember that moment and hear her laugh again.

I try to grow a garden but have limited success. Apparently I did not inherit my grams green thumb. I took my plants with me when I moved to my current home about 12 years ago. Several are from my gram. One of my favorites was a deep, dark purple iris and it smelled like black licorice. Sadly, we must have had an early frost several years ago, because it disappeared, along with my purple echinacea and delicate fern leaf bleeding heart. However, the weeds grow beautifully.

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OBITUARIES

Roberta Y. Reilly

April 1, 1938 - December 26, 2020

Memorial Service:

Roberta Yvonne Reilly, a.k.a. "Reilly," passed away December 26, 2020, at Lakeside Health and Rehab in Pine City at the age of 82.



Reverend Dr. Vicki Vander Vegt will officiate at a memorial service for Reilly: 2 p.m., Friday, May 21, 2021, at Swanson Funeral Chapel in Pine City. A memorial visitation for friends and family will be held one hour prior to the service at the chapel. Inurnment will take place 1 p.m., Tuesday, May 25, 2021, at the Eveleth Cemetery in Eveleth, Minnesota.

Funeral arrangements for "Reilly" are entrusted to: Funeral and Cremation Service of Pine City ~ Swanson Chapel.

Grant awarded for Phase 7

KATHY BADE

PINE COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Inventory/Accession Team at Pine County History Museum in Askov is once again working on their phased inventory project that began in November 2014. This is thanks to a grant awarded by the Minnesota Historical Society in the amount of \$8,828. The team is compiling an electronic

database of all collections in the possession of Pine County Historical Society. Phase 7 includes the inventory of approximately 1,618 books housed on bookcases 12-23. The team has until April 1, 2022, to complete this segment of the inventory.

This project was made possible in part by the people of Minnesota through a grant funded by an appropriation to the Minne-

sota Historical Society from the Minnesota Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund. Any views, findings, opinions, conclusions or recommendations expressed in this publication are those of the authors and do not necessarily represent those of the State of Minnesota, the Minnesota Historical Society, or the Minnesota Historic Resources Advisory Committee.



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Harvest Christian School helps clean up the Sandstone community

Elementary Students from Harvest Christian School helped clean up parks in Sandstone during community park cleanup. Students from the senior high participated in Highway Cleanup.

OUT AND ABOUT

Catholic Charities Senior Dining

Catholic Charities Senior Dining has organized Frozen Meal Distribution pop-up locations for the month of May across Central Minnesota, with meals for seniors age 60 and over available at 26 locations, including Albany, Askov, Big Lake, Brainerd, Browerville, Deerwood, Foley, Hinckley, Little Falls, Milaca, Mora, North Branch, Ogilvie, Paynesville, Pierz, Pillager, Rush City, St. Cloud, St. Joseph, Sandstone, Sartell, Staples and Wadena.

The project is partially funded under a contract with the Central Minnesota Council on Aging as part of the Older Americans Act. Participants must be 60 years of age

and older to be eligible, and all clients must complete an annual registration form. Visit ccstcloud.org/events for the most up-to-date information as additional locations are added.

East Central High School Graduation date change

The East Central High School graduation date has changed to May 21, at the East Central Gymnasium. Commencement will be at 7:30 p.m. and will be live streamed. Our Graduation will be a ticketed event.

At approximately noon on the May 21, the senior parade will depart from East Central High School. It will go through the City of Askov and then the City of Sandstone. Here is the route:

- The parade will start at the East Central School

- Parade will travel East on Highway 23 to Askov.

- The parade will travel down Main Street (Brograde) Askov from Doc's on 23, around the Pavillion and down HC Andersen Alle.

- The parade will then go to Sandstone via Highway 23.

- Once in Sandstone, the parade will go south down Main Street, turn left on Minnesota Avenue, turn left on Court Avenue and continue until taking a left on First Street.

- The Parade will then turn right on Commercial Avenue and continue until 5th Street. The Parade will then turn

left on Fifth Street and conclude.

Free Community Meal

Everyone's Table will be providing a free community meal on Tuesday, May 18, 4:30-6 p.m., at Grace Lutheran Church in Sandstone (338 Division Street). The meal will be available for curbside pickup only. We look forward to seeing you there.

Memorial Day Services

American Legion will hold its annual Memorial Day services on Monday, May 31, at the following cemeteries: Willow River, 10 a.m., Rutledge 11:45 a.m.

Congrats, Class of 2021!

This year, parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles and friends have the chance to share their thoughts, hopes, encouraging words and love for their senior(s)! The local papers will have each senior's picture within a very special and commemorative edition followed by a congratulatory section. With graduation parties up in the air you can add your mailing address, phone number or email to the bottom of your message for others to send your senior gifts/cards.

The cost for the Congratulatory Section is **\$50**

This cost covers a photo and about 120 words with the senior's name listed on the top. With fewer words we could do a baby picture if you would like. There are endless possibilities!

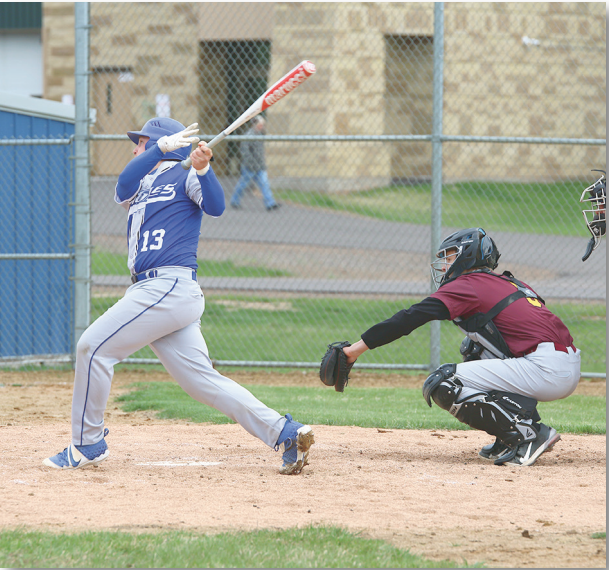
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Ads will run in local papers on May 27



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EC vs Barnum baseball

East Central and Barnum baseball faced off on May 3. The East Central won the game with a final score of 9-5. East Central plays again on Friday, May 14 in Pine City against the Dragons.

