



FIVE HUSKIES HONORED BY BSC

Five members of the JCC softball team have been named to the all-Big South Conference team, including three first-team players.
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JACKSON COUNTY PILOT

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Pipeline reps attempting to allay concerns

Safety, eminent domain among locals' worries

by JUSTIN R. LESSMAN
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Representatives of a company proposing to lay 32 miles of carbon pipeline across the heart of Jackson County attempted Tuesday to allay concerns of local landowners and county commissioners regarding everything from property owner rights to safety.

Officials with Summit Carbon Solutions, an Iowa-based subsidiary of Summit Agricultural Group, were in Jackson Tuesday to provide a project update to commissioners at their morning board meeting and meet with landowners and other members of the public later in the day.

Summit proposes to construct a 2,000-mile pipeline across five states designed to transport liquefied carbon collected from more than 30 ethanol plants to underground storage in North Dakota. Around 31.5 miles of that pipeline would cross Jackson County, entering from

Dickinson County, Iowa, a few miles southwest of Jackson, running just east of Lakefield, connecting to the Heron Lake Bio-Energy plant in Heron Lake and then exiting the county straight north of the plant.

Concerns that bubbled up in earlier meetings with local landowners surrounded operational safety, land and agricultural impacts and property owner rights.

In terms of safety, Joseph Caruso, Summit's director of public affairs and outreach in Minnesota, said the technology is safe and proven, with more than 5,000 miles of regulated carbon pipeline already operational across the United States.

Regarding land and agricultural impacts, Caruso said all pipe is laid a minimum of 4.5 feet underground with the company contractually obligated to restore the surface and subsurface — including drain tile — to pre-construction levels.

And on the topic of property owner rights in Jackson County, Caruso said the company adheres to a strict two-step voluntary

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Fair board putting finishing touches on its 2022 lineup

Fun set to kick off July 26 in Jackson

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Local fair board members are putting the finishing touches on the lineup for next month's Jackson County Fair — one that blends the time-honored and traditional with the new and exciting.

Returning attractions at this year's great Jackson County get-together include live bull-riding and barrel-racing action, the Freddie Justice comedy hypnotist show, live music by "Tripwire" and the "Johnny Holm Band" and all the livestock and general project exhibits for which the fair is known.

Among the new attrac-

tions this year are a youth obstacle challenge, grilling contest, Minnesota history teller and a headlining performance by local native and Grammy Award-winning musician David Ellefson, who plans to reunite with his high school band for a special one-night-only engagement in his hometown.

"It's shaping up to be a great lineup this year," said Terri Bargfrede, fair board treasurer. "There really is something for everybody."

The 154th Jackson County Fair runs July 26-30 in Jackson.

The Los Moralitos Circus kicks off the fun on Tuesday, July 26, with five big days of free shows planned.

"They were with us back in 2019 and really drew big crowds," Bargfrede said.

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Above: Chloe Nesselth (left) and helper Sylvia Chapman-Nesselth keep a close eye on the judge while their grandpa, Jim Nesselth, keeps a close eye on them during the Top of the Nation Lamb Show in Jackson Sunday. Right: Judge Zach Post congratulates Rece Johnson after naming his breeding doe champion of the Windmill Classic Junior Goat show later that afternoon.



SHOW TIME

Photos by Jen Tewes



Left: Meta Tewes braces her lamb as judge Adam Wirt handles its top during the Top of the Nation Lamb Show in Jackson Sunday. Right: Landin Warmka keeps a close eye on the judge during the Windmill Classic Junior Goat Show later that afternoon.



PHOTO BY JUSTIN LESSMAN

ART IN THE PARK

Stryker Porreca decorates a donation bucket during the Jackson Center for the Arts-hosted Riverside Farmers and Makers Market last Thursday afternoon in Ashley Park. The donation buckets will help the center collect money with which to repair the roof of its downtown art center.

Early voting begins Friday

by JUSTIN R. LESSMAN
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Early voting in the Congressional District 1 special election and the 2022 statewide primary election begins Friday.

In Minnesota, early voting begins 46 days before Election Day, which is Aug. 9. Early ballots may be requested online via the Minnesota secretary of state's office; in-person voting is available at the Jackson County Courthouse in Jackson.

Local voters casting ballots early will not only be asked to fill the open local seat in Congress vacated upon the death of U.S. Rep.

Local native Benda withdraws from race

Jackson County native Matt Benda has withdrawn his candidacy for the Republican nomination for a full term in Minnesota's First Congressional District.

Benda, an attorney from Albert Lea, said he filed an affidavit of withdrawal with the Minnesota secretary of state to remove his name from the 2022 primary election ballot.

Benda finished fourth in the May 24 special primary election to select a Republican nominee to run for the opportunity to fill out the rest of the remaining term of the late U.S. Rep. Jim Hagedorn, who died earlier this year. The winner was Brad Finstad, who is also running to represent the district in the next Congress.

Jim Hagedorn earlier this year, but also to narrow the field of those running for a full term in the position in November. Candidates in the special election include primary victors Jeff

Ettinger, a Democrat; Brad Finstad, a Republican; Haroun McClellan of the Grassroots-Legalize Cannabis Party of Minnesota; and Richard Reisdorf of

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Thursday
Partly Cloudy
91 | 67

Friday
Mostly Cloudy/
Scattered Thunderstorm
85 | 67

Saturday
Cloudy
79 | 57

Sunday
Partly Cloudy
76 | 55

Monday
Mostly Sunny
81 | 59

Tuesday
Partly Cloudy
83 | 61

Wednesday
Partly Cloudy
85 | 61

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Tuesday, June 14
91/63

Wednesday, June 15
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Carol Achterkirch, 79
Carol Achterkirch, age 79, of Jackson, passed away with her daughter by her side, at her residence on Monday, June 13, 2022. The memorial service will take place at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, July 2, 2022, at United Methodist Church in Jackson, with Pastor Russ Steele officiating.
Visitation will be held from 5-7 p.m. on Friday, July 1, 2022, at the United Methodist Church in Jackson, and will continue one hour prior to the Memorial service.
Condolences may be sent to the family online at OFH. Care.
Memorials may be made to the United Methodist Church in Jackson, the Jackson County Parks & Trails Department, or Sanford Hospice Worthington, MN.
Our family, as well as a group of friends and communities including Jackson, MN, and Lake Havasu, AZ, have lost a kind, generous, loving, and talented soul.
Carol Ellefson Achterkirch, age 79, passed away at home with her loving daughter Mary at her side, on June 13, 2022. When Carol's doctors told her in early March they couldn't "fix" her anymore, she chose to go into Hospice Home Care in her favorite place, her home.
Carol was born on November 11, 1942, in Moline, IL, the eldest child of Anne (Stoffer) and Harold (Curly) Ellefson. Carol and her two siblings, Carmen, and Tim grew up in Hampton, Iowa in a home filled with their parents' love and great values, always being shown the importance of community involvement and the beauty of having lots of family and friends in

Roy Harnden, 86
Roy Harnden, age 86, of Jackson, Minnesota passed away on Wednesday, June 15, 2022, at the Sunset Hospice Cottage in Worthington. A memorial service will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Friday, June 24, 2022, at the Solid Rock Assembly in Worthington, with Pastor Scott Peterson officiating. Visitation will be held 2 hours prior to the service.
Condolences may be sent to the family online at OFH. Care.
Roy LaVerne Harnden, son of Milton Porter and Agnes Matilda (Drager) Harnden, was born on Sunday, April 19, 1936, in Sherburn, Minnesota. He attended country school in Sherburn. Roy served in the National Guard for 4 years. Roy met the love of his life while working as a farmhand, which would become his future in-laws. He then worked for the Texco station and Thumer's in Jackson until he started his own business as Roy's Plumbing & Heating and later was employed by the

JoEllen Anderson, 72
JoEllen Anderson, age 72, of Jackson, Minnesota, passed away with her family by her side, at her residence, on Monday, June 13, 2022.
Visitation will be held from 5-7 p.m. on Wednesday, June 22, 2022, at the Osterberg Funeral Home in Jackson.
The family will be hosting a Celebration of Life Gathering from 4-8 p.m. on Saturday, July 9, 2022, at the Jackson American Legion.
Condolences may be sent to the family online at OFH. Care.
JoEllen Karry Anderson, daughter of Mattias and Valborg (Christiansen) Pearson, was born on Monday, January 30, 1950, in Tracy, Minnesota. She lived in the small town of Garvin, but she attended and graduated from Tracy Schools in 1968. Soon after, she was married to Luverne (Vern) Anderson with whom she had three children. She lat-

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their lives.
Carol was very involved in high school activities, graduating from Hampton High School in 1961, and maintaining life-long friendships with many classmates. Following high school, Carol attended Mason City Community College, continuing to be very involved with many activities in the college and the community. After graduating from MCCC, Carol continued her education at Mankato State University, obtaining a bachelor's degree in Social Work.
It was during her student days at MSU that Carol met Raymond H. Achterkirch, the love of her life. They were married on September 5, 1963, in Hampton, Iowa, eventually settling in Jackson, Minnesota in 1976. Carol and Ray were blessed with a daughter Mary in 1968, who was not only their loving daughter but a lifelong best friend to both of her parents.
Beginning her career with the Department of Human Resources as a Social Worker, Carol was devoted to helping families in the community. She retired as Social Services Supervisor in 2005. She and Ray were both very involved with the United Methodist Church in Jackson, serving on multiple committees and fundraisers and always willing to help with whatever the church needed.
Carol enjoyed traveling with family and friends, including many years of wintering in Lake Havasu, AZ, where she became involved in one of the local churches, St. Michael's, where she of course made many new great friends and became very involved with the craft group and card club, and also worked on church committees.
Carol never stopped giving, to her family, her church, and her communities. She was kind, pragmatic, witty, generous, and loving to all, always willing to help in any way she could to make someone else's life better, and was always available to family and friends to offer advice and wisdom. Carol was involved in many community groups. She was asked to be one of the founding Board members of the Jackson Community Foundation and served on the Board for many years. She was also involved with the P. Buckley Moss Society, Red Hat Ladies, & several cards' clubs.
Being an artist by nature, Carol spent many enjoyable years creating beautiful hand-stitched quilts and wall hangings, knitting and crocheting throws as well as dozens of prayer shawls for those in the community who needed the comfort of something warm on their shoulders. She also was a busy painter of many objects...beautiful pictures, glass bottles, rocks of all sizes, and wooden objects that her dad had created, and she finished by using her creative paintbrush.
Carol was preceded in death by her husband Ray, her parents Anne & Harold (Curly), and a niece Stephanie Lundie.
Carol is survived by her daughter Mary (David) Bednarek, her grandson Bradley Mikula; her brother Tim (Peggee) Ellefson; her sister Carmen (Bill) Lundie; niece Cassie (Ben) Landhauser & their daughter Gwen; nephew Ben (Laura) Ellefson; nephew Bill (Jill) Lundie & their children Lauren and Brandon; and many, many good friends. We will all greatly miss this very special person.
The family would like to sincerely thank the very kind and helpful friends, medical staff, and Hospice Care friends Sara & Sam, for all they did to make Carol's life more comfortable.

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tors - that he was so proud of! He took trips to Sturgis for 21 consecutive years, he toured the BadLands, the Duluth North Shore, Blue Ridge Mountains, and drove the Tail of the Dragon. Roy adored his granddaughter and great-grandsons. He cherished each and every moment that he spent with his family and friends.
Roy is survived by his children Elaine (Neil) Rothbarth of Worthington, Steven Harnden (special friend, Sherry Field), and Cheryl Harnden Yadloski all of Jackson; brother Lynn (Connee) Harnden, of Baxter, Iowa; granddaughter Nicole (Mike) Metz, of Rushmore; great-grandsons Brycen, Jaxon, and Camden Metz; along with nieces and nephews and numerous great friends.
Roy is preceded in death by his wife Marianne, parents Milton and Agnes, father-in-law John Knabe and mother-in-law Sylvia Knabe, brother Keith Harnden, sister-in-law Beverly Harnden and Sharon Harnden, and son-in-law Chuck Yadloski.
Blessed be the memory of Roy LaVerne Harnden

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er moved to Jackson, where she met Junior Cole and settled-in on the acreage in the country where they raised her 3 boys Christopher, Craig, Corey, and stepdaughter Barbara. On February 4, 1994, she was united in marriage to Jerry Anderson. She was employed as the office manager at Rainbow Behavioral Health in Windom for many years. JoEllen was a member of the First Presbyterian Church in Jackson and volunteered her time working with the local blood drives. On Monday, June 13, 2022, JoEllen passed away peacefully at home, at the age of 72 years, 4 months, and 13 days.
JoEllen was a very compassionate woman. She was always willing to listen to others or help them out in a time of need. JoEllen was quite particular about her home, doing all of the interior decorating herself and making sure the lawn was always well manicured. Jo had many dear friends, made new friends easily, and enjoyed visiting with everyone. She was always on the go and loved to shop

and stroll around craft fairs and the like with friends. Over the years she played in various bowling and pool leagues emphasizing her love of being around people. In her younger years, she was slightly on the rebellious side, she loved dancing, drag racing, and live music. Above all things, JoEllen loved spending time with her friends and family. Her grandchildren were her greatest source of pride.
JoEllen is survived by her husband of 28 years, Jerry Anderson; sons Christopher (Jill) Anderson of Winsted, Minnesota, Craig Anderson of Big Lake, Minnesota, and Corey (Karlle) Anderson of Jackson, Minnesota, as well as her three grandchildren Marissa Anderson, Cale Anderson, Gabriella Anderson, and Justin Barger.
JoEllen is preceded in death by her parents Mattias and Valborg, and brothers John, James, and Jerome.
Blessed be the memory of JoEllen Karry Anderson.

