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About Central Boiler/Altoz/WoodMaster

Central Boiler has been the leading manufacturer of high-quality outdoor wood furnaces since 1984. One of its many industry-leading accomplishments was the production of the first EPA program qualified outdoor furnace in 2007 and one of the first to meet the 2020 EPA emission limits. Central Boiler has a sales and dealer network established throughout the United States and Canada and exports their patented technology to foreign countries. Altoz is an outdoor power equipment company built by an experienced team of engineering specialists, turf-industry professionals and powersports industry leaders. Inspired by a passion for

excellence, Altoz was the first in the industry to produce a zero-turn mower with tracks followed shortly thereafter by the first tracked stand-on mower. WoodMaster has been producing industry-leading outdoor furnaces since 1989, continually finding innovative uses of natural energy and alternative fuel sources. The company was the first to manufacture bioenergy flex fuel furnaces and one of the first to manufacture an outdoor wood furnace that meets the 2020 EPA emission limits. The company has a dealer network that spans the United States and Canada.

For additional information on these companies and their products, please visit CentralBoiler.com, Altoz.com or WoodMaster.com.



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Dennis and Terri Brazier, owners of Central Boiler Companies, distributed over \$1,242,000 in bonuses among employees.

Indoor Christmas Tree Walk to be held at the Roseau County Museum

Plans are well underway for the fifth Annual Indoor Christmas Tree Walk, scheduled to open on the evening of November 22. The tree walk will be held at the Roseau County Museum located in the Roseau City Center.

In years past, people have decorated our trees with snowflakes, candy canes, angels, bows, pinecones, and antique ornaments. We have also had teddy bears, paintbrushes, homemade décor, chalk-painted ornaments, shotgun shells, books, and more.

Here is your chance to contribute your imagination and decorate a tree to be viewed by all that visit the museum over the holidays. We invite people of all ages, groups, organizations, businesses, day-cares, etc., to help decorate the museum with your decorating skills. As mentioned above, the decorations can be handmade, bought, recycled, you name it. They can tell our organization's story, advertise your business, or in some other creative way.

We have several artificial trees of various sizes and

lights available on a first-come basis. Or, you may choose to bring your artificial tree of any size and light.

We will be accepting registration until November 17; registrants must decorate the tree by November 20. Registration forms can be picked up at the museum or found online at roseauhistoricalsociety.org. Visitors will be able to vote for their favorite trees by placing money in boxes at each tree. The top three voted trees will win a cash prize. All proceeds from the boxes will benefit the Roseau County Historical Society's mission to collect, preserve, and share the county's history.

The opening event will coincide with an evening program by the O'Neil Family and a soup and sandwich meal.

If you have any questions or would like to register, please get in touch with us. You can reach the Roseau County Historical Society at 218-463-1918 or rchsroseau@gmail.com. Please find more information on our website or Facebook page.

Mille Lacs, Upper Red lake winter season walleye regulations announced

Minnesota DNR

Ice anglers on Mille Lacs and Upper Red lakes can harvest walleye on both lakes this winter season.

A four-walleye bag limit, with only one walleye longer than 17 inches allowed, went into effect on Upper Red Lake on Monday, Nov. 1.

Effective Wednesday, Dec. 1, through Sunday, Feb. 27, 2022, winter anglers on Mille Lacs may keep one walleye between 21-23 inches or one fish longer than 28 inches.

The new regulation on Upper Red increases the possession limit from the three-fish limit that was in place during the 2020-2021 winter season and 2021 open water season, when mature walleye were lower in abundance. Results of this fall's walleye population assessment showed a wide range of sizes with an abundance of mature spawning walleye, which allowed the more generous bag limit while also creating conditions that are favorable for the survival of upcoming walleye year classes.

This is the sixth consecutive year of winter walleye harvest on Mille Lacs, where winter regulations are set after completion of the annual fall netting assessment. Results from 2021 showed that the walleye population has declined from recent years but remains above population lows seen from 2012 to 2016.

Mille Lacs Lake winter regulations also reduce the possession limit for cisco (tullibee) from 10 to five and forbid the harvest of burbot (eelpout).

The Minnesota Department of Natural Resource's website offers regulation information on both lakes - Upper Red Lake and Mille Lacs Lake.

GMR voters

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The passing of these two questions comes after the school board approved about \$451,000 in reductions in March 2021— about a 10 percent decrease from its \$4.5 million budget— to counteract its financial situation that, according to budget numbers provided in July 2020, sat at an estimated \$545,371 deficit.

Guggisberg said the feeling following this election outcome was one of relief amongst the staff.

"If it would not have passed, that (cuts) would have had to continue and you... get to a point where you're more than just bare bones for what you offer kids," Guggisberg said. "... I think the staff is relieved that we can continue with offering the programs and activities for our students, and for our community moving forward."

With the approval of these two votes, the school will continue to operate the way it has been.

"I just don't see what I call crawl back or creep back of or another way of saying is renegeing the budget cuts that they implemented last year," Guggisberg said. "The board is responsible for the reductions and, at least in the short term, I don't see me recommending to bring back things or resurrect things. Those cuts were made and those cuts will continue to move forward into the future."

