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Steele County responds to disasters



Staff photo by Emily Shoenbeck

Mike Johnson answers a member of the public's question about timely storm warnings. Johnson recommended signing up with Everbridge, an early warning system that contacts people's phones when a storm or threat is imminent.

Standing Together When Disaster Strikes

BY EMILY SHOENBECK
County Staff Writer

Last Thursday night, The Steele County Historical Society hosted a roundtable discussion entitled Standing Together When Disaster Strikes. Members from all branches of disaster response joined in to discuss how they service the people of Steele County in times of trouble.

The panel included Mike Johnson from Steele County Emergency Management, Dave Pursell from Skywarn, a weather alert service, Amy Roggenbuck of Dodge-Steele County Public Health, Lon Thiele, Steele County's sheriff, Bethany Mikesell with the Ellendale Ambulance Service, and Justin Krell from the Blooming Prairie Fire Department.

Johnson opened the discussion by explaining how his office coordinated rescue and recovery efforts during disasters such as tornados and floods. The first part of his job is rescue, to make sure emergency response is getting the public out of immediate peril.

He went on that as soon as the rescue portion of his job ends, his office immediately turns around and begins working on recovery efforts. They assess the damage done by storms and makes requests for recovery funds to rebuild.

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2 exciting cancer awareness days planned in BP



Submitted photo

Blooming Prairie Cancer Group volunteer Dan Miner is the premiere bingo caller at Cancer Benefit Bingo under the Big Tent. It starts at 4:30 p.m.

By HOWARD LESTRUD
Staff Writer

The small town of Blooming Prairie will be exploding with activities to promote cancer awareness on Friday, Sept. 9 and Saturday, Sept. 10.

Blooming Prairie began to display a pink tint to many neighborhoods last week with the placement of 250 flags on Highway 218 and Main Street. Many ribbons and other pink garland were also

placed down Main Street west to the Blooming Prairie High School.

Two big nights of auctions are planned for Friday and Saturday under the Big Tent outside The Cue Company and Pizza Cellar in Blooming Prairie.

The cancer awareness activities are sponsored by the Blooming Prairie Cancer Group. Both live auctions begin at 7 p.m. under the Big Tent. Cheri Krejci, treasurer for the BP Cancer Group, said each night's auction will feature over 100 items.

Special items will be sold on the auctions with all proceeds going to the BP Cancer Group. Some items donated include:

- Handmade beautiful oak curio cabinet,
- Salad & Dinner plate from the old met stadium
- 2017 law mowing for a resident of BP
- Autographed pink Jersey from

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Court of Appeals gives OK to national group to join Trom appeal



By KAREN JORGENSEN
County Staff Writer

The Minnesota Court of Appeals has granted a request by a coalition of public health, animal welfare and environmental groups to join the Lowell Trom family in their suit against a large hog operation in Dodge County.

Trom and his wife, Evelyn, are

appealing a Dodge County District Court ruling that upheld Dodge County's issuance of a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) to Masching Swine Farms, LLC, for a hog feedlot on property adjacent to the Troms in Westfield Township

After the appeal was filed with the Minnesota Court of Appeals, the Center for a Livable Future at Johns Hopkins University, the Humane Society of the United States, Animal Legal Defense Fund, Minnesota Center for Environmental Advocacy ("MCEA"), Environment Minnesota, and Food & Water Watch filed formal requests to the court to participate in the appeal.

A request for amicus (or friend of the court) is filed by individuals or organizations who, while not a party to a lawsuit, have a strong public interest in or knowledge in

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Staff photo by Josh Zimmer

The football season kicked off in each of our communities last Friday night across the state. Owatonna senior quarterback Robert Meidl carries the ball on a punt return in a game against Mankato West. Unfortunately, the Huskies came up on the losing end as Mankato won 34-19. The Times begins its expanded coverage of football by devoting a complete section to all the county games. Be sure to check out our special football frenzy coverage in Section D.



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Opinion

Our view

A letter can be as a valuable piece of artwork

A letter to a newspaper can be a very great responsibility. Newspapers are one of oldest forms of social media and can be a venue to express the heart of the reader. Some newspapers allow this platform to help in the campaigns of politicians and we would like to reiterate that personal attacks that include derogatory comments will not be tolerated in this newspaper, nor should they have a place in any good and conscientious media outlet.

In addition to our guidelines listed at the bottom of this page for our “letters policy,” we would additionally like to express some of the basic ideas as to what a letter should be. According to Wikipedia, topics that are most commonly covered in a letter include:

- Supporting or opposing a stance taken by the publication in its editorial, or responding to another writer’s letter to the editor.
- Commenting on a current issue being debated by a governing body – local, regional or national depending on the publication’s circulation. Often, the writer will urge elected officials to make their decision based on his/her viewpoint.
- Remarking on materials (such as a news story) that have appeared in a previous edition. Such letters may either be critical or praising.
- Correcting a perceived error or misrepresentation.

That being said, we would also like to mention that all letters must be able to be verified. Any letter that does not have legitimate contact information will not be printed. The newspaper also has time deadlines – especially in the upcoming election season.

Letters that are submitted in response to new issues concerning a campaign or candidate must be submitted within three weeks of the election to allow review and rebuttal of other readers. Weekly deadline for all letters is noon, Friday. If a letter is submitted later than deadline, it will not be printed in that week’s paper.

There are so many candidates this year, and unfortunately, we are in an election year where the debates are very heated and the mud being slung is especially “goosey.” We do believe that you can submit an intelligent letter without resorting to being dragged down to a muddy level. Facts should be checked and rechecked as well as grammar and spelling.

A well-formed letter can be as powerful and as valuable as a rare piece of art. A good writer will think about each thought and with each stroke of the pen, paint incredible images. Good letters make a great point for a cause. Sloppy or derogatory letters cause readers to put the paper down mid-sentence and go on to something else.

Write a good letter, speak from your heart and cause your readers to stay with you until your final thoughts.



Letters to the Editor

Election considerations

Nancy Pelosi is running for Congress in the First District in Minnesota. Tim Walz’s name will be on the ballot, but he conforms to agenda that Pelosi sets, including voting for

males to be allowed in female bathrooms and locker rooms! She also pushed Obamacare through Congress with the help of Jonathan Gruber, an unelected person, who later admitted, “Yeah, We Lied to The Stupid American People to Get It Passed.” Is Walz responsible for that? Yes. The first thing he

does is to vote for Pelosi and puts her in charge of the machinery of Congress which to a large measure determines what occurs there.

So a vote for Walz is a vote for Pelosi and gun control, poorer medical care, “transgender” men in female’s bathrooms and locker rooms, radical Islam

sweeping across the nation, extreme environmentalism, and mega corporate farming and disenfranchising our children from remaining on the land.

Reagan was a Democrat, but recognized that the Democratic Party had left him, so he “caucused” with the Republicans. The Democratic Party has left

us. If you can’t bring yourself to vote Republican, at least have enough common decency, and self-interest, to not vote for the Democrat Party candidates for elective office.

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HOT PURSUIT



RICK BUSSLER

For 4-H livestock exhibitors showing at the Minnesota State Fair, one of their favorite highlights is the 4-H Purple Ribbon Auction. It has brought smiles and some hefty premiums to a countless number of 4-Hers for nearly four decades.

Just how lucrative has this auction become?

Take this year’s auction, for example. The grand champion market sheep from Steele County, shown by Riley Arthur, walked away with a record \$8,500. That’s just for one animal. The highest priced animal—a grand champion market beef—brought a whopping

\$26,000.

One of the key figures behind the success of the auction since its inception 37 years ago has been Jim Grass of Owatonna. He has served on the auction committee the entire time. And, at 87 years old, Grass has decided it is time for him to retire from the committee. This was his last auction.

“I think at 87, it’s time to quit,” said Grass, who has farmed in Steele County his entire life. “It’s more work now

than it’s fun,” he said, adding when that happens, it’s time to step away.

When Grass and others from around the state formed the auction in 1979, the first sale brought in \$30,000. This year the sale topped out at about \$600,000. And through all the years the sale has featured almost the same number of

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Staff photo by Rick Bussler

Jim Grass of Owatonna is stepping down after dedicating 37 years to the Minnesota 4-H Livestock Auction Committee. The 87-year-old says when it becomes more work than fun, it’s time to quit.

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Our hope for a cure is in the survivors

REFLECTIONS... AND HOW



HOWARD LESTRUD

Take time to pause this next weekend during the 16th Annual Blooming Prairie Cancer Auctions and think about how cancer has affected you, your family and friends.

Cancer has indeed touched all of us in one way or another. Our hope to finding a cure and for protecting our loved ones in the future lies with our survivors. Our increasing number of survivors shows proof that research is leading to more cancer cures.

My mother, Alma Lestrud, was a cancer survivor. She fought cancer in the mid-1960s when cancer treatment and sur-

gery were still in the experimental stages. My mother had a single mastectomy in 1964. She lived 30 more years and passed away at age 84, not because of cancer.

Dr. Harry B. Neel II of Albert Lea was my mother’s physician, and he was a pioneer in treating all forms of cancer. He lived to be 103.

I took time recently to write down the names of family members and friends of ours who fought cancer.

My great niece Rhianna of Colorado died of colon cancer at the young age of 22. She was

diagnosed just weeks before her passing. She was the same age as my daughter who died of a liver disease (not cancer).

Pancreatic cancer took three good friends of ours, Norman Tolzmann, Debbie Peterson and Ken Jarvis. Norman fought the cancer for a year. Debbie, wife of our Lutheran pastor in Forest Lake, was diagnosed in July and died the following January. Ken lasted only three months after being diagnosed.

Thankfully, we also know many people who have successfully battled cancer and are survivors. My brother-in-law

(wife Judy’s brother) Craig was diagnosed five years ago with throat cancer and had surgery soon after. His journey through treatment was a struggle, but he fought valiantly and won the battle.

Judy and I and Judy’s sister Cindi (Hansen) accompanied Craig to a doctor appointment in Rochester just months ago and were elated to hear the doctor tell Craig: “You’re cured.”

As my fellow columnist LeMar Nelson would say, “A tip of the hat” to the Blooming Prairie Cancer Group for the work they do in helping victims of cancer.

It’s amazing how much time and effort are donated by the BP Cancer Group and by supporters of the group. The love of many people is sent to cancer victims by the many donations that are unselfishly made.

Thank you to everyone who has worked on these BP Cancer Group activities and thank you to everyone who has donated items to be auctioned on Sept. 9-10. Also, thanks to those of you who will buy items and thus, donate toward building on that hope for a cure.



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LETTERS POLICY

The opinions of our readers in the form of Letters to the Editor are a vital contribution to the healthy exchange of ideas on the Steele County Times opinion page. All letters must be signed by the writer/writers and include a telephone number for verification purposes. Letters are accepted through personal delivery, by mail or by email at bptimes@frontiernet.net.

Opinions expressed in letters to the editor do not necessarily represent the opinions of the Steele County Times and the editor reserves the right to edit letters when necessary. Please limit opinions to no longer than 350 words.

The Steele County Times encourages readers to write letters to the editor as a means of communicating ideas and opinions with others, with a goal being to make the community better for all people.

ETHICS

The Steele County Times editorial staff strives to present the news in a fair and accurate manner. Please bring any grievances against the Steele County Times to the attention of the managing editor.

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Steele County Fair Photo Contest Winners

The paper recieved several submissions over the last few weeks of people’s fair moments captured on film. These are the photos the staff felt were the highest quality and reflected the feeling of the fair as a whole.



First Place:
Bev Anderson of Medford won a pair of tickets for the Chanhassen Dinner Theater for her photo from the top of the carnival ferris wheel.

Second Place:
Randy Pickett of Owatonna won a pair of Renaissance tickets for his photo of his son, Emrys, 3, on the carousel.

Third Place:
Kesley Buchardt of Owatonna won a one year subscription to The Steele County Times for her photo of her 13 month old child, Finley sharing a moment with the equally small cavies at the fair petting zoo.

Thank you to everyone who submitted photos, and we’ll be back at it again next year.



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the subject matter. The intent is to provide the Court with information regarding the effects of a decision beyond the parties involved in the case. The Court of Appeals must approve the requests, said James P. Peters, the Troms attorney.

According to the request filed by Center for a Liveable Future, “The Dodge County Ordinances at issue in this case required compliance with U.S. and state environmental laws, and the

permit at issue in this appeal has broad implications for Dodge County, other counties in Minnesota and rural areas across the U.S.”

The Center for a Livable Future at Johns Hopkins , their request said, will “provide interpretation of relevant scientific evidence regarding the public health and community impacts of industrial-scale swine production, “ including the spread of infectious diseases to com-

munities; groundwater and surface water pollution, and associated health impacts on communities; and air pollution, odors, and associated health and social impacts on communities.

The Humane Society of the United States and Animal Legal Defense Fund will discuss “the burgeoning threat of antibiotic-resistant bacteria to animal welfare and public health, exacerbated by antibiotic overuse and confinement conditions at

concentrated animal feeding operations.”

MCEA, Environment Minnesota and Food & Water Watch filed a third request, noting their “particular expertise and experience in animal feedlot regulation that is distinct from the experience of any other party in this appeal.” MCEA has participated in administrative rulemaking proceedings concerning the regulation of pollutants discharged to surface and

ground water from Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations. MCEA has a distinct interest in ensuring that local regulations preserve and respect procedural rights in order to protect the natural resources of this state. Environment Minnesota, said it is “deeply concerned by the water pollution impacts of industrial livestock operations.”

Food & Water Watch (“FWW”) said it is also concerned about the cumulative

harmful impacts of the many feedlots already in the immediate vicinity including by contaminating surface waters with nitrogen, phosphorus, bacteria and pharmaceuticals.

“We have known for a long time that our lawsuit is not just about our family,” said Lowell Trom. “If our family loses, we all lose.”

CANCER: from page 1A

the 2016 Awesome Blossom football team

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- Bean bag boards, Kerplunk and Jenga (lawn games)
- Lots of food items
- Quilts

Saturday events begin with activities at the tent adjacent to the Field of Flags on Highway 218 and Main Street. The tent

will have registration for a 5K Walk/Run “For the Cure.” Registration will be accepted from 8:30 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. with the walk/run beginning at 10 a.m.

Get a newly designed t-shirt: \$30 for walk with t-shirt; \$15, walk without t-shirt; \$20, t-shirt without walk. All sizes are available: S, M, L, 2XL (additional \$2) and 3XL (additional \$3).

The shirt is black with white, grey and hot pink lettering. It reads: Support the Fighters -- Admire the Survivors and Honor the Taken. With the cancer ribbon as a backdrop, several key words are printed: strength, faith, hope, resolve, support and victory.

Shirts are being sold at \$20

each and are available by contacting Mandy Doocy at 507-530-5084 or Cheri Krejci at 507-438-6895.

For more information on the walk/run, stop by Krejci Ford or contact Mandy Doocy at 507-530-5084 or Ashley Valek at 507-676-2156.

In addition to hosting registration for the walk/run, the tent near the Field of Flags will be the home of \$5 hair cuts. Also featured will be crazy hair, face painting, chair massages, manicures, games and lots of fun stuff. These activities begin at 9 a.m. and continue until 1 p.m.

Activities under the Big Tent begin with Family Bingo at 4:30 p.m. Bingo will continue until

6:30 p.m. with great prizes and fun for all.

The Stix of Fury drum band will perform under the direction of Jake Peterson and Cam Heimerman beginning at 6:30 p.m. outside the Big Tent.

Nearly \$600,000 has been given since 2001 to aid cancer victims and their families and also to help aid cancer research.

Cancer touches almost every family. Treatment has been successful for many cancer patients and the survivor rates continue to grow.

Support for Blooming Prairie Cancer Group fundraisers has been phenomenal, says Krejci.

The late Eunice Coughlin started the BP Cancer Group

at age 80. She was driven by a family history of cancer and a desire to help fight the dread disease. Eunice was instrumental in sponsoring a silent auction and bake sale at the Servicemen’s Club in Blooming Prairie. The efforts raised over \$1700.

Coughlin stayed active with the cancer group until 2005. The annual auctions moved to the Cue Company and in 2004, Keith Miller took over the fundraising event.

“The cancer group inherited a whole suitcase of stuff from Eunice’s family dealing with the cancer group,” says Krejci.

A community fund was started by the cancer group in 2010 to help people who need help with

insurance needs or need fuel to get to treatments and may need food vouchers while traveling to treatment. The community fund has also helped with utility bills, built a wheel chair ramp, bought a bed for a Blooming Prairie resident and given blankets for patients.

“Anything we can do to help lessen a cancer patient’s burdens is a goal we have,” Krejci said. Most of the requests for assistance comes by word of mouth, she said.

The Blooming Prairie Cancer Group is led by 15 board members.

DISASTERS: from page 1A

When he spoke about the people of Steele County during times of disaster, Johnson remarked that he is always amazed by “how hard people work to save lives” and that “human nature of people taking care of each other is really remarkable.”

Purscell spoke next about his job at Skywarn and their efforts to track storms and keep emergency response appraised of potential danger. When the sirens go off, Purcell remarked, “we go toward the

storms.”

When the weather gets bad, the Stormwarn volunteers take off work and make themselves viable to be placed around the county to watch how storm are progressing. The team has established several “sweet spots” around the county, where high visibility and nearby shelter allow for the best viewing.

Any member of the public is eligible to train to become a storm spotter. Stormwarn offers training sessions every spring.

Joining the panel on behalf of public health, Roggenbuck related the role of her office in preventing disease outbreaks in the county. Established in 1948, the department of public health today works at promoting vacations and preventive measures to ensure the health of Steele County residents. While her office is trained to contain outbreaks and set-up quarantines, Roggenbuck expressed her confidence that such measures were unlikely to be out to use anytime soon.

She ended her talk reminding everyone, “get your flu shots.”

Sheriff Lon Thiele shared that his officers were often some of the first people on the scene after disasters. They sometimes go door-to-door checking on people and removing them from harms way.

Thinking of the disasters he’d seen, Thiele recalled his and his officers fears in the face of natural disasters. “You can’t take on mother nature,” Thiele told the audience.

Mikesell spoke briefly about

how her role as an EMT varied from other responders. While the other responders started working even before the storm hit, ambulance crews had to be sent out away from the store to ensure that once the storm had passed, they would be in working condition to return and be of service.

Krill had the last turn at the mic and echoed Johnson’s sentiments about Steele County residents. Looking out at the audience, he remarked, “the worst of times brings out the

best of people.”

When asked what the public can do to help ensure their safety during disasters, Johnson advocated firmly for people signing up with Everbridge, a disaster waring service that people can program to call them when certain weather conditions are in their area. His suggestion was backed by the rest of the panel, who agreed that people keeping themselves informed of serve rather conditions as critical to their safety.

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purple ribbon animals.

Though he admits the sale prices may be getting a little out of hand, Grass thinks it’s great for 4-H members to cash in on what they’re receiving. “College education is not cheap,” he said.

Known as the most elite show available for 4-H members, the auction rewards kids for doing a good job, Grass says. “You

don’t get here by throwing feed at the animal twice a day,” he said, “It takes a little more hard work.”

The 4-H program, according to Brad Rugg, 4-H Superintendent for the University of Minnesota, will sorely miss Grass’ expertise in the livestock area. “His leadership is unparalleled and he was

very visionary,” Rugg said.

Rugg credited Grass with helping to develop a livestock scholarship program in 1995 when one \$500 scholarship was awarded. This year, 37 scholarships totaling \$45,000 were given out.

Grass said he has enjoyed staying involved with the 4-H program over the years. Besides

his involvement on the state level, he was a local 4-H leader for many years. And he remains involved with the Steele County 4-H Auction.

He has nothing but praise for the 4-H program.

“It’s a valuable education for the majority of the kids,” Grass said. “They learn things with 4-H projects that they can’t learn

anywhere else,” he added.

As for the livestock project, Grass says it teaches young people the value of hard work and responsibility.

Although Grass is stepping aside, the auction committee won’t be without representation from the Grass family. His grandson, Jake, of Pine City, is also on the committee.

And that suits 4-H leaders like Rugg just fine.

“That family is very invested in the 4-H livestock program,” Rugg said.

And Rugg suspects Grass will be in hot pursuit of still helping out with the auction itself in another year regardless of whether he’s on the committee or not.

FIGHTING FOR A CURE



FRIDAY NIGHT EVENTS

7:00 a.m. LIVE AUCTION Under the BIG TENT

SATURDAY EVENTS

10:00 a.m. 4th Annual 5K Walk / Run "For a Cure"

Starting at the "Field of Flags" (Register 8:30 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.)

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Heroes honored in Steele and Rice County



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A crowd of people, many of them veterans, gather to form a motorcade for the memorial wall. They are preparing to ride up to Fairbault where it will be displayed.

