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At the Carlton County Fair, August 21 we asked the following question:

What do you remember about September 11?



Leslie Johnson, Hermantown Minn.

was at her home on Sept. 11, 2021. She recalls thinking that what was happening was unbelievable and feeling heartbroken. "I just hope things don't start happening again.'



Matias Valenzuela, Ostego, Minn was a freshman in high school and heard about the airplane crash-

es on the radio station he was listening to on his way to school." I thought it was a joke, I was listen-ing to a radio station that tended to make jokes, do I thought they were doing a skit.



born after Sept. 11, 2001, He remembers learning about the terrorist attacks in history class. He also recalls that family members were emotional about it. "Espe-

cially with what is going on now it is a relative topic in our house."

Cadence Brown, Barnum, Minn., "I wasn't born yet, " says Brown as she recalls what she learned in history class. "Many lives were lost including fire fighters going in to help people. It is a sensitive topic a lot of people lost family members.



Bob Chammings, Carlton, Minn., was working on remodeling house south of Superior. "I heard the news that one plane had struck and went in to watch the second hit. I was appalled and upset and ready to go into the Marine Corps again to help

my country.



An F-16 Fighting Falcon with the Minnesota Air National Guard 148th Fighter Wing is pictured on Sept. 17, 2001 at

Sept. 11 Commemorative Flyovers will feature F-16s

Minnesota Air National Guard Unit Part of 9/11 History

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This Saturday, three large Minnesota events will commemorate the 20th anniversary of the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks with flyovers featuring F-16 fighter aircraft.

Planes from the Minnesota Air National Guard's 148th Fighter Wing are scheduled to make appearances over St. Paul, Duluth, and Minneapolis.

Four F-16s will do a Minnesota Department of Veterans Affairs 9/11 morning flyover of the state capitol. "Our planned flyover time is 9:20 a.m.," said Lt. Col (Ret.) Audra Flanagan, who served as a second lieutenant with the Wing 20 years

Later on Saturday, another four F-16s will take to the skies from the Wing's Duluth base and head to a flyover of the University of Minnesota -Duluth and Minnesota State University- Mankato military appreciation game that has a 6:05 p.m. start.

Finally, aircraft from the 148th Fighter Wing will head to the Twin Cities to complete a 6 p.m. flyover of the Minnesota Twins-Kansas City Royals game at Target Field.

Flanagan also collaborated with her colleagues at the Minnesota National Guard's Joint Force Headquarters – Public Affairs regarding a 9/11 documentary and commemorative social media posts featured on the 148th Wing's Facebook

"It was clear 9/11 touched people at a deep level,"

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BrewFest to serve up beverages and fun in Moose Lake

Kick off the fall season with fun festivities and adult beverages at the 2021 BrewFest in Moose Lake.

The sixth annual Moose Lake Chamber fundraiser will be held at Route 61 Lounge and Bowling (formerly Gamper's) 5-8 p.m on Saturday, Sept. 18.

The adult, 21 and over, event features live music, food and of course a variety of micro-brewed, craft beers and beverages. Route 61 owner, Joe Jirovec, said they improved on last year's event by doubling the space, including the patio and adding more food options.

'I like being able to walk around and sample different brews.'

Joe Jiroved

owner, Route 61 Lounge and Bowling

"I like being able to walk around and sample different brews," Jirovec said.

Allison Jones, chamber executive director, said they have about a dozen vendors excited to attend the event. Several are from the Duluth area, including Blacklist, Hoops Brewing, Bent Paddle Brewery, Vikre Distillery and more. Of course the Moose Lake Brewery will also be on site.

Jones said Revelry with Uncle Ike plays a mix of genres

and performs requests if he knows the song.
"It's just really a fun time to meet with friends," Jones

Route 61 will offer a selection of foods such as brats and a sausage sampler for purchase at an outside location as well as have the restaurant open for business.

Guests can also purchase raffle tickets for the opportunity to win prizes. Grand prize options include a \$3,500 travel voucher by Escape by Travel or a 2021John Deere X-350 with a 42" mower deck or \$3,000 cash. There will also be

several cash drawings.

Purchase tickets online or at the chamber office for \$25 in advance or at the door for \$30



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Sand in water and sewer lines addressed by Willow River Council

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Sand in the city pipes took up most of the Willow River city council meeting on Tuesday, September 7.

Reports of sand in the water line on Church Street in Willow River were brought to the attention of Water and Sewer operator John Mikrot. At least three residents living on Church Street had reported having what appeared to be sand in the water line.

The "sand" according to all of the research Mikrot has done is not coming from city water lines, but is instead hard water build up in the hot water heaters of these homes. Residents experiencing the problem posted on Facebook asking if anyone else had experienced these issues. Multiple neighbors on Church Street reported no issues with their water. Mikrot and the council determined that it was not an issue with the city water lines or the problem would be more widespread on the street.

"It isn't sand," said Mikrot. He explained to the council how water meters installed in the homes on Church Street have a small screen in them. that would become clogged by sand and shut off the meter and the water running to the home. No one has reported this type of issue to Mikrot

Jetting the lines could cause some discoloration of the water. According to Mikrot there is a three to five foot cast iron pipe that attaches all fire hydrants to the regular polymer lines of the city water. When hydrants are run, and not shut off correctly, the cast iron can cause discoloration. "Not shutting a hydrant off right can really stir things up,' said Mikrot.

Every third year Mikrot jets the lines in Willow River. This year Mikrot has already started the project, and is nearly half done. An estimated 45 gallons of sand was filtered out of the sewer line jetting by Mikrot. Televising the sewer lines in the area between Park Road and the Northern Pine

Riders building along Highway 43 was recommended by Mikrot. Estimates for the televising ranged from \$3,000 to \$3,700. Mikrot was advised by the council to continue to shop around for pricing on televis-

ing the lines in this area. Issues of tampering with a water meter were reported by Mikrot. The water meter at the hotel were installed backwards so that the meter was rolling back gallons used instead of reading them. This is the second instance of issues with the meter at the hotel that have been addressed by the council. Mikrot informed the council that he would be keeping an eye on the meter, but there was not feasible way to physically prevent the issue from continu-

WALTER'S ROAD

The council discussed the need for repairs on the Willow River portions of Wal-ter's Road. The city shares ownership of this road with Kettle River Township, Both locations have been working together in recent months to form a more comprehensive agreement about road maintenance. Signs for a set speed limit on Walter's Road were agreed on by the council, and presented to the township. A list of then needed signage is being created so that it can be ordered and installed.

Areas of most concern on Walter's Road for repair work belong to Kettle River Township according to several Willow River Council members. Mikrot will be working on patching potholes on areas of Walter's Road owned by the city and a few other areas in the town before winter.

OTHER NEWS

- The council approved increasing the Willow River Fire Relief fund pay outs from \$950 to \$1800 for fully vested members
- Hydrant locks were approved for purchase by the council for 35 hydrants.
- The Willow River Fire

Department is still look-ing for the appropriate location to install and LED sign.

- Six sets of holt cutters were anonymously donated to the Willow River Fire Department, these will be used in emergencies to remove hydrant
- locks. The Willow River Planning Commission held their first meeting in August after being reestablished by the council. Members are working on establishing the Commission and then will work on zoning ordinance at the request of the council.
- A clean up day is scheduled for September, 11, 2021 at 10 a.m. at the pavilion. Volunteers will work on putting up a flag pole donated to the city by the American Legion, installing fencing and Permabond. The Willow River Fire Department plans to be present.

Historical Reflections



This week's history photo:

Do you recognize anyone in this photo?

