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Students start finance club at Mayo High

BY JORDAN SHEARER
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After classes on Thursday, a group of 17 teenagers gathered in a room at Mayo High School and started comparing investments. Sam Kalina, a senior, worked the laptop, projecting one graph after another onto the board at the front of the room, showing how everyone's stocks performed since they last met.

The students' gains — and losses — were all over the map: some had lost ground. One student who invested in Tesla gained more than 30%. The teens booned and cheered for each other when their portfolios showed larger than expected improvement or decline.

Kalina started the investment club this school year, giving himself and his peers a chance to dig into the world of stock markets, gains, losses, supply chains, and everything else related to the realm of finance.

"As I started to get more into it, I realized this is knowledge that other people should have — that other teenagers also need to have for their future financial success," Kalina

said. "And I began to get a lot of comments from adults, wishing they had started at the same age I had — telling me how much of a head start I had compared to them."

Kalina had some rudimentary knowledge of the stock market beforehand. But when the pandemic hit and began wreaking havoc on the marketplace, he realized he wanted to know more.

He created a custodial account with his parents, allowing him to take part in the action directly. He invested in industries like airlines and travel. He didn't know much at the time, but he realized that anything he bought in March probably would rebound at a certain point after taking an initial hit. When he first began investing, he'd set an alarm every morning so he could be ready to go as soon as the market opened.

As chance would have it, he realized a group of his friends also had been looking at the stock market. One of those was Jack Koestering, another senior who is involved with the club.

"That COVID summer, we

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Sam Kalina, a senior and founder of the Mayo High School Stock Club, leads a club meeting Thursday at Mayo High School in Rochester.



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Vada Kay Wiginton, 3, and her parents, Matt Wiginton and Beth Timm, are greeted by a horse-drawn carriage as friends and family celebrate her last day of chemotherapy Thursday outside Saint Marys in Rochester.

3-YEAR-OLD BEATS STAGE 5 KIDNEY CANCER — TWICE

BY ERICH FISHER
Post Bulletin

When you're a 3-year-old girl and have just finished beating cancer for the second time, a grand exit from the hospital is in order.

For Matthew Wiginton, of Rochester, that meant arranging for his daughter Vada to leave Mayo Clinic Hospital-Saint Marys on Thursday afternoon as a princess in a horse-drawn carriage. Vada had just completed her 46th chemotherapy session for the stage 5 kidney cancer she was diagnosed with when she was 20 months old.

The newly crowned princess walked out of the hospital on her own, ringing her "end of chemo" bell in front of a crowd of family, friends and Mayo Clinic employees with her dad and mom, Beth Timm, not far behind.

Coming up the driveway was Cinderella's carriage being pulled by two matching black Percherons.



Vada Kay Wiginton, 3, is greeted by her day care provider Marcia Carmack as her dad, Matt Wiginton, becomes emotional.

"Just the look on her face said it all," Matthew said.

Vada's grandparents Mike and Colleen Wiginton were in the crowd, struggling to hold back tears.

"It was very heartwarming," Colleen said. "This is a major, major wonderful day."

"She's had a lot of blessings. She's handled this really well. She's always got

a smile on her face and she's always upbeat," Mike said, a 20-year colon cancer survivor himself.

For the past two years, Vada's childhood has revolved around cancer.

At 20 months old, doctors found a Wilms' tumor on each of her kidneys. Chemotherapy for 16 weeks

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Phil Gartner has been a key to shaping Lake City

BY BRIAN TODD
Post Bulletin

LAKE CITY — On Oct. 11, the Lake City City Council and Mayor Mark Nichols presented Phil Gartner with the key to the city.

Gartner, who spent 50 years serving the city in various capacities — from being city attorney and a member of the city council to serving on boards and commissions — before deciding in 2020 not to run for re-election. In that time, he helped the city get a new hospital connected to Mayo Clinic, purchase a camping park that is a jewel of the region, and voted for changes to U.S. Highway 61 that reshaped the road through

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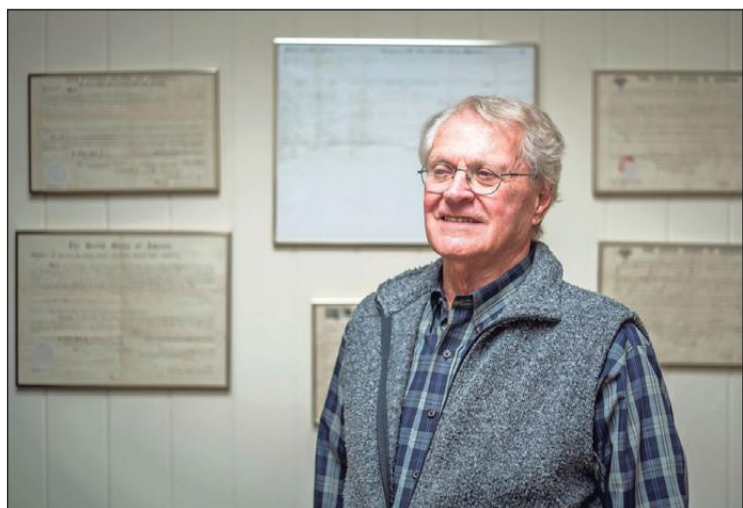
downtown Lake City.

"I had some people say, 'They probably should have given you the key a long time ago,'" Gartner said.

Still, he said he was honored the city chose to recognize his years of service to Lake City.

A native of Preston, Gartner graduated high school in 1957 from there with his high school sweetheart. Sixty years later,

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Lake City lawyer Phil Gartner, seen Thursday in his office, was recently presented with a key to the city.

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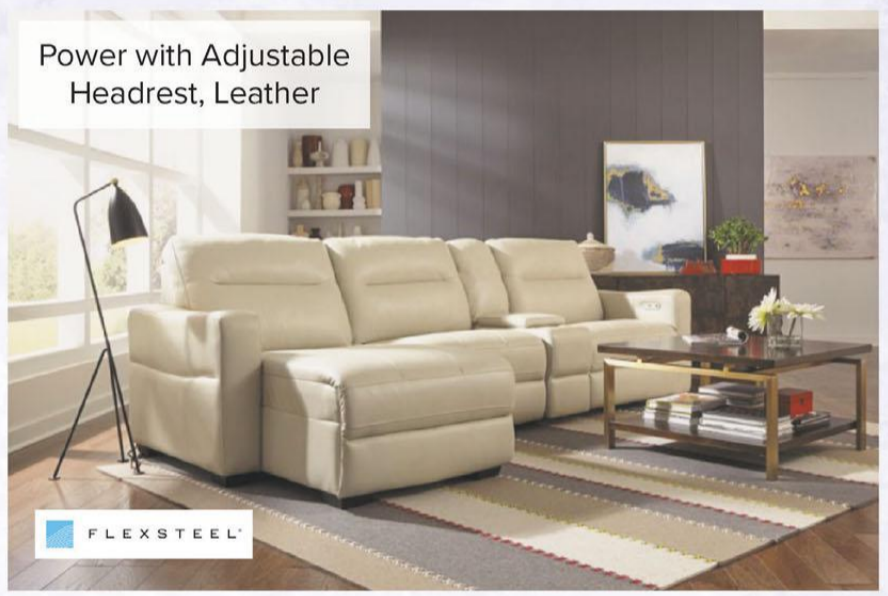
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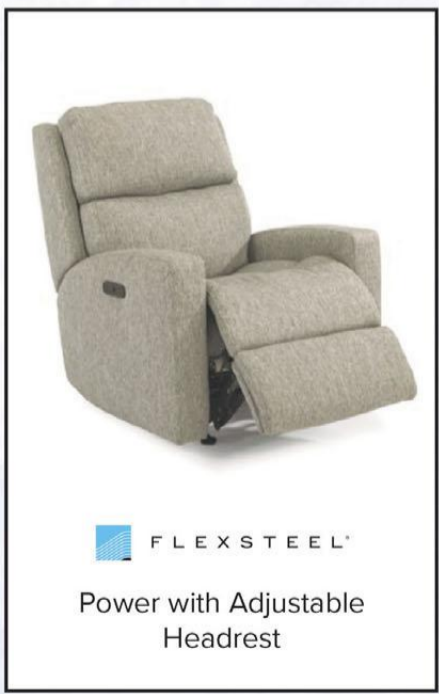
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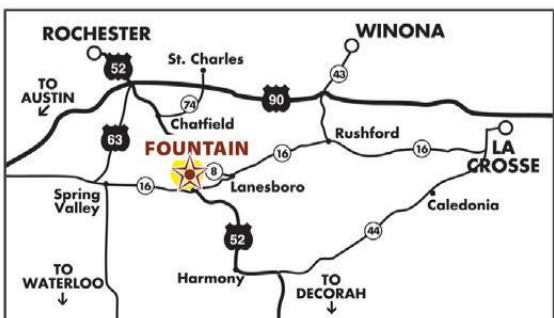
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Can a Mayo employee get religious exemption to vaccination?

Since a number of Mayo Clinic employees have demonstrated their unwillingness to get the vaccine, I was wondering how they can legally avoid it on religious grounds. — J

Mayo Clinic allows its employees to be exempt from taking the COVID-19 vaccine for both religious and medical reasons. But Mayo has not said how many employees have applied for exemptions. Nor is it known how Mayo is determining whether an employee will receive such an exemption.

But exemptions are being granted, said Mayo Clinic spokeswoman Kelly Luckstein. "Mayo Clinic recognizes that some employees have deeply held religious beliefs and medical reasons that will lead them to seek exemption from COVID-19 vaccination. In compliance with established laws, Mayo is offering employees the option to request a medical or religious accommodation. Employees have started submitting medical and religious exemption requests, some of which have been approved," she

said. The availability of exemptions has taken on greater prominence as Mayo pursues a policy of mandating employees be vaccinated. Under that policy, employees who have yet to get the jab will be suspended without pay by December and then terminated if they are not vaccinated by January. The looming deadlines triggered a public demonstration last week by some Mayo employees and other anti-vaxxers, who chanted "Down with Mayo" as they marched through Peace Plaza and past clinic buildings.

On Monday, officials said that 88 percent of Mayo's staff have received the vaccine for COVID-19.

Getting a religious exemption to the vaccination, for example, is a particularly thorny issue because it's such a gray area. This NPR article explains it well. Employees are allowed to ask for religious exemption under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. And employers must provide reasonable accommodations for workers who hold sincerely held religious

beliefs — unless doing so poses an undue hardship.

But employers are allowed to explore whether an employee's religious beliefs are sincerely held — and reject the request if they believe they are not. Former Washington State football coach Nick Rolovich, who earned \$3.1 million, was one of the highest-profiled figures to seek a religious exemption from the mandate on the basis of his Catholic faith. But the school rejected his request anyway.

And even if the employer believes the employee's religious

beliefs are sincerely held, the employer gets to decide what that accommodation may be. It may not be the one requested by the employee.

It's not known what kinds of questions Mayo is asking employees to determine whether an employee's religious beliefs are sincerely held. Employers may ask about the employee's vaccination history or church attendance — even what kind of medications they use.

Some reject the vaccine because they say fetal cells were used in the research, testing

and production of it. The vaccines do not contain any fetal cells, public health officials say. But fetal cell lines developed decades ago in the laboratory were used to develop and test the Pfizer and Moderna vaccines. Such cells also were used in the development of many commonly used medicines.

One hurdle that the religiously minded may have to overcome is the fact that most major religious denominations in the U.S. support the vaccine. That does not mean a person can't be opposed to taking

the vaccine based on their personal belief. Religious exemptions are not confined to only organized religious denominations.

Forty-four states and the District of Columbia currently offer religious exemptions to vaccines. Fifteen of them, including Minnesota, offer personal belief exemptions for personal, moral or spiritual ideologies. The remaining six states only offer medical exemptions.

Take your shot and send questions for the Answer Man to answerman@postbulletin.com.

ACADEMIC NOTEBOOK

Scholarship recipients

► The Affinity Plus Foundation has awarded scholarships in the amount of \$3,000 each to **Ella Hanson**, of Rochester, and **Ross Herber**, of Winona, for the 2021-2022 academic year.

► John Marshall High School graduate **Kaylin Akin**, of Rochester, has received the Distinguished Dragon Scholarship for academic achievement of \$14,000 over four years from Minnesota State University Moorhead. Akin is attending MSUM majoring in art education.

Two injured when tree hits motorcycle in Wabasha County

Post Bulletin staff reports

WABASHA — Two people were injured Sunday when a tree fell from an embankment and struck the motorcycle they were on.

A 2019 Harley-Davidson was westbound on Minnesota Highway 60 at County Road 32 about 3:45 p.m. Sunday when it was struck by a tree.

The driver, 59-year-old

Timothy Allen Johnson, and his passenger, 50-year-old Simone Marie Sackett, of Dodge Center, suffered non-life-threatening injuries. Neither was wearing a helmet, according to the Minnesota State Patrol crash report.

Johnson was taken to a local hospital for his injuries.

The Wabasha County Sheriff's Office also responded to the crash.

Wabasha teenager hurt in Winona County crash

Post Bulletin staff reports

WINONA — A 19-year-old Wabasha man was injured early Monday when his vehicle hit a guardrail on U.S. Highway 61.

A 2010 Dodge Caliber was northbound on Highway 61 when it went off the road about 6:30

a.m. Monday and struck a guardrail, according to the Minnesota State Patrol crash report.

The 19-year-old driver, Trey Julius Wallskog, suffered non-life-threatening injuries. He was wearing a seat belt.

The Winona County Sheriff's Office also responded to the crash.

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A figure of a Mexican Xoloitzcuintle dog is seen Sunday during the annual Day of the Dead parade in Mexico City.

President: New steps to improve supply chain

BY TONY CAPACCIO AND JUSTIN SINK
Bloomberg News

President Joe Biden took several steps to address supply-chain problems as he met leaders from major global economies, including the European Union, to address recent disruptions.

He issued an executive order during the Group of 20 summit on Sunday aimed at speeding up the response to shortfalls of supplies, equipment and raw materials housed in the U.S.'s National Defense Stockpile.

The U.S. also is boosting funding to Mexico and Central America to alleviate supply bottlenecks and to improve customs and clearance procedures, the White House announced Sunday.

"Solving this is going to take all of us — government and private industry, labor unions and research institutions," Biden told reporters as he convened a meeting of international leaders in Rome.

Secretary of State Antony Blinken and Commerce Secretary Gina Raimondo will convene a summit next year with their international counterparts to bring together companies, labor organizations, indigenous groups and academics to identify more steps to bolster the resilience of supply chains, according to the White House.

Biden ordered a broad review of U.S. supply chains this year as the economic disruption of the coronavirus pandemic triggered shortages of everything from computer chips used in cars to medical supplies and bicycles.

His defense-related order puts the Pentagon's top weapons buyer in charge of deciding whether and when to release raw materials from the National Defense Stockpile.

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'MAKING LIGHT OF DEATH'

Mexicans return to Day of the Dead celebration with a vengeance

Reuters
MEXICO CITY
Thousands of Mexicans crowded into the main avenue of Mexico City for a lively Day of the Dead parade on Sunday, relishing the chance to mark the festive tradition after the coronavirus pandemic cast a thick pall over it last year.

Most of the mass of spectators lining Paseo de la Reforma boulevard wore protective face masks as they watched colorful floats, bands and performers trundle down the street.

Others proudly sported bright depictions of calavera skulls on their faces to celebrate.

"I love coming to see this tradition we Mexicans can't lose sight of," said Leticia Galvan, a 67-year-old civil servant decked out in a skeleton suit and trilby, and



A spectator with a skull face painting films with his phone Sunday during the annual Day of the Dead parade in Mexico City.

with half of her face painted in the colors of a La Catrina skull.

"It's us making light of death, celebrating death."

Children sat atop their parents' shoulders to catch

sight of the procession of floats bearing dancers in indigenous attire and feathered headdresses, scaled-down reproductions of Mexico City landmarks and spectral figures.

Mexico has endured one of the highest death tolls worldwide from the COVID-19 pandemic, and last year the city authorities urged the public to stay at home, ordering cemeteries to close during festivities traditionally held on Nov. 1-2.

But with nearly half the population now fully vaccinated against the virus, Mexico has in recent weeks significantly reduced daily infections, enabling the capital and most other regions of the country to lift restrictions on the public.

Many Mexicans still mask up when they go outdoors and some spectators kept their distance from the parade.

"I didn't expect to see so many people," said Rebeca Brito, a 22-year-old nurse, hanging back to avoid the crowds. "After all the time spent cooped up, they want to get out now."

Yellen: Need tech firms' support for global tax rules

G20 leaders support a global minimum corporate tax of 15% by 2023

BY ANDREA SHALAL
Reuters

DUBLIN — U.S. Treasury Secretary Janet Yellen said she expected U.S. tech giants to broadly support the reallocation of taxing rights agreed to by nearly 140 countries as part of a broader deal on global taxes, saying the impact on U.S. companies should be minor.

Yellen told Reuters on Sunday the support of the big global players should help foster bipartisan support among U.S. lawmakers for what is known as Pillar 1 of the tax deal negotiated by the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development.

Leaders of the world's 20 biggest economies this weekend backed the overall OECD deal, which also calls for implementation of a global

minimum corporate tax of 15% by 2023.

Yellen said the minimum tax part of the deal would provide welcome certainty for large internet companies like Google, Amazon and Facebook, by eliminating the complicated web of digital services taxes they face in many countries, and could help boost support for the broader deal.

U.S. lawmakers are expected to approve the global minimum tax part of the deal as part of a broad, Democratic-only spending bill winding its way through Congress, Treasury officials said.

The second component on the reallocation of taxes is still being finalized but will require separate passage.

It has already drawn criticism from Republican



Reuters / Clodagh Kilcoyne

U.S. Treasury Secretary Janet Yellen gestures Monday during a news conference with Irish Finance Minister Paschal Donohoe in Dublin.

lawmakers and some nondigital companies, but

Yellen said she believed Congress would eventually

"come around," especially given the support of big companies.

Senior Senate Republicans have argued that the approach agreed to in principle by the OECD would require a new international tax treaty, which would need Senate ratification by a two-thirds majority.

"I think they're going to be telling members of Congress that they like this agreement and they can live with it," Yellen said of the tech companies. "When you have businesses supportive, rather than lobbying against something, I think that will be helpful."

Initial calculations by the Treasury Department showed little harm to U.S.-based multinational corporations, even if some of their taxed profits were allocated elsewhere since they would be eligible for other tax credits.

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Olmsted County COVID investigations are ending

Post Bulletin staff reports

Olmsted County Public Health is turning COVID-19 investigations over to the state.

The Minnesota Department of Health is shifting its work to detect and intervene on COVID-19 outbreaks and clusters faster and will dig deeper into variant and vaccine breakthrough cases.

“This focus is consistent with how Olmsted County Public Health routinely works with infectious disease surveillance and mitigation strategies,” said Olmsted County Public Health nurse manager Leah Espinda-Brandt. “As MDH transitions its focus – which includes targeted surveillance of vulnerable populations – we at Olmsted County Public Health are transitioning

our individual case work to targeted surveillance as well.”

Olmsted County had been one of the few counties in Minnesota doing its own COVID-19 case investigation and contact tracing work.

The county, along with most of Minnesota and the surrounding states, remains an area of high community transmission.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reported 525 new confirmed cases in the seven-day period ending Saturday, with a nearly 8.5% positivity rate in testing.

Olmsted County Public Health reports the state department has enough information to know where and how to focus public health intervention efforts to have the most impact on disease transmission.

The Minnesota Department

of Health made additional changes to how it conducts case investigations and contact tracing:

- Not all individuals testing positive will get a call from the state department.
- The Minnesota Department of Health will focus on calling when it is a case in someone younger than 18, vaccine breakthrough cases, those with emerging variants of interest, and people who have had contact with individuals who are hospitalized or deceased.
- While all individuals may not receive a call, Minnesota Department of Health will send an online survey to every individual testing positive in order to gather some basic information. The survey will not be as extensive as a telephone interview.
- The Minnesota

Department of Health will also send information on what to do if you have tested positive, including how to reach out to people with whom you may have had close contact.

Several of the changes mirror tactics implemented by the county’s public health team when cases increased beyond the capability of calling everyone who tested positive.

From March 2020 through Oct. 29, Olmsted County’s case investigation team conducted 11,991 interviews with individuals who tested positive for COVID-19 and provided contact tracing with those who had exposure to COVID-19.

“We commend our hard-working county staff for their commitment to providing COVID-19 outreach, education,

and resources for the last 18 months,” Olmsted County Deputy Administrator of Health, Housing, and Human Services Travis Gransee said. “Their work has helped lower the number of cases, hospitalizations, and fatalities within our community.”

While Olmsted County Public Health will no longer conduct contact tracing or case investigation, the department will continue working on COVID-19 response efforts including:

- Providing COVID-19 vaccines to the public.
- Working with schools and businesses in the county to offer guidance and support.
- Providing education and resources to the community
- Continuing epidemiological surveillance and updating the website with local data weekly

There is life, death and harvest season in Fountain, Minnesota

BY NOAH FISH
Agweek

FOUNTAIN, Minnesota — Scott Winslow and his son, Colin, had a good year growing corn and soybeans on nearly 650 acres at their farm, Twin Oak Acres.

Scott Winslow said last year’s crop was better than this year’s, but that he was grateful for a decent crop in 2021.

“It’s an average crop — not a bin buster, and we’ve had better ones,” he said.

Winslow said their corn harvest wrapped up on Oct. 15 and they harvested the rest of their soybeans the day after. That’s a couple of weeks ahead of schedule, he said.

“It’s good to have dry conditions when we’re harvesting like this year, we didn’t have to fight the mud,” said Winslow.

He said they got a little rain before they started harvesting, but things dried up fairly quickly.

“We had a couple of little shots of rain



Noah Fish / Agweek

A Civil War gravesite memorial at the Winslow Cemetery just downhill from the Winslow’s farm in Fountain, Minn., on Oct. 22.

during harvest that shut us down for a few hours, but nothing terribly long and so we were able to push through and make good, long days out of it,” he said.

“Good, long days during harvest means 16-18 hour days, said Winslow.

“Corn harvest was pretty decent here,” said Winslow on Oct. 22, but the yields varied even in the immediate area. “You get 15-20 miles north of here they had a lot more rain, and 10 miles south of here they had a lot more rain and

you could see it on the yield monitor.”

And he said the custom work he did about 10 miles south of his land was “a little bit better” than his crop.

“Soybeans were very good, but they were very slow drying down — the stems, some of them were down, so it was hard to get them harvested,” said Winslow.

Because of the soybean complications, he said they took three different runs at harvesting soybeans.

Winslow is a fifth-generation farmer on

the land his family started farming in 1854, and said the land is good for growing crops.

“This is a good area — it’s rolling, well drained with natural drainage, and we do have pretty good soil,” he said.

CROPS VARY IN SOUTHEAST MINNESOTA

Winslow said while most of the state experienced drought-like conditions this year, their land got enough moisture.

“We had a couple of dry spells in end of June and end of July, but then we got some rain, and so for the most part, I think we’re pretty fortunate in this area,” he said. “I got friends in western Minnesota that are really hurting, so it’s it’s all over the board, but this this area right through here was a little better.”

He said around 45 miles east of Fountain, the city of Caledonia got about 10 inches of rain more than they did.

“So it varied throughout here, and some days you could hear it thunder and and you could see the clouds

where it was raining, but it never got here, so you kind of feel lucky to be at the end of it,” he said. “Yeah, we’re we’re pretty fortunate to get as much as we did.”

WINSLOW CEMETERY

“That’s the Winslow Cemetery,” said Winslow, pointing to the small site just downhill from where he was finishing up some fall field work on Oct. 22.

It was started by Winslow’s third-great grandfather in the 1860s, who marked off a couple acres for a cemetery on the land he bought to farm. Winslow’s mom and dad are now buried in the cemetery which has around 100 gravesites, nine of which are Civil War veterans.

“He was just a farmer, who wanted to have a cemetery close,” said Winslow. “It’s never been affiliated to any church.”

Winslow said his ancestors were the first to settle on that side of Fountain. There once was a Winslow school house not far from where the cemetery is, he said, and a Winslow church nearby.

About a week after he finished his 2021 harvest, Winslow walked through the graves at the cemetery, pointing out Civil War veterans which had star memorials that he said were from the era.

One of the larger graves is for Carl Boyer and his wife, Wilhemina. According to the website Find a Grave, which is a subsidiary of Ancestry, Carl Boyer was a musician assigned to the 1st Minnesota Volunteer Infantry Regiment.

“There’s a lot of history here,” said Winslow looking over the small cemetery on County Road 8 in Fountain.

He said that his family’s history is important to him and he’s not considering ever leaving the land where it all started. Winslow said when finances were tough for them awhile back, people suggested that he could find cheaper land to farm not far away.

“I said this is my farm, this is where I live, and this is where my roots are,” said Winslow. “I plan on dying here.”

Students

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were super bored, and we just decided to take stocks head on, and we’ve been really into it ever since,” Koestering said. “We knew almost nothing before that.”

The students in the club aren’t actually investing. Each student is given an amount of fake money with which to make hypothetical investments. But the companies they are studying are real, as are their successes and failures.

As students were busy setting up their new investments Thursday, the room buzzed with the kind of conversation that might be heard at some sort of low-stakes stock exchange.

“My two dollars are on the line,” one student jokingly said to a friend.

“Hey Sam, show me how to get to the penny stocks,” another student asked Kalina as he stared at his phone.

With Michael Jackson and Queen playing in the background, club members alternated between talking about finance and what they were planning to wear to the next big event on the social calendar.

Club adviser Benjamin Joslin said there are multiple reasons why it’s good for students to explore the stock market.

“The education of actually doing it — that’s a real world situation,” Joslin said. “It helps them with everything. It helps them with their math skills. It



Joe Ahlquist / Post Bulletin

Isaac Vanderwaerd, a junior, picks his simulated stocks Thursday during a meeting of the Mayo High School Stock Club at Mayo High School in Rochester.

helps them understand the economy. It even helps them understand politics.”

Later during the club’s meeting, Kalina took on the role of a teacher, answering questions as they would pop up. He pulled up an article about the current supply chain jam and began explaining how issues like that could affect the

market.

Joslin helped provide context as he listened from the back of the room, telling the class that you have to ride out some of the smaller swings in the market and play for the long haul.

“This is the thing you can see about the stock market: it’s up and down, up and down. Don’t get skittish,” Joslin told

the students. “You need a long-term investment if you’re going to be serious about the stock market.”

Kalina talked about believing in a company, and how that’s important if you decide to double down on them while their stock is declining. Joslin reiterated that, explaining that there was a time when Apple

was considered “a bottom feeder.”

Kalina said the topics covered in the club are often question-driven. Sometimes there are rudimentary questions, and other times they’re more advanced.

“The beauty and the sadness of the stock market is you don’t know what’s going to happen,” Kalina said. “But it’s

also good because it’s a universal thing... nobody knows what’s going to happen.”

Except for that one lady who got thrown in jail for insider trading, Kalina clarified.

