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Kanabec health officials warn: Be wary

BY KIRSTEN FAURIE
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While there still have been no laboratory confirmed cases of novel coronavirus in Kanabec County, health officials are warning residents not to let it lull them into a false sense of security.

Kanabec County Community Health Director Kathy Burski released this statement on April 20: "It is very important for all of us to recognize that while we have no laboratory confirmed cases of coronavirus (COVID-19) in Kanabec County, there most likely are cases of the virus in our community — we just don't have confirmation yet because of limitations on who can be tested, per Minnesota Department of Health."

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Director, Kanabec County Community Health

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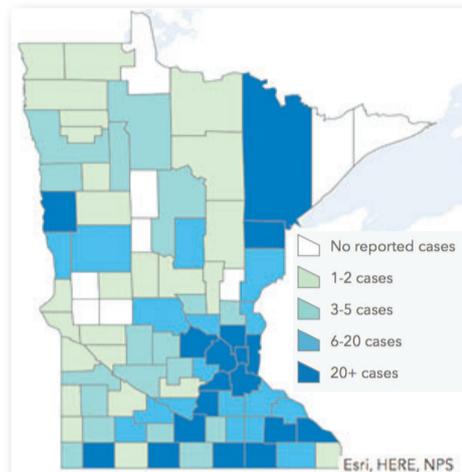
"We have been fortunate in Kanabec County that, while we presume COVID-19 is among the residents of our county, we have not found it through clinical testing. This may be in part

due to the strength and resilience of our residents, and their ability to care for themselves or family members at home while sick. It also speaks to the good job people have been doing with hand hygiene, limiting unnecessary outings, and physical distancing if it is necessary to go out. These actions all work to prevent the spread," said Burski.

The Kanabec County Community Health Department advises residents that the virus is primarily spread when an infected person coughs or sneezes.

Not everyone knows that they are infected. This is why the health experts are asking everyone to practice physical distancing from one another (stay at least 6 feet away).

Do not get together with people outside of your household and do not let your children hang out with people outside of your household.



As of noon April 21, Kanabec County remained one of only nine Minnesota counties without a confirmed positive case of COVID-19.

80-year-old Ogilvie woman uses lifelong skills to fight pandemic

BY LISA JOHNSON
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Viola Montezoyokai's mother taught her many life lessons. Two stand out that have put her in good stead for her lifetime. One, cooking, would become her career of 42 years. The other, sewing, would become a valued hobby. Today that hobby has become her response to a nationwide call to slow the spread of the coronavirus pandemic.

EARLY CAREER

Her career as a chef would take her to Nevada where she worked in Reno for five years as executive chef at the Silver Club, Caesar's Palace and Harrah's where she was chef to the stars for 15 years. At Harrah's, new entertainers would come every two weeks, and Montezoyokai would meet with them to learn their dietary needs and then cook for them as well as preparing large banquets for big entertainers and guests. Her favorite entertainer? Sammy Davis, Jr. "He was so forthright and honest," said Montezoyokai. She had great respect for him as a person and an entertainer.

Montezoyokai retired in 1991 after the death of her husband. After traveling around the country she retired in Auburndale, Florida, a place she and her husband had loved.



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Viola Montezoyokai will keep sewing as long as she has supplies.

Five years ago, her family convinced her to move back to Minnesota. She moved to Ogilvie, and she hasn't regretted the decision.

SEWING SINCE AGE FIVE

When she was five years old her mother began teaching her to sew on a Singer treadle sewing machine.

Her legs were too short to reach the treadle so her mother taped Montgomery Ward and Sears catalogs to it so she could work the machine. She learned to make and cut her own patterns as well.

This led to a lifetime of sewing, making her own clothes, clothes for her chil-

dren, shirts for her husband and quilts. Now, at 80, sewing fills much of her time. Kitchenware, such as bowl cozies and hotpads, all from her own designs, are what she currently works on.

A PRICE ON SOMEONE'S LIFE

Then came the worldwide coronavirus pandemic. When Montezoyokai learned of the need for face masks she went into action. "I don't get out. For an old lady, I can at least do this," she said. She doesn't have a computer or internet access so downloading a pattern wasn't a possibility. She again relied on her own ingenuity and designed a pattern. Years of sewing provided all the fabric she needed to get started. Since beginning, she estimates that she has made 80-85 masks. She sews the masks for anyone who needs them and is giving them away. All they have to do is contact her and come and pick them up. "I won't put a price on them," says Montezoyokai. "You can't put a price on someone's life."

The only thing slowing her down now is the need for elastic. She is down to a few pieces and would like to continue. Donations would be welcome so she could make more masks for those who need them. To contact her about obtaining masks or donating elastic call 863-207-1181.

History center faces permanent closure

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The Kanabec History Center is running out of money and in danger of closing permanently in 2021. It is asking voters to approve a property tax increase on Nov. 3 as a last-ditch effort to keep their doors open.

A question on the Nov. 3, 2020 presidential election ballot will include a question asking Kanabec County voters to approve or deny a special tax levy totaling \$30,000. The local tax impact averages approximately \$5 per property annually.

BUDGET TROUBLE

The Kanabec History Center is a 501(c)3 nonprofit museum that receives no regular state or federal funding; nor is there mandatory financial support from the city or county. The center relies heavily on memberships, donations and annual non-mandatory contributions from area cities, county and townships.

The center's expenses have exceeded revenue, resulting in net losses of approximately \$20,000 annually. The history center's entire annual revenue is approximately \$40,000, with about \$60,000-\$70,000 in expenses.

If this pace continues, the History Center projected it would be forced to close in 2021.

If the History Center closed, its artifacts would be stored by the Minnesota Historical Society. Events, services, rental spaces and access to historic

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KANABEC COUNTY COURT REPORT

The following charges were filed in Kanabec County Court on April 14-15, 2020. All individuals are presumed innocent until proven guilty.

Cathy Lynn Scofield (01/18/1971) of Mora was charged April 14 with one felony count of threats of violence, one misdemeanor count of assault in the fifth degree fear of bodily harm or death, one misdemeanor count of assault in the fifth degree inflict or attempt to inflict bodily harm and one misdemeanor count of theft.

Zachary Leroy Paciorek (07/30/1982) of Fridley was charged April 15 with one felony count of possession of a firearm, one felony count of possession of ammunition, one felony count of controlled substance

crime in the fifth degree, one misdemeanor count of fail to stop for collision, one misdemeanor count of driving after revocation and one misdemeanor count of no proof of insurance.

Michael Joseph Skaggs (12/06/1973) of Ogilvie was charged April 15 with one felony count of criminal sex conduct in the third degree force or coercion, one felony count of criminal sex conduct in the fourth degree force or coercion and one gross misdemeanor count of criminal sex conduct in the fifth degree non consensual sex contact.

Andrew Clifford Ruse (07/03/1989) of Braham was charged April 15 with one felony count of theft of a motor vehicle.



An EPS technician installs necessary equipment to broaden WiFi capabilities at Mora Elementary School.

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Mora School Wifi expanded

BY TIM PETERSON

MORA SCHOOLS TECHNOLOGY

In an effort to provide internet access to all of our students, Mora Public Schools has worked with EPS and The Netguys to extend WiFi into the elementary parking lots. The eastern (main) parking lot and the southern (bus drop-off) parking lot are now covered by a broadband level WiFi signal. All a student needs to do is park in the lot and join MPS Public WiFi. The student will be prompted to agree to not misuse the internet before being connected.

NEWS BRIEFS

Think twice about sharing your senior photo on Facebook

It seems harmless and fun. A bunch of friends on Facebook or other social media are sharing their senior portraits, including the high school name and graduation year, to support the graduating class of 2020 (most of whom are at home because of the coronavirus pandemic).

Watch out, scammers or hackers who surf through social media sites will see these #ClassOf2020 posts, and will now have the name of your high school and graduation year, which are common online security questions. All it takes is an internet search to reveal more information about you, such as family members, your real name, birth date or even where you live.

Better Business Bureau (BBB) cautions everyone to be aware of what they are sharing. Even if you think it's just going to your friends, it could also be going somewhere else.

Other recent viral personal list posts include all the cars you've owned (including makes/model years), favorite athletes, and top 10 favorite television shows.

What most people forget is that some of these "favorite things" are commonly used passwords or security questions. If your social media privacy settings aren't high, you could be giving valuable information away for anyone to use.

BBB has the following tips to keep you safe on social media:

- Resist the temptation to play along. While it's fun to see other's posts, if you are uncomfortable participating, it is

best to not do it.

- Review your security settings. Check your security settings on all social media platforms to see what you are sharing and with whom you are sharing.

- Change security questions/settings. If you are nervous about something you shared possibly opening you up to fraud, review and change your security settings for banking and other web-sites.

Minnesotans working on spring yard projects reminded to call 811 before digging

Planting a tree? Putting in a new mailbox? Building a deck? The Minnesota Office of Pipeline Safety is reminding Minnesotans to call 811 at least two business days before they dig. The Gopher State One-Call center is still operational as an essential business. Minnesotans can also submit a ticket online.

State fire marshal: Spring cleaning? Clean dryer vents

State Fire Marshal Jim Smith is reminding Minnesotans doing spring cleaning while staying at home to pay attention to their dryer vents and lint traps. Lint buildup could cause serious problems, including a house fire. It's important to go beyond cleaning the removable screen in the dryer. Lint can collect under the dryer and inside the exhaust tubing that travels from

the dryer to the home's exterior of your home.

Off-site alcohol sales approved by legislature

Gov. Tim Walz signed a bill into law on Friday allowing establishments with liquor on-site sale licenses to sell beer and wine with takeout orders. Under the new law signed:

- Licensed restaurant establishments can sell the equivalent of a six-pack of beer or a standard bottle of wine without acquiring an off-sale license.
- The alcohol must be sold with a to-go order.
- The alcohol must be in its original, unopened container or bottle.
- The person picking up the order must be age 21 or older.
- Food deliveries still can't include alcohol.
- Communities can opt-out of allowing beer or wine to-go orders.

The law will expire when the executive order closing establishments expires.

