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FROM LEFT: Ali B's Coffee Shop and Boutique was the beneficiary of a ribbon-cutting by the NYA Chamber and city to mark the opening of the business. Business owner Alice Bunn is pictured. (Submitted photos, Derek Tellier/News & Times)

Ali B's serving hot cups of joe in NYA

BY DEREK TELLIER
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After working in air traffic control and retiring... After working as a gate agent training supervisor for Delta airlines and retiring... Then, after working at the AmericInn in Chanhasen and saying to heck with it...

Alice Bun now calls her own shots. She is the proud owner of Ali B's Coffee Shop and Boutique, located in the strip

mall along Highway 212 on the eastern edge of Norwood Young America. Bun joined the Chamber of Commerce and did the ceremonial ribbon cutting on July 20.

Bun, before starting her own business, was working some long hours, especially for someone who was supposed to be retired. She said while she was working at Delta, she would get there at 5:30 in the morning, after driving to the airport from

her home in Cologne, and then she wouldn't get back until 8:00 at night. The hours just got to be too much. Plus, Bun has eight children. There wasn't a lot of family time with such a demanding work schedule. Now, at Alli B's, Bun works with two of her daughters: Natalie and Rayna.

Ironically, she prefers black coffee and admits the newer coffee drinks are a challenge. However, she, Natalie, and Rayna all love customer service, so everything works out in the end. In fact, Bun wasn't necessarily looking to open a coffee shop but got inspired from two different areas.

First, she loves to bake. Bun sells candy over Christmas: old fashioned hard candy, caramel snickerdoodle, and old school fudge. She wants to sell

more of these things in the coffee shop as she moves along. Right now, she can't get her oven up and running because of supply chain issues, but hey, eventually... She wants to consistently offer high quality cinnamon rolls, caramel rolls, and homemade licorice, even though Natalie and Rayna can't stand the smell of the licorice when it's baking—oh, the joys of working with family.

Second, she loves the White Pine Market up in Two Harbors. When visiting her son who lives in Duluth, Bun went to the White Pine Market and loved it immediately. She says her son took her there knowing that she would think it was something special. And, she did. Over time, she chatted with their owners on several occasions to get ideas for starting a coffee shop

of her own. She brews White Pine's coffee beans and makes several of the Red Bull drinks White Pine serves.

And speaking of Red Bull drinks, Bun says they're called abudhabi drinks, and Alli B's serves cherry, peach, and watermelon. You can get them blended or on ice, and their younger customers love them.

They also sell breakfast sandwiches and burritos that are available all day.

Alli B's has all the usual coffee shop customers: older folks getting coffee in the morning as they sit around and chat, business people ordering coffee as they look over spreadsheets, moms driving through in the mornings, and the younger crowd coming in to get hyped up. Things are going well, but Bun wants to improve the shop's signage. She thinks that will help draw in some of the traffic on Highway 212. She says

Alli B's is the only coffee shop from Glencoe to Chaska that is right along the highway. Plus, once her oven gets up and running, she wants to start a website on which customers can order ahead and pick up their food and drinks via the drive-through.

The shop, in addition to selling coffee, Red Bull, and breakfast sandwiches, also sells handcrafted sweatshirts, wall hangings, and candles, not to mention locally grown plants. Bun says one of the allures Alli B's has to offer is you can go there, buy a birthday present for someone, and grab a cup of coffee and a quick snack, all in one stop.

They're open 5 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Friday; and 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Saturday. They're closed on Sundays. If you're out along Highway 212, or even if you're not, stop on by and grab something good.

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Watertown council busy during summer doldrums

BY DEREK TELLIER
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The Watertown City Council is keeping busy during the doldrums of summer, and is tackling a number of topics from salt storage to police presence in local schools.

SALT STORAGE

Watertown Public Services Director Mike Dressel, took Watertown City Council through bids for a new salt storage facility. According to City Council records, the new salt storage facility, in order to meet Watertown's demands, needs to be 41 feet wide, 50 feet deep, and designed to hold 600 tons of salt.

Greystone Construction bid \$96,800, which did come in under the \$100,000 Watertown had budgeted for the project. The problem, however, according to Dressel, was "that the quote did not include site work for soil corrections and that the soil work would be performed in conjunction with the moving of a water-main in that area that is part of the wastewater treatment plant project." Dressel further noted that the Greystone Construction bid of \$96,800 did not include the aggregate and pavement necessary to

maximize the facility's full potential. According to City records, Greystone, for an additional \$17,100, could also do the aggregate and pavement, but the added costs would put the salt storage facility over budget by \$13,900.

Dressel mentioned that funds could be pulled from a different Public Works project—the purchase of new tube heaters, and those funds could come close to the \$13,900 needed to keep the salt storage facility from going over-budget.

Council members expressed concerns about the location of a new salt storage facility, but in the end, they voted in favor of Greystone Construction building the new salt storage facility, providing the aggregate, and pouring the pavement.

FIREWORKS

City Administrator Jake Foster laid out some fireworks facts. He said to the council, in previous years, the Watertown Lions Club and Rails to Trails Festival have funded the Rails to Trails fireworks. But, in these precarious times, the Lions and Rails to Trails would not have enough money to fully fund the 2022 fireworks at Rails to Trails. The cost of fireworks has gone up—Foster anticipat-

ed an increase of \$2,056, which would bring the total of the fireworks display up to about \$9,000.

Basically, Watertown had two choices: the city could have a smaller fireworks display or it could chip in and pay the amount the Lions and Rails to Trails were short.

Council members expressed appreciation for the fireworks display at Rails to Trails and eventually voted in favor of Watertown maintaining the size of the display and the city providing the additional funding. Council members cited the community's general enjoyment as their main reason for supporting the measure.

CELL TOWER

City Planner, Mark Kaltsas, led discussion on conditional use of the cell tower at 700 Lewis Avenue. According to City Council records, "an application was submitted by Pyramid Network Services/Dish Wireless LLC and Global Signal Acquisition requesting that the city consider the following actions... 1. A conditional use permit to allow collocation of new wireless antennas on the existing tower. 2. Site plan review for the subject property."

Kaltsas said three carriers already used the tower and that the Planning Commission recommended approval of the new motion. The overall potential for good that Pyramid Network Services/Dish Wireless LLC and Global Signal Acquisition could bring to the area caused City Council to approve their request.

POLICE IN SCHOOLS

An official decision has not been reached, but after initial conversations between City Council and the Watertown-Mayer School Board, discussions will continue about whether or not "to consider allowing the in-town deputy to have a presence of some sort off and on at the Watertown-Mayer High School."

Foster said, "Ideas have included the school creating an office space at the high school in which the deputy could sit from time to time and do reporting." Foster added that the police officer walking the halls of the school is also being discussed. City Council and the School Board believe a police presence at the high school can be done without sacrificing coverage levels to the city. They also believe it can be done without incurring any additional costs.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

SHOE AWAY HUNGER

AUGUST 17 – The "Shoe Bus" is coming to Bongards Farmers Market on Aug. 17 from 3-6 p.m. New and like-new shoes will be available for purchase. Adult shoes \$5/pair. Children's shoes \$2/pair. You can also drop off new and like-new shoes the day of the sale to support hunger relief programs. Bongards Farmers Market is in the parking lot each Wednesday at St. John's United Church of Christ, 12984 County Rd 51.