“Martha Stewart,” someone chimed in.

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Was that the high school band or the Rolling Stones?

Ninth-grade band concerts are not something one attends voluntarily.

You normally know someone in the band. You normally have an obligation.

But of all the things I've missed during the pandemic, live music, it turns out, may have been at the top of my list.

Even when that music is played by a few dozen freshmen who have only been practicing together for a month or so.

Last Monday night's Mayo High School October Concert, for many of the kids and parents, was their first live performance in nearly two years.

For me, after that break from live shows, it



ODD CHESTER
Steve Lange

felt like I was seeing the Rolling Stones.

Especially if the Rolling Stones had my 14-year-old daughter playing tuba.

The Ninth Grade Concert Band — we call them NGCB — opened the show with their cover of "Byzantine Dances" by Carol Brittin Chambers. And closed it out with their cover of "African Celebration" by Justin Harden.

Those were the only two songs, but still. Then they came back

with an encore — a cover of "Mayo School Song."

Anyone who has followed a child through the elementary and middle and high school music programs can attest to how far these kids come.

It was not unusual, after some of those early elementary school concerts, for exchanges such as the following.

ME: Great job! Hey, what was that first song you guys did? Was that "Byzantine Dances" by Carol Brittin Chambers?

ONE OF OUR KIDS: What? No. It was "Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star."

ME: Right, right. Yes, I definitely hear that now. And the second song, that was, what, "African Celebration" by Justin

Harden?

ONE OF OUR KIDS: What? No. It was "The Alphabet Song."

ME: Right, right. Yes, I definitely hear that now. And the third song was

ONE OF OUR KIDS: "Baa Baa Black Sheep."

ME: Those are all exactly the same tune.

By ninth grade, these kids are starting to put it all together musically.

By junior and senior years, the shows could easily be something one attends voluntarily.

We've seen it firsthand. Our oldest, Hadley, spent years in Honors Choir. By her senior year, there wasn't a dry eye in the house when they sang "Silent Night" during their annual Christmas concert.

Son Henry was part of a Mayo/Century/JM drumline battle fundraiser that was one of those things that gives you hope for the future of humankind.

Immediately following October's Ninth Grade Band, the featured act, the Mayo High School Marching Band, took the stage.

Or at least the floor of the gym.

From that first note — of Queen's "Bohemian Rhapsody" — I remembered, once again, how much I've missed live concerts.

Especially, maybe, when the band is made up of high school kids who've only been practicing together for a month or so.

Frankie Valli's "Can't Take My Eyes Off Of

You," Neil Diamond's "Sweet Caroline," an original mashup of "All Of The Lights" (by Kanye) and "Listen To Your Heart" (by Roxette).

The drumline danced in sync. The crowd sang the "bom bom bom" part of "Sweet Caroline". One of the kids played a theramin (that instrument that you wave your hand over and it makes weird electronic sounds).

A theramin.

And, by the last song of the night, many of us in the crowd couldn't wait to attend, voluntarily even, the next high school band concert.

Steve Lange is the editor of Rochester Magazine. His column appears every Tuesday.



Vada Kay Wiginton, 3, gets a kiss from her mom, Beth Timm, outside Saint Marys.

Traci Westcott / Post Bulletin

Cancer

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eliminated those tumors and she was in remission for a year. One tumor was discovered on St. Patrick's Day and she began more aggressive chemo.

That discovery also meant she wasn't able to

travel outside a 20-mile radius of the clinic, which has become essentially a second home for her. She hasn't been able to interact with anyone outside of her immediate family or at the clinic.

"The only life we've known as a family is go to the doctor," Matthew said. "I had to shave my daughter's head twice.

That took a lot out of me as a dad.

"She's done more than any child should have to do. She's so strong and brave, and she does this with the utmost courage, strength and resilience. I mean, it's crazy, he said. "She's a unicorn — just a magical creature."

Next for Vada is a scan on Nov. 8 to make sure there are no more Wilms'

tumors on her kidneys. If so, Vada will begin a schedule of checkups every three months until she's 8.

Matthew knows the family will never be able to fully put her diagnosis behind them.

"When cancer is diagnosed, it's with you and your family for life," he said. "It's always this cloud that hangs over

you that you don't know if a relapse is coming."

Matthew and his wife wonder what side effects of the chemo Vada may have in her life. They already know that the possibility of her having a child is slim to none.

But for now, all Matthew wants to focus on is giving Vada the childhood she hasn't had yet.

If they get a "green light" on Nov. 8, the family plans to start with a trip to Disney World.

"She needs to be a kid. She needs to experience normal things," he said. "What's next is normal."

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Gartner

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he and Dana are still married and enjoying the beauty of the town along Lake Pepin.

When did you start serving Lake City?

We moved to Lake City in 1966, right after I finished grad school (at William Mitchell College of Law). My old football coach from Preston, Joe Denzer, he left Preston and became football coach here. Dana and I kept in touch with him while we were in college.

He told us to check out the town. We loved this little town. We knew we wanted to sail and also ski. There was a ski hill about 9 miles up the road. It was such a beautiful area, we decided to stay.

I started practicing law in 1966, and after about four years I was appointed city attorney, which was a part-time job. I did that for 37 years.

What were some of the big changes to the city that you helped

with?

I helped the city with the purchase of Hok Si La Park. It was a Boy Scout camp, and they'd maintained it very well. The camp was on a 350-acre parcel. There was a dike road that led to a big dining hall. The city thought it would be an ideal location for a park, kind of like a state park in the vein of Frontenac, which is right up the road.

But the Boy Scouts had a couple of requirements. One was that it be maintained as a place for primitive camping. The other was the price. They wanted \$500,000, but the city didn't have that kind of money. We put together grants from the federal and state government to help, and that covered 90 percent of the cost.

How did you help change the way Mayo Clinic delivers health care around the region?

I was involved as a negotiator with that as well. This was probably 20 years ago.

We became the first

outreach facility for Mayo Clinic from Rochester. This was the start of Mayo bringing medical facilities to small communities.

They were looking for a medical facility that would be a feeder for Rochester. Later they did this in many, many different communities. They could send clients, patients, from Lake City to Rochester.

Medical facilities were starting to change at that time. This was an experiment on their part.

Lake City had its own hospital. It was successful, but it was very old, and the local doctors were trying to do everything. They can't do that anymore.

At the same time, Fairview Hospital in the Twin Cities was very interested in doing outreach as well. We had to decide which of those would be best, and we picked Mayo. It was closer to Lake City, and there was already an attachment with the local physicians to send their patients to Mayo.

They built a new hospital, but we had a nursing home at the time and we wanted to include it as part of Mayo's operation.

How well has this worked for Lake City and Mayo Clinic?

It's been good. Not always perfect, but we had an arrangement with them that they had to honor the long-term commitment to Lake City. It was a 30-year agreement, which we are approaching the end of in about 10 years.

But I knew we needed a different approach to medicine and care. The doctors we had at the time were two old-timers. And newer doctors did not want to work the way the old-timers did.

What was your next big step in serving Lake City?

When I retired as the city attorney after 37 years, I was hustled to go for the city council. I served two (non-consecutive) four-year

terms, and in between I served on several boards and commissions. When I look at my total, it's been 50 years working with the city.

Hok Si La and Mayo are always the two accomplishments that stand out for me.

Were you part of the vote on the new alignment for U.S. Highway 61?

Yes. I was not in favor of it in the beginning, but when I started looking at it and talked to the (county) highway department and the department of transportation (MnDOT), I saw it was a good thing. It slows traffic down, which is a good thing, especially in the summer with all the marina traffic.

MnDOT did a marvelous job of improving the highway through Lake City.

With 55 years in one town, you've got to have some great memories.

The marina is the largest recreational marina on the Mississippi River. It's got

slips for 600 boats right in this small community. When we first came to town, we bought a 20-foot sailboat. It was the first fiberglass sailboat in the marina here.

Our three children grew up here. Our son was a dock boy. Our two daughters were lifeguards at the beach. It's been an enchanted area, and people who grew up here are moving back.

A lot of towns have lost some of their businesses, but we're lucky to have the amenities we have, a great grocery store, a hardware store and the marina.

It's a lovely community with the bluffs and the river. Well, we call it a lake, but it's really a wide spot in the Mississippi.

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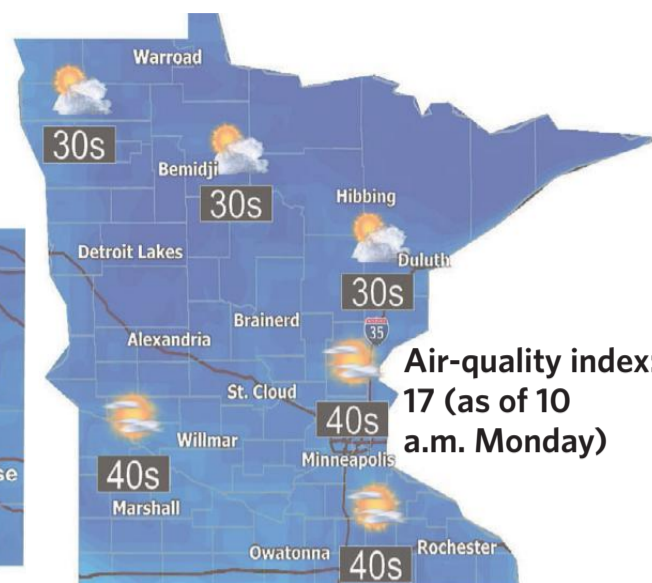
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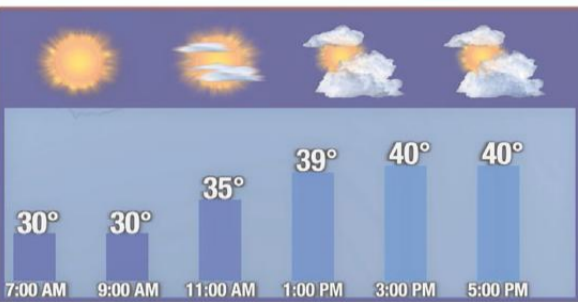
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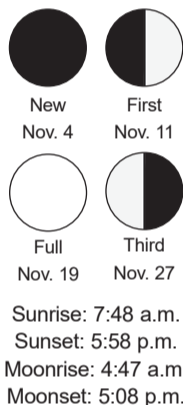
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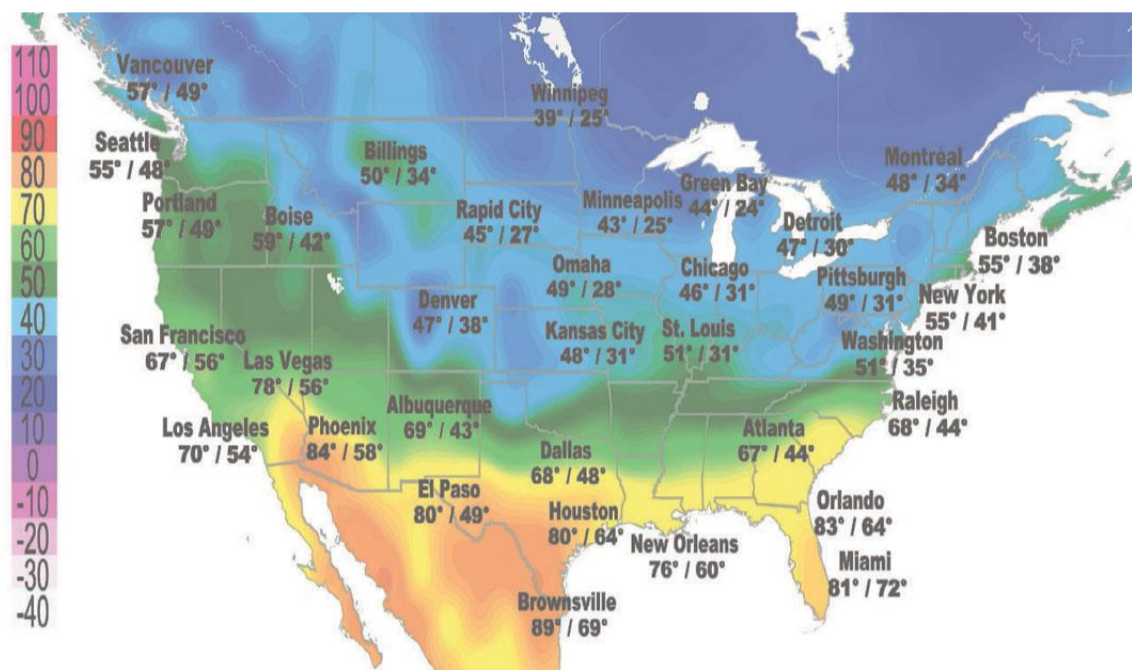


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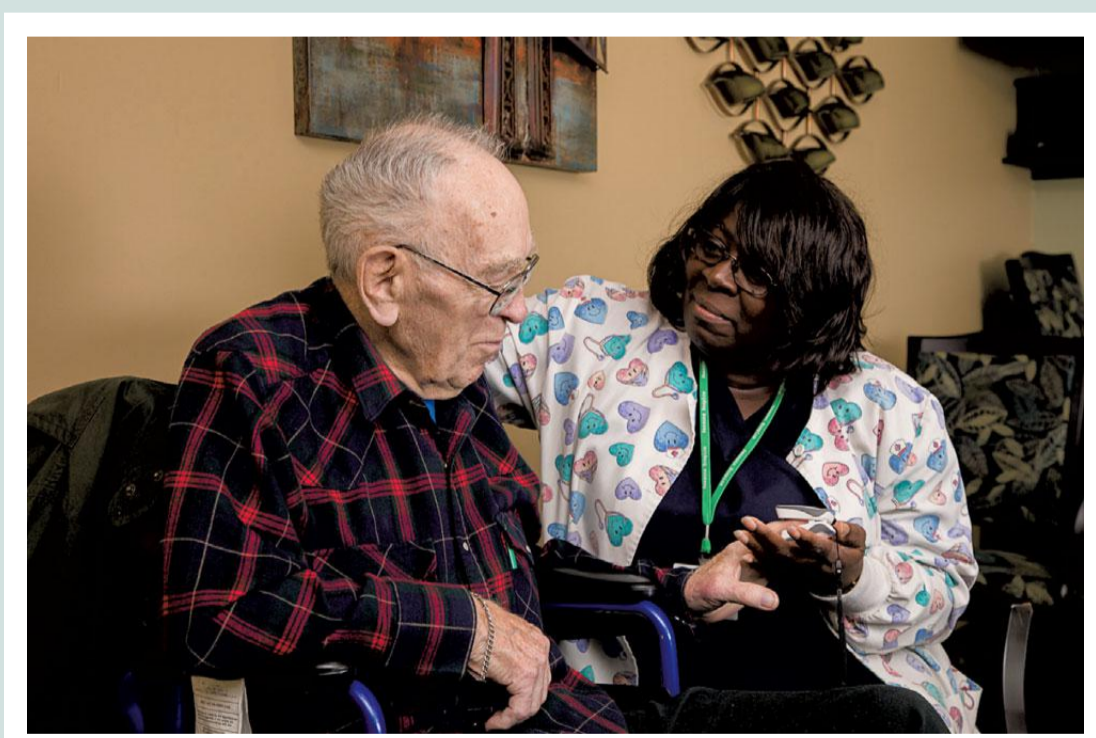
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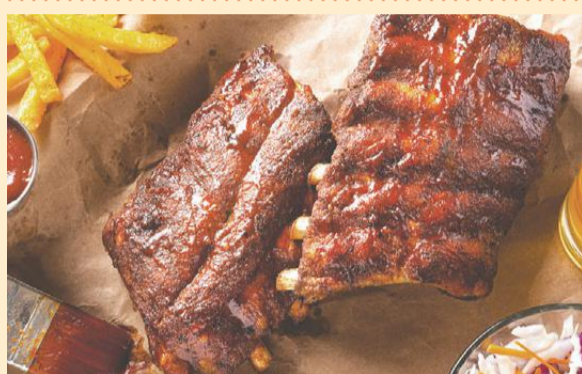


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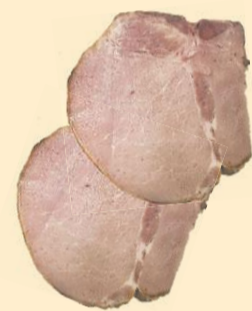
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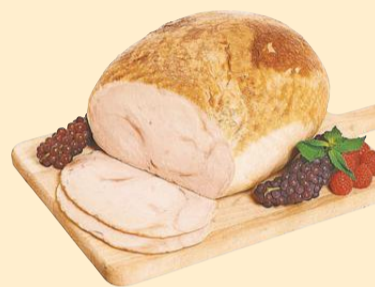
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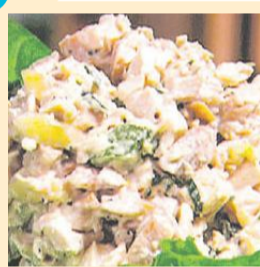


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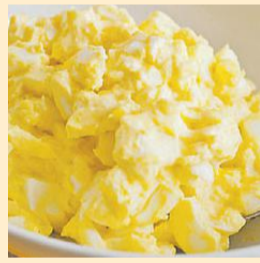


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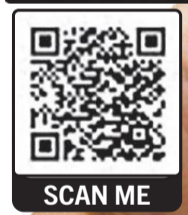
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'Undercover Underage': Sick, sad and too familiar

In the end, too many streaming series become warmed-over leftovers of cable shows or even ancient network fare.



TUNE IN TONIGHT Kevin McDonough

Discovery+, the streaming service that asks you to pay money to watch more of the stuff you've seen a thousand times on cable, premieres 'Undercover Underage.'

and monster movies, a vampire can enter your house only if you invite him in. And why would you want something like 'Undercover Underage' in your life — and pay extra for the privilege?

If this sounds vaguely familiar, it's because it's a regurgitation of 'To Catch a Predator,' the very popular 'Dateline' segment hosted by Chris Hansen between 2004 and 2007.

The story has nothing to do with 'Downton,' but it stars Michelle Dockery and Dan Stevens a year before they were immortalized as Lady Mary and Cousin Matthew.

HOROSCOPE | EUGENIA LAST | TOMORROW'S HOROSCOPE

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Join forces with someone who shares your point of view. Taurus (April 20-May 20): Don't count on something that isn't a sure thing.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Hide your emotions until you gather the facts. Leo (July 23-Aug. 22): A positive attitude will help you bypass a stressful situation.

opposition. Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Take a moment to assess situations, but don't linger too long. Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Emphasize what's important, and be realistic regarding how much you spend.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Look over the possibilities and map out a course that will help you reach your destination. Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20): There is no clear-cut way to handle sensitive situations.

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BRIDGE | KING FEATURES

Bridge puzzle: West dealer, Both sides vulnerable. NORTH: 8 7 5, J 10 7, A Q J 10, 9 7 2. WEST: A Q J 9, K 2, 8 6 5 4, Q J 10. EAST: K 10 6 3 2, 5 3, K 7 2, 8 6 4. SOUTH: 4, A Q 9 8 6 4, 9 3, A K 5 3. The bidding: West 1♠, North Pass, East 2♠, South 3♥. Opening lead — queen of clubs.

ing lead that declarer had the A-K of clubs, and he also knew from the bidding that South had at least six hearts. East concluded that there was no hope for the defense unless his side could collect a spade, a club and a trump trick in addition to the diamond trick already won.

JUMBLE | ARNOLD AND ARGIRION

JUMBLE puzzle: Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words. IVDIV, LYEAL, ESYPEL, AWELYE. Includes a cartoon illustration of a man and a mouse.

CROSSWORD | THOMAS JOSEPH

Crossword puzzle: Across 1 Sandbox toys, 6 Accumulate, 11 MacDowell of 'Groundhog Day', 12 Sold for, 13 Activating, in a way, 15 Light brown, 16 Fish eggs, 17 '... man - mouse?', 18 Pencil ends, 20 Mouse's cousin, 21 Greek vowel, 22 Heroic tale, 23 Fire-fighting needs, 26 Rx amounts, 27 Important times, 28 Spider's home, 29 Boxing great, 30 Sicilian wine, 34 June honoree, 35 Smart - whip, 36 Tennis hit, 37 Turning informer against, 40 Funny Murphy, 41 Rental contract, 42 Animated characters, 43 Ranch animal. YESTERDAY'S ANSWER grid and list.

CRYPTOQUOTE | KING FEATURES

AXYDLBAAXR is LONGFELLOW. One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different. YESTERDAY'S ANSWER: LEARN FROM THE MISTAKES OF OTHERS. YOU CAN'T LIVE LONG ENOUGH TO MAKE THEM ALL YOURSELF. — ELEANOR ROOSEVELT

SUDOKU | UNIVERSAL FEATURES

Sudoku puzzle: 7 6 9 1 4, 4 2 1 7 5, 7 9 5, 4 6 8 3 7, 9 1 3 2, 4 5 7 1 9. Includes a difficulty rating of 3 stars.

Down crossword puzzle: 1 Cut's counterpart, 2 Egypt's Sadat, 3 Menzel of 'Frozen', 4 Set fire to, 5 Classified stuff, 6 Zodiac ram, 7 Fellow, 8 Some cats and rabbits, 9 Attic use, 10 Orchestra pieces, 14 Circle dance, 19 Spots, 22 Laments loudly, 23 Telemarketer's aid, 24 Magic setting, 25 Tied the knot, 26 Fouls up, as plans, 28 Scrub, 30 Spiked clubs, 31 Pond growth, 32 Unfettered, 33 The Yokum boy, 38 Pewter component, 39 Hoop attachment.

Grand Meadow's Sloan retiring after 29 years

Veteran coach led Superlarks to four straight state football titles

BY PAT RUFF
Post Bulletin

One of the best high school football coaches to ever patrol the sidelines in Minnesota has directed his final game.

Gary Sloan, Grand Meadow's head football man since 1993, announced his retirement on Sunday. The 59-year-old Sloan will continue as athletic director and transportation director at Grand Meadow schools, but is also making this his final year as a special-education teacher.

Sloan's No. 2-seeded and seventh-ranked Superlarks had their season end on Saturday night with a 39-34 loss to LeRoy-Ostrander in the Section One, Nine-Man semifinals. The Winona State University graduate finished with a gaudy career mark of 230-84 at Grand Meadow. His teams won four consecutive state championships from 2013-16.

Sloan said his decision to retire was made shortly before this season began. He also noted the school has not yet settled on a new coach.

"The time is right for me," he said. "My body is not in great shape, and I'm wearing down. I can't do the things I used to do, and I think that's made me not as good of a coach as I used to be. I still have all the knowledge, but I don't have some of the other stuff."

Sloan began his career at Grand Meadow in 1985, immediately after graduating from Winona State. He took over the Grand Meadow junior varsity football team that fall, then spent the next seven seasons working under former Grand Meadow head varsity coach Jerry Reker.

He's had an indebtedness to Reker ever since.

"Jerry was an excellent football coach," Sloan said. "I've told a lot of people over the years, anything that I know about football, I learned from Jerry Reker. He taught me a tremendous amount."

Sloan put that knowledge to good use beginning in 1993, when he took over as head man just as Grand Meadow was making the switch to Nine-Man football. The first two seasons under Sloan were lean, but the Larks have been a powerhouse pretty much ever since.

CHAMPIONSHIP SEASONS

Though he says all of his seasons were loaded with satisfaction, the primary piece being able to help work with and shape young men, those championship seasons stand out. They included his sons, Trevor and Tyler Sloan, having played on two of those title-winning teams.

Those state title years brimmed with eventfulness. There was the Grand Meadow community offering massive support, the players buying into year-round workouts like never before, the adventure of traveling site to site for practices and games in the playoffs, and then playing at three different sites in those championship years — the Metrodome, then TCF Bank Stadium and finally U.S. Bank Stadium.

"Practices in (indoor) bubbles at Minnetonka, Wayzata, Rosemount and Hamline (University)," Sloan said. "Then staying at hotels with the team and going out to eat as a team. And the whole town of Grand Meadow being so excited about all of it."

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Post Bulletin file photo / Andrew Link

Grand Meadow head coach Gary Sloan gives instructions during a playoff game on Oct. 19, 2016, in Grand Meadow. Sloan has announced that he is retiring after 29 years as the Superlarks' coach.

H.S. FOOTBALL FOCUS



Post Bulletin file photo / Joe Ahlquist

Goodhue's Malakye Parker (33) carries the ball as Lewiston-Altura's Caleb Mueller (2) closes in during a high school football game Sept. 10 in Goodhue.

Stage is set to see who goes to state

Byron stuns Stewartville to earn spot in Section 1AAAA title game

BY PAT RUFF
Post Bulletin

This week comes seven games in southeastern Minnesota that will determine who advances to high school football state tournaments.

Here's a look at what happened in the section semifinals and what's ahead in the finals.

WEEK 10'S TOP PERFORMERS

1. QB Chase Johnson, LeRoy-Ostrander: Johnson had an inspired performance Saturday, running 36 times for 264 yards and four touchdowns in a 39-34 win at Grand Meadow.

2. QB Drew Kittelson, Blooming Prairie: The senior guided the Blossoms to a 47-19 win over St. Clair/Loyola, going 13-for-14 passing, for 200 yards and four touchdowns. He also rushed for 92 yards and a touchdown.

3. RB Malakye Parker, Goodhue: Parker was nearly unstoppable Saturday, rushing 42 times for 300 yards and three touchdowns in the Wildcats' 48-28 win over Lewiston-Altura.

4. RB Carson Hammel, Cannon Falls: Eighteen carries, 252 yards rushing and three touchdowns. Those were the 6-foot, 175-pound senior's numbers as the Bombers beat Lourdes 50-21 on Saturday.

5. RB JT Rein/QB Seth Semmen, Lanesboro:

The teammates had almost identical rushing numbers in Lanesboro's 45-21 win over Southland. Rein went for 227 yards and four touchdowns, Semmen for 223 yards and two TDs.

WEEK 10 POWER RANKINGS

(Editor's note: These rankings are considered "pound-for-pound" rankings. They represent the best teams in southeastern Minnesota, relative to the class they play in.)

1. Cannon Falls (8-1): Make it four straight games and six of the last seven that the Bombers have scored 50 or more points, beating Lourdes 50-21 in the section semifinals.

2. Lanesboro (10-0): To say the Burros' offense is high-powered is an understatement. They've scored less than 40 points in a game just once this season, and that was a 38-point night. They do it almost entirely on the ground, too.

3. Blooming Prairie (10-0): It's a combination of elite offense and defense that makes the Blossoms the No. 1 ranked team in Class AA and so tough to beat. They're a heavy favorite to win yet another section title.

4. Chatfield (9-1): The only hesitation when it comes to placing Chatfield in the power rankings is wondering if No. 4 is high enough. Chatfield blitzed a formidable Triton team 54-0 on Saturday, holding the

Cobras to 64 total yards of offense.

5. Mayo (8-1): Containing quarterback Bennett Ellsworth, running back Noah Smith and the Holcomb brothers at receiver is almost impossible. And in Smith, there might not be a better player in southeastern Minnesota with his combination of speed, strength and skills.

