



DRESSED UP: Ogilvie, Mora teens don't hold back on outfits for prom. **P10**

Should it stay, or should it go?

Preservation Committee sorts through high school memorabilia

BY SCOTT MCKINNEY
KANABEC COUNTY TIMES

As the Mora School District administration prepares to move to a new building, decisions must be made regarding what and where 86 years' worth of keepsakes should be displayed in the new building.

Mora High School Principal Brent Nelson and Assistant Principal Nick Bakke chair the Preservation Committee, whose 20 members have met twice. The committee is looking at ideas as to how best to display historical items in the new high school:

"The process has been remarkably free of controversy," said Nelson. "We have a year and a half before the new school opens, and our task is to determine how to deal with the trophies, awards, class photos, and other memorabilia."

The committee discusses which items should be on display, put in storage,



KIRSTEN FAURIE | TIMES

The head of the old "Millie Mustang" mascot costume, a wooden traveling trophy called "the goat" and a quilted banner of the school song lyrics—all of these items and many more are stored at the Mora High School. Decisions will need to be made about which of these items will be moved to the new high school in the fall of 2023. Mora High School Principal Brent Nelson and Administrative Assistant Grace Kubesh are on the committee established to help make these decisions.

auctioned off or tossed.

Among the most-discussed items are the framed displays of each Mora High School graduating class, currently exhibited in the hallways. "Many alumni are attracted to these," said Nelson, "as they provide a link to their past. We want to be responsive to the taxpayers of course, but unfortunately some of them are

100 feet long and the new school features multiple glass walls. Putting up the class pictures simply won't work."

The committee collaborates with Saint Paul-based Wold Architects and Engineers, the designers of the new school. "They've recommended three display cases, each showcasing a

different group of mementos," Nelson said. "One near the district office, one by the auditorium, and one in the athletic area."

Athletic trophies and dramatic playbills are obvious inclusions, but where does the committee draw the line? Nelson acknowledges this is a challenging

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Teen fishing team lands connections

BY SCOTT MCKINNEY
KANABEC COUNTY TIMES

As the Minnesota fishing season is scheduled to begin on Saturday, May 14, a local fisherman and high school teacher has launched a team designed to encourage students to participate in the sport.

Ogilvie High School has started a fishing team, using state funds meant to reduce isolation and build social and

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Mental health walk May 14 offers resources

BY KIRSTEN FAURIE
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Reducing negative stigma and providing resources to help the community care for their mental health is the goal of a free mental health awareness and community connection event this Saturday.

The "Step On Stigma" walk will be from 10 a.m.- 12 pm. May 14 at the Welia Center, 200 North 9th Street, Mora.

The event will include the option for

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Ogilvie considers giving up portions of Rutherford Street

BY KIRSTEN FAURIE
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The City of Ogilvie is considering vacating a portion of its right-of-way on Rutherford Street north of Tower Park. The proposal is a result of conversations between the city and the owners of Federated Co-Op and Ogilvie Mini Storage when discussing costs and options to repairing Rutherford Street.

If the city vacated the right-of-way, the change would essentially make Oric Ave. a dead end street and block through traffic along the north side of Tower Park.

Ogilvie residents may share their thoughts on the proposed change

during the city council's public hearing at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 18 at the Ogilvie City Hall 102 N. Hill Ave. Ogilvie.

'We're trying to do our best for the entire city of Ogilvie and for the businesses that are paying our way.'

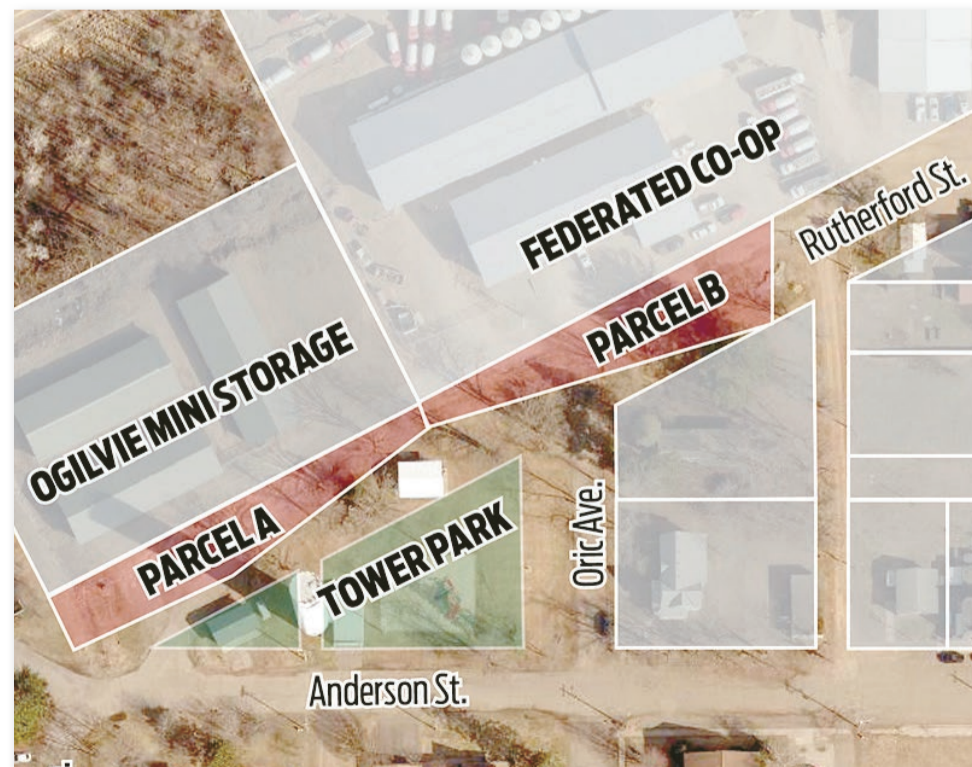
Mark Nilson
Ogilvie Mayor

THE DETAILS

The city is considering abandoning two portions of Rutherford Street, which total approximately 1/2 acre of property. The two narrow portions run along the southern boundaries of the Ogilvie Mini Storage and Federated Co-Op properties.

The street is in rough condition - a mix of pavement and gravel with large potholes. If the city vacated the street, they would not be responsible for maintaining it.

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"Parcel A" and "Parcel B" indicate the two areas on Rutherford Street the city of Ogilvie may vacate. This map is an approximate overlay of the parcels over an aerial photo meant to show the potential vacation of property. It is not exact. A professional survey map is available by request at Ogilvie City Hall.



KANABEC COUNTY COURT REPORT

The following charges were filed in Kanabec County Court on May 3-6, 2022. All individuals are presumed innocent until proven guilty.

- Lu Jacobson Bixler** (06/27/1961) of Mora was charged May 3 with one misdemeanor count of dog nuisance.
- John Michael Griep** (01/31/1965) of Mora was charged May 3 with one misdemeanor count of animal at large.
- Steven Michael Oster** (07/15/1994) of Mora was charged May 4 with one misdemeanor count of domestic assault-fear, one misdemeanor count of domestic assault-harm, two misdemeanor counts of assault in

- the fifth degree-fear of bodily harm or death.
- Branden James Williams** (03/01/1990) of Superior, Wisconsin was charged May 4 with one misdemeanor count of disorderly conduct.
- Robert John Coleman** (10/29/1959) of Brook Park was charged May 5 with one misdemeanor count of disorderly conduct.
- Heather Elizabeth Stromberg** (03/14/1988) of Two Harbors was charged May 6 with one misdemeanor count of giving false information to officer or court regarding vehicle insurance, one misdemeanor count of no vehicle insurance by owner and one misdemeanor count of driving after revocation of license.

FIRE CALLS

Monday, Feb. 7: At approximately 3:36 p.m. the Mora Area Fire Department was called to Islandview Drive to give lift assist for Welia Health.

Friday, Feb. 11: At approximately 11:04 a.m. the Mora Area Fire Department was called to Knife Lake Township where a garage fire had spread to a home. Mutual aid from Brook Park and Ogilvie was needed. The fire had started in the garage and spread to the attic of the home. The fire was attacked from both inside and outside to extinguish the blaze.

Tuesday, Feb. 22: At approximately 9:02 a.m. the Mora Area Fire Department was called to St. Mary's Church in Mora where a carbon monoxide alarm had sounded. Upon arrival the MAFD used their detectors and no carbon monoxide was found. Upon further inspection they found that the code on the alarm indicated that the detector needed to be replaced.

Woman charged in the death of her baby

STAFF REPORT
KANABEC COUNTY TIMES

Sara Marie Declusin, age 28, was charged with second degree manslaughter and endangering a child after her five-month-old baby died while in her care.

According to the criminal complaint filed by the Kanabec County Attorney's Office, deputies were called to Declusin's apartment in Mora the morning

of Jan. 22 where they found the child pale and not breathing. CPR was administered and the baby was taken to Welia Health hospital.

Declusin was allegedly asleep on the couch with the child, which had become positioned between Declusin and the couch. Autopsy determined the cause of death was positional asphyxia.

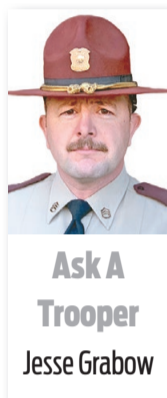
According to the complaint, investigators questioned witness-

es who indicated Declusin had allegedly been drinking alcohol, using methamphetamine and valium before falling asleep on the couch.

Declusin has multiple previous criminal convictions in Minnesota including possession of methamphetamine and DWI. Declusin was charged with one felony count of second degree manslaughter and one felony count of endangering a child.

Coming soon-dial 988 for mental health crisis

Question: I recently heard something about a new phone number "988" for people dealing with a mental health crisis. With all these three digit numbers, 911, 411, 511, can you talk about that?



