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Victim warns to beware of “kidnapping” scam

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Law enforcement agencies have been warning the public of virtual kidnapping schemes for some time, according to the FBI. Virtual kidnappings happen when a victim is told, over the phone, that their family member or friend has been kidnapped. Then, through lies and threats, criminals coerce victims

to pay a ransom. The criminals also threaten harm to the family member or friend if they call law enforcement or alert anyone. No one is physically kidnapped in these schemes, but they are often traumatic for everyone involved. On average, the family sends thousands of dollars to the scammers before contacting law enforcement.

Below is a story of a Pine County woman who received one of these calls.

Barb (not her real name) is a college educated woman in her early 60s.

“It was 9:23 a.m. and my cell phone rang...immediately the call was intense,” said Barb,

The caller had a heavy accent and said, “This is the police, and we have a young lady here who has been in an accident, is hurt and she gave us your number.”

They put on an hysterical young lady,

Barb asked “Julie is that you?” (Notice they didn’t say the girls name...Barb assumed who it was) “I’m here what’s wrong?” She tried to understand what was going on, going back and forth between the crying woman and the caller when suddenly the callers tone changed.

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The Hinckley Knights kicked off their season opener with a pair of exhibition games. The official season will kick off Friday night with a game against the North Branch Nighthawks. See story page 20.

Hinckley Camper Sales and Rentals can help you get outdoors

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Tucked away in Cloverdale is Hinckley Camper Sales and Rentals. Located at 38812 Hwy 48, Brad Volkmann sells and rents used campers.

Over the past four years, Volkman has built up not only a thriving business but has also built a home, garage and office on the property mostly on his own with the help of his dad. He also plans to have a camper and RV repair shop built so he will be able to service the campers he sells.

Volkmann currently sells used campers only, “It is nearly impossible to get in anything new,” said Volkmann. With the shortages of supplies and the like, the waiting list for new campers is unpredictable.

His inventory comes from auctions which occur all over the country, he has campers on the lot that have come from Indiana, Georgia and many other states.

Not looking to buy right now? Volkmann also offers camper rentals. Starting at \$625 for a seven day rental you can get a 20 foot (or under) camper to take the family out on an

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U of M Extension proposes using ARPA funds for youth programming

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The U of M Extension office covers a lot of areas that are beneficial to Pine County residents. The Master Gardener program, agricultural programs, health and nutrition education and so much more. One area that the office helps out with through many types of programming is working with youth.

Many are aware of 4-H and the many benefits of it which are made possible

by various types of funding. Susanne Hinrichs, regional director for the U of M Extension office, and Jan Derdowski, extension educator, spoke on one type of funding that will help keep education and programming available for youth. A proposal was made to the Pine County Board of Commissioners at the May 3 regular meeting to use \$160,000 of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds for youth programming in an eight city area. The board unanimously approved the proposal, and

the ARPA funds will be utilized for the youth programming.

Hinrichs also spent some time talking about some new and eager faces with the Extension office. They have welcomed Kristin Reilly as an individual and family educator and University of Minnesota resource to Pine County and surrounding areas. She will also serve as the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program educator (SNAP) which provides assistance for low income families working with

the Department of Health and Human services. SNAP is funded by the USDA and is of no cost to Pine County. Reilly, who is coming from Detroit Lakes with a background in Health and Nutrition, will educate families how to budget groceries, how to cook healthy meals and use recipes, on safety aspects such as knife and food safety, and how to cook together involving the whole family.

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An example of what Brad Volkmann has to offer for sale or rent at Hinckley Camper Sales and Rentals.

CAMPERS: Enjoy a camping getaway

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adventure. Insurance can be purchased through Hinckley Camper Sales and Rental, or you can check with your own car insurance and they may cover you for an additional charge. If needed, they will also deliver and set up a camper locally, such as to Pathfinder for weekend company.

Volkmann has many options for buyers or renters, anything from a pop up camper to a two story park model that was recently sold.

Volkmann said he currently sells around 100 campers a year and rents five to ten per weekend. In the future he hopes to open a second location in the Prior Lake or New Prague area. If you are looking to rent or purchase a camper this summer, check out HINckley Campers Sales and Rentals. Volkmann also does U-haul rentals out of this location. They can be reached at 320-279-0429 and are open seven days a week from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m.

New voting equipment for Pine County

Pine County was awarded a voting equipment grant from the State of Minnesota in March and as of May 3, the equipment has arrived.

Kelly Schroeder, Pine County auditor and treasurer, spoke briefly about the grant and other funding that was used for some much needed upgrades in equipment.

The grant from the state was in the amount of \$128,680.13, and that, along

with \$14,000 in election funds and \$150,000 in American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds, made it possible to purchase new electronic tabulators and assistive voting devices to make voting an all-inclusive experience. Although the grant didn't pay for the equipment in full, it helped lessen the cost to the county.

FUNDING: New faces at U of M extension office

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Another new face is that of Katie Hagen, the new agriculture educator. Hagen is familiar with the area as she grew up in Pine City, became a high school agriculture educator and during college, was a summer intern at the Pine County Extension office.

She is very familiar with Extension education and is well acquainted with many agencies in Pine County, as well as the local farmers. Hagen recently met with residents at Tobies in Hinckley as a meet and greet and had a strong turn out. She will split her time between Isanti and Pine County.

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| 1. Scream loudly | 33. Foundation for an idea |
| 5. Antidepressant (abbr.) | 38. Small, faint constellation |
| 8. The bill in a restaurant | 41. Book lovers |
| 11. Oblong pulpits | 43. Vegetable |
| 13. Adult female chicken | 45. Cabbage variety |
| 14. Abnormal breathing | 47. A way to heal |
| 15. Financial obligations | 49. Illuminated |
| 16. Belonging to a thing | 50. Dish that features a stick |
| 17. Winged | 55. Insurance-related costs (abbr.) |
| 18. Peoples | 56. Solid water |
| 20. College hoops tournament | 57. Soldier's gear |
| 21. An informal body of friends | 59. "Uncle Buck" actress Hoffmann |
| 22. Region of the world | 60. Former measure of length |
| 25. In an early way | 61. Arabic name meaning "spring" |
| 30. Connected by kinship | 62. Doctors' group |
| 31. Type of tree | 63. Actress Susan |
| 32. Official order | 64. Appropriate |

CLUES DOWN

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| 1. Cool! | 29. Put onto |
| 2. Hebrew unit of measure | 34. "Much ___ about nothing" |
| 3. Swedish rock group | 35. A way to mend |
| 4. College army | 36. Anger |
| 5. Black eye | 37. Soviet Socialist Republic |
| 6. One who stopped working | 39. Mobilized |
| 7. Teach a value | 40. Resembles an earlobe |
| 8. Rhythmic patterns | 41. Cut of meat |
| 9. "MASH" actor Alda | 42. Nigerian people |
| 10. "Friday Night Lights" director | 44. Recently |
| 12. Midway between south and southeast | 45. Square stone building at Mecca |
| 14. Indian musical pattern | 46. Adhere to orders |
| 19. Fulfill a desire | 47. Adventure story |
| 23. Water soaked soil | 48. Marine bivalve mollusk |
| 24. Brass instrument | 51. Retrospective analysis (abbr.) |
| 25. Before | 52. Actor Pitt |
| 26. Popular color | 53. Tibetan village |
| 27. Peyton's little brother | 54. A way to change by heating |
| 28. Partner to cheese | 58. A beam of sunshine |

SATURDAY, MAY 21, 2022

Robinson Park Clean-up Day

Meet in the park. Bring rakes, garbage bags and your appetite. Lunch, refreshments served to volunteers. For more information, contact organizer Dave Barsness, 245-2383.

SUNDAY, MAY 22, 2022

Faith Baptist Church Guest Speaker

Guest Speaker Dr. Al Reichman, Director of Ahavath Messiah Ministries at Faith Baptist Church in Hinckley May 22 beginning at 9:45 a.m. All are invited to attend.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 25, 2022

PINE COUNTY MASTER GARDENER ANNUAL PLANT SALE

After two years without a plant sale, the Pine County Master Gardeners will hold their plant sale on Wednesday, May 25 at the Pine City Flea Market at the Pine County Fairgrounds 4-H Building. It will be held from 6:30 a.m. until sold out and feature locally grown heirloom vegetables, flowers and other plants grown by the master gardeners. There will also be lots of garden ornaments, books and other garden

treasurers. Master Gardeners will be present to answer questions and have educational gardening information. Funds raised are used for community events and educational training. For information: contact the U of M Extension Pine County Office at 1-800-657-3813 Extn. #3. Or, contact Roger & Linda Fischer at 320-629-2247.

HINCKLEY FIRE MUSEUM

In appreciation for community support join us for our annual wine and cheese gathering. Wednesday, May 25th at 6:30 at the museum.

SUNDAY, MAY 29, 2022

Annual Memorial Day Service

The public is invited to the Royalton Memorial Cemetery Association's Annual Memorial Day Service on Sunday, May 29 at 2 p.m. at 2511 Church Road, Braham, Minn. Pastor Joel Preston of the Pine City Evangelical Free Church will give a devotional, music will be provided by Adrienne Roubinek. A luncheon will follow service, free will offering accepted. Contact Les Orvis at 320-492-4579 if you have any questions.

Pine County Memorial Day Services

• Askov American Legion post #243 is having an in-person service

Askov Cemetery at 10 a.m.

• Pine City American Legion post #51 is tentatively having a parade and an in-person service at Birchwood Cemetery in Pine City 10 a.m.

• Hinckley American Legion post #388 is having an in-person event at the Lutheran Memorial Cemetery 10 a.m.

• Sandstone American Legion post #151 has three in-person events: 9 a.m. Finlayson Cemetery, 10 a.m. at Dell Grove Cemetery then Spring Park Cemetery at 11 a.m.

• Bruno American Legion post #563 has three in-person events Bruno cemetery 9 a.m., Villstad cemetery 10 a.m., and Danforth cemetery 12 p.m.

• Willow River Post 163 and Denham/Sturgeon Lake Post 361 – St. Isidore Catholic Church 9 a.m., Blomskog Cemetery 9:20 a.m., St. Isidore Catholic Cemetery 9:45 a.m., Sturgeon Lake Village Cemetery 10:10 a.m., Nordlund Cemetery 10:40 a.m., Faith Lutheran Cemetery 11 a.m., Methodist Cemetery 11:20 a.m., Rutledge Cemetery 12p.m., Willow River Cemetery 12:30 p.m.

TUESDAYS IN JUNE

Arts in the Park

Bring your lawn chair or blanket and join us from 6-8 p.m. on Tuesday's in June for Sandstone's Arts in the Park.

May is National Barbecue Month



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!!

BASIC BARBECUE RUB

- 1/4 c. firmly packed brown sugar
- 1/4 c. sweet paprika
- 3 Tbsp. black pepper
- 3 Tbsp. coarse salt
- 1 Tbsp. hickory smoked salt or more coarse salt
- 2 tsp. garlic powder
- 2 tsp. onion powder
- 2 tsp. celery seeds
- 1 tsp. cayenne pepper

Combine all the ingredients in a mixing bowl and stir to mix. (Actually, your hands work better for mixing than a spoon or whisk does. Use your fingers to break up any lumps of brown sugar.) Store the rub in an airtight jar away from heat or light; it will keep for at least 6 months. Use this on ribs, pork shoulders, chicken. Use 2 to 3 teaspoons per pound of meat. A 4-pound chicken will take 2 tablespoons. Makes 1 cup.

MINNESOTA'S JUICY LUCY BURGER

- 2 lbs. ground hamburger (15-20% fat content)
- 4 buns
- 4 slices cheese (American cheese is standard) or Gouda, Swiss, and Jack
- 1 Tbsp. Worcestershire sauce
- 1/4 tsp. kosher salt
- 1/4 tsp. pepper
- 1 tsp. garlic powder
- 1 tsp. onion powder
- Burger toppings: lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, onions

Place 2 lbs. of ground hamburger in a mixing bowl. Add Worcestershire sauce and combine with your hands. Divide the meat into 4 equal portions. Divide each portion in half and form each portion into a patty (should be 8 total patties). Cut 4 slices of cheese into quarters. Place the sliced cheese into 4 stacks. Place each stack of cheese onto one of the burger patties. Place two burger patties together around the cheese and use your hands to press the patties together. Try to for one patty around the cheese. Seal the edges of the patty with your fingers. Sprinkle one side with a generous amount of salt and pepper. Sprinkle 1/2 teaspoon garlic powder and onion powder on top of patties. Place the burgers (spice side down) onto the hottest part of a grill. Spice the other side of the burgers with more salt and pepper and another 1/2 teaspoon of garlic and onion powder. Sear the burgers for 3 minutes per side and then move them to the edges of the grill. The burgers should have an internal temperature of 160 degrees. Toast the buns on the grill. Serves 4.

GRILLED PORK TENDERLOIN WITH BALSAMIC HONEY GLAZE

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| • 1 Tbsp. garlic powder | • 1 pork tenderloin (3 pound) |
| • 1 Tbsp. onion powder | • 1/4 c. balsamic vinegar |
| • 2 tsp. chili powder | • 1 tsp. honey |
| • 2 tsp. paprika | • 1 tsp. Dijon mustard |
| • 1 tsp. salt | |
| • 2 Tbsp. olive oil, divided | |

Mix garlic, onion, and chili powders with paprika and salt. Rub mixture all over pork tenderloin. Heat 1 tablespoon olive oil over medium-high heat. Add pork and sear until golden brown on all sides, about 2 minutes per side. Wrap tenderloin in aluminum foil. Preheat outdoor grill to medium-high heat and lightly oil the grate. Grill the pork in its foil for 20 minutes. Mix balsamic vinegar, honey, mustard together with the remaining olive oil. Unwrap pork on the grill and liberally brush the glaze on all sides. Continue grilling, brushing on more glaze, until it reaches 145 degrees, about 10 minutes. Allow to rest for 5 minutes before cutting. Drizzle with any remaining glaze.

Veteran's needs prioritized

Hello from the State Capitol, Who says Republicans and Democrats can't get along? Last week, the Minnesota House – on a 121-1 vote – overwhelmingly approved legislation that would better prioritize veterans needs during this current budget cycle.