By **EMILY SCHOENBECK**
County Staff Writer

Clad in leather and denim as the sun beat down on them, the crowd gathered at the Steele County Fairgrounds didn't pay any mind to the heat. They had a more important task at hand. There were fallen brothers and sisters that needed to be honored, and for the next few days, that was their job. The Traveling Wall, a replica of the Vietnam Memorial, was coming to Fairbault, and the crowd

was gathered to provide motorcade escort for the wall as it traveled the last stretch of its journey. The organizers from Fairbault had asked for people to gather at the Steele County fairgrounds to form an escort to the Rice County fairgrounds, where the wall was on display over Labor Day weekend. The wall, which has traveled all over the country, was created as a means for people, who are unable to travel to D.C., to have a way of paying tribute to the soldiers who died in the Vietnam War.

Before the motorcade escort began, Kirk Mansfield, one of the chairs of bringing the wall to Fairbault, spoke to the crowd about the importance of giving recognition to veterans. Mansfield's own father was a Vietnam War veteran and had traveled up from Iowa for the occasion. Mansfield described seeing the wall as a "transformative experience" for many veterans and said seeing the wall "is not fun", but it can be an important step for giving veterans the closure they need. Mansfield acknowledged

that many of the veterans had been through hell, but that made it all the more important for them to help one another. "If you've been there, go back and get someone else out. Only you can do that," Mansfield told the crowd, "If you see someone struggling, in any capacity, get them the resources they need." He told the crowd that, in addition to the wall, the exhibit in Fairbault would have displays of Vietnam War photos and military equipment. Two fields of honor were also set up at

the grounds, one for those who had died in action in Vietnam, the other for those who have been killed in current conflicts. The fields recognized any soldier from the six surrounding counties. In addition to the field, there was also a tent set up with records of all those missing in action from Vietnam, who never made it home. The table had a 24/7 standing sentinel for the entire Labor Day weekend. When Mansfield finished speaking, the motorcade lined up to depart. A wave

of cars and motorcycles took off from the fairgrounds as more than a hundred people joined the escort. They passed through the flags of an honor guard as they left leading the trailer that contained the wall. The wall in itself is an important reminder to the public of those who died defending freedom, but for all that, it is still just a wall, and it can't help but pale in comparison to the even greater tribute showed by all the people who took time out of their busy lives to remember our fallen heroes.



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Kirk Mansfield addresses the crowd before the motorcade departs. Mansfield is himself the son of a Vietnam veteran.

Foundation offers nontraditional scholarships

The Owatonna Foundation is pleased to make available \$15,000 to assist students who will be attending non-four year programs at technical/community colleges to prepare themselves for technical careers. Applications for nontraditional scholarships are due October 25. Eligibility requirements

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AAUW Owatonna to Kick-off 2016-2017 program

American Association of University Women (AAUW) Owatonna members invited interested guests and potential members to attend their fall kick off meeting on Monday evening, August 29th, 6:30 p.m. at the Owatonna Public Library, Gaaney Room. The program for the evening featured AAUW scholarship recipients Lila Bartkowiak, Math/Science Campership, and Emily DeNio, who recently attended the National Conference for College Women Student Leaders in Washington DC. AAUW advances equity for women and girls through advocacy,

education and research. Also, mark your calendars for the AAUW Owatonna sponsored Taste of Steele County on Thursday evening, September 15th, 5-7p.m. at the Owatonna Eagles Club. The following vendors will provide food sampling: Torey's Restaurant, Steve's Meat Market, The Bakery, Central Park Coffee, El Tequila, HyVee Deli, Mizuki Fusion, Sparetime

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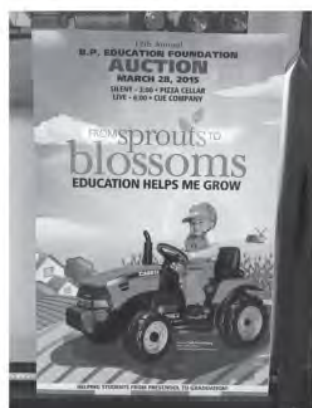
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Area Church Spotlight

Pastor's corner May we cultivate hope

Going from the friendly Midwest to a more distant urban Chicago, I now question proper greeting protocol. As I pass a stranger on the street I make the quick decision, to make eye contact or to not make eye contact. Recently, I was faced with this dilemma as I walked into one of my favorite stores for a little retail therapy and bargain shopping. I reluctantly greeted the woman and then she approached me. Clearly distraught she began to tell me how her car had broken down and she would pay me fifty cents to drop her off. When I agreed to drive her, relief flooded her face and she opened her hand full of pennies and a few nickels. She then insisted I finish my shopping before we go. I suggested she wait inside and away from the heat but she declined.

Suddenly, I find my shopping doesn't seem to go fast enough and when I went outside she was gone. I searched and searched for her. I even left to run an errand only to return to the store to be sure she was gone. I didn't want to abandon her.

Her face has stayed with me and I pray that someone was able to give her a ride home or even better, her car began to work. The simple act of making eye contact, seeing the people around me and one person in particular transformed my day and perhaps even me. Many faiths including the Christian faith emphasize the importance of caring for those in need. In the words of Jesus, "whatever you did for one of

these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me" (Matt. 25:40). Yet despite this invitation we often let fear and self-interest guide us instead of love and compassion. In a world where judgments based on gender, race and class prevail, I find hope in the stranger. In the woman who reached out for help and the anonymous person who answered. I pray we may better see those in need around us and open ourselves up to be transformed, that we as individuals and a community may cultivate hope.

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Thank you for your generous support of the Toys for Tots organization. The donations received will be used to purchase toys, gifts, and other items for children during the Christmas holiday season.

Mark your calendars for the 2017 B.O.B. ride held on July 22, 2017. Cycles and cars are all welcome to ride.

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September 9

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September 12:
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September 13:
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Casey's General Store is a neighborly place

Casey's General Store of Blooming Prairie is a place where neighbors meet, on purpose or not on purpose.

Several groups come together at Casey's early in the morning, at lunch time or at any time. "We have a men's group, a ladies group, a co-ed group and even have a day care worker bring in her kids on occasion," says Kay Helkenn, store manager.

The store, located at 328 Highway Ave. on Highway 218, is open 24/7 and closed only one day a year. That's on Christmas Eve.

Many customers stop at Casey's on their way to work and often on their way home from work.

"Good service and good food" is a motto Casey's, a BP Chamber member, follows. The store has cake donuts and are on the shelf by 4 a.m. The donuts are made fresh daily. Bakers also make bread for subs every morning.

"We make about 100 donuts per day and also have other good pastries, for example, a raspberry flip with creme cheese," remarked Helkenn. "It's in a pastry shell and I don't know what you call it, other than delicious," she laughs.

The store workers are always making sure that the coffee is going early in the morning. Fresh pizza is another necessity at Casey's. A new kind of pizza was just introduced this month. It features spinach, artichoke and chicken. Casey's is also bringing barbecued ribs back to the food line.

"If you are not treating your customers right, they won't be your customers. Practice the Golden Rule, meaning you treat people the way you would like to be treated."

Much of the action at Casey's comes at the six gas pumps. The store prides itself in competitive gas prices. "We track and compare prices on a

daily basis," Helkenn says.

Casey's has 20 part-time and full-time employees at the Blooming Prairie store. It is not uncommon to see Blooming Prairie High School students operating the cash register. "They keep us young and offer a different perspective," Helkenn said. She pointed out that she also appreciates her more experienced employees.

"We have all kinds of customers, some are difficult and others are very obliging," Helkenn observes. "We have to work with all kinds," she said.

Casey's took over Budget Mart on Oct. 14, 2009. It is one of the largest convenience store chains in the U.S. Casey's has stores in 14 states: Arkansas, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Tennessee and



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Shelly Hoeve prepares a hot pizza for sale.

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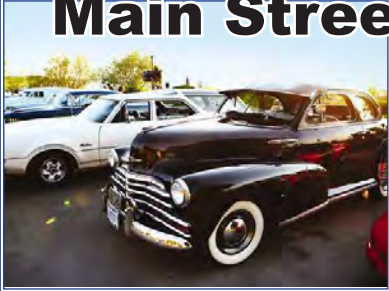
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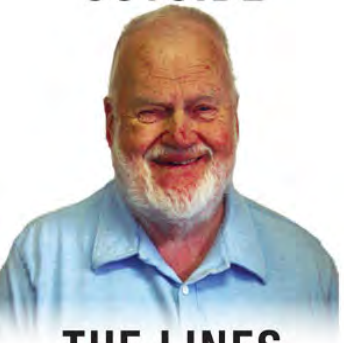
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Mixed Results

The first full week of sports action produced mixed results for sure. Fans had to be disappointed, though not discouraged, at the loss by the football team last Friday night. A couple of critical penalties early in the game set the tone, and the Blossoms just could never quite dig out of the hole.

The first of the big penalties came on the team’s first drive when offensive pass interference wiped out a touchdown, and the second stopped another drive by a holding penalty. The team also had difficulty stopping the running of Rushford-Peterson senior back Noah Carlson who had almost 200 yards by himself. Those three factors spelled defeat in the season opener.

A couple of other mistakes and a pass defense that will need some shoring up also punctuated the defeat. Now, the team will need to regroup quickly as they prepare for another tough contest when Bethlehem Academy comes to McFarlin Field this Friday, Sept.9. We all hope the Blossoms are ready.

However, the week had its success as well, as the volleyball team bounced back from its opening season loss to Byron for a pair of victories. The team traveled to Janesville last Monday and won that match in four games. Then they staged a remarkable comeback to edge NRHEG in five games. That match turned into one of the most exciting I have seen in several years with the locals digging themselves out of a 0-2 hole to win. The team gets this week’s tip of the hat.

Finally, the cross country runners had their first taste of competition at Stewartville last Thursday, and the boys finished a good 5th out of 21 teams involved in the meet. Junior Alec Ille positioned himself as a premier runner in the area with a 7th place individual time. It should be a good year for the boys, and Coach John Bruns is hoping that BP can also field a team of girls soon. That would be good.

Memories relived

I have had a couple of weeks now to reminisce about the school reunion I attended, and some impressions have surfaced since that occasion. I was disappointed in the fact that not one member of my graduating class could make it back. I realize that we had only fifteen students in the class, but only two of them have died, which would lead one to believe that at least one or two would be able to return. Such was not the case.

Fortunately, both of my younger brothers did have good conversations with classmates, and I did find some even older graduates than I with whom to talk and relive old school days. That made for an interesting few hours.

Then on Sunday volunteers served a brunch in the old high school gym, which was built in 1938. One thing

Lines

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Owatonna suffers tough loss

Lady Huskies allow two goals in final minutes



Staff photos by Josh Zimmer

Top: Junior Midfielder Kenna est kicks the ball to alleviate the attack of the Scarlets Thursday, Sept. 1, at the Owatonna Soccer Complex. Owatonna would lose thier second game of the season 2-0.
Bottom: Junior defenseman Hannah Gebur sqaures up on Mankato West junior McKenna Buisman during thier matchup on Thursdsay night.

By JOSH ZIMMER
Sports Editor

In any sporting event, the game is not over until the clock reads all zeros. Unfortunately, the Owatonna girls soccer team had to be on the receiving end of one of those crushing losses. The Lady Huskies fell to Mankato West 2-0 in their matchup Thursday night at the Owatonna Soccer Complex.

There’s a lot of little things to take out of a loss like this,” head coach Matt Roddy added.

While they may have lost in heartbreaking fashion, it’s not to say that it was a competitive match. The attack from both teams was on display early and often in the first half of play. A combination of smooth clean passes and tight defense allowed for every fan in attendance to be on the edge of their seats. Roddy also added that each team had their share of momentum.

“It was a streaky type of game. There were times we controlled and dominated and times that they (Mankato West) did the same,” he added.

There were moments in the first half for Owatonna where it appeared they were

close to opening the game up. Fifteen minutes into the first half, junior Sophie Admunson attempted a shot on goal but it drifted just wide of the Scarlets net. Shortly thereafter, sophomore Kiley Friedrichs appeared to have a goal until the Mankato West ‘keeper made a spectacular diving save.

The Scarlet offense couldn’t muster much offense in the first half in large part due to the play of junior captain Margo Achterkirch.

“She’s just a strong defender in all aspects of it. If she is in a one-on-one, we feel confident she’s not gonna get beat. She had a really nice game,” Roddy added.

Both teams would enter the half with a 0-0 tie. Owatonna managed to muster three shots on goal while Mankato West had two. Whether it was on the field or in the stat sheet, both teams would neck and neck the entire first half. However, the ball started to roll the way of Mankato West in the second half.

Just ten minutes into the second half, the Scarlets managed to register three shots on goal. Both however, were

shut down by Britta Gantert.

“She did a really nice job of coming out and winning the ball at the top of the box. I thought that was one of the strongest things she did today,” Roddy added.

Keeping the theme of the match, Owatonna answered with two shots on goal attempts of their own roughly ten minutes after West had their chances. One attempt

by Josie Sullivan sailed just wide while Toria Koch had her attempt thwarted by another diving stop by the Scarlet ‘keeper.

With just ten minutes to go in the half, Mankato West junior McKenna Buisman recorded the games’ only two goals in a span of six minutes.

Owatonna attempted to make one final push in the closing minute until an errant

pass sailed out of bounds to help seal the game. Despite the loss, Roddy said that there were certainly some things offensively that they did well.

“I thought we created some nice stuff out on the wings. Our crossing in off of it was a little inconsistent but if we can tighten that up, I think we are going to get a lot of opportunities,” he said.

Owatonna will attempt to



BP volleyball edges NRHEG



Staff Photo by Josh Zimmer

Bloomington senior outside hitter Kylie Forystek prepares for a serve against NRHEG on Thursday night at Bloomington High School. The Awesome Blossoms would go on to win in five sets.

By LEMAR NELSON
Staff Writer

It seems only fitting that a volleyball match between intense rivals go down to the wire. That happened Thursday night, Sept. 1, at Bloomington Prairie when the Awesome Blossoms survived many early mistakes to edge NRHEG three games to two. BP lost the first two games 17-25 and 9-25, but came back to win the final three 25-23, 25-17, and 19-17.

Poor setting and missed serves put the Blossoms in a deep hole after the first two games, but the team regrouped and played much better in taking the next three games and the match. Bp trailed 11-6 in the deciding game, but got a big kill from Marissa Larson

and two big blocks at the net to close the gap. Sam Wurst served two points to tie the game at 13-13, and the teams traded points until McKenna Hein served two straight points for the final margin.

“We just had an awful tie in the first two games”, commented Coach Ranell Kittelson. “We missed several serves, and our setters were off target to many times. Fortunately, we finally got things straightened out a lot after the second game loss

Gretchen Ramaker served 9 points to lead the Panthers in the first game to enable the visitors to pull away from an 18-17 margin. Erin Van Wilgen led the second team

Blossoms

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Sports

Husky Round up



By JOSH ZIMMER
Sports Editor

Cross Country

The Owatonna boys and girls cross country teams competed in the Austin Invitational at Meadow Greens Golf Course in Austin on Tuesday, Aug. 30. The boys’ team also competed in the St.Olaf showcase on Friday at St. Olaf College in a tough field of 31 teams.

Boys

The Huskies brought home a second place finish, scoring 48 points and being nudged out of first place by Rochester Century by six points (42).

Braydon Kubat was the team’s highest finisher in the 5k. His time 17:13.5 was good enough for fourth.

Owatonna would see five top-fifteen finishers in the 5k. Joining Kubat were Bryce Knutson (seventh), Evan Steiger (10th), Caedon McCartney (12th), and Steven St. Martin finished fifteenth.

On Friday, the boys team raced in the St. Olaf showcase at St. Olaf College.

Braydon Kubat improved from his 43rd place finish last yeat to take tome a top twenty finish this season.

The Huskies finished in front of three Big 9 schools (Mankato West, Winona and Albert Lea) and finished jsut behind Red Wing.

Head Coach Dave Chatelaine said that it was a great improvement from last season. “We finished 13th out of 32

schools. That was an improvement from our 17 place finish last year,” he added.

The Huskies will be in Fairbault Friday.

Girls

The girls’ squad brought home a third place finish, finishing just behind Mankato West (66) and Rochester Century (62).

In a field of 113 runners, wvv The Lady Huskies would have every runner place in the top 40, with four top 20 finishers. Sara Wall her strong start to the season, capturing the lone top 10 finish of the day.

Junior Payton Wunderlich had a strong afternoon, being the second highest placer at 18 for the Huskies.

Abigail Moran and eighth grader Catrina Herr finished 19 and 20 respectfully.

Tennis

The Lady Huskies traveled to Rochester to face No. 8 Rochester Mayo on Tuesday and lost 6-1.

The team’s lone win came from Sara Anderson, who is still undefeated on the year. No.2 doubles duo of Macy Voss and Katie Segler lost a tightly contested match 6-4/7-5.

No. 1 doubles of Caitlin Anderson and Gabi Deml also fell in a tight match 6-4/6-3.

Boys Soccer

The Owatonna boys soccer team suffered their second loss of the season Thursday night, falling to Mankato West 3-2.

Stats were not tabulated before press.

Medford: Sluggish start dooms Tigers

By JOSH ZIMMER
Sports Editor

Despite the spirited home crowd, when momentum is shifted, it’s tough to find the groove, especially when having to battle sluggish starts.

In their season opening contest at home, Medford fell to the Hayfield Vikings in four sets, 26-24,11-25,20-25,13-25 in a nonconference matchup.

“Its such a momentum game. We fell in a hole, and it’s tough to dig out of one,” added head coach Tanya Powers.

In four sets, the Tigers fell down 5-0 in three of those sets. That’s not to say they didn’t put up a good fight however. In the first set, Medford would rally from a 9-5 deficit to make the score even at ten. That was the theme of the first set. Hayfield would jump out to a lead and the Lady Tigers would rally back.

“I just expressed to have confidence and to play our game,” said Powers.

After a timeout, the Lady Tigers would rally to tie the score at 23. Freshman Emma Kniefel would win the first set for the Tigers after her shot was deflected by two Hayfield defenders and would coast out of bounds.

In her first varsity appearance, Kniefel provided much of the attack for the Tigers, recording six kills in the contest. Powers noted that she was fairly impressed by both of her freshmen.

“I thought they both played well. Kniefel kept swinging. While they didn’t always go in, it was a great building block to see her be aggressive,” added Powers.

In the second set, Hayfield built another quick 5-0 lead. There was no shortage of dominance in the second set, as

the Vikings would build their largest lead of the night at 18-5. The Lady Tigers struggled to see the shooting lanes tonight, often shooting right into waiting arms.

“We just couldn’t find the holes or we’re just shooting into the blocks. We have to be better,” said Powers of her squad.

Much like the first set Medford attempted to build a strong rally and even managed to shorten the Vikings lead to eight. However, the Vikings ball movement proved to be too much.

Facing a deficit of 6-3,in the third set, The Tigers managed to rally to pull the game to one. The third set was a more polished Tigers squad, utilizing good ball movement and possibly holding onto the fading momentum they had to start the match. That momentum would fade even more as Hayfield built a tough four-point lead to put the game

at 14-18.

The fourth set was all Hayfield building a 24-12 lead thanks to three straight blocks. Hayfield would go on to win the final set by 13.

Despite the inconsistent play at times, coach Powers said that she came away pleased overall.

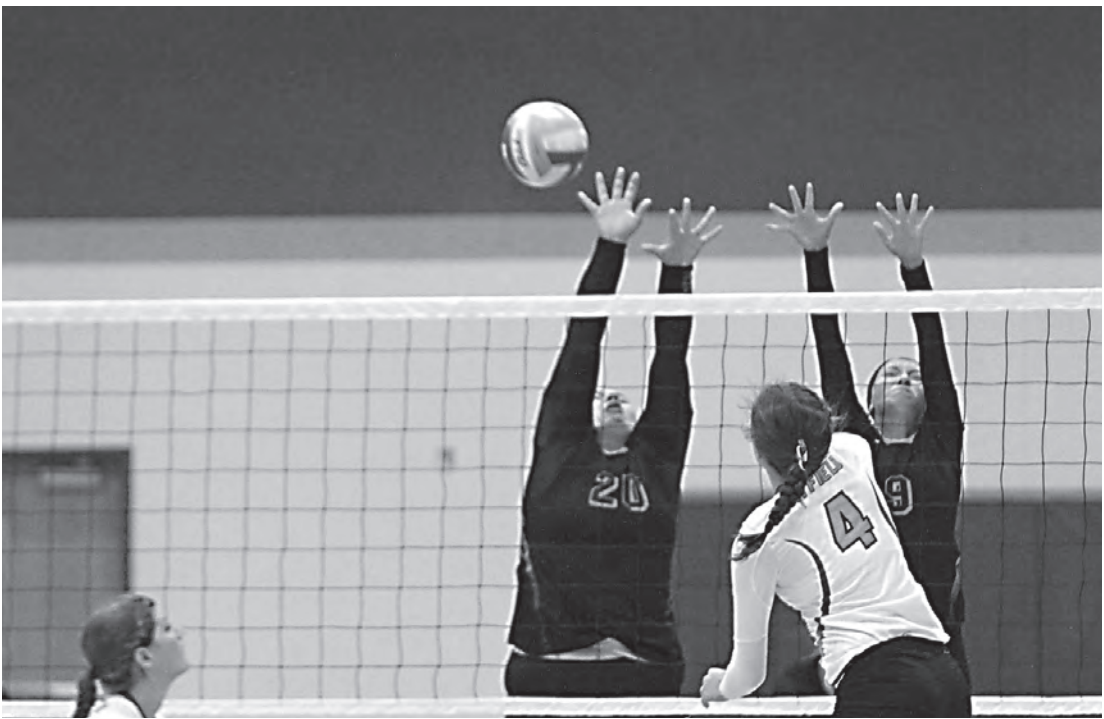
“It was our first game of the season and we have time to improve. If we can find out confidence and play how we know we can we will be successful,” she added.