Ask A Trooper
Jesse Grabow

Answer: 988 has been designated as the new three-digit dialing code that will route callers to the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline. While some areas may

be currently able to connect to the Lifeline by dialing 988, this dialing code will be available to everyone across the United States starting on July 16, 2022.

When people call, text, or chat 988, they will be connected to trained counselors that are part of the existing National Suicide Prevention Lifeline network.

These trained counselors will listen, understand how their problems are affecting them, provide support and connect them to resources if necessary.

The current Lifeline phone number (1-800-273-8255) will always remain available to people in emotional distress or suicidal crisis, even after 988 is launched

nationally.

Lifeline's network of over 180 crisis centers has been in operation since 2005, and has been proven to be effective. It's the counselors at these local crisis centers who answer the contacts Lifeline receives every day. Numerous studies have shown that callers feel less suicidal, less depressed, less overwhelmed and more hopeful after speaking with a Lifeline counselor.

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

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UPCOMING EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

MAY 14

Join the Flock, Let's Talk!

Recovering Hope Treatment Center, Welia Health and Northern Minnesota Suicide Prevention and Crisis Text Line are hosting a free mental health awareness event from 10 a.m. -12 p.m. at the Welia Center, 200 N. 9th Street, Mora.

Walk, learn and play as we share resources, engage in activities for kids and adults and raise awareness about mental health and reduce stigma. Swag, prizes refreshments and fun for every age.

MAY 16

Minding Your Mental Health COVID-19 and Beyond

Understand how and why COVID-19 has impacted people's mental health, learn how to manage expectations and stress as we work through the pandemic, learn the common symptoms of mental illness and steps you can take to promote good mental health.

This virtual class will be held from 9-10:30 a.m. To register go to: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8452812345>. For more information contact Kay King at kking@namimn.org or 651-645-2948 ext 113.

MAY 18

Pine County Genealogical Society

The Pine County Genealogical Society will meet at noon for lunch at Tobie's Restaurant and Bakery at 404 Fire Monument Road in Hinckley. Enter via south end entrance and turn right immediately into the lounge. We will be sharing our recent research, addressing genealogy research questions and discussing future programs. Visitors are always welcome.

MAY 21

Feathered Friends in Your Backyard

Join bird photographer Don Kaddatz for a fun-filled presentation and slideshow of year-round resident birds, migratory birds, and winter birds that visit our backyards here in East Central Minnesota. Resources and some fun fact trivia will be available. The event will be from 10-11 a.m. in the lower level of the Mora Library.

Registration is required. Go to the events calendar at ecrlib.org to register.

Mayra Designer Prize and Purse Bingo

This bingo event will take place at 1 p.m. at Fish Lake Resort.

East Central Minnesota Chorale

The East Central Minnesota Chorale will return to the Braham Event Center for a spring show together with Unum Vox. The dinner and show event starts at 6:30 p.m. Tickets may be purchased in person at Leader in Cambridge or online at brahamcenter.org. Go to the upcoming events tab.

MAY 22

Fish Lake Community BBQ

Fish Lake Chapel, 1602 Jade St., is hosting a free community BBQ from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Along with the BBQ there will be a bouncy house and yard games.

MAY 24

Veterans Coffee Talk

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

MAY 26

Memory Care Support

Are you caring for a loved one with memory loss? A memory care support group will meet from 10-11:00 a.m. at Eastwood Life Enrichment Center, 160 Valhalla Circle, Mora. RSVPs appreciated, but not required to Victoria at vsvoboda@walkermethodist.org or 763-203-1573. Light refreshments served.

MAY 28

Native Plant Sale

Kanabec County Master Gardeners are sponsoring a native plant sale. Shop for native flowering plants that provide food and shelter for native bees, butterflies and hummingbirds. The sale will be held from 8:00 a.m. until noon, or until the plants are sold out, at the Mora Farmers Market located in the Methodist Church parking lot.

MAY 29

Annual Memorial Day Service

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

RECURRING

MONDAYS

KCAA Open Studio

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

Narcotic Anonymous

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

TUESDAYS

TOPS Meets

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

WEDNESDAYS

Santosha Recovery

Addiction recovery meetings using yogic methods at 10 a.m. at the History Center, 805 Forest Ave. W., Mora.

SATURDAYS

Mora Farmers Market

Mora Area Farmers Market goes from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. It is located at the United Methodist Church parking lot with parking in the Zion Lutheran Church lot next door. Starts May 7.

SENIOR DINING MENU

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

Monday, May 16: Chicken Alfredo w/ egg noodles, lettuce with dressing, applesauce, bread, dessert.

Tuesday, May 17: Roast turkey, baked potato w/sour cream, carrots, bread, dessert.

Wednesday, May 18: Cook's choice.

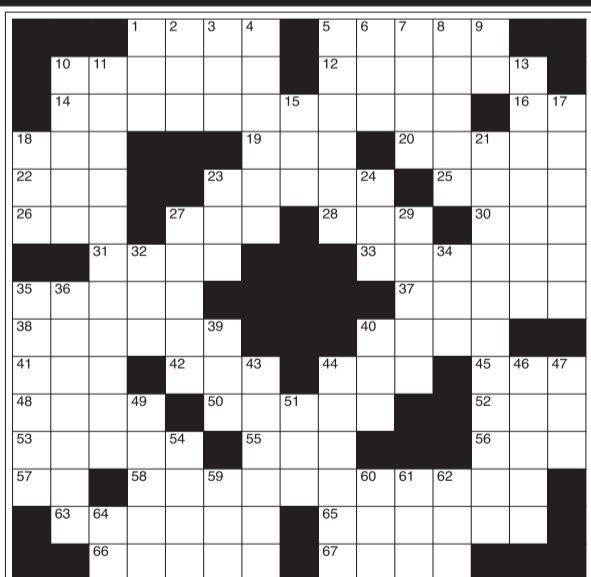
Thursday, May 19: Kielbasa sausage, O'Brien potatoes, baked beans, bread, pears.

Friday, May 20: Beef tips in gravy, whipped potatoes, mixed vegetable medley, bread, peaches.

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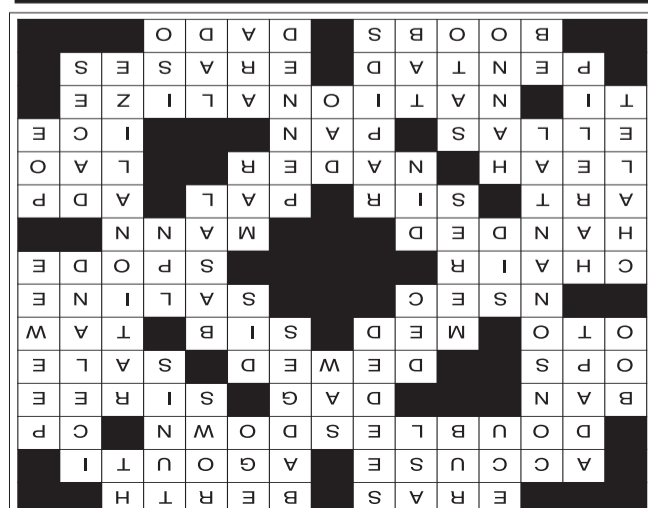
CLUES ACROSS

1. Amounts of time
5. A ship's place at a wharf
10. Point a finger at
12. Large, burrowing rodent
14. Raises the stakes
16. Measure of illumination
18. Cast out
19. One who is staid
20. A word used for emphasis
22. Military missions
23. Wet with rain
25. Selling at specially reduced prices
26. Word element meaning ear
27. ___ student,
28. Blood relation
30. Make into leather
31. One billionth of a second (abbr.)
33. Containing salt
35. A seat
37. A type of fine pottery
38. You're caught red-___!
40. "Heat" director Michael
41. Expression of creative skill
42. Title of respect
44. Crony
45. Payroll experts
48. Actress Remini
50. Famed consumer advocate
52. Indigenous Thai person
53. Fitzgerald and Baker are two
55. Cooking tool
56. Decorate a cake with frosting
57. The seventh note of a major scale
58. Transfer from private to state ownership
63. A set of five
65. Removes
66. Foolish persons
67. Lower parts of a wall

CLUES DOWN

1. Old EU money
2. Some put it on steak
3. Sign language
4. Sowed on the ground
5. Tags
6. Everyone has one
7. Arguments
8. N. African capital
9. Midgame (abbr.)
10. Change as needed
11. Functioning as a consonant
13. An island in the north Atlantic
15. Carpenter's tool
17. Small football player
18. Ghosts say it
21. Explain through logic
23. Having ten
24. Criticize
27. Arms of the sea
29. Belonging to a bottom layer
32. ___ Caesar, comedian
34. Licensed health care pro (abbr.)
35. Swiss cottage
36. Cleft lip
39. Loud, unpleasant noise
40. Disfigure
43. Kayakers traverse them
44. Authored
46. Small freshwater fishes
47. Macabre poet
49. Carthaginian statesman
51. Principle underlying the universe
54. Common Japanese surname
59. The bill in a restaurant
60. Small constellation
61. Chap
62. Equal
64. One quintillion bytes (abbr.)

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War by Russia in independent Ukraine is totally ridiculous

POLITICS IS NEVER safe in Minnesota when the legislature is in session. As we get close to the end of this session, I must compliment them for using surplus funds to restore the unemployment fund that was depleted during the pandemic.



Publisher Emeritus
Gene Johnson

Taxes are high in Minnesota. If those rates were increased, it's very difficult for small businesses to operate. However, they also are funding those workers in various professions and fields that worked extra hours under a lot of stress during the COVID-19 period.

