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Doug Ohman delved into the men and woman who earned the military's highest honor. P.2

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The playground outside the Henderson Community Building has two new pieces of equipment, thanks to a local family. P. 7

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The rain may have dampened the ground, but not the spirits of people who turned out in large numbers to attend Le Sueur's big summer celebration. P. 8



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# Second time's the charm

### LS-H new school referendum passes; MS/HS fixes, CTE add-ons fail

By Rachel Miller Editor

he second time is the charm for the Le Sueur-Henderson School District. Preliminary results are in, and 53 percent of voters were in support of the referendum to build a new \$39.9 million K-5 elementary school in Le Sueur.

The statewide primary drew 2,229 registered school district voters (48 percent) to the polls, and 1,219 cast a "Yes" vote in support of a new school, compared to 1,080 No votes.

"I'm speechless. I still can't even believe it's true," said Le Sueur-Henderson School Board member Gretchen Rehm, who lives in Henderson and has students in the school district. "This has been a very long road for everyone involved, and to see both of our communities come together to do what is in the best interest

of our children and our communities is overwhelming. To say I am proud is an understatement. I am so happy to be part of Small Towns with Giant Opportunities. Thank you, LS-H!"

LS-H Superintendent Jim Wagner said the passing of the referendum will finally put LS-H in a spot to showcase what the district can provide for students and "allows both communities to market themselves as a destination place for families."

The vote was going to be a tough one for Henderson, as the passing of the referendum means Hilltop Elementary School, which currently houses fourth and fifth-grade students, will soon cease to be an elementary school.

City of Henderson residents voted against the referendum, with 160 No votes to 135 in favor. Henderson Township

followed a similar line, with 141 voting against and 113 in favor. The divide was even greater in neighboring Jessenland Township, with just 24 voters supporting the referendum and 75 voting against. Other municipalities voting against the referendum included Derrynane Township (3-13), Blakeley Township (3-5), and Faxon Township (2-3).

The greatest support for the referendum was in the City of Le Sueur, with 647 people voting for the new school, and 439 voting "No." Victories were also recorded in Ottawa Township (61-55), Sharon Township (94-61), Lake Prairie Township (13-7), Kelso Township (20-17) and Washington Lake Township (2-0).

Tyrone Township was split almost 50-50 on the issue, with 102 voting in support and 104 voting "No."

Le Sueur-Henderson Vote

Yes Committee Co-Chairs Christa Luna and Erin Timmers extended their gratitude to everyone who helped with the campaign, made phone calls or sent text messages, donated time or money and voted in support of the referendum.

"We understand the financial impact this vote has on everyone, so we greatly appreciate your support for building a new safe, modern and efficient elementary school," Luna and Timmers wrote in a statement to the Independent. "While it would have been incredible to see all three questions pass, we are thrilled with your support on question #1. #LSH-PROUND."

Results will not be final until the LS-H School Board canvasses the results on Monday, Aug. 15.

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INDEPENDENT FILE PHOTO/RACHEL MILLER

Le Sueur-Henderson students will have two more years at Hilltop Elementary School. The referendum's passing means LS-H will soon have two schools on one campus in Le Sueur, and Hilltop will be converted into an Alternative Learning Center.

# Lieske, Koch will face off for Sibley County District 1 Commissioner

By Rachel Miller **Editor** 

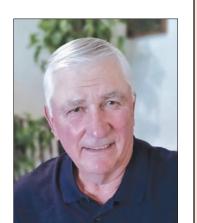
he five candidates running for Sibley County District 1 Commissioner have been narrowed down to two: Henderson's own Morris Lieske will face Peter Koch of rural Gaylord in the general election on Tuesday, Nov. 8. Koch is the current District 3 Commissioner, but due to redistricting, boundaries for all five districts are changing.

Of the 841 votes cast on Tuesday, 291 went to Koch (34.6%), and 268 to Lieske (31.87%). Mark Brandt came in third with 172 votes, followed by Henderson's David Abraham with 64 and Justin Thaemert with 46 votes.



PETER KOCH

Although Koch may have been the top candidate, Lieske won Henderson by a large margin. City of Henderson residents cast 99 votes for Lieske, 67 for Koch, 64 for Brandt, 22 for Abraham and 15 for Thaemart.



**MORRIS LIESKE** 

In Henderson Township, 101 votes went to Lieske, 59 to Koch, 44 to Brandt, 17 for Abraham and just eight for Thaemert.

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PHOTO BY BETH CORNISH

This year's Sibley County Ambassadors met with Belle Plaine Royalty after the crowning. Pictured from left is Sibley County Miss Congeniality Grace Hardel from Henderson, Bar-B-Q Days 2nd Princess Kamryn Stier, Miss Sibley County Jacquelyn Wibstad, Miss Belle Plaine Courtney Eppen and Sibley County Ambassador Emily Holmquist.

# Filing period closes Tuesday, Aug. 16

By Rachel Miller **Editor** 

ick, tock, tick, tock! Time is running out to file for the local races for township supervisor, township clerk, school board and Henderson mayor and city council races.

The filing period for the Nov. 8 General Election opened on Tuesday, Aug. 2 and will close on Tuesday, Aug. 16 at 5 p.m. There is a \$2.00 filing fee for local rac-

**Henderson Council:** The city council seats currently held by Randall Tiegs and Janet Boese are up for election this fall. According to City Administrator Lon Berberich, Tiegs has filed for re-election, and Mary Kay

Wento and Crystal Thomas

have also filed paperwork to run for council.

Henderson Mayor: Right now, no candidates have filed for mayor.

Le **Sueur-Henderson** School Board: The seats held by Matt Hathaway, Brigid Tuck, Gretchen Rehm and Jennifer Burns (interim for Joe Roby) are up for election. So far Hathaway and Burns have filed to run.

# Grace Hardel crowned Miss Congeniality

By Beth Cornish

Independent staff

'enderson's own Grace Hardel won the first award of the Sibley County 2022-23 royalty season when she won the annual essay contest. After an extended awards

presentation, Hardel received the second award as well when she was chosen Miss Congeniality for 2022-23. Although she does not have an official "Ambassador" title, Grace will still be participating in all

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### **EXTRAORDINARY VALOR**

Doug Ohman reflects on Medal of Honor recipients

By Beth Cornish
Independent staff

Ohman gave a very informative presentation at the Sibley County Fair on Friday afternoon, Aug. 5, about the Medal of Honor, its history and some of the Minnesota connections to the medal. The Medal of Honor is the highest military award for bravery in the United States and it was signed into law in 1862 by President Abraham Lincoln, early in the Civil

There have been 72 Medal of Honor recipients from Minnesota from the Civil War through Vietnam, 37 of whom are buried in Minnesota cemeteries. Ohman went to every gravesite in Minnesota last summer and showed pictures of some of the sites as part of his presentation. The monuments varied widely from one grave marker that he had to dig out from the surrounding sod to a few that were large markers including flags and brass plaques.

Minnesota's list of honorees has the distinction of including an early civilian recipient, Charles Lindbergh, for his bravery in flying solo across the Atlantic Ocean to show that air travel and thus aerial warfare were possible. Also unusual is the only ever female medal winner, Dr. Mary Walker, who served as an Army Surgeon during the Civil War.



PHOTO BY BETH CORNISH

Historian Doug Ohman delivered a presentation about Medal of Honor recipients on Friday at the fair. They included civilian recipient Charles Lindbergh and the only female recipient, Dr. Mary Walker.

She became a doctor in 1855 and attempted to volunteer at the beginning of the Civil War as an Army Surgeon but they would not accept her as such and offered her a nursing

position. She refused and became a volunteer at a temporary hospital set up in the U.S.

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On Dec. 14, 1927 a special act of Congress awarded Charles Lindbergh the Medal of Honor. Pictured, Lindbergh, left, received the Medal of Honor from President Calvin Coolidge on March 21, 1928.

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the royalty events along with Sibley County Queen Jacquelyn Wibstad and Sibley County Ambassador Emily Holmquist, both of Arlington. The three will be riding in the Gaylord Eggstravaganza Parade at 1 p.m. on Aug. 13 and in the Sleepy Eye Summerfest Parade on Aug. 20 at 6 p.m.

Each of the Queen candidates had to recite a jingle celebrating their sponsor.

Hardel recited the following: "Are you in need of some printed clothing? Evolution is your solution. Come on down to Henderson right on Main. It won't cause a pain. Evolution Shirts is your place. Go to evolutionshirts.com or call 507-248-3133." It got a nice chuckle from the standing room only crowd.

Excerpts from Hardel's prize winning essay:

"I think it is very important to accept others. Even if you don't agree with someone or have different views, we should always love everyone. Right now we are seeing a lot of hatred on social media. I think spreading positivity is a good way to spread happiness. Working with kids has taught me so much about loving others and including others. A lot of the times when kids aren't including someone else, it makes that child feel unloved and alone. Accepting others can really make someone feel safe and included. I



PHOTO BY BETH CORNISH

Henderson's Grace hardel gets crowned Sibley County 2022-23 Miss Congeniality during a ceremony on Sunday afternoon at the Sibley County Fair.

am so proud to live in a safe and loving county and it feels like one big family... Sibley County is mainly made up of small towns and small, rural areas. Small towns and rural communities are great because there are always people willing to help. Volunteering shows the strength that small towns can have. Just because we are small, doesn't mean we can't make a big difference... There are many other ways to volunteer in the county. You

can volunteer at the food shelf, blood drives, get involved in church, 4H, school, and other community events. It is super important to volunteer so we can support people in our communities and make the world a better place. Volunteering has really helped me get to know the community better and it also broke me out of my shell...We may have small towns, but we do have big opportunities."



PHOTO BY BETH CORNISH

## Oh, the sweet treat of sweet corn

Kathryn Rose enjoyed some sweet corn during the Friday event at the Sibley County Fair.

# TRAVEL WITH THE INDY!



#### **Indy reaches Emerald Isle**

Independent Intern Josh Wilson brought the *Henderson Independent* along on his trip to Ireland. Wilson and the Indy are pictured at the Cliffs of Moher.

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# FROM OUR FILES



From the Aug. 8, 2012 issue: Four young travelers stopped in Henderson last Thursday to rest and get a bite to eat. From left: Matteo Befi, 16, Jeb Polstein, 17, Jacob Karmel, 17, and Miles Hirozana, 17, have been making tracks across the upper states on a cross-country trek that began in Seattle, WA on June 23. The quartet is riding to raise money for "S.H.A.R.E. a Bike," a non-profit organization designed to give a bike to kids who cannot afford one on their own. The teens flew to Washington to begin their 4,000 mile trek and should reach their goal of \$3,000 by the time they return home to New York. (Compiled by Beth Cornish)

#### 130 YEARS AGO AUG. 12, 1892

Professor L. Bliss has decided to remain in charge of the Henderson High School for another term. The board has been lucky in retaining his services.

The Sontag brothers of Mankato have been arrested in Visalia, CA, for robbing a train. It has since been ascertained that they are the same was arrested about a year ago parties that held up the train in connection with a number near Kasota. Detectives have been following them from Mankato since some time last

A very sad accident occurred near Belle Plaine last week. A man by the name of William Tolzman, while grubbing trees got caught under one of them as it fell and the farmer, who he was working for, thinking he had gone to a neighbor or some other place, did not look for him until some thirty hours afterwards, when it was found that he was dead, but still warm. It seems that he worked to extract himself, and the tree and the ground gave proof that a desperate effort was made with a pocketknife to cut his way out. His thigh, over which the tree lay, was not broken and goes to show that the poor fellow died from the heat and thirst.

#### 120 YEARS AGO AUG. 8, 1902

C. W. Wiest is now the possessor of a bull pup. The beast will make his headquarters at the livery barn where he will be pleased to meet light-fingered individuals who have heretofore been in the habit of appropriating everything that wasn't tied down.

John and Albert Loffelmacher, residents of Nicollet County, were arrested by Sheriff McMillen and U. S. Marshal Nimmocks of St. Paul, Monday, charged with sending indecent and immoral matter through the mails. John of arson cases but the evidence was not strong enough to convict him at that time. The officers claim they have sufficient evidence this time and the young desperados will probably get what is coming to them — a long term in the penitentiary.

One of the sights at the coming state fair will be an exhibit of the fish of Minnesota under the direction of the State Game and Fish Commission. Every known variety of fish will be shown. Not only will the full-grown specimens be displayed, but the fry and the yearlings will also be shown so that visitors may study the development of fish.

