

FATHER'S DAY: Kids of all ages celebrate their proud papas this Sunday. **P7**

Fun at the Fairgrounds makes summertime sweet



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Brave youngsters took a woolly ride at Fun in the Fairgrounds.



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Grownups had a good time at the cornhole contest.



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Just getting together in the sunshine was one of the best parts of Fun in the Fairgrounds.

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The smell of food, sounds of animals and sights of small children playing brought a small sense of normalcy after an unpredictable pandemic year.

People of all ages wandered around watching a corn hole contest, Mutton Busting, and enjoying the various food vendors on a perfect, sunny day at the Fun at the Fairgrounds in Barnum, Saturday, June 12.

"People are ready to get out and about and do things again," said Lindsey Larson, Carlton County Fair Manager. She said she is happy with the turnout at the first time event. The original plan was to hold the event as a part of Barnum's Spring Fever Day, but it was canceled this year. Larson explained that the fair board felt it was important to bring the community out and back together again. The Barnum Municipal Liquor Store helped Larson pull together bands to end the evening after the car races.

"There were more people than we expected," Larson said.

Nick Wright said he orga-

nized the corn hole tournament and was happy with the 24 team turnout.

Peggy Sway, Barnum, cheered enthusiastically for her husband Mike and brother-in-law, Sol Camarada, California, as they played. Sway waved her single, dark blue pom-pom in support of the men.

"We love it," Sway said as her cousin, Deb McCarty, Albertville, Minnesota, nodded in agreement. "It's finally feeling normal. We need this."

Wright said the Moose Lake Brewery donated the use of their boards and bags. The money collected for the event was returned as prizes for first through third places. Justin Joslin, Moose Lake, took first place and Mark Korhonen, Kettle River took second place.

"It went really well," Larson said. "The food trucks were very busy, the weather was beautiful and there were decent crowds for both the car races and the bands."

She said the Carlton County Fair is in the planning stages and will be held Aug. 19-22.

Willow River considering annexing property from Kettle River Township

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A possible property annexation from Kettle River Township into Willow River was the subject of a public hearing at the June Willow River City Council meeting.

A public hearing is the opportunity for the public to raise concerns or questions about a decision being considered by a city council or government.

Zoning for the property was discussed at length, with no clear decision made by the end of the meeting. A further consultation between the city attorney and the council needed to take place for clarification. The zoning for the property would need to be changed from residential to multi-use.

The property in question would be annexed into Willow River from Kettle River Township. At this point the property owner is using the location for 17 unit sites for recreational vehicles. They do not allow tent camping.

Discussion of the conditional use permits also took place. If a conditional use permit is granted then it would stay with the property if it was sold as long as all of the conditions of the permit are continued by the new owners.

Information about the annexation and conditional use permit was sent to the council in an email from the city attorney, but the council felt

they needed more time to review before making an official decision.

Country Side Loop and Walter's Road maintenance has been an issue of discussion between Willow River and Kettle River Township. Mayor Brent Switzer had a discussion with the council and both the Township and mayor agreed it would be mutually beneficial to sign a three year contract between both parties. This discussion was also tabled pending the property annexation determination after more review of the city attorney's recommendation.

WILLOW RIVER DAM

Currently the city has the property around the Willow River Dam signed as a construction zone and no trespassing. The city and Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR) are working together to protect the vegetation planted around the site of the dam.

Switzer asked Councilmember Vicki Whitehouse what residents who see people down by the area of the dam should do. "Are they supposed to call 911?" asked Switzer.

Whitehouse recommended that they should. In a call to Pine County Sheriff Jeff Nelson, he said, "We would certainly assist the DNR and city if called upon in enforcing that," referring to the joint effort between the Willow River City Council and Minnesota Department of Natural Resources.

Former Shopko could become surgery center

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The Moose Lake City Council has approved rezoning the the former Shopko building from a commercial property to medical, opening the way to a possible new day surgery center on the site.

St. Luke's approached the council with the intention of purchasing the building and leasing portions of it to medical practitioners and other health related businesses.

The main reason for the purchase of this property would be the creation of a day surgery center in partnership with Gateway Family Health Clinic. The property would still remain on the tax rolls.

The council approved the rezoning based on the recommendation of the Moose Lake Planning Commission. The council included conditions on the approval of final

sale of the building and a sunset clause of June 1, 2023 for progress to be made.

WATER TOWER PROJECT

Once the water tower project has begun it should take approximately three months. Half of this project will have the water tower out of commission. Taking the tower down for service has never been done in Moose Lake. If the city loses power while the tower is down the city will lose water.

Barnum and Kettle River have been notified of this project and will be on stand-by in case of fire.

Part of this project also involves pressure reducing valves being installed on hydrants. These valves will release water if the pressure reaches a certain level. If water is being released from these hydrants it is normal.

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Area soldier brings dog home from Afghanistan

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United States Army Specialist (P) Curley Elliott, has always loved animals, and has been known to find them and rescue them, something that is definitely passed down from his parents, Jennifer and Wayne Elliott.

When Elliott, who is the great grandson of Melvin Elliott Sr., first arrived in Afghanistan he didn't think there was any way to get a dog home, so he tried his best not to get attached. It didn't last long, especially after meeting Chunda.

In February of 2020 his Commander and First Sergeant went for a run and saw this little puppy laying near the fuel point, no big dogs or other puppies around. Then the maintainers for the Apache helicopters brought her back up to the base.

"She was maybe a month old, she was small enough to fit in our hands," said Elliott.

Chonk, her original name, given to her because she was a chunky little puppy, became a community dog, they all took care of her and she became part of the medevac unit. Since they had no dog food over there, she ate what the soldiers ate. Anything from green beans to bacon and eggs, even prime rib on occasion.

"She loved bacon. She would follow the guys, knowing what the to-go plates from the chow hall looked like and what they meant."

BRINGING CHUNDA HOME

The process of bringing Chunda and Charlie, another dog that was adopted by the unit, home to the states began in April of 2020. One of the pilots had fallen in love with her and wanted to take her home. She lived in an apartment near Fort Drum in New York and realized it probably wouldn't be the best environment for Chunda. When Elliott heard they were looking for a home for her he said he would ask his parents.

"I sent a picture of her to mom with no context, just the photo and asked if she was busy. She knew right



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Chunda graciously poses with Specialist Curley Elliott outside their Rock Creek home. Chunda was born in Afghanistan and brought home to Pine County this past fall.

away exactly what I was asking," said Elliott.

They worked with a non-profit organization located in Kabul called Nowzad. Nowzad works with soldiers

to help them bring home the companions they grow to love while serving overseas. Nowzad helps with the necessary paperwork, shots, microchipping and even spays or neuters them.

The cost to send each dog back to the states is approximately \$5,000. "They never asked for anything from us," said Elliott. A Go-Fund me page was set up by the Medevac unit to help get Chunda and Charlie back to the states, the funds were donated directly to Nowzad.

According to the Nowzad website, over 1600 dogs or cats have been reunited with soldiers all over the world including USA, UK, Australia, Belgium, Canada, France, Germany, Holland, Italy, Spain, Jordan Thailand and South Africa.

Due to COVID-19, Chunda and Charlie would end up spending about seven months in the kennel in Kabul before their flight to the states. Chunda stayed in New York until coming to Pine County in December of 2020.

LIFE IN THE STATES

Chunda is a very smart dog, Elliott said. "She knows the cats aren't supposed to be on the counters and will bark at them. She knows the chickens aren't supposed to eat the outside cat food and she barks at them too."

Her new best friend is one of Elliott's horses, if she is on her chain by the house she will bark and the horse will come to visit.

She seems to have adjusted well to life over here. The only noticeable thing is a facial tick that she developed sometime between the kennel and her new home in Rock Creek. "It's very noticeable when she gets stressed out," said Elliott.