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Answer to the history photo from the previous edition: On September 2. 1971 Mrs. Olga Olson, a 50 year member of Moose Lake Chapter No. 253, Order of the Eastern Star was presented a corsage and 50 year pin by Phyllis Crow, the Worthy Matron

of the chapter. Star-Gazette photo

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SEPTEMBER 11: 148th Fighter Wing remembers

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Flanagan said. She was working at United Health Care in Duluth 20 years ago when hijacked aircraft hit the World Trade Center Towers in New York City. "I remember being shocked and scared.'

Her military position was very similar to working in a human

resources office.
"We activated 500 personnel, which was the most the 148th Fighter Wing had ever activated," she said. "We sent personnel to Minneapolis, Langley Air Force Base, and Tyndall Air Force Base to support around the clock combat air patrol missions.

Flanagan said the Sept. 11 attacks, the work of 148th Fighter Wing members and the administrative actions required for that deployment were unprecedented. Her spouse, Senior Master Sgt. Glen Flanagan, worked on F-16 avionics on 9/11.

Immediately after 9/11, the 148th Fighter Wing was placed on 24/7

Its F-16s in Duluth and Tyndall

Air Force Base in Florida provided around the clock combat air patrols over major parts of the Southeast and Midwest U.S

And in months that followed the attacks, the 148th worked from the Minnesota National Guard History Museum and Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport.

The Wing provided aircraft on immediate alert for the North American Aerospace Defense Command to defend against possi-ble direct threats to the Twin Cities, Chicago, Detroit, Kansas City, and St. Louis, flying more than 650 missions.

In December 2001, the 148th was ordered to position eight F-16s, pilots, and support personnel at Langley Air Force Base in Virginia to fly combat air patrols over the White House and the regional around the U.S. Capitol for 90

Flanagan served in the Minnesota National Guard from 1991 to 2015. "I'm so proud of all 148th Wing members and all who served



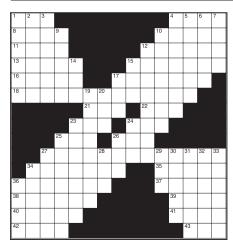
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The 148th Fighter Wing based in Du-luth developed this 9/11 commemorative logo for use with its social media

during that time" she said.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Tim Hennagir is the managing editor of Minnesota Flyer magazine.

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CLUES ACROSS

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12. With tooth 13. French modernist painter

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24. When you hope to 25. Corporate executive

title (abbr.) 26. Shout of welcome or farewell 27. Imaginary awards for

good deeds 34. A citizen of Iran 35. It can be sounded 36. Making dirty

37. Romanian city 38. Baking ingredient 39. Share a common boundary with 40. Succulent plants

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OBITUARIES

Leanna Niss

Leanna Louise Hannah (Breitbarth) Niss, age 91, of Sandstone, MN passed away on August 29, 2021 at Essentia Health-Sandstone.

Leanna married her husband, Donald Niss on May 8, 1949 in Truman, Minn. Together Leanna and Donald raised their two children Doug and Kathy. Leanna was a talented seamstress that made sewing her business.

Leanna is preceded in death by her husband, Donald, who passed away on December 13, 2010. She is survived by her son, Doug Niss and her daughter, Kathy Niss; who both live in Sturgeon

At the request of Leanna no funeral services will be held.

Arrangements by Methven Funeral and Cremation Services of Sandstone, MN.

Ruth Brink

Ruth M. Brink, 98, Moose Lake, died Friday, August 27, 2021 in Augustana Mercy Health Care Center, Moose Lake. She was born on July 4, 1923 in Lake City to Albert and Clara Schmidt. At the age of 15, Ruth moved to Moose Lake. On June 18, 1940, Ruth married Bertel Brink in Carlton. They dairy farmed through the years. Bertel and Ruth also raised several children as their own through the years and their nephews spent a lot of time on the farm.

Ruth was preceded in death by her husband, Bertel in 1996 and several sisters and brothers. She is survived by nieces and nephews.

A private burial was held in Riverside Cemetery. Moose Lake on Monday, August 30, 2021.

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

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.

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., Sept. 13- Tator Tot Hotdish, Tossed Salad, Juice & Fruit

Tues., Sept. 14 - Roast Turkey Dinner, Mashed Potatoes/Gravy, Dressing, Dessert & Cake/Icing

Wed., Sept. 15 - Sloppy Joe w/Bun, Coleslaw, Potato Chunks, Whipped Jello Thurs., Sept. 16- Egg & Sausage Muffin Sandwich, Hashbrowns, Juice & Yogurt Fri., Sept. 17 - Chicken Noodle Soup w/Egg Salad Sand., Juice & Fruit

Patty L. Chaput

Patty L. Chaput, 65, died peacefully on Tuesday, August 31, 2021 with her family alongside lovingly caring for her during her final times. She was born



on February 18, 1956 in Moose Lake to George and Marcella Jirovec. Patty grew up in Finlayson where she attended school, grad-uating in 1974. On August 15, 1975, Patty married Lawrence "Larry" Chaput in St. Petersburg, FL. Life took them in many different places as they lived in Florida and Wisconsin prior to returning to Finlayson in 1988. Patty worked over the years as a CNA in health-

care facilities in both Moose Lake and Sandstone prior to retiring in 2018. She was a jack of all trades and loved gardening and sewing. She owned and operated, "The Sewing Shack" at her home and often did upholstery and sewing projects for others. She loved her family dearly.

Patty was preceded in death by her parents: George and Marcella Jirovec and a brother: Dymann Jirovec.

She will be lovingly remembered by her husband of 46 years: Larry; daughter: Steph (Terry) Kassa of Cambridge; 2 grandchildren: Hayden Kassa and Wyatt Kassa both of Cambridge; siblings: JoAnn (Chuck) Johansen; Pauline (Pat) Pereira; Rita (Stan) Jensen; Kevin (Brenda) Jirovec; and Marilyn (Dave) Erickson; sister-in-law: Dawn Jirovec; and several nieces, nephews, and friends.

A Gathering of Family and Friends will be from Noon until the 1 pm Celebration of Life service on Friday, September 10, 2021 in Hamlin-Hansen-Kosloski Funeral Home, Moose Lake. A Time of Fellow-ship with coffee and cookies will follow the services. Blessed be the memory of Patty Chaput.

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

WEEKLY FORECAST

FROM CBS 3 METEOROLOGIST DAVE ANDERSON

Thursday Partly Cloudy

72/47 Friday Mostly Sunny

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Saturday Partly Cloudy

67/46

Sunday Partly Cloudy 67/46

Monday Mostly Cloudy 71/55

We can (and should) do more for moms

fter recently returning from maternity leave, I have been thinking about maternal mental health from a different perspective. Usually, I approach this topic as a mental

health provider, an outsider and a helper, not as a mother. The last couple months. I have been approaching the topic as an ʻinsider"

I have been blessed with an overall easy postpartum period. After running a behavioral health clinic during a once in a century pandemic, having an opportunity to be home with a newborn has been a nice change. I have taken the opportunity to spend more time with my children, exercise, make healthier decisions and be more present. It has also allowed me to spend

more time with my "mom friends". A group of women who have given birth in the last six months, ranging from stay-at-home mothers to professionals in the healthcare field.

During this time, it was clear to me that postpartum challenges have a stigma and have many barriers in seeking help and support.

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To seek services please, reach out to Pregnancy and Postpartum Support MN 612-787-7776 or for local counseling and medication management Recovering Hope Outpatient Services at 844-314-4673 can provide support during your postpartum neriod

As I looked around my group of friends, I couldn't help to think if we are struggling, how many other mothers are struggling that do not have the same support I do. We were able to discuss openly being in therapy or needing medication to combat the postpartum anxieties or not feeling "good enough" as mother. We were able to discuss the similarities in our postpartum period and the differenc-

es. We were able

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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.

Sept. 9 at 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Ruby's Pantry Ruby's Pantry is on Thursday, September 9, 9 - 11:30 a.m. at the Cromwell Park

Sept. 11 from 2 p.m, to 3 p.m.