Kills

Payton Powers, 2
Emma Kniefel, 6
Dani Morgan, 5
Sydney Langeslag 5
Mikayla Spinler 4
Amanda Honsey 11

Digs

Callie Nagel, 28
Krystal Hanson, 11
Payton Powers, 6
Emma Kniefel, 17



Steele County cross country round up

The Blooming Prairie, Medford and NRHEG cross country teams competed at the Bill Glomski Invitinal in Stewartville on Thursday.

The Medford teams also competed in the Wabasha-Kellogg Gallop Invitational on Monday. The race was a two-mile contest featuring 18 teams. Below are the results from each of the three schools from the past week:

Blooming Prairie

Alec Ille led the Blossoms with a 7th place (17:03). Elijah Baker ran an 18:36 for 25th, and

Evan Doerhoefer also placed in the top 30 runners with an 18:44, just 8 seconds behind Baker. Quentin Kubista timed a 20:05, Jesse Schewe a 20:13, and Ethan Grant a 20:50. The only girl running for BP in this meet saw first-time competitor Jerrin Jax time a 24:27. Coach Bruns is dealing with some injuries, but said that the girls will have a full time as the season progresses. The Awesome Blossoms would finish fifth.

NRHEG

Josh Fleming led the NRHEG boys with an 18:51 time, followed by Ben Lewer at 19:50,

Kollin Reese at 22:10, and Jagger Beck at 23:03. Braden Routh and Orin Mely rounded out the Panther times with 24:04 and 26:05. An incomplete team for the NRHEG girls found Mia Williams leading the team with a 25:13 time. Jade Mely timed a 25:27, and Destiny Medrano a 29:51. Coach Weber commented that Williams had a strong race, with Mely not too far behind. The Panthers would finish in fifteenth.

Medford

Brett Johnson was the top finisher. The Tigers were missing their No.2 runner in

Dylan Stenzel. The Jr High team won the 1600m event, with Garrett Fitzgerald finishing 2nd. Head Coach Dave Bon says he plans on running Fitzgerald as a varsity runner at the Blooming Prairie meet on September 15th.

In the meet on Monday, Medford had another strong performance from Brett Johnson, finishing with a time of 13:35.5.

Other notable finishers include: Dylan Stenzel (14:18.4), Ryan Hermanstorfer (15:00.8), Brendan Rahn (15:24.1), Isaiah Chavis (16:40.2), Connor Davis (16:43.7), Tristen Kern (18:26.6).

Blooming Prairie wins in five

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Wilgen led the second team runaway with with 10 straight points. The Blossoms fought back at that point.

“Tonight was a real heartbreaker,” remarked Panther coach Onika Peterson. “We came out strong in the first two games, but we fell behind quickly in game three, and we struggled to get things going from that point. Tonight was all about momentum, and unfortunately, the Blossoms came out on top.”

For the Blossoms, senior hitter Marissa Larson had a career night, with 17 kills and 5 blocks. Both Courtney Wobschall and Wurst added 8 kills, Leah Schiefert and Leah Inwards both had 23 assists and Kylie Forystek scrambled for 26 digs and added 6 kills. Libero Bria Baldwin rounded out the stats for the Blossoms with 15 digs.

“It was a typical BP,NRHEG contest,” concluded Kittelson. “Give the losers credit. They had all the momentum early, and we were lucky to get untracked and make a battle out of it.”

Maddie and Marnie Wagner had 15 and 14 kills for the Panthers. Marnie Wagner ran the floor for 15 digs, and

Rachel Collins had 9 digs and 40 assists in the match.

GIRLS UPEND BULLDOGS

The final two games of the match had a lot of drama, but the Awesome Blossoms won both of them to defeat Janesville-Waldorf-Pemberton three games to one. The match at Janesville Monday, Aug. 29, evened the young season for the locals and gave them a win.

“We played much better in this match”, remarked Coach Ranell Kittelson. “We worked on a lot of things in practice after the loss to Byron, and I think it paid off.”

BP won the opening set easily 25-11, with Leah Schiefert serving ten straight points midway through the game. JWP came back in game two for a 25-13 victory, as Kylie Sveen served ten straight for the Bulldogs. Both of the last two sets went down to the wire.

Kylie Forystek served three points, including an ace for a 23-19 edge, and the Blossoms tallied the final points on successive kills b y Sam Wurst and Forystek.

Wurst had a career match for the winners, as she piled up

11 kills and 7 blocks. Forystek had 7 kills and 7 digs, Bria Baldwin had 15 digs, and Schiefert and Inwards had 15 and 14 assists respectively. The play at the net by the Blossoms turned the tide in the last two hard-fought games of the match.

“We are trying to vary the offense a little to be less predictable”, concluded, Kittelson, “and we will see if that helps from now on. The next two matches should be good tests for the coming schedule.”

The second game proved close most of the way, but the locals found a way to edge the Bulldogs by two. ‘We had a great comeback in game one”, commented Coach Jennifer Wayne, “and that gave us confidence for the rest of the night.

The BP Varsity is now 1-1.

Panthers win opener

NRHEG girls opened the volleyball season with a 3-1 match victory over Nicollet on then home court Tuesday, Aug. 30. The visitors won the first set 25-19, as the Panthers were kept on their heels the whole game. However, NRHEG found its momentum from

then on, defeating the Raiders in three straight games 25-21, 25-18, and 25-23.

The first game loss found the Panthers giving up too many free balls and tips, and the girls struggled with staying aggressive. Over the next three games, the Panthers became much more aggressive and carried the play in the set6s. The second game was close, and the fourth game went down to the wire, before the winners prevailed.

“ We had a tough time in game one”, commented Coach Onika Peterson, “but we did much better in the final three sets. It was great to get that first win of the season, and we also discovered some of the weaknesses that we will work on in practice.”

Maddie and Marnie Wagner had 9 and 8 kills respectively, and the two combined for 35 digs. Olivia Christopherson and Rachel Collins added 8 and 6 kills; Christopherson and Grace Johns had 16 and 11 digs, and Collins piled up 32 assists in the match



These are the results from the Chateau Raceway at Lansing for the week of August 26

Results

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Green Card Voices Traveling Exhibit, Aug. 25 – Sept. 18 Various Locations in Austin
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10 a.m. Electrifying Minnesota: A Traveling Exhibit from the Minnesota History Center and the Bakken Museum, Mower County Historical Society
11:30 a.m. SEMCAC Meal, Heritage House
3 p.m. Cedars Market, The Cedars of Austin, east side parking lot

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5:15 p.m. Bingo, Austin VFW
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September 10th
Green Card Voices Traveling Exhibit, Aug. 25 – Sept. 18 Various Locations in Austin
70th Annual National Barrow Show, Mower County Fairgrounds
8 a.m. Austin MN Out of the Darkness Community Walk, Lafayette Park, Austin
8 a.m. Cedar River Archery Club 3D Shoot, 54691 270th St, Austin
9 a.m. Austin Farmers Market, 501 Oakland Ave East
9 a.m. Farmers Market Place LLC, 18th Ave, in front of Shopko
10 a.m. ArtWorks Gallery – James Wagner, Austin ArtWorks Center, 300 Main St N
10 a.m. Wildlife Oil Painting, Austin ArtWorks Center, 300 Main St N, Austin
12 p.m. Minnesota Statewide High School Mountain Bike Race, Austin Mountain Bike Trail
7 p.m. Hairball Concert, Mower County Fairgrounds
9 p.m. Sola Fide Observatory Viewing, Sola Fide Observatory

September 11th
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70th Annual National Barrow Show, Mower County Fairgrounds
7 a.m. Minnesota Statewide High School Mountain Bike Race, Austin Mountain Bike Trail
8 a.m. Cedar River Archery Club 3D Shoot, 54691 270th St, Austin
11:30 a.m. NBS Community Windsor Chop Dinner, Plager Building, Mower County Fairgrounds
1 p.m. 20th Annual Mower County Humane Society Walk for Animals, Mill Pond, Austin
1 p.m. Grand Meadow Open Gym, Wrestling Room, Weight Room
September 12th
Green Card Voices Traveling Exhibit, Aug. 25 – Sept. 18 Various Locations in Austin
70th Annual National Barrow Show, Mower County Fairgrounds
American Legion & Auxiliary Meeting
11:30 a.m. SEMCAC Meal, Heritage House
1 p.m. AMIGO Day, Cedar River Golf Course, Adams
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5:15 p.m. Bingo, Austin VFW
5:30 p.m. History Happy Hour: Veterans of Foreign Wars, Hormel Historic Home
7 p.m. School Board Meeting, Hayfield High School Library
September 13th
Green Card Voices Traveling Exhibit, Aug. 25 – Sept. 18 Various Locations in Austin
70th Annual National Barrow Show, Mower County Fairgrounds
Lyle Vol. Fire Dept. Meeting
9 a.m. Hormel Retirees Breakfast, Mower County Senior Center
10 a.m. ArtWorks Gallery – James Wagner, Austin ArtWorks Center, 300 Main St N
12 p.m. Tuesdays with Toastmasters, Hormel Foods Corporate Office
3:30 p.m. Mower Co Southland ISD: Open Gym, M/HS Gym
6 p.m. 2016 Austin Police Department Citizen Academy
6 p.m. Grand Meadow City Council Meeting

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11:30 a.m. SEMCAC Meal, Heritage House
3 p.m. Cedars Market, The Cedars of Austin, east side parking lot
5:30 p.m. Writing Memoirs and Personal Stories #1 – Introduction to Memoir Writing, Austin ArtWorks Center, 300 Main St. N.
7 p.m. National Alliance on Mental Illness Peer Support Group, First Congregational Church

BLOOMING PRAIRIE

September 7th
10:30 a.m. BPBL Story Time
September 13th
BP Card Club & Luncheon
10:30 a.m. BPBL Storytime
September 14th
10:30 a.m. BPBL Story Time

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BAR BINGO: MONDAY @ 6:30 P.M.
AUGUST 8, 22 & 26; SEPT. 12, 19 & 26
(MUST BE 21 TO PLAY)
WINE + WOMEN: WED 6-10 P.M.
CRAZY DAYS: SEPT. 14-17 (OFF SALE)
BLOOMIN' GRAPEVINE WINE CLUB:
SEPTEMBER-MAY - SCHED AVAIL 9/1
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HOLIDAY DAZZLE WINE & BEER TASTING: THURS. NOV. 3RD
HOLIDAY DAZZLE DOWNTOWN FESTIVITIES: THURS. DEC. 2ND
HARVEY'S HOLIDAY CHEER: DEC 10TH
NEW YEAR'S EVE: MUNCHIES & CHAMPAGNE

ELLENDALE/GENEVA

September 7th
Hope Curbside Recycling N of 42nd Ave
September 8th
5:30 p.m. NRHEG Yoga, DAPE Room
7 p.m. NRHEG Yoga, DAPE Room
7 p.m. NRHEG Zumba, DAPE Room
September 12th
6:20 p.m. NRHEG Yoga, Media Center, Ellendale
September 13th
7 p.m. NRHEG Karate, ES Gym North Ellendale

MEDFORD

September 8th
2 p.m. The Arthritis Foundation: Medford Senior Exercise Class, Whistle Stop Diner
5 p.m. Medford EDA (2nd Wednesday Odd Months)
September 12th
2 p.m. The Arthritis Foundation: Medford Senior Exercise Class, Whistle Stop Diner
September 14th
Medford EDA (2nd Wednesday, Odd Months)
4 p.m. Medford Veterans Committee Meeting

OWATONNA

September 8th
2 p.m. OPL Independent & World Films
5:30 p.m. Owatonna Airport Commission, Airport Lounge
6:30 p.m. OPL Family Story Time
September 12th
4:30 p.m. Owatonna Park & Rec Board, Council Chambers, Brooktree Golf Course or City Park
September 13th
Steele Co Commission
9:30 a.m. OPL It's TALE TIME!
7 p.m. Steele Co Board Meeting, Admin Center, BR
7 p.m. Veterans Open Roundtable, Good Shephard Lutheran Church

ALBERT LEA/FREEBORN Co

September 7th
Check out the Internet – Albert Lea Public Library
7:30 a.m. AL Port Authority Meeting, AL EDA
7:30 a.m. Port Authority Meeting, AL Economic Development Agency
3:30 p.m. Staff Mentee Meetings (Elementary) Hawthorne Elementary School, Rm #134
September 8th
Sibley Family Picnic
10 a.m. Fountain Lake Readers Book Club
10:30 a.m. ALPL Story Time
5:30 p.m. Council Workshop, City Council Chambers, City Hall
September 9th
6 p.m. Rock Climbing Open Gym, 211 W. Richway Dr.
September 10th
Library Closed
6 p.m. Rock Climbing Open Gym, 211 W. Richway Dr.
September 12th
10:30 a.m. ALPL Story Time
2 p.m. Intro to the Computer, ALPL Computer Classes
5:15 p.m. AL Human Rights Commission, City Council Chambers
5:30 p.m. Hawthorne PTO Meeting
5:30 p.m. Sibley SHARE Meeting
7 p.m. City Council, Council Chambers, City Hall
September 13th
8:30 a.m. Shell Rock Watershed Board Meeting
10:30 a.m. ALPL Story Time
3:30 p.m. Staff Mentee Meeting, High School, Room E113
5 p.m. Hawthorne School Picnic
6 p.m. Rock Gym, 211 W. Richway Dr.
7 p.m. Friends Annual Meeting – Guest Author Allen Eskens, ALPL
September 14th
2 p.m. Intro to the Internet, ALPL Computer Classes, ALPL
4 p.m. Math Training, Sibley Elementary School Library

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Legal Notices

Foreclosure

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

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

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

MORTGAGOR(S): Bonnie L. Petersen, an unmarried person
MORTGAGEE: Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.

ASSIGNMENTS OF MORTGAGE: Assigned to: None.

ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: \$330,000.00

DATE OF MORTGAGE: February 23, 2009

DATE AND PLACE OF FILING: Recorded on March 27, 2009 as Document Number 362972 in the Office of the County Recorder of Steele County, Minnesota.

THE AMOUNT CLAIMED TO BE DUE ON THE MORTGAGE ON THE DATE OF THE NOTICE: \$192,677.36

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: Commencing at the Southeast corner of Section 28, Township 108 North Range 20 West, Change North 1312.97 feet along the East line of Section 28 to the Southeast corner of the Northeast Quarter of Southeast Quarter of said Section; thence West at right angles 50.0 feet to the West right of way line of State Aid Road No. 1; and the point of beginning; thence West along the South line of the Northeast Quarter of Southeast Quarter, a distance of 205.75 feet; thence North 190.0 feet, thence East 205.75 feet to the right of way line of State Aid Road No. 1; thence South 190.0 feet to the point of beginning. And Commencing at the Southeast corner of Section 28, Township 108 North, Range 20 West, thence North 1502.97 feet along the East line of Section 28, thence West at right angles 50.0 feet to the West right of way line of State Aid Road No. 1 and the point of beginning; thence continuing West 205.75 feet; thence North 214.35 feet, thence East 205.75 feet to the right of way line of State Aid Road No. 1, thence South 214.35 feet to the point of beginning.

STREET ADDRESS OF PROPERTY: 3890 N CEDAR AVE, OWATONNA, MN 55060

COUNTY IN WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED: Steele County, Minnesota

TRANSACTION AGENT: None
NAME OF MORTGAGE ORIGINATOR: Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.

RESIDENTIAL SERVICER: Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.

TAX PARCEL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 12-028-1206 and 12-028-2105

TRANSACTION AGENT'S MORTGAGE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: None

THAT no action or proceeding has been instituted at law to recover the debt then remaining secured by such mortgage, or any part thereof, or, if the action or proceeding has been instituted, that the same has been discontinued, or that an execution upon the judgment rendered therein has been returned unsatisfied, in whole or in part.

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

DATE AND TIME OF SALE: September 27, 2016 at 10:00 AM

PLACE OF SALE: Steele County Sheriff's Office, Law Enforcement Center, 204 Pearl Street East, Owatonna, Minnesota to pay the debt then secured by said mortgage and taxes, if any actually paid by the mortgagee, on the premises and the costs and disbursements allowed by law. The time allowed by law for redemption by said mortgagor(s), their personal representatives or assigns is twelve (12) months from the date of sale.

TIME AND DATE TO VACATE PROPERTY: Unless said mortgage is reinstated or the property redeemed, or unless the time for redemption is reduced by judicial order, you must vacate the premises by 11:59 p.m. on September 27, 2016.

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

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

Dated: August 1, 2016
WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A.
Mortgagee
THE ACADEMY LAW GROUP, P.A.

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8/9, 8/16, 8/23, 8/30, 9/6, 9/13

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STATE OF MINNESOTA

THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT DISTRICT COURT PROBATE DIVISION

COUNTY OF STEELE

Court File No. 74-PR-16-1661
NOTICE OF INFORMAL PROBATE OF WILL AND APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate of
Lorraine J. Hanson,
Decedent

Notice is given that an application for informal probate of the Decedent's Will, dated September 25, 1995, ("Will"), has been filed with the Registrar. The application has been granted.

Notice is also given that the Registrar has informally appointed John K. Hanson, whose address is 51339 State Highway 38, Bigfork, MN 56628, 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 with the Court (pursuant to Minnesota Statutes section 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.

Any objections to the probate of the Will or appointment of the Personal Representative must be filed with this Court and will be heard by the Court after the filing of an appropriate petition and proper notice of hearing.

Notice is also given that (subject to Minnesota Statutes section 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 months after the date of this Notice or the claims will be barred.

Dated
2016.08.18
Kris Schmitz
Registrar
Attorney for

Personal Representative
David L. Einhaus
Einhaus, Mattison, Carver
& Haberman, P.A.
202 N. Cedar Ave., P.O. Box 545
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8/30, 9/6

Foreclosure

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

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

MORTGAGOR(S): Joel C. Menden, a single person and Bonita R. Menden, a single person

MORTGAGEE: Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.

ASSIGNMENTS OF MORTGAGE: Assigned to: None.

ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: \$157,560.00

DATE OF MORTGAGE: February 24, 2011

DATE AND PLACE OF FILING: Recorded on March 1, 2011 as Document Number A000376889 in the Office of the County Recorder of Steele County, Minnesota.

THE AMOUNT CLAIMED TO BE DUE ON THE MORTGAGE ON THE DATE OF THE NOTICE: \$147,558.83

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: Tract I:

The South 83.39 feet of Lot One (1) in the Northeast Quarter (NE 1/4) of Section Sixteen (16) Township One Hundred and Seven (107) North, of Range Twenty (20) West, Steele County, Minnesota

AND Tract II:

The South Half of Lot 2 in the Northeast Quarter of Section 16-107-20; Except the North Quarter of South Half of West Half of Lot 2, Steele County, Minnesota

STREET ADDRESS OF PROPERTY: 522 S CEDAR AVE, OWATONNA, MN 55060-3202

COUNTY IN WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED: Steele County, Minnesota

TRANSACTION AGENT: None
NAME OF MORTGAGE ORIGINATOR: Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.

RESIDENTIAL SERVICER: Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.

TAX PARCEL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 17-016-1104 and 17-016-1114

TRANSACTION AGENT'S MORTGAGE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: None

THAT no action or proceeding has been instituted at law to recover the debt then remaining secured by such mortgage, or any part thereof, or, if the action or proceeding has been instituted, that the same has been discontinued, or that an execution

upon the judgment rendered therein has been returned unsatisfied, in whole or in part.