One can obviously see the connection that Chunda has with the Elliott family. She is very loved. Charlie, the other dog that came home with Chunda is living a great life with one of the unit medics at Fort Drum.

Historical Reflections



This week's history photo:
Do you recognize any of these Moose Lake Track Team members?

Answer to the history photo from the previous edition:
Besides the two noted Spanish American War Veterans Ole Torvick and Clinto Marshall, the local Boy Scout troop No. 180, Brownies, Cub Scouts, were prominent in the parade. Star-Gazette photo

MOOSE LAKE: City makes arrangements to reopen

FROM PAGE 1

NO FUNDING FOR 4TH STREET

Moose Lake did not receive Local Road Improvements Program funding for the 4th Street project. This street is the first on the list for road projects, it was deemed as the highest priority for street repairs in a priority list created by and independent consultant. City Administrator Katie Bloom is going to request updated estimates for the project to present to the City Council. The

Council is considering using sales tax funds for the project.

OFFICES REOPENING

Senior dining has requested reopening the dining hall on July 6. The council has determined that this is a good decision.

While reopening the dining hall the council also discussed reopening the Motor Vehicle Office. The scheduling system that has been in place has had lines of people waiting to use the services at the office.

Difficulties closing the

office in the past have made the reservation system a successful way for workers to close the office on time. A discussion about continuing to lock the office door and limit the number of people in the office resulted in a decision to open fully on July 6 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. and appointments only from 2 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

OTHER NEWS

• The sewer lining project is on track to be completed by the August. A different company than last time is conducting

this project, they have a longer timeline than the prior company. The project should start the end of June and continue in stages.

• The city audit presentation was completed with no significant deficiencies.

• The council approved a request for a block party to be held on 8th Street in Moose Lake on Aug. 8 from noon until dark.

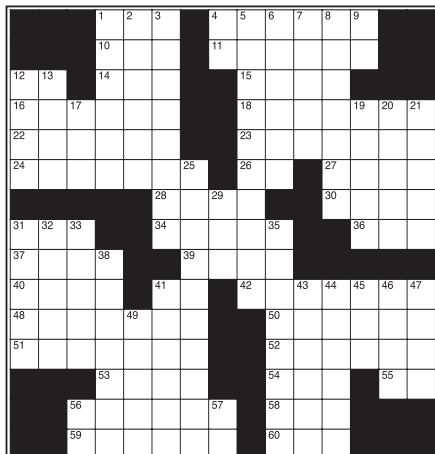
• Moose Lake Library made an estimated \$2,000 at their annual book sale during Depot Fest.



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'Progress isn't made by early risers. It's made by lazy men trying to find easier ways to do something.'

Robert Heinlein



CLUES ACROSS

1. "Sleepless In Seattle" actress Ryan
4. One of Santa's reindeer
10. Before the present
11. Type of butter
12. Location of White House
14. Motion
15. Tree part
16. Regions around the North Pole
18. Fits on a boat's gunwale
22. Discuss after it's happened
23. Milk substitute for coffee
24. Describes one who believes in supreme being
26. Equally

27. Famed director Forman
28. Popular apartment style
30. British School
31. Advanced degree
34. Order of architecture
36. Investment account (abbr.)
37. Snake-like fishes
39. Children's tale bear
40. Norse personification of old age
41. Atomic #58
42. Moving your head
48. 1878 Kentucky Derby winner
50. Frankfurt
51. Small, seedless raisin
52. Device in papermaking machine
53. Go
54. Open payment

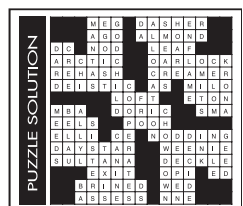
- initiative (abbr.)
55. "Westworld" actor Harris
56. Saturated with salt
58. Marry
59. Report on
60. Midway between north and northeast

CLUES DOWN

1. Rays
2. Self-centered person
3. One you look after
4. Prosecutor
5. Portion
6. Speaks ill of
7. Formal system for computer programs
8. To make angry
9. Rural delivery
12. Group of languages
13. Large First Nations group

17. Circulating life force in Chinese philosophy
19. Excludes
20. Body cavity of a metazoan
21. Swedish monetary unit
25. Works with
29. Partner to "to"
31. Rewards (archaic)
32. One of Caroline Islands
33. Type of alcohol
35. Eat a lot
38. Nuns
41. Dog
43. Become more serious
44. Choose
45. Newspapers use it
46. World's

- longest river
47. Commanded to go faster
49. Cabs
56. Mr. T's "A-Team" character
57. Document signed (abbr.)



Weekly Forecast

From CBS 3 Meteorologist Dave Anderson

THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY
Mostly Sunny 20% Chance of Rain T-storm Possible	Mostly Sunny Dry conditions	Partly Cloudy Cooler but dry	FATHER'S DAY! Partly Cloudy Chance of Rain	Partly Cloudy 40% Chance of Rain
High 82 Low 61	High 82 Low 61	High 72 Low 52	High 76 Low 53	High 72 Low 52

OBITUARIES

Charles "Chuck" Eckman

1936 - 2021

Charles "Chuck" Eckman, 85, Moose Lake, died peacefully on Friday, June 4, 2021 in Essentia Mercy Hospital, Moose Lake. He was born during a leap year on February 29, 1936 with his twin brother, Jim to Harry and Eva Eckman. Chuck grew up in Moose Lake and attended Moose Lake High School when he wasn't "rounding up the cows", a standing reason to be excused from school to frolic around the neighborhood. He was involved in hockey and baseball during his high school years, graduating in 1954. Chuck helped on his parent's farm and also was self-employed as an autobody repairman. On May 4, 1957, Chuck married Shirley Mattson in Esko. They began living in Esko where Chuck owned and operated Chuck's Autobody. Chuck also drove school bus for the Esko School and truly enjoyed the kids. From 1979 until 1999, Chuck and Shirley lived on Strand Lake in Cotton where he continued his autobody business. In 1999, Chuck



and Shirley returned to Moose Lake. He loved being in his garage working on cars and "operating a coffee shop" where friends and his twin brother, Jim, would stop by for coffee and conversation. Over the years, Chuck enjoyed oil painting, cars, building things, and being with family. Chuck was a member of the Evangelical Covenant Church, Moose Lake.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Harry and Eva Eckman; sister: Beverley Kuross; and brother-in-law: Gary Mapes.

Chuck will be lovingly remembered by his wife of 64 years, Shirley; three children: Susan (Mark) Dexter of Duluth; Curtis (Cathy) Eckman of Stillwater; and Mary (Chris) Stanaway of Duluth; seven grandchildren: Eric Dexter, Nathan (Cassandra) Dexter; Matthew Dexter; Brian Eckman; Abbie Eckman; Holly Stanaway; and Leah Stanaway; sister: Grace Mapes of Inver Grove Heights; and a twin brother: Jim (Donna) Eckman of Moose Lake.

At Chuck's request, a private memorial service for family only will be held on Friday, June 25, 2021. You are welcomed to support the family by watching the recorded service which will be available at www.hhkfuneralhome.com on the afternoon of June 25. Inurnment will be in Sunset Memorial Cemetery, Moose Lake.

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

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.

June 24 from 12 to 6 p.m.

Cromwell Area Blood Drive

There will be a Blood Drive on Thursday, June 24 from 12 - 6 p.m. inside the Cromwell Park Pavilion. Please call Ray Lally at 218-644-3739 to sign up for a time to donate blood.

Mondays in June from 11 a.m. to Noon

Cromwell Area Yoga

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

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

Wright Senior Club

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

Moose Lake Senior Dining Menu

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

\$4.00, Under 60: \$7.50.

There are no income guidelines.