EC softball team defeats Floodwood

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On Monday, May 3, the East Central Eagles' softball team faced the Floodwood Polar Bears in Floodwood. Aly Huntington, a junior, pitched a complete game. She struck out 8 and allowed only one clean hit. Eagles' defense was solid with senior, Jenna Hut; juniors, Lily Ackerman and Lori Grundmeier; sophomore, Raina Zaudtke; and 8th grader, Mallory Hartl all making outs.

Senior Skylar Esposito, Hut, Zaudtke, Hartl and 8th grader Lily Ludwig each got two hits. Ackerman, Huntington

and 8th grader Chandra Nelson got one hit to help the Eagles win the game 10-6.

Braham Bombers were host to the Eagles on Friday, May 7. Coach Henn said, "Braham put pressure on the Eagles, scoring 12 runs in the first inning and knocking out the Eagle starter. Skylar Esposito came on in relief, pitching well for the remainder, but the Eagles fell 16-0."

The Eagles went to Deer River on Saturday, May 8, for a tournament. Coach Henn said, "As this was also the date of the East Central Prom, the Eagles flew north with 3 sophomores, 3 freshmen, and 5 eighth-graders." He

stated that it was a great learning experience for the girls. The first game was three hours long with Nashwauk-Keewatin winning 27-16. Zaudtke and Hartl were 3 for 5 at the plate, scoring 4 runs.

The Eagles fell in the second game 16-19 to Deer River. The offensive power came from Zaudtke, who was 2 for 4 at the plate, batting in 3 runs. Freshman Gracie Hartl hit two doubles to the fence. Mallory Hartl brought in 3 runs on 1 hit. Lily Ludwig, an eight-grader, got 1 hit, batting in 3 runs and Coach Henn said "she provided some fire-power."

The coach said that

other players to watch in the future include sophomores Kylie Sykes and Gloria Wittenburg, freshmen Brooklyn Loew and Brett Hanson, and 8th graders Chandra Nelson, Kenzie Fornengo and Lidia Fornengo (she got on base 9 out of 10 times with hits, walks, and hit by the pitch). This was the first experience with varsity level competition for many of the girls. "They never gave up in either game. As their coach, I am extremely proud of their attitude, spirit and sportsmanship" said Coach Henn.

Barnum wins GRC golf meet

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On Wednesday, May 5, Izaty's Golf and Yacht Club held a Great River Conference golf meet. The team from Barnum was first with the lowest score of 415. Braham came in second with 427; Pine City third 431; Moose Lake Willow River finished fourth with 440 and Hinckley-Finlayson was fifth with 462. East Central was not able to participate as a team because they didn't have enough golfers due to the 9th graders out because of COVID quarantine. Rush City and Mille Lacs did not have enough to participate as a team.

Barnum 415:
Ryan Manahan 94
Jordan Bird 99
Layne Wickstrom 105
Alex Nelson 117
Brady Coughlin 130
Levi Westerberg 162

Braham 427:
Zack Yerke 95
Al Londgren 107
Tyler Heikes 109

Pine City 431:
Carter Arhart 106
Hunter Haug 106
Casey Knutson 109
Isaac Jahnz 110
Landon Arhart 120

MLWR 440:
Adam Neumann 99
Johnathan Danelski 107
Dawson Mortensen 110
Gus Heller 124

Hinckley-Finlayson 462:
Kase Pike 99
Peyton Ammerman 113
Brice Mitchell 119
Bryan Blowers 131
Cody Klein 133
Dan Bonn 141

East Central:
Wesley Watrin 88
Tyler Thorvig 96
Clay Nelson 113

Mille Lacs:
Teagen Haggberg 83
Tyler Bottema 117

Rush City:
Gabe Widenstrom 108



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East Central Track Photos

East Central participated in the Aitkin Invitational Track Meet on May 4. They travel to Rush City on Thursday, May 13 for their next meet.

EAST CENTRAL ATHLETICS EVENTS

Thursday, May 13:
EC Track and Field Varsity vs. Rush City @ Rush City 3:45 p.m.
EC Baseball Varsity vs. Pine City @ Pine City 3:30 p.m. Changed to tomorrow

Friday, May 14:
EC Varsity Softball vs. Ogilvie @ Ogilvie @ 4:00 p.m.
EC Varsity Baseball vs. Pine City @ Pine City 3:30p.m.

Tuesday, May 18:
EC Golf Varsity vs. Hinckley-Finlayson at Grand National Golf Club 2:00 p.m.
EC Varsity Baseball vs. Onamia @ East Central 4:30 p.m.
EC Varsity Softball vs. Braham @ East Central 4:30 p.m.

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East Central celebrates an Enchanted Evening in Askov

Juniors and seniors at East Central celebrated prom in Askov on May 8. An Enchanted Evening was the theme for the night in Askov. Grand March was held at the Askov Pavillion, while dinner and the dance was held at the Vintage Pub outdoor garden. Prom King and Queen from both the Junior and Senior classes were crowned.

SPRING HOME IMPROVEMENT

Low-maintenance lawn alternatives

A traditional lawn may not be right for every property nor desired by every homeowner. There is no denying that lawns take time and effort to establish and daily or weekly maintenance to thrive. Homeowners who find that a traditional lawn is not practical can explore some low-maintenance alternatives.

WILDFLOWER MEADOW
Homeowners with wide swaths of property may discover meadows are cost- and time-efficient. Stores sell special wildflower meadow mixes of seeds or homeowners can use wildflower plug plants throughout areas where grasses are left to grow longer. This natural area can be a home to wildlife and an idyllic

backdrop to a home. Most meadows only require a spring or summer and autumn cut to thrive and look good.

ORNAMENTAL GRASSES
Partition areas of the property for ornamental grasses to grow. The gardening resource Elemental Green says ornamental grasses tend to be drought-resistant and low-maintenance. They won't need much fertilizer and are often resistant to pests as well. Ornamental grasses grow in tufts or sprays and will not require mowing. However, they are not ideal for areas that get foot traffic.