Living History Walk

Moose Lake Area Historical Society is hosting a living history walk at Riverside Cemetery in Moose Lake. Come hear accounts of some of the prominent citizens of the past. Cost is \$15 either cash or check.

Sept. 12 at 2 p.m.

East Central Minnesota PFLAG Meeting

PFLAG will be having their meeting September 12, 2 p.m., at Common Ground, United Methodist Church, 404 Cypress Street N., Cambridge, MN

East Central Minnesota PFLAG is an organization that provides support for gav. lesbian, bisexual, transgender. questioning persons, their families and friends. For more information, go to www.ecmnpflag.org.

Sept. 13

Moose Lake Health Care Volunteer Service Organization meeting The Moose Lake Health Care Volun-

teer Service Organization meeting will be September 13 at Hope Lutheran Church. New members are welcome. masks are optional. For more information call (218) 485-5544.

Sept. 14 at noon

Cromwell Area Young Old Timers meet-

ing
The Cromwell Area Young Old timers will be meeting at the Cromwell Park Pavilion on Tuesday, September 14 at noon for lunch followed by a meeting and special guest: Sheriff Kelly Lake. New members are always welcome to attend and check them out or join as the dues are only \$5.00 a year.

Sept. 18 at 1 p.m, BINGO at the Depot

Moose Lake Area Historical Society is hosting BINGO at the Depot on Saturday, September 18.

Sept. 18 at 10 a.m. to 2 p.m,

Fall Festival

Oak Lake Lutheran Church, 53131 Shadow Oak Road in Kerrick will be hosting their Fall Festival on September 18 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Join Oak Lake Lutheran Church for crafts, bake sale, flea market, produce, silent auction, and a quilt raffle along with a soup, sandwich and pie lunch.

Sept. 23 at 5 p.m,

Blomskog Cemetery Association annual meeting The Blomskog Cemetery Association

will hold its annual meeting on Thursday, September 23 at the Windemere Town Hall, at 5:00 p.m. . The Office of Secretary and one Board Member will be up for election.

Mondays from 11 a.m. to 12:00

Yoga at the Pavilion

Yoga at the Pavilion, 11:am -12:00 noon Mondays. No yoga September 6, resuming again September 13. \$3, gear provided. Questions call Ann Markusen 218-428-3300.

Tuesdays from 12 p.m. to 3 p.m. **Cribbage at Senior Dining in Moose**

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 in August 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.

Wednesdays from 1 p.m. to 4

Cribbage at Caribou Coffee in Moose Lake

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Reflecting on big, difficult conversations

omething that may or may not be common knowledge about my family is that my father was diagnosed with terminal brain cancer two years ago.



A Millennial Mile Alanea White

He retired from the Army after 20 years of service. Most of his time in active duty was served in the Middle East, including Desert Storm, Desert Shield and Operation Enduring Freedom. His doctors are over 70% certain that his cancer is the result of his time working at military burn pits.

His brain cancer diagnosis is terminal. The average life expectancy after a diagnosis of this type of cancer is about six months. We have been very lucky in beating the odds with over two years, but we know

that our luck won't last.

His diagnosis brought up conversations and feelings about his involvement in the military. For a while I had a hard time reconciling my anger at the military for putting him in the situation that caused his cancer with being able to support, honor and care for veterans. Much like the difficulties many faced after the Vietnam War

The military withdrawal in Afghanistan has been something that has brought up other big conversations in our house.

conversations in our house.

For my entire life, there has been a United States military presence at some location or another in the Middle East. A withdrawal was not something I ever expected to see and it has brought up so many truly mixed emotions in our family.

With my history degree I couldn't help but make comparisons between the Afghanistan withdrawal and those final airlifts in Vietnam. I know that boiling any war down to a singular cause is not going to be easy or accurate, but I can't truly remember the reason for our involvement in the Middle East in the first place.

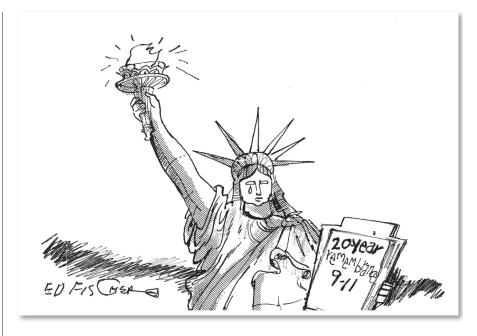
Yes, the September 11 attacks were terrible. I remember watching the news as a fourth grader while the Twin Towers came down. What I think people tend to forget, is that we have been involved in military action in the Middle East longer than the 20 years since September 11. Desert Storm and Desert Shield were in the 1990s nearly a decade before those attacks. Years even before I was born.

The biggest and most difficult conversation in our house about Afghanistan has been how we each feel about the military withdrawal. Just as I imagine it has been in other households with veterans.

All I can keep thinking is that in one of those

All I can keep thinking is that in one of those locations, on one of those military bases, during one of those campaigns...my dad got cancer. I know that he isn't the only one and I can't help feeling angry that he was sent there in the first place. That anger is tempered with pride in his service and sacrifice, but that anger is not something that will go away any time soon.

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Talking COVID-19 vaccines and children with the U of M

he return of in-person classes this fall has sparked a lot of dialogue among parents about the safety of COVID-19 vaccinations for



Talking with the U of M Dr. Jill Foster children.
Jill Foster,
MD, a professor
of pediatrics at
the University
of Minnesota

Medical School and pediatric infectious diseases physician with M Health Fairview, demystifies some of the concerns for parents of un-

vaccinated kids. Q: What is known so far about the longterm effects of the COVID-19

vaccine in children?
Dr. Foster: With vaccines, we refer to short-term effects as within a few days and long-term effects being longer than that. So far, COVID-19 vaccines in children under 12 years of age have only been administered in clinical trials, and

the numbers are too small to draw any conclusions yet about longterm effects — certainly, though, nothing concerning. In the 12 and older age group,

In the 12 and older age group, there have been rare instances of inflammation of the heart — myocarditis (muscle) or perimyocarditis (heart muscle and the fibrous sac surrounding the heart). What we know now about this is limited because it is so rare — with only a thousand cases out of 177 million vaccinated individuals per the CDC — but these tend to occur in male adolescents. However, all the individuals had relatively mild cases and recovered quickly. In fact, an individual is six times more likely to have myocarditis as a result of having COVID-19 infection than from getting the vaccine.

Q: Are the potential side effects of the COVID-19 vaccine different for children and adults?

Dr. Foster: Yes, the short-term side effects are the same in the teens who have been immunized. In regards to children under the age of 12 — this is all too new to

say for sure, but given our experience with vaccines in general over the last century, the answer is probably no. The majority of vaccines are given to infants and have no long-term side effects, despite intensive efforts to try to find a link. If you search on the internet for side effects, there will be plenty of websites offering opinions on it but none have borne out to be anything more than coincidence. This includes the disproven link between the MMR vaccine and a number of things, including autism

Q: Does the COVID-19 vaccine negatively impact a child's future fertility?

Dr. Foster: We have nothing, either in limited experience or even theory, to suggest a link between the COVID-19 vaccines and future fertility. Sites on the internet will try to tell you otherwise — the most common one being that there is similarity between a protein in the placenta and the COVID antibody. If that were true, it could be

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COVID-19 VACCINE SAFETY:

Expert answers to common questions

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compared to your ability to call someone when only knowing one digit of their phone number. No link has been found that COVID antibodies produced by having COVID interfere with fertility

Q: Why did it take longer for COVID-19 vaccines to be approved for children than adults?

Dr. Foster: There are several reasons why. First, is that vaccines are tested first in adults and then children, so we are still playing catch up. Secondly, there is always more caution in testing vaccines and medication in children. We want to make sure that we get the dose right — such as measuring if a smaller amount is needed — and we spend additional time

monitoring for any potential side effects.