ICE CREAM SOCIAL

AUGUST 18 – What better way to spend a summer day! Thrivent Financial and Main Scoop are hosting an ice cream social and kids' carnival Thursday, Aug. 18 from 4-7 p.m. in the HEI parking lot next to Main Scoop. Free to the public. Good will donations will be directed to Backyard Wishes. Kids can enjoy ice cream, face painting, balloon twisting, crazy hair and bounce house. Registration is not required, but encouraged so that we can get an idea on amount of


people planning to attend. Folks wanting to donate before or during the event can go to: <https://backyardwishes.carnival.eventbrite.com>

ST. VICTORIA RUMMAGE SALE

AUGUST 18-19 – St. Victoria's annual rummage sale is Aug. 18, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., and Aug. 19, "bag day," 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. Church is located at 8228 Victoria Drive, Victoria.

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School shows how to handle education challenge

Minnesotan David Ellis has gone from troubled teen to internationally acclaimed educator. It's a remarkable story, told well in a new book, "Hip Hop Genius 2.0" (Rowman and Littlefield).

Accompanying David's story are answers to important questions:

- How can schools work effectively with angry, alienated, sometimes violent youth?

- How can schools help these youngsters develop academic skills along with the skills and attitudes needed to help solve real problems?

Ellis used his creativity, entrepreneurship, experience and passion to create a public (charter) school at which students use their love of music to create YouTube videos and public service videos. Their products are so strong that Verizon Wireless, State Farm Insurance, the Minnesota Office of Higher Education and others (including the Center for School Change where I work), have hired the students to create these videos.

They do this despite the fact that about 40% of HSRA students experience homelessness during the school year. Traditional schools didn't work for them.

One of the book's powerful stories is about how during the pandemic, HSRA student Walter Cortina helped start and lead a statewide effort that brought



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millions of dollars to Minnesota high school students. Minnesota Attorney General Keith Ellison and the Minnesota Court of Appeals agreed with research Cortina and others had done. Despite Department of Employment and Economic Development claims, eligible Minnesota high school students who were laid off because of the pandemic ultimately received \$30 million in federal pandemic relief funds.

National Book Award winner and educator Herbert Kohl describes this book, telling Ellis' story, as "a weapon for the resilience, brilliance and strengths of young people and for schools designed to serve them." Picking up on this, the book's authors explain that at HSRA, "Students are not seen as problems to be solved or empty vessels waiting to be filled. They are valued as thinkers, artists and entrepreneurs – survivors and thrivers."

Note – the book does contain some explicit language.

Recognizing the students' and school's prowess, the national organization, Junior Achievement, named this school as having the nation's best student-run business. Ellis has been asked to speak throughout the United States and other countries. As this column is being written in late June, Ellis is speaking at a conference in London.

All this has come from a young man who had trouble in traditional high schools. Like some of today's youth, he didn't fit. The book's authors noted that Ellis is a great school leader "not despite the academic struggles he went through, but because of them."

Fortunately he landed at an innovative K-12 district school where his potential was recognized. (Full disclosure: I was one his teachers at the school 45 years ago. Ellis participated in a class I taught where students solved actual consumer problems that adults referred to us. The book notes that this class and school helped him understand how he could use his insights and "street smarts" to help solve problems).

Ellis graduated from high school, earned a pilot's license and worked with his friend, the noted musician Prince. Together they produced a platinum-award winning record. Later he opened his own recording arts studio, and ultimately founded the High School for Recording Arts.

The book is co-authored by three educators. Two are connected to universities: Sam Seidel is an adjunct professor at Stanford University, Michael Lipset is a McGill University lecturer. The third, Tony Simmons, is an attorney who met Ellis when they worked together in the recording industry. Ellis asked him to be the school's executive director. Together, they're a remarkable team.

HSRA's distinctive features include beginning each school year with an individual student/educator goal-setting conference. What matters to each student is part of what that person studies during the year. To graduate, students must demonstrate skills and knowledge in several areas. It's not enough to attend class and receive a passing grade.

The book shows that part of what will help frustrated, angry, depressed young people is taking their interests and concerns seriously. Helping them explore these issues is vital. Another key to help these students, as Simmons puts it, is to not just talk about, but actually "enact positive and meaningful change."

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READERS WRITE

Despite talk otherwise, local elections secure

To the editor,

Myself and several other residents of Carver County attended and spoke at the July 19, 2022 Courier County Commissioner's work session on Election Integrity. We learned a lot from David Frischmon's and Kendra Olson's presentations, including

that Carver County elections have proven to be 100% accurate when reviewed by the County Canvassing Board and that they have a track record of accuracy in the recounts of 2008 and 2018.

We urged the commissioners to continue Carver County's tradition of providing fair and accurate elections so that we as citizens of the county can continue to vote with complete

confidence. We also urge them to accept these recommendations of the Elections and Licensing Manager:

- To continue utilizing both deputized county staff and party balanced election judges for absentee voting.

- To continue following the appropriate absentee ballot statutes.

- To keep the image capture feature turned off and to count

write-in votes using actual paper ballots.

- To install an internal ballot drop box instead of using an external drop box.

It is important to keep in mind the definition of Democracy – "a system of government by the whole population or all the eligible members of a state, typically through elected representatives." The key here is "whole population or all the

eligible members". We fear the main effort of those wanting to change Carver County's system is to put up voting roadblocks for residents who are poor, disabled, and seniors in the name of election integrity. We are proud of the election integrity and high turnout in our county and state.

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Minnesota shaping up as another DFL win

During the first half of the year, Republicans were crowing that the 2022 election would result in a wipeout of the Democrats. Many incumbents were dreaming of who would chair which committees in Congress and the state legislatures. Candidates for governor were wondering about department head staffing.

After all, the Democrats had nothing. The economy was in shambles because child care was overregulated and too expensive to lure parents back into the work force, inflation was out of control and crime was rampant. None of that has changed.

But then came the Supreme Court ruling on abortion and the school shooting in Uvalde, Texas. While abortion and guns are issues on which most voters made up their minds long ago, those issues made Democrats angry instead of resigned, increasing donations and volunteer activity. That is certainly the case here in Minnesota.

The Republicans last controlled the governor's office and both houses of the Legislature simultaneously in 1970. It is fair to say the DFL's fingerprints remain on any challenges this paradise of the north still faces — things like a third of the children being unable to read at grade level, the state's largest city becoming a free-fire zone, and the growing difficulty of finding anyone who wants to become a law enforcement officer in a state where all police are assumed to be guilty of something, unless their body cams prove otherwise.

Regardless, the Republicans have not yet proven to the ma-



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majority of Minnesotans that they can handle the responsibility of governing. In particular, the party has run an amateurish operation against the DFL's professionalism when it comes to elections. Ten years ago, the GOP was near bankruptcy because of mismanagement. The hole left was so huge that the party has had difficulty crawling out of it.

All one needs to do is look at the coffers of the various campaigns to realize that a great reversal of fortune for either party in Minnesota is unlikely. The smart money continues to bet big on the Democrats, while Republicans keep shredding anyone who questions if Donald Trump is someone other than the Second Coming.

A review of the candidates' reports to the Minnesota Campaign Finance Board tells the story. While raising the most money is no guarantee of victory, here are some examples of why the DFL is sitting somewhat comfortably in the driver's seat:

- Gov. Tim Walz leads all candidates in the state from either party with \$4,980,781 cash on hand as of July 20. That's almost four times what his Republican opponent, Dr. Scott Jensen, has.
- DFL Secretary of State Steve Simon has raised three times the

money of his GOP opponent Kim Crockett, and has almost nine times the cash on hand.

- Republican attorney general candidates Jim Schultz and Doug Wardlow are trying to survive the Aug. 9 primary. Incumbent DFLer Keith Ellison has raised almost double what Schultz has raised and almost triple Wardlow's contributions. While the Republicans have to spend now to survive, Ellison is sitting on almost five times as much cash.

- The only statewide race where the Republican has outraced his opponent is the race for state auditor. Ryan Wilson has raised 2.5 times what his opponent, DFL incumbent Julie Blaha, has raised, but his total is only \$173,592, still not enough to run a high-profile statewide race. The only statewide Republican candidate who has raised less is Crockett. Blaha will be swept along on the blue tide of Democrat dollars.

- In the races for Minnesota's eight congressional seats, it is good to be an incumbent. Every incumbent, DFL or Republican, has raised the most money in their district, and Sixth District Republican Rep. Tom Emmer leads the group, having raised 75 times the amount as his DFL opponent, Jeanne Hendricks. He is sitting on \$1.1 million in cash, 88 times what Hendricks still has. However, overall, the DFL congressional candidates have raised \$2 million more than the Republicans and have \$3.3 million more in cash than their GOP opponents.

- The DFL has a combined \$3 million more than the Republicans available in just the funds

raised by the state parties and the state House and state Senate caucuses.

- The funding of the 67 state Senate campaigns gives the DFL an advantage of \$142,572. However, the funds from the caucuses and state parties can be moved around where needed. Hundreds of thousands will be spent on key legislative races.

- Spending by organizations independent of candidate campaigns, also gives the DFL an advantage. Independent spending on the four statewide races, mostly by Planned Parenthood of Minnesota, favors the DFL by \$277,838.

Overall, the DFL has much more money than the Republicans, which it will spend not only on its candidates, but also on a massive get out the vote effort that will ensure every DFL voter goes to the polls. In the non-presidential elections, typically 20% to 30% of voters from the previous presidential election don't show up. The president's party usually takes a beating. That's not how 2022 is shaping up in Minnesota.

One cannot predict with certainty how any individual race will turn out or if altering the balance of power will improve things, but one thing is certain: Things won't change if the same mix that created the problems remains in charge.

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Mental health, watershed on county board agenda

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Carver County commissioners heard a status report on the county's mental health at their

meeting last Tuesday, Aug. 2. The county board also heard an update from the Minnehaha Creek Watershed District on efforts to improve the quality of area waters.

Derek Gunderson, chair of the county's local advisory committee on mental health, shared an annual update on the group's activities and recommendations regarding mental health services. Gunderson talked about finding a "new normal" for delivery of services in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic.

He pointed to mental telehealth as a lifeline for some, isolating for others, but a useful tool going forward along with in-person conversations. He also said the committee is focused on outreach to veterans, children and law enforcement, and trying to help overcome the stigma of talking about mental health.

In terms of recommendations, Gunderson said the committee encouraged commissioner support for retaining adequate county mental health services staffing and strengthening relationships with men-

tal health groups like NAMI.

Additionally, Gunderson highlighted the new 988 suicide and mental health crisis call line noting that Carver County is a call center location. Established recently by the federal government, the lifeline expands the capacity of existing call centers with a goal of instantly connecting individuals in crisis to mental health professionals.

In terms of the watershed, the county board heard from James Wisker, district administrator for the Minnehaha Watershed District, and Bill Olson, who represents Carver County on MWCD's board of managers. At the meeting, district officials shared an update on actions being taken to manage and protect one of the "largest and most heavily-used urban watersheds in Minnesota."

Minnehaha Creek Watershed District cov-

ers 178 square miles, comprises 29 communities, 120 lakes, 10 major stream systems, and thousands of acres of wetland across Hennepin and part of Carver County.

Wisker pointed out that the MWCD partners with private landowners, developers, elected officials, park district officials and other stakeholders to secure investments, navigate regulations, and drive high impact capital projects and water resource management efforts. Officials emphasized that the land-water connection has social and economic benefits.

One overall long-term effort being worked on is the development of a hydraulic and hydrological model of storm and sewer system impacts on the watershed.

Wisker also highlighted some recent projects to preserve waters and wetlands. One, the Mader family

trust conservation subdivision in Minnetrista, which restores and preserves 27 acres of wetland. Also, the Lenar development south of Lake Wassermann in Victoria which preserves wetlands, as well as actions on the lake itself. Among them, the development of Wassermann Lake preserve and park, and the use of alum, a chemical compound, to control pollutants like phosphorus and reduce turbidity – efforts that are tracking to delist the lake from the impaired waters list.

More broadly, the MWCD is working on habitat restoration programs to restore almost 2,500 acres of in-lake habitat. An upcoming focus is on Lake Auburn wetland areas in Victoria and Carver Park.

Ultimately, Olson said MCWD would like get all 14 of the western chain of lakes off the impaired waters list.

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Obituaries

Kenneth O. Quaas

Kenneth O. Quaas, age 83, of Mayer passed away Friday, August 5, 2022 at Ridgeview Medical Center in Waconia.



Memorial service 11:00 AM Thursday, August 18, 2022 at Zion Lutheran Church (121 Bluejay Ave. N.) in Mayer. Gathering of family and friends 4-7:00 PM Wednesday at the Johnson Funeral Home in Waconia and also Thursday one hour prior to the service at the church. Interment in the church cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials are preferred.

Kenneth Otto Quaas was born January 26, 1939 in Minneapolis, the son of Fred and Bertha (Rolf) Quaas. He was baptized February 19, 1939 at Zion Lutheran Church, Benton Township, Cologne and later confirmed his faith in the Lord on March 29, 1953 at Zion Lutheran Church in Mayer. Kenneth attended Zion Lutheran School in Mayer and graduated from Watertown High School in 1957.

Kenneth enlisted in the United States Army Reserves in June of 1957 and was activated during the Berlin Crisis in 1961. He served until receiving an Honorable Discharge in January of 1965 at which time he was a Sergeant.

On November 5, 1960, Kenneth was united in marriage with Marla Stender at Our Saviors Lutheran Church in Excelsior. This union was blessed with children Brian, Bradley, Brent, Amy and Tara.

Kenneth had worked as a welder and carpenter. He had served Watertown Township as its clerk for 23 years. He had also been a member of the Mayer Fire Department. Kenneth enjoyed playing sports, especially baseball which he played in high school and for many years for the Mayer Blazers. Kenneth enjoyed playing Sheepshead, reading mysteries and putting together puzzles. He was a faithful Twins and Vikings fan.

Kenneth is preceded in death by his parents Fred and Bertha Quaas, Mabel Quaas; father-in-law and mother-in-law Fred and Selma Stender; sister Marlene (Charles) Schmidt, brother-in-law Duane Pevestorf; great grandson Micah Baynes.

Kenneth is survived by his loving family: wife Marla Quaas; children Brian (Joanie) Quaas, Bradley (Theresa) Quaas, Brent (Monica) Quaas, Amy Knutson, Tara (Marty) Seltz; grandchildren Gerrick (Dee) Quaas, Blake Baynes, Chad (Stephanie) Baynes, Jesse (Abby) Quaas, Evan (Kelli Kennedy) Quaas, William (Bairret) Lenzen-Eiter, Derek (fiancé Sara Behling) Lenzen, Matthew (Sydney Wongdock) Lenzen, Samantha (Adam) Danielson, Clayton Quaas, Kendra (fiancé Kody DeLange) Knutson, Megan (Nathan Madson) Knutson, Greta Knutson, Grace Knutson, Jack Seltz, Owen Seltz, Emmett Seltz; great grandchildren Jonathan, Mackenna, Logan, Dylan, Weston, Levi, Josiah, Rowan, Cassel, Decker, Veda, Henry and Everett; sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law Vergeane and Ronald Groenke, Bonnie and Lynn Mueller, RaNaye and Richard Ische; as well as many nieces, nephews, cousins and dear friends.

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Rittenhouse attorney to defend stabbing suspect in Wisconsin

HUDSON, Wis. (AP) — The attorney who helped Kyle Rittenhouse get acquitted on murder charges says he will represent a Minnesota man accused in the stabbing death of a teenager during a tubing trip in western Wisconsin.

Nicolae Miu, 52, is charged with first-degree homicide in the death of 17-year-old Isaac Schuman after Miu scuffled with several people last month on the Apple River. Police say Miu wounded four other people. Miu says he was defending himself.

Miu has retained Madison, Wisconsin attorney Corey Chirafisi, who helped convince a jury that Rittenhouse acted in self-defense when he fatally shot two men and wounded a third during pro-

tests over the August 2020 shooting of Jacob Blake in Kenosha. The Rittenhouse case widened the political divide on gun access in the United States.

Chirafisi told the St. Paul Pioneer Press Friday that he plans to file a document in St. Croix County Court next week to represent Miu. He declined to comment on the case. A preliminary hearing is scheduled Friday.

Court documents state that Miu, of Prior Lake, Minnesota, attacked the group after people accused him of approaching children in the water. Miu is also charged with wounding two men from Luck, Wisconsin, ages 20 and 22, a 24-year-old woman from Burnsville, Minnesota, and a 22-year-old man from Elk River, Minnesota.



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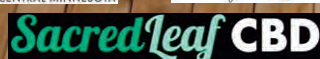
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CLOCKWISE FROM LEFT: Fr. Stan Mader is pictured with Tony Oliva and other former Twins. Mader flags down a fly ball in the outfield at a fantasy camp. (Submitted photos)

Priest's love of baseball leads to friendship

BY AL LOHMAN
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Father Stan Mader was in Cooperstown, N.Y., in 1984 for the induction of Minnesota Twins slugger Harmon Killebrew into the major league baseball Hall of Fame. He was back last month, July 24 for the welcome of two more Twins Hall of Famers, outfielder Tony Oliva, one of baseball's best hitters, and long-time pitcher Jim Kaat.

The St. Joe's Waconia pastor calls "Tony O" a friend and has become acquainted with many other major leaguers through his passion for baseball.

He says he has loved the game since he was 12 playing as a little leaguer from St. Bonifacius, reading about the historic baseball greats and collecting trading cards from cereal boxes. His team didn't have uniforms then and although he never played at an organized level, he's still playing baseball now with an over-50 league team out of Fridley in the Twin Cities.

In fact, Fr. Mader is a hall of famer in his own right. Has been at the Twins fantasy baseball camp 14 times since 2001. Ten visits earn you induction into that hall fame.

He went reluctantly the first time through a gift from his brother, but has returned regularly since then.

At the week-long fantasy camp held each January in Fort Myers, Fla., baseball enthusiasts get their own uniforms, dress in a big-league locker room, play on the same fields used by today's

major leaguers, and get coached, rub elbows and hear insights and stories with former major league greats.

"If we conducted church like that fantasy camp, our parishes would be much better attended," Mader says. Participants are made to feel welcome and form a special bond together.

It was there that he met Tony Oliva and several other former Twins greats like Bert Blyleven, Rod Carew, Kent Hrbek, Tom Brunansky, Rick Aguilera, Frank Viola, Gene Larkin, Al Newman and others.

He has been to dinner with Oliva and his wife of more than 50 years, Gordette, and performed card

tricks for their grandchildren.

In turn, Oliva has helped with fundraisers at other parishes where Fr. Mader has served, agreeing to go out to dinner with winning-bid parishioners in a silent auction and contributing signed memorabilia. Other major league ac-

quaintances also donated items.

Fr. Mader also got to be good friends with Frank Quilici, former Twins player, coach and manager, and conducted the funeral service for him when he passed away in 2018.

His clerical collar connection also has led him to conduct morning mass

at fantasy camp for those who want to attend, and Fr. Mader says he has had the privilege of being able to discuss faith life with visiting major leaguers like hall of fame third baseman Brooks Robinson, who spent 23 seasons with the Baltimore Orioles, the longest career spent with any single team in major

league history.

At the same time, fantasy camp also has enabled him to remove the collar for a time.

The great thing about fantasy camp, Mader says is in the outfield he was "only focused on the next pitch, not all the other things that you think about as a senior pastor."

Central preps for upcoming school year

BY DEREK TELLIER
newstimes@apgecm.com

Central Schools are getting ready for the new school year, and as part of that, the district is making some changes to curriculum and extra-curriculars.

In preparation for the upcoming school year, Central Schools released its agenda for elementary literacy.

In the kindergarten through

third grade ranks, students will use the K-3rd Foundations strategy from Wilson Language Basics. The program increases the students' language fluency and gives them additional training with letters. In addition, kindergarteners through fifth graders will use a system called K-5 Nancy Fetzter Writing, which is designed to build language skills and improve written expression.

Central Schools and the K-3 Foundations program report that the program offers:

- Recognized leadership in multi-sensory, structured language programs.
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Similarly, Central and the K-5 Nancy Fetzter Writing program report that the system can:

- Can engage all learners with a multi-sensory, explicit instructional writing program.
- Offer K-5 classroom teachers a system to utilize the plan, talk, and write for-

mat that instructs students through the writing process.

- Be used across academic disciplines.

The Central School Board also announced a new Girls Soccer Co-op, which will feature players from Central, Mayer-Lutheran, and Sibley East teaming up in grades 7-12 to form a full girls soccer team. Sibley East will replace former Girls Soccer Co-op participant Lester Prairie



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Crown slates new residence hall for students

Crown College has announced its most significant building project in over two decades. The Crown College Board of Trustees and the President's Cabinet announced they will build a new Residence Hall, scheduled to be ready in Fall 2023.

Based on student feedback and national studies, where students live while on-campus has some of the most critical impacts on their experience. In the residence halls, students find meaningful community, learn to find a new level of independence, study, and find fellowship.

This Residence Hall will be located on the southwest side of campus. This hall will provide housing for freshmen and will be outfitted with suite-style living with intentional community living amenities.

There will be three floors and 144 beds, 48 beds per floor, in 8 suites. Each suite will have a community living space, two-bathroom units, and three double bedrooms. Each floor will have a large community space, a full kitchen, and study rooms.

A special groundbreaking will occur on August 31st, beginning at 10:00 am. To stay up to date on this project and the rest of Crown College's projects, one can visit crown.edu/project-updates.

As Crown moves into a new season of excellence and growth, they continue to make significant improvements in academ-

ics, facilities, and student experience. Crown hired three new deans to build a new academic structure and launched a new honors program. Crown recently invested 7 million dollars in six major capital projects totaling nearly 40,000 square feet in renovations. These projects are all scheduled to be completed in Fall 2022.

President Denton notes, "We are so blessed with the incredible heritage of Crown College. As we continue to make Christ the center of everything we do on this campus, I believe we have amazing days ahead."

Crown College was started as a small Bible college in Saint Paul, Minnesota, in 1916. For over 100 years, Crown has focused on preparing students to live out their faith in the world. Now located 40 minutes west of the Twin Cities, we offer on-campus, online, and graduate degree programs. We have 18 NCAA Division III and NCCAA athletic teams, internship opportunities, and summer outreach programs around the globe. Our programs deeply integrate a Christian worldview into every class, helping students become all that God desires them to be. We look forward to the next 100 years as we continue to innovate Christian higher education. To learn more about Crown College, visit crown.edu, and connect with us on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter.



Pictured is a rendition of the new residence hall being built on the Crown College campus. (Submitted photo)



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School district policy bans teaching ‘divisive concepts’

BECKER, Minn. (AP) — A central Minnesota school district is clashing with the teachers union and LGBTQ allies over a proposed policy that opponents say would undermine equity and inclusion.

The proposal by three Becker school board members prohibits “political indoctrination or the teaching of inherently divisive concepts,” in the district’s schools.

Policy opponents say the district is trying to stifle free speech, suppress LGBTQ students and

advocates, and prohibit the accurate teaching of history and other subjects. And a few groups are threatening to sue the district if the policy is implemented, the Star Tribune reported.

It’s just the latest in a list of polarizing issues that have surfaced in classrooms nationwide, including over displaying pride flags, teaching critical race theory and supporting marginalized students.

“It is, frankly, hard to know where to begin in unpacking the

problems with this general policy statement,” said Meg Luger-Nikolai, attorney with the state-wide teachers union Education Minnesota, who noted the prohibition of personal bias could make the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance subject to discipline because it requires showing prejudice in favor of the U.S. and its flag.

A Wisconsin school district recently reinterpreted an existing policy to include a ban on displaying gay pride flags in class-

rooms and including preferred pronouns in email signatures.

When the Kettle Moraine School District posted the policy on social media, it drew hundreds of comments in opposition.

And in Florida earlier this year, Gov. Ron DeSantis signed into law new guidelines involving race-based discussions in schools as part of his campaign against critical race theory, which he called “pernicious” ideology. The legislation bars instruction that says members of one race are inher-

ently racist, and that they should feel guilt for past actions committed by others of the same race or that a person’s status as privileged or oppressed is necessarily determined by their race.

In Minnesota’s Becker district, 47 miles (75 kilometers) northwest of Minneapolis, the proposed policy would dictate that “neither political indoctrination or the teaching of inherently divisive concepts will be allowed” and that classrooms must be free of any personal bias.

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‘A RAINBOW STAR’ IS BORN

In late 2021, Rick and Peg Leuthner commissioned the painting of a barn quilt and had it installed on their shed at the intersection of County Road 51 and 122nd Street in Cologne. Rick was eager to get a barn quilt on Janet Fahey’s Barn Quilts of Carver County tour route where buses, even coach buses, explore the county’s scenic roads in search of barn quilts. Peg, liking bright colors, selected the design, a “Rainbow Star.” She is now in the process of sewing a fabric quilt with the same design. Rick and Peg chose the original barn quilt artist from Carver, Suzanne Thiesfeld, to draw this intricate design to scale and paint it. The size is 8’ x 8’, 2 pieces of primed sign board with a framed back for installation. Two coats of exterior house paint created the vibrant colors, with no sealer. (Submitted photo)

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Central Public Schools Weekly Sports Schedule	
Day/Date	
Thursday, August 11	
Friday, August 12	
Monday, August 15	
Tuesday, August 16	



Royal competes in top 100 Expo

Watertown-Mayer's Eleanor Rundell was a member of the winning team at the Pacesetter Top 100 Expo. The top boys and girls from Minnesota in each class and selected players from neighboring states were invited to participate in the 2022 Top 100 Expo Showcase at the College of St. Benedict in St. Joseph, MN. Eight teams of 8-10 players competed in an 8-team tournament bracket. Players play three games in one day before college coaches and the Minnesota Basketball News staff, who evaluate players for the 2022-2023 pre-season Top 100 Player List for each class – 50 boys and 50 girls.

REGION 7C TOURNAMENT

REGION 7C TOURNAMENT
Thursday, Aug. 4
 Watertown 5, Cologne 2

Friday, Aug. 5
 Green Isle 8, Carver 3

Saturday, Aug. 6
 Waconia 10, Brownton 0
 Plato 21, Glencoe 1
 Watertown 8, Green Isle 4

Sunday, Aug. 7
 Carver 6, Cologne 1
 Brownton 3, Glencoe 2

Monday, Aug. 8
 Waconia 15, Plato 4

UPCOMING GAMES
Thursday, Aug. 11
 (6) Brownton vs. (5) Green Isle

Friday, Aug. 12
 (2) Plato vs. (4) Carver

Saturday, Aug. 13
 (3) Waconia vs. (1) Watertown

FINAL STANDINGS

SOUTH DIVISION

Plato 14-3
 Carver 11-6
 Green Isle 9-8
 Brownton 9-8
 Hamburg 7-10
 Cologne 5-12

NORTH DIVISION

Watertown 16-2
 Waconia 15-3
 Mayer 12-6
 Glencoe 7-11
 St. Boni 5-13
 N Germany 3-15
 Winsted 1-16

PLAYOFF SEEDING

With Young America moving up to Class B and Mayer being ruled

ineligible due to a roster issue, the bracket this year looks different.

(1) Watertown 16-2
 (2) Plato 14-3

(3) Waconia 15-3
 (4) Carver 11-6
 (5) Green Isle 9-8

(6) Brownton 9-8

(7) Glencoe 7-11

(8) Hamburg 7-10

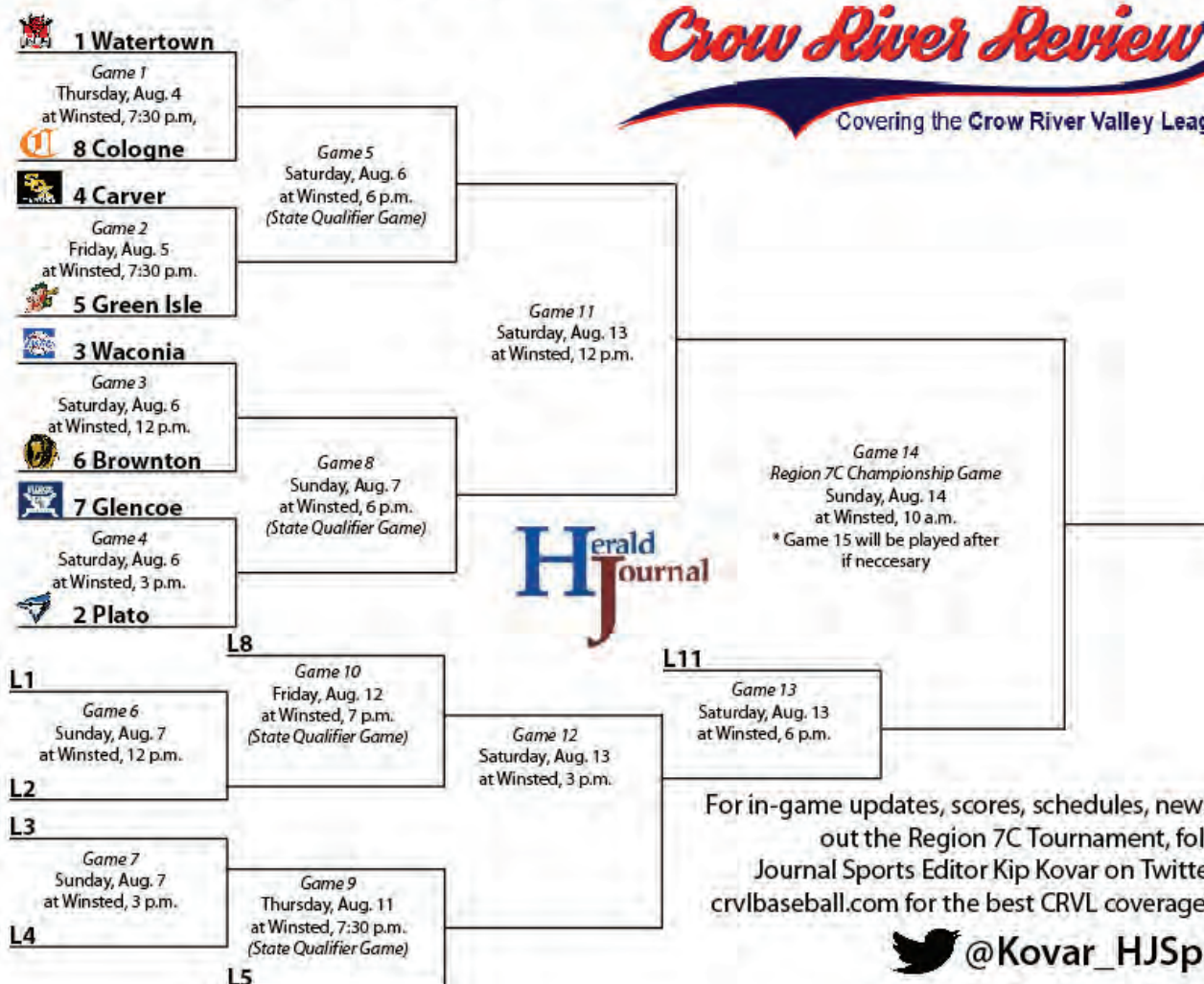
(9) Cologne 5-12

(10) St. Boni 5-13

(11) N Germany 3-15

(12) Winsted 1-17

2022 REGION 7C TOURNAMENT



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CLOCKWISE FROM LEFT: An aerial view of Hemp Acres near Waconia. Charlie Levine is pictured in the field. A pallet of hemp fiber is ready to go. (Submitted photos)

MARKET WITH GROWTH

Waconia farm aims to bring hemp back to American life to cloth, house, feed and fuel

BY AL LOHMAN
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An agricultural product with roots dating back to the 18th century is getting renewed attention, and Waconia could be a hub for production.

The product is hemp.

Hemp Acres opened in 2017 as a small-scale operation on a farm near Waconia with Charles Levine becoming one of the first licensed hemp growers and the first licensed processor in Minnesota. Just three years later, Hemp Acres expanded to a 37,000 square-foot warehouse on Mill Lane in Waconia, which had been part of Milltronics USA, Inc. And last month, the burgeoning operation marked an expansion and grand opening with visits from Gov. Tim Walz and Twin Cities media.

Hemp Acres is now the largest hemp food producer in the nation and the only processor in the nation to handle all three commodities derived from the hemp plant: grain ingredients, botanical extracts like cannabinoids and CBD products, and fiber.

The growth is an outcome of changing legislation around hemp and a founder who has immersed himself in the plant, learning about hemp's history, nutritional properties, sustainable nature, how to grow hemp, how to process hemp, and hemp's many applications.

"I love farming, that's my passion," Levine said. But he also has an entrepreneurial side and big ideas for hemp.

He farms east of Waconia on land his grandparents owned and raised black angus. He has another set of grandparents who started Penny's Super Market which grew to become large grocery retailer SuperValu. Buoyed by those genes and background, Levine is now on a mission

to widely introduce hemp back into American life.

He points out that hemp was historically used among early settlers for clothes, rope, paper, medicines and food. The Midwest was once known as the hemp belt of America, and during the brief re-legalization of hemp in the 1940s it was widely used for rope and canvas to help support the war effort.

Hemp refers to all varieties of the species *cannabis sativa*, which is where the term canvas comes from, according to Levine. But cannabis also has ties to marijuana – the difference is THC content – and Levine notes that hemp has been "demonized" on repeated occasions starting in the early 1900s when special interests like textile and paper manufacturers began to tie the plant to drug use and lobbied against it to protect their industries.

The regulation of hemp linked to marijuana continued until recent years when hemp started to catch on in the organic market as an edible and a fiber in textiles. At the same time, farmers in Kentucky looking to find a crop to replace tobacco began pushing for the legalization of hemp in the U.S.

A 2014 federal farm bill allowed state departments of agriculture and institutions of higher education to administer pilot programs to research the production and marketing of hemp. The Minnesota Department of Agriculture started a hemp program in 2017, and a 2018 farm bill amendment removed hemp from the Controlled Substances Act allowing it to be legally grown nationwide.

Margaret Wiatrowski, who led the Minnesota department of ag program then, is now Hemp Acres' general manager.

She explains that the Minnesota law that took effect July 1 legalizing edibles

containing small amounts of hemp-derived THC caused an explosive increase in demand and brought considerable attention to the business. Yet ironically, only a fraction Hemp Acres' volume, maybe 10 percent, is cannabinoids – 90 percent is the stalk, fiber and food.

And that's what excites Levine.

"This is our bamboo," Levin said, noting that fast growing plant has a long history of being used in China for multiple purposes such as construction material, fiber and food.

It's the same in the United States with hemp.

Hemp Acres produces several plant-based ingredients that can be used in food items like cooking oil, salad dressings, cereals, milks and creamers, and beverages, also cosmetics.

In terms of industrial materials, Hemp Acres produces a raw material called hemp hurd. It's the inner woody core of the hemp plant. Chipped into small pieces and mixed with a lime binder and water, it can be turned into a construction material called hempcrete. Hurd also can be used in plastics, alternative lumber, insulation, filters and packaging.

There's a company in Bismarck, N.D., making concrete-like homes from hemp and another company in Kentucky producing hemp lumber.

Hemp Acres also produces a product called hemp seed oil that can be used to produce a weatherproof paint which is also biodegradable. And hemp fiber has many uses including textiles, erosion barriers, fiberglass, and one Levine is especially excited about: batteries.

In addition to farming, Levine also has background as an electrician and he sees a day when hemp fiber can be processed into supercapacitors in energy storage systems.

"We have enough electricity genera-

tion in this country," Levine said. "What we need is storage."

He foresees a day when hemp could become a key component of cheaper, safer, better-performing, and more environmentally friendly electric vehicle batteries than current elements like lithium.

In fact, more broadly Levine appreciates the sustainability aspects of hemp. Hemp products are biodegradable, and from a farming perspective the plant captures large amounts of carbon dioxide from the atmosphere. It requires little water to grow and also replenishes nutrients to help improve soil health.

Levine's hemp farm operation is small. He used it primarily as an incubator to prove his hemp processing concept. So, Hemp Acres is enrolling farmers across the Midwest to grow hemp. There are currently only 1,000-2,000 acres of hemp production in Minnesota and less than 200,000 acres nationwide, according to production reports, as corn and soybeans dominate the market and fetch higher prices.

But Levine points out that hemp fits well into a diverse crop rotation, has low water input and can outcompete weeds, and he's hoping that with a growing hemp products market it will become more attractive to farmers. He could use 30,000 acres in hemp to support Hemp Acres operations, which so far, he has bankrolled himself through loans and sales.

But lately, he has been talking to the likes of large multinational food processor Archer-Daniels -Midland (ADM) and applied science innovator 3M to help take hemp the next step.

Hemp's history in America dates back centuries, Levin says, yet hemp in the 21st century is uncharted territory. And Hemp Acres is on a mission to bring hemp back to American life.

Legals

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 111 WATERTOWN, MINNESOTA 55388 BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING JUNE 27, 2022

I. The regular meeting of the Watertown-Mayer School Board in the Watertown City Hall on Monday, May 23, 2022 was called to order at 6:01 PM by Chair Hunter Feldt. Board members present: Feldt, Thompson, Burns, Schultz, Danielson and J. Guetzkow. Board members absent: H. Guetzkow. Administrative team members present: Superintendent Schuler, HS Principal Hennen, MS Principal Guertin, SPED Director Gronseth, CE Director Dimmler, Director of Teaching & Learning Vieau, Activities Director Szymanski. Absent: None

II. Visitor requests and con-

sideration of the agenda. MMS (Motion made and Seconded by) Schulz and Danielson to approve the agenda as presented. Passes 6-0.

III. Consent Agenda

MMS Burns and Thompson to approve the following consent agenda items: Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of May 23, 2022, Special Board Meeting of May 27, 2022, Personnel consent agenda, Business consent agenda and Enrollment. Note made by Chair Feldt of the contracts included in the Personnel consent agenda. Passes 6-0

IV. Recognitions/ Presentations/ Showcase:

Bethany Loether was recognized as Section 5AA Coach of the Year for softball. Luke Maas was recognized for being a State Boys Golf Participant, Coach Trucke recognized his varsity baseball team

members for their participation in State Baseball. Shawn Perez recognized her Unified Sports basketball team members who recently earned a bronze medal at the US Special Olympics games. Paul Szymanski did a program overview for the Athletic/ Activity department.

V. Action Items -

A. MMS Danielson and Schulz to approve the second reading of policy 808, 808F, 899, 904, 1001, and 1027. Passes 6-0.

B. MMS Danielson and Feldt to approve the Elementary School, Early Childhood Programs and Kids/ Company handbooks for the 22-23 school year. Passes 6-0.

C. Finance Director Lisa Raiter Presented the FY22 Revised Budget. MMS Burns and Thompson to approve the FY22 Revised Budget as presented. Passes 6-0.

D. Finance Director Lisa Raiter Presented the FY23 Preliminary Budget. MMS Burns and Thompson to approve the FY23 Preliminary Budget as presented. Passes 6-0.

E. Finance Director Lisa Raiter went over the revenues and expenditures as part of the District's 10 Year Long Term Facility Maintenance Plan. MMS Danielson and Feldt to approve the plan as presented. Passes 6-0.

F. MMS Feldt and Schulz to approve the SW Metro Long Term Facility Maintenance Resolution. Passes 5-0. * Vice Chair Thompson excused himself (6:57 PM -7:01 PM) and was not present for motion or vote.

G. MMS Burns and Schulz to approve the SW Metro Safe Schools Resolution. Passes 5-0. * Vice Chair Thompson excused himself (6:57 PM -7:01 PM) and was not present for motion or vote.

H. MMS J. Guetzkow and Thompson to approve Superintendent Schuler as the Identified Official with Authority (IOWA). Passes 6-0.

I. MMS Thompson and Danielson to approve the Notice for General Election to elect 3 (three) school board members for 4 (four) years and 1 (one) school board

member for 2 (two) years. Passes 6-0.

J. MMS Burns and Thompson to approve the Notice of Filing Dates for filing affidavits of candidacy for the office of school board member of Independent School District No. 111. Passes 6-0.

K. MMS Danielson and Feldt to approve the MSHSL Resolution for continued membership. Passes 6-0.

L. Superintendent Schuler reported the resignation of school board member Josh Guetzkow as of the end of the October 2022 school board meeting. Superintendent Schuler recommends running one member short for November and December, until a newly elected member can be sworn in. MMS Burns and Thompson to approve the Resolution Declaring a Vacancy by Resignation. Passes 6-0.

VI. Review/ Information Items

A. ICS Representative Chris Vogel updated the board regarding the progress of the current and upcoming construction projects. locker rooms.

VII. Administrative Reports -

HS Principal Hennen, MS Principal Guertin, Teaching & Learning Director Vieau, CE Director Dimmler, Activities Director Szymanski and Supt. Schuler gave verbal administration reports.

VIII. Board Member Reports or open comments by School Board Directors - No reports were given.

IX. MMS Danielson and Schulz to adjourn the meeting at 7:49 PM and was duly passed.

**NOTE: These published meeting minutes are only a summary. Full text is available for public inspection at the Watertown-Mayer District Offices or via the Watertown-Mayer School website: <https://www.w.m.k12.mn.us/Page/93>.

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CITY OF WATERTOWN COUNTY OF CARVER STATE OF MINNESOTA

ORDINANCE NO. 433

AMENDING CHAPTER 62 OF THE WATERTOWN CITY CODE RELATING TO PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT - GENERAL RESIDENTIAL (PUD-GR) ZONING DISTRICT

THE CITY OF WATERTOWN DOES ORDAIN:

Section 1. AMENDMENT. The following sections of Chapter 62-470.25 of the Municipal Code of Watertown are hereby amended by adding the following underlined language and deleting the ~~strike~~ through language:

Sec. 62-470.28. - Subzone district regulations.

C. Supplemental Standards

1. Units built on lots of record in the office of the county register of deeds or registrar of titles and structures constructed prior to December 31, 2021 which do not meet the requirements of this section, are considered lawful, nonconforming structures, provided:

(a) Any accessory structures will be permitted to utilize zero-foot side yard setbacks.

2. Unbuilt lots of record in the office of the county register of deeds or registrar of titles, which do not meet the requirements of this section, may be allowed as building sites, provided:

(a) Such use is permitted in the zoning district:

(b) New structures maintain a minimum separation of 10 feet from

adjoining units:

(c) New structures and any expansion will be permitted to utilize zero-foot side yard setbacks.

Section 2. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Ordinance shall be effective immediately upon its passage and publication.

ADOPTED this 26th day of July 2022, by the City Council of the City of Watertown.

CITY OF WATERTOWN

/s/Steve Washburn, Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/Margaret Reisdorf, Administrative Services Director

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NOTICE AND ORDER FOR HEARING ON PETITION FOR DESCENT OF PROPERTY

STATE OF MINNESOTA COUNTY OF CARVER FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT DISTRICT COURT PROBATE DIVISION Court File No.10-PR-22-134 Estate of

William J. Drew, also known as William John Drew, William Drew, and Bill Drew, Decedent

A Petition for Determination of Descent has been filed with this Court. The Petition represents that the Decedent died more than three years ago, leaving property in Minnesota and requests the probate of Decedent's last Will (if any), and the descent of such property be determined and assigned by this Court to the persons entitled to the property.

Any objections to the Petition must be filed with the Court prior to or raised at the hearing. If proper, and no objections are filed or raised, the Petition may be granted.

IT IS ORDERED and Notice is further given, that the Petition will be heard on Wednesday, September 7, 2022 at 9:30 am Via zoom, by this Court at 604 E. 4th St., Chaska, Minnesota.

1. Notice shall be given to all interested persons (MINN. STAT. § 524.1-401) and persons who have filed a demand for notice pursuant to Minnesota Statutes section 524.3-204.

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Dated: July 25, 2022

/s/ Michael Wentzell

Judge of District Court

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BUFFALO CREEK WATERSHED DISTRICT ANNUAL BUDGET MEETING

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Board of Managers of the Buffalo Creek Watershed District will hold its annual budget hearing on Tuesday, August 23, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. at its regular meeting place in Suite 103, Glencoe City Center, 1107 11th Street E., Glencoe, MN.

Under consideration will be the following proposed budget for 2023:

Activity:	2023 Budgeted Amount
Annual Audit	\$4,000.00
Association Dues (Minnesota Association of Watershed Districts)	\$5,500.00
Manager per diem, mileage, PERA and taxes	\$30,000.00
Bond premiums and insurance	\$5,000.00
Legal	\$15,500.00
Engineering	\$40,000.00
Independent Contractors/Consultants	\$25,000.00
Office expenses and publications	\$8,500.00
Stream maintenance program (\$155K from general fund and \$45K from reserve)	\$200,000.00
JD 15 Sub-watershed Storage (inter-governmental costs share with Renville and McLeod)	\$75,000.00
Subtotal	\$408,500.00
From general fund (103D.905, subd. 3 (\$250,000.00 Cap))	\$250,000.00
From reserves	\$158,500.00
Clean Water Partnership Project Fund (Marsh Water Project) (103D.905, subd. 9)	\$70,000.00
Basic water management projects/programs (City of Glencoe Petitioned Project) (103D.905, subd. 3)	\$87,000.00
Total Budget	\$565,500.00
Total Budget from Levy (2023 Levy)	\$407,000.00

Interested parties are invited to attend the hearing and comment on the proposed budget.

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CITY OF NORWOOD YOUNG AMERICA 2021 ANNUAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Name of TIF Authority: Norwood Young America
Name of Municipality: Norwood Young America

The following information represents the annual disclosure of tax increment districts for the year ended December 31, 2021.

	Name of TIF District				
	TIF 1-5	TIF 3-3	TIF 3-4	TIF 3-5	TIF 3-6
Current net tax capacity	\$54,499	\$2,680	\$68,738	\$68,416	\$193,746
Original net tax capacity	\$1,978	\$1,620	\$9,522	\$6,598	\$10,674
Captured net tax capacity	\$52,521	\$1,060	\$59,216	\$61,818	\$183,072
Principal and interest payments due in 2022	\$65,122	\$8,716	\$41,745	\$43,589	\$125,174
Tax increment received in 2021	\$67,137	\$830	\$46,394	\$48,432	\$139,082
Tax increment expended in 2021	\$90,786	\$8,692	\$19,585	\$5,422	\$22,296
Month and year of first tax increment receipt (MM/YYYY)	7 / 2017	8 / 2014	7 / 2016	8 / 2015	7 / 2020
Date of required decertification (MM/DD/YYYY)	12/31/2041	12/31/2022	12/31/2023	12/31/2023	12/31/2028

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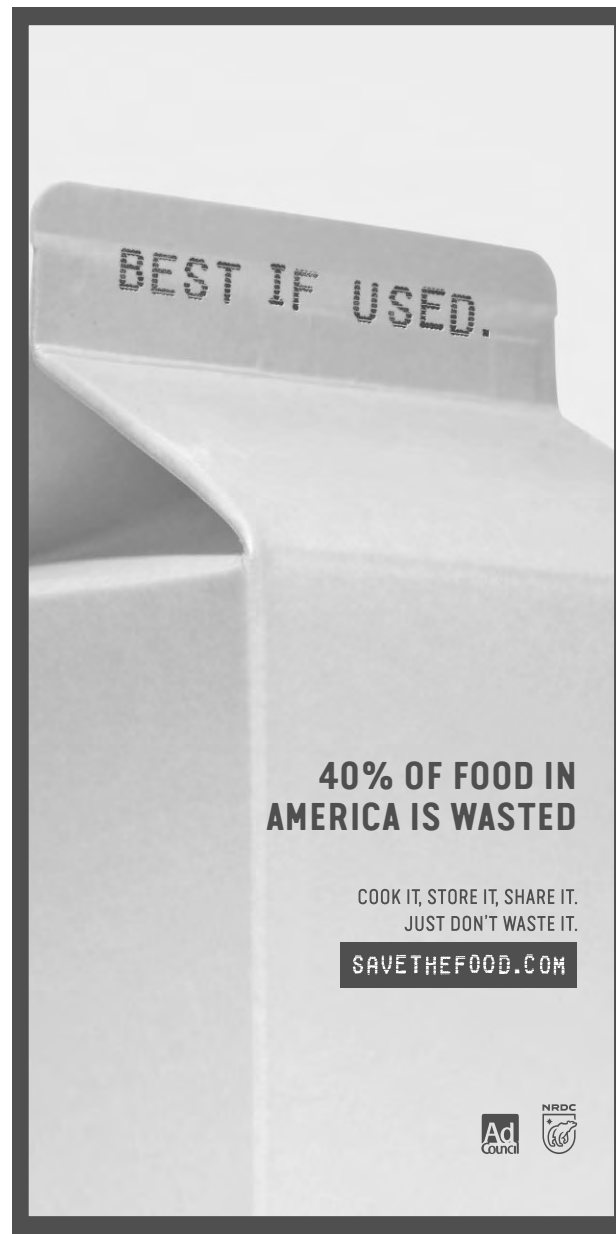
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Carver County Community Development Agency

LIHTC Property Site Manager - Waconia/Carver County:
 Carver County Community Development Agency (CDA) is seeking an experienced Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) Property Manager to oversee 60 units in Waconia, MN, and other properties in Carver County, as needed. The Manager oversees the daily operations of the property, including marketing, resident selection, leasing/orientation, accounts payable, budgeting, unit inspections and adherence to fair housing practices. This position will also oversee interest lists and waitlist management for LIHTC, resident re-certifications/re-exams, assist with reporting information and respond to requests regarding LIHTC activities and ensure the annual reporting for the program is accurate and timely filed.

Qualified applicants will have 1 to 3 years of rental housing experience, proven managerial skills including administrative, clear communication, accounting knowledge, marketing, and great people skills. YARDI property management software a plus. Final candidates are subject to a criminal background check.

Position is full-time, 40 hours per week, daytime hours. Salary range: \$54,000 to \$73,000. Excellent benefit package: CDA paid employee medical, dental, life, and short/long term disability insurance. Dependent coverage at reasonable cost. Optional vision. Pension plan with a generous 11% agency contribution, 20 days per year PTO, 10 paid holidays. A pre-tax and ROTH option for deferred income, and eligible federal loans may also qualify for Public Service Loan Forgiveness Program (PSLF).

Please send a resume, application, and cover letter with salary requirements to janettem@carvercda.org; mailed to 705 N. Walnut Street, Chaska, MN 55318, or faxed to (952) 448-6506. Employment applications are available at: www.carvercda.org



Carver County Community Development Agency

CAREGIVER-Waconia:
 Carver County Community Development Agency (CDA) is seeking a qualified candidate to perform caretaking/ janitorial duties in CDA owned apartment rental homes in Waconia and Carver County. The position is full time, 40 hours per week, daytime hours. Duties include cleaning of assigned common areas and cleaning of turns or vacated units. One-year prior commercial cleaning experience/rental community required. Ability to occasionally lift and carry objects weighing up to 20 pounds required. Final candidates subject to a pre-employment physical and criminal background check. Starting pay at \$16.09.

MAINTENANCE I TECHNICIAN-Waconia:
 Carver County Community Development Agency (CDA) is seeking a Maintenance I Technician. This position provides maintenance, repair, and upkeep at a CDA owned and managed apartment and single-family rental homes throughout the County. Areas of responsibility include mechanical, plumbing, HVAC, electrical, carpentry, and lock repair. Maintenance Technicians are on call one week out of six, with paid over time and a stipend (\$200) for the on-call week. While on call, employees must remain within 45 minutes of CDA owned properties, in Carver County. Qualified applicants need 1-3 years of experience in the above areas (rental apartment maintenance highly preferred) including basic plumbing, and electrical repair, appliance installation and repair, carpentry, HVAC, and general preventative maintenance. Special Class boilers license is preferred. Ability to occasionally lift and carry objects weighing up to 75 pounds required. A valid Minnesota's Driver's License with access to reliable insured transportation is required. Position is full time, 40 hours a week. Pay range \$21-\$26 per hour, depending on experience.

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