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

Mon., June 21 - Stuffed Peppers, Pudding w/topping

Tuesday, June 22 - Special of the Day, Dessert

Wednesday, June 23 - Salisbury Steak, Cookie

Thurs., June 24 - Tri Colored Rotini with Chicken, Fresh Fruit

Friday, June 25 - Fish Taco or Alternate, Rice Krispy Bar

Foster grandparents wanted in northeastern Minnesota

LUTHERAN SOCIAL SERVICE OF MINNESOTA

Lutheran Social Service of Minnesota (LSS) is expanding its Foster Grandparent service, in partnership with AmeriCorps Seniors, a national service agency, to offer guidance and encouragement to children in northeastern Minnesota.

Foster Grandparent volunteers are older adults who traditionally offer one-on-one mentoring in classroom and other settings to children who may be experiencing academic or social challenges. Their presence and reassurance help children improve self-esteem, social and emotional development and literacy and math skills. And, the rewards go both ways, enriching the lives of Foster Grandparents as well.

"Becoming a Foster Grandparent changed my life," shared Peggy Schaffer, Foster Grandparent in Hibbing. "It makes me happy! I make friends. I love the teachers. I get hugs all over the place. It's so fulfilling. You learn you can do things you didn't think you could do."

Lutheran Social Service of Minnesota began operating the Foster Grandparent Program in 2020 in St. Louis, Cook, Carlton, Lake and Pine Counties. With the COVID-19 pandemic, the program has virtually been on hold over the past year. Now that the pandemic is

winding down, plans are to have Foster Grandparents back in the classroom in the fall.

Statewide, Lutheran Social Service operates the Foster Grandparent Program in most of Minnesota. The organization is currently seeking volunteers who are age 55 years or older and can commit to at least 10 hours per week.

"Our Foster Grandparents build personal relationships with children they support and make a huge difference in their lives," said Ron Urbanski, program director with LSS Companion Services. "Personal attention from a caring adult helps keep children motivated, engaged and inspired."

In Minnesota in 2019, 273 Foster Grandparents spent nearly 163,350 hours supporting children at 142 schools and other sites throughout the state. The Foster Grandparent service offers volunteers an hourly stipend, as well as a meaningful opportunity to make a difference in the lives of young people.

"Supporting students gives our Foster Grandparents great satisfaction in knowing they help kids succeed in school and have a better chance at life," Urbanski said.

Lutheran Social Service of Minnesota provides training to Foster Grandparent volun-

teers and conducts background checks to ensure safety. If you are interested in becoming a Foster Grandparent, call 888-205-3570 or visit lssmn.org/fgvolunteer.

Lutheran Social Service of Minnesota also welcomes other nonprofits to become partner sites to support youth in a variety of settings including public and private schools, Head Start locations, shelters, and daycare centers. To become a partner, visit lssmn.org/fgp or call 888-205-3570.

Lutheran Social Service of Minnesota began in 1865 when a Lutheran pastor and his congregation opened an orphanage for children near Red Wing in southeastern Minnesota. Today, with 2,500 employees and 108,000 volunteers, Lutheran Social Service helps one in 65 Minnesotans through services that inspire hope, change lives and build community. Statewide, the organization seeks to foster safe and supportive homes for children, restore health and wellness in families, empower people with disabilities to live the lives they imagine, and promote health, independence and quality of life for older adults. For comprehensive information about the work of Lutheran Social Service of Minnesota, visit www.lssmn.org.



Martins named farm family of the year

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Steve and Estelle Martin have been named the 2021 Pine County Farm Family of the Year.

According to U of M Extension, Steve's grandfather Fred purchased the original farm in 1920, and he and his wife Lydia raised various kinds of livestock with their seven children.

Steve's parents, Arlan and Della, moved back to the farm in 1954 and bought from Fred and Lydia. Arlan and Della ran a dairy operation on the farm with their six children.

Steve attended the University of Minnesota-Waseca, then moved back to the farm in 1986 and began dairy farming with his parents.

Steve married Estelle in 1994, and together they have a son, Joshua. Steve and Estelle are the current owner-operators of their farm, while Joshua, who works off the farm as a security officer, helps out the family when needed.

The Martin family currently own 320 acres and rent another 20, all of it used for grass hay and pasture. The Martins milk 51 Holstein cows in a step-up flat parlor, and the cows are housed in a sand bedded free-stall barn. The family raises their own replacement heifers and sell their bull calves.

Steve and Estelle volunteer with many local organizations including the Hinckley/Finlayson schools, the local fire department, Sandstone Soccer Association, the Pine County Dairy Board, the DHIA Board and Peace Lutheran Church in Finlayson.

OPINION

Over and out

While you are reading this I am probably happily trooping around Washington, D.C. on a week-long vacation. While I am writing this though I am mentally making a packing list and trying to make sure that my first trip on an airplane is smooth sailing.



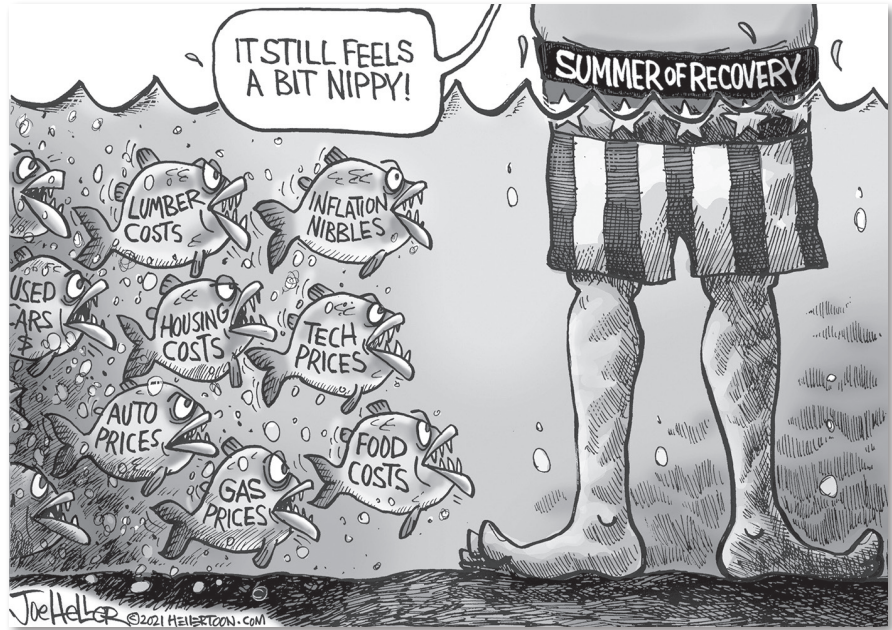
A Millennial Mile
Alanea White

This week the paper is being put together by a crack team from all over the Northstar Media newspaper family.

Before I jet off on an adventure I wanted to leave you with a note letting you know I would be away from my chair. Any calls, notes, or emails for the regular editor at the Moose Lake Star-Gazette I will happily return when I am back on Monday, June 21. Until then I am going to do something unprecedented, but vitally important, I am going to unplug from my email!

For now I just wanted to leave you this note to say I will be back soon! Moose Lake Star-Gazette Editor, over and out!

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When is a flag needed?

BY SGT. NEIL DICKENSON
MINNESOTA STATE PATROL

Q. If I am transporting an item that is sticking out beyond the back of my pickup box, at what length do I need to mark it with a flag?

A. According to Minnesota State Statute (M.S.S.) 169.52, "When the load upon any vehicle extends to the rear four feet or more beyond the bed or body of such vehicle there shall be displayed at the extreme rear end of the load, at the times when lighted lamps on vehicles are required in this chapter, a red light or lantern plainly visible from a distance of at least 500 feet to the sides and rear. The light or lantern required under this section shall be in addition to the rear light required upon every vehicle. At any time when no lights are required there shall be displayed at the extreme rear end of such load a red, yellow or orange flag or cloth not less than 16 inches square."

I'd also like to mention for anything that is sticking over the sides of the vehicle according to M.S.S. 169.80 Subd. 3, "No passenger-type vehicle shall be operated on any highway with any load carried thereon extending beyond the line of the fenders on the left side of such vehicle nor extending more than six inches beyond the line of the fenders on the right side thereof."