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and a deputy responded to a panic alarm at a Jackson business. It was determined to be a false alarm.
A deputy conducted a traffic stop in Des Moines Township. As a result, the driver was issued a citation for disobeying the stop sign at the intersection of County Road 10 and County Road 14.
A deputy on routine patrol noticed a vehicle driving on a grassy area off the parking lot at the EconoLodge. After investigating, a 41-year-old male driver from Askov was arrested for third-degree DUI.
A deputy assisted the Jackson Ambulance with a medical call.
June 7
A deputy responded to a report of a stalled semi near the intersection of County Road 34 and County Road 17. The deputy gave the driver a ride to a store to purchase DEF fuel, which fixed the issue.
A deputy responded to a report of fraud in Jackson.
A deputy assisted the Heron Lake Ambulance with a medical call.
Deputies responded to a commercial burglary alarm in Jackson. It was determined to be a false alarm.
June 8
Deputies responded to a domestic disturbance at Anderson Park.
Deputies helped escort the Jackson County Central track team to the state track meet.
Deputies attended the Public Works Day at Ashley Park and let kids see the interior of the squad car and some of the equipment.
A deputy responded to a driving complaint on Industrial Parkway.
Deputies assisted the Jackson Ambulance with a medical call.
June 9
Deputies and the Alpha Fire Department responded to a semi on fire on I-90 just into Martin County. Eastbound I-90 was closed for more than an hour. Crews were on scene for about two hours.
Deputies assisted the Jackson Ambulance with a medical call.
A deputy responded to a dog-at-large in Jackson.
A deputy responded to a report of an injured deer on Highway 71 south of Windom near the county line.
June 10
A deputy responded to three juveniles out past curfew in Jackson.
A jailer transported a 47-year-old male to the St. Cloud prison for a drug-related conviction.
A deputy responded to what was determined to be a civil issue between a paint contractor and a customer.
A deputy responded to what was determined to be a civil issue over the sale of a vehicle.
A deputy responded to a report of a dog-at-large in Jackson.

DEATH NOTICE

Lois (Wallin) Rute, 84
Lois (Wallin) Rute, 84, of Minnetonka, MN, formerly of Arnolds Park, IA, passed away on Sunday, June 29, 2022. A Celebration of Life Service will be held at a later date.

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FINES
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Williams, Rosemary L., Bloomington, Ind., Speed \$140.00
Jackson County Sheriff's Office
Biswakarma, Bal B., Saint Paul, Speed \$150.00
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Ramirez Lucas, Juan E., Omaha, Neb., Unlawful passing-against signs \$140.00
Rehnelt, Matthew P., Windom, Driver fails to stop for STOP sign \$140.00, Speed \$40.00
Heron Lake Police Department
Crittenden, Brent L., Okabena, Public Nuisance \$120.00
Crowell, Mariah A., Heron Lake, Animal Noise \$100.00

SHERIFF'S REPORT

June 2
A deputy investigated a burglary in Heron Lake.
Deputies responded to a driving complaint coming into Jackson on Highway 71. The caller stated a male who used to date his current girlfriend was following him northbound on Highway 71 as a form of harassment. The vehicle was stopped, and the driver was who the caller said he was. A discussion was had about harassment and safe driving, as well as harassment restraining orders with that driver.
Deputies assisted the Minnesota State Patrol with a two-vehicle accident on I-90 near Jackson.
June 3
A deputy fielded a phone call reporting someone dumped a refrigerator in the ditch near the intersection of 750th Street and 420th Avenue on the border of Minneota and Sioux Valley townships.
A deputy observed an excess-accumulation-of-garbage ordinance violation alongside a residence in Jackson. Corrective measures were taken to remedy the situation.
A deputy conducted a follow-up investigation regarding a stolen check that was passed at a gas station in Jackson.
A deputy conducted a traffic stop on County Road 17. The deputy, while on routine patrol, observed a vehicle traveling southbound on County Road 17 run the stop sign at County Road 34 at highway speeds. As the deputy attempted to stop the vehicle, the deputy noted the speed of the vehicle was 71 miles per hour in a 55-mph zone. A 16-year-old male from Windom was cited for disobeying a stop sign and speed.
A deputy received a report of an Amazon scam. The scammer told the Jackson resident a package was to be delivered, but \$1,500 was needed first. The resident immediately recognized the call as a scam and hung up.
Deputies responded to a report of a vehicle driving erratically in Jackson. The vehicle was located, and a traffic stop was conducted. After investigating, a 56-year-old male driver from Jackson was arrested for probable-cause DUI.
Deputies responded to a loud music complaint in Jackson.
June 4
A deputy gave a ride to a 45-year-old homeless male who was traveling along I-90 hoping to get to Chicago. The deputy met a Nobles County deputy at the county line and gave the party a ride to Martin County.
A deputy responded to a report of a suspicious person at the end of a driveway to a residence on Highway 71 south of Jackson. A 29-year-old transient was traveling north from Iowa trying to get to the Twin Cities. He had a Greyhound ticket booked to be picked up in Jackson. The deputy gave him a ride.
Deputies assisted the Alpha First Responders and Jackson Ambulance with a medical call.
Deputies responded to a domestic disturbance in Jackson.
June 5
A deputy spoke with a person about a possible restraining order violation. Following an investigation, it was found it was not a violation of the order.

Splash pad down until mid-July

by JUSTIN R. LESSMAN
Publisher

Local kids likely won't be able to cool off in the city's splash pad until mid-July. That's the result of a tangled web of broken equipment, global supply-chain shortages and international shipping delays. The problem began last month when city staff attempted to fire up the splash pad to get it ready for the upcoming summer season. However, Jackson City Administrator Matt

Skaret said, it would not start. City officials worked via telephone with Commercial Recreational Specialists, the company that sold the city the splashpad, and Vortex, the manufacturer, on a variety of troubleshooting methods to no avail. City staff removed the computer that operates the splash pad and shipped it to Vortex, which is located in Quebec, Canada. It didn't arrive until nearly two weeks later.

"On May 27, the computer was shipped up to Quebec by Express International Mail via the U.S. Postal Service," Skaret said. "It had to go through customs in Chicago before it could go onto Canada. It finally arrived at Vortex on June 8 for diagnostic testing." Last week, the city learned the computer's central processing unit was dead and that a new computer chip would need to be ordered. "I was informed that it

was two to three weeks out — due to the global computer-chip supply-chain problems — before Vortex gets the computer chip and then it has to be shipped from Quebec to Jackson and then installed," Skaret said. "Realistically, we are probably looking at mid-July before the splash pad is up and running." The delayed opening of the splash pad in just its second year of operation is the latest chapter in a saga that dates back more than five years. A citizen com-

mittee began raising funds for construction of the splash pad back in 2017. After finally finding a suitable location of the splash pad — three prior location plans fell through for various reasons — the project experienced several construction delays, and certain aspects of the project needed to be redone. The splash pad finally opened to the public last spring and saw heavy usage in its first season. Skaret said it's frustrating the second season

hasn't been able to start yet. "We are just as upset and frustrated as everyone else that the splash pad is not up and running," he said. Adding insult to injury, Skaret said, the computer at the root of the current problem was covered by a one-year warranty that expired last fall. Skaret said total cost of the latest repair will be around \$1,500, which will be at city expense.

FAIR: Lineup is set

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"We're looking forward to having them back again." The highlight of the fair's Wednesday is free live bull-riding action courtesy of Rice Bull Riding Co. and AGCO Corp. Show time is 7:30 p.m. in the main grandstand area. Justice brings his brand of hilarious hypnosis back to the fair on July 28, with three free shows planned, and "Tripwire" plays the beer garden at 8:30 that night. Minnesota photographer and historian Doug Ohman will present on various historical topics at various times through the day that Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Folks can listen to him free of charge in the Anderson building. Ellefson and his high school band, "TOZ," will be in the beer garden July 29 at 6 and 10 p.m. — on either side of racing action at the Jackson Motorplex, which begins

at 7:30 — followed by the Jeremy DeWall Band. An all-new youth obstacle challenge hosted by the Tri for Health takes place July 30 at 11 a.m., the inaugural BBQ contest takes place the same day and the "Johnny Holm Band" closes things out that night with a 9 p.m. performance in beer garden. "He's always been and continues to be a huge draw," Bargfrede said. "We're excited to bring him back this year." Also making their return this year are the 4-H pork chop supper and 4-H steak supper, along with several popular food vendors. "We have a good variety of food vendors already signed up," said fair board member Jeff Fiala. "There are a lot of returning ones, but a lot of new ones too. Whatever people are craving, they should be able to find it."

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easement process — first surveying the land, and then, upon it meeting certain criteria, negotiation. "If the survey shows everything with the land is physically, culturally and environmentally OK, we can sit down and pursue an easement," Caruso said, emphasizing eminent domain is not on the table as an option at this point in time. "There is no legal framework for eminent domain in Minnesota. This is a 100 percent voluntary easement process with landowners." In terms of the proposed route through Jackson County, Chris Hill, senior project adviser, said it's a moving target based on several factors. "A lot goes into routing," Hill said, including study of public records, surveying results and conversations with road authorities, local officials and landowners. "To optimize routes and to get the best routes involves a continu-

ing dialog." The project timeline calls for construction of the pipeline to begin next August, though the recent decision by the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission to oversee the permitting process may push work in Minnesota into 2024. "We've had to pivot a bit on the regulatory process," Caruso said. "It had been county-centric; it's now shifted a bit." That said, the county still stands to profit from the pipeline, with Summit estimating a property tax payment to Jackson County by 2025 of around \$2.1 million. Questions from commissioners Tuesday concerned routing, the permitting process and overall environmental impact of the project. Though members of the public gathered for the meeting were not allowed to ask questions during the meeting or provide com-

ment, concerns raised following the meeting involved safety, continuity of operations and a lingering fear that eminent domain may somehow yet creep into the conversation. Local landowner John Nauwerth III said he worries about a possible leak or even explosive decompression, which could put landowners and the broader community at risk. "This stuff is tasteless, odorless and potentially deadly," he said of carbon dioxide. "And what about our local emergency responders? They are not trained to handle a situation like that. Who's going to train them?" Landowner Mike Handzus echoed those concerns and also wondered what's to stop Summit from selling the pipeline off once

it's completed or at any other point in the process, as wind projects often are. He also said he remains concerned that if Summit is unable to secure voluntary easements, the company will somehow secure the use of eminent domain to push the project forward. "They said any land that would be affected would be through voluntary easements from landowners," Handzus said. "But in their talks with Iowa and South Dakota individuals, they can use eminent domain if it is deemed to serve the public good. We have to keep an eye on this to preserve the rights of individual property owners."

VOTING: Will begin

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the Legal Marijuana Now Party. Candidates for the full congressional term include Democrats Ettinger, George H. Kalberer and James Rainwater; Republicans Finstad and Jeremy Munson; Brian Abrahamson of the Grassroots-Legalize Cannabis Party; and Reisdorf. Local Republicans voting in the primary election will choose between incumbent state Sen. Bill Weber, R-Luverne, and Brad Hutchison of Mt. Lake for the Senate District 21 seat, as well as between Marj Fogelman of rural Fulda and Jayesun I. Sherman of Windom, who are running for the Republican nomination in the new House District 21B. Primary voters will also be asked to help narrow the field of those running for governor and lieutenant governor, secretary of state and attorney general. Jackson County Auditor/Treasurer Kevin

Nordquist, the county's top election official, said ballots for those Jackson County precincts that vote exclusively by mail are scheduled to be sent out July 5. They must be returned to his office in Jackson on or before Aug. 9.

Jackson Cemetery Association

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OPINION



PILOT EDITORIAL

DNR campaign a bit silly, though message at its core important

A new campaign by the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources may not do much to prevent the spread of aquatic invasive species, though adhering to the message at the campaign’s core can.

As the summer recreation season builds to a peak, the DNR is promoting its rollout of a new online pledge it hopes will help prevent the spread of aquatic invasive species. Anyone 18 or older can go to the new Pledge to Protect Minnesota Waters page of the DNR website to take the pledge and upload a photo. The pledge affirms participants will follow Minnesota’s “Clean, Drain, Dispose” laws and will encourage others to do so. Visitors to the page can also see other public pledges and share the page with friends.

“The pledge allows people to demonstrate their commitment to protect Minnesota waters,” said Tina Fitzgerald, aquatic invasive species prevention planner. “Aquatic invasive species, such as zebra mussels, starry stonewort and Eurasian watermilfoil, are spread by people, which means people can prevent their spread.”

While the online pledge itself seems a bit silly, the message at its core is quite important. Whether you take the online pledge and upload a photo or not, we all should at least pledge to ourselves to do our part to prevent the spread of aquatic invasive species.

Here’s how, according to the DNR:

- Be sure to follow Minnesota law:
- Clean watercraft, trailers and equipment to remove aquatic plants and prohibited invasive species.
 - Drain all water and leave drain plugs out during transport.
 - Dispose of unwanted bait in the trash.
 - Never release bait, plants or aquarium pets into Minnesota waters.
 - Dry docks, lifts and rafts for 21 days before moving them from one water body to another.

And take these additional steps to reduce the risk of spreading aquatic invasive species whenever possible:

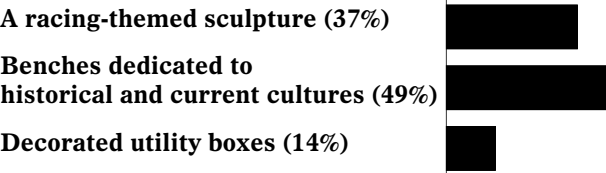
- Decontaminate watercraft and equipment by spraying with high-pressure water or rinsing with very hot water.
- Dry watercraft and equipment for at least five days before using in another water body.

It is imperative we all do our part to protect our lakes and rivers from the spread of aquatic invasive species — whether we take the online pledge or not.

JP Lerman

LAST WEEK’S ONLINE POLL

Q: Which type of community art installation would you most like to see in Jackson?



Source: Jackson County Pilot Website

THIS WEEK’S ONLINE POLL

Q: How closely are you following the Jan. 6 committee hearings?

Vote online at [jacksoncountypilot.com](https://www.jacksoncountypilot.com).

Does gun control stop mental illness?

There are those in this country and in our government who are hell-bent on controlling gun ownership, advocating that stance against our Second Amendment right to bear arms.

Adolph Hitler and the Nazi regime confiscated the German peoples’ guns, promising them their government would protect them. Did Hitler and his followers protect the German people, or any people for that matter?

Today, certain politicians again line up more than ready to use another crisis — this time the loss of innocent life in a school shooting in Texas at the hands of a mentally ill 18-year-old — as a time to push for gun control. It was reported that 18-year-old was known to have hurt animals and carried dead cats around with him in a paper bag. But he was also known to have sought out fights with others as well.