6. Rushford-Peterson (10-0): That test we'd been waiting for finally arrived for Rushford-Peterson, No. 4 seed Randolph providing it. The No. 3-ranked Trojans had the answer, though, after being tied 14-14 with 1:50 left in regulation of their section semifinal game. Quarterback Malachi Bunke threw a 34-yard touchdown pass with 24 seconds left to win it.

7. Stewartville (9-1): Despite its stunning season-ending overtime loss to Byron, this is no time to dismiss Stewartville. Stewartville left one lasting impression this season, that it was as balanced a team as any in southeastern Minnesota.

8. LeRoy-Ostrander (8-2): The Cardinals have gone from absent from this top-10 power poll to hopping into the No. 8 spot. Hard to leave L-O out after its performance against just once-beaten and No. 2 seed Grand Meadow in the section semifinals.

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Vikings' Sunday loss may be a new low

BY BOB SANSEVERE
St. Paul Pioneer Press

That was an extremely embarrassing loss for the Minnesota Vikings. They got beat by an obscure quarterback who has spent most of the past five seasons running scout teams.

They lost Sunday night's game 20-16 to the Dallas Cowboys. And very likely any chance for a successful season was lost as well.

And unless there is some kind of miraculous turnaround, jobs also will be lost, or at least should be. Mike Zimmer and Rick Spielman have had their shot and don't deserve a crack at another season.

This game should have been easy for the Vikings.

The Cowboys have a high-powered offense when MVP

candidate Dak Prescott is at quarterback. He's got this calf thing and didn't play.

Cooper Rush started at quarterback. Cooper. Rush.

Ever hear of him before Friday, before word leaked that Prescott wasn't likely to play?

Rush is the guy who's buried on depth charts, a nobody who somehow finds a way to grab a roster spot each season.

The Vikings should have tormented him all evening, forcing him into a massive amount of sacks, turnovers and deer-in-the-headlights throws.

Instead, Rush did the tormenting, passing for 325 yards and two touchdowns. He won the game with a 5-yard pass to Amari Cooper in the corner of the end zone with 51 seconds to play.

Folks in Dallas will be talking about this game for years. As for Vikings fans, well, it's just the latest in a sorry history of failures in games they're supposed to win.

During the game, NBC analyst Cris Collinsworth nailed it when he said, "If they can't beat the Dallas Cowboys, at home, with a backup quarterback, that's a bit of a train wreck."

Actually, it's more than a bit.

The Vikings fell to 3-4 with a hellish string of games coming up against the Baltimore Ravens, Los Angeles Chargers and Green Bay Packers.

It was a hellish Halloween night, too. Rush saw to that.

He didn't just find cracks in the Vikings' secondary. Often, he found gaping openings, like his 73-yard touchdown pass to Cedric Wilson on a third-and-8

play in the third quarter.

The Cowboys lost their star quarterback and Rush stepped up in a big way. The Vikings lost Patrick Peterson and the other cornerbacks got scalded. Cam Dantzler, Bashaud Breeland and Mackensie Alexander took turns getting thumped.

"I got my first start. Waited a long time for it," Rush told NBC's Michelle Tafoya. "Played hard to the end. Got it done."

Too many opponents get it done against the Vikings, which is why Zimmer also should be done. And Spielman, too.

This truly should have been an easy win. The Vikings were playing at home. They had won their last two games. They were coming off their bye and should have been fresh. They were facing an

unknown backup quarterback. Everything titled in their favor.

But, of course, the Vikings did what they do way too often. They screwed up. They let a nobody become somebody.

Rush hadn't thrown a ball in a game since 2017, when he completed one of three passes for two yards.

Heading into this Halloween game, it was looking good for the Vikings. When news came out Friday that Prescott was unlikely to play, the Vikings saw the point spread go from them being an underdog to a favorite.

All the Vikings had to do was what those naive oddsmakers expected of them: Dominate an unknown quarterback.

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SCOREBOARD

ROCHESTER CALENDAR

TUESDAY, NOV. 2
JR. COLLEGE WOMEN'S BASKETBALL
 Ellsworth C.C. at RCTC, 6 p.m.
WEDNESDAY, NOV. 3
BOYS SOCCER
 Class AAA state semifinals, Mayo vs. Mounds View, 8 a.m. (at U.S. Bank Stadium)
 Class A state semifinals, Lourdes vs. St. Paul Humboldt, 7 p.m. (at U.S. Bank Stadium)
HIGH SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL
 Section 1AAAA semifinals, Century at Lakeville North, 7 p.m.
 Section 1AAAA semifinals, Northfield at Mayo, 7 p.m.

NEXT 3

Next 3 games and TV info. for Minnesota sports teams:
MINNESOTA UNITED
 • Sunday, Nov. 7: at L.A. Galaxy, 5 p.m. (BSN)
End Regular Season MINNESOTA VIKINGS
 • Sunday, Nov. 7: at Baltimore, noon (Fox)
 • Sunday, Nov. 14: at L.A. Chargers, 3:05 p.m. (Fox)
 • Sunday, Nov. 21: Green Bay, noon (Fox)
GOPHERS FOOTBALL
 • Saturday, Nov. 6: Illinois, 11 a.m. (ESPN2)
 • Saturday, Nov. 13: at Iowa, TBD (TBD)
 • Saturday, Nov. 20: at Indiana, TBD (TBD)
MINNESOTA WILD
 • Tuesday, Nov. 2: Ottawa, 7 p.m. (BSN)
 • Saturday, Nov. 6: at Pittsburgh, 6 p.m. (BSN)
 • Sunday, Nov. 7: N.Y. Islanders, 7 p.m. (BSN)
MINNESOTA TIMBERWOLVES
 • Wednesday, Nov. 3: L.A. Clippers, 7 p.m. (BSN)
 • Friday, Nov. 5: L.A. Clippers, 7 p.m. (BSN)
 • Monday, Nov. 8: at Memphis, 7 p.m. (BSN)
GOPHERS MEN'S BASKETBALL
 • Tuesday, Nov. 9: Kansas City, 7 p.m. (BTN Plus)
 • Friday, Nov. 12: Western Kentucky, at Asheville, N.C., 5:30 p.m. (ESPN2)
 • Sunday, Nov. 14: South Carolina or Princeton, at Asheville, N.C., TBD (TBD)
GOPHERS WOMEN'S BASKETBALL
 • Tuesday, Nov. 9: Jacksonville, noon (BTN Plus)
 • Friday, Nov. 12: at Arizona State, 8 p.m. (No TV)
 • Sunday, Nov. 14: George Washington, 2 p.m. (BTN Plus)

TV HIGHLIGHTS

TUESDAY, NOV. 2
MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL
 World Series, Game 6, Atlanta at Houston (if necessary), 7:09 p.m. (Fox)
PRO BASKETBALL
 Miami at Dallas, 6:30 p.m. (TNT)
 New Orleans at Phoenix, 9 p.m. (TNT)
COLLEGE FOOTBALL
 Eastern Michigan at Toledo, 6:30 p.m. (ESPN2)
PRO HOCKEY
 Ottawa at Minnesota, 7 p.m. (ESPN)
WEDNESDAY, NOV. 3
MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL
 World Series, Game 7, Atlanta at Houston (if necessary), 7:09 p.m. (Fox)
PRO BASKETBALL
 Atlanta at Brooklyn, 6:30 p.m. (ESPN)
 L.A. Clippers at Minnesota, 7 p.m. (BSN)
 Charlotte at Golden State, 9:05 p.m. (ESPN)
COLLEGE FOOTBALL
 Northern Illinois at Kent State, 6

p.m. (ESPN2)
PRO HOCKEY
 St. Louis at Los Angeles, 9 p.m. (TNT)

HIGH SCHOOL PLAYOFFS

BOYS SOCCER
CLASS AAA
SEMIFINALS
 Wednesday, Nov. 3 (At U.S. Bank Stadium)
 Mayo vs. Mounds View, 8 a.m.
 Duluth East vs. Rosemount, 10 a.m.
THIRD-PLACE GAME
 Thursday, Nov. 4 (At West St. Paul Sports Center)
 Semifinal losers, 9 a.m.
FINAL
 Saturday, Nov. 6 (At U.S. Bank Stadium)
 Semifinal winners, 10:30 a.m.

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CLASS AA
SEMIFINALS
 Wednesday, Nov. 3 (At U.S. Bank Stadium)
 Orono vs. Willmar, 12:30 p.m.
 Mahtomedi vs. Holy Angels, 2:30 p.m.

THIRD-PLACE GAME
 Thursday, Nov. 4 (At West St. Paul Sports Center)
 Semifinal losers, 11 a.m.
FINAL
 Saturday, Nov. 6 (At U.S. Bank Stadium)
 Semifinal winners, 3:30 p.m.

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CLASS A
SEMIFINALS
 Wednesday, Nov. 3 (At U.S. Bank Stadium)
 Southwest Christian vs. Pine Island/Zumbrota-Mazeppa, 5 p.m.
 Lourdes vs. St. Paul Humboldt, 7 p.m.

THIRD-PLACE GAME
 Thursday, Nov. 4 (At West St. Paul Sport Center)
 Semifinal losers, 1 p.m.
FINAL
 Saturday, Nov. 6 (At Mayo Civic Center)
 Semifinal winners, noon

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CLASS AA
SEMIFINALS
 Thursday, Nov. 4 (At U.S. Bank Stadium)
 Benilde-S.M. vs. Cloquet-Carlton, 12:30 p.m.
 Holy Angels vs. Mahtomedi, 2:30 p.m.

THIRD-PLACE GAME
 Friday, Nov. 5 (At West St. Paul Sports Center)
 Semifinal losers, 11 a.m.
FINAL
 Saturday, Nov. 6 (At U.S. Bank Stadium)
 Semifinal winners, 1 p.m.

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SEMIFINALS
 Thursday, Nov. 4 (At U.S. Bank Stadium)
 Holy Family vs. Breck, 5 p.m.
 Minnehaha vs. Winona Cotter, 7 p.m.

THIRD-PLACE GAME
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SECTION 1AAAA
QUARTERFINALS
 Friday, Oct. 29 (At higher seed)
 Lakeville North def. John Marshall 25-6, 25-14, 25-8
 Century def. Lakeville South 21-25, 25-23, 28-26, 25-10
 Mayo def. Farmington 25-16, 25-14, 25-11
 Northfield def. Owatonna 25-12, 25-8, 25-13
SEMIFINALS
 Tuesday, Nov. 2
 No. 4 Century at No. 1 Lakeville North, 7 p.m.
 No. 3 Northfield at No. 2 Mayo, 7 p.m.
FINAL
 Saturday, Nov. 6 (At Mayo Civic Center)
 Semifinal winners, TBD

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SECTION 1AAA
QUARTERFINALS
 Friday, Oct. 29 (At higher seed)
 Kasson-Mantorville def. Austin 25-7, 25-5, 25-10
 Faribault def. Red Wing 16-25, 25-16, 25-20, 25-18
 Stewartville def. Winona 25-12, 25-10, 25-8
 Byron def. Albert Lea 25-12, 25-21, 25-12

SEMIFINALS
 Tuesday, Nov. 2
 No. 5 Faribault at No. 1 Kasson-Mantorville, 7 p.m.
 No. 3 Byron at No. 2 Stewartville, 7 p.m.
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Century's Wysocki to play basketball at Division II level

With the start of his senior season about a month away, Century boys basketball standout **Jaden Wysocki** has made his college commitment.

The shooting guard has announced he has received a scholarship offer and will play men's basketball at NCAA Division II Minot State University in Minot, N.D. "The No. 1 thing for me was definitely the relationship with the coaches," Wysocki said. "I had been talking to them throughout the AAU season and they were learning more about me and I was learning more about them and I just felt we both had a good relationship and the fit was pretty perfect."

As a junior at Century, Wysocki averaged 12.7 points, 4.8 rebounds, 3.0 assists per game and shot 51% from the field.

"He's really versatile and had a nice season last year," Century coach **Jacob Vetter** said. "He came on toward the end. And he had a really nice summer with his AAU team."

Minot State plays in the Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference.

"When I went on my visit I was able to see deeper into the academics and the landscape of Minot and see their courses and professors and



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Guy N. Limbeck

the people that work behind the scenes there," Wysocki said. "I was super impressed with the academic fit as well."

Wysocki plans to major in exercise science. He is also looking forward to playing in the NSIC.

"It's awesome, the whole NSIC conference is super, super competitive," Wysocki said. "Every night is close so I definitely like that aspect of it and I'm very, very excited to play at that level. I can't wait."

Wysocki had also received interest from NSIC schools Bemidji State and Minnesota State, Mankato.

"I was familiar with a few schools in the NSIC, but Minot definitely stood out to me as the best fit," Wysocki said.

"I think going up to Minot is going to be a really good opportunity for him," Vetter said.

"And they have what he wants academically and they have a good program there."

Wysocki has grown about an inch since last season and is now nearly 6-foot-7 and he weighs



Post Bulletin file photo / Traci Westcott

Century's Jaden Wysocki (11) goes up for a shot during a boys basketball game against Mayo during the 2021 season. Wysocki, a senior shooting guard, has announced his commitment to play men's college basketball at Division II Minot State.

about 190 pounds.

"I'm excited to go to Minot, but right now I'm focused on Century and focused on trying to get a lot of wins this year, to have fun and have a very successful postseason as well," he said.

Steve Rader of Rollingstone has been selected as a 2021 inductee into the Minnesota Amateur Baseball Hall of Fame.

Rader had a long and distinguished career that spanned throughout

the 1950s and 60s. He played in seven state tournaments, six with Rollingstone and one with St. Charles. He was part of the 1953 Class B state champions in a year which he batted .480.

Rader excelled at the plate and in the field. He hit better than .300 every year of his career and once had seven hits in a game. He hit two home runs during a state tournament game in 1962. He was primarily a first and second

baseman, but played every position except pitcher.

Prior to his amateur baseball career, Rader spent a week of spring training with the St. Louis Cardinals in 1948, but he declined to sign a contract with the team.

Two area players were among the 18 newcomers inducted into the Minnesota Softball Hall of Fame this past Saturday in Albert Lea.

Rochester's **Roger Cotten**, a Mayo High

School grad in the mid 1970s, and **Elwin Mensink**, who played in both Ostrander and Preston, were inducted as players.

Two Austin natives were also honored. **Job Blais** entered the Hall as an umpire/organizer and **Gary Letendre** was selected as an umpire.

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MEN'S BASKETBALL

RCTC should again be a postseason force

BY GUY N. LIMBECK
Post Bulletin

Rochester Community & Technical College will return to Division III for the postseason in men's basketball this season after playing in Division II a year ago.

The Yellowjackets also have some local flavor this season, with two players from Rochester and another from Grand Meadow on this year's team.

Here's a look at the 2021-22 RCTC men's basketball team:

RCTC MEN'S BASKETBALL

Head coach: Brian LaPlante (26th year, 490-215 record).

2020-21 season: The Yellowjackets finished 12-6 overall, won the Region XIII Division II championship before falling to Southeast Nebraska in the district championship game to finish a game short of the national tournament.

Season Outlook: The Yellowjackets should be primed for another strong season and a run at state and region championships and

will play in Division III again after playing up in D-II in 2021.

RCTC brings back an experienced backcourt in Keivonte Watts and Devyn Frye along with forward Quentin Williams, who all started last year. Guards Quincy Burland and Quest McCrimmon also played quite a bit. Watts was an All-Region selection. Key newcomers include forwards Colt Landers of Grand Meadow, Helder Semedo, Peyton Dunham of Rochester Lourdes and Max Hammond. "This will give us depth in the frontcourt," LaPlante said. "Andre Crockett Jr. (of Mayo) and Nick Pepin will also give us great depth at the guard position."

Coach Brian LaPlante says: "I enjoy being around this group and they are hard workers and seem to be good people. We must establish roles and consistent work ethic and a desire to play with each other on both ends of the floor. I do expect us to improve and be in the mix for a division/region championship at

the end of the year."

Teams to beat: Riverland, St. Cloud and Anoka-Ramsey in South Division. Central Lakes and Rainy River in the North Division.

ROSTER

Sophomores: Keivonte Watts (6-1, G, Utica, Miss.), Devyn Frye (6-0, G, New Hope), Elijah Flenorl (6-0, G, Milwaukee), Quentin Williams (6-2, G, Zion, Ill.).

Freshmen: Nick Pepin (5-10, G, Coralville, Iowa), Quest McCrimmon (6-2, G, Kissimmee, Fla.), Bhan Kuey (6-5, F, Albert Lea), Quincy Burland (5-11, G, Castle Rock, Colo.), Daelen Whitfield (5-10, G, St. Paul), Kam Francis (5-10, G, Des Moines), Peyton Dunham (6-4, F, Rochester Lourdes), Luckeny Alberto (6-0, G, Lisbon, Portugal), Orkun Oakan (6-2, G, Istanbul, Turkey), Andre Crockett (6-0, G, Rochester Mayo), Colt Landers (6-4, F, Grand Meadow), Max Hammond (6-6, F, Holmen, Wis.), Santi Phommahaxy (5-8, G, Mound), Helder Semedo (6-5, F, Lisbon, Portugal), Tyren Harris (6-5, F, Eden Prairie).

Sloan

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But those championship-year highs still aren't what Sloan will recall or miss most about leading this Grand Meadow program for so long. Most meaningful to him were

the opportunity to build relationships with his players and all of the teaching moments that have gone with that.

After all, it was always those kids who kept him doing this for so long.

"The best part is the kids," Sloan said. "A lot of them are second-generation kids. I also

coached their dads and a lot of the dads still call me 'coach.' You just don't get those relationships in a lot of different areas. It's fun to see the development. I'm going to miss all of that. But I am also confident in my decision. I know I'm doing the right thing."

Vikings

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You gotta know these Vikings by now. They have messed in the past when playing a backup quarterback. In 2019, for instance, Bears quarterback Mitchell Trubisky injures a shoulder in the opening drive and Chase Daniel comes in and beats the Vikings. There are other instances but, the point is, with the Vikings you have to expect the worst because that's what is likely to happen.

So on a day when backup quarterbacks helped lift the New York Jets and New Orleans Saints to big wins, the Vikings allowed that trend to continue into the night.

"We've seen quarterbacks making their first start, they look like scaredy cats," NBC play-by-play man Al Michaels said.

There really was nothing for Rush to be scared of. He was, after all, playing the Vikings.



Matt Blewett / USA Today Sports

Minnesota Vikings quarterback Kirk Cousins evades the rush of Dallas Cowboys defensive end Randy Gregory in the first quarter Sunday at U.S. Bank Stadium in Minneapolis.

Football

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9. Plainview-Elgin-Millville (8-2): The Bulldogs can sure play defense. On Saturday, a team that's allowing just 13 points per game held Lake City's prolific offense to seven points.

10. Grand Meadow (8-2): The Superlarks are another team that can't be dismissed after being bounced from the playoffs. Grand Meadow's production all season has been too much for that. The Superlarks strung together eight straight wins before

falling 39-34 to LeRoy-Ostrander.

LOOKING AHEAD

The section finals are this week. Here is a look at the matchups:

• **Section 1AAAA, No. 2 Owatonna at No. 1 Mayo (Saturday, at Mayo High School):** The Spartans' 58-31 win against Owatonna in the season opener turned out to be a battle for home-field advantage in this game.

• **Section 1AAAA, No. 4 Byron vs. No. 2 Kasson-Mantorville (Friday, at Mayo High School):** All bets are off after what Bryon did to previously unbeaten and

No. 4-ranked Stewartville on Saturday, winning in overtime. K-M beat Byron 31-21 to open the season. The KoMets also edged the Bears 7-0 in last year's Section 1AAAA final.

• **Section 1AAA, No. 3 P-E-M vs. No. 1 Cannon Falls (Friday, at Rochester Regional Stadium):** It's tough to picture any team hanging with the Bombers these days. P-E-M will give it all it has, though, as its defense is as determined and active as any around.

• **Section 1AA, No. 2 Goodhue vs. No. 1 Chatfield (Friday, at Kasson-Mantorville H.S.):** Chatfield hasn't lost a game since its

opener and in its two playoff wins, the quarterback/running back Sam Backer-led Gophers have outscored their opponents 114-14. Goodhue is coming off an impressive 48-28 win over Lewiston-Altura.

• **Section 2AA, No. 2 Maple River vs. No. 1 Blooming Prairie (Friday, at Janesville):** It's never wise or even considerate to assume anything in section final games. But all signs point to Blooming Prairie rolling past Maple River in this championship.

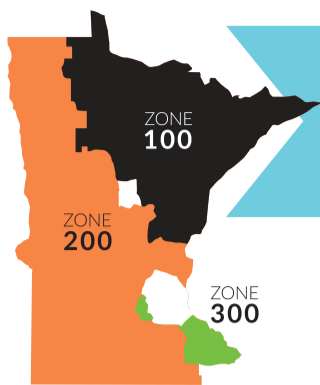
• **Section 1A, No. 2 Fillmore Central vs. No. 1 Rushford-Peterson (Friday, at Winona High School):**

History is on R-P's side. The Trojans beat the Falcons 26-15 in Week 2 this season. R-P also happens to be perfect, at 10-0. Fillmore Central is nowhere close to a pushover. R-P is the only team to have scored more than two touchdowns against it all season.

• **Section 1, 9-Man, No. 3 LeRoy-Ostrander vs. No. 1 Lanesboro (Friday, at Triton High School):** The Burros haven't had a close call all season and are appropriately ranked with the best in Nine Man, at No. 2. But any team that has to deal with L-O quarterback Chase Johnson had better be ready for a long night.

THE HUNT IS ON

The firearms deer season in Minnesota is highly valued for recreation and the economy. Deer hunting revenue supports many wildlife programs. Here is a primer for the 2021 season:



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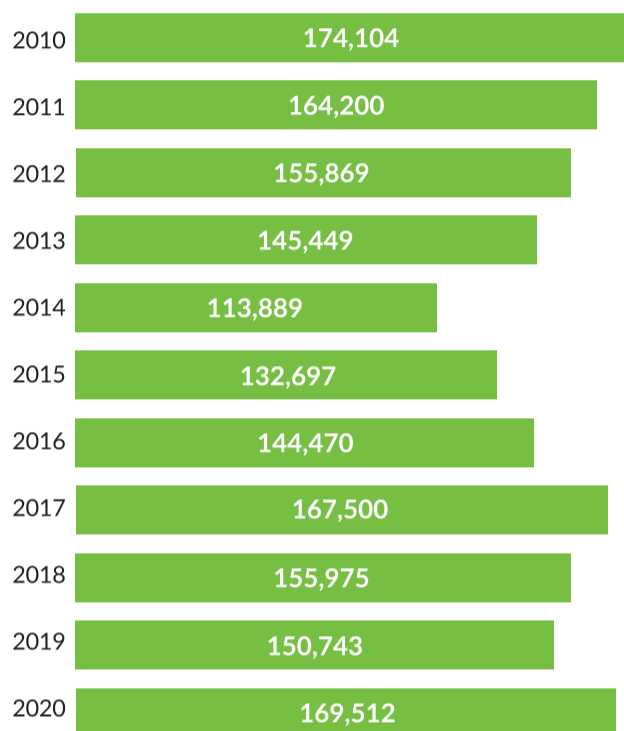
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Dates for the firearm season differ by deer management zone.

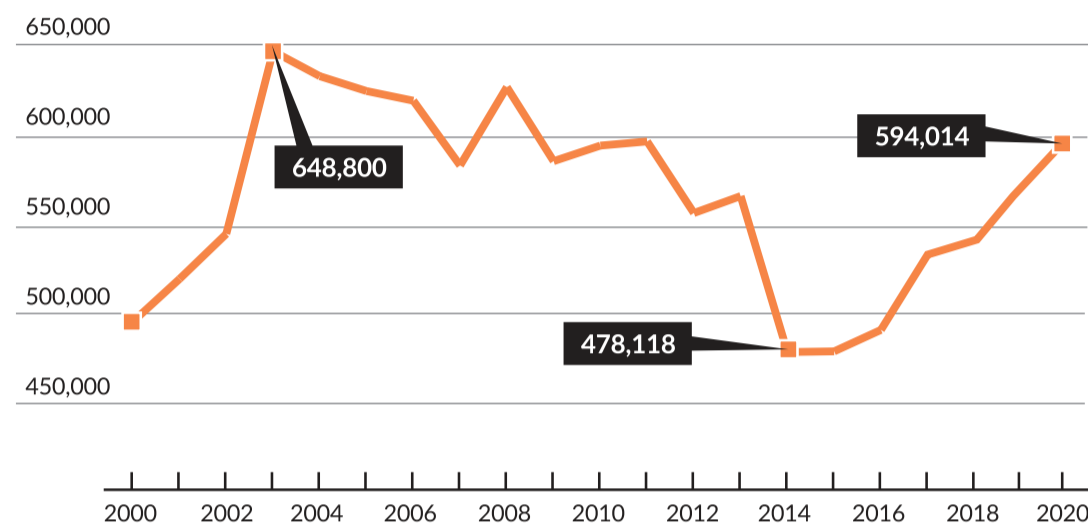
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- More than 85% of hunters in Minnesota hunt deer.
- Over 500,000 deer hunters in Minnesota, about 1 out of every 10 people.
- Hunting is the primary method used to manage the deer population.
- Minnesota ranks 8th in the U.S. for likelihood of a deer-vehicle collision.

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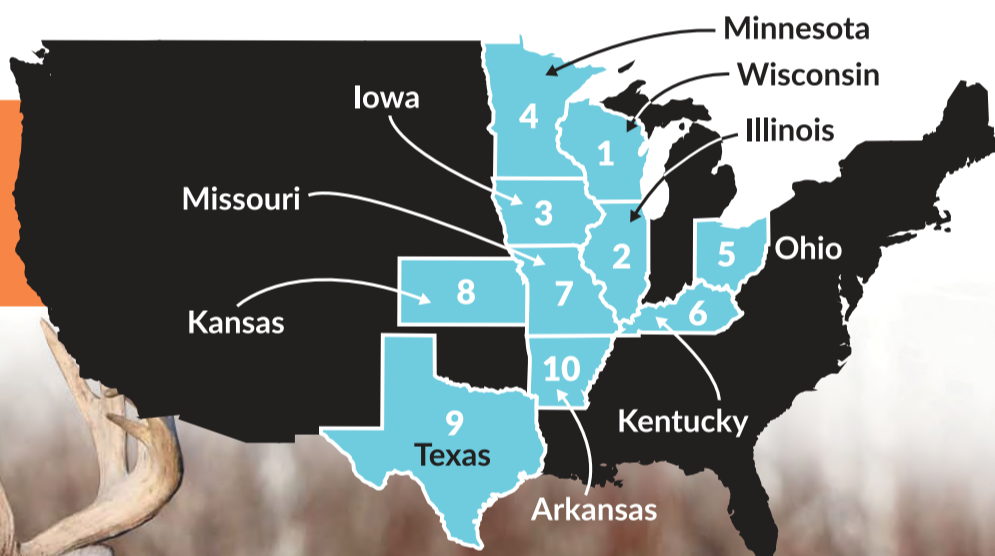


MINN. FIREARM LICENSES SOLD 2000-2020



2020 TOP 10 WHITE-TAIL STATES

For years, hunters have debated which states were the best bets for big bucks. American Hunter based its list on the most Boone & Crockett record book entries since 2000.