Remember that no vehicle shall be driven or moved on any highway unless such vehicle's load is secure. Please make sure that whatever you are hauling is tied or strapped down where it will not shift over the sides or rear of the vehicle within the legal limits or come out onto the road.

SEND QUESTIONS to Sgt. Neil Dickenson - Minnesota State Patrol at 1131 Mesaba Ave, Duluth, MN 55811 or neil.dickenson@state.mn.us.

Learning continues, even in summertime

BY BILLIE JO STEEN
SUPERINTENDENT, MOOSE LAKE SCHOOL

It is finally here! Summer Vacation! Although many families are ready to close the door on this most challenging of school years, learning does not need to take a backseat to summertime fun. According to the Minnesota Department of Education, students on average can lose two months of reading and 2.6 months of math skills each summer. Fortunately, there are many ways parents can help support their child's continued learning throughout the summer months.

This summer, Moose Lake Community School will be bustling with learning activities. Immediately following the close of the school year we will have students in grades 1-11 here for a three week summer school session. After that, the Legacy of Excellence foundation tutors will be working with our elementary learners who have signed up for reading and math

tutoring. In addition, we will have a summer preschool session, summer band lessons, science camp, field trips, kindercamp, and sports practices/open gyms throughout the summer months. And of course we have our Community Education and Mini-Moose child care/school aged care programs in full swing year round. We are thankful for the additional funding as a result of the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief program that has made some of these enriching experiences possible for our students.

Even if your child is not involved in these structured activities, there are plenty of ways to help learning continue through the summer. The Minnesota Department of Education has a wonderful resource on their website to help support families with summer learning. You can find more at education.mn.gov > Students and Families > After School and Out-of-School Programs > Summer Learning or by searching

"Summer Learning MDE." Some examples from their website include summer vacations, exploring parks and nature preserves, visiting museums and zoos, volunteering, camping, and the list goes on. Our local public library is also a great resource for families. Even just 15 minutes a day of reading can pay off greatly to reduce the "summer slide."

Of course it is also vitally important to get plenty of play this summer. Play can help children use their creativity and imagination. Physical activities and outdoor play are also brain boosting activities. In Minnesota, and in our Moose Lake community, summer outdoor play opportunities abound!

However you decide to spend the next three months, I hope you and your family have a safe and enjoyable summer. We look forward to seeing you soon at Moose Lake Community School!

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WRIGHT CROMWELL NEWS: After 15 month hiatus, Young Old Timers getting back in action

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The Young Old Timers met for the first time in 15 months on Tuesday, June 8th at noon in the Cromwell Park Pavilion. The YOT Officers provided a delicious meal. There were several new members and so far there are over 30 paid memberships.

Mayor Sharon Zelazny gave an up-date of the goings on in Cromwell and the highway upgrade project for Summer of 2022. Gary Peterson, our area County Commissioner gave an up-date on the things going on in the county. He emphasized that Kingsley Road will be tarred for the first time ever this summer. This road will probably be needed to be used for a detour next summer.

The next YOT meeting is on July 13th at noon in the Cromwell Park Pavilion. New members are always welcome to attend. Sorry, but because the Blood Drive taking place inside the Pavilion, there will NOT be a YOT Senior Dance until July 22nd.

BETHLEHEM AND BETHANY LUTHERAN CHURCHES

The Rev. DeeDee Haines (Deb Switzer's niece) will be the guest pastor at Bethany and Bethlehem on Sunday, June 27th while Pastor Deb is on vacation.

New Member Sunday was held at Bethlehem and Bethany Lutheran churches on June 13, 2021. The newest members at Bethlehem in Wright are Dean and Deb Levinski, and at Bethany in Cromwell: Del and Katherine Wendt, and Jason A. Reed and Jalynn Marie Reed.

WRONG DAYS IN WRIGHT

The Wrong Days Buttons are now done and available at the Co-op Store and Kalli's Place in Wright. More will be at Tamarack and maybe Cromwell. Contact me if you are willing to run for King or Queen this year. 218-357-2385.

ANNUAL KALEB ANDERSON GLOW RUN/WALK

The 10th Annual Kaleb Anderson Glow Run/Walk Date: Saturday, July 3rd Time: 7pm. Place: Cromwell Park Cost: \$25 over 10, \$15 for 10 and under. Pre-register online or you can find paper registration forms around area businesses. Come dressed in something that will "glow" in the dark! 9:45 p.m. Fireworks. Please contact Jen Anderson at 218-390-3214 with any questions or if you would like to be a Sponsor! You can also email kalebandersonskrunwalk@gmail.com

A MESSAGE FOR GRADUATES

With most if not all the Graduation Ceremonies over for another year, I'd like to send this message to all our graduates and everyone else for that matter:

"Do all the good you can, By all the means you can, In all the ways you can, In all the places you can, At all the times you can, To all the people you can, As long as ever you can." By John Wesley May your future be bright and your heartaches light!

WOUNDED WARRIORS CANCELED

With all the cancellations in the state, there is, sadly, another one we have to report. The annual Wounded Warriors United Minnesota event has been canceled. It was to have taken place at the Cromwell Park and Pavilion on Aug. 22, 2021. I talked with Logan Shiflett, one of the organizers, who said some riders, might do the ride on their own, but there is no organized event this year.

So, if you have a mind to donate to this worthy cause, please send your donations to Wounded Warriors United Minnesota, care of Logan Shiflett, P.O. Box 5, Cromwell MN 55726. All donations go to help our local wounded vets.

And finally, I want to wish all the father's a Very Happy Father's Day.

That's all the news from the Edge of Wright!

Remember you can send me your news at jkh4president@hotmail.com or call at 218-357-2385. Or text me at jkh4president@hotmail.com

'You never change things by fighting the existing reality. To change something, build a new model that makes the existing model obsolete.'

Burkminster Fuller

OD death leads to murder charge

STAFF REPORT
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Brandon Daniel Davis, 50, of Sandstone has been charged with felony third degree murder after allegedly selling the illegal narcotics that caused a man's death in Hinckley on March 29.

A single charge of third-degree murder was filed in Pine County Court on May 13 against Davis. The charge carries with it a maximum penalty of 25 years in prison, a \$40,000 fine or both.

According to the criminal complaint, on March 29, at approximately 11:33 p.m., deputies from the Pine County Sheriff's Office were dispatched to a residence on Southfork Road in Hinckley on a report that a male was overdosing on controlled substances.

A woman met the officer and directed him to a bedroom where a male, identified as Joshua Matthew Bloom, 26, was found to be laying on his back on the bed while another man was attempting to revive him with CPR. The man said that they had already administered Naloxone. The deputy determined that Bloom was not breathing and had no pulse. He moved him to the floor and took over CPR. A second deputy arrived and assisted with CPR and administering additional Naloxone until the ambulance crew arrived and took over his care.

Bloom was unable to be revived by the paramedics and was declared deceased at 12:14 a.m. on March 30.

The deputy spoke to the man who said that Bloom had used heroin and must have had about \$20 worth of heroin. He denied knowing where the heroin came from. The man said he and the woman had been out in the garage, then he went inside and found Bloom face down on the bed. He recognized it as an overdose so he administered Naloxone, called 911, and started CPR.

A deputy recovered a baggie containing a white powdery substance consistent with controlled substances from Bloom's pocket. This was later determined to contain .327 grams methamphetamine. The deputy saw a roll of tinfoil on the nightstand and a small piece of tinfoil with a black

residue consistent with burned controlled substance on the edge of the bed. A pen snort tube was located on the bed. There was a green lighter next to it.

Investigators began to review the location data and social media accounts of Bloom. Two locations of interest stood out, the first being a Brook Park business Bloom was at the afternoon of March 29. The second was a location on 1st Street in Hinckley where multiple people had been living, including Davis. Bloom was there the evening of March 29.