Q: If a child is under the age of 12 and can't be vaccinated, how can parents prepare them to safely return for in-person classes?

'Without vaccines. children are more vulnerable than adults, so they need to be extra careful.'

> Jill Foster. MD. M Health Fairview

Dr. Foster: Without vaccines, children are more vulnerable than adults, so they need to be extra careful. They must wear masks when around others, and the masks should fit well

so they are primarily breathing through them not around them. If possible, don't reuse a worn mask for more than one day. If disposable, then throw it out after one day. For cloth masks. wash them in between uses. Continually reinforce the need for hand washing and physical distancing, even though it seems like it's getting old now. Avoid crowded indoor spaces around people you don't trust to be taking precautions, especially if there isn't good ventilation.

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BABY BLUES: Seeing the difference between baby blues, postpartum depression

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to provide suggestions on what was working and things we tried.

It was a judgment free zone. It provided us with a space to not feel alone. I hope for a world where this type of support and lack of stigma for all new mothers is widespread and accessible.

70-80%

Percent of new moms who report experiencing "Baby Blues"

BABY BLUES VS. DEPRESSION

It is normal to have the postpartum blues, 70-80% of postpartum women report symptoms of the "Baby Blues". The "Baby Blues" can be classified as a mild and short-term mood disorder. It is common that the "Baby Blues" only last a week or two.

These symptoms can include highs and lows, intensive emotional periods that range from happiness, joy, sadness and frustration. These symptoms are a normal response to exhaustion, hormone level changes and going through a life changing event.

It is also reported that 25 percent of fathers have similar symptoms after baby arrives. This is sometimes referred to as "Sad Dads".

The difference between the "Baby Blues" and Postpartum Depression or Anxiety is that "Baby Blues" are short term and mild. As mothers continue in the postpartum period, these symptoms can continue or intensify to include anger, mood swings, fatigue, irritability, inability to bond with their baby, anxiety, worry or fear.

About 12-35 % of new moms meet criteria for a postpartum mental health diagnosis. The lower the income, the higher likelihood that a woman will meet criteria. One in five woman that are below the poverty level meet criteria and the most shocking statistic I found is that only one in 10 women receive treatment for postpartum issues.

Why are we not doing more for our mothers?

There are many options for postpartum success including medication management, counseling services and group support. Knowing you are not alone, can make a big impact on reducing symptoms. Look for ways to find or offer help to others in "Find Help" and "4 Ways to Help Moms" below.

SADIE BROEKEMEIER is the President of Recovering Hope Treatment Center in Mora. She has over 15 years of experience providing mental health and substance use disorder treatment to individuals and families. She is a licensed drug and alcohol counselor and mental health therapist in Minnesota.

WRIGHT CROMWELL NEWS: School begins and summer comes to an end

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Well, it's coming to an end! What is? Summer for the most part and school resumes on Tuesday, September 7. Let's hope the year goes well without COVID 19 distractions or outbreaks in our districts.

The remains of Lendell Lee Sargent, the last surviving Civil War Soldier of Aitkin Countv. were reinterred at Round Lake Cemetery on September 4, 2021. He died in 1938.

Sam Kavanagh, a Carlton Substitute Teacher, is featured on Jeopardy this week in a re-broadcast of his run on the Tournament of Champions at 4:30 PM on CBS, Channel 3 this week. He will be on the September 8, 9 and 10 episodes.

Harvest Fest is this coming weekend, check out all the activities on their Facebook page. Also, The Area Clothing Depot in Cromwell is having a \$3.00 a bag sale on September 11th in honor of Harvest Fest. The Extreme Team will be selling Ice Cream at the Steak Fry and on Saturday during the day

The Extreme Team is asking for any last-minute Calendar Submissions and business ads on their 2022 Calendar of Events, so please call Liz Kabus @ 218-428-6733 to get your items or ads posted on the

The Farmer's Co-op Store in Wright will go back to their winter hours after Labor Day weekend. Open: Monday -Saturday: 8-6, and Sunday: 9 a.m. 1 p.m. Thanks to everyone who has been patronizing the store. Keep it up, so we will have our store for years to

Rick Gresczyk is asking folks to send any old photos of events

that took place at the Star Club near Moose Lake to Rory Butkiewicz as Rory is making a power point history of the club So, if you had a wedding dance, celebration or other event at the Star Club in the past, look through your old photo albums and take a picture of your pictures and email them to Rory: ButkiewiczFamilyFarm@

The Bethlehem quilters will resume quilting in September on Wednesdays from 8 to noon. Bethany Quilters meet on September 21 and 22 from 9 - noon. No experience necessary, just come and check it out.

The Bethany Lutheran Rummage and Plant Sale will be on Friday, September 24 from 3-7 p.m. and Saturday September 25 from 8 a.m. to noon. Donations can be brought in a couple of days ahead of time.

Julie (Hutar) Hedin wish-

es to let everyone know how appreciative she is for the staff up at Villa Vista and Cardinal Courts. They go above and beyond to care for the residents and have become like members of the family. The staff is so important and most of them have been working overtime to keep things rolling so any positive word of thanks or encouragement are welcome. They also have an "Appreciation Jar" for anyone to put a message in to thank a staff member for something they did to make the residents lives more enjoyable or comforting. The notes will be shared at the

9 a.m. and 3 p.m. meetings. This week's Trivia: What is one thing that all wise men, regardless of their religion or politics, agree is between heaven and earth? Here's another one: In Okmulgee, Oklahoma, you cannot take a picture of a

man with a wooden leg. Why

Last week's Trivia Answer Forrest left home running. He ran a ways and then turned left, ran the same distance and turned left again, ran the same distance and turned left again. When he got home, there were two masked men. Who were they? The catcher and the umpire at a baseball game. Here's the other one: I threw away the outside and cooked the inside. Then I ate the outside and threw away the inside. What did I eat? Corn on the cob.

That's all the news from the Edge of Wright! Drive safe and watch out for children as school has started.

Send any news to me at jkh4president@hotmail.com or call at 218-357-2385.

KETTLE RIVER NEWS: School year begins, watch for school buses

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School is starting. Pay attention to the laws about stopping for the school buses. Watch for children crossing the roads to and from the

The next city of Kettle River city council meeting is Tuesday, September 14 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. If you care about the city of Kettle River, plan to attend the meetings before it is

too late. There are several issues that may affect

The Finnish Luncheon is back. The next lun-cheon is Sept. 21 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.

Quilting at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church is every Wednesday at 9 am. Donations of new cotton fabric is appreciated. 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.

The Kettle River American Legion Post 360 rifle drawing is Friday, November 5 at the Tower Tap beginning at 7:30 pm. You must be present for the door prizes, but do not need to be present for the rifle drawing. First prize: Mossberg 270 Mag, wood, with scope or \$500 cash, Second prize: Ruger 10/20 caliber or \$250 cash, Third prize: Maverick 88 12 ga or \$200 cash, Fourth prize: \$100 cash. Main prize drawing is at 9 pm

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The Moose Lake Kiwanis Club would like to thank the following volunteers for their support of the Moose Lake Fly-in breakfast on **August 21**

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We apologize if anyone was missed.

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Moose Lake Willow River's Logan Orvedahl #26 intercepts Hermantown's quarterback, Michael Lau, pass in the 28-21 victory on Friday at Centricity Stadium.

Landin Kurhajetz, number 3, and Ethan Burton, number 89, celebrate in the end zone during the September 3 game against Hermantown.

FAITH PETERSON | SUBMITTE

Henry Ribich, number 33, avoids a tackle in the Friday, September 3 football game against Hermantown.