MOSS
Moss can thrive in shady areas and ones

where the soil tends to stay a bit damp. Moss is velvety soft and green, so it can mimic the look of a traditional lawn but won't require mowing and other upkeep. Because it spreads quickly, moss can take over quite rapidly. You will need to protect areas where you do not want moss by creating barriers to stop

spread.
GRAVEL
Stone and gravel areas can reduce maintenance in the landscape and require very little upkeep. When gravel is installed correctly, weeds may not grow readily. Gravel installation may include laying heavy-duty, semi-permeable

landscape fabric, which is available in home improvement centers. Gravel is cheaper than pavers and can be just as beautiful.
ARTIFICIAL TURF
If the desired look is a lawn without all the upkeep, there are various artificial grass options on the market. Homeowners who opt for artificial

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Anglers should prepare for cold water during fishing opener

MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

Mother Nature gave Minnesotans extra ice-free days this spring on many of the state’s water bodies, but relatively cool weather since then — including overnight lows in the 30s — means the water temperature may be lower than people expect. As anglers prepare to hit the water for Saturday’s fishing opener, it’s vital they keep this in mind and put their safety first. “The date on the calendar isn’t helpful in determining the temperature of the water,” said Col. Rodmen Smith, Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Enforcement Division director. “This year’s opener is later in May than usual, but in many places the water temperature remains dangerously cold. Anglers need to be aware of that fact, and plan accordingly.” About 30 percent of annual boating fatalities happen during the cold-water season, when the water is less than about 70 degrees, and often involve the victim not wearing a life jacket. Swimming ability means little after an unexpected fall into cold water, as even strong swimmers can succumb to the debilitating effects of cold water within minutes. “The law requires anyone younger than 10 to wear a life jack-

et when boating, but we urge everyone to wear a life jacket when they’re on or near water. This is especially important when water temperatures are low,” said Lisa Dugan, DNR Enforcement Division recreation safety outreach coordinator. “It’s the easiest and most effective way to prevent a tragedy.” The DNR also offers the following tips for staying safe as this fishing season gets underway:

- Don’t head out alone, and always tell someone on shore where you are going and when you plan to return.
- Keep the floor of the boat free of clutter to avoid tripping and falling into the water.
- Ensure boat is equipped with safety equipment such as life jackets, communication and noise-making devices, and a first-aid kit.

For additional tips on staying safe on cold water, including what people should to do if they fall in, visit the DNR’s cold water dangers webpage at <https://www.dnr.state.mn.us/safety/boatwater/cold-water.html#:~:text=Over%2030%20percent%20of%20boating,boating%20fatalities%20in%20the%20state>.

Crash on Highway 23 sends 3 to hospital

STAFF REPORT
NEWS@PINECOUNTYNEWS.COM

A two-vehicle crash on Highway 23 in Pine County resulted in life-threatening injuries to three people on May 4. According to the Minnesota State Patrol, at 11:38 a.m. this past Tuesday, a Toyota Corolla driven by Eleanor Rebecca Peterson, 20, of Tron River, Wis., was heading west on Highway 23 through Finlayson Township. Also inside the car was a passenger, Augustin Otto Rasmussen, 20, of Ashland, Wisc. The state patrol reports that between Sandstone and Askov, the Corolla appears to have crossed the center line and hit an

eastbound Honda CR-V head-on. That vehicle was driven by Rodd Alan Foudray, 68, of Sturgeon Lake. State troopers, Pine County Sheriff’s Office deputies, Minnesota DNR, Askov and Sandstone firefighters, Essentia Ambulance, and LifeLink air rescue all responded to the scene. Peterson, Rasmussen and Foudray were all airlifted to St. Mary’s Hospital in Duluth with injuries described by the state patrol as being life-threatening. Road conditions were dry and all individuals were wearing seat belts. Alcohol was not involved in the crash.



ASKOV FIRE DEPARTMENT | SUBMITTED
The two-vehicle crash shown above resulted in life-threatening injuries for the drivers of both vehicles.

LEAD TACKLE: Protecting Minnesota waters and loons

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LEAD ALTERNATIVES

- Tin**
Bismuth
Steel
Glass
Tungsten
Stone
Metal composite

the best option. MPCA has a partnership with county household hazardous waste facilities. They collect and properly dispose of unwanted lead fishing tackle. Household hazardous waste facilities in Pine and Carlton county; **Carlton County Household Hazardous Waste** Carlton County Transfer Station is located at 1950 Hwy 210, Carlton. Open Tuesday, May 4, 2021, to Saturday, October 9, 2021.



Tuesdays 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 PM
Saturdays 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 PM
Pine County Household Hazardous Waste
South Pine Transfer Station is located at 17350 Henriette Rd, Pine City.
Hours of operation

are:
Tuesdays 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Thursdays 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturdays 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
North Pine Transfer Station is located at 85174 Co Hwy 61, Willow River
Hours of operation are:
Tuesdays 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Thursdays 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Saturdays 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

CONSERVATION

In 2003, the DNR estimated that there were 12,000 loons. That population appears to be stable. The Deepwater Horizon oil spill of 2010 in the Gulf of Mexico resulted in the death of an estimated 600 to 1000 loons that had migrated for the winter months. A settlement with BP that has provided funding for loon habitat restoration. Get the Lead out plans to use some of those funds to promote non-toxic tackle, increase their exchange programs and pop-up shops. Up to 50% of loon deaths are estimated to be caused by lead poisoning in area where they nest according to biologists studying the effect of lead sinkers and jigs on water birds and birds of prey since the 1970s. The best way to keep loons and other birds in Minnesota safe is to do your part and “Get the Lead Out.”

Sauter seeks to build Pine County economy

BY MIKE GAINOR
NEWS@PINECOUNTYNEWS.COM



SUBMITTED
Leslie Sauter was hired as the new economic development coordinator for Pine County.

Pine County is hoping to build up the area’s economy and bring more investment and housing to the region with the hire of a new economic development coordinator. Lezlie Sauter started the job on Monday, May 1, and said she is excited to focus on development activities and spurring business growth across Pine County. She hopes to provide assistance to each city and township in the county – as well as the county as a whole – said that broadband has to be a focus for

Pine County’s future. “We’ll be figuring out how to expand broadband to areas that are either unserved or under-served in the county,” Sauter said. “There are lots of funding opportunities.” She noted that the county will be receiving funds from the American Rescue Plan. “Part of this new job is to help [the county board members] figure out where that money should go,” she said.