SAFETY FIRST

All hunters must display blaze orange or pink on the visible portion of the person's cap and outer clothing above the waist. Blaze orange or pink camouflage patterns are allowed and must be at least 50% blaze orange or pink within each square foot.

Males regrow their antlers every year.

Deer have two-color vision with blue and yellow primaries. Thus, it is hard for them to see bold oranges and reds.

Odocoileus virginianus
White-tail deer

The most humane place to shoot a deer is the epicenter of the circulatory system just above the heart.

The white-tail raises its tail when alarmed.

Males weigh between 150-200 pounds. Females are in the 88-198 pound range.

Sources: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, North American Whitetail, Minnesota Department of Natural Resources

Troy Becker / Forum News Service

NW Minn. deer hunters have plenty of hunting options again this fall

BY BRAD DOKKEN
Grand Forks Herald

BEMIDJI, Minn. — Hunters across northwest Minnesota are sprucing up their deer camps and deer stands in preparation for the Big Event, and lack of opportunity shouldn't be an issue when the state's firearms deer season opens Saturday, Nov. 6.

Deer populations across much of the northwest look good, said Blane Klemek, Northwest Region wildlife manager for the Minnesota Department

Rules of the hunt

Here's a look at season dates for Minnesota's regular firearms deer seasons.

- **Firearm A 100-series:** Nov. 6-21.
- **Firearm A 200-series:** Nov. 6-14.
- **Firearm A 300-series:** Nov. 6-14.
- **Firearm B 300-series:** Nov. 20-28.
- **Metro deer management zone (DPA 701):** Nov. 6-28.
- **More info:** mndnr.gov.

of Natural Resources in Bemidji.

Numbers are strong in areas that offer a mix of woodland and

agricultural habitat. That includes much of northwest Minnesota, which lies in a transition area between prairie and

forest that whitetails find to their liking.

A mild winter meant female deer came into spring in good reproductive shape.

"Take a look at this past winter," Klemek said. "We had two weeks of extremely cold weather, and that was it. And that wasn't coupled with deep snow. We didn't have even close to a severe winter last winter."

Because of that, several deer permit areas — or DPAs, as they're commonly known — in northwest Minnesota offer the

opportunity to shoot up to three deer, for hunters who buy bonus permits in addition to their regular license. Hunting is the DNR's primary tool for keeping deer numbers within management goals.

Other DPAs are designated as one-deer limit bucks only, one-deer limit antlerless permit lottery, one-deer limit either sex or even five-deer limit in some permit areas, mainly in the southeast part of the state.

Only DPA 111, which includes Beltrami Island State Forest, is

designated as one-deer limit bucks only in the Northwest Region. The Northwest Region covers Kittson County east to Lake of the Woods and south to Alexandria.

In Minnesota, deer hunters aren't restricted to a single permit area but can hunt anywhere as long as they follow the bag limits for that particular DPA. Deer season in northwest Minnesota's 200-series permit areas continues through Nov. 14, while hunters in 100-series permit areas farther east can hunt through Nov. 21.

Bowman wins at Martinsville; championship field set

Field Level Media

MARTINSVILLE, Va. — Alex Bowman's shot to win the 2021 NASCAR Cup Series championship died when he was eliminated from playoffs on Oct. 10 at the Charlotte Motor Speedway ROVAL. But on Sunday at Martinsville Speedway, Bowman got some redemption when he won the Xfinity 500 NASCAR Cup Series in Virginia in overtime.

He captured the win when he whacked Denny Hamlin out of the lead with six laps to go.

Hamlin finished 24th and in doing so still grabbed a berth in the championship-deciding race at Phoenix next weekend based on points. Not that it soothed his anger at Bowman.

After the end of the race, Hamlin tracked Bowman down on the cool-down laps and rammed the Hendrick Motorsports driver's Chevrolet.

Also advancing to Championship 4 Sunday were Martin Truex, Jr., Chase Elliott and Kyle Larson, who locked up his Championship 4 berth by winning two of the first three races in the Round of 8.

Falling out of contention were Joey Logano, Brad Keselowski and Ryan Blaney of Team Penske, and Kyle Busch of Joe Gibbs Racing. Busch finished second in the race, Keselowski was third, Truex fourth and William Byron fifth.

Elliott locked himself into the final four before the end of the race. When he won

the second stage, he piled up enough points to secure his berth.

Good thing, too, because with 45 laps to go, Elliott was spun by Keselowski as they battled for third place.

The Hendrick Motorsports driver, who led a race-best 289 laps Sunday, will be attempting to win his second straight Cup championship in Phoenix next weekend.

Hamlin was forced to start the race from the rear of the field after his car failed pre-race inspection multiple times. Hamlin's problems compounded during pit stops for the competition caution that was called on Lap 60 as he was slapped with a speeding penalty. But back he came to lead laps and almost got the

win.

Truex had to fight his way through with damage to his left front fender suffered with 50 laps to go when he ran into the back of Keselowski.

After wrecking at Kansas a week ago, Blaney started Martinsville a point below the outline and in need of a good day. His day started badly with a slow race car and got worse when he was rammed from behind by Austin Dillon on Lap 92 while running eighth. The contact seriously flared Blaney's left rear fender and further slowed his Team Penske Ford.

Kyle Busch's hopes to win a third championship appeared to have succumbed to having a slow car most of the race and then being penalized for

speeding between the second and third stages. Second place was enough for him.

Logano started the day 26 points below the cutoff line and pretty much needed to win to advance. Instead, the 2018 Cup champion struggled, was never in contention and was bumped from the playoffs with a 10th-place finish.

Larson appeared to be in prime position to sweep the Round of 8's three events as he led 77 laps in the first stage. But during the pit stops between stages he was tagged with a speeding penalty and dropped out of the top 20. He fought his way back up to near the front of the field but with 120 laps to go received a second speeding penalty. He finished 14th.



Brett Davis / USA Today Sports

Houston Astros relief pitcher Kendall Graveman (31) celebrates with teammates after defeating the Atlanta Braves in Game 5 of the World Series at Truist Park in Atlanta on Sunday.

Astros bring World Series back to Houston tonight

Reuters

Houston Astros manager Dusty Baker decided to shake up his batting order for Sunday's win-or-go-home World Series Game 5 in Atlanta, and the switch paid off as Houston's offense exploded for 12 hits in a 9-5 victory.

The win shaved the Braves' lead to 3-2 in the best-of-seven series and sent the series back to Houston for Game Six tonight.

If needed, a Game 7 will be held on Wednesday night.

With his team's offense quiet in the previous two games, Baker moved Carlos Correa up to third in Sunday's game, Yuli Gurriel up to fifth and dropped the struggling Alex Bregman to seventh in the order.

Correa and Gurriel combined to go six-for-10 with three RBIs while Bregman, who was a dismal 1-for-14 in the series coming into the game, delivered an RBI double in the second that got the Astros on the board.

"Carlos swung the bat great

and we got a big double out of Bregman," Baker said after the Astros handed the Braves their first home loss of the postseason. "I'm just glad we get to go back to Houston. That was our goal today. Take it back to Houston. It's just one game at a time now."

Catcher Martin Maldonado plated three runs and pinch hitter Marwin Gonzalez put the Astros ahead for good with a two RBI single in the fifth inning.

The Astros hitters drew six walks and did all their damage without a home run.

Baker said his focus was on keeping the game within reach after Braves center fielder Adam Duvall hit a grand slam in the bottom of the first inning for a 4-0 lead.

"I was trying to figure out a way that we could chip away and get back in that game," Baker said.

"It was about figuring out how we could keep it at four. We had to stop them from running off on us."

Baker said he will likely send rookie right hander Luis Garcia to the mound tonight.

"Now we're going back home," he added. "Still alive."

Correa drove in two runs, Bregman drove in Houston's first run of the game and Gurriel had three hits.

"It was a great team effort all the way around," Bregman said on MLB Network. "We got punched in the mouth early with the grand slam and then came back, found a way to win and now we're headed back home."

Maldonado's bases-loaded walk in the fifth tied the score 5-all before Gonzalez dumped his two-run single to left against Atlanta left-hander A.J. Minter (1-1) for a 7-5 lead.

"People love playing for (Baker), he's a great guy," Maldonado said. "He's going to be a Hall of Famer. He's always talking to the players, making us laugh and when we're struggling, he's always there for us."

Norris' patience and perseverance are paying off

Second-year forward becoming valuable member of Grizzlies

BY JASON FELDMAN
Post Bulletin

TJ Norris had a tough decision to make last spring.

As the North American 3 Hockey League playoffs approached, the Rochester Grizzlies had to set their postseason roster, which was limited to 26 players.

With the depth the Grizzlies had — they made a run all the way to the Fraser Cup final, the league's championship game — Norris and some other first-year players knew they wouldn't have a roster spot for the postseason.

So Grizzlies coach Chris Ratzloff gave those players, including Norris, two options: The Grizzlies coaching staff would hit the phones and try to find them a team that could give them a roster spot, or they could stay in Rochester and continue to practice and be a part of the Grizzlies, knowing there was no chance they'd be in the lineup on game day.

In the end, the decision really wasn't as tough as it might have seemed for Norris.

"Just learning from the older guys who were here — (Peyton) Hart, (Joey) Fodstad, (Matt) DeRosa — the guys who built the culture here from Day 1," Norris said when asked why he stuck it out in Rochester. "Just to follow behind them and compete with them every day, I think was better than what I would've gotten anywhere else."

Norris' hard work and perseverance are paying off in a big way this season.

After playing in just four games a year ago, the 19-year-old Merville, Iowa, native has played in 12 of 13 games so far for the Grizzlies, who improved to 13-0-0 this season with a pair of victories against rival Peoria at the Rochester Recreation Center on Friday and Saturday nights.

And Norris — who had one career goal in the NA3HL entering last weekend's games — was the star of the show on Friday. He



Norris

scored twice, including netting the game-winning goal with just more than 5 minutes

to play in the second period. He added a short-handed goal in the third, showcasing his speed to finish a 2-on-1 rush after a nice feed from Kade Shea.

"(Norris) is one of the guys who put his time in and knew that he wasn't going to play last year," Ratzloff said. "He improved a lot last season. He's always had a good motor, great energy. Once he started to understand the game a bit better (at this level) and had his eyes up to see it, then he turned into a very effective player."

Norris not only knows his role on this unbeaten Grizzlies team, he wholeheartedly embraces it. He does whatever is asked of him, including being a lock-down penalty killer and helping his teammates stay focused on the task at hand.

"Just be an energy guy," Norris said of his role on the team, "be a guy who's going to lead with the guys next to him."

"Go out and hit, be physical, build the energy, whether it's getting shots on net, laying the body on everyone, getting pucks deep or being gritty in front of the net, that's what they want me to do."

Ratzloff added: "He's a role guy for us and he knows (his role). He's getting rewarded for playing the right way, for playing hard."

Norris has become a valuable member of the Grizzlies and a player who has become impossible to keep out of the lineup.

"I'm glad I stuck with it here," Norris said. "The culture is unbelievable. With all the new guys we have ... it's just nice to be back in a program where I feel welcomed."

"We're all in it for one goal, and that's to get back to the Fraser."

Gophers open season ready to 'battle and compete'

BY JOHN SHIPLEY
St. Paul Pioneer Press

The University of Minnesota men's basketball team opened a singular season with an exhibition game against Concordia St. Paul on Monday night.

Few knew what to expect when first-year coach Ben Johnson fielded a virtually entirely new team for the 7 p.m. tip at Williams Arena, a game that started after this edition of the Post Bulletin went to press.

Even Johnson, who recruited the team almost entirely through the transfer portal after being hired on March 22, doesn't know what his rotations will look like this season, or which players will work best with specific teammates.

But Johnson, a former Gophers player from Minneapolis, is sure of one thing.



Johnson



Curry

from Robbinsdale, are seniors.

Curry, a fifth-year senior, is the only member of the team who played for former coach Richard Pitino last season and therefore the only Gophers player with Big Ten experience.

"I always think about things in practice like we're playing a Big Ten team; that's where my judgment comes from," Curry said. "So, any mistake I see, I'll be saying something like, 'That's not going to work against Illinois.'"

Also expected to play major minutes this season is off guard Sean Sutherlin, a senior from New Brighton who sat out his final season at New Hampshire with a torn labrum in his hip. As a junior, he averaged 12.8 points and 9.3 rebounds, unusual for a 6-foot-4 guard. In fact, he led America East in defensive rebounding (7.6

per game) and double-doubles (12) in his last active season.

"I can rebound and push the break and find shooters," Sutherlin said. "So I'll play wherever (Johnson) needs me."

That skill will be important on a team missing two of its biggest players, forwards Parker Fox and Isaiah Ihnen, after offseason knee surgeries. They are the only players on the roster not available early, and that includes freshmen Absoulaye Thiam, a guard from Orlando, Fla., and Treyton Thompson, a 6-11 forward from Glenwood, Minn.

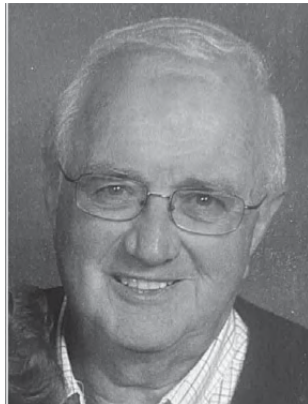
Johnson said it's also possible that Fox, a Division II all-American at Northern State from Mahtomedi, could play after the New Year because his rehab — he tore an anterior cruciate ligament and meniscus in his left knee — is going so well.

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Obituaries

Dennis George McNeilus



Dennis George McNeilus, 85, of Dodge Center, MN passed away Thursday, October 28, 2021 in Spring Hill, Florida.

Dennis was born July 3, 1936 to Linden Ellis and Iola Dell (Ames) McNeilus in La Crosse, WI. His childhood was spent in Clarion, IA and Nelson, WI. Known as Denny in his teen years he attended Maplewood Academy in Hutchinson, MN and remained an active alumnus throughout his life. His senior year Denny transferred to Hylandale Academy in Rockland, WI. Where he met his wife, Marjory (Marge) Louise Lyberg who won his heart with a lemon meringue pie. They would have been married 65 years November 25th.

Dennis served as a Dental Tech in the US Navy from 1955-60 and was honorably discharged having achieved the rank of 2nd Class Petty Officer. During this time, he was stationed in California and Yokosuka, Japan. Marjory joined him in Japan with Mark Dennis, the first of their four children. Their daughter Gwen Marie was "made in Japan" before returning to the U.S. Following his discharge, he joined his father and brother Garwin in the scrap business in Galena, IL. Two additional children came along, Luonne Colleen and Linden Bryan.

In 1967, the family moved to Dodge Center, MN, where he lived until his death. Dennis established McNeilus Auto & Truck Parts which he operated for 50 years. Poor Denny's "Cat House" was a satellite business distributing Arctic Cat Snowmobiles and BMW Motorcycles. He enjoyed racing and sponsored an Arctic Cat race team and many local stock cars during this period. He believed in the value of hard work and each child and grandchild received work experience in the salvage yard under his tutelage.

He lived life to the fullest. He relished fishing and enjoyed traveling on many sportfishing adventures. However, his favorite place for fishing was Juggler Lake in northern, MN where he and Marge had been going since 1960. He became a pilot in the '70's and enjoyed a lifelong love of flying. He liked hunting and looked forward to getting his annual deer license and bagging a big buck. He hunted coon competitively and bred many champion Bluetick Coonhounds. In the late 80's he and Marge got their first Border Terrier and later began to breed them.

Dennis had many varied interests. He loved to garden and had an encyclopedic knowledge of birds. He raised and trained American Singing Canaries and later developed a passion for racing Homing Pigeons. He was a member of the Rochester Racing Pigeon Club, Rochester MN and the Gulf Coast Homing Club, Spring Hill FL. until his passing.

Dennis was an avid reader and had a generous spirit. He was a member of the Dodge Center Seventh-Day Adventist Church and supported many charitable causes over his lifetime. He will be remembered for his sharp mind and quick sense of humor.

In 1998 he and Marge bought a home near Tampa, FL. and began to spend their winters there among a racing pigeon community. They returned to Florida on October 11th and Dennis became ill about a week later. He passed away shortly thereafter with family by his side knowing how greatly he was loved and would be missed.

Dennis is survived by his wife Marjory and three children Gwen McNeilus (Peter Mongroo) of Orinda, CA, Luonne Malone (Mark) of Keller, TX and Linden McNeilus (Krista Arneson) of Duluth, MN, seven grandchildren, four great-granddaughters and many nieces and nephews. Brothers Garwin McNeilus (Marilee) of Dodge Center, Devon McNeilus (Deresia) of Puyallup, WA and sisters Eulonne Austin (Wes) of Galveston, TX and Leasa Hodges of Loveland, CO. He was preceded in death by his eldest son, Mark McNeilus, and parents Linden and Iola McNeilus of Dodge Center.

Funeral service is Sunday, November 7th, 1:00 PM at the Dodge Center Seventh-day Adventist Church, 410 - 3rd Ave. SW, Dodge Center. Masks are required. There will be a private viewing for family at 11:00 AM, then open to all at 12:00 PM. A light luncheon will follow the service. Burial will take place Monday, November 8th at 10:00 AM, Wildwood Cemetery, Wasioja, MN.

Online condolences are welcome at www.byronfuneralhome.com.



Andy X. Zou



Andy Xiaoquan Zou, age 61, of Rochester, MN passed away surrounded by his loving family on October 30, 2021 after a courageous and hard fought battle with Multiple Systems Atrophy. The sun rose and the world welcomed Andy on November 7th, 1959, a day the world became a little brighter. Andy lived a warm life, filled with joy and happiness.

Andy was born to Minquan and Anna in Shichuan, China. After graduating from high school in 1978, he went on to study Computer Science at Hebei University of Science and Technology.

After graduation from University, he became Senior System Engineer for Industrial and Commercial Bank (ICBC) of China in Hebei, Shijiazhuang for 12 years. Throughout his career in China, he and his IT team developed the first phone banking system, the first ATM banking system and the first POS system for Hebei province. He received many technology awards for his efforts. In 1996, he came to the United States and worked as a System Engineer in Des Moines, IA for 5 years. In 2001 he started working at Mayo Clinic as System Architect for 11 years. He was incredibly ambitious, detail oriented and contributed to many innovations wherever he went.

He and his loving wife, Ying Yan grew up together, and wed in 1986. They have a beautiful daughter, Amy Zou Goodson, wonderful son-in-law, Robert Goodson and a handsome grandson, Vincent Goodson.

Andy was a force of nature, determined to provide for his family and give them the life he felt they deserved. His family meant more to him than anything else in the world, something he often mentioned. He was unendingly proud of Amy Zou Goodson (daughter), Vincent Goodson (grandson), and Ying Yan (wife) and always tried his best to support them. Andy was a strong, kind, loving, and supportive father and husband. His knowledge and guidance was the foundation of his family.

Andy was also passionate in music, singing and being active. If he wasn't outside, he could often be found recording and editing songs in his home office. He had a beautiful voice and his family loved to hear him sing. Amy even danced to one of his songs at her wedding.

Anyone who knew Andy knew that he was the most loving father and husband a family could ask for. He is survived by Amy, Vincent, Ying, his sister and his parents.

Services will be held at Calvary Baptist Church (5905 Silas Dent Road NW, Rochester, MN 55901) on November 6th, 2021 at 10am. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to Rochester Chinese Christian (Baptist) Church.

Ranfranz and Vine Funeral Home is honored to be serving the Zou family; to share a special memory or condolence please visit www.ranfranzandvinefh.com



James "Jim" Dolan



Jim died peacefully at his home in the valley that he loved, with his family by his side on Saturday, October 30, 2021.

Jim was born on November 29, 1941, in Washington DC to Bernard and Mary Dolan. He served in the Navy from 1960-1964. On December 7, 1963, he married the love of his life Marian Ondler. The couple had two children, Jeffrey "Jeff" Dolan and Kelly (Dan) Thiem.

Jim was a farmer at heart who took pleasure in working the land and raising beef cattle. He was influential in the local farmers markets and was known for his variety of wonderful canned goods. Jim was an avid outdoorsman who enjoyed hunting and fishing.

Jim loved his family deeply and was the proud Gramps of three. Dylan (Steph) Thiem, Kelsey Thiem and Alex (Angie) Thorn.

Jim is survived by his wife, children, grandchildren, and two brothers. He is preceded in death by his parents and sister.

Rochester Cremation Services is assisting the family with arrangements. Memories and condolences of Jim may be shared at rochestercremationservicesmn.com

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Marjean Kay Nelson



Marjean Kay Nelson, age 80, passed away peacefully on Saturday, October 30, 2021 at Pine Haven Care Center in Pine Island.

She was born on October 15, 1941 in Rochester, Minnesota to Milford and Berniece Moe. She had one older sister who, sadly, died in infancy, so Marjean grew up as an only child. She was raised on the family farm in Zumbrota, where her family had dairy cows, hogs and chickens. She spent many hours playing with her cousins.

On February 25, 1961 Marjean was united in marriage to Gerald "Jerry" Nelson. This year they celebrated 60 years together. They made their home in Zumbrota and had three children, twin boys Craig and Corey and daughter Michon. Marjean worked primarily as a housewife and mother. She made the best homemade pizza and her chex mix could win a prize.

A very dedicated member of the Lands church, Marjean sang in the choir for many years, was a member of the worship committee and Ladies Aide. She especially enjoyed socializing with friends and having coffee, also watching the Minnesota Twins and spending time with family. Her other interests included playing golf, bowling, playing Bridge and Bunko.

She will be dearly missed.

Left to cherish her memory is her husband, Jerry, children; Corey (Patty) Nelson, Michon (Tony) Nelson; granddaughter Amanda and grandson, Matt.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Milford and Berniece Moe, Jerry's parents; Clifford and Edna Nelson (Owatonna), son Craig Nelson (1999) and baby sister.

A Visitation for Marjean is scheduled for Friday, November 5th, from 4 PM to 7 PM at the Mahn Family Funeral Home, Zumbrota. Funeral services will be held on Sat, November 6, beginning with visitation at 10:00 AM, and the service will begin immediately after at 11:00 AM. Burial will be at the Lands Cemetery.

Please join us.

The staff at Mahn Family Funeral Home extends their appreciation to the Nelson Family for their trust.

In lieu of flowers, please make a donation to Lands Church.

Neil J. Eckhart



Neil J. Eckhart, age 53, of Rochester, MN passed away on Friday, October 29, 2021 at St. Mary's Hospital in Rochester, MN.

Neil James Eckhart was born September 10, 1968 in Austin, MN the son of Bonnie (Buck) and Leon Eckhart. He was baptized on September 10, 1968 at Trinity Lutheran Church in Hayfield, MN and confirmed on June 5, 1983 at Gethsemane Lutheran Church in Rochester, MN. He was a 1986 graduate of John Marshall High School in Rochester, MN. Neil was married to Debra Spitzer for 24 years and in their union had a son, Mitchell. They later divorced. He married Christine (Grams) Gilk on July 11, 2020. Neil worked for over 26 years as a delivery driver for Sysco. He had a passion for racing including a 30 year career as a stock car race driver. He enjoyed hosting family and friends, his dog Finnegan, cheering on the MN Vikings, Sunday Fundays, traveling, and hunting along with being the self appointed mayor of Marion Township.

He is survived by his wife, Christine Eckhart of Rochester, MN; son, Mitchell Eckhart of Rochester, MN; stepchildren, Drew and Isabella Gilk of Rochester, MN; father, Leon Eckhart of Rochester, MN; sister, Patricia Eckhart of Rochester, MN; niece, Morgan Bushman (Angel Ramirez); great nephew, Oscar Ramirez; mother and father-in-law, Don and Judy Grams of Stewartville, MN; special friend and mentor Harland Morehart along with his extended family, racing family and friends.

He is preceded in death by his mother, Bonnie Eckhart and Diane and Darrell Spitzer.

A visitation will be held 4:00 to 7:00 pm Friday, November 5, 2021 at Ranfranz and Vine Funeral Homes, 5421 Royal Place NW, Rochester, MN and one hour prior to the service. A memorial service will be held 10:30 AM Saturday, November 6, 2021 at Ranfranz and Vine Funeral Homes.

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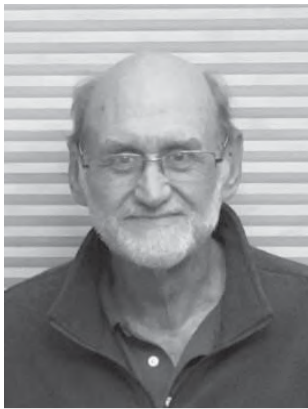
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Donald "Don" Olson



Donald James Olson, 66 of Rochester, passed away peacefully at home on Saturday, October 30, 2021. Don was born September 6, 1955 in Green Bay, WI to Antone "Tony" and Barbara (Miller) Olson. He graduated from Ishpeming High School in Upper Michigan. During his high school years, he participated in Cross Country, Swimming, and Choir. He was a member of the Blue Note Drum and Bugle Corps. He obtained the rank of Eagle Scout. He graduated from Ferris State College in Big Rapids, MI with a degree in Accounting. He met his wife, Ann Bailey, while both worked at Freeman Shoe Company at Beloit, WI. They were married on September 17, 1988 at Our Saviors Lutheran Church, Beloit, WI. Initially, Don was employed at Regal-Beloit Corp. in Shopiere, WI and Industrial Combustion in Monroe, WI. The family lived in Beloit until March of 1999 when they moved to Rochester as Don accepted a position at Federal-Mogul Corp. in Lake City, MN. Don retired on August 30, 2020.

Don enjoyed golf and bowling. He was a lifelong, proud, Green Bay Packers fan. Since moving to Minnesota, he became a Minnesota Twins Baseball fan. His favorite pastime was coaching and watching his children and granddaughters play soccer, baseball, and softball. When not busy with family, he could be found in his recliner watching Hallmark movies. He especially loved the holiday movies. He was the baker of the house and always outdid himself with a grand variety of Christmas cookies.

Don is survived by his wife Ann of 33 years, his children Alyssa Garrido (Mike Batt), Alex Olson, Andrew Olson, Aryn Olson, two precious granddaughters Rylie and Annie Garrido, all of Rochester, his niece, who is like a daughter, Lara (Paul) Johnson of Rochester, his mother Barbara and step-father Lowell Stenglein of Marquette, MI, his sisters Lori (Robert) Johnson of Ishpeming, MI, Kathy Olson of Floral, FL, several nieces and nephews, aunts and uncles. He is preceded in death by his father.

A Memorial Service is planned for Don on Friday, November 5, 2021 starting at 12:00PM in the River Park Chapel at Macken Funeral Home officiated by Rev. Lester Horntvedt. Visitation will be held starting at 11:00AM in the chapel, prior to the service. A light reception luncheon will follow in the chapel dining room.