A Pine County investigator reviewed Bloom's Facebook records and noted several conversations of interest that occurred on March 29.

In one of those conversations described in court documents, Bloom says to Davis, "need some slow you still over there." Davis responds, "yep, how much, I got u." Bloom responds, "I got 40.cpl fat pts." Davis responds, "I got u." Bloom then tells him he'll be there in about five minutes.

Bloom also has conversations with other people asking about who has "slow."

The investigator was aware through his training and experience that the context of these conversations showed Bloom and others were looking to obtain controlled substances. The investigator was familiar with Davis through his work with the East Central Drug and Violent Offender Task Force, and believed he has been known to sell controlled substances in the Pine County area.

On April 2, a search warrant was executed at Davis' Hinckley residence. From the bedroom identified as being where Davis had been sleeping, officers located a digital scale next to Davis's car keys, a digital scale on the headboard of the bed, and a Sony camera case containing two bags of suspected heroin. The substances were submitted to the BCA for testing. The analyst identified one bag as containing .675 grams heroin and the other bag contained .296 grams Fentanyl.

The man who had been giving Bloom CPR on March 29 told investigators that he and Bloom had smoked heroin together earlier that day. The man then

gave Bloom \$80 to get more heroin. He said they went back to the Hinckley residence and Bloom purchased heroin from Davis in the kitchen. He got two different kinds – one kind of heroin was the same as Bloom had purchased previously that day and the other, bigger, purchase was a different kind. He said he and Bloom also smoked some methamphetamine.

An autopsy was performed and Bloom's cause of death was determined to be mixed drug toxicity from Fentanyl, heroin, and methamphetamine.

According to the Minnesota Department of Health, fentanyl-related overdoses increased 81% in 2020 compared to 2019 and Fentanyl was involved in 82% of all opioid-involved deaths.

On Aug. 12, 2020, a Confidential Reliable Informant under supervision by officers from the East Central Drug and Violent Offender Task Force purchased suspected heroin from Davis in Sandstone. The substance that was purported to be heroin and sold to the informant by Davis was sent to the BCA for testing and was determined to actually be .15 grams of Fentanyl.

On Sept. 23, 2020, Davis was found in possession of suspected heroin in Pine County. The substance was submitted to the BCA for testing and determined to be 30.336 grams of Fentanyl.

The East Central Drug and Violent Offender Task Force has received information that Davis continues to be involved in the sale of controlled substances, with a credible report received within the week of May 10. A warrant was requested due to the significant public safety risk Davis poses.

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Track kids head to state

BY MARY ELLEN DEWEY

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Eight track and field athletes from Moose Lake Willow River and Barnum area headed to the state tournament after qualifying last week. The Section 7A Track and Field championship was held in Cloquet at Bromberg Field on Thursday, June 10. Twenty-five teams participated.

First in the male team scores was Greenway/Nashwauk-Keewatin with 82 points, Esko was second with 78.50 and Moose Lake Willow River was third with 70 points.

First in the female team scores was Esko with 93.40, Proctor was second 90 and Mesabi East was third with 71 out of 23 teams.

The first place and second place winners in both the individual and relay events in the section finals qualify the participants for the state tournament on June 17-19 at St. Michael-Albertville High School.

MLWR and Barnum Individual State Qualifiers:

- 100m 2nd MLWR Kaden Robbins (11.72 seconds)
- 200m 2nd MLWR Kaden Robbins (23.92 seconds)
- 800m relay MLWR 1st (1:34.37 minutes) Jackson Thompson, Grant Pettit, Jaxsyn Schmidt, Kaden Robbins
- 3200m relay MLWR 1st (8:26.78 minutes) Maverick Koecher, Joseph Mikrot, Zach Youngs, and Sam Stadin
- Pole vault 1st MLWR Jackson Thompson 13.0
- Long jump 1st MLWR Carter Johnson 20-4.5
- Pole vault 2nd MLWR Skyla Thompson, 8-6
- Long jump Brooke Doran of Barnum was 2nd with 15-10.5

Carter Johnson played baseball throughout his high school career. His senior year he decided he wanted to try track, while playing baseball. He practiced for a month and earned a trip to state. Congratulations to all the state qualifiers.



JAMIE ROBBINS | SUBMITTED

Jackson Thompson, Kaden Robbins, Jaxsyn Schmidt and Grant Pettit were first in the 800m relay with a time of 1:34.37.



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Rebels softball squad defeated in 7AA playoffs

BY MARY ELLEN DEWEY

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Moose Lake Willow River Softball team competed in the Section 7AA finals in Cloquet on Tuesday, June 8.

MLWR faced Greenway at 1 p.m. in Cloquet for the semi-finals. Sarah Christy was in the circle for 5-1/3 innings allowing 10 runs, 13 hits, striking out five and only walking one.

Alexis Hoffman pitched the last 1-2/3 innings striking out one and walking one. Megan Hattenberger went two for three at the plate but it wasn't enough, giving the Rebels the 10-1 loss in seven innings. Greenway's winning pitcher was Miranda Gernander.

The section tournament is double elimination after the first game, Rebels were not eliminated. They had to play Proctor again. Earlier in the tournament they had defeated Proctor 6-2 to put them in the losers' bracket.

At 3 p.m., Alexis Hoffman threw the first pitch to the Proctor Rails. Hoffman pitched all six innings, allowing four earned runs (eight runs). The Rebels lost 6 to 8 and were eliminated from the section playoffs. Hallie Klavu was three for four at the plate and Sandra Ribich went two for four. Proctor's winning pitcher was Maddie Walsh, striking out eight.

Greenway defeated Proctor for the Section 7AA championship and will represent Section 7AA in the state softball tournament at Caswell Park in North Mankato, Minn. on Tuesday, June 15, at 1:00 p.m. Greenway's softball record is 25 wins and no losses going into the tournament. They played Annandale (23-2) in their first state playoff game. The winner of that game played at 3:00 p.m. Results were not available at the time of press.

'Somewhere in the world there is a defeat for everyone. Some are destroyed by defeat, and some made small and mean by victory. Greatness lives in one who triumphs equally over defeat and victory.'

John Steinbeck

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY



HEARD ON THE STREET

At Fun at the Fairgrounds in Barnum, June 12 we asked:

What is your best dad advice?



**Kyle Olson, 34,
Sturgeon Lake**

Father of two young children (pictured here with Lulu, age 1 1/2)

"Let them be little as long as you can."



**Curt Wilson, 74,
Moose Lake**

Father of eight, grandfather of 14 (pictured here with Nicholas Wilson, age 2)

"Have grandkids first."

Fun ways to celebrate Father's Day this year

Father's Day presents an opportunity for people to honor the special men in their lives. These include not only dads, but father figures and other influential men who offer care and guidance to the people they love.

Many celebrations continue to look different than they were prior to the pandemic, and Father's Day festivities may still require some modifications this year, even if celebrations are not governed by the same restrictions as in 2020. The following are some ways to show dads they are appreciated.

Backyard bash

Restrictions on outdoor gatherings have eased up considerably in many areas. Outdoor parties are some of the safer ways to bring people together, particularly if attendees maintain their distance. Weather permitting, families can host barbecues and enlist someone other than Dad to man the grill. Serve foods buffet-style and space out tables so people can safely celebrate.

Plan a sports outing

Professional sports teams are once again welcoming fans to stadiums and other venues, albeit with reduced capacities to maintain safety. It may be possible to purchase tickets to an upcoming game and surprise Dad or Grandpa with tickets on Father's Day. Make Father's Day festivities sports-centric, with coordinated decorations and themed foods to set the scene.

Plan a game day

Whether your father likes board games, video games or crossword puzzles, gear Father's Day around fun and games. Let Dad lead the way and choose the activity, and then everyone can step away from their screens and come together at the table over jigsaw puzzles or trivia questions.