Legislative Update
Rep. Nathan Nelson

When it comes to spending bills, many times several proposals get grouped together into one bill. Often times those groupings make little sense. One glaring example of this would be this year's state government/pensions/transportation/veterans and military affairs omnibus bill. When this bill was debated on the House floor, it was approved with Democrat votes only.

Many of us on both sides of the aisle have often

mentioned that if leadership could just put out a bill containing provisions where nearly everyone agrees, it would be overwhelmingly approved. This veterans bill, now passed as a stand-alone bill, is such an example.

By focusing on issues where both parties agree, we were able to approve a plan that provides well-deserved bonuses to our post 9/11 veterans and gold star families, and funding to help combat veteran homelessness. We were also able to prioritize veterans' facilities, as the bill includes more than \$10 million for construction cost increases for the three new veterans' homes in Bemidji, Montevideo, and Preston, and more than \$16 million for enhancements and furnishings to these facilities.

Our veterans are the best, and they deserve the best. I am very pleased we were able to take politics out of our veterans and military affairs bill and put forward a bipartisan plan that nearly every state lawmaker could support. This is how state government is supposed to work – all sides collaborating on a topic and getting the job done.



Spring is spreading like wildflowers

NATURALLY

Spring was spreading like wildflowers and I listened to field sparrows at Minneopa State Park. Their song came from all directions as I watched starlings ride on the backs of bison. The bison drive is open to cars every day but Wednesday.



Al's World
Al Batt

There were four bison calves, the little pumpkins or red dogs were orangish-red, reddish-brown, or cinnamon-colored. A male indigo bunting bedazzled a small tree. One good

look and I realized there was no need to gild that lily. What a glorious day to be on earth.

Quarry Park and Nature Preserve

I walked the trails of Quarry Park and Nature Preserve, a 684-acre park in Waite Park, the site of former granite mining quarries. The trails wind through woodland, prairie, wetland and bedrock areas. Near the entrance are the Liberty Derrick and Derrick House, which pay homage to the history of the granite mining industry in the early 1900s. I moseyed down the paths not long after golf ball-sized hailstones had battered my car. Some cars lost windshields and rear windows to the hail. Heavy rains caused

the trails to carry a lot of water. As I watched ornaments in the trees, scarlet tanagers were lovely and unafraid as they searched for food, I heard an ovenbird sing, "Nature, nature, nature." Some ears hear it as "Teacher, teacher, teacher." This warbler walks on the forest floor and its name is a reference to its nest, a domed structure resembling a Dutch oven. Its ringing song becomes stronger toward its end. Nature was good company and I was happy to be there.

The Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences published an article that said water sounds, a gurgling brook or waterfall, were effective at improving positive affect (the psychological

term for a positive outlook or disposition and the experience of joy), while bird sounds were excellent for lowering stress. The study's lead author was Rachel Buxton, Ph.D., a research associate and conservation biologist in the Department of Biology at Carleton University in Ottawa, and her colleagues from six universities and the National Park Service did a statistical analysis of three dozen studies exploring the measurable health benefits of natural sounds. Lancet Public Health funded by the World Health Organization pooled data from nine studies involving over 8 million people from

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Recent rain has water levels high throughout county

Fishing opener seemed to be on a great weekend weather-wise but the winds never gave up. We drove past a few lakes over the weekend, and there just wasn't as many boats like years past. Not to fret, this is only the opener, there is a lot more summer fun ahead.



Finlayson News
Maxine Meyer

Congratulations to the 41 attendees of the Hunter Education course from the Finlayson Giese Sportsman's Club Firearm safety class.

Congratulations to the 2022 high school graduates everywhere.

You are the second graduating class since the COVID-19 pandemic first arrived in the United States. The pandemic did not make attending schools in any county or any state-easy. Many things did come back this year, but maybe not the same as before. Use this experience to give you strength and flexibility. Best wishes on your life's journey.

Last Monday Gary and Maxine Meyer attended a funeral for a friend, Wallace Conrad, 100. It was January 1980 when Gary first met Wally while he was a fire-fighter for the Eden Prairie community. Years later when Wally retired-he and his wife moved up here, outside of Rutledge to Long Lake where they lived for many years. So, although his funeral was in Eden Prairie, interment was at the Sunnyside cemetery in Willow River where his wife was buried..

Quite a few years earlier than when Gary first met him, Wally married the girl he fell in love with at a dance in Rutledge, her name was Larrayne

Margaret Krieger. They corresponded during World War II as she served in Casablanca with the Women's Army Air Corp and they eventually married in 1946. So if you recognize her maiden name, or her married name of Conrad-you may have known our friend, too.

Over the last few days we drove around and viewed the high water levels of creeks, rivers and lakes. Our local area is not the only area affected, it extends all across into Wisconsin, too. It's sad-here we have it so wet the farmers can't get into their fields and to the western and southern states it is so dry they are fighting huge fires every day.

Susan Sweeter stopped here last Sunday for a quick visit. She happily showed me a video of her goat's two beautiful "kids." But, her bigger reason for stopping was she was looking for hay for their two cows and two horses-they had run out. With Prince gone, we have extra this spring, we were glad to help.

Usually Mother's Day marks the arrival of the hummingbirds for the season. But, this Mother's Day was cold, followed with storm after storm. I saw no hummingbirds all week, in fact I was afraid our birds did not make the trip yet. Then a friend in Cloquet sent a message he had hummingbirds arrive on Friday. I gathered up my feeders and began making syrup. With two feeders filled I placed one in each of my top 2 spots. About 30 minutes later I thought I saw a very small hummingbird. So small that I thought I was imagining it. An hour later I was sure I saw 3 birds. By Sunday, I could identify the three birds by their color. They are indeed very small, and not many so far, but they're back. I am so glad to see them. Sadly, Monday, May 9 the National



Cathedral in Washington D. C. rang it's church bells 1,000 times to commemorate the one million mark of Covid related deaths in just the United States. Although the pandemic arrived in our country in early 2020, we have had vaccines since early 2021, but for some they didn't get the full dosages in time, for some-they didn't believe there was a pandemic and got no vaccine at all. The Center for Disease Control predicts this fall will be another 100,000 deaths. Don't let your name be on that list.

Also this past Monday, Governor Walz signed into law a plan for bonus pay, a deal called "Hero pay." How it will work is not defined. Who it is intended to benefit is the "front line workers" i.e., those who had to work as the world shut down for a pandemic, they truly do deserve a bonus. I hope someone figures this out so the right ones get their bonus.



MIKE DRAHOSH | NORTH PINE COUNTY NEWS

Docks were underwater on Pine Lakes near Finlayson this past weekend due to the heavy rains the area has received.

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North Pine County News Call a Specialist

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East Central trap team ranked first in conference

After week three of the season, the East Central trap team is first in the conference. Pictured above left are: Tyler Klocke and Varick Beise who each shot 25 straight this week. Above right is Nathan Pinson who shot 50 Straight.

If you are a parent of an East Central spring sport athlete, or just a fan, and you like to write, we would like to talk to you about contributing to the North Pine County News! Contact us at 320-384-6188!

NATURALLY: Research shows people who live in green spaces live longer

FROM PAGE 4

seven different countries. That research showed that people who live near or in green spaces tend to live longer than those exposed to less green space. Research published in Ecological Applications, looked at about 3,000 people in Tokyo and found that seeing greenery from a window or going outside improved mental health measures like depression, happiness, self-esteem and loneliness. Iranian scientists found ICU patients on ventilators reported less pain when they listened to natural sounds via headphones. I know walking a wet trail while listening to a bird sing about nature as I watched gorgeous birds

enhanced my existence. Listen to the birds.

Q&A

“Do owl decoys discourage birds?” The effectiveness of the plastic statues is limited because even the most skittish bird quickly finds them no threat.

THANKS FOR STOPPING BY

“There is a singer everyone has heard, loud, a mid-summer and a mid-wood bird.

Who makes the solid tree trunks sound again. He says that leaves are old and that for flowers mid-summer is to spring as one to ten. He says the early petal-fall is past when pear and cherry bloom went down in showers on sunny days a mo-

ment overcast; and comes that other fall we name the fall. He says the highway dust is over all.

The bird would cease and be as other birds but that he knows in singing not to sing.

The question that he frames in all but words is what to make of a diminished thing.”—Robert Frost.

“Bird watchers top my honors list. I aimed to be one, but I missed. Since I’m both myopic and astigmatic, my aim turned out to be erratic, and I, bespectacled and binocular, exposed myself to comment jocular. We don’t need too much birdlore, do we, to tell a flamingo from a towhee; yet I cannot, and never will, unless the silly birds stand

still. And there’s no enlightenment in a tour of ornithological literature.

Is yon strange creature a common chickadee, or a migrant alouette from Picardy? You can rush to consult your nature guide and inspect the gallery inside, but a bird in the open never looks like its picture in the birdie books—or if it once did, it has changed its plumage, and plunges you back into ignorant gloomage. That is why I sit here growing old by inches, watching a clock instead of finches, but I sometimes visualize in my gin the Audubon that I audubin.”—Ogden Nash.

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Hinckley-Finlayson hosts 2022 Great River Conference Art Show

ERICH RICHTER
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Hinckley-Finlayson High School hosted the 2022 Great River Conference Art show on Wednesday, May 11. It was a show to remember, as HFHS students earned several ribbons. The most prestigious award of the entire show, the Judge's Best in Show award, went to Marcel Richey, Keane Crisologo, and Devyn Klar, for their movie, "Action: The Movie". It was a fascinating shift in mindset as historically, painting has been considered the highest form of visual art, and therefore probably the most recognized form for awards. However, if you viewed this particular film, you would agree that it is truly unforgettable. It is a very rare feat to earn Best in Show. HFHS's historic run of domination of the digital

drawing category continued with a full sweep (Bella Brant 1st, Paulina Avina 2nd, Sophie Hodena 3rd, Miah Keller Honorable Mention).

Reese Hartl, all by herself, nearly swept the Colored Photography category (2nd, 3rd, honorable mention).

HFHS also almost had a full sweep of the Colored Drawing Category. Victoria Cox (2nd), Miah Keller (3rd), and Maddie Churchill (honorable mention), each ribboned.

Anna Degerstrom, Sidney Kreger, Reese Hartl and Brekyn Hanson placed 2nd in the Film category, with their film, "Clue".

Sophie Hodena's board game project earned 2nd place in the Sculpture category.

The show also included some new award categories, and these categories may be the most important ones of them all be-

cause they transcend the medium-based nature of the rest of the show.

Victoria Cox's drawing won "Most Creative"

Tanner Risley's digital drawing won "Most Likely To Go Viral"

Last, but not least, Jovial Fahey's drawing of a student slumped over their desk during Covid won the "Most Likely To Change The World" award.

Mr. Richter is proud of all of his art students for making the most creative, weirdest, yet most likely to change the world, art, in the entire conference.

Mr. Richter would like to give a shout-out to seniors, Maddie Churchill, Ava Anderson, Justin Matson, Sophie Hodena, and Brice Mitchell, for their hard work this year, over the years, and for their contributions to the art show.

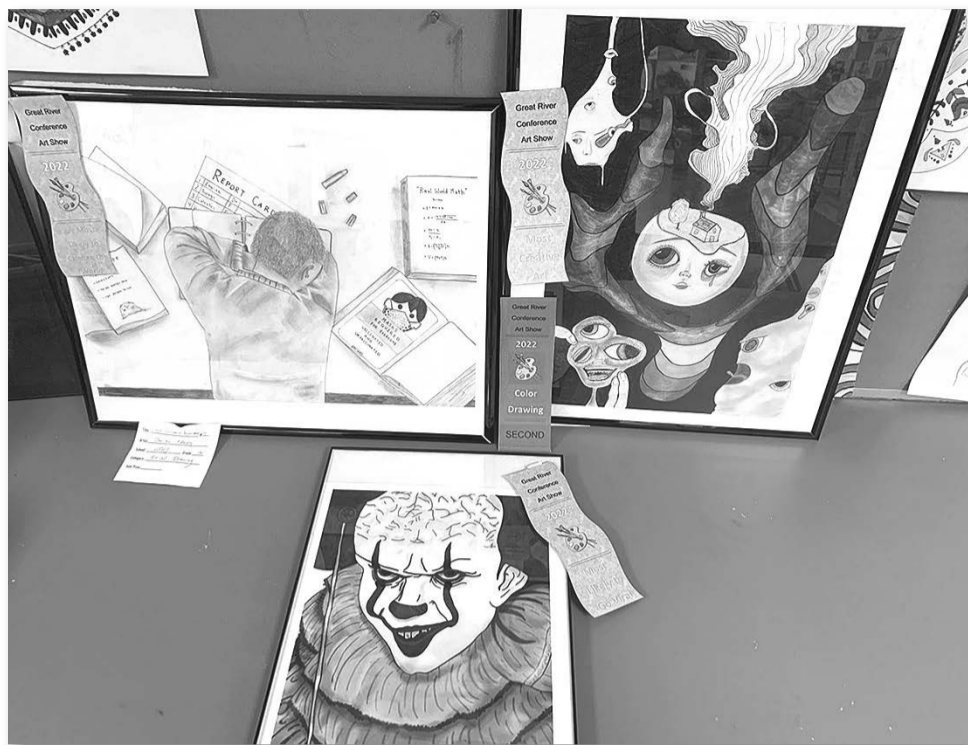


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Pictured above are just a few examples of the award winning artwork done by Hinckley-Finlayson High School artists.

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Dollars for Scholars scholarships help East Central students afford college

SARA GOLDSTEIN

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If you have ever had a student awaiting graduation and preparing for their college education, or been there yourself, you know the financial obligation involved to obtain a higher education. It is not cheap and for some, it is a luxury that cannot be afforded, at least not without a lot of help or, in most cases, a lot of debt. That's where Dollars for Scholars have stepped in to help lessen that burden for many.

It is possible that although the program has been around for decades, you have never heard of it. There are many

chapters in the state of Minnesota, but the East Central Chapter has become an exemplary example of what Dollars for Scholars is all about!