PINE COUNTY RESIDENT
Sauter, who grew up the Pine City area, worked for nearly 12 years at Lakes and Pines Community Action Council before taking the job of community development director for Pine City in 2017. For the last several months she has also been serving as the acting city administrator. Pine County Administrator David Minke said that throughout Sauter’s career she has managed a complex portfolio of

development projects including brownfield redevelopment, housing development and grant writing and administration. She also has direct experience working for economic development authorities and housing and redevelopment authorities. Minke noted that county board authorized the recruitment of an economic development coordinator. Applications were solicited and interviews of the top five applicants were conducted on April 12 and 14. Sauter was identified as the most qualified applicant, and a job offer was extended with a starting salary of \$78,395. “I look forward to working with Lezlie in her new role and am confident she will excel in the position at this critical time of economic recovery,” Minke said. “Her deep roots and previous work in the community will allow for a rapid transition.”

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SHERIFF'S REPORT AND JAIL ROSTER

SHERIFF'S REPORT

Sunday, May 2, 2021

11:18 Pi21001494 Theft
Commercial Ave N Sandstone
21:12 Pi21001500 Disturbance
Hinckley Rd Hinckley
22:48 Pi21001501 Property Lost/
Found Lady Luck Dr Hinckley
Case Report Created
23:20 Pi21001502 Counterfeit
Fire Monument Rd Hinckley

Monday, May 3, 2021

17:25 Pi21001509 Garbage Call
1st St NE Hinckley
17:41 p.m. Drug Incident Lady
Luck Dr Hinckley Closed -
Property
20:39 p.m. Fraud/Scam/Id
Groningen Rd Sandstone

Tuesday, May 4, 2021

08:54 Pi21001514 Suspicious
Activity Grindstone Lk Rd
Sandstone
10:46 Pi21001517 Theft
Minnesota St Sandstone

Wednesday, May 5, 2021

09:50 Pi21001532 Fraud/
Scam/Id Friesland Rd
Hinckley
15:50 p.m. Burglary Groningen
Rd Sandstone

Thursday, May 6, 2021

11:01 Pi21001548 Theft Hinckley
Rd Hinckley
14:03 p.m. Theft Little Sand
Creek Sandstone
16:00 p.m. Disturbance County
Hwy 61 Hinckley
19:13 p.m. Theft 1st St NE
Hinckley Case Report Created
19:16 p.m. Shoplifting 1st St NE
Hinckley

Friday, May 7, 2021

12:05 p.m. Mva Property
Damage State Hwy 123
Sandstone
12:23 p.m. Mva Property
Damage Killdeer Ln Hinckley
14:50 p.m. Vehicle In Ditch
Fleming Logging Sandstone
Saturday, May 8, 2021
21:58 p.m. Call Back Clover Cir
Hinckley

JAIL ROSTER

May 3

MERCER, MATTHEW DOUGLAS SR.

Pine County Warrant: Arrest-
Misdemeanor Warrant-Theft-
Theft of Motor Fuel From
Retailer

MONSTER, TIMOTHY MICHAEL

Pine County Warrant: Arrest-
Felony Warrant-Drugs-5th
Degree-Possess Schedule
1,2,3,4-Not Small Amount
Marijuana-Obstruct Legal
Process-Interfere With Peace
Officer-Assault-4th Degree-
Peace Officer-Demonstrable
Bodily Harm-Disorderly
Conduct

Stephan, James Alan

Hold For Other Agency:
Unspecified Warrant
issued by Benton, MN-
Traffic-DL-Driving After
Cancellation-Inimical to
Public Safety-Obstruct Legal
Process-Interfere With Peace
Officer

May 4

GANGL, NATHAN JOHN

Hold For Other Agency:
Bench-Gross Misdemeanor
Warrant-Drugs-5th Degree-
Possess Schedule 1,2,3,4-Not
Small Amount Marijuana-
Traffic Regulation-Uninsured
Vehicle-Driver Violation-
Traffic-DL-Driving After
Cancellation-Inimical to
Public Safety

GARBOW, TONILEE JANICE

Pine County Warrant: Arrest-
Misdemeanor Warrant-
Disorderly Conduct

HUHTA, CHRISTOPHER

Pine County Warrant-
Confined But Not Convicted-
Domestic Assault-GM-
Subsequent Violation-Arrest
of Adult

MESENBRINK, JACOB MICHAEL

Hold For Other Agency: Bench
Felony Warrant

MINER, DEREK BLAKE

Under Sentence-Convicted-
Criminal Sex Conduct-2nd
Degree-Victim Under 13-Actor
Greater Than 26 m Old-Arrest
of Adult

WINNER, TRAVIS LEE

Pine County Warrant: Arrest-
Misdemeanor Warrant-Theft/
Take/Use/Transfer Movable
Prop-No Consent

May 5

DAVIS, ROXANNE GAIL

Pine County Warrant-
Confined But Not Convicted-
Drugs-5th Degree- Possess
Schedule 1,2,3,4-Not Small
Amount Marijuana-Arrest of
Adult

HANKINS, ANDREW WILLIAM

Probable Cause: Traffic-DWI-
Operate Motor Vehicle Under
Influence of Alcohol-Traffic-
Open Bottle Law; Liability
of Nonpresent Owner; Crime
Described-Motor Vehicle
Registration-Operate Vehicle
With Expired Registration

MARIETTE, THOMAS JAY JR.

