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The Sipe family began camping at WE Fest in the early 2000s with 3 campers. Now the group has 21 campers on-site for the country music festival. Pictured are (back, from left) Mike Sipe, his soon to be son-in-law Shane Simon and son Nick. (Front, from left) daughter Madisen, wife Betty and daughter-in-law Amber. Mike Sipe noted his oldest son, Brandon, was not able to make it this year because he and his wife, Jackie, had recently welcomed a new son to the world.

LEGENDARY WE FEST CAMPERS

This longtime campsite even hosts mini-concerts

By Barbie Porter Detroit Lakes Tribune

here are many legendary people at campsites in the WE Fest grounds

during the three-day country music festival. Some are known for offering friendship and a refreshing beverage, some entertaining

distance in decorating their campsite.

The Midland Publishing campsite may be one of the most famous, as it offers the trifecta of the essence of WE Fest camping.

Mike and Betty Sipe, who own Midland Publishing of Milbank,

games, and others go the S.D., arrive well before the festival begins. Before any camping gear is brought on site, the area is mowed, weedwhacked and sprayed for bugs.

> A few days later, the family returns with campers, tents, a bar, tables and a spectacular sound system in tow.

On Wednesday, several RVs were circled like a wagon train to provide a private party area. An entrance to the party area was located under a canopy strung with lights. Fake grass carpet led visitors to a central

years invited walks down memory lane.

The Sipe's WE Fest journey began nearly 20 years ago. A friend had extra tickets to the county music festival which started in 1983 with about 9,000 people attending.

CAMPERS: Page 13

Retirement bash to honor Larson's legacy

By Vicki Gerdes Detroit Lakes Tribune

For the first time in 34 years, Kathy Larson will not be teach ing vocal music when classes at Detroit Lakes Public Schools start next month.

She also won't be directing the fall musical, something she had done for 28 straight years. In order to properly send her off into retirement — while honoring her musical legacy - some of Larson's former students and colleagues have been busy planning a two-day retirement celebration that will take place this coming weekend, Aug. 13-14.

"I had an inkling early on in the spring, before I came back for All City Choir (the choral music festival organized by Larson every year) that this was going to be her swan song," said Mark Potvin, a 1996 graduate of Detroit Lakes High School who was involved in both the fall musical and choir programs under Larson's direction.

Potvin was one of the guest conductors at this year's All LARSON: Page 13



Eric Hoplin, left, and Mark Potvin recreated the promotional photo they took for the 1995 production of "The Music Man" when they went to see the Broadway production earlier this year.

City Choir Festival, along with three other DLHS alumni who had gone on to have careers in choral music.

Don't forget to vote

hub. In the center, tables

with picture books of

WE Fest lore from past

Tuesday, Aug. 9 is Primary Election Day

By Nathan Bowe

Detroit Lakes Tribune

DETROIT LAKES — It's summertime and the livin' is easy, but don't forget to vote on Tuesday – it's Primary Election Day in Minnesota, and Becker County residents will vote on candidates for is allowed seven days prior the county board as well as the State Legislature.

at the Becker County Court- son. house, which allows voters to feed their ballot directly into secure counting machines just like at the polling places on election day.

By state law, direct voting to an election, according to Becker County Election VOTE: Page 13

Direct voting is now open Coordinator Kim Frederick-

The courthouse will also be open 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday for absentee voting at the Auditor-Treasurer's Office, and the courthouse will be open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Monday for absentee voting, Frederickson said.

City, school filing opens

By Michael Achterling

Detroit Lakes Tribune

With three uncontested Detroit Lakes City Council seats up for grabs this November, all eyes are focused on the city clerk's office as municipal and school district candidate filing opened on Tuesday.

In total, five council seats will be on the November bal-

lot, with two council mem- ing period closes on Aug. 16 bers, Matt Boeke, Ward 3, and Natalie Bly, at-large, indicating they will seek reelection to their respective seats. Council members Madalyn Sukke, Jamie Marks Erickson and Dan Wenner have all declined to run for reelection, which leaves three uncontested seats in Ward 1, Ward 2 and at-large.

The local candidate fil-

at 4:30 p.m. Any interested candidates should stop by city hall or visit the city's

website. "It's just a great way for if you want to make changes in your community; this is how you do it," said Kari Tyson, deputy clerk for Detroit Lakes.

SCHOOL: Page 13





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By Barbie Porter

Detroit Lakes Tribune

A Perham police officer drove an intoxicated man about 10 miles outside of city limits, down a long gravel driveway and allowed him to enter a farmhouse. The problem

was, he didn't live there. The homeowner, Kristen Brown, said around 1 a.m. Monday, July 25, her husband woke to noise coming from the main level of their house. He sprung from his bed, which was upstairs. The sheer force of his swiftness woke his wife from

her slumber. COP: Page 11



Barbie Porter / Perham Focus The driveway to the rural home about 10 miles outside of Perham, where a city police officer brought an intoxicated man who incorrectly identified where his mother lived. The man went inside the house, alarming the homeowners.