Cassie Gaede and Bill Loew, along with a group of volunteers from the community, have risen to the challenge of helping as many as they can achieve their dreams!

The criteria to apply for the scholarships is achievable for students who are serious about pursuing their education. As a junior, students are able to take their ACT testing, which is free for students. The score isn't the most important factor, however, to be eligible for the scholarships, students must

have taken the test and received a score. The application process takes 30-60 minutes, however the minimum scholarship is \$1,000, which is absolutely worth the time! Scholarships range from \$3-8,000 for current seniors.

One of the most unique aspects of the East Central Dollars for Scholars program is they award to past students who have already graduated and meet the criteria to apply. Post-graduates who are accepted are able to use their scholarship up to their first Bachelors degree as long as it's completed in six years or less. Scholarships for post-graduates' range from \$1-3,000.

Students are expected to maintain a minimum 2.5 GPA as a full-time student and report back to the Dollars for Scholars committee at the end of their first semester in college with the requirements.

The funds that provide the scholarships come largely from the yearly Dollars for Scholars Phone-A-Thon, which this year brought in \$12,000 to be awarded to the current recipients. The rest of the funds are from community donors, Pass through donations of \$500 or more in the name of others and endowments from those who have passed away.

The scholarships are awarded at graduation by Cassie

Gaede. Many community members and family members of those who have donated attend just to see who has been awarded so they can congratulate them in person, something that really shows the beauty of living in a small community!

Speaking of community, how can you, the community, help these young adults become the future? Become a volunteer! They meet on the third Thursday of the month and you can volunteer as much or as little as you want. Many hands make light work! Donations can be accepted online or by contacting the committee. Let's help make the future brighter through our youth.

Did I sleep through spring?

Dear Tante Ingeborg,

Many people have trouble falling asleep but I'm not one of them. I can fall asleep standing up. When you raise five kids you quickly learn how to grab some shut eye whenever you get the chance. With four little darlings and the fifth on its final approach I could fall asleep in the checkout line at the grocery store.

Now I'm at the age where I frequently take naps. It a direct result of having been sleep deprived when the kids were little.

The problem is that I went to sleep with the furnace on but when I awakened it was eighty-four outside. Could it be possible that I slept right through spring? Do you think I should go in for a check-up? Maybe my memory is starting to go.

Signed, Helga on Highway 123

Dear Helga,

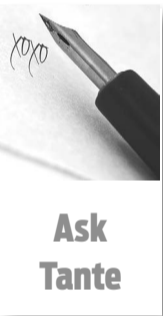
Rest assured, as a former Governor was fond of saying, you didn't sleep through spring. We didn't get one this year.

On Monday before the sun was even a prayer on the eastern horizon, my neighbor down the road was out sprinkling ice-melt on her driveway so she could get her mail. She's always been one taco short of a combination plate anyway but today she was out in a tube top and Daisy Dukes checking on the blossoms on her forsythia.

Frankly there is no place in her wardrobe for either of those clothing items.

We live in Minnesota. Our weather can change in the blink of an eye. In August you could be ice fishing on Lake Wobegon.

Take as many naps as you can because you never really catch up on lost sleep. Enjoy summer and remember, Tante Ingeborg cares..... but not so much.

Ask
Tante

Share your area news

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Confirmation was held at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Bruno Sunday May 15 those confirmed were Caleb Gassert, Trevor Goodman and Gradyn Swenson with Rev. Donald Polege officiating the service.

Mitch, Liz, April and Daniel Clausen, Jeanette Swenson, Sharon Ring, Sylvia Schweiger, Arnie, Nikki, Brooke and Ciara Cekalla along with Gradyn's parents Jesse and Genny, brothers Dane and Jordy and classmate Owen were in attendance for Gradyn Swenson's confirmation Sunday.

Sunday afternoon, Jeanette Swenson attended the National Honor Society Induction ceremony at East Central School where granddaughter Ciara Cekalla was inducted into

the National Junior Honor Society.

Sympathy is extended to Peggy (Billman) Cahoon family and friends. Peggy was born to Claudius and Laura Billman in Bruno...she grew up and attended school there and was a graduate of Bruno High School. Peggy passed away on May 2, 2022. Funeral service will be held on Saturday, May 21 2 p.m. with visitation at 1:30 p.m. at Methven Funeral Home in Sandstone. Arrangements are by Methven Funeral Home.

Bruno American Legion Post 563 will be conducting Memorial Day (May 30) services at the following cemeteries: Bruno Cemetery at 9 a.m. Vilstad Cemetery at 10 a.m. and Danforth Cemetery at 12 p.m./noon.

Remember if you have any news to share, please feel free to contact me by either emailing me at : storebo1@frontier.com or calling at (320) 838-3554.

DO YOU REMEMBER

1947: Bruno bar, cafe, garage sold

100 YEARS AGO MAY 18, 1922

- The remains of Peter Nyquist son of Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Nyquist of Nickerson arrived from overseas and burial was made at the Oak Lake Cemetery.

- Little Jimmy Bisset, four-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs Alex Bisset of Sandstone had his leg broken above the knee while trying to climb into a delivery wagon at the general store.

- The Jean Du Luth Guernsey herd was inspected by specialist of the North Dakota Agricultural College and he stated that he considers their herd one of the two greatest herds in the world.

75 YEARS AGO MAY 15, 1947

- The senior class of Bruno High School had a skip day on Friday and went to Minneapolis where several of the girls stayed over the weekend.

- Mr. and Mrs. Peter Sostak of Sturgeon Lake celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary with a surprise family gathering.

- Mr. and Mrs Otto Wernowsky have sold their bar, café and garage in Bruno to Mr. and Mrs. Runser and Mr. and Mrs. Birno of Duluth.

- A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Otto Jensen of Askov at the Nedegaard Maternity Home in Sandstone.

50 YEARS AGO MAY 18, 1972

- Graduation speakers at the area schools will be: W.A. Wettergen , executive secretary of the Minnesota School Board Association at Askov. Dr. William Matalamaki, Superintendent at North Central School and Experiment Station at Willow River and Dr. John Verrill,

head of Secondary Education Department UMD will be at Finlayson.

- Mr. and Mrs. August Krueger of Bruno celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with family and friends.

- Mr. and Mrs Floyd Thompson of Askov welcome their 35th grandchild an 8 lb 15 oz boy Bryan Gene born to Mr. and Mrs. John Karlson.

- The work force of A Henricksen Inc. began planting the first rutabagas of the season.

25 YEARS AGO MAY 15, 1997

- Fire destroys home of "Mike" Rippen-trop of Askov.

- Polka Worship Services at Trinity Lutheran Church Bruno and Oak Lake Church on Sunday May 18 with Lorren Lindevig of Scanlon leading the music.

- Readers of the week at area schools are: Amy Johnsen , age 9 ½ of Willow River, daughter of Tim and Bernadette Johnsen, Allyson Fogt, age 8 of Bruno, daughter of Julie Fogt and John Broberg, Jessica Fischer, age 8 of Finlayson, daughter of Anna and Robbie Fischer.

- Franklin Larson, Sturgeon Lake has been recognized nationally by the American Angus Association for having four registered Angus cows.

10 YEARS AGO MAY 10, 2012

- Community members of all ages get moving around the May Pole at Duquette Hall for a folk dance sponsored by Oak Lake/Trinity Health Council.

- Askov Area Lions Marlys Zebott and Laurie Hanford deliver May baskets to some residents at the Fernadale Estate.

- Grand Casino Hinckley celebrates their 20th anniversary.

Do you have a story idea or tip that you think the North Pine County News readers would appreciate??

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'It must be my family heritage'



BY SHIRLEY SCHMIDT

When asked, to what do you attribute your longevity, Marjorie Hawkinson replied, "It must be my family heritage." She named many family members that lived into their 90s. Her father lived to be 93, and her mother was 95 when she passed.

Marjorie was raised on a farm in Nebraska. She had two older brothers and two younger sisters. She and her siblings had to milk cows before they could go to school in the morning. Her family bought a farm near Brook Park just before Pearl Harbor happened.

Marjorie met and married Kenneth Hawkinson in 1948. Their family consisted of their oldest son Dick who succumbed to cancer in 2011, second son, Cory, daughter Barb, seven grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

The Hawkinsons lived on the farm where Kenneth grew up. They had dairy cows for many years, and rather than upgrading their dairy operation, they switched to feeder cattle. "I said I would never marry a farmer," Marjorie declared. "Then I went and married a farmer!"

Along with being a farmer,

Kenneth took training in welding at Pine City Vocational college. He worked as a welder for 13 years.

Marjorie wanted to retire from farming, but Kenneth wasn't budging. She told this story: "We were at a mortuary for the visitation of a friend. I said to a neighbor, 'I just can't get that old guy off the farm.'"

Kenneth was just behind her and heard her comment. He replied, "That's not true. I will not spend one more winter on that farm!" The Hawkinson's sold their farm in 2011.

After hunting for the right apartment, they found just what they were looking for at Northridge Apartments.

Due to health issues, Kenneth had to spend his last days at Lakeside Nursing Home. For some time, COVID prevented Marjorie from visiting him, a sad time for both of them. Kenneth passed away on May 17, 2020 just a few weeks after their 72nd wedding anniversary. "I prayed that he would go peacefully, and he did. I was with him holding his hand," she reflected wistfully.

Over the years, Marjorie worked as secretary to the high school principal for three years and as a

clerk for the court system for 30 years. She worked at the Sears catalog store for a time then as a nurse's aide at the elementary school nurse's office for five years.

Marjorie retired from working at a regular job at age 70, but she didn't really retire. Armed with tapes, bulletins, and devotional material from Zion Lutheran Church, where she attended for 39 years, she visited folks in nursing homes and those who are homebound. "COVID has been tough on shut-ins," she lamented. "They get so lonesome. They need company."

On March 12, Marjorie's daughter Barb organized a celebration for Marjorie's 94th birthday at the Pizza Pub that was attended by more than 70 friends and family members.

"What an honor it was for me to have so many people show up," Marjorie expressed with gratitude. "Life has been good. There were some hard times, of course. It's been a real blessing to have my health, my family and friends. I'm the only one of my siblings left, and I'm still here for some reason. I haven't figured that out yet."

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East Central Regional Library encourages children and their families to celebrate Minnesota's state bird, the common loon, by attending an interactive storytime with two Minnesota children's authors. The event, called For the Love Loons, will be held at all 14 East Central Regional Library locations in June and July.

The event will feature two picture books about loons: Little Loon Finds His Voice by Yvonne Pearson and Regina Shklovsky, and Secrets of the Loon by Laura Purdie Salas and Chuck Dayton. Audiences will learn loon language and practice loon calls; walk, dive, and fly like loons; sing an active song; learn a bit about the threats to loons; and some of the differences

between loons and ducks.

Kids will have a chance to ask questions, and they will go home with a loon coloring sheet and a new sense of wonder about these amazing waterbirds.

For the Love of Loons Storytime will be held:
Wednesday, June 1, 1 p.m., Hinckley Public Library
Wednesday, June 1, 3:30 p.m., Sandstone Public Library

Friday, June 24, 10 a.m., Mora Public Library
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|  AVA ANDERSON Attend the University of Minnesota, Twin Cities for Psychology and Pre-pharmacology |  JOSH ARCHAMBAULT Attend University of Minnesota, Twin Cities for Psychology |  EUNICE ATKINS Attend Pine County Transition Program |  KENDRA BEAVENS Attend MN State University, Mankato for Nursing |  KENZIE BECKRICH Attend Pine Technical & Community College for Physical Therapy |  JALEN BELGARDE Undecided |  ARRIANA BENJAMIN |  BYRON BENJAMIN |  MATILDA BIANCO DOLINO Attend college for medicine |
|  DANIEL BONN Attend Pine Technical & Community College for Construction Technology |  ISABELLA BRANT |  JONATHAN BUCHANAN Undecided |  KENIDY CESSNA |  MADelyn CHURCHILL Attend University of Minnesota, Morris for Pre-Med |  MICHAEL COX |  TIERRA DABNEY |  PAIGE DENTON Undecided |  REBECCA DUTCHER Attend Pine Technical & Community College for LPN |
|  RILEY GEIGER Work and support myself |  SAVANNAH GOODSKY Work and support myself |  ASHTON GRABER |  JACOB GRICE Attend Gustavus Adolphus College for Nursing |  BROOKE HARTL Attend Southwest MN state University for Education |  BRIAUNNA HILER |  SOPHIE HODENA Attend Pine Technical & Community College for Business |  ANN HOLMES Attend Pine Technical & Community College for Nursing |  ASHTON HOSLER Attend Central Lakes College for Law Enforcement |
|  GARRETT HOSNA Enlist in the U.S. Air Force & U.S. Space Force |  MADISON LYNN JACKSON Take a gap year |  DYLAN KLAR |  EMILY KLAR Attend Pine Technical & Community College for Nursing |  LUCAS KREFIT Attend University of Minnesota, Rochester for Radiology |  RYLIE KREGGER Attend Central Lakes College for Dental Assistant |  CAIARA AH LAFAVE Undecided |  MORGAN LANDBERG Get my tattoo license |  CHANCE LIND Attend a trade school |
|  JULIA LONG |  ALAN LOPEZ |  JUSTIN MATSON Enlist in Air National Guard and attend University of Dubuque for Aviation |  BRICE MITCHELL Attend Minnesota State University Mankato for Sports Medicine |  RAEACHEL PAINOVICH Attend St. Catherine University for Pre-Med |  DAMIEN PARSONS Attend college for Lab Tech |  KILLEEN PRATER Enlist in the U.S. Air Force National Guard, attend Northern Michigan University for Nursing in 2023 |  | |

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|  AIDEN RANDALL Attend Pine Technical & Community College |  RYAN REITER Help my brother run his business |  CHLOE RICE Attend Pine Technical & Community College for Nursing |  GEORGIA RICE Attend Grand Canyon University for Forensic Psychology |  GAVIN SCOTT |  RANDY SKAFF Work in the construction field |  ARIANNA SOMMERS Undecided |  ASHIA STAFNE Attend North Dakota State University for Nursing |  CARLEE STELTER Attend Pine Technical & Community College for Nursing |
|  WILLOW THOMAS |  ETHAN TIPTON Attend Pine County Transition Program |  KIONA VESSELS Undecided |  EDWARD WELCH |  KYLE WOLDSTAD Attend Pine Technical & Community College for Automotive Technology |  BRANDON ZICK Undecided |  SHANTEL BACKEN |  SARA CASAREJOS-GALA |  SAM GOULET |
|  CODY SLADE |  L SWANSON |  JEZZALYN RINGLER | Class of 2022 Motto: "I don't know about you but I'm feeling '22" Flower: Black Rose Song: "22" by Taylor Swift Class Color: Black | | | | | |

Hinckley-Finlayson High School will be holding their commencement ceremony on May 29 at the High School at 2 p.m.