Online condolences are welcome at www.mackenfuneralhome.com



Peter Ackerman



Peter Bradley Ackerman, 42, passed away unexpectedly at home on Friday, October 29, 2021. Brad was born on August 5th, 1979, to Peter J. and Ruth (Snegosky) Ackerman. He attended Litchfield High School where he excelled at wrestling. He earned a scholarship and went on to wrestle at Moorhead State University.

Upon his graduation in 2002, he went to work for Cold Spring Granite. In 2003 he and Mariah Parker were married and started a life together. On April 24th, 2005, their son Logan Peter Ackerman was born. They moved to Kasson, MN and Brad started working for Foldcraft where he was a Corporate Operations Manager. Mariah, the love of his life passed away in 2011. Brad was a hard-working leader of people, devoted father, a dedicated son and a trusted friend. Peter Bradley "Brad" loved to spend time with his son, family, and friends. Together he and Logan would spend time hunting, chopping wood, and hanging out with his uncles and cousins at the hunting cabin. They also enjoyed taking trips and finding new trails on their ATVs. Watching sports and hanging with their neighbors in his garage was a weekly event.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Mariah Ackerman; grandparents, Peter and Mary Ackerman and Al and Adeline Snegosky.

He is survived by his son, Logan. He is also survived by his mother and father, Ruth and Peter Ackerman; sister, Jill (Rick) Calhoun; nephews, Casey and Cal Calhoun; niece, Ava Calhoun; grandmother, Laura May Ackerman; father and mother-in-law, Dave and Janet Parker; brother-in-law, Kevin Parker; sister-in-law, Kelly Parker; and many aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends.

A memorial visitation for Peter will take place Friday, November 5, 2021, from 4:00-8:00pm at the Czaplowski Family Funeral Home in Kasson, MN (801 7th St SE Kasson, MN 55944) with a prayer service at 8:00pm. A memorial mass will take place at The Church of St. Philip in Litchfield, MN (821 E 5th St, Litchfield, MN) within the coming weeks. Further service details for the memorial mass will be posted on the funeral home website and reprinted in the newspaper. Burial will take place at Fairview Cemetery in Willmar, MN.

To share a special memory or condolence please visit www.czaplowskifuneralhomes.com, Czaplowski Family Funeral Homes, 801 7th St SE Kasson, MN 55944 (507) 634-6510. Blessed be his memory.



Richard Gerald Palmer

Richard (Rich) Gerald Palmer, age 68, passed away suddenly at his home in Pepin, WI on October 20, 2021. Born September 11, 1953 at St. Mary's Hospital in Rochester, MN to parents Keith W. Palmer and wife Barbara Rossin. He grew up on his grandparent's farm near Elgin, MN. A 1971 graduate of Rochester Mayo High School (known then as Richard Mickow), Rich attended the University of MN and graduated with a degree in architecture. He worked at several architectural firms in the Twin Cities and spent the last 11 years at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester. Designing state-of-the-art facilities to accommodate ever changing medical science was a rewarding experience for him and something he was proud to be a part of.

In 1995, Rich and his loving wife Midge purchased land in Pepin, WI where they designed and physically built the home of their dreams. The Pepin area was the perfect place for him to pursue his interests in a wide variety of areas, namely science, nature, history and astronomy. A dedicated amateur astronomer, he spent 5-6 years researching, designing and building his most cherished project, a 16 inch telescope which he completed last year. The observatory he designed was under construction at the time of his passing. His goal was to host viewing sessions for the local schools to inspire the passion in others.

Challenges and new experiences were something that Rich took on with gusto. He studied Japanese and the art of bonsai, organic farming and habitat restoration, ancient history, philosophies, religions and cultures. He also loved Science Fiction and was able to retell any of the Star Trek episodes in detail. He traveled to Europe several times to further research a variety of interests, from ancient and world war history to the mysteries of Stonehenge. It was during a trip to Scotland his interest in bagpipe playing was sparked. With no previous musical training, he studied with The Rochester Caledonia Pipe Band to learn how to read music and play the bagpipes. After training, he joined the band and marched with kilt and pipes for several years, including a trip to the Red Rock Amphitheater outside of Denver, CO to play background pipes for a Trampled By Turtles concert.

Rich is survived by his wife of 32 years, Marjorie (Midge) Bolt, and his immediate family from Santa Barbara, CA: mother Barbara Keplinger, brother Kent Palmer and step-father Fred Keplinger; brother-in-law Russell Bolt (Vivian) from Bath, Maine and special family friends Caitlin, Laura, Deb (Mel) Malone formerly of Mendota Heights, MN; Aunts Elaine Palmer, Darlene Wood, Nola Petersen, and their families and step-brothers and sister Edward and Terry Keplinger and Beverly Langford. He is preceded in death by his father, grandparents and half-brother Brian Mickow.

Private funeral. Memorial donations can be sent to the environmental group LakePepinLegacyAlliance.org or mailed to Lake Pepin Legacy Alliance, P.O. Box 392, Red Wing, MN 55066.

Marcia Gail Wiste



Marcia Gail Wiste, 74, of Rochester, MN, passed away peacefully in her sleep on October 2nd, 2021 at the Mayo Clinic Methodist Hospital. She was born to parents Gordon M. Kjos and Marilyn F. Kjos, on December 13, 1946 in Lanesboro, MN.

Marcia graduated from John Marshall High School in Rochester, MN in 1965.

Marcia worked as a waitress once all her kids were in school at Little Johns, Canadian Honker and Byerly's. She retired from Byerly's in 2010. Large Marge, as she was affectionately called by her co-workers, was known for her sarcastic, dry sense of humor, her antics and love of pulling pranks. She kept her family and friends laughing. She also enjoyed taking care of her Yorkie, Willie, spending time with her family and friends, attending art fairs, and traveling.

Marcia met Dennis Wiste in 1973. They were married on June 10, 1974 at the Minnehaha County Courthouse in Sioux Falls South Dakota. Together they raised 5 children.

She is survived by her husband, Dennis Wiste; daughters Frances Moran, Heather Pries, and Trista Wiste; sons, Christopher Moran, and Aric Wiste (Heidi). brother Ted Kjos (Debbie); mother-in-law Marlys Wiste; brothers-in-law; Duane (Cindy), Douglas (Linda), and Doyle (Cindy), sister-in-law, Dee Ann Wiste Olson; grandchildren, Taimon Moran-Hoyne (Marianna), Samantha Carter (Kevin), Ellie Wierzgacz (Derek), Alec Wiste, Talia Moran-Hoyne, Alexis Pries, Brynna Wiste, Turner Moran, Sophie Pries, Lyla Moran-Hoyne, Jack Wiste and Sylvie Wiste; and 12 great grandchildren, Lily, Leonardo, Jordan, Maia, Daleyza, Ryan, Ivy, Sawyer, Camila, Carter, Chase, and Javen.

She was preceded in death by her grandparents Ted and Martha Kjos, her parents, Gordon and Marilyn Kjos; her brother Paul Kjos; Father-in-Law, Orrin Wiste, and her sister-in-Law, Debbie Wiste.

As Marcia had requested to be cremated and no funeral, the family invites you to join them at Fat Willy's November 13, 1-4 p.m. for a time to Celebrate Marcia's life.

Ranfranz and Vine Funeral Home is honored to be serving the Wiste family; to share a special memory or condolence please visit www.ranfranzandvinefh.com



DEATH NOTICE

Neil Swarthout

June 13, 1924 - Oct. 9, 2021

PINE ISLAND, Minn. - Neil Swarthout, 97, Pine Island, Minn., died Saturday, Oct. 9, in the hospital.

A military service will be noon Saturday, Nov. 6, at Pine Island Minnesota Cemetery. A celebration of life luncheon will be from 1-3 p.m. Saturday at Pine Island Legion.

DEATH NOTICES

Doris Kiser

Aug. 7, 1921 - Oct. 29, 2021

BROWNSDALE, Minn. - Doris Kiser, 100, Brownsdale, Minn., died Friday, Oct. 29, in her home.

Visitation will be from 4-7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 4, at Czaplowski Family Funeral Home and Crematory in Hayfield, Minn. Visitation will continue from 2:30-3:30 p.m., followed by a funeral service at 3:30 p.m., Friday, Nov. 5, at St. John's Lutheran Church in Sargeant, Minn.

Arrangements by Czaplowski Family Funeral Homes.

David Fisher

March 19, 1952 - Oct. 30, 2021

ROCHESTER, Minn. - David Fisher, 69, Rochester, Minn., died Saturday, Oct. 30, in his home.

Arrangements by Ranfranz & Vine Funeral Homes.

Jaime "Jim" DeLaCruz

Nov. 9, 1943 - Oct. 23, 2021

ROCHESTER, Minn. - Jaime "Jim" DeLaCruz, 77, Rochester, Minn., died Saturday, Oct. 23, in Rochester.

A funeral will be Saturday, Nov. 13. Arrangements by Macken Funeral Home.

DEATH NOTICES

Susan Wilkie

Sept. 12, 1959 - Oct. 29, 2021

ROCHESTER, Minn. - Susan Wilkie, 62, Rochester, Minn., died Friday, Oct. 29, in Mayo Clinic Hospital, Methodist Campus.

Arrangements by Rochester Cremation Services.

Leroy "Nick" Kane

May 22, 1930 - Oct. 31, 2021

AUSTIN, Minn. - Leroy "Nick" Kane, 91, Austin, Minn., died Sunday, Oct. 31, in Mayo Health Systems.

Services are pending with Clasen-Jordan Mortuary in Austin.

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► Four southeast Minnesota teams advanced to the state high school football quarterfinals by winning section championship games. Rochester John Marshall, Zumbrota-Mazeppa, Cannon Falls, and Chatfield all earned state tournament berths.

► U. S. Rep. Gil Gutknecht ended his Southeast Minnesota campaign bus tour with a final rally in Rochester, his home and political base.

1971 — 50 years ago

► High winds as high as 70 mph damaged two farms north of Zumbro Falls. The storm, which included high winds, heavy rain and snow, battered much of Minnesota.

► More than 500 people toured Maywood, home of the late Dr. C. H. and C. W. Mayo, during "Rochester Days," sponsored by the Olmsted County Historical Society.

1946 — 75 years ago

► No one was injured when a railroad caboose was demolished, one freight car damaged, and a locomotive derailed when a Chicago & North Western freight plowed into the rear of another freight train in St. Charles.



THE DAY IN HISTORY

Loren Else

► The London Daily Express reported that the United States currently has about 100 atomic bombs — each 25 feet long, torpedo-shaped, and powered with 100 pounds of plutonium. Each bomb weighs 9,000 pounds.

1921 — 100 years ago

► By a unanimous vote, members of the Blue Earth County Medical Society determined that the medical profession does not recognize wine and beer as medicine. If a physician does prescribe liquor for medical purposes, it should not exceed one pint of liquor in 10 days.

► The alumni of the Rochester High School are laying plans to come together to attend and support the current football squad's upcoming game in Rochester against Mankato on Armistice Day. (An estimated 2,000 fans saw Mankato beat RHS 21-7 on a cold, slippery, and snowy field.)

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STATE OF MINNESOTA COUNTY OF OLMSTED THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT DISTRICT COURT PROBATE DIVISION

Estate of Steven Mark Green, a/k/a Steven M. Green, Decedent.

NOTICE OF INFORMAL PROBATE OF WILL AND APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is given that an application for informal probate of the Decedent's Will, dated July 25, 1994, ("Will"), has been filed with the Registrar. The application has been granted. Notice is also given that the Registrar has informally appointed Melissa Lynn Green, whose address is 1564 Van Buren Ave., St. Paul, Minnesota, 55104, 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 with the Court (pursuant to Minnesota Statutes section 524.3-607) and the Court otherwise orders, the personal representative has full power to administer the Estate, including, after 30 days from the date of issuance of letters, the power to sell, encumber, lease or distribute real estate. Any objections to the probate of the Will or 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 months after the date of this Notice or the claims will be barred.

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Dated: October 28, 2021 /s/ Daria J. Busian Registrar

Dated: October 28, 2021 /s/ Hans Holland Court Administrator

Attorney for Personal Representative Daniel E. Berndt Dunlap & Seeger, PA. 30 3rd Street SE, Suite 400 Rochester, MN 55904 Attorney License No.: 7729 Telephone: (507) 288-9111 FAX: (507) 288-9342 Email: deb@dunlaplaw.com (Nov. 2 & 9, 2021) 2909738

STATE OF MINNESOTA COUNTY OF OLMSTED THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT DISTRICT COURT PROBATE DIVISION

Estate of Roger Erling Wilson, aka Roger E. Wilson, aka Roger Wilson, Decedent

Court File No. 55-PR-21-5540 NOTICE OF INFORMAL APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS (INTESTATE)

Notice is given that an application for informal appointment of personal representative has been filed with the Registrar. No will has been presented for probate. The application has been granted. Notice is also given that the Registrar has informally appointed Rebecca Wilson, whose address is 1246 41/2 Street NW, Rochester, Minnesota, 55951, as personal representative of the Estate of the Decedent. Any heir 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 with the Court (pursuant to Minnesota Statutes section 524.3-607) and the Court otherwise orders, the personal representative has full power to administer the Estate including, after 30 days from the date of issuance of letters, the power to sell, encumber, lease or distribute real estate. Any objections 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 months after the date of this Notice or the claims will be barred. Dated: October 20, 2021 /s/ Daria J. Busian Registrar

Dated: October 20, 2021 /s/ Hans Holland Court Administrator

Attorney for Personal Representative Jennifer A. Gumbel Wagner Dehler, Ltd. 1801 Greenview Drive SW Rochester, MN, 55902 Attorney License No: 0387724 Telephone: (507) 288-5567 FAX: (507) 288-5589 Email: jennifer.gumbel@wagnerlegalmn.com (Oct. 26 & Nov. 2, 2021) 2908676

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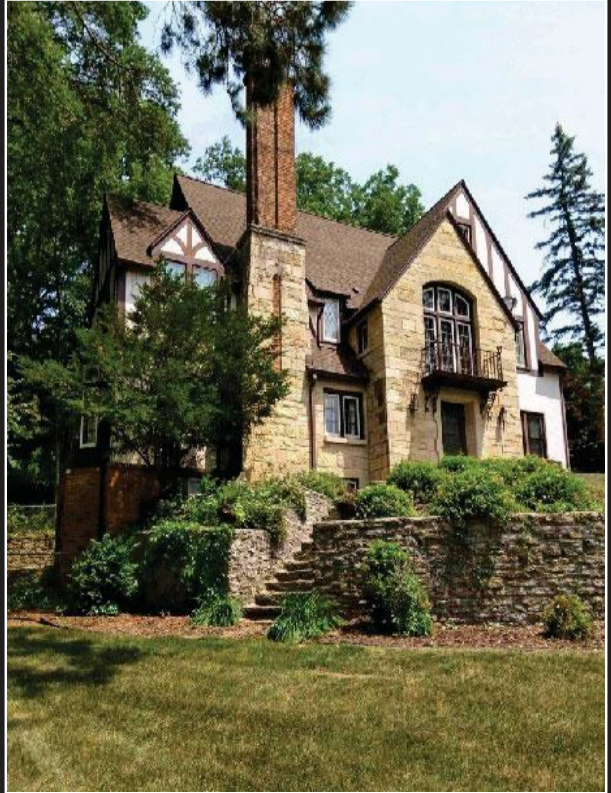
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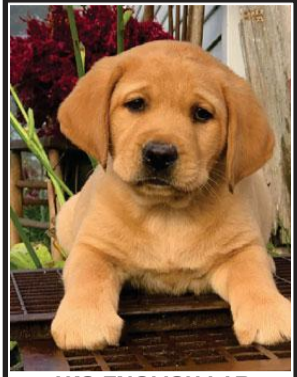
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SUVs

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Joe Ahlquist / Post Bulletin

Mary Ann Thoren was an event coordinator for Julia Child's 90th birthday party. The metal sculpture of Julia Child holding a layer cake in one hand and a glass of red wine in the other was a gift from her husband, Dean. "I really treasure that," she said.

Time with Julia

Rochester woman mastered parties for Julia Child

Don't most of us have public figures that we take a special interest in? I'm thinking sports figures, celebrities, musicians, rock stars, newsmakers.

For me it was Julia Child. I was hooked when I started watching her cooking shows with my mother decades ago. Seeing her kitchen at the Smithsonian was a highlight of my teenage years.

As an adult, the closest I ever got to her was when she received an honorary degree at my son's college graduation. I pushed my way to the front of the line so I could get a really good look at her.

Now imagine being able to work with her on a few projects, including being the event coordinator for her 90th birthday. Meet Mary Ann Thoren, new to Rochester, recently from Louisville, Ky.

I met Thoren and when I heard she'd been involved



FOOD FOR THOUGHT
Holly Ebel

with Julia Child, my antenna shot up.

We got together recently and I was fascinated by her encounters with this cooking icon, as well as her own involvement in the culinary world. Here is a little of what she had to say:

At what point did you become interested in things culinary? Who was an influence?

My mother was an excellent cook and baker, especially pastries. When I was 6 I had a little play kitchen. I loved baking the tiny cakes and watching them rise in my kiddie oven. I'd cut them into

four bites and serve them to my parents and brother. Then when I was in fourth grade I kept a journal and when I went back and looked at it, the only thing I had written about was what I'd had for breakfast, lunch and dinner. At age 12, unbeknownst to my mother, I wrote a letter to the owner of The Little Traveler, a large popular gift store and luncheon spot in Geneva, Ill., and told them I'd noticed their pies were not as good anymore and wondered if they'd be interested in me supplying them. They never responded, probably thinking it was a joke. Except I was serious.

You've had some interesting jobs – what was the one that led you to becoming involved with Julia?

I had done some work for an executive at Brown-Forman Corporation in Louisville, a large American-owned company in the wine and

spirits business. This person also owned a design store, Bittner's, in Louisville and Julia was coming there the end of July 2000 for a special event where local chefs were preparing recipes from her and Jacques Pepin's newest book, "Julia and Jacques Cooking at Home." Knowing of my passion for culinary, I was asked to coordinate this event and jumped at the opportunity. This was the first event I did for her. Yum Brands, which owns KFC, was headquartered in Louisville and delivered a huge bucket of fried chicken to her. She promptly picked up a drumstick and chomped into it. That kind of reaction is what made her so endearing. She was also in town for a dinner and reception recognizing the newly formed Kentucky Chapter of the American Institute of Wine and Food, held at the Labrom & Graham distillery (now

Woodford Reserve.) She, along with Jacques Pepin, were founders of that group.

Planning her 90th birthday party – that had to be a monumental undertaking. How'd you coordinate that and how many months, years, did it take?

It was actually a very condensed two-month process and a dream project for me. There were 20 restaurants across the country, each having a spectacular party simultaneously on Aug. 1, 2002, in honor of Julia. Each restaurant had a VIP chef preparing some recipes from her cookbooks. My role was to coordinate with restaurants to see that they had the proper PR materials, collect their planned menus and see they had printed programs for the parties. I

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'50 by 50+' project brings art to seniors

Senior citizens' glass mosaics travel to 125 LIVE, art center

BY ANNE HALLIWELL
Post Bulletin

Lynn Lanners had never worked with glass before — but a mosaic class for seniors helped all the pieces fall into place.

During the summer, mosaic artist Debra D'Souza solicited works from 49 senior citizens in Rochester, during sessions at the Rochester Art Center, Austin ArtWorks, and 125 LIVE.

The project, called "50 by 50+," was funded by a grant from the Minnesota State Arts Board.

The first of two mosaic exhibits went up Oct. 28, in 125 LIVE's senior center. An artist reception will take place on Nov. 8.

Lanners was familiar with D'Souza's works before she heard about the classes, and "thought they were exceptional."

"I was so excited — over the

If you go

WHAT: 50 by 50+ exhibit at 125 LIVE

WHEN: Exhibit opened Oct. 28, art reception 5:30 p.m. Nov. 8 in the River Room

WHERE: 125 LIVE, 125 Elton Hills Drive NW, Rochester

MORE INFORMATION: <https://rochesterartcenter.org/event/debra-dsouza/>

moon — when I was offered a chance to participate in the class," she said.

That excitement manifested in Lanners' yet-unnamed piece — a crescent moon with a star, surrounded by traditional mandala shapes.

"For me, the moon seems to hold a special fascination," she said. "Crescent moons have a variety of meanings. I gravitate to its association with womanhood,

intuitiveness, psyche and empowerment."

Many of the senior artists had never worked with glass before, D'Souza said, but turned out well nonetheless.

"You can just see the pride on their faces when they see how well their artwork looks," she said.

Participant Bernadine Jax had spent 14 years making mandalas — but never with stained glass.

"The thing that surprised me was the time needed to learn how to use the instruments well, in order to cut the shapes of the glass to complete the project," she said.

Rhonda Ostberg, a previous mosaics student, said she based the design for "Sun and Moon" on an abstract painting by Robert Delaunay.

The first session, she said, was all about designing the mandalas.

"We had access to paper



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Debra D'Souza works on a stained-glass mosaic mandala that will be displayed in the alley that runs behind the Castle Community on Oct. 8, 2020, at the Castle in downtown Rochester.

and tools to help draw a circle the size of the mandala you wanted to make," Ostberg said. "From there, we divided the circle into sections and played with shapes and came up with a design. The next two

sessions consisted of cutting colored glass to create our mandalas."

A second 50 by 50+ exhibition will go to the

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POEM

'November'

BY BOB VOGT
 Oh the memories ...
 Sweet scent of lilac bloom,
 Endless fields of clover.
 One can hear the corn grow
 And daylight went on forever.
 Oh how we miss it...
 Every tree was filled with birdsong.
 Every stream kept the beat,
 The summer breeze

sang along
 To the melody so sweet.
 Oh, what the difference...
 The days are much shorter.
 The sun sleeps in late,
 Then goes away way too soon.
 If an appearance at all it makes.
 Oh, sad November...
 The shadows grow long
 The world is more weathered

Like the long bearded face
 Of an old man who's much beleaguered.
 But I understand...
 You have your job to do.
 You bring on many changes
 The cold wind, clouds and rain
 Is all part of the cycle of ages.
 So do your job November...
 Blow the leaves of limbs bare.
 Fade the world to gray and black.
 The colors of the

other months
 Are set in contrast by those you lack.
 Turn the page to December...
 Everything turns to white
 And we've no time to pause to remember
 The bluster of the wind, the bare trees,
 And the beautiful bleakness of November.
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ANNIVERSARY

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BIRTHDAYS



Doris Heins is 100

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Missing high school sweetheart

Dear Annie:
 Nearly 50 years ago, while a high school student, I met an upperclassman who completely swept me off my feet.
 We clicked with each other almost immediately and loved being together as much as possible.
 He was leaving for college the following year, and his mother made no secret of the fact that she wanted him to leave without having a girlfriend back home.
 I was a year younger, so my future was not yet set.
 We wanted to stay together even though he would be two states



DEAR ANNIE
 Annie Lane

away. We felt that we could make it work during breaks and summer vacations.
 However, by late summer, his mother had convinced him that breaking it off with me was the best course of action.
 To say the very least, I was heartbroken and mourned the loss for 10 years.
 Eventually, I met a nice man, settled down

and had a family. I was happy but always felt the loss, and now, almost 50 years later and a widow, I still feel the same as I did back then.
 Of course, he is a married man now, and I would never pursue him.
 I feel that seeing a counselor about this would be considered trivial since there are so many in the world suffering right now. — Still Missing My First Love
Dear Missing My First Love: You are looking back on your youth, when things were more simplistic and you had fewer responsibilities.

The reality is that you feel what you feel, and your yearning is nothing to be trivialized.
 Perhaps you are missing your husband, and it is much easier to miss a person you knew for a short time and didn't share a life with. It certainly can be a lot less painful.
 Talking to a counselor could be just what you need to help sort out what you really long for and what you want in your life today. Your feelings are *not* trivial.
 Send your questions for Annie Lane to dearannie@creators.com.

Julia

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 was also to ensure that the sponsor's products were being used in the dinner. Land O'Lakes was one so chefs were to use their butter. At least one chef complained because he wanted to use only European butter. Obviously Julia couldn't be everywhere so she was the guest of honor at Fifth Floor Masa's in San Francisco. My husband Skip and I went to the event at the Seelbach Hilton in Louisville. As a memento of that event, Skip bought me a colored metal sculpture of Julia. In one hand she's holding a layered piece of cake, in the other a glass of red

wine. I really treasure that.
Did you pick up any hints from her that make a difference in your cooking?
 Not to take it too seriously.
Even though she's been gone 19 years, her influence is still very much felt. How do you explain that?
 Her personality. Besides being a great teacher, she brought humor with her, poked fun at her mistakes almost turning mistakes into comedy. Also her distinctive voice, gravelly, with a cadence and animated. She was friendly, gracious and unpretentious.
Do you have a favorite recipe of hers?
 Her pommes de terre

dauphinoise, a potato gratin.
Having spent time around her, is there something you wished you'd done?
 Yes. I wish I'd had my picture taken with her, but I just wasn't comfortable doing that.

I would have cherished that more than a picture with anyone else, including presidents.
 Food writer Holly Ebel knows what's cookin'. Send comments or story tips to life@postbulletin.com.

Project

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 Rochester Art Center in December and January, D'Souza said.
 Lanners was proud and surprised to hear that the finished pieces would be displayed.
 "I couldn't believe how much this class

awoke my creative spirit," Lanners said. "I'm a beancounter by trade and while I have a creative side, I often set it aside for long periods of time. (D'Souza) is right; mosaic really has an incredibly additive quality to it!"
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Getting a house ready for sale is hard work

If you've been following along these last couple of weeks, you know all about the latest development over at my house: Jay and I are moving "up north." Or, as my Grandpa Haugen would've said, "up nort."

It all happened very quickly. We looked at a house over FaceTime one rainy Thursday afternoon and by Friday we were the new owners of a rural property in Bemidji.

When a person discovers that they're about to move from the city they've called home for 25 years in just six weeks' time, there are a lot of things that go through her head: Excitement over the new adventure, sure. A reflection on the gravity of that decision, of course. A mental cataloging of the people she's going to miss, absolutely.

But that all came later. Because the first thing I thought after the initial shock was: "Holy crap, we have to get our house ready to sell — like now."

Because in order to pay for that Bemidji house, we had to sell our Rochester house.

We knew getting the house ready would be hard work, but we also figured we were halfway there. We had, after all, recently made a bunch of upgrades, like new wood floors, fresh paint, and updated trim. Plus, the boys were off at college, so there were only two of us to clean up after.



JEN'S WORLD
Jennifer Koski

But I should know better. Because whether it's making a trip to Hy-Vee or writing this column, things always take twice as long as I think they will. And when our super-fantastic Realtor came over to offer her advice, we realized that prepping our house would be no exception:

"Can you empty the boys' bedrooms?"

"Let's move this couch upstairs."

"I think we should repaint these rooms."

"Let's replace those light bulbs."

