

# OPINION



## Lisa's Lines

by Lisa Ingebrand

My email was hacked.

It was a frustrating, inconvenient, and time-consuming mess that turned out... oddly heartwarming.

The scumbag who hacked into my account sent an email to all my contacts, kindly asking how their family is doing and if they could do a favor for me. Anyone who responded to the email from "me" received another email (from the scumbag pretending to be me) stating that I was recovering from heart surgery and needed them to purchase a gift card for me to give my niece.

The scam only "worked" if someone went through with purchasing the gift card and then emailed the scumbag the codes on the back of the card.

I hope no one did.

But if you did... Thank you, and I'm sorry.

Thank you to everyone who reached out to me via email, phone calls, text messages, or stopping by the office to either alert me to the hack job or ask about the favor noted in the scam email.

I was moved to tears by the sheer number of people who took time out of their day to make sure I am okay. Many of the people were old contacts of mine whom I haven't spoken with for years. Some were work contacts, others were vague acquaintances from the past.

But, the most surprising phone calls and emails were from individuals whose names I've had to publish (under my byline) as having been charged and / or convicted of felonies. All of them were kind and gracious, and asked how they could help me. Amazing.

It isn't easy to write or publish those stories, and when possible, I reach out to the individual charged or his or her attorney to give them a chance to respond to the charge(s). Emotion and fear are usually running high during this time, and my phone call or emails are usually not well received, but I would hope someone would do the same for me—give me a chance to tell my side of the story.

I do everything possible to present a fair, court-document-based account of the alleged crime and believe it is important to publish the news of felony level charges that have been filed in the area. It's not always easy.

Sometimes I know the person charged with the felony. I know their families and friends.

Sometimes, the accused's family members and friends contact me asking me not to publish the story or asking for information or help navigating the court system.

Sometimes, the accused stomps into my office and fires off hot words to my face in anger over what has been published.

When this happens, I try to listen. I also share copies of the court documents and assure them that if the charges against them are dropped I will HAPPILY run the information in the newspaper as well.

My point is, I work hard to be fair and unbiased in my reporting. Publishing bad news that involves a local person (or any person) is not done lightheartedly... Yet, it is often my name that sits above the court reporting in black ink, making me a target for the accused's anger.

So, to have multiple convicted felons, who have done their time or are continuing treatment, contact me individually to ask about the favor noted in "my" email to them, then tell me that they'll do what they can to help me, is... incredible.

Their kindness rendered me speechless. Then, I couldn't say thank you enough.

When "I" was in need, they reached out to help me.

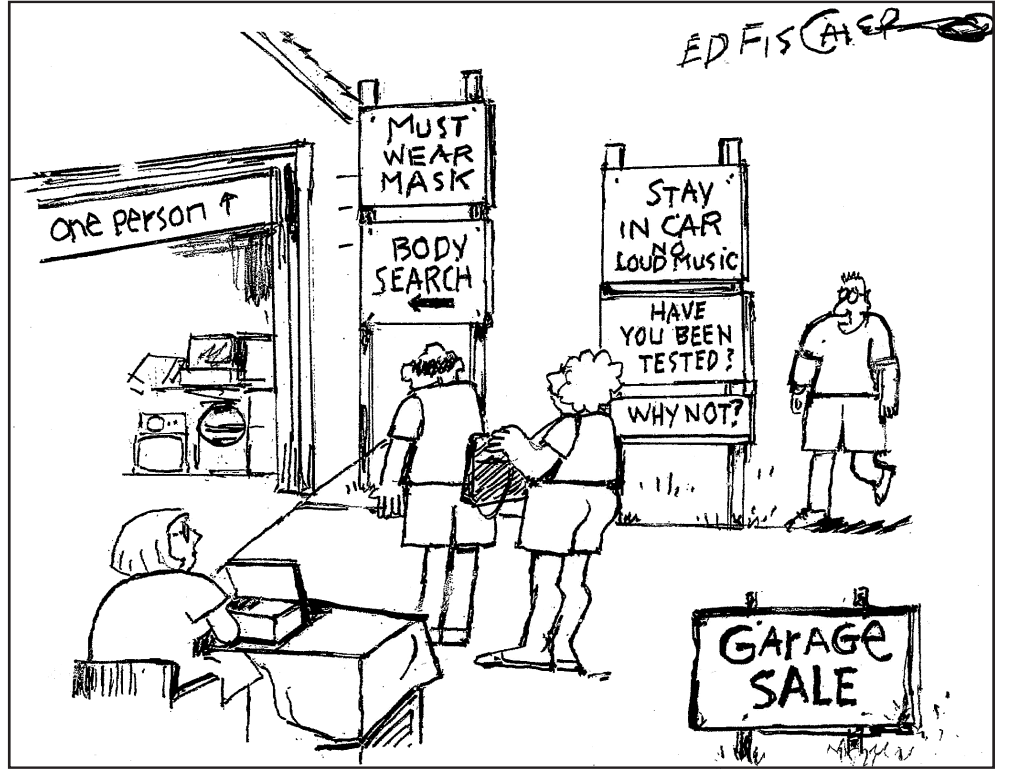
It's easy to feel alone—especially during this COVID pandemic. We're scared, struggling to make ends meet, and so, so lonely.

