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Budding new business survives COVID-19

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The main difference between hemp and marijuana is the levels of tetrahydrocannabinol, more commonly known as THC, said Nate Crotteau, owner of Holistic Wellness Services. He said hemp has a THC level of 0.3 and is legal to grow in Minnesota and marijuana is not.

Nate, 35, and his wife, Breana, 36, became interested in the possible health benefits of hemp products several years ago. Nate worked as a Registered Nurse in inpatient oncology/palliative care and hospice. He said he kept an open mind as he listened to clients as they discussed the effects of hemp products. Nate was intrigued and discussed it with his wife.

In 2019 the Crotteaus took a chance and jumped into the fledgling hemp market. They opened the business with the help of relatives, Mike and Denice Miller of Sandstone.

Breana said the Millers own a farm and have been growing herbs and creating their own lotions and other products for years.

"This fits into their all natural vibe," Breana said. She explained the hemp growing season also conveniently fits into the offseason of the Millers pussy willow business.

The business was taking off when COVID-19 hit and everything shut down.

"We lost a lot of sales," Nate said. He explained that the couple sold most of their products at craft shows and health and wellness fairs until the pandemic hit.

The couple decided to open a store in downtown Moose Lake in order to survive the pandemic. They said business has slowly picked up. The Crotteaus noticed an increase in business when residents received their stimulus checks. Breana said CBD may ease some symptoms of stress and pain as well as improve sleep and mood.

She noted that while they see a large age range, many customers are in the 50 plus age range.

"They have aches and pains and are tired of taking medications," Breana said.

The couple agreed there were several learning curves along the way.

They try something different every year as they attempt to find the correct balance for their "seed to sale" business.

Their families help with the process, especially during planting and harvesting.

The female plants go into the ground in May and are harvested in the fall. A Minnesota Department of Agriculture inspector tests the hemp before it is harvested to be sure it contains only 0.3 percent or less of THC.

"We are heavily regulated," Breana said.

If the hemp crop tests above the maximum 0.3 percent the owner can request a second test or destroy the crop. If the crop fails the second test the grower is ordered to destroy the entire crop, according to the Minnesota Department of Agriculture.

Once the plants are harvested, the flower portion of the plants are hung to dry for seven to ten days. When they are totally dried out, they are soaked in alcohol to extract the cannabinoids. The alcohol is separated from the cannabinoids before they are made into various products from salves to tincture oil and even



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Nate Crotteau holds up the flowers of the hemp plants during a harvest. The flowers are dried, then soaked in alcohol to extract the cannabinoids. Once the alcohol is removed, the remaining CBD is made into products to sell.

a pet product.

While the THC levels are low in the products, there is a possibility a drug test could come back positive, said Nate. He recommends customers not use the product if they are concerned about passing a drug test. He also recommends customers who take medica-

tions talk to their doctor before purchasing CBD products.

Visit the store at 499 Arrowhead Lane, Moose Lake 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday or 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday.

For more information call 1-218-460-9616 or visit the website at hwhemp.life.

County committee work proposes green site for jail

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New County Jail planning, though slow and methodical, comes closer to a decision on site and building design. The Carlton County Jail Steering Committee and the Property Management Department headed by County Coordinator Dennis Genereau have recommended the green site as the preferred building site.

The "green site" is a forested area north and northeast of the present Carlton County Transportation complex on Old 61. The area set for soil borings and water table issues is in an area that once was the Northern Pacific borrow pit when its material was used to construct the rail bed west in the 1870's. Most of the area involved is covered with an evergreen forest and thus is the green site. The County owns the property.

Paul Coughlin, the current Carlton County Jail, explained at a Special Committee of the Whole meeting on May 17th that it is cheaper to study just one site, especially when the "brown site" north of the Courthouse has limited space

which would need the additional purchase of land.

Specific points that are costly to solve north of the Courthouse:

1. At least two outcroppings would have to be removed
2. The proposed Jail/Justice Center complex could cover an area larger than the existing parking lot
3. With limited space there is little room for building materials, supplies, construction cranes, construction personnel, a route for construction trucks, to name a few.
4. The use of the current highway west of the Courthouse parking lot would be closed for unknown periods and an alternate route established.
5. Little room for expansion for future needs.
6. Disruption of the regular County staff duties during construction in both the Courthouse and the current Jail.
7. A need for a replacement site for parking now being used as the current parking lot at an estimated to be 125 to 150 parking slots
8. Unknown costs exist under

the current parking lot. For example, it is estimated the WLSSD line under the area, running diagonally, would have to be moved at a cost of about \$750,000. Contaminated soils could be an issue.

Overall, the "brown site" could add millions in cost to a jail/justice center proposal before one wall is put up.

On the other hand, there are some costs to consider for a "green site" proposal:

1. Some changes for traffic on and off Hwy 210 would need to occur if a new Justice Center was built at that site. A roundabout has been a possibility.

2. The water from Twin Lakes Township's new waterline would probably not provide enough pressure for fire response. A possible tank and pump proposal would cost between \$125,000 to \$150,000.

There is plenty of room in the green space to have a ground source heat pump system and possible solar grid. Building there would make construction less since the evergreen forest would shield the

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24 hour police coverage continues in Moose Lake

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Moose Lake Police Department has been operating short one full-time officer. Chief of Police Darren Juntunen and City Administrator Katie Bloom brought two possible solutions to the May Moose Lake City council meeting for consideration.

The first of the two options was to revise the staff schedule at the police department to have three officers on a rotating shift, but this would not allow for 24 hour a day coverage. Alternatively, another officer could be hired as full-time to fill the vacant position.

Reducing the Moose Lake Police Department by one full-time officer would remove the expense of \$87,043 from the budget for the salary of that employee.

Council member Walter Lower read a prepared statement opposing hiring a full-time officer. The main concerns raised by Lower in this statement were the lack of funding for infra-

structure improvements, the length of time it is taking the city to address infrastructure concerns and the ability for the change in the police budget by reducing this position to increase funding in other areas of the city budget.

"We will never ever get these roads and sewers and water lines fixed...We do not have enough money to fix them and we are never going to," said Lower.

"Just the other night we would of had a later teen female dead because of an attempted suicide at 3 in the morning if we didn't have an officer on," Chief Juntunen told the council in response to Lower's statement.

In a 3-2 vote the council decided to hire a full-time officer. The council also approved hiring one of the part-time officers currently working with the department to fill that position.

Mayor Shaw reminded the council that although the discussion was difficult that it needed to happen.

CARLTON COUNTY COVID UPDATE

Total number of cases: 3,465
New cases last week: 24
Positive cases incarcerated at MSOP in Moose Lake: 0
Barnum cases: 266
Moose Lake cases: 449
Deaths: 54
People with at least one vaccine dose: 19,124
People who have completed the vaccine series: 17,538

Register to receive a vaccine through <https://mn.gov/covid19/vaccine/connector/index.jsp>
Contact the Carlton County COVID-19 Hotline at 320-591-1690 or public.health@co.pine.mn.us

Statistics provided by Carlton County Public Health and Minnesota Public Health. Updated May 16.

PINE COUNTY COVID UPDATE

Total number of cases: 3,293
New cases last week: 28
Deaths: 22
People with at least one vaccine dose: 10,190
Percentage of Pine County residents 16+ vaccinated: 42%
Percentage of Pine County residents age 65+ vaccinated: 75%

Register to receive a vaccine through <https://mn.gov/covid19/vaccine/connector/index.jsp>
Contact the Pine County COVID-19 Hotline at 320-591-1690 or public.health@co.pine.mn.us

Statistics provided by Minnesota Public Health. Updated May 17.

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Historical Reflections



This week's history photo:
Do you know who is in this photo?

Answer to the history photo from the previous edition:

In May of 1982 Bob Budd, Craig Blacklock, Joe ??gen, Leo Rentz, Bud Kirk, Merlin Fadness, Buddy Janovsky and John Schnellmann broke ground.

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Mystery of Sturgeon Lake missing millions of gallons continues

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Approximately 16 million gallons of water disappeared from the city of Sturgeon Lake's water treatment system. When filing paperwork with the state it was discovered that 16 million gallons of water was treated at the water treatment facility, but never returned through the city sewer system. The city council has been on a mission to find the missing water since they received the report in March.

The largest hold up in the search has been the lack of data available.

There is no true estimate of the number of water meters in Sturgeon Lake. Without an idea of where the water usage is higher than normal, there is no easy way for the leak to be identified. The council has been researching methods for addressing this since the report was brought to their attention in March.

At their May meeting the council received a

presentation on cellular based water meters from Metronic. These meters would come at an estimated cost of \$60,000. Reading the meters would be done digitally and not involve entering residences.

Residents also have the ability to download an mobile app, or sign up for emails to have their water meters notify them if there is significant or increased usage within their homes.

9010 ROYAL AVENUE

A potential buyer for the property being sold by the city at 9010 Royal Avenue in Sturgeon Lake approached the council with an offer.

The offer was contingent on the council being willing to approve a variance to any future zoning ordinances prohibiting the construction or use of tiny homes.

Building a tiny home and a garage on the property is the proposed plan that was presented to the council.

Before approving a

purchase agreement for the sale of the property the council determined that it was in their best interest to have the city attorney review the legality of a sale with the understanding that a variance would be granted.

A discussion about what is considered to be a residence ensued. May 25 at 6 p.m. the council will be holding a special meeting to higher for a summer maintenance worker, the review of this offer was added to the meeting agenda.