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that on September 7, 2022, at 1:15 pm, a hearing will be held in this Court at Minnesota, on the petition. 913 Lake A venue, Becker County Courthouse

Detroit Lakes. The petition represents that the dece dent died more than three (3) years ago leaving property in Minnesota. The petition requests the Court determine the descent of such property. determine that the decedent died testate and assign the property to the

persons entitled.
Any objections to the petition must be raised at the hearing or filed with the Court prior to the hearing. If the peti-tion is proper and no objections are filed or raised, the petition will be

granted. Notice shall be given by publishing



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AUDUBON TOWNSHIP BECKER COUNTY, MINNESOTA Resolution No. 8.1.2022B
RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A
SUBORDINATE SERVICE DIS-

TO IMPROVE A PORTION OF 180th AVENUE, 175th STREET, BIRD DOG ROAD, AND BIRD DOG CIR-

On August 1, 2022, the Town Board of Audubon Township adopted the above captioned

resolution to establish a subordinate service district, pursuant to Min-nesota Statutes, chapter 365A, for certain properties adjacent to 180th Avenue, 175th Street, Bird Dog Road, and Bird Dog Circle (see map). The purpose of the district is to perform all work required to pave

the identified portion of 180th Avenue, 175th Street, Bird Dog Road, and Bird Dog Circle and to per-

form such major repairs and maintenance activities in the future that the Town Board determines are necessary. The Town may issue bonds to finance the project

and the costs will be paid by levying a service charge on the properties within the district. The dis-

rict will be effective 60 days from the first date of publication of this notice. A copy of the full resolution is being mailed to the owners in the district and is available by



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his Notice and Order as provided by law and by: Mailing a copy of this No tice and Order to each interested person by United States mail at least 14 days before the time set for

the hearing.
Dated: 8/2/2022
BY THE COURT Referee Susan Solheim District Court Dated: 8/2/2022

Sarah Schlauderaff Deputy, Court Administrator, Renelle Isl Nathan E. Ray Fabyanske, Westra, Hart & Thomson,

P.A. Nathan E. Ray MN# 0305236 333 South Seventh Street, Suite

2600 Minneapolis, Minnesota 55402 Telephone: (612) 359-7634 Facsimile: (612) 359-7602 e-mail: nray@fwhtlaw.com (Aug. 7 & 14, 2022) 88877

Erie Township is holding a special meeting for its members regarding ARPA Funds. Time: 6:30 p.m.
Location: Becker County Courthouse (Aug. 7, 2022) 89112

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AUDUBON TOWNSHIP BECKER COUNTY, MINNESOTA

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A SUBORDINATE SERVICE DIS-TRICT
TO IMPROVE A PORTION OF JOHNSON DRIVE

On August 1, 2022, the Town Board of Audubon Township adopted the

above captioned resolution to establish a subordinate service district, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, chapter 365A, for certain properties adjacent to Johnson Drive (see map). The pur-

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Bailey Richardson, Clerk (Aug. 7, 2022) 89130



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STATE OF MINNESOTA COUNTY OF BECKER SEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT DISTRICT COURT

PROBATE DIVISION Court File No. 03-PR-22-1412 Estate of: MARY L. SIMON, AKA MARY LOU SIMON.

Decedent.
NOTICE AND ORDER OF HEARING ON PETITION FOR PROBATE OF WILL AND APPOINT-MENT OF PERSONAL REPRESEN-TATIVE AND CREDITORS NOTICE

It is Ordered and Notice is given that on September 7, 2022, at 1:15 p.m., a hearing will be held in this Court at 913 Lake Ave., Detroit Lakes, Minnesota, for the formal probate of an instrument purporting to be the Will of the Decedent, dated March 21, 2022, and separate writing(s) under Minnesota Statutes section 524.2-513 ("Will"), and for the appointment of Rebecca A. Sheggeby whose address is 2605 Darling Dr. NW, Alexandria, MN 56308 as Personal Representative of the Estate of the Decedent in an UNSUPERVISED ad-

Any objections to the petition must be Any objections to the petition must be filed with the Court prior to or raised at the hearing. If proper and if no objections are filed or raised, the Personal Representative will be appointed with full power to administer the Estate including the power to collect all assets, to pay all legal debts, claims, taxes and expenses, to sell real and personal property, and to do all necessary acts for the Es-

ministration.

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.