Host a beer tasting

If Dad is a beer lover, organize a trip to a local craft brewery to sample their offerings. If establishments are closed or still restricting indoor seating, pick up beers from a few different breweries and create a flight at home.

Set up an outdoor movie night

Perfect for a father who is a movie buff, borrow or

purchase a projector and show a movie on an outdoor screen or against a blank outdoor wall. Select one of Dad's favorite movies to watch and invite friends and family to join in on the fun. Make sure there are refreshments at the ready and plenty of hot popcorn.

Celebrating Father's Day this year may require some ingenuity, but there is still fun to be had.



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Forkhorns keep country roads clear from litter

BY DONNA CRONIN
CONTRIBUTED

Quad Rivers Forkhorns and member chaperones picked up the litter from the junction of highway 27 and 73 to the city of Kettle River as part of MnDOT's Adopt-A-Highway program.

Not only does this program keep our highway section clean, but it also promotes community involvement and opportunities for the Forkhorns and members to get to know each other. It teaches the Forkhorns not to litter.

The Forkhorns pick up the trash every spring and fall. Following the pickup there is a lunch.

Each time a Forkhorn participates in the highway pickup, their name is entered in a drawing for a .22 rifle.

The participants of this spring pickup were Forkhorns Samantha Krueger, Charles Krueger and Eric Ellingson. The adult chaperones were Steve Ellingson, Clint and Tera Krueger, Sarah Krueger, Matt Heaton, Lindsey Christensen and Donna Cronin.

This year besides the usual pop cans, beer cans, paper, Dairy Queen and McDonalds food containers, the group found a TV, a chair and a John Denver cassette entitled "Take Me Home Country Roads."



Quad River Forkhorn's (l-r) Eric Ellingson, Samantha Krueger and Charles Krueger cleaned trash along the road from the junction of highway 27 and 73 to the city of Kettle River.

DONNA CRONIN | SUBMITTED

UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES IN THE REGION

JUNE 19

Business Expo and Job Fair

The Moose Lake Area Chamber of Commerce is hosting a Business Expo and Job fair from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, June 19 at the Moose Lake Community School Gym.

Booth space is still available for interested businesses. A booth space is free for chamber members this year. For more information, contact Allison Jones at mooselakechamber@gmail.com. or 218-485-4145

JUNE 30

The God Contest - Mahtowa Covenant Church

The Mahtowa Covenant Church is hosting a program for children going into grades K-6 titled "The God Contest" from 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Wednesday June 30 at Mahtowa Covenant Church, 2732 2nd Street, Mahtowa.

The program will include a bible lesson, games, music and lunch.

JULY 3

10th Annual Kaleb Anderson Glow Run/Walk

The 10th Annual Kaleb Anderson Glow Run/Walk will be at 7 p.m. Saturday July 3 at Cromwell Park. The event will feature a glow walk/run to start at 8:45 p.m. followed by fireworks at 9:45 p.m.

Cost to participate is \$25 over 10, \$15 for 10 and under. To register, contact Jen at 218-390-3214 or kalebanderson5krunwalk@gmail.com

JULY 4

Moose Lake Parade

Sign up for Moose Lake's annual Fourth of July parade. The parade will be at 1 p.m. Sunday, July 4 in downtown Moose Lake.

The theme for this year's parade is "Together, we can!"

Cost is \$5 to participate in the parade. For more information or to sign up, contact Allison Jones at mooselakechamber@gmail.com. or 218-485-4145

JULY 13

Cromwell Area Young Old Timers

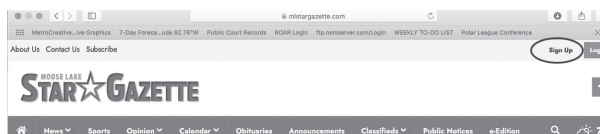
The Cromwell Area Young Old Timers will meet at noon July 13 in the Cromwell Park Pavilion. New members or interested persons are always welcome to attend.

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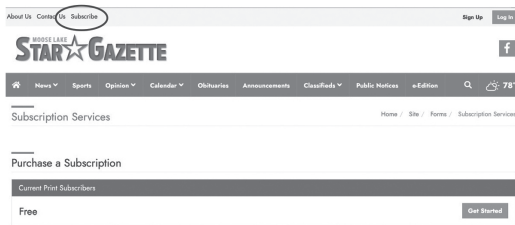


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STAFF REPORT
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The Minnesota Department of Public Health has announced that Minnesotans getting their first shot over next month will be able to choose their own reward from wide range of options -- including state parks passes, fishing licenses, and State Fair tickets.

'Your Shot to Summer,' the state's COVID-19 vaccine incentive campaign encourages Minnesotans to roll up their sleeves and get their COVID-19 vaccine during the next month.

The campaign aims to get 70 percent of Minnesotans 16 years of age and older vaccinated by July 1. The first 100,000 Minnesotans who get their first shot between now and June 30 will be able to choose the reward of their preference from a wide-ranging list of options, including state parks passes, fishing licenses, and tickets to various summer attractions and events.

"Summer is here, vaccines are working, and we are still going full steam ahead finding

ways to keep our communities safe," said Governor Tim Walz. "We've had great success in our state so far with more than 2.5 million Minnesotans fully vaccinated, and we want to build on that success and get the broad community protection needed for everyone to have the fun, safe summer they want. Whether it's fishing, exploring our state parks, taking the family to a ball game or the Minnesota State Fair, we want to help get you there safely. So roll up your sleeves, make that vaccine appointment, and pick your reward, Minnesota — this is your shot to summer."

"We are all so excited to get back to a summer filled with all of the people, places, and activities we love and have missed so much," said Lieutenant Governor Peggy Flanagan. "And we know the key to getting back safely is making sure as many Minnesotans are vaccinated as soon as possible. The best thing you can do for yourself and your community is to get the vaccine if you are eligible and able. Take your shot to summer — to help

our state stay safe, to get your reward, and to kick off the summer we want together."

Minnesotans who get their first COVID-19 vaccine dose May 27 through June 30 will be eligible to choose their preferred vaccine reward from the nine options listed below:

- Great Lakes Aquarium Pass: Eligible for one entrance to the Great Lakes Aquarium in Duluth. Valid until July 1, 2023. The Minnesota Department of Health will provide recipients' contact information to the Aquarium which will mail tickets to Minnesotans who select this option.

- Mall of America Nickelodeon Universe Pass: Eligible for a 30-point ride pass at Nickelodeon Universe that can be redeemed through September 1, 2021. The Minnesota Department of Health will provide recipients' contact information to Mall of America who will send information to redeem the pass.

- Minnesota Fishing License: Eligible for one individual Minnesota resident annual fishing license effective through February 2022. Must be

redeemed by July 30, 2021. Recipient must be eligible to hold a Minnesota fishing license. The Minnesota Department of Health will provide recipients' contact information to the Department of Natural Resources which will reach out to Minnesotans to complete their fishing license application.

- Minnesota State Parks Pass: Eligible for one Minnesota State Parks annual pass. Minnesotans will receive the pass in the mail from the Department of Natural Resources. The Minnesota Department of Health will provide recipients' contact information to the Department of Natural Resources which will mail the State Parks pass.

- Minnesota Zoo Admission: Eligible for one adult admission at the Minnesota Zoo through September 8. The Minnesota Department of Health will provide recipients' contact information to the Minnesota Zoo which will email information in order for Minnesotans to redeem their admission.

- Northwoods Baseball League Tickets: Eligible

for one reserved ticket to attend a Northwoods League baseball game during the 2021 season. The Minnesota Department of Health will provide recipients' contact information to the Northwoods League and Minnesotans will call the ticket office of the team they select and provide their full name and address for verification to reserve their ticket. Tickets are based on availability at the time of calling. Participating teams include the Rochester Honkers, William Stingers, Mankato MoonDogs, St. Cloud Rox and the Duluth Huskies.