Probable Cause: Domestic
Assault-Misdemeanor-
Intentionally Inflicts/
Attempts to Inflict Bodily
Harm on Another

MURRAY, WALLY JAMES

Probable Cause-Confined
But Not Convicted-Receiving
Stolen Property-Arrest of
Adult

PINC, JESSE JAMES

Pine County Warrant:
Probation Violation-GM
Warrant-Indecent Exposure/
Lewdness or Procure Another
to Expose in Presence of
Minor Under 16-Disorderly
Conduct

ST. JOHN, TASHEENA RAE

Hold For Other Agency:
Arrest-Felony Warrant

ZAREN, NATALIE PATRICIA

Probable Cause-Confined
But Not Convicted-Receiving
Stolen Property-Possession
of Sale or Stolen or
Counterfeit Check; Crimes-
Financial Transaction Card
Fraud-No Consent-Drugs-5th
Degree-Possess Schedule
1,2,3,4-Not Small Amount
Marijuana-Probable Cause-
Confined But Not Convicted-
Drugs-5th Degree-Possess
Schedule 1,2,3,4-Not Small
Amount Marijuana-Introduce
Contraband-Drug/Liquor Into
Jail/Lockup/Prison

May 6

BERRY, PARIS TERRILL

Pine County Warrant: Failure
to Appear Warrant Issued By
Pine, MN-Disorderly Conduct-
Assault-5th Deg-Inflict or
Attempt Bodily Harm

JACOBS, DUSTIN KYLE

Pine County Warrant: Bench-
Misdemeanor Warrant Issued
By Pine, MN-Fleeing a Peace
Officer By a Means Other
Than a Motor Vehicle

KING, MICHAEL WAYNE

Boarder-Convicted-Criminal
Sexual Conduct-1st Degree-
Penetration-Fear Great
Bodily Harm

WILSON, KATHLEEN

THRESEA

Pine County Warrant: Bench-
Gross Misdemeanor Warrant-
Theft-Take/Use/Transfer
Movable Prop-No Consent-
Financial Transaction Card
Fraud-No Consent

May 7

BJUR, JONATHAN PAUL

Pine County Warrant-
Confined But Not Convicted-
Traffic-DL-Driving After
Cancellation-Inimical To
Public Safety-Theft-Take/
Use/Transfer Movable Prop-
No Consent

GARBOW, EMMANUEL LEWIS

Pine County Warrant-
Confined But Not
Convicted-Domestic
Assault-GM-Subsequent
Violation-Domestic Abuse
No Contact Order-Violate
No Contact Order Within 10
Years of Previous Violation-
Trespass-Premises of
Another-Refuse to Depart-
Traffic-Drivers License-Driving
After Revocation-Theft-
Take/Use/Transfer Movable
Prop-No Consent-Drugs-5th
Degree-Possess Schedule
1,2,3,4-Not Small Amount
Marijuana-Assault-2nd
Degree-Dangerous Weapon-
Damage to Property-4th Deg-
Intentional Damage-Other
Circumstances

LINDSTROM, ALEXANDRIA OPAL

Hold For Other Agency:
Arrest-Misdemeanor Warrant

STOOKEY, ERIC LAMAR

Hold For Other Agency-
Convicted-Drugs-5th Degree-
Possess Schedule 1,2,3,4-Not
Small Amount Marijuana

TRESKE, BRANDON RYAN

Pine County Warrant-
Confined But Not Convicted-
Domestic Abuse No Contact
Order-Violate No Contact
Order-Misdemeanor-Arrest
of Adult

May 8

MATTINAS, THOMAS ERNEST

Confined But Not Convicted-
Domestic Abuse No Contact
Order-Violate No Contact
Order-Misdemeanor-Arrest
of Adult

May 9

HEIL, DAVID MICHAEL

Probable Cause-Confined But
Not Convicted-Traffic-DWI-
Refuse to Submit to Chemical
Test; Blood or Urine as
Required by Search Warrant-
DWI-Fourth-Degree Driving
While Impaired; Described-
Arrest of Adult

JORGENSEN-BISHOP

Probable Cause-Confined
But Not Convicted-Drugs-
5th Degree-Possess
Schedule 1,2,3,4-Not Small
Amount Marijuana-Traffic-
Drivers License-Driving
After Revocation-Traffic
Regulation-Driver Must Carry
Proof of Insurance when
Operating Vehicle-Arrest of
Adult

RING, DANIEL ALAN

Pine County Warrant-
Confined But Not Convicted-
Aiding an Offender to Avoid
Arrest-Harbor/Conceal-Arrest
of Adult

VANDEVERE, SHEILA STARR

Probable Cause-Confined
But Not Convicted-Domestic
Abuse No Contact Order-
Violate No Contact Order-
Misdemeanor-Obstruct Legal
Process-Lawful Execution
Legal Process-Fleeing a Peace



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Janet Foss, Clerk
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STATE OF MINNESOTA
COUNTY OF PINE
TENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
DISTRICT COURT
PROBATE DIVISION
Court File No. 58-PR-21-39
NOTICE AND ORDER FOR
HEARING ON PETITION FOR
DESCENT OF PROPERTY
Estate of
Robert Kurt Edgar Weebe, also known as Robert K. E. Weebe, also known as Robert Weebe, Decedent

A Petition for Determination of Descent has been filed with this Court. The Petition represents that the Decedent died more than three years ago, leaving property in Minnesota and requests the probate of the Decedent's last Will (if any), and the descent of such property be determined and assigned by this Court to the persons entitled to the property.

Any objections to the Petition must be filed with the Court prior to or raised at the hearing. If proper, and no objections are filed or raised, the Petition may be granted.

IT IS ORDERED and Notice is further given that, the Petition will be heard on June 8th, 2021, at 9:30 a.m., by this Court at 635 Northridge Drive NW, Pine City, Minnesota.

1. Notice shall be given to all interested persons (MINN STAT. § 524.1-401) and persons who have filed a demand for notice pursuant to Minnesota Statutes section 524.3-204.

2. Notice shall be given by publishing this Notice and Order as provided by law and by:

•Mailing a copy of this Notice and Order at least 14 days prior to the hearing date.

BY THE COURT
Dated: 04/29/21
/s/ Heather M. Wynn
Judge of District Court
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NOTICE FOR BIDS

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by East Central ISD #2580 for the following supplies and services for the 2021-22 school year, including summer school:

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- 4) Snow Removal
- 5) Refuse Removal

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Bids must be received by 12:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 20, 2021 at the East Central District Office, 61085 State Hwy. 23, Finlayson, MN 55735. The East Central ISD #2580 Board of Education reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any formal irregularities therein.