However, there is a \$6 million surplus and I think that could be used to lower taxes. For example, Minnesota is one of several states where Social Security is taxed. Also, there

is another tax that I think would be helpful if it were reduced and that's for retired people who choose to change their residency to some of the southern states where there is no state tax. Minnesota state tax is punitive and there are several states that reduced their state tax rate for those in retirement years.

WAR INSTIGATED BY Russia in an independent country like Ukraine is totally ridiculous. Thousands of lives are being lost, families upset, with many fleeing to other countries against their best judgment.

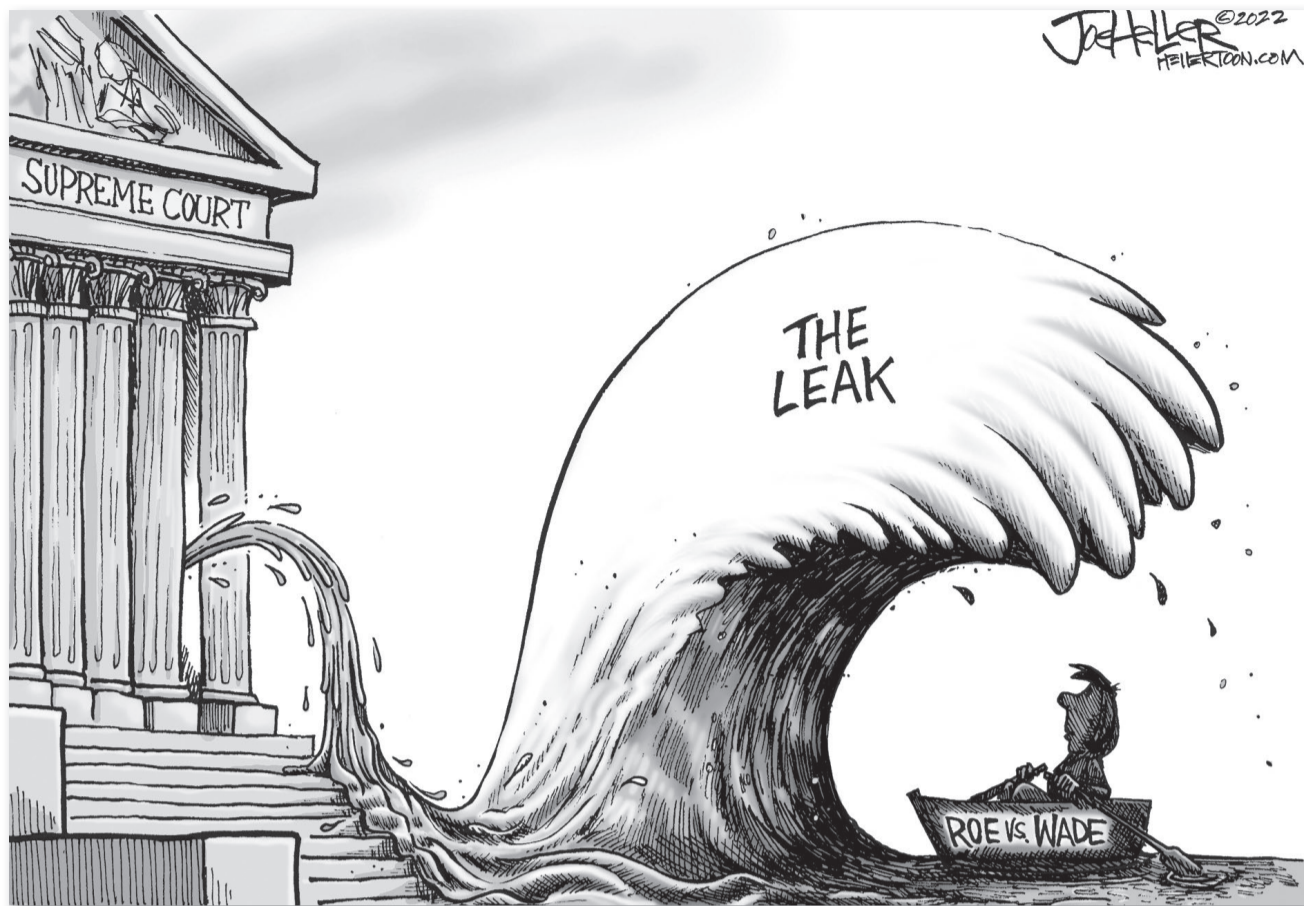
Ukraine is also considered the bread basket of Europe. As agriculture is being upset in massive ways, which will lead to millions of deaths because of starvation, it will also cause food prices to soar and have either a direct or indirect impact on people of the entire world.

On the other hand, when there is war, farmers in the United States benefit. They are already experiencing it by selling grains at high prices that have been held in storage. However, after this spring they will not have advanced contracts on fuel, fertilizers and seeds, their cost will rise and this too will further the inflation factor.

ALONG WITH MANY other snowbirds, we returned home from Fort Myers, Florida last week. It's always good to return home and connect with family and neighbors and catch up with information at the coffee shops.

THIS WEATHER TELLS me that we may skip spring this year and go right into summer. Gardeners tell us that planting will be a couple weeks later as the ground continues to be cold and the daytime temperatures are at least 10 degrees below normal.

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Roe v. Wade leak shows benefit of a free press

Well, at least, we know: Roe v. Wade, which has protected abortion rights in the U.S. since 1973, seems likely to be overturned.



First Amendment Center
Gene Policinski

And we know this not from a government news release or even the announcement of a court decision, but from a leak of a draft document to journalists, whose job is to keep us as informed and up to date as possible on matters of public interest.

At 8:32 p.m. EDT Monday, the online news organization Politico broke the news that it had obtained a draft of a U.S. Supreme Court opinion showing a 5-4 majority in favor of reversing the court's seminal Roe v. Wade decision.

Chief Justice John Roberts, even

as he decried what seems to be the most "egregious" leak of confidential information in the court's history, confirmed that Politico had it right. The result of the story has been an explosion of public demonstrations, political punditry on the abortion issue and upcoming elections and outright speculation on the motives of whoever leaked the draft. It has also offered an introduction for many to the operations of the court, a polarizing body that often operates in secret.

For those debating the ethics of publishing the leaked draft, consider this:

If history tells us anything, it's that when journalists don't tell us what they know, all they know or sometimes even just suspect, we are poorer for it. While the tale has been debunked that *The New York Times* withheld reporting in advance about the misbegotten Bay of Pigs invasion of Cuba in 1961, President John F. Kennedy later ruefully remarked that had the newspaper done even more of

its detailed stories in advance, the plan might have been shelved.

The classic example of leaks to the press that benefited the nation is Daniel Ellsberg's 1971 leak of the Pentagon Papers, which peeled back years of government misrepresentation, misdirection and outright lies about U.S. involvement in the war in Vietnam.

Would we have known in 2004 without press reports — including leaked photos — of widespread torture at Abu Ghraib by U.S. military jailers? Starting around 2006 and through the 2013 massive information leak by government contractor Edward Snowden, would we know of massive government surveillance of personal online and telephone communications?

None of those examples of a free press doing its job or Politico's Monday night scoop are without their critics — and perhaps danger as well. We live in a time when

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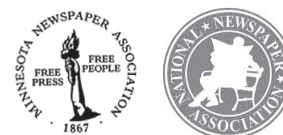
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HEARD ON THE STREET BY KIM LUECK-FOSS

At the Kanabec County Fairgrounds for the city wide garage sales, on May 7, we asked the following question:

What is the strangest or wackiest thing you found today?



**Sandra Brandanger
Mora**

We bought a glass that says "Dad, the Man, the Myth, the Legend" We (kids and I) are giving it to my husband for Fathers Day.



**Sue Greiner
Mora**

A big white glass bowl with cherubs and flowers and leaves all over it. I was attracted to it and almost bought it.



**Kathy Dodge
Finlayson**

Nothing that I haven't seen before. You never know what you're going to find.



**Melanie Granlund
Fridley**

A bright glowing, neon orange prom dress and neon lime green sandals.



**Robin Granlund
Mora**

A really weird creepy witch doll.



**Tammy Stafford
Ogilvie**

I haven't seen anything strange yet, but I'm still looking.

FREE PRESS: First Amendment protects free press

FROM PAGE 4

documented attacks on journalists for just doing their job are on the rise, in numbers and intensity.

The Associated Press reported that Politico sent a memo to staff members on Tuesday saying it had restricted access to its offices and told security to be "extra vigilant" about visitors. The company also urged employees to consider removing their Politico affiliation on social media accounts. AP reported that The Federalist, a conservative website, headlined a story, "The SCOTUS Abortion Decision Leak is what Actual Treasonous Insurrection Looks Like."

No, it is not. It is what freedom looks like.

A free press has First Amendment protection from government control to do precisely what Politico did: Tell us things we need to know, with no requirement to wait for official approval or consent.

One thing the online news operation does not have to fear is government prosecution for publishing the leaked material. A 2001 Supreme Court decision involving an intercepted cell phone conversation established that a third party may divulge information they innocently receive, even if the source of that information violated a law in obtaining it. In the case of this leaked Supreme Court draft, it may not have been a criminal act at all.

A clear result of the leaked draft opinion — apart from Justice Roberts' well-placed concerns about the integrity of court discussions — is a nation energized, engaged and in active debate over the issue of abortion rights.

There's nothing in the First Amendment that says the five freedoms it protects will always operate in a neat and tidy fashion. In fact, its protection of dissent and "robust and vigorous" discussion appears throughout First Amendment history.

On the likely fate of Roe v. Wade: Now we know. Thanks to a free press.

GENE POLICINSKI, is a Freedom Forum senior fellow for the First Amendment Center.