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East Central to replace computers due to age

BY SARA GOLDSTEIN
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The local Boy Scouts had four youth representing the organization at the May 9 school board meeting. They presented the flag and led the pledge of allegiance.

Bill Groskreutz, Technology Coordinator, spoke briefly on the technology updates and other pertinent information regarding the changes happening around the district. There will be many computers and other technology equipment recycled over the summer through Apple Recycling; a free service offered to schools.

The school's Chromebook supply will be refreshed as many older models can no

longer accept updates in the software. The older Chromebooks will be used in other ways until they are no longer able to be. The same process is used with the iPads in the elementary school.

Phase two for the paging system was completed in December with new speakers in every classroom along with an emergency call box. Phase three will be held off until summer of 2023. Live streaming will continue and purchase of new and updated equipment is being looked into and installed in the press box before football season. There are many shortages in technology so the process of receiving new equipment has been met with many challenges and taking

considerably longer than years past.

Frank Moyer, 4.0 School Services, was proud to say that the district has been one of the few that has not experienced a shortage of drivers. The bus garage has remained fully staffed for all routes. He said he is not only proud of his staff and drivers, but also the fleet they drive daily, which recently added two transportation vans, a 12' enclosed trailer for sporting events and five 2015 International 77 passenger buses.

Fuel bids for bulk diesel fuel for transportation are being posted. This would add a great deal of convenience for the transportation department.

Commencement will take

place on Friday, June 3 at 7 p.m. Diplomas will be presented to the graduates by two members of the school board. Baccalaureate will be held at 7 p.m. on June 1, followed by the senior parade that will also go through Sandstone and Askov. The public is welcome to honor and cheer on the East Central Class of 2022!

NEWS BRIEFS

- Prom was a huge success as was the Lock-In for Rachels Challenge with 160 youth in attendance!

Thanks to the following for their gracious donations: Post Prom received donations from Kolands, Koske, Methven Funeral Home, Sandstone Dental, Twin Pines Vet, Vintage Pub,

East Central Energy and EC PTO.

- Rachel's Challenge received a donation from EC PTO. HS Spirit from Viking Coca-Cola and the Backpack Program from EC PTO. Thank you to everyone whose generosity has helped these programs thrive!

- The FY22 budget, 2022-23 Minnesota State High School League membership, and the tenure and probationary teachers were all approved by the board.

- The superintendent search continues with 14 applicants who will be considered for the position. The new superintendent will begin July 1, 2022.

BACK IN THE DAY

1972: Wallin, Sandell win school board election

50 YEARS AGO MAY 18, 1972

- Kent Faulkner, 11, found a weather balloon, a parachute and weather instruments near Sandstone.

- Miss Gladys Stratton, who has been a clerk at the Sandstone Post Office for 42-1/2 years retired last Friday. She started

work there in 1929.

- Martha Wallin and Irene Sandell, school board incumbents, both won the election in a small turnout of 91 voters. Each candidate received 91. votes.

- It is Red Owl's Golden Anniversary and Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Storebo will be serving free coffee and cake.

- The Sandstone Golf Course is now open. The membership charge is \$12 for men, \$8 for women, and \$3 for those under 12. Those having a \$3 membership cannot play on weekends. Contact Geoffrey Vork.

- Superintendent and Mrs. A. C. Stoffel were honored by the school employees. Mr. N. L. McVey served as toastmaster. The quartet of Don Shavor, Don Hogquist, Rene Stadin and Lowell Handberg, accompanied by Lois Nordin were part of the program. Agnes Swanson did a humorous reading and Nona and Rene Stadin a duet.

Cleanup collected 20 cubic yards of solid waste, 43 appliances, and tires. Don Gaede, Dennis Carlson, and Tom Berg helped with the cleanup.

- Muriel Langseth, the city's assistant administrator, will hold a goal setting session for the city. Mayor Doug McGhee said, "I'd like to avoid the popularity contest that was held last year."

- The City approved the purchase of 28-inch electric riding mower. The equipment was looked at and approved by Chuck Vork and Denny Carlson.

- The Pine County Health Care Auxiliary accepted a check for \$1000 from the Finlayson/Giese Lions Club. Accepting the check Wilma Peterson, Eileen Wahlberg, Hazel Vork and Lu Holznagel.

- District residents meet

to discuss the Bruno School. One vocal citizen said, "As far as I am concerned, the school board is suppose to represent the views of the people in the district. I don't think they are doing a very good job." Others suggested the school board shouldn't worry about closing a school until they know if the referendum passes. Several residents wanted to know if there was a way to stop the referendum. Several mentioned that a "lame duck" superintendent started "all of this."

- Sean Ryan is the newest member of the 100 Club.

- Reader of the Week is David Henkel at the Sandstone Elementary.

- East Central Eagles' baseball team drop three games this week. Batting average for Dustin Hejny

is .346

10 YEARS AGO MAY 17, 2012

- Arla Budd, Chester Gustafson, Bradley Jensen, Vern Mikkelsen, Anita Nelson, Phillip Pesheck, Chris Thorvig, Patrick Mee, and Dr. Linden Johnson were chosen as the first members to be inducted into the East Central Hall of Fame.

- Essentia and the hospital board hope to work together on a new lease.

- Area Post Office is facing cuts in hours.

- There are two confirmed cases of whooping cough in the county.

- The PTO held their carnival at East Central School.

25 YEARS AGO MAY 15, 1997

- Sandstone Spring

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ANSWER:

First of all, where will this dog be seated and how? I see less issues if

you are talking about a motorcycle side car or a motorcycle trailer equipped with a kennel. But if you are talking about on the actual motorcycle with you, I don't think this would be very safe for you or your pet.

If you are going to carry a passenger, there are a few key items to keep in mind:

Equip and Adjust Your Motorcycle:

- A passenger seat and footrests are required by law.
- Adjust tire pressure and suspension settings for the additional weight. (Do not exceed weight limitations specified in the owner's manual.)

Passenger Preparation:

- Provide protective rid-

ing gear: eye protection, a DOT-approved helmet, boots, gloves, long riding pants and a high-visibility motorcycle jacket.

• Passengers under age 18 are required by law to wear a DOT-approved helmet.

• Small children are required by law to be able to reach both footrests with their feet while sitting on the passenger seat.

Getting On and Off the Motorcycle:

- Start the engine before the passenger gets on.
- Squeeze the front brake while the passenger gets on or off the bike.
- Passengers should get off the bike before the operator.

Passenger Safety Tips:

- Hold operator's waist or hips, or motorcycle's passenger hand-holds.
- Keep feet on footrests at all times, including while stopped.
- Keep hands and feet away from hot or moving parts.
- When turning, look over the operator's shoulder in the direction of the turn.
- Avoid turning around or making sudden moves that might affect operation.
- If crossing an obstacle, rise off the seat keeping your feet on the foot pegs with knees slightly bent and allow legs to absorb the shock upon impact.

Operator Safety Tips:

- A passenger will affect han-

dling due to extra weight and independent motion.

- Braking sooner with greater pressure may be necessary.
- Use extra caution in a corner.
- Allow more time and space for passing.
- Be ready to counter the effects of wind.
- Avoid extreme speeds and dramatic lean angles.

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PINE COUNTY SHERIFF'S REPORT AND JAIL ROSTER

Sheriff Report

Sunday, May 8, 2022
11:56 a.m. Check Welfare, Bear Ln, Sandstone

Monday, May 9, 2022
1:28 p.m. Theft, Chipmunk Ln, Willow River

Tuesday, May 10, 2022
9:19 a.m. Theft, N Pine Rd, Askov

10:04 a.m. Burglary, Delong Rd, Nickerson

10:26 a.m. Burglary Koecher Rd Kerrick

12:55 p.m. Shoplifting, Main Ave N, Sandstone

3:49 p.m. Predatory Offender, Commercial Ave N, Sandstone

4:17 p.m. Assault, Groningen Rd, Sandstone

Wednesday, May 11, 2022
11:50 a.m. Theft, Fire Monument Rd, Hinckley

2:11 p.m. Burglary, Steves Dr, Finlayson

3:36 p.m. Customer Trouble, Main St E, Hinckley

Thursday, May 12, 2022
5:44 a.m. Vehicle Theft, Sunrise Rd, Bruno

6:34 a.m. Damage To Property, Kandiyohi Ln, Willow River

11:22 a.m. Theft, State Hwy 23 N, Sandstone

4:38 p.m. Traffic Stop, Morris Ave S, Hinckley

5:41 p.m. Order Violation, S Refuge Dr, Hinckley

6:00 p.m. Theft, Division St, Sandstone

Friday May 13, 2022
12:53 p.m. Fraud/Scam/Id, Groningen Rd, Sandstone

2:18 p.m. Theft, Timberline Rd, Sturgeon Lake

Saturday May 14, 2022
11:20 a.m. Found Drug, Lady Luck Dr, Hinckley

1:08 p.m. Vehicle Theft, Lady Luck Dr, Hinckley

10:29 p.m. Intoxicated Person, Lady Luck Dr, Hinckley

Jail Roster

May 8
RIECK, JOHN ROBERT
Probable Cause - Drugs - 2nd Degree - Possess 25 grams or more cocaine or methamphetamine - Fleeing a Peace Officer in a Motor Vehicle - Felon Convicted of Violence - Firearm Violation

May 10
ANDERSON, MICHELE
Probable Cause Confined But Not Convicted - Introduce Contraband-Drug/Liquor into Jail/Lockup/Prison - Arrest of Adult - Drugs - 5th Degree - Possess Schedule 1,2,3,4 - Not Small Amount Marijuana - Arrest of Adult

CARLSEN, SAMUEL KLEIN
Parole/Probation Violation - Drugs - 5th Degree - Possess Schedule 1,2,3,4 - Not Small Amount Marijuana

DISBROWE, BRANDI KAY
Probable Cause: - Introduce Contraband-Drug/Liquor into Jail/Lockup/Prison - Drugs - 5th Degree - Possess Schedule 1,2,3,4 - Not Small Amount Marijuana

HAAS, BRANDON SHEA
Probable Cause - Drugs - 5th Degree - Possess Schedule 1,2,3,4 - Not Small Amount Marijuana - Possess Ammo/Any Firearm - User of Controlled Substance

May 11
BUGG, COLETTE DAWN
Hold For Other Agency: Unspecified warrant issued by MN

MOONEY, MICHAEL SHANE JR
Hold For Other Agency: Arrest - Misdemeanor warrant

May 12
HAGER, JENNIFER ROSE
Pine County Warrant Confined But Not Convicted - Drugs - 5th Degree - Possess

Schedule 1,2,3,4 - Not Small Amount Marijuana - Arrest of Adult

HOFFMAN, SAMANTHA
Hold For Other Agency Confined But Not Convicted - Receiving Stolen Property - Arrest of Adult - Pine County Warrant Confined But Not Convicted - Theft-Take/Drive Motor Vehicle-No Owner Consent - Arrest of Adult

NYBECK, JEBADIAH DANIEL JR
Probable Cause - Domestic Abuse No Contact Order - Violate No Contact Order - Misdemeanor

ODDEN, DONITA RICHELLE
Probable Cause - Traffic - Open bottle law; Possession; crime described - Obstruct Legal Process-Interfere w/Peace Officer - Traffic - DWI - Refuse to submit to chemical test; Breath or test refusal or failure - Traffic - DWI - Operate Motor Vehicle Under Influence of Alcohol

May 13
BENJAMIN, WENDY MAY
Probable Cause - Traffic - DWI - Third-Degree Driving While Impaired; 1 Aggravating Factor - Traffic-DL-Driving after cancellation-inimical to public safety - Drivers' Licenses-Driving restrictions-Drive/operate/control motor vehicle w/o ignition interlock.

GOULD, ERIKA TATIANA
Probable Cause - Theft-Take/Use/Transfer Movable Prop-No Consent

HEISLER, KYLE EUGENE
Hold For Other Agency: Probation Violation - GM warrant

MACHESKA, MICHAEL JOHN
Probable Cause - Harassment; Restraining Order - Violate Restraining Order

TAMPU-BOLON, JERED
Hold For Other Agency Confined But Not Convicted - Drugs - 1st Degree - Manufacture Methamphetamine - Arrest of Adult

TOBEY, SUSANNA CASIO
Probable Cause Confined But Not Convicted - Traffic - DWI - Operate Motor Vehicle - Alcohol Concentration 0.08 Within 2 Hours - Traffic - DWI - Operate Motor Vehicle Under Influence of Alcohol

WELCHER, STACY ANN
Probable Cause Confined But Not Convicted - DWI - Fourth-Degree Driving While Impaired; Described - Arrest of Adult - Traffic - DWI - Third-Degree Driving While Impaired; Refuse to submit to chemical test - Arrest of Adult

May 14
NELSON, MARTIN RAY JR
Probable Cause Confined But Not Convicted - Fleeing a Peace Officer By a Means Other Than a Motor Vehicle - Arrest of Adult - Domestic Abuse No Contact Order - Violate No Contact Order - within 10 years of previous conviction - Goneon Arrival/Unable to Locate - Obstruct Legal Process-Lawful Execution Legal Process - Arrest of Adult

RICHTER, DYLAN MICHAEL
Probable Cause Confined But Not Convicted - Drugs - 5th Degree - Possess Schedule 1,2,3,4 - Not Small Amount Marijuana - Hold For Other Agency Confined But Not Convicted - Drugs - 5th Degree - Possess Schedule 1,2,3,4 - Not Small Amount Marijuana

May 15
AWONOHOPAY, AMANDA
Probable Cause Confined But Not Convicted - Disorderly

Conduct - Brawling or Fighting - Arrest of Adult

ESTREM, RAZZ ALLEN
Probable Cause Confined But Not Convicted - Domestic

FIEBING, CORY LYNN
Pine County Warrant Confined But Not Convicted - Drugs - 5th Degree - Possess Schedule 1,2,3,4 - Not Small Amount Marijuana - Arrest of Adult - Drugs - 5th Degree - Possess Schedule 1,2,3,4 - Not Small Amount Marijuana - Arrest of Adult - Theft-Take/Use/Transfer Movable Prop-No Consent - Arrest of Adult

LOVE, DOUGLAS ROBERT
Probable Cause Confined But Not Convicted - Carrying Pistol While Under Influence of Alcohol-Concentration

0.10 or more - Arrest of Adult - DWI - Fourth-Degree Driving While Impaired; Described - Arrest of Adult - Domestic

NELSON, DANIEL AUGUST
Pine County Warrant: Failure to Appear warrant issued - Disorderly Conduct - Domestic Assault-Misdemeanor-Commits Act to Cause Fear of Immediate Bodily Harm or Death

May 16
JOHNSON, BRETT ALAN
Hold For Other Agency Confined But Not Convicted - Drugs - 5th Degree - Possess Schedule 1,2,3,4 - Not Small Amount Marijuana - Arrest of Adult - Burglary-2nd Degree-Dwelling - Arrest of Adult

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OBITUARIES

Angie Gangelhoff

April 20, 1932 - May 12, 2022

Angie Gangelhoff passed away early Thursday morning May 12 in the Sandstone Health Care Center at the age of 90.