Jay and I followed behind her with our notebooks like little puppies, scribbling out her missives like she was telling us the secret to life: "Take down the family photos." "Use ammonia to remove grease spots on the stove." "Give up all sleep and sanity for the next two weeks."

She didn't actually say that one. But that's what we did anyway.

I am not lying to you when I say that if I was not at my desk working during the full two weeks it took us to

get our house ready, I was working on this house. Jay and I were scrubbing. We were painting. We were filling nail holes. We were boxing up our boys' belongings. We were lying in bed at midnight, saying, "I'm soooo sore."

If you had a conversation with me during those two weeks, I can guarantee you this is how it went:

You: Hey! How's it going?

Me (grabbing you by the shoulders and staring into your soul): You must never, ever, ever move from your house. Ever.

But, boy, all of that work paid off. This place looked glorious when we were done. Especially after our super-fantastic Realtor came over with the finishing touches: Plants for the bathrooms. Art to replace our family pictures. Matching lamps for our nightstands.

After she finished adding extra throw pillows to our couch, she turned to us and said, "Would you buy it?"

We nodded yes, we would absolutely buy it. Our house looked amazing. But mostly? By that point? We just wanted to sleep in it.

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To me – and you – art is absolutely essential

Art is not a luxury, as it is often thought to be, but it is a central aspect of human life. Through art, I have learned to appreciate beauty and, also, to create it – to make meaning where I otherwise lack understanding.

"Art is," as modernist Pablo Picasso has said, "the lie that enables us to tell the truth." In other words, art is a fabrication which represents reality. A



SOPHIE KAUFMANN

song, story, or sculpture conveys ideas, emotions, and experiences, altogether made meaningful by an artist's expression.

In my life, this meaning is apparent most often in painting, an art form I have inherited from my beloved grandmother. Through painting and, particularly, through the discipline of learning to paint, I have been shaped to pay attention to detail, to persevere through what is challenging, and to better appreciate perspectives beyond my own.

My understanding of art has come through my grandmother's influence. I have vivid memories of admiring her work, which was primarily watercolors of the people and places she loved. Every time I visited her farm in rural Illinois, my watercolorist grandmother had an art project planned for us to do together.

As she taught me her craft, Grandma taught me to see the world through an artist's eye. To spend time with her was to be pointed to the details in the surrounding world. The way people walk, the colors of the clouds, or the texture of a rock she found in the field: she paid close attention to the marvelous details of all of these. As I spent time with my grandmother, I began to notice these details, too.

Not only did Grandma teach me to notice details, but she also taught me to capture them with a pencil and paintbrush and to persist until those details were satisfactorily put down. Planning, sketching, painting: as I picked up these processes, I had to sacrifice many hours practicing appropriate techniques until I achieved the outcome I desired. I learned to draw objects and scenes as they are instead of drawing them as I thought they should be.

Like any learned skill, painting has been frustrating, as I have lost patience and abandoned many pieces of art. However, I have found it rewarding to return to a "failed" piece to finish it. In fact, it may be true that the difficult pieces were often the most rewarding in the end.

Art has continued to shape me as I have learned to see and create in contexts outside of my grandmother's farm. For example, in art class, I studied body language and how to express feeling through drawing someone's figure and pose. Now, I find myself noticing people's body language, and I understand the significance of that physicality. This understanding has contributed to my ability to empathize as I make meaning of another's stance.

In art class, also, I learned to critique art constructively and to interpret a work through the lens of a peer. As I analyzed my peers' artwork, I grew in my appreciation of their individual experiences. I also gained new ideas from studying my classmates' art, which sparked more creativity in my own. In this way, I have learned that my perspective is best informed by and made more complete by others.

Art is meaningful, in part, because it builds bridges with people by representing what holds importance in people's lives, individually and collectively. Humanity – its differences, its shared experience – is a truth that is represented in art. Art allows us to understand what matters, to transcend the transient.

Art can be a realistic representation or it may be abstract, such as in Picasso's work, but true art accomplishes the goal of getting people to feel or to make meaning of an experience common to all. It is this transcendence that makes the process of art worth the sacrifice. Through art, I have learned this. Details matter. Perseverance is required. And perspective brings us closer to others.

I contend that we all could benefit from the perspective of others, and we could all benefit from beauty.

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Some vaccines are mandatory, even for cats

Life can be challenging, and planning is essential to avoid unsuccessful outcomes. Recently my wife and I knew we had to sit down and design a strategy.

We were faced with the upcoming annual visit to the animal clinic and the veterinarian with our cats. The visit included shots, which if left up to cats, they would join protesters hissing at mandatory vaccines.

Cats would question both the feline rabies vaccine and the leukemia booster. They would hold a sign with their tails, stating, "My nine-lives, my body." Little did they know we had also scheduled them for a nail trim. We did skip the recommended fecal exam and I hope they appreciate that.

Maxwell and Mickey, our two cats, have shown a tendency to dislike a cat carrier. A couple of years ago, while trying to lower Mickey into the carrier, he shot out all four legs at 180-degree angles. This round went to Mickey and yes, there were human injuries.

We knew we had to plot out a series of tactical moves that would result in little use of force and zero injuries.

FRIDAY - 1800 HOURS - BRING CAT CARRIER IN HOUSE

Our first move was to bring the cat carrier into our living room the day before to lull them into a sense of mundane. We opened the front door and top hatch. When I brought it in and sat it on the floor,



BOOMER GRANDPA
Loren Else

both cats looked directly into my eyes and I swear I heard "That \$#@* is not happening."

Hours later, they were sniffing it a bit, standing on it, although not going in. We thought the first step was successful, and their guard was dropping a bit.

SATURDAY MORNING - 0900 HOURS - ACT CASUAL

Our appointment was at 10 a.m., so we both attempted to be cool, but the cats sensed something was up. They were watching us closely, shooting "don't even think about it" looks our way.

As we got closer to activating our plan, we started to get nervous. The cats could tell and were on "Yellow Alert" – shields up, whisker sensors activated.

SATURDAY - 0915 HOURS - OBJECTIVE 1

Our plan was to separate them, relocating Maxwell to a separate room. Then redeploy calmly, pick up Mickey, and carefully place him into the carrier.

Upon picking Maxwell up and moving him, Mickey went on "Red Alert."

Mickey moved to a defensive position behind the couch, but was flushed out. I picked him up and transferred him to the



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Despite their protests, Mickey, left, and Maxwell did make it to the veterinarian and yes, did receive vaccinations. This is how much of their day is normally spent.

carrier. The double team strategy worked, and Objective 1 was complete.

SATURDAY - 0921 HOURS - OBJECTIVE 2

We opened the door to the room Maxwell had been placed in, and he was crouched down under a table. We moved in and overwhelmed him, with one of us approaching him and one guarding the door. I picked him up, and with precise timing, my wife opened the top door to the carrier, and Maxwell was placed in it with his brother. Objective 2 was complete.

Yes, there was sadness in their eyes. and they were looking at us like we'd betrayed them.

Upon arrival at the vet, there were woeful meows and the looks shifted. Weaker humans may have

felt guilty for causing all this housecat hardship.

The exam went well, their shots were given without incident, and both Mickey and Maxwell couldn't wait to get back in the carrier to go home.

SATURDAY - 2100 HOURS - PEACE ON THE HOMEFRONT

That evening, each of us had a cat curled up and sleeping on our lap. We had been forgiven. Shots, what shots?

My wife and I nodded at each other from across the room, acknowledging that the best-laid plans of humans can be the best thing for felines.

Loren Else lives in Rochester and also writes the Post Bulletin's "Day in History" column. Send comments and column ideas to Loren@news@postbulletin.com.

Grandma Phyllis taught us the value of life

Teenagers look forward; I plan to go to college, have a career, buy a house, see the world. Teens dread visiting their grandparents to hear "back in my day..." a fault I've shared.

My grandma passed away this September a few days after she moved into our house. Her health had declined from inactivity from isolation during COVID. Her heart was failing. My parents found some old albums and hoped that my sister and I would look at them with her; we never got the chance. The rapidity of her passing surprised us. Last year for Speech Class I had recorded Grandma talking about her life. I have been listening to it again, it's nice to hear her voice.

She moved to Rochester 12 years ago to be closer to us. We spent a lot of time with her because she was our babysitter. Her house had cool artifacts of bygone days. I would dig through old drawers and find her father's sheriff's posse badge and a rattlesnake tail.

Grandma grew up in central



CHLOE WEINGARTEN

Montana on a ranch during the Great Depression. She learned hard lessons about survival. Like most ranchers her family was in debt. The insurance men came to take away their cattle as payment. Her dad, an honest man, was dishonest only once. He hid one cow and one bull up on a forested hill so he would not have to start from scratch after they took his herd.

She never wasted food. She once showed me old ration booklets from World War II. Freezer burned ice cream was okay and expiration dates a suggestion. Her home-made desserts were mysterious, recipes were just a guide, substituting many items because "I didn't have the right ingredient." These

desserts brought our family much amusement.

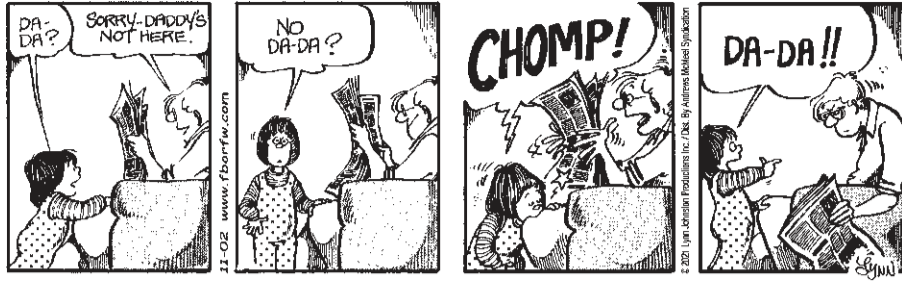
Grandma was a strong woman who lived a quiet, humble life. She had no time for fussing or silly things. She was a single mother to my mom and aunt, and worked as a librarian in a Federal Juvenile Detention center to support them. But, she was also funny and told stories of how her world changed so much, from their first shared party telephone to cell phones which she could never understand. In Minnesota she had a thriving social life and was an awesome bridge player.

This COVID year has taught us that life is fleeting and our world fragile. The future is now uncertain. Listening to my tape of Grandma's "back in the day," she was faced with uncertainty and insecurity, but prevailed. I've learned the past of my grandma can be the foundation of my future.

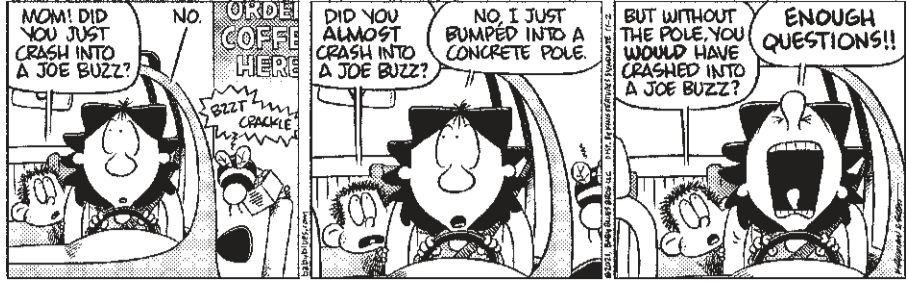
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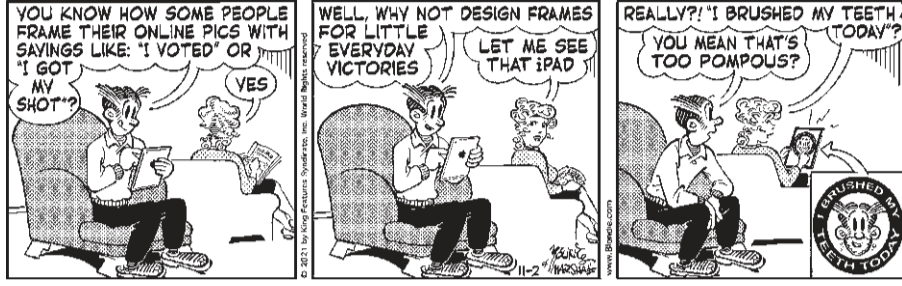
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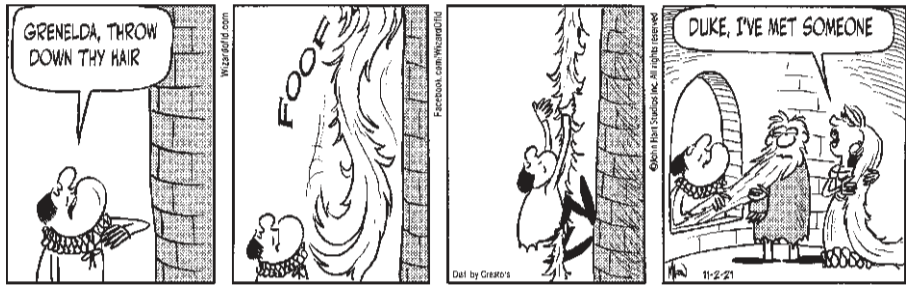
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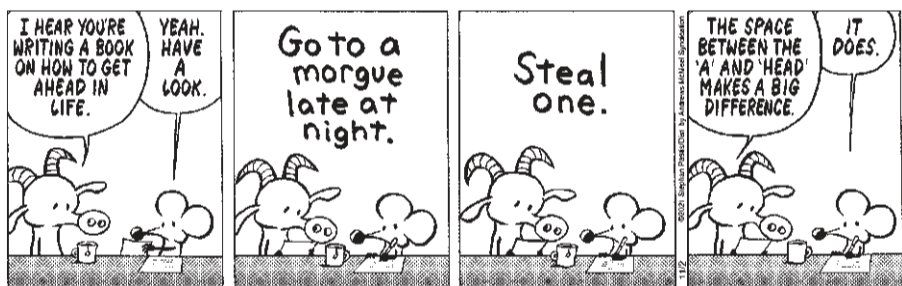
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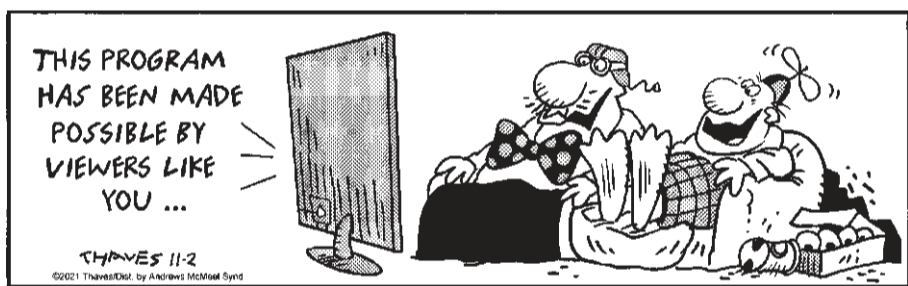
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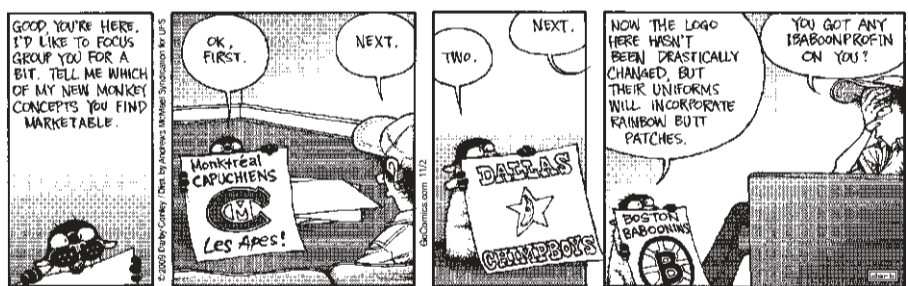
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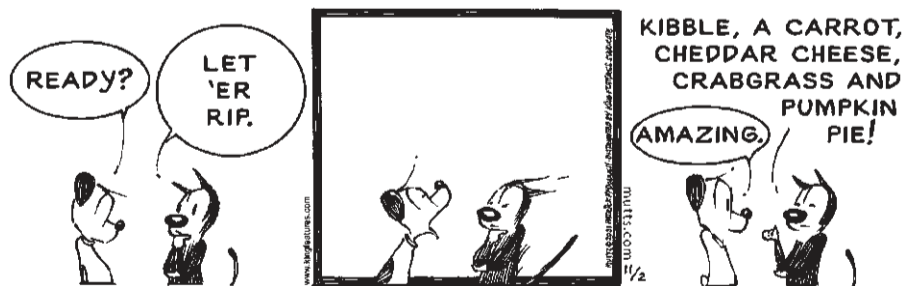
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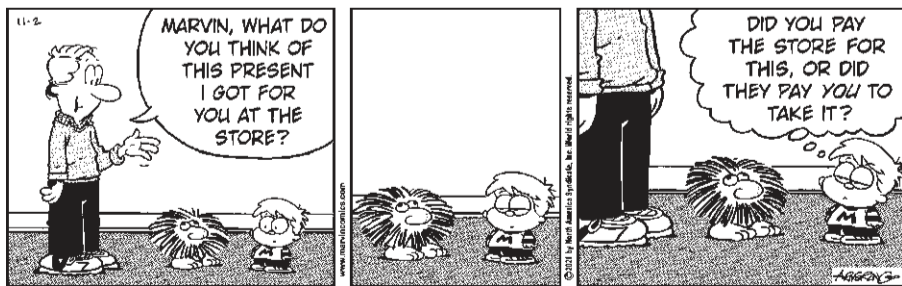
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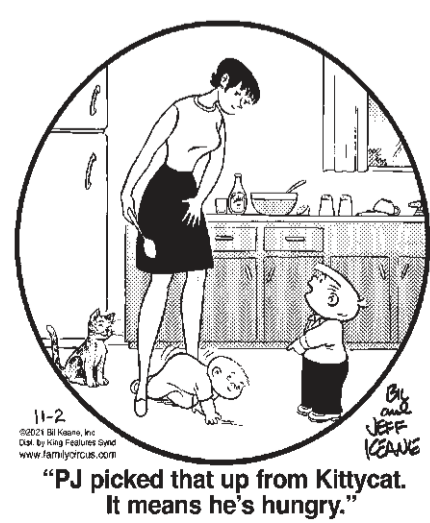
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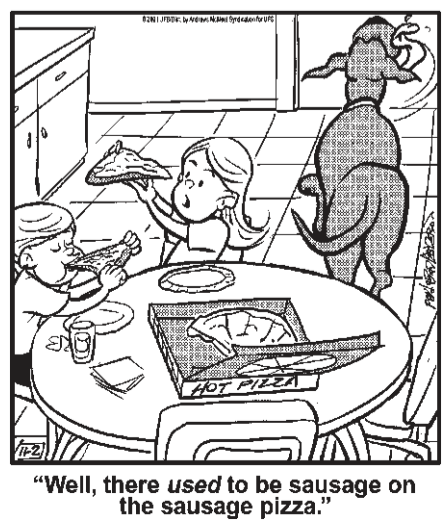
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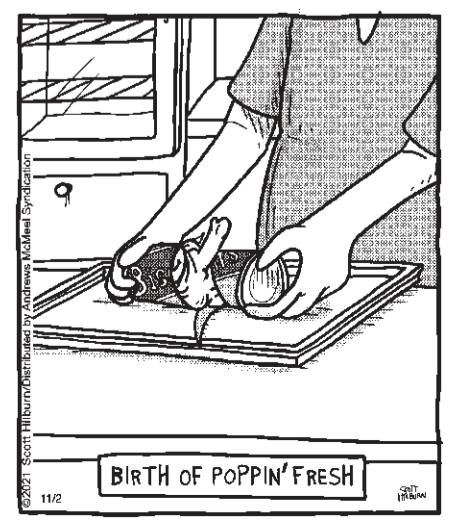
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Lea College was a '60s hit in Albert Lea

Fifty years ago, at a time when Rochester was pining after a fully fledged four-year college that would have dorms, fraternities, a football team and all the trimmings, Albert Lea had exactly that combination.

Lea College, which was founded in 1966, was located in five buildings in three locations in Albert Lea, including on a purpose-built 800-acre campus west of the city. There were fraternities and student clubs, a chorus, a jazz band and a school newspaper, the *Lancet*. The Lea College Lancers football team went 5-1-1 in its inaugural 1966 season.

Those were flush times for higher education, with the postwar baby boom generation heading off to college in unprecedented numbers. It was a great era in which to launch a new



THEN AND NOW
Thomas Weber

college. Until, that is, the bills came due.

Lea College was one of the satellite schools of Parsons College, which was located in Fairfield, Iowa. Parsons was founded in 1874, and was a relatively run-of-the-mill, small, Midwestern college for the next 80 years. But in 1955, Millard G. Roberts was appointed president of Parsons, and over the next decade enrollment jumped from 357 students to 5,000 students in 1966.

How did Roberts do it? He put in place the "Parsons Plan," an innovative and controversial roadmap

for the future of higher education, including trimesters, different tiers of tuition, and acceptance of students who had dropped out of other schools.

"The Wizard of Flunk Out U," Roberts was called in a 1966 *Life* magazine feature. By that time, the Parsons Plan had been put in place at several satellite schools, including Pershing College in Nebraska, Charles City College in Charles City, Iowa, the College of Artesia in New Mexico and Lea College in Albert Lea.

Lea College students were housed in a former downtown hotel converted to a dorm for 500 students and included a dining hall and bookstore. Administrative offices were four blocks away in a former dairy building.

But the gem of Lea College was the new



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"The Barn" was the student center at Lea College in Albert Lea in 1966.

Lake Chapeau campus, where a fieldhouse, dorm complex and "the Barn," a student center, were located. The college sponsored intercollegiate football, basketball, baseball, wrestling and track, as well as intramurals. Extracurriculars featured a strong emphasis on the arts.

In other words, Lea College appeared to be exactly what many communities, including Rochester, would have liked to have had in their backyard.

But when something appears to be too good to be true, it usually is. By 1967, Parsons College's debt had reached \$14 million, and the school's

academic accreditation was revoked. Roberts was asked to resign.

The satellite schools left the Parsons orbit, but they too quickly ran into financial issues. Lea College hung on until forced to close in 1973.

As for the Chapeau Lake campus of Lea College, visitors to the area west of Albert Lea will find most of it intact. The former fieldhouse is now Albert Lea City Arena, the dorm complex is now a condominium building, and the Barn is a wedding venue and meeting hall.

One of the more successful parts of the whole endeavor might have been Lea's football team, which had a winning record of 27-22-1 in its six seasons of play.

Thomas Weber is a former Post Bulletin reporter who enjoys writing about local history.

The number you are calling has been changed

Prior to World War II, any local phone call in Rochester could be completed by dialing a simple four-digit number. After the war, when the number of phones topped 10,000, Northwestern Bell added the prefix 9 to all new phone numbers.

All of that changed early in the morning of July 7, 1957, when Northwestern Bell converted to a two-letter, five-figure numbering system. This step would prepare Rochester for a future direct dialing



LENS ON HISTORY
Lee Hilgendorf

long-distance service that allowed customers to call any telephone, anywhere in North America, without a human operator's assistance.

To make the new phone numbers easier to remember, the first two letters of the word Atlas

were used as a memory device. For example, if you were calling ATlas2-4958, just dial the letter "A," then the letter "T," followed by the last five digits.

Rochester was divided into two exchanges, ATlas2 for the earlier phones and ATlas9 for the later numbers. Today, those exchanges are commonly known as 282 and 289.

"Lens on History" is a weekly photo feature by Lee Hilgendorf, a volunteer at the History Center of Olmsted County.



Beginning in July 1957, callers on "princess" phones as well as all other phones were required to dial seven digits.

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AMISH KITCHEN

No buggy keeps Lovina, Joe at home

BY LOVINA EICHER
Special to the Post Bulletin

Daughter Loretta and Dustin have been married a month on Monday. Where does the time go? Do we take enough time out of our busy lives to thank God for all the blessings we have? When our lives don't go as we expect, it is so easy to give up. We need to take life one day at a time and remember that God will help us through the hard trials.

Sister Emma and I spent a day with sister Verena last week. We washed her bedroom walls, ceiling, window and furniture. We emptied sister Susan's desk and dresser and packed some of her clothes in totes for now. This was a hard job to do. It makes it so final. Susan collected a lot of things through the years, so we have lots more to sort through. But we made a start at least.

The physical work wasn't what was hard. It was the going through

a loved one's belongings and knowing they won't need them anymore. It made me think that the only thing I can take with me one day are my children. Let us spend time with our family while we still have each other.

Yesterday daughter Verena hosted a Pampered Chef bridal shower for daughter Loretta which was held here. It was a very good turnout, and Loretta was able to choose lots of items for her kitchen. The consultant made a chicken club ring and chicken salad. I made a tater tot casserole and potato salad. My daughters and sister and her daughters all brought desserts and snacks, so we had a nice meal to enjoy after the party.

Sister Verena had been staying with us since Sunday. She went home with sister Emma. Emma had supper brought in last night from our bishop, ministers and deacon and their families. She

wanted us to come, but it is not so easy to leave since we don't have our buggy. The boys use our other buggy, and Benjamin has one he bought. We need to go look for another one since our's was demolished in the storm in August. We do have an old buggy here that they use to train horses, but one door doesn't shut and with the cold weather, it's not fun to ride in. To think Joe and I both grew up with open buggies! I think we are spoiled now.

Today daughter Elizabeth goes on a field trip with granddaughter Abigail's class to a pumpkin patch, corn maze and petting farm. Daughters Susan and Verena will have her other two children, T.J. and Allison, at their house for the day. Abigail is so excited to have her mother come to school with her.

Saturday we travel to Berne, Ind., to attend my family gathering at sister-in-law Nancy's house. It is right on

Chicken Club Brunch Ring

- 1 cup mayonnaise
- 2 tablespoons mustard
- 2 tablespoons fresh parsley, snipped
- 1 tablespoon onion, finely chopped
- 1 (10-ounce) can chunk white chicken, drained and flaked
- 1 pound bacon slices, crisply cooked and chopped
- 2 (8-ounce packages) refrigerated crescent rolls
- 1 cup (4 ounces) finely shredded Swiss cheese, divided
- 2 plum tomatoes, thinly sliced
- 1 medium red bell pepper
- 2 cups lettuce, shredded

Preheat oven to 375 degrees. In a bowl, combine mayonnaise, mustard, parsley, and onion; mix well. In another bowl, put in flaked chicken, bacon, 3/4 cup cheese and 1/3 cup of mayonnaise mixture; mix well. Unroll crescent dough and separate into 16 triangles. Arrange triangles in a circle on a 13-inch round baking stone (or other round pan) with wide ends of triangles overlapping in the center and points toward the outside. There should be a 5-inch diameter opening in center of stone. Using a medium scoop, divide the chicken mixture evenly onto the widest end of each triangle. Bring the outside points of the triangles up over filling and tuck under the wide ends of dough at center of ring. The filling will not be completely covered. Cut tomato slices in half and place a tomato half over the filling in between the openings of the ring. Bake 20 to 25 minutes or until a deep golden brown. Remove from the oven immediately and sprinkle with remaining 1/4 cup cheese. Cut top of bell pepper off. Remove membranes and seeds. Fill bottom part of pepper with the remaining mayonnaise mixture and place in center of ring. Arrange lettuce around pepper. Slice and serve.

brother Amos's 60th birthday. He will be greatly missed, as will all the other loved ones who have gone on before us.

