

200 WINS: Moose Lake/Willow River Football Coach Dave Louzek celebrates milestone win. **P8**

Barnum investigates water quality concerns

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A sulfur smell to water in areas of Barnum was reported to the council.

This issue was brought to the attention of the council at an earlier date. Public Works Superintendent Brett Collier contacted Minnesota Rural Water who tested water in town for ammonia. Levels were high, so chlorine was added to remove the ammonia. The reaction between the two chemicals can cause a strong egg-like smell.

Sporadic residences have reported to Janet Larson, a Barnum resident, that they are still experiencing a sulfur smell. Collier had not heard any complaints since Minnesota Rural Water was there to test. The council has not had

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ALANEA WHITE | MOOSE LAKE STAR-GAZETTE

Moose Lake hockey family celebrates Nordstrom Night at Riverside Arena

The Moose Lake community joined together to celebrate the start of a new hockey season, and to show their support for the Nordstrom family. In May of 2021 Drew Nordstrom, son of Lance and Erin Nordstrom died in an All Terrain Vehicle accident. Erin Nordstrom encouraged the community to continue to find ways to show each other that they care and to keep loving big like Drew. Above Moose Lake Mayor Ted Shaw embraces Lance Nordstrom while youngest daughter Paige and wife Erin Nordstrom observe the presentation and unveiling of decals (bottom right corner) on this year's rink ice in memory of Drew.

Another Minnesota dairy farm closes its doors



CONNIE OVERLAND | SUBMITTED

Al Overland attaches the hose that will transport the milk from the cow to the pipeline, and finally the bulk tank where it is stored.

BY JAMIE LUND
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The one-hundred-year-old red barn sits empty for the first time since 1921. The sounds of cows waiting to be milked are now silenced, leaving only the twittering of birds who fly through the open windows. In the last century, two families owned the property, several kids were raised on the property and a few hundred cattle came and went over the years.

Al Overlands parents purchased the property in 1944, complete with a herd of Guernsey dairy cows from the original homesteaders. The Nylands homesteaded the property in 1889, said Al. Al grew up working on the farm

until he left for college. He started milking again twice daily in 1976 after his dad had health issues.

Al met his future wife at college and married in 1982. He was on many boards and committees in the area over the years, including youth pastor, church council and dairy co-op.

Al said milking and feeding the cattle took about 35 hours per week. Additional farm work included making hay, cleaning the barn area and repairing fences and buildings and as many farmers know, much more.

"You put in a lot of time," Al said. "You need to be a jack of all trades." His dad was a welder and taught him how to

weld. He made a special little milking stool, which Al used every day when he milked the cows for the last 33 years.

He added that a few advances in technology helped make life easier and cut down on the amount of time spent milking, such as a milk pipeline. He said the addition of a manure pit made a huge difference. He no longer needed to haul the manure out of the barn every day.

The couple also opened their farm to kids from Camp Connection in New York City and Camp Heartland near Willow River and many more visitors. A few of the kids from New York came back and spent a week with the Overlands.

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AGATE ENCORES COMMUNITY CONCERTS PRESENTS

Dan Newton's

Café Accordion Orchestra

"Berets and Bongos" describes the Café Accordion experience, an eclectic mix full of French flare, Latin heat and Bohemian attitude. The heart of the Café Accordion repertoire is the romantic, gypsy-influenced valse-musette.

Moose Lake Community School Auditorium

For tickets sales and more information call 218-349-2328

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Expect construction delays on I-35 between Barnum, Moose Lake

MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Starting on Monday, October 11, motorists should expect lane closures on both south and northbound I-35 at the Moose Horn River between Moose Lake and Barnum in Carlton County. The left lane in both directions will be closed with no width restrictions for pier work underneath the bridge. Lanes are expected to reopen on October 31.

Carlton County hosting Flu and COVID-19 vaccine clinic

CARLTON COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH

Carlton County will be running a drive-through dual Influenza and COVID-19 clinic, targeting Carlton County residents on October 13 and October 14 from 2:30-7:00 p.m. You will need to register for your

vaccines. The clinic will be held at the Carlton County Transportation Building, 1630 County Road 61, Carlton, Minnesota.

For more information contact the COVID-19 vaccine hotline at 218-879-4511.

Historical Reflections



This week's history photo:

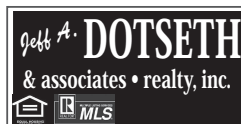
Do you recognize anyone in this photo?

Answer to the history photo from the previous edition:

In 1987 Moose Lake crowned Arnold Johnson and Margy Milczark homecoming royals. Barnum crowned Steve Genereau king and Colleen Wexsath queen.

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One moved in and stayed several years until he graduated high school. He is married and lives in a nearby town.

Even though the couple kept busy, they made time to travel and go on vacations.

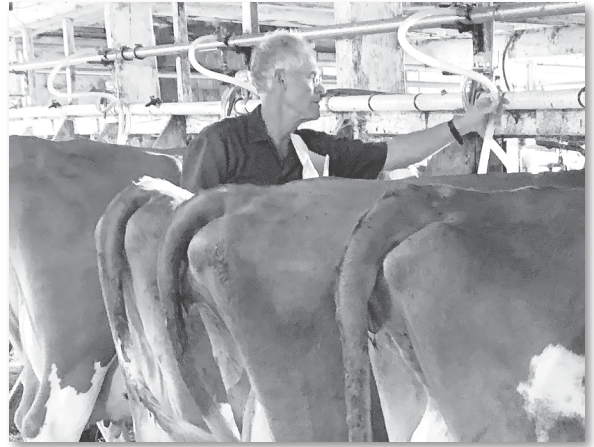
"We have been wonderfully blessed to have neighbors and family willing to help out," Al said.

While they are looking forward to traveling more, they said it still feels like something is missing.

"There's a strangeness, like you're supposed to be doing something," Al said. He added that he does miss the cows. Connie said the cows definitely have their own personalities.

"There is a sense of emptiness with them gone," Al said.

He said there is one dairy farm left in Windemere township now that he is retired.



CONNIE OVERLAND | SUBMITTED

Al Overland milks his guernsey cows for the last time on Monday, Sept. 27.

Northern Minnesota youth bring warmth to their communities

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA CARLTON COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE

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Youth in 17 Minnesota communities activated to collect more than 2,000 items for the Heads, Hands, and Toes winter gear drive earlier

this year. Youth in the Norman County Super Sewers 4-H Club and the Carlton County Rowdy Wranglers 4-H Club were key contributors.

Kendra Jurek is the President of the Rowdy Wranglers 4-H Club. Every year her club takes

part in serving their community. As president of the club, Kendra has helped organize many other service related efforts to get youth and her community involved. This year the Rowdy Wranglers made and donated tie blankets to

local emergency services. "I enjoy helping the people in my community by doing service projects. Creating the blankets with my club is one of the great activities we do together."

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any complaints reported to them.

Collier is not sure what more can be done. He was instructed by the council to reach out to Minnesota Rural Water to find out the next steps in addressing the issue. The council is also working to put together a survey by residence so that they can identify possible problem areas. More information on this survey will be available prior to it being conducted.

BARNUM CITY COMPLEX UPDATE

Construction is moving along, but the contractors are waiting on several shipments. The focus for completion has been shifted primarily to the bar and liquor store area of the complex. October 25 the transition of the Barnum Municipal Liquor into the new space is estimated to begin. A soft opening date of November 1 is tentatively set.

Several building materials being

delayed in shipping have caused timeline concerns. Freezer doors and building doors have been an area of supply concern. By focusing on the bar a liquor store area the council and construction crew hope to have a smoother transition into the new building.

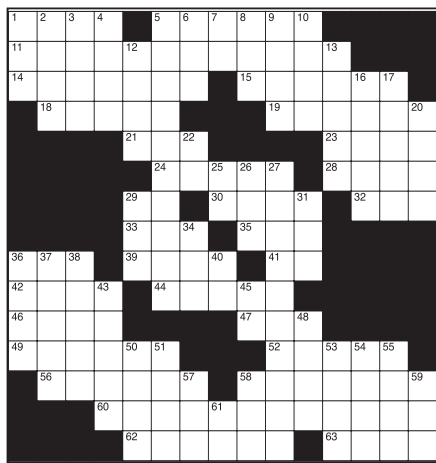
Construction meetings are now being held weekly. The council plans to hold a special meeting on October 25 at 4 p.m. to open bids for demolition of the Liquor Store, City Hall and Community Center buildings. After this meeting the council will walk through the complex.

OTHER NEWS

- A community shredding event is being co-hosted by Barnum Liquor, Northview Bank and Northern Pine Riders on October 23 from 9 am to noon will be held at the Barnum City Hall parking lot. The event is open to the community, a suggested free

will donation of \$5 or a donation of five non-perishable food items is encouraged and will benefit the food shelf. Unaccepted items include: junk mail, magazines, catalogs, photographs, negatives and x-rays. Staples, paper clips, rubber bands and folders are okay.

- The council opened sealed bids for the old fire hall property. They accepted the only bid placed for \$1,000.
- The city passed a resolution at the request of Carlton County. They need a resolution granting access for them to use bonding dollars to replace the bridge crossing the Moose Horn River on Main Street, near the city park. At this time the bridge is not load bearing so buses should be bypassing it. Estimated construction is in 2022 or 2023.