A charitable beneficiary may request notice of the probate proceedings be given to the Attorney General pur-suant to Minnesota Statutes section 501B.41, subdivision 5. Dated: 7/25/22 BY THE COURT

Referee Susan Solheim District Court

Dated: 7/25/22 /s/ Sarah Schlauderaff, Deputy Court Administrator - Renelle Fenno The Hearing will be held remotely via Zoom. If you wish to participate, contact Court Administration for the remote hearing information prior to the hearing date.

nearing date.
Attorney for: Personal Representative Name: Kelly L. Jenzen
Firm: Johnston Law Office, P.A.
Street: Easton Place, 510 22nd Ave. State, ZIP: Alexandria, MN

56308 Attorney License No: 301917 Telephone: (320) 762-8814 FAX: (320) 762-9111 Email: jenzen@johnstonlawoff.com (Aug. 7 & 14, 2022) 88037

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STATE OF MINNESOTA COUNTY OF BECKER SEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT DISTRICT COURT PROBATE DIVISION

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BECKER COUNTY SHERIFF
Bergstrom Venice CELLEBRITE INC CliftonLarsonAllen LLP
CORBIN EXCAVATING, INC STENGER'S DUST DETROIT PAINT & GLASS
FORUM COMMUNICATIONS COMPANY
HENDRICKS ROAD MAINTENANCE HITESMAN & WOLD, P.A L & M ROAD SERVICES (August 7, 2022) 89190

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<u>Amount</u> 146,452.00 <u>vendor Name</u> LAURSEN ASPHALT REPAIR EQUIP LLC 15,000.00 29,410.19 Mark Sand & Gravel Company OK TIRE STORE PROJECTS UNLIMITED 4 300 00 RATWIK, ROSZAK & MALONEY, P.A. RUPP, ANDERSON, SQUIRES & STATE OF MINNESOTA

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WARRANTS FOR PUBLICATION Warrants Approved On 06/21/2022 For Payment 06/24/2022

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From Page 1

Fast feet thumped down the stairs and her husband's terse voice followed. He was demanding to know who the man on their couch was, and why he was there.

"My childrens bedrooms are also "My son is 6 and my daughter is 11/2. I went to check on them."

When she opened the door to her son's bedroom, the family's two powerful dogs burst through, and unfriendly growls followed. Brown was able to hold them back at where the staircase made an L-turn to the dining room. From there she saw the sil-houette of a man on their couch.

"The lights were off, but I could see because the moonlight was shining in," she said. "Then I saw a flashlight coming from the kitchen."

She said her husband saw the flashlight out of the corner of his eyes, as well. While the man behind the flashlight reportedly did not declare he was a police officer, Brown said her husband saw the Perham Police patrol car from the screen door.

Her husband "asked who they were and why they were in our house," Brown recalled.

At that point, she said, the officer admitted he had dropped off the man there, believing it was the man's mother's house.

On Tuesday, Aug. 2, Perham Police Chief James Gritz confirmed that Officer Emmanuel Reyes, who has been with the department less than a year, was told the residence belonged to the mother of the intoxicated man.

Brown said the officer then told the intoxicated man to get up off the couch, and when the man didn't comply, the officer talked about tasing him, which motivated the man to his feet. She said the officer home. then brought the man to his patrol car and her outside.

my husband's license plate number to make sure he lived here," Brown said. "Then, he left." Some details differed

between the Browns' version and what Gritz was told. Gritz said the license plate of the vehicle parked at the residence was run while the intoxicated man was making his way inside the house. He said that after the officer saw the plate owner's name didn't match the intoxicated man's name, the officer walked to the door. knocked and announced himself. From the door, the officer observed a man come down the stairs and confront the stranger on his couch.

Gritz filled in missing details of how the evening began. A Perham establishment establishment contacted the police depart-

ment and notified them there was an intoxicated customer that needed a safe ride home.

"We don't do it terribly often," Gritz said. "There was no taxi service running that

night.' Gritz said the intoxicated man had lost his phone and Officer Reyes agreed to provide a public service.

Gritz said after Reyes upstairs," Brown said. made contact with the man, Reves checked the man's driver's license, as well the license plate on the vehicle he drove to the establishment. The problem was, the man had not updated his license information from a previous address.

Gritz said the man was brought to an old address, at which time the man informed the officer that he no longer lived there. Instead, the man led the officer to Brown's farmstead.

"He was adamant that he was at his mother's place," Gritz was told.

Brown noted the doors at their home are normally locked at their residence.

"I don't know if we forgot or if the door didn't fully close," she said. "But, this could've been a very different situation."

After all, what if the dogs had attacked the intoxicated man or the police officer? What if a gun had been drawn? What if the officer had left and the man found his way upstairs to one of their children's rooms? Their son has also been troubled by what he heard and saw, she said, noting sleep doesn't come easy for

him lately. Brown emphasized the family supports police and recognizes they are vital to the community and do many great things. Brown said her hope is that the incident provides awareness that more training is needed in such situations, and perhaps a better policy.

Gritz said the Perham Police Department does not have a policy in place for safe rides

Gritz said "there will be training from here husband followed them on," adding that another good lesson learned "Then the officer ran from this experience was the importance of updating a license and plate license information promptly after moving to a new resi-

dence. The department has seven full-time officers, including the chief, and

one civilian assistant.

"We were trying to perform a public service and help someone get home," Gritz said.
"This was an unfortunate incident and thankfully no one got hurt."

It should be noted that Perham does not have a holding cell, and unless someone is under arrest or detained, they wouldn't be transported to the jail in Fergus Falls or detox center in Moorhead. "This person wasn't

causing problems, the didn't want him driving home," Gritz said.



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