Having a permanent structure with a bathroom on a property was discussed as being a definition for a residence. "That's the key, is the bathroom," said Mayor Todd Danelksi. If the potential property owner wanted to build a garage with a bathroom, Danelksi expressed a willingness to allow them to do so.

Deputy Clerk Kathi Bennett, raised concerns about using the term garage in association with

a defined residence. The city of Willow River presently is having issues with individuals living in a garage. Bennett reminded the council that there are regulatory practices beyond the city ordinances that must be used to define a residence, like state fire codes.

Councilmember Adam Langhorst said, "I don't think that just having a garage on there is acceptable under a zoning ordinance." Langhorst also raised concerns about the precedent that would be set by allowing a tiny home on a lot with a variance when the council had previously raised extensive concerns over campers being used as residences on city lots.

OTHER NEWS

The council set a time limit for building permits. This limit is set at one year from the time of purchase after that time period has expired a new permit will need to be purchased.

GREEN SITE: Possible new building location for planned Carlton County Jail/Justice center identified

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building from the highway.

The Jail portion of the construction calls for an 80 bed facility with 16 beds needed extra for a women's program.

A facility has been built in LeSeur County which is a good comparison for our size of county, has 94,000 square feet, and is being visited by several of the local Commissioners and jail study participants. This complex has been built as a Jail/Justice Center with two and three quarter courtrooms and all staff associated with the jail-courtroom process.

Coughlin said that not only does the decision have to be made that a Jail/Justice center be built on the green space but also how much staff would be moved to the new complex.

It is anticipated by the architects that the costs per square foot to build a jail will range from \$550 to \$585. The courtroom and justice center portion would run \$350 to \$375 per square foot. At the current pace the building would be completed later in 2024.

The Minnesota Legislature has still not made a decision whether to allow Carlton County to put a referendum on the 2022 general election ballot for the people

of Carlton County to approve a half percent sales tax to fund the Jail/Justice Center.

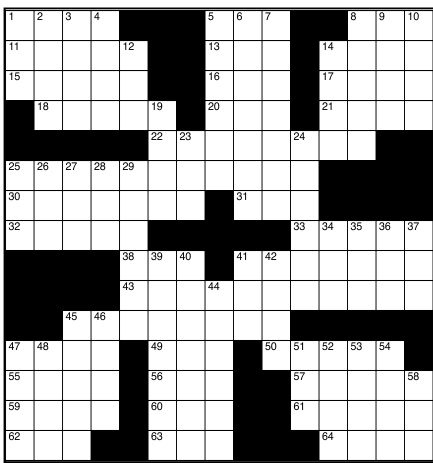
Rep. Mike Sundin Chair of the House Agriculture Committee related via phone today, "Anything to do with money is still to be decided. The Governor and Legislative Leaders did not come out with spending levels until the last day of the session. Work now starts finalizing the bills to allow this spending. These bills will pass in the middle of June after three days notice is given for a specific date. Coupled with the money coming from the Federal government, I believe we can reach an agreement to balance the State's

budget for the next six years."

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CLUES ACROSS

1. Prevents harm to young
5. "Losing My Religion" rockers
8. Partner to pan
11. Cavalry unit
13. Peyton's little brother
14. Mexican dish
15. Disseminates info to the public
16. Set an animal on
17. Canadian flyers
18. Elongated mouths of anthropods
20. I (German)
21. Opposite of west
22. Glows
25. Measures how quickly a car moves
30. One who has gained wealth

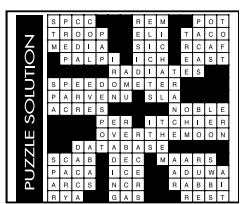
31. Patti Hearst's captors
32. Extensive landed property
33. Male aristocrat
38. For each
41. More fidgety
43. Very happy
45. A place to store info
47. Helps to heal
49. 12th month (abbr.)
50. Broad, shallow craters
55. Nocturnal S. American rodent
56. Frost
57. Ethiopian town
59. Curved shapes
60. Company that rings receipts
61. Spiritual leader
62. Sheep native to Sweden
63. Cars need it

CLUES DOWN

1. Scientist's high-resolution tool (abbr.)
2. Type of school
3. Formal close (music)
4. Transmits high voltage
5. A way to occupy a certain area
6. Draws out
7. His Airness
8. Nocturnal rodents
9. South American plants
10. Homestead
12. Bland or semiliquid food
14. Forest resident
19. The body needs it
23. Atomic mass unit (abbr.)

24. Spell
25. Relaxing place
26. Political fundraising tool
27. Make a mistake
28. Partner to Adam
29. Tyrant
34. Unit of electrical resistance
35. A history of one's life
36. Actor DiCaprio
37. Sea eagle
39. Avoiding being caught
40. ___ de Mornay, actress
41. Belonging to a thing
42. Not us
44. Motorcars
45. Capital of Bangladesh
46. Ancient

- Greek sophist
47. Practice boxing
48. ___ Grant, actor
51. Swiss river
52. S. Sudan river
53. A bumpkin
54. One point south of southwest
58. Small island (British)



Weekly Forecast

From CBS 3 Meteorologist Dave Anderson

THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY
Mostly cloudy Wind: S 5-15 mph 80% chance of rain 75 60	Mostly cloudy Wind: S 5-15 mph 60% chance of rain 77 60	Mostly cloudy Wind: S 5-15 mph 50% chance of rain 78 60	Mostly cloudy Wind: E 5-15 mph 60% chance of rain 65 53	Partly sunny Wind: E 5-15 mph 40% chance of rain 65 45

Campers, off-road riders beware of very high fire danger

MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

Dry conditions mean very high fire danger persists in north-central and northeastern Minnesota. Spring outdoor recreation activity is increasing and the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources urges outdoor enthusiasts to limit the use of campfires and use caution with off-road vehicles that could spark and start a wildfire.

Northern Minnesota counties remain under open burning restrictions. Minnesota's wildland fire management agencies report nearly 900 wildland fires have burned more than 32,000 acres since the begin-

ning of March.

While the majority of the wildfire activity has occurred in the dry northwest corner of the state, northeastern counties have experienced their share of spring fire activity.

To date, 225 wildfires have been reported this spring across northeastern Minnesota and in every county except Cook County. The majority of these fires have been human caused.

"With the fishing open and warmer weather on tap, more people will be out camping and recreating on our public lands. Keeping a keen eye on fire safety will keep you, your fellow recreationists and residents and our firefight-

ers out of danger," said Wes Belanger, Forestry supervisor in Deer River. "During very dry conditions like we have now any fire that starts has the potential to spread and get out of control very quickly."

Belanger said the area's lack of rain and continued sub-freezing temperatures are delaying spring green-up, and until it arrives, wildfire danger will continue. He recommends campers follow these tips to avoid accidentally starting a wildfire:

- Never leave a campfire unattended.
- Keep the fire within a fire ring and clear all flammable materials within five feet of the fire.

• Before leaving, make sure the fire is completely out. Drown with water, stir and repeat until embers are cold.

People who ride off-road are also encouraged to take a few simple precautions to prevent wildfires:

- Don't park recreational vehicles, cars or trucks on dry vegetation.
 - Use an approved spark arrester on all internal combustion powered equipment.
- For more information and daily updates on current fire risk and open burning restrictions, visit the DNR website: mndnr.gov/burnrestrictions.

STAR GAZING-UPCOMING EVENTS

Star Gazing is a service to readers to publicize upcoming events and activities as space permits. Free events are given priority. If there is a charge or admission cost to the event, a paid ad is required.

May 28 from 9 to 10:45 a.m. & 12 to 2:30 p.m.

Cromwell 5th and 6th Grade Track and Field Day

5th & 6th Grade Track & Field Day is on Friday, May 28. Morning 9:00-10:45 & 12:00 - 2:30. Parents and spectators welcome, all events outside.

Mondays in May from 11 a.m. to Noon

Cromwell Area Yoga

Cromwell Area Yoga at the Cromwell Pavilion, 11:00-12:00. \$3 each. Questions email Ann Markusen, markusen@umn.edu or 218-428-3300.

Wednesdays in May from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Wright Senior Club

The Wright Senior Club is open on Wednesdays from 1 - 4 p.m. Cribbage on Thursdays from 6 - 8 p.m.

Moose Lake Senior Dining Menu

All in-house dining is cancelled until further notice. HOME DELIVERY IS STILL AVAILABLE. Call (218) 485-4937 to place your order. Please reserve the day before.

\$4.00, Under 60: \$7.50.

There are no income guidelines.

Carry-out meals available. Meals also include veggies, milk and dinner roll. Call Senior Dining 485-4937. Volunteer Drivers Needed.

Monday, May 24 - Stuffed Peppers, Pudding w/Topping

Tuesday, May 25 - Special of the Day, Dessert

Wed., May 26 - Liver/Onions or Alternate, Cookie

Thurs., May 27 - Tri Colored Rotini with Chicken, Fresh Fruit

Friday, May 28 - Fish Taco or Alternate, Rice Krispy Bar

Mapping public restrooms on Minnesota bike trails and paths

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

An interdisciplinary team from the University of Minnesota collaborated to identify the location of public restrooms and portable toilets along every bicycle path and route throughout Minnesota. The project — MN Bike and GO — is using crowdsourcing and mobile devices to identify the locations on an interactive web-based map.

"Minnesota is a great place to ride a bike, but people often need to use the restroom during a ride and there isn't a good way to know where they are located or what they are like. They may also not know which ones have opened after being closed due to COVID-19. Currently, there are no maps or lists readily available," said School of Nursing Professor Donna Bliss. "This project will solve those problems and help people and families enjoy their bike rides." The success of MN Bike and GO is based on

crowdsourcing of information by the public. To encourage this, the website includes a short survey that allows bicyclists to report information about the restroom's features, such as cleanliness, toilet paper supplies, hours the restroom is open and whether the toilets flush.