Angie was born in Rock Creek Township on the farm April 20 1932 to Ben and Ida Kester. Her family moved a couple of times before finally settling in the Lake Eleven community west of Sandstone. She attended the Lake View grade school and then after completing the eighth grade she attended Sandstone High school where she graduated in 1950. On June 24 1950, she was united in marriage to Leonard Gangelhoff at the Kroschel Lutheran Church. They met at a dance and

when Leonard saw her he said "that's the girl I am going to marry." They were blessed with 71 years together. To this marriage two daughters and three sons were born. Angie and Leonard lived in Hinckley for a few years and managed the Roxy Theater and then moved Sandstone where they have resided ever since.

Angie enjoyed her family and doing things together. They traveled all over the United States in a station wagon and went on many camping and fishing trips with all five children. She liked to sew clothes for her family, make special meals and try new recipes. A favorite of everyone's especially her grandchildren, were her dough balls that she would make for special gatherings. Angie and Leonard also had a place on Beauty Lake (west of town) and spent as much time as they could there fishing, gardening and taking many friends and family on pontoon rides. Angie loved teaching all her grandchildren how to fish. The day always ended with a picnic on the deck by the water. She and Leonard also traveled to all 50 states and they loved playing cards with whoever would stop by for a visit. When she was still able to drive she drove for the county taking people to medical or other appointments. She also had a peanut route which at one time or another all five children went along and helped her to fill the peanut machines found in gas/service stations and other places of business. She was a long time member of the Sandstone Flower and Garden Club, served as organist at Peace Lutheran Church Finlayson for 41 years and was also a member of the Ladies Aid Guild at Peace.

Angie was involved with the American Field Service (AFS) and hosted two daughters. Mariko from Japan, who they remained close with over the years and with modern technology would Skype with her and her family, and Helen from New Zealand. In 1981 they spent two weeks in Japan visiting Mariko and her family. In 2002 they traveled to New Zealand to attend their grandson Iain's wedding. Angie and Leonard spent five weeks touring both the north and south islands.

Angie was preceded in death by her husband Leonard, parents, Ben and Ida, sister Joyce, brothers Phil and Denny and son-in-law Craig Howard.

Angie is survived by her five children Diane Howard Sandstone, Dale (Kelly) Gangelhoff of Rochester, Dean (Jill) Gangelhoff of Brainerd, Daren (Mary) Gangelhoff of Eagan and Dorene (Steve) Oak of Shakopee, nine grandchildren and 15 great grandchildren all of whom were her pride and joy. Angie is also survived by her sister Marie (Ken) Cassman of Sandstone, Laura (Steve) McCaughan of Sandstone, and sisters-in-law Bernice Bergseth of Finlayson, Lucy Kester Sandstone, Ann Kester of Sandstone and many nieces and nephews.

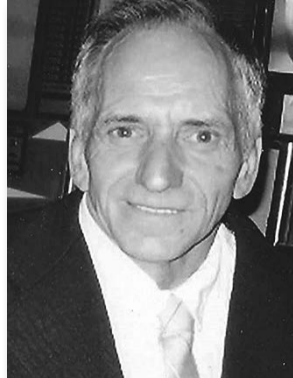
A memorial service will be held at Peace Lutheran church, Finlayson on Saturday May 21 at 11 a.m. preceded by a visitation at 10 a.m. Cards and memorials can be mailed in C/O Diane Howard 415 Ct. Ave. N. Sandstone, MN 55072



Steven L. Gervais

October 29, 1945 - May 6, 2022

Steven Leonard Gervais, Age 76, of Coon Rapids, Minn. passed away at St. Anthony Nursing Home on May 6, 2022. Steven was born on October 29, 1945, to Leonard and Lily (Bowen) Gervais in Sandstone, Minn. He grew up in the Sandstone area with his siblings where he attended school. On June 20, 1970, Steven married Melanie Heckman. Steve moved several times, but always stayed in the state of Minnesota. He started out living in Minneapolis, then moved to New Brighton before settling with Melanie in Coon Rapids. Steve was a lifelong member of the local Fraternal Order of the Eagles. His



hobbies were hunting, fishing, wood crafting and visiting with friends and family.

Steven is preceded in death by his parents, Leonard and Lily; sister Joann Severin, niece Brenda Severin; father and mother-in-law, Allen and Vanda Heckman; brother-in-law Alfred Allen; nephew Scott Kendall; and numerous aunts and uncles. Steven is survived by his loving wife of 53 years, Melanie; his sisters Mary Jo Allen, Dorothy Kendall, Connie Nelson, Sandra Treland and brother Timothy, sisters-in-law Denise and Terry Heckman as well as nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be held for Steven at 11 a.m. on Thursday, May 19 at the Methven Funeral Home Chapel in Sandstone, Minn. Visitation will be held one hour prior to the service at the funeral home. Burial will take place at Spring Park Cemetery following the service. There will be a light luncheon at the funeral home following interment.

In lieu of flowers, memorials can be made out to St Anthony Nursing Home where Steve received excellent care or directly to Melanie Gervais.

Arrangements by Methven Funeral and Cremation Services of Sandstone, MN. www.methvenfuneralhome.com

Neil W. Koecher

Neil Wilbur Koecher, 55, lifelong resident of Kerrick, Minn died unexpectedly on February 24th, 2022.

A Celebration of Neil's life will be held on Saturday, May 28, 2022 at 1 pm in Oak Lake Lutheran Church, Kerrick. There will be a visitation one hour prior to the service at the church from noon until 1 p.m.

Kathryn L. Wager

Kathryn Louise Wager, of Grasston, Minn., passed away on Sunday, May 15, 2022 at the Elim Home of Princeton. She was 77 years old.



A gathering of family and friends will be held on Saturday, May 21, 2022 from 4-6 p.m. at the Rock Ingebrand Funeral home in Braham, Minn. Condolence's may be posted at www.aifuneralhome.com.

Kathleen D. Johnson

October 28, 1946 - May 6, 2022

Kathleen (Kat) "Minochigequay-Does Good Things Woman" Dorothy Johnson, age 75, of Askov, Minn. passed away at Solvay Hospice House with her sons by her side on Friday, May 6, 2022, in Duluth, Minn.



Kat was born on October 28, 1946, in St. Paul, Minn. to John, Jr. and Dorothy (McManus) Oigard. She grew up in the St. Paul area, where she was baptized and confirmed at St. Paul Episcopal Church. Kat loved learning new things, graduating from St. Paul Central High School in 1964 and attended classes at Pine Technical College later in life. Throughout

her life Kat always worked to support her children. When she lived in St. Paul, Kat became a CNA, then moved on to an Inhalation Therapist, which was a job she loved the most. After moving up to the Askov area she kept working in the nursing home field at the Sandstone Health Care Center, while she started a landscaping business and S&K Sewer which was located out of Askov with her husband. Kat also owned and delivered pizza at Tommy G's Pizza in Hinckley, Minn. Kat was a people person; you could tell by how well she always dealt with patients or customers. Then Kat found the job that she was cut out to do and became an executive casino host for Grand Casino in Hinckley. Kat retired after 26 years of service in 2020.

Kat's life wasn't all about work, her real love was her children and grandchildren. Kat always said her biggest accomplishment in life was raising her four beautiful children. If you would ask Kat what her biggest regret in life was, she would tell you that it was being a single parent and having to work instead of spending time with her children. Kat lived an interesting life and was always doing something new, whether it was raising pigs and chickens, gardening and growing something new, or riding horse with her daughter, she never sat still. Kat loved the outdoors and living in the woods. One of Kat's favorite places to be was at the end of a dock reading a book or looking out over the lake as it glistened with sun diamonds. During deer season Kat would be out in the woods with the best of the hunters, shooting deer and providing venison for her family.

Kat is preceded in death by her parents, John and Dorothy; her daughter, Kelly Shawn-Soltau-Sandvig; brother, David Oigard; aunt, Grace Bremer-Otto; ex-husband, Steve Johnson; special friends, Vern Frye and Marlene.

Kat is survived by her daughter, Jacqueline Soltau; sons, Joshua (Amanda) Johnson of Askov, Minn., Jeremiah Johnson of Askov, Minn.; grandchildren, Jacob, Nicci, Jordan, Alexandra, Ashley, Amber, Melina, Donovan, Darian; great grandchildren, Owen, Natalie, Cayne, Kaiya, Daytona, Vincent; special friends, Bridie Wickstrom, Patty Sam, Joni "Jones" O'Brien, Ardyce and Jeff Thompson.

A Celebration of Life will be held for Kat at McQuid's Inn located in Isle, Minn. from 12 p.m. to 3 p.m. on May 22, 2022, with a memorial service at 2 p.m. officiated by Pastor Nate Anderson.

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Thank you to our family and friends for supporting us, sending their condolences, or having kind words to help us through the heart-breaking time of Jeremy's "Spot" passing on February 28, 2022.

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Rich & Sue Thoennes

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OBITUARIES

Barbara K. Moen

December 11, 1937 - May 11, 2022

Barbara Kathleen (Koski) Moen, age 84, of Finlayson, Minn. passed away on Wednesday, May 11, 2022, at her home with her family by her side.

Barbara was born on a cold and blustery day in Minneapolis, Minn. on December 11, 1937, to Bernard and Bernice (Knowlton) Koski. She grew up in the Finlayson area with her brother and sisters, graduating from Finlayson High School in 1955 with the honor of being the class Salutatorian. After graduation, Barbara moved to Minneapolis, working as a secretary for Charles Schultz before he was known for the Peanuts. She also worked for the Bureau of Engraving. Barbara always loved to learn new things, attending classes at the University of Minnesota to expand her education.

When her mother became ill, Barbara moved back to Finlayson to take care of her family. She worked for Dr. RM Christiansen as a dental assistant in Hinckley where she met her future husband, Thor. On September 26, 1959, Thor and Barbara were married in Hinckley. Barbara and Thor made their home in the Hinckley area, where they raised their children and enjoyed being part of the community. In 2002 Barbara and Thor moved to the Finlayson area, where they retired and enjoyed the country life. Barbara was a member of the Peace Lutheran Quilters and The Women of Peace Lutheran. There were many things Barbara enjoyed doing, such as traveling, gardening, camping, and quilting. If you wanted to see Barbara's face light up with smiles though all you had to do was see her spending time with her children and her grandchildren. This special time is what brought Barbara the most joy.

Barbara is preceded in death by her beloved husband, Thor; son, Mitchell; parents, Bernard and Bernice; brother, Norman; sister, Carole; father-in-law and mother-in-law, Alfred and Viola.

Barbara is survived by daughters, Rachael (Mark) Henkel, Finlayson, Elizabeth "Beth" Hulegaard, Fridley; sisters, Judith (Marvin) LaValle, Hinckley, Jayne Iverson, Circle Pines; nine grandchildren; eleven great grandchildren with a great grandson due in July; numerous nieces, nephews, and friends.

A memorial service will be held for Barbara at 2 p.m. on Sunday, May 22, 2022, at Peace Lutheran Church in Finlayson, Minn. with Pastor Donald Ploeg officiating. Visitation will take place on Saturday, May 21, 2022, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Peace Lutheran Church and one hour prior to the service on Sunday at the church. Burial will take place at the Finnish Lutheran Cemetery in Finlayson following the service.

Arrangements by Methven and Cremation Services of Sandstone, MN. www.methvenfuneralhome.com

**Lucille M. Opsahl**

September 19, 1930 - May 7, 2022

Lucille Marie Opsahl died suddenly on May 7 while doctors worked lovingly to remove a blockage in her heart. Known as Lucy or Marie to her family and friends, Lucy was 91 years old and went into cardiac arrest during the procedure and was not able to be revived despite the best efforts of her medical team at Abbott Hospital.



Lucy was born September 19, 1930 in Duluth, Minnesota, the oldest of eight children of Lucille W. Bachman and Herman B. Woll. The family moved several times before settling in Duxbury where Lucy spent her teenage years, and she graduated from Hinckley High School in 1948.

After her graduation Lucy traveled to California to marry the love of her life, Donald Opsahl. Lucy and Don raised two sons while living in the North St. Paul area before moving north to Stacy, and have lived for the past three decades on their property near Cloverdale, Minn. They were an adventurous and inseparable couple.