#### 100 YEARS AGO AUG. 14, 1922

Hartman Manuel of Jessenland reported on Monday morning that several men invaded his home Sunday night and demolished some of his belongings. He stated that the gang came to his place a few nights before and roughed things up, hence in anticipation of another raid he made

up a bunk in a corncrib from which point of safety he saw them approach by car. Fearing injury to his person if he interfered, he ran to a neighbor to call up the deputy sheriff by telephone but could get no connection. The parties appeared on Monday and voluntarily offered to pay for the damage caused, but Mr. Manuel refused to settle, and at this writing the sheriff has warrants in his possession for their arrest. Out of respect for relatives we refrain from giving the names of the offenders. We are informed that "moonshine" is responsible.

Mrs. Gault, democratic candidate for Congress, will open her speaking campaign in September. We understand that she will visit Henderson. It is up to the women of our city to tender her a rousing reception when she arrives.

#### 80 YEARS AGO AUG. 7, 1942

The Kraut Queen Dorothy Mae Bach was crowned by the chairman of the committee, Ronald Hendrickson. Her attendants were Janet Dempsey, Luella Bach, Patricia Tierney and Linda Joy Kroehler.

In connection with the record breaking \$43 billion Army supply bill, Senator Charles McNary of Oregon took a stand that should receive public commendation when he asked for time to consider the bill, "in the name of decency and some concern for expenditure of public funds." He said, "I always try to be fair and reasonable but here is a bill calling for a large appropriation with a 92-page report and a record of four days of

His objection was largely because they were requiring action on virtually an hour's notice. "I don't question the amounts but am interested in for a display of calmness and judgement instead of blindly waving the flag to cloak unnecessary, hasty action on matter so vital to the nation. With the public debt estimated at \$130 bill for 1943, his action may encourage closer scrutiny of future appropriation mea-

#### 70 YEARS AGO AUG. 15, 1952

The final band concert of the 1952 season will be held on Saturday evening at Community Park. A pie and ice cream social, sponsored by the band members, will be held in the Community Hall during the concert. Band members are to appear in full dress at the 8:15 concert.

The death of Alvin Frederick Lieske will cause a marked void in the business circles in Henderson as for many years he was known as an untiring worker in his hardware, plumbing and heating business. He was also voted as being just as indefatigable laborer in any other avenue and served unstintingly and unselfishly in the community and church organizations. Out of respect to Lieske's memory, business in Henderson was suspended during the funeral

#### **60 YEARS AGO** AUG. 9, 1962

From Oather Trohdahl's column in the Janesville Argus: A small daily newspaper had problems recently with an ad for a man wanting to sell a sewing machine. Monday's ad: "For Sale: Mr. Smith has one sewing machine for sale. Phone 958. Call after 7 p.m. and ask for Mrs. Kelly who lives with him cheap." Tuesday: "We regret having errored in Mr. Smith ad yesterday. It should have read: Mr. Smith has one sewing machine for sale. Cheap. Phone 958 and ask for Mrs. Kelly who lives with him after 7 p.m. Wednesday: "Mr. Smith has informed us that he has received several annoying telephone calls because of an error we made in his classified ad yesterday. His ad stands corrected: For Sale: Mr. Smith has one sewing machine for sale. Cheap. Phone 958 after 7 p.m. and ask for Mrs. Kelly who loves with him." Thursday: "Notice: I, Mr. Smith, have no sewing machine for sale. I smashed it. Don't call 958, the phone has been taken out. I have not been

carrying on with Mrs. Kelly. Until yesterday, she was my housekeeper."

this code:

Vintage Photo Identification

Ostrom Studio of Winthrop took many family and wedding photos in the Sibley County area in the early 1900s. If you know the people pictured here, please call the Sibley County Historical Society at 507-248-3434 on a Tuesday, email schs1@frontiernet.net, or mail information to 700 Main Street, Henderson, MN 56044. Please use

erly Clobes, 12. The photo was identified by Kathy Clobes, who saw the photo in the Fairfax newspaper. She and her husband, who is the nephew of the girls pictured, currently live on the farm where Beverly and Bernice grew up.

#### **50 YEARS AGO** AUG. 10, 1972

Mickey Almquist of Henderson held onto his 1971 Sibley County Fair Demo championship title by outlasting over 40 other contestants on Sunday evening at Arlington. He placed second in the second heat for \$20 which entitled him to enter the championship round. He outmaneuvered five other finalists and captured the 1972 championship trophy and another \$40.

Julie Heldberg of Henderson was chosen as Miss Congeniality and Wendy Gail Lindemeier of rural Green of Sibley County at the coronation ceremonies on Sunday evening. Gail will be a senior at the Arlington-Green Isle High School in the fall. Her sister Bonnie Lu was a candidate in the 1970 contest and her sister Diane was a candidate last year.

#### 40 YEARS AGO AUG. 12, 1982 Leonard Eibs of rural Hen-

derson is a patient at St. Mary's Hospital in Rochester following an explosion at his farm northwest of this community early Saturday afternoon. According to a family member, Eibs was alone in his shop doing some brazing when the mishap occurred. He was preparing to weld a large propane gas tank on the back of a pickup. The tank had been flushed with water several times to make sure no fumes remained. However, when Eibs began brazing the tank blew up, hitting him in the face. Fortunately, no fire resulted from the explosion. Eibs' son Tom was on his way to the shop and only about 10 feet away at the time of the explosion but was uninjured. Leonard's injuries include a broken jaw, a slight concussion, fractured facial bones, severe cuts on the lip and chin and chipped teeth. The family initially took him to the hospital in Arlington. In the evening he was transferred to Immanuel-St. Joseph's Hospital in Mankato and later that night he was moved to Roch-

Julie Schultz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Schultz of Henderson, was crowned second runner-up in the Sibley County Queen Contest during the fair on Thursday evening. She was also selected as Miss Congeniality by her fellow contestants.

Chris Lieske, 13-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Morris Lieske, won the opening match

of the Mud Wrestling attraction on Sunday afternoon at the Sibley County Fair against a member of the American Mud Wrestlers Assn. of Wisconsin. Chris pinned his opponent "Big Loni" in two out of three falls. Only 418 spectators paid to watch this hilarious performance compared to 1,402 in 1981.

#### 30 YEARS AGO AUG. 13, 1992

County commissioners on Tuesday unanimously accepted a settlement from County Commissioner John Bach and Terry Gregory, owner of Gregory's Saw Mill in Henderson, for damages associated with cutting trees in High Island Creek County Park in Isle was crowned 1972 Queen Jessenland Township in late 1989 or early 1990. According to the settlement, Bach and Gregory will pay the county \$5,000 plus provide a quit claim deed to 20 acres of land adjoining the southerly edge of the park. This addition will provide a larger area and additional access to High Island Park, increasing the park from 200 to 220 acres, with a new southwest approach to the park being planned through the addition. Some beams from a dismantled overpass in Winthrop will be used to build a bridge across High Island Creek and the county intends to mark the border of the park with signs to prevent similar incidents in the future.

#### 20 YEARS AGO AUG. 15, 2002

It was pure joy in Willmar on Sunday when the Le Sueur-Henderson Giants Legion Baseball team triumphed to win the Division II state crown. Under the management of Coach Mike Feeney, the team swept the tournament with three victories. The Giants first took on Sebeka for a 9-3 win by Darren Culbert. Then, with Trevor Schultz getting the win, the team defeated St. Charles 7-2. Finally, down seven runs in the fourth, the Giants erupted for nine runs, took the lead and never looked back, going on to defeat Blue Earth with Culbert getting his second win of the weekend in relief.

#### 10 YEARS AGO AUG. 8, 2012 Main Street Henderson is

now home to the Knitting Knest and Kuriousity Shoppe. Proprietors Geri Higdon and Debbie Heimer are ready to greet their customers seven days a week on the corner of Main and North Sixth. The new business will feature an array of yarns and accessories as well as antiques and other "Kuriousities."

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a display of judgement. This is just pushing members of the senate around. We ought to have a least one day to consider the bill – a sum bigger that the cost of the last war, a sum which a few months ago was considered by many as bigger than a safe limit on the public debt." McNary is to be commended for asking

# **OBITUARIES**

## Milton E. Braun - 90

Milton Ernest Braun, age 90, of Le Center passed away on July 31, 2022 at Ridgeview Medical Center.

Memorial Service will be on September 10, 2022 at 11:00 a.m. at Zion United Church of Christ, Le Sueur, MN. Military Honors will follow the Memorial service at church. A visitation will be held one hour prior to service. Interment will follow lunch at Mound Cemetery in Le Sueur.

Milton was born October 29, 1931 to George and Francis (Rinkel) Braun. He graduated from McKinley High School in 1949, and was enlisted in the U.S. Army in 1952 and was later discharged in 1953.

Milton married Evelyn Vo-



gel on June 21, 1958. Milton spent most of his lifetime farming on the family farm, then became a rural mail carrier in 1983. He enjoyed spending time tinkering in the shop,

woodwork, playing cards, and playing with all of his grandkids. He also participated in Pioneer Power.

Milton is survived by his children, Larry (Jody) Braun of Le Center and Sue (Steven) Springer of St. Michael; grandchildren Amanda (Jacob) Schoonover, Kayla (Matt) Wills, Travis (Kayla) Braun, James (Kali) Magnuson, and Jessica (Brent) Ficocello; 11 great-grandchildren; sister Shirley (Charles) Richter, brother Nylen (Marsha) Braun, and many other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his wife Evelyn, parents, brothers Curt and Fred Braun, and others.

### Suzanne M. Burmeister - 77

Suzanne (Suzy) Mary Burmeister, age 77, of Belle Plaine, MN passed away peacefully surrounded by family on August 8, 2022.

Mass of Christian Burial will be at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, August 16, at Our Lady of the Prairie Catholic Church in Belle Plaine. Fr. Michael Kaluza will officiate. Visitation will be from 4-7 p.m. on Monday at the Kolden Funeral Home in Belle Plaine and continue one hour prior to Mass on Tuesday at the church. Interment will follow service at Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic Cemetery in Belle Plaine.

Suzy was born November 9, 1944 to Joseph and Margaret (Molamphy) Paquin. She graduated from Amery (Wisc.) High School in 1962 and moved to Minneapolis and worked at Donaldson's. She met Richard Burmeister at the wedding of Lona and Marlin Baillargeon, where Richard took one look at Suzy and said "That's Mine." Suzy and Rich were married June 13, 1964.



They expanded their family by adding Joseph in 1965, Gina in 1967 and Michael in 1969. After moving a few times, they settled down in Blakeley where they raised their family.

Suzy worked for the United

States Postal Service for 20 years and upon retirement, she worked with individuals with developmental disabilities. She loved Richard, her children, her grandchildren, greatgrand-children and her family. She was an unofficial "Master Gardener" with a love for flowers, an incredible cook and she will be missed and forever loved by all who knew her!

Suzy is survived by Richard Burmeister, her loving husband of 58 years; sons Joseph (Tricia) Burmeister and Michael (Allison) Burmeister, and daughter Gina (Brett) Carlson; grandchildren Brooks (Alisha) Burmeister. Heather Burmeister (special friend Eric Siegel), and Hannah Burmeister (special friend Jack Norlen); great-grandchildren Maxen and Elliana Burmeister, as well as many nieces, nephews and friends. She is also survived by her sisters, Dianne (John) Burmeister, Joann Rupp, Julie (Nick) Roberts and Meg (Daryl) Lemme and her brothers, Jack, Tony and Peter Paquin; her brothers and sisters in-law Ann (Dale) Hoehne, Dennis (Helen) Burmeister, John (Dianne) Burmeister and Laura (Tom) Kinning.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Joseph and Margaret Paquin and brothers Frank and Bernie Paquin and Philip Laval, and father and mother-in-law Jack Clotilda Burmeister.

### Darlene L. Boehne - 86

Darlene Boehne, age 86, of Le Sueur, formerly of Henderson, died on Friday evening, August 5, 2022 at the Comfort First Residence in Le Sueur,

Memorial services will be on Friday, August 26, 2022, at 11:00 a.m. at Zion United Church of Christ in Le Sueur, MN. Visitation will be at the church that morning from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. Lunch will follow the service in the church social hall followed by burial in St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Cemetery in Arlington, MN. In lieu of flowers, memorials will be donated to Zion UCC in Memory of Dar-

Darlene Lois Boehne was born to Arnold and Marilla (Timm) Narr on April 30, 1936 in Belle Plaine, MN. She grew up on the Narr family farm near Silver Lake in Jessenland Township.

Darlene was baptized and confirmed at St. Paul's Evangelical Church in Arlington, MN. She graduated from Arlington High School on May 27, 1953. On that special day she became engaged to the love of her life, Edwin Roy Boehne. Ed and Darlene were married at St. Paul's parsonage on June 14, 1955 followed by a reception at the Narr farm.