"The initiative has benefits for everyone, not only as a matter of convenience but to maintain health," said Bliss. "It may also eliminate one of the barriers preventing people with bladder or bowel problems from getting on their bikes and enjoying the outdoors."

The submitted information will be used to populate the map and will allow users to search for restrooms and along bike routes using their mobile devices during or before a ride.

MN Bike and GO was created in collaboration with Len Kne, director of U-Spatial, and numerous undergraduate and doctoral students

BAO VANG BETTER BUSINESS BUREAU

With the COVID-19 vaccines rolling out, travel is coming back. BBB Scam Tracker is receiving reports of con artists creating fake airline ticket booking sites or customer service numbers. If you are buying airfare, use caution and double check the URL or phone number before providing your credit card information.

How the Scam Works

While doing an online search for cheap flights, you come across what seems like a great deal with a major airline. You book the flight — either through the website or by calling a customer support number — and receive a confirmation message. However, when you look more closely at the email, you notice that you never actually received your ticket.

In another version of this scam, you book a flight on a travel website offering deals on airfare. You pay with your credit card like normal. But shortly after making the payment, you receive a

BBB Scam Alert: Watch out for airfare scams when booking your next trip

call from the company saying that there's been a sudden price increase or an extra charge to finalize your booking. This is something a legitimate company would never do.

In either case, you call the airline to follow up about your flight. After talking to an agent, you find that they have no record of your booking. It turns out you accidentally purchased tickets through a scam website or a phony customer service number.

How to Avoid Travel Scams

• Do your research. If you come across a company you haven't dealt with before, research it before making any purchases. Look on BBB.org for reviews and feedback from previous customers.

• Double check the URL before you enter personal and payment information. It can be easy to click on a sponsored ad or imposter website without noticing. Before you enter any sensitive information, double check that you are on the right website and that the link is

secure. (Secure links start with "https://" and include a lock icon on the purchase page. Learn more at BBB.org/BBBSecure.)

• Be wary of third-party websites. Some websites appear to offer a legitimate service but are only fronts for a scam. Be suspicious of websites with no working customer service number and no physical address. Typos and grammatical errors can be indications of a scammer's handiwork, too.

• Make online purchases with your credit card. Fraudulent charges made on a credit card can usually be disputed, whereas that might not be the case with other

payment methods. Unfortunately, there is no way to get back the personal information you may have shared.

For More Information

To learn more about planning a getaway during COVID-19, check out this tip from BBB. For ways to protect yourself from travel scams, go to BBB.org/TravelScam. Read more about customer service number scams.

If you've been a victim of an airline ticket or other travel scam, please report your experience at BBB.org/ScamTracker. By doing so you can help others to avoid falling prey to scammers.

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And the mask stays on

Friday for many was a celebration. An end to the outdoor mask mandate was announced, and now the restrictions for vaccinated folks have been further lifted. For many, these announcements were met with tossed masks and unobstructed sighs of relief.



A Millennial Mile
Alanea White

I am not ready to join them in this free face revolution.

I have been fully vaccinated for some time now. As someone living with a person who has both an underlying respiratory illness and a terminal cancer diagnosis I was first in line when my name was called to get my "Fauci ouchie." But I still am not sure how many folks out there have gotten theirs.

One thing that has confused me greatly in the last year is the ease that a public health crisis has been turned into a political line in the sand.

Scientists have been studying, learning, fighting and teaching about germs, viruses and bacteria for longer than any person has been alive. The germ theory of disease has been around longer than all of us, unless you are a veteran of the American Civil War. We know how to fight germs. We know how to fight viruses. We know how to fight bacteria. We know how to fight air borne viruses, like COVID-19 too.

Public health practices, like germ theory, aren't new. Hand washing, staying home when you are sick, and covering your mouth and nose when you sneeze are all easy things. For the last year wearing a mask, staying six feet apart and getting a vaccine have all been part of those simple tasks to help keep everyone safe. But for some reason those practices have gotten bogged down in politics.

Something that I think we all lost during the times of isolation that came with COVID-19 lockdowns was some of our compassion.

At a recent outdoor event, I felt myself questioning looks for wearing my mask. The event was less than 500 people and there was plenty of room for distance, but I didn't feel ready. I didn't feel safe without my mask on.

The reversal from mask requirements to masks not needed was just too fast for me to process. Thursday folks were still bucking the system and wandering into places without masks on and then Friday rolled around and a free for all ensued.

I dislike having to think this way, but with the reliance on an honor system for vaccinated folks going without masks being the way we are playing these new rules I think I might be safer with my mask on my face. Nearly every place I have gone in the last year, there has been someone out and about without a mask on their face or a care in the world. Every week I get a the COVID-19 vaccine numbers for both Pine County and Carlton County and while they are growing they aren't at a place where I think I can take my mask off.

As someone who has had COVID-19, I don't want it again. So, until I am sure, my mask will stay on.

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Talking Aquatic Invasive Species with U of M

2021 not only brought us a new way of life with guidelines surrounding COVID-19, but the Minnesota Aquatic Invasive Species Research Center at the University



Talking with the U of M
Amy Kinsley

of Minnesota has also created us a new resource — an online dashboard called AIS Explorer — that predicts the introduction risk of aquatic invasive species and identifies the optimal placement of watercraft inspection locations for waterbodies across Minnesota.

Amy Kinsley, an assistant professor in the College of Veterinary Medicine at the University of Minnesota, answers questions on what the latest research on AIS shows, what boaters and anglers alike can do to stop the spread of AIS, as well as the new AIS Explorer dashboard.

Q: What aquatic invasive

species are in Minnesota, and are there any new ones of great concern?

Dr. Kinsley: "Aquatic invasive species (AIS) are non-native aquatic animals, pathogens or plants that have been introduced to a new environment, beyond where they are typically found. Depending on their characteristics and the extent of their introduction, they can negatively affect natural resources, human health and the economy. Unfortunately, Minnesota's waterways are threatened by a number of AIS. Some more notable species include zebra mussels, Asian and common carp, and plants such as starry stonewort, curly-leaf pondweed, and Eurasian watermilfoil.

Decorative moss balls infested with zebra mussels are a new concern in Minnesota. These small two-to-5-inch balls of green algae are sold at pet stores for aquarium decorations. This means that some aquarium owners may be inadvertently harboring zebra mussels in their tanks at home. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is asking people who have recently purchased

them to dispose of them by freezing them or putting them in hot water, salt or bleach, then placing them in a bag and in the trash. They also recommend disinfecting the tank and accessories after disposing of the moss balls.

Although not necessarily a new AIS, one worth mentioning given the upcoming fishing opener is spiny water flea, a small freshwater zooplankton. Spiny water fleas are important because they can impact populations of native zooplankton, leading to lower food availability for fish. Spiny water fleas can spread to uninfested lakes through fishing and boating equipment.

One last point worth highlighting this year is the importance of properly disposing of baitfish. Since baitfish can harbor pathogens that can cause disease in native fish, it is important to never release unused bait and bait water into the waterways, but instead dispose of bait in a trash can on land and dump your bait water on

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Unbelted traffic fatalities highest in nearly a decade

Extra Seat Belt Patrols May 24-June 6

CARLTON COUNTY SHERIFFS OFFICE

Minnesota motorists are known for their high seat belt compliance rate, but a disturbing development is taking place on Minnesota roads. Between Jan. 1 and April 22, preliminary reports show 31 unbelted motorists died this year, the highest number of year-to-date unbelted traffic fatalities since 2012.

This loss of life comes after a deadly 2020 when 112 unbelted motorists died on Minnesota roads compared to 73 in 2019. The 112 unbelted motorist deaths in 2020 were also the highest since 2012 (116).

To remind motorists about the importance of buckling up, Carlton County Sheriff Office, Cloquet Police Department, and Fond du Lac Tribal Police Department are joining law enforcement agencies statewide in extra seat belt patrols

May 24 through June 6. The Minnesota Department of Public Safety Office of Traffic Safety coordinates the campaign and the funding provided by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

YOU NEVER GET OVER EJECTION

Most Minnesotans are making the life-saving decision to buckle up. According to the 2019 Minnesota Observational Seat Belt Survey, 93.4 percent of front seat occupants are wearing their seat belts. The rest are gambling with their lives and the lives of others in the vehicle by riding unbelted.

BAD DECISIONS CONTRIBUTE TO LIFE-CHANGING OUTCOMES

- In 2020, 112 unbelted motorists lost their lives on Minnesota roads.

- Adults must take the time to correctly use child restraints, teach children the value of

buckling up and model seat belt use. From 2016-2020

- 20 children (ages 0-7) were killed in motor vehicles.

- Eight of the victims were properly secured, eight were not properly restrained, and restraint use was unknown in four fatalities.

- Of the 87 children (ages 0-7) seriously injured in motor vehicles, 49 percent were known to be properly secured. Good decisions are a lifesaver

- In 1987, 4,176 vehicle occupants suffered severe injuries in traffic crashes. That number dropped to 1,056 in 2020.

- 2020 saw the highest number of unbelted fatalities (131) of 15-19-year-olds since 2011 (20)

- 2020 saw the highest number of unbelted fa-

talities (31) of 25-39-year-olds since 2012 (36).

- In 2020, 79 percent of the unbelted deaths occurred in Greater Minnesota (outside the seven-county metro area).