It's easy to feel embarrassed or guilty about asking for help.

But, help is there.

It's all around you—sometimes from the people you'd least expect.

You just need to ask... or have your email account hacked (but I don't recommend that).



## Those Were The Days

**125 Years Ago**  
**June 14, 1895**

Pupils of the primary department have purchased a fine portrait of Geo. Washington, which will adorn the walls of their room in the new school building. - Elysian Enterprise

A racing matinee was held at the Andrew's race track at Waterville yesterday afternoon.

The special train from Mankato to Faribault for the Saengerfest was well patronized and busy running out to Cannon Lake from Faribault, during the day.

Everett's Tetonka Lake Addition to Waterville has been platted and lots fronting on the lake, and other desirable lots are offered for sale - easy terms. M.R. Everett

Mr. Everett will donate half a block of land in his newly platted addition in West Waterville to anyone who will erect a summer hotel thereon. He also offers a lot to the first one who will build a summer residence or cottage in the same addition.

**100 Years Ago**  
**June 18, 1920**

If Sunday was a scorching hot day, it did not keep all the gas wagons in the shade. Frank Waldron reports that during one hour that afternoon his daughter counted 112 autos passing their farm on the road west of Elysian.

At a meeting of the county board at Le Sueur Center, Jack Brown was awarded the contract for the building of road between Waterville and Morristown, which will be known as the "cut off" on the Black and Yellow Trail between those two towns. The contract calls for the grading and graveling of that road on the south side of the lake which will shorten the trail about one and three quarters of a mile.

**75 Years Ago**  
**June 20, 1945**

Messrs. Dahl and Olson have sold their Gamble Store stock to Leon Mager who has been with the National Tea Co. store at Farmington. Leon will take possession July 1.

With this issue The Advance starts Vol. 62, last week's issue completing 61 years of service in Waterville. The Advance was established by G.W. Morse who was publishing a newspaper in Waseca. For a time The Advance was printed at that place. A few months after the establishment of The Advance the late S.H. Farrington came from Waseca and took over the new publication and was at the helm nearly fifty years.

**50 Years Ago**  
**June 18, 1970**

The Jax Mfg. Co. will begin operation of its new Waterville plant the first week of July. The plant is located in the building formerly occupied by Prah Implement. The Waterville division will begin its operation with the manufacture of snowmobile covers. It is primarily a manufacturer of automobile

accessories, including seat covers, pillows, cushions, radiator bug screens, etc.

Bonnie Rinehart will reign as "Miss Waterville." Her attendants are Cindy Hagel and Jerri Dale.

Winners in the championship heat of the Bullhead Days Demolition Derby were Leo Ayers of Medford, first place, & Ernie Nordmeier of Morristown, second place.

**25 Years Ago**  
**June 15, 1995**

Real Estate Marketing in Waterville is highlighted on the Business Profile page this week. The main office is in Waseca but they have branched out and now for the past three and one half years have an office in Waterville. Karon Domonoske manages the office and Don Dickie and Dick Childs are agents. Holly Cram was crowned Miss Waterville. Her First Attendant is Tonya Ginter and Second Attendant is Tara Wesley. Junior Miss Waterville is Katrina Cram and her attendants are Amber Geyer and Ashley Marzahn.

## Waterville Police Report

**Monday, June 8:** Security Check, Directed Patrol, Directed Patrol, Medical, Suspicious Activity / Person / Vehicle, Suspicious Activity / Person / Vehicle.

**Tuesday, June 9:** Security Check, Directed Patrol, Mental Health Hold, Permits, Directed Patrol, Assist.

**Wednesday, June 10:** Security Check, Directed Patrol, Medical, Directed Patrol, Traffic Stop, Found Property, Suicidal Person, Traffic Stop, Child Custody.

**Thursday, June 11:** Security Check, Security Check, Directed Patrol, Waterville City Ordinance, Parking Complaint, Medical, Parking Complaint, Security Check, Agency Assist, Directed Patrol, Motor Vehicle Theft

- Unauthorized Use by Friend, Property Damage.

**Friday, June 12:** Noise Complaint, Waterville City Ordinance, Property Damage, Security Check, Directed Patrol, Medical, Fraud - Internet Fraud - Sales, Found Property, Recovered Stolen - Vehicle Returned, Medical, Animal Complaint, Driving Complaint, Driving Complaint, Missing Person.

**Saturday, June 13:** Security Check, Directed Patrol, Harassment Restraining Order, Directed Patrol, Waterville City Ordinance, Security Check, Traffic Stop.

**Sunday, June 14:** Burn Complaint, Security Check, Directed Patrol, Traffic Stop, Traffic Stop, Security Check, Directed Patrol.