Rebels football kicks off season with win

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With the win on Friday, September 3, Coach Louzek's career win total reaches 196. Your Moose Lake/Willow River Rebels opened the 2021 season on Friday night with what could be labeled "The Game of the Week in the Northland," as they took on the Hawks of Hermantown. The atmosphere was alive at Centricity Stadium as these two rival programs battled for supremacy of the North. In the end it would be the Rebels who proved to have just enough as they were able to hold on to a 28-21 victory. Senior, Logan Orvedahl, led the Rebels with 187 yards on the ground and a touchdown while adding a timely interception and a momentum changing 38 yard kickoff return for another touchdown.

Your favorite football team

(1-0) will be in action again this coming Friday, September 10, at Frank Magdziarz field in Willow River as they take on the Broncos of International Falls (0-1). Game time is set for 7:00 p.m.

Moose Lake/Willow River volleyball team win one/lose one

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The Moose Lake Willow River volleyball team started their season on Monday, August 30, defeating East Central 3-2; 25-14, 20-25, 14-25, 25-20, and 15-9. Gabby Gamst had 9 Kills, 2 Ace Serves; Alexis Hoffman 8 Kills, 1 Block; Morgan Wigg 8 Kills, 2 Ace Serves; Jorja Jusczak 15 Set Assists; Olivia Jutila 18 set assists, 4 Ace Serves; and

Julia Jusczak with 18 Digs.

Tuesday, August 31 they lost to Hinckley-Finlayson 2-3; 26-24, 25-20, 20-25, 24-26, and 9-15. Julia Jusczak had 18 Digs; Gabby Gamst 6 Kills, 4 Blocks; Jorja Jusczak 16 Set Assists and 4 Ace Serves.

The Rebels traveled to Wrenshall High School on Tuesday, September 7, to play the Wrens. Results for the MLWR versus Wrenshall game were not available at the time the Moose Lake

Star-Gazette went to print.

Thursday, September 9, they will host South Ridge and play in a tournament at Greenway High School on Saturday, September 11 at 9:00 a m

Coaches for this year's volleyball teams are Kelsey Swanstrom, Becca Vaughn, Olivia Bennett, and Zak Mathson.

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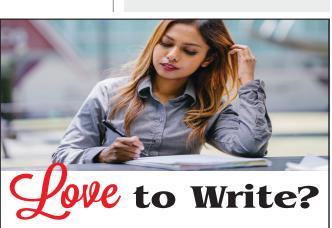
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Moose Lake/Willow River/Barnum Cross Country Rebels run in the North Shore Challenge

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Moose Lake Willow River Barnum Rebels' cross-country team traveled to Pincushion Trails near Grand Marais and the Gunflint Trail on Thursday, September 2. It was a perfect day for a race with cloudy sky's, a light breeze and temps around 65 degrees, which made the three hour scenic drive worth it even more. Eight teams were in attendance, from all three classes, which made for some nice competition with the top

10 in the junior high and junior varsity races and the top 15 in the varsity

race receiving medals. The North Shore Challenge included teams from Duluth East, North Shore, South Ridge, Proctor, Carlton/Wrenshall, Proctor, and Greenway/ Nashwauk Keewatin. On Thursday, September 9, at 4:00 p.m. the team will be running in the Nemadji Invite at the Nemadji Golf Course in Lake Nebagamon Wisc.

MLWRB BOYS' VARSITY TEAM FINISHED FIFTH OUT OF SIX TEAMS IN THE 5-KI-LOMETER RACE: Shawn Bailey, 17th, 19:18.4 Joseph Mikrot, 22nd, 19:31.1 Murray Salzer, 23rd, 19:34.2 Gavin Thiry, 34th, 20:05.0 Elliott Wasche, 36th, 20:05.0 Elliott Wasche, 36th, 20:06.4 Johnny Danelski, 39th, 20:16.4 Ryden Anderson, 63rd, 21:31.7 Chance Lunde, 65th, 21:57.3 Magnus Koecher 69th, 22:16.0 Matt Bohnsack 70th, 22:37.7 JJ Skalko-Olesiak 71st, 22:37.7 Max Petry 76th, 23:179 Daniel Mikrot 84th, 24:35.6

MLWRB GIRLS' VARSITY TEAM FINISHED SIXTH OUT OF SEVEN TEAMS IN THE

5-KILOMETER RACE: Amelia Olson, 24th, 22:51.2 Brooklyn Wasche, 33rd, 23:11.4 Shannon Granquist, 34th, 23:12.1

Rayna Klejeski, 35th, 23:15.8 Lilly Petty, 52nd, 24:48.0 Ella Heaton, 53rd, 24:52.9 Elle Nielsen, 56th, 25:35.4

MLWRB GIRLS' JUNIOR VAR-SITY 4-KILOMETER RACE: Isabel Dewey, 3rd, 29:21.9 Brooklyn Peterson, 6th, 20:10.3

MLWRB GIRLS' JUNIOR HIGH 2.6-KILOMETER RACE: Abigail Vargo, 23rd, 13:21.0

Sophie Petty, 24th, 13:23.1 Nia Petry, 41st, 15:42.4

MLWRB BOYS' JUNIOR HIGH 2.6-KILOMETER RACE: Ledger Johnson. 13th. 11:41.6



SCOTT OF SOME

Rebels cross country medal winners Brooklyn Peterson and Isabel Dewey









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Weekend at Howie's Mud Bog hauls in the end of summer

The last weekend of summer was celebrated with fun, sun and mud at Howie's Mud Bog. Labor Day weekend has been the long time host weekend for the annual mud bog outside of Finlayson, Minn. Two new race tracks were introduced this year.

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East Central Minn. Pride returns to Pine City on Sept. 18

AST CENTRAL MINNESOTA

East Central Minnesota Pride is pleased to announce that its 16th Pride celebration, to be held Saturday, Sept. 18, will have a full lineup of fun and entertainment.

After a long stretch of physical distancing and other restrictions, the LGBTQ+ communities in the counties of Pine, Isanti, Chisago, Kanabec and Mille Lacs will once again gather in person while adhering to current safety protocols.

The annual "Pride in the Park" celebration runs from 1 to 5 p.m. that Saturday afternoon at Robinson Park in Pine City. Duluth-based blues/funk/jam band Jacob Mahon & the New Salty Dog will play a high energy, genre eccentric set inspired by the likes of Frank Zappa, John Denver and A Tribe Called Quest. Minneapolis-based Rebel Queens

aim to take the crowd on a turbo-speed wild ride through vintage-inspired rock 'n' roll! Martina Marraccino, a unicorn storyteller, known for their talent in theater, singing and dancing, will emcee the event.

New this year is a wide range of food trucks. In the mix are Burnsville-based Tacos Tacuba, Brooklyn Park-based Run Tell That BBQ and Pine City-based Cabin Coffee. Minneapolis-based Sandy's Grill & Italian Ice will be parked a block north at Three Twenty Brewing Co., 135 5th St. SE.

At 7 p.m., LGBTQ+ film screenings will take place at Pine Center for the Arts, 265 5th St. SE, shown by the Highway 61 Film Festival.

At 9 p.m. there will be a drag performance at Froggy's Bar & Grill, 209 5th St. SE. Though Froggy's has opened its doors to many different types of entertainers over the years—from rock to rap—including national acts, this will be its first ever drag show. The event is free and open to anyone over 18.

Froggy's bartender and cook, Aren Dilts, said, "Froggy's has always been a welcoming and loving place to gather with friends. A small town doesn't mean a small mind and I feel like hosting this event full of love and light is the best way to show that."

Dilts added, "Pine City is ready and very capable of expanding the diversity in our area. I feel having local, family-owned businesses that support LGBTQ+ is just another way that proves Pride is for everyone, in every town, no matter the size."

East Central Minnesota Pride, billed as "Minnesota's Small-Town LGBTQ+ Pride", has been held since 2005, missing only 2020 due to the pandemic.

This will be the first

year the event is held on a Saturday to mutually benefit area businesses and celebrants.