Golf course alcohol sale rules outlined

A golf course is an outdoor extension of the clubhouse. Any course with an on-sale liquor license only will need to follow the law recently signed by Gov. Walz. It states that alcohol sales can only be accompanied with the sale of food for take-out orders only, and under the law, the customer needs to pick up

the order at the restaurant. It can't be delivered via golf cart, Uber or other delivery services. No more than a six-pack of beer or a single bottle of wine could be sold.

Inventors & Entrepreneurs Club to meet online

The Inventors & Entrepreneurs Club returns at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 28, in an online/telephone format only.

The focus of this month's meeting will be on bring your invention to market. Inventors & Entrepreneur Don Olson will be presenting, along with I & E founder Terry Whipple, and Greg Bergman with the Small Business Development Center. The event is free to attend and open to the public. Participate in this meeting online at: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82613218118> Or via phone at: (312) 626 6799 - Meeting ID: 826-1321-8118

Canceled Events

Snake River Canoe Race-May 2

26th Annual Kanabec County Clean Up & Hazardous Waste Collection-May 16-postponed until Oct. 10, 2020

Due to the Covid-19 the Trap, Skeet, Rifle and Pistol shooting leagues will be postponed until Stay at Home Orders are lifted. Then it will start up the first Tuesday and Wednesday after that.

Braham Girl Scouts 6th Annual Color Run event May 16 is postponed until Oct. 3.

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CORONAVIRUS Q&A

Doctors answer most-asked questions about Covid-19

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Most healthcare systems, including Welia Health, plan for crisis management regularly, with development of theoretical plans and staff drills. However, the novel coronavirus has its own unique challenges. Staff at Welia have been working to prepare for the arrival of the novel coronavirus in local communities.

These preparations include a broad range of topics, including but not limited to collaboration with community organizations, patient education, staff training, protocol revision and development, workflow and clinical space changes, equipment inventory and acquisition and new staff teams.

Welia Health is also working with government agencies, like the Minnesota Department of Health, and regional organizations, such as other smaller community hospitals, to deliver the best possible care at this time.

Dr. Niskanen, Welia's chief medical officer, along with all his colleagues, including Dr. Jess Olen, believe common questions should be answered from a local provider's point of view.

Dr. Olen has been tasked to help answer these questions, specifically as the COVID-19 pandemic relates to Welia Health, and how it may affect local people and their families. Staff at Welia Health hope answering some common questions can help decipher critical medical information and ease some of the fears associated with COVID-19.

What is the novel coronavirus?

There are many types of existing human coronaviruses, which typically cause mild respiratory illnesses. The novel coronavirus, officially referred to as severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2), is a new form of the coronavirus, which causes coronavirus disease 2019 or COVID-19.

New human viruses develop through genetic changes in viruses and when viruses jump from animals to humans. The exact origin of the novel coronavirus is unclear, although first cases seem to be linked to a live animal market.

Since the novel coronavirus is new to the worldwide human population, we do not have immunity to the virus.

How is the novel coronavirus spread?

How the virus is spread is still being researched, it is generally felt that the novel coronavirus spreads from one person to the next through respiratory droplets. Droplets are produced by talking, coughing, or sneezing, and can spread to hands, or land on surfaces and other people within close range.

If I am exposed to coronavirus, will I feel sick right away? What is the incubation period for the novel coronavirus?

The incubation period for a virus is the time between exposure to the virus and onset of symptoms.

In the case of the novel coronavirus, its exact incubation period is not yet known, but is believed to be 2-14 days based on the incubation periods for other coronaviruses.

This means that symptoms, like fever, cough and shortness of breath, often start 2-14 days after a person has been exposed to the virus.

However, it should also be noted that the novel coronavirus can vary widely from one person to the next, and it is believed that some infected people may not show any symptoms, referred to as asymptomatic.

What are the symptoms of novel coronavirus infection?

The novel coronavirus has symptoms similar to other common respiratory viruses, which can make it hard to distinguish, especially in mild cases.

The most prominent symptoms include fever, cough, shortness of breath. Other reported symptoms have included fatigue, body aches, sore throat, headache, gastrointestinal symptoms, and loss of smell and taste.

How long are you contagious once you have the novel coronavirus?

At this time, it is not known exactly how long a person can be contagious to others once infected with the novel coronavirus.

Welia Health providers are following guidelines from the CDC and MDH that a person with these symptoms should isolate themselves until they have been fever-free for 72 hours, symptoms like cough and shortness of breath are improving, and it has been at least seven days since symptoms started.



WELIA HEALTH

Dr. Brian Niskanen is a family medicine physician at Welia Health. He is Welia Health's chief medical officer and has been practicing since 2004.

Are children at risk of becoming infected with novel coronavirus?

Early data suggests that children may have milder symptoms, and in some cases, no symptoms, when infected with the novel coronavirus. Also, early data suggests that fewer children need hospitalization for COVID-19.

Are pets at risk of becoming infected with novel coronavirus?

Some viruses can pass between animals and humans, and because it is believed the first cases of coronavirus were associated with a live animal market, this may be true.

There have been a few reports of infected domestic cats and dogs around the globe, but none so far in the United States. There has also been no evidence of pets passing the novel coronavirus to people.

Generally, it seems as though cats may be more susceptible than dogs to the novel coronavirus virus. A tiger at a New York City zoo recently tested positive for the novel coronavirus, however, tigers and domestic cats are different species and the same virus may affect them differently as a result.

Ultimately, recommendations are that if you become infected with the novel coronavirus, you should isolate yourself from people and your pets.

Can I get the novel coronavirus from food?

At this time, transmission patterns do not suggest that the novel coronavirus can be transmitted by eating food with the virus on it.

Additionally, the novel coronavirus has poor survivability on food packaging, so the risk



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Dr. Jess Olen is an emergency medicine physician at Welia Health. She will be supporting public relations by information during the COVID-19 pandemic.

of getting the novel coronavirus from takeout containers is felt to be low.

Regardless, hand washing is recommended after handling takeout containers and before eating.

Will the flu shot protect me from coronavirus?

Getting an influenza vaccination will not protect you from the novel coronavirus. The influenza vaccination helps your body recognize and fight off strains of influenza A and B, which cause what we typically think of as the seasonal flu.

Should I be tested for COVID-19? Does Welia have test kits for COVID-19?

Ideally yes, everyone should be tested, because this would provide information about spread of the virus and allow for better informed policy decisions.

However, large scale testing is challenging because there are limited swabs and liquid to run the test. Who gets tested and test availability depends partly on where you live in the United States at this time. Currently, testing resources are being largely redirected to "hot spot" locations with high infection rates. Minnesota is restricting testing to only those with various medical risk factors, hospitalized patients, sick healthcare workers, and those living in congregate settings.

It is likely that testing in the state of Minnesota could become broader as testing supplies become more available. Also, a blood-based antibody test may become available in the future. This test would tell you if you had been infected

with and cleared the novel coronavirus already, which may be especially useful for those who had mild to no symptoms.

Why aren't we seeing many novel coronavirus infections in east central Minnesota yet?

The novel coronavirus virus has been slower to hit rural settings, like east central Minnesota, in particular, because social distancing is easier to accomplish than it is in large cities. As a result, peak novel coronavirus infection in east central Minnesota will likely lag weeks behind that of large urban areas, like New York City.

Is there a treatment for COVID-19?

Like other viruses, the best treatments for COVID-19 are what medical providers often refer to as supportive measures, such as maintaining hydration, pain and fever control, rest and supplemental oxygen or breathing machine (ventilator) support if needed.

In mild cases of COVID-19, supportive measures can be carried out by patients at home. In moderate to severe cases of COVID-19, it is more likely that patients will need supportive measures and monitoring in a hospital setting.

Beyond these supportive measures, there are no well-researched treatments for mild to moderate COVID-19. That being said, there is limited evidence from a small number of cases that some medications typically used for other diseases may be beneficial when given in severe cases of COVID-19.

These treatments have yet to be researched on a large scale. Because taking these medications have not been shown to prevent novel coronavirus infection, it is not recommended that they be taken prophylactically.

We should also remember these medications are needed by patients with other diseases, so care needs to be taken to ensure that these patients continue to have access as well.

Information changes daily

Please understand as we continue to learn new things about the novel coronavirus daily, sometimes hourly, it is possible that some information above may be outdated by the time it is published. Also, refer to the CDC or the MDH for the most up to date information or call your county hotline for COVID-19 questions.

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Spin along with the Earth

With news about the novel coronavirus pandemic changing every minute and leaving many of us spinning, it's been hard to give any attention to something that has always been spinning— Earth.

April 22 is the 50th anniversary of Earth Day. Most articles regarding Earth Day will give you some list of things you should do to help the Earth like planting something, recycling something or creating something.



Editor

Kirsten Faurie

INSERT EYE ROLL

I hate being told to plant a tree. Yes, I love trees. That's why I'm surrounded by them — but I have to mow down the encroaching saplings just to keep the forest from swallowing up my home. Planting yet another tree on the property seems silly.

Last week I read an article about how to save your kitchen scraps in the freezer until you could take them to a city composting facility. I just rolled my eyes. Composting is something I have an almost unhealthy infatuation with, but leave freezing to the urbanites.

When I was young, my grandma often sent me to do the "composting." At the time, she purchased milk in half-gallon paper containers. She kept an empty one on the kitchen counter, and throughout her day would put egg shells, apple cores and coffee grounds in it.

When it was full, my job was to walk it to the edge of the yard, and chuck it into the tall grass. It was a hands-off yet highly effective approach.

QUIT THE TO DO LIST

Celebrating Earth Day doesn't have to be about taking on more and more tasks.

The coronavirus pandemic has sent me through a wide range of feelings and reactions. Like many others, I've taken on a million tasks at home or work — spinning and grasping for some sense of control.

I have found some peace in learning to stop.

Around the time the first COVID-19 case was documented in Minnesota, I documented seeing the first migrating sandhill cranes.

A few nights ago I actually turned off the TV and instead watched the stars. It might seem cliché or like a scene from a movie but it was genuinely nice to be reminded that even though this feels chaotic, the earth is still spinning.

The cranes aren't social distancing. The stars still move across the sky in the same patterns they have for millions of years.

