

# EDUCATION

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## Local youth lead change locally and globally

FHS REPORT

Over 18,000 youth gathered Oct. 8 at the Xcel Energy Center for We Day. St. Paul was the second city in the United States to host a We Day event, organized by Free the Children, an international charity.

We Day consisted of several famous inspirational speakers such as Martin Luther King III, Mia Farrow, Spencer West, Barbara Pierce Bush, and the Queen of Jordan, to name a few. They spoke encouraging words to motivate youth to become leaders of change for their communities and in the world.

Each student who attended We Day couldn't buy their ticket — they earned it by making the commitment to do one local act and one global act this year to help others.

The response was amazing with the entire arena cheering, glow lights flashing and clapping along to entertainers such as the Jonas Brothers, Carly Rae Jepsen, the African Boys Choir, and Dessa. Quiet heroes like Jack Jablonski and bullied victims spoke to the hearts of youth and instilled the desire to help others.

Falls High School teachers, Rachel Amdahl and Kayla Gilbert, brought 16 youth: Jenica Wendler, Olivia Holm, Gary Harala, Tayler Hebner, Grace Gilbert, Annika Amdahl, William Harala, Maria Shermoen, Logen Amundsen, Anja Silvers, Connie Bragg, Meggan Flovick, Abby Auran, Amy Auran, Emily Saari and Savannah Boe.

“These young people see the importance and



Sixteen Falls High School students were among over 18,000 youth that gathered recently for We Day at Xcel Energy Center.

rewards of giving their time and energy to local causes from collecting food for the Falls Hunger Coalition, bullying and the environment, to homelessness. They want to tackle global issues like helping to fund building schools, providing clean drinking water, food and health care to impoverished children in other countries,” said Amdahl. “They walked away from this amazing experience filled with a ton of ideas and the desire to get involved in helping others. It was truly powerful to see 18,000 youth so pumped up!”

We Act is a service learning program with an abundance of resources, campaigns and fund raising tool kits to help kids build awareness of the issues that need attention around the globe. Corporate sponsors such as Yo-plait, Cheerios and Green Giant have committed to



helping youth raise money for breast cancer, providing a stop to bullying. To learn more about We Day, visit [www.weday.com](http://www.weday.com).

## Falls district awarded \$25K grant

JOURNAL STAFF REPORT

Two Falls teachers were commended Monday for securing a grant worth thousands of dollars for the district.

Missy Walls, preschool teacher, and Rachel Amdahl, art teacher and community education director, were recognized by Superintendent Nordy Nelson for taking the initiative to secure a \$25,000 Early Learning Scholarships Pathway II grant.

“We want to recognize these two individuals for the effort they put forward and the giant step they took the last couple weeks before school started,” Nelson said of Walls and Amdahl applying for the grant.

Nelson said the pair only had about one week to apply for the Minnesota Department of Education grant that will be used for the cur-



rent school year and be applied toward increasing access to high-quality early childhood programs for children prior to kindergarten.

Nelson said Walls and Amdahl were willing to put in their time and effort to the grant application and stressed, “It wasn't something they had to do.”

“It is an impressive task that they took upon themselves to get completed,” he said. “The district has \$25,000 we can utilize for preschool and early childhood programming.”

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# Public Notices

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 conditions of the following described mortgage: DATE OF MORTGAGE: November 2, 2007 MORTGAGOR: Jill A. Tilander and Tony R. Tilander, wife and husband. MORTGAGEE: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. DATE AND PLACE OF RECORDING: Recorded November 7, 2007 Koochiching County Recorder, Document No. A000260999. ASSIGNMENTS OF MORTGAGE: Assigned to: QR Lending, a division of First Federal Bank of Florida. Dated August 21, 2013 Recorded September 4, 2013, as Document No. A000278660. TRANSACTION AGENT: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. TRANSACTION AGENT'S MORTGAGE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER ON MORTGAGE: 10046420007104980 LENDER OR BROKER AND MORTGAGE ORIGINATOR STATED ON MORTGAGE: Trustar Federal Credit Union RESIDENTIAL MORTGAGE SERVICER: LoanCare, A Division of FNF Servicing, Inc. MORTGAGED PROPERTY ADDRESS: 2520 Crescent Drive, International Falls, MN 56649 TAX PARCEL I.D. #: 92-105-00070 LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: Lot 7, Auditor's Plat 13 and that part of the North 150 feet of the South 270 feet of the SW 1/4 SE 1/4, Section 3, Township 70, Range 24, which lies between two lines running parallel with and a distance of 75 feet and 170 feet Westerly of the centerline of the Southerly extension of Second Street West COUNTY IN WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED: Koochiching ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: \$56,450.00 AMOUNT DUE AND CLAIMED TO BE DUE AS OF DATE OF NOTICE, INCLUDING TAXES, IF ANY, PAID BY MORTGAGEE: \$65,846.88 That prior to the commencement of this mortgage foreclosure proceeding Mortgagee/Assignee of Mortgagee complied with all notice requirements as required by statute; That no action or proceeding has been instituted at law or otherwise