- State Fair Tickets: Eligible for two admission tickets to the 2021 Minnesota State Fair. The Minnesota Department of Health will provide recipients' contact information to the State Fair which will email tickets no later than July 16, 2021.

- Valleyfair Single-Day Admission: Valid for one Valleyfair admission ticket and the chance to purchase additional tickets for the same date at a discounted rate during the 2021 season. The Minnesota Department

of Health will provide a unique code via email in order for Minnesotans to redeem this offer.

- Visa Card: Eligible for a \$25 Visa Card to be used anywhere Visa is accepted. Minnesotans will receive the cards by mail or email from the Minnesota Department of Health or a State of Minnesota Vendor.

In order to be eligible for the vaccination rewards, Minnesotans 12 years of age and older must receive their first dose between May 27, 2021 and June 30, 2021. Beginning June 1, 2021, Minnesotans can verify their first dose and indicate their preferred vaccine reward at mn.gov/covid19/summer.

Rewards will be available for the first 100,000 requests made by eligible Minnesotans. Reward requests must be submitted to the Minnesota Department of Health by 11:59 p.m. on June 30, 2021, and will be fulfilled on a rolling basis throughout the month of June 2021 and no later than July 16, 2021.

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Public Notice - Special Meeting for Road Review

Date -- 6/14/2021
The Windermere Town Board will hold a special meeting on Tuesday, July 6th, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. at the Windermere town hall for the following purpose:

1. 2021 Road Review Results
Cindy Woltjer, Windermere Township Clerk
(Published in the Moose Lake Star-Gazette on June 17, 2021)

Public Notice - Windermere-Township 2021 Vendor Contract Pricing

June 14, 2021
Notice is hereby given that the Windermere Town Board will receive sealed quotes for the hauling of material from the Windermere township pit and also for mobilizing Windermere township equipment. Vendors must honor their pricing for the entire 2021 calendar year and must provide an email address that the township Board may use to contact the vendor.

For the hauling of material, vendors must list the make, model, and year of each dump truck, each truck's capacity, and the hourly rate for each individual truck.

For the mobilization of equipment, vendors must list the make, model, and year of the truck, and list hourly rate for mobilization.

Quotes are to be in a sealed envelope marked "2021 Vendor Contract Pricing" and will be opened at 7:00 PM on July 8th, 2021 at the Windermere Town Hall.

A current certificate of Workmen's Comp and Liability Insurance must accompany the quote. Windermere Township reserves the right to reject any or all quotes.

Contact Mike Buetow with any questions at (218) 380-0135.

Send quotes to:

Windermere Township

91546 Military Road / County

Road 50
ATTN : Township Clerk
Sturgeon Lake, MN 55783
(Published in the Moose Lake Star-Gazette on June 17, 2021)

POSTING NOTICE - Application of Interest for a Vacant Seat on the Windermere Township Board of Supervisors

Date -- 6/14/2021
Windermere Township is accepting letters of interest from applicants who would like to be appointed to the vacant seat on the Windermere Township Board of Supervisors. The appointed board member would be filling the vacancy until December 31st, 2022. Please submit your letter of interest by mailing your application and resume to Windermere Township 91546 Military Road ATTN : Township Clerk Sturgeon Lake, MN 55783 or via email to Clerk@windermere-township.com no later than Monday June 30th, 2021 @ 6 PM.

Cindy Woltjer, Windermere Township Clerk
(Published in the Moose Lake Star-Gazette on June 17, 2021)

SILVER TOWNSHIP REGULAR MEETING NOTICE CHANGES

The June and July Silver Township Board of Supervisors Regular meeting have been changed to Tuesday, June 22, 2021 and July 20, 2021 at 8:00pm. The meetings are held at the Kettle River Snowmobile Club.

This notice is given under my hand on this 10th of June, 2021.
Mark Carlson, Clerk of Silver Township
(Published in the Moose Lake Star-Gazette on June 17, 2021)

Public Notice -
Windermere Township 2021

Gravel Quotes

June 14, 2021
Notice is hereby given that the Windermere Town Board will be accepting quotes for the hauling and spreading of 3,000 cubic yards more or less of class-5 gravel. Gravel hauling will take place from the township pit to various township gravel roads using a minimum of 2 belly dump trucks. Quotes must be submitted and received no later than Wednesday July 7th, 2021 to be accepted, and vendors must honor their pricing through December 31st, 2021.

The 2021 class-5 gravel hauling contract will be awarded at the July 8th, 2021 regular Board meeting located at the Windermere Town Hall. Hauling is to be completed by August 31st, 2021.

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Sturgeon Lake, MN 55783
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CARLTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ADJOURNED SESSION HELD ON MAY 24, 2021

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

Present: Bodie, Brenner, Peterson, Proulx and Thell. Absent: None.
The County Attorney stated that due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the related peace-time emergency declaration an in-person meeting was not practical or prudent and declared that necessary conditions were met for remote participation.

Brenner by Bodie all year, to approve the Agenda as amended.
Brenner by Peterson all year, to approve the Minutes of the May 11, 2021, meeting.
Brenner by Thell all year, to approve reappointing an Accounting Technician position in

Public Health and Human Services.
Bodie by Peterson all year, to approve a Community Health Board grant of \$294,048.37 for the purpose of COVID-19 Pandemic Response and Vaccination Implementation.

Bodie by Brenner all year, to approve the issuance of garbage hauler licenses.

Peterson by Thell all year, to approve a one-year extension to the agreement with Waste Management for Food Waste Collection.

Brenner by Thell all year, to approve a one-year extension to the agreement for Collection of Recyclable Materials with Cloquet Riverside Recycling.

The Land Commissioner presented results of the May 13, 2021 timber auction. Brenner by Peterson all year votes, to award Cloquet Carlton County Airport for COQ Entrance Road Relocation, FAA AIP No. 3-27-0018-17-21, SP 0902-64 to Ulland Brothers, Inc.

Bodie by Brenner all year, to sign the \$83,000 contract for the Region 2 2020 State Homeland Security Program grant manager.

Peterson by Bodie all year, to sign the \$5,272 2021 State Annual Boat and Water Safety Agreement.

Brenner by Peterson all year, to approve repurchase of tax forfeited property in the City of Cloquet (parcel 06-320-0160).

Brenner by Thell all year, asking that all departments and agencies prepare a 2022 budget that keeps expenditures flat or reduced in order to develop a final budget that balances current economic realities with the ongoing duty and commitment to provide appropriate and accessible services.

Bodie by Thell all year, to approve Carlton County Guidelines for Requested Resolutions and Proclamations.

Brenner by Bodie all year, to sign a letter of support for the Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa to United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) - Rural Development requesting financial assistance for the purchase four (4) squad cars for its Law Enforcement Division.

Bodie by Thell all year, to sign a letter of support for the Oldenburg Arts and Cultural Community to National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) for the Our Town proposal.

Brenner by Bodie all year, to approve the issuance of a Liquor License for Mike's Pizzeria and Café.

Proulx by Thell all year, to approve 2021-2022 Liquor License Renewals.

Brenner by Bodie all year, to approve the COVID-19 Preparedness Plan.

Brenner by Thell all year, place an end date of May 31, 2021, on resolution 20-035 made on March 23, 2020, that provided for the closure of certain county buildings in response to a pandemic event.

Bodie by Brenner all year, to recess the adjourned meeting for a Public Hearing on the proposed Carlton County Ordinance #36 - Parking Ordinance. Members of the audience spoke when public comments were requested.

Bodie by Brenner all year, to return to the adjourned meeting.

Brenner by Thell all year, to approve Carlton County Ordinance No. 36, titled Parking

Ordinance. Full ordinance available in the Carlton County Auditor's Office.
Bodie by Brenner all year, that this meeting be adjourned.