Instead of yet another task, just appreciate the Earth and each other. The rest, like how to take care of it and others, will follow naturally.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Thanks to care providers of seniors

To the editor,

My grandfather has been a resident at St. Clare's nursing home, and before that assisted living, for the past few years. Being close to a loved one in senior care can be challenging in the best of times, but the last months have been particularly stressful as we face the challenges of COVID-19.

That is why I am so grateful for the caring staff at St. Clare's. The staff have been wonderful and brave, doing all they can to make sure our seniors are protected during this dangerous time.

Grandpa just turned 97, and it was hard talking to him on the phone rather than in person. The St. Clare staff is so great. They

even made sure he got his favorite, banana cream pie, on his birthday!

They helped guide my family through the difficult, but necessary, decision to suspend in-person visits. Even though we can't visit Grandpa, the staff is working hard to make sure we remain connected via phone and virtually. Grandpa thought face time was a hoot but prefers the regular phone. The staff work hard to raise the spirits of their residents!

I want to publicly thank all of these dedicated people who provide care to seniors every day, no matter the risks. Their work means so much to me and my family, and we are deeply grateful for all that they do.

Becci Steffen Ogilvie

Did the governor follow the right model?

To the editor,

As all of us react to our situation as we work through this pandemic, we are impacted by our fears, sorrow, anxiety and have many questions.

I myself have had grave concern about how we and our country have reacted to this pandemic, even as I realize how serious this pandemic is. The political divide in our country has become so evident and even though there has been some evidence of political differences being set aside for the greater good during this pandemic, the rhetoric still shows the great division in our country.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR (CONTINUED)

FROM PAGE 4

One of my greatest concerns is that it appears that many in our world have replaced their faith in Jesus Christ and God with models. I'll give you an example: The Green New Deal uses a model that predicts that planet earth has only 12 years to sustain life unless we change the path we are on. Their plan would ban the burning of fossil fuels.

Our Minnesota governor picked a model out of several models and the one he picked predicts that COVID-19 will kill 9,000-22,000 Minnesotans. As of April 20, 134 Minnesota deaths have been attributed to COVID-19. Our hearts go out to families that have lost loved ones during this pandemic. If you dissect those numbers (134 deaths) you will discover that 70% of those deaths occurred in nursing homes or senior living. The average age was mid-80s and most had other health issues. Minnesota has about 112 deaths per day from various causes. That would mean that over the last 30 days we have had 3,360 deaths from other causes than that of the COVID-19 virus.

I agree that the lockdown plan has helped keep the numbers low for our state (Kanabec County with still no cases as of April 20) but I wonder why our governor chose the model that would produce the greatest fear.

I believe that when this pandemic is over the data will show that the models were way off in their predictions. The lesson that hopefully will be learned is "Don't put all your trust in models."

My hope for our country is that we will go back to our country's motto: "In God We Trust."

Byron Lindaman
Ogilvie

PAID LETTER

Masks essential to protect each other

To the editor,

I have two rants for this letter.

First, we all need to wear cloth masks when out in public. There is a YouTube video you should watch that explains why. The video is at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HhNo_IOPotU. Or go to YouTube and search for Masks4All and select the one that is titled: "How to Significantly Slow Coronavirus?"

The CDC is recommending cloth masks whenever we are in public (please do not use surgical masks or N95 masks as we need them at the hospital to protect ourselves from getting COVID-19). The reason to wear cloth masks in public is to protect each other, not ourselves.

There is evidence that many people who have the coronavirus are without symptoms. A lot of us could be spreading it to others. If we wear masks, the droplets that come out of our mouths get caught in the mask preventing transmission. These cloth masks do not protect us from getting the virus as the virus is tiny and can get in through the cloth. I wear my mask to protect you, you wear yours to protect me. #Masks4All

My second rant is that I continue to be astonished by the inability of some people to see the faults in our president. He is a bully, a pathological liar and clearly narcissistic.

His biggest blunder yet is how he denied the coronavirus was going to be a big concern in the U.S. and did not act until it was too late. He is now suggesting we need to quickly end stay at home orders which indicates he is more concerned about making money than about lives lost.

He has already cost many U.S. lives due to his minimizing and bombing during this pandemic.

Recently he has decided to stop funding to the World Health Organization. This organization is essential to the identification and management of diseases world-wide (including the U.S.A.). It is a classic pattern for him as he does not accept blame and then finds a scapegoat (often a blameless person or group) for his shortcomings.

How is it that he has any approval? It

should be 0%, not 45%! What kind of mistake will it take to get people to realize that he does not have the characteristics of someone who should be president of anything?

Terry A. Johnson, MD
Mora

PAID LETTER

Give facts—not personal attacks

To the editor,

As we approach the May referendum, I would like to remind everyone that we are making a community choice about a building and what should be done with it. This is not a time for personal attacks or questions of character. As we have all chosen to live in a community with a school district, we have the responsibility to participate in honest conversations about what to do about the high school building issues and not attack one another. I am prefacing my letter this way because my intention is to answer Pat Cook's letter from last week respectfully. Only being in the community for 15 years and serving on the school board for the last six years, I don't have the same history or perspective as many of you do. However, I do have some information that I know to be factual.

1. Mora High School was in fact not, "re-modeled almost completely in recent years." The last "remodel" of the high school was in fact an addition that was completed in 1989, 31 years ago.

2. School maintenance funding only increased to our current level in the last three years. Prior to that, the district had less than half of the current funding to care for schools.

3. ICS's involvement with an investigation was that of supporting the investigation. ICS assisted the legal system to stop and punish one superintendent at one Minnesota school district.

4. Construction management fees to ICS will be less than 14% of the total cost (As published in the paper).

5. Schools and school boards do not supervise construction projects of this size. Hiring construction management ensures projects like this get done within budget and on time as we did with the Trailview Elementary project.

6. There is no evidence or research to back a claim that schools of the future will be "small." New schools throughout the state are in fact offering larger and more flexible learning spaces for students.

7. Only select members of the 2019 school task force "determined" that the repair cost would be 8-10 million. That group splintered off from the task force and came up with those numbers by themselves.

Bob Woods
Mora

PAID LETTER

Response to Pat Cook

To the editor,

As we approach the May 12 election, letters to the editor are increasing, as is the sensationalism that comes from many of them. Such is the case with the letter "The School Throw Away Plan."

In the interest of truth and integrity, we wanted to set the record straight.

In the first paragraph, Ms. Cook writes, "Our grandparents made the best of what they had...they did not have a lot of money." This is true, especially if referring to the generation of the Great Depression.

However, in 1935, Mora residents voted for a new school building that would replace the previous one built in 1890. This means that during the height of the Great Depression, they voted to replace a 45-year-old building because it was in poor condition and didn't serve their needs anymore. In 2020, we have a building with its core built in 1935-36, and somehow an 85-year-old building in poor condition is perfectly acceptable? Perhaps of all the qualities that the Greatest Generation possessed, common sense and a vision for future generations are two of the top ones.

Ms. Cook then attempts to explain why

parts of the school do not need repairs, but admits that the administrative wing "does need new windows and doors." And, perhaps, new pipes and insulation? She should come visit Mr. Schultz in the winter when his toilet is unusable because it is frozen over.

Then there is the elusive statement, "Most student classrooms are located in the '76-'89 addition." There was an addition in 1975 and another in 1989, not 14 years of work done. It is true that many classrooms are located in these areas, but the rooms in the '89 addition were constructed as elementary school classrooms, not senior high. Anyone who has had children knows there is a difference in the space required for each.

Later in that paragraph: "'76-'89 addition was designed for the community and the students. It's bomb-proof and is probably the most well-built structure in Mora." It is doubtful that those additions were created as bomb shelters. In 1976 the *New York Times* observed, "the only reminders of fallout shelters [now] are the yellow-and-black signs placed outside buildings." Perhaps she meant the additions in 1952, 1954, and 1958 since that is when fallout shelters were popular. But is the fact that there is a lot of concrete in the building a sufficient reason to keep it? After all, the heavy rains and floods a few years ago have shown that Mora High School's "well-built structure" isn't that solid. And the concrete encasing of old piping is part of the problem.

Ms. Cook also states the school gets \$500,000 a year from the state for regular maintenance and insinuates that the school does not spend it. Not only have they not always gotten that much, but that money is for the entire district. This includes the elementary school, the aging high school and the bus garage. When you are dealing with that large amount of square footage, \$500,000 doesn't go very far.

Ms. Cook implies that a new building would create more bullying. In fact, according to safety experts, a new building design can actually decrease the amount of bullying, and there would be no co-mingling of elementary and high school students with the planned building separation via the Wellness Center.

She then attacks the consulting firms. When she states, "ICS was involved in an investigation by the FBI," she is referring to the fact that they assisted the FBI in pursuit of a criminal. This also happened when ICS was under different ownership and management. If you were assisting the Sheriff's Office with something that you were the victim of, how you would feel about someone implying that you were the criminal?

Ms. Cook reports that ICS will take a 24-26% cut of the total referendum, also false. Only a small percentage goes to administrative and project costs and that also includes permits and design fees. The school's Review and Comment shows the cost breakdown.

In her final comments, she writes, "School leaders have put the community through hell for the past eight years." This would be what psychologists call, "projection," taking something true of you and putting it on the other person. The VOTE NO side has, over the last eight years, put our community through hell by lying, misleading the public, and costing the community millions of dollars for delaying the inevitable: a new high school.

"Can we afford a brand new school? The answer is no." The answer actually is: We can't afford not to. The school task force actually determined the cost of repairs would be over \$42 million, not \$8-10 million, and that is an old estimate that doesn't fully address the school's needs. We also wouldn't get any state aid for repairs. Between the two options (YES: new school or NO: begin costly repairs), the more affordable option is to build new.

Ms. Cook, we can disagree about which direction the district should go, but it is not OK to mislead the public. We can serve our community well by living in truth and integrity.

Beth Dentine, Lindsey Kamps, Molly Mullin
and Joy Whitbred
Mora

New supt. looking forward to serving Mora

To members of the Mora Community:

I am Daniel Voce, and I am proud that I was chosen to serve as the next Superintendent of Mora Public Schools. I have spent 29 years

as a teacher, coach, principal and administrator in East Central Minnesota, working in the Rush City, Pine City and Princeton school districts.