THE LAW IS FOR SAFETY

Minnesota law states that drivers and passengers in all seating positions must wear seat belts or be in the correct child restraint. Occupants must correctly wear seat belts low and snug across the hips, and they should never tuck straps under an arm or behind the back. If you are unbuckled, expect to be stopped.

MINNESOTA CHILD CAR SEAT LAW PROTECTS YOUNG LIVES

- In crashes from 2016-2020, of the 15,670 children ages 0-7 that were properly restrained, 88 percent were not injured while another 9 percent sustained only possible injuries.

- In Minnesota, all children must be in a child restraint until they are 4 feet 9 inches tall, or at least age 8, whichever comes first.

- Rear-facing seats - All infants and toddlers should ride in a rear-facing car seat until they have reached the height and weight limits allowed by the car seat manufacturer.

- Forward-facing seats with harness - Toddlers and preschoolers who have reached the height and weight limits of the rear-facing car seat should use a forward-facing seat with harness until they reach the weight limit of the harness allowed by the car seat manufacturer.

- Booster seats - School-age children who have reached the height and weight limits of the forward-facing seat can sit on a booster seat. It must

be used with a lap and shoulder belt.

- Seat belts - Children 8 years old or have reached 4 feet 9 inches tall can buckle up with seat belts. Your child is ready for an adult seat belt when they can sit with their back against the vehicle seat, knees bent comfortably and completely over the vehicle seat edge without slouching, and feet touching the floor.

Carlton County Sheriff Office will be joining law enforcement agencies statewide in extra seat belt patrols May 24 through June 6. Carlton County Sheriff Office will also be available to assist car seat checks. If you have any question please contact Carlton County Sheriff's Office.

KETTLE RIVER NEWS: Mark your calendars for upcoming events

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Kettle River and Moose Lake American Legion Honor Guards are joining force in honoring our Veterans this Memorial Day.

The Kettle River and Moose Lake Legion Posts are looking to work together to make one Honor Guard. We

will be practicing and working together for the first time this Memorial Day, so in saying that we will not be at our full potential. Commander Ken Jackson of Moose Lake, and Commander Mike Tuomi of Kettle River agree this is a great move. There is a lot of work to do so everyone has a good understanding of each other's responsibilities

and duties.

"I'm very excited about these organization changes to our area Honor Guard as we work together to become one of the Best of the Best," said Moose Lake Honor Guard Captain Mike Peterson.

Now that many have been vaccinated and are starting to get out and about, there are several things happening in

Kettle River to mark on your calendar.

The women of Faith Lutheran Church, Sturgeon Lake and Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Kettle River will hold their Jump into June sale on Friday, June 4, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Kettle River Veteran's Building on Hwy 73. There will be a plant sale, baked sale and rummage sale and

books. So plan to attend.

Dr. Manno, a physician from Haiti, will be at the Kettle River Senior Center on Sunday, June 13 at 2 p.m. He will be giving an update on his clinic. Several area churches support his clinic. A free will offering will be taken to help support his clinic. Many of his patients are diabetic and insulin is one of the major expenses.

Going fishing? Submit your picture to the Star-Gazette for publication! Include the date, name, hometown, and, especially with children, the age of the fisherperson. evergreen@mistargazette.com

WRIGHT-CROMWELL NEWS: Floodwood School declares 'Jennie Hanson Day'

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Sulo and Delores Walli have moved to Cloquet to Evergreen Knoll to be more centrally located to family. Their grandson and his wife, Brandon and Katie Gresczyk, are buying their farm.

Sulo and Delores' new address is: 1309 14th St. Apt. 318, Cloquet, MN 55720. Their phone number remains the same. They look forward to "keeping in touch!"

The Cromwell-Wright Spring Choir Concert is on Thursday, May 20, at 6:30 PM by invitation only or call the school at 644-3737 to see if there are seats available.

The Cromwell-Wright Spring Band Showcase is on Friday, May 21 @ 6:30 pm. Call the school for more information about attendance rules.

Cromwell-Wright families, we are able to have three more exchange students for next year. If you would like to learn more about the world, but are

not wanting to travel yet, host an exchange student. Host families come in all shapes and sizes. Just need to provide three meals a day and a place to sleep. Students are looking for an American family to call theirs. Contact Lori Wester, Pax Coordinator at 218 343-8802.

The last day of school at Cromwell-Wright is on June 2 with graduation on May 28 at 7 p.m.

The Floodwood School will graduate 25 seniors on Friday, May 28 at 7 p.m. These past months have been very unusual for all the students in our area, but with grit and determination, the students and staff carried on the best they could and hopefully we can return to a new type of normal soon.

I have become quite close to this class as I have subbed for them during their entire school years since I am now completing my 22nd year as their substitute teacher. And last Friday, I was surprised with a

special welcome to school as the staff and students declared Friday, May 14 "Jennie Hanson Day!" I received lots of thanks, a couple of gift cards, a beautiful metal yard flower ornament and a huge card signed by the students and staff. I want to thank you all for making this day so special for me and I will remember it forever. You can be proud of your school for their kindness to so many in the area!

And speaking of Floodwood School, did you know that there are seven composite senior class pictures missing from the walls of the school? They aren't actually missing, as they were never done in the first place. The classes that are missing are 1993, 1997, 2002, 2015, 2017, 2019 and 2020. I hear that the class of 2021 has theirs done or almost done so it will be placed on the wall soon. So, if you are a former Floodwood Graduate from any of these classes, maybe you can get together with

classmates and complete your composite so the history of your school is complete. Photos can even be taken from your yearbooks if nothing else works.

The Cromwell Area Young Old Timers (YOT) has not met for over a year now, but that will change starting in June. The first YOT meeting will be on June 8 at the Cromwell Park Pavilion at Noon with the YOT officers serving lunch. Then, they will try to have the first YOT Senior Dance on Thursday, June 24. If attendance is good, the dances and meetings can continue every month thereafter. If you are new to the area or just want to check it out our Cromwell Area YOT, Please feel free to attend these events.

The Floodwood VFW Post 8299 will be at the Wright Park for Memorial Day Services on May 31, at 8 a.m. to honor our Veterans. This year Wes Heikkila will be the honored Veteran as he



JENNIE HANSON | SUBMITTED

Floodwood School declared Friday, May 14 "Jennie Hanson Day" at the school. Jennie has been a long time substitute teacher at Floodwood School and the staff and students there wanted to recognize Jennie's 22 years of service.

passed away on June 25, 2020, and his Inurnment was on July 15, 2020 at the Prairie Lake cemetery. Bring your American Flags and wear Red, White and Blue!

And speaking of military, Rebecca Burns, was promoted to Lt. Colonel in the Air Force and she is a Pediatric Dr. Her husband, Brandon Burns is

waiting for an upcoming promotion, too! They reside in Alaska with their two young daughters.

That's all the news from the Edge of Wright! Remember you can send me your news at jkh4president@hotmail.com or call at 218-337-2385. Or text me at jkh4president@hotmail.com

SPORTS

Rebels take on Esko, Eveleth-Gilbert, Mesabi East

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Moose Lake Willow River's baseball team traveled up north three days this week to play Esko, Eveleth-Gilbert, and Mesabi East losing all three. Several starters were still out with COVID isolation protocol.

Tuesday, May 11, MLWR Rebels were in Esko losing 3-21. Esko's Haugen and Furnicht both hit home runs in the second inning, and Esko racked up 19 hits in the game. Henry Ribich went 2-for-3 at the plate to lead MLWR. Carter Johnson took the loss on

the mound. Esko fans expect to make it to the state playoffs in a couple weeks.

On Thursday, May 13, the Rebels were in Eveleth-Gilbert. They struggled to score runs and had a tough time defensively, giving up 15 runs and scoring 5. The Rebels tallied up five runs on the board in the fourth inning. Mason Olson, Caden Privette, Luke Dewey, Reese Bode and Ritchie Balute each batted in runs. Pitcher Olson took the loss for the Rebels. The game was over in four innings.

On Friday, May 14, the Rebels were in Aurora for a varsity game only with Mesabi East at their

new artificial turf sports complex. There were greeters at the entrance, to welcome MLWR to their new facility. The Rebels lost, even though they out-hit Mesabi East 3-to-2. Drew Danielson took the loss for the Rebels, pitching four innings. Later he made a great diving catch for a foul ball, running in from left center.

Out of the ordinary, a player for Mesabi East stole home plate, with a batter in the batter box just as Danielson started his wind-up. The home plate umpire called the runner out because the catcher caught the pitch and tag the runner. The base umpire changed the

call on a pitching technicality. In the bottom of the third inning, third baseman Luke Dewey, shortstop Olson, and Henry Ribich tagged-out Mesabi East's leadoff batter in a hot box, when he tried to steal third base. The Rebels lost 1-8.

There are four regular season games left on MLWR's baseball schedule. Wednesday, May 19th, they host the Rush City Tigers and Friday they will travel to Mora for a 4:00 p.m. game. On May 25, Tuesday, Aitkin will be in Moose Lake. Rebels' final game on their schedule is at Proctor on Thursday, May 27, at 4:30.



MARY ELLEN DEWEY

First baseman Ethan Burton was 1-for-2 on Friday at the artificial turf sports complex in Aurora when the Rebels played Mesabi East.

Talking teenage mental health with the U of M

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Every year, statewide data show that depression and suicidality are increasing among Minnesota's youth.

In a recently published study, University of Minnesota Medical School researchers found that, for public school students overall in Minnesota and for the majority of specific racial and ethnic subgroups, teenagers who get more sleep and have strong parent relationships have reduced rates of depressive symptoms, suicide ideation and suicide attempts.