People who are mentally sound don’t carry dead animals around with them, especially domestic animals, and mentally sound people don’t go out looking for a fight either. Yet perhaps there is more to this story.

People who are mentally deranged have a history, just as people who are mentally sound do.

Let me share with you a poem from a mother who I am sure raised mentally sound children in spite of her regrets — and I am equally sure the mother of the 18-year-old must have even deeper regrets than those expressed by Alice Chase in her poem, “My Grown-Up Son,” which follows:

“My hands were busy through the day. I didn’t have much time to play the little games you asked me to. I didn’t have much time for you. I’d wash your clothes, I’d sew and cook, but when you’d bring your picture book and ask me please to share your fun, I’d say, ‘A little later son.’ I’d tuck you in all safe at night and hear your prayers, turn out the lights, then tiptoe safely to the door. I’d wish I’d stayed a minute more. For life is short and years rush past; a little boy grows up so fast. No longer is he at your side, his precious secrets to confide. The picture books are put away, there are no children’s games to play, no goodnight kiss, no prayers to hear. That all belongs to yesteryear. My hands once busy now lie still, the days are long and hard to fill. I wish I might go back and do the little things you asked me to.”

Politicians who use the death of little children for political gain to advance an agenda like gun control while in the next breath or action advocate for abortion are showing their entire hand.

Something is very wrong with that picture they paint. Feigning concern for children lost in a shooting while supporting the killing of the unborn? Something is very wrong. Could it be their agenda is not safety at all, but the further restrictions of our rights as citizens of this great country and our freedoms?

We have a problem here with untreated mental illness that is spiritual in nature and little or no help is made available for the mentally ill or even its diagnosis.

Confiscating guns violates our rights as citizens to bear arms and hinders our ability to defend ourselves. But claiming gun control is the answer to protecting innocent lives or any person’s life is a smokescreen for gun confiscation and opens a door to tyranny just as has been the case in many other countries.

If we want to stop the loss of innocents’ lives, we must address the damage our society has done to our youth’s mental health and their spirits, which goes hand in hand with addressing the problem of abortion on demand, which devalues the life of the unborn as well.

Somehow killing innocent babies is OK on the one hand, according to many in this country, while on the other hand, killing school children raises those same folks’ concerns — that is, as long as they can use it to advance their sick agenda.

In 2 Timothy 1:7, Paul writes to Timothy to encourage him, stating, “For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind.”

Some of us do not live in fear, but do live in power and love. However, there are too many of us who aren’t of a sound mind, whether shooting innocent children with the gun or killing innocent babies with the knife.



OUT AND ABOUT
Mike Jordan

The truth about gun violence and schools

As more gun control legislation advances in Congress, Democrats continue to urge Americans that “we must do something” about the recent school shootings. While we all agree with that statement, the answer to this issue does not involve Congress passing more laws to restrict law-abiding citizens and their Second Amendment rights. There is, however, a very simple and effective solution that will protect our children and put a stop to the violence.

Politicians seem to think making laws will help prevent gun violence in America. My question is, how do they think they can legislate the hearts and minds of those who have bad intentions? A criminal is someone who breaks the law; therefore, legislation on gun control only makes firearm purchase more difficult for the law-abiding citizen. Consider also that many crimes involving a gun are committed with a stolen weapon.

In 1994, Congress passed an “assault weapon” ban that lasted until 2004. A study conducted by the University of Pennsylvania concluded this of the 10-year ban: “There has been no discernible reduction in the lethality and injuriousness of gun violence.” That’s because homicides in which an individual is killed by a rifle represent a tiny fraction of all murders in the United States. From 2015 to 2019, 72,781 murders tragically occurred; of these, only 1, 573 were committed with a rifle of any type. This represents only 2 percent of the total homicides in our country. Therefore, banning “assault weapons” is not only unconstitutional, but it is also ineffective at reducing violent crime.

Another important fact to consider is the Columbine massacre, America’s first major school shooting, occurred in the middle of the 1994 assault weapons ban. Legislation did nothing to prevent, nor could have any law or bill prevented, the evil that occurred that

day in 1999. Afterwards, TV coverage outlined the history of the shooters and the events that led up to the shooting. A 2002 film, “Bowling for Columbine,” was also made to detail the event, forever cementing it in U.S. history. Fast forward to today when school shootings are plastered all over the 24-hour national news and instant media access via cellphones constantly report on the events. In a way, this brings fame to those committing these heinous acts, which only fuels the trend to continue.

So how do we prevent the next school shooting? Children are rightfully considered our nation’s greatest resource. The president, our politicians and large banks are all protected by people with guns. If our current president had school-aged children, you can well bet the entire school would be the most heavily guarded learning institution in the country. In 1974, 22 children were murdered in a school shooting that took place in Ma’a lot, Israel. Afterwards, the Israeli government took decisive action to bolster school security with armed guards and a perimeter fence. Since these sensible actions were taken, there have been no school shootings in Israel.

While I will agree fences and armed guards are not an attractive look for a school, it is what would put a definitive end to these violent events. One or two armed guards at every entry point to a school would effectively protect the students and teachers within. These measures would discourage any would-be attacker and a gunman who did try to enter would sign his death sentence. It’s time to give our children the protection they need and not another law for a criminal to break.

(About the author: Lloyd Kalfs has a degree in natural resources from Northland College. He lives in Okabena.)

GUEST COLUMNIST
Lloyd Kalfs

What to do with wrong-way drivers

Question: It seems there are far too many wrong-way drivers. On four-lane and two-lane roadways, what do drivers do if they encounter a wrong-way driver?

Answer: Great question, as this is a very dangerous situation. I was part of a crash investigation involving a wrong-way driver on I-90 in Olmsted County in 2019. This was one of the worst crashes I have seen in my 24-year career. A vehicle traveling east in the westbound lane struck a vehicle traveling east in the eastbound lane at highway speeds. This direct head-on crash involved two passenger cars with three occupants in each vehicle. All six people were killed in the crash. The wrong-way driver was impaired on a controlled substance. In 2021, the Minnesota State Patrol received 1,451 reports of wrong-way drivers; so far this year, we have had 676.

If a wrong-way driver is approaching you on a two-lane roadway, reduce speed and move as far to the right as possible, even if there is no shoulder. Traveling on a multiple-lane roadway, travel in the center lane so you can move to the right or left to avoid a wrong-way driver heading in your direction. If you are traveling on

roadway with two lanes in the same direction, then travel in the right lane. Avoid slamming on your brakes if there is traffic behind you. Honk your horn and flash your lights to get the driver’s attention.

Pull over on the shoulder as soon as possible after avoiding a wrong-way driver and call 911 to report it. Give the dispatcher your location and a description of the vehicle.

You can avoid a ticket — and a crash — if you simply buckle up, drive at safe speeds, pay attention and always drive sober.

If you have any questions concerning



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News from years gone by

**10 years ago
June 21, 2012**

New city administrator ready to get involved
A Fairmont native with experience in cutting costs, a desire to be involved in the community and an optimistic outlook on the future of her new hometown is Jackson's new city administrator.

Jennifer Feely, current city administrator in Caledonia, beings her duties in Jackson Jul 23. She accepted the position of Jackson city administrator seconds after it was offered to her last Wednesday evening during a special meeting of the Jackson City Council.

A farm machinery mecca?

Jackson continues to stake its claim as a veritable farm machinery mecca.

Not even a week after AGCO Jackson Operations celebrated the grand opening of its expanded Massey Ferguson and Challenger tractor production lines and unveiling of its new world-class visitor center, one of the largest John Deere dealerships in the country announced Jackson would become the home of its new regional training center.

Obituaries: Frances M. Hehn, Margaret H. Gilmore

**20 years ago
June 20, 2002**

Hospice Cottage to serve Jackson area

Hospice Cottages Inc. plans to build a cottage in Worthington to better serve patients in the Jackson area.

The cottage will be financed by fundraisers Land in a wooded area was donated for the cot-

tage, and groundbreaking is set for the spring of 2003.

Search is on for additional Internet services

Recent requests have been made by the public for additional Internet services to be available in Jackson due to the recent announcement that Prairie Lakes Internet will remove its servers from the city.

A meeting of the city's telecommunications committee has been set for June 25.

Obituaries: Patricia H. Miller, Rebecca Zimmerli, Kathryn Miller, Ann F. Jones, Ardyce L. Freking

**30 years ago
June 25, 1992**

Linemen, ETMS witness devastation firsthand

Local utility workers and ambulance staffers who helped cope with the devastating tornadoes that touched down 50 to 70 miles west of Jackson on June 16 say it was the worse storm they've ever seen.

The storm produced tens of millions of dollars in damages in the Chandler, Lake Wilson, Clarkfield and Lake Shetek areas.

Electric co-ops working to save Twin Cities TV

Clear TV signals from the Twin Cities may be preserved through a new cooperative venture.

Four rural electric cooperatives have made a specific proposal to the Watonwan TV Improvement Association to ensure continued service to the area.

Obituaries: Bernice De Moure, Olive Kent, Rena Haines, Leone Benda, John Koenecke

**40 years ago
June 24, 1982**

'Our Town' has a history in Jackson

Tonight is opening night for "Our Town" at the Jackson Middle School Auditorium.

The Pulitzer Prize-winning play by Thornton Wilder has had two other opening nights in Jackson — one in 1941 and again in 1959.

Free clothing center closes its doors

The clothing distribution center in Jackson closed its doors Tuesday. After an estimated 15 years of service to residents of the county, the volunteer-run center has lost its workspace and hasn't found a place to which it can relocate and continue operating.

Obituaries: Carrie Burdick, John Soukup, Catherine Joyl, Henry Engelhorn

**50 years ago
June 21, 1972**

Vocational school has new name

Effective July 1, the official name of the Southwest Minnesota Area Vocational School in Jackson will be Jackson Area Vocational-Technical Institute.

The change is being made to avoid name confusion with high school vocational centers now being established across the state.

'Meals With Wheels' gets rolling in Jackson

The steering committee for Jackson "Meals With Wheels" met Monday morning.

It was decided to canvas the town block by block in the near future to gauge interest in the services of this group and also look for volunteers.

Obituaries: Eugene Lutz, Mrs. Orville Hintz

Area faith and worship schedule

Belmont Lutheran Church
Rural Lakefield,
Pastor: Eunice Woodberry
Saturday June 25-Friday,
July 1: Youth Mission
Trip

Sunday, June 26: 8 a.m.
Worship Service
Call the church office
for updates or leave a
message for the pastor.
Join us for worship on
our Facebook page.

Bethlehem Lutheran Church
401 7th Ave. N., Lakefield
Pastor: Andrew Schensted
Sunday, June 26: 9 a.m.
Worship Service

Church of the Good Shepherd
311 Sverdrup, 847-2504
Fr. Jonathan Fasnacht -
Pastor
Thursday, June 23: 8:30
a.m. Mass

Saturday, June 25: 4:15-
4:45 p.m. Sacrament of
Reconciliation; 5 p.m.
Mass - @ St. Joseph,
Lakefield

Sunday, June 26: 8:30 a.m.
Mass @ Good Shepherd,
Jackson; 10:30 a.m. @
St. Luke, Sherburn
Monday, June 27: Holy
Communion - 1 p.m. In-
home, 1:30 p.m. Valley
View, 2 p.m. Colonial
Manor

First Baptist Church
921 Hills Ave., 847-2369
Pastor: Nathan Janzen
Youth & Family Pastor:
Thor Kurtz

Thursday, June 23: 3-4:30
p.m. JOY (Just Older
Youth); 4:30-5:30 p.m.
Elder Led Prayer Group
Sunday, June 26: 8:30-
9 a.m. Upper Room
Prayer/Worship Service;
10-11:10 a.m. Worship
in the Park Service;
11:15-12:15 p.m.
Potluck Picnic at Ashley
Park

Monday, June 27: 7-8:30
p.m. College/Young
Adult Connect Group
Thursday, June 30: 4:30-
5:30 p.m. Elder Led
Prayer Group

Grace Lutheran Church
Spirit Lake, 712-336-2446
Thursday, June 2: Grace to
Go Online
Saturday, June 25: 4 p.m.
Worship Service
Sunday, June 26: 10 a.m.
Worship Service In-
Person and Facebook
Live; 10 a.m. Connect:
Grades K-5

Messages may be heard
at our website:
gracelutheranspiritlake.
org. All services can be
viewed Facebook Live
or YouTube.com until
further notice.

Salem Lutheran Church
500 N. Hwy., 847-3861
Pastor: Eunice Woodberry
Saturday June 25-Friday,
July 1: Youth Mission
Trip

Sunday, June 26: 9:30 a.m.
Worship Service; 10:30
a.m. Contemporary
Worship Service
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for updates or leave a
message for the pastor.
Join us for worship on
our Facebook page.

Sheldon Jackson Outreach Center
603 Fourth Street
Saturday, July 25-Friday,
July 1 Colorado Youth
Missioning Trip

Thursday, June 23: 6-7
p.m. Jackson Sobriety
AA Group; 6:15-7 p.m.
Celebrate Recovery
Fellowship Meal; 7-8:30
p.m. Celebrate Recovery
Monday, June 27: 6-7 p.m.
Jackson Sobriety AA
Group
Thursday, June 30: 6-7
p.m. Jackson Sobriety
AA Group; 6:15-7 p.m.
Celebrate Recovery
Fellowship Meal; 7-8:30
p.m. Celebrate Recovery

Our Redeemer Lutheran Church
101 Kimball Ave., 847-
3693

Pastor: John Schuetz
Sunday, June 26: 9 a.m.
Worship Service with
Holy Communion
Tuesday, June 28: 8:30
a.m. Quilting Workshop
Wednesday, June 29: 7
p.m. Choir
Worship services streamed
at 9 a.m. on our
Facebook page.

Our Savior's Lutheran Church

614 Logan, 847-2856
Pastor: Ted Carnahan
Thursday, June 23: 8 a.m.
Men's Study - Benson's
cabin
Saturday, June 25: 5 p.m.
Worship Service with
Holy Communion
Sunday, June 26: 9 a.m.
Worship Service with
Holy Communion and
on KKOJ 1190 AM; 10
a.m. Adult Study
Tuesday, June 28: 8 a.m.
Women's Study - Parlor

Thursday, June 30: 8 a.m.
Men's Study - Benson's
cabin
Worship will be streamed
via Facebook & Twitter
at 8:30 a.m. on Sundays
or you can listen on
KKOJ 97.7 FM/1190 AM.