Darlene and Ed lived in the Le Sueur area in the early



years of their marriage until settling on their hobby farm along the Minnesota River outside of Henderson to raise their four children. Darlene enjoyed raising and showing horses alongside Ed. As their family grew, so did their passion for horses. It became a family affair with many ribbons and trophies to show for their dedication. A tidbit many may not know is their horses were featured in the opening scene of Prince's Purple Rain.

Darlene spent her life serving others, first as a candy striper at Arlington Hospital, and then at various other jobs in the area, retiring from the job she loved most, preparing food for Meals on Wheels from the Henderson kitchen site through Lutheran Social Services. Even in her final days at Comfort Residence in Le Sueur, she made sure that those dining with her had "plenty" to eat. Just before eating you could hear her say, "Do we have everything? Now we're good? Let's pray."

Darlene's greatest enjoyment in life to the very end was her family. She is survived by her children, Sandy (Bruce) Holicky of Le Center, Dale (Sue) Boehne of Henderson, Joy (Darwin) Maas of St. Peter, and Don (Bonita) Boehne of Henderson; 12 grandchildren, Sam Maas, Bruce Holicky, Abby (Brandon) Beer, Jesse (Brandee) Boehne, Teri (Josh) Hopkins, Katie (Jerron) Boser, Angie (Andy) Meyer, Kallie Boehne and special friend Tyler Cords, Chase Boehne and special friend Chelsea Morgan, Shane Boehne, Mista Weaver and Shyla Weaver, along with 22 great-grandchildren, and 1 great-great-grandson.

She is also survived by siblings Gloria Williams of Bronte, TX, Jerry (Ruth) Narr of Henderson, MN, and Wendy (Curt) LeNoue of Battle Lake, MN; and many nieces and nephews.

Darlene was preceded in death by her parents, husband, brothers Kenneth and Ronald, and granddaughter (in law) Jennifer Maas.

Darlene and Ed will be laid to rest at St. Paul's Cemetery in Arlington, MN.

# WORSHIP SERVICES

#### **Centennial Lutheran Church**

701 Locust St., Henderson Pastor Dennis McManus, vacancy pastor; Cell: (320) 808-0624 Sundays - 9 a.m. Worship

#### Church of St. Joseph

213 S. 6th St., Henderson Msgr. Eugene Lozinski• 507-248-3550 Sunday morning service - 9 a.m. Tuesday morning service, 8:30 a.m.

#### St. John - Assumption Parish

26523 - 200th St. Belle Plaine Msgr. Eugene Lozinski• 507-248-3550 Saturday evening service - 5 p.m. Wednesday morning - 8:30 a.m.

#### **Trinity Lutheran Church**

32234 431st Ave. Gaylord Pastor Scott Richards 507-248-3550 Sundays: 9:30 - Faith Formation 10:30 - Worship

#### **Creekside Community Church**

Christian & Missionary Alliance 114 Shamrock Dr., Arlington Pastor Tom McCracken (507) 964-2872 Email: creeksidecma@gmail.com

Video worship at www.creeksidechurchcma.org

#### **Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church (WELS)**

229 S. 6th St., Le Sueur, Church 507-665-3477 Rev. Patrick Feldus 920-918-9949 Sunday Worship, 9 a.m.

#### St. John's Lutheran Church

Lutheran Church Missouri Synod 38597 State Highway 19, Arlington Pastor Gary Ruckman (507) 964-2400 stjohnsarlingtonmn.org 9 a.m. Sunday School and Bible Study

#### 10 a.m. Sunday Service **New Hope Baptist Church**

2020 Marshall Road. Shakopee Pastor Tim Douglas (952) 403-5146 Visit www.newhopebaptist churchmn.com for links to online services

#### **Word of Life Church**

890 Kingsway Drive, Le Sueur Pastor Jason Lang Sunday worship in-person and online, 10:30 a.m. www.wordoflifemn.com New Prague Campus, 830 4th Ave. SW Sunday worship, 9 a.m.

#### **Sunrise Church**

722 Sunrise Dr., St. Peter Pastor Mark Thompson 10 a.m. Sunday service live streaming

#### **Zion United Church of Christ** 240 South Elmwood St., Le Sueur

Rev. Rosemary Rocha, Interim Pastor Listen to a radio broadcast, 10 a.m., on KCHK 1350 AM or 95.5 FM. In person worship has resumed at 9 a.m. Sunday.

St. Anne's Church

217 N. 3rd St., Le Sueur Fr. Chris Shofner Parish Office: (507) 665-3811 www.stanneschurchlesueur.org See archspm.org/covid19 for mass and prayer resources

#### St. Paul's United Church of Christ 111 S. 6th St., Henderson

Rev. Deb Meyer - (507) 248-3594 9:00 a.m. Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Sunday Worship

#### **Gaylord Assembly of God** 26958 MN-5, Gaylord • (507)237-5341

Pastor Bob Holmbeck Thursday, Feb. 24 Norwood Bible Study, 9 a.m. 9:15 a.m. Sunday School 10 a.m. Worship Service 6:30 p.m. Wednesday Evening supper, Bible classes and Youth Focused Need a ride? Call (507) 237-5117

#### **Evangelical Lutheran**

Church of the Redeemer (507) 665-2932 Pr. Foy Christopherson 9:30 a.m. Sunday Worship service Also on Facebook Live

#### **United Methodist Church**

730 South 6th St., Le Sueur Pastor Terri Horn 1:30 & 7:30 p.m. broadcast CATV #7 lesueurumc.org

All services will be livestreamed on Facebook and later available for viewing on www.lesueurumc.org

#### Jehovah's Witness

Kingdom Hall, South 9th St., Henderson Go to www.jw.org/en for video to download, or watch online

#### **River Rock Church**

PO Box 184, Belle Plaine (952) 873-5453 Chris Teien-Senior Pastor Dan Jetto-Worship Pastor 330 S. Market St. in Belle Plaine. www.riverrockchurch.com Watch services online at www.riverrockchurch.com/

#### **Our Lady of the Prairie Catholic Church**

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200 E. Church St., Belle Plaine (952) 873-6564 Father Michael Kaluza www.ourladyoftheprairie.com Mass Times: Saturday 4:15 p.m., Sunday 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. Tuesday 6:30 p.m., Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 8:30 a.m.

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation 1/2 hour before Mass

**First Lutheran Church** 

116 Inner Dr., Le Sueur (507) 665-2615 9 a.m. In-person worship Communion first & third Sunday Visit www.firstlutheranlesueur.org for links to our live broadcast on our YouTube page

#### First Presbyterian Church

219 W. Main St., Belle Plaine (952) 873-2966 Email: fpcbelleplaine@frontiernet.net Pastor Wayne D. Waibel (612) 750-3443 Sunday Worship, 10:30 a.m.

# Martha E. Dressel - 85

Martha Elizabeth Dressel, age 85, of Stillwater, MN (formerly of Belle Plaine and Le Sueur), died peacefully surrounded by family on Friday, August 5, 2022 at Lakeview Hospital in Stillwater, MN.

The memorial service will be held Saturday, August 13, 2022 at 11:00 a.m. at St. John Lutheran Church in Belle Plaine, MN. Visitation will be on Friday, August 12 from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the Kolden Funeral Home in Belle Plaine, and also on Saturday, August 13 from 9:30 to 11:00 a.m. at St. John Lutheran Church prior to the memorial service. Lunch will follow the service at church. Burial will be at Ft. Snelling National Cemetery in Minneapolis at a future date for immediate family only.

Martha was born on July 6, 1937 to Aloysius and Margaret (Kreutzer) Rausch at St. Joseph's Hospital in Mankato, MN. She grew up in the Gaylord area and graduated from Gaylord High School in 1955. Following that she did secretarial work for Green Giant before she married Melvin Dressel at St. Gregory the Great Catholic Church in Lafayette, MN in 1957. The couple lived in Le Sueur at mulitiple residences before finally settling down in the country



where they farmed for over 30 years and started Dressel Con-

In addition to raising her four boys, Martha's days were filled with housework, fieldwork, gardening, and bookkeeping. Melvin and Martha later moved to Belle Plaine where they resided for over 22 years. After Melvin's passing she moved to the Lodge at the Lakes of Stillwater in late November of 2021 where she quickly became an active member of that community.

Throughout her life Martha remained very spiritually focused and active in the various churches of the communities she resided in (Zion U.C.C. in Le Sueur and St. John Lutheran in Belle Plaine). It was quickly evident when you met her that

she loved life and was thankful for everyday she got to enjoy it with family and friends. Martha was truly a special lady!

She is survived by her four sons: Dean (Chris) Dressel of Stillwater, MN, Don (Carol) Dressel of Cabot, AR, Dan (Joy) Dressel of Danbury, WI, and Dave (Jessica) Dressel of Lake Elmo, MN; grandchildren Joe (Jaimi - partner) Dressel, Mitch (Anna) Dressel, Dietrich (Dani Johnson - fiancée) Dressel, Dylan Dressel, and Sam Dressel; great-grandchildren Brynn, Archer, and River Dressel; step-grandchildren Dustin (Lisa) Walderns, Ashlee (Kyle) Hennington, Kattie Parker, and Kellie (Chase) Frazee; and step-great-grandchildren Brody, Aubrey, and Emma Walderns, Aurora and Logan Hennington, Gavin Parker, and Avarie and Kinleigh Frazee. She is also survived by her twin sister Mary (Larry) Culligan of Mendota Heights, MN.

Martha was preceded in death by her parents, husband Melvin in 2020, and her siblings Robert Rausch, Shirley Kachelmyer, Rita Alleven, Paul Rausch, Mark Rausch, Kenneth Rausch, Richard Rausch, Luke Rausch, and Patty Rausch.

#### **HENDERSON SENIOR DINING MENU**

Thursday, Aug. 11: Brat, mashed potatoes with margarine, sauerkraut, bread with margarine, dessert, low fat milk

Friday, Aug. 12: Sloppy Joe on a bun, cheesy hashbrown, baked beans, dessert, low fat milk Monday, Aug. 15: Chicken fried steak with gravy, mashed potatoes with gravy, Italian blend vegetables, dinner roll with margarine, dessert, low fat milk

Tuesday, Aug. 16: Ham, cooked cabbage, carrots, dinner roll with margarine, dessert, low fat

Wednesday, Aug. 17: Tuna pasta salad, tomato wedges, pears, dessert, low fat milk Phone number: 1-866-985-8514 (10 a.m. to noon, best time to call)

#### LS-H MONTHLY SUPERINTENDENT'S CORNER

### Welcome back to a new school year

ear Le Sueur and Henderson community members, staff, parents, and students

On behalf of the Le Sueur-Henderson School District, allow me the opportunity to welcome you all back to the 2022-2023 school year! If you are a returning family or are new to the area, we are pleased that you will be part of the Le Sueur-Henderson School system and community. Our educators are the very best in Minnesota. They have been engaged in learning of their own all summer, attending training, reviewing student growth and achievement data, and making plans to engage vour students like never before in the classroom.

The staff and I are excited to begin the adventure of another opportunity to succeed in our mission to "Provide a shared commitment to learning that enables every student to contribute and succeed in life." It is my hope that all of you had the opportunity to relax and rejuvenate throughout the summer. The staff has been hard at work this sum-



Jim Wagner

mer preparing for the return of our students and professional staff. The buildings have been cleaned and updated. We have done some well-needed maintenance to all the buildings in preparation for a great school

I want to take this opportunity to remind families to ensure their student information is complete in our student system prior to the start of school. If you haven't completed this update yet, you can locate the information you need from our website, which will walk you through the process. We are

also pleased that we have been able to sand the gymnasium floors at the high school and Hilltop to provide a safer surface for all who use it, as well as start a new alternative learning center to provide more opportunities for our students.

I encourage you to visit our website frequently to stay up to date on district news and events, follow us on Twitter, and like us on Facebook for updates that come from the district app.

It is an exciting time to be in Le Sueur-Henderson. It is my great honor to serve as your superintendent. On behalf of the incredible team of educators and staff at the Le Sueur-Henderson School District, thank you for putting your trust in us to provide your children with a world-class education. Thank you for your continued support as we strive to do our very best for our communities of children. We look forward to working with you throughout the school year to ensure the success of all our students.

We'll see you on Aug. 29 for our first day of school for MS/ HS and Aug. 30 for the elementary buildings!