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

DATE AND TIME OF SALE: November 1, 2016 at 10:00 AM

PLACE OF SALE: Steele County Sheriff's Office, Law Enforcement Center, 204 Pearl Street East, Owatonna, Minnesota to pay the debt then secured by said mortgage and taxes, if any actually paid by the mortgagee, on the premises and the costs and disbursements allowed by law. The time allowed by law for redemption by said mortgagor(s), their personal representatives or assigns is six (6) months from the date of sale.

TIME AND DATE TO VACATE PROPERTY: Unless said mortgage is reinstated or the property redeemed, or unless the time for redemption is reduced by judicial order, you must vacate the premises by 11:59 p.m. on May 1, 2017.

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

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

Dated: September 2, 2016
WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A.
Mortgagee
THE ACADEMY LAW GROUP, P.A.

By: /s/Rebecca F. Schiller, Esq.
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THIS IS A COMMUNICATION FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR.
9/6, 9/13, 9/20, 9/27, 10/4, 10/11

Foreclosure

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That Default has occurred in the conditions of the following described mortgage:

DATE OF MORTGAGE: 12/11/2009

ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: \$81,400.00

MORTGAGOR(S): Gary A. Starkson, A Single Person

MORTGAGEE: Bank of America, N.A.

DATE AND PLACE OF FILING: 12/29/2009 as Doc#: 185344 in the Office of the County Recorder, Dodge County, Minnesota

The mortgage was assigned for value as follows:

Assignee: Bank of America, N.A., Successor by Merger to BAC Home Loans Servicing, LP FKA Countrywide Home Loans Servicing, LP

Assignment dated: 09/23/2011

Assignment recorded: 10/24/2011

Assignment recording information: Doc#: 193630

Assignee: The Secretary of Housing and Urban Development

Assignment dated: 9/18/2014

Assignment recorded: 2/20/2015

Assignment recording information: Doc#: 209990

Assignee: U.S. Bank Trust N.A., as Trustee for LSF9 Master Participation Trust

Assignment dated: 1/30/2015

Assignment recorded: 2/20/2015

Assignment recording information: Doc#: 209991

All in the records of the County Recorder in and for Dodge County, Minnesota.

TAX PARCEL I.D. NO.: 25.426.1730
LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: Lot 6, Block 24, Frank Mantor's Addition, in the city of Mantorville, Dodge County, Minnesota.

Abstract Property
STREET ADDRESS OF PROPERTY: 715 7th Street W, Mantorville, MN 55955

COUNTY IN WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED: Dodge

LENDER OR BROKER AND MORTGAGE ORIGINATOR: Bank of America, N.A.

RESIDENTIAL MORTGAGE SERVICER: Caliber Home Loans Inc.

THE AMOUNT CLAIMED TO BE DUE ON THE MORTGAGE \$94,073.52 AS OF 7/22/2016.

THAT no action or proceeding has been instituted at law to recover the debt secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof; that there has been compliance with all pre-foreclosure notice and acceleration requirements of said mortgage, and/or applicable statutes.

Pursuant to the power of sale

contained in said Mortgage, the Mortgage will be foreclosed, and the mortgaged premises will be sold by the Sheriff of Dodge, Minnesota at public auction as follows:

DATE AND TIME OF SALE: 9/1/2016 at 11:00 AM

PLACE OF SALE: Dodge Sheriff's Office, 22 6th Street East, Dept. 201, Mantorville, MN 55955 to pay the debt then secured by said mortgage and taxes, if any actually paid by the mortgagee, on the premises and the costs and disbursements allowed by law.

The time allowed by law for redemption by said Mortgagor(s) or Mortgagor's personal representatives or assigns is 6 Months from the date of sale.

TIME AND DATE TO VACATE PROPERTY: If the mortgage is not reinstated under Minn. Stat. §580.30 or redeemed under Minn. Stat. §580.23, the mortgagor must vacate the mortgaged property by 11:59 p.m. on 2/10/2017, or the next business day if 2/10/2017 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday.

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

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

Dated: 07/06/2016

U.S. Bank Trust, N.A., as Trustee for LSF9 Master Participation Trust , Mortgagee/Mortgage Assignee Klatt, Augustine, Sayer, Treinen & Rastede, P.C., By Brian G. Sayer, Attorney for Mortgagee/Mortgage Assignee
925 E 4th St., Waterloo, IA 50703

THIS IS A COMMUNICATION FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

NOTICE OF POSTPONEMENT

The attached referenced sale scheduled for 09/01/2016 is hereby postponed until 09/13/2016 at 11:00 A.M. at the Dodge County Sheriff's Office, 22 6th Street East, Dept. 201, Mantorville, MN 55955. Unless said mortgage is reinstated or the property redeemed, or unless the time for redemption is reduced by judicial order, the premises must be vacated by 11:59 p.m. on 03/13/2017 or the next business day if 03/13/2017 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday.

Dated: 09/06/2016

U.S. Bank Trust, N.A., as Trustee for LSF9 Master Participation Trust , Mortgagee/Mortgage Assignee Klatt, Odekirk, Augustine, Sayer, Treinen & Rastede, P.C., By Brian G. Sayer, Attorney for Mortgagee/Mortgage Assignee
925 E. 4th Street, Waterloo, IA 50703

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Proposed Agenda

Proposed
City of Blooming Prairie
City Council Meeting Agenda
September 12, 2016
7:00 P.M.

Call to Order
Pledge of Allegiance
Approval of Agenda
Approval of Minutes of August Regular City Council Meeting
Financial Report
Committee/Commission Reports

1. B.P. Public Utilities
2. E.D.A.
3. B.P. Planning & Zoning
4. B.P. Fire Commission
5. B.P. Ambulance Commission
6. B.P. Police Commission

Business

1. 2017 Proposed Budget
2. 2017 Proposed Enterprise Funds Budget
3. Certification of Proposed 2017 Tax Levy
4. Set Date for Public Comment – 2017 Budget
5. Pay Request WWTP Control Update
6. Request for Permit for Liquor in the Park – Knights of Columbus
7. BP Fire Relief Schedule SC-16
8. Street Closing – 4th Annual Drive-In Event – September 17

City Administrator's Report
1. Welcome Sign
2. Victory Field Sign
3. P & Z Public Hearing – Review & Revise Zoning Map

4. P & Z Public Hearing – Temporary Family Health Care Dwellings
5. 6th Street NW Project Update

City Attorney's Report
Council Members' Reports
Adjourn

This Agenda is Subject to Change



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BP ISD#756 Line Agenda

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT #756 BLOOMING PRAIRIE, MINNESOTA 55917

MONDAY, SEPT. 19, 2016
HIGH SCHOOL
MEDIA CENTER

PROPOSED TENTATIVE AGENDA

6:00 a.m. Thursday, September 15, 2016 Regular School Board Work Session—High School Board Room 7:00 p.m. Monday, September 19, 2016 Open Public Forum—High School Media Center 7:15 p.m. Monday, September 19, 2016 Regular School Board Meeting—High School Media Center

Any person may raise a question to the School Board. The Board will not act on any item presented to them, which is not on the agenda, until the following Board meeting. Also, the Board would like persons to limit themselves to five minutes, with a maximum of 15 minutes per topic. These limitations are needed for us to run a timely and orderly Board meeting. Persons are requested to identify themselves prior to speaking.

I. CALL TO ORDER – CHAIRPERSON

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. ROLL CALL – CLERK

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

V. PRINCIPAL REPORTS

VI. ITEMS ON WHICH BOARD ACTION IS REQUESTED

- A. District Audit
- B. Consent Agenda
- Minutes Bills
- Treasurer's Report
- Resignations
- Employment
- Donations
- C. Property Levy Limitation
- Certification 2016 Payable 2017
- D. Property & Casualty/Workers Compensation Insurance
- E. Homecoming DJ
- VII. ITEMS OF INFORMATION AND/OR DISCUSSION ONLY

- A. Committee Reports
- B. Enrollment Data
- C. Dates to Note
- VIII. SUPERINTENDENT OR BOARD MEMBER ITEMS
- IX. ADJOURNMENT

*Agenda may be subject to changes.

SC vs McRostie

COUNTY OF STEELE STATE OF MINNESOTA

County of Steele, a political subdivision of the State of Minnesota, by its Board of Commissioners;

Plaintiff,

vs.

George L. McRostie; unknown heirs of George L. Mcrostie; Flavia McRostie; unknown heirs of Flavia McRostie; Ralph McRostie; unknown heirs of Ralph McRostie; Alice McRostie; unknown heirs of Alice McRostie; Morris McRostie; unknown heirs of Morris McRostie;

NOTICE

ATTENTION WESTFIELD TOWNSHIP

The township ditches are to be mowed by September 15, 2016. If they are not mowed, the township will have them mowed and it will be charged to the landowners. Also, when mowing, please do not blow grass onto the roadways. - Westfield Township Supervisors -

NOTICE OF HEARING

STEELE COUNTY PUBLIC TILE NO. 7

STEELE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held at 9:00 a.m. on the 14th day of September, 2016 in the Boardroom at the Steele County Administration Building, 630 Florence Avenue, Owatonna, Minnesota.

The purpose of this public hearing is to accept the Petition of Lemond Solar Center, LLC and examine the report from the Engineer regarding relocating a portion of the Main Tile to Public Tile No. 7 located in the SW1/4 of the SW1/4 in Section 7, Owatonna Township between the Railroad and 8th Street SW.

All persons interested or affected by Public Tile Ditch No. 7 are invited to attend this public hearing.

Dated this 1st day of September, 2016.

Laura Ihrke
Steele County Auditor

SC vs McRostie continued

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

7.QUIET TITLE ACTION: This action involves, affects, or brings into question real property situated in the County of Steele, State of Minnesota, described as follows:

Outlot 4 of Crooker and Parker's Second Addition to the City of Owatonna, according to the plat thereof now on file and of record in the office of the Register of Deeds in and for Steele County, Minnesota; which lies southwesterly of a line run parallel with and distant 100 feet northeasterly of the following described line:
Beginning at the northwest corner of the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 9, Township 107 North, Range 20 West; thence run easterly along the north line 3

thereof for a distance of 622.7 feet; thence deflect to the right on a 01 degree 00 minute 00 second curve, (delta angle 04 degrees 24 minutes 00 seconds) for a distance of 440.0 feet; thence on tangent to said curve for a distance 1631.2 feet; thence deflect to the right on a 13 degree 00 minute 00 second curve (delta angle 87 degrees 26 minutes 00 seconds) for a distance of 672.5 feet and there terminating.

And All of the following described tract:

That part of Lot 1 of the Subdivision of the Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 9, Township 107 North, Range 20 West, according to the plat thereof now on file and of record in the office of the Register of Deeds in and for Steele County, Minnesota; lying easterly of the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific Railway right of way; except the south 150 feet thereof.

All that part of the following described tract:

That part of Sublot 1 of Lot 3 of the southeast quarter of the northeast quarter (SE¼ NE¼) of section 9, township 107 north, range 20 west and Outlot 5 of Crooker and Parker's Second Addition to the City of Owatonna, according to the plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the Register of Deeds in

and for Steele County, described as follows:

Beginning at a point, said point being the intersection of the northerly right of way line of the Chicago and North Western Railway Company's right of way and the westerly right of way line of the Minnesota State Trunk Highway No. 1; thence in a northerly direction along the westerly right of way line of said Trunk Highway No. 1 for a distance of 384 feet; thence in a westerly direction with an interior angle of 88°12' parallel with the center line of North Street in the City of Owatonna, a distance of 274 feet to a point on the easterly right of way line of the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific Railway Company's right of way; thence in a southeasterly direction along said easterly right of way line of the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific Railway Company's right of way for a distance of 336.2 feet to a point on the northerly right of way line of the Chicago and North Western Railway Company's right of way; thence in a southeasterly direction along said northerly right of way line of the Chicago and North Western Railway Company's right of way for a distance of 229 feet to the point of beginning;

which lies westerly of a line run parallel with and distant 50 feet westerly of the following described line:

Beginning at the northwest corner of the northeast quarter of the northwest quarter (NE¼ NW ¼) of said section 9; thence run easterly along the north line thereof for a distance of 622.7 feet; thence deflect to the right on a 1° 00' curve (delta angle 4° 24') for a distance of 440 feet; thence on tangent to said curve for a distance of 1631.2 feet; thence deflect to the right on a 13° 00' curve for a distance 407 672.5 feet; thence on tangent to said curve for a distance of 1139.3 feet and there terminating;

containing 2.00 acres, more or less; Subject to the following restriction: No access shall be permitted to Trunk Highway No. 1, renumbered 65, from the above described real estate, except that access shall be permitted to said Trunk Highway No. 65 between points distant 380 feet and 440 feet between points distant 490 feet and 550 feet northerly of the point of termination of the above described line (all distances being measured along said line); And

That part of Outlot 5, Crooker and Parker's Second Addition to the Town of Owatonna, according to the recorded plat thereof, Steele County, Minnesota, and that part of the Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 9, Township 107, Range 20, Steele County, Minnesota, described as follows:

Commencing at the northeast corner of the Northeast Quarter of said Section 9; thence on an assumed bearing of North 89 degrees 25 minutes 42 seconds West along the north line of said Northeast Quarter a distance of 1695.96 feet to the easterly right-of-way line of the Chicago, Rock Island, and Pacific Railroad; thence South 20 degrees 34 minutes 46 seconds East along said easterly right-of-way line a distance of 702.91 feet to the center line of West North Street and the point of beginning of the land to be described; thence continue South 20 degrees 34 minutes 46 seconds

East along said easterly right-of-way line a distance of 190.52 feet; thence southerly a distance of 346.06 feet along said easterly right-of-way line being a tangential curve, concave to the west, with a radius of 1960.08 feet and a central angle of 10 degrees 06 minutes 56 seconds, to the north line of the land described in the Quit Claim Deed dated April 13, 1970 and recorded on July 30, 1970 as Document Number 145271 in the Steele County Recorder's Office; thence South 89 degrees 08 minutes 44 seconds East, along said north line, parallel with the center line of West North Street, a distance of 255.34 feet to the southerly prolongation of the westerly right-of-way line of Hoffman Drive as established by RIVERVIEW ADDITION, OWATONNA, MINNESOTA,

according to the recorded plat thereof, Steele County, Minnesota; thence North 02 degrees 44 minutes 12 seconds East along said southerly prolongation of the westerly right-of-way line a distance of 69.14 feet to the southeast corner of Block 1, said RIVERVIEW ADDITION; thence North 89 degrees 03 minutes 48 seconds West along the south line of said Block 1 a distance of 211.19 feet to the southwest corner of said Block 1; thence northerly 297.70 feet along the westerly line of said Block 1 being a non-tangential curve concave to the west, having a radius of 2020.08 feet, a central angle of 8 degrees 26 minutes 37 seconds, and a chord that bears North 16 degrees 21 minutes 27 seconds West; thence North 20 degrees 34 minutes 46 seconds West, tangent to said curve, along said westerly line a distance of 131.51 feet to the northwest corner of said Block 1; thence South 89 degrees 08 minutes 44 seconds East along the north line of said Block 1 a distance of 12.49 feet to the east line of said Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter; thence North 00 degrees 20 minutes 105 seconds West along said east line a distance of 33.01 feet to the center line of West North Street; thence North 89 degrees 08 minutes 44 seconds West along said center line a distance of 89.21 feet to the easterly right-of-way line of the Chicago, Rock Island, and Pacific Railroad and the point of beginning. And All of the South 150 feet of the following described tract of land, to-wit:

That part of Lot 1 of the Subdivision of the Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter (NW 1/4 NE 1/4) of Section 9, Township 107 North, Range 20 West, according to the plat thereof now on file and of record in the office of the Register of Deeds in and for Steele County; described as follows: Beginning at a point 423 feet North of the Southeast corner of said Lot 1, thence South 423 feet to the Southeast corner of said Lot 1, thence West to the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific Railway right of way; thence Northwesterly along the east line of said Railroad right-of-way to a point directly West of the place of beginning; thence East to the place of beginning, containing 0.31 acres, more or less.

and the object of this action is to obtain a judgment declaring that Plaintiff is the owner in fee of the property described above.

Dated this 15th day of August, 2016.
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Saturday September 17, 10 a.m.

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JOHN DEERE TRACTORS, Skid Loader, & Gas Engine: JD 7775 Skid Loader, Diesel, motor has been replaced; 1971 JD 4020 Diesel, wf, Factory Cab w/ AC, side console, shows 8,676hrs, SN#254833, 2hyd, Synchro, 18.4R34, good original; 1968 JD 4020, wf, factory cab, new rear Firestone 18.4x34, 3pt, 2-hyd, SN#176631; JD 730, gas, wf, 3pt, fenders, new rubber 15.5x38, PS, quick hitch, good paint, SN#7304909; JD 530, Flat Top Fenders, SN#5306428; JD 530, PS, Flattop Fenders, roll-a-matic, SN#5309662; JD 430 gas, wf, no 3pt, shows 5,647hrs; JD 620 nf, PS, good rubber, 3pt, straight, SN#621-4487; JD 1010 Utility Hi-way Orange, SN# U-36166, gas, no 3pt; JD 1010 wf, 3pt, roll bar, gas; JD 50, nf, fenders, tin good, rubber good, SN#5015920; JD Unstyled A, Brass Tag #419241, loop draw bar, w/ buzz saw; JD M, wf w/ belly mower—loose; JD 2b Plow for M; JD H, hand Start, fenders, SN#45175; JD Styled G, to restore; JD Late Styled A; 1939 JD B, rear steel, #65885; JD B, runs, tin good, SN#250227; JD B, runs, tin good; JD B for Parts; JD 3hp Gas Engine; JD Gator, Lawn & Garden Tractors, Equip. & AMT-600: 640 Gator F-935 Mower, 72" deck, bad trans, gas; JD 318 L&G, Hydro, 980 hrs; AMT-600-not running; 110 Rd Fender w/ deck; 110 Rd Fender for parts—1964; 140 H-1 to restore; 140 H-3; 140 H-1; 112 Elec. Lift later model; 112 Flat Fender; 112; 60; 317 w/ Deck; 42" Blade & 36" Snow blower for rd Fender; 54" Patio Blade; 110/140 Deck; MC 519 Collection System; several decks; Thatcher; weight box for 110/112/140; Weights, custom Narrow Front for 110; (3) David-Bradley Tractors w/ Cult, mower, Sickle, & Blade;

JD PARTS & ACCESSORIES: New Gen Rear fenders; Flattop Fenders; (2) square wide fronts; 2 Roll-a-matics; Rear Steel Wheels; frame rail weights for 4020; Frt & Rear Weights; Quick-Hitch cylinders, Steps; Starters, Drawbars, Seats; Lights, Engine Blocks & heads; 2-cylinder hoods; Lots of Misc 2-cylinder Parts, **JD ANTIQUES**: 5x6 Lighted 4-leg Deer Sign (damaged), Battery Sign; Lots of service & op manuals, manual rack; Walking plow; 1r Horse Cultivator; 1-hole sheller, 2 LUC engines; umbrellas, Shop Stool; 2 Coolers; wrenches, tool boxes, thermometers, Twin-Cylinder Oil Cans, more;

JD EQUIPMENT: 2420 SP Swather—14' head; 50-EB Combine; F-145 5b Plow; PTO SD Rake; 2b Plow on steel; 4 running gears; 3-Flatbeds—2 w/ JD gears; WT Baler; 14T Baler; Horse Cultivators—1 & 2-row; Dump Rake; 1b Sulky; SD Rake on steel; #8 Sickle mower; Frt Blade for A/B; 14' Tandem Disc; 4r Frt Mnted Cult.; 3pt 8' disc; 15' F. Cult.; sickle mower;

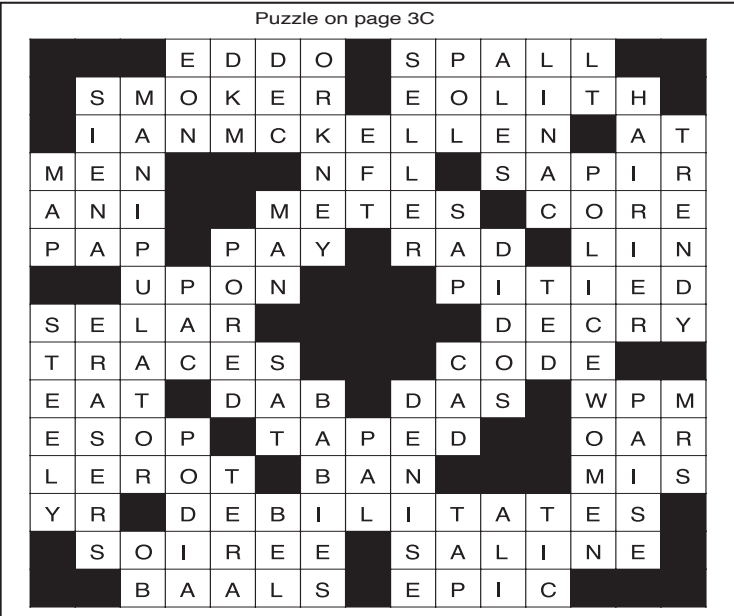
OTHER EQUIPMENT & MISC: Buhler/Farmking 8' 3pt Snow blower-good; 500gal Fuel Tank w/ pump; 800 Workmaster Loader; Steel Tandem Axle Trailer-no title; Bear Cat 950 Grinder-Mixer; potato Digger; Horse disc; Add-on 3pt; buzz saw; bale elevator; Dirt Slip; IH Horse Rake on steel; 6' tandem drag disc; Dolly Wheel; drag cart; MM Drill; IH SD Rake on steel; homemade trailer; MH 44 Fenders; New Heat Houser; Massey-Ferguson parts; 3pt 15' Danish Tine Harrow; Woods 3pt Mower; Stalk Chopper; Hiniker Cab; Speedco Quick hitch; OH Fuel Tank; 2 Go-Cart Frames; Horse Equipment: Railway Express Baggage Wagon; 2 Horse Wagons; JD? 1-horse Sleigh; Bud Wagon in part; 2-walking Plows—wood & steel beam; wood wagon wheels, Buggy Seat;

FARM ANTIQUES & PRIMITIVES: 2 Moorman's Mineral's signs; 6 Scalding Pots; Gas Engine Cart; Ottawa Drag Saw; Forge; Buggy Steps; wood well pump; lighting rods, cream cans, cream separator, grinder, single trees, several corn planters; Scythe; Egg Baskets; Barn Lanterns; Stoneware mineral feeder; Milk Bottles; Wash Stand; Wringer; Hames, Bucksaws, corn sheller, ice saws, Bucyrus Seeder; well pumps, fish spear; planter plates, Standard Polarine Oil Drums, Wood crates; flat belts; School Bell; Lots of steel wheels; ladders; 2 old-style torches; tin seats; much more
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Worried Daughter

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Falls are a big concern for many elderly seniors and their families. Each year, 1-in-3 older Americans fall, making

it the leading cause of both fatal and nonfatal injuries for those age 65 and older. But many falls can be prevented. Depending on what's causing your mom to fall, here are some different tips that can help protect her.