KIRSTEN FAURIE | TIMES

Farmer's Market opens for the season

Vendor Lauri Rockne talks tomatoes and medicinal plants with shoppers of the Mora Area Farmer's Market as it opened for the season Saturday, May 7 with a number of vendors selling items like handcrafted furniture, metal art, plants, fresh eggs, soaps, crafts and more. The farmers market is open from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. every Saturday May through October at the Mora United Methodist Church with parking in the adjacent Zion Lutheran Church lot.

Best friends forever: Native plants, pollinators essential to food chain

Native plants, pollinator information available May 28

Have you noticed empty shelves in the grocery store? While there are many reasons that this is occurring at this time, declining bee populations are a contributing cause. More than a third of our food supply is dependent on pollinators. To ensure that pollina-



**Master
Gardener
Juanita Etter**

tors are present to pollinate our food supply they need a continuous food supply throughout the summer. But bees and butterflies are also experiencing a shortage in their food supply due to a lack of native flowering plants in our landscapes.

Native plants and native pollinators are BFF's. They were made for each other, they evolved together, each helping to meet the needs of the other. Native plants supply bees, butterflies and hummingbirds with food and shelter needed for survival and native pollinators provide reproduction security for plants.

Minnesota is home to approximately 400 species of native bees and is one of the few places where the endangered Rusty Patch Bumblebee still exists. Native plants provide high quality

pollen and nectar that native pollinators need to survive and reproduce. Pollen is the primary source of protein for native bees and nectar is their source of carbohydrates. Pollen and nectar are also the ingredients of the bee bread on which native bees lay their eggs, ensuring that the newly emerged larva have an immediate source of food.

Native plants also provide nesting sites for stem nesting bees. Adult bees lay their eggs in last years empty stems and the following spring and summer new bees emerge from those stems. I even see bees sleeping on my native allium early in the morning until the sun warms them enough and then they are busy gathering pollen once again. Some native plants like milkweed, aster, purple cone flower,

and wild blue lupine are host plants for butterflies, giving them the best choices for egg-laying where the tiny larva may begin eating as soon as they emerge.

You have a great opportunity to add some native plants to your garden this year. The Kanabec County Master Gardeners are hosting a Native Plant Sale on May 28 at the Mora Farmer's Market. The sale will begin at 8:00 a.m. and last until noon or until the plants are sold out. This event is also an opportunity for you to learn more about native plants and pollinators including the Rusty Patch Bumblebee.

JUANITA ETTER is a Kanabec County Master Gardener Volunteer.

MEMORABILIA: Committee decides which high school trophies, trinkets come with on school's moving day

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task. "There's been several recommendations from the public," he said. "One person suggested that we include a section of seating from the gymnasium. Another proposed we include a current hallway locker. Still another asked us to include one of the 'Fallout Shelter' signs which haven't been in use for years. We'll need to decide on bigger items too, like the engraved stone currently on display by the main entrance."

Nelson applauds the committee for producing innovative plans. At their May 2 meeting, they recommended displaying a "loop" of the high school picture boards as an accessible place in the school, and/or featuring these on an online site. The committee includes two individuals from the Kanabec County Historical Society. "We also discussed auctioning off many of the items. One person specifically wants to own a high-school locker."

Though the new high school isn't due to open until fall of 2023, Nelson said the committee is mindful of the time. "The meeting this past Monday went really well," he said. "We hope to have a plan in place within three months."

Area outlook for May 14 fishing opener

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Minnesota's fishing opener is almost here. It's time for anglers to make sure their boat is ready to hit the water, rods and reels are prepped and the tackle box is stocked. But, most importantly make sure to get fishing licenses.

Saturday, May 14 marks the opening of walleye, northern pike and trout season. Catch-and-release bass season also starts on Saturday.

For walleye, the local DNR office suggests looking at lakes such as North Center (Center City), Pokegama (Pine City), Knife (Mora) and Green (near Princeton) lakes. Watch the shallower lakes for active walleye.

As for northern pike they say both East and West Rush lakes and nearby Goose Lake should provide good action as well as true trophy potential. There are some special regulations for northerns on both East and West Rush lakes however. The pike possession limit is now three with a protected slot from 26 to 40 inches and you can only keep one that is greater than 40 inches.

Anglers considering Goose and its connected lakes should be aware of crappie (daily limit of 5 fish) and walleye (fish smaller than 17" must be immediately released) special regulations in place.

If you are looking to fish the St. Croix River this weekend the DNR's report says the river has many accesses for small boats and also ample shore and wade fishing opportunities with much of the riverbank in public ownership.

Being a border water, size and bag limits are different. The walleye bag

is six but with a 15-inch minimum. The northern pike bag is five with no length restrictions.

For more information or to check on lakes outside of our area visit the DNR's fishing report site at <https://www.dnr.state.mn.us/fishing/outlooks.html>.

The larger male sunfish set the tone for the size of the rest of the population ... their mere presence forces other males to make the choice to grow big.

NEW SUNFISH REGULATIONS ON AREA LAKES

The DNR recently introduced the Quality Sunfish Initiative (QSI) which is a statewide effort by fisheries managers to increase the size of sunfish. The QSI has increased the number of lakes with special sunfish regulations which will protect or improve sunfish populations on select lakes using reduced harvest. It will also help provide managers with insights into what determines success or failure of reduced bag limits for sunfish.

The QSI works by reducing the number of fish that are allowed to be taken from certain lakes. Many of the lakes in Pine County have a good sunfish population and will continue to operate under the current statewide regulations of 20 sunfish per angler.

However, in the case of Cross and Pokegama Lakes near Pine City, the

number of sunfish that are allowed daily is going from 20 to 10, according to Hinckley Area Fisheries Supervisor Leslie George.

"This is an effort to protect the quality-sized fish that currently exist," she said.

The DNR's goal with this initiative has been to increase the number of lakes with reduced bag limits from 60 to 250 by 2023.

DNR RECOMMENDS RELEASING BIGGER SUNFISH

One would think that when sunfish overpopulate the best strategy would be to harvest more of them, however, studies have shown that to be ineffective and can even contribute to the problem.

The larger male sunfish set the tone for the size of the rest of the population. The big males get the best spawning locations, attract more females and are better at protecting the nest and eggs.

According to the DNR their mere presence forces other males to make the choice to grow big. Without the larger fish, the smaller males can focus their energy on reproductive growth rather than physical growth. So by releasing the larger fish limits reproduction which in turn limits the number of smaller fish in the lakes.

FISH FROM SHORE

Don't have a boat? No problem, there are many fish from shore opportunities in the area and statewide.

The DNR offers a couple shore fishing instructional videos that cover general shore fishing basics for lakes and rivers. Videos are at www.dnr.state.mn.us/fishwildlife/outreach/index.html#tab-1-2 then under methods.

ANGLERS: Ogilvie fishing team connects kids with outdoors, each other

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emotional connections.

Head coach Tanner Hagglund learned of the Minnesota fishing league from students and discussed it with Ogilvie activities director Dave Nickles. Next came conversations with district superintendent Kathy Belsheim and high school principal Sue Davis, all of whom supported the idea.

"Fishing is a big part of Minnesota's culture," Haaglund said, "and instead of playing with their X-boxes, this helps provide an opportunity for students to learn all about it."

B.A.S.S. is the Bass Anglers Sportsman Society, based in Alabama. The B.A.S.S. Nation is a global network of locally organized clubs whose members participate in and support a range of activities including tournaments, conservation initiatives and youth programs. As part of the Minnesota Junior B.A.S.S Nation organization, young anglers compete in local opens and the state championship. Some teams advance from there to national

competitions.

Hagglund said that approximately 40 Minnesota schools in eight conferences participate in the Junior B.A.S.S. Nation. Currently the team includes two Ogilvie and two Mora students, though Hagglund is confident that Mora High School will eventually host its own team. Ogilvie's team is part of Minnesota's North Metro conference along with Cambridge-Isanti, Chisago Lakes, Forest Lake and Cretin-Derham Hall.

Hagglund is Ogilvie's Industrial Tech teacher and says there is strong interest in the team among students.

Tournament dates are scheduled on Mondays: June 13, June 27 and July 18. The 2022 state tournament takes place in August or September.

Participants must provide their own boats and equipment and must be licensed to fish in Minnesota. In addition, an adult is required to drive each boat. Hagglund said there are numerous opportunities for volunteers to participate in league activities.

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The Norby Family Benefit Committee would like to thank the following who helped support a great day and great cause:

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*If we missed someone, we are very sorry.
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Snake River Watershed Public Meeting

Tuesday, May 17th

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Counties and Soil & Water Conservation Districts within the Snake River Watershed will be rolling out a nearly completed 10-year plan to guide protection and restoration of our natural resources within the watershed. **We want your feedback.**

STIGMA: Event emphasizes mental care, resources

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walking around the track, activities for kids and adults, prizes, dancing and plenty of resources and information.

The event is hosted by Recovering Hope Treatment Center, Welia Health, Better Together, and Northern Minnesota Suicide Prevention and Crisis Text Line. Kanabec County Community Health Promo-

tions Coordinator Patti Miller said, "The goals for the Step on Stigma Event are simple: Raise awareness about mental health and wellness, mental health resources in our community, and continuing to change the narrative about mental health so people/communities are not afraid to talk about it."

"Globally, nationally, and locally many have experienced some difficult times over the past

two years. Each person handles life's challenges with a different set of tools. Finding ways in which we can stay mentally well or improve our mental wellness means we can be more resilient and add tools to our tool box."

Recovering Hope President Sadie Broekemeier said mental health is a community issue — and not something someone has to navigate by themselves.

"We want to make sure we are treating mental health as 'we'llness not 'I'llness. Please come help us reduce the stigma and to help individuals know that they are not in this alone."