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CONDEMNATION
STATE OF MINNESOTA IN
DISTRICT COURT COUNTY
OF PINE TENTH JUDICIAL
DISTRICT
COURT FILE NO. 58-CV-21-166

State of Minnesota, by its Commissioner of Transportation, Petitioner, vs.
State vs. Dayton L. Hawkinson, et al.
Respondents.

IN THE MATTER OF THE
CONDEMNATION OF
CERTAIN LANDS FOR TRUNK
HIGHWAY PURPOSES
NOTICE

To the Respondents hereinabove named:
You, and each of you, are hereby

notified that on August 13, 2021, at 9:00 am., or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard, before Judge Krista K. Martin, via remote hearing, from the at Pine City, Pine County, Minnesota, the above named petitioner will present to the above named Court a petition now on file herein for the condemnation of certain lands for trunk highway purposes. You are notified this matter is set for a remote hearing. This hearing will not be in person at the courthouse. The remote hearing may be accessed by video at https://zoomgov.com/join, or by phone at 833-568-8864. For either method, the Meeting ID is 161 958 3036 and the Meeting Password is 444005. A copy of said petition is attached hereto and incorporated herein.

YOU, AND EACH OF YOU, ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED, That at the above time and place the above-named petitioner will also move the court for an order transferring title and possession to petitioner of the parcels described in the petition in accordance with Minn. Stat. §117.042, as of September 17, 2021.

YOU, AND EACH OF YOU, ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED, that all persons occupying the property described in the petition must **VACATE THE AREA BEING ACQUIRED AND MOVE ALL OF YOUR PERSONAL PROPERTY FROM THE AREA BEING ACQUIRED ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 17, 2021.** All advertising signs or devices located on the property being acquired must be removed by September 17, 2021.

YOU, AND EACH OF YOU, ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED, that (1) a party wishing to challenge the public use or public purpose, necessity, or authority for a taking must appear at the court hearing and state the objection or must appeal within 60 days of a court order; and (2) a court order approving the public use or public purpose, necessity, and authority for the taking is final unless an appeal is brought within 60 days after service of the order on the party.

Dated: April 22, 2021
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STATE OF MINNESOTA
IN DISTRICT COURT
COUNTY OF PINE
TENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

State of Minnesota, by its Commissioner of Transportation, Petitioner, vs.
Dayton L. Hawkinson, Unknown heirs of Linda Jo Hawkinson, formerly known as Linda Jo Hattenberger, deceased, County of Pine, Midwest MN, LLC, First Freedom Bank, Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development , Minnesota Commissioner of Management and Budget, City of Sandstone, DG Retail, LLC, doing business as Dollar General Stores , CMCC, INC., Dollar General Corporation, XMAT-III LLC, Northview Bank , also known as Northview Bank Finlayson, Michael B. Johnson, Sandstone Real Estate Inc., State of Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, Eugene V. Kroschel, Kerry Joy Kroschel, Neighborhood National Bank, State of Minnesota for the benefit of Pine County, Tyler Alan Hansen, also known as Tyler Hansen, Marki Lee Hansen, also all other persons unknown claiming any right, title, estate, interest or lien in the real estate described in the Petition herein,
Respondents.

IN THE MATTER OF THE
CONDEMNATION OF
CERTAIN LANDS FOR TRUNK
HIGHWAY PURPOSES
PETITION

To the District Court above named the State of Minnesota brings this Petition and respectfully states and alleges:

I.
That Trunk Highway Legislative Route numbered 185, which has been renumbered 123, and which has been located according to law, passes over the lands herein described.
That it is duly covered by Right of Way Plat Orders numbered 98902, 98903 and 98904.

II.
That the Commissioner of Transportation deems it necessary that the State of Minnesota for trunk highway purposes obtain the lands herein described in fee simple absolute, together with the following rights: to acquire a temporary easement in those cases which are herein particularly mentioned.
With reference to Parcels 31, 33 and 35, it is the intention of this proceeding to except all severed

mineral rights, not including rights to sand and gravel, and reserve to the owners of the severed mineral rights, their heirs, successors and assigns, the rights and privileges to explore for, mine, and remove the minerals, but only in such manner that will not interfere with the use of said land for highway purposes or with the safe and continuous operation of any public highway thereon, and further the severed mineral owners reserve the right to relocate the highway at the mineral owners' expense pursuant to Minnesota Statutes §160.10 as such may be amended.

It is the intention of the above-named petitioner to move the court for an order authorizing the Court Administrator to accept and deposit in an interest bearing account payments from the petitioner to the court pursuant to Minnesota statutes.

Further, it is the intention of the above-named petitioner to move the court for an order transferring title and possession of the parcels herein described, prior to the filing of an award by the court appointed commissioners, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes §117.042.

The petitioner reserves its right to recover costs of clean up and testing and all other damages arising from the presence of pollutants, contaminants, or hazardous materials on the property described herein, from all potential responsible parties, including respondents herein where appropriate, in a separate legal action to the extent permitted by law.

III.
That the following described lands in these proceedings taken are situated in Pine County, Minnesota; that the names of all persons appearing of record or known to your petitioner to be the owners of said lands or interested therein, including all whom your petitioner has been able by investigation and inquiry to discover, together with the nature of the ownership of each, as nearly as can be ascertained, are as follows:
Parcel 10 C.S. 5802 (123=185) 903 S.P. 5802-24RW

All of the following:
A temporary easement for highway purposes in that part of the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 16, Township 42 North, Range 20 West, shown as Parcel 10 on Minnesota Department of Transportation Right of Way Numbered 58-26 as the same on file and of record in the office of the County Recorder in and for Pine County, Minnesota, by the temporary easement symbol, said easement shall cease on December 1, 2024, or on such earlier date upon which the Commissioner of Transportation determines by formal order that it is no longer needed for highway purposes;

excepting therefrom the existing sign situate thereon.
Names of parties interested in the above described land and nature of interest:
Unknown heirs of Linda Jo Hawkinson, formerly known as Fee
Linda Jo Hattenberger, deceased
Dayton L. Hawkinson
Spouse
County of Pine
Taxes