Trinity Ev. Lutheran Church

Sioux Valley, 839-3086

Pastor: Pastor Jacobsen

Thursday, June 23: 9 a.m.

On-line Devotions @
Facebook or YouTube;

Registration deadline
for VBS strongly
encouraged!

Friday, June 24: 9 a.m.

On-line Devotions @
Facebook or YouTube

Sunday, June 26: 9 a.m.

Divine Service @
Trinity; 10:45 a.m.

Divine Service @
Concordia

Pastor Jacobsen is
doing live Bible Study

Devotions on Facebook
weekday mornings at 9
a.m. They will also be

available for viewing
afterwards at any time
there or also on our

YouTube site.

Trinity Lutheran Church

Alpha, 236-7165

Pastor: Rick Bremseth

Sunday, June 26: 9 a.m.

Fellowship; 10:15 a.m.

Worship Service

Live stream videos and
links can be found on
Trinity's live stream

page.

Union State Line Lutheran Church

Petersburg, 847-2068

Pastor: Nancy Isaacson

Sunday, June 26: 10
a.m. Outdoor Worship

Service in summer
months

Drive-in Worship Service
& Holy Communion is
celebrated on the first

Sunday of the month.

United Methodist Church

900 North Highway,
847-2681

Pastor: Russ Steele

Thursday, June 23: Pastor
Russ in Jackson.

Sunday, June 26: 10:30
a.m. Worship Service; 6
p.m. Embrace Jackson

Monday, June 27: Pastor
Russ in Lakefield

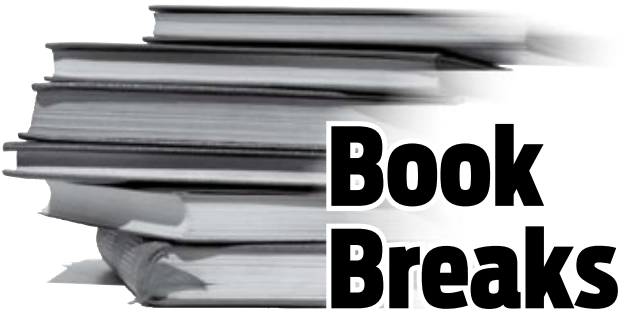
Tuesday, June 28: Pastor
Russ in Lakefield

Wednesday, June 29:
Pastor Russ in Jackson.
10 a.m. Bible Study

Thursday, June 30: Pastor
Russ in Jackson



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Book Breaks

STORY STROLL
Enjoy the new story stroll display while reading fun, interactive stories along the walking trail at Ashley Park. A new story will be placed every other week throughout the summer as part of the summer library program. New story dates are June 24, July 8, July 22, Aug. 5 and Aug. 19. Please register the number of participants in the guest book. The new displays were made possible through grants from the Jackson Community Foundation and Statewide Health Improvement Partnership.

SUMMER LIBRARY PROGRAM
Take part in the 2022 summer library program! A variety of events are planned for all ages! Activity logs are available for infants and toddlers, elementary-aged students, tweens and teens. In addition, family bingo cards will be available. Adults are also encouraged to read this summer and will have the opportunity to fill out a bingo card. A brochure with a complete listing of events is available. Stop in the library to pick one up or call to have one mailed to you.

STEAM EVENTS
New this year is a weekly STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, Math) event. This pro-

gram is suggested for those in kindergarten through fifth grades and will take place on Mondays through July 18. Space is limited, so registration is required. Attend every week or as your schedule allows.

CRAFT KITS
Craft kits for all ages are available while supplies last. Kits can be reserved one week prior to the first day of each month and can then be picked up after the first of the month. Kits available including Toddler-PreK Storytime Kits, including bedtime story time; Kindergarten-Grade 4 Kits; Tween Kits; and Teen and Adult Kits. The June Kindergarten-Grade 4 Kits are "Sun Printing" and "Sand Art." The tweens will be making "Rock Cactus Art," while the Teen and Adult Kit is a macrame wall hanging.

TEDDY BEAR BAND COMING TO JACKSON
Mark your calendars for Wednesday, July 20. The Teddy Bear Band will perform two shows at the Jackson County Central Performing Arts Center. Show times are 2:30 and 6:30 p.m. Bring your own teddy bear to the show! This event is funded by the Robert and Helen Remick Charitable Foundation Trust.



BOOK SALE COLLECTION
The Friends of the Jackson County Library are collecting books for the annual used book sale. Dropoff sites for donated books include Sunshine Foods and the Historic State Theatre. All donations are welcome, with the exception of magazines, encyclopedias, textbooks or books in poor condition. In addition to books, other items that may be donated are puzzles, games, movies and music CDs. The book sale will take place Sept. 15-17 at the Jackson County Fairgrounds in the blue building.

HOT SPOTS AVAILABLE FOR CHECKOUT
Jackson County residents and library card holders may check out WiFi hotspots at each of the libraries in Jackson, Lakefield and Heron Lake. A hotspot offers a wireless access point that communicates with computers and other WiFi devices using radio signals. Hotspots may be checked out for two weeks and cannot be renewed. If a hotspot is overdue, WiFi access will be turned off. Patrons need to be 18 years or older. The device must be returned to staff in the library and cannot be returned in the book drop. Call the library for more information.



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MUSIC & ART IN THE PARK

Above: Josiah Weets decorates a donation bucket during the Jackson Center for the Arts-hosted Riverside Farmers and Makers Market last Thursday afternoon in Ashley Park. The donation buckets will help the center collect money with which to repair the roof of its downtown art center. Right: Lee Kanten and Georgette Jones of The MadHatters perform in the Ashley Park shelter house last Thursday afternoon.



Delafield Diggers prep for club tour



The monthly meeting of the Delafield Diggers took place on June 5 at 5:30 p.m. at St. Peter Lutheran Church, Lakefield. In old business, the club banner is still in progress, Larry and Kristen Liepold were nominated by the club for the Friends of 4-H Award and Sunshine Foods for the business award and Vicki Thiner thanked the club for planting flowers at Colonial Manor. In new business, the bird bath was placed at Jansmas' garden and the club tour for next month was discussed. The project talk was given by Daniel Staples on how he gets his goats ready for the fair. The food and nutrition talk was given by Tori Beaver on the potato casserole she brought to the fair. The meal was provided by the Bass and Beaver families. Joshua Thompson led the kids with games. Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, July 5, at 5:30 p.m. at St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Lakefield.

Ethan Koster, reporter

Hustlers gearing up for county fair



The monthly meeting of the Rost-Sioux Valley Hustlers 4-H Club took place on Sunday, May 15, at 4:30 p.m. at the St. Paul Lutheran Church, Lakefield. President Kylie Zishka called the meeting to order. Old business discussed included committee reports on the club projects, including flower box, community pride and scrapbook. Food stand committee updates and federation meeting info was discussed. Members were reminded livestock IDs are due. All members and their families were also reminded to finish walking their road ditch miles before the end of the month. New business items included discussion of fair food stand shifts, fair cleanup duties, club nominations for 4-H county awards and the club project. Refreshments were provided by the Ackermann family. The next meeting will be on Wednesday, June 8, at 6:30 p.m. at the Jackson County Fairgrounds.

Alivia Ackermann, reporter



Birthday wishes and anniversary greetings go out to the following this week:
June 23: Happy birthday to Austin Lucht, Loren Tusa.
June 24: Happy birthday to Linda Clarksean, Ruth Hansen, Valerie Mattsen, Bellamy Sukalski, Christopher Vee, Brooklyn Mohns, Brent Weires, Austin Meyer. Anniversary wishes go to Bennett and Karen Voss, Jim and Mary Fricke.
June 25: Happy birthday to Ruth Ann Gar-

BIRTHDAYS • ANNIVERSARIES

loff, Jerry Schlager, Timothy Stai, Cejae Pohlman, Ava Kurtz, Judy Hodnefield., Keith Rubis Anniversary wishes go to Gumer and Becky Alvero, Dan and Lacey Axford, Steve and Twilla Van Hal, Curt and Ruth Sommerland.
June 26: Happy birthday to Barbara Fell, Adam Fischer, Heston Kummrow, Tony Hesser, Harlow Kolander. Anniversary wishes go to Samuel and Pamilyn Tracey, Don and Sharon Smith.
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Summer luncheon set for next Wednesday

The Ladies of Good Shepherd will host a summer luncheon next week. Serving will take place from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Wednesday, June 29, at Good Shepherd Hall in Jackson. Attendees are asked to enter via the south door by the parking lot. On the menu are an assortment of sandwiches, salads, bars and beverages. Takeout is also available, and a supervised kids table will be set up as well. All are welcome to attend.

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Ryan Krosch
Jackson County Administrator
(June 23, 30; July 7)

**Notice of Availability of
Statement of Activities**

Rebuilding Together Minnesota intends to submit a pre-application to the United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, for a Housing Preservation Grant (Section 533) for FY2022. Rebuilding Together Minnesota seeks this grant to provide housing rehabilitation grants to very low and low-income homeowners living in the rural parts of Cottonwood, Jackson, Nobles, and Pipestone Counties.

To access Rebuilding Together's statement of activities or to provide comments on their statement of activities, please contact Michaela Brown at m.brown@rtmn.org or 651-776-4273. Comments will be accepted through July 8, 2022.

(June 23)

**STATE OF MINNESOTA
COUNTY OF JACKSON
FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
DISTRICT COURT
INFORMAL PROBATE
Court File No. 32-PR-22-21
Estate of
Vernie Lee Osburn,
Decedent**

**NOTICE OF INFORMAL
APPOINTMENT
OF PERSONAL
REPRESENTATIVE AND
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
(WITHOUT A WILL)**

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND CREDITORS:

Notice is hereby given that an application for formal appointment of personal representative has been filed with the Probate Registrar. No Will has been presented for probate. The application has been granted.

Notice is also given that the Probate Registrar has informally appointed the following:

Name: David L. Osburn
Address: 14408 Boys School Rd, Minnetonka, MN 55345

as Personal Representative of the Estate of the Decedent. Any heir, devisee or other interested person may be entitled to appointment as Personal Representative, or may object to the appointment of the Personal Representative. Unless objections are filed pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 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.

Notice is also given that, subject to Minn. Stat. § 524.3-801, all creditors having claims against the Estate are required to present the claims to the Personal Representative or to the Court Administrator within four (4) months after the date of this Notice, or the claims will be

barred.

Dated: May 20, 2022

Darci J. Bentz
Probate Registrar

Berg Myers Law Offices
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(June 16, 23)

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Recorded: September 30, 2019 Jackson County Recorder; Document Number: A284791

And assigned to: Banker's Bank Dated: February 01, 2022; Recorded: February 25, 2022 Jackson County Recorder; Document Number: A291903

Transaction Agent: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.; Transaction Agent Mortgage Identification Number: 1003330-0000056616-2; Lender or Broker: Farmers Savings Bank; Residential Mortgage Servicer: Banker's Bank; Mortgage Originator: Not Applicable

COUNTY IN WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED: Jackson; Property Address: 45760 710th St, Lakefield, MN 56150-8537; Tax Parcel ID Number: 13.028.0350

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: A tract of land in the Southeast Quarter (SE 1/4) of Section Twenty-eight (28), Township One Hundred One (101) North, Range Thirty-six (36) West of the Fifth Principal Meridian, described as follows:

Commencing at a point on the South line of said Section 28, said point being 130.3 feet West of the Southeast corner of said Section 28, thence running North at a right angle for a distance of 349.0 feet, thence running West at a right angle for a distance of 1248.2 feet, thence running South at a right angle for a distance of 349.0 feet to the South line of said Section 28, thence East along the South line of said Section 28 for a distance of 1248.2 feet to the point of Commencement

AMOUNT DUE AND CLAIMED TO BE DUE AS OF DATE OF NOTICE: \$128,640.28

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

PURSUANT to the power of sale contained in said mortgage, the above-described property will be sold by the Sheriff of said county as follows:

DATE AND TIME OF SALE: June 08, 2022 at 1:00 PM

PLACE OF SALE: Sheriff's Main Office, Lobby of the Law Enforcement Center, Jackson, Minnesota

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

If the Mortgage is not reinstated under Minn. Stat. §580.30 or the property is not redeemed under Minn. Stat. §580.23, the Mortgagor must vacate the property on or before 11:59 p.m. on December 08, 2022, or the next business day if December 08, 2022 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday.

Mortgagor(s) released from financial obligation: NONE

THIS COMMUNICATION IS FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

THE RIGHT TO VERIFICATION OF THE DEBT AND IDENTITY OF THE ORIGINAL CREDITOR WITHIN THE TIME PROVIDED BY LAW IS NOT AFFECTED BY THIS ACTION.

THE TIME ALLOWED BY LAW FOR REDEMPTION BY THE MORTGAGOR, THE MORTGAGOR'S PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES OR ASSIGNS, MAY BE REDUCED

**NOTICE OF MORTGAGE
FORECLOSURE SALE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that default has occurred in the conditions of the following described mortgage:

DATE OF MORTGAGE: September 27, 2019

ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: \$121,125.00

MORTGAGOR(S): Brandon Anderson, a married person and Jenna L. Anderson, his spouse

MORTGAGEE: Farmers Savings Bank

DATE AND PLACE OF RECORDING: Recorded: September 30, 2019 Jackson County Recorder; Document Number: A284790

ASSIGNMENTS OF MORTGAGE: And assigned to: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., its successors and assigns. Dated: September 27, 2019

**NOTICE OF MORTGAGE
FORECLOSURE SALE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That default has occurred in the conditions of the following described mortgage:

DATE OF MORTGAGE: December 20, 2019

ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: \$60,562.00

MORTGAGOR(S): Keith Vancura, an unmarried man

MORTGAGEE: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for Wintrust Mortgage, a Division of Barrington Bank and Trust Co., N.A., its successors and assigns

DATE AND PLACE OF FILING: Recorded on January 6, 2020 as Document Number A285510 in the Office of the County Recorder of Jackson County, Minnesota.