Encourage exercise: Weak leg muscles and poor balance are two of the biggest risk factors that cause seniors to fall. Tai chi, walking, water aerobics and strength training

are all good for improving balance and strength, as are a number of simple balance exercises that she can do anytime like standing on one foot for 30 seconds then switching to the other foot, and walking heel-to-toe across the room.

For additional balance and leg strengthening exercises the National Institute on Aging offers free exercise guides and a DVD that you can order at Go4Life.nia.nih.gov.

Review her medications: Does your mom take any medicine, or combination of medicines, that make her dizzy, sleepy or lightheaded? If so, gather up all the drugs she takes – prescriptions and over-the-counter – and take them to her doctor or pharmacist for a drug review and adjustment.

Get her vision checked: Poor vision can be another contributor to falls, so get your

mom's eyes checked every year. She may be wearing the wrong glasses or have developed a condition such as glaucoma or cataracts that make it harder to see obstacles on the floor.

Modify her home: There are also a number of simple household modifications you can do to make your mom's living area safer. Start by arranging or moving the furniture so there are clear pathways to walk through, and by picking up items on the floor that could cause her to trip like newspapers, shoes, clothes, electrical or phone cords.

If she has throw rugs, remove them or use double-sided tape to secure them.

In the bathroom buy some non-skid rugs for the floors and a rubber suction-grip mat or adhesive non-skid tape for the floor of the tub or shower,

and have a carpenter install grab bars in and around the tub/shower for support.

Also, make sure the lighting throughout the house is good, purchase some inexpensive plug-in nightlights for the bathrooms and hallways, and if she has stairs, put handrails on both sides.

For more tips, call the Eldercare Locator at 800-677-1116 and order a free copy of their "Preventing Falls at Home" brochure. Or, get an occupational therapist to come in and assess your mom's home for fall risks. Medicare will pay for this service if prescribed by a doctor.

Choose safe footwear: Your mom should be aware that going barefoot or wearing slippers or socks at home can also cause falls, as can wearing backless shoes, high heels, and shoes with smooth leather soles. The safest option are rubber-soled, low-heeled

shoes.

Purchase some helpful aids: If your mom needs some help, talk to her doctor or a physical therapist about getting her fit for a cane or walker.

Also, to help ensure your mom's safety, and provide you some peace of mind, get her a medical alert device like Bay Alarm Medical (BayAlarmMedical.com), one of the most reliable and affordable devices available today. For less than \$1 per day, this offers an emergency alert button – either in the form of a necklace pendent, wristband or wall-mounted buttons placed in high fall risk areas like the bathroom and kitchen – so she could call for help anytime if she were to fall or need assistance.

Send your senior questions to: Savvy Senior, P.O. Box 5443, Norman, OK 73079, or visit SavvySenior.org. Tim Miller is a contributor to the NBC Today show and author of "The Savvy Senior" book.

History from the news archives

10 Years Ago
Tuesday, Sept. 12, 2006
Dan Evans, Publisher

When it comes to giving, it's not often you'll see a couple of good-hearted women giving up their hair. But that actually did take place on Saturday, September 9 as Mandy Lembke and Lachelle Ingvalson donated their hair to raise money for the Cancer Benefit held at the Cue Company this past weekend. The duo presented 15 inches of hair, which will go to the "Locks of Love" foundation to help those going through cancer treatments that are losing their hair and need hair pieces.

Dan Prihoda has been named recipient of a \$1,000 Caterpillar Incorporated Scholarship from the College of Science, Technology and Engineering for the 2006-2007 school year at Minnesota State University, Mankato. This scholarship is awarded to students majoring in Automotive Technology, Manufacturing Engineering Technology, or a Mechanical Engineering field.

20 Years Ago
Tuesday, Sept. 10, 1996
Elsie Slinger, Editor

Connie Trihus had the opportunity to go to South Wales to meet her long time

50 Years Ago
Thursday, Sept. 8, 1966
Victor, Vernon and Vyrle Krejci, Editors

Jerry's Tastee-Freez will host a two-day grand opening on Friday and Saturday of this week. Mr. Gerald L. Neilsen, the proprietor, opened the attractive new eating establishment several weeks ago and reports that since that time, patronage has been overwhelming. The menu at the new self-servicing drive thru features hamburgers, chicken, hot dogs, barbecued beef, chili, french fries, cones, and more. The establishment will be open 11-11, all week, year-round.

75 Years Ago
Thursday, Sept. 11, 1941
Frank Krejci, Publisher

An unsuccessful attempt by an unidentified submarine to torpedo the U.S.S Greer enroute to Iceland, was reported by the Navy department. The Greer attacked with depth bombs, but whether they had any effect on the submarine is unknown. Berlin officials claim that the submarine was attacked first. A clarification to the American people will probably be given by President Roosevelt in his radio address to the nation Thursday night.

The President's mother, Mrs. Sarah Delano Roosevelt, died September 7th, just 14 days shy of celebrating her 87th birthday. The President, an only child, and his wife were at the bedside when the death occurred. His mother died of advanced age, physicians declared.

Sixty-seven persons met traffic deaths on Minnesota streets and highways during August, an average of more than two fatalities a day, according to the preliminary reports by the State Highway Department. A campaign started by the editors of various Minnesota newspapers, called "Save 100 Lives" has begun.

As a result of an advertising campaign conducted by the Blooming Prairie Café, 500 sundaes were sold Saturday. Hundreds visited the café fountain Saturday afternoon and evening, enjoying the specials offered.



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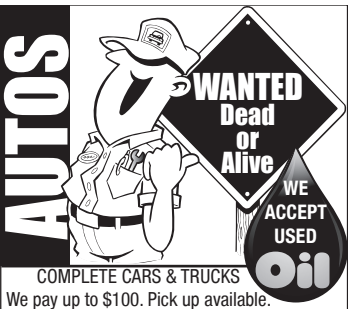
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Farmamerica Harvest Festival September 10

Farmamerica is celebrating the fall during its Harvest Festival on September 10 from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. Admission is free.

Equipment from three eras will be demonstrated. You can join in! There will be hand and horse powered equipment from the 1800's. Then we'll fire up the "putt putts" for some grandpa era equipment. And then... be amazed by the latest technology using precision and GPS to lay down straight rows and place seed exactly where you want it. You could even see a drone circling overhead!

The day will be loaded with demonstrations. The antique farm equipment will be running, harvesting corn, threshing oats, baling straw and working the ground. The latest equipment will also be on hand to show off how technology has helped farming evolve from survival to a market economy. Vincent the gypsy horse will also be on hand.

Dan Kurdys, a representative from Monsanto will be speaking about modern technology and GMO's beginning at 11:30 am in the Visitors Center. Also in the Visitors Center will be book

stead has pigs, oxen, mules, chickens, geese and ducks.

Artisans from long ago will be on hand in Peddlers' Grove making and selling goods of the 1800s. They will also let you join in black powder shooting, hatchet throwing, archery, and a host of craft demonstrations.

Food concessions will be available on site and there will be free samples of sweet corn ice cream! Be sure to check out our Facebook page and website for more details!

Farmamerica got its mandate in 1978, and has been giving people the opportunity to experience agriculture as it was and is. It is a great place to come with the family to just enjoy the farm, learn and dream.

Farmamerica is located 4 miles west of Waseca, Minnesota on County Rd 2, or a mile south of Hwy 14 on Co Rd 17. Address: 7367 360th Ave, Waseca, MN. www.farmamerica.org



signing by Karen Kasper, local children's author.

Ride the trams around the farm. You'll be able to visit corn and soybean variety and research plots. The 1930s farm-

MDA awards Value Added Grants to 23 Minnesota organizations

Applications for Fiscal Year 2017 grant program now open



Twenty-three Minnesota agricultural producers and processors have been awarded funding from the Minnesota Department of Agriculture's (MDA) Value Added Grant program. The Value Added Grant program supports projects that will increase the sales of Minnesota agricultural products through added processing, marketing or manufacturing. The grant is part of the MDA's Agricultural Growth, Research, and Innovation (AGRI) Program, which administers grant funding to farmers, agribusinesses, schools, and more throughout the state of Minnesota.

By selling value-added products, farmers, producers, and processors can grow their businesses and create new jobs. The MDA's Value Added Grant program is entering its fifth year of supporting new and established for-profit businesses.

"The Value Added Grant program has allowed us to expand our wine production capacity by nearly 100% and has helped us to diversify our packaging to include single-serve bottles," said Tami Bredeson, president of Carlos Creek Winery and former grant recipient. "The ability to offer single serve bottles has made our product more appealing to Minnesota restaurants, resulting in a 200% growth in the number of placements of our wines on local restaurant menus."

Awardees will use funds to purchase equipment or improve their agricultural product processing facility to broaden current markets or enter new ones. The projects will increase the value and sales of a wide range of Minnesota agricultural products including livestock, soybeans, flaxseed, fruit and vegetables, and more. A total of \$896,425 was awarded in this round with a median award of \$27,300.

Equipment purchases or physical improvement projects may be eligible for Value Added Grant funding, and up to 25% of the total project cost may be reimbursed with a maximum grant award of \$150,000 and a minimum grant award of \$1,000.

A complete list of the second round of Fiscal Year 2016 Value Added Grant recipients may be found online: www.mda.state.mn.us/grants/grants/valueaddedgrant/valueaddedrecipients.aspx.

Applications are now being accepted for the Fiscal Year 2017 Value Added Grant program. To view the Request for Proposals and submit an application, visit www.mda.state.mn.us/grants/grants/valueaddedgrant.aspx.

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The fundamentals of good decision-making

Appropriate Frame: "You have to be solving the right problem," Meyer says. Detail what has been decided already and what you need to decide now.

Creative Alternatives: With most decisions, you have multiple options to consider. "Outstanding decision-makers are exceptional at generating alternatives," agrees Nicole Olynk Widmar, ag economist at Purdue University. "Your choice can be no better than the best of your set of alternatives."

Relevant and Reliable Information: "All decisions are about the future," Meyer says. "You can only get so much information, so be sure it really matters and is from unbiased sources."

Clear Values and Trade-Offs: Write down all of the concerns you have about your big decision, Widmar says. "Then convert your concerns into succinct objectives." Also, Meyer suggests, understand in most cases you can't get everything you want.

Sound Reasoning: "We, as humans, are not designed to deal with uncertainty," Meyer says. "We make mistakes about complex situations if we just trust our gut." Instead, use tools such as a decision tree or scenario planning to represent what might happen.

Commitment to Action: All of this planning is for naught if you aren't ready to take action, Meyer says. Once you go through this process, be ready to pull the trigger.

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Wet weather may lower crop yields



Staff photo by Howard Lestrud

The harvest is on for sweet corn in Steele County. Terry Traynor of Birds Eye navigates his Oxbo 8420 eight-row corn harvester on Brian Nelson's property eight miles north of Blooming Prairie.

Social Media is the wild, wild west of our generation

LITTLE THOUGHTS ON THE PRAIRIE



MARK DELAP

Social media. The greatest invention of our lifetime or a crutch that will cause society to forever walk with a limitation. There have been several arguments that have stemmed from Facebook, Instagram, Snapchat, not to mention the dating sites that leave debris and broken people in the path of its storm.

Part of the problem is the fact that these virtual venues have no face-to-face interaction. No inflection. And seriously, no filters or explanations. There have been many fights and assumptions and feuds that that have come from this “media without a conscience.”

It is a middleman, if you will. You tell it what to say and it prints out the literal cold words that are begging to be misinterpreted. One thing it does accomplish. It will cause an eventual face-to-face confrontation.

A dangerous face-to-face that has stewed in the misinterpretation and harsh words. That reality leaves no further need for explanation. Medical attention, perhaps, but clarity, nonetheless. And the irony is, there is a face-to-face between two people who have only learned to communicate via keyboards and smartphones and are not skilled in the fine art of “speaking.”

Social media is still in its infancy and as yet it is still experiencing growing pains. It is not perfect and it doesn’t come with a “caution” label. Some hide behind it as a big brother and use it to say whatever spews out of their mouth – unaware that the whole world can see it. Others use it like a sniper, firing bullets from a grassy knoll and then slinking away into the darkness of obscurity.

In 2014, Venturebeat (VB)

media came out with an estimated figure that between five and 11 percent of active monthly users are fake. That rounds out to over 140 million people hiding behind the identity of someone else or their own alter-ego. With an anonymous platform you can speak your mind without showing your face or revealing your identity. No conscience. No consequences. No collateral damage.

Or so they think. Again, an unnamed tornado leaving unsuspecting people and mounds of debris in its wake. And I suppose, that is the satisfaction they receive from living in a warped and shrouded world.

Boundaries are still being established, but the problem is, enforcing boundaries on ghosts or people with a lawless, wild-west mentality.

What hasn’t “sunken in,” is that there are human beings on the other side of the virtual megaphone. That is not a slam against those typing or those reading. It’s just a fact. Humans will be... human. There will be errors in judgment and poor decision making as a backlash to those errors.

By HOWARD LESTRUD
Staff Writer

Historically, August is a dry month for crop farmers in southeastern Minnesota but this past August, heavy rains pelted corn and soybean crops and may lower the yield on both crops, report area farmers.

“It looked like we were going toward an above average soybean crop but now it looks like it will be average,” remarked Patrick O’Connor of O’Connor Family Farms of Blooming Prairie.

With wet weather, disease starts to show itself on both beans and corn, O’Connor said.

Saturated soils put extra stress on soybean plants, O’Connor said and this allows diseases to take form.

O’Connor and other local farmers believe the fall harvest will begin in about three weeks. “Soybeans are starting to turn already and when there are no leaves left, we can harvest,” he explained.

Much of the corn in Minnesota is in the dent stage of kernel development, reports the University of Minnesota Extension Service. Statewide forecasts, along with USDA’s statewide yield forecasts and weekly crop reports for Minnesota, indicate favorable corn yields for Minnesota as a whole.

This year’s weather-related challenges to corn production, including frost, excessive rainfall, hail, and wind damage, are expected to result in considerable variability in corn yield among fields and regions of the state, reports the

Extension Service.

With the wet weather threatening crops, the warmer temperatures were welcome, area farmers said.

Birds Eye of Waseca began harvesting sweet corn in the Blooming Prairie area at mid-week last week.

“We had ideal growing conditions until August but Mother Nature always gets the final say with farming,” O’Connor said.

With the bad news surrounding weather, crop prices are also not encouraging. Corn is at \$3 per bushel and soybeans are at \$9.50 a bushel.

Some farmers reportedly still have last year’s corn in bins. O’Connor said he doesn’t have too much left from last year. “We must put new corn in its place,” he said.

Social media is a gun and it’s loaded. More care needs to be taken when pointing it at others. Further instruction in that particular gun safety is needed. That being said, we must all be aware that to be “on” social media is a conscious decision. A choice to willingly and openly run through the shooting range of others. Enter at your own risk until more detail can be defined in the path, the maps and the borders.

We have journeyed to the wild and untamed west of this kind of technology and we will face the same challenges that our forefathers faced when establishing new territory. We will eventually conquer the unknown, but a great price is being paid to do it.

The advice of a very wise man once said, “Eat, drink, be merry. To do that with the utmost enjoyment, you must get off your keister, get off the grid and talk to someone face-to-face.”

We are a generation that is fast losing our ability

MEDIA

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Submitted photo

Club shines in summer



Submitted photo by Marcy Sundine

Boys and Girls’ Club staff gather with the child en they’ve been looking out for over the summer. The club hosts a variety of activity to keep kids happy and active during the summer months.

By LEMAR NELSON
Staff Writer

When any member was asked about summer at the Boys and Girls Club, the answer always came out in an enthusiastic, “It was a lot of fun.” Summer activities at the local organization concluded Friday, Aug. 26, and Unit Director Marcy Sundine expressed satisfaction with all aspects of the summer program.

“We had a wide variety of activities throughout the three-month period, we had an excellent club staff and volunteers, and the club managed to keep finances stable.” in addition to the activity program, the club provided breakfast, lunch, and snacks for all the members in attendance each day. The club operated from 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. each weekday, and the average attendance ranged from 38 to 49 children. Over

80 members enrolled in the club.

To discuss all of the classes and activities for the summer would fill a book, but some of them certainly deserve mentioning. The theme of the summer was “Water”, and members partook of many water activities. The members went to the city swimming pool weekly for the afternoon, indulged in water slide kickball, water balloon fights, and bubble making.

CLUB

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Collaborative approach with juvenile offenders



CAROLYN WHEELER

Recently, colleagues and I from SCHRC (South Central Human Relations Center) had a chance to be a part of a newly developed summer series put on by the Steele County Juvenile Justice. This was spearheaded by Steele County Attorney, Laura Isner, who gathered providers in the community to address concern about youth growing up in the community. Among the topics covered were teen dating violence, bullying, trauma informed therapy, assessment and diagnosis of various mental illnesses and conditions such as reactive attachment disorder, depression, autism, drug abuse, and homelessness. A collaborative approach between the juvenile justice and other agencies in the community instead of a

segmented approach was emphasized. The idea is very appealing as we confront the very real challenges of setting young people on a path to success rather than that of destruction.

Ms. Isner shared with me that the idea of a summer series was prompted by conversations with juvenile probation officers. She said that this series would serve to better educate them around the services that are available in the community for teenagers at risk of developing long term problems. Ms. Isner added, “We wanted to develop evidence based practices in the work with probation officers”. In addition to POSIT, which is a screening of emotional and behavioral needs, a trauma assessment was recently added to the protocol used by probation officers. Trauma is a new area of focus that has broad ranging psychotherapeutic ramifications. Another resource, that I was not aware of, is offered by the Crisis Resource Center of Steele County. They hold children’s support groups in a wide range of topics related to mental health.

In my experience, mental health and juvenile justice have often had a “silo-type” relationship with each approach existing separately. A true appreciation for the value of both may not be apparent and at worst, they may work against each other. When working with kids in the juvenile system, there may be a tendency to have one agency feeling that another is too soft in approach, while the other is too hard. This is often exacerbated by the youth and sometimes by their caregivers. A collaborative approach bridges the gap, improves communication, and ultimately enhances the effectiveness of the community’s efforts toward helping these kids back on the track of success.

According to SAMHSA (Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration), 50- 70 percent of all juvenile offenders have a diagnosable mental health condition. This underscores the fact that a change in behavior is very difficult to attain. It is not just a matter of holding them accountable or simply delving into therapy and expect a

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Blooming PrairieLiving

Changes coming to Ellendale Muni



Staff photo by Kylie Rice

Tami Hallum leans against the bar of which she is now the manager. In a Facebook announcement issued by the official Ellendale Municipal Liquor Store page, Tami was touted as having many new and fresh ideas.