Lucy was a loving, kind, sweet, and generous woman who loved playing the organ, was a voracious reader, and enjoyed the wild flowers, hummingbirds and wildlife that reside on their property. Most of all Lucy enjoyed spending time with family and friends, especially her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Lucy is survived by her husband of 73 years, Donald; sons David (Susan) Opsahl and Douglas (Mary) Opsahl; grandchildren Kristina (Thomas) Foley, Jessica (Kevin) Kopish, Cora (Brooklyn) Opsahl, and Daniel (Katie) Opsahl; great-grandchildren Nicholas Baggett, Grace Smith, Susan Kopish, Colin Kopish, Mary Jane Opsahl, Delano Opsahl, Lucrece Opsahl and Cyrus Foley; sisters Dorothy Randrup, Karen Brahe-Pedersen, Carole LaDeRoute, Elizabeth (Robert) LaDeRoute; brother Arthur Woll; and many loving nieces and nephews.

Lucy was preceded in death by her parents Lucille and Herman Woll; brothers David Woll and Herman Woll; sister Joanne Curnes; brothers-in-law Arnold Randrup, Ole Brahe-Pedersen, Roger Curnes and Charles LaDeRoute; and sister-in-law Betty Woll.

A visitation will be held on Friday, May 20 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Methven Funeral Home in Hinckley, Minn. A visitation will be held on Saturday, May 21 from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the Zion Lutheran Church in Cloverdale, Minn. A funeral will begin at 11 a.m. at the church. A private family burial is planned.

In lieu of flowers the family suggests memorial contributions to the Zion Lutheran Church, 38523 MN-48, Hinckley, MN 55037.

Arrangements provided by Methven Funeral Home, Tatting Methven Chapel, Hinckley, MN

John Thomas Ziegler Sr. and Ramona Irene Wiener Ziegler

July 2, 1929 - November 10, 2021

May 4, 1935 - May 26, 2021

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the passing of our parents John Sr. and Ramona Ziegler. Both John and Ramona spent the past two years living near family in Seattle, Wash. They passed away while living in long term care at Village Concepts of Fairwood in Renton, Wash. with their cat Sage. Ramona passed away on May 26, 2021 followed by John Sr. on November 10, 2021. John and Mona spent a major part of their lives as residents of Winona, Minn. where he was an avid fisherman and truck driver for



Kwik Trip and Ramona worked at Kmart, sewing, homemaker and a very crafty lady. John was a veteran of the Korean War and retired from his military life in 1970. He enlisted in the Army at age 16 and in 1966 transferred to the Air Force where he eventually retired as a Staff Sergeant. His service to his country and as a civilian took the family to Nebraska, Newfoundland, Kansas City, Iowa and Rollingstone, eventually settling in their Winona Maceman Street home.

John Sr., born July 2, 1929 Mission Creek Township, Minn. and Ramona born on May 4, 1935 Hinckley, Minn. They married June 8, 1953 in Pine City Minn. and are survived by their two sons John Jr. (Dorothy) and Patrick (Deanna Andrews). Five grandchildren: Krystle Ziegler, Lauren Hazen, Jacob Ziegler, Jonathan Ziegler and Garrett Ziegler. Three great grand babies Lola and Charlee Bennett and Aayla Hazen.

John was preceded in death by his beloved wife Ramona of 67 years, his twin brother William Ziegler and mother Lillian and step father Gust Hamburg. He is survived by sisters Kay Beckmann of Minneapolis Minn., Loris Hassler (Joe) of St. Louis Park Minn. and Louise Pace (Jim) of Detroit Lakes Minn. and his brother Bill Roos (Sharon) of Waconia Minn. Ramona was preceded in death by her parents Harold and Julia Wiener, Hinckley Minn., a sister Diane Kester of Hinckley Minn., and brother Roland Wiener of Mora Minn. She is survived by a sister Linda Ovik, Grantsburg, Wisc. and brother David Wiener Cambridge, Minn. John and Mona are survived by several nieces and nephews and grandnieces and grandnephews.

Both John and Mona will be sorely missed by their family and friends. Their cremation has taken place with their burial and Celebration of Life set for Brookpark Cemetery, Minn. on Saturday August 6, 2022 at 11 a.m. The cemetery service will be followed with a lunch at the Pine City Legion Hall. Family and friends of John and Ramona are invited to attend.

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FLUSHING HYDRANTS IN SANDSTONE

The City of Sandstone will be flushing hydrants north of 1st St the week of May 23-27 and south of 1st St the weeks of May 30-June 3 and June 6-10. There may be temporary water discoloration and fluctuations in water pressure.

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Forgiveness isn't always easy, it can be very costly

When I was about ten years old, I fell on a handsaw that I was carrying, split my hand open to the point that my mother wanted to take me to the Dr. to get stitches. I was not keen on that idea, so we went to my grandfather for "expert advice"! He asked me if I wanted to go get stitches and I said no, he told my mom to bandage it up and I



Spotlight on Faith

Pastor Vic Elfstrum

would be fine. Fast forward a couple of weeks the bandage is off, and I hear my mother saying, "stop picking that scab, you are going to make a scar".

Wounds, scabs and scars... that is what I want to address today! Hurts from the past can stay in our minds forever. Instead of letting those wounds gradually heal, leaving a slight scar, resentment keeps picking the scab and putting the video tape back in to watch it again. We keep a record of the wrong, and we keep underscoring it in the ledger.

Holding onto anger is like grasping a hot coal in our hands with the intention of throwing it at someone... we're the ones who get burned!

It can become a kind of spiritual infection, a kind of emotional suicide. Maybe you withdraw into a shell and become very protective, planning never to allow yourself to get close to somebody again because it hurts. You're the loser. You become vengeful, joyless, negative, and bitter.

The answer is Forgiveness, the translation of the Greek word for forgiveness is "to let go"! Forgiveness is the willingness to take all the hurt and the pain that someone has inflicted upon you, and, by an act of the will, give that all over to God, and to leave it with Him. Over in the book of Ephesians chapter four in verses 31 and 32 we read, "Let

all bitterness, and wrath, and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you along with all malice. Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you!"

We are to make a mental disconnect with our hurt because we have been bought with a price, and therefore even our pain and suffering has been bought by the blood of the Lord Jesus. But it does not end there... when we forgive, when we leave it with the Lord, we need to allow Him the right to deal with it as He sees fit. And that may mean that He will do nothing at all. It may even be that He is seeking to reach the heart of the offender through

the avenue of mercy and blessing... and true forgiveness allows the Lord to do anything that He sees fit, or to do nothing at all!

Forgiveness is costly. We must always keep in mind the fact that our forgiveness was made possible by Christ's cross. We would have no forgiveness without his pain and suffering. In the same way, forgiveness of others isn't always easy. It may be very costly indeed!

VIC ELFSTRUM is the pastor at the Hinckley Evangelical Free Church. He can be reached at 320-384-6387.

Religious guide

Bible Baptist Church of Hinckley

209 Old Highway 61 N
Hinckley, 320-384-7879
Sunday: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School, 11 a.m. service,
Thursday: 7 p.m. prayer and song service.
Matthew Moris, Pastor

Bethlehem Lutheran Church

6318 Kirke Alle, PO Box 188
Askov MN 55704
320-838-3191
www.blcaskov.com
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Worship 10 am
Clara Edin SAM

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints

Askov, Larry Johnsen Branch President
EQ, RS, YM, YW & Primary 9:30-10:20 a.m., Sunday School 10:30-11:10, Sacrament meeting, 11:20-12:30, in the chapel

Clover Community Church

15 miles east on Highway 48, next to St. Croix Park entrance,
320-384-6639.
10:45 a.m. Worship.

Community Worship Center

114 Minnesota Street
Sandstone, 320-245-2464
On-line live stream on Sunday at 10:30 am
Facebook address: community worship center or /www.cwcfamily.com

Church of Victory

68479 Beaver Tail Road
Askov MN, 55704
320-838-3602
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship Services 11 a.m.
Wednesday Bible Study at 7:30 p.m.

Danforth Community Chapel

Pastor Peter Dobson
320-245-2813
57092 Wolf Creek Rd, Bruno
Facebook Danforth
Community chapel
Sunday: 9:45 a.m. Sunday School, 11 a.m. service.
Wednesday: 7 p.m. Bible study.

Emmanuel Lutheran

16726 Grindstone Lake Road,
Dell Grove
Pastor Cynthia Gray
320-245-2449
Sunday: 10:45 a.m. Worship. 10 a.m. Sunday School (Communion every Sunday) Fellowship coffee prior to worship.

Evangelical Free Church Hinckley

320-384-6387
Pastor Vic Elfstrum
Sunday: 8:45 Prayer Service
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
10:30 Worship
Wednesday: 5:50 p.m. AWANA,
Thursday: 6 p.m. Men's Group

Evangelical Free Church

Sandstone, Pastor Chris Cundiff
320-245-2459
Sunday: 10 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. worship, 9 a.m. Education hour.
Wednesday: Awana, ages 3 yo to 6th grade. 6-7:30 p.m.

Faith Baptist Church and Academy

601 2nd Street SE, Hinckley,
320-384-6312, Reed Owens, Pastor,
384-6274.
Sunday: 9:45 a.m. Sunday School, 11 a.m. worship, 6 p.m. worship.
Wednesday: 6 p.m. Midweek Prayer service
Thursday: 1:45p.m. (Oct.-Apr.)
Release Time

Finlayson United Methodist Church

Finlayson, 2197 Hwy. 18,
Pastor Penny Bonsell,
320-216-7169
Sunday: 8:30 a.m. worship
(Communion first Sunday, Coffee fellowship following)
Youth group meetings: Contact pastor for schedule.

First Lutheran Church

Rev. Brenda Wicklund,
301 Lawler Ave. So., Hinckley
384-6393
firstlcpastor@scicable.com
• Sunday: 8:30 am Coffee Fellowship
9:30 am Worship with Communion
• Visit us on the WEB and FB for our church service.

First Presbyterian Church

Hinckley, Pastor Dan Brendsel, 1813
Fire Monument Rd., Hinckley,
384-6440
www.firestreshinckley.org
Sunday: 8:45 a.m. Sunday School, 10 a.m. worship service, 11:15 a.m. coffee fellowship.
(June August): 6:30 p.m. Southern Gospel concerts

Grace Lutheran Church

339 Division St., Sandstone,
320-245-2449
Pastor Cynthia Gray
Sunday: 9 a.m. Worship/Sunday School (Communion every Sunday);
10 a.m. Fellowship coffee
Tuesday: 9 a.m. Bible Study and coffee

House of Hope Community Church

105 N. Blair Ave., Hinckley
Pastor Cory Carlson,
320-384-0696
Sunday: 10 a.m. worship

Living Grace Church

Cloverdale Senior Center
38736 Cloverdale Rd., Hinckley
320-279-7528
Lead Teaching Pastor:
Tony LeTourneau
Sunday Service at 10 a.m.

Peace Lutheran Church

2177 Hwy. 18, Finlayson
Vacancy Pastor
Rev. Donald Polege
320-384-6646
Sunday Services: 9 a.m.
Sunday School and Bible Study:
Sept. May 10:15 a.m.

River of Healing

Meets at 10:30 a.m. Sundays at
Hinckley American Legion Hall.
Pastors Duane and Susan Olson,
218-343-2799

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

114 Elm Ave., Moose Lake
218-485-4517
Sunday: 10 a.m. Worship

St. John's Lutheran Church Kroschel,

Pastor Tim Schiller
Church 320-384-6884
Parsonage 320-384-9968
Sunday: 9 a.m. worship (Holy Communion 2nd and 4th Sundays)
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Tuesday: 9 a.m. quilting
Confirmation Wed. 6-7:30 p.m.,
Wings Group Wed. 6-7:30 p.m.,
LWML third Thurs., 1:30 p.m.

St. John's Free Lutheran Church

6461 Finlayson Road,
PO Box 175
Finlayson, MN 55735
Pastor Gary Zikan
Phone: 320-233-6462
Sunday Worship: 10 a.m.
Sunday School: 10:20 a.m.
children released during service
Communion: First Sunday of the Month

St. Patrick's Church

Hinckley, Fr. Joseph Sirba, Pastor
Saturday: Confessions 4 to 4:45 p.m. , Mass 5 p.m.
Sunday Confessions 8 to 8:20 a.m.
Mass 8:30 a.m., Religious education classes for pre-school 6th grade,
9:30 to 10:30 a.m.
Wednesday: Religious education classes for grades 7-12, 6:30 p.m. to 7:45 p.m.
Daily Mass Monday, Tuesday,
Wednesday 8:30 a.m., Friday 6:30 p.m.

St. Luke's Church, Sandstone

Hinckley, Fr. Joseph Sirba, Pastor
Sunday Mass 10:30 a.m.

St. Paul Lutheran Church

On Hwy 18, five blocks west of Hwy 61 and downtown Hinckley, 405 2nd St. NW
320-384-6267
email: st.paulhinckley@yahoo.com
Pastor: Mike Metzler
Sunday: 9 a.m. worship,
10 a.m. fellowship, Sunday School.
Communion 2nd, 4th and 5th Sundays
Little Lambs pre-school - Tuesday & Thursday mornings
Wednesday: 10 a.m. Bible Study (Sept. - May)
Germanfest, second weekend in October

The Cross Church

206 Main Ave, Sandstone
Pastor Darren Sedler,
612-751-3291
Sunday: 10:30 a.m. worship
Wednesday 6 p.m. Supper & Bible study

Seventh-day Adventist

Hinckley, Pastor Jude Senatus
320-384-6167
Saturday: 9:30 a.m. Bible study,
11 a.m. worship
Radio Station 96.3 FM
Visitors welcome.

Trinity Lutheran Church LCMS

Box 656 Commercial Avenue,
Sandstone, Pastor Richard
Langhorst, 218-273-6248
Sunday: 10:30 a.m. Worship

United Church of Christ

210 Commercial Avenue, P. O. Box
642, Sandstone,
Pastor Penny Bonsell
Sunday 11:15 a.m. worship followed by coffee fellowship. (Communion is the first Sunday of the month)

Zion Lutheran Church

38523 State Highway 48
Cloverdale
320-384-0096
Sundays 9 a.m. Worship
Communion 1st & 3rd Sundays
10a.m. Coffee Fellowship 2nd & 4th Sundays
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ROAD INSPECTION

MONDAY, MAY 23, 2022

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Open Meeting

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STURGEON LAKE TOWNSHIP
ANNUAL TOWNSHIP
ROAD REVIEW

MAY 23, 2022 AND MAY 25, 2022

Notice is hereby given by the town board of Sturgeon Lake Township: The Sturgeon Lake Township's annual road review will be held on the 23rd of May 2022 and begin at 8:00 a.m. And continue until 4:00 p.m. If the town board has not completed the annual township road review, it will be continued on may 25th, 2022. The hours will be from 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.