"The safety and well-being of our community is the number one consideration," explained Pride organizer Julie Redpath of Chisago City. "We looked at ways to make the event fun and enjoyable, yet safe. Both the Minnesota Department of Health and Pine County Health and Human Services are collaborating to provide Covid-19 vaccines to those interested at East Central Minnesota Pride on that Saturday afternoon, Sept. 18.

The voters of Minnesota make this activity possible, through a grant from the East Central Regional Arts Council, thanks to a legislative appropriation from the Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund.

Stay tuned for updates at www.EastCentralMinnesotaPride.org.



SUBMITTE

Rebel Queens, a Minneapolis based band, plan to take the crowd on a turbo-speed wild ride through vintage-inspired rock 'n'roll at East Central Minnesota Pride on Sept. 18.

Orphan train riders, families invited to join celebration

BY MIKE GAINOR NEWS@PINECOUNTYNEWS.COM

Between 1854-1929, more than 250,000 children were placed on "orphan trains" from the east coast and placed with unfamiliar adoptive families across America – including right here in Pine County.

When they arrived at their new homes, some children joined kind and loving families, while others became indentured servants bound to hard labor. This was the largest mass migration of children ever to take place on American soil and our country's first child welfare system.

Minnesota was the first state to set in motion a meeting of orphan train riders in 1960. Three women discovered they were orphans from New York and had traveled west by train to find new homes. The three ladies thought, "If there are three of us, how many more orphan train riders like us are there?"

ORPHAN TRAIN RIDER IN PINE COUNTY

Julie Berglund, of Pine City, is the granddaughter of orphan train rider Clara Bergen.

Clara was surrendered to the orphanage in 1899, when she was just 10 days old. At age 6, she left for her train ride to Minnesota where she was taken in by the Crever family in St. Cloud – and Berglund said that her grandmother was treated like one of the family.

"She was one of the lucky ones to have a great life," Berglund said. "She had a school career, where a lot of people from that era did

The Crevers were in real estate, but also became involved in banking, work which took them to the town of St. Joseph where Clara attended St. Benedict's Academy and met – and married – Joseph Seitz in 1010

The family moved to Sandstone where Joseph was hired as an engineer at the newly-built prison

at the newly-built prison.
"That's how my family
came to Pine County,"
Berglund said.

Clara lived to be 90

years old, raised seven children and had 29 grandchildren. Berglund said that Clara had a vague memory of riding the train but didn't have any information regarding her beginnings.

'My grandmother talked very little about it," Berglund explained. "Most of this research has come since. With the advancing availability of DNA and genealogy websites, pieces of her story have begun to unravel. We ... have discovered a maternal family member through ancestry.com who shared photos. It has been a work in progress and has led to an understanding of her heritage and the circumstances of her surrender.'

CELEBRATION OF ORPHAN TRAIN RIDERS

All orphan train riders and their descendants are invited to join the Orphan Train Riders of New York - Minnesota Organization's 61st Anniversary Celebration on Saturday, Oct. 2 in Little Falls, Minnesota.

The celebration is open to family, friends, inter-

ested persons and walkins. The cost is \$30, and includes coffee, rolls, a roast beef dinner served by the St. Francis Center Sisters and a program of events.

The program features speaker and author Greg Markway. Markway is a psychologist and orphan train descendant who has been featured on the Today Show, on PBS and in The New York Times.

The day's events also includes a performance by Adam Linquist. Linquist impersonates Theodore Roosevelt sharing his story as a young boy when he spent time with the orphan children of New York.

In the afternoon, orphan train rider descendants will have the opportunity to tell their rider's story. Attendees may network with others to find out more.

The celebration will be held in the St Francis Center at 116 Eighth Avenue East in Little Falls, Minnesota, and will be held from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Those interested in joining the celebration are asked to reach out to



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Little Clara was just six years old in 1906 when she rode the orphan train from New York to Minnesota to meet her new family.

sblehner@centurylink. net. For more information on the orphan train riders, visit www. orphantrainridersofminnesota.com.

The Orphan Train Riders of New York - Minnesota Organization supports, educates, and preserves the historical epoch of the orphan trains to share with groups of all ages.

Tax-Forfeited Land Auction



Pine County will be offering tax-forfeited land at public auction for not less than the appraised price. **Sale commences at**

10:00 a.m. September 17, 2021

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Zebra mussel larvae confirmed in Rainy Lake in St. Louis County

MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources has confirmed zebra mussel larvae in Rainy Lake, near International Falls in St. Louis County. Rainy Lake straddles the Minnesota and Canada border. Around one-third of Rainy Lake is located within Voyageurs National Park. The zebra mussel larvae were found in waters outside the park boundary.

Four of five DNR water samples taken in July of 2021 contained zebra mussel larvae. suggesting a reproducing zebra mussel population in Rainy Lake. These samples followed up on a July 2020 report of a single adult zebra mussel.

At that time, the DNR did not find zebra mussels in Rainy Lake and none of the micro scopic zebra mussel larvae were found in water samples.

The DNR has been in contact with the Canadian government, the National Park Service (NPS) and the Bois Forte Band of Chippewa about this zebra mussel confirmation. The NPS collects water samples from Rainy Lake and connected lakes as part of a cooperative

long-term monitoring program. While recent NPS samples did not show veligers, the larger monitoring effort will be important to understanding how extensively zebra mussels may be spread in this connected system of lakes. Whether or not a lake has any

invasive species, Minnesota law requires boaters and anglers to:

- Clean watercraft and trailers of aquatic plants and prohibited invasive species
- Drain all water by removing drain plugs and keeping them out during

transport, and Dispose of unwanted bait in the trash.

Some invasive species are small and difficult to see at the access. To remove or kill them, take one or more of the following precautions before moving to another waterbody:

- Spray with high-pressure water.
- Rinse with very hot water (120 degrees for at least two minutes or 140 degrees for at least 10 seconds).
- Dry for at least five days. Zebra mussels can compete

with native species for food and habitat, cut the feet of swimmers, reduce the performance of boat motors and cause expensive damage to water intake

Anyone who suspects a new infestation of an aquatic invasive plant or animal should note the exact location, take a photo or keep the specimen, and contact a Minnesota DNR aquatic invasive species specialist.

More information is available at mndnr.gov/ais.

Rain allows for easing of some wildfire-related restrictions in Minnesota

MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

With cautious optimism, the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR) is adjusting some wildfire-related restrictions in Minnesota due to improved field conditions. While a large portion of the state remains in drought conditions, recent rain events have decreased, though not eliminated, wildfire risk in northern and central Minnesota.

Beginning 12:01 a.m. Friday, September 3, this new direction replaces all previous DNR restrictions on burning, dispersed and backcountry camping, and mechanized activities with new burning restrictions that are more limited in both scope and geographic extent. The new Class III restrictions affect the eastern portion of Roseau County and all of Beltrami, Becker, Cass, Clearwater, Cook, Crow Wing, Hubbard, Itasca, Koochiching, Lake, Lake of the Woods, Mahnomen, Ottertail, St. Louis, and Wadena counties. These restrictions do not apply to tribal lands. Under these restrictions:

- No campfires are allowed for dispersed, remote, or backcountry camping on all state. county, or private lands. Camping stoves are permitted.
- Attended campfires in established fire rings associated with a home, cabin, campground, or resort are allowed.
- No fireworks may be ignited on any public or private land outside city limits. Check with your local community for any additional restrictions.
- Open burning per-

mits are restricted. Areas of Closure for state lands on the Gunflint Trail and around the Greenwood Fire remain in place and are not affected by the updated

burning restrictions.