By **KYLIE RICE**
Staff intern

Ellendale City Council members Scott Groth and Stephanie Kibler have been working on a comprehensive plan for the Ellendale Municipal Liquor Store (Muni). One very important aspect of this plan was getting a new manager hired. Tami Hallum has been hired as the new Manager for the Ellendale Municipal Liquor Store. She brings a level of excitement and skill that the Council

members felt was needed to continue to move the Muni forward. Tami has significant experience in the bar and food service industry.

“I am really excited,” were the first words that came out of Hallum when asked about her new job as manager at the Ellendale Municipal Liquor Store. “It is going to be a lot of fun to be here.”

“I have a lot of business background, mainly running a few of my own companies,” Hallum continued, “Actually, a lot of marketing background. I used to manage three local radio stations in Albert Lea, Spring Valley and Austin. It took lots and lots of hours of hard work. In marketing, you have to learn about the whole entity of the business. You have to learn what makes the business function.” She plans to do just that with the Muni.

“We are excited to have Tami onboard as the new Manager”, said Kibler, “Tami brings experience from a wide array of venues, and is full of fresh, new ideas and high energy. She will be an asset to helping the Muni continue to grow.”

In addition to the new Manager, there will also be new faces in the kitchen and behind the bar with additional bartenders and a cook being hired. The goal of Council Members Groth and Kibler, along with Hallum, is to move the Muni forward in a positive and fun manner. One priority is opening Sundays and Monday evenings and offering specials during the Viking games, as well as other events and specials throughout the week. Hallum hopes to bring back poker and bingo nights,

“I am so excited in the direction the Muni is heading,” said Hallum. “I am looking forward to connecting with the staff, patrons and vendors, and bringing new events and menu items to the establishment.” Tami had been acting as interim Manager for several weeks, and began her official Manager duties on Thursday, August 25.

Hallum has hopes for a bright future here. “It’s going to take the staff; it’s going to take the community forgetting what’s in the past. The community is just going to have to be willing to give us another try.”

The Muni is open Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 11 am until 10 pm, Friday and Saturday from 10 am until 1 am, hours for off-sale end at 10pm, and kitchen hours end at 9 pm on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 10pm on Fridays and Saturdays. The Muni is located at 217 5th Ave W, Ellendale, MN. To view the menu and other information

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Other cancer benefit activities include a 16th annual auction raffle. Tickets are \$10 each. First prize is \$1000, second prize \$300 and third prize \$200. This year’s raffle is in memory of Steve Prihoda. Drawing will be at 10 p.m. Sept. 10 at the Cue Company. Need not be present to win.

Live auction under the Big Tent, 7 p.m.

For more information, contact Cheri Krejci at 507-438-6895 or Jennifer Milton at 507-456-6846.



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Augrey Klocke of Blooming Prairie ties aping scarf around the neck of Shelley Prihoda, Blooming Prairie, before the start of the BP Cancer Group’s annual walk and run in 2015.

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Owatonna Art Center exhibit opens

By **EMILY SCHOENBECK**
County Staff Writer

Starting September 4, The Owatonna Art Center will be welcoming three new artists into their gallery. The works of Holly DeGrote Thiner and Ernest Gillman will be on display for September and Pat Cox's quilts through October.

Holly DeGrote Thiner is an abstract painter, who works mainly in acrylic paint and wood. She draws her inspiration from book illustrations and diagrams. Many of her pieces use repeating patterns and take on an almost 3-D effect upon viewing. Her work takes images that seem familiar and through abstraction creates art.

Thiner was born in Minnesota. She received her bachelor's degree from St. Cloud State and her Master of Fine Arts in painting at Illinois State. She has exhibited her work in Minnesota and Illinois.

Ernest Gillman's work is a collection of highly detailed pencil drawings. Born and raised on a farm in northern Minnesota, Gillman's work reflects the respect he feels for the common laborer and quiet dignity of their work. His pieces often include far horizon points that, coupled with the intensive detail, give people the illusion of being pulled into his drawings.

Gillman believes that over time objects take on a life of their own, as they are passed on from one person to another. He hopes that in recreating some of the objects of his life in his pieces others may also find a connection to them in their lives.

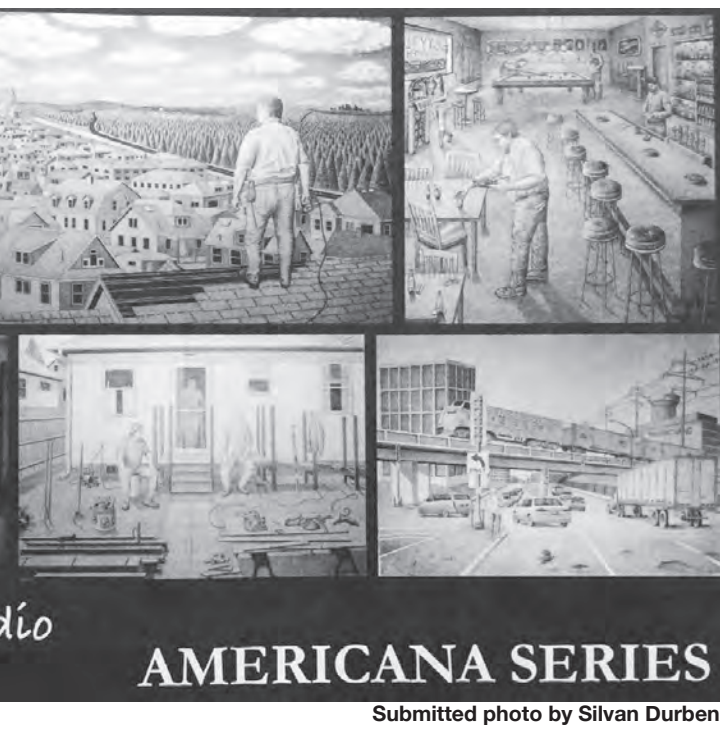
Pat Cox's works will be on display in the new addition. Her appliqué quilts are internationally known, and this particular collection reflects the influence of Japanese culture on her work. She has three-dozen Japanese quilts in her collection of over 300 quilts. Cox fell in love with their use of asymmetrical designs and beautiful fabrics.

When asked about her love of quilt making, Cox explained how it's her way to be creative

and be satisfied with having made something at the end of the day. She said, "Most women with housework have nothing at the end. When they're done, it has to be done again." The quilts are something she can have at the end of the day for her efforts. Depending on the size of the piece and the elaborateness of the design, her quilts take anywhere from six months to a year to create.

Cox has been designing quilts for over 35 years. In her time as a professional artist, she has written books and given lectures on quilting. The Japanese influence comes from her work as a teacher. Thirty years ago, she began teaching classes to Japanese women who had come to Minneapolis while their husbands were at university in the cities. The women, who had little to do in a foreign city, took classes from Cox in quilt making.

This in turn fueled Cox's own fascination with Japanese culture. She has since visited Japan and reconnected with



Submitted photo by Silvan Durben

A grouping of several of Gillman's works that will be on display in the gallery. Gillman, a Minnesota native, takes his inspiration from the working class America he grew up in.

some of the women she taught in the cities. When speaking about the way another country has so strongly influenced her work, Cox said, "The more I get to know about different cultures, the more I like about them."

While the exhibit is open from September 4, the gallery will be holding an open house on September 11 to

celebrate the completion of the center's summer renovations, including a handicap accessible main entrance. The entire community is invited to attend.



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State Fair

2016 Steele County State Fair 4-H Results

Champion:
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Reserve Champion:
Joseph Stransky – Beef Breeding Heifer; Kallen Hoffman – Intermediate Meat Breeding Doe Showmanship; Alivia Kubista – Turkey Market Pen; Carter Jensen – Swine Purebred Breeding Gilt; Bailey Kruesel – Swine Market Gilt All Breed Showperson Advanced Division.

Purple:
Grace Lewison – Beef Dairy Steer, Pure Breed; Lex Lewison – Beef Dairy Steer, Pure Breed; Kiya Erler – Dairy Holstein, Four Year Old Cow; Abby Haberman – Dairy Holstein, Fall Calf; Joshua Clarey – Dairy Holstein, Summer Junior Yearling; Zach Finholdt – Meat Goat Breeding Yearling, Interview Winner; William Behne – Rabbit Mini Lop, Junior Buck; Cole Ignaszewski – Rabbit Mini Rex, Senior Doe; Emma Loveless – Sheep Southdown January Ewe Lamb; Lexie Ignaszewski – Sheep Market Lamb Black Face; Grace Arthur – Sheep Market Lamb Black Face; Charlea Underwood – Sheep Market Lamb, Black Face; Kaden Nelson – Sheep Market Lamb Black Face; Katla Michaelson – Crafts; Lacey Nelson – Fine Arts; Logan Stenzel – Home Environment; Jacob Pfeifer – Performing Arts; Emily Haas – Elements of Photography; Hunter Jensen – Potatoes; Luke Kubicek – Shop/Wood Science; Zach Kubicek – Shop/Wood Science; Zach Kubicek – Swine Crossbred January Gilt; Jenna Zeman – Swine Market Barrow Crossbred.

Blue:
Katelyn Rypka – Beef Cow and Calf, Commercial; Ethan Arett – Beef Prospect Calf; Alexis Kubista – Beef Prospect Calf; Zacharia Stransky – Market Beef Registered Steer, Charolais; Elisabeth Buck – Market Beef Heifer; Jacob Katzung – Beef Dairy Steer, Pure Breed; Annika Harper – Dairy Crossbred and Other Breeds, Senior Yearling; Hannah Mundt – Dairy Registered and Grade Brown Swiss, 2 Year Olds; Olivia Dantzman – Dairy Registered and Grade Brown Swiss, Fall Calf; Af-ton Nelson – Dairy Registered and Brown Swiss, Fall Calf; Arica Kath – Dairy Holstein, Fall Calf; Samatha Fredin – Dairy Holstein, Summer Junior Yearling; Emily Dahlin – Meat Market Goat, Altered Male; Tory Buck – Meat Market Goat, Altered Male; Beth Ann Hanson – Meat Market Goat Altered Male; Greta Jacobson – Meat Goat Breeding Doe; Cameron Deml – Llama Obstacle Course; Cameron Deml – Llama Public Relations; Wyatt Garten – Llama Showmanship; McKenna Melby – Chickens Breeding Pen; Marisa Wagaman – Chickens Bantam Breeding Pen; Graham Kyllø – Chickens Egg Production Brown Egg Layers; Evan

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Red:
Jacob Slater – Dairy Holstein, Summer Junior Yearling; Wyatt Garten – Llama Obstacle Course; Wyatt Garten – Llama Public Relations; Cameron Deml – Chickens Egg Production White Egg Layers; Elizabeth Roesner – Rabbit Poster; Becca Zollner – Child and Family Development; Scott Weckman – Fishing Sports; Jace Katzung – Robotics; Erin O’Brien – Veterinary Science; Deerfield Get There – Club Banner; Jacob McShane – Swine Market Barrow Crossbred; McKenna Schroht – Swine Market Barrow Crossbred; Mikayla Dinse – Swine Market Barrow Crossbred; Jarren Hoffmann – Swine Market Barrow Crossbred; Luke Kubicek – Swine Market Barrow Crossbred.

White:
Gabriel Dahle – Livestock Demonstration.



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Hannah Mundt of Owatonna takes care of Freda, a 2-year-old Brown Swiss, at the Minnesota State Fair. Mundt earned a trip to the State Fair with the cow, which she leases from Clover Glen Farms near Claremont. She was inspired into the 4-H program after attending a series of cow camps at Clover Glen.

Cow camp inspires teen into 4-H dairy project

City girl earns trip to State Fair with leased cow

By RICK BUSSLER
Publisher

Though she doesn’t live on a farm, an Owatonna teenager has still found a way to show livestock through the 4-H program.

Hannah Mundt leases a cow from Clover Glen Farms, a well-established dairy herd located near Claremont. She displayed Freda, a 2-year-old Brown Swiss, who won grand champion at the Steele County Fair and qualified her for her first ever trip to the Minnesota State Fair. At state, she earned a blue ribbon and placed fourth in her class during the 4-H competition.

Hannah developed a love for livestock after attending a series of cow camps offered through Owatonna Community Education at Clover Glen when she was 6 years old.

“I thought cows were stinky and gross,” Hannah said. “The first year I attended cow camp I absolutely fell in love with cows,” she said, adding after the cow camp she realized she had a passion for animals.

Mundt’s father, Aaron, grew up on a dairy farm south of Owatonna, but the family has since lived in the

city far removed from livestock. He said he never envisioned his daughter having a chance to show dairy because “we didn’t live on a farm.”

But when the opportunity presented itself, Hannah jumped at it. “I guess it was just natural that she picked up on it,” Aaron said. “She comes home pretty dirty, but we don’t mind a bit. She loves animals.”

The experiences from cow camp led Hannah into joining 4-H and taking up the dairy project. With the decrease in farms over the years, leasing is becoming a popular way for kids to take animal projects without living on a farm.

She has been a member of the Pratt Commandoes for the past six years. “I wouldn’t have joined 4-H if I hadn’t done cow camp,” Hannah said.

Throughout the summer months, Hannah heads out to Clover Glen Farms to do chores around 5 a.m. She is usually there at least five days a week. “There isn’t much else that gets her out of bed at that time,” Aaron said. “I’m all for it. She really likes it and it motivates her.”

Hannah isn’t afraid to help out with chores. She has done milking, feeding and driving tractors among

many other farm-related duties.

In addition to responsibility, having livestock has taught Hannah other valuable life skills, her father said. “It teaches them a lot of good values, a good work ethic and respect for animals,” Aaron said.

She has also got her younger brother, Hunter, interested in showing dairy.

Besides showing, Hannah has been an ambassador for the Minnesota Brown Swiss Association as well as a junior dairy ambassador for the American Dairy Association.

Dairy has become her priority in life, according to Aaron. “She used to be in volleyball, but this has become her passion,” he said. “It has been a very positive experience for her,” he added.

Hannah, who is a ninth grader at Owatonna High School, still has a few years before graduating, but she is already looking ahead to her career. She would like to do something with genetics of dairy cows or studying animal behaviors.

“I have all this knowledge of agriculture so I might as well use it in my career,” Hannah said.

A thirst quencher at the State Fair



Staff photo by Rick Bussler

Jarren Hoffmann of the Medford Go Getters 4-H Club takes a moment to quench the thirst of his market barrow that was shown during the Minnesota State Fair. The 15-year-old was awarded a red ribbon for his animal.



Staff photo by Rick Bussler

4-H member earns grand champion with sheep at state

By RICK BUSSLER
Publisher

For the first time in his 4-H career, Riley Arthur of Ellendale achieved grand champion with his market sheep at the Minnesota State Fair, qualifying him for the elite Purple Ribbon Auction.

“I was very happy. I can’t put it into words,” Arthur said. “It’s been a goal of mine, but I didn’t know if it would ever happen.”

During the 4-H auction, Arthur earned a record \$8,500 for his sheep, which was purchased by Minnesota Farmer’s Union. While 20 percent of the money goes directly to the 4-H program, Arthur gets to keep the rest.

It actually wasn’t Arthur’s first time in the 4-H auction. Last year he qualified with a reserve champion heavy weight and earned \$4,000.

“This has definitely helped a lot,” Arthur said of his double earnings in the auction over the past two years. “It helps people financially.”

Arthur plans to use his windfall of cash for college. He is a freshman at Iowa State University in Ames where he is majoring in ag business.

In addition to selling his

animal this year, he also was awarded a \$1,000 scholarship, which was announced just prior to the start of the auction. Arthur said scholarships are awarded to youth who have been good 4-Hers and have contributed much to the program.

Said Arthur: “I try to give as much back to 4-H as I can. I try to give any way I can.”

The Meriden Meadowlarks 4-H member says this year’s achievements at the state fair will go down as the highlight of his nine-year 4-H career. “Not many get this far,” Arthur noted. “I’m grateful to have the opportunity to go into the auction,” he added.

He describes 4-H as “one of the best programs out there.” Arthur says the youth program has taught him how to learn the values of hard work, dedication and ethics.

“It has really developed me as a person and as a leader,” Arthur said. He added 4-H has provided him with skills dealing with people and how to problem solve.

After being on champion row throughout the entire state fair, Arthur’s sheep headed off to the market. “It’s part of the process (to let him go),” he said. “He’s been a good sheep.”

Riley Arthur, a member of the Meriden Meadowlarks, achieved grand champion with his market sheep at the Minnesota State Fair. He qualified for the Purple Ribbon Auction and earned a record \$8,500 for his animal. Besides selling his sheep, he also won a \$1,000 scholarship.

Capturing magical moments from the State Fair



Left: A little rest and relaxation proved to be exactly what Kelton Erler of Janesville needed as he rested on a couple bales of straw and shavings in between dairy judging at the Minnesota State Fair. Erler is a 4-H member from Steele County.

Left below: Lacey Nelson of Owatonna shows incredible patience as she clips her Aryshire fall calf in preparation for dairy judging at the State Fair. Nelson, 17, is a member of the Straight River Stars 4-H Club.

Below: Makaila Klejeski of Claremont had her likeness carved out of a 90-pound block of butter during the State Fair. Klejeski was one of 12 finalists for Princess Kay of the Milky Way. The title ended up going to Haley Hinrichs of Goodhue County.



Public Safety



Blotter spotlight: Disturbance. On Aug. 27, deputies responded to a domestic disturbance in the 100 block of Hwy. St. W. in Dodge Center at 2:48 p.m. One female was transported to the Mower County Jail.

CRIME BRIEF

Man charged in Owatonna burglary

A man who took a vehicle for a test drive and never returned has been charged with burglarizing a shed in Owatonna.

Robert Lynn Hagmann, 35, has been charged with felony third-degree burglary.

Owatonna Police responded to the 700 block of Oak Avenue N for a burglary report Aug. 28. The victim reported a Chevy Tahoe backed up to a trailer in his shed. Once the homeowner made eye contact with the driver, he sped away in the vehicle. However, the victim got a license plate, which had dealer plates registered to an auto dealership in Albert Lea.

After verifying the vehicle with the dealership, officers learned that Hagmann took the Tahoe for a test drive and never returned. Once they learned Hagmann’s whereabouts, officers arrested him.



Robert Hagmann

at 1:02 p.m.

Shoplifting. Officer issued a shoplifting citation in the 1100 block of Frontage Rd. W. at 8:57 p.m.

Aug. 29

Burglary. At 8:09 a.m., police responded to a burglary in the 100 block of Allan Ave. SW.

Fraud. A fraud incident occurred in the 100 block of 26th St. NE at 9:23 a.m.

Shoplifting. Officer issued citations for shoplifting in the 1100 block of Frontage Rd. W. at 5:19 p.m. and in the 2100 block of Bridge St. W. at 8:03 p.m.

Theft. A theft occurred in the 400 block of Cedar Ave. N. at 5:21 p.m.

Threats. Police responded to a report of a subject making threats in the 600 block of Bridge St. W. at 11:48 p.m.

Aug. 30

Fraud. Officer took a report of fraud in the 100 block of Autumn Place NE at 12:02 p.m.

Theft. Police received a theft report from the 300 block of Selby Ave. SW at 12:50 p.m.

Restraining Order. At 12:07 a.m., officer advised on a restraining order violation in the 1900 block of Rosewood Dr. NW.

Aug. 31

Shoplifting. A shoplifting incident occurred in the 1100 block of Frontage Rd. W. at 1:54 a.m.

Theft. Officer took a theft report in the 200 block of Rose St. E. at 11:03 a.m.

Harassment. Police responded to a harassment incident in the 1900 block of Rosewood Dr. NW at 12:33 p.m.

Warrant. At 3:20 p.m., officer made a warrant arrest in the 2100 block of 3rd Ave. NW.

Traffic. Officer arrested a motorist following a traffic stop at 18th St. SE and Hartle Ave. SE at 5:13 p.m.

Disturbance. Police responded to a disturbance in the 100 block of Bridge St. W. at 11:13 p.m. They took a subject into custody.

Sept. 1

Robbery. At 2:53 a.m., officers responded to a robbery in the 1900 block of 6th Ave. NE.

Fraud. Fraud incidents occurred in the 1700 block of Cedar Ave. S. at 10:36 a.m. and in the 600 block of Bridge St. W. at 10:45 a.m.

After retirement, back to work

Retired official takes on permanent spot at Steele jail

By RICK BUSSLER
Publisher

It lasted a couple years, but a jail administrator from Faribault has found that retirement maybe wasn’t just for her, at least not yet.