ASSIGNMENTS OF MORTGAGE: Assigned to: Wintrust Mortgage, a division of Barrington Bank and Trust Co., N.A. by assignment recorded on January 6, 2022 as Document Number A291505 in the Office of the County Recorder of Jackson County, Minnesota.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: The East 58 feet of Lots Five (5) and Six (6), Block Thirteen (13) Griffin's Addition to Lakefield, Jackson County, Minnesota.

STREET ADDRESS OF PROPERTY: 411 3RD AVENUE NORTH, LAKEFIELD, MN 56150

COUNTY IN WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED: Jackson County, Minnesota.

THE AMOUNT CLAIMED TO BE DUE ON THE MORTGAGE ON THE DATE OF THE NOTICE: \$65,348.41

TRANSACTION AGENT: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.

NAME OF MORTGAGE ORIGINATOR: Wintrust Mortgage, a Division of Barrington Bank and Trust Co., N.A., its successors and assigns

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DATED: April 13, 2022

ASSIGNEE OF MORTGAGEE: Banker's Bank

Wilford, Geske & Cook P.A.
Attorneys for Assignee of Mortgagee
7616 Currell Blvd; Ste 200
Woodbury, MN 55125-2296
(651) 209-3300

File Number: 044901F01

**NOTICE OF POSTPONE-
MENT OF MORTGAGE
FORECLOSURE SALE**

The above referenced sale scheduled for June 08, 2022 at 1:00 PM has been postponed to June 29, 2022 at 1:00 PM in the Sheriff's Main Office, Lobby of the Law Enforcement Center, Jackson, Minnesota in said County and State.

DATED: June 13, 2022

ASSIGNEE OF MORTGAGEE: Banker's Bank

Wilford, Geske & Cook P.A.
Attorneys for Assignee Of Mortgagee
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(651) 209-3300

File Number: 044901F01
(June 23)

**NOTICE OF MORTGAGE
FORECLOSURE SALE**

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That default has occurred in the conditions of the following described mortgage:

DATE OF MORTGAGE: December 20, 2019

ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: \$60,562.00

MORTGAGOR(S): Keith Vancura, an unmarried man

MORTGAGEE: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for Wintrust Mortgage, a Division of Barrington Bank and Trust Co., N.A., its successors and assigns

DATE AND PLACE OF FILING: Recorded on January 6, 2020 as Document Number A285510 in the Office of the County Recorder of Jackson County, Minnesota.

ASSIGNMENTS OF MORTGAGE: Assigned to: Wintrust Mortgage, a division of Barrington Bank and Trust Co., N.A. by assignment recorded on January 6, 2022 as Document Number A291505 in the Office of the County Recorder of Jackson County, Minnesota.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: The East 58 feet of Lots Five (5) and Six (6), Block Thirteen (13) Griffin's Addition to Lakefield, Jackson County, Minnesota.

STREET ADDRESS OF PROPERTY: 411 3RD AVENUE NORTH, LAKEFIELD, MN 56150

COUNTY IN WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED: Jackson County, Minnesota.

THE AMOUNT CLAIMED TO BE DUE ON THE MORTGAGE ON THE DATE OF THE NOTICE: \$65,348.41

TRANSACTION AGENT: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.

NAME OF MORTGAGE ORIGINATOR: Wintrust Mortgage, a Division of Barrington Bank and Trust Co., N.A., its successors and assigns

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RESIDENTIAL SERVICER: Wintrust Mortgage

TAX PARCEL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 243210310

TRANSACTION AGENT'S MORTGAGE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 1000312-0070084363-1

THAT no action or proceeding has been instituted at law to recover the debt then remaining secured by such mortgage, or any part thereof, or, if the action or proceeding has been instituted, that the same has been discontinued, or that an execution upon the judgment rendered therein has been returned unsatisfied, in whole or in part.

PURSUANT, to the power of sale contained in said mortgage, the above described property will be sold by the Sheriff of said county as follows:

DATE AND TIME OF SALE: July 20, 2022 at 1:00 PM.

PLACE OF SALE: Jackson County Sheriff's Office, Law Enforcement Center, 400 Sherman Street, Jackson, MN 56143.

to pay the debt then secured by said mortgage and taxes, if any actually paid by the mortgagee, on the premises and the costs and disbursements allowed by law. The time allowed by law for redemption by said mortgagor(s), their personal representatives or assigns is six (6) months from the date of sale.

TIME AND DATE TO VACATE PROPERTY: Unless said mortgage is reinstated or the property redeemed, or unless the time for redemption is reduced by judicial order, you must vacate the premises by 11:59 p.m. on January 20, 2023.

THE TIME ALLOWED BY LAW FOR REDEMPTION BY THE MORTGAGOR, THE MORTGAGOR'S PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES OR ASSIGNS, MAY BE REDUCED TO FIVE WEEKS IF A JUDICIAL ORDER IS ENTERED UNDER MINNESOTA STATUTES, SECTION 582.032, DETERMINING, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THAT THE MORTGAGED PREMISES ARE IMPROVED WITH A RESIDENTIAL DWELLING OF LESS THAN FIVE UNITS, ARE NOT PROPERTY USED IN AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION, AND ARE ABANDONED.

MORTGAGOR(S) RE-LEASED FROM FINANCIAL OBLIGATION ON MORTGAGE: None

Dated: May 17, 2022

WINTRUST MORTGAGE, A DIVISION OF BARRINGTON BANK AND TRUST CO., N.A.
Mortgagee

TROTT LAW, PC.
By: /s/
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(651) 209-9760
(21-0480-FC02)

**THIS IS A
COMMUNICATION FROM
A DEBT COLLECTOR.**
(May 26;
June 2, 9, 16, 23, 30)

**NOTICE OF MORTGAGE
FORECLOSURE SALE**

THE RIGHT TO VERIFICATION OF THE DEBT AND IDENTITY OF THE ORIGINAL CREDITOR WITHIN THE TIME PROVIDED BY LAW IS NOT AFFECTED BY THIS ACTION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That default has occurred in the conditions of the following described mortgage:

DATE OF MORTGAGE: June 27, 2018

ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: \$79,487.00

MORTGAGOR(S): Beau Davis, a single man

MORTGAGEE: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Plains Commerce Bank

DATE AND PLACE OF FILING: Recorded on June 27, 2018 as Document Number A281904 in the Office of the County Recorder of Jackson County, Minnesota.

ASSIGNMENTS OF MORTGAGE: Assigned to: Flagstar Bank, FSB by assignment recorded on October 4, 2021 as Document Number A290634 in the Office of the County Recorder of Jackson County, Minnesota.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: The South half of Lot Two (2) and all of Lot Three (3), Block Twenty-two (22), Griffin's addition to the village of Lakefield, Jackson County, Minnesota.

STREET ADDRESS OF PROPERTY: 505 N GRIFFIN ST, LAKEFIELD, MN 56150

COUNTY IN WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED: Jackson County, Minnesota.

THE AMOUNT CLAIMED TO BE DUE ON THE MORTGAGE ON THE DATE OF THE NOTICE: \$82,623.68

TRANSACTION AGENT: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.

NAME OF MORTGAGE ORIGINATOR: Plains Commerce Bank

RESIDENTIAL SERVICER: Flagstar Bank, FSB

TAX PARCEL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: R24.321.0890

TRANSACTION AGENT'S MORTGAGE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 1005210-0808032872-8

THAT no action or proceeding has been instituted at law to recover the debt then remaining secured by such mortgage, or any part thereof, or, if the action or proceeding has been instituted, that the same has been discontinued, or that an execution upon the judgment rendered therein has been returned unsatisfied, in whole or in part.

PURSUANT, to the power of sale contained in said mortgage, the above described property will be sold by the Sheriff of said county as follows:

DATE AND TIME OF SALE: August 10, 2022 at 1:00 PM.

PLACE OF SALE: Jackson County Sheriff's Office, Law Enforcement Center, 400 Sherman Street, Jackson, MN 56143.

to pay the debt then secured by said mortgage and taxes, if any actually paid by the mortgagee, on the premises and the costs and disbursements allowed by law. The time allowed by law for redemption by said mortgagor(s), their personal representatives or assigns is six (6) months from the date of sale.

TIME AND DATE TO VACATE PROPERTY: Unless said mortgage is reinstated or the property redeemed, or unless the time for redemption is reduced by judicial order, you must vacate the premises by 11:59 p.m. on February 10, 2023.

THE TIME ALLOWED BY LAW FOR REDEMPTION BY THE MORTGAGOR, THE MORTGAGOR'S PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES OR ASSIGNS, MAY BE REDUCED TO FIVE WEEKS IF A JUDICIAL ORDER IS ENTERED UNDER MINNESOTA STATUTES, SECTION 582.032, DETERMINING, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THAT THE MORTGAGED PREMISES ARE IMPROVED WITH A RESIDENTIAL DWELLING OF LESS THAN FIVE UNITS, ARE NOT PROPERTY USED IN AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION, AND ARE ABANDONED.

MORTGAGOR(S) RE-LEASED FROM FINANCIAL

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PHOTOS BY JEN TEWES

IN THE RING

Left: Sylvia Chapman-Nesseth keeps a close eye on the judge during the Top of the Nation Lamb Show in Jackson Sunday. The show drew around 60 head of lambs from across southern Minnesota and northern Iowa to the Jackson County Fairgrounds. Right: Judge Zach Post (from left) comments on Landin Warmka's goat during the Windmill Classic Junior Goat Show in Jackson Sunday.

Local arts task force to implement one of three community art ideas

by JOSHUA SCHUETZ
Staff Writer

A new round of community artwork may be coming to Jackson, as the task force that spurred the downtown Jackson mural project is looking for new public art ideas from the community.

Task force member Cay Gjertson said the group has narrowed the project, which will be funded through grants from regional and state arts organizations, down to three ideas. Community members last week voiced their opinion on the three via the Jackson County Pilot's online poll and can continue to provide input this week by visiting the Jackson Center for the Arts and voting for which option they like best.

"Our first idea is a sculp-

Inside...



See results of the voting in last week's Jackson County Pilot online poll, and find this week's question.

ture representing the racing history of Jackson, and that would be located at the intersection of North Highway and Main Street," Gjertson said. "Our second idea is placing benches downtown that are dedicated to the different cultures that call Jackson home, including the original Native American inhabitants, and the purpose of that would be to honor the diverse cultures that call Jackson home."

The third idea is decorating utility boxes in and around downtown Jackson with artistic designs. Gjertson said local artists would be encouraged to submit

their ideas for painting the boxes if that idea is selected.

Gjertson said the goal of the project, like that of the mural projects before it, is to show off the best of Jackson and make it a more attractive place to live, work and shop.

"The task force was formed to find artistic ways to give our residents a chance to participate in community art and attract more people to our businesses and other amenities, especially in the downtown area," she said.

MPCA predicting more new algal blooms in time for upcoming holiday weekend

Nutrients in runoff from spring rainstorms combined with persistent hot weather might mean trouble for local and area lakes, as the two together may trigger algal blooms that can be harmful to people and pets.

Recent reports of blooms already spotted across the state have led to swimming advisories. And with recent temperatures hitting the 90s and above, the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency predicts that several more blooms could develop in time for the July 4 holiday weekend.

The MPCA advises people to stay out of lakes and streams if the water looks green and slimy, especially if it has a blue-green tint. The algae could contain toxic bacteria that can sicken people and kill dogs, livestock and other animals within hours of contact. Unfortunately, said Lee Engel, surface water monitoring supervisor for the MPCA, people

can't tell by looking at a bloom if it is harmful or not.

"If in doubt, stay out," Engel said. "Excess nutrients such as phosphorus and warm water temps are ideal for growing algae and causing nuisance blooms. Holiday weekends typically see more people out on Minnesota lakes to boat, fish and swim and, due to this year's conditions, we need everyone to remain vigilant in looking for potentially harmful algae."

In recent years, multiple reports of dog deaths have been attributed to exposure to toxic algae. Engel said people can protect their dogs by keeping them out of algae-laden water, hosing them off immediately after playing in any lake or stream, preventing them from ingesting affected water or licking toxins from their coat and seeing a veterinarian immediately if their dog may have been exposed to blue-green algae. People

who come into contact with toxic blue-green algae can experience skin, throat, eye and nose irritation and nausea.

Engel said landowners and residents can help reduce phosphorus pollution in local lakes by reducing urban stormwater with rain gardens, rain barrels and fewer impervious surfaces; using phosphorus-free lawn fertilizer, keeping grass clippings and other yard waste out of storm drains and picking up after pets; building soil health to reduce cropland runoff by planting cover crops, increasing organic matter and reducing tillage; planting deep-rooted native plants along ditches, lakes and streams to slow down and filter runoff; managing manure responsibly to keep it out of lakes and streams; and maintaining a healthy septic system.

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OBLIGATION ON MORTGAGE: None

Dated: June 10, 2022
FLAGSTAR BANK, FSB
Mortgagee

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THIS IS A
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(June 16, 23, 30;
July 7, 14, 21)

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

THE RIGHT TO VERIFICATION OF THE DEBT AND IDENTITY OF THE ORIGINAL CREDITOR WITHIN THE TIME PROVIDED BY LAW IS NOT AFFECTED BY THIS ACTION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that default has occurred in conditions of the following described mortgage:

DATE OF MORTGAGE: November 30, 2017
MORTGAGOR: Leah M Eckert, single woman.

MORTGAGEE: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Plains Commerce Bank, its successors and assigns.

DATE AND PLACE OF RECORDING: Recorded December 6, 2017 Jackson County Recorder, Document No. A280599.

ASSIGNMENTS OF MORTGAGE: Assigned to: Bayview Loan Servicing, LLC n/k/a Community Loan Servicing LLC. Dated November 4, 2018 Recorded November 15, 2018, as Document No. A282787.

TRANSACTION AGENT: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.

