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Speakers to address assets and elder law

KAO REPORT

What do you own, what do you want to do with it, and what will happen to it when you die? These are some of the questions to be addressed at “Your Assets, Your Choices,” a free public presentation at 11:30 a.m. Thursday Nov. 13 in Big Falls.

Two featured guest speakers will share their expertise, Kim Literovich, attorney with Shermoen & Jaksa, PLLP, and Rob Raplinger from the Legal Aid Service of Northeastern Minnesota.

According to Koochiching Aging Options, the organizer of the presentation, the guest speakers will offer information to older adults, to those who will soon be older adults, and to family caregivers who are

faced with questions about these important issues.

Presenter Kim Literovich will offer an overview of individual goals and desires for the management of one’s assets during one’s lifetime as well as their disposition upon death.

According to Literovich, her presentation, entitled “Making Sure Your Wishes Are Followed,” will cover “the Three P’s – People, Property and Planning. Who is important to you, what do you own, and how do you own it, and have you taken time to consider who you want to get what?”

As an attorney with Sher-



Kim Literovich

moen & Jaksa, Literovich focuses her practice on elder law issues, estate planning, probate and real estate.

Raplinger’s presentation will provide an overview of some of the legal issues that confront those planning for their future. He will focus in particular on the treatment of assets in relation to Medical Assistance.

“I hope to help people understand why advanced planning is important,” he said.

Raplinger is a staff attorney with Legal Aid Service of Northeastern Minnesota’s Senior Law Project. His office is in Virginia, Minnesota. The Senior Law Project serves St. Louis, Lake, Cook, Carlton, Itasca, Koochiching and Aitkin counties.

Legal Aid Service of Northeastern Minnesota provides free legal advice and representation to those in the most social and economic need who live in Northeastern Minnesota. This nonprofit corporation informs clients of their legal rights and responsibilities as well as pursuing changes in law where its effect is deemed unjust.

The two-hour presentation will be held in the Legion Room of the Big Falls Community Building located at 410 Second St. NW. Participants are encouraged to bring a brown bag lunch. Coffee and cookies will be provided.

Call Koochiching Aging Options with questions at 283-7030 or email KoochichingAgingOptions@gmail.com.

Co-op worker answers calls for help

BY DERRILL HOLLY
Electric Coop Today Staff

Brad Dolinski, an employee of North Star Electric Cooperative, was attending a training conference more than 300 miles from home when the calamity began to unfold right before his eyes.

“When a hotel employee came out screaming, ‘We need an EMT!’ I glanced around and no one was running over that way,” Dolinski recalled. “So I went in.”

In addition to his job at the Baudette, Minn., co-op handling mapping and purchasing duties and meter technician work, Dolinski also serves as an emergency medical technician for the local fire department – a volunteer role encouraged and supported by his co-op.

On that fateful day Sept. 30, when a Bloomington, Minn., hotel employee collapsed, his lifesaving skills came in handy.

“She was having obvious medical issues, so I started doing an emergency assessment and as I was talking to her she lost consciousness and became unresponsive,” said Dolinski.

“Her heart stopped beating, she wasn’t breathing and her eyes rolled back, so I started

[cardiopulmonary resuscitation] immediately. Less than 30 seconds after I began CPR, she was talking to us again.”

Meanwhile, conference organizers also called 911. Dolinski and several other conference attendees stayed with the woman until the local emergency crew arrived. A representative of another co-op stayed on the line with emergency dispatchers until the woman was taken to the hospital.

Hotel managers recently notified Dolinski that the woman has since made a full recovery.

“It’s always important that someone steps up and helps,” said Dolinski. “It could be someone’s mother or sister, so someone really has to step up and help.”

Dolinski told ECT.coop that managers at North Star Electric Cooperative have made community involvement and volunteering important parts of the culture for the co-op and its staff.

“They’ve allowed me to be part of the fire department and the ambulance squad,” Dolinski said. “When I have to get up and leave my desk to go help out with emergency situations, they allow me to do that. It gives me opportunities to help people when they need it most.”

Weather will cooperate for deer opener

BY SPENSER BICKETT
Staff Writer

If you don’t get your deer on the opening of deer hunting season Saturday, you won’t be able to blame the weather.

Saturday is the opening of deer hunting season in Minnesota, and temperatures are predicted to be slightly cooler than normal, according to the National Weather Service in Duluth. Kevin Kraujalis, meteorologist with the NWS in Duluth, said the

high temperature for Saturday is 31 degrees, with a 20 percent chance of light snow showers.

Over the following couple weeks of deer season, temperatures should be in the 30s, Kraujalis said, with predictions of above normal precipitation, which could mean a little bit more snow than average.

Average would be a good way to describe the weather in October, as the average temperature of 42.4 degrees was 1.3 degrees higher than

the normal of 41.1 degrees. October 2013 was close to normal as well, Kraujalis said, with an average temperature of 41.4 degrees.

However, warmer temperatures persisted until the end of the month, as the last 11 days of October saw only two days with below-normal temperatures, which were the last two days of the month.

“That was just the jet stream buckling to the north, which allowed warm air in from the south and

west,” Kraujalis said.

October saw 1.16 inches of precipitation, which was 0.92 inches below the normal of 2.08 inches. October 2013 was much closer to normal, with 2.07 inches of precipitation.


There was only 0.1 inches of snow in October, much below the average of 2.2 inches. October 2013 featured 1.6 inches of snow, much closer to the average.

There were no temperature, daily precipitation or snowfall records set in October.



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