## Senior Dining Menu

**PLEASE NOTE - The kitchen at The Village in Waterville will be delivering meals every other day (Monday, Wednesday, Friday) with two meals (M/Tues, Wed/Thurs, Fri & Weekend). The congregate part of the meal program is not available until further notice but pick-up/delivery still continues.**

**Monday, June 22:** Hot Dog on Bun, Baked Beans, Potato Salad, Ice Cream Sundae, Milk.

**Tuesday, June 23:** Baked Chicken, Baked Potato w/

Sour Cream, Carrots, Bread w/Butter, Dessert, Milk.

**Wednesday, June 24:** Country Steak/Country Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Peas, Bread/Butter, Cinnamon Apples, Milk.

**Thursday, June 25:** Roast Turkey/Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Corn, Dinner Roll/Butter, Dessert, Milk.

**Friday, June 26:** Piza Casserole, Green Beans, Peaches, Breadstick, ½ c. Chocolate Pudding, Milk.

For home delivered meals, call 507-362-8599 (leave message) before noon for the

next day's meal.

Full cost of meals is \$7.40. A donation of \$4.50 to \$7.40 will help us to meet our cost to serve quality meals.

Older Adults (age 60+) and their spouse have a right to a meal based on their ability to donate. Food Stamps (SNAP Vouchers) accepted. For guests under 60 years of age, the charge is \$7.40. Children under 12 years of age pay \$3.70 and receive ½ portions.

Meals provided by Lutheran Social Services.

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## Morristown reopens city buildings, digital water meters to be installed

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LifeEnterprise

Morristown City Hall, the Community Center and the city's park pavilion have reopened. The facilities, which were closed for months due to COVID-19, were reopened under following a city council vote Monday night, June 15.

Those utilizing the city facilities must follow stated health and safety guidelines and must sign a waiver acknowledging they are using the premises at their own risk. This includes individuals who walk in the community center and gather at city hall for Coffee Club. Waivers will be available at the city office.

### Water Meters

New digital water meters will be installed at city residences and businesses, starting this Friday and Saturday, and continuing next Friday and Saturday. City Clerk Sheri Gregor is working with homeowners and business owners to set up 20-minute appointments for the installation of the meters.

The city is covering the cost of the first meter and installation of that meter at each location. However, if a second meter is needed or wanted the property owner will be required to pay for

the installment and the meter (if a meter is newer than five years old is being replaced, the price of the second meter will be prorated).

According to Morristown Mayor Tony Lindahl, the new meters will save the city money in the long run by cutting down the hours it takes city employees to go out and read the meters, process the information, and bill residents accordingly.

"We have five different water meters in town. Some of them require guys to physically go inside a residence. Getting this done—everything replaced and updated—is going to be a big headache off of Sheri, and it's going to pay for itself," he stated.

The council approved sump pump inspections conducted alongside meter installations at the cost of \$7 per household. Properties found to have sump pump violations will be reported to the city.

### Other Items

• A National Night Out event is being planned for Tuesday, August 4 in Morristown. The council approved the use of the city's baseball field for the event as long as health and safety guidelines are followed.

• Parking on First Street SE, Morristown, continues to be a hot issue. Two res-

idents addressed the council at the June 15 meeting, voicing concerns about the "narrowing" of the roadway caused by parked vehicles. They also expressed concern for children in the area. Another resident later addressed the council via phone, stating his frustration with the city's ordinance that limits a residence to having no more than four cars parked outside. He and his landowner have both been fined for his ordinance violations.

• Skylar Gregor, who was serving as interim Zoning Board Administrator, was approved to be the Zoning Board Administrator.

• Tasia Voegel was approved to be an office assistant for the City of Morristown at \$15 per hour. She will start July 1 or sooner and will work five or more days a month.

• Morristown's search for a part-time city administrator continues. Brad Potter, who resigned from the position on June 6, has agreed to assist the council on a consulting basis (\$35 per hour), as needed, until a new city administrator is hired. Potter will provide the council with a monthly report, documenting his work.

Morristown City Council's next regular meeting will be held Monday, July 6 at 7 p.m.



**OUR SPECIAL OFFERINGS**

For one week more we will sell 8 bars of Flake White and 6 bars of Royal Medicated Soap for \$1.00

Tomatoes, 20 and 25c a can  
Grimes Canned Corn 13c or 2 cans for 25c  
Tahme Peas, 15c a can  
Early June Peas, 20c a can  
Canned Salmon 25 and 30c  
Blueberries, 20c a can

We have Shuwhite, Tan and Jet Oil Shoe Polish at 10c a bottle

We invite the public to a free concert at the Star Restaurant next Wednesday evening by the Kilkenny Boys Band.

**Bring in your Eggs**

WE PAY CASH AND SELL OUR GOODS FOR CASH

**D. CORCORAN**  
THE THREE-STORE SYSTEM

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