State-mandated burning restrictions are being lifted in 19 counties, with lesser restrictions remaining in 16 counties. These changes reflect reduced wildfire risks overall, while also recognizing that wildfire danger remains high in much of north and central Minnesota. Continued vigilance is needed to protect the life and property of Minnesotans.

acting Wildfire Prevention Supervisor, Allissa Reynolds, the rain, cooler temps and higher humidity have helped reduce wildfire risk. However, Reynolds cautions, "While it is prudent to make these changes now, we are not fully out of

According to DNR

danger. It's important for people to continue to follow the restrictions that remain in place, and to understand that we will expand restrictions again if conditions indicate this is necessary going forward."

Forrest Boe, Director of DNR's Forestry Division, thanks Minnesotans for their continued vigilance, noting "DNR deeply appreciates all of the support from Minnesotans over this long and difficult wildfire season. Everyone's efforts to follow wildfire-related restrictions and stay safe have made a difference! We all need to remain wildfire-aware and safety-focused this holiday weekend and into the fall.'

The updated state restrictions were developed in conjunction with the U.S. Forest Service and are consistent with restrictions for the Superior National Forest.



MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

The shaded counties above are under burning restrictions. These restrictions have changed after rain across the state.

including the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness. As noted above, the DNR's restrictions do not apply to tribal lands. Tribal governments may have their own restrictions in place.

The DNR wildland fire information webpage includes information on all restrictions and a list of affected state forests and parks.

Success of fall lawn seeding depends on rain

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In a normal year. seeding your lawn in late summer or early fall is widely considered the best time. Weed pressure is somewhat lessened, yet there is still enough rainfall and time to germinate the grass and keep it alive over winter.

With most of Minnesota in moderate or severe drought, many cool-season lawn grasses have gone dormant. We see this as a browning lawn, and in general the plants can bounce back if the weather improves.

However, when an area has seen continued drought stress like we are experiencing this year, lawn grasses start to move from dormancy to death. Note that risk of death often depends on your soil type and grass

Since dormant and dead grass can look similar, one way to tell is to closely monitor how the lawn reacts to a decent rainstorm (about 1 inch or so of rain). After a few days, if you notice no green on young shoots, chances are those plants

Seed thin or bare spots as soon as possible to capitalize on the rain and cooler temps forecasted this week and over the weekend. Success of seed establishment will depend on regular rainfall over the next month.

Seed is relatively cheap and easy to apply, so keep seeding over the next 3 weeks to increase chances of success and catch rain when it comes.

Sod requires heavy watering over the first 1 to 2 weeks and should only be done if you have access to that much water.

While the end of August looks good, rainfall outlooks from the National Weather Servic offer a mixed bag for September. As of this writing, most of the state-except for southern MN—has a higher chance of being drier than normal during that month.

PREPARE FOR NEXT YEAR

An option to sidestep the droughty summer is dormant seeding, when the lawn is planted in late fall or early winter. This requires no water and the grass is intended to germinate in the early spring. In general, dormant seeding takes place between November and December.

The other option is to simply wait until spring, usually May to early June. Weeds may be more prevalent but oth-erwise it is an okay time of year to put seed in the ground.

If you chose to do dormant seeding and it did not go well, the springtime can be a plan B for the lawn. Find out more about seeding or sodding your yard.

Bottom line, it all depends on rain but we may have a narrow window coming this week and next

- This year we should focus on recovery and hold back on the traditional fall practices like aerification or
- dethatching. Try to seed grasses like fine fescues that are more drought resilient and stay greener for longer compared to Kentucky bluegrass.
- Start throwing seed down in the next 1-2 days and keep seeding.
- Worst case scenario-plan on dormant seeding process in November followed by additional seeding next spring.

Newly expanded Cloquet Public Library to host Open House

CLOQUET PUBLIC LIBRARY PRESS RELEASE

The public is invited to attend the upcoming Open House to celebrate the expansion of the Cloquet Public Library with an open house on September 18 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The opening ceremony will welcome the community and thank the sponsors, donors, architects, and contractors who made the dream a reality. Cloquet Public Library is located at 320 14th Street, Cloquet, Minn.

The library will feature a variety of activities for

- all ages, including:

 Music provided by Bill Isles with Sarah Mae Birkeland (10:30 a.m.)
 - Book Sale (10 a.m. 2 p.m.)
 - Lunch (11:45 a.m.)
 - Various local authors and artists
 - A lot more!

This event is sponsored by the Cloquet Public Library, Cloquet Shaw Memorial Library Foundation, Inc., and the Friends of the Cloquet Library.

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Notice of Sheriff Execution Sale

Notice of Sheriff Execution Sale
Real Property
Under and by virtue of an Execution out
of and under the seal of the District Court
of the State of Minnesota, in and for the
Third Judicial District and County of Rice,
upon a Judgment entered November 1st
2011 and docketed on November 1st 2011
in said Court and County wherein Harvey 2011 and docketed on November 1st 2011 in said Court and County, wherein Harvey, Braun was the Plaintiff and Timothy Filipse. Was Defendant, in fravor of said Plaintiff and against said Defendant in the sum of \$47,587.07, as it appears in the Judgment filled in the office of the Clerk of said District Court for the County of Rice, and whereas, said Judgment was docketed in the District Court of the Count of Carlon County, Minnesota, on the 2nd day of June, 2021, for the original principal amount of sum of \$47,587.07. The total sum of \$56,168.88, including accrued costs and interest is now actually due thereon plus additional inter- est computed up to and including the date of the sale and costs and interest is now actually due thereon plus additional inter- est computed up to and including the date of the sale and lees, costs, and disbursements of levy and sale, and whereas, an Execution issued out of and under seal of said District Court of Rioe County, Minnesota, to the Sherff of Cartnor County has been duly directed and delivered, said Sheriff of Carlton County has been duly directed and delivered, said Sheriff of Carlton County has been duly directed and delivered, said Sheriff of Carlton County has under and by virtue of said Execution levied upon and will sell at public auction to the highest cash bidder at the main lobby of the Carlton County Sheriffs Office: 317 Walnut Avenue, Carlton, Wh 55718, in said County of Carl- ton on the 4th day of October, 2021, at 1000 AM, on that day, all right, title and interest of the above named Judgment Debtor in and to the rail estate located in Carlton County, Minnesota, hereinafter of the North-east Quarter of the North-east Quarter of the Southwest Quarter and the East one half of the North-east Quarter all in Section 15, Township 47, Range 21, Carlton County, Minnesota, Tisx Parcel ID# 36-010-2315 and Tax Parcel ID# 36-010-2355) Dated: July 23, 2021

010-2365)
Dated: July 23, 2021
by: Sargent Doug Rotta,
of Carlton County, Minnesota

Attorney for Judgment Creditor: Scott A. Marek 205 First Street South

Montgomery, MN 56069 Phone# 507-364-8616 (Published in the Moose Lake

Star-Gazette on Aug. 12, Aug. 19, Aug. 26, Sept. 2, Sept. 9 and Sept. 16 2021)

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

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Cartino Courty Board of Algustment
Variance Permits
Notice is hereby given that the Cartion
County Board of Adjustment will conduct a
Public Hearing on Tuesday, September 21,
2021, at 7:00 p.m. in the Cartion County
Road 61, Cartion, MN, for the purpose of
considering the Variance Permits lasted below.
Variance #52:1021. — Michael Johnson
Sciol 18, Township 47 North Range 16
West in Wrenshall Township. The property
address is 3042 County Road 3 (PIN 84202-2934).
Nature of Request: Subdivide a 50-acre

Nature of Request: Subdivide a 50-acre parcel without having two sites available for Type I Sewage Treatments Systems.