The playground outside the Henderson Community Building recently received two new pieces of playgrond equipment, the egg-shaped chair Westin Nytes is sitting in, and the smaller seat to the right of father Tim Nytes. Father and son turned a surprise find into a community donation to benefit the park.

# A gift that keeps on giving

**By Rachel Miller** 

**Editor** 

he playground outside the Henderson Community Building received two new pieces of equipment, thanks to a donation spearheaded by a local family.

Westin Nytes, 12, recently found a \$50

bill in the park, and father Tim Nytes presented him with two options: he could keep the money, or if he would be willing to donate it to the Henderson Lions, Tim would donate \$500 from his business, Fort Road Construction.

Westin thought it over for while, but ultimately chose to donate the money to the Lions, who maintain the park.



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Dr. Mary Walker remains the only female to be awarded the Medal of Honor. Her civilian status is why her medal - along with 910 others - was rescinded in 1917, two years before her death. But Walker refused to return her medal and wore it until her death. In 1977, President Jimmy Carter restored her medal status.

#### MEDAL OF HONOR

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Patent Office and also organized the Women's Relief Organization to help the families of injured soldiers who came to visit. In 1862 she moved to Virginia and assisted wounded at a field hospital, still as an unpaid volunteer, before her credentials were finally recognized in 1863. At that time she moved to Tennessee and took a paid position as an Army surgeon with rank equivalent to a captain or lieutenant. She was captured in April 1864 and served four months as a Prisoner of War. She was awarded the Medal of Honor in November 1865 after leaving the Army.

Because she was never an actual soldier but rather a civilian, her medal honors were stripped in 1917, but when the Army sent representatives to her home to reclaim the medal, she refused to surrender the medal and wore it until her death in 1919.

She was also a staunch supporter for women's rights. President Jimmy Carter restored the honor in her name in 1977, almost 60 years after her death.

There was a Medal of Honor recipient from Henderson, Milton Hanna, who was one of 16 men, eight of whom got the medal, who heroically defended a wagon train against an attack of 125 calvary, repulsed the attack and saved the train. Hanna served in Company H of the 2nd Minnesota Infantry, earned the medal for action on Feb. 15, 1863 in Nolensville, Tennessee and was awarded the medal on Sept. 11, 1897.

The earliest action that earned a Medal of Honor for a Minnesota soldier was at Bull Run, Virginia, July 21, 1861, by John Merritt of Winona. for gallantry in action as he was wounded while capturing the flag in advance of his reg-

Seven Minnesotans won the Medal of Honor during the Indian Wars, including Charles Welch from Ft. Snelling, who upon arriving at Little Big Horn was too late for the initial battle but brought water to the wounded under enemy fire. For more information on all of Minnesota's Medal of Honor recipients, go to mnmilitarymuseum.org.

# GUEST COLUMN

Al Christenesen Tri-County Solid Waste Director

## Remain vigilant during the dog days of recycling

hope all of you had a great 4th of July! Were you successful keeping your beans and potato salad out of your recycling at your family gathering? I had a few good comments about that from my last article and was happy to hear your comments...

Recycling during holidays are always a challenge and we need to keep doing our best! The Dog Days of Summer are here so don't get lazy with your recycling now... good recycling habits take time and eventually should become part of your daily routine just like feeding your cat, watering your garden veggies and remembering when to open and close your windows.

One of our county commissioners stopped by the Tri County office to talk plastic recycling the other day and asked me if I knew that our national plastic recycling rate is about 6 percent. This topic has been brought to my attention about a dozen times since that report came out in May so it makes sense to address it now.

Having limited space, this will be a limited summary. The report was carried in many news outlets and was received with very sobering eyes and hearts. Past years of national plastic recycling rates were reported at being 30 percent or better. Thankfully, the jig is up and the United States had to explain or further define its definition of recycling.

Simply shipping thousands of tons of plastics overseas to Turkey, China and other Asian countries does not mean it was recycled, and we should not embellish our recycling rates... It was a good reality check that those nations finally banned this practice and banned further imports of waste "or recycling" from the United States and it meant that we now must be responsible for our waste that we create. It also put the whole world on notice that everyone in all countries must assume responsibility for use and disposal of products. We cannot and should not be shipping our responsibilities away.

So now, the true plastic recycling rate of six percent finally bubbles up like a slimy water bottle on our favorite lake. We can do better and we will do better, but it is a slow process to implement effective national legislation and local statutes to make things happen, and of course it comes down to cost and who to pay for these programs. Should it be a user fee or tax on residents or should the state, county or city pay for these programs? There are some legislative bills that want to impose a disposal or recycling fee on the manufacturer, which then transfers that costs on to their customers. This model has demonstrated good success when you look at the Paint Care legislation. This on a can of paint, which is paid es clean for future generations. by the customer, and then the 50 cents is placed in a fund that eventually allows free disposal at local retail hardware stores. Another successful example is our car battery recycling program. However, lead acid batteries is one thing but there are many different types of plastic, which makes it very difficult to regulate.

For us here in Tri County land we want to encourage folks to think globally but act

locally by using our current programs effectively and efficiently and improve on those programs. Please let us know if you think of ways to better our current programs as we are always looking for ways to improve and keep our commumodel places a fee of 50 cents nities, food and water resourc-

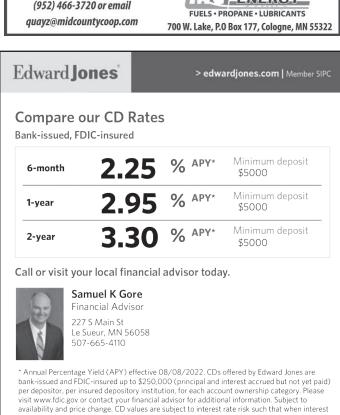
Just a quick note: if you missed our county wide clean up collections, we have our 2022 Coupon special to recycle your TV's and appliances for only \$5 per item. The coupon is good for all year. Please contact us anytime at 507-381-9196 or you can also check the Nicollet County waste wizard for more recycling and disposal information.

Stay cool and make everyday Earth Day!

**Steve Fields** 

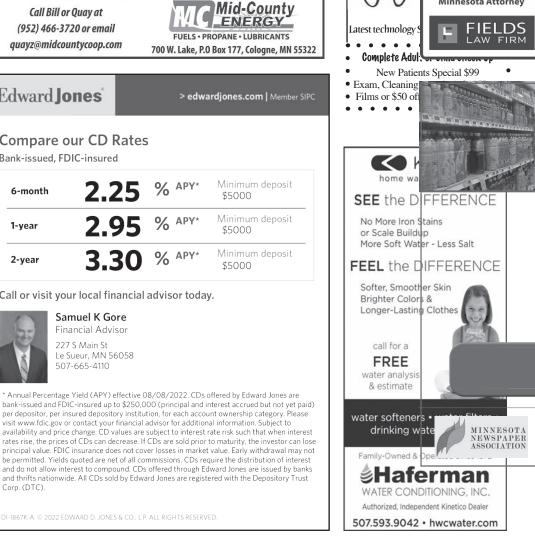
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#### **ECHOES FROM** THE LOAFERS' **CLUB MEETING**

Do you know the difference between a shower curtain and toilet paper?

No.

Then please don't use my

#### **DRIVING BY BRUCE'S DRIVE**

I have a wonderful neighbor named Bruce. Whenever I pass his drive, thoughts occur to me. Not all drivers were constructed of patience as I drove to where I needed to be.

There, I visited with a fellow from Vermont. He said he was a woodchuck. Not everyone admits to being a woodchuck, groundhog or whistle-pig. In Vermont, a woodchuck is a native Vermonter and a "flatlander" is a recent immigrant. A woodchuck likely chucked wood. I was a Minnesota Woodchuck as I grew up chopping, sawing, splitting, dragging, carrying, stacking and burning firewood. I chucked

Back when kid intelligence was in its infancy, I came down with a raging case of fake hypochondria. Mother was off on some important mission, so Dad was left to deal with me and he had just the thing. He made "graveyard stew," which was milk toast toast with a pad of butter in a bowl covered with warm milk. He added cream, sugar and cinnamon to get me to eat it. It helped, I think.

#### I'VE LEARNED

According to research from S&P Global Mobility, the average age of a car on US roads is now 12.2 years. I saw an abandoned shopping cart parked in the handicap space next to a 12.2-year-old car. Some people aren't good at self-governing, but I don't judge people as it's not my job, but if I start, I'll be judging the people who don't put their shopping carts back into their corrals in parking lots. It's your right to return them. Do what's right. Shopping carts aren't intended for highway use and don't belong wherever.

Everything takes longer than it should except getting older.

#### **NO DIY**

I called around to find a tradesman to work on the hovel. I called two, neither one returned my phone calls. I asked a friend who knows about that sort of thing what he thought about one guy I'd called.

"He's OK," he replied. Two words sharp enough to

as glass. It's another way of saying, "Meh." That meant the fellow was nice enough but unexceptional. I dragged a pen through the guy's name on my list of potential hires. He still hadn't returned my call.

carve a turkey. It was as clear

#### THOSE THRILLING DAYS OF YESTERYEAR IN HARTLAND

Mark Light of Albert Lea said that when he attended grade school in Hartland, Shirley Sibilrud of that fair city brought a dead opossum (it had been hit by a milk truck) into Crystal Siblerud's class so the kids could see what one looked like.

#### THOSE THRILLING

DAYS OF YESTERYEAR Gas was 33 cents a gallon when I became a licensed driver. It was 34 cents the next year and 35 the year after. I never gave much thought to the price of gas. I gave little thought to anything. I never thought I'd ever give much thought to the price of gas. We're not meant to know everything. I used to know a guy who named his dog Kenneth. I asked the man why he gave the dog that name. He didn't

#### **NATURE NOTES**

Why is a group of crows called a murder? The Egerton Manuscript and The Book of St. Albans, both dating from the mid-1400s, list collective nouns terms still in use today such as a charm of goldfinches, a pride of lions and a mur-

Crows are scavengers and feed on carrion. Folklore says pending on whom you ask) is crows form tribunals to judge and punish the bad behavior of another. If the crow was found guilty, the bird was murdered by the flock. No doubt a crow has killed another crow, but no trial was involved.

Canada thistle is allelopathic, which means it secretes chemicals from its roots that are toxic to surrounding plants. Canada thistle and bull thistle both have spiked leaves. Bull thistle stems have spiny wings that are absent on Canada thistle. The spines along its stem make a bull thistle look meaner than a Canada thistle. Both have pink/purple/reddish flowers, but bull thistles have much larger flowers.

We'll start seeing more flocks of birds. A flock provides safety in numbers and keeps an eye on everything, especially you. It's like circling the wagons of a wagon train for protection.

**MEETING ADJOURNED** 



The scientific name Tyrannus means "tyrant, despot, or king" and refers to the aggressive behavior of the eastern kingbird.

"Silence and smile are two powerful tools. Smile is the way to solve many problems and silence is the way to avoid many problems."

—Everyone has taken credit for saying this. I think it was

#### **NATURALLY**

A mourning dove called, its voice sounding sad and distant. An eastern kingbird, Tyrannus tyrannus, patrolled the yard. A chipmunk raided the grape jelly feeder. It looked like a chipmunk clown with its red lips.

I enjoy hearing the sleigh bell-like sounds on summer evenings (July to frost). Snowy tree crickets make the sounds but are perhaps best known as nature's thermometer because the rate of their chirping correlates with temperature. The formula (deto count the number of chirps in 13 seconds, then add 40 to find the temperature in degrees Fahrenheit. The insects get the name "snowy" because of their pale coloration.

Hover flies (or flower flies or syrphid flies in the family Syrphidae) are common and important natural enemies of aphids and other small, slow-moving insects. The adults resemble bees or wasps and are often seen visiting flowers, hovering over the flowers and darting about. I'm seeing cicada killer wasps. I love seeing them and had a chuckle when I saw them

nests. The European cuckoo of Europe and Asia (winters in Africa), lays eggs only in the nests of other birds and they make the call featured in cuckoo clocks. It's doubtful that the brown-headed cowbird once followed the great bison herds. The cowbirds are territorial and aren't likely to travel much during the breeding season.

Vicki Lauruhn of Mankato asked for a good place to see sandhill cranes in southern Minnesota and wondered when the colts can fly.

Sandhill cranes lay eggs in April, incubation takes about a month and a colt takes its first flight when it's 65-75 days old. The young remain with their parents for 9-10 months, accompanying them in migration. There are three (not all in Minnesota) wonderful places to see them.

The wetlands at Sherburne National Wildlife Refuge, a 30,700-acre refuge north of the Twin Cities, provide prime habitat for 50 pairs of nesting sandhill cranes and in September and October, thousands of cranes gather at the refuge before migrating.