Jodi Bushey has been named the permanent jail administrator for the Steele County Detention Center in Owatonna. She became interim administrator in June after the abrupt resignation of Ron Hammann.

Bushey came out of retirement to take the interim spot until a permanent replacement could be found. After retiring from the Rice County Jail in 2014 with 23 years, she had no plans to return to work permanently again.

“I figured out that I missed it a lot more than I thought,” Bushey said.

She will officially take over the reigns of the jail beginning Monday.

During her interim role, Bushey found she “really liked the atmosphere and the people” of the Steele County Jail. At the last minute, she decided to apply for the position.

There are some stark differences between the two facilities. Bushey will be operating a larger facility with a different design than she was used in her previous role. The Steele jail, which contains 154 beds and consists of a staff of 47 people, has direct supervision with a staff person with inmates at all times. In Rice County, there are two jail facilities with a total of 75 beds. It has a linear layout of cell blocks in which a staff person is not constantly with inmates.

Bushey favors the design of the Steele jail. “The staff interacts with inmates,” she said. “It helps keep a pulse on what goes on in the facility.”

In her new role, Bushey is going to concentrate on getting the Steele jail “back on track.” She said the facility lost its focus over the past couple years under previous administration.

She plans to focus on jail programming for inmates. Her priority is to fill a program position that has been vacant for a while. “We want to send out a better product (into society),” Bushey said.

Another function Bushey will be focusing on is restructuring the command staff at the jail. She plans to eliminate a captain position, which has already been vacant for several months.

In July, the local jail renewed another contract with the Minnesota Department of Corrections to house state prisoners. The state contract generated \$1.1 million in revenue for Steele County in 2015, according to Bushey. “We’re on pace to be close to that again this year,” she said, noting the DOC averages 32 prisoners per day at the local facility.

The jail administrator is impressed with what she has seen at the Steele jail over the past few months. “We have good people with really good ideas. There are good people here wanting some direction,” she said. “There is a lot of enthusiasm here,” she added.

Bushey fell in love with a staff of “young people with fresh ideas and a lot of energy” at the Steele facility. “That’s part of what drove me to stay here,” she said. She added she also likes the longevity and experience of many of the staff members.

In her years of jail work, Bushey has experienced many changes. “The nature of crime has changed and it has changed the dynamics (inside the jails),” she said. She added inmate population is challenging to deal with, especially with the

chemical use being significantly different than years ago.

While she’s not working, Bushey enjoys being outdoors, gardening and reading. She has four adult children.

For now she’ll be readjusting to work life again. Bushey admits retirement was amazing, but she’s ready to get back to work. She said she plans to continue here “as long as it is challenging and interesting.”



Staff photo by Rick Bussler

Interim jail administrator Jodi Bushey has been named to the permanent spot beginning Monday. She had been retired for two years after being at the Rice County Jail for 23 years, but decided she had more to offer the corrections world yet. Bushey replaces Ron Hammann, who abruptly resigned in May.

POLICE BLOTTER

Steele County

Blooming Prairie Police

Aug. 28

Theft. Officer took a theft report at 5:50 p.m.

Aug. 31

Drugs. Police responded to a drug activity at 5:10 p.m. They took a subject into custody.

Warrant. At 6:28 p.m., officer made a warrant arrest in the city.

Owatonna Police

Aug. 26

Fraud. A fraud incident was reported in the 200 block of Pearl St. E. at 6:51 a.m.

Welfare. Officer completed a welfare check in the 500 block of Adams Ave. NW at 7:44 a.m.

Domestic. Police responded to a domestic disturbance in the 600 block of Bridge St. W. at 2:53 p.m. They arrested a subject at the scene.

Warrant. Officer made a warrant arrest in the 100 block of Landmark Dr. NE at 3:34 p.m.

Aug. 27

Shoplifting. Officer responded to a shoplifting incident in the 400 block of North St. W. at 12:05 a.m.

Vandalism. Property damage was reported at Florence Ave. NW and Glendale St. NW at 10:30 a.m. and in the 300 block of Maple Ave. NE at 4:37 p.m.

Warrant. Police arrested a subject for an outstanding warrant in the 200 block of 18th St. SW at 2:10 p.m.

Aug. 28

Theft. Officers took theft reports in the 2100 block of Bridge St. W. at 9:24 a.m. and in the 100 block of Landmark Dr. NE at 9:22 p.m.

Crash. Paramedics and officers responded to a motor vehicle accident with injuries at 24th Ave. NW and Frontage Rd. W. at 12:26 p.m.

Burglary. Police began an investigation of a burglary in the 700 block of Oak Ave. N. at 12:12 p.m.

Hit and Run. A hit and run crash resulting in property damage in the 1600 block of Cedar Ave. S.

Domestic. Police advised on a domestic disturbance in the 400 block of State Ave. NW at 10:25 a.m.

Steele County Sheriff

Aug. 27

Vandalism. Property damage was reported in the 6700 block of Frontage Rd. W. at 10:22 a.m. and in the 6600 block of 28th St. SW at 11:38 a.m.

Aug. 28

Property. At 2:18 p.m., property was found in the 5200 block of Hwy. 218.

Fraud. A citizen reported being the victim of a fraud incident in the 10200 block of Bixby Place at 4:29 p.m.

Harassment. Deputies responded to a harassment incident at 30th St. NW and 57th Ave. NW at 7:29 p.m.

Drunk Driving. Deputy made a DWI arrest on Highway 14 W. at 9:37 p.m.

Aug. 29

Warrant. Deputies made a warrant arrest in the 100 block of Main St. E. at 3:30 p.m.

Drunk Driving. At 9:27 p.m., deputy arrested a subject for driving while intoxicated at 28th St. NE and Landmark Dr. NE.

Aug. 30

Suspicion. Deputies responded to suspicious activity in the 7500 block of 72nd Ave. NW at 7:22 p.m.

Aug. 31

Crashes. Motor vehicle accidents with property damage occurred at 2nd Ave. NE and 2nd St. NE at 7:29 a.m. and at 18th St. SE and 44th Ave. SE at 1:02 p.m.

Arrest. At 5:08 p.m., deputy arrested a motorist following a traffic stop in the 5000 block of 58th St. SE.

COURT NEWS

Steele County

The following case was heard in Steele County District Court the week of Aug. 22 with Judge Joseph A. Bueltel presiding:

Max J. Stoeckel, 17, Owatonna, previously appeared and was convicted of felony terroristic threats. He was sentenced to \$581, 90 days in county jail; no possession of firearms, obtain permission to leave the state, chemical dependency evaluation, mental health evaluation, no contact with victim, cognitive skill training, maintain employment, 100 hours of community service and 5 years of supervised probation.

The following misdemeanors and petty misdemeanors were heard in Steele County District Court the week of Aug. 22 – 26:

Blooming Prairie Police Department

Amelia M. Harthan, 36, Blooming Prairie, no child passenger restraint system, \$131; Laura C. Marsolek, 27, Austin, speeding, \$141; Samuel E. Thorpe, 33, Austin, suspended license, \$281; Hope A. Weise, 41, Blooming Prairie, stray animal – dog bite, \$131.

MN State Patrol Rochester

Mohammed Y. Alzamanan, 23, Mankato, speeding, \$221; Christina R. Anderson, 33, Owatonna, turning at intersection violation, \$131; Paige A. Boser, 21, Northwood, IA, window tint violation and no insurance, \$331; Matthew W. Clark, 36, Eden Prairie, speeding, \$121; Jessica L. Cuevas, 31, Owatonna, seat belt, \$106; Teresa J. Dormu, 27, Oakdale, speeding, \$131; Adam D. Edmunds, 23,

Medford, speeding, \$141; Steve R. Ellison, 51, Albert Lea, speeding, \$121; Joshua A. Haberman, 32, Owatonna, speeding, \$121; Jeffrey J. Herzog, 56, Owatonna, DWI, \$981, 180 days in county jail, maintain employment, no alcohol or controlled substance use, do not enter liquor establishments, chemical dependency evaluation, mental health evaluation, obtain permission to leave the state and 4 years of supervised probation; George E. Hulstrand, 68, Willmar, speeding, \$121; Michael K. Kirkpatrick, 47, Zumbrota, suspended license, \$281; Andrew D. Klemmensens, 18, Ellendale, speeding, \$121; Erik C. Macy, 39, Owatonna, seat belt, \$106; Sally A. McShane, 29, Eagan, speeding, \$121; Samira A. Osman, 28, Owatonna, move over law violation, \$131; Randolph J. Riekena, 60, Edwardsville, IL, speeding, \$121; Sheila M. Sigsworth, 35, Minneapolis, speeding, \$221; Leighton T. Wradislavsky, 19, Blooming Prairie, speeding, \$131.

Owatonna Police Department

Ataklti B. Alula, 29, Austin, no insurance, \$281; Edward J. Arth, 28, Owatonna, DWI, \$381, 1 day in county jail, submit to Substance Abuse Subtle Screening Inventory, attend MADD impact panel and 1 year of supervised probation; Veronica Cano, 43, Owatonna, speeding and revoking license, \$331; Andres Cantu, 23, Eagle Pass, TX, no MN license, \$181; Angel M. Delgado, 30, Austin, revoked license and expired tabs, \$311; Christopher L. Dvorak, 28, Minot, ND, no license, \$181; Jorge M. Evasku, 28, Owatonna, speeding, \$140; Matthew R. Hager, 26, New Richland, harassment restraining order violation, stay of adjudication, \$81, diversion program, Domestic Violence Inventory and 2 years of supervised probation; Nelson

Hines, 70, Owatonna, stop sign, \$131; Alexandria M. Jones-Orr, 28, Faribault, suspended license, \$281; Richard C. Kubat, 53, Owatonna, revoked license, \$281; Bridgett D. Mitchell, 42, Waseca, expired tabs and no insurance, \$311; Xia-Xiang C. Plunkett, 27, St. Louis Park, revoked license and no insurance, \$481; Brandon M. Robinson, 39, no insurance, \$281; Kimberly J. Schoultz, 29, Owatonna, seat belt, \$106; Raymond K. Scott, 37, Owatonna, restraining order violation, \$281, 29 days in county jail, maintain employment, no alcohol or controlled substance use, do not enter liquor establishments, chemical dependency evaluation, mental health evaluation and 1 year of supervised probation; Bobby J. Smitty, 23, Owatonna, no license, \$181; Mercedes K. Sorvaag, 27, Owatonna, disorderly conduct, \$131 and 1 year of unsupervised probation; Travis L. Tritle, 18, Owatonna, minor consumption, \$181.

Steele County Sheriff's Office

Jaqueline Acosta-Perez, 20, Oakdale, no license, \$181; Ashley B. Adams, 20, Mankato, minor consumption and open bottle, \$281; Jerome A. Berge, 53, Waseca, DWI, \$381, 2 days in county jail, attend MADD impact panel, Substance Abuse Subtle Screening Inventory and 1 year of supervised probation; Tyler S. Britt, 20, Owatonna, possession of Marijuana, \$131; Andres Cantu, 23, Eagle Pass, TX, no MN license and speeding, \$321; Tony N. Casio, 42, Jordan, speeding, \$121; Manokar Chinnadurai, 49, Owatonna, speeding, \$141; Katrina Y. Coleman-Jackson, 43, Minneapolis, revoked license, \$281; Christine C. Dern, 22, Duluth, speeding, \$121; Nicole J. Dut, 34, Owatonna, speeding, \$131; Brooks S. Edwards, 60, Roch-

The following individuals as they have active warrants in Steele County.

The sheriff makes this information available as a public service.

- John Borchert – fleeing officer - \$2,000 b
- Jojo Boswell – theft (2) - \$20,000 bail
- Dyez Boyd – theft - \$700 bail
- Ronnie Boyd – order for protection violation (3) – no bail
- Jessica Bradley – DUI – no bail
- Robert Brantner – property damage - \$500 bail
- Charity Braulik – drugs – no bail
- Kevin Bremer – DWI - \$12,000 bail
- Michelle Brodersen – theft, shoplifting - \$500 bail
- Tina Brown – criminal vehicular operation - \$20,000 bail

- Jeff ey Bruce – abandoned vehicles - \$200 bail
- Marilyn Bryant – false name - \$6,000 bail
- Jacinda Buchanan – obstruction of legal process - \$1,000 bail
- Mario Burciaga Jr. – threats (2) – no bail
- Rylee Burns – drugs – no bail
- Michael Bussert – drug possession - \$500 bail
- Jose Cabrales – violation of release - \$12,000 bail
- Gonzalo Camarillo Jr. – DWI - \$12,000 bail
- Shawn Campbell – disorderly conduct - \$3,000 bail
- Evelio Candanoza – DUI – no bail

Disclosing active warrants promotes public safety and aids in the identification & apprehension of those individuals wanted on a warrant.

ACTIVE WARRANTS



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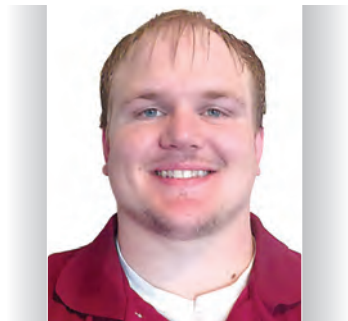
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How can you
not be romantic
about football?

Football is officially back as games kicked off this weekend all across the country. For me, it’s that annual love story that comes with the game of football. If you have ever seen the movie “Moneyball,” Brad Pitt uses what I believe is the classic line “How can you not be romantic about baseball?” Well, with some of the events that happened this past weekend, I will surely convince you that baseball can be replaced with football and provide the same feeling.

James Conner returns

If nobody knows this story, allow me to fill you in. James Conner was one of the more promising running backs in college football, blowing onto the scene as a sophomore when he rushed for 1,765 yards and 26 touchdowns. His performance awarded him numerous All-American accolades from several national media members as well as ACC Player of the Year.

Heading into his junior year, he was considered as a highly regarded NFL prospect. All he had to do what continue to produce and stay healthy. Unfortunately, Conner tore his MCL in the Panthers first game of 2015. What he was about to face however, would make coming back from a ligament tear a cakewalk.

You see, in December, while in the middle of his rehab, Conner was diagnosed with Hodgkin Lymphoma- a cancerous disease that reportedly kills more than 25,500 people around the world yearly. However, the All-American vowed that he would be healthy and active for Pittsburgh season opening game against Villanova. His story swept the college football and even NFL landscape, having numerous stars tweeting to the young man the best of luck in his fight. One superstar shared a similar fight and voiced with support. Kansas City Chiefs All-Pro safety Eric Berry had his own battle of Hodgkin’s lymphoma and secretly surprised the running back while he was on the Ellen DeGeneres. Throughout his 12 chemotherapy sessions, the hash tag #ConnerStrong became prevalent on twitter.

Saturday was a culmination of heart, will and desire- something that I feel is missing in a lot of athletes in this generation. Leading his team out of the tunnel, Conner not only led them on the field but to a win. He would score two touchdowns and on each of those, his teammates surrounded him in the end zone. With ESPN zoomed in on the star running back, you could see the emotions in his face which leads me to ask “How can you not be romantic about football?”

Teddy goes down

Not all things that when this week were heart warming. In fact in Winter Park, it was more heartbreak. Third year quarterback Teddy Bridgewater suffered a serious knee injury

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The boys of Fall



Staff photo by Josh Zimmer

The Owatonna Huskies take the field for the second half of their contest against the Mankato West Scarlets in Owatonna on Friday, Sept. 2. Owatonna would lose the game 34-19. For complete game results, see the Huskies recap on page 4D



Staff photo by Mark Delap

The Awesome Blossoms of Bloomington Prairie take the field prior to the start of their matchup against Rushford on Friday, Sept. 2, in Rushford. BP would lose the game BLANK -BLANK. To see complete game results, see the Blossoms recap on page 2D.

Blossoms drop season opener



NRHEG/MEDFORD

Tigers struggle in loss



Staff photos by Emily Schoenbeck

Tigers quarterback Jarvis VonRuden tucks the ball and attempts to hit the corner of the Cardinal defense in thier 41-0 loss against Lewiston-Alutra on Firday, Sept. 2. VonRuden rushed for 53 yards on the night. Middle: The Tigers defense stuff an inside run attempt. Bottom: Medford's offensive line patiently waits for the ball to be snapped.

By JOSH ZIMMER
Sports Editor

Red zone chances come at a premium and in Medford's 41-0 loss to Lewiston Altura, The Tigers were blanked on four separate attempts. However, Head coach Jerome Johannes said that there were some good things. "We moved the ball well on offense. There were four chances in the red zone and couldn't come up with anything but we were there," he added. Lewiston-Altura's defense was definitely in bend but don't break mode as they allowed the Tigers to accumulate over 300 yards of total offense on their way to pitching a shut out. The Tigers offense rested on the shoulders on running back

Marcus Deleon. Despite not finding pay dirt Friday, the senior galloped for 157 yards on 27 carries throughout the night. The passing game will continue to be a refinement as quarterback Jarvis VonRuden managed just six completions on 21 attempts for 112 yards. The Tiger's signal caller did managed to slash the opposing defense for 53 yards rushing. Ty Devoe was VonRuden's favorite target on the night, catching two balls for 48 yards in the loss. Defensively, Bo Noble was a machine for the Medford defense coming up with 11 total tackles for the night. However, Johannes mentioned that the emphasis in the coming weeks will continue to be fundamentals defensively.

"We just have some work to do. Do some tackling and see if we can shore up some of those mistakes," he added. With this game being the cross over game as mentioned by coach Johannes, Medford should be seeing some familiar competition in the coming weeks on the schedule. "We start to play in our own sub districts and some smaller teams in that. We are looking to rebound. We're looking to get back to practice on Monday and get things back on track," he said. The Tigers will go on the road to face Janesville-Waldorf-Pemberton on Friday, Sept. 9. *Official box score and stats were not tabulated before press.*



Panthers drop opener

By LEMAR NELSON
Staff Sports Writer

Mayer Lutheran scored just over two minutes into the game and pounded out a 36-13 victory over NRHEG in the season opener at New Richland. It was the first of six touchdowns the Crusaders scored in the contest. "We turned the ball over early", remarked Coach Dan Stork, "and we ran just six plays in the first quarter. In fact, we managed just one first down in the

entire first half." Mayer Lutheran added 16 points in the second quarter on a 2-yard run from Matt Menth, a 23-yard field goal from Tyler Wilaby, and 32-yard toss from Baden Noennig to Branden Carlson to take a 23-0 lead into the halftime break. The Crusaders counted another touchdown in the third quarter on a run of 15 yards by Carlson, and then counted their last score just into the fourth quarter on a Mitch Johnson run for 7 yards. The Panthers finally found the end zone with nine minutes

left in the game on a Sam Prigge pass to Perry Peterson good for 65 yards. With just three and a half minutes left, Jake Stork tossed a pass to Cole Staloch for 16 yards to end the scoring. "Mayer Lutheran played very physical", concluded Coach Stork, "and our youth and lack of depth showed in this game. They had too many long drives that just wore us down. Offensively, we really struggled to get anything going."

Box Score

Mayor Lutheran 7 16 7 6 36
NRHEG 0 0 0 13 13

Team Stats

Passing: ML 131, NR 169
Rushing: ML 252, NR 45
Receiving: 131, NR 169
Turnovers: ML 0, NR 3

Individual Stats

Passing: Sam Prigge- 5-14, 111 yards touchdown; Jake Stork- 3-5, 58 yards, touchdown.

Defense

Alex Buckmeier 10.5 tackles; Cole Staloch 7 tackles; Lucas Bailey 6.5 tackles; Jack Schultz 5 tackles, TFL; Tyler Jacobson 4.5 tackles; Hunter Knutson 4.5 tackles, TFL; Perry Peterson 3 tackles; Sam Prigge 3 tackles; Jack Hogstad 2 tackles; Jake Stork 2 tackles; Chad Agrimson 2 tackles, sack, TFL; Quinten Arndt 1.5 tackles, TFL; Cole Thompson 1.5 tackles.