This is a very unique time for our state and country. The coronavirus pandemic has created quite a challenge for each of us. We will get through this together, and our future depends on preparing tomorrow's workers and leaders for the next set of challenges.

I know the school board has determined that there will be significant investments to improve your high school facilities, either through the May referendum to build a new high school at the Trailview campus, or by repairing the current high school using board approved financing. It is not my place to advise you which is the right decision. However, you should talk to your friends, neighbors and the school district's staff to become informed about this important vote. I do encourage you to vote.

Nothing is more important to me than protecting the health and safety of our students and staff. In my experience, every school board and community in rural Minnesota is trying to be thoughtful about how to get the best value from their investments in their school buildings.

No school district can ignore the reality that buildings eventually need repairs, remodeling, and sometimes even replacing.

Of course, what happens in the classroom is also critical, and it appears that Mora Public Schools has a uniquely talented staff of teachers, administrators and support staff. Whatever local voters decide, I will work closely with the school board and administrators to move forward with the appropriate investments for our high school education and continue to meet a high standard for student learning.

I look forward to meeting as many community and school members and hearing your ideas on how to continue Mora's excellence in educating our students for the future.

DANIEL VOCE was hired as Mora Public Schools next superintendent starting June 2020.



Mustang Messages

Daniel Voce

Grasston woman explores life after pottery

BY CJ GUSTAFSON
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When the arthritis in her hands began to interfere with her career as a potter, Barb Dryer initially did her best to ignore, or at least manage, the pain and keep working, but eventually she realized it was time to retire. So she finished customer orders, sold all but a select few of her remaining pottery pieces, then closed up her studio in Grasston and set about searching for other things in life that feed her love of nature and her need to be creative. It was this quest for creativity, and something called #The100DayProject, that led her to a trip of a lifetime in the subarctic climes of Churchill, Manitoba.

As the name implies, #The100DayProject encourages people to work on something every day for 100 days. Now in its seventh year, the online community provides a forum for people from all walks of life to commit to an art project and share their progress. The organizers send out messages with encouragement, feedback and even jokes to help participants stay motivated.

This year when the event started in January, she already had her project planned.

In her search to find a new creative outlet that wasn't too taxing on her hands, Dryer chose photography, having been inspired by her friend Dee Kotaska and others who create art-quality images using their phones. "Also, as a potter, I'd always focused on three-dimensional work," she explained. "I was interested in exploring something two-dimensional, the composition, balance, all of it. It's a whole new area for me."

She decided to do a 100-day photography project with nature as her subject. "My work has always been nature-based," she said. "For me it's as much about the connection to nature as it is about being creative. I find that I become a whole human being when I get out in nature and get my fix."

Dryer had a particular interest in photographing the Northern Lights, and there are few places in the world better for that than Churchill. The small, remote Canadian town on the west shore of Hudson Bay is close enough to the Arctic to be situated directly beneath the Northern Hemisphere's auroral oval. Simply put, an auroral oval is the ring around the Earth's geomagnetic poles where the auroras are constantly occurring. In Churchill, they are visible an average of 300 days each year.

Churchill began calling to Dryer after her son, Daniel, was there several years ago with dog sled racer, Ryan Anderson. "My son told me I

needed to go there, that I would love it, especially the Northern Lights," Dryer recalled. "Ever since he said that, it had been in the back of my mind, and this past year I started looking into it seriously."

Her research brought her to an organization called Churchill Northern Studies Centre, located on the site of a former atmospheric rocket facility 14 miles outside of Churchill. Focusing on the area's convergence of three different ecological biomes - marine, northern boreal forest and tundra- CNSC offers a variety of subarctic research and educational opportunities. It is a Mecca for scientists but there also are opportunities for lay-people to experience all of these subjects through a series of "learning vacations." What spoke to Dryer was a five-day session on auroras and astronomy, held in March.

Most people would not consider a week in the Subarctic to be a bucket-list trip, especially in March, but Dryer said she's always been drawn to the raw beauty of extreme winter environments. "There's something about the pureness, the dichotomy between the beauty and the ruggedness. I knew that if I got to the end of my life and I hadn't done this, I would feel I had fallen short."

Getting to Churchill is definitely an adventure, considering it's roughly 600 miles north of Winnipeg. There are no roads into the town so other than snowmobiles and dog teams, travelers have two main options for reaching Churchill. They can fly in on a small plane, or they can go by train. The latter option takes a minimum of 40 hours, but often longer because passenger trains have to stop and give right-of-way to freight trains in that part of Canada.

Frugal by nature, Dryer chose the train since it was half the cost. Because she loves a good road trip, she drove her van the 400 miles to Winnipeg instead of flying in to catch the train.

Dryer said she enjoyed the train trip and getting to know others on the train who were traveling to the Centre as well. When they arrived, they were given an orientation that included some unusual safety rules.

Churchill is known as the beluga capital of the world because after wintering in the high Arctic, more than 3,000 belugas swim into the Churchill River estuary to give birth to their young and feed on the abundance of fish. The town also is known as the polar bear capital of the world. From July to November, about 1,000 of the furry behemoths migrate to Churchill to wait for the bay to freeze so they can head out on the ice and hunt for seals. When the ice begins



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Dryer shows off the quinzee, or snow house, she helped build while in Churchill.

breaking up, they return to land, typically streaming right through Churchill and the surrounding area.

Dryer didn't see bears or whales while she was there. "Apparently it wasn't the right time of year," she explained with a chuckle. But when you live in a place where polar bears outnumber people, there are certain precautions you take no matter what season it is.

"There were three rules for going outside at the Centre," she shared. "Number one, you don't go out alone. You have to take a buddy. Number two, when you go out, you sign out on a board so people know you're outside, and then you sign back in. Number three, even with a buddy, you can't wander. You have to stay by the building." Despite a lack of polar bears during her stay, there were still no exceptions to these rules, which brought home for her just how real the possibility of a polar bear attack is in that part of the world. In fact, it is customary for residents of Churchill to leave car doors unlocked in case someone needs a quick refuge.

The Centre prepares visitors for this and other consid-

erations prior to arrival by sending out detailed information about what clothing and comfort/safety items to bring as well as suggestions for phone apps for photographing the Aurora Borealis. "They really did a fantastic job of thinking of everything and making sure you knew what to expect," Dryer stated. This included a session the first night on how to photograph the Northern Lights, given by their Skywatch instructor, Alen Dyer, whose website contains numerous stunning Aurora Borealis images.

"It was Alen's job to come around and wake us up each night when the auroras started," Dryer recalled. Under red lights, so as not to ruin their night vision, they donned the arctic clothing laid out before bed and made their way outside or to indoor viewing areas to feast on the light show, which on more than one occasion lasted for hours. "I really can't describe it properly," Dryer said. "How big and bright they were and how they just went on and on. There were several times where we were so filled up that we just left them and went back to sleep," she happily recalled.

During the daytime hours,

the Centre staff and interns treated her group to a variety of activities, all with a focus on learning. One day they went to the boreal forest and built a quinzee, or snow house. They also took a trip to town, toured the remains of the rocket facility and learned about the special features of the Centre, including the hydroponic garden which provides fresh produce even in 25 below weather, which was the average temperature during Dryer's stay.

The retired potter, turned photographer enjoyed every minute of it. "The entire trip was much more than I dreamt it would be. I came away with a deep connection to the area, and I'm looking at things with new eyes. I have a deep curiosity about the world around me," she said, "and this trip spoke to that. The rest of the people there were like-minded, so it was a lot of fun, and we clicked together even though we were from different areas and backgrounds."

Upon arriving home, Dryer began a 14 day quarantine required for those returning from outside the country because of the coronavirus. This gave her time to reflect, not just on her adventure but on her overall place in life. While she sat inside and talked on the phone about her Churchill trip, her friend, Marie, was undertaking her first solo pottery firing in the kiln Dryer herself had hand-built and utilized to do some of the most beautiful and innovative work in her field. She admitted it was a bittersweet moment, not being out there, a sort of passing of the torch.

"It was hard to let go of, especially at first," she acknowledged. "I missed the hands-on, the tactile feeling of clay." She paused a moment, reflecting, then continued, her words filled with emotion as well as acceptance and closure. "But I had such a great 20-year run, I did, and now it feels more like evolving instead of losing something." Another pause. "It took some time to realize that, but looking back now, I can see how all the pieces came together the way they were supposed to."

Leading up to her trip, as well as during her time in Churchill, Dryer continued to work on her 100 Day project. As the end of it draws near, she's pleased she'll complete it for the first time. She credited the project, and especially her time under the mysterious and thought-provoking Northern Lights, with helping her see that there definitely is life after pottery. "You think about how many centuries people have been looking up at the lights and how they've impacted man throughout history, how constant the auroras have been. It truly does help put things in perspective."

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Description of Proposed School Construction Project

Mora Public School District, ISD #0332-01, is proposing a single-question referendum on May 12, 2020, that would authorize \$61.9 million in bonding authority to finance a building addition to the existing Trailview School to house student grades 7-12 and demolish the existing grades 7-12 School.

Proposed projects would be scheduled for completion in the 2021-23 calendar years. Cost estimates by project component are as follows:

Construction	\$42,159,089
Demolition	\$1,250,000
Site Improvements	\$3,950,000
Technology / FF&E	\$2,319,250
Fees, Permits & Testing	\$8,771,214
Contingency	\$2,319,250
Capitalized Interest	\$1,052,300
Bond Issuance	\$531,269
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The existing grades 7-12 facility was originally constructed in 1935 with multiple building additions in the 1950s and the 1970s. The site size of the existing facility is well below Minnesota Department of Education (MOE) Guidelines and multiple facility assessments over the last several years have identified numerous deficiencies with the existing facility. The district has also supplied cost estimates to operate and staff the proposed, grades 7-12 replacement facility and projects a net operating cost decrease of \$120,000 annually. Based upon the limitations of the existing site and myriad deficiencies with the existing grades 7-12 facility, the proposed project appears to be in the best long-term interest of the district.