TRANSACTION AGENT'S MORTGAGE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER ON MORTGAGE: 1005210-0808029444-1

LENDER OR BROKER AND MORTGAGE ORIGINATOR STATED ON MORTGAGE: Plains Commerce Bank

RESIDENTIAL MORTGAGE SERVICER: Nationstar

Mortgage LLC d/b/a Right-Path Servicing
MORTGAGED PROPERTY ADDRESS: 311 6th Street, Jackson, MN 56143
TAX PARCEL I.D. #: 230245410

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY:
PART OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER (NW1/4SW1/4) OF SECTION 24, TOWNSHIP 102 NORTH, RANGE 35 WEST OF THE FIFTH PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, CITY OF JACKSON, JACKSON COUNTY, MINNESOTA, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCING AT A POINT 4 RODS WEST AND 7 RODS SOUTH FROM THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF BLOCK NO. 32 IN THE ORIGINAL TOWN, NOW CITY OF JACKSON, JACKSON COUNTY, MINNESOTA; RUNNING THENCE WEST 132 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 49 1/2 FEET; THENCE EAST 132 FEET; THENCE NORTH 49 1/2 FEET TO THE PLACE OF COMMENCEMENT.

COUNTY IN WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED: Jackson
ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: \$89,400.00
AMOUNT DUE AND CLAIMED TO BE DUE AS OF DATE OF NOTICE, INCLUDING TAXES, IF ANY, PAID BY MORTGAGEE:

\$110,363.44

That prior to the commencement of this mortgage foreclosure proceeding Mortgagee/Assignee of Mortgagee complied with all notice requirements as required by statute; That no action or proceeding has been instituted at law or otherwise to recover the debt secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof;

PURSUANT to the power of sale contained in said mortgage, the above described property will be sold by the Sheriff of said county as follows:
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PLACE OF SALE: Sheriff's Office, Law Enforcement Center, Jackson, MN to pay the debt then secured by said Mortgage, and taxes, if any, on said premises, and the costs and disbursements, including attorneys' fees allowed by law subject to redemption within six (6) months from the date of said sale by the mortgagor(s), their personal representatives or assigns unless reduced to Five (5) weeks under MN Stat. §580.07.

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MORTGAGOR(S) RE-LEASED FROM FINANCIAL OBLIGATION ON MORTGAGE: None
"THE TIME ALLOWED BY LAW FOR REDEMPTION BY THE MORTGAGOR, THE MORTGAGOR'S PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES OR ASSIGNS, MAY BE REDUCED TO FIVE WEEKS IF A JUDICIAL ORDER IS ENTERED UNDER MINNESOTA STATUTES, SECTION 582.032, DETERMINING, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THAT THE MORTGAGED PREMISES ARE IMPROVED WITH A RESIDENTIAL DWELLING OF LESS THAN FIVE UNITS, ARE NOT PROPERTY USED IN AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION, AND ARE ABANDONED."

Dated: June 6, 2022
Community Loan Servicing, LLC
f/k/a Bayview Loan Servicing, LLC
Mortgagee/Assignee of Mortgagee

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JCC SOFTBALL

Five softball players honored by BSC

O'Reilly, Arduser and Schneckloth earn first team honors; Reed and Wachal are named honorable mention players

Five members of the Jackson County Central softball team have been honored by the Big South Conference, including three who are on the first team for the small-school division.

Senior Carson Schneckloth and juniors Brittany Arduser and Alexis O'Reilly have been named first-team all-conference and senior Maia Reed and eighth-grader Hadley Wachal are honorable-mention picks.

O'Reilly repeats as an

all-conference player and Reed is honorable mention for the second straight season.

O'Reilly led the Huskies with 27 runs batted in and six doubles. She hit .397 with two homers and 17 stolen bases.

Arduser had a team-high 26 stolen bases to go with a .347 batting average and eight RBI. She also hit five doubles.

Schneckloth, playing for the first time since her eighth-grade season due to injuries and the cancellation of the 2020 season, hit .426 with five doubles, two homers, 12 RBI and 20 stolen bases.

Reed hit .237 with two home runs, seven RBI and



Brittany Arduser



Maia Reed



Hadley Wachal

nine stolen bases. She also pitched 26 2/3 innings with a 3.43 earned-run average and 33 strikeouts.

Wachal pitched a team-high 53 2/3 innings and led the team with 57 strikeouts. She posted an ERA of 4.04 on her first season of varsity.

The Huskies were 5-6 in the conference and 11-12 overall.

For the complete all-conference team, go to jacksoncountypilot.com and lakefieldstandard.com.



PHOTO BY DAN CONDON

Alexis O'Reilly (left) and Carson Schneckloth run off the field together after a big out this season. The two were named to the first-team all-Big South Conference team, along with Brittany Arduser.

JACKSON MOTORPLEX

Timms, Kouba score wins during Night No. 2 of The Border Battle

Following sweep at Motorplex, Timms wins at Huset's for \$10,000 bonus

Ryan Timms is \$5,000 richer and has his eyes focused on a \$10,000 bonus.

Timms and Jake Kouba each earned a feature triumph this past Saturday during the second night of The Border Battle at the Jackson Motorplex. By virtue of capturing the \$5,000-to-win Buffalo Wild Wings Northern Outlaw Sprint Association feature on Saturday and garnering the \$4,000-to-win main event on Friday, Timms only needed a victory Sunday at Huset's Speedway in Brandon, S.D., to take home the \$10,000 Buffalo Wild Wings Triple Crown bonus for sweeping the weekend.

"I really want that bonus for all three," he said. "It was pretty nerve-wracking and the race felt like it took forever leading the whole time. The track crew gave us a great track. It was really on the wall in (turns) one and two."

The 15-year-old Timms led the distance of the 25-lap A Main, which was slowed by a red flag and three other cautions during the first half of the race. The final 13 laps went caution-free and Timms took advantage to win by 5.975 seconds.

"We didn't really see much of him I didn't feel like," said Matt Juhl, who made a late-race pass to secure the runner-up result. "I'm happy for the team and hopefully we continue to do this the rest of the week."

Ayrton Gennetten rounded out the podium.



PHOTO COURTESY OF ROB KOCAK

Ryan Timms (center) celebrates in Victory Lane after winning Night 2 of The Border Battle at the Jackson Motorplex Saturday night. Matt Juhl (right) finished second and Ayrton Gennetten was third.

"I was just pushing so hard trying to stay up with Ryan and made too many mistakes and let Matt get to me," he said. "I never should have been in a position to lose second. Hats off to Ryan. This was the best we've felt here. Hopefully we can build off of this for tomorrow and try to get a little better."

Brooke Tatnell placed fourth and Austin McCarl hustled from 16th to fifth to earn the Quick Change Rebuilds Hard Charger Award.

The night began with Wade Nygaard and Timms both setting quick time in their qualifying groups. Brian Brown, Riley Goodno, Gennetten and Jake Bubak posted heat race victories before Jade Hastings won the B Main.

Kouba claims first

Kouba outlasted Johnny Parsons III during an epic

Mid-American Renegades Sprint Car Series feature.

The duo raced side-by-side throughout most of the 12-lap feature with Parsons III leading the first three laps. Kouba took the top spot on Lap 4 before Parsons III regained the lead on Lap 6. Kouba made the race-winning pass on Lap 9 and held on to win by 0.643 seconds.

"That was a lot of fun," he said. "I love racing with Johnny. Racing side-by-side with him for that many laps was great. I was hoping he'd disappear out of my view just a little bit sooner."

"I love this place. It's so much fun coming back

here, seeing all these familiar faces."

Jeff Pellersels finished third, with Joshua Hulberg placing fourth and Chuck Schumacher fifth.

Kouba also captured the lone heat race.

(Editor's note: Timms won Sunday's race at Huset's Speedway in Brandon, S.D., to earn the \$10,000 bonus.

Gennetten finished second on Sunday and Austin McCarl placed third. Justin Henderson finished fourth and Johnson rounded out the top five.)

Inside...



Timms wins Friday to open The Border Battle; five others win last Tuesday.

BULLS BASEBALL

Bulls split four games

Jackson uses big inning to pull away from Adrian

The Jackson Bulls split four games in a five-day stretch, splitting two games last week before splitting a doubleheader Sunday.

The Bulls are now 10-5 on the season.

Bulls split doubleheader

Jackson lost 12-4 to the Milroy Irish Sunday afternoon before beating the Hadley Buttermakers 16-5 later that day.

Easton Bahr and Andy Wolf both scored to start the game at Milroy, but the Irish answered with two runs in the bottom of the inning and two more in the second to lead 4-2.

Bahr scored in the top of the third to cut the deficit to one, but the Irish plated four runs in the third and one in the fourth to build a 9-3 lead.

Bahr scored again in the fifth, but the Irish scored two in that inning and one in the next to finish off the win.

Bahr scored three of the team's four runs and Evan Olesen had three of the team's seven hits. Lucas Gardner had two hits, including a double.

Olesen pitched the first four innings before Kevin Holm and Sean Minder each pitched an inning.

The Bulls bounced back to win the second half of their split doubleheader with the victory at Hadley, which came in five innings via the 10-run rule.

Jackson scored four runs in the second inning, three in the fourth and nine in the fifth while yielding two in the first, two in the second and one in the fourth.

Chris Gumto, Gardner, Nate Monson and Blaise Jacobsen all scored in the second, with all scoring on either a bases-loaded walk

or bases-loaded hit batter.

Shad Wacker and Gumto walked in the fourth inning before Gardner blasted a three-run home run to break a tie and give the Bulls a 7-4 lead.

Jacobsen and Trace Michelson both scored twice in the fifth inning and Bahr, Wolf, Wacker, Olesen and Gumto also scored. Wolf hit a two-run single to highlight the inning, which saw the Bulls plate nine runs with just three hits.

Wolf had a pair of hits and walked three times to reach in all five of his trips to the plate. Gardner had two hits and walked twice to reach in all four of his plate appearances. Wolf and Gardner drove in four runs each.

Michelson had a single and was hit by a pitch three times, reaching in all four of his trips to the batter's box. Jacobsen walked three times and was hit by a pitch to get on base all four trips.

Jackson batters drew 13 walks in the game and were hit by a pitch seven times. That allowed them to score 16 runs despite having just six hits in the game.

Gumto and Jacobsen both scored three times and Gardner and Michelson both scored twice.

Gardner and Michelson each pitched two innings before Pat Boggess pitched a scoreless fifth inning. Michelson got credit for the win.

Lovell dominates again

Windom's Collin Lovell pitched a no-hitter against Jackson in the season opener earlier this summer. Lovell was dominant again last Wednesday, striking out 16 batters in a 4-0 Windom win.

The Pirates scored three runs in the first inning, but Jackson starter Ryan Rasche settled in and didn't allow a run the rest of his

See **BULLS** on **B2**

Pair of Coyotes finish high at state golf

Two Heron Lake-Okabe-na students playing on the HL-O/Fulda/Westbrook-Walnut Grove golf team fared well at the Class A state golf tournament last week at Pebble Creek Golf Club in Becker.

Senior Ellyson Bang placed 28th in the girls' tournament and junior Sawyer Drent tied for 29th in the boys' tourney.

Bang finished with a 36-hole score of 194. She made par on four holes during an opening-round score of 98 last Tuesday, then had four more pars while shooting

96 the second day of the tournament.

Drent opened the tournament with a score of 83 that included two birdies and six pars. He shot 4-over-par 40 on the back nine that day. Last Wednesday, Drent shot another 83, which included 10 pars and a 2-over-par 38 on the back nine. The back-to-back scores of 83 gave Drent a tournament score of 166.

For more on the Coyote golf season, see the Spring Sports Review in next week's paper.



PHOTO BY JEN TEWES

INDUCTED

Jon McCorkell speaks as his family — Morgan (from left), Michael and Tina — watch during Saturday's induction ceremony for the Jackson Racing Hall of Fame. For more, see B3.

It was another great Father's Day!

It is often said almost any male can father a child, but it takes some-one special to be a dad. But then, we could say the same about mothers and moms.

Maybe that is why Mom and Dad were always Mom and Dad and not Mother and Father. And, maybe that is why instead of Mother's Day and Father's Day, I wish they were called Mom's Day and Dad's Day.

I hope all of you fathers, or rather dads, had as great of a Father's Day as I had.

But then, it is always enjoyable to be surrounded by my family, whether it is my siblings, Kathy's siblings or our own children and their families.

This year most of my siblings were able to come down for our Condon get-together on Saturday.

Charles and his wife, Julie, accepted the invite to spend the night. Talking to them around our fire while listening to the music from the street dance capped off a great day.

Being with the siblings made a great start to the weekend. Then, having the families of three of our children home turned it into an awesome start to the weekend.

It continued by spending Father's Day pool-side in Estherville, Iowa, swimming with some of our grandchildren. That was also a lot of fun! But then so was taking the grandkids for golf cart rides.

All in all, it was a very relaxing weekend.

Leading up to the weekend was not as relaxing.

It made me understand why Mom always seemed so stressed out before big gatherings. We want everything to be just right.

Not only did Kathy and I want the house to be more than presentable,

even though we knew everyone was coming to see us and not our house, but I also wanted our yard and gardens to look more than presentable.

The yard was not too tough to beautify — a mowing here and a mowing there, and presto, the lawn looked great. The gardens were a different story. Unless weeds are beautiful. Then the gardens were gorgeous.

Like everything else, I have a plausible excuse to cover my laziness toward weeding the gardens. Every time the garden was finally getting dry enough to weed, another rainfall would change my plans.

By the time I could hoe the garden, the weeds were thick and tall. It was a case of grabbing my hoe and having a whack whack here and a whack whack there, here a whack, there a whack, everywhere a whack, whack, Stevie Weevie had a garden, EIEIO.

It made me wonder if maybe I was not Lizzie Borden in an earlier life.

It also made me wish I had an accuracy with a hoe like Mom or Aunt Betty. Those two could hoe a garden like there was no tomorrow. For the weeds, there was no tomorrow.

With a simple flick of their hoe, they could peel a weed from right next to a bean stalk. Me, I am not so talented. With any whack of my hoe I am quite capable of having cultivator kill.

For those of you who do not know, cultivator kill occurred when the cultivator clipped the crop by being off track, either by the driver miscounting rows so the cultivator would not match with the planter, or else by the driver dozing off and venturing off course.

Either way, the cultivator kill was usually easy to see, even by the un-

trained eye, by anybody passing by the field.

Neither Mom nor Aunt Betty ever had to worry about a hoe-generated cultivator kill. But then, both could whack a fly off a cow's back before the cow even knew it. That cow would just keep on contentedly chewing its cud. They were like stealth whackers.

Now me, if I tried to whack a fly off old Betsy's back I would get a hoof print on the shins for my effort.