This notice is given by my hand on the 12th, day of May 2022.

Nedene Kuhlman,

Clerk of Sturgeon Lake Township

This notice is posted at the Sturgeon Lake Town Hall and the U.S. Post Office in the City of Sturgeon Lake on may 12th, 2022.

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PUBLIC NOTICE
NORTH PINE AREA
HOSPITAL DISTRICT

The North Pine Area Hospital District will have a regular board meeting on the 4th Tuesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. at the Askov Community Center in Askov, MN or Via Zoom.

Join Zoom Meeting

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BARRY TOWNSHIP

There will be a Public Hearing regarding the Conditional Use Permit application to make a seasonal campground at 31409 State Highway 48 in Hinckley. The hearing will take place at the Oddfellows Lodge, 104 Old Highway 61 N, Hinckley at 7pm.

Sue Dutcher

Barry Township Clerk

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

NOTICE AND ORDER OF HEARING ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION OF INTESTACY, DETERMINATION OF HEIRSHIP, APPOINTMENT OF CO-PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Court File Number:58-PR-22-49

Estate of: Steven Ray Richardson, Decedent.

It is Ordered and Notice is given that on 7/11/22, at 9:15 a.m., a hearing will be held in this Court at 635 Northridge Dr NW, Pine City, Minnesota, for the adjudication of intestacy and determination of heirship of the Decedent, and for the appointment of Joshua V. Richardson and Anna Richardson, whose addresses are 1012 Riverside Drive SE, St. Cloud, MN, 56304 and 15100 Willowood Drive, Minnetonka, MN, 55345, respectively, as co-personal representatives of the Estate of the Decedent in an UNSUPERVISED administration. Any objection to the Petition must be filed with the Court prior to or raised at the hearing. If proper, and if no objections are filed or raised, the co-personal representatives will be appointed with full power to administer the Estate, including the power to collect all assets, pay all legal debts, claims, taxes, and expenses, and sell real and personal property, and do all necessary acts for the Estate.

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

BY THE COURT

Date:05/04/2022

Heather M Wynn

Judge of District Court

Amy Willert

Court Administrator

Attorneys for Petitioner

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

Court File No.58-PR-22-48

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

It is Ordered and Notice is given

that on 7/12/22, at 10:00 am via

Zoom a hearing will be held in this

Court at Pine City, Minnesota, for

the adjudication of intestacy and

determination of heirship of the

Decedent, and for the appointment

of George Swanson, whose address

is 72230 Beaver Tail Rd., Askov,

Minnesota 55704 as Personal

Representative of the Estate of the

Decedent in an UNSUPERVISED

administration, Any objections to the

petition must be filed with the Court

prior to or raised at the hearing. If

proper and if no objections are filed

or raised, the Personal Representa-

tive will be appointed with full

power: to administer the Estate,

including the power to collect all

assets, to pay all legal debts, claims,

taxes and expenses, to sell real

and personal property, and to do all

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to Minnesota Statutes section 524.3-

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BY THE COURT

Date:05/05/2022

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Court Administrator

Attorney for Petitioner

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of Willow River is now accepting bids for roof repair and/or replacement. All estimates should be submitted by June 5th to the City of Willow River, 8099 County Hwy 61, P.O. Box 125, Willow River. Bids will preferably include two separate amounts – one for repair only and one for full replacement. Bids will be reviewed during the June city council meeting. Call (218)372-3733 for more details.

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NOTICE FOR BIDS

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by East Central ISD #2580 for Transportation Fuel Products for the 2022-23 school year, including summer school. Bids should include bulk fuel pricing including the installation of a diesel fuel tank located on the school campus. Bids must be received by 12:00 p.m. on May 25, 2022 (Revised) 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. Please email kzemke@eastcentral.k12.mn.us or call (320) 245-6000 for bid specifications.

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Land Patent Benefit Notice

I, Martin Thomas Rainer, am bring-

ing forth my Land Patent Benefit.

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News on May 5, 12, 19, 26, June 2,

9, 16, 23, 30, 2022

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 AF-
FECTED BY THIS
ACTION.

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

DATE OF MORTGAGE: November

5, 2014

ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT

OF MORTGAGE: \$94,149.00

MORTGAGOR(S): Carol Ann B

Feltus, married

MORTGAGEE: Mortgage Electronic

Registration Systems, Inc.

TRANSACTION AGENT: Mortgage

Electronic Registration Systems,

Inc.

MIN#: 1008597-3000001375-7

LENDER OR BROKER AND MORT-

GAGE ORIGINATOR STATED ON

THE MORTGAGE: Impac Mortgage

Corp.

SERVICER: PennyMac Loan

Services, LLC

DATE AND PLACE OF FILING:

Filed March 2, 2015, Pine County

Recorder, as Document Number

A519247, thereafter modified by

Loan Modification Agreement

recorded on September 9, 2016 as

Document Number A528796

ASSIGNMENTS OF MORTGAGE:

Assigned to: PennyMac Loan

Services, LLC

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROP-

ERTY:

The North 140.0 feet of the South

733.0 feet of the West 333.0 feet

of Government Lot 4, Section 22,

Township 39, Range 21

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 1606

Airwaves Road NE, Pine City, MN

55063

PROPERTY IDENTIFICATION

NUMBER: 280312000

COUNTY IN WHICH PROPERTY IS

LOCATED: Pine

THE AMOUNT CLAIMED TO BE

DUE ON THE MORTGAGE ON

THE DATE OF THE NOTICE:

\$69,760.38

THAT all pre-foreclosure require-

ments 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: July

14, 2022, 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 mortgag-

or(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

January 14, 2023, or the next busi-

ness day if January 14, 2023 falls

on a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday.

"THE TIME ALLOWED BY LAW

FOR REDEMPTION BY THE

MORTGAGOR, THE MORTGAG-

OR'S PERSONAL REPRESENT-

ATIVES 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 PREMIS-

ES ARE IMPROVED WITH A

RESIDENTIAL DWELLING OF

LESS THAN 5 UNITS, ARE NOT

PROPERTY USED FOR AGRICUL-

TURAL PRODUCTION, AND ARE

ABANDONED.

Dated: May 13, 2022

PennyMac Loan Services, LLC

Assignee of Mortgage

LOGS LEGAL GROUP LLP

BY

Melissa L. B. Porter - 0337778

Gary J. Evers - 0134764

Joseph M. Rossman - 0397070

Attorneys for Mortgage

LOGS Legal Group LLP

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FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR

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23, 2022

MINUTES

SUMMARY OF MINUTES
OF THE PINE COUNTY
BOARD MEETING
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, APRIL 19, 2022 -
10:00 A.M.
NORTH PINE GOVERNMENT
CENTER, 1602 HWY. 23
NORTH
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. Ailene Croup urged the board to give considerable attention to the amendments requested to the Solid Waste Ordinance at regular agenda item #1.

Motion by Commissioner Lovgren to adopt the amended Agenda. Second by Commissioner Waldhalm. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Commissioner Ludwig to approve the Minutes of the April 5, 2022 County Board Meeting and Summary for publication. Second by Commissioner Mohr. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Commissioner Mohr to approve the Minutes of the April 12, 2022 Special Meeting-Committee of the Whole. Second by Commissioner Lovgren. Motion carried 5-0.

Minutes of Boards, Reports and Correspondence

None.

Motion by Commissioner Ludwig to approve the amended Consent Agenda. Second by Commissioner Lovgren. Motion carried 5-0.

Fund March 31, 2021

March 31, 2022

Increase/Decrease

General Fund 3,387,467

3,642,426 254,956

Health and Human Services

Fund

1,604,251 2,019,778

415,527

Road and Bridge Fund

1,497,473

2,569,131

1,071,659

COVID Relief 0.00

2,413,212

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Land

2,571,571

2,485,478

(86,093)

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SCAM: Be prepared if you receive a call from scammers

FROM PAGE 1

“This is not the police! This is the Mexican Cartel. She witnessed a drug deal and tried to call the police,” the caller said. “I have a load of cocaine in my vehicle and this young lady witnessed a drug deal. I have her in the back of my van and I will kill her. What is she worth to you? Don’t give me some small amount either.”

Barb instantly went into a panic, but kept her voice calm. “I don’t have a lot of money, maybe like \$1,000 but I would have to look,” Barb said. Then the caller told her they were going to hack into her phone so they would know what she was doing at all times. “If you try to call the police or contact anyone we will know. If you do, we will know and we will kill her.”

They instructed her to tell them exactly what she was doing at all times. “Go to your bank,” they said. Her husband, Steve had taken her vehicle that morning, so all she had was his big truck. She grabbed her dog, careful not to let them know, jumped in the vehicle and left home. Living in rural Pine County the bank is 20 miles away. They made her describe everything she was seeing as she drove. She was instructed not to talk to anyone.

After arriving at the bank Barb attempted to scrawl a note to the teller afraid she would say her balance out loud. Barb told the teller she needed \$2,500. The teller, who knows Barb, asked if everything was okay saying she couldn’t read the note. Barb, scared that the callers would hear the teller ask about the note, grabbed it back quick and said everything was fine.

Once out of the bank with the money, Barb was instructed to go to Walmart and wire the transfer money to Mexico. They provided her with the address and codes to wire the money to a name in Mexico City.

In Walmart, Barb could feel herself shaking. She tried to act natural, saying hello to people, all the while keeping the phone where the “kidnappers” could hear everything she said.

Back in the parking lot, she was instructed to text them a copy of the receipt for the \$1,490 she wired. She noticed later that her full name and address were on the receipt, but felt helpless to do anything about it. Barb’s thoughts began to turn darker “what if they don’t give me Julie? What if they kidnap me too?” The what ifs were playing over and over in her head.

Then came the next set of instructions. “That money was for my boss,” said the caller. “Now I need my cut.” Barb was then instructed to go to another Walmart to wire more money. She searched and found one in Cambridge. She was then instructed to wire \$990 to another address.

“Every time I got somewhere, I thought that I would get Julie back. That they would meet me there and give her back to me.”

During this adventure to this point, she hadn’t been able to eat or drink anything and her phone battery was almost dead. They “allowed” her to buy a charger and a bottle

of water. Although she kept a calm demeanor and voice, Barb was terrified.

The first caller said his part was done, but now he was going to hang up and she would receive a phone call from his “partner”. He hung up and immediately her phone rang again. This caller was not as nice as the first. “They call me the grim reaper and they do it for a reason,” he said. “The other two have got their cut, now I need mine,” he told Barb.

He instructed her to go to the bank again and take everything out of her account except \$20. She went to a branch of her bank near Cambridge, and took out an additional \$769 in cash. “I just pulled a number out of my head that made it sound like it would be all my money.”

From there they told her to go to the nearest Mexican

Market. “I tried to explain to them that there wasn’t a Mexican Market anywhere close by,” said Barb. She did a google search and found one in Blaine. She was on Hwy 65 when she was told to pull over and copy down a different address on Payne Ave. in St. Paul. Barb arrived at the market and followed the instructions to wire the \$750. She was told to tear up all the receipts and notes she had taken and throw them out the window.

To stay calm she tried to talk to the callers, to build somewhat of a rapport with them. She talked about her husband and her dog, including the dog’s color. They told her to go back to the Walmart in Pine City and wait for Julia. “They said she would just come walking up to the car, as long as I stayed in my vehicle,” said Barb. Their final instruction was to turn her phone off and leave it off, believing they have her phone hacked, she listened.

Within minutes of her turning her phone off, her husband was shopping in Cambridge and received a phone call (they got his number from Barb, who was too scared not to do everything they told her to). They tell him they have his wife and dog and they will kill them both if he doesn’t give them \$25,000. When he questioned them they gave him her name (which they got from the receipts she texted them). They knew what she was driving, what color the dog was and a

few other details of their lives (because while trying to stay calm Barb had given them these details). Steve hung up the phone and called the Pine County Sheriff’s Office and told them what was going on. The PCSO instructed him to meet them a short distance from their home and not to go up to the house. The deputies wouldn’t let Steve go up to the house, practically having to restrain him. They entered their home and found no one there.

Eventually she made the

scammers. The accounts are opened and then closed the instant the wired money is received.

In total, she spent seven hours and five minutes on the phone with the scammers. Barb wanted to tell her story so that people are more aware that these types of scammers are out there and not to fall into the same trap that she did. “They are very good at their job,” said Barb. She is still embarrassed that she was so quickly drawn in, but understands how it happened.