Information at the event will include self-care techniques like incorporating good sleep habits, physical moment and mindfulness into their day-to-day routines.



MIKE FAURIE | SUBMITTED

Community members gathered on Union Street to support the Norby Family benefit which included a beer bust, live music, silent auction, live auction and more.

RUTHERFORD: Street may be vacated, fenced

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Federated Co-op CEO Mike McMahon said he was concerned about the safety of the area. McMahon said if the city vacated the easement, he would want to fence and gate the area to keep children away from where trucks are moving, as well as protecting the property from vandalism and theft.

Furthermore, the extra "elbow room" would give them the space they need to expand their ability to service their trucks on the site.

"We need room to grow," he said. In the interest of being a "good neighbor" to the people of Ogilvie, McMahon offered to pay for installation of a sidewalk to the city's picnic shelter, as it is currently surrounded by turf.

THE DEBATE

Theodora Schmoll lives near the park and has spoken vehemently against the abandoning this part of the street. She said Tower Park is heavily used by the community and people use Rutherford Street to access it.

In speaking to the council, Schmoll said, "I don't know how in all good conscious, you elected officials can take away something the public uses all the time ... We use that land. We shouldn't give it away."

Meanwhile, Mayor Mark Nilson said he wants to keep Federated Co-op comfortable in Ogilvie, as they are one of the few commercial properties within the city limits and pay a large portion of property taxes.

"We're trying to do our best for the entire city of Ogilvie and for the businesses that are paying our way," he said.

Nilson argued that Tower Park is still easily accessible from its other sides, therefore the change won't reduce the public's ability to use the park.

WHAT'S NEXT

Ogilvie residents may share their thoughts on the proposed change during the city council's public hearing at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 18 at the Ogilvie City Hall 102 N. Hill Ave. Ogilvie.

After the public hearing, the city council may vote on vacation of the street or table the issue.

Community rallies for Norby family

BY KIRSTEN FAURIE
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The community turned out en masse to support the family of Josh Norby during a May 7 benefit following his recent illness and continuing recovery.

Josh was able to appear at the event, and said the support he saw from the community was "overwhelming."

Forty-two year old Josh is an industrial arts teacher at Mora High School while his wife, Rachel, teaches English. Their two young children, Paisley and Auggie are ages 9 and 5.

Josh tested positive for COVID-19 around Christmas time and was later diagnosed with pneumonia.

He had been in and out of the

hospital over the next months then on Feb. 23 was brought to the emergency room then to Abbott Northwestern Hospital in Minneapolis. On March 7, Josh was moved to the ICU in critical condition and put on a ventilator and paralytics. He slowly regained back his strength and was removed from the ventilator. He came home April 27.

That day, the community welcomed him home with a parade past students and staff in front of the high school.

Rachel said getting to welcome Josh back home "felt like coming up to the surface of the water after being submerged for a long time. I felt like I could finally breathe again and could feel the sunshine on my face from above."

Physicians have told the Norby

family that Josh may make a full recover with time, emphasizing that it will be a long and slow process.

The family has been encouraged by his progress, but also by the support of their friends and neighbors.

"We have truly been humbled by the outpouring of love and support from our community," said Rachel.

"From making meals to helping with farm chores to uplifting our family with prayers, people have truly been the 'hands and feet of Jesus' to our family. When things were really hard, this community carried our family 'through the fire,' so to speak. There really aren't words to express how grateful we are to our community."

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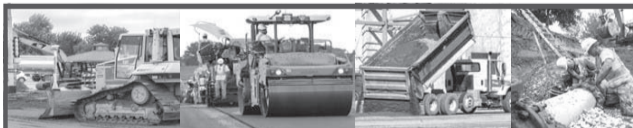
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Snake River Canoe Race Saturday May 7, 2022



KIRSTEN FAURIE | TIMES

Boaters began the 15-mile Snake River Canoe Race in waves based on their boat class. While many boaters were from Minnesota, Wisconsin or Iowa, some came from as far away as California, Washington, Arkansas, New Hampshire and Canada.



KIRSTEN FAURIE | TIMES

Tim Patenaude of Mora was one of 48 participants that chose to paddle in a kayak rather than a canoe.



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Ogilvie students' positive behavior earns play time

Ogilvie elementary students (preschoolers pictured here) received a special reward after meeting goals for demonstrating positive behavior. The school hired Ninja Anywhere, a company offering inflatables and obstacle courses including swinging ropes and climbing walls. The children got time to play, explore the obstacles and build confidence.



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High school senior re-makes grandmother's dress for prom

BY KIRSTEN FAURIE
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A Mora teenager is revitalizing a family heirloom just in time for prom, honoring a special connection between her and her grandmother.

Caroline Moe of Mora was sorting through some long-stored items in her parents' home when she and her daughter Annelise discovered a bin of vintage clothing. Among the items they found a green formal dress that had belonged to Annelise's grandma, Maxine Kornmann.

Grandma Max told the family she last wore it to a formal dance in approximately 1957 or 1958. Annelise loved it, and decided with some alterations, it would make a perfect dress for her to wear to the Mora High School Prom on Saturday, May 14.

Caroline said Annelise and Grandma Max have a close relationship which makes the dress extra special. "It's a real special connection they have. It's great way for Annelise to honor her grandma and express her own fashion sense.

The Moes had the dress altered, adding a laced back to the dress, making it more easily adjustable to size. Other than that, the dress is largely unchanged. Grandma Max will be able to watch Annelise walk at prom's Grand March on Saturday.



CAROLINE MOE | SUBMITTED

A laced up back was added to make the dress easier to adjust for size.

CAROLINE MOE | SUBMITTED
Annelise Moe will be wearing a vintage dress to prom once worn by her grandmother Maxine Kornmann.



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All dressed up with great places to go

Annie Rodenborg and Chase Lindaman were in sync in both their outfit and attitude for Ogilvie High School's Prom and Grand March Saturday, May 7.

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June 2 Issue of the Kanabec County Times

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Our offices will be closed on Monday, May 30 in observance of Memorial Day.

Mustang softball is rolling - Win 3 in a row

BY NICK HOFFMAN
KANABEC COUNTY TIMES

The Mora softball team (4-6) is on a bit of a hot streak after taking a few punches from tough conference opponents Albany, Pierz and Zimmerman. On Thursday, May 5, they split with Foley, losing 1-3 and winning 3-1. Mora outhit Foley in both games; 6-3 in the loss and 11-7 in the win.

Shea Asmus led the team with two hits and two RBIs in the win. Rhiannon Ashworth also had two hits, scored a run and knocked in a run. Sophie Steffen and Jaiden Robb collected two hits each and scored a run. Freshman Aubrey Athey got the win, pitching five innings, allowing seven hits and an unearned run.

The next day, they traveled to Hinckley and made quick work of the Jaguars, putting up 17 hits and winning 12-1. Rhiannon Ashworth led the Mustangs with three hits, including a double and triple, two runs scored and three RBIs. Shea Asmus also collected three hits, scored two runs and two RBIs. Jennae Szucs collected two hits, scored a run and hit two base runners in. Sophie Steffen, Jaiden Robb, Lauren Kohlgraf and Lindsey Nosbush also



Freshman Rhiannon Ashworth (No. 7) crosses home plate into a mob of teammates after hitting a homerun versus Pierz on Monday, May 2.

LINDSAY ASHWORTH | SUBMITTED

had two hits.

Sophomore Lauren Kohlgraf pitched all five innings, allowing two hits and

one unearned run. She collected seven strikeouts and didn't issue any base-on-balls.

SCHLEY'S WALK-OFF GIVES MORA VICTORY OVER PINE CITY

The Mustangs came up clutch in dramatic walk-off fashion, thanks to a walk-off single in the bottom of the seventh inning to slay the Dragons. Mora was down 6-5 in the bottom of the seventh inning when sophomore second baseman Isabel Schley singled on a 1-2 count, scoring Shea Asmus and Lindsey Nosbush.

The Dragons scored four runs in the sixth inning. Lauren Kohlgraf was credited with the victory for Mora. Kohlgraf surrendered six runs on eight hits over seven innings, striking out six. The Mustangs put up 11 hits on the scoreboard. Rhiannon Ashworth, Kohlgraf and Quincy Asmus all managed multiple hits for Mora. Ashworth led the unit with three hits in three at bats. Mora's defense came up big, not allowing a single error.

Up Next: The girls host St. Cloud Cathedral for a double header with the first pitch at 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 12. They then host Milaca for a single game at 5:00 p.m. on Friday, May 13, and again host Duluth Marshall, with a 3:30p.m. start on Monday, May 16.

Mora and Quamba's 2022 townball opener rained out

BY NICK HOFFMAN
KANABEC COUNTY TIMES

The Mora Blue Devils and the Quamba Cubs were to host the East Bethel Bandits on Sunday, May 8, in Quamba. Mora and Quamba were going to each take a shot versus the Bandits, but rain washed both games out. The Blue Devils will be playing their home games in Quamba this season due to the high school construction. Mora's old ball field is now the home to the school's new parking lot and was moved further north, near Grove Street, kitty corner from Mora JC's Ball Fields. The new varsity field should be ready by the 2023 season.

The Blue Devils next game is scheduled for Saturday, May 14, in Sartell against the Sartell Stone Ponies. First pitch is 7:00 p.m. The Quamba Cubs will have their home opener at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, May 15 versus the Braham Snappers.

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OGILVIE Grades 2 & 3

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Riker Keen

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Keep striving and achieving Riker! You've come a long way and will continue without fail!

~ Mr. Hauger - 3rd grade



Mason Krist

Mason Krist has been chosen for exhibiting qualities of achievement. Mason has worked hard to do his very best in all of his work.