Variance #321022 Richard and

Vanance #34.UVZ Decreases - Construct a porch
Vanance #34.UVZ Decreases - Part of the Southwest ¼ of the Northwest ¼ in Section 9, Township 46 North,
Range 19 West in Moose Lake Township.
The property address is 3988 North Road
(PIN 63-022-0560). Nature of Request: Construct a porch

and an addition onto a nonconforming dwelling. The dwelling is considered nonconforming as it does not meet the required setback from the road right-of-way ine of North Boad

BY THE ORDER OF THE CARLTON COUNTY BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT /s/ Jack Ezell Chairman, Board of Adjustment

(Published in the Moose Lake Star-Gazette on Sept. 9, 2021)

STATE OF MINNESOTA **COUNTY OF CARLTON** DISTRICT COURT

SIXTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT Court File No. 09-PR-21-1495 NOTICE OF INFORMAL PROBATE OF WILL AND IN- FORMAL APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

In Re: Estate of Thomas D. Berglin, also known as Thomas Duane Berglin, Decedent.

Notice is given that an Application for Informal Probate of Will and Informal Appointment of Personal Representative was filed with the Registrar along with a Will dated May 12, 1995. The Registrar accepted the application and appointed Jon. W. Berglin whose address is 9407 Pipilo Street, San Diego, CA 92129, to serve as the personal representative of the

decedent's estate.

Any heir, devisee or other interested person may be entitled to appointment as personal representative or may object to the appointment of the personal representative. Any objection to the appointment of the personal representative must be filed with the Court, and any properly filed objection will be heard by the Court after notice is provided to interested persons of the date or hearing on the

Unless objections are filed, and unless the Court orders otherwise, the personal representative has the full power to administer the estate, including, after thirty (30) days from the issuance of letters testamentary, the power to sell, encumber

ease, or distribute any interest in real estate owned by the

Notice is further given that, subject to Minn. Stat. §524.3-801, all creditors having claims against the decedent's estate are required to present the claims to the personal representative or to the Court within four(4) months after the date of this notice or the claims will be barred.

Dated: September 1, 2021 /s/ Dale Wolf Judge of District Court Amy Turnquist, Court Administrator Janet Riegle, Deputy John M. Warp MN#114674 John M. Warp, P.A. 302 Elm Avenue P.O. Box 280 Moose Lake, MN 55767 Telephone: (218) 485-4489 ATTORNEY FOR PERSON-AL REPRESENTATIVE (Published in the Moose Lake Star-Gazette on Sept. 9,16

STATE OF MINNESOTA COUNTY OF CARLTON SIXTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT DISTRICT COURT Court File No. 09-PR-21-1246 Case Type: Informal Probate NOTICE OF INFORMAL APPOINTMENT OF PERSON-AL REPRESENTATIVE AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS (WITHOUT A WILL) Llewallen M. Landsverk, also known as Llewallen Maynard Landsverk,

TO ALL INTERESTED PER-SONS AND CREDITORS:

Notice is hereby given that an application for informal appointment of personal representative has been filed with the Probate Registrar. No will has been presented for probate. The application has been granted.

Notice is also given that the Probate Registrar has informally appointed the following:

Brenda Leno

Address 329 6th Street

Cloquet, MN 55720 as Personal Representative

of the Estate of the Decedent. Any heir, devisee or other interested person may be entitled to appointment as Personal Representative, or may object to the appointment of the Personal Representative. Unless objections are filed pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 524.3-607, and the court otherwise orders, the Personal Representative has full power to administer the Estate, including, after 30 days from the date of issuance of letters, the power to sell, encumber, lease or distribute real estate.

Notice is also given that, subject to Minn. Stat. § 524.3-801, all creditors having claims against the Estate are required

to present the claims to the Personal Representative or to the Court Administrator within four (4) months after the date of this Notice, or the claims will be barred.

Dated: August 10, 2021 /s/ Robert Macaulay

Judge of District Court Amy Turnquist // Janet Riegle, Deputy Court Administrator (Published in the Moose Lake Star-Gazette on Sept. 2, 9, 2021)

Public Notice Special Meeting for Windemere Town-ship IT Needs

The Windemere Town Board will hold a special meeting on Thursday, September 16, 2021 at 5:30 p.m. at the Windemere town hall for the following purpose: To discuss the IT needs of the Township which may include:

- Running monthly and special meetings via Zoom
- 2. Helping to upload to and manage the website
- 3. Helping with computer issues on the township computers
- Getting the new supervisor set up with his computer
 5. Other IT issues not specif-
- ically mentioned above Cindy Woltjer, Windemere

Township Clerk (Published in the Moose Lake Star-Gazette on Sept. 9, 2021)

Energy supplier sells coal plant

STAFF REPORT

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East Central Energy's wholesale power provid-er, Great River Energy, is selling a coal power plant to Rainbow Energy. Advocates for the sale called it a "move toward a more sustainable future while halancing cost effectiveness" while others called the sale "an environmental and financial fiasco.'

Great River Energy held a system-wide vote on July 30 regarding its sale of Coal Creek Station, its coal fueled power plant in Underwood, North Dakota. The membership voted to approve the sale of the 1,151-megawatt (MW) power plant to Rainbow Energy Center, LLC. Great River Energy President and Chief Executive Officer David Saggau noted in October that the plant lost \$170 million in 2019 on energy sales.

The sale of Coal Creek Station averts the plant's closure, which was scheduled for the second half of 2022 unless a buyer was found.

With the approved sale, Rainbow Energy Center will continue to operate the power plant and plans to develop carbon capture and storage at Coal Creek Station to reduce carbon dioxide emissions. GRE will enter into a power purchase agreement with Rainbow Energy Center while also adding 900 MW of wind

energy by 2023. ECE President/CEO Justin Jahnz stated in a press release, "Electric markets are complex. GRE is making a decision that has the most positive outcome possible for a generation asset that was not running economicallv. At the same time, Coal Čreek Station will continue to operate, which preserves the stability of the market as well as the local economy."

The high voltage direct current (HVDC) transmission system that connects central North Dakota and Minnesota will be purchased by Nexus Line, LLC, though GRE will operate and maintain the HVDC system under a 10-year contract. Additionally, Rainbow Energy Center plans to add incremental generation from renewables to fully utilize the capacity of the HVDC transmission system.

There are additional regulatory approvals required before the sales transactions are final-

Jahnz further noted, "ECE members want to know if the sale of Coal Creek Station will impact their electric rates or power reliability. We want to assure our members that this will not adversely affect ECE's rates. The sale of Coal Creek Station ensures reliable energy for ECE

while reducing the risk of an asset that was losing money.

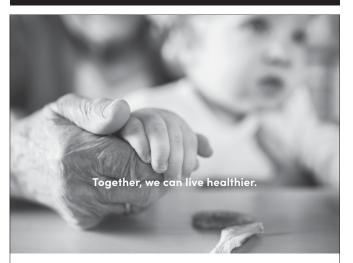
He adds, "We're glad to see our power supplier move toward a more sustainable future while balancing cost effectiveness and reliability. The sale of Coal Creek Station is in the best interests of ECE and our nearly 63,000 members.

FINANCIAL FIASCO

Sierra Club and allies raised concerns about the financial harm this decision could have on Minnesota ratepayers. In a press release from the Sierra Club, Margaret Levin, Senior Chapter Director for the North Star Chapter in Minnesota stated, "The vote today sets the stage for an environmental and financial fiasco.

'The sale subsidizes an unprofitable coal plant with ratepayer and taxpayer money. GRE customers will bear the cost of keeping the dirty coal plant polluting our air and water - while putting taxpayer dollars at risk to experiment with unproven carbon capture and sequestration. There is no reasonable scenario where this ends well for consumers and our shared environment. Instead we should be moving to clean, renewable energy development across the region.

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and informative manner.

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Graduate of CLI, MLT, or Medical Assistant program -ASCP certified or eligible.

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Physical Requirements/Exposure potential:

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extended periods of time.

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protocol. Verify and update patient data.

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- Run and record all controls, including temperatures and humidity levels, trouble show when necessary.
- Complete proficiency testing quarterly,
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