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Willow River Area Schools

ISD #577

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Willow River, Minnesota 55795

Unofficial Minutes for the Regular Meeting of the School Board

6:00 pm Tuesday, May 18, 2021 High School Library, Room 139

Call to Order-The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance by Chair David Prachar at 6:00pm. School

Board members present were Aziz Al-Arfaj, Jennifer Burlak, Sonja Roach, David Prachar, Connie Mikrot and Bruce Bohaty. Others in attendance were Superintendent and High School Principal Bill Peel, Elementary

Principal Neil Schiller, Assistant to the High School Principal Melissa Johnson, Business Manager Laura

Carlson, District Administrative Assistant Tara Prachar and three visitors. Student Representative Annika

Meyer was absent.

Comments and Requests from Visitors-None.

Prachar recommended amending the agenda to include Item 15: School Board Meeting Mask Policy.

A motion was made by Al-Arfaj and seconded by Mikrot to approve the amended agenda.

The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Burlak and seconded by Mikrot to approve the consent agenda.

a. Minutes from the April 20, 2021 Regular Board Meeting.

b. Bills and Claims for April, 2021.

c. Treasurer's Report for April, 2021.

For discussion, Bill Peel presented and discussed the current enrollment update.

A motion was made by Roach and seconded by Al-Arfaj to approve the Facility Lease Agreement with Wildstar

Properties, Inc. Bohaty abstained, the motion passed.

A motion was made by Mikrot and seconded by Burlak to approve the Resolution for Softball Field Lease for 2021-2022.

Roll Call: Bohaty-abstain, Al-Arfaj-yes, Burlak-yes, Roach-yes, Prachar-yes, Mikrot-yes.

The resolution passed.

A motion was made by Roach and seconded by Bohaty to ap-

prove the MacNeil Environmental/Occupational

Health & Safety Management Program

The motion passed unanimously.

For consideration, Burlak presented and discussed, as appropriate, the seven policies noted below:

Policy 403-Discipline, Suspension, & Dismissal of District Employees.

No board action needed.

Policy 404- Employment Background Checks.

No board action needed.

Policy 415-Harassment & Violence.

No board action needed.

Policy 417-Chemical Use & Abuse.

No board action needed.

Policy 418-Drug Free Workplace & Schools.

No board action needed.

A motion was made by Bohaty and seconded by Roach to adopt Policy 419-Tobacco-Free Environment;

Possession and Use of Tobacco, Tobacco-related Devices, and Electronic Delivery Devices.

The motion passed unanimously.

Policy 530-Immunization Requirements.

No board action needed.

A motion was made by Prachar and seconded by Mikrot to approve the Resolution Accepting Donations.

Donations received totalled \$4,100.00.

Roll Call: Mikrot-yes, Bohaty-yes, Al-Arfaj-yes, Burlak-yes, Roach-yes, Prachar-yes.

The resolution passed.

Reports:

Student Representative - Annika Meyer sent a report in with Melissa Johnson. She shared that Prom was a success and the students were happy to have something normal to experience.

30 students participated in the NHS walk that was a fundraiser for the Backpack Snack program.

Elementary Principal - Neil Schiller shared that we currently have 14 students enrolled in Elementary summer school. Classes will run from June 7-25th, with transportation available.

High school seniors and graduating kindergartners will be doing their traditional walk, but it will be moved outside. Field trips have started, and track and field day is coming up.

Assistant to the Secondary Principal - Melissa Johnson shared that Spring Fling was a success.

Graduation will be in the big gym, allowing eight tickets per graduate. The community parade will follow the ceremony. Summer school for 9-12th grade will be the same dates as Elementary, but will focus on credit recovery.

Board Members/Committees Facilities/Activities- Al-Arfaj shared the committee had discussed the football scoreboard project, a bus vs van purchase to meet future needs and the softball field lease. They also discussed the possibility of a shared drama club with Moose Lake, which will be further discussed at the July cooperative meeting.

Curriculum/Policy- Burlak shared that the committee had a learning model update and reviewed MCA data. Next month they will be reviewing policies 427, 601, 603, 405, 407 and 408.

Finance/Personnel/Negotiations - Mikrot shared that the committee had a learning model update and discussed the budget including possible ESSR expenses. They also discussed the upcoming superintendent evaluation.

Sports Liaison - Prachar shared that the committee had met and heard Winter sports updates from coaches. Winter coach contracts were approved. They reviewed proposed coop agreement updates, as well as the process of MSHSL requirements to potentially add another district to the agreement for certain sports. The committee also agreed to hire a track meet

manager and will be reviewing the coaching contract.

BMW - Committee meets again in June.

Superintendent / High School Principal - Bill Peel shared that the garage door openers have been installed in the bus garage. The hockey agreement has been signed. Moose Lake and Willow River will be meeting with Gateway Clinic to further discuss the sports related concussion screening program.

A motion was made by Roach and seconded by Mikrot that masks not be required at regular monthly school board meetings.

The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Prachar and seconded by Al-Arfaj that any time there are school board committee meetings on days when students are scheduled to be in the building, school board members will follow the same mask protocol as staff and students.

The motion passed unanimously.

Willow River Pride:

- Teresa Joyal, Rick Fren-tress, and the Student Council for organizing and running a successful Spring Fling Spirit Week

- Congratulations to Kaylee Krozcos, our Class of 2021 Valedictorian and to Monica Mikrot, our Class of 2021 Salutatorian.

- Andia Kelly, Lindsay Emer-t, and the Prom Committee for planning and hosting the 2021 Grand March and Prom

- Our entire staff for all their hard work and dedication this year to our students, each other, and our entire community.

- PTO for sponsoring Staff Appreciation Week!

- Sandy Bohaty for her hard work maintaining our softball fields.

Upcoming Meetings:

• June 1 1:15 pm Facilities/ Transportation/Activities

• June 8 10:00 am Curriculum/Policy

• June 8 3:30 pm Finance/ Personnel/Negotiations

• June 14 7:30 am Working Board Meeting

• June 15 6:00 pm Regular Board Meeting

• June 23 5:00 pm Barnum, Moose Lake, Willow River Cooperative Meeting (at Willow River)

A motion was made by Al-Arfaj and seconded by Mikrot to recess the meeting at 6:47 pm per MN

Statute 13D.03 Subd. 1(b).

The motion was passed unanimously.

The closed session began at 6:50 pm and ended at 7:09 pm.

Chair Prachar reopened the meeting at 7:10 pm.

A motion was made by Prachar and seconded by Mikrot to approve a Hazard Health Incentive for all of our staff for School Year 2020-2021 based on Full Time Equivalent (FTE) not to exceed \$85,000.

The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mikrot and seconded by Burlak to adjourn at 7:11 pm.

The motion was passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

David Prachar

Board Chair

E. Bruce Bohaty

Clerk

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0404 GARAGE/CRAFT SALES

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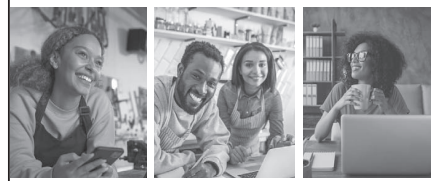
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Paulson's memory lives on at Moose Lake Depot

Pictured above is Susan Paulson, Ashley and Karley Rentz handing a memorial donation in Dean Paulson's name to Sharyn Sarvela, president of the Moose Lake Area Historical Society (MLAHS), for the kitchen fund. Dean loved spending time at the Moose Lake Depot. His memory will live on at the MLAHS.



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Gilbertson helps Shooting Star Dance celebrate 20 years

Amri Gilbertson of Mahtowa dances in the Shooting Star Dance 20 year anniversary recitals.

We're engaging with Minnesota Tribes and creating opportunities for their citizens and communities to benefit.

How are Tribes being involved in this project?

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Most importantly, we've been listening. From the start, we respected the wishes of the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe to route the new Line 3 around their reservation. We've also signed a 20-year easement renewal with the Fond du Lac Band and made further route changes.

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