To explain the effect that sleep and parent relationships can have on teenage mental health, senior author Andrew Barnes, MD, MPH, an associate professor of pediatrics at the U of M Medical School and a de-

velopmental and behavioral pediatrician with M Health Fairview, and lead author Marvin So, MPH, a third-year medical student at the U of M Medical School, answer questions and offer ways to promote better mental health.

Q: How does sleep and having strong parent relationships affect the mental health of teenagers?

Answer: Teenagers who get 8-10 hours of sleep every night and have at least one parent (or other caregiver) with whom they feel they can talk to about their problems have better mental health than their peers without these. We have an internal clock that regulates not only our sleep but also our mood, hormones, immune system and thinking abilities. If we are chronically sleep-deprived,

these fine-tuned systems get unbalanced.

Strong parent relationships are just as essential as sleep for teens' health. Teens are at their best when they can count on their parents to listen, and they really do look to their parents for guidance and boundaries — including healthy routines like a regular bedtime — and, of course, for encouragement in dealing with life's ups and downs. That's why sleep and parent relationships are among the factors that protect teens from the wear and tear of stress from problems not of their own making, like bullying, discrimination or family substance use disorders.

Q: How do the effects of sleep and parent relationships differ between racial and ethnic groups and why is it important for these differences to

be addressed?

Answer: Most U.S. teens get less than 8-10 hours of sleep per night, and BIPOC youth often get less than white peers. In our study of approximately 100 thousand teens across Minnesota, sleep and positive parent relationships each independently reduced the probability of depression and suicide for teens — regardless of race and ethnicity — and for the "average" teen in Minnesota, this was even better among teens with both good sleep and positive parent relationships.

When we looked deeper, this combined effect was only significant for the white and Asian teens in our sample. Social conditions are key — for example, Black teens who experience intrusive police stops or live in neighborhoods with fewer resources

get worse sleep than white youth a ZIP code away. These stressors are over-represented in communities of color as a result of historical policies rooted in institutional racism. While helping teens improve their sleep and parent relationships does improve their health regardless of race, true healing will only come through changing the structural and social forces that wound communities of color.

Q: What are some ways parents can help their teenagers sleep better?

Answer: Parents play a key role in shaping their teenager's sleep habits. Although adolescence is a time when young people are trying out their own daily rhythms regarding schoolwork, extracurriculars and free time — parents still matter. Parents can set consis-

tent expectations around routines like meals, chores, homework, bedtime and screens to help guide healthy practices. They can encourage their teen to reflect with them on their sleep and its relationship with how they deal with stress and emotions. Parents also help to ensure that their teens have a quiet, cool, dark, comfortable place to sleep. Discussing these practices with trusted friends, family or health care professionals can help parents figure out what might work best for their teenager and household. Approaching these topics collaboratively and with curiosity helps a lot — especially when parents are honest with their teens about things they are working to improve about their own sleep habits, too.

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Golf results from GRC meet at Izaty's

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On Wednesday, May 12, a Great River Conference meet was held at Izaty's Golf and Yacht Club. East Central, Mille Lacs, Rush City, Barnum, Braham, Hinckley-Finlayson, Moose Lake Willow River, and Pine City participated. Winning first was the Pine City team with 391; second place was Moose Lake Willow River with 409; East Central third 422; Hinckley-Finlayson fourth 436; Braham fifth 448; and Barnum 451.

Pine City:
Hunter Haug 90
Griffin Faur 96

Isaac Jahnz 99
Carter Arhart 106
Mason Olson 108
Landon Arhart 112

MLWR:
Adam Neumann 89
Johnathan Danelski 97
Dawson Mortensen 105
Gus Heller 118

East Central:
Wesley Watrin 93
Tyler Thorvig 101
Clay Nelson 111
Eathan Johnson 117
Nicholas Dixon 132

Hinckley-Finlayson:
Kase Pike 87
Peyton Ammerman 112
Cody Klein 118
Bryan Blowers 119
Dan Bonn 127

Braham:
Al Londgren 103
Zack Yerke 103
Tyler Heikes 112
Ethan Schroeder 130
Kevin Laman 131
Tucker Gould 139

Barnum:
Layne Wickstrom 101
Ryan Manahan 103
Brady Coughlin 123
Alex Nelson 124
Jordan Bird 129
Levi Westerberg 149

Rush City:
Gabe Widenstrom 131

Mille Lacs:
Teagen Haggberg 86
Tyler Bottema 118

MOOSE LAKE WILLOW RIVER AND BARNUM AREA EVENTS

THURSDAY, MAY 20:

BARNUM GOLF Varsity meet vs. Rush City @ Braham Golf Club 2:00 p.m. (Rescheduled from 04-13-2021)

BARNUM TRACK and Field Varsity meet vs. McGregor @ McGregor High School 4:00 p.m.

BARNUM BASEBALL Varsity vs. Cherry @ Barnum RJM Park 4:30 p.m.

BARNUM SOFTBALL Varsity vs. Ogilvie (CANCELLED)

FRIDAY, MAY 21:

MLWR TRACK and Field Varsity @ Pine City High School (CANCELLED)

MLWR BASEBALL Varsity vs. Mora @ Mora High School 4:00 p.m.

MLWR SOFTBALL Varsity vs. Mora @ Mora High School 4:30 p.m.

MLWR SOFTBALL JV vs. Mora @

Mora High School 4:30 p.m.

MLWR BASEBALL JV vs. Mora @ Mora High School 6:00 p.m.

BARNUM SOFTBALL Varsity vs. Esko @ Barnum RJM Park 4:00 p.m. (RESCHEDULED 04-15-2021)

BARNUM SOFTBALL JV vs. Esko @ Barnum RJM Park 6:00 p.m.

TUESDAY, MAY 25:

MLWR BASEBALL Varsity vs. Aitkin @ Moose Lake School 4:00 p.m.

MLWR SOFTBALL Varsity vs. Aitkin @ Aitkin High School 4:30 p.m.

MLWR SOFTBALL JV vs. Aitkin @ Aitkin High School 4:30 p.m.

MLWR BASEBALL JV vs. Aitkin @ Moose Lake School 6:00 p.m.

BARNUM BASEBALL Varsity vs. Braham @ Braham High School 4:30

p.m.

BARNUM SOFTBALL Varsity vs. Braham @ Braham 4:30 p.m.

BARNUM SOFTBALL JV vs. Braham @ Braham High School 4:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 26:

MLWR TRACK and Field Varsity vs. Two Harbors @ Two Harbors High School Polar League Invite-time TBD

BARNUM TRACK and Field Varsity Conference Tournament vs. Two Harbors @ Two Harbors High School 2:30 p.m.

BARNUM BASEBALL Varsity vs. Rush City @ Barnum RJM Park 4:30 p.m. (Rescheduled from 04-26-2021)

BARNUM SOFTBALL Varsity vs. Cloquet @ Barnum RJM Park 4:30 p.m.

BARNUM SOFTBALL JV vs. Cloquet @ Barnum RJM Park 6:00 p.m.

CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES!



2021 Graduating Class of Willow River Area School!



STEVEN BUNDSCHUH



LEONARD DAGEL



EMMA FJOSNE



RYAN HANSEN



JADA JERRY



LOUIS KLINISKI



KAYLEE KRZOSKA



OLIVIA LOEW



RYLEY LOVEGREEN



GRACE MIKROT



MONICA MIKROT



BRODY MOTZ



AYDEN NELSON



ELLIE NEUMANN



ADAM OLSON



HANNA PANTLIN



ABIGALE PEDERSEN



KAYLEE SCHMIDT



AARON SMEKOFOSKE



PAXTON VOGEL



BRADY WATRIN



ALLISON WEIDENDORF



CLASS OFFICERS

President: Kaylee Krzoska
Vice President: Hanna Pantlin
Secretary: Emma Fjosne
Treasurer: Monica Mikrot

CLASS MOTTO

"From small beginnings come great things."
-Anonymous

CLASS COLORS

Red and Silver

CLASS FLOWER

White Rose

CLASS SONG

See You Again by Wiz Khalifa
feat. Charlie Puth

GRADUATION

Friday, May 28, 2021
at 7 p.m., High School Gym

Each senior is allotted 8 tickets for guests

A parade of the seniors with the local fire departments
will immediately follow the ceremony

**The ceremony will be live-streamed on the
Willow River Area School YouTube channel**

Congratulations to the class of 2021 from these area businesses!!!

Chickadee (218) 389-4444
City of Barnum (218) 389-6814
Como Oil (218) 389-6578
Edward Jones (218) 485-4497
First National Bank (218) 485-4441
Gamper's (218) 485- 8272
J T Repair (218) 206- 5190
KJ's Fresh Market (218) 656-7455
Moose Lake Rental (218) 485-5764
Next Home (218) 372- 3767
Pine Agency (218) 485-4198
R&G Waldhalm (218) 372-3800

Robbins Septic Service (218) 372-8748
Roth Chiropractic (612) 916-3506
Smitty's Ready Mix (218) 389-3276
Diane Stellrecht, Psychologists (218) 209-6456
TJ's Country Store (218) 389-6257
Willow River Lumber (218) 372-3442
Gateway Family Clinic (218) 485-4491
H&R Block (218) 485-4461
Barnum Automotive (218) 389-3187
High Pressure Solutions (320) 390-2101
Carlton County Abstract Title (218) 389-9893
Hoffman's Ace Hardware (218) 485-4211



FDLTCC celebrates 2021 graduates

FOND DU LAC TRIBAL AND COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Fond du Lac Tribal and Community College in Cloquet, Minnesota, conferred associate degrees and diplomas on the 157 students who make up the Class of 2021 during a virtual commencement ceremony on May 13, 2021.