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2016 - 2017

School Calendar

AUGUST 2016

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30-31

Teacher Workdays

31

Secondary Open House 4-8

SEPTEMBER 2016

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Teacher Workday

5

No School - Labor Day

6

First Day of School

OCTOBER 2016

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2-hour late start

4

Secondary P-T Conferences 4-8

20-21

No School - MEA

NOVEMBER 2016

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4

End of 1st Quarter

7

No School - Teacher Planning

14

No School - 8-11:30 All Teacher Inservice /Elementary P-T Conferences 12-8

24-25

No School - Thanksgiving break

DECEMBER 2016

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2-hour late start

23-30

No School - Christmas Break

JANUARY 2017

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No School

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2-hour late start

20

End of 2nd Quarter

23

No School - Teacher Planning

FEBRUARY 2017

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17

No School - Weather Make-Up Day

20

No School - Presidents' Day

27

No School - Elementary: 8-11:30 Inservice/12-8 P-T Cont Secondary: 12-3:30 Inservice/4-8 P-T Cont

MARCH 2017

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End of 3rd Quarter

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No School - Teacher Inservice

31

No School - Teacher Planning

APRIL 2017

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14

No School - Good Friday

17

No School - Weather Make-Up Day

27

Secondary P-T Conferences 4-8

MAY 2017

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2-hour late start

29

No School - Memorial Day

JUNE 2017

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15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
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4

Graduation

6

Last Day of 4th Quarter

7

Teacher Inservice

8

Teacher Planning

JULY 2017

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Conferences

No School for Students

2 Hour Late Start

End of Quarter

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Terry, Scarlets rushing attack too much for Huskies



Staff photos by Josh Zimmer

Senior Scarlet running back C.J. Terry breaks a tackle attempt from Huskies linebacker Zach Mensink (#21) on his way to his second rushing touchdown of the night on Sept. 2. Terry would finish the contest with 191 yards and two touchdowns in Mankato West’s 34-19 win over Owatonna. Bottom left: Senior quarterback dumps the ball off to sophomore Jason Williamson (#22) as he is being hit. Bottom Right: Gauthier celebrates his 21-yard touchdown run with junior Noah Budach.

By JOSH ZIMMER
Sports Editor

Football is the ultimate game of strategy. Adjustments at halftime can be a deciding factor in the outcome and can even generate momentum.

In a battle between what are expected to be the heavy favorites in the Southeast district, there was plenty of momentum shifting plays by Owatonna in their season opener against Mankato West on Friday. Unfortunately, the two-headed rushing attack of the Scarlets generated more.

Behind a punishing attack of running back C.J. Terry and quarterback Rob Meidl, the Scarlets churned out nearly 350 yards rushing on their way to a 34-19 non-divisional win Friday night.

“We had our defense out on the field too much,” Owatonna’s head coach Jeff

Williams said. “In large because we didn’t sustain any drives in the first half.”

Throughout the first half, The Huskies would struggle in generating any push or protection in the first half of play. For the Scarlets however, it was all about getting the ball on the edge.

From the first drive of the game for the Scarlets, it was about trying to establish the running game. After mixing a few runs with Meidl, to include a quarterback sneak to keep the drive alive, Terry exploded through an opening in the defense to give Mankato West the early 6-0 lead.

The 5’7 senior would find the end zone twice while rushing for nearly 200 yards.

From quick jet sweeps to old school, smash mouth football, Mankato West really showed one dimension for most of the contest. They

were looking to run the football. In large part because Owatonna’s secondary, led by senior Captain Brett Solie had suffocating coverage much of the night.

Despite playing a high number of snaps in first half, the Huskies defense stood tall and really was the catalyst for keeping the game close.

After a Huskies punt, the Scarlets were driving deep into the red zone on the backs of Terry and Meidl. After a holding penalty negated a Meidl touchdown run, the Scarlets were facing a 4 and 16. Instead of trying the field goal, Meidl attempted a pass to the end zone that was knocked away from senior defensive back Jaden Dowhaniuk.

With time winding down, Owatonna was in position to run their two-minute drill until a sack forced a punt. The Scarlets received the ball

back with less than a minute left and were looking add to their score. When Rod Meidl completed a 37 yard pass to Dawson Cooper, it only took two plays for Meidl to find Dondre Spann with twenty second left-pushing the score to 13-0 at half.

“First half was a baptism, and I thought our kids availed themselves well in the second half,” Williams added.

In the second half, it appeared that a combination of adjustments and settled nerves gave the Huskies new life. On their first play, senior quarterback Jacob Gauthier found junior wide receiver Alex Raichle on a slant. The speedy junior raced 67 yards to pull the Huskies to 20-6.

Making his first varsity start, Gauthier appeared to be more comfortable in the second half, accounting for three total touchdowns while going 13 of

19 for 140 yards through the air. The senior also added 67 yards rushing on the evening.

A game that was dominated by defense quickly turned more into a shootout. After a Raichle interception, Gauthier raced 21 yards to pay dirt to bring Owatonna just a possession away from tying the game.

After Meidl lead a 67 drive to push the score to 27-12, Gauthier led the Huskies on a drive that would be capped with a Gauthier touchdown pass to Dalton Kusbista-shortening the Scarlet lead to 27-19.

However, the Achilles heel of the Huskies this evening was bottling up the running game. On a drive blended with runs of Meidl and Terry, the Scarlets drove 76 yards to deliver the game’s final blow. 36 of those yards coming from the Scarlets’ senior

quarterback. Meidl would finish with 136 yards on the ground.

After a costly interception deep in their own territory, Mankato West ran the out the clock and turned the ball over on downs with seconds left. With time winding down, Gauthier made a last ditch effort the bring to score closer but was intercepted by none other than C.J. Terry.

Despite the loss, Williams saw flashes of the team’s ability.

“We fancy ourselves as a power running team that has the ability to spread you out. I thought we were able to do some of that in the second half. We just have to keep getting better at that,” said Williams.



Box Score

Mankato West	6	7	14	7	34
Owatonna	0	0	12	7	19

MW- 352 rushing yards, 90 passing yards
O- 125 rushing yards, 140 passing yards
Turnovers: MW 1, O 2.
Individual Stats
MW- Passing; Meidl 90 yards, touchdown; Rushing: Terry 191 yards, two touchdowns.
O- Passing: Gauthier 140 yards, two touchdowns, two interceptions; Rushing: Williamson 70 yards rushing, Gauthier 55 yards, touchdown; Receiving: Raichle 1 catch, 67 yards, touchdown, Kubista 2 catches 14 yards, touchdown.





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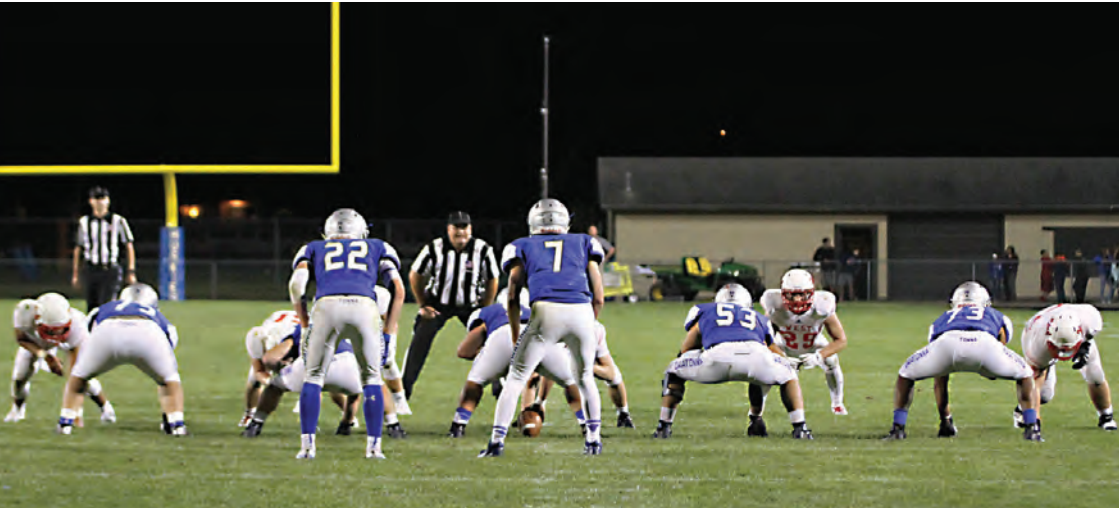


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Prep Preview

By **JOSHUA ZIMMER**
Sports Editor

While each of the four Steele County teams suffered their first loss of the season, week two will provide an opportunity for each of the respective teams to earn the first win of the season.

Owatonna

The Huskies lost 34-19 to Mankato West, giving up 352 yards in the process. In week two, they look to get back on track as they face Rochester John Marshall. Rochester JM had success on the ground in their 45-20 win over Austin, rushing for a team total of 418 yards. Senior running backs Jordan Velez and Shahan Ameen rushed for 149 yards and 184 yards respectively. The duo combined for five touchdowns. If Owatonna is to win the game, defensively they will have to do a great job of limiting the rushing attack.

NRHEG

The Panthers will face Lester Prairie/Holy Trinity on Friday at Lester Prairie High School. The Bulldogs won their first contest 14-7 against the Windom Eagles.

Medford

The Tigers will look to rebound from their 41-0 loss to Lewiston-Altura last Friday. The offense had moments of where they appeared to be firing on all cylinders, only to be tripped up once they entered the redzone. Janesville-Waldorf-Pemberton lost their first game to 1A No.4 Fillmore Central 14-6 and will also look to find their first win.

Blooming Prairie

By **LEMAR NELSON**
Staff Sports Writer

Coming off a season-opening defeat at 1A No.5 Rushford-Peterson, the Awesome Blossom football will be looking to avenge a loss to Bethlehem Academy

at Faribault last season. The Cardinals dominated the locals last year in a 28-12 victory; with running back Peyton Glenzinski rushing for 222 yards on 32 carries.

Glenzinski returns to lead B.A and the Blossoms will have their work cut out for them. Kyle Eli scored first for the winners, with a 78-yard pass interception and a 7-0 lead. In the second quarter, quarterback Collin Hanson passed to Avery Hurst for 24 yards and a second touchdown, but Lucas Noble found Anthony Nelson for a 10-yard pass to get the locals on the board. The two-point conversion failed, and. B.A led 14-6 after the Cardinals had kicked both extra points.

B.A. defeated the Blossoms again in the section semi-finals and relegated BP to an 8-3-season record. The locals are aiming for a different outcome Friday night in the 7 p.m. contest.The locals don't want to begin the season with a pair of losses.

State rankings

5A	2A	1A
1. St. Micheal-Alb	1. Caledonia	1. Minneota
2. Spring Lake Park	2. Waterville-Elysian-Morristown	2. Browerville
3. Mahtomedi	3. Eveleth-Gilbert	3. Minneapolis North
4. Rogers	4. Barnesville	4. Fillmore Central
5. Chanhassen	5. Moose lake-W.R.	5. Rushford Peterson
*Receiving votes:		
Mankato West, Alexanderia	*Receiving votes: Pillager, Hawley	Goodhue, Wabbasso

Rankings from www.northstarfootballnews.com



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“How can you not be romantic about football?”

STANCE: from page 1D

during practice at the Vikings practice facility. The knee injury comes on the cusp of the Vikings being named dark horses for the Super Bowl in Houston. Unfortunately this injury may be the end for Teddy Bridgewater.

I’m not that saying I’m not a fan of the kid. It’s actually the opposite, as I truly believe that with the weapons he had and Norv Turner as his Offensive Coordinator, he could lead the Vikings to the Super Bowl.

However, the type of knee injury he had is tough to completely recover from. I’ve had an ACL tear when I was in high school, I’ve had college teammates have the same and came back from them but none of us however, had a tear accompanied by a dislocation.

With most ACL tears, you usually have a tear of your medial and lateral meniscus on both your femur and your tibia. When you receive other serious ligament tears such as MCL’s, LCL’s, PCL’s and even a patella tendon tear

or dislocation; you usually received some sort of contact to the area.

With Bridgewater’s knee injury however, he was participating in a non-contact drill. It’s been reported that he suffered an ACL tear, as well as other “serious ligament damage” per Vikings head trainer Eric Sugarmen. With the ACL, he also suffered a “tibiofemoral dislocation”.

What that means is that due to the pressure the knee received, the femur and tibia dislocated-which was the reason that he needed an air cast and be sedated before his transport to the ER.

I talked to a good friend of mine in high school, who is currently in his third year at the University of Washington Medical School as an orthopedic surgeon.

As he told me, from his clinical studies with both the University of Washington and University of Montana football programs, lingering effects will hinder Bridgewater’s recovery. He noted that you always have some sort of lingering effects

whether it be just normal joint pain to chronic tenderness after competition.

As a quarterback, the second most important physical trait other than your throwing shoulder is your plant knee-which in Teddy’s case, is his injured left knee. That knee will take on enormous pressure from the hitch to drive off that leg, easily hampering his velocity if it’s not 100% healthy.

In the aftermath of the injury, the support of numerous NFL players- from his teammates to even defenders of other teams- has been from my perspective as a former player outstanding. Players voiced thier support all over social media, Which again leads me to ask “How can you not be romantic about football?”

I hope Vikings fans can ride the Sam Bradford wagon in what could be a long season if he doesn’t stay healthy.

To interact with Josh, send him an email with the subject heading “4-point stance” or follow him on Twitter: @JZimmer_Sports

Mixed results

LINES: from page 1B

that can be said about the Public Works administration building of the 30’s is that they were very substantial structures. Our old gym is still used several times a year for special occasions, and it remains a monument to a worthwhile program of our government.

A sad event also marked my reunion trip. My daughter and my two brothers took a short side tri to the little town in which we grew up. The lawns and properties of the village, which is now almost 150 years old, were all neat and well kept up. That is, all but one. The house in which we were raised is now the big eyesore of the entire town.

The house itself needs a coat of paint badly, and ratty-looking bushes and unkempt trees with falling branches surround it. The patio on which we spent many entertaining and happy hours now has crumbling cement floors and weeds encompassing the entire area in messy profusion.

The unattached garage actually has tree branches growing through a huge hole

in the roof, and the walls are falling down around it. It was a sorry sight! I doubt that I will ever visit the place again, and I am going to remember it, as it was when we were growing up, not as it looks now. It did make me a little unhappy about the whole reunion experience.

Another celebrity gone

This week a lot of fans of comedy are mourning the death of Gene Wilder, who died last week in Stamford, Connecticut, at the age of 83. Wilder, an actor, director, and author, had been battling Alzheimer’s for the last three years. He was born in Milwaukee, of Jewish parents and began an acting career at 16. He became popular as a comedian and appeared in many stage plays and movies, later also making a name as a director.

He appeared in ”The Producers” and even had an academy Award nominee as a supporting actor in 1968. He teamed with Mel Brooks in “Blazing Saddles”, which was released in 1974, and “Young Frankenstein”, which he co-

produced in 1971, became a cult favorite, with many unforgettable lines in the movie. In 1972 he directed and starred in “Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory”, a children’s favorite.

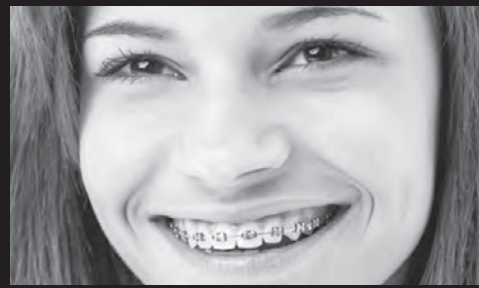
He teamed up with comedian Richard Pryor for a series of four movies, starting with “Silver Streak in 1976 and directed “The Woman in Red” in 1984. Wilder was married four times, the most known marriage to fellow comedian Gilda Radner. After her death from cancer, Wilder became a champion in the fight against that disease and was active in those campaigns. He died with his present wife beside him at his home in Stamford.

Let’s close this week with a couple of items to think about; a gossip is one who talks to you about other people; a bore is one who talks to you constantly about himself; a conversationalist is one who talks to you about yourself. Did you hear about the little old lady who doesn’t repeat gossip? So you better listen good the first time. Figure those out, and we’ll talk again.

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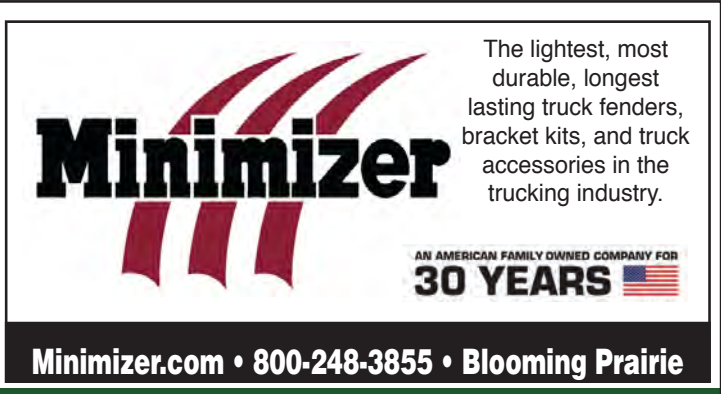
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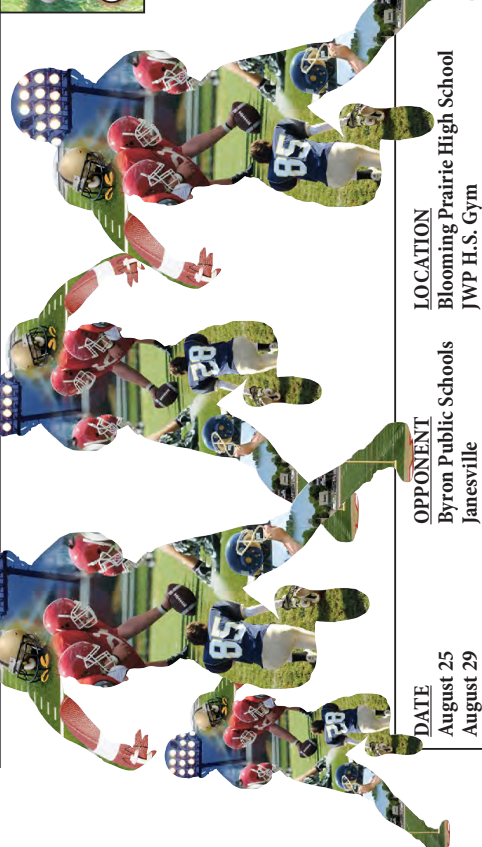


FOOTBALL
Head Coach - Chad Gimble
Assistant Coaches -
Matt Kirselson,
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DATE	OPPONENT	LOCATION
September 2	Rushford - Peterson	Rushford
September 9	Bethlehem Academy	Bethlehem Academy
September 16	St. Clair	St. Clair High School
September 23	Janesv-Waldorf/Pemb.	Janesv-Waldorf/Pemb.
September 30	Mankato Loyola	Mankato Loyola
October 7	Medford	Medford
October 14	United South Central	United South Central High School
October 19	Kenyon - Wanamingo	Blooming Prairie McFarlin Field

Front Row - Coaches - Elliot Herdina, Nate Piller, Karl Stachelberg, Andrew Hardecoff, Chad Gimble, Matt Weber, Zach Archer, Jarrett Larson, Kaden Thomas,
2nd Row - Luke Rennie, Payton Simon, Ethan Arct, Jack Matson, Alex Baldwin, Joseph Meyer, Matthew Pryor
3rd Row - Ricky Feeney, Isaac Iile, Colin Lerum, Zach Weber, Zach Archer, Jarrett Larson, Kaden Thomas,
Kanson Viegeland, Josh Tompel, Jacob Gault
5th Row - Max Romeo, Ian Wayne, Tim Wolf, Seth Peterson, Caleb Kubista, Trent Swenson
6th Row - Ben Smith, Zach Piller, Lucas Noble, Connor Tedeschi, Zach Slater, Nick Thompson
7th Row - Ben Smith, Zach Piller, Lucas Noble, Connor Tedeschi, Zach Slater, Nick Thompson
Kory Baldai, Brad Staska, Mitch Oswald

DATE	OPPONENT	LOCATION
September 1	Stewartville	The Oaks Golf Course
September 8	Hayfield	Blooming Prairie Country Club
September 13	Lyle-Pacelli	New Richland Riverview Golf Course
September 20	NRHEG	Milaca Stones Throw Golf Course
September 24	Milaca	Prairie Ridge Golf Course, Janesville
September 29	Waterville	Chaffield Golf Course
October 4	Chaffield	Freeborn Oakview Gold Course
October 11	United South Central	Prairie Ridge Golf Course, Janesville
October 18	Waterville	



CROSS COUNTRY Head Coach - John Bruus

Front Row - Asha Lighthizer, Rose Michael, Allison Pryor, Bobbie Bruus, Emily Anderson
Middle Row - Jake Hyland, Dylan Johnson, Ethan Grant, Jerrin Jas, Olivia Johnson, Jacyln Hyland, Gustaf Ogren
Back Row - Cameron Kubista, Evan Doerhoefer, Jesse Schewe, Alex Iile, Elijah Baker, Quentin Kubista,
Head Coach John Bruus



VOLLEYBALL Head Coach - Randall Kinderson
Assistant Coaches - Mary Worlock & Jennifer Wayne

Back Row - Ayren Ingvalson, Leah Inwards, Marissa Larson, Courtney Wobschall, McDenna Hein, Sam Wurst, Rachel Pirkel, Asia Thostenson
Front Row - Keaira Ruchke, Linnea Sundt, Kylie Forstet, Bria Baldwin, Leah Schleiert, Alicia Pracek, Rachel Kubicek

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