Thousands of greater sandhill cranes gather at Crex Meadows near Grantsburg, Wisconsin, in October and early November, where they feed in the crop fields during the day and roost in the sedge marshes at night.

The International Crane Foundation in Baraboo, Wisconsin, is the only place in the world where visitors can see all 15 species of cranes. It's open from May 1 to Oct. 31.

Ryan Rasmussen of Clarks Grove hasn't seen many toads this year and wondered why.

Toads watch the weather reports and pay particular attention to the temperature, wind speed, relative humidity and barometric pressure. Toads love to come out in the rain because they prefer a wet, dark environment. After a steady rain, the area is usually cloudy, cool and moist, the right conditions for a traveling toad. It's also a good time to find food as earthworms are plentiful after a big rain. Water puddles can be refreshing for toads. In some areas, many small woodland ponds dried up this year only 1.7 years to live. and that likely led to fewer toads. Toad populations are localized.

Mark Sauck of Truman wrote that he'd stepped on a cricket and a black parasitic worm almost half the size of the cricket crawled out. He wondered what it was.

It was a horsehair worm, an internal parasite of crickets. Adult horsehair worms are free-living in fresh water and damp soil. Parasitized crickets seek water because they are thirsty and this allows the horsehair worm to emerge from the insect's body and

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swim away in the water.

Horsehair worms squirm and twist in the water, knotting themselves into a loose, ball-like shape resembling the "Gordian Knot." Another name for the horsehair worm is a gordian worm. These internal parasites of insects don't parasitize other animals or plants and are harmless.

Annie Mattson of Albert Lea asks how many times robins

While a robin may nest three times in one year, only 40 percent of nests successfully produce young, and only 25 percent of fledged young survive to November. Only about half of the robins alive in any year make it to the next. The oldest robin known lived to almost 14 years of age, but the average 6-month-old robin has

"Do deer have stomachs like cows?

Like other ruminants, deer possess a four-compartment stomach (rumen, reticulum, omasum and abomasum). They chew their cuds just as cattle do.

#### THANKS FOR STOPPING BY

"We're all just walking each

other home." -Ram Dass "Politeness is the art of choos-

ing among your thoughts." —Madame de Stael Do good.



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# BELLE PLAINE BULLETIN

Vonne Schultz Behnke, Jim Witt, and Bill McCue;

2022 PRIMARY ELECTION

# Belle Plaine City Council is getting at least one new face

By Rachel Miller **Editor** 

here is going to be at least one new face on the Belle Plaine City Council next year.

After the dust from Tuesday's primary election had cleared, city council incumbent Paul Chard was 13 votes short of making it to the November general election.

On the other hand, the race at the top was close as James Evans received 454 votes, and fellow newcomer Ryan Ladd received 451. City council

incumbent Renee LeMieux was third with 377 votes, and Becky Wessels secured the final ballot spot for the general election with 242 votes.

On the mayoral race, challenger Michael Woletz was the top vote-getter by far, with 494 votes. Incumbent Chris Meyer received 336 and will face Woletz in the general election. Mark Gerdes was a distant third with 119 votes.

The General Election is scheduled for Tuesday, Nov. 8. Keep an eye on a future edition of the Bulletin for further interviews with the finalists.



### Belle Plaine Class of '63 reunites at Sparetime

The Belle Plaine High School Class of 1963 held a reunion on Monday, Aug. 1 at the Sparetime Tavern in Belle Plaine. Of the class of 46, 14 have passed away, 18 did not attend, and 14 were present for the lunch and conversation. Since 2023 will be the 60th anniversary of the group's graduation, a large celebration is being planned. Back row: Mike Hessian, Manley Vinkemeier, Gary Peltz, Paul Stier, Gary Schmidt, Judy Dresden Hayunga, La

Front row: Darrell Bieder, John Mahoney, Glenna Schultz McDonald, Judie Hoelz Walerius and Roger Anderson.

TOWN BALL

# Belle Plaine **Police Report**

he following are among the calls the Belle Plaine Police Department responded to between July 25-31:

**MONDAY, JULY 25** 

An officer responded to the 200 block of Ash Street S. for an attempted break-in at a business. After an investigation, two juveniles were cited for criminal damage to

An officer responded to the 1000 block of Enterprise Drive E. for shoplifting that was reported at a business. A female, 43, from Belle Plaine was cited for the offense.

An officer assisted the Carver County Sheriff's Office to check a residence in the 600 block of Court Street W. for a male party who was involved in a domestic assault. The male was not found at the residence.

#### WEDNESDAY, JULY 27

An officer responded to the 200 block of Church Street E. for a suspicious elderly man reported near the playground. The officer searched the area but was unable to locate the male.

An officer responded to the 1000 block of Enterprise Drive E. for a shoplifting incident. A female, 19, from Belle Plaine was cited for theft and received a trespass warning, which is valid for one year.

An officer received a complaint of vehicles racing in the 900 block of Park Lane. One vehicle was located at a residence, no contact was made, and owner information was documented.

#### **SATURDAY, JULY 30**

An officer was dispatched to a burglary in the 200 block of Main Street E. Approximately \$10,000 in cash was taken from the residence. A search warrant was conducted at the suspect's address, and a male, 28, from Belle Plaine was arrested for third-degree burglary and possession of a firearm.

An officer responded to the 900 block of Elm Street S. for a disturbance. After an investigation, a male, 38, from Belle Plaine was arrested for violating a no contact order and fleeing police.

#### **SUNDAY, JULY 31**

An officer responded to Scott Lane and Lindsey Lane for a report of a vehicle following two subjects on a walk after an altercation had taken place. Due to subjects feeling unsafe, the officer transported them back to their residence.

# TIGERS START WELL IN REGION TOURNAMENT

By Brett Kruschke Contributor

ain threw a monkey wrench into the first weekend of the Region 6C Tournament, shifting the majority of games from aptly-named Waterville to the first-weekend backup site: Belle Plaine's Tiger Park. Your Tigers played just one scoreless inning in Waterville on Saturday against Wells, the No. 2 seed from the 13-60 League, before continuing the contest at 11 a.m. Sunday in Belle Plaine.

The Tigers came away with a convincing 8-3 win, propelling them to a winner-goesto-state matchup against the Goliath of the River Valley League, the Jordan Brewers, last night (Tuesday). Check out bptigertown.com or bptigertown on Facebook or Twitter to see how it turned out.

With a win, the Tigers are state-tournament bound and will play in the Region championship at 7 p.m. Saturday at Tiger Park; with a loss, the T-Train will take on Waterville - the 13-60's No. 1 seed - at 1:30 p.m. Saturday in an elimination game. With a win, the Tigertown Express would then play for a state tourney bid at

4 p.m. Saturday.

If all that has your head spinning, go to twitter.com/ RVLbaseball and take a look at the latest up-to-date bracket. The Tigers entered Tuesday night's game against Jordan with a 17-12 record on the

#### Wells 3 @ BP 8 (Sunday, Aug. 6 – Region 6C Playoffs)

As noted above, Saturday's matchup against Wells in Waterville saw just one inning of play before rain pushed the game to Sunday morning at Tiger Park. Derek Hoffman started for Belle Plaine on Saturday and was no worse for the wear, taking the ball again on Sunday.

There was no score until the third inning, when Carsen Ladd (single) and Jared Miller (hit by pitch) reached to start the frame. Jake Mercado followed by clubbing his team-leading seventh homer of the season for a 3-0 lead. The locals added another thanks to an error to make it 4-0.

The Belle Plaine Train shot right back with three more runs in the fourth inning without the benefit of a hit. A walk, two hit batsmen and some sloppy play were the contributing factors.

The Wildcats finally

#### **Brewers shutout Tigers**

The Tigers fell 6-0 to the in Belle Plaine. The winner Jordan Brewers on Tuesday night. That loss sends them to play Waterville this Saturday at 1:30 p.m. at home

of that game will play the winner of the Morristown/ St. Peter game at 4 p.m.

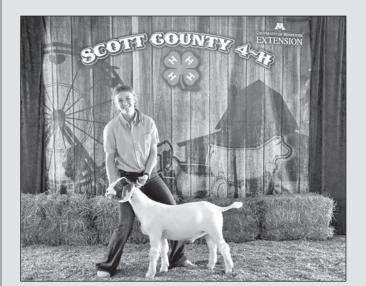


scratched the scoreboard in the fifth with a three-spot, making it 7-3. Hoffman was good for another four outs before thunderbolt tosser Jack Kruger went five outs without a run. Jared Miller threw the ninth to seal the victory.

The locals did well to score

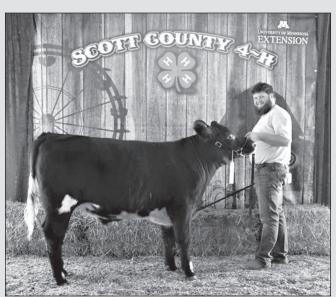
eight runs on just five hits, as seven Wells errors sealed its fate. Grabbing hits for the Tigers were Ladd, Mercado (2for-3) Josh Terrio, and Garrett Boblitt. Miller, meanwhile, was plunked in each of his first three at-bats.

# Belle Plaine 4-Hers show well at Scott County Fair

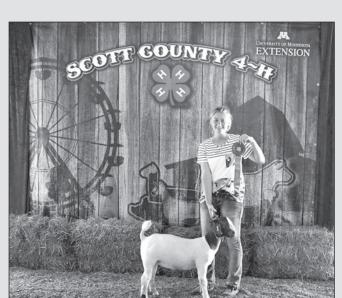


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Martha Steinhagen earned a blue ribbon for her goat.



Will Fahev earned a blue ribbon for his market steer.



Greta Steinhagen and her Champion/purple ribbon goat.

# Threshers Festival breathes new life into the past



PHOTOS BY RACHEL MILLER



The Scott-Carver Threshers 58th Annual Old Time Harvest Steam & Gas Engine Festival was held last weekend, Aug. 5-7, outside Jordan. The annual event brings the past alive for attendees, who can learn about everything from pioneer schools to blacksmithing, quilting, printing, home life and more.

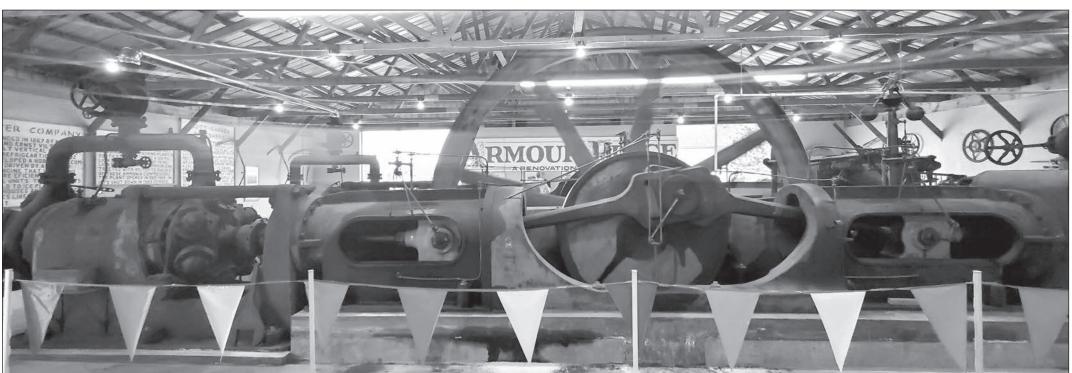
Clockwise from above: Miss Megan Phillips helps a child make a yarn doll; Frenchy and Bluebird (Lyle and Barbara Marquis of Chaska) were happy to greet attendees as they came in and give them a look at family life, hunting and trapping; Dave Zadra manned the old Linotype machine, and used it to create a unique print souvenir for those who came through the shop; the Vilter steam engine that used to be in the Armour meatpacking plant in South St. Paul has been a prominent feature of the show since it debuted in 2017. The engine was used to compress ammonia and weighs approximately 150 tons; Logan Biren of New Prague works up a sweat in the blacksmith shop. This was his second year working in the shop; the Charlie Sticha Band entertained under the shelter on Saturday afternoon; and Chuck Thiel and the Jolly Ramblers played at the event on Sunday morning.



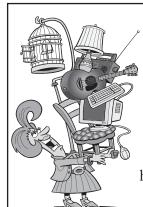








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**Henderson City Council** meets the third Wednesday of every month at 7 p.m. at the Community Building, 600 Main Street, Henderson.

For more information call 507-248-3234.

Henderson Lions Club meets twice a month from September to April on the first and third Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. at the Henderson RoadHaus Event Center.

Need a message on the Lions Club community message board? Call Judy Loewe at 507-248-3345.

The Sibley County Historical Museum will be open on Sundays 2 to 5 p.m. through October.

Please call 507-248-3434 and leave a message if you need information or research.

**Henderson Area Chamber** meets the last Wednesday of each month at noon.

Henderson meets the first Wednesday of every month at 7 p.m. at the Henderson Public Library.

The Ladies Tourist Club, GFWC meets at 5 p.m. the second Tuesday of each month in various locations from September through May.

For more information call Judy Loewe at 507-248-3345.

**AA meetings** 7 p.m. every Thursday at St. Joseph's Parish Center.

Jessenland Township Planning and Zoning Commission meets the third Monday of each month at 7 p.m. in the Jessenland Town Hall located on Sibley Cty Hwy 6. If the third Monday of the month falls on a national holiday then the alternate meeting date of the fourth Monday of the month will be

The Sibley Post #74 American Legion meets 6:30 p.m. every third Monday of the month in the Minnesota New Country School Library. For questions contact Dean Lind at 507-665-2053.

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#### NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

THE RIGHT TO VERIFICA-TION OF THE DEBT AND IDENTITY OF THE ORIG-INAL 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: July 26, 2011

ORIGINAL **PRINCIPAL** AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: \$40,000.00

MORTGAGOR(S): Dulane J. Redfearn, a single person

MORTGAGEE: Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.

LENDER OR BROKER AND MORTGAGE ORIGINATOR STATED ON THE MORTGAGE: Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.

SERVICER: Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.

DATE AND PLACE OF FIL-ING: Filed August 15, 2011, Sibley County Registrar of Titles, as Document Number T21800

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY:

Lot Number One (1) in Block Number Two (2) in Michaletz's Third Addition to the Village of Green Isle

REGISTERED PROPERTY PROPERTY ADDRESS: 340 Main St, Green Isle, MN 55338

**PROPERTY** IDENTIFICA-TION NUMBER: 34-0147-000 COT# 7194.0

COUNTY IN WHICH PROP-ERTY IS LOCATED: Sibley THE AMOUNT CLAIMED

TO BE DUE ON THE MORT-GAGE ON THE DATE OF THE NOTICE: \$44,649.11

THAT all pre-foreclosure reguirements have been complied with; that no action or proceeding has been instituted at law or otherwise to recover the debt secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof:

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 29, 2022, 10:00AM

PLACE OF SALE: Sheriff's Main Office, 319 Park, Gaylord,

to pay the debt secured by said mortgage and taxes, if any, on said premises and the costs and disbursements, including attorneys fees allowed by law, subject to redemption within 6 months from the date of said sale by the mortgagor(s) the personal representatives or assigns.

TIME AND DATE TO VA-CATE PROPERTY: If the real estate is an owner-occupied, single-family dwelling, unless otherwise provided by law, the date on or before which the mortgagor(s) must vacate the property, if the mortgage is not reinstated under section 580.30 or the property is not redeemed under section 580.23, is 11:59 p.m. on March 29, 2023, or the next business day if March 29, 2023 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal

TIME ALLOWED BY LAW FOR REDEMPTION BY THE MORTGAGOR, THE MORTGAGOR'S PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES OR AS-SIGNS, MAY BE REDUCED TO FIVE WEEKS IF A JUDICIAL ORDER IS ENTERED UNDER MINNESOTA STATUTES SEC-TION 582.032 DETERMINING, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THE MORTGAGED PREMISES ARE IMPROVED RESIDENTIAL DWELLING OF LESS THAN 5 UNITS, ARE NOT PROPER-TY USED FOR AGRICULTUR-AL PRODUCTION, AND ARE ABANDONED.

Dated: August 5, 2022 Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. Mortgagee

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STATE OF MINNESOTA COUNTY OF SIBLEY DISTRICT COURT FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT **CASE TYPE: QUIET TITLE** ACTION **COURT FILE NUMBER:** 72-CV-22-4135

**SUMMONS** Joseph D. and Yvonne C. Mullen Family Trust, Plaintiff,

Margaret Mullen, (known to be

CITY OF HENDERSON 2021 Annual Disclosure Statement Year Ended December 31, 2021

> TIF DISTRICT 1-4 Oak View Heights

Current net tax capacity	4,234
Original net tax capacity	637
Captured net tax capacity	3,597
Principal and interest payments due in 2022	0
Tax Increment Received 2021	5,498
Tax Increment Expended in 2021	0
Month and Year of first increment receipt	6/2009
Date of required decertification	12/31/2034

Additional information regarding each district may be obtained from: Lon Berberich, PO Box 433, 600 Main Street, Henderson, MN 56044, 507-248-3234, lonber3@mchsi.com

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John Mullen (known to be deceased)

David Mullen (known to be deceased)

Sister Margaret Agnes a/k/a Margaret Mullen (known to be deceased) Mary Mullen (known to be de-

ceased) Loretta Mullen a/k/a Lauretta

Mullen (known to be deceased) Hugh Mullen (known to be deceased) James F. Mullen (known to

be deceased); James B. Mullen (known to be deceased) Sister James Therese a/k/a Myra Mullen (known to be de-

ceased) John F. Mullen (known to be deceased); Florence Mullen

(known to be deceased) Joseph D. Mullen (known to be deceased); Rosemary Krawczyk Rose Mullen (known to be de-

Mary Ellen Mullen (known to be deceased);

James Patrick Mullen (known to be deceased);

Lawrence Mullen; Mary Rose Mullen McDonald;

Margaret Mullen; Kathleen Mullen; John Gregory

Mark James Mullen; Brian Ed-

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James Mullen; Melissa Hub-

Lisa Monson a/k/a Lisa M. Sanders; Sean Mullen;

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Phillip Donlon (presumed to be deceased);

Bridget Donlon (presumed to

be deceased): Patience Lyon (presumed to be

deceased); Thomas Fox (presumed to be

deceased):

Elisabeth M. Kloempken and Henry D. Kloempken (both presumed to be deceased)

Also the unknown heirs of the above-named deceased individu-

John Doe and Mary Roe, and all other persons unknown claiming any right, title, estate, interest or lien in the real estate described in the complaint herein, Defendants.

THIS SUMMONS IS DIRECT-ED TO THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANTS.

1. YOU ARE BEING SUED. The Plaintiff has started a lawsuit against you. The Plaintiff's Complaint against you is on file in the office of the court administrator of the above-named court. Do not throw these papers away. They are official papers that affect your rights. You must respond to this lawsuit even though it may not yet be filed with the Court and there may be no court file number on this summons.

2. YOU MUST REPLY WITHIN 21 DAYS TO PROTECT YOUR RIGHTS. You must give or mail to the person who signed this summons a written response called an Answer within 21 days of the date on which you received this Summons. You must send a copy of your Answer to the person who signed this summons located at: 500 N. Broadway, PO Box 183, New Ulm, MN 56073.

3. YOU MUST RESPOND TO CLAIM your written response to the Plaintiff's Complaint. In your Answer you must state whether you agree or disagree with each paragraph of the Complaint. If you believe the Plaintiff should not be given everything asked for in the Complaint, you must say so in your Answer.

4. YOU WILL LOSE YOUR CASE IF YOU DO NOT SEND A WRITTEN RESPONSE TO THE COMPLAINT TO THE PERSON WHO SIGNED THIS SUM-MONS. If you do not Answer within 21 days, you will lose this case. You will not get to tell your

side of the story, and the Court may decide against you and award the Plaintiff everything asked for in the complaint. If you do not want to contest the claims stated in the complaint, you do not need to respond. A default judgment can then be entered against you for the relief requested in the complaint.

5. LEGAL ASSISTANCE. You may wish to get legal help from a lawyer. If you do not have a lawyer, the Court Administrator may have information about places where you can get legal assistance. Even if you cannot get legal help, you must still provide a written Answer to protect your rights or you may lose the case.

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 dis-

7. To be included only if this lawsuit affects title to real property: THIS LAWSUIT MAŶ ÂFFĚCT OR BRING INTO QUESTION TITLE TO REAL PROPERTY located in Sibley County, State of Minnesota, legally described as

Part of Government Lots 2, 3, and 4, and part of meandered lake bed in Section 15, Township 114, Range 26, Sibley County, Minnesota. The object of this action is to quiet certain title. Dated: July 20, 2022

Shari P. Fischer Fischer Law, PA P.O. Box 183 New Ulm, MN 56073-0183 507-354-0327

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STATE OF MINNESOTA COUNTY OF SCOTT DISTRICT COURT FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT PROBATE DIVISION **Court File No.: 70-PR-22-9742** NOTICE OF HEARING INFORMAL PROBATE OF WILL AND APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE AND

In Re: Estate of Patricia Helen Athmann, a/k/a Patricia H. Athmann, a/k/a Patricia Athmann, Deceased

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that an application for informal probate Last Will dated 4/20/2007 has been filed with the Probate Registrar, and the application has been granted.

Notice is also given that the Probate Registrar has informally appointed the following: Linda Kay O'Brien, 104 Chatfield Cir, Belle Plaine, MN 56011 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 pursuant to Minns. Stat. 524.3-607, and the court otherwise orders, the Personal Representative had full power to administer the Estate, including, after 30 days from the date of the issuance of letters, the power to sell, encumber, lease or distribute real estate.

Any objections to the probate of the Will, or to the 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 (4) months after the date of this Notice or the claims will be barred.

All future correspondence must include the file number above and directed to the following court ad-

Scott County Court Adminis-

200 4th Avenue West JC 115 Shakopee, MN 55379 952-496-8200

Dated: August 8, 2022

**Phillip Bird Deputy Court Administrator** Vicky L. Carlson, **Probate Registrar** 

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#### **NOTICE: ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW OF CSAH 6 FLOOD** IMPROVEMENT PROJECT NOW AVAILABLE

Sibley County invites the public to review the Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW) regarding the proposed CSAH 6 Flood Improvement Project located in the City of Henderson, Henderson Township, Jessenland Township, and Faxon Township. The project will reconstruct CSAH 6 and CSAH 5, including raising the grade and culvert work.

Copies of the EAW, which document the purpose and need for the project, along with the anticipated social, economic, and environmental impacts, are available for the public beginning August 16, 2022 during regular business hours at the following locations:

· Sibley County Public Works, 111 8th Street, PO Box 897, Gaylord, MN 56334.

• Henderson Public Library, 110 South 6th Street, Henderson, MN

 Minneapolis Public Library Environmental Conservation Library, Government Docs.,2nd Floor, 300 Nicollet Mall, Minneapolis, MN 55401

Written comments will be accepted through September 15, 2022. Comments should be submitted to Tim Becker, Public Works Director, 111 8th Street, PO Box 897, Gaylord, MN 56334, (507) 237-4092, or timb@co.siblev.mn.us.

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LE SUEUR CITY COUNCIL

# Council approves new PTO donation policy

By Beth Cornish

Independent staff he single item on the regular agenda of the Monday, Aug. 8 meeting of the Le Sueur City Council led to a significant back and forth between council member Newell Krogmann and City Administrator Joe Roby regarding the possible adoption of a proposed paid time off donation policy.

Roby explained that after recent requests from some city staff members to donate part of their own accrued PTO hours to other employees who might need additional PTO, he and Human Resources Director Stacy Lawrence worked with Abdo Human Resources to develop a sound policy to include eligibility requirements and procedures for both requesting and donating additional PTO.

1) To be eligible to either donate or receive hours, an employee must have at least one year of employment and be eligible for PTO;

2) The person requesting donated PTO must have a need related to either a medical emergency for themselves or an eligible family member, or a federally declared disaster;

3) Both donors and recipients would be anonymous;

4) The maximum donation would be 40 hours or no more that 50 percent of the donor's current balance as long as their balance remains at or above 120 hours after donation;

5) Donation would be on an hourly basis without regard to the dollar value of the donated or used leave;

6) The City Administrator and the HR Director would be expected to ensure that city operations not suffer by excessive use of PTO; and

7) Union contracts would not be affected.

Krogmann had questions as to the disparity if someone at the low end of the pay scale was donating hours to be used by someone higher on the scale. Roby explained that they had considered the possible disparity and decided it would probably reach a bal-

In theory these donations would create a "bank" but the expectation is that the donations will be on a case by case basis as there is a specific need. After the discussion, the policy was unanimously ap-

Joel Hollerich presented an update on the grant that the city got for Hillside Court (low to moderate income subsidized housing) when the city saw the need to repair or renovate these apartments.

A total of 40 unites were renovated, which included replacement and relocation of air conditioner units, replacement of the elevated cantilevered walkway system with a safer independently supported system, new precast lintels were installed over doors and windows, and some landscaping

updates were made to make this complex a safer, more secure and more attractive place to live with increased energy efficiency.

This project was funded by the Small Cities 2020 grant for \$600,000, POHP funding of \$769,000 and \$198,525 in capital funds from Hillside Court.

At the July 25 meeting, a motion to purchase and install a Golfzon TwoVision unit in a racquetball court at the Community Center passed by the narrowest of margins with council members Mark Huntington, Krogmann, Marvin Sullivan and Pam Williams voting in favor and Mayor Shawn Kirby and council members Scott Schlueter and David Swanberg opposed.

The council voted unanimously to accept the proposed 2022-23 City Council Goals with the addition of Le Sueur-Henderson School District Partnerships and planning of the 2023 Future of the City



Hillside Court, before (above) and after (below) the repairs



# From Bigfoot to Brother Rat, oddities abound at Curiosities



PHOTOS BY BETH CORNISH

"Brother Rat" stopped in to visit Curiosities owner Steve Thaemert during the store's re-opening on July 23.



Has Bigfoot been traipsing through the trees near Shakopee? Only time will tell...

By Beth Cornish Independent staff

any Henderson residents will remember Archaica Curiosities, which used to occupy the shop at the front of the Henderson RoadHaus. Well, Curiosities has re-opened at 207 South Main Street in Le Sueur, right next to the movie theater, and includes a Le Sueur Bigfoot

wall and a studio area where owner Steve Thaemert and friends host pod-

Attending the grand re-opening on July 23, visitors to the shop got to see a picture of a purported Bigfoot print taken by Steve and his wife while hiking in the Minnesota Valley Wilderness area in Scott County and a comparison shot of a black bear track; sample an alien-head vanilla cake pop produced by the owner's lovely wife,

Erin (it is unclear as to whether vanilla is an alien's favorite flavor or if aliens are vanilla flavored); chat with Paranormal Investigator and Founder of the International Paranormal Society Adrian Lee, and meet Jerry Ripley and Rick Loxton from Rat Rod Magazine. Also in attendance were "Brother Rat" with his rat rod and Bigfoot Researcher Paul Guffey.

Lee shared results of paranormal research he conducted in Henderson.

He related that he spent some time in Brown Cemetery trying to reach the spirit of town founder Joseph Renshaw Brown, but said he was unable to be sure he was speaking to Brown because so many of the other people interred in the area were talking over each other. He later traveled to the JR Brown State Wayside Rest just south of Sacred Heart. This site displays the granite ruins of Brown's home where he lived with his wife and 12 children before it was destroyed during the Dakota War of 1862. Lee reported that he was able to communicate with Brown at that site and that during their conversation Brown proclaimed his innocence for the Birch Coulee battle.

From aliens to rat rods to Bigfoot, this store offers a chance for your imagination to fly free and take home some cool souvenirs, including some great jewelry or a Bigfoot pillow.

# DNR NEWS

#### **DNR** announces **Chronic Wasting** Disease sampling changes

As part of an adaptive approach to chronic wasting disease management statewide, the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources is broadening the options this year for hunters to get their deer tested for CWD.

"Keeping Minnesota's deer healthy remains a top DNR priority," DNR Wildlife Section Manager Kelly Straka said. "The DNR's commitment to sound surveillance and aggressive management of CWD has not changed. What is different is how we're accomplishing that from place to place and improving options for hunters to help us with disease surveillance."

Hunters will be able to submit samples through taxidermists who are partnering with the DNR or by dropping off deer heads at self-service sampling stations. Other options available include using mailin kits (hunters remove the lymph nodes from deer themselves), dropping by one of the DNR-staffed sampling stations during the opening weekend of firearms season, or making appointments at area wildlife offices within CWD zones at any time during the deer hunting season.

One notable difference this fall will be fewer self-service sampling stations than in previous seasons. Self-service stations will be available only in firearms season, with the exception of point-based surveillance zones, which will have stations available starting in archery season and will remain available until sampling goals are met. Hunters should visit the DNR's Make a Plan page (mndnr.gov/Hunting/Deer/ Make-Your-Deer-Hunting-Plan.html) to learn more about self-service sampling station availability for the DPA they plan to hunt.

This year's revised approach to sampling will allow the DNR and hunters to work cooperatively to ensure robust data collection, particularly in CWD zones, while also making efficient use of limited resources. The DNR listened carefully to hunters' expressed preferences and also evaluated the efficiency and effectiveness of last year's data collection in developing this year's sampling plan. "We're encouraging archery and muzzleloader hunters in CWD zones to use one of the alternative methods available to get their deer tested for CWD," Straka said. "We're still rigorously sampling in areas where CWD has been detected and samples from hunter-harvested deer provide critical information about the disease."

CWD sample submission will be mandatory in all CWD zones during the opening weekend of the firearms

A season (Nov. 5-6) for all hunter harvested deer one year staffed CWD sampling stations will continue to be updated on DNR's website (mndnr. gov/CWD) throughout the fall.

Carcass movement restrictions are in effect for CWD management and control zones during all seasons. Whole

carcasses cannot leave these zones until a "not detected" or older. Locations of CWD test result is received. More sampling partners and DNR- about carcass movement restrictions can be found on page 73 of the Minnesota Hunting Regulations. The regulations and links to complete deer season information are available on the DNR website (mndnr. gov/Hunting/Deer).

### Library movie night: Sonic the Hedgehog 2

fun to do this Friday? Stop on by the Henderson Library and enjoy "Sonic the Hedgehog 2" in the lower level, starting at 6 p.m. Popcorn, rootbeer floats and

Looking for something prize drawings are available. All families are welcome to attend, even if they did not participate in the summer reading program.

> Don't forget to bring a pillow and blanket!

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#### **ADDITIONAL**

**REFERENDUM OPTIONS** 

Voters were also asked whether they would support two additional measures: one to spend up to \$6.144 million to address deferred maintenance issues at the Middle/ High School building; and spend up to \$5.656 million to build expand Career and Technical Education opportunities at the Middle/High School and

build a third gymnasium. Neither of the add-ons garnered enough support at the polls to pass. The Middle/ High School repairs option failed 1,094 (47.98%) to 1,186 (52.02%).

Since the second question failed, the school district will be moving forward with the second option with Honeywell. The \$4,648,500 project requires a \$100,000 capital contribution and will include new lighting, water, building envelope and building management systems at the Middle/High School.

This project is projected to save the school district \$6,705,991 over a 20-year span, with annual savings ranging from \$155,726 to \$227,822 in energy and construction costs; \$52,847 to \$101,598 in operating savings, and \$92,015 in capital cost avoidance.

The CTE expansion/gym option had even less support, with 1,011 (44.56%) people voting in support, opposed to 1,258 (55.44%) against.

#### **NEXT STEPS**

If all goes according to plan, architectural design and bid work will get finalized in the upcoming months. A sub-committee of students, staff and parents will assist with final designs and ideas, and will tour other elementary schools to generate ideas. Wagner expects to start scheduling tours within the next two weeks, and have the process complete in time to send bids out right after New Year's.

Construction is estimated to begin in the spring of 2023 and finish in time to start the 2024-25 school year, at which point Hilltop will be converted

into an Alternative Learning Center.

Wagner said he also wants to continue to reach out to people to share how this project is a positive step for both Le Sueur and Henderson.

'We want to be the best for both communities, not just one or the other," Wagner said. "It is a great step in the right direction for both communities on what we can offer for students, staff and the communi-



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#### COMMISSIONER CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

Jessenland Township was a closer race, but still went overwhelmingly to Lieske with 43 votes. Koch received 36, then Abraham with 21, Brandt with 19 and Thaemert with 10.

Koch's greatest advantage was in Sibley Township, as he received 60 votes, 29 went to Brandt, four to Thaemert and just three for Lieske. Alfsborg Township also offered strong support for Koch with 46

votes, seven for Lieske, four for Brandt and two each for Thaemert and Abraham.

Kelso Township, the final precinct, provided 23 votes to Koch, 15 for Lieske, 12 for Brandt, seven for Thaemert and two for Abraham.

# SPORTS & OUTDOORS

SIBLEY COUNTY FAIR

# Two Henderson drivers win at Night of Destruction



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Isaac Arnst brought home a win for Henderson and the city's fire department in the Bus Demo Race at the Sibley County Fair on Friday, Aug. 5. Lindsay Thomas of the True Real Estate/ Cara Bishop Team presented Arnst with his champion trophy.

he Sibley County Fair's Night of Destruction on Friday, Aug. 5 saw lots of action

The highlight of the event, the Bus Demo Race saw the Eric Platz from Lafayette after worth took third place. his bus caught on fire.

the Truck cross, but his truck stopped in the second turn and he sat there for the remainder of the race. That gave the lead to Brett McConnell from Henderson. He was able to stay the leader throughout and win the

The Auto Cross feature saw three different leaders, the first ter cars had crashed out.

was Hunter Otto from Arlington but then Ben Brinkman from Winona took over on lap six. Otto didn't let that last long, but with only two laps left in the race Brenna Braunworth snuck around Otto and Henderson Fire Department took over the last two laps to and Isaac Arnst outlast the win the event while driving other busses to capture the around lapped traffic. Otto Second place went to took second and Dylan Braun-

The Car Soccer and Truck Brice Reierson from Win- Soccer winning team took throp led the first three laps of home \$800 and the second place team took home \$400.

Veteran driver Rod Manthey won \$500 for winning the Figure 8 feature race and both the heat races. Dan Jacobus from Green Isle took second and Ben Davis from Belle Plaine picked up third by being patient and finishing the race af-

#### STOCK CAR SHOOTOUT

The Sibley County Fair opened grandstand action last Wednesday with the Stock Car Shootout.

Elijah Zevenbergen took full advantage of a restart on lap 22 as he had been in second place for the previous five laps, but when the green flag was thrown, Zevenbergen dove from the top of the track to the bottom in turn one to take the lead from Jim Horejsi.

Horejsi raced him side-byside for the remaining laps, but in the end Zevenbergen came out with heavier pockets as he won \$2500 for winning the race and extra money for leading the last three laps of the race. Horejsi took second and Curt Lund, who had started eighth, battled to the front and challenged both the top

contenders but he had to settle for third at the finish.

The early leader in the race was Michael Jeanette as he also drew the #1 starting position and had a nice race going between himself and Jeffrey Larsen for the first 10 laps of the race. On lap nine, Janette spun around in turn four. The entire field all scrambled and luckily no one else suffered in the incident. He had to go to the back of the pack and then he had troubles in turn two, causing him to drive off the track and end his race.

On that restart, Curt Lund was the driver in the lead, but Horejsi wasn't giving in and after three laps he took over and looked like he was going to win the event until the yellow was thrown when a car leading the entire race to win.

spun in turn two. Horejsi gave all his might, but he had to settle for second ahead of Lund. Tim Pessek took third place. There were random draws after the race and Lund as well as Jeanette both won an extra \$500 with Chad Schroeder winning an extra \$250 draw. Alex Dostal won the hardcharger and Brent Uecker won the hard luck award for his car starting on fire on lap eight. Matt Speckman won an extra Larsen took over the race, but \$500 for winning the King of the Hill race which was run with the top 10 drivers inverted from their finish in the feature race

> Matt Looft had a command-Modified feature, taking the lead at the drop of the green flag, never looking back and

Eric Larson chased him the entire distance but he had to settle for second ahead of Eric Bassett as the three cars had to contend with lapped traffic.

The IMCA Hobby saw a new driver in victory lane as Taylor Manderfield won his first feature ever and his biggest payday as well. Tommy Anderson was the early leader but on the 10th lap he spun around which caused a yellow

When the race resumed he drove into the pit area. That's when Manderfield was able to secure the lead and stay the leader as both the cars of Rod Manthey and Chad Volk raced ing lead in the IMCA Sport him side-by-side down the backstretch, but Manderfield held onto the lead and won the

Henderson's

Weatherman

By Jerry Gilman



# High temps and showers roll into the region

#### REGIONAL WEATHER **HISTORY**

Aug. 11, 1945: Nearly eight inches of rain fall from a downpour over Red Wing.

Aug. 12, 2000: Record-setting dew points develop in Minnesota. The Twin Cities have a dew point of 76, with a rare dew point of 80 at Farib-

**Aug. 13, 1964:** Minnesota receives a taste of fall, with lows of 26 in Bigfork and 30 in Campbell.

Aug. 14, 1978: The Boundary Waters area is hit by a strong tornado. Some of the damage could still be seen 10 years later.