CLUES ACROSS

- Flat-topped hill
- Move upward
- Admiration
- It's useful for serving food
- Kidnap
- One of the Greek Muses
- A type of media
- Sunscreen rating
- Former Michigan coach Brady
- German town devastated in WW2
- Gasteyer and Ortiz are two
- Leave
- Forearm bone
- Very fast airplane
- Helps little firms
- Defunct economic organization

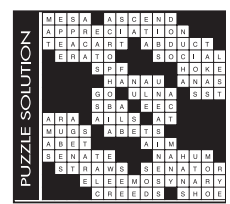
CLUES DOWN

- Where wrestlers work
- Dueling sword
- Practice fight
- Science-based students organization (abbr.)
- Feels ill
- Indicates position
- Beverage containers
- Assists
- Science accreditation organization (abbr.)
- Purpose
- Group of elected officials
- Hebrew prophet
- They help you drink
- Lawmaker
- Charitable
- Doctrines
- Footwear

- Genus of clams
- Fear of heights
- What some tell their dog
- The Golden State
- When you expect to get there
- Pointed ends
- Extinct flightless bird
- Feeds
- Nape of neck
- Descendant
- Small boats found in Turkey
- To avoid the risk of
- Athlete with no contract (abbr.)
- 13th letter of the Greek alphabet
- Brew
- Feeling of anxiety
- Young girls group
- Perform on stage

- White clerical vestment
- Popular musical awards show
- Bumpkins
- One who acts on another's behalf
- Direction
- Look at with fixed eyes
- One who helps professors (abbr.)
- A large number of
- Type of powder
- Large jug
- Christian Anderson, children's author
- American state
- Muslim inhabitant of the

- Philippines
- Witness
- Landscapers lay it
- Type of bread
- Of I



OBITUARIES

Sharon E. Greski

Sharon Eloise Greski, 91, Moose Lake, died peacefully on Saturday, October 9, 2021 in Augustana Mercy Health Care Center, Moose Lake. She was born on January 7, 1930 in Seaside Memorial Hospital, Long Beach, CA to Virgil and Berniece (Marshall) Wickizer.



She attended Woodrow-Wilson High School in Long Beach, CA. Sharon met the love of her life, Stanley Greski, Jr., and after a couple of years exchanging love letters, they married on December 15th, 1947 in Long Beach. After moving to Minnesota in January, Sharon had to purchase her first ever pair of slacks to keep warm in our Minnesota winters. To Sharon and Stanley's marriage, seven children were born and raised. She worked many years as a seasonal employee at General Andrews Nursery and also spent 26 years working as a nurse's aide at Mercy Hospital. Sharon was a devoted member of West Side Church.

Sharon was preceded in death by her husband of 73 years, Stanley Greski, Jr., just days prior to her passing; son, Robert Stanley Greski, in 1966; parents, Virgil and Berniece; her best friend and beloved only sister, Norma Elsie Wickizer-Cohen; brothers, Virgil Wickizer, Jr., Edward "Dare" Wickizer; and Walter Bradley "Brad" Wickizer; and their beloved dog, Jenny.

Her memory will be cherished by her children, Shirley (Terry) Rowland-Suneson, Jean Greski, Doris (Denny) Burt, Betsy (Glen) Fiksdal, Jim (Jinx) Greski, and Ron (Liz) Greski; 11 grandchildren; 23 great-grandchildren with one expected any day; and numerous nieces, nephews, other relatives, and special friends.

A visitation to honor Sharon's life was held in unison with her husband Stanley's services on Monday, October 11, 2021 from 10:00 a.m. until the 11:00 a.m. funeral service in West Side Church, Kettle River. Interment took place in the church cemetery following the service.

Arrangements are with Hamlin-Hansen-Kosloski Funeral Home

Stanley Greski, Jr.

Stanley Greski, Jr., 97, Moose Lake, died peacefully on Tuesday, October 5, 2021 in Augustana Mercy Health Care Center, Moose Lake. He was born on June 13, 1924 in Split Rock Township (Twp.) to Stanley and Helena Greski, Sr. He attended Wilson School in Split Rock Twp. and later lived in Denham. Stanley was a proud United States Navy Veteran serving in WWII. After being honorably discharged in 1945, Stanley farmed, worked at the Sturgeon Lake Sawmill, and Soo Line Railroad.



On December 15, 1947, Stanley married Sharon Wickizer in Long Beach, CA. They lived in Denham where they farmed and Stanley worked for the State of Minnesota at General Andrews Nursery servicing all the equipment and driving semitruck. He also drove Ed Anderson's school bus for the Willow River School. In 1990, Stanley retired and continued farming until 2012. They moved to Moose Lake and were members of the West Side Church where he helped with the building projects. He was an avid deer hunter.

Stanley is preceded in death by a son: Robert Stanley Greski, 18 brothers and sisters, and beloved dog, Jenny.

He will be lovingly remembered by his wife of 73 years, Sharon; six children: Shirley (Terry) Rowland-Suneson; Jean Greski; Doris (Denny) Burt; Betsy (Glen) Fiksdal; Jim (Jinx) Greski; and Ron (Liz) Greski; 11 grandchildren; 23 great grandchildren; two sisters: Pauline Payzant and Verna Martichuski; and numerous niece, nephews, and friends.

Visitation was from 10 a.m. until the 11 a.m. service on Monday, October 11, 2021 in West Side Church, 4496 Walczak Rd, Kettle River. Military Honors followed the service with interment in West Side Cemetery.

Arrangements by Hamlin-Hansen-Kosloski Funeral Home, Moose Lake.

Jeffrey L. Antilla

Jeffrey Lyle Antilla, 66, recently died of natural causes in his home in Barnum, Minnesota. He was born in Moose Lake on July 26, 1955 to Maynard and Helen (Kivi) Antilla. Jeff attended Kalevala and Barnum Schools and DAVTI (currently Lake Superior College). He developed an interest in music at an early age. A gifted musician, Jeff began playing drums as a pre-teen. Later, he picked up guitar—his favorite instrument. At age 15 he played his first gig with Jimmy Lekander and continued in various local bands over the years. He loved playing the guitar with all of his friends of the Canyon Creek Band and spending many nights practicing with the guys. Besides music, Jeff's career included drafting, sales, carpentry, and owning/operating the Elmwood Inn in Atkinson.



Jeff was well-informed on a wide variety of social and political issues, locally and globally. He often expressed his concerns about the environment. He was an intelligent man who enjoyed learning and was well read in the sciences. Jeff always enjoyed a philosophical conversation, especially over a beer or a cup of coffee! He is dearly loved and will be missed by many close friends and family.

Jeff was preceded in death by his parents and sister Jane. He is survived by special friend Kathy Brown of Barnum, brother Jim (Kathy) Antilla of Duluth, nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Arrangements by Hamlin Hansen Kosloski Funeral Home of Moose Lake. Inurnment will be at Leonard Cemetery. Due to COVID, no memorial service is planned.

BOWLING SCORES

TUESDAY SENIOR BOWLING

October 5, 2021
1. Duane 194/488
2. Ben 180/466
3. Tony 169/441

EARLY THURSDAY WOMEN'S BOWLING

October 7, 2021
1. Divots 24-11
2. Fjones Construction 22-13
3. Edward Jones 20-15

WEEKLY FORECAST

FROM CBS 3 METEOROLOGIST DAVE ANDERSON

Thursday	54/35	Sunday
Mostly Cloudy		Sunny
54/45		55/37
Friday		Monday
Mostly Cloudy		Mostly Sunny
49/40		59/39
Saturday		
Mostly Sunny		

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.

Oct. 16 at 1 p.m.

BINGO at the Depot
BINGO at the Depot will be held Oct. 16 at 1 p.m. 50/50 cash prizes and 25 games for \$25.

Oct. 19 at 5 p.m.,

Community wide Blue Ribbon Ceremony at Riverside Arena
Moose Lake is slated to become the second Blue Ribbon City in the world on October 19, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. at Riverside Arena in Moose Lake. The Blue Ribbon Ceremony helps eradicate bullying and prevent suicide. This event is open to all! Come help change the lives of people in our community!

Oct. 20 at 7 p.m.,

Peterson-Westerberg Post 415 American Legion meeting
The Peterson-Westerberg Post 415 of the American Legion and Auxiliary will meet at the Barnum Senior Center on Wednesday, October 20 at 7 p.m. Members are urged to attend. Anyone interested in joining The Legion may also attend. For more information call Dan at 389-6386.

Oct. 19 at 5 p.m.,

Paper Shredding event
Barnum Liquor, Northview Bank, and Northern Pine Riders are partnering up to bring a secure paper shredding event to the Barnum area. Saturday, October 23rd from 9am-noon in the Barnum City Hall parking lot. Event is free and open to the public with a suggested donation of \$5 or 5 non-perishable food items. All dona-

tions will go to the local food shelf. Unacceptable materials include junk mail, magazines, catalogs, photographs, negatives and X-rays. Staples, paper clips, rubber bands and folders are okay.

Oct. 23 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day
Carlton County and the City of Cromwell are working together to sponsor a National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day event. It will be Saturday, October 23 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Cromwell Fire Hall.

Oct. 23 at 7 p.m.

Who Stole the Painting?
A dinner theatre produced by the Moose Lake Area Historical Society presents "Who Stole the Painting?" at Soo Line Event Center, 900 Polz

Boulevard, Moose Lake on Saturday, October 23 at 7 p.m. Advance tickets only. Call 218-485-4234, \$50 includes a catered buffet.

Oct. 29 from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Chilloween
Chilloween - Friday, October 29, 2021, at Pavilion from 6-8 p.m. for elementary, 8-10 p.m. for high school age. More information is on the Cromwell Area Community Club Facebook page.

Tuesdays from 12 p.m. to 3 p.m.

Cribbage at Senior Dining in Moose Lake
Cribbage will be held from 12 p.m. to 3 p.m. on Tuesdays at Senior Dining in Moose Lake. You must be vaccinated to attend. Everyone who loves to play is invited to join. Bring

boards and cards in case we need extra.

Wednesdays 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.

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Cribbage at Caribou Coffee in Moose Lake
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Moose Lake Senior Dining Menu

Serving at 11:30 a.m.
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.

Mon., Oct. 18: Tator Tot Hotdish, Tossed Salad, Juice and Fruit

Tues., Oct. 19: Roast Turkey Dinner, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy,

Dessert, Dressing, Cake / Icing

Wed., Oct. 20: Egg & Sausage Muffin Sandwich, Hashbrowns, Juice & Yogurt

Thurs., Oct. 21: Sloppy Joe w/Bun, Coleslaw, Potato Chunks, Whipped Jello

Fri., Oct. 22: Chicken Noodle Soup w/Egg Salad Sandwich, Juice & Fruit

On the record about off the record

Every so often I stumble into a situation where someone makes the same joke about something they are saying being off the record. There are definitely situations where making the joke that something is "off the record" could actually cause confusion and trouble. Often a joking off the record is used after a casual mention of information that is not particularly newsworthy. These casual mentions of information being shared are done in a humorous bent and are no big deal.

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Usually, I do find these jokes funny, if a bit overdone. But there are instances in the past where casual use of off the record has raised my red flags. In order to be able to safely make the joke about something being off the record it is important to understand the rules about making statements off the record.