FEE ACQUISITION
Parcel 23 C.S. 5802 (123=185) 903 S.P. 5802-24RW

All of the following:
That part of Lot 1, Block 2, Thorvig's Addition, shown as Parcel 23 on Minnesota Department of Transportation Right of Way Numbered 58-26 and 58-27 as the same on file and of record in the office of the County Recorder in and for Pine County, Minnesota;

containing 100 , more or less; together with other rights as set forth below, forming and being part of said
Parcel 23:
Temporary Easement:
A temporary easement for highway purposes as shown on said as to said Parcel 23 by the temporary easement symbol, said easement shall cease on December 1, 2024, or on such earlier date upon which the Commissioner of Transportation determines by formal order that it is no longer needed for highway purposes;

excepting therefrom the existing sign situate thereon.
Names of parties interested in the above described land and nature of interest:
Midwest MN, LLC
Fee
First Freedom Bank
Mortgage
Minnesota Department of

Employment and Claimant of an Interest
Economic Development
Minnesota Commissioner of Management and Claimant of an Interest
Budget
City of Sandstone
Drainage Easement
DG Retail, LLC, doing business as Dollar General Stores
Lessee
CMCC, INC.
Lessee
County of Pine
Taxes
Dollar General Corporation
Occupant

FEE ACQUISITION
Parcel 24 C.S. 5802 (123=185) 903 S.P. 5802-24RW

All of the following:
That part of Lot 1, Block 1, Thorvig's Addition, shown as Parcel 24 on Minnesota Department of Transportation Right of Way Numbered 58-27 as the same on file and of record in the office of the County Recorder in and for Pine County, Minnesota;

containing 100, more or less; together with other rights as set forth below, forming and being part of said
Parcel 24:
Temporary Easement:

A temporary easement for highway purposes as shown on said as to said Parcel 24 by the temporary easement symbol, said easement shall cease on December 1, 2024, or on such earlier date upon which the Commissioner of Transportation determines by formal order that it is no longer needed for highway purposes;

excepting therefrom the existing sign situate thereon.
Names of parties interested in the above described land and nature of interest:
XMAT-III LLC
Fee
Northview Bank, also known as Northview Bank
Mortgage
Finlayson
Minnesota Commissioner of Management and Claimant of an Interest
Budget
Minnesota Department of Employment and Claimant of an Interest
Economic Development
Midwest MN, LLC
Claimant of an Interest
City of Sandstone
Easement
CMCC, INC.
Lessee
County of Pine
Taxes and Special Assessments

FEE ACQUISITION
Parcel 31 C.S. 5802 (123=185) 903 S.P. 5802-24RW

All of the following:
That part of Lots 27 and 28, Block 5, Sandstone Townsite Company's Rearrangement, shown as Parcel 31 on Minnesota Department of Transportation Right of Way Numbered 58-27 as the same on file and of record in the office of the County Recorder in and for Pine County, Minnesota;

containing 7600 , more or less, of which 7513 square feet is encumbered
by an existing highway easement; together with other rights as set forth below, forming and being part of said Parcel 31:

Temporary Easement:
A temporary easement for highway purposes as shown on said as to said Parcel 31 by the temporary easement symbol, said easement shall cease on December 1, 2024, or on such earlier date upon which the Commissioner of Transportation determines by formal order that it is no longer needed for highway purposes.

Names of parties interested in the above described land and nature of interest:
Michael B. Johnson
Fee
Sandstone Real Estate Inc.
Record Fee
State of Minnesota
Mineral Rights
Department of Natural Resources
Eugene V. Kroschel
Mortgage
Kerry Joy Kroschel
County of Pine Taxes and Easement

FEE ACQUISITION
Parcel 32 C.S. 5802 (123=185) 903 S.P. 5802-24RW

All of the following:
That part of Lots 9 and 10, Block 5, Sandstone Townsite Company's Rearrangement, shown as Parcel 32 on Minnesota Department of

Transportation Right of Way Numbered 58-27 as the same on file and of record in the office of the County Recorder in and for Pine County, Minnesota;

containing 1239 , more or less, of which 907 square feet are encumbered
by an existing highway easement; together with other rights as set forth below, forming and being part of said Parcel 32:

Temporary Easement:
A temporary easement for highway purposes as shown on said as to said Parcel 32 by the temporary easement symbol, said easement shall cease on December 1, 2024, or on such earlier date upon which the Commissioner of Transportation determines by formal order that it is no longer needed for highway purposes;

excepting therefrom the existing sign situate thereon.
Names of parties interested in the above described land and nature of interest:
Michael B. Johnson
Fee
Neighborhood National Bank
Mortgage
County of Pine
Taxes and Special Assessments

FEE ACQUISITION
Parcel 33 C.S. 5802 (123=185) 903 S.P. 5802-24RW

All of the following:
That part of Lot 11, Block 5, Sandstone Townsite Company's Rearrangement, shown as Parcel 33 on Minnesota Department of Transportation Right of Way Numbered 58-27 as the same on file and of record in the office of the County Recorder in and for Pine County, Minnesota;

containing 6991, more or less, of which 6308 square feet is encumbered
by an existing highway easement.
Names of parties interested in the above described land and nature of interest:
State of Minnesota for the benefit of Pine County
Fee
State of Minnesota
Mineral Rights
Department of Natural Resources

FEE ACQUISITION
Parcel 35 C.S. 5802 (123=185) 903 S.P. 5802-24RW

All of the following:
That part of Lots 25, and 26, Block 5, Sandstone Townsite Company's Rearrangement, shown as Parcel 35 on Minnesota Department of Transportation Right of Way Numbered 58-27 as the same on file and of record in the office of the County Recorder in and for Pine County, Minnesota;

containing 2465 , more or less, of which 2269 square feet is encumbered
by an existing highway easement; together with other rights as set forth below, forming and being part of said Parcel 35:

Temporary Easement:
A temporary easement for highway purposes as shown on said as to said Parcel 35 by the temporary easement symbol, said easement shall cease on December 1, 2024, or on such earlier date upon which the Commissioner of Transportation determines by formal order that it is no longer needed for highway purposes.

Names of parties interested in the above described land and nature of interest:
Tyler Alan Hansen, also known as Tyler Hansen
Fee
Marki Lee Hansen
State of Minnesota
Mineral Rights
Department of Natural Resources
Northview Bank
Mortgage
County of Pine
Taxes and Special Assessments

WHEREFORE, Your petitioner prays that commissioners be appointed to appraise the damages which may be occasioned by such taking, and that such proceedings may be had herein as are provided by law.