WHAT TO DO

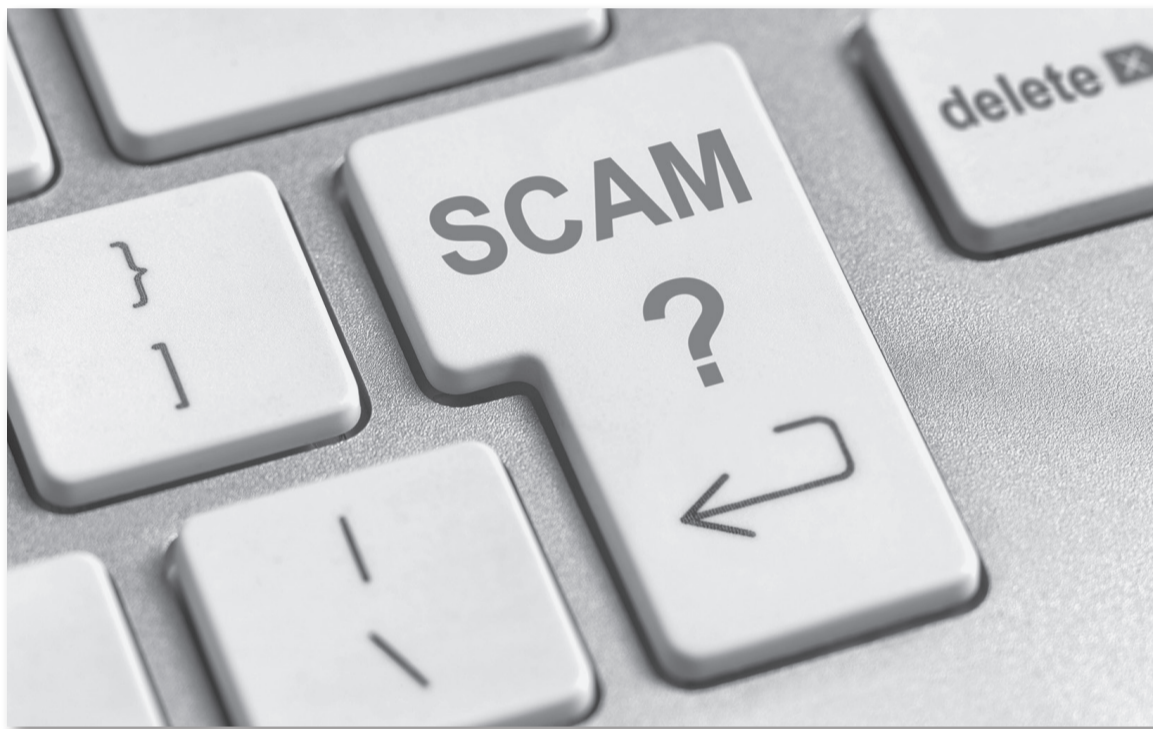
Pine County Sheriff Jeff Nelson says “Scams come in a variety of tactics. Obviously, scams have evolved as more people question the “old” scams that have been around for some time. Most of the scams rely on people acting

untraceable.”

The FBI gives the following advice when it comes to this particular scam:

- To avoid becoming a victim of this extortion scheme, look for the following possible indicators:
- Calls are usually made from an outside area code
- May involve multiple phone calls
- Calls do not come from the kidnapped victim’s phone
- Callers go to great lengths to keep you on the phone
- Callers prevent you from calling or locating the “kidnapped” victim
- Ransom money is only accepted via wire transfer service
- If you receive a phone call from someone who demands payment of a ransom for a kidnapped victim, the following should be considered:
- Stay Calm.
- Try to slow the situation down.
- Avoid sharing information about you or your family during the call.
- Request to speak to the victim directly. Ask, “How do I know my loved one is okay?”
- Request the kidnapped victim call back from his/her cell phone
- Listen carefully to the voice of the kidnapped victim if they speak and ask questions only they would know.
- If they don’t let you speak to the victim, ask them to describe the victim or describe the vehicle they drive, if applicable.
- While staying on the line with alleged kidnappers, try to call the alleged kidnap victim from another phone.
- Attempt to text or contact the victim via social media.
- Attempt to physically locate the victim.
- To buy time, repeat the caller’s request and tell them you are writing down the demand, or tell the caller you need time to get things moving.
- Don’t directly challenge or argue with the caller. Keep your voice low and steady.
- If you have any question about whether the call is an extortion scheme or a legitimate kidnapping, contact your nearest FBI office or call 911 immediately.

Not only did Barb lose money in this scam she also lost a certain sense of security. “I remain frightened,” she said. “I feel they or someone they have given my address to could show up. Every night, my last job is to go outside with our dog. I usually walk around the house and when the moon is bright I walk out on the land for awhile. I am now afraid to go more than a slight ways from the house. They could be lurking behind anything ready. My brain knows that that is highly unlikely but it doesn’t help,” she concluded.



decision she had to turn on her phone. It is now 6 p.m and she needed to call Steve and let her know that she is waiting for Julie. When he picked up the phone he was frantic, “What is going on? Where are you?” The phone was immediately taken by a deputy. He asked her some questions such as are you alone and where are you? She told them she was fine, still thinking that her phone was hacked. The deputy told her about the call Jeff received. It was then Barb explained “a crack began to open up” in her thinking.

She told the deputy what had happened and he told her he wanted to send officers to her location. She begged them not too, still terrified that the “kidnappers” would hurt Julie. The police, of course, were already on their way. Deputies arrived at her location. They came to her vehicle, and tried to explain that she had been the victim of a scam. She didn’t want to give them Julie’s number, she was afraid if they called her, the “kidnappers” would see the call and hurt her. Barb finally gave them Julie’s boyfriends number. The deputy called him and he told them he had seen Julie just minutes before and she was fine.

As relief flooded over her, Barb told the deputies the whole story and gave them the photos of the receipts she had on her phone. Unfortunately, there is no recourse for the money that Barb wired to the

quickly so they do not have time to verify information or have the feeling that if they do not react right away, then something bad will happen. Anything people can do to slow the process down or confirm details will help. Scammers will also often use vague information and let the victim fill in the details, such as not using a name until the victim mentions one. They may also do research on social media and know names, vehicles, pets, hobbies etc. so they sound legitimate. A possible suggestion may be to try and throw the caller off their game by not confirming details or changing them just enough that the scammer has to adjust their pitch and that may help reveal the scam. Also, most of the callers will not let the person off the phone so there is no way to confirm details or know if there truly is a problem. If the victim is able to text and talk at the same time I would suggest they text others to confirm information as they talk.”

He continued saying “Unfortunately scams work because the scammers have developed strategies and methods that connect with the victim. This is just a quick answer to a longer problem. If someone feels they have been or are being scammed they should report it to the local law enforcement agency, but keep in mind they most likely will not be able to recover money sent and phone numbers generally will be

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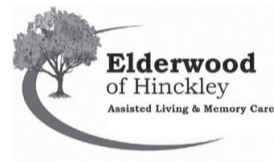
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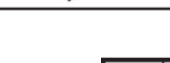
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Applications are available at City Hall, 119 Fourth Street, Sandstone MN 55072, (320) 245-5241, or online at **www.sandstone.govoffice.com**.

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Hinckley Knights open league season Friday night

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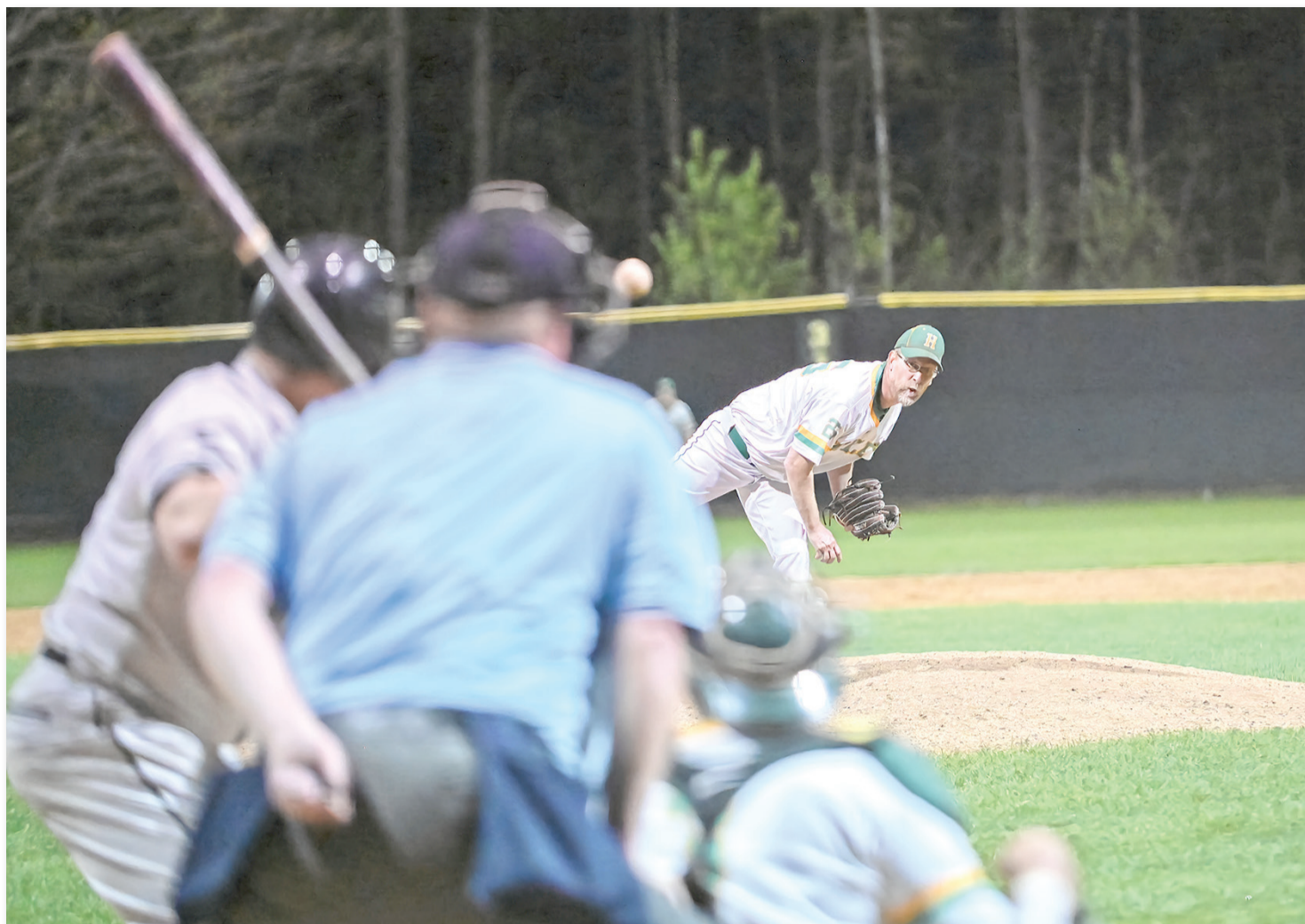
The Hinckley Knights men's amateur baseball team opens its 2022 league season Friday with a game against the North Branch Nighthawks, at 7:30 p.m. at Brennan Field, and will follow with an exhibition game Saturday against the Centennial Cougars. After finishing the 2021 season in a tie for first in their division and within a game of reaching the state tournament, the local town ball team has more than two dozen games on the schedule this summer.

The Knights split a pair of exhibition games last weekend, warming up for the new year. The Forest Lake Brewers from the Class 'B' Metro Minny League made the trip north last Friday, and shut out the local squad 5-0.

The Brewers put their stamp on the game right away in the first, as they put four runs on the board on three hits, a couple of errors and a wild pitch. Forest Lake loaded them up in the third, and one runner made it home on a wild pitch, but starting pitcher Brady Johnson limited the damage with a strikeout and a pickoff throw, to make it 5-0. Forest Lake's offense quieted down after that, as Hinckley shifted to platoon pitching. Rookie Nick Plasek came in to pitch, getting some quick outs in the next couple of innings. Isaiah Hasz stepped in to pitch in the sixth and seventh, switching places with Plasek who moved over to third. Josh Thom came in to pitch in the eighth and ninth, and kept the Brewers off the board the rest of the way. The Knights offense was spotty, with the biggest threat having runners on the corners with two outs in the sixth, and runners on first and second with two outs in the seventh, but no one scored.

Hinckley had three total hits in the game, one each from catcher Trevor Johnson, center fielder TJ Johnson and Isaiah Hasz. Brady Johnson and shortstop Jacob Perrotti each had a walk, but 16 team strikeouts took their toll. Starter Brady Johnson gave up one earned run, walked three and struck out four. Plasek struck out one, Hasz struck out four, and Thom gave up just two hits and struck out three.

The Knights quickly got back to .500, when they came storming back Saturday night and defeated an always tough Class 'B' squad from Coon Rapids. Some timely hitting, smart base running against struggling Redbirds pitchers, and some solid pitching of their own led the Knights to a 5-2 victory.



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Knights pitcher, Josh Thom rounded out the game against Forest Lake keeping the Brewers off the board for the last two innings.

Starting pitcher Lucas Willis set the tone in the first inning with a pair of strikeouts. The Redbirds did get a couple of runners on base in the second, but Willis got out of the jam with a strikeout to end the inning. And as reliable as Willis' pitching was for Hinckley, the Coon Rapids hurlers did not fare as well in the early going. In the second inning, third baseman Isaiah Hasz singled, then moved around the bases on a wild pitch and two passed balls to score, and put the Knights up 1-0. Then in the third, Hinckley added three more runs. Catcher Trevor Johnson got things started with a double to center. Center fielder TJ Johnson drove in pinch runner Griffin Stiel with a single, and moved up to second on the throw. TJ later scooted to third, and then home on two more wild pitches. First baseman Shawn Ausmus walked, Willis singled to move Ausmus up. And when Hasz grounded into a fielder's choice, Ausmus bolted home on an er-

rant throw to make it 4-0 Knights. Coon Rapids picked up a run in the fifth with a double and a single, and added another in the sixth, to make it 4-2, but it was all the scoring they would get. Hinckley added an insurance run in the eighth, when Shawn Ausmus doubled. His son, Everett, came in to pinch run and moved up to third on a groundout, and came home on a single from Hasz.

Trevor Johnson and Hasz led the offense with two hits including Trevor's double. TJ Johnson, Willis and Hasz each had singles, and Ausmus had a double and two walks. TJ and Hasz each got an RBI. Pitcher Lucas Willis gave up 1 earned run on 3 hits, with 2 walks and 8 strikeouts in five innings of work. Reliever Ben Sickler surrendered 1 run on 2 hits, with a walk and 3 strikeouts in two innings, and TJ Johnson closed the final two innings with no hits, 3 walks and 5 strikeouts. In total, Knights pitchers notched 16 strikeouts on Saturday night, the same number

Forest Lake had against Hinckley the night before.

There will be plenty of baseball to watch this summer at Brennan Field. Hinckley hosts a pair of invitational tournaments, June 10-12 and June 24-26. The Knights will also host eleven regular-season games against league opponents, including North Branch, East Bethel, Quamba, Mora, Rum River, St. Francis, Ramsey, Chicago Lakes, Braham, Isanti and Princeton, plus four league road games against Braham, Quamba, Nowthen and Mora. For exhibition games, in addition to Forest Lake and Coon Rapids, Hinckley will host Centennial, Blaine and the St. Paul Windys. The Knights will also play an exhibition on the road in Osceola, Wisc. in July.

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