With the approval of these levy questions, the district is in a "good" or "better" financial position going into the future, Guggisberg said. He added how the district still has all its federal ESSER (Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief) II dollars and ESSER III dollars— what Guggisberg referred to

as one-time money. He estimated that these dollars could be used through 2024.

"The school has got a good financial foundation moving forward," Guggisberg said, "and that should reflect a continuation of successful programs and activities that your schools have."

This election provided two polling sites—one at the Greenbush Community Center and another at the Middle River Community Center. As noted in a notice that ran in The Tribune's October 27 issue, the votes from each polling site would be counted at one combined polling site—the Greenbush Community Center. Guggisberg mentioned how this notice was provided in both local papers. A total of seven election judges did the counting.

As a result of counting the votes at one site, the votes by precinct are not shown in the final vote counts. Guggisberg explained the reasoning behind doing this.

"There would be value to knowing how the vote was at each site, but there would also be value in not knowing. It just depends on what information you want," Guggisberg said at the November 5 special meeting. "As far as I'm concerned, you are one school district. You have a hyphen in it, but you are one school district. And the outcome is over 900 voting yes (and) 300 voting no."

At the next election, if the district wants to show the results by precinct, Guggisberg said it could do that.

"You are one school district in the past. You are one school district moving forward. Enough said for me," Guggisberg said right before the board officially canvassed the results.

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In 2011, David returned to college to pursue a graduate degree in nurse anesthesia. He attended Saint Mary's University, Twin Cities. There he obtained a Master's of Science in Nurse Anesthesia. David and his family then moved to St. Cloud, MN in 2013, where he began work as a Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist at the St. Cloud Hospital. It was then in 2014, that David decided to focus more on his civilian work and spend more time with his growing family, to retire from the Air Force as a Captain. David currently resides

in Spicer, MN with his wife Sarri and 3 children Grace (15), Gabriel (13), Max (9). He works as staff Nurse Anesthetist at Carris Health Willmar, MN.

Middle River:
The Middle River American Legion Post #444 is hosting the Legionnaires Annual Veterans Day supper. All veterans, and members and their spouses are invited to attend this event—one that will include a free meal prepared by Paradise Cafe. Social hour begins at 5:30 pm and supper at 7:00 pm and the program will follow.

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Volunteer Caregivers Assist Others and Earn Benefits November is National Family Caregivers Month

November is National Family Caregiver's month—a time dedicated to recognizing all the hard work and support that family caregivers offer to their friends and loved ones. Caregiving can be difficult, and caregivers often need a much-deserved break. Even just a few hours alone can make a big difference.

Lutheran Social Service of Minnesota is seeking Caregiver Support AmeriCorps volunteers to provide family caregivers this much-needed break to relax, recharge, practice self-care and reduce isolation.

Debra Doonan understands the importance of volunteering and the positive impact it can have on the older adults she supports.

"Volunteering gives me the satisfaction of assisting in giving family caregivers respite and I see the difference it makes in both the caregiver and care receiver's lives," Doonan said.

Respite volunteers also offer older adults more opportunities to maintain social connections, an important aspect of healthy aging that can become difficult as people experience dementia or mobility limitations.

People who care for loved ones rely on local volunteers like Doonan to provide this life-changing support. Doonan also recognizes the impact that volunteering has on her own life.

"I'm smiling more, and it has raised both my spirits and the spirits of the individuals I support," she added. "Volunteering is fun, and it makes a difference. I get to meet new people and give back to my community."

Currently, due to COVID-19, visits are being done virtually through phone and video chat with limited in-person visits. Through a partnership with AmeriCorps, volunteers earn a monthly living allowance ranging from \$150 to \$250 and can earn a \$1,300 to \$1,600 education grant annually, which they can use for tuition and student loans. Those who meet hourly re-

quirements over four years can earn a total of up to \$18,400. Volunteers older than 55 can also put these grants toward a child or grandchild's education fund.

Lutheran Social Service of Minnesota provides volunteers with training and requires no prior experience. To qualify, volunteers must be at least 17 years old, with availability each week and a reliable vehicle. They also must pass a routine background check.

The statewide organization serves all Minnesotans and welcomes volunteers from different faiths, ethnic backgrounds, sexual orientations and stages in life to inquire. To learn more or to get started, please contact Program Director Tara Giese at 866.787.9802, tara.giese@lssmn.org or visit lssmn.org/caregiver/volunteernow. Lutheran Social Service of Minnesota also offers additional support for family caregivers. To view all the Caregiver Support & Respite Service offerings, visit lssmn.org/caregiversupport.

Lutheran Social Service of Minnesota began in 1865 when a Lutheran pastor and his congregation opened an orphanage for children near Red Wing in southeastern Minnesota. Today, with 2,500 employees and 10,000 volunteers, Lutheran Social Service helps one in 65 Minnesotans through services that inspire hope, change lives, and build community. Some services, such as Adoption, Financial Counseling, Supported Decision-Making and Guardianship Options, Pooled Trust and Senior Companions support residents in other states as well. Through its mission, the organization seeks to foster safe and supportive homes for children, restore health and wellness in families, empower people with disabilities to live the lives they imagine, and promote health, independence and quality of life for older adults. For comprehensive information about the work of Lutheran Social Service, visit lssmn.org

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