The virtual commencement ceremony included a congratulatory address from Minnesota State Chancellor Devinder Malhotra. "I commend you for your hard work and perseverance... You are all a resilient bunch, and you have much to be proud of," and special greetings from the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities presidents. During her address, Fond du Lac Tribal and Community College President Stephanie

Hammit congratulated the students. "We find ourselves once again celebrating apart and virtually, rather than together, but our enthusiasm and happiness for your accomplishments is not diminished."

The 2020 Student of the Year, Hope Calogero, and the 2021 Student of the Year, Taria White, also addressed the graduates. In her inspirational address, Taria White shared, "They say sky's the limit, but I don't believe that, reach beyond the stars because you never know who is watching you," she continued, "You are a role model to everyone, whether you see it or not."

Dr. Anna Fellegly, Fond du Lac Tribal and Community College Vice President of Academic Affairs, presented the nominated

candidates for degrees to President Stephanie Hammit, who then conferred the degrees earned by the students. The ceremony concluded with a congratulatory cheer from college employees.

In addition to the virtual ceremony, small in-person celebrations were held at Fond du Lac Tribal and Community College including pinning exercises for The Associate Degree Nursing Program graduates on May 12, 2021, and a graduate parade on May 13, 2021.

The FDLTCC 2021 Commencement video is available on the college website: <https://fdltcc.edu/congratulations-class-of-2021/>.

GRADUATES WITH HONORS

- Elijah Blue, Carlton, Minn.
- Shelby Bonczek,



FOND DU LAC TRIBAL AND COMMUNITY COLLEGE | Taria White of McGregor was selected as 2021 Student of the Year at Fond du Lac Tribal and Community College.

- Carlton, Minn.
- Haley Adkins, Carlton, Minn.
- Jadie Guyer, Moose Lake, Minn.
- Moriah Gill, Sturgeon Lake, Minn.
- Tanner Carlson, Wrenshall, Minn.



DAN LINGLE | SUBMITTED

Barnum Dollars for Scholars makes a big impact

Barnum graduates were awarded over \$61,000 in scholarships through the Barnum Dollars for Scholars.

Changing guidelines alter graduation, prom in Moose Lake

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Changes in the state wide mask policy in Minnesota have not changed the need to wear a mask in Moose Lake Community School.

Constantly changing guidelines from the Minnesota Department of Education lead the Moose Lake School Board to determine that they will continue to wear their masks during school board meetings. Students are still required to wear masks during the school day, and at school activities.

The changing guidelines for mask wearing have caused a few changes in both the upcoming Moose Lake Prom and Graduation ceremonies. High School Principal Ryan Stewart let the school board know that graduation this year will be more normal than they were last year. Wes Cummins and Catlin Miller have been working with the changing guidelines to set up both prom and graduation for students at Moose Lake.

Updated guidance for mask wearing and social distancing during summer school was not released at the time of the board meeting. Plans for a summer credit recovery program for

Moose Lake High School students to make up or finish credit hours to fulfill graduation requirements are underway.

The board passed a resolution again this year to allow Seniors that are two and a half or fewer credit hours from completing their graduation requirements to participate in the graduation ceremony. Last year with the changes to learning models, the district determined that this practice was advisable. Students will not receive a signed diploma until their credit hours are completed.

OTHER NEWS

Science curriculum was under review to ensure compliance with updated Minnesota Department of Education standards. The elementary plans to implement a training for teachers to assist them in utilizing the School Forest for more lesson planning.

Several funding sources for updates to the School Forest have come in. The board approved a \$6,300 contract with Precision Landscaping to work on improvement to trails within the forest. A Minnesota Department of Natural Resources \$5,000 grant will be used to pay for most of this project.

BOWLING SCORES

TUESDAY SENIOR BOWLING LEAGUE MAY 12

Jim 175/520
Tony 164/455
Gail 151/424

GAMPER'S EARLY THURSDAY WOMEN'S BOWLING LEAGUE

No scores submitted



Volunteers Needed

Aging Services Programs

Door-step delivery and
Homemaking Help

Aging Services is looking for volunteers to help older adults remain living in their homes.

- help to straighten up home
- light laundry
- menu planning/prep/cleanup
- grocery pick up

Aging Services covers the following counties: Chisago/Isanti, Kanabec, Pine and Mille Lacs.

If interested please contact
Volunteer Manager Brooke Zank
at 651-674-8040 or
brookez@familypathways.org

We are following all COVID guidelines at this time.

Family Pathways programs are supported, in part, by the Federal Older Americans Act via contract with Central Minnesota Council on Aging under an Area Plan approved by the MN Board on Aging by Minnesota Department of Human Services. Local donors, cost share contributions, and our Family Pathways Thrift Stores.



EARLY DEADLINE NOTICE

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DEADLINE is 3PM Friday, May 28

Our offices will be closed on Monday, May 31 in observance of Memorial Day.

Carlton Bike Rental & Repair Announces Munger Mission

CARLTON BIKE RENTAL & REPAIR

Carlton Bike Rental & Repair, a hidden gem located in Carlton, Minn., is proud to announce the inaugural season of the Munger Mission.

The Munger Mission's aim is to be an incentive to get friends and families to bike the Willard Munger Trail and enjoy the experience of our rich Minnesota bike trail network.

Bikers who wish to participate in the Munger Mission will receive a nylon bag containing your mission instructions and goals to accomplish. You will also receive an updated instruction list from the State of Minnesota regarding COVID-19 rules on State property. You will have through the month of September to complete your mission.

"The Munger Mission was designed as an incentive for bikers to explore additional portions of our beautiful Willard Munger Trail," said Joeline Steffens, founder of Carlton Bike Rental & Repair. "Now that we have expanded to Hinckley, it gives bikers a chance to discover additional portions of the trail beyond Moose Lake and Carlton."

To accomplish your "Munger Mission" you must take a selfie of yourself

and your bike in front of each of our three locations and share on social media, tagging @MungerMission on Instagram, or posting to the Munger Mission Bike Ride Facebook page.

Everyone who registers and completes their mission will receive a "Munger Mission Accomplished" T-shirt.

You are also encouraged to participate in bonus missions to be eligible for other prizes from participating local businesses! Bikers are encouraged to adventure at their own pace and their own directions and need not bike the whole length of the trail. This is not a race. This event is about getting out into nature, enjoying the beauty, and just enjoying the Willard Munger Trail.

Carlton Bike Rental & Repair's three locations are:

- 106 Chestnut Ave., Carlton, MN 55718
- 505 3rd St Moose Lake, MN 55767
- 105 Main St East Hinckley, MN 55037

For more information on how to join the Munger Mission ride go to: www.CarltonBikeRental.com

National Safe Boating Week 2021 to stress float plans, life jackets

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By 1939, the Great Depression was easing and many people could afford to turn to recreational boating for a little fun. That made boating accidents explode and the U.S. Coast Guard, always the smallest of our uniformed services, had a hard time keeping up. So, Congress authorized the creation of the Coast Guard Auxiliary to teach boaters how to stay safe. World War II slowed down the number of people boating for fun but by the 50s, boating interest and accidents increased again. That's why President Eisenhower created National Safe Boating Week.

This year, National Safe Boating Week will

run May 22 to the 28. It will be the first week of what is to be a year long campaign to promote safety on our waters. The key goals among many this year are to encourage boaters to file float plans before heading out and to make life jacket use consistent rather than hit or miss.

Filing a float plan can be as simple as telling a friend, relative or neighbor where you'll be boating and when you'll be back. Doing an Internet search for "float plan central" will take you to the Coast Guard Auxiliary's site where you can find plenty of information.

Statistics show that drowning was the cause of four out of five boating fatalities in 2019 and 86% of those victims were not wearing a life jacket. New life jackets

are much more comfortable, lightweight and stylish than the bulky orange, old-fashioned style most boaters are familiar with. Now, there are innovative options, like inflatable life jackets which allow mobility and flexibility for activities such as power boating, fishing and paddle sports. It should be worn at all times rather than stowed where it will be difficult to put on in case of an emergency.

Minnesota is home to Coast Guard Auxiliary units from the border with Iowa to the border with Canada. Your neighborhood auxiliary says there are many more tips for staying safe on the water for National Safe Boating Week 2021 and beyond that can be found at cgaux.org

MENTAL HEALTH: Resources for parents, teens, or others struggling

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Q: What are some ways parents can strengthen relationships with their teenagers?

Answer: Parents often know their child better than anyone, so they already have the tools to build strong relationships. Things like taking an interest in teenagers' activities and friends, respecting their developing opinions and autonomy and being a listening ear can all be helpful. Before

offering unsolicited advice, try asking something like, "can I give you a suggestion?" Parents are surprised that the answer is usually, "sure!" Putting these ideas into practice may be easier said than done; things like losing a job or dealing with their own health can soak up parents' time and energy. Enlisting the support of counselors or other trusted adults can help families create stronger relationships and dynamics as they

shoulder life's challenges.

One important finding from our study was that good parent-youth relationships were important for mental health regardless of one's race or ethnicity. We know that caregivers practice many ways of raising children, drawing on diverse cultural values and their own experiences being parented. Although there is no one size-fits-all approach, our results agree with many decades of previous research:

teenagers are healthier when they can talk with a parent about the things that matter to them.

Q: What are some resources if you are struggling with or know of someone struggling with mental health?

Answer: Mental health conditions such as depression, anxiety and suicide are common, affecting one in five people in the U.S. People of all ages, ethnicities, cultural backgrounds and financial situations

experience them. While these can present considerable challenges, there are countless stories of people who have gone on to achieve stability, healing and recovery. The support of one's friends, family, health care teams and community can make a big difference in managing mental health issues and cultivating resilience.

If you or someone you know are struggling, we encourage you to look for support.

- National Suicide Prevention Lifeline is available 24/7: 1-800-273-TALK (8255)
- Crisis Text Line is available 24/7: Text MN to 741741
- Minnesota Farm & Rural Helpline: 1-833-600-2670

Andrew Barnes, MD, MPH, is an associate professor at the University of Minnesota. Marvin So, MPH, is a third-year medical student at the U of M Medical School.

INVASIVE SPECIES: Clean, drain, dry to fight AIS

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land far from the shore."

Q: What does your latest work show on AIS?

Dr. Kinsley: "My recent efforts have focused on outlining a statewide surveillance and early detection system for AIS in Minnesota in response to a request by the state legislature. The program was described in detail in a report which outlined critical components of an effective program along with any necessary policy and funding changes. The report was submitted to the legislature in January 2021 and is available in its entirety here.

Within the report, we discussed the challenges of surveillance and early detection. We also discussed the history and benefits of decision support tools and we introduced our new decision-support tool called AIS Explorer. This user-friendly, online platform helps AIS managers make efficient decisions about surveillance activities and watercraft

inspections."

Q: Why is the AIS Explorer dashboard necessary and what existing gap does it help fill in Minnesota?

Dr. Kinsley: "Although many AIS currently inhabit our lakes and waterways, only about 8% of water bodies are currently infested, which is an important point because we have the opportunity to protect the remaining 92%. AIS Explorer is a free, publicly-accessible online tool that can support us in those efforts considering that there is a limited amount of money, people, and time available to do so. The AIS Explorer dashboard has two main functions: it helps 1) AIS managers visualize risk of new infestations to plan where to conduct surveillance activities, and 2) AIS managers plan their watercraft inspection programs by identifying the optimal locations for inspection stations. The tool is a result of the collaborative efforts of researchers from a variety of

backgrounds and I urge anyone interested in AIS to check it out."

Q: In the age of COVID-19, what can you say about the parallels between COVID-19 transmission and AIS spread?

Dr. Kinsley: "There is a lot of overlap when considering how COVID-19 and AIS are spread. COVID-19 showed us how important it is to identify infected individuals, even if they are not showing symptoms. By contact tracing and testing public health officials were able to use data to gain a clearer picture of the situation in order to base decisions on. That is similar to AIS, where infested waterbodies may not be identified early in the infestation. However, by conducting surveillance and having information of the location of AIS infestations, managers can make better decisions about how to respond and communicate that response plan more clearly. In both cases, slowing the spread of COVID-19 and AIS,

we can all do our part by participating in the recommended prevention activities."

Q: What is the No. 1 thing people can do to help in the fight against AIS, especially this year?

Dr. Kinsley: "One of the most important things that people can do is to clean, drain, and dry. By being familiar with and following state laws that help prevent the spread of AIS, including cleaning aquatic plants and any debris from boats, draining all water from your boat, removing drain plugs, wiping out residual water in live wells and bait buckets, and properly disposing of baitfish, we can all play a role in protecting our waterways from AIS."

DR. AMY Kinsley is an assistant professor of aquatic epidemiology in the Department of Veterinary Population Medicine in the College of Veterinary Medicine. Her research focuses on developing tools that support decision-making surrounding the management of invasive species, infectious diseases, and aquatic pollutants.

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CARLTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ADJOURNED SESSION HELD ON April 26, 2021

The proceedings, in their entirety, are on file and open for public inspection during regular working hours in the Auditor's Office and are also posted on the Carlton County website at: co.carlton.mn.us

Present: Bodie, Brenner, Peterson, Proulx and Thell. Absent: None.

The County Attorney stated that due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the related peace-time emergency declaration an in-person meeting was not practical or prudent and declared that necessary conditions were met for remote participation.

Brenner by Thell all yea, to approve the Agenda as amended.

Thell by Brenner all yea, to approve the April 13, 2021, Minutes of the regular meeting.

Thell by Peterson all yea, votes to approve the Addendum to Memorandum of Agreement between the University of Minnesota and Carlton County for Providing Extension Programs Locally and Employing County Extension Staff, effective April 26, 2021, contingent upon approval of the County Attorney.

Brenner by Bodie all yea, to approve refilling a Disabilities Services Social Worker position in Public Health and Human Services.

Bodie by Brenner all yea, to approve the Service Provider Contracts and Addendums: Fond du Lac Band - Foster Care and Visitation Services

Brenner Thell all yea, to approve the 2021 renewal of the Carlton County Hunting Cabin, Agriculture, ARMER, and Billboard Site Leases, with further approval of a fee increase of \$25.

Brenner by Thell all yea, to adopt Minnesota Statutes 262.01, Subdivision 7A, provides for the County Auditor to sell certain tax-forfeited properties at a restricted land sale

WHEREAS; and NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Carlton County Board of Commissioners does hereby authorize the sale of tax-forfeited lands as allowed by Minnesota Statutes 262.01, subdivision 7A.

Bodie by Peterson all yea, to approve a one-year Lease Agreement, Lease No. 12399, by and between Carlton County and the State of Minnesota.

Brenner by Bodie all yea, votes to accept staff recommendations and approve Applications for Property Tax Adjustments as follows: Carol and Gregory Cross and Tanner Thorman

Bodie by Brenner all yea votes to accept the expenditure listing for March 2021

Brenner by Peterson all yea, votes approve that the Jail Justice Center project is a 'Go' as relates to first of the three 'Go/No-Go' decision points.

Bodie by Thell all yea, to authorize the County Coordinator to organize a meeting with the Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa for the purpose of discussing current issues affecting the band and county

Bodie by Brenner all yea, votes to move forward with evaluations of possible jail sites and associated construction costs.

Bodie by Brenner all yea, to set a closed meeting at the end of regular business to discuss union negotiations and further to adjourn to the closed meeting.

Brenner by Bodie all yea, to close the closed meeting and return to the adjourned meeting.

Brenner Bodie all yea except Peterson and Thell who voted nay, to authorize ratification of 2021 labor contracts and Memorandums of Understanding with the Carlton County Public Health and Human Services AFSCME Council 65, Local 275 and International Union of Operating Engineers (IUOE), Local #49 units.

Brenner by Thell all yea, this meeting be adjourned.

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION - PERMIT TO MINE

In accordance with Minnesota's Minelands Reclamation

Act (M.S. 93.44-93.51) and the Minnesota Peat Minelands Reclamation Rules Chapter 6131, notice is hereby given that Premier Horticulture, Inc. (Premier), 1320 Kall Rd. Cromwell, MN has applied for a Permit to Mine.

Premier proposes to develop the Wright Bog, located in the Carlton County, by constructing a new horticultural peat harvesting facility located approximately 3 miles west of their existing Black Lake Bog (Peatrex) horticultural peat harvesting operation. The project would secure a continuous supply of Sphagnum moss peat to its existing processing plant located west of Cromwell in Carlton County, Minnesota.

The proposed development areas would be cleared and ditched, with drainage water conveyed through the ditch system, sedimentation basins, and the north drainage ditch eventually discharging into the Little Tamarack River. The company plans to develop a total of 316.4 acres that includes 255.2 acres of peat harvesting areas, 5.7 acres for a drainage ditch north of the site, 5.1 acres for sedimentation basins, 2.7 acres for access roads within the harvesting area, 2.4 acres for an access road to the harvesting area, 15.6 acres for peat stockpiles within the harvest area, 2.0 acres for an equipment yard, and 28.0 acres for a restoration donor site.

Storm water will be treated through 4 sediment basins to remove suspended solids from the discharge water.

The development would occur on both private and state administered land (i.e. state lease). Production on the proposed site is estimated to begin in 2021 and end in 2046. Progressive restoration of the site will occur between 2033 and 2049. The permit application is on file and may be reviewed by appointment at the Premier Horticulture, Inc. office in Cromwell, MN, or at the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, Division of Lands and Minerals office in Hibbing and in St. Paul at the addresses shown below.

MDNR Division of Lands and Mineral
MDNR Division of Lands and Minerals

1525 3rd Avenue East
500 Lafayette Road
Hibbing, MN 55746
St. Paul, MN 55155

Appointments at the DNR can be made by calling 651-259-5959.

Any person owning property which will be affected by the proposed operation or any federal, state or local government agency having responsibilities affected by the proposed operation may file written objections as to the proposed application. All objections may be submitted to the Commissioner of Natural Resources, c/o MDNR Division of Lands and Mineral, 1525 3rd Avenue East, Hibbing, MN no later than 2:30 pm on Monday July 12, 2021.

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STATE OF MINNESOTA
COUNTY OF CARLTON
SIXTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
DISTRICT COURT
PROBATE DIVISION
Court File No. 09-PR-21-794
NOTICE AND ORDER OF
HEARING ON PETITION FOR
PROBATE OF WILL AND
APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL
REPRESENTATIVE AND
NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate of
Evelyn M. Hawkinson, a/k/a
Evelyn Marian Hawkinson,
Decedent.

It is Ordered and Notice is given that on June 17, 2021, at 8:45 a.m., a hearing will be held in this Court at 301 Walnut Avenue, Carlton, Minnesota, for the formal probate of an instrument purporting to be the Will of the Decedent dated, July 21, 2016 ("Will"), and for the appointment of Brandt Swedberg, whose address is 1803 Highway 23, Wrenshall, MN 55797, and Amy Swedberg, whose address is 1803 Highway 23, Wrenshall, MN 55797 as Personal Representatives of the Estate of the Decedent in an UNSUPERVISED administration. Any objections to the petition must be filed with the Court prior to or raised at the hearing. If proper and no objections are filed or raised, the Personal Representative will be appointed taxes and expenses, to sell real and personal property, and to do all necessary acts for the Estate. If you have an objection to this case, please contact Court Administration at (218) 726-2460 option #6 for further instructions as these hearings are currently held remotely due to the pandemic.

Notice is also given that (subject to Minnesota Statutes section 524.3-901) all creditors having claims against the Estate are required to present the claims to the Personal Representative or to the Court Administrator within four months after the date of this Notice or the claims will be barred.

A charitable beneficiary may request notice of the probate proceedings be given to the Attorney General pursuant to Minnesota Statutes section 501B.41, subdivision 5.

BY THE COURT
Dated: 05/07/2021
/s/ Robert Macaulay
Judge of District Court
Amy Turquist, Chelsea Opdahl, Deputy
Court Administrator
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NOTICE OF MORTGAGE
FORECLOSURE SALE
THE RIGHT TO VERIFICATION
OF THE DEBT AND
IDENTITY OF THE ORIGINAL
CREDITOR WITHIN THE TIME
PROVIDED BY LAW IS NOT
AFFECTED BY THIS ACTION.

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

DATE OF MORTGAGE: November 2, 2015

MORTGAGOR: Dorothy M. Collette, unmarried.

MORTGAGEE: U.S. Bank National Association.

DATE AND PLACE OF RECORDING: Recorded November 30, 2015 Carlton County Recorder, Document No. A000465913.

ASSIGNMENTS OF MORTGAGE: NONE

TRANSACTION AGENT: NONE
TRANSACTION AGENT'S MORTGAGE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER ON MORTGAGE: NONE
LENDER OR BROKER AND MORTGAGE ORIGINATOR STATED ON MORTGAGE: U.S. Bank National Association
RESIDENTIAL MORTGAGE SERVICER: U.S. Bank National Association
MORTGAGED PROPERTY ADDRESS: 919 Maple Avenue, Moose Lake, MN 55767
TAX PARCEL I.D. #: 21-285-0520

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY:

SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF CARLTON, STATE OF MINNESOTA, TO-WIT: LOT 8 EXCEPT THE NORTH 50 FEET THEREOF AND LOT 9 BLOCK 2 SOUTHTOWN ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF ON FILE AND OF RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER IN AND FOR CARLTON COUNTY MINNESOTA.

COUNTY IN WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED: Carlton
ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: \$40,000.00

AMOUNT DUE AND CLAIMED TO BE DUE AS OF DATE OF NOTICE, INCLUDING TAXES, IF ANY, PAID BY MORTGAGEE: \$43,016.26

That prior to the commencement of the mortgage foreclosure proceeding Mortgagee/Assignee of Mortgage complied with all notice requirements as required by statute; That no action or proceeding has been instituted at law or otherwise to recover the debt secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof.

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

DATE AND TIME OF SALE: November 12, 2019 at 10:00 A.M.
PLACE OF SALE: Sheriff's Office, Law Enforcement Center, 2nd Floor, Carlton, MN 55718-0530

to pay the debt then secured by said Mortgage, and taxes, if any, on said premises, and the costs and disbursements, including attorney's fees allowed by law subject to redemptions within six (6) months from the date of sale by the mortgagor(s), their personal representatives or assigns unless reduced to Five (5) weeks under MN Stat. §580.07

TIME AND DATE TO VACATE PROPERTY: If the real estate is an owner-occupied, single-family dwelling, unless otherwise provided by law, the date on or before which the mortgagor(s) must vacate the property if the mortgage is not reinstated under section 580.30 or the property is not redeemed under section 580.23 is 11:59 p.m. on May 12, 2020, unless that date falls on a weekend under MN Stat. Secs. 580.07 or 582.032

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

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

Dated: September 12, 2019
U.S. Bank National Association

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THIS IS A COMMUNICATION FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR.
NOTICE OF POSTPONEMENT OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

Pursuant to the provisions of Minnesota Statutes 580.07, the foregoing foreclosure sale is postponed until June 23, 2020, at 10:00 AM at the Sheriff's Office, Law Enforcement Center, 2nd Floor, Carlton, MN 55718-0530, in said county and state.

Dated: April 13, 2020
U.S. Bank National Association

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THIS IS A COMMUNICATION FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR.
NOTICE OF POSTPONEMENT OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

Pursuant to the provisions of Minnesota Statutes 580.07, the foregoing foreclosure sale is postponed until August 4, 2020, at 10:00 AM at the Sheriff's Office, Law Enforcement Center, 2nd Floor, Carlton, MN 55718-0530, in said county and state.

Dated: June 24, 2020
U.S. Bank National Association

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THIS IS A COMMUNICATION FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR.
NOTICE OF POSTPONEMENT OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

Pursuant to the provisions of Minnesota Statutes 580.07, the foregoing foreclosure sale is postponed until October 13, 2020, at 10:00 AM at the Sheriff's Office, Law Enforcement Center, 2nd Floor, Carlton, MN 55718-0530, in said county and state.

Dated: August 5, 2020
U.S. Bank National Association

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THIS IS A COMMUNICATION FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR.
NOTICE OF POSTPONEMENT OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

Pursuant to the provisions of Minnesota Statutes 580.07, the foregoing foreclosure sale is postponed until January 19, 2021, at 10:00 AM at the Sheriff's Office, Law Enforcement Center, 2nd Floor, Carlton, MN 55718-0530, in said county and state.

Dated: October 14, 2020
U.S. Bank National Association
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NOTICE OF POSTPONEMENT OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

Pursuant to the provisions of Minnesota Statutes 580.07, the foregoing foreclosure sale is postponed until March 2, 2021, at 10:00 AM at the Sheriff's Office, Law Enforcement Center, 2nd Floor, Carlton, MN 55718-0530, in said county and state.

Dated: January 22, 2021
U.S. Bank National Association

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NOTICE OF POSTPONEMENT OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

Pursuant to the provisions of Minnesota Statutes 580.07, the foregoing foreclosure sale is postponed until April 20, 2021, at 10:00 AM at the Sheriff's Office, Law Enforcement Center, 2nd Floor, Carlton, MN 55718-0530, in said county and state.

Dated: March 11, 2021
U.S. Bank National Association

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Pursuant to the provisions of Minnesota Statutes 580.07, the foregoing foreclosure sale is postponed until July 27, 2021, at 10:00 AM at the Sheriff's Office, Law Enforcement Center, 2nd Floor, Carlton, MN 55718-0530, in said county and state.

Dated: May 13, 2021
U.S. Bank National Association

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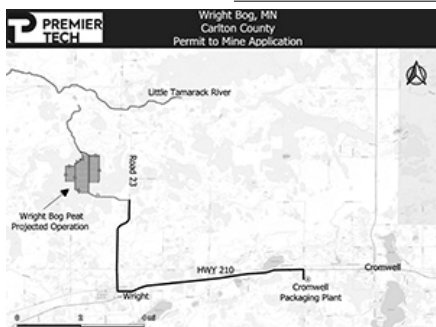
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- Create a compost pile. Composting is an eco-friendly way to enrich lawns and gardens. Composting helps to conserve water because

compost promotes moisture retention in soil, reducing homeowners' need to water their lawns and gardens while also helping them to save money on their water bills. Composting also helps homeowners avoid the need to use potentially harmful chemical fertilizers because compost is a natural, slow release fertilizer. In addition, according to Canada's Green Action Centre, compostable materials make up 40 percent of residential waste. So composting can dramatically reduce the amount of waste homeowners ultimately send to landfills.

- Replace gas-powered

mowers with reel lawn mowers. Reel mowers may seem like relics from simpler times, but today's reel mowers, while just as eco-friendly as their predecessors, are unlike those of yesteryear. According to the Planet Natural Research Center, an online resource for organic gardeners, gas-powered engines emit more than 10 times the hydrocarbons per amount of gas burned than auto engines. But reel mowers are fuel-free and less expensive than gas-powered mowers. Planet Natural also notes that reel mowers snip grass like scissors, leaving finer trimmings that can serve as nourishing,

weed-deterring mulch for yards.

- Water at the right times of day. Homeowners who water their lawns and gardens at the right time of day can help the planet and reduce their energy bills. As spring gradually gives way to summer, temperatures typically rise. Watering during the coolest times of the day means less water will be lost to evaporation, ensuring water-needy soil will get all it needs to help lawns and gardens thrive. Early morning watering before the sun reaches its midday peak and/or evening watering as the sun is setting are typically great times to

water lawns and gardens, rather than when temperatures are at their hottest.

- Use a rain barrel. Rain barrels provide another great way to conserve water while tending to lawns and gardens. Rain barrels collect and store rain water from roofs and downspouts, keeping water from washing into sewage systems where it can't be put to good use. Water collected in rain barrels can be used in various ways. Many homeowners can use water from rain barrels to water their lawns, gardens and houseplants, saving money on their water bills along the way.

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As part of the Line 3 replacement, we've committed \$100 million for Tribal-affiliated work opportunities, and we're engaging with Minnesota Tribes on training, contracting, procurement and hiring.

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