If the bond referendum is successful and bonds are sold, the debt service on the bonds will be eligible for debt service equalization under Minnesota Statutes, section 123B.53, subdivision 3, if the bond schedule is approved. The amount of debt service equalization aid, if any, the district receives is determined annually and is dependent upon property wealth, student population, and other statutory requirements.

Review and Comment Statement

Based on the department's analysis of the school district's required documentation and other pertinent information from sources of the Minnesota Department of Education, the Commissioner of Education provides a positive review and comment.

Additional Information is Available

Persons desiring additional information regarding this proposal should contact the school district superintendent's office.



Mary Cathryn Ricker, NBCT
Commissioner

April 14, 2020

A quick way to prepare tasty tomatoes

Tomatoes are a versatile ingredient in many meals that are just as delicious in a garden salad as they are stewed and simmered in a favorite sauce. Tomatoes are a major source of the antioxidant lycopene, which can reduce one's

risk of heart disease and cancer. Tomatoes also are a great source of vitamin C, potassium, folate, and vitamin K.

It's easy to include more tomatoes into one's diet with tasty fixings like this light and versa-

tile recipe for "Bruschetta" from "Vegan Cooking for Beginners" (Publications International, Ltd.) by the PIL editors. Use it when serving cocktails and snacks, or as the prelude to a larger meal.



BRUSCHETTA

Makes 8 servings

Ingredients:

- 4 plum tomatoes, seeded and diced
- 1/2 cup packed fresh basil leaves, finely chopped
- 5 tablespoons olive oil, divided
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 2 teaspoons finely chopped oil-packed sundried tomatoes
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/8 teaspoon black pepper
- 16 slices Italian bread

Directions

1. Combine fresh tomatoes, basil, 3 tablespoons oil, garlic, sundried tomatoes, salt, and pepper in a large bowl; mix well. Let stand at room temperature 1 hour to blend flavors.
2. Preheat oven to 375 F. Place bread on baking sheet. Brush remaining 2 tablespoons oil over one side of each bread slice. Bake 6 to 8 minutes, or until toasted.
3. Top each bread slice with 1 tablespoon tomato mixture.



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MN DOT

Motorists who travel Highway 47 from Isle to Ogilvie will encounter delays beginning Monday, April 27 when the highway closes for six months for a reconstruction project.

Highway 47 will close to through traffic between Highway 27 in Woodland and Highway 23 in Ogilvie on Monday, April 27 through mid-October. The detour uses Highway 23 in Ogilvie, Highway 65 in Mora and Highway 27 to Woodland.

Highway 47 will remain open to those who live, work or visit a resident or business along the closed road. However, some work will require temporary hard closures to replace underground pipes and two bridges. Expect changes, gravel surfaces, reduced speed, flaggers and a pilot car.

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Progressive Tool and Engineering under new ownership

BY KIRSTEN FAURIE
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Progressive Tool and Engineering, a 12-employee manufacturing business located in the Mora Industrial Park was recently sold.

PTE was founded by Neil and Lorraine Pierson in 1964, and passed on to their sons Bob, Keith, Richard and Mike Pierson. In December, 2019, the company was purchased by Wes Johnson of Coon Rapids.

Johnson has a background in mechanical engineering, particularly in medical devices, but was interested in expanding into other product markets and opportunities.

Johnson said he was drawn to PTE because the business did so much of its parts manufacturing in-house rather than relying on outsourcing parts.

Johnson said he was impressed by the work ethic of PTE's employees.

Johnson said he hopes to grow the business and expand into other markets in the next 2-3 years. The challenges facing growth are finding enough skilled employees to fill positions like machinists, welders and forklift operators.

Johnson said he looks forward to working in Mora and supporting the community.

"We want to be impactful and helpful," he said.



KIRSTEN FAURIE | TIMES

Progressive Tool and Engineering, a manufacturing company in the Mora Industrial Park, was purchased by Wes Johnson in December.

PTE HISTORY

1964 - PTE was founded as a tool and die shop by Neil and Lorraine Pierson

1969 - The company was moved to Roseau and added metal stamping capability

1985 - PTE designed and began manufacturing controls for hydraulic valves for a bucket truck company in Duluth.

1986 - PTE moved to Mora and expanded its business in designing and manufacturing controls for various types of aerial equipment.

2006 - One of Neil and Lorraine's sons, Bob Pierson, became president of PTE

2019 - PTE is purchased by Wes Johnson in December.

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Due to the Center for Disease Control and Prevention's recommendations for limiting the spread of COVID-19, some churches have either canceled their normal services and other events or gone to an online broadcast. It is recommended to contact your individual church for information regarding any changes to their schedules.

Braham Evangelical Lutheran Church (ELCA)

320-396-2755. West Central Drive & County Road 4 in northwest Braham.
Pastor Julie Beck
Sunday: 9 a.m. Worship Service; 10 a.m. Little Lambs (for children under 5).
Wednesday: 6 p.m. Youth Night for ages 3 years old thru 6th grade, Confirmation and Senior High Youth.
Office hours - Tues. - Fri. 9:00 a.m. to Noon. Radio service Sunday at 9:30 a.m. (KBEK 95.5FM)

Calvary Lutheran Church (ELCA)

414 S. Wood St., Mora
320-679-1706
www.calvarymora.org
Pastor Dean Oelfke; Associate in Ministry, Susan Williams
Sunday: 9 a.m. Worship; 10:15 a.m. Sunday School and Fellowship; Holy Communion celebrated on first and third Sundays of each month; 6:30 p.m. Calvary Bell Choir, grade 7 to adult.
Wednesday: 3 p.m. KOK Choir, grades K-6; Chimes following KOK Choir; 6:30 p.m. Confirmation; 6:30 p.m. Sr. Choir, Sr. high school to adult.

Emmanuel Baptist Church

536 Union St. S., Mora
320-679-2530
Mike Rue, Senior Pastor
David Everson, Associate Pastor
Jeanine Kitterman, Children's Director
Sunday: 9 a.m. Sunday School (all ages); 10:30 a.m. Worship Service.
Wednesday: 6-7:30 p.m.: AWANA Pre K-6th grade and Youth Group 7th-12 grade.

First Presbyterian Church (EPC)

551 S. Wood St, Mora
320-679-1969
www.moraepc.org
Sunday: 9:30 a.m. Worship Service, 10:30 a.m. Coffee Fellowship, 11 a.m. Sunday School. Communion first Sunday of the month.

Fish Lake Chapel

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

Friendship Church of the Nazarene

525 2nd St., Mora
Interim Pastor
Church: 320-679-1125
Sunday: 10 a.m. Worship Service.

Generation Church

300 E. Forest Ave., Mora
Lead Pastor Randy Mitchell
Associate Pastor Bob Herder
Church: 320-679-1708
www.generationchurchmora.com
Wednesday: 7 p.m. Bible Study.
Sunday: 10:30 a.m. Worship Service. Children's Church and Nursery provided.

Grace Lutheran Church (ELCA)

301 E. Forest Ave., Mora
Church Office: 320-679-1062
Pastor Paul Lutter
Sunday: 8 a.m. Sanctuary Worship; 9:30 a.m. FLC Worship; 9:30 a.m. Sunday School.
Sunday Morning Radio Broadcast 10 a.m. on 95.5 FM KBEK.
Website: www.gracechurchmora.com

Grasston Baptist Church

402 N. Oak St., Grasston
www.grasstonbaptist.org
info@grasstonbaptist.org
320-396-2645
Sunday: 9:30 a.m. Worship Service; 10:45 a.m. Sunday School.

Henriette Community Church (Free Methodist)

One mile North of Henriette on HWY 107.
320-679-4875
Pastor Marvin Miller
Sunday School, 9 a.m.; Sunday morning worship, 10:15 a.m.

Hillman Baptist Church

2748 Jade Street, Mora
320-679-1756
Randy Strom, Pastor
www.hillmanbaptist.org
Sunday: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School, 10:30 a.m. Worship Service.
Piecemakers - 1st & 3rd Monday of each month, 1 p.m.

Hope Lutheran Church

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

Immanuel Lutheran Church (ELCA)

Brunswick, 320-679-2015
Pastor Sierra Westerman
2088 Highway 70, Mora
9:00 a.m. Worship; 9:00 a.m. Sunday School. Communion held every week.

Lewis Lake Covenant Church

1030 Grand St., Ogilvie
320-396-3293
www.lewislake.org
Sunday: 8 a.m. Social Hour/Coffee, 9 a.m. Worship Service, 10 a.m. Fellowship and Refreshments, 10:30 a.m. Sunday School and Confirmation for ages 4-adult.
Nursery for ages birth-2 years provided during Worship and Sunday School.

Living Hope Church

East Hwy. 23 and N. County Rd. 11, Mora
320-679-2586
Steve Ekholm, Pastor
Sunday: 9 a.m. Adult Class; 10:15 a.m. Worship Service; 7 p.m. Youth Service.

Maple Ridge Free Church

801 401st Ave. NW, Stanchfield
320-396-2246 or Rick Eichholz - 763-412-9397
Wednesday: 7 p.m. Prayer Meeting.
Sunday: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School; 10:45 a.m. Worship.

Mora United Methodist Church

Parish Office: 500 Clark St., Mora
320-679-2713
Pastor Debra Schaffran
debraschaffran@gmail.com
Cell: 952-240-3836
Ben Ziegler, Child and Youth Director
ben.moraumc@gmail.com
Sunday: 10:30 a.m. Mora Worship.
Wednesday: 5:30 p.m. Youth Group.
First and third Saturdays Kids K-6th grades group, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
Website: moraumc.org

Ogilvie United Methodist Church

201 W. Bragg St., Box 267, Ogilvie
320-272-4255
320-679-2713, Parish Office
Pastor Debra Schaffran
debraschaffran@gmail.com
Cell: 320-515-2054
9 a.m. Worship,
10 a.m. Children's Sunday Library.

Open Arms Church of God

406 Pine St., Grasston
320-396-3373
www.openarmscog.org
Pastor Gene Sherrod
Spirit Filled Worship
Sunday Worship 10 a.m.
Children's ministry.

Pomroy Chapel

2700 320th Ave., Brook Park
320-679-3925
A Non-denominational, Christian Fellowship
Sunday Services: 9:30 a.m. Prayer, 10 a.m. Sunday School, 11 a.m. Fellowship following Worship.

Quamba Baptist Church

26340 Whited Ave., Quamba
320-679-5365
Ivan Fiske, Senior Pastor
Joel Ostrom, Associate Pastor
Sunday: 9:30 a.m. Worship Service; 11:15 a.m. Christian Education.
Wednesday at QBC:
6:30 p.m. AWANA and Prayer & Study.

Riverside Fellowship And Mission Center

A spirit-filled Church Service at the True Vine Lutheran Church
130 S. Park St., Mora
320-679-4076
Sunday: 5 p.m. Worship Service.

St. Kathryn's Area Catholic Community

318 S. Hill Ave., Ogilvie,
320-679-1593
Father Derek Wiechmann
Tuesday: 7 a.m. Mass.
Saturday: 6 p.m. Mass.

St. Mary's Area Catholic Community

201 East Forest, Mora,
320-679-1593
Father Derek Wiechmann
Friday: 7 a.m. Mass.
Sunday: 10 a.m. Mass.

St. Paul Lutheran Church

(Missouri Synod)
301 Church Ave., Ogilvie
320-272-4352
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Sunday: Confirmation classes for grades 5-8 at 8:45 a.m., Divine Service at 10 a.m., Bible Study at 11:15 a.m.
Second and fourth Wednesday: 6 p.m. Divine Service.

St. Stephen's Lutheran Church

(Missouri Synod)
400 SE 8th Street, Braham,
320-396-3103
Pastor Tim Renstrom
www.ststephensbraham.org
Sunday: 9 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Bible Study; 10:15 a.m. Worship.

Trio Community Church

Mora Elementary School
200 N. 9th St., Mora
www.triochurch.com
Wednesday: 6:30 p.m. Youth Ministry.
Sunday: 10 a.m. Worship Service; nursery and children's ministry available.

True Vine Lutheran Church (AFLC)

130 Park St. S., Mora, 612-559-2886
Pastor Marlin Harris
www.truevinelutheran.org
9 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Bible Study; 10 a.m. Worship with Communion.

Zion Lutheran Church

(Missouri Synod) and Preschool
401 S. Hwy 65, Mora
320-679-1094
Rev. Anthony Cloose
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Caleb Koch- Senior Captain

Position: I play infield and I also pitch.

Tell us about the sports and activities you are involved in: I play baseball, football and I also wrestled this year.

What is your favorite thing about being involved in sports?: My favorite thing about being in sports would be, just being able to hang out with your friends and play with other kids that have the same competitive drive as you.

Tell us about a person who has influenced you: I wouldn't really say there is one person that has influenced me. I would say there are a bunch, from my family supporting me, to the coaches who pushed me to do my best.

What is the highlight of your athletic career?: Definitely would be my junior season of baseball. I improved so much last year, hitting .405, winning an All- Conference award along with being named to the All Section 7AA Team.

With spring practices and games suspended, how are you staying active?: I don't do too much, try and do a small short workout at home along with trying to throw and hit at least once a week.

What are some of your goals for the future?: Some future goals are to go to a two year school for graphic design and while there hopefully be able to play baseball.

Lucas Athey-Senior Captain

Position: Pitcher, catcher, infield

Tell us about the sports and activities you are involved in: This year I was in football, basketball and baseball.

What is your favorite thing about being involved in sports?: My favorite thing about sports is competing and having fun with my friends.

Tell us about a person who has influenced you: My dad has been an influence on me by always pushing me to be better.

What is the highlight of your athletic career?: This year I hit a game-winning buzzer beater in the playoffs for basketball. That was a pretty special moment for me.

With spring practices and games suspended, how are you staying active?: I've been going on bike rides and hitting baseballs off a tee.

What are some of your goals for the future?: I'm going to college at the University of Minnesota Morris and then I want to become a teacher/coach.

Jaden Ponto-Senior Captain

Position: I play multiple positions but mainly outfield and pitcher.

Tell us about the sports and activities you are involved in: I am in football, wrestling and baseball. It's a very weird combination, most people don't do that.

What is your favorite thing about being involved in sports?: Building a relationship with the team, you see the same people every day and it creates a bond that you can't make on your own and obviously game days are the best.

Tell us about a person who has influenced you: My parents have been my biggest influence since beginning sports. My mom has always put me in every camp and training thing that would bring me to the next level and my dad has always pushed me and taught me everything he knows. I have worked multiple hours on my craft.

What is the highlight of your athletic career?: My favorite time was going to state with the football team my sophomore year! I had many awards that year as a rookie, also winning state when we were in seventh grade was pretty cool.

With spring practices and games suspended, how are you staying active?: I work out everyday, still getting the team together and going to throw and hit in cages, my dad gives me infield all the time even if the season wasn't suspended. Also I have a job, I work Monday through Friday.

What are some of your goals for the future?: I really just want to be happy with what I do. I would like to get into construction management if I decide to keep my job that I'm working this summer. Most likely I will be attending St. John's University playing football and baseball receiving my four year Bachelor of Science Nursing degree and become a travel nurse.

From the coach; Jayson Pautzke: For Athlete of the Week I nominate my three captains for the 2020 baseball season. Lucas Athey, Caleb Koch and Jaden Ponto. They've been dedicated to Mora Baseball for most of their lives - they've played a lot of baseball at a variety of levels. They are hard workers that love to play the game.



MARI RINGNESS | SUBMITTED

Ogilvie honors high school seniors

Ogilvie High School staff recently went door to door to deliver a Class of 2020 sign to all graduating seniors to recognize and support them during this distance learning period. Seniors are missing some pretty significant and important milestones their senior year. This gesture of support lets them know how much we care and that we truly are "in this together" as our sign says to our seniors. Pictured are Kelsi Olson and high school principal, Sue Davis.

HISTORY: Funding rests on Nov. ballot

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buildings such as Coin, Whittier and Webster schools would be unavailable to the public.

HISTORY CENTER HISTORY

Operated by the Kanabec County Historical Society, the Center is located on 37 acres bordering the Snake River on the west side of Mora.

Kanabec County Historical Society was first formed approximately 90 years ago. The Kanabec History Center opened on June 24, 1978.

The property KHC sits on and the building itself were dedicated to the Kanabec County Historical Society by Pete McVay, in memory of his wife, Mary.

BALLOT QUESTION

County Question 1: Approval of Special Tax Levy for Kanabec County Historical Society

Shall the Board of County Commissioners of Kanabec County be authorized to establish and levy a special tax levy to be levied on all taxable property in Kanabec County, in the aggregate amount of \$30,000 per year, beginning with taxes payable in 2021, and each year thereafter, the proceeds of which shall be appropriated to the Kanabec County Historical Society to support its work and purposes?

Yes
 No

By voting "yes" on this ballot question, you are voting for a property tax increase

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NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

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

That default has occurred in the conditions of the following described mortgage:

DATE OF MORTGAGE: May 22, 2012

ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: \$53,550.00

MORTGAGOR(S): George Vedder, an unmarried man

MORTGAGEE: Bank of America, N.A.

DATE AND PLACE OF FILING: Recorded on June 13, 2012 as Document Number 243053 in the Office of the County Recorder of Kanabec County, Minnesota.

ASSIGNMENTS OF MORTGAGE: Assigned to: Green Tree Servicing, LLC by assignment recorded on August 19, 2013 as Document Number 247548 in the Office of the County Recorder of Kanabec County, Minnesota;

thereafter assigned to New Residential Mortgage, LLC by assignment recorded on January 24, 2019 as Document Number 265390 in the Office of the County Recorder of Kanabec County, Minnesota;

thereafter assigned to LoanCare, LLC by assignment recorded on February 18, 2020 as Document Number 269197 in the Office of the County Recorder of Kanabec County, Minnesota.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: That part of the Southwest Quarter of Southwest Quarter of Section 8, Township 39, Range 23, described as follows: Beginning at a point where the East line of said tract intersects the North right-of-way line of County Road lying along the South of said property; thence running North along the East line of said tract a distance of 369 feet; thence running west parallel to the South line of said tract a distance of 354 feet; thence running south parallel to the East line of said tract a distance of 369 feet, more or less to the North right-of-way line of said County Road; thence running East along the North right-of-way line said County Road a distance of 354 feet to the point of beginning, said tract consisting of three (3) acres, more or less and being a part of the SW 1/4 of SW 1/4 of Section 8, Township 39, Range 23, County of Kanabec State of Minnesota.

STREET ADDRESS OF PROPERTY: 2322 200TH AVE, MORA, MN 55051

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

THE AMOUNT CLAIMED TO BE DUE ON THE MORTGAGE ON THE DATE OF THE NOTICE: \$34,106.66

TRANSACTION AGENT: None

NAME OF MORTGAGE ORIGINATOR: Bank of America, N.A. RESIDENTIAL SERVICER: LoanCare, LLC

TAX PARCEL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 04.00640.00

TRANSACTION AGENT'S conveyance.

Dated: April 2, 2020

TROTT LAW, P.C.

By: /S:/Michael van Muelken Michael van Muelken (0399062) Attorney for Plaintiff 25 Dale Street North St. Paul, MN 55102 Telephone: (651) 209-9792 Mvanmuelken@trottlaw.com (19-1651-LIT01)

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MORTGAGE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: None

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

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

DATE AND TIME OF SALE: May 6, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.

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

to pay the debt then secured by said mortgage and taxes, if any actually paid by the mortgagee, on the premises and the costs and disbursements allowed by law. The time allowed by law for redemption by said mortgagor(s), their personal representatives or assigns is twelve (12) months from the date of sale.

TIME AND DATE TO VACATE PROPERTY: Unless said mortgage is reinstated or the property redeemed, or unless the time for redemption is reduced by judicial order, you must vacate the premises by 11:59 p.m. on May 6, 2021.

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

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

Dated: March 5, 2020

LOAN CARE, LLC Mortgagee TROTT LAW, P.C.

By: /s/ N. Kibongni Fondungallah, Esq. Samuel R. Coleman, Esq.

Michael van Muelken, Esq. Attorneys for Mortgagee 25 Dale Street North St. Paul, MN 55102 (651) 209-9760 (19-1354-FC01)

THIS IS A COMMUNICATION FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR.

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PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING 2020 ANNUAL PLAN & 5-YEAR PLANS

A public hearing regarding the Housing and Redevelopment Authority of Mora's 2020-2024 Five-Year PHA Plan, 2020 Annual PHA Plan, and 2020-2024 Capital Fund Program Five-Year Plan is

scheduled for Wednesday, May 27, 2020 at 3:30 p.m. at 160 Valhalla Circle, Mora MN.

The public hearing will be held for the following purpose:

Provide an opportunity for members of community and residents to express comments regarding the HRA's 2020-2024 Five-Year PHA Plan, 2020 Annual PHA Plan, and 2020-2024 Capital Fund Program Five-Year Plan.

Draft copies of the plans are available for review at the HRA's business office, located at 820 Howe Ave., Suite 104, Mora MN 55051. Office hours are 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday. During the COVID-19 business office closure, plans may be requested by emailing director@morahra.org or calling (320) 679-4789, ext. 101.

Written comments must be received by May 25, 2020, and may be sent to the following address: Housing and Redevelopment Authority of Mora PO Box 209 Mora MN 55051 or email director@morahra.org.

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NOTICES

DISTRICT COURT COUNTY OF KANABEC TENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT CASE TYPE: REFORMATION/DECLARATORY JUDGMENT SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

Court File No.: 33-CV-20-52

JEROME HENNESSEY, Plaintiff, vs. TROY TROMBURG, JOEY E. TROMBURG, SUZANNE L. TROMBURG, JEFFREY B. TROMBURG, THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF GAIL TROMBURG, REBECCA HENNESSEY, JOHN DOE, AND MARY ROE, Defendants.

THIS SUMMONS IS DIRECTED TO REBECCA HENNESSEY AND THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF GAIL TROMBURG

1. YOU ARE BEING SUED. The Plaintiff has started a lawsuit against you. The Plaintiff's Complaint against you is on file in the office of the court administrator of the above-named court. Do not throw these papers away. They are official papers that affect your rights. You must respond to this lawsuit even though it may not yet be filed with the Court and there may be no court file number on this summons.

2. YOU MUST REPLY WITHIN 20 DAYS TO PROTECT YOUR RIGHTS. You must give or mail to the person who signed this summons a written response called an Answer within 20 days of the date on which you received this Summons. You must send a copy of your Answer to the person who signed this summons located at: Trott Law, P.C., 25 Dale Street North, St. Paul, MN 55102.

3. YOU MUST RESPOND TO EACH CLAIM. The Answer is your written response to the Plaintiff's Complaint. In your Answer you must state whether you agree or disagree with each paragraph of the Complaint. If you believe the Plaintiff should not be given everything asked for in the Complaint, you must say so in your Answer.

4. YOU WILL LOSE YOUR

CASE IF YOU DO NOT SEND A WRITTEN RESPONSE TO THE COMPLAINT TO THE PERSON WHO SIGNED THIS SUMMONS.

If you do not Answer within 20 days, you will lose this case. You will not get to tell your side of the story, and the Court may decide against you and award the Plaintiff everything asked for in the Complaint. If you do not want to contest the claims stated in the Complaint, you do not need to respond. A default judgment can then be entered against you for the relief requested in the Complaint.

5. LEGAL ASSISTANCE. You may wish to get legal help from a lawyer. If you do not have a lawyer, the Court Administrator may have information about places where you can get legal assistance. Even if you cannot get legal help, you must still provide a written Answer to protect your rights or you may lose the case.

6. ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION. The parties may agree to or be ordered to participate in an alternative dispute resolution process under Rule 114 of the Minnesota General Rules of Practice. You must still send your written response to the Complaint even if you expect to use alternative means of resolving this dispute.

7. THIS LAWSUIT MAY AFFECT OR BRING INTO QUESTION TITLE TO REAL PROPERTY located in Kanabec County, State of Minnesota, legally described as follows:

PARCEL 1 The Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter (SW 1/4 of NE 1/4), Section Thirty-four (34), Township Forty-one (41), Range Twenty-two (22), Kanabec County, Minnesota. PID: 13.01605.00 AND

The Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter (NW 1/4 of SE 1/4), Section Thirty-four (34), Township Forty-one (41), Range Twenty-two (22), Kanabec County, Minnesota. PID: 13.01600.00 PARCEL 2

The East Half of the Southeast Quarter (E 1/2 of SE 1/4), Section Thirty-four (34), Township Forty-one (41), Range Twenty-two (22), Kanabec County, Minnesota. PID: 13.01595.00 AND

The North Half of the Southwest Quarter (N 1/2 of SW 1/4), Section Thirty-five (35), Township Forty-one (41), Range Twenty-two (22), Kanabec County, Minnesota. PID: 13.01625.00 PARCEL 3

The North Half of the Northwest Quarter (N 1/2 of NW 1/4), Section Thirty-five (35), Township Forty-one (41), Range Twenty-two (22), Kanabec County, Minnesota. PID: 13.01625.10 PARCEL 4

The South Half of the Northwest Quarter (S 1/2 of NW 1/4), Section Thirty-five (35), Township Forty-one (41), Range Twenty-two (22), Kanabec County, Minnesota. PID: 13.01625.20

That object of said action is to obtain a court order pursuant to Minn. Stat. §555.01 reforming the personal representative's deed, document number 248352, nunc pro tunc and declaring said personal representative's deed a valid

conveyance.

Dated: April 2, 2020

TROTT LAW, P.C.

By: /S:/Michael van Muelken Michael van Muelken (0399062) Attorney for Plaintiff 25 Dale Street North St. Paul, MN 55102 Telephone: (651) 209-9792 Mvanmuelken@trottlaw.com (19-1651-LIT01)

Published in the Kanabec County Times April 9, 16, 23, 2020

NOTICE OF PROPOSED SALE OF BRANCH OFFICES OF NEIGHBORHOOD NATIONAL BANK

Notice is hereby given that application has been made to the Kansas City Regional Office of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC"), 1100 Walnut Street, Suite 2100, Kansas City, Missouri 64106, by Neighborhood National Bank, 45 North Union Street, Mora, Minnesota 55051, for the FDIC's written consent to sell the assets and transfer the liabilities of the Main Office in Mora, Minnesota (located at 45 North Union Street, Mora, Minnesota 55051), the Aitkin, Minnesota branch (located at 15 Minnesota Avenue South, Aitkin, Minnesota 56431), the North Branch, Minnesota branch (located at 5481 St. Croix Trail, North Branch, Minnesota 55056), the Brainerd, Minnesota branch (located at 601 West Washington Street, Brainerd, Minnesota 56401), the Alexandria, Minnesota branch (located at 803 North Nokomis NE, Alexandria, Minnesota 56308), and the Mora, Minnesota branch (located at 710 Frankie Lane, Mora, Minnesota 55051) of Neighborhood National Bank to Wings Financial Credit Union, 14985 Glazier Avenue SE, Apple Valley, Minnesota 55124. Following consummation of the proposed transaction, the Main Office and the Aitkin, North Branch, Brainerd, Alexandria and Mora branches will be operated as offices of Wings Financial Credit Union. It is contemplated that upon consummation of the sale to Wings Financial Credit Union, Neighborhood National Bank will merge with and into a nonbank affiliate and cease operations as Neighborhood National Bank and have no ongoing activities.

Any person wishing to comment on this application may file his or her comments in writing with the Regional Director of the FDIC at its regional office, 1100 Walnut Street, Suite 2100, Kansas City, Missouri 64106 no later than April 25, 2020. The nonconfidential portions of the application are on file in the regional office and are available for public inspection. Photocopies of the nonconfidential portion of the application file will be made available upon request.

March 26, 2020

NEIGHBORHOOD NATIONAL BANK

45 North Union Street Mora, Minnesota 55051

Published in the Kanabec County Times March 26, April 9, April 23, 2020

NOTICE HAYBROOK TOWNSHIP

Haybrook Township will have its

annual road meeting on May 4, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. at the Haybrook Town Hall.

Respectfully, Chris Eggert, Clerk

Published in the Kanabec County Times April 23, 30, 2020

HEARING NOTICE OF PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDMENT WHITED TOWNSHIP

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: NOTICE is hereby given that the Board of Whited Township, Minnesota, will meet at 7:00 p.m. on May 7, 2020, at the Whited Town Hall located at 2448 260th Avenue, Brook Park, Minnesota 55007, to consider, and possibly adopt, an ordinance amendment to Ordinance No. 30, "AN ORDINANCE REPEALING SECTION 4, SUBD.3(C); SECTION 5, SUBD.3(F); SECTION 9, SUBD.4; AND SECTION 12, SUBD. 1(E)(3) OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF WHITED, MINNESOTA, AND ESTABLISHING NEW REGULATIONS REGARDING THE SAME, which would amend certain sections and language relating to Conditional Use Permit requirements so that those certain sections would be controlled by Interim Use Permits.

Due to COVID-19 and social distancing measures this Hearing will be held outside at the Whited Town Hall. This Hearing will be part of our regular monthly meeting and will be held immediately after the Call to Order.

Teresa Panka Whited Township Clerk

Published in the Kanabec County Times April 23, 2020

NOTICE PEACE TOWNSHIP

ROAD MEETING POSTPONED

The Peace Township Board is canceling the scheduled May 2, 2020 Road Meeting to May 16, 2020

Betty Caza, Clerk Peace Township

Published in the Kanabec County Times April 23, 2020

REQUEST FOR BIDS IDUN TOWNSHIP

Notice Request for Written Quotes for 2020/21

Idun Township is requesting contractors interested in submitting written quotes for road maintenance in Idun Township, Aitkin County, MN for 13 miles of road and ditches in Idun Township. Road maintenance includes, but not limited to road grading, hauling and leveling of gravel, replacement of culverts, maintaining proper flowage and brushing ditches. Snowplowing roads and the ability to respond in a timely manner to snow emergency situations when dispatched by Idun County Township supervisors. Questions can be directed to idunclerk@gmail.com or by calling 651-230-4512.

Written quotes should be received by 5 p.m. on Thursday, May 7, 2020 by sending to Idun Township Clerk, PO Box 282, Isle, MN 56342 or through email listed above.