He has especially excelled in his math and writing skills. Mason

has mastered addition, subtraction, and multiplication facts as a second grader. He enjoys writing and takes a lot of pride in writing activities.

Keep up the great work Mason. I am very proud of you!

~ Mrs. Nickles - 2nd grade

MORA Grade 6



Macy Degerstrom

Macy Degerstrom is a perfect example of a goal-oriented student. She knows what she wants to accomplish and always strives to get it.

She never settles when

it comes to homework or quizzes and is passionate to push herself to do better. She follows the Mustang Pride of responsible, respectful, and safe everyday and is a great friend to her classmates. It has been such a joy to have her in my class this year!

Silas always comes to school with the intention of learning. He is eager to tackle challenging concepts and works diligently on all of his assignments.



Silas Rue

He enjoys competing in classroom games and enrichment activities; he is always engaged and participates fully. Silas's calm and responsible demeanor adds much positivity to our classroom atmosphere.

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Sampsons dominate the court at doubles conference tourney

BY NICK HOFFMAN
KANABEC COUNTY TIMES

This week the Mora boys tennis team traveled to Coon Rapids on Tuesday, May 3, to take on a good AA team and lost 1-6.

“We had four matches come down to tie-breaks or one or two games in the final set,” said head coach Pete Balmer. “Our one doubles team of Madox Balmer and Jonah Smart came away with our only win.”

The team then traveled to Foley on Saturday, May 7, for a doubles conference round robin tournament. Foley won the tournament with 17 wins. Coming in second place was Pine City with 15 wins. Mora had 12 wins for a third place finish and behind them was Aitkin with six wins and St. Cloud Cathedral with zero wins.

“We had five sets of doubles compete and Max and Joe Sampson won the one doubles flight going 4-0, and everyone else went 2-2,” said Balmer. “We left Foley with 12 wins which are the most for us ever in any format of the Granite Ridge Conference tournament. We have a big week coming up as we head to team Sections on May 20. The team is learning how to close out all of the close matches we have had recently and are working hard every day in practice.”

The Mustangs are currently fifth in Section 6A standings with a 4-6 overall record.

Mora had their final home meet vs Aitkin on Wednesday, May 11. The team then travels to New London-Spicer on Thursday, May 12 and Friday, May 13 to Chisago Lakes.

Granite Ridge Conference Tournament Doubles Results:

No. 1 - Max Sampson - Joe Sampson, Mora def. Mason Mikyska - Seth Linnell, Pine City, 6-3, 6-3
No. 1 - Max Sampson - Joe Sampson, Mora def. Chandler Hendricks - Andres Cervantes Rodriguez, St. Cloud Cathedral, 6-4, 6-2



Juniors Jonah Smart (left) and Madox Balmer (right) won two doubles matches at a Granite Ridge Conference meet in Foley on Saturday, May 7. Photo by Pete Balmer.

No. 1 - Max Sampson - Joe Sampson, Mora def. Carter Thell - Gavin Gross, Foley, 6-3, 6-4

No. 1 - Max Sampson - Joe Sampson, Mora def. Jamison St Clair - Ben Harris, Aitkin, 7-5, 6-2

No. 2 - Madox Balmer - Jonah Smart, Mora def. Jackson Hoover - Pablo Cervantes Rodriguez, St. Cloud Cathedral, 6-2, 6-2

No. 2 - Madox Balmer - Jonah Smart, Mora def. Blaise Sanford - Zander Peterson, Aitkin 4-6, 6-4, 10-8

No. 3 - Saul Thomson - Cael Sjodin, Mora def. Eli Burnham - Isaac Peterson, St. Cloud Cathedral, 6-3, 6-3

No. 3 - Saul Thomson - Cael Sjodin, Mora def. Wyatt Crowther - Joey Haasken, Aitkin, 6-2, 3-6, 12-10

No. 4 - Sam Zins - Jens Jensen, Mora def. Noland Nordberg - Josh Stanley, Aitkin L, 6-2, 6-3

No. 4 - Sam Zins - Jens Jensen, Mora def. Ben St. Hilare - Jackson Glomski, St. Cloud Cathedral, 6-2, 6-2

No. 5 - Chase Axtell - Dakota Sand, Mora def. Joey Harmon - Josh Kukowski, Aitkin, 6-2, 6-4

No. 5 - Dakota Sand - Chase Axtell, Mora def. Boothe Everett-Towner - Stephan Muntifering, St. Cloud Cathedral, 6-2, 6-3

VARSITY SCHEDULE

THURSDAY MAY 12

Mora Baseball
HOME 5:00 p.m. vs Little Falls

Mora Softball
HOME 5:00 p.m. vs St. Cloud Cathedral

Ogilvie Baseball
AWAY 4:30 p.m. at Mille Lacs Raiders

Ogilvie Softball
HOME 4:30 p.m. vs Swanville

Mora Softball
AWAY 5:00 p.m. at Albany

Mora Baseball
AWAY 5:00 p.m. at Milaca

WEDNESDAY MAY 18

Mora Boys and Girls Golf
AWAY TBD at Blackberry Ridge Golf Club

FRIDAY MAY 13

Ogilvie Baseball
HOME 4:00 p.m. vs Pine River-Backus

Ogilvie Softball
AWAY 4:30 p.m. at Mille Lacs Raiders

Mora Softball
HOME 5:00 p.m. vs Milaca

Mora Baseball
HOME 5:00 p.m. vs St. Cloud Cathedral

THURSDAY MAY 19

Mora Boys and Girls Golf
AWAY TBD at Blackberry Ridge Golf Club

Mora Boys and Girls Track
AWAY 4:00 p.m. at Pierz

Mora Softball
AWAY 4:30 p.m. at Aitkin

Mora Baseball
AWAY 5:00 p.m. at Albany

Ogilvie Softball
AWAY 4:30 p.m. at Rush City

MONDAY MAY 16

Ogilvie Baseball
AWAY 4:30 p.m. at Rush City

Ogilvie Softball
HOME 4:30 p.m. vs East Central

FRIDAY MAY 20

Ogilvie Baseball and Softball
AWAY 4:30 p.m. at Walker-Hackensack-Akeley

Mora Boys Golf
AWAY 8:30 a.m. at Grand National Golf Club

Mora Baseball
AWAY 4:30 p.m. at Esko

TUESDAY MAY 17

Ogilvie Boys and Girls Track
AWAY 3:00 p.m. at East Central

Ogilvie Baseball
HOME 4:00 p.m. vs East Central

Mora Boys and Girls Track
AWAY 3:00 p.m. at Little Falls

Mora boys golf eyes conference championship

BY NICK HOFFMAN
KANABEC COUNTY TIMES

The Mora boys golf team has put themselves in prime position to win the Granite Ridge Conference Championship, mainly battling Albany and St. Cloud Cathedral for the top spot. Of the four conference meets this season, Albany as a team shot a 1,305. Mora shot 1,320 and St. Cloud shot 1,336. The conference championship will solely be determined by the two-day conference meet next week on Monday, May 16, and Wednesday, May 18, at Blackberry Ridge in Sartell. The last time Mora won a conference championship was back when they were a part of the Rum River Conference, where they won in 2005, 2006 and 2007.



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Junior Noah Klapmeier eyes up a shot on hole 14 at Stones Throw Golf Course in Milaca on Thursday, May 5. He and his Mora teammates combined for a first place, 326 score. Individually, Klapmeier took first place overall with a 77.

Foley - 372
Little Falls - 349
Zimmerman - 359
Milaca - 378

Ty Graves - 89
Jack Kritzeck - 90

Zimmerman - 370
Little Falls - 372

Milaca - Thursday, May 5 Team Scores

Mora - 326
Albany - 330
SCC - 335
Foley - 349
Pierz - 351
Milaca - 368

Milaca - Individual

Noah Klapmeier - 77 - 1st place
Garret Honstrom - 81
Avery Nelson - 83
Trenton Fore - 85
Ty Graves - 85
Jack Kritzeck - 90

Albany - Monday, May 9 Team Scores

Albany - 322
St. Cloud Cathedral - 333
Mora - 335
Pierz - 359

Albany Individual

Noah Klapmeier - 80 (tied for 3rd)
Trenton Fore - 83
Garret Honstrom - 85
Avery Nelson - 87

Mora baseball hitting bit of a rough patch; Wins against Crosby

BY NICK HOFFMAN
KANABEC COUNTY TIMES

The Mora baseball team (4-6) wrapped up a tough week, losing to Foley, Zimmerman, Pierz and Two Harbors, but beat Crosby-Ironton on Saturday, May 7, in Crosby. Nathan Nelson took the mound and had another unbelievable performance; 17 strikeouts, one walk, one hit-by-pitch and one earned run allowed. He improved his record to 2-1 on the season. Nelson also led the team offensively with two hits. Folkema, Siems, Hatch, McGaw and Szoka each had hits for Mora for a 6-1 victory over Crosby-Ironton.

Up Next: The Mustangs host Little Falls at 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 12, in Quamba. Then they host St. Cloud Cathedral at 5 p.m. in Quamba on Friday, May 13, for another 5:00 p.m. start. At 5 p.m. on Tuesday, May 17, Milaca comes to town for a showdown in Quamba.

SPORTS AT A GLANCE

OGILVIE BASEBALL

May 3, 2022
Ogilvie 5, Hinckley-Finlayson 8
May 6, 2022
Ogilvie 7, Braham 3
Record (W-L)2-4

OGILVIE SOFTBALL

April 28, 2022
Ogilvie 20, McGregor 19
May 5, 2022
Ogilvie 3, Braham 27
Record (W-L)1-4

Relay teams burn up the track in Princeton

BY NICK HOFFMAN
KANABEC COUNTY TIMES

On Thursday, May 5, the Mustang track and field team traveled to Princeton for the Chuck Johnson Invite. The girls team ended with a third place finish and the boys finished fifth out of eight schools.