I used to think Mom's accuracy with a hoe was from all the practice she had while giving us unwarranted spankings. But then I remembered Mom had no accuracy when paddling. Any part of our body from our neck down to our ankles was fair game for Mom's wrath. We had palm prints all over.

Anyway, back to my gardens. In the end, I was able to have them weeded to some semblance of being presentable by the time our festivities began. I could feel my stress being released as I pulled the last pigweed.

Just as I have pulled my last pigweed, I have now typed my last words for this week. Until next week, have a clap, clap here and a clap, clap there as you cheer on our youth as they continue their summer sports activities. Or else come pull some of my weeds. Go, Huskies!



WIDE WRITE Stephen A. Condon



TRIO PERFORMS WELL AT STATE TRACK AND FIELD MEET

One year ago, June 24, 2021

Peyton Hanson placed 10th in pole vault at the Class A state track and field meet and nearly broke her own school record in the process. She cleared 9 feet, 6 inches and then nearly cleared it at 10 feet, which would've broke her own school record of 9 feet, 7 inches. Also competing at state were hurdles Trevin Gaustad and Ridge VanWesten. Gaustad finished 11th in the 110-meter hurdles (16.31) and VanWesten placed 11th in the 300-meter hurdles (42.57).

PRONK SHARP AGAIN AS FROGS SHUT OUT ADRIAN

Five years ago, June 29, 2017

Phil Pronk moved to 3-0 on the season with another pitching gem for the Lakefield Frogs in a 4-0 win over Adrian. Pronk pitched eight innings, striking out three and allowing just five hits. Trevon Bargfrede struck out the side in the ninth. Bryce Christopher had two runs batted in for the Frogs and Taylor Christopher had two hits and two runs scored. Taylor Christopher and Josh Thaemlitz each had a pair of hits in a 6-2 loss to Blue Earth.

KEN CHRISTIANS ACCOMPLISHES RARE FEAT ON GOLF COURSE

10 years ago, June 28, 2012

Ken Christians sunk a 5-foot putt on his 18th hole at Emerald Valley to make a bit of history. Christians shot an 18-hole score of 73, matching his age. Christians shot 2-over-par 37 on his first nine holes of the day, highlighted by a birdie on the par-3 sixth hole. He birdied the eighth hole of his second round, then sank his final putt for par on the final hole for his rare accomplishment. "I had a lot of lucky shots," Christians said. "I puttied well; usually I don't putt that well." Christians, who turned 74 four days after shooting his age, plays golf about three times a week.

HUSKIES SOFTBALL TEAM IS ROLLING

25 years ago, June 26, 1997 – Jackson County Pilot

The JCC 16-and-under softball team won a pair of games from Windom to improve to 6-1 on the season. Alyssa Honnette struck out nine batters in an 11-1 win in the first game and Elyse Wachal and Heather Wheeler pitched in a 13-1 nightcap win. The trio held Windom hitless in both games. Kim Hansen had three hits in the first game and Deb Krejci, Lisa Burud and Wachal each had two hits. Shana Shearer had three hits in the nightcap and Erica Olson had two. Candace Burmeister and Honnette each had three hits in a 23-0 win over Worthington, with all three of Burmeister's being triples. JCC opened with a sweep of Spirit Lake, winning 15-6 and 8-6. Krejci doubled twice in the first game and Elise Steenstra had two hits, including a triple, in the nightcap.

SILVER BULLETS HAND OUT TRACK AWARDS

25 years ago, June 26, 1997 – Lakefield Standard

The HLOL Silver Bullets girls' track team handed out awards at its year-end banquet. Kelli Haar was named the team MVP and outstanding sprinter. Robin Jansky was the MVP of field events, Amy Arndt was the outstanding distance runner and Dani Damm was the outstanding mid-distance runner. Jessica Zellar earned the hustle award and Carrie Hussong was named most improved. Jamie DeWall was the MVP of the junior-varsity team. Haar led the team with 286.25 points, followed by Zellar (259.5) and Damm (241).

SPORTS CALENDAR

Thursday, June 23
Legion vs. Heron Lake
Friday, June 24
No events
Saturday, June 25
Legion at Worthington tournament
Bulls at Milroy Yankees
Sunday, June 26
Bulls vs. Frogs
Bulls vs. Mt. Lake
Frogs at Windom
Legion at Worthington tournament

Monday, June 27
Legion at Windom
Tuesday, June 28
No events
Wednesday, June 29
Frogs vs. Heron Lake

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twitter @PilotSports June 12, 2:49 p.m. JCC seniors Payton Handevidt and Trace Michelson are named to the all-Big South Conference baseball team for the small-school division and Levi Lindley is an honorable-mention player. Follow for more updates

AMERICAN LEGION BASEBALL

Legion team continues strong start

The Jackson American Legion Post 130 baseball team continued its strong start to the season by going 2-1 in the last week.

The local nine beat Wabasso Monday and Mt. Lake last Thursday to rebound from a loss at Luverne earlier last week.

Scholten pitches complete game

Cameron Scholten pitched a complete game Monday at Wabasso as Jackson earned a 13-2 victory.

Scholten struck out 11 batters in the game and struck out the side in the sixth inning. He fanned two batters in each of the first four innings.

Wabasso's only runs came when it plated one in the third and one in the seventh.

By the time Wabasso scored, Post 130 had already built a 4-0 lead.

Payton Handevidt, Scholten and Gabriel Wolff all scored in the first inning and Handevidt scored on a Brennan Runge single in the third for the early lead.

Ben Spaeth scored in the fourth and Wolff walked and scored in the fifth for a 6-1 lead.

Damien Phaly, Spaeth, Handevidt and Scholten all scored in the sixth, with Handevidt and Scholten both

driving in a run with single.

Grant Freking, Skyler Andrews and Handevidt all scored in the seventh, with featured run-scoring singles by Handevidt and Scholten.

Handevidt finished two-for-two with three walks at the plate. He scored four runs and drove in two.

Scholten helped his own cause by picking up three hits, driving in three runs and scoring two on offense.

Spaeth also had two hits and Runge drove in two runs. Wolff and Runge each had a hit and two walks.

Hot start helps Post 130

The first five batters scored in a seven-run first inning as Jackson jumped out to a big lead and beat Mt. Lake 16-9 last Thursday in Mt. Lake.

Damien Phaly hit two singles in the big first inning and scored after his first one. Spaeth, Bryson Powers, Scholten and Dylan Withers also singled and scored in the inning. Trace Michelson and Brett Rossow also scored in the frame as Jackson took a 7-0 lead.

Post 130 added three runs in the second when Michelson and Powers singled and scored and Scholten doubled and scored for a 10-0 lead.

Spaeth and Powers both doubled and scored in the third for a 12-0 advantage.

Mt. Lake scored two runs in the bottom of the third, but Jackson answered with two in the top of the fourth when Withers and Trey Rossow both came in.

Mt. Lake made things interesting with seven runs in the fifth to cut the Jackson lead to 14-9, but Post 130 plated two runs in the sixth when Michelson

scored on a triple by Powers, who later scored for the 16-9 final.

Phaly and Powers both finished with three hits and Michelson, Scholten and Keenan Ambrose both had two. Scholten drove in four runs, Michelson drove in three and Phaly and Rossow both drove in two. Trey Rossow had two walks to go with a hit.

Freking pitched the first three innings, striking out two and allowing just two runs. Ambrose and Powers pitched before Andrew Boyum threw two and one-third innings of scoreless relief.

Post 130 falls in Luverne

Jackson lost 10-3 at Luverne last Tuesday after failing to take advantage of a few early scoring chances.

Spaeth tripled and scored on a Michelson double in the first, but Jackson left a runner on. Post 130 loaded the bases with one out in the second before failing to score.

Michelson and Withers both scored in the third, but Post 130 stranded a runner on third.

Jackson also left a man on third in the fourth after Spaeth tripled for the second time and left two on in the seventh.

Luverne scored three runs in the first, one in the second, one in the fourth, two in the fifth and three in the sixth for the win.

Up next

Jackson hosted Springfield Tuesday night and hosts Heron Lake tonight (Thursday). Post 130 then plays in a tournament in Worthington Saturday and Sunday before going to Windom Monday.

BULLS: Split four ballgames

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outing, which lasted five and two-thirds innings.

Rasche stranded two runners in each of the first three innings before striking out the side in the fourth. He fanned two more in a scoreless fifth before running into a bit of trouble in the sixth.

Rasche retired the first two batters of the inning before an error, walk and single loaded the bases.

That brought in Minder, who got a groundout to get the Bulls out of the inning and keep the deficit at just three runs.

The Bulls' biggest threat came in the top of the sixth when Wacker hit a two-out double and Gumto reached on an error, but a strikeout ended the threat and the Bulls had just one more base runner the rest of the game.

Windom added an insurance run in the bottom of the eighth to finish off the win.

Wacker had three of Jackson's six hits in the game. Bahr, Jacobsen and Alex Bretzman each had one hit.

Rasche finished with seven strikeouts in nearly six innings before Minder allowed just one run in two and one-third innings.

Big inning lifts Bulls

Jackson trailed Adrian 8-7 after three innings and led just 10-8 before scoring 13 runs in the top of the sixth inning of a 24-10 seven-inning win last Wednesday at Adrian.

Wacker, Olesen, Gumto and Gardner all scored twice in the big sixth inning and Bahr, Wolf, Monson, Jacobsen and Bretzman also scored.

Bahr hit a two-run double in the inning, Gardner had a pair of run-scoring singles and Monson also drove in two runs.

Jackson started the game with a five-run top of the first inning. Bahr and Wolf both singled and scored to start the game, then Olesen and Gumto singled and

scored on a three-run home run by Gardner.

Gumto and Monson both scored on a double by Gardner in the third for a 7-2 lead.

Adrian scored six runs in the fourth to lead 8-7 before Jackson scored three in the fifth ahead of its 13-run sixth.

Olesen and Gumto both doubled and scored in the fifth and Gardner also scored.

Olesen doubled and scored on a Monson groundout in the seventh.

Gardner finished with four hits, including his three-run home run. He drove in eight runs and scored four.

Gumto was five-for-five with a double and five runs

scored.

Olesen had four hits, including two doubles, and scored five runs.

Bahr, Wolf, Monson and Bretzman each had two hits and Bahr, Wolf, Wacker and Monson all scored twice.

Gavin Jacobsen pitched the first four innings, striking out eight batters. Boggess got the win in relief, pitching a scoreless fifth, before Holm and Minder each struck out three batters in an inning.

Up next

The Bulls hosted Heron Lake Wednesday and play at the Milroy Yankees Saturday. Jackson then hosts Mt. Lake and Lakefield in a split doubleheader Sunday.

Bulls baseball										
Bulls	0	4	0	3	9	-	16	6	1	
HAD	2	2	1	1	0	-	6	4	0	

	AB	R	H	RBI
Bahr, SS	2	0	0	1
Wolff, PH	1	1	0	0
Wolf, 2B	2	1	2	4
Wacker, CF	2	0	0	0
Bretzman, PH	1	2	0	1
Olesen, 3B	3	1	0	1
Gumto, 1B	2	3	1	1
Gardner, P	2	2	2	4
Monson, C	2	1	0	1
BJacobsen, DH	0	3	0	1
Michelton, LF	1	2	1	2
Bulls	18	16	16	16

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	K
Gardner (1-0)	2	2	4	3	3	3
Michelton	2	2	2	2	1	2
Boggess	1	0	0	0	1	2
Bulls	5	4	6	5	5	5

Bulls baseball										
Bulls	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	64
WIN	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	X	-	472

	AB	R	H	RBI		
Bahr, SS	4	0	1	0		
Wacker, CF	4	0	3	0		
Gumto, 1B	4	0	0	0		
Monson, C	4	0	0	0		
Gardner, RF	4	0	0	0		
BJacobsen, DH	3	0	1	0		
GJacobsen, LF	0	0	0	0		
Bretzman, LF	3	0	1	0		
Spaeth, 3B	2	0	0	0		
Michelson, PH1	1	0	0	0		
Phaly, 2B	2	0	0	0		
Pohlman, PH 1	1	0	0	0		
Bulls	32	0	6	0		
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	IP	H	R	ER	BB	K
Rasche (4-2)	5.26	3	3	5	7	
Minder	2.11	1	0	0	1	
Bulls	8	7	4	3	5	8

Bulls baseball										
Bulls	2	0	1	0	0	-	4	7	3	
MIL	2	2	4	1	2	1	X	-	12	163

	AB	R	H	RBI
Bahr, SS	3	3	1	0
Wolf, 2B	1	1	1	0
Wacker, CF	3	0	0	0
Olesen, P	4	0	3	1
Gumto, 1B	4	0	0	0
Bretzman, 3B	3	0	0	0
Gardner, RF	3	0	2	0
Pohlman, C	2	0	0	0
Michelton, PH	1	0	0	0
Handevidt, LF	2	0	0	0
BJacobsen, PH	1	0	0	0
Bulls	27	4	7	1

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	K
Olesen (3-2)	4	13	10	9	1	6
Holm	1	1	1	0	0	1
Minder	1	2	1	1	0	1
Bulls	6	16	12	0	1	8

Bulls baseball										
Bulls	5	0	2	0	3	(13)	1	-	24	243
ADR	2	0	0	6	0	2	0	-	10	82

	AB	R	H	RBI		
Bahr, SS	4	2	2	2		
Phaly, PH	0	0	0	0		
Wolf, 2B	5	2	2	1		
Wacker, CF	5	2	1	0		
Olesen, 3B	5	5	4	1		
Gumto, 1B	5	5	5	0		
Monson, C	4	2	2	3		
Gardner, RF	6	4	4	8		
Michelson, DH	2	0	1	0		
BJacobsen, PH	1	1	1	1		
GJacobsen, PH	1	0	0	0		
Bretzman, LF	4	1	2	1		
Bulls	42	24	24	17		
	IP	H	R	ER BB K		
GJacobsen	4	2	8	7	10	8
Boggess (1-0)	1	2	0	0	0	0
Holm	1	3	2	1	0	3
Minder	1	1	0	0	0	3
Bulls	7	8	10	8	10	14

Frogs hit rough patch with three straight losses

After winning three straight games earlier this month, the Lakefield Frogs have hit a bit of a rough patch.

Lakefield lost to Milroy, Fox Lake and Luverne in a five-day stretch and is now 3-6 on the season.