Lovina Eicher is an Old Order Amish writer, cook, wife, and mother of eight. Readers can write to her at PO Box 1689, South Holland, IL 60473 (please include a self-ad-

dressed, stamped envelope for a reply); or email Lovina-sAmishKitchen@MennoMedia.org and your message will be passed on to her.

Keeping your home safe while traveling

Dear Readers: The holidays are coming up, and now that COVID-19 restrictions are easing, you might be able to travel to visit with family and friends. But don't assume that your home will be safe from possible criminal activity while you are gone. Here are steps you can take to protect it.

- Set automatic timers



HINTS FROM HELOISE

that turn lights on and off in several rooms at different times.

- Let your neighbors know that you are going to be away, so they

will be aware of any suspicious activity.

- Disconnect your automatic garage-door opener.
- Park a car halfway up the driveway to block the garage door.
- Stop mail delivery if you will be gone for a long time.

— Heloise

Dear Readers: Natural gas leaks do happen. Your home could be affected by

underground pipelines or damaged outdoor service lines, which could cause a leak in your home. Here's how to recognize a leak and what to do.

If you smell an awful rotten egg odor, hear a hissing sound or notice a dust cloud close to a gas line, get your family and pets together immediately and leave your home ASAP. Do not call anyone from inside

your house (call for help as soon as you are safely outside) or go back in for any reason, until the gas company gives you the OK to do so. — Heloise

Dear Heloise: I love reading your column every morning in *The Washington Post*, so many helpful ideas! All the recycling suggestions, as well as many repurposing ideas on DIY sites, remind me of the old saying from

the Depression/World War II era: "Use it up, wear it out. Make it do, or do without." Good advice, then and now! — Fran Shaw

Send a money-saving or timesaving hint to Heloise, P.O. Box 795001, San Antonio, TX 78279-5001, or you can fax it to 1-210-HELOISE or email it to Heloise@Heloise.com.



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Sitting Bull great grandson Ernie LaPointe, left, sits next to South Dakota Rep. Tamara St. John, R-Sisseton, North Dakota Rep. Ruth Buffalo, D-Fargo, and then-U.S. Rep. Debra Haaland, D-New Mexico, at an event in Bismarck, North Dakota, June 23, 2019.

DNA hair test confirms SD man is Sitting Bull great-grandson

BY JEREMY FUGLEBERG
Post Bulletin

SIoux FALLS, S.D. — A DNA analysis of a tiny lock of hair from Sitting Bull has definitively identified a living descendent of the legendary Lakota chief: Ernie LaPointe of South Dakota.

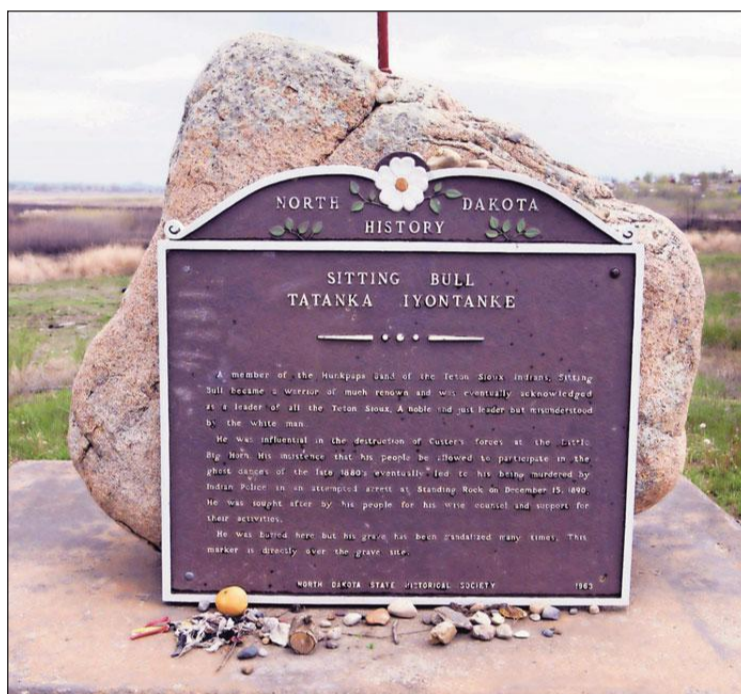
The news comes as no surprise to LaPointe, 73, who has long maintained he was Sitting Bull's great-grandson. But the research results give him and his family leverage to potentially remove disputed remains of their ancestor from a memorial site on the Standing Rock reservation near Mobridge, South Dakota. The site has no direct link to Sitting Bull.

"Over the years, many people have tried to question the relationship that I and my sisters have to Sitting Bull," LaPointe said in a news release.

LaPointe and his sisters said in 2007 they would seek to move Sitting Bull's remains to the Little Bighorn Battlefield National Monument in Montana, a move welcomed by the site's federal administrators.

Sitting Bull was a famed chief of the Lakota and a renowned military leader. He led an alliance of Indigenous warriors to victory over Lt. Col. George Armstrong Custer and his 7th Cavalry troops at the Battle of Little Bighorn, also known as the Battle of the Greasy Grass, in 1876.

Later forced onto what is now the Standing Rock Reservation, Sitting Bull was shot and killed in 1890 by police assigned to arrest him



Dave Wallis / The Forum

A monument notes the site of Sitting Bull's grave at Fort Yates, N.D.

by federal authorities. He was buried at Fort Yates, North Dakota.

There are multiple versions as to where his body is now. There have long been unconfirmed stories that followers spirited his remains away to Canada. In 1953, a group of businessmen from Mobridge, South Dakota, got the blessing of a Sitting Bull relative to move the chief's remains from the grave at Fort Yates.

Flouting state and federal authorities, they dug up the chief's bones and snuck them across the border, onto the South Dakota side of the Standing Rock Reservation. There, they buried them on

a Missouri River bluff near Mobridge, poured cement over the grave and erected a memorial. The site is maintained by a private foundation.

North Dakota officials have disputed that the South Dakotans actually retrieved the body of Sitting Bull, claiming they instead took the body of another man. People still visit both the Mobridge and Fort Yates burial sites.

The analysis of Sitting Bull's hair, published Thursday, Oct. 28, in the journal *Science Advances*, was done by a team of scientists led by professor Eske Willerslev of the University of Cambridge and Lundbeck Foundation



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Sitting Bull as photographed by David F. Barry, circa 1885.

GeoGenetics Centre, and funded by the Danish National Research Foundation.

"Sitting Bull has always been my hero, ever since I was a boy. I admire his courage and his drive. That's why I almost choked on my coffee when I read in a magazine in 2007 that the Smithsonian Museum had decided to return Sitting Bull's hair to Ernie LaPointe and his three sisters, in accordance with new U.S. legislation on the repatriation of museum objects," Willerslev said.

He contacted LaPointe, explained his work to analyze ancient DNA and asked to compare the DNA of LaPointe to some of the hair returned by the Smithsonian.

Using a novel approach, Willerslev and his team of researchers compared what's known as autosomal DNA, which can be extracted from genetic fragments and isn't

specific from either side of the subject's bloodline, unlike the more common DNA tests.

There was enough autosomal DNA in the lock of hair to compare with LaPointe's DNA, using a probabilistic method that examined its relationship to Sitting Bull's DNA versus samples from other, unrelated Lakota individuals who volunteered to participate in the research.

Willerslev said the technique could be used to investigate other cases where there is access to old human DNA usually considered too degraded to test, a not uncommon situation for historical figures.

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'Roboats' ready for testing on Amsterdam's canals

Inventors aim to improve city's transport options

BY TOBY STERLING
Reuters

AMSTERDAM - Visitors to Amsterdam may soon spot a self-driving watercraft the size of a small car cruising silently through its ancient canals, ferrying passengers or transporting goods or trash.

It will be the electric-powered "Roboat," a catchier name than "autonomous floating vehicle" for a project shortly due to start test journeys aimed at improving the crowded city's transport options.

"We have a lot of road traffic and congestion, e-commerce, logistics cluttering the small streets in the city," said Stephan van Dijk, Innovation Director at Amsterdam's Institute for Advanced Metropolitan Solutions, which is designing and engineering Roboat

with The Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT).

"At the same time we have a lot of open water available in the canals ... So we developed a self-driving, autonomous ship to help with logistics in the city and also bringing people around."

After four years of trials with smaller versions and refinements of the concept, the makers showed off the first two full-size, functional Roboats on Oct. 27.

One of the first test applications of the craft will be for an unglamorous but important task: trash collection.

The job is normally done by trucks, but they are a safety hazard on the city's narrow streets and cause traffic jams. Instead, Roboats stationed at the waterside will act as floating trash containers,



Piroschka van de Wouw / Reuters

Researchers trial autonomous boats Oct. 27 on Amsterdam's waterways in the Netherlands.

scouting back to base when they're full.

The city, which is backing the project, is considering locations for a trash collection pilot project starting early next year, Van Dijk said.

Roboats will need to be connected digitally to the city's water traffic management to avoid collisions, but Van Dijk

said one big advantage is that they don't require human drivers and "see" as well at night as during the day.

"So we can use also night-time to pick up waste and bring in construction materials into the city, while for instance leisure boating is more (active) during the day," he said, leading

to better distribution of water traffic.

Technical details of Roboat are at the project's website <https://roboat.org>, including its battery performance and wireless charging system.

Below the waterline, it works somewhat like an upside down air drone: two propellers, fore and

aft, and two thrusters on either side of the bow, allow it to maneuver nimbly, including smooth berthing that would put most human skippers to shame.

Laser imaging at the front, GPS systems on front and back, and multiple cameras on the sides help with positioning. Programming the Roboat is done from computers on shore.

It is not yet permitted to enter the city's normal water traffic with passengers. But longer term, the medium size and slightly boxy chassis of the 2,645 lb craft can be used for passenger, trash and transport models, and it was developed so that Roboats can link together.

Linking Roboats will open the door to more one-off uses, Van Dijk said, such as creating a floating concert platform, a temporary bridge, forming a barge, or, in sea-faring versions, to form a circle of Roboats to help contain an oil spill.



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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Opportunities

Call for walking-themed art. The Rochester Art Center seeks submissions of walking-based art projects for exhibition and programming that will run April 30 to Oct. 2, 2022. Submissions are due by Nov. 15 at rochesterartcenter.org. 12-15 projects will be selected.

Ongoing

“Sustenance,” Anderson Center Main Gallery, 163 Tower View Drive, Red Wing. 11 a.m. Five Minnesota artists explore food and the cultural identities behind what we eat in a group exhibition.

Anne George: Bite Down, Rochester Art Center, 30 Civic Center Drive SE, Rochester. 11 a.m. This exhibition explores how materials, form and image can speak of vulnerability and strength.

Katayoun Amjadi: The Names We Change, Rochester Art Center, 30 Civic Center Drive SE, Rochester. 11a.m. Solo exhibition by Katayoun Amjadi featuring installations and interactive artworks about naming, identity, otherness and community. The artist will both facilitate and record interviews of participants via Zoom. These video interviews will become part of future iterations.

Tuesday, Nov. 2

Sports and Recreation

Monthly Meetup: Hiking, Kings Bluff Trailhead at Great River Bluffs State Park, Winona. 4 p.m. Free to attend, all abilities welcome. Bring a water bottle and wear comfortable shoes.

Community

Candy Buyback, Family Dentist Tree, 1011 Bel Air Lane NW, Rochester. 7:30 a.m., Nov. 1-5. Receive \$1 cash per pound of candy, and cards available to sign to send a message to our troops. Prize awarded to the child that brings the most candy!

Wednesday, Nov. 3

Music

Live Music: Stacy Hughes, Blooming Grounds Coffee House, 50 E. Third St., Winona. 6 p.m.

Jazz Nights, No-Name Bar, 252 E 3rd St., Winona. 8 p.m. Performance by the Winona Jazz Collective followed by a jam session.

Sports and Recreation

Beer Bingo, Island City Brewing Company, 65 E Front St., Winona. 5:30 p.m. Free, one card per person. Message on Facebook to reserve seats.

Community

SPARK! Cultural Programming for Memory Loss, Minnesota Marine Art Museum, 800 Riverview Drive, Winona. 10:30 a.m. Free program designed for adults living with memory loss, Alzheimer’s and related dementias, and their care partners. 507-474-6626 to register.

Thursday, Nov. 4

Music

Open MIC Thursday, High Court Pub, 109 Parkway Ave. N, Lanesboro. 5:30 p.m. Scheduled rain or shine, on the River Deck when weather permits. Come to listen or play.

Charlie Parr with Clay Fulton & The Lost Forty, Castle Community, 121 N. Broadway, Rochester. 7 p.m. Proof of completed COVID-19 vaccination (at least two weeks after final dose) or a negative test within 72 hours prior to the show will be required to enter. Masks are highly recommended for all while inside the Castle.

Community

From Killer Robots to Life-Saving Scans: An Introduction to the Ethics of Artificial Intelligences, Rochester Community and Technical College at Heintz Center, 1926 College View Road SE, Rochester. 7 p.m. Free and open to the public. All attendees must wear face coverings and adhere to applicable COVID-19 safety procedures.

Friday, Nov. 5

Music

Brent & Sheena, Forager Brewery, 1005 Sixth St. NW, Rochester. 7 p.m.

Featured Events

Saturday, Nov. 6

Six Mile Grove, Olde Pine Theatre, 113 Second St. SW, Pine Island. 7:30 p.m. Celebrating 20 years together and a reputation as one of Minnesota’s most beloved and enduring bands, Six Mile Grove released their seventh studio album, *Million Birds*, in January 2019—a year that included gigs all over the Midwest as well as featured appearances at the Minnesota State Fair and on *The Current’s* *Radio Heartland*. \$20-25, www.oldepinetheatre.com.

Live Music: Milana Shira, Blooming Grounds Coffee House, 50 E Third St., Winona. 7 p.m. Singer-songwriter with a Folk/Country/Pop-eclectic style. She jams on her guitar to original pieces while mixing in some covers.

Chris Young, Mayo Civic Center, 30 Civic Center Drive, Rochester. 7:30 p.m.

First Fridays with DJ Rhumpshaker, No-Name Bar, 252 E Third St., Winona. 9 p.m. It’s time to dance.

Theater and Entertainment

Books in the Barn: Layli Long Soldier, 163 Tower View Drive, Red Wing. 7 p.m. Oglala Lakota poet, writer, feminist, artist, and activist.

An Evening With C.S. Lewis, Mayo Civic Center, 30 Civic Center Drive, Rochester. 8 p.m.

Community

Celebrate Recovery, Autumn Ridge Church, 3611 Salem Road SW, Rochester. 6:30 p.m. Celebrate Recovery is a faith-based, 12-step recovery program for anyone in the community over age 18 who struggles with hurt, pain, family issues, or addiction of any kind. Meets every Friday evening throughout the year at Autumn Ridge Church, with a 6:30 p.m. Large Group Celebration with recovery teachings, testimonies, and worship, and 7:30 p.m. men’s and women’s issue-specific Open Share Groups, concluding with a coffeehouse time at 8:30 p.m. See <https://autumnridgechurch.org/cr/> or 507-288-8880.

Saturday, Nov. 6

Music

Live Music: Frankly My Dears, Flutistry, and Friends, Winona Arts Center, 228 E Fifth St., Winona. 7 p.m. Woodwind quintet and flute choir. The program will feature works by female composers. Ticket price is \$8 in advance at Eventbrite and Hardt’s Music, or \$10 at the door.

Theater and Entertainment

Bill Engvall—Here’s Your Sign Farewell Tour, Treasure Island Resort & Casino, 5734 Sturgeon Lake Road, Welch. 8 p.m.

Food and Drink

Masons Pancake Breakfast, Mason Lodge, 210 S. Mill St., Rushford. 8 a.m.

Sunday, Nov. 7

Theater and Entertainment

Nate Bargatze: The Raincheck Tour, Mayo Civic Center, 30 Civic Center Drive, Rochester. 7 p.m.

Sports and Recreation

Game Time, North Star Bar, 503 N. Broadway, Rochester. Free purple shot every time the Vikings score a touchdown.

Monday, Nov. 8

Community

Homeschooling 101, Harvest Church, 3342 19th St. NW, Rochester. 6:30 p.m. Six-part series on homeschool basics.

Tuesday, Nov. 9

Art

Toddler Tuesday, Minnesota Marine Art Museum, 800 Riverview Drive, Winona. 10:30 a.m. Toddlers are charged \$2 each (under 1 year is free), but parents and chaperones are admitted free.

This is the last print calendar in the Post-Bulletin! You can still see all the events at postbulletin.com/calendar going forward.

ODDS ‘N’ ENDS



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Pick up that pen

Rochester author Kevin Strauss thinks you have a story to tell. Participants in this online workshop will get a crash course in fiction writing basics, including poetry, flash fiction, and short stories.

What: Introduction to Creative Writing

When: 7-8:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 2

Where: Online, hosted by the Rochester Public Library

Cost: Free, register at <https://naturestory.com>



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Morgan Taylor emcees Dragagonza as part of Rochester Pridefest July 21, 2017, at the Rochester International Event Center in Rochester.

It’ll be quite the show

The Rochester Girls, Inc. are back with “Let the Music Play,” a song-filled celebration with their fans. Bring plenty of singles. 18 and older only.

What: “Let the Music Play”

When: 7:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 5

Where: Rochester International Event Center, 7333 Airport View Drive SW, Rochester

Cost: \$10, eventbrite.com, or limited front door tickets for \$15



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Tundra swans.

See some foul-tempered fowl

Join a Whitewater caravan to view tundra swans during their migration to Chesapeake Bay – from a long distance away. Hey, at least they’re pretty.

What: Tundra Swan Field Trip

When: 10 a.m.-12 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6

Where: Whitewater State Park, 19041 Minnesota Highway 74, Altura

Cost: Free, call 507-312-2301 to register.



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Carrie Robinson-Cannon talks about Po Shu Wang’s tapered arch sculpture on a public art walking tour Sept. 20, 2020, in Rochester.

Appreciate public art

Every Sunday, Rochester Art Center docent Carrie Robinson-Cannon leads small groups around the public art pieces in downtown Rochester. Meet her at the outdoor entrance to the art center and get ready for about a mile-long walk.

What: Public Art Walking Tour

When: 1-2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 7

Where: Rochester Art Center, 30 Civic Center Drive SE, Rochester

Cost: Free, \$5-15 donation suggested.

THIS WEEK IN THEATER

Shows

“Come Back,” Commonwealth Theatre Company, 208 Parkway Ave. N., Lanesboro. 7:30 p.m. Nov. 4-7. Sky is stunned to learn he is the sole beneficiary of his best friend Erin’s estate. But there’s a catch: Sky must conquer his paralyzing anxiety and criss-cross the country in search of the perfect way to dispose of his friend’s remains. commonwealththeatre.org, 507-467-2525.

Theater: “The 39 Steps,” Saint Mary’s University of Minnesota, 700 Terrace Heights, Winona. 7:30 p.m.

Nov. 4-6. A man with a boring life meets a woman with a thick accent who says she’s a spy. When he takes her home, she is murdered. Soon, a mysterious organization called “The 39 Steps” is hot on the man’s trail in a nationwide manhunt that climaxes in a death-defying finale.

“Stronger Together,” Rochester Civic Theatre, 30 Civic Center Drive SE, Rochester. 7 p.m. Nov. 6. Original dance production featuring interactive 3D media. \$18, www.onthestage.tickets/show/rochester-civic-theatre.

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Jupiter's Great Red Spot storm is deeper than expected

BY WILL DUNHAM
Reuters

WASHINGTON - Data from NASA's Juno spacecraft is providing a deeper understanding of Jupiter's wondrous and violent atmosphere including its Great Red Spot, finding that this immense swirling storm extends much further down than expected.

Researchers said on Thursday the Great Red Spot plunges between roughly 200 to 300 miles below the cloud tops on Jupiter, based on microwave and gravity measurements obtained by Juno.

The data is giving scientists studying the solar system's largest planet - so big that 1,000 Earths could fit inside it - a three-dimensional account of Jupiter's atmosphere.

The planet, known as a gas giant, is composed primarily of hydrogen and helium, with traces of other gases. Stripes and a few storms like the Great Red Spot dominate the colorful appearance of Jupiter, the fifth planet from the sun with a diameter of about 88,850 miles.

The Great Red Spot is a storm roughly 10,000 miles wide churning in Jupiter's southern hemisphere, boasting crimson-

colored clouds that spin counterclockwise at high speeds. It is one of the marvels of the solar system and has been in existence for centuries, but scientists until now have had little understanding of what lies below its surface.

"From a scientific point of view, it's puzzling how the storm can last so long and be so big," said Scott Bolton, principal investigator of the Juno mission at the Southwest Research Institute in Texas and lead author on one of two Jupiter studies published in the journal Science on Thursday.

"It is wide enough to swallow the Earth," added Marzia Parisi, a Juno scientist from NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory in California and lead author of the second study.

An instrument called a microwave radiometer enabled scientists to peer beneath Jupiter's cloud tops and investigate the structure of its numerous vortex storms including the Great Red Spot, showing that they exist very deep in Jupiter's atmosphere - much deeper than expected.

Rather than being confined to the uppermost parts of Jupiter's atmosphere,

the Great Red Spot's roots plunge to regions beyond where water condenses and clouds form - and below where any sunlight reaches.

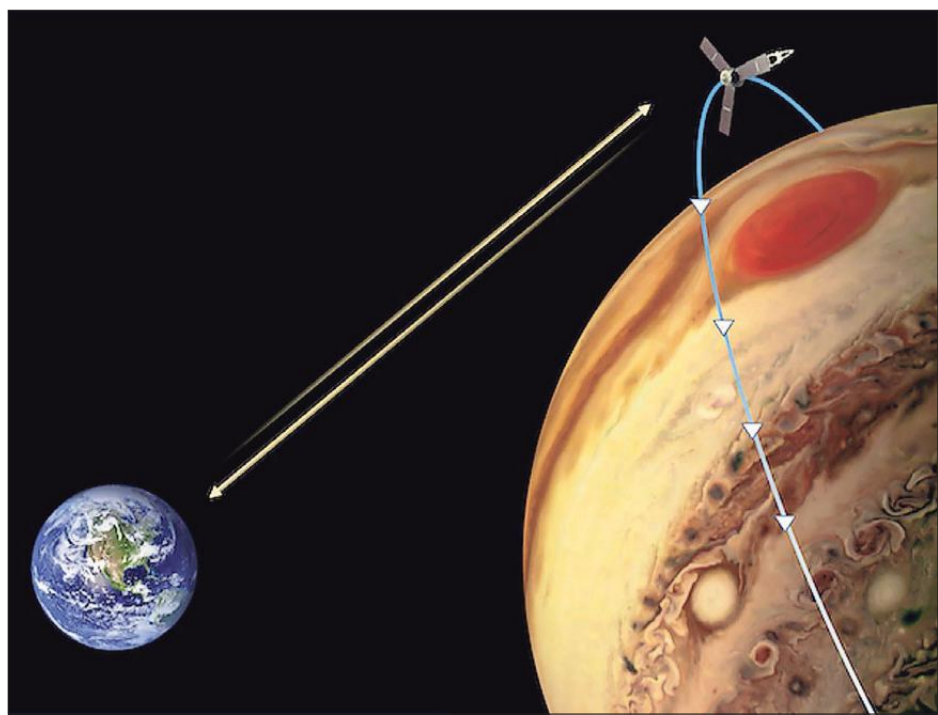
Juno data previously showed that jet streams in Jupiter's atmosphere reach down even further, to depths of about 2,000 miles.

Assumptions based on how Earth's atmosphere behaves, as well as models produced over past few decades, had given the impression that the Great Red Spot was a relatively shallow storm, Bolton said.

"Jupiter works in this mysterious way that we're sort of revealing for the first time - because this is the first mission that's been able to look inside the planet," Bolton added. "And we're seeing surprises."

Jupiter and Earth are vastly different worlds, and not just in terms of size. Earth is a rocky place. Jupiter lacks a solid surface though it may have a solid inner core.

Juno has been orbiting Jupiter since 2016, obtaining information about its atmosphere, interior structure, internal magnetic field and the region around it created by its internal magnetism. Juno also



NASA / JPL-Caltech / SwRI / Handout via Reuters

This representation depicts how NASA's Juno mission obtained gravity science data of Jupiter's Great Red Spot in this handout provided by NASA.

is due to fly by Jupiter's large moons Europa and Io and explore the small rings around the planet.

The Great Red Spot has evolved in shape over time and there are indications that it may be shrinking in size.

"It's the biggest storm in the entire solar system. There isn't anything else like it," Bolton said. "The extremes are usually fascinating but they also create incredible beauty."

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Sunday, November 7 at 6:00 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.

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Dave Ramsey

Boyfriend needs to address issues

Dear Dave – My boyfriend is not very good with money, and he is in a bad situation right now. He has a huge car payment every month, plus about \$30,000 in credit card debt. He also lives in a very expensive apartment. He recently quit a really good job because he doesn't like his boss anymore. He has talked about filing bankruptcy, and yesterday he asked if he could move in with me. I love him, but I'm also scared. I try to manage my money well by saving, investing for retirement and staying out of debt. What does this mean for our future together? – Crislyn

My guess is the guy's not really bankrupt, but it sounds like he has some maturity and character issues that need to be addressed. I'm not saying things can't change, but this is not someone to move in with or consider marrying anytime soon. You two would have a hard time as husband and wife unless he makes some real course corrections in his attitudes about money and life.

For starters, he needs to get another job, sell the expensive car and find a cheaper place to live. Leaving one position for another is OK, but deciding you just don't like something and walking away from it without another job waiting — especially when you've got bills and a bunch of debt — is just plain irresponsible.

Lots of people identify too strongly with what they drive or where they live. They come to believe those things are indications of their value or worth, and that's sad. It means something inside them is broken, and bankruptcy isn't going to fix that.

All this doesn't mean he isn't basically a decent guy, but it does mean he needs

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Theocles Herrin says he left his job at Mayo Clinic because "it was a miserable grind." He is among millions in the last year to leave their jobs according to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Calling it quits

Many people are leaving traditional jobs

BY JOHN MOLSEED
Post Bulletin

In mid-November last year, Theocles Herrin was getting ready for his annual review at Mayo Clinic.

Doing some mental preparation for the morning before the review, a thought popped into his head.

"I need to quit," he said, recalling the thought almost a year later.

Herrin, an associate health services analyst at Mayo Clinic, had been working from home since the COVID-19 pandemic reached Minnesota. He had started the job at age 22 in 2019, a few months after graduating from The College of William and Mary in Williamsburg, Va. with a degree in economics and a minor in music.

"It was a miserable grind," he said of working from home.

Before COVID, Herrin would spend his evenings and weekends playing or attending live music or playing soccer on a local club team.