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**November 2<sup>nd</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup>, 2013**

**Request for Proposals**

**Rat Root River Walleye Spawning Riffle Construction**

The Koochiching Soil & Water Conservation District (SWCD) will receive sealed bids for the supplying of all labor and materials necessary for the **Rat Root River Walleye Spawning Riffle Construction** until **2:00 pm** local time on **Thursday, October 31, 2013** at the **Koochiching SWCD Office, 715 4<sup>th</sup> Street, International Falls, MN 56649** at which time they will be publicly opened and read.

A pre-bid meeting will be held on **Thursday October 24, 2013 at 2:00 pm** at: **Koochiching County Courthouse Basement Conference Room 715 4<sup>th</sup> Street International Falls, MN 56649**

Attendance at this meeting is strongly recommended.

The scope of work consists of constructing a walleye spawning riffle on the Rat Root River downstream of the Galvin Line Bridge (U.T. 198 in Koochiching County) by furnishing and installing the approximate quantities of labor and materials as described in the "Contract Documents".

The Contract Documents may be examined at the Koochiching SWCD Office, 715 4<sup>th</sup> Street, International Falls, MN 56649. Copies of the Contract Documents may be obtained at the office of the Koochiching SWCD Office, 715 4<sup>th</sup> Street, International Falls, MN 56649.

The Koochiching SWCD reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids received.

/s/ Pam Tomevi  
Pam Tomevi

Date: 10/03/2013  
District Administrator  
Koochiching SWCD

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## Public Notice

STATE OF MINNESOTA  
COUNTY OF KOOCHICHING

IN DISTRICT COURT  
NINTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

CIVIL DIVISION  
Case Type: Property

COURT FILE NUMBER:

**SUMMONS**

Linda M. Mankus,  
Plaintiff(s),

vs.

Harold L. Christianson, Shirley M. Christianson, Norman R. Christianson, Loretta Christianson, Floyd Christianson, Jackie Christianson, Estate of Kenneth Christianson, Jean A. Christianson, Chad Matthew Christianson, Adam Troy Christianson, Raymond D. McGovern, Estate of Fern McGovern, Linda Slatinski a/k/a Linda M. Mankus; State of Minnesota; Koochiching County, Minnesota; and all other persons unknown claiming any right, title, estate, interest, or lien in or on the real estate described in the Complaint herein.  
Defendant(s).

THE STATE OF MINNESOTA TO THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANT:

1. YOU ARE BEING SUED. The Plaintiffs have started a lawsuit against you. The Plaintiffs' 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 re-

sponse 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:

Griffith Law Office  
Itlis Building  
343 Third Street  
International Falls, MN 56649

3. YOU MUST RESPOND TO EACH CLAIM. The Answer is your written response to the Plaintiffs' Complaint. In your Answer you must state whether you agree or disagree with each paragraph of the Complaint. If you believe the Plaintiffs 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 Plaintiffs 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. Pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 543.22, notice is given that Rule 114 of the Minnesota General Rules of Practice for District Courts requires the parties to make efforts to undertake some form of alternative dispute resolution. This may include mediation, arbitration, moderated settlement conference, early neutral evaluation or other process as the parties may agree to. You must still send your written Answer 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 the County of Koochiching, State of Minnesota, legally described as follows: That part of Government Lot Four (4),

also known as Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter (NW¼ - NW¼), lying North (N) of Highway No. 53, Section One (1), Township Sixty-nine (69), Range Twenty-four (24), except the East (E) Two Hundred Feet (E 200') thereof.

**The object of this action is to quiet the title to said real estate and to determine the adverse claims of the Defendants to the same and the rights of the respective parties therein, and the relief demanded in the Complaint consists wholly in excluding Defendants from any interest in or lien on said real estate and no personal claim is being made against any of said Defendants.**

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

The undersigned hereby acknowledges that pursuant to Minn.Stat. § 549.211, subd. 2: (1) this pleading is not being presented for any improper purpose, such as to harass or to cause unnecessary delay or needless increase in the cost of litigation; (2) the claims, defenses, and other legal contentions are warranted by existing law or by a non-frivolous argument for the extension, modification, or reversal of existing law or the establishment of new law; (3) the allegations and other factual contentions have evidentiary support or, if specifically so identified, are likely to have evidentiary support after a reasonable opportunity for further investigation or discovery; and (4) the denials of factual contentions are warranted on the evidence or, if specifically so identified, are reasonably based on a lack of information or belief.

Dated: June 18, 2013

**GRIFFITH LAW OFFICE**

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