- GIRLS**
4x200m relay-Katie, Yoder, Corrin Vigstol, Alyssa Nelson, Parker Ennis- 2nd Place -1:54.63
4x800m relay -Eva Holmgren, Tayah Anderson, Annika De Gracia and Lola Schwinghamer - 1st Place- 10:40.47
100m hurdles-Corrin Vigstol- 3rd place- 17.75
300m hurdles-Ella Anderson- 2nd place- 15.53
100m dash-Parker Ennis- 3rd place -13.86
200m dash- Katie Yoder- 5th place- 28.60
800m run-Annika De Gracia- 5th Place- 2:39.70
1600m run-Eva Holmgren- 4th place- 5:50.62
Long jump-Ella Anderson- 3rd place- 15-01.75, Elli Schritz- 4th place- 14-08.00
Pole vault-Genna McCallum- 4th place- 7'0"
Triple jump-Elli Schritz- 4th place- 31-01.5
Shot put-Lily Hanson- 4th place- 27-11, Bridget Nolan- 5th place- 27-06
Discus- Bridget Nolan- 5th place- 78-08

- BOYS**
4x200 relay-Maverick Southerland, Austin Rudek, Dallas Fix, Connor Gmahl- 1st place- 1:39.58
110m hurdles-Tayven Peterson- 1st place- 16.39
300m hurdles-Tayven Peterson- 1st place- 42.40
200m dash-Tayven Peterson-4th place- 24.12
400m dash-Connor Gmahl- 4th place- 55.07
Discus-Josh Bankers- 1st place- 120-00
Shot put-Curtis Maegi- 3rd place- 37-11.5



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Annual Gun Show draws crowd of shoppers

Vendors answer shopper questions and display a variety of firearms for sale at the AC Expos Gun Show May 7-8 at the Mora Civic Center. The event typically happens annually the first weekend of May.

Parents asked to watch for signs of hepatitis in children

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Prompted by a cluster of hepatitis cases of unknown origin among children in multiple states and countries, state health officials are asking parents to watch for signs of liver inflammation in their children – especially after bouts with either upper respiratory or stomach-intestinal illnesses.

Signs of liver inflammation can include yellowing of the eyes or skin, sometimes known as jaundice. While the cases are rare among children, in about 10% of those affected the liver inflammation has led to liver failure and the need for transplant.

Epidemiologists with the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) are investigating three Minnesota children under age 3 who had liver inflammation and may be part of a national cluster of hepatitis in children. While the cause remains under investigation, the hepatitis may be associated with infection with a type of virus known as adenovirus type 41. Some reported illnesses in the United States date back to fall 2021; the illnesses have occurred in children younger than 10 years old.

“If your child recently had vomiting and diarrhea or symptoms of a common cold and then develops yellowing of the eyes and skin, it is important to have your child evaluated by a health care provider right away,” said Minnesota State Epidemiologist Dr. Ruth Lynfield.

“Other symptoms can include abdominal pain, fatigue, dark urine and clay-colored stools. Getting medical care quickly can help diagnose and treat the condition as needed.”

Among the Minnesota cases, one child required a liver transplant and has recovered while the other two recovered without the need for a transplant. Dr. Lynfield said MDH epidemiologists are aware of at least two others with possible cases at Minnesota hospitals who are not Minnesota residents; those have been referred to their respective state health departments.

MDH epidemiologists began looking into possible cases in the state in late April after learning of cases in Europe and in other areas of the United States. They alerted health care providers at the time, asking them to report any recent instances of hepatitis of unknown cause in children.

“We’re grateful for the reports we’ve received from clinicians so far and look forward to continuing to work with them in this investigation,” Dr. Lynfield said. “The more information we can gather, the faster we can help determine how best to protect other children.”

According to a CDC announcement today, at least 109 children in 25 states have been identified in the United States as part of the cluster of cases. At least 228 probable cases in 20 countries have been identified, according to the World Health Organization. Among the

national cases, prior to hospitalization, most of the children experienced vomiting and diarrhea, while some experienced upper respiratory symptoms. During hospitalization, most had yellowing eyes and skin and an enlarged liver.

While health officials identified adenovirus in many of the affected children, other potential factors are being investigated. Adenovirus 41 often causes vomiting and diarrhea in children, but it is not typical for the virus to cause hepatitis in otherwise healthy children, and to date disease investigators have found no common epidemiological link or exposures among the children.

Until more information is available, the best advice for people seeking to protect themselves and their children is to use the general disease prevention measures, such as frequent and thorough hand washing; avoiding touching eyes, nose or mouth with unwashed hands; covering coughs and sneezes; and avoiding close contact with people who are sick.

More information about the ongoing national investigation can be found on the CDC website at CDC Alerts Providers to Hepatitis Cases of Unknown Origin. General information about hepatitis in Minnesota can be found on the MDH hepatitis home page, <https://www.health.state.mn.us/diseases/hepatitis/index.html>.

Week of May 12 - May 18

HOROSCOPES

ARIES - Mar 21/Apr 20
Avoid going down the rabbit hole that can be social media, Aries. Put your phone or tablet to the side for a little bit and focus your attention elsewhere.

TAURUS - Apr 21/May 21
Try to stay calm and grounded right now, Taurus. Others can learn from your example at work, as you likely will be the voice of reason among your colleagues.

GEMINI - May 22/June 21
Gemini, if you are having trouble figuring out a path this week, try to meditate on a solution. Find a quiet spot and visualize your goals and how you can achieve them.

CANCER - June 22/July 22
Be mindful of whom you confide in this week, Cancer. Not everyone has your best interests at heart and may use the information you share to his or her advantage instead of yours.

LEO - July 23/Aug 23
A partner or close friend may seem to pull away from you this week, Leo. Don't take it personally as it won't be a permanent break. Soon things will be back to normal.

VIRGO - Aug 24/Sept 22
Sticking to your normal routine this week simply will not be possible, Virgo. Start brainstorming ways you can get things done more quickly.

LIBRA - Sept 23/Oct 23
Libra, your ego may take a temporary hit as someone in your sphere gets a promotion or a recognition before you. Don't take this to heart as it is only time before you get to shine.

SCORPIO - Oct 24/Nov 22
Try not to trigger any people in your home who seem to be more tense than usual, Scorpio. It may be tricky, but keep the calm and maintain the status quo for now.

SAGITTARIUS - Nov 23/Dec 21
Well-meaning advice can backfire if it is offered unsolicited, Sagittarius. Unless someone comes to you seeking help, it's best to stay silent for now.

CAPRICORN - Dec 22/Jan 20
Try to avoid any impulsive spending for the next several days, Capricorn. The temptation will be high, so this will be a bit of a challenge for you. Stick to the essentials.

AQUARIUS - Jan 21/Feb 18
Aquarius, stay calm and keep your nose to the grindstone during a potentially hectic week. This may mean taking a day off or at least a step back.

PISCES - Feb 19/Mar 20
Some truths are difficult to hear and swallow, Pisces. Only through learning all sides of the story can you grow as a person.

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Moms at St. Clare's honored by Red Hatters

The ladies from the Rubies of the North Red Hat Society Chapter 700871 made gifts for the mom's at St. Clare's to help them know others care and to wish them a happy Mother's Day. Pictured from left to right: Christy Edwards, Diana Orr, Liza Parker, Lynelle Parker, Janis Kislenger and Queen Betty Will. Not pictured: Kathy O'Leary and Faith Mickelson.

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Braham Evangelical Lutheran Church (ELCA)

West Central Drive & County Road 4 in northwest Braham
320-396-2755
Pastor Julie Beck
Sunday: 9 a.m. Sunday School; 9:30 a.m. Worship Service on KBEK 95.5 FM.; 10:15 a.m. Worship Service Live on Facebook. Office hours - Tues. - Fri. 9:00 a.m. to Noon.

Calvary Lutheran Church (ELCA)

414 S. Wood St., Mora
320-679-1706
www.calvarymora.org
Pastor Dean Oelfke
Deacon Susan Williams
Sunday: 9 a.m. Worship; Holy Communion celebrated on first and third Sundays of each month.
Wednesday: 6 p.m. Youth Check-in; 6:30 p.m. Keeping Connected.

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, Mora

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

Fish Lake Chapel

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

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525 2nd St., Mora, 320-679-1125
Micah Rogers, Pastor
Sunday: 10 a.m. Worship Service. Sermon Message: What Can You Bring to Jesus - Your Gift is Precious. In case of inclement weather, the sermon will be on YouTube. Palm Sunday: Distinguished Service Awards, potluck to follow. Public is invited.

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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.

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301 E. Forest Ave., Mora
Church Office: 320-679-1062
Senior Pastor: Gary Guptill
moragrancelutheran@gmail.com
www.gracechurchmora.com
8 a.m. Sanctuary Worship.
9:15 a.m. Sunday School;
9:30 a.m. Family Life Center.
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320-679-1756
David Melin, Interim Pastor
www.hillmanbaptist.org
Sunday: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School, 10:30 a.m. Worship Service.
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hopelutherangrasston.org
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Brunswick, 320-679-2015
Pastor Sierra Westerman
2088 Highway 70, Mora
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320-396-3293
www.lewislake.org
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Interim Pastor Guy Sederski
pastorguy@comcast.net
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201 W. Bragg St., Box 267, Ogilvie, MN 56358
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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.

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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.

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(The Lutheran Church Missouri Synod)
301 Church Ave., Ogilvie
320-272-4352
Vacancy Pastor Vernon Dorn
Sunday: 9 a.m. Divine Worship, 10:15 a.m. Bible Study.
Second and fourth Wednesday: 6 p.m. Divine Worship.