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Purple Heart awarded after 27 year delay

125 YEARS AGO (1895)
There is no small amount of petty thieving going on in this community and steps should be taken to catch these thieves. They seem to have a Mania for everything they can get their hands on to. One night last week our axe was taken. The axe isn't worth a dollar but there is a 10 dollar bill awaiting the apprehension and conviction of the thief just the same.

100 YEARS AGO (1920)
Mac's Auto company has decided to erect a large addi-

tion to the garage and men are busily engaged this week excavating and putting the ground in readiness for the new building. When completed the building will be 50 x 220 and will give more room for cars and repair work. All cars going into the garage will enter on Union street and exit will be on Lake street. The business of the company is rapidly increasing.

50 YEARS AGO (1970)
Thieves got about \$500 in cash and 19 cases of top quality whiskey in a break-in at the Cougarville Castle last Friday night. Owner, Hans Larsen, discovered the loss when he went to open up in the morning. Larsen said that the thieves took nothing but the "best" grade of whiskey.

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25 YEARS AGO (1995)
The county board of Commissioners decided at its April 12 meeting to informally inves-



A SNAPSHOT IN TIME: Cultivating corn 1917-1918, Ruben Falk Farm-This photo and others are preserved through the efforts of the Kanabec History Center.

tigate possible building sights for a new courthouse.

Commissioners have not changed their January vote in favor of building a \$5 million first phase of a three-story addition linked to the courthouse

at the southwest by elevators.

THE NEWS From Yesteryear is compiled by Matt Anderson from the Times historical editions housed by the Kanabec History Center. The "News from Yesteryear" contains articles published in historic issues of the Times.



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OBITUARIES

David R. Blum

March 28, 1949 — April 14, 2020

David Roy Blum, of Mora, died on Tuesday, April 14, 2020, surrounded by family and in the comfort of his home, after a four year battle with non-Hodgkin lymphoma. He was 71 years old.

He was born on March 28, 1949, at Kanabec Hospital to David L. and Marlys (Johnson) Blum. They lived in the Kroschel area where he attended country school until the fourth grade, when his parents moved to a home north of Ann Lake. He then attended the Ogilvie Public School, graduating in 1967. Upon graduation, he briefly lived with an aunt and uncle in Blaine, while working at Larson Chevrolet in Minneapolis as a car runner and detail man.

In May 1968, he volunteered to serve and joined the U.S. Army. He attended basic training at Fort Campbell, Kentucky, advanced infantry training at Fort Dix, New Jersey and officer candidate school at Fort Benning, Georgia, where he received his commission as second lieutenant and served as a tactical officer. On Sept. 13, 1969, he was united in marriage to his high school sweetheart, Louie (Betty Lou) Leshner, while on leave. They lived in base housing at Fort Benning until he was deployed to Vietnam in December of 1969.

While in Vietnam, he was promoted to first lieutenant and served as a platoon leader of 1st Platoon, Delta Company, 4th Battalion, 31st Infantry, 196th Light Infantry Brigade, American Division. He was wounded twice, with the second incident resulting in his return to the U.S. where he spent several months at Irwin Army Hospital, Fort Riley, Kansas. He was awarded two Purple Hearts and a Bronze Star for heroism in ground combat.

Following honorable discharge in February of 1971, he and his wife bought a small farm in Ann Lake Township, where they would eventually raise their two children, Chris and Kelsey. He worked for the Kanabec County Highway Department for 40 years, beginning on the survey crew and retiring as the assistant engineer in 2011. He was a member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Ogilvie, the Mora American Legion Post and the Minnesota Deer Hunters Association. He also served on the Ann Lake Township Board for over 40 years.

He enjoyed fishing, deer hunting, raising black Angus beef cattle and watching his kids' activities as they grew up. He also loved listening to music, cooking, gardening, making wonderful salsa and spending time with family and friends. He was an adoring and enthusiastic "Grandpa Dave" to his grandchildren, a proud and loving father to his children and a loving, devoted husband and caregiver to his wife of over 50 years.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Marlys.

He is survived by his loving wife, Louie; children, Chris (Brooke) and Kelsey (Caleb Szydlo); grandchildren, Bergen and Peter; father, David L. Blum; brother, Donnie (DeeDee); many other relatives and friends; and his faithful dog, Gus. He was dearly loved and will be missed beyond words. His spirit will live in our hearts forever.

A celebration of his life will be held at a future date. Arrangements are by the Akkerman Ingebrand Funeral Home of Mora. Condolences may be posted at www.aifuneralhome.com.

**Kenneth L. Larson**

Dec. 5, 1954 — April 12, 2020

Kenneth Lawrence Larson, of Ogilvie, died Sunday, April 12, 2020, at Abbott Northwestern Hospital in Minneapolis. He was 65 years old.

He was born Dec. 5, 1954, in St. Paul to LaVern and Joyce (Warner) Larson. He was raised in St. Paul and then the family moved to Maple Ridge in Isanti County. He was united in marriage to Cheryl Schell in 1990, and they made their home in Braham. In 1996 they moved to Ogilvie. His dog, Buzz, was his best friend, and they were always together. He also enjoyed fishing, camping, music and playing cribbage. He was a loving husband, father and friend to all.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Cheri; sister, Joni Konz (niece Jenny); sister and brother in law, Kathy (Lenny) Schally.

He is survived by children, Bethany Freeborn, Angie (Matt) Flowers, Steve (Ashley) Schell, Sarah (Darrell) Larson; 10 plus grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; siblings, Barb (Tom) Buck, Jim (Sandy) Larson, Brenda (John) Sorget, Jane (Tom) Honchar; and by so many other relatives and friends.

Memorial visitation for the public from noon until 2:00 p.m., with only 10 people allowed at a time, on Saturday, April 18, 2020, at Strike Life Tributes in Cambridge. Private family visiting times also held. Online condolences can be made at StrikeLifeTributes.com.

**Cindy M. Johnson**

July 2, 1959 — April 19, 2020

Cindy Marie Johnson, of Mora, died peacefully in her sleep at home on Sunday, April 19, 2020, following a six month battle with cancer. She was 60 years old.

She was born on July 2, 1959, in Mora to parents Roy and Evelyn (Inderlie) Johnson. She met and later was united in marriage to the love of her life, Gary Dennis Johnson, with whom she spent 41 years of her life.

She was preceded in death by her parents; brother, Jim Johnson; and sister, Donna Johnson.

She is survived by her husband, Gary of Mora; sister, Mary Ann Brown of Newport; as well as many other family and friends.

A public visitation with current COVID-19 gathering guidelines will be held from noon-2:00 p.m. on

Thursday, April 23, 2020, at the Akkerman Ingebrand Funeral Home in Mora. A private family service will be held following with burial at the Oakwood Cemetery in Mora. Arrangements are by the Akkerman Ingebrand Funeral Home of Mora. Condolences may be posted at www.aifuneralhome.com

**Kenneth W. Winger**

Kenneth Wallace Winger, of New Hope, formerly of Mora, died on Thursday, April 9, 2020, at North Memorial Hospital in Robbinsdale. He was 82 years old.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Oscar and Lucille (Bazinet) Winger, and son, Garth Winger.



He is survived by his wife, Georgia of New Hope; children, Seth (Cindy) Winger of Annandale, Kristin (Mike) Green of Minneapolis and Kelly Winger of Mound; grandchildren, Nicole, Torri and David; great-grandchildren, Aubree and Jameson; sister, Barbara Gardin of Forest Lake; many other relatives and friends.

A private graveside service will be held at the Oakwood Cemetery in Mora at a future date. Arrangements are by the Akkerman Ingebrand Funeral Home of Mora. Condolences may be posted at www.aifuneralhome.com.

BIRTHS

Sawyer Jeanne Chouinard

Sawyer was born on Wednesday, April 15, 2020, at Cambridge Medical Center, part of Allina Health, to Andrea and Jason Chouinard of Sandstone. She weighed 8 pounds 8 ounces and was 21 and one half inches long.

She is welcomed home by siblings, Elliot, Brandon and Bailey.

Grandparents are Brenda and Mark Roberts of Sandstone, Marty Thomas of Sandstone, Karen and Steve Chouinard of Princeton and Jeanne and Greg Isaac of Elk River.

Calynn Elyse Helmbrecht

Calynn "Callie" was born on Friday, April 17, 2020, at Cambridge Medical Center, part of Allina Health, to Roger Helmbrecht and Brandie O'Connor of Quamba. She weighed 8 pounds 10 ounces and was 21 and one quarter inches long.

She is welcomed home by siblings, Maxwell, April, Blakely and Briggs.

Grandparents are Andrew Helmbrecht of Quamba and Cody and Robin Ward of Cambridge.

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 - High school diploma (or GED) and a minimum of three years of relevant food service experience.
 - Eight hours of food safety training preferred, ability to complete with 30 days of hire required.
- Previous experience working in a school nutrition or food service setting, School Nutrition Association Certification, or MN DOH Food Protection Manager Certification preferred.

Salary: Commensurate with education and experience

Application Deadline: April 28, 2020 - Start Date: approximately May 11, 2020

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For more information contact: Brent Nelson, High School Principal
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\$1,000 SIGN ON BONUS!

Shifts available:
1st, 2nd, and Weekend

5:00 am-3:30 pm (M-TH)
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5:00 am- 5:00 pm (FRI-SUN)

We offer a comprehensive benefits package, including 401(k) with company match!

Submit resumes to HR@chandlerindustries.com or call 612-339-8261.



\$62,000,000 New Mora School Just Another Deception!

Property Value	Yes	No
\$ 75,000	\$ 145	0
\$ 100,000	\$ 232	0
\$ 125,000	\$ 320	0
\$ 150,000	\$ 407	0
\$ 175,000	\$ 495	0
\$ 200,000	\$ 583	0
\$ 250,000	\$ 759	0
\$ 300,000	\$ 935	0
\$ 400,000	\$ 1,287	0
\$ 500,000	\$ 1,614	0

Plan B has not been approved by the MN Dept of Education.

Voting NO Adds Zero Taxes!



Estimated increase in annual property taxes for a yes vote and a no vote on May 12th.