"Without those things, I



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Benjamin Black said he walked off a retail job due to poor treatment by supervisors. The U.S. Bureau of Labor released a report last week that more than 4.3 million Americans left their jobs in August.

was just waking up, working, playing video games and going to bed," he said. "I felt like I wasn't doing anything to move my life forward."

Between playing shows before the pandemic, and not going to any shows during the pandemic, Herrin had a bit of money saved up. He decided to move to Charlottesville, Va., where his parents lived and see

if he could make a living playing music.

Herrin followed through with the thought and left Mayo. Herrin said his supervisor was understanding.

"I told him, if I didn't do this, I would regret it for the rest of my life," he said. "It's nothing against Mayo, I liked working there, but I'm just not cut out for a desk

job — especially a desk job at home."

A year later, Herrin is making a living performing music and teaching music through a nonprofit called Front Porch in Charlottesville.

"Knowing I'm paying rent, buying groceries for making the world a more musical place is beyond satisfying," he said. "I feel infinitely better."

Herrin is among millions in the last year who are voluntarily leaving their jobs across all sectors.

According to statistics released last week by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, a record 4.3 million people in the U.S. quit their jobs in August.

Herrin's experience fits a theory proposed by University of California Berkeley economist Ulrike Malmendier in a working paper that theorizes the pandemic and remote work have changed the way people view their lives and the world.

For Ben Black, 21, selling his art on his Etsy store will

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Rochester's Old Abe to 'adopt' doughnut maker



HEARD ON THE STREET
Jeff Kiger

A popular Med City spot for coffee and vegan fare is adopting another business to add doughnuts to its offerings.

Doughnut maker **Drift Dough** has operated off and on in Rochester at **Forager Brewery** at 1005 Sixth St. NW since 2018. In that time, its creative flavors, plus vegan and gluten-free choices, have made it one of Rochester's favorites for a sweet bite in the morning. That popularity quickly grew to mean that doughnut-seekers needed to get there early, before the shop sold out for the day.

A change in strategy at Forager is changing things for Drift Dough. Forager, owned by **Annie Henderson**, is transforming the space in the brewery where Drift Dough operated into Forager Cafe.

That has left the doughnut business, well, adrift.



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A variety of cake donuts from Drift Dough on May 14 in Rochester.

However, **Abe Sauer** of **Old Abe Coffee Co.** is throwing a doughnut-shaped life preserver to Drift Dough.

While there are still more details to be worked out, Sauer explained how the Drift Dough project came together.

"Drift Dough was facing a bit of a fork in the road. The founder has recently plunged into other retail business in his hometown of Decorah (Iowa) and Forager is looking to expand its offerings into the Forager Cafe concept. Drift

Dough was in danger of being orphaned," he wrote recently.

After the pandemic forced a temporary closure last year, Abe's coffee shop and cafe at 832 Seventh St. NW re-opened for the mornings. That created a way to merge the two businesses together.

"So, seeing as Drift Dough is largely mornings-only, this seemed like a good fit as we

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Drift Dough was chosen as one of Rochester Magazine's Best Restaurants in 2019.

Nearly 5% of unvaccinated adults quit their job due to opposition over vaccine mandates

BY BRANDON SAPIENZA
New York Daily News

As more workplaces initiate a vaccine mandate policy for employees, nearly 5% of unvaccinated workers have decided to quit their jobs in protest, a new survey by the Kaiser Family Foundation said.

The survey also found that one-quarter of workers said that their employer has mandate vaccination, a sharp rise from the 19 percent who said the same answer in September.

President Biden announced last month that all businesses with more than 100 employees

must require all workers to receive a COVID-19 vaccine or be subject to weekly testing. The new policy — which was put into the hands of the Occupational Safety and Health Administration — is still under review but could potentially cover over two-thirds of private businesses if implemented, NBC News reported.

According to the Kaiser survey, one-third of vaccinated workers that are still employed said they would rather quit their job instead of adhering to the federal mandates.

“Right now only a quarter of workers say that their employer has

required them to get a vaccine, so it’s still quite hypothetical for these workers who say they would leave their jobs,” said Lunna Lopes, a senior survey analyst at the Kaiser Family Foundation. She added that the results indicate “a sense of people’s attitudes” toward mandated action.

Many unions and private organizations have strongly warned the White House about the possible detrimental effects the vaccine and testing mandate could have on their businesses. The National Association of Manufacturers was among the organizations

that did so.

“At small facilities with barely more than 100 employees in particular, the departure of even one highly valued team member could lead to production challenges if not managed or planned appropriately,” wrote Robyn Boerstling, a lobbyist for the group last week. “For larger companies, even losing 1 percent of a production team could have operational consequences given the specialized nature of a skilled manufacturing worker.”

The Kaiser survey went on to say that 60% of unvaccinated workers



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In this file photo, people gather to protest mandate on COVID-19 vaccines at Southwest Airlines headquarters in Dallas on Oct. 18.

said they would seek a medical, religious or other type of exemption to avoid getting the vaccine.

“There’s a lot of options that people would try to exhaust before leaving a job,” said Lopes.

According to the

latest data from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, nearly 58% of the country is fully vaccinated, 70% of whom are adults.

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Newsom, Buttigieg announce \$5 billion in loans for California’s clogged ports

BY RUSS MITCHELL AND CHRIS MEGERIAN
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WASHINGTON — Not content to wait for Congress to pass a big infrastructure spending bill, California Gov. Gavin Newsom and Pete Buttigieg moved on Thursday to inject \$5 billion in loan money to help modernize that state’s seaports.

The money won’t help unclog the severe congestion that’s creating seaport chaos at present, but the two say that modernizing the ports and the truck and rail systems that serve them can prevent logistics nightmares in the future.

“Our supply chains are being put to the test, with unprecedented consumer demand and pandemic-driven disruptions combining with the results of decades-long underinvestment in our infrastructure,” said Buttigieg, the U.S. Secretary of Transportation.

“Today’s announcement marks an innovative partnership with California that will help modernize our infrastructure, confront climate change, speed the movement of goods and grow our economy.”

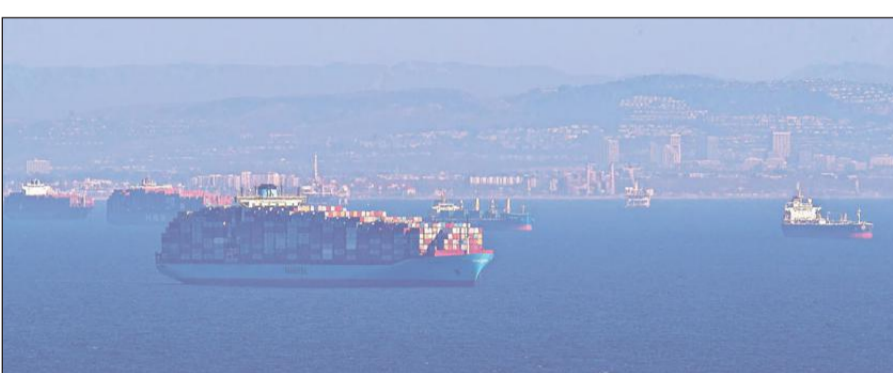
What the money would be spent on

remains vague. The California State Transportation Agency, also known as CalSTA, listed port upgrades, more freight rail capacity, increased warehouse storage, truck and rail electrification, highway upgrades and other general categories as possibilities.

At a news conference Thursday, John Pocari, President Biden’s point person for addressing supply chain problems, and CalSTA Secretary David S. Kim each likened the program to “a hunting license.”

The loan money would come from existing U.S. Department of Transportation programs that offer easy terms, including low rates of interest, loan guarantees, and long payback periods, as well as some state money and public-private financing.

CalSTA said the agreement “allows California to expedite work on a network of related projects — rather than using a piecemeal approach — that collectively will help grow the economy, improve the environment, facilitate the movement of imports and exports, and strengthen supply chain resilience throughout the U.S. and California’s



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Dozens of container ships sit off the ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach, waiting to be unloaded.

critical trade corridors, including around San Pedro Bay and the Inland Empire.”

No details were offered on what constitutes that network, nor was it clear how the loans will be dispersed, or to whom.

Earlier in October, Newsom ordered state agencies to develop longer-term proposals to support ports operations and movement of goods, to be considered for his January 2022 budget proposal.

This year, the state budget included \$250 million for ports, \$280 million for infrastructure projects at and around the Port of Oakland, and \$1.3 billion over three years for zero-emission transit buses, school buses and trucks, including more than 1,000 port drayage trucks.

The current logistics tie-ups aren’t unique to California. Ports around the world clogged as demand surged for shipped products over the past year, in large part due to the availability of COVID-19 vaccinations that pushed economic activity back toward normal.

But longer-term issues plaguing California ports threaten not just the state but the entire U.S. economy. The San Pedro Bay ports — Los Angeles and Long Beach — move about 40% of all containerized cargo entering the U.S. each year and about 30% of containerized exports.

The ports are under tremendous strain as overall container traffic in the nation’s largest ports has increased by 47% since 2010, according to Logistics Management magazine.

Meanwhile, delays at the ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach have been increasing at least since 2014, according to data from the Harbor Trucking Association.

California’s ports face increasing competition from southern and eastern U.S. ports, some of which are making big investments in port modernization, prompted by an expansion of the Panama Canal in 2016 that widened capacity and boosted import traffic from China and other Asian nations.

The Port of Houston recently widened its channels and added taller cranes, while adding new automation systems for routing containers and managing inventory.

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Kiger

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currently have a void there. DD did a lot of vegan donuts and that fits our existing menu. Plus donuts offer a great palate for creativity and eccentricity and that’s kind of our jam,” he wrote.

The plan is add Drift Dough into its own space within his coffee shop. However, the timing is up in the air due to waiting on the delivery of equipment, though the hope is to launch the new Drift Dough/Old Abe pairing in the very near future.

Sauer believes adding Drift Dough to the mix will benefit more than just his business. It will add a new flavor to Rochester’s **Cooke Park Arts District**, where his shop is located.

“Moreover, donuts/coffee further expands our vision of helping the Cooke Park block become a walkable, vibrant area with a large variety of convenient activities for all ages. Grab donuts and hit the playground. Or come off the creek path and stop in for donuts and beer,” he wrote.

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Dave

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to get control of his finances — and that he’s got some soul searching and growing up to do.

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Amazon profit plunges 50% year over year

BY KATHERINE ANNE LONG
The Seattle Times

Amazon’s profit in the third quarter of this year fell by nearly 50% compared with the same period in 2020, to \$3.2 billion, driven by higher wage and shipping costs as well as a massive warehousing expansion to meet sustained demand for online shopping.

At a cost of billions, the company has nearly doubled the size of its fulfillment network since the start of the pandemic, Amazon Chief Financial Officer Brian Olsavsky said. For the first time since the pandemic began, he added, “we are no longer capacity-constrained in our physical network.”

Now, supply chain blockages and the nationwide shortage of workers willing to fill lower-wage, hourly positions in sectors like retail and warehousing shortages are Amazon’s primary pressure points, Olsavsky said. Wage hikes and lost productivity cost Amazon an additional \$2 billion between July and September.

The company chose to absorb those costs, and will continue to spend big on recruiting and shipping, he said, in order to continue to serve customers — a callback to Amazon founder Jeff Bezos’s longstanding insistence on pursuing growth over profit.

Amazon anticipates spending an additional

\$4 billion in the last three months of this year on inducements to attract new warehouse employees and workarounds to the global shipping snarl, Olsavsky added.

“It’ll be expensive for us in the short term, but it’s the right prioritization for our customers and partners,” Amazon CEO Andy Jassy said in a statement.

The company may not turn a profit next quarter, Amazon warned, issuing guidance that it expects operating income to be between \$0 and \$3 billion in the last three months of the year.

Amazon charted earnings per share of \$6.12, underperforming analysts’ expectations

of \$8.92, according to analysts surveyed by Refinitiv.

Sales are holding steady, however, indicating sustained demand for e-commerce, as well as strong growth in the company’s cloud-computing and advertising segments.

The commerce giant clocked \$110 billion in quarterly revenue last quarter, a 15% increase over the same time last year, and in line with analysts’ expectations. Sales of Amazon Web Services, the company’s cloud-computing division, were up 39% year over year. In Amazon’s “other” category, which includes advertising, sales rose 49% year over year.

Amazon said earlier this month that it plans

to hire 150,000 seasonal U.S. workers to meet the holiday rush. The company has been dangling lucrative freebies in front of prospective workers, including signing bonuses of up to \$3,000, free tuition for college and technical programs, and wages topping \$20 an hour in some locations.

Those benefits seem to be working to attract new hires, Olsavsky said. The company added 133,000 employees in the past three months, indicating, he said, that “in a competitive market for labor, we’re getting more than our share.”

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Jobs

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bring in a bit of income after walking off his retail job earlier this week.

“It just felt like a huge weight was lifted off my shoulders,” he said.

However, art wasn’t his main motivation for leaving a big-box retailer position. He said treatment by

supervisors on the job was his catalyst for leaving.

After a year of being called a “hero,” he said, it’s back to not being treated well.

Black said walking off the job was the only

stand he could take and that since August, he saw at least a dozen others leave the store where he worked.

Black said he doesn’t think the trend of people stepping away from their jobs will

change until employers change.

“I don’t think it will change until employers start treating their employees like human being,” he said. “We’re not robots.”

Opinion

Online, women have to be tough, starting as teens

When I was, like, 17, I didn't eat for three solid days. Ten pounds had to go — immediately. The period of starvation crowded out every other thought in my head. Of course, I lost weight, though it was mostly water. Of course, I gained it back.

My point is that teenage girls' angst over body image long preceded Instagram, the photo- and video-sharing app now being blamed for a spike in eating disorders. So it's hard to assess findings in a study in which 32% of teen girls said when they felt bad about their bodies, "Instagram made them feel worse." Instagram is owned by Facebook.

Young women still see dog-eared copies of Teen Vogue and InStyle at their hair place. They, too, feature pictures of the anorexic stars in bikinis — many digitally touched up as Instagram lets its users do. Ask today's teen



FROMA HARROP

girls whether photos of rake-thin model Gigi Hadid make them feel worse about their bodies. They might well say yes.

Which leads one to wonder exactly how much an apparent rise in teenage girls' emotional distress has been fostered by Instagram. A lot, according to The Wall Street Journal.

Unlike the wildly popular TikTok, which emphasizes performance, Instagram puts the focus on faces, bodies and lifestyle. That invites waves of "negative social comparison" with friends and acquaintances contributing to one's internal turmoil.

In any event, Facebook is worried about the fierce competition for its Instagram audience. Over 40% of Instagram users are 22 or younger. They haven't been "aging" up to Facebook, now the province of older people. The report finds that young adults consider Facebook's content as "negative, fake and misleading." (Where else have we heard that?)

The problem of teens suffering social distress via Instagram could be assigned to most everyone on any social media. Facebook CEO Mark Zuckerberg likes to talk about the positive mental benefits — the connecting with others — that social media offers. But what kind of connections are these platforms promoting and, more to the point, replacing? While social media apps promote shallow relationships, more seriously, they crowd out opportunities for real intimacy.

I know two wonderful women pained by serious depression and racked by self-doubt. They're on Facebook all the time, posting several times a day about their allegedly carefree lives and happy marriages and, in the case of one, flawless children.

I love them both but know they are hiding their realities. All their "friends" see, however, is the phony facade, and then they wonder why they, too, aren't having a grand time.

When these women and I speak one on one, it's an entirely different conversation. We share our fears and often laugh about them. Rather than respond to a Facebook post with a fake-sweet comment ("Looks like you're having so much fun"), a real friend hearing about an insecurity might respond ("I know how you feel").

It almost doesn't matter what is said in such conversations. It's the

sympathetic voice that offers comfort. This is the kind of interaction possible only with honest back-and-forth.

Despite my three foodless days — and some subsequent fad diets — I never developed a full-blown eating disorder. Had I been on Instagram, I doubt things would have gone otherwise.

Anyone on social media, or a simple email account, can be subjected to bullying and cruel comments, many of them anonymously sent by cowards. Women are favored targets for crude remarks.

That's a simple given of the digital age. Teenage girls would be advised to reassess what apps they use. Meanwhile, all sensitive women who insist on living online must toughen up. Adolescence would be the right place to start.

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Rampant online cheating is dark side of remote learning

BY KAREN SYMMS GALLAGHER
Los Angeles Times

Since there seems to be an app for everything, it may come as no surprise that there is an app for cheating. But it isn't just one app. It's hundreds of companies and apps that actually can be used to complete students' homework, tests, writing assignments and even dissertations and exams.

But what surprised me most as an educator playing this cat-and-mouse game for decades is that cheating is now scaled and outsourced internationally and powered by venture capitalists, Wall Street investors and billion-dollar companies. One of the biggest companies whose services enable students to cheat, Chegg, is facing a lawsuit filed in September by major textbook company Pearson.

Companies such as Chegg and Course Hero offer monthly subscription formats — similar to Netflix — in which students pay \$10 or \$15 a month for round-the-clock access to resources including exam questions, textbook solutions and homework "help," meaning that subscribers can upload a problem to their accounts and expect answers with proof within minutes or the hour. They also get on-demand access to many experts, often based overseas (Chegg employs more than 70,000 experts in India), with advanced degrees in math, science, engineering, technology, business, economics and other subjects. These experts, available online 24/7, are the source of step-by-step answers.

Companies such as Grade Bees and EduBirdie will even write your five-page reflective paper or 25-page essay, as original work, for varied prices. English-speaking writers from around the world are for hire, in some cases within days or even hours. Some sites and guides let the student know that their relationship will be closely guarded, and no, the student's professor should not be able to find out, at least not under the right precautions.

Cheating is so rampant that Stanford University's Graduate Student Council recently announced it had approved revisions to its academic honor code to allow test proctoring. If the changes go through, they will represent the first revision to the code since 1977, according to the student newspaper. Reported honor code violations there went up 114% in the last two years.

Multiple news stories have chronicled widespread cheating in colleges and universities, particularly in the STEM fields. This year, stories in Forbes, The Wall Street Journal and U.K. publications including Education Technology have spotlighted the growth and profits of public companies such as Chegg.

Chegg reported 4.9 million subscribers as of the end of June, a 31% year-over-year increase, and \$198.5 million in quarterly revenue, also a 30% year-over-year increase. Among its many services is a way

for cheaters to leap over the hurdle of problem-solving questions, in which students are asked to show how they got their answers. Chegg's experts on demand can personally answer the subscriber's unique test or homework question.

As an unintended consequence of technology allowing remote learning and exams, students are finding more and more online venues allowing them to earn grades and diplomas by cheating.

How do we curb this global supply chain of cheating and its threat to the integrity of our students and educational systems?

The answer depends on the motivation behind the decision to cheat. Some students don't think of it as cheating, as they are paying a legit company for the service; many feel pressured to get the grades and so justify the means. Other students may use these services to make up for the learning lost when in-person teaching was halted during the pandemic.

Many students who are cheating dodge academic consequences, as there are few technology solutions to capture original answers provided by experts, and plagiarism-catching software can't detect original work bought and paid for by these students.

However, in 2020, Australian lawmakers made it illegal to arrange or advertise for sale certain cheating services such as paid essay writing. Did it have an effect? According to Forbes contributing writer Derek Newton, many of the biggest and best-known essay mills are ending operations there. But even then, fear of getting caught is probably not enough motivation to stop all cheating students.

Another action that should be aimed at contract cheating companies is getting Visa and PayPal to stop acting as payment intermediaries for them. And professors and their universities could join the Pearson lawsuit, though that may be a step too far for most risk-averse institutions of higher education.

Countering this cheating requires a coordinated effort by educational institutions and their accreditors, with accreditation agencies possibly changing online professional entrance exams to prevent cheating. Fields such as engineering, science and nursing will lose in the long run if newly minted students cheat their way into the professions.

Indeed, our society loses the most from this cheating in plain sight. Cheating corrupts the individual who cheats, yes, but it also erodes the faith we have in our educational system, its honest graduates and the people we depend on to build tech that truly serves human interaction, decision making and achievement.

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US economy is better than it looks

BY KARL W. SMITH
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The U.S. economy was weaker than expected in the third quarter, which is bad news for any American whose livelihood depends on strong economic growth and especially disappointing for the White House, which is struggling to reassure voters about the state of the economy amid rising prices and a historic supply crunch. Overall growth in the third quarter was 2%, a fair step down from rates of 4.5% and 6.7% the U.S. economy logged in the first and second quarters.

On closer inspection, however, the report looks a lot better.

For starters, the federal government's most comprehensive measure of economy-wide demand, something called final sales to domestic purchasers, rose roughly 6.6%. Notably, it's almost perfectly on track with the pre-pandemic trend. This measure, unlike the headline GDP number, isn't adjusted for inflation. So it's indicating that businesses, consumers and the government spent more, but they took home fewer goods and services because of higher prices.

Moreover, the lion's share of the decline in real purchases is exactly where it would be expected: the automobile sector. The decline in sales of motor vehicles and parts alone chopped 2.7 points off gross domestic product. This suggests that, absent the chip shortage that continues to plague the auto industry, the economy would have registered annual growth of 4.7% in the third quarter — roughly in line with its pace earlier this year.

Meanwhile, household consumption of services continued to rebound, adding 3.6 points to real GDP, compared with 2.1 and 5.4 in the first two

quarters of the year. That suggests the economy is continuing to rebalance from the lockdowns of last winter and spring, which caused a collapse in the service sector and a corresponding explosion in the consumption of goods.

Perhaps most important, compensation of employees at private businesses grew at a robust 9.2%, easily outpacing the rise in inflation. Remarkably, compensation is slightly above its pre-pandemic trend. As long as that's the case, the outlook for growth will continue to be positive.

Finally, producer inventories continued to fall, as they have all year, indicating that pent-up demand is accumulating among businesses as well as consumers. This factor will help propel economic growth into next year and beyond.

Taken as a whole, then, the report is a sign that stagflation — negative real growth combined with high inflation — is not in the cards. For that to happen, there would have to be rising prices alongside static or declining spending power. That's the opposite of what this report shows.

Yes, real GDP growth slowed dramatically in the third quarter. But the gap is more than accounted for by the supply crunch in automobiles. At the same time, consumers and businesses are in the process of rebalancing from goods to services, causing some supply-chain bottlenecks. As soon as those are cleared, the U.S. economy will be poised to return to higher growth.

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Climate change is real. But it's not always a factor

BY GEORGE SKELTON
Los Angeles Times

SACRAMENTO, CALIF. Climate change is distressingly real. But it's not behind all major weather events

It rained so hard in California in 1862 that a 300-mile-long lake was created in the Central Valley, stretching from Bakersfield to Red Bluff.

Yes, literally. Leland Stanford needed a rowboat to carry him over Sacramento's flooded streets to be sworn in as the new governor.

No, I didn't cover it. It was the largest flood in the recorded history of California, Nevada and Oregon. Over 43 days, the equivalent of 10 feet of water — rain and snow — was dumped on California. At least 4,000 people were killed.

It became known as the Great Flood of 1862.

A few years earlier, in 1846, a rare late October monster snowstorm socked the region around what later was named Lake Tahoe, leading to one of the ugliest chapters in California history.

A wagon train of California-bound Midwesterners was trapped by deep snow below the Sierra crest,

at what became known as Donner Lake, named after one of the party's leaders. Only 48 of the 87-member Donner Party survived the nearly four months of starvation, sickness and alpine cold.

The Donner Party earned a place in history for heroic perseverance. But it became best known for some starving survivors' resorting to cannibalism, eating the corpses of those who perished.

OK, so what do these two disasters have to do with anything today? There's one common thread between them that's relevant: No one blamed the freak storms on climate change.

They occurred long before anyone was burning fossil fuel in automobiles and warming the planet. They happened simply because of the nature of nature.

You don't have to be a climate change denier to recognize and acknowledge history.

Yes, climate change is distressingly real. The melting Arctic ice cap and rising seas are evidence enough. So are higher average summer temperatures. The warming is exacerbated by humans burning fossil fuels.

That doesn't mean

“California has lots of extremes. We've always had more wet years and drier years than any part of the country. Every year at this time we're managing for drought and for floods, and we always will. Look at the statistics.”

JAY LUND, CO-DIRECTOR OF THE UC DAVIS CENTER FOR WATERSHED SCIENCES

global warming is the mother of every freak of nature. Not all major events are caused by climate change, regardless of what Gov. Gavin Newsom repeatedly asserts about the extremes of wetter and windier storms, dryer droughts and hotter wildfires.

Global warming creates drier air and helps parch vegetation that fuels horrific wildfires. But California's forests have been mismanaged for more than a century.

Proof that climate change is not the primary cause of disastrous wildfires can be found in Baja California, Mexico. There's a big mountain range that resembles the Sierra Nevada. But it's healthy and fire-resilient because, until relatively

recently, it was managed by nature, not humans.

Lightning-sparked fires were allowed to burn themselves out, cleaning the forest naturally and minimizing the blazes' intensity. In the western U.S., we needed to douse fires immediately to protect growing towns, resorts and timber. And we're just starting to get serious about clearing the forests and brushlands of dead trees and undergrowth that feed fires and make them more volatile.

Sunday's "bomb cyclone" poured more water on Sacramento in one day than has ever been recorded in history — 5.44 inches, equal to 27% of its average seasonal supply. There was record drenching all over Northern California. And Southern California's months-long dry spell was broken.

How much did climate change contribute?

That won't be known until about a year from

now, state climatologist Michael Anderson says. The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration will study the deluge.

“We don't have any clarity whether this was the beginning of a big wet year or just one big storm,” Anderson adds. Jeffrey Mount, a water scientist at the Public Policy Institute of California, says that “a storm like this would have occurred with or without global warming.”

And Jay Lund, co-director of the UC Davis Center for Watershed Sciences, puts it this way:

“California has lots of extremes. We've always had more wet years and drier years than any part of the country. Every year at this time we're managing for drought and for floods, and we always will. Look at the statistics.”

“They show what everybody knows: California is weird.”

Lund says the storm “may have been made a little more intense by climate change. I wouldn't be in the denial category. There was probably a modest influence.”

He notes that Newsom declared a statewide drought emergency right before the torrential storm hit. “It's like washing your car and then it rains,” he says.

“If you're going to have a big storm, this was the perfect time,”

Lund says. “If the storm had been later in the season, it could have created sizable flooding. Reservoirs could have been full. This would have been more exciting.”

Because it was the first big storm after two very dry years, much of the water soaked into the ground and didn't become runoff roaring into downstream reservoirs, although enough water showed up to raise lake levels.

“The soil was like a dry sponge,” Mount says. “Now water will fall on a wet sponge and it will run off.”

Another benefit was that the storm dramatically increased the flow of water into San Francisco Bay, pushing salinity out of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta.

“We're going to hear that it's water wasted to sea,” Mount says. “But these people don't understand how the delta works. When salinity is kept out, Los Angeles and the Bay Area get cleaner water.”

“Everyone does better, including the critters that live in the delta.”

You can thank nature for what we received and what we didn't: a Great Flood.

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