St. Stephen's Lutheran Church

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

Trio Community Church

Trio Community Center,
111 E. Maple Ave., Mora
www.triochurch.com
Wednesday: 7:00 p.m. Youth Ministry.
Sunday: 10 a.m. Worship Service; nursery and children's ministry available.

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130 Park St. S., Mora
320-362-4823
James L. Johnson, Interim Pastor
805-807-8336
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763-245-1226
www.truevinelutheran.org
Sunday: 9 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Bible Study; 10 a.m. Worship with Communion.
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OBITUARIES

Kathleen K. Burk

May 16, 1963 — May 2, 2022

Kathleen "Katy" Kay Burk, of Ogilvie, died on Monday, May 2, 2022, at CentraCare in St. Cloud. She was 58 years old.

She was born on May 16, 1963, in Minneapolis, to Jim and Arlene (Keehr) Coplan. Her early years were spent with her family in Bethel, before moving to Ogilvie. She later moved away to Arizona and Texas before returning home in 1992 to raise her children close to family. In 1998, she met the love of her life, John Burk, and they were united in marriage in 2000. She was also a loyal employee, serving meals for almost 20 years at the Mille Lacs County Jail in Milaca.

She enjoyed her life in the country, fishing, hunting and horseback riding. She was also an avid sports and animal lover. She had a huge heart and was always willing to help anyone in need. She couldn't sit still and was always fixing something, and though she didn't always have much, she gave everything she had to friends and family.

She was a fantastic mother, wife, daughter, sister, aunt and friend. She will be missed by all who knew her.

She was preceded in death by her husband, John; father, Jim; sister-in-law, Judy; and her grandparents.

She is survived by her daughters, Brandi and Tomi; son, Anthony; mother, Arlene; sisters, Chris (Greg) Carlson, Connie (Jim) Springer, Sue (Brad) Houtsma and Sandy (Dale) Williford; brothers, Dean Coplan, Jamie (Barb) Coplan and Corey Coplan; and many nieces, nephews, relatives and friends.

A gathering of family and friends will be held from 4:00-6:00 p.m. on Monday, May 16, 2022 (Katy's 59th birthday) at the Akkerman Ingebrand Funeral Home in Mora with a time of remembrance at 6:00 p.m. Condolences may be posted at www.aifuneralhome.com.



Dorothy E. Harris

Aug. 26, 1930 — May 2, 2022

Dorothy Elaine (Bergren) Harris, of Milaca, died peacefully, with her family by her side, at the Milaca Elim Home on Monday, May 2, 2022. She was 91 years old.

She was born Aug. 26, 1930, to Clifton and Elsie (Johnstone) Bergren near Ann Lake, in Kanabec County. She was raised on a farm near Fish Lake and attended school in Ogilvie. She was united in marriage to Martin Harris on Aug. 2, 1947, and they were blessed with 11 children, 24 grandchildren, and 47 great-grandchildren.

They moved several times and then settled their family in Foreston where they were surrounded by wonderful, life-long friends. She had a reputation for delicious caramel rolls, homemade bread and popcorn balls. Her home was busy, noisy and full of love.

She was an active, long-time member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church. Foreston was home to her for many years, and more recently she lived in Milaca at the High Rise and Country Meadows. In Milaca, she made many new friends and spent time with cherished old friends too.

She received loving care from the amazing staff at Country Meadows, Milaca Elim Home and Guardian Angels Hospice, for which her family is deeply grateful.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Martin; daughter, Roxanne VanSickle; parents, Clifton and Elsie; siblings, Barbara, Douglas and Russell; and son-in law, Gene Ekberg.

She is survived by her children, Linda Ekberg, Harlan, Marlin (Joyce), Curtis (Melanie), Wayne (Elizabeth), Timothy (Mary Jo), Sheila (Dennis) Heiden, Julie (Jay) Nelson, Denise (Tim) Gallus and Paul (Leah); son-in-law, Danny VanSickle; sister-in-law, Phyllis Bergren; and many other dear relatives and friends.

A funeral service to honor her was held on Friday, May 6, 2022, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Milaca. Burial was at Oakwood Cemetery in Mora. Arr. Peterson-Johnson Funeral Home - Milaca.



CELEBRATION OF LIFE

Vernon Olson

A celebration of life will be held for Vernon Olson who died Friday, Jan. 7, 2022, from 2-4 p.m. on Saturday, May 21, 2022 at Kids' Kingdom Park in Mora.

Belinda R. French

Dec. 1, 1968 — Dec. 13, 2021

Belinda Renee (Visser) French, of Ogilvie, died unexpectedly on Monday, Dec. 13, 2021, at the Sanford Hospital in Fargo, North Dakota with her husband and mom by her side. She was 53 years old.

She was born on Dec. 1, 1968, in Louisville, Kentucky to parents Stanley and Phyllis (Geisler) Visser. She grew up in Ogilvie and graduated from Ogilvie High School in 1988. She went on to Pine Technical College where she received a degree in accounting. In 1994, she was blessed with the birth of her son, Kristoffer.



On April 29, 2000, she was united in marriage to Anthony "Tony" French in Mora. They made their home in the Mora and

Quamba area for a few years before moving to South Dakota. They lived in Sioux Falls for nine years where she worked for Premier Bank Card in customer service. They returned to the Ogilvie area to be closer to family.

She enjoyed working outdoors and especially loved tending to her flower gardens. She created huge vegetable gardens where she grew tons of tomatoes to make and can salsa. She loved to cook and could often be found in the kitchen whipping up a wonderful meal for family and friends.

She had a special place in her heart for children and was always ready to take care of her grandchildren, nieces and nephews, and was blessed to foster a few kids in the recent years.

She always kept a positive attitude in life. Even though she experienced many hardships, she never let anything hold her back. She will be dearly missed.

She was preceded in death by her father, Stan, and sister-in-law, Amy Visser.

She is survived by her mother, Phyllis; husband, Tony; children, Kristoffer Visser, Kirstie (Robert) Powell and Austin French; brother, Dwaine Visser; sister, Lisa Visser (Shane); nephew, Andrew Niedzielski; niece, Reva (Vince) Holmen; great nephews and niece, Louis, Adelynn, Leo and Arcadius; beloved dog, Frodo; as well as many aunts, uncles, cousins and friends.

A celebration of her life will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, May 21, 2022, at the Ogilvie United Methodist Church. Visitation will be held one hour prior to the service at the church. Inurnment will be in the Borgholm Cemetery. Arrangements are by the Akkerman Ingebrand Funeral Home of Mora. Condolences may be posted at aifuneralhome.com.

Monica M. Voss

Monica M. (Hannu) Voss, of Ogilvie, died on Friday, Nov. 26, 2021 at the St. Cloud Hospital. She was 40 years old.

A public celebration of life will be held from 9-11 a.m. on Saturday, May 21, 2022, at Ogilvie High School with a brief service at 11 a.m., followed by a light luncheon. Inurnment will be in the Oakwood Cemetery in Mora. Memorials preferred to the National Fibromyalgia Association. Arrangements are by the Akkerman Ingebrand Funeral Home of Mora. Condolences may be posted at www.aifuneralhome.com.



Vernon D. Strandlund

Aug. 3, 1931 — May 6, 2022

Vernon Delbert Strandlund, of East Bethel, died peacefully on Friday, May 6, 2022, six years and six months to the day his beloved wife of almost 60 years, Carrol, went to heaven. He was 90 years old.

He was born Aug. 3, 1931, in Brunswick, to Leo and Ethel Strandlund. After serving our country in the Marines during the Korean War, he was united in marriage to Carrol Lucht. They raised their three sons on their farm in East Bethel where he continued to live and farm even after his wife passed.

He was a diesel mechanic at Briggs Transportation and Midwest Diesel for many years and regularly enjoyed coffee time with a multitude of great friends. He was happiest when he was surrounded by his family. He loved them dearly, especially his grandkids and great-grandkids.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Carrol; parents, Leo and Ethel; brothers, Archie and Ernest; and sister, Jeanne.

He is survived by sons, Steve Sr. (Cyndi), Curt (Diane) and Mark (Tyra); grandchildren, Kristin (Sean), Katie (Igor), Steve Jr. (Kayti), Kyle, Kelli (Josh), Ashley (Andrew), Allison (Tucker) and Austin (Hanna); great-grandchildren, Isabella, Easton, Madeline, Mac, Hayden, Axel, Braden, Hudson and Charlotte; brothers, John (Sharon) and Marvin; sister, Louise; nieces and nephews; and many friends.

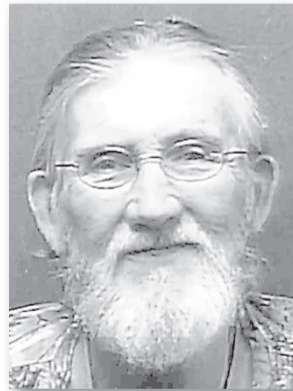
A funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, May 12, 2022, at Trinity Lutheran Church, 3812 229th Ave NW, St. Francis. A visitation will be held one hour prior to the funeral at the church. Burial will be in Oak Leaf Cemetery in East Bethel with Military Honors provided by the Isanti VFW. Online condolences can be made at StrikeLifeTributes.com.



Charles E. Allman, Jr.

March 15, 1951 — April 22, 2022

Charles (Chuck) E. Allman, Jr. died on Friday, April 22, 2022 at St. Cloud Hospital with his wife holding his hand. He was 71 years old.



He was born March 15, 1951, in Mora, to Charles and Velma (Smith) Allman and graduated from Mora High School in 1969.

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