Irish win big

The Milroy Irish scored 11 runs in the first inning and beat the Frogs 12-1 in five innings via the 10-run rule Sunday.

Lakefield's lone run came in the fourth inning when Ryan Christopher singled and scored on a single by Dylan Withers.

Christopher had two hits for the Frogs and Withers' knock was the only other hit Lakefield had in the game.

Keegan Klontz started on the mound before Dalton Henning allowed just one run while striking out four batters in three innings of relief.

Fox Lake spoils Summerfest game

Fox Lake used a big third inning to beat Lakefield

10-5 this past Friday in a game played in Lakefield as part of the town's Summerfest celebration.

Bryce Christopher walked and scored on a sacrifice fly by Octavio Jimenez to give Lakefield a 1-0 lead in the second, but Fox Lake scored six runs in the top of the third to take control.

The Foxes added two runs in the fourth and one in the fifth to lead 9-1 before the Frogs made things interesting.

Taylor Christopher singled and scored on a groundout by Cameron Scholten in the fifth and then Levi Lindley and Bryce Christopher both scored in the sixth to cut the deficit to 9-4.

Fox Lake tallied a run in the top of the eighth, which the Frogs countered in the bottom half when Bryson Powers walked and scored on a Bailey Lesch single.

Bryce Christopher had two hits for the Frogs, who had just seven in the game.

Dustin Pronk pitched into the fourth inning before Brett Rossow yielded

just two runs in four and two-thirds innings of relief. Henning then pitched a scoreless ninth, striking out two batters.

Frogs fall at Luverne

The Frogs had plenty of success on offense last Wednesday at Luverne, but had a hard time stopping the talented Redbirds in a 17-7 loss in seven innings.

Levi Lindley singled to start the game and scored on a ball hit by Dustin Pronk for an early 1-0 lead, then after Luverne scored three runs in the bottom of the first, Lakefield answered with two in the top of the second to tie the game.

Lakefield led after the top of the first and third innings, but the Redbirds scored in all but one inning as they went on to win via the 10-run rule.

Nolan Luhmann started the second inning with a single and Trevon Bargfrede followed with a double and both scored to tie the game.

Luverne regained the lead with a run in the bot-

tom of the second, but Lakefield went back on top when Pronk singled and Bryce Christopher followed with a two-run home run in the top of the third for a 5-4 lead.

The Redbirds scored four runs in the bottom of the third, two in the fourth and the sixth. In that stretch, Lakefield's only run came in the fourth when Taylor Christopher singled and scored on a Bryce Christopher single.

Frogs baseball										
FL	006210010	-	1090							
Frogs	010012010	-	573							
AB R H RBI										
Jass, CF	5	0	1	0						
Luhmann, 2B	4	0	1	0						
Lindley, SS	3	1	0	0						
DPronk, P	4	0	0	0						
BChristopher, 1B	3	2	3	0						
Powers, LF	4	1	1	0						
Jimenez, 3B	3	0	0	1						
Hesebeck, RF	1	0	0	0						
TChristopher, SS	2	1	1	0						
Lesch, C	3	0	1	1						
Scholten, PH	1	0	0	1						
Frogs	33	5	7	3						
IP H R ERBBK										
DPronk (0-1)	3.17	8	2	3	3					
BRossow	4.22	2	1	3	4					
Henning	1	0	0	1	2					
Frogs	9	9	10	3	7	9				
AB R H RBI										
TChristopher, SS	3	0	0	0						
Klontz, P	1	0	0	0						
Henning, P	2	0	0	0						
RChristopher, CF	3	1	2	0						
Scholten, 1B	3	0	0	0						
PPronk, 3B	2	0	0	0						
Lesch, LF	2	0	0	0						
Withers, C	2	0	1	1						
Gruhlke, RF	2	0	0	0						
SAndrews, 2B	1	0	0	0						
Frogs	21	1	3	1						
IP H R ERBBK										
Klontz (1-1)	1	9	11	6	0	1				
Henning	3	2	1	0	1	4				
Frogs	4	11	12	6	1	5				

Frogs baseball										
FL	006210010	-	1090							
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Jass, CF	5	0	1	0						
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Lindley, SS	3	1	0	0						
DPronk, P	4	0	0	0						
BChristopher, 1B	3	2	3	0						
Powers, LF	4	1	1	0						
Jimenez, 3B	3	0	0	1						
Hesebeck, RF	1	0	0	0						
TChristopher, SS	2	1	1	0						
Lesch, C	3	0	1	1						
Scholten, PH	1	0	0	1						
Frogs	33	5	7	3						
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DPronk (0-1)	3.17	8	2	3	3					
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Henning	1	0	0	1	2					
Frogs	9	9	10	3	7	9				

Frogs baseball										
FL	006210010	-	1090							
Frogs	010012010	-	573							
AB R H RBI										
Lindley, 3B	5	2	3	2						
TChristopher, SS	5	1	2	1						
RChristopher, RF	4	1	2	1						
DPronk, 1B	4	0	1	0						
Scholten, DH	5	0	1	0						
Bargfrede, CF	4	1	1	1						
BChristopher, 2B	4	0	2	0						
Powers, LF	5	1	2	0						
Lesch, C	3	0	0	0						
Hesebec, PH	1	0	0	0						
Frogs	40	6	14	6						
IP H R ERBBK										
Lindley (0-1)	2.25	7	6	4	2					
Klontz	3.17	5	5	3	1					
Henning	2	6	5	5	1					
Frogs	6.2	18	17	16	7	4				

JACKSON MOTORPLEX

Timms and Serbus victorious during first night of The Border Battle

Ryan Timms and Trevor Serbus each posted a victory this past Friday at Jackson Motorplex, which hosted the opening night of The Border Battle.

Timms showcased a flair for the dramatic throughout the 25-lap Buffalo Wild Wings Northern Outlaw Sprint Association main event. He started eighth and quickly climbed into the top five. Timms then maneuvered from fourth to second on Lap 11. Several laps later a near spin was met with a veteran save in turns three and four. Timms was within striking distance of polesitter Kaleb Johnson as traffic appeared with four laps remaining.

"We were kinda struggling in (turns) one and two," Timms said. "We were really good in (turns) three and four. I knew we wouldn't get him unless we got to lapped traffic. I just prayed to not have a caution and we caught him in lapped traffic."

Timms executed a slide job on Johnson, who was in search of his first career 410ci winged sprint car win, in turns one and two on Lap 24. Johnson ducked underneath Timms as the duo exited turn two, but momentum was with Timms in the outside groove. Timms then threw a slide job to put a driver a lap down in turns three and four, narrowly clearing the racer and providing enough room to pull away from Johnson for the triumph.

"That was a blast," he said. "Hats off to the track crew. They really gave us an amazing track. I'm just

really in shock I won that from eighth, especially on this big of a track. Hopefully we can win the next two and get that bonus."

The win made Timms eligible for the \$10,000 Buffalo Wild Wings Triple Crown Bonus that would go to a driver who swept the Friday and Saturday races at the Jackson Motorplex and Sunday's finale of the NOSA Series tripleheader at Huset's Speedway in Brandon, S.D.

"It means quite a bit because I felt like I struggled the last time I was here and I didn't expect to do that good and we did really good," he said. "It definitely gives me a lot of confidence going into tomorrow and Huset's."

Johnson's second-place result was a career-best 410 outing.

"It does sting getting beat by Ryan like that, but at the end of the day he's got more experience and he's a damn good driver," he said. "It's fun racing against him. He races very clean. Hats off to my guys. We were so close. Sometimes it's better to be in second than it is leading. Just with lapped traffic there I knew I was going to get in trouble. There wasn't much on the bottom. I had to rip the top. It stings a little bit, but on the bright side there's still two more days of racing."

Lynton Jeffrey made a late-race pass on Jack Dover to round out the podium and Matt Juhl finished fifth.

Jeffrey and Skylar Prochaska each set quick time during their qualifying groups before Juhl, Austin

Next races at Motorplex are in July

Jackson Motorplex returns to action July 15 for Bank Midwest Night presented by Best Western of Fairmont featuring the Midwest Power Series and Midwest Sprint Touring Series as well as the Wyffels Hybrids RaceSaver Sprint Car Series.

McCarl, Brendan Mullen and Dover picked up heat race wins. Jody Rosenboom was the B Main winner.

Serbus charges to win

Serbus charged from ninth and used a late-race pass to score the Wyffels Hybrids RaceSaver Sprint Car Series victory. He advanced into the top three within the first couple of laps. Serbus moved into the runner-up position a lap before the midpoint of the 20-lap feature and then tracked down Brandon Halverson, who led the first 16 laps.

Serbus pulled even for the lead as he and Halverson headed down the backstretch with seven laps remaining, but a driver about to be lapped was on the bottom lane and Hal-

version maintained the lead by using the outside groove. Three laps later Serbus stuck the bottom to gain the top spot and he pulled away during the final four laps to win by 1.433 seconds.

"Typically I'm not the best in lapped traffic, but it was working to my advantage," he said. "If I could keep it on the bottom and if I could get off on the bottom I was really good, but if I drifted out I lost some ground. I drove it to make it work."

Halverson garnered a second-place finish with Brandon Bosma placing third. Jacob Hughes was fourth and Mike Stien rounded out the top five.

John Lambertz, Stien and Hughes were the heat race winners.



PHOTO COURTESY OF ROB KOCAK
Matt Juhl (09) and Brooke Tatnell speed around the track at the Jackson Motorplex.

Beckendorf, Larson, Sampson, Boumeester and Erickson win at the Jackson Motorplex

Brandon Beckendorf, Jeffrey Larson, Malik Sampson, Jared Boumeester and Jaedon Erickson each captured a feature triumph last Tuesday during a Bank Midwest IMCA Series event at Jackson Motorplex.

Beckendorf capped the night's action by winning the IMCA Modifieds A Main with Matt Bonine earning a runner-up result. Trent Loverude finished third, with Don Gerritsen Jr. placing fourth and Dan Menk fifth.

Loverude and Clint Hatlestad were the heat race winners.

Larson swept the night in the IMCA Stock Cars division by capturing both a heat race and the main event. Derek Green hustled from 10th to second place with Colton Arends, Chanse Hollatz and Dylan Fitzpatrick rounding out the top five, respectively. Hollatz and Arends

joined Larson with heat race triumphs.

Sampson advanced from sixth to score the IMCA Hobby Stocks victory. Cory Probst finished second with Drew Barglof ending third, Brandon Nielsen fourth and TJ Tweedt fifth.

Sampson and Barglof each posted a heat race victory.

Boumeester held off eighth-starting Matthew Looft for the IMCA Sport Mods win. Dyllan Ricks was third with Zach Davis fourth. John Klynsmma recorded a fifth-place outing.

The heat races were won by Looft and Jeff Carter.

Erickson was the lone winner in the IMCA Sport Compacts division as he was victorious during the only heat race as well as the A Main. Nate Coopman earned a second-place finish with Logan Kelly placing third, Jerry Coopman fourth and Megan Sandvig fifth.



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INDUCTEES

Jon McCorkell (from left), Randy Rozenboom (on behalf of Ruby's Raceland) and Rich Slawson (on behalf of William Slawson) show off plaques after being inducted into the Jackson Racing Hall of Fame Saturday.



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Entire county and beyond is invited to this weekend's Blue Heron Days

by JUSTIN R. LESSMAN
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The whole of Jackson County and beyond are invited to Heron Lake this weekend for three days of fun.

Blue Heron Days in Heron Lake fires up this Friday evening with an all-school social and dance, continues with a full lineup of events Saturday and wraps up with a Lakers baseball game Sunday afternoon at Laker Field.

"We have a jam-packed schedule this year, and really something of interest for everybody," said Cheryl Knutson, one the festival's organizers. "We hope everyone comes out and takes part."

Organized by the Heron

Lake Class of 1982 — which is celebrating its 40-year class reunion — the all-school social and dance begins at 7 p.m. Friday at the Heron Lake Community Center. A family movie will be shown at 8 p.m. on the library lawn.

Saturday opens with a craft and vendor show, hit-and-miss engine show and car show in Heron Lake City Park. All three run from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

"Last year, we had around 45 cars show up — and that was in the rain," Knutson said. "I know this year we're expending between 50 and 75."

Turtle races begins at 10 a.m.

"The turtle races are exactly what they sound like," Knutson said. "The

winner is whichever one crosses the finish line first. It's pretty entertaining to watch."

Food vendors — including at least five food trucks — will be on hand from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., kiddie Olympics begin at 11 a.m. and kids' games will be set up from 12:30 to 4 p.m.

The grand parade begins near the elementary school at 2 p.m. Knutson said around 40 units are already registered for the parade, with more expected by Saturday. A cornhole tournament begins a half-hour after the parade's conclusion.

At 2:30 p.m., the Last Call Band from El Riad Shrine out of Sioux Falls, S.D., will play a free concert.

"It's a nine-piece band and singers playing music from the 1950s through the 1990s," Knutson said. "They're pretty impressive. And all money they raise goes to support the work of the Shriners. We invite everybody to bring their lawn chairs out and enjoy some really good music."

Bingo is available from 3 to 6 p.m., with rubber duck races starting at 7:30 p.m.

The day closes out with an 8 p.m. dance featuring the Jeremy DeWall Band at the Heron Lake Liquor Store.

Sunday opens with a firemen's pancake breakfast at the Heron Lake Fire Hall from 9 a.m. to noon and wraps up with a Lakers game at 2 p.m.

DEAN'S LISTS

AUGUSTANA

Local students are among those named to the dean's list for the spring semester of the 2021-2022 academic year at Augustana University in Sioux Falls, S.D.

The dean's list recognizes full-time students who have a minimum of 12 credit hours with grade-point averages at 3.5 or above on a 4.0 scale.

Locals named to the dean's list include Molly Boyum of Jackson and Ashley Keck and Anna Rose of Alpha.

CEDARVILLE

Rachel Salentiny of Lakefield has been named to the spring 2022 dean's honor list at Cedarville University in Cedarville, Ohio.

This recognition requires the student to obtain a 3.75 grade-point average or higher for the semester and carry a minimum of 12 credit hours.

Salentiny is majoring in social work.

RIDGEWATER

William Pell and Erik Rose of Alpha have been named to the 2022 spring semester dