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Above: Tanya Moiseenko is living in her native Ukraine and is helping her country defend itself against an invasion from Russia. As part of the effort her family was forced to live underground for several days to stay safe from the bombings. Below: Moiseenko was a foreign exchange student who lived with the Mike and Brenda Niemela family from 2008-09.

NYM to explore e-learning option

By Chad Koenen
Publisher

E-learning days could replace some snow days as soon as next year in the New York Mills School District.

During its regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, March 28, the NY Mills School Board approved, on a 4-2 vote with Kristina Ehnert and Derek Braukmann voting in dissent, a motion to continue exploration of e-learning days in the school district, as opposed to only using snow days.

The next step will be to develop a

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Photo by Tucker Henderson

Brunswick in New York Mills has announced that it will lease a building in Willmar, Minn., to house part of its upholstery business.

Brunswick to expand to Willmar location

By Chad Koenen
Publisher

Demand for new boats and pontoons remain strong, even as labor and supply shortages have created a number of challenges for Brunswick Corporation.

In order to meet the increased need in the boating industry and shortages in the labor force in the area, Lenn Scholz, president of Lund Boats, announced some changes for the company in an online meeting with the New York Mills Civic and Commerce organization on Tuesday afternoon. As part of the change-

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WAR IN UKRAINE HITS HOME IN NEW YORK MILLS

Former NYM exchange student aids her native country

By Chad Koenen
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It was just before daybreak on Feb. 24, when Tanya Moiseenko received a phone call that would forever change her life in Ukraine. ¶ "It was at 5:30 in the morning, on Feb. 24, my husband's uncle, who lives directly on the border, called my husband on the phone and said that Russian tanks, have violated the borders of Ukraine. (They) simply broke through and started shooting at customs and took customs officers hostage," said Moiseenko. "We couldn't believe it, it just shouldn't have happened to anyone. My mother and sister were, at that moment, on the opposite part of Ukraine, not far from Poland and did not yet know about what was happening." ¶ In the matter of just 10 minutes Moiseenko, and her husband Ruslan, gathered as many items as they could, as well as their daughter Maria.

The family drove to a village about 100 miles away from their hometown of Sumy, which was just 40 miles away from the Russian border of Ukraine, as they learned about the Russian invasion. The family hoped there wouldn't be a global invasion, but they would soon learn of the Russian advances into their home country.

The war in Ukraine has hit especially close to home for the Mike and Brenda Niemela family and a number of residents of New York Mills.

Moiseenko was a foreign exchange student from Ukraine and lived in NY Mills during the 2008-09 school year. She has stayed in touch with a number of her classmates and host family through the years.

Since the war in Ukraine

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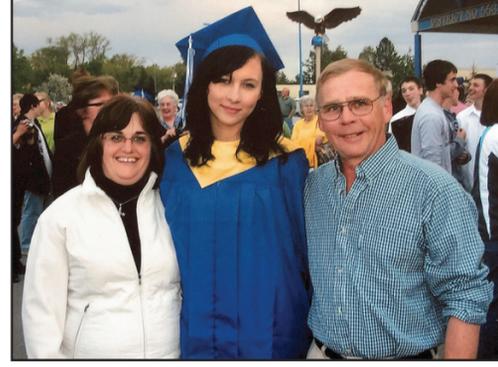


Photo by Chad Koenen
The Deer Creek City Council met at the Deer Creek Community Center last week to discuss its annual audit, as well as hear several updates from the water and sewer department.



DC council hears positive news on annual audit

By Chad Koenen
Publisher

The City of Deer Creek's reserve in the general fund increased slightly in 2021, as did the sewer fund.

During its regularly

scheduled meeting last Monday night, the Deer Creek City Council heard from Dean Birkhead, of Carlson SV, about the city's 2021 year end audit. As part of the audit, the city council heard that receipts exceeded

disbursements and transfer outs by \$63,905. The fire department nearly broke

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