Aug. 15, 1936: St. Paul swelters with a high of 108.

Aug. 16, 1981: Chilly temperatures are felt across Minnesota. Tower reports a low of

33 degrees. **Aug. 17, 1946:** A tornado

kills 11 people in the Mankato area around 6:52 p.m. A 27ton road grader is hurled about 100 feet. Another tornado an hour later destroys downtown

#### **WEATHER SUMMARY** FOR THE WEEK

This period brings mostly 80's for high temperatures with some chances for showers and thunderstorms.

Week 1: Thursday starts off dry with a low pressure over the western Dakotas with the region on the borderline of slightly more humid air mass. Look for chances of showers and thunderstorms as we head into the evening hours into Friday morning.

Friday, chances for showers and thunderstorms continue into the morning hours. Look for things to dry out as we head into the afternoon hours, as well as breezy conditions to develop out of the south.

Saturday looks dry and breezy as a more humid air mass is ushered into the region. Look for highs to get close to 90 degrees.

Sunday the low pressure is parked over the lee side of the Rockies. Look for a stationary front to sag south that looks to trigger weak chances for showers and thunderstorms as we head into the evening hours

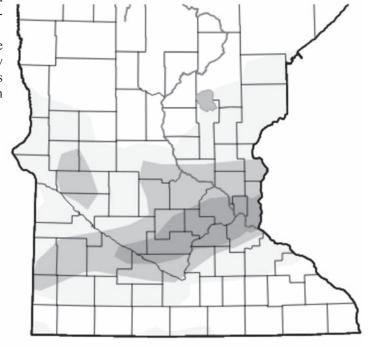
and into Monday morning.

Monday looks mostly dry as less humid air moves in.

Tuesday and Wednesday bring chances for showers and thunderstorms as the low pressure tries to clear out.

Week 2: The long range model is showing a pretty decent heat wave that looks to dominate this period with mostly dry conditions.

**WEATHER TERMINOLOGY: August 2 Drought Map** 



#### Intensity

None

**D0** (Abnormally Dry)

**D1** (Moderate Drought)

D2 (Severe Drought)

D3 (Extreme Drought)

D4 (Exceptional Drought)

# SPORTS & OUTDOORS

LEGION BASEBALL

# Giants peak at the perfect time as state runner-up

**By Beth Cornish** Independent staff

he 2022 Division

II Jr. State Legion Championship Tournament got underway in Ely on Thursday, Aug. 4. Le Sueur-Henderson qualified for the trip to state by knocking off Holy Family and Dassel last weekend to emerge as the East Central Sub-State Champs.

Game one pitted the Giants against Morris, and they won 7-6 with Logan Feeney pitching 6-1/3 innings and allowing only two earned runs.

Morris got on the board first with three singles in the opening frame to score one run. LS-H replied with singles from Cayden Luna and Brody Berndt. A walk to Ethan Hathaway loaded the bases so that an error to Talen Schwandt plated two. In the bottom of the second, Braylon Hoffman reached on a single, moved to second when Feeny was hit by a pitch, then scored on a single from

Berndt. After three scoreless innings, Morris got back on the board in the top of the fifth after a walk, a couple of errors and a passed ball gave them two unearned runs to tie the game for a moment. LS-H answered in the bottom of the fifth with a run of their own after Feeney hit a put men on the corner and Bersingle to right center and Luna drove him in with a double to deep left center to reclaim the lead 4-3.

After holding Morris to a three up - three down sixth inning, the Giants combined walks to Feeney and Luna with singles from Berndt and Hathaway to score three more. Morris put up three more but came up short at 7-6.

Moving to the semi-final, LS-H faced Esko for another one run affair, winning 5-4. Luna pitched a complete game, allowing only six hits and two earned runs over seven innings, including three strikeouts.

Esko scored one run in the first with a single, followed by a stolen base and an error. They got a another run in the second when the leadoff man was hit by a pitch, advanced on a wild pitch and scored on a single.

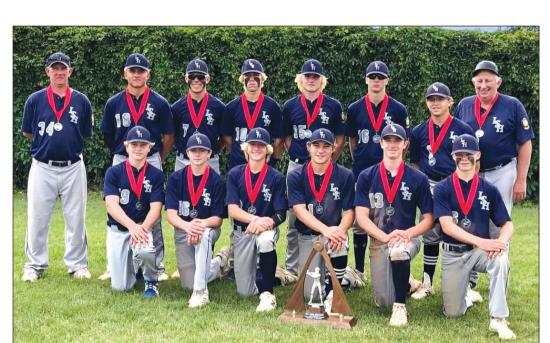
The Giants took an early lead when Berndt drew a two-out walk in the first and Hathaway was hit by a pitch immediately after. Both runners moved up on a wild pitch and a single from Hoffman gave him two RBIs. In the third, Berndt started another scoring drive with a base on balls and a wild pitch. Another single from Hoffman

ndt scored on an error to put the Giants up 3-2.

Esko tied the game at three in the fourth and took the lead in the top of the sixth after a one-out error and a wild pitch led to another run. Coming to the plate in the bottom of the sixth trailing 4-3, Hathaway reached on an error, Hoffman walked and Schwandt hit a sacrifice bunt to move the runners to scoring position, setting the stage for a single to right center from Gavin Schwarz that put the Giants up 5-4. Luna saved his own game with a one, two, three seventh inning to send the Giants to the championship game.

Saturday afternoon, Aug. 6, coming off five straight wins, Le Sueur-Henderson had to face Montevideo for the final game. Berndt pitched all six innings for the Giants, surrendering six hits to five strikeouts, one hit batter and one walk, one wild pitch and only one earned run, but his amazing performance was in vain as his team struggled to get on the board an ultimately lost 2-1.

Montevideo began the second with a single. The runner advanced on an error, stole third and scored on a wild pitch. The Giants put together



SUBMITTED PHOTO

The Le Sueur-Henderson Legion Baseball team finished the season as the state runner-up. Pictured left to right are (kneeling) Carter Wilke, Ben Miller, Logan Feeney, Ethan Hathaway, Brody Berndt and Talen Schwandt; and (standing) Coach Mike Feeney, Cayden Luna, Joe Lewis, Braylon Hoffman, Logan Fahey, Gavin Schwarz and Coach Lon Berberich.

their lone score after Feeney was hit by a pitch. He moved to second on a ground out from Berndt before Hathaway blasted a triple to the wall in right center to score Feeney. Unfortunately, Hathaway was stranded at third and the Giants were unable to do more than bring the score to a tie. An error and a single led to one more

run for Montevideo in the bottom of the fifth to reach the final score of 2-1.

The stats for the tournament showed Berndt leading the way with four runs on three hits, all singles. Feeney scored three on one hit. Hoffman and Luna each scored twice on three hits with all singles for Hoffman and a single and two

doubles from Luna. Hathaway had three hits including a triple and scored one run and Jack Miller scored once as a pinch

Berndt and Hathaway were both on base seven out of 10 at bats and across the three games, the three Giants pitchers combined for only three earned runs.

By Art & Barb Straub

Nature Corner Correspondents

# There's never a dull moment in the valley

discouraging headline and media piece greeted readers in Late July, news generated from the Associated Press and other news outlets stating: "Beloved monarch butterflies now listed as endangered!" Most of our readers have been aware of this fact for some time, due to their own personal observations. In our case, should we observe one monarch per day as we go about our lives, one is a lot; wherein they graced gardens and ditches abundantly for so many years. Their presence was usually made known by May 10, each year, but for a variety of reasons, they appeared much later in 2022. We've taken the beautiful insect for granted.

Various environmental groups have been working separately from one another as to repopulating the large orange/ black beauties and other pollinators, but now they've come together under one organization with unified parts, Monarch Joint Venture, (MJV.) The group was initiated in 2008, but has transitioned from a "10year history associated with the University of Minnesota to become a standalone non-profit in 2019." To quote MJV goals, "We support monarch and pollinator conservation planning and implementation efforts by facilitating information sharing, partnership building, and carrying out identified conservation priorities with the plan which consists of 100 partners... MJV partners are organized to protect monarch butterfly migration across the United States."

The last week in June, at the local level, information-gatherers appeared in Sibley and



PHOTO BY BRUCE BJORK

Egrets are gathering in large numbers in marshes/sloughs near Shakopee.

LeSueur County prairies to assess milkweed populations using, of all things, DRONES! What could take hours of tedious walking and checking was accomplished in mere minutes. Modern technology to the rescue! When the milkweed pods ripen, that is, pods are about ready to burst open, local 'pickers' will release the pods from milkweed stems, dry them thoroughly, and send them to a central location. There, the seeds will be removed and eventually be donated free to the populace in an effort to repopulate milkweeds. To receive more information as to how MJV works, contact www.monarchjointventure.org or Barb/Art at 507-665-2658.

We need some GOOD news for a change!

The rainfall, spotty as it was,

brought smiles to many a local gardener/agriculturist faces. Those who have been bringing plants along using earth water were actually gleeful. But a sad story from the past ended in joy at the farm of friend Vern Bienfang around Aug. 1. Vern raises all manner of precious fowl and critters on his manicured acres. Electrical shortages due to storms these past years caused incubating chicks, peacocks, turkeys, etc., quick deaths, while raccoons, strangers from the skies and coyotes found their way past high fences and faithful guard dog Spice a time or two. One may remember how, not so long ago, the unanticipated arrival of twin goats with the death of a little one caused some consternation among the animal brethren. The survivor,

Rocky, (who got off to a rocky start,) grew into a handsome cocky young goat, and with the addition of the farm of a number of nannies, became the proud father of twins this week. Little show-offs are what they are, but cute as kittens! Thus, that story has a happy ending.

In the meantime, across the valley at the Coachlight Ponds, Sylvia and Sylvan, guardians and parents extraordinaire, continue to rear six of the seven cygnets which hatched in May. The cygnets are at the juvenile stage, dirty and unkempt in the muddy waters, currently testing their flight feathers.

Missing in action however, have been two usual inhabitants of the former LS treatment facility waters and Coachlight Pond. Yes, the cormorants dropped down Aug. 4,



PHOTOS BY BARB/ART STRAUB

Twins Amelia and Cecelia stop for an afternoon treat courtesy of 'Pickles,' their mom.



Trumpeter swan juvenile cygnets are soiled but growing.

yet there has been no sign of the white egrets nor great blue herons.

Little did one guess that more sandhill cranes than the aforementioned giant birds would occupy natural niches in the area. Bruce Bjork, area wildlife photographer, traveled to the Shakopee area this week to obtain wonderful photos of the egrets. We believe the phe-

nomenon of missing birds is a matter of lacking basic food, that is, frogs, water beetles and grasshoppers among others. Of course, climate change should enter into this conversation. Evidently the shallow ponds and marshes in the Twin City areas are a basic food source. Your guess, readers, is as good as ours, more in that regard in the future.

# Rainfall can't dampen community spirit at Giant Days



A young rocker enjoyed the view of Arch Allies from on high on Saturday evening.



Sunday afternoon's corn eating contest drew a big crowd, as corn-lovers big and small tried to see how many ears of corn they could eat in a couple minutes.



a really good day at the Giant Days Parade, as she was delighted to receive a stuffed dog from the Toys for Tots group.



Fireworks lit up the sky on Saturday evening, in between sets from hit band Arch Allies.



It was at this moment, Buddy realized, that being a good dog sometimes comes with strings attached. (The Mankato T-Birds, a unit of the Osman Shriners, were one of many Shriner units in Sunday's parade.)



Henderson Fire Department Adam Arnst waves to the crowd as part of the Giant Days Parade on Sunday.



Sunday's corn feed was a popular event after the parade, and volunteers kept hungry diners moving.



Henderson's Arden Kroehler throws candy to the crowd as part of the riding VFW/Legion entry.



Madisyn Seitz pulls in the Minn-E-Rods competition on Friday. Seitz has been competing at Giant Days the past four years.



Angel Vazquez-Montero was thrilled to find out he finished first place in the 10-15 year-old division in the corn eating contest.



Tiffany Vanden Einde (center) was the lucky grand prize raffle winner, and won a 90-second shopping spree at Radermacher's grocery store in Le Sueur. Other top winners include Dan Driscoll (\$500 Wise Furniture gift card), Becky Husfeldt (\$500 Holiday gas card), Kelsey Maczkowicz (Wolf Motors oil changes), Tiffany Meyer (\$1,000), and Dan Casey and Barb Carlson (\$250 each).



Arch Allies brought 80s music alive, from Def Leppard to Bon Jovi, Queen to Styx and everything in between on Saturday night.