Dated: April 15, 2021
KEITH ELLISON
Attorney General
State of Minnesota
s/ Mathew Ferche
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ATTORNEY FOR PETITIONER

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MINN. STAT. § 549.211
ACKNOWLEDGMENT

The party or parties on whose behalf the attached document is served acknowledge through their undersigned counsel that sanctions may be imposed pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 549.211.

Dated: April 15,2021
KEITH ELLISON
Attorney General
State of Minnesota
s/ Mathew Ferche
MATHEW FERCHE
Assistant Attorney General
Atty. Reg. No. 0391282
Published in the Pine County Courier April 29, May 6, 13, 2021

FORECLOSURES

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 30, 2019

ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: \$48,000.00
MORTGAGOR(S): David Hancock, a single man

MORTGAGEE: Northview Bank
LENDER OR BROKER AND MORTGAGE ORIGINATOR STATED ON THE MORTGAGE: Northview Bank

SERVICER: Northview Bank
DATE AND PLACE OF FILING: Filed December 31, 2019, Pine County Recorder, as Document Number A550784

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY:
The Easterly 50 feet of Lots 7 and 8, Block 8, Sandstone Quarries
PROPERTY ADDRESS: 206 2nd St, Sandstone, MN 55072
PROPERTY IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 45.5293.000

COUNTY IN WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED: Pine

THE AMOUNT CLAIMED TO BE DUE ON THE MORTGAGE ON THE DATE OF THE NOTICE: \$48,449.58

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;

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 24, 2021, 10:00AM

PLACE OF SALE: Sheriff's Main Office, 635 Northridge Dr. NW, Pine City, MN 55063

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

TIME AND DATE TO VACATE
PROPERTY: If the real estate is an owner-occupied, single-family dwelling, unless otherwise provided by law, the date on or before which the mortgagor(s) must vacate the property, if the mortgage is not reinstated under section 580.30 or the property is not redeemed under section 580.23, is 11:59 p.m. on December 24, 2021, or the next business day if December 24, 2021 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday.

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 5 UNITS, ARE NOT PROPERTY USED FOR AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION, AND ARE ABANDONED.

Dated: April 29, 2021
Northview Bank
Mortgagee

LOGS LEGAL GROUP LLP
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Joseph M. Rossman - 0397070
Attorneys for Mortgagee
LOGS Legal Group LLP
12550 West Frontage Road, Suite 200
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(952) 831-4060
THIS IS A COMMUNICATION FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR
(Published in the Pine County Courier May 6, 13, 20, 27, June 3, 10, 2021)

Pine Soil & Water Conservation District Board Supervisor Vacancy

Letters of Interest are currently being accepted by the Pine Soil and Water Conservation District (Pine SWCD) for an appointment to the Pine SWCD Board of Supervisors. A vacancy on the Board currently exists in Pine SWCD Supervisor District Two, which includes townships of Pokegama, Brook Park, Mission Creek, Munch and Crosby, along with the cities of Henriette, Brook Park and Beroun. Interested applicants must live within these areas. A supervisor should have a strong interest in conservation of Pine County's natural resources. A candidate should be willing to encourage conservation through the promotion of best management practices of agriculture, protection and restoration of lakeshores and streambanks, forest stewardship, education and outreach, and other conservation efforts. Supervisors will attend monthly board meetings, as well as miscellaneous committee meetings regarding district business. Supervisors make decisions about budget, grants, staffing, and priorities of work load. Supervisors do receive a per diem for meetings as well as mileage expenses.

If interested, please write a letter of interest to the district. In the letter please tell us a little bit about yourself, why you are interested in the conservation of the county's resources, and why you think you would be a good fit to serve on the district's board.

Letters should be received in the office no later than Friday, May 14th, 2021.

The Board of Supervisors will review the letters, and the successful applicant will be appointed at a future board meeting of the Pine SWCD Board of Supervisors. This individual will serve as an appointed member of the board until January 2, 2023. If the individual wishes to stay on after that date, the appointee is able to apply for election to the position in the next election cycle in November 2022.

Letters of interest should be sent to:

Pine SWCD, 1610 Highway 23 North,

Sandstone, MN 55072, attn: District Manager. They can also be emailed.



Please contact Paul Swanson at paul.swanson@co.pine.mn.us or (320) 216-4241 for more information about district supervisors.

Request for Proposal - Community Service Partner

The City of Sandstone is accepting applications for the permanent, full time position of Community Service Partner. This is a new position in the City with the primary responsibility of carrying out public safety duties that do not require a police officer or Sheriff's Deputy; including rental inspections, code enforcement, animal control, and crime prevention. This individual will develop and build relationships with local business owners, residents, property owners, emergency response agencies, local civic organizations, landlords, tenants, and others with an emphasis on problem solving and community building.

Applicants must be 18 years of age or older and have a high school diploma or GED; demonstrated dependability, responsibility and self-motivation; ability to handle contact with employees, law enforcement officers, emergency response agencies, and the general public with tact and courtesy. Must be able to articulate both verbally and in writing with above average communicative skills. Must demonstrate a service-orientated attitude. The City will work with the successful candidate on appropriate training for rental inspections and code enforcement. Salary range of \$50,066 - \$52,164, depending on qualifications. Benefits include health insurance and personal time off (PTO).

Position Description and application available at Sandstone City Hall, 119 4th Street. Submit application and resume to City of Sandstone, PO Box 641, Sandstone, MN 55072 or by email to administrator@sandstonemn.com. Questions call 320-245-5241. Applications must be submitted by Noon on Friday, May 28, 2021.

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MIKE DRAHOSH / PINE COUNTY COURIER

Allen's Hope chawks positivity on Sandstone's sidewalks

Allen's Hope hosted an event where community members could chalk messages of hope on the sidewalks of Main Street in Sandstone. Allen's Hope is a nonprofit organization that works with the community to help bring awareness to mental health and signs of suicidal tendencies. The organization was founded in memory of Allen Audette, who took his own life at the age of 16.

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