There are the rare instances where these jokes could lead to a sticky wicket and even legal trouble.

The last few months have had several issues with Minnesota Open Meeting Laws in our area. A greater understanding of what information is available to the public and how making real statements off the record works could come in handy.

Technically anything that is said at an open session of an open meeting is part of the record. There are laws detailing specific times and topics for meetings that can be closed to the public. Minnesota State Statutes protects information discussed during the initial stages of property sales for example.

Usually off the record statements come from individuals, not whole public bodies. For a statement to be truly off the record an understanding between the reporter and speaker should be made BEFORE the information is shared. Most often off the record is tossed into a conversation after the damage has been done, and as a way for speakers to back pedal on a statement they probably shouldn't have said.

Newspaper folk are in general wary of off the record statements. For myself as a general rule off the record statements fall into a category of use extremely rarely or not at all. When I think that something might questionable I usually hint or directly ask if the information being shared is on the record.

Most often in my experience the incorrect or joking use of off the record is when folks are adding in a piece of local gossip or hearsay. Usually these mentions are not truly newsworthy and would take more energy to prove than they are worth to print. Often what they are sharing is something that is already widely known, but just isn't mentioned.

Understanding off the record is complicated, but to make the joke about something being off the record it is important to understand the rules.

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October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month

Breast cancer is the most commonly diagnosed cancer in women after skin cancer. It is also the second leading cause of cancer death for women after lung cancer. To put it in



Gateway
Clinic Minute
Dr. Bridget
Dewey

numbers: 1 in 8 women in the U.S. will develop invasive breast cancer in their lifetime. In 2021, this means that it is estimated that 281,550 women will develop invasive breast cancer and an additional 49,290 will be diagnosed with ductal carcinoma in situ. Although men are at much

lower risk, there will be an estimated 2,650 cases diagnosed in men as well.

These numbers are sobering, and there is concern that with preventive health care being delayed due to the pandemic, diagnoses will be made at a more advanced stage which will likely increase

the mortality. About 43,600 women in the U.S. are expected to die from breast cancer in 2021. As we know the best screening tool for breast cancer is a mammogram. There are a number of guidelines addressing the optimal timing and frequency of mammography but the general consensus is that screening with mammography should start between age 40-50 and should be done every 1-2 years. 3D mammogram is a newer technique becoming more widely available and will likely be the gold standard in the future.

Additional imaging modalities include ultrasound and MRI. Ultrasound is generally used when there is a palpable lump or abnormality on the mammogram. MRI is reserved for women at particularly high risk who are advised to start screening at a younger age. Although most physicians still recommend self-breast exams as well as clinical breast exams, those have not been shown to be particularly sensitive or specific for breast cancer detection.

The staging of breast cancer is based on imaging and biopsy, and

the treatment plan is dependent on those. Treatments can include surgery- either removing the cancer or the entire breast, radiation, chemotherapy and hormone therapy.

As with most diseases, some risk factors for breast cancer are in our control and some are not. Besides being female, some of the other risk factors that are pre-determined are age, family history, genetics, race, and breast density. Most breast cancers are found in women greater than age 55. If you have a first degree relative (meaning mother, sister or daughter) with breast cancer, your risk is twice that of the general population. The BRCA1 and BRCA2 mutations are some of the known mutations that put a person at increased risk. With that being said, it is significant that 85% of breast cancers occur in women with no family history.

Factors that are at least partially under our control include: alcohol use, weight, sedentary lifestyle, reproductive history, and use of hormonal birth control and

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CANCER: Getting screened is important

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hormone replacement therapy. Women who drink one alcohol beverage daily have up to a 10% increased risk for breast cancer compared to non-drinkers. Most of the other risk factors are related to estrogen exposure. So anything that increases estrogen exposure can increase breast cancer risk. This includes being over-weight, delaying child-birth till after age 30 or not having

any children, or taking hormonal medicines. Breast-feeding and having multiple children, on the other hand, tend to be protective against breast cancer.

Because of the wide range of risk factors, evaluation and treatment for breast cancer, it is important that you discuss your particular situation with your physician. Screening mammogram is available at Essentia Health in Sandstone and Moose Lake as well as at

Gateway Clinic in Moose Lake. Additionally, diagnostic mammogram and ultrasound are available at Gateway Clinic in Moose Lake.

For additional information: American Cancer Society: www.cancer.org www.Breastcancer.org National Cancer Institute: www.cancer.gov

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WILLOW RIVER NEWS: City clerks are more important than many know

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Hello All,

The City of Willow River is looking for someone to be the new City Clerk/Treasurer. It has struck me over the years when working with clerks that their job is much more than people realize. They are not "just a secretary" for the city council. Yes, that is one of the job duties, but that is only a part of the job. They are much more than that, taking on a multitude of tasks. We should all thank our "clerks" that make it look like an easy job. One of the best parts of the job are working with the public in this community. If any of you

are interested in being a Clerk/Treasurer for Willow River, just look for more information on the City of Willow River website at cityofwillowriver.com.

At the school: The Fall Conferences will be Oct 26 - 28 from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m., November 8 is No School, Monthly PTO Meeting November 9 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. meeting virtually please email pto@isd577.org for more information, the end of the 1st Quarter is Nov 12.

At St. Mary's/ St. Isidore's Church: Thursday Mass will be at St. Mary's Church at 8:30 a.m. St. Mary's Church has Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 1 - 5 p.m. every Wednesday. The Legion of Mary

meetings are held at St. Mary's Center every Monday at 5:00 p.m. The Knights of Columbus pray the Rosary at St. Isidore's Church every fourth Sunday of each month before Mass. If you are interested in going to confession during the week, you may let Fr. Francis know and he will be happy to hear your confession after daily Mass or by appointment. He will be doing Confessions on First Fridays and Saturdays at 4 p.m. at Holy Angels. Thursday, October 14 will be when the next Catholic Charities food distribution at St. Mary's Church will be held. This event will be held outside of St. Mary's Church from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.



DAN REED | SUBMITTED

Community celebrates 100 years at Star Club

The 100th anniversary celebration of the Star Club brought out lots of people throughout the day. The crowd really packed in when the main band played in the evening. Food went steady out of the kitchen with two to three at the counter and a half a dozen people in the kitchen. A family event, people came from out of state to participate in celebrating their roots. Pictured at the lunch counter from left to right is Bob Hattenberger, Jackie Kwapick, Ken Halverson, unknown, and Rick Gresczyk.

KETTLE RIVER NEWS: Drivers remember to follow school bus rules

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Kids Club at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church begins Wednesday, October 6 at 4:15 - 5:30 p.m. Games, Music, Bible Lessons, Crafts, and Snack. Call Mary at 218 565 8864 for more information. Masks are required. Open for ages 5 - 12.

The next city of Kettle River city council meeting is Tuesday, November 9 at 7 p.m. at the Kettle River Senior Center. It is important for all residents of Kettle River to attend the city council meetings. Thank you to everyone who attended the meetings the last two months.

The next luncheon is October 19 at 12 noon at the Kettle River Senior Center. It is being catered by the Rustic Diner. We will need at least 25 members to attend, so be sure to bring

a friend with you. This will be the last Finnish Luncheon until spring.

Quilting at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church is every Wednesday at 9 a.m. You do not need to be a member of Holy Trinity to join us at our quilting sessions. Most of the quilts made are donated to various charities. We try to keep a majority of the quilts locally.

It is important for drivers to follow the school bus rules. You must stop for the school bus when the red lights are flashing and the arm is out no matter whether you are behind the bus or coming toward the bus. You need to remain stopped until the children have crossed the road and are safe. Parents also need to teach their children how to behave on the bus so that the driver is not distracted by children not staying in their seats and he can concentrate on the road.

WRIGHT CROMWELL NEWS: Remembering when dresses were required

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Did you know that 50 years ago, (1971) the Floodwood School Board voted to allow the female teachers and staff to wear Pantsuits for the first time? I think the other area schools also allowed women to wear slacks, etc. to school around this time, too. Now, I don't think I see a female working at our schools in a dress or skirt more than once or twice a month. And yesterday when I was shopping in Duluth, I only saw one woman wearing a dress and she must have been over 80 years old. I also remember that the girls had to wear skirts or dresses to school in Cromwell until Bob Abrahamson's daughter Kim was in 7th grade. Kim didn't want to wear dresses, so the rules were changed to accommodate her and all of us other girls, too!

The Floodwood School will be asking voters to approve a proposed \$1,815 per pupil operating levy applicable for ten years, beginning with taxes payable in 2022 on

November 2nd. Many area schools have been receiving this levy for years. Check out the information on this issue at the school or on their website www.isd698.org So, get informed, get involved and VOTE!

Congratulations to Noah Foster on his very successful year in Cross Country. He finished first in several of his races, including the Hibbing Rotary Invitational last Thursday. Emaleigh Olesiak has also been doing very well in Cross Country!

Carlton County and the City of Cromwell are working together to sponsor a National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day event. It will be Saturday, October 23 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Cromwell Fire Hall. This is a perfect time to dispose of unused prescription drugs in a safe and convenient way. I'll have more details on this program in my column next week.

REMINDER: Parent's Night for Volleyball will be October 14 @ 6:30 PM and Parent's night for Football will be October 15th @ 6:40 PM.

There will be No Yoga on October 11th, or 18th - Ann will not be available for these days.

Moose Lake is slated to become the second blue ribbon city in the world on October 19, 2021, at the Moose Lake Hockey Arena at 5:00 PM! What does this mean for your business? How can you help? What is the blue ribbon? Two years ago, Brad Hubred, brad.hubred@isd97.org found the non-profit organization <http://blueribbons.org/> This organization uses a blue ribbon that you give to somebody and tell them all the positives you see in them. It was created by Helice "Grandma Sparky" Bridges in 1983. Brad started to use the ribbons in connection to his suicide prevention presentation at the end of the school year with 6th graders. See the video to see how the ceremony works. It is a student honoring another student. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KFuKyCu9lFE> All it takes is a few words to change somebody's life!

The CACC meeting was called to order by Vice-President Kim

Ochocki at 6:05 p.m. on October 5, 2021, at the Cromwell Park Pavilion. They are having a Fall Gun Raffle: The gun has arrived; it will be hung at the Muni with trigger lock. Tickets were distributed to area businesses and members of CACC. The next CACC Meeting will be on November 2nd, 6 PM at the Pavilion in Cromwell.

The CACC Hunter's Supper will be on Friday, Nov. 5, 2021 - 4 to 7 p.m. at Pavilion with turkey dinner with all the fixings. Barb D. will check food costs before deciding on prices for the meal.

Chilloween - Friday, October 29, 2021, at Pavilion from 6-8 pm for elementary, 8-10 pm for high school age. More information is on the CACC Facebook page.

The Red Bird Bazaar will be held Saturday, Nov. 6 - 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. @ Cromwell - Wright School. To get more information or register please contact: Angela Anderson (aanderson@frontiernet.net) Kari Olesiak (kolesiak@isd95.org) Lea Tiili-Anderson (ltiili@isd95.org) There will be NO

School on October 21 and 22 for Ed MN Break, formerly known as MEA. And NO SCHOOL on Monday October 25 for Teacher Inservice.

The "Go Show" Expo, formerly known as The Senior Expo, will be on Wednesday, October 27 9 - 2, at the DECC in Duluth. Free Tickets can be gotten at any Walgreens. Quote of the week: "It's

the downfall of so many Americans - Spending what you don't have and wanting what you don't need." Laura Ness Dec. 2007

That's all the news from the Edge of Wright! Send any news to me at jkh4president@hotmail.com or call at 218-357-2385.



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Author opens up 'My Life in a Nutshell'

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A Wisconsin author with Pine County roots has set down the journey of her life in stories and poetry, and is sharing it all in her book "My Life in a Nutshell."

Donna Shogren was born on Dec. 22, 1938 in Cornell, Wisconsin, a small town south of Ladysmith.

"I had two older brothers and myself, but my mother died when I was four," Shogren said.

She had three uncles who lived in Cornell, and for a time would be sent to each of them for about a month at a time. It left the children in a very difficult situation.

"I had no stability," she said. "Finally Grandma decided that she was going to take me and my youngest brother. She didn't want to. So we lived with her, four miles east of Rock Creek, just about half a mile from the old District 13 school."

Shogren said her grandmother didn't want her grandchildren to go an orphanage, but the relationship with her grandmother was challenging. She was a hard person to live with.

"She used to get mad at me and told me I killed my mother," Shogren said. "And I thought,

'How in the world could I do that?' Well, she said, 'You were 11 pounds when you were born, and your mother lost so much blood she got leukemia and she died, so you killed her.' That's a horrible thing to put on a little kid."

She said her childhood experiences made it difficult for her to trust and connect with people. But there were bright spots, like her Uncle Frank. She wrote a poem about him.

"Whenever I think about Uncle Frank, and I often do,

I get a happy feeling to the bottom of my shoes.

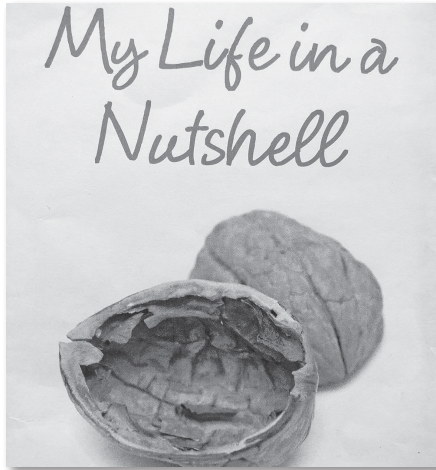
He treated me like a daughter even though I was a niece.

He paid us girls to comb his hair, and we got a penny piece."

Her cousin had a friend named Ruben Shogren from Grantsburg, and introduced him to Donna. By the time she graduated from Pine City High School in 1957, she and Ruben knew what they wanted to do next.

"We got married right of high school and I moved over to Wisconsin," she said. "I've been living there since 1957."

Though she loved Ruben, she had a difficult time being comfortable as part of his extended family. She explains her



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Donna Shogren shares her story in a new book called "My Life in a Nutshell."

feelings in her book.

"I wanted to be part of that unit, but I still wanted to be apart from them when I needed to be," she said. "The poor family didn't know what they had in me. Ruben didn't either. Thank God he saw something in me worth saving and keeping ... we had two kids that grew up to be beautiful, caring adults in spite of my ... inability to be a good parent."

Ruben passed away in 2004, after 47 years of marriage. And though Donna's struggles contin-

ued as the years went by, she found she was able to heal some of the deepest wounds.

"It took a long time, but I finally made peace with my grandmother," she wrote. "I sat at her grave and told her a lot of things. I forgave her for what she did to me, and I asked her to forgive me for things I said to her. When I finally got rid of the hatred I carried for so long, I discovered that God gave me the ability to write poetry, words

SEE IN A NUTSHELL, PAGE 6

October Antique Appraisals 'rings' in valuables from area

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Antique Appraisals, with Steve Wesely of Cresent Auctioneering, were held on Tuesday, October 5 at 1:00 p.m. Eight individuals plus two guests participated.

The first "Star of the Show" was a battery operated miniature toy Evinnrude motor. This item, circa 1960 still ran when attached to a 9 volt battery, and was in remarkable condition. Steve estimated its value at \$200-300.

The second "Star of the Show" was a Faribo woolen blanket, made to look like a Hudson Bay Blanket. It was a double bed sized blanket. This item, circa 1960 was valued at \$100-150.

The third and fourth "Stars of the Show" were a pair of telephones. The first one presented was modeled after a "Portia 928" This very stylish car like phone was valued at \$15-25.

The second phone was a large Mickey Mouse phone, with one problem...it didn't have a dial... Steve valued this item at \$50-150.

A pair of fur collars for ladies winter coats were presented, one mink, and one fox. These items would have been quite a bit more valuable a few years back, but since fur is no longer "acceptable" in many circles, they were valued at \$3.50 each.

A 1953 \$2.00 bill was presented. This bill was not in good shape, and was valued at \$5.

A 1922 silver dollar was also presented. This item was in better shape, and was valued at \$25-30.

A Christmas shopping bag from Dayton's Department Store was presented. It featured a Christmas scene on one side and Dr. Seuss on the other. It was valued at \$2-3.

A "Smith & Wesson" 22 gauge pistol was presented. This item had been purchased in 1966 for the presenter's father. It had cost approximately \$100. It was now valued at \$250-350.

The last appraisals for the year will be on Tuesday, November 2 at 1:00 p.m.

Family, friends of Ashley reach out as search continues

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As the search for Ashley Lynn Miller (Carlson) enters its third week, family and friends of the missing woman are reaching out to help find information that could bring Ashley home.

MISSING WOMAN

On Sept. 27, the Pine County Sheriff's Office and the Minnesota Bureau of Criminal Apprehension issued a statewide missing person alert for Ashley Lynn Miller (Carlson), age 33. Her last known location was east of Hinckley on Friday,

Sept. 24.

According to the sheriff's office, it is unknown what Carlson was last wearing or her direction and means of travel. She does not have her personal belongings with her.

Carlson is approximately five feet nine inches tall and weighs about 217 pounds. She has brown/auburn hair and her eye color is hazel.

REACHING OUT

A prayer vigil was held in Frederic, Wisconsin on Friday, Oct. 8. FOX9 news reports that more than a hundred people showed up in Frederic, which is near Ashley's hometown,

to show their support for the missing mother of four.

And "Ashley Miller Carlson - missing/endedanger" Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/381467310311521>) was set up by Ashley's aunt in order to share information and keep up awareness of Carlson's status.

SEARCH CONTINUES

Pine County Sheriff Jeff Nelson said that Pine County and Burnett County law enforcement are responding to leads as they work together on the case, and asked for help from the public.

Anyone with information is asked to contact the Pine County Sheriff's Office at 320-629-8438.

Anyone with information is asked to contact the Pine County Sheriff's Office at 320-629-8438, contact Crime Stoppers through the sheriff's office website (www.co.pine.mn.us/departments/sheriff/index.php), or to reach out to Investigator Mikal Anton from the Burnett County Sheriff's Office at 715-497-5648.



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The search for Ashley Lynn Miller (Carlson) continues. Miller has was last seen on Friday, September 24.

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Six Rebels beat their best times at Ely Golf Course meet

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On Tuesday, October 5 the Rebels cross country team headed way up north to the Ely Golf Course. What can I say but I am starting to sound like a broken record about the weather. Even though it was cloudy and cool when the team left the school, the bus arrived in Ely with clear skies, mild wind and temps in the low 70s, another great day to run.

There was 12 schools present with three from AA and nine from A. The Rebels had six runners with season and also their career best times. Congratulations to Carl Halverson, Shawn Bailey, Zach Youngs, Matt Bohnsack, Ella Heaton, and Isabel Dewey. The top 15 runners for both boys and girls received

medals. Once again congratulations to Shawn Bailey for his 11th place finish.

The race was divided into Junior High, Girls Varsity and Boys Varsity with no results being given for JV team finish's. The Junior High ran 2400 meters and Varsity a 5k. Once again the girls finished 1st for all A teams and 4th overall with the boys finishing 4th for A teams and 7th overall.

Next up is the Conference Championship in Grand Marias on Tuesday October 12th at the Pincushion Mountain trails. Then on October 19th the Rebels will be a little closer to home for the Proctor Lions Invite. Then it is the Section 7A Championship at the Cloquet Country Club on Thursday, October 28.

JUNIOR HIGH GIRLS
56 runners



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Shawn Bailey with his 11th place medal.

Nia Petry 43rd 15:09.2
Kristian Wheeler 56th 18:54.6

JUNIOR HIGH BOYS

71 runners

Ledger Johnson 28th 11:39.8
Jackson McDowell 34th 11:42.5

VARSITY GIRLS

4th out of 9 teams

81 runners

Amelia Olson 19th 22:25.1
Brooklyn Wasche 28th 23:05.6



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Some of the Rebel girls running together at the beginning of the race in Ely. From left to right are Isabel Dewey, Brooklyn Peterson, Elle Nielsen and Ella Heaton.

Rayna Klejeski 30th 23:07.2

Isabel Dewey 36th 23:21.1

Ella Heaton 39th 23:37.5

Lilly Petty 42nd 24:01.0

Brooklyn Peterson 55th 25:53.7

Elle Nielsen 58th 25:59.9

Sophie Petty 64th 26:48.5

Sophie Gunderson 74th 28:24.1

VARSITY BOYS

7th out of 11 teams

142 runners

Shawn Bailey 11th 18:04.0

Joseph Mikrot 22nd 18:38.6

Gavin Thiry 35th 19:17.7

Murray Salzer 39th 19:30.3

Johnny Danelski 54th 19:59.0

Zach Youngs 57th 20:12.7

Magnus Koecher 59th 20:17.2

Matt Bohnsack 65th 20:30.0

Ryden Anderson 73rd 20:46.1

Elliott Wasche 74th 20:46.7

Carl Halverson 75th 20:49.6

Chet Giersdorf-Thompson 81st

21:03.6

Max Petry 101st 22:34.0

JJ Skalko-Olesiak 127th 24:05.0



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Willow River crowns 2021 homecoming royalty

Willow River School crowned Natalie Mikrot and Alex Watrin, Homecoming Queen and King on Monday, October 11. Homecoming court members are Alivia Mallory, Grace Jordan, Lyndee Mlaskoch, Ethan Burton, Tanner Jensen and Henry Ribich.

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Moose Lake/Willow River football coach Dave Louzek collected his 200th football victory. Students from MLWR gathered on the field to celebrate with Coach Louzek after the game on Friday, October 8 to celebrate the big win.

“Work hard, have fun, and expect to win”

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The Braham Bombers kicked off to Owen Loew to start the football game on Friday, October 8, against the Moose Lake Willow River Rebels at the Frank Magdziarz Field in Willow River. Groundskeeper Daryl Herzog had the field maintained, manicured, and lush ready for the gridiron game. His granddaughter, Ellie, told him, “Grandpa, it looks like an NFL football field.” The chain gang, Guyal Nelson, Ted Shaw, Clayton Ohlin and Scott Danelski had the down markers ready. The Rebels mini-cheerleaders and proud parents were ready for their half-time performance. The younger junior high football players were down on the sidelines with the veteran players.

According to the Quality Results Formula (QRF), the Rebels (5-0) are ranked first in Minnesota Class AA out of the 54 teams with 66.2 points. MLWR's devastating defense brand of football was prepared

to hold the opponents scoreless and they did. Opposing offenses are averaging only 50 yards per game.

On the first Rebel offensive play, Logan Orvedahl hauled the pigskin 53-yards for the first of seven Rebel touchdowns. The clock had run down only 48 seconds into the game. All seven of Sam Kenezivich's points after touchdown kicks were good to make the final score 49-0 Rebels.

Orvedahl got a second touchdown with 5:57 p.m. left in the first quarter. Then sophomore quarterback Adam Neumann threw a 28-yard touchdown pass to Kaden Robbins to end the first quarter, 21-0 Rebels.

The second quarter started out with a score, when Landin Kurhajetz caught a punt from the Bombers and scampered 52-yards, waiting for his blockers, for another six. With 6:07 left until half-time, running back Henry Ribich broke tackles scoring on a 57-yard run to make the score 35-0. The Rebels got the ball back on their own 15-yard line. Jack-

son Thompson grabbed the ball from Neumann and ran 85-yards to make the half-time score 42-0.

In the second half, the clock was set at running time, Alex Watrin, Duane Broughton forced a loss of yards for the Bombers. Braham punted to the 43-yard line, Ethan Burton took the ball, then Jackson Thompson followed his blockers for the final score, 49-0. The snap was low, but Kenezivich's kick was good.

Luke Dewey took over under center, with three keepers. Running backs Jaxsyn Schmidt, Dawson Mortensen, Levi Mikrot, Duane Broughton, Kaden Robbins, and Owen Loew finished out the drive to end the game.

Defensively, Thompson and Broughton had seven assists, but 24 other Rebels were in on tackles. There were no fumbles or interceptions.

Rebels' Homecoming game against the Hinckley-Finlayson Jaguars (4-2) will be Thursday, October 14, at Frank Magdziarz Field in Willow Riv-

er at 7 p.m. for a Section 7AA match-up.

With this win, Coach Dave Louzek not only collected his 200th win, but also ties longtime Laker/Rebel football Coach Bob Youso for the most wins in school history. They both are now tied as the 57th winningest football coaches in Minnesota high school history.

Louzek has been head coach for the MLWR teams for 23 years, since 1999, and has an unprecedented run of success. He was an assistant for four years before taking over the helm.

The players like playing for him. After the game, he said “It is a two-way street, he likes the players.” He likes making it as fun as possible, and do things that have nothing to do with football, such as a trip to a waterpark or golfing.

Any person that wants to be a part of the MLWR football program, Louzek finds a way to get them involved.

The teams under Louzek's helm, have won 13 Section 7AA Championships in 14 years

from 2006-2019. The Rebels have had three trips to the State Class AA state title game. His teams have averaged nine wins a season.

Tom Brabec announced some fun facts after Louzek's 200th win. In 1989, Moose Lake/Moose Lake Willow River Coach Bob Youso got his 200th win against the Braham Bombers. Coach Louzek got his 200th win against Braham in 2021. On that 1989 team, Donn Danelski was a junior and a center on that team. This year his son, Luke, is a junior and a center on this team. Dan Peterson, this year's ball keeper, was on that 1989 team. His son, Garrett Peterson, is on this year's team. Brabec did the play-by-play in 1989 for Louzek's first game and was in the booth on the mic for his 200th game.

Coach Louzek's motto for his teams is “Work hard, have fun, and expect to win.” Congratulations coach.



Send us photos of your fall fun!

Please include names of the photographer, location that photo was taken and the names of anyone in the photo.

Send photos to editor@mlstargazette.com by October 15 so that we can feature them in an upcoming edition of the Moose Lake Star-Gazette.

MLWR volleyball team defeats Cromwell and Silver Bay

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The Moose Lake Willow River Rebels' volleyball team had two big winning match-ups at home last week. On Tuesday, October 5, Cromwell-Wright came to Moose Lake Community School to compete in a five-game contest. MLWR won three to two (25-22, 18-25, 22-25, 25-20, and 15-13).

Jorja Juszczak had 28 set assists, 1 ace serve, 2 kills, and 6 digs; Alexis Hoffmann with 9 kills, 15, digs, and 3 ace serves; Sarah Christy had 7 kills, 2 ace serves, and 11 digs.

On Friday, October 8, MLWR were hosts to Silver Bay and defeated them in three games to one (25-27, 25-16, 25-21, and 25-20).

Morgan Wigg had 4 blocks, 4 kills, and 1 ace serve; JoJo Fossum with 2 blocks and 8 kills; Hoffmann had 10 kills, 15 digs, and 2 ace serves; Christy with 6 kills and 4 digs.

The MLWR Rebels play at Proctor High School on Thursday, October 14, at 5:45/7:00 p.m. On Tuesday October 19, the team will play Crosby-Ironton for their last regular season contest. The varsity sectional playoffs tournaments start on Monday, October 25. The Rebels are in Section 7AA-SS1 and the Polar League. As of this writing, ranked first in the Section 7AA-SS1 is Proctor, followed by Rush City, Esko, Pine City, MLWR, Hinckley-Finlayson, Mora, and Two Harbors.

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[MOOSE LAKE FIRE DISTRICT]

Moose Lake Fire and Rescue visits Moose Lake Community School to teach fire safety

For Fire Prevention Week Moose Lake Area Fire Department visited with primary school students at Moose Lake Community school. Students had a chance to explore a fire truck, check out fire fighting equipment and ask fire fighters questions.

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Chase Evans
Garrett Keinanen
Cady Berg
Jeremy Crowell
Aaron Rowe

The Moose Lake Area Fire District has their biggest fundraiser in progress, their Sportsmen's Raffle. A wheeled fish house and other prizes are part of the raffle this year. They will be drawing for prizes at Doc's Bar and Grill on Nov. 27.

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Above members of the County Seat Theater Company prepare for their Halloween Spooktacular. Again this year the show has been moved outdoors. The show will take place October 27 to October 30 in the back parking lot at the County Seat Theater Company in Cloquet. | SUBMITTED

County Seat Theater Company to present another Halloween Spooktacular

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Last year due to the pandemic the County Seat Theater Company took their annual Halloween show outdoors. With rave reviews the theater company once again has decided to take the show outside.

The County Seat Theater Company will present their Halloween Spooktacular October 27-30 in their back parking lot. The event begins with a drive through haunt down

Spooktacular Alley beginning at 6:30 pm. Spectators will view entertaining and spooky scenes from the safety of their car while listening to recorded ghost stories told by CST actors on their car radios.

Once parked audience members can partake in a number of events happening in the back lot including concessions, goodie bags for the kids, free hot chocolate, a silent movie film and various Halloween activities. The evening will conclude with a 25 minute

Halloween Variety Show on the outdoor stage beginning at 7:30 pm.

This year the theater is encouraging families, businesses or groups to participate in the Spooktacular Alley by creating a haunted area and providing ghouls from 6:30-7:30 each evening. There are 12 spaces available for haunting. Currently the Reach Mentoring group and a few individual families have signed up. If you are interested contact general manager Joel Soukkala by

calling or texting 218-451-0715. Cash and prizes will be awarded.

The event is family friendly and open to the public. However, limited parking is available each evening so patrons are encouraged to reserve a parking spot by calling the box office at 218-878-0071. Tickets are a suggested donation of \$5 per person or \$20 per car. Proceeds will go towards the theaters Covid-Relief fund.

The County Seat Theater Company offers a full season

of local performances, as well as youth productions, musical acts and has an art gallery featuring work by local artists.

Visit County Seat Theater Company: Encore Performing Arts Center and Gallery, 2035 Hwy 33 South (on Frontage Rd), Cloquet, MN 55720

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New for the Holidays: Prices, Shipping Rates and Dates

Plan Ahead with Pricing and Shipping Deadlines for the 2021 Holiday Season

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It looks to be another odd year for holiday celebrations. The biggest question likely on most minds is, do we make merry in person or virtually? No matter your plans, the Postal Service is ready to do its part to handle your special holiday greetings and gifts. But we also need you to do your part, and that is to make sure you get those packages and good wishes to your Post Office location on time.

NEW PRICING

There are plenty of holiday- and winter- themed stamps available to adorn your greeting cards this year. You can find them in our online Postal Store or at any one of our more than 34,000 Post Office locations. As a reminder, on Aug. 29, the cost of a First-Class Forever stamp increased three cents, from 55 cents to 58 cents. There are also temporary price increases in place through Dec. 26, 12:01 a.m. Central time for both retail and business customers for some of our more popular shipping products, which also includes military shipping — Priority Mail Express (PME), Priority Mail (PM), First-Class Package Service (FCPS), Parcel Select, USPS Retail Ground, and Parcel Return Service. International products are unaffected. These temporary rates will keep the Postal Service competitive while providing the agency with the revenue

to cover extra costs in anticipation of peak-season volume surges similar to levels experienced in 2020.

Temporary pricing increases for Priority Mail, Priority Mail Express, Parcel Select Ground and USPS Retail Ground, and First-Class Package Service are as follows:

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Zones 5-9, 0-10 lbs. - \$0.75
Zones 1-4, 11-20 lbs. - \$1.50
Zones 5-9, 11-20 lbs. - \$3.00
Zones 1-4, 21-70 lbs. - \$2.50
Zones 5-9, 21-70 lbs. - \$5.00
First-Class Package Service - \$0.30

A zone pricing calculator is can be found online. A complete list of business products and prices is also available online.

The temporary adjustment is part of "Delivering for America," the Postal Service's 10-year plan for achieving financial sustainability and service excellence, which calls for appropriate pricing initiatives. Even with the temporary increase, the Postal Service has some of the lowest mail postage rates in the industrialized world and continues to offer great values in shipping.

2021 HOLIDAY SHIPPING DEADLINES

The Postal Service recommends the following mailing and shipping deadlines for expected delivery by Dec. 25 to domestic addresses and APO/FPO/DPO (Air/Army Post Office/Fleet Post Office/Diplomatic Post Office) addresses*:

Nov. 6 — APO/FPO/DPO (all ZIP Codes) USPS Retail Ground service
Dec. 9 — APO/FPO/DPO (all ZIP Codes) Priority Mail and First-Class Mail
Dec. 15 — USPS Retail Ground service
Dec. 16 — APO/FPO/DPO (except ZIP Code 093) USPS Priority Mail Express Military service
Dec. 17 — First-Class Mail service (including greeting cards)
Dec. 17 — First-class packages (up to 15.99 ounces)
Dec. 18 — Priority Mail service
Dec. 23 — Priority Mail Express* service

ALASKA

Dec. 18 — Alaska to/from Continental U.S. — First-Class Mail
Dec. 18 — Alaska to/from Continental U.S. — Priority Mail
Dec. 21 — Alaska to/from Continental U.S. — Priority Mail Express

HAWAII

Dec. 17 — Hawaii to/from mainland — Priority Mail and First-Class Mail
Dec. 21 — Hawaii to/from mainland — Priority Mail Express

*Not a guarantee, unless otherwise noted. Dates are for estimated delivery before Dec. 25. Actual delivery date may vary depending on origin, destination, Post Office acceptance date and time, and other conditions. Some restrictions apply. For Priority Mail

Express shipments mailed Dec. 22 through Dec. 25, the money-back guarantee applies only if the shipment was not delivered, or delivery was not attempted, within two business days.

SKIP THE TRIP AND SHIP ONLINE

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It's estimated nearly 500,000 consumers will use the Click-N-Ship feature and other online services on Dec. 14 to order free Priority Mail boxes, print shipping labels, purchase postage and even request free next-day Package Pickup.

BUSIEST TIME

The busiest time of the season for the Postal Service begins two weeks before Christmas. It's expected that customer traffic at all Post Office locations will steadily increase beginning the week of Dec. 6, with the week of Dec. 13-18 anticipated to be the busiest mailing, shipping and delivery week of the season.

More tips for a successful holiday mailing and shipping season:

- Use free Priority Mail Flat Rate boxes. They are available at local Post Office locations or online

- at usps.com/freeboxes.
- Make it easy with Click-N-Ship. You can create shipping labels and pay for postage online at usps.com/ship.
- Schedule a free Package Pickup when the carrier delivers your mail. It's free regardless of the number of packages. Or, pickups can be scheduled at usps.com/pickup.*
- Mail and packages that weigh more than 10 ounces and/or are more than a half-inch thick using stamps as postage cannot be dropped into a collection box or left for a carrier to pick up. Instead, take them to a window clerk at a Post Office.

*Boxes are delivered within the U.S. with your regular mail, usually within 7 to 10 business days. Exclusions apply, for details and to order, visit <https://store.usps.com/store>.

Additional news and information, including all domestic, international and military mailing and shipping deadlines, can be found at the Postal Service Holiday Newsroom: usps.com/holidaynews.

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Nonfatal drug overdoses increased during COVID-19 pandemic

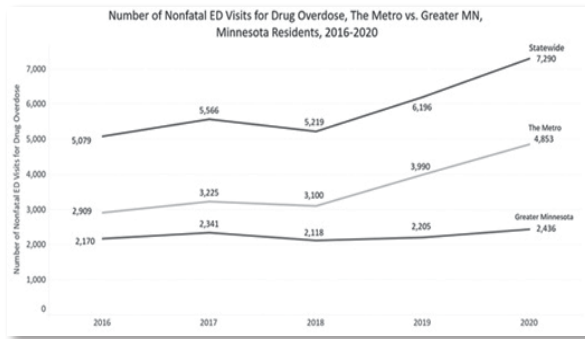
MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Improving health and wellness is possible for anyone who uses drugs, including the more than 14,000 Minnesotans who had an overdose treated at a hospital in 2020. In fact, in 2020, for every overdose death of a Minnesota resident, there were 14 nonfatal overdoses reported.

The Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) reported an 18% increase in nonfatal, emergency department-treated drug overdoses in 2020 compared to 2019. Nonfatal overdoses rose from 6,196 in 2019 to 7,299 in 2020. Opioids and stimulants drove much of the increase, as they were involved in 57% of emergency department visits for nonfatal overdoses.

"The report on nonfatal overdoses in Minnesota is a reminder that so many lives are tragically impacted by substance use," said Minnesota Commissioner of Health Jan Malcolm. "The COVID-19 pandemic has been the biggest public health issue in the world for almost two years now, but the other pressing public health issues have not gone away. The opioid epidemic continues to be pervasive and requires continuing, comprehensive drug overdose prevention and response efforts."

The harms of drug overdoses are another area of wellness, where the inequities experienced by communities of color, as a result of systemic racism and its influence on health, contribute to the greater burden among Minnesota's com-



The graph above shows the number of nonfatal Emergency Department visits for drug overdoses from 2016 to 2020 in Greater Minnesota (bottom line), The Metro area (middle line) and statewide (top line).

munities of color. The data shows American Indians were nine times as likely to experience a nonfatal overdose than white Minnesotans. Black Minnesotans were three times as likely as white Minnesotans to experience a nonfatal overdose.

"As with fatal overdose data, we see populations most impacted by systemic racism are more often affected by substance use," said MDH Overdose Prevention Supervisor Dana Farley. "Recovery has a greater chance of success when communities are involved. Systemic racism and lack of access to recovery resources hinders recovery efforts for many Minnesotans. The Minnesota Department of Health is working to amplify the work

of our community partners who provide needed support for people in their recovery journey."

Naloxone, also known as Narcan®, is a life-saving medication that can be used to reverse the effects of opioids during an overdose. Anyone can carry naloxone, and it is available through a number of sources in Minnesota.

"As long as someone is alive, they can access treatment resources, making recovery possible," said MDH epidemiologist Shelbi Giesel. "Prevention efforts like naloxone distribution and linkages to care are promising practices that have the potential to save many lives."

'Chicken Soup' publishes Marty's cat 'Obsession'

BY MIKE GAINOR
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Local poet and writer Margaret Marty's poem "Obsession," about her beloved cat C.W., has been published in the latest edition of "Chicken Soup for the Soul: My Clever, Curious, Caring Cat."

Marty's poem is a memorial to a beloved feline friend of 12 years named C.W.

"He's named after my cat-loving dad, whose name was Clarence W. Anderson," Marty said.

"Obsession" was previously published in "Talking Stick 27: New Arrangements" published by Jackpine Writers' Bloc in 2018.

Though heartfelt, "Obsession" is a humorous piece about a cat owner who's trying to get things done around the house, but keeps finding a sweet, furry excuse not to do so:

*I should go outdoors
to start the spring cleanup
put the deck furniture out
after I freshen his litter box.*

*He loves when I play piano,
so I'll play a few tunes
as he sits by me on the bench
purrring his own melody*

Marty said the poem is based on a true story. "It is like, he just demands my attention," Marty said, chuckling. "And I want to give it."

This is the fourth time she has been published in the "Chicken Soup for the Soul" series. She said she appreciates how the writers talk about things that are near and dear to their own hearts.

"Cats provide unconditional love and share in the ups and downs of our lives," Marty said. "These times also make for great stories, as you will see in this edition of 'Chicken Soup for the Soul.'"

The book is now for sale in bookstores and at <https://bit.ly/3yMWJcN>. Marty said royalties from the book will also support the work of American Humane.

Weather creates perfect growing condition for mushrooms

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A warm wet fall has created the perfect growing season for mushrooms.

Driving north on I-35 mushrooms are visible in multiple areas of the ditch from your vehicle.

Humid conditions have increased the number and size of wild mushroom growth in Northern Minnesota. Mushrooms are the fruit of underground fungi. As the fruit of the fungus, mushrooms grow to spread spores over the wind and to break down and decompose things like dead leaves, stumps, old roots and other

Emergency poison control: 1-800-222-1222
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dead and decaying organic matter.

In Minnesota there are several species of mushroom that are edible, but many are poisonous. Before eating a wild mushroom it is important to be entirely sure of what type of mushroom it is and that it is a safe variety. Many mushrooms are also highly toxic to dogs and other pets.

If you or someone else has ingested an unidentified mushroom the number to poison control is 1-800-222-1222. Emergency animal poison control can be reached at 1-888-426-4435. It is important to call right away. In the event that medical personnel are required it is recommended to try and bring a small amount of the mushroom ingested to the hospital or in the case of pets to the veterinarian.

Mushrooms can be removed from lawns by hand or with a lawn mower.

Editor's note: Information about mushrooms was found on the University of New Hampshire Extension webpage.



ALANEA WHITE | MOOSE LAKE STAR-GAZETTE

A large group of mushrooms growing along Minnesota Highway 23 near Sturgeon Lake can easily be seen from the road.

IN A NUTSHELL: Area author hopes new book will bring comfort to readers

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and music."

One of her songs, "Ride With Me Jesus," she wrote during the Halloween blizzard of 1991.

"Ride with me, Jesus, down the highway of life

We face many sorrows, hardship and strife

Ride with me, Jesus, when I go home
Then, precious Savior, I won't go alone."

And another of her songs is called "Family Reunion."

"He needed my mother, so he took her home, He needed an angel to polish his throne

And sing in the choir, make music all day

And I know I will join her in heaven someday."

I'll be happy to see her, it's been a long time
I love and I miss her, that mother of mine.

I was just a small child, only four years old

But I treasure the stories about her I was told

And now she has written it all down – stories and poems – in the 138 page book about her life that she calls, "My Life in a Nutshell."

"I hope whoever reads this will find some comfort in it," she said. "This journey has been good for me. Even now as I write this, God has His hand and His spirit guiding me."

DNR temporarily bans farmed deer movement to protect state's wild white-tailed deer

MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

Emergency action will provide time to understand connections between known

CWD-positive farms and identify and prevent transfer from potentially exposed herds

The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR) has issued an emergency rule that temporarily prohibits the importation and movement of farmed white-tailed deer into and within Minnesota.

This emergency action takes effect today (Oct. 11, 2021) and aims to reduce further spread of chronic

wasting disease (CWD) and protect the health of Minnesota's wild deer. The temporary ban will allow us to determine the previous movements of known CWD-exposed deer and potential additional exposures.

The DNR will work thoroughly but efficiently on this effort along with the Board of Animal Health, with which it shares concurrent authority to regulate farmed white-tailed deer. The DNR asks for the full support and cooperation of the farmed deer community.

The DNR is taking this action in response to the discovery that a

CWD-positive farm in Wisconsin shipped 387 farmed white-tailed deer to farms in seven states, including Minnesota. Three farms in Minnesota ultimately received a total of five deer from the infected farm.

"This disease poses a clear, immediate and serious threat to Minnesota's wild deer, and these actions reflect what's at stake," said DNR Commissioner Sarah Strommen. "We are committed to doing everything we can to reduce the continued risk of CWD transmission in Minnesota, including

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Volunteers on the right track

BY JAMIE LUND
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The train chugs down the track through Sturgeon Lake, Willow River, Groningen and others, then through Hinckley and Pine City as it continues towards the Twin Cities. Another train zips past Nickerson, the Askov water tower, the track over the quarry in Sandstone and continues to head south.

The Great Northern and Northern Pacific train lines not only ran through Pine County, they were huge competitors, said Spencer Stone, a volunteer in the Train Room at the Pine County Historical Society Museum in Askov. Stone, 77, lives in Sturgeon Lake and joins two other volunteers Tuesday mornings to look over the 18"X30" HO scale model railroad representing Pine County in the mid 20th century. The trains were making the change from running on steam to running on diesel fuel during that time, Stone explained.

Many volunteers over the years painstakingly created miniature towns, including a replica of downtown Askov in the 1950s. Another scene shows a parade marching

down main street in Pine City. The hand painted background featuring the different seasons of Minnesota was done by the art club.

Rolly Johnson, 92, worked for the railroad for 42 years. The Bruno resident said he began working as a telegraph operator in 1949 at the Moose Lake depot.

"I went to train school in Minneapolis to learn how to telegraph," Johnson said. He also sold tickets and performed other office duties as needed. He said he saw an advertisement for the Pine County Railroad Club shortly after the museum opened. He decided to join and has been working on the model railroad since.

"A railroad is never done," Johnson said with a chuckle. He built the Askov mainstreet buildings from an old photo. He also went online to find authentic exteriors of the time and downloaded and attached them. He said it took about a year to complete the project.

Todd Liljedahl, 67, grew up watching the trains on the tracks near his home. He joined the volunteers about a year ago. He spends most of his time working on the



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Above is a photo of the train room at the Pine County History Museum in Askov. The museum is always looking for more information and photos about the history of the area. They are looking for old photos of the downtown Willow River and Sturgeon Lake particularly at this time.

scenery of the set. He said most of the items are donated to the museum, while donations are used to purchase others such as rail cars and engines. Stone said the cars cost around \$25-30 each and a good steam engine can cost up to \$500.

The volunteers continue to work on the details of the set. Besides working on the scenery, they also plan to add details

to the Sandstone Quarry area. They are looking for old photos of Willow River and Sturgeon Lake downtown areas from about 1950-1960 to recreate those towns.

For more information on the Train Room, to donate items or to join the Pine County Railroad Club, call the museum at 320-838-1607.

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Leaving Kabul

Team of female pilots evacuate orphaned refugees during U.S. withdrawal from Afghanistan

BY KIRSTEN FAURIE
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Twenty-six year old Kaitlyn (LaFrance) Hawkinson sort of fell in to her career as a pilot in the United States Air Force.

Even her mother, who thought Kaitlyn (now Captain Hawkinson) might pursue a career in theater, didn't expect her to play a role on the world stage flying C-17 aircraft to evacuate refugees from Afghanistan.

CAREER BEGINNINGS

Even though both her parents, Susie Folwick and Scott Sperling, worked on cargo planes in the Air Force, they didn't expect her to follow suit.

Throughout high school, Hawkinson was active in school sports and the drama department. Her mother expected her to find a job in the arts.

"She totally blew me away with her career choice," Folwick said.

After graduating from Mora High School in 2013, Hawkinson enrolled at the University of Minnesota and earned a Bachelor's Degree in German, Scandinavian and Dutch studies. While in college she joined the Reserve Officers' Training Corps (ROTC).

"When I first joined ROTC I didn't know I wanted to be a pilot. I was open to whatever," Hawkinson said.

In 2017, Hawkinson was commissioned in the Air Force. During her field training she discovered friends and mentors among the senior cadets who influenced and encouraged her on her path to pilot.

In July 2017, she married Ford Hawkinson, an officer in

the U.S. Army.

Hawkinson entered active duty in Feb. 2018 and she began her pilot training. As her training progressed, she was selected to fly the Boeing C-17 Globemaster, the Air Force's primary aircraft for transporting troops and equipment.

Hawkinson said for her, it was the perfect fit. She's grown to love the C-17 community and loves her missions.

"For the pilot community, the friends that you make end up incredibly close."

Today, she and her husband are stationed at the Joint Base Lewis-McChord in Washington, a combination of the Army's Fort Lewis and the Air Force's McChord Air Force Base.

AFGHANISTAN

This summer, the United States accelerated its withdrawal from Afghanistan to end the 20-year war. Quickly, the Taliban began to re-take control of the country.

On Aug. 15, the Taliban seized control of Kabul. World embassies evacuated and retreated to the Hamid Karzai International Airport in Kabul. The airport became the center of the evacuation effort of diplomats, allies and refugees.

"We weren't expecting Afghanistan to implode like it did, at least not for a couple months," said Hawkinson, who was on leave at the time. She watched the news and saw the Taliban taking more control over the country.

"It was about to be all hands on deck."

As she expected, Hawkinson was called to return from leave and was quickly deployed to



KAITLYN HAWKINSON (SUBMITTED)

Three pilots of Captain Kaitlyn Hawkinson's C-17 crew were women. Pictured (l-r): Hawkinson, Major Courtney Vidt and Captain Meg Edson.

the other side of the world.

Hawkinson joined a team of two other pilots — both of which also happened to be women: Major Courtney Vidt and Captain Meg Edson. It struck Hawkinson as incredibly rare considering only 7% of the pilots in the Air Force are female.

The days that followed were long with little rest as her crew made repeated flights carrying evacuees from Kabul, west to Qatar then to Germany.

"We were absolutely exhausted," said Hawkinson. "But we knew what we were doing and the importance of it. So, we were just hanging on as much

as we could while maintaining aircraft safety."

On one of these trips, their plane was filled with approximately 450 people. While they waited on the ground in Qatar, Hawkinson went to talk to some of the people on board. She met a surgeon. He had been wounded and had stitches in his head and bullet wounds elsewhere. He told her his story of how he had given medical care to U.S. troops and was attacked by the Taliban for it.

Thank you, he told her. "It gave a lot of perspective on the people we were taking out," said Hawkinson. "These people had done a lot for the

U.S., so it was cool to be paying them back by getting them out of the country and into the U.S."

On another trip, Hawkinson's crew was about to fly out of the Kabul airport when they were asked if they had room for approximately 20 orphans to board.

"Hearts sank, but we were also honored to pick up these kids and get them out of there. So of course we said yes."

Once out of the country, Hawkinson was able to see the kids play at the terminal and watched how they took care of each other.

Reflecting on her experience, she said, "That was the most stressful week and a half of my life."

Hawkinson remembered the people she helped, marveled at the unexpected beauty of Afghanistan's mountains and lakes, and mourned those who had lost their lives in the conflict.

BACK HOME

At home, Captain Hawkinson's mother watched the news of chaos and attacks in Kabul.

"As a mother, you always worry about your kids ... But I knew she was in good hands," said Folwick.

Folwick's other daughter is also in the Air Force. "So I've got both of them to worry about."

Worry, she said, goes with the territory of a military life.

Of Hawkinson she said, "I am so proud of her ... I know it takes a lot mentally and physically. I'm so very proud of everything she has accomplished."

WHITE-TAILED DEER: Chronic Wasting Disease raises concerns

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from farmed deer to Minnesota's wild white-tails."

This temporary movement ban will provide time to track the movement of deer from the infected farm and understand the potential risk to other herds. The epidemiological investigations will show connections among known CWD-exposed herds, identify if there were additional exposed herds, and prevent additional transfer

from potentially exposed herds. The rule provides exemptions for deer being transported to slaughter and those being transported on a direct route through the state.

As previously announced, the DNR learned on Sept. 27, 2021 that three Minnesota farms ultimately had received a total of five white-tailed deer from the infected Wisconsin farm. Two of those deer went to farms that no longer are in business, and the two animals

subsequently moved back to farms in Wisconsin.

The other three deer were moved to a farm in Minnesota that's currently active. Two of those deer were killed and tested; they did not test positive for CWD. The third deer is still alive and the owner is awaiting payment prior to making the animal available for testing. The farm where this animal lives is currently under quarantine.



ERNE MULLER (SUBMITTED)

Hope Lutheran Church gives gift to Life House

On October 12, 2021 the congregation of Hope Lutheran Church, Moose Lake, presented a check of \$2300 to Life House - Duluth, which serves homeless youth in the Duluth area.

Pictured above are Sharen Peterson, member of the Hope Lutheran Church Endowment Committee, Pastor Matthew Cordes, and Jordan Johnson, Executive Director of Life House-Duluth.

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STATE OF MINNESOTA
COUNTY OF CARLTONDISTRICT COURT
SIXTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
Court File No. 09-JV-21-69
SUMMONS

IN RE THE CHILDREN OF:
Hannah Marie Collier,
DOB 07/04/1993;
Joshua Middlebrooks;
and James Thomas Smith
TO: Joshua Middlebrooks;
A Transfer of Permanent and Legal Custody Petition was filed with the Court on July 29, 2021, alleging Child(ren) are in need of a transfer of permanent and legal custody. The Court has set November 16, 2021 at 9:15 am, as the date and time, at the Courthouse in Carlton, Minnesota, as the place, for a hearing to be held in the above-entitled matter.

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED AND REQUIRED to appear before this Court on that date at said hearing.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE: That the hearing will be held for the purpose of determining whether the child(ren) is/are in need of protection or services in accordance with Minnesota law.

Failure to appear may result in a finding of contempt of the Court's order to appear or the issuance of a warrant for the arrest of that person summoned or both.

Failure to appear may also result in the Court conducting the hearing in your absence and the hearing may result in an order granting the relief requested in the petition including an order to terminate your parental rights to the child(ren) or an order transferring legal and physical rights of your child(ren) to another adult.

If the Court finds that grounds exist for the petitions, the Court could determine that the child(ren) is/are in need of protection or services and then order any services or other conditions deemed necessary to correct the conditions that lead to the child(ren) protection finding.

These services and conditions could include but are not limited to foster care, transfer of custody or termination of parental rights.

In connection with these proceedings, you have the following rights: 1) To be represented by a lawyer at all stages of the proceedings. If you cannot afford a lawyer, you are entitled to have a lawyer appointed for you at county expense. 2) To introduce evidence at the hearing. 3) To cross examine witnesses testifying against the child(ren). 4) To inspect any report filed with the Court, and if it is admitted in evidence, to cross examine the preparer of such report. 5) To obtain a transcript of the proceedings, if you request that they be recorded. 6) To appeal decisions of the juvenile court. 7) To have subpoenas issued by the court on your behalf requiring the attendance and testimony of witnesses.

The child(ren) has/have the same rights in connection with the proceedings that you do except that a lawyer will automatically be appointed by the court to represent the child(ren), without regard to whether the child(ren) and parents can afford to retain a lawyer.

If you desire to retain a lawyer, you should do so immediately, so you will be ready at the hearing. If you desire to be represented by a lawyer, but cannot afford the cost, you must immediately notify the court that you want an appointed lawyer.

Dated: Sept. 30, 2021
/s/ Janine Morrison
Janine Morrison
Deputy Court Administrator

(Published in the Moose Lake Star-Gazette on Oct. 7, 14, 21, 2021)

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE THE RIGHT TO VERIFICATION OF THE DEBT AND IDENTITY OF THE ORIGINAL CREDITOR WITHIN THE TIME PROVIDED BY LAW IS NOT AFFECTED BY THIS ACTION.

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

DATE OF MORTGAGE: April 10, 2017

ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: \$124,000.00

MORTGAGOR(S): Jacob S. Viebahn, A Single Individual

MORTGAGEE: Woodlands National Bank

LENDER OR BROKER AND MORTGAGE ORIGINATOR STATED ON THE MORTGAGE: Woodlands National Bank

SERVICER: Woodlands National Bank

DATE AND PLACE OF FILING: Filed April 11, 2017, Carlton County Recorder, as Document Number A000473621

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: Southeast 1/4 of Southwest 1/4 and Southwest 1/4 of Southeast 1/4, Section 7, Township 49, North of Range 16, West of the Fourth Principal

Meridian

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 263 North Cloquet Road West, Esko, MN 55733

PROPERTY IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 78-020-1240 & 78-020-1270
COUNTY IN WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED: Carlton
THE AMOUNT CLAIMED TO BE DUE ON THE MORTGAGE ON THE DATE OF THE NOTICE: \$124,674.61

THAT all pre-foreclosure requirements have been complied with; 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 30, 2021, 10:00AM

PLACE OF SALE: Sheriff's Main Office, Second Floor Law Enforcement Center, 317 Walnut Ave, Carlton, MN 55718

to pay the debt secured by said mortgage and taxes, if any, on said premises and the costs and disbursements, including attorneys fees allowed by law, subject to redemption within 12 months from the date of sale by the mortgagor(s) the personal representatives or assigns.

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 November 30, 2022, or the next business day if November 30, 2022 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday.

Dated: September 21, 2021
Woodlands National Bank
Mortgagee
LOGS LEGAL GROUP LLP
BY

Melissa L. B. Porter - 0337778
Gary J. Evers - 0134764
Joseph M. Rossman - 0397070

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THIS IS A COMMUNICATION FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR (Published in the Moose Lake Star-Gazette on Sept. 30, Oct. 7, 14, 21, 28, Nov. 4, 2021)

BIDS FOR DEMOLITION City of Barnum

The City is accepting sealed bids for the demolition of 3741 Front Street (Liquor Store/City Hall) and of 3753 Front Street (Community Center).

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Kris Asperheim
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STATE OF MINNESOTA
COUNTY OF CARLTONDISTRICT COURT
SIXTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
Court File No. 09-CV-21-1647
Case Type: Declaratory Judgment

SUMMONS

Joanne Susan Christenson, a/k/a Joanne S. Christenson, aka Joanne Christenson, Plaintiff,
vs.
Minnesota Commissioner of Public Safety, Defendant.

AND ALL OTHER PERSONS, WHETHER KNOWN OR UNKNOWN, CLAIMING ANY RIGHT, TITLE, INTEREST OR LIEN IN THE REAL PROPERTY OR MANUFACTURED HOME DESCRIBED HEREIN,

TO: THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANT.

THIS SUMMONS IS DIRECTED TO THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANT.

1. YOU ARE BEING SUED. The Plaintiff has started a lawsuit against you. The Plaintiff's Complaint against you is attached to this Summons. 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 21 DAYS TO PROTECT YOUR RIGHTS. You must give or mail to the person who signed this Summons a written response called an Answer within 21 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:

John M. Cabak
CABAK LAW, LLC
243 Main Street S
Pine City, MN 55063

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

4. YOU WILL LOSE YOUR CASE IF YOU DO NOT SEND A WRITTEN RESPONSE TO THE COMPLAINT TO THE PERSON WHO SIGNED THIS SUMMONS. If you do not answer within 20 days, you will lose this case. You will not get to tell your side of the story, and the court may decide against you and award the Plaintiff everything asked for in the Complaint. If you do not want to contest the claims stated in the Complaint, you do not need to respond. A default judgment can then be entered against you for the relief requested in the Complaint.

5. LEGAL ASSISTANCE. You may wish to get legal help from a lawyer. If you do not have a lawyer, the Court Administrator may have information about

places where you can get legal assistance. Even if you cannot get legal help, you must still provide a written Answer to protect your rights or you may lose the case.

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

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

The North 735.00 feet of the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter (NW ¼ of SW ¼) of Section Nine (9), Township Forty-six (46) North, of Range Nineteen (19) West, of the Fourth Principal Meridian, Carlton County, Minnesota.

AND

The North 735.00 feet of the West 372.00 feet of the Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter (NE ¼ of SW ¼) of Section Nine (9), Township Forty-six (46) North, of Range Nineteen (19) West, of the Fourth Principal Meridian, Carlton County, Minnesota.

AND

The West 372.00 feet of the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter (SE ¼ of NW ¼) of Section Nine (9), Township Forty-six (46) North, of Range Nineteen (19) West, of the Fourth Principal Meridian, Carlton County, Minnesota.

Said Property is also identified by its Property Tax ID Number of 63-022-0590 and is located at 4020 North Road, Moose Lake, Minnesota, 55767.

8. NOTICE OF NO PERSONAL CLAIM. Pursuant to Minn. Stat. §557.03, the Plaintiffs hereby gives notice that no personal claim is being made against the Defendant. However, if Defendant unreasonably defends the action, Plaintiffs are requesting an order of the court directing that the Defendant shall pay costs and attorney fees to Plaintiffs.

CABAK LAW, LLC
DATED: September 16, 2021
/s/ John M. Cabak
John M. Cabak
Attorney for Plaintiff
243 Main Street S
Pine City, MN 55063
2020-629-2529
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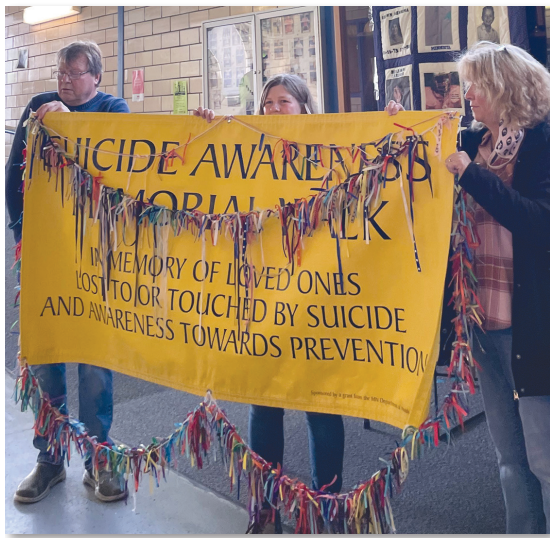
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Over 100 people participated in the 13th Annual Suicide Awareness Memorial Walk on Saturday, October 9 this year in Carlton. Thank you to members of the Carlton County Suicide Prevention Task Force for the planning of the walk, as well as donations from Jo Angell, Fond du Lac Health and Human Services, Arrowhead Water, Upper Lakes Foods, and the Warming House. Thank you, also, to all of the volunteers who gave of their time to facilitate a morning of support for our community members. Lastly, thank you to Jessica Laney, this year's speaker who shared her story of grief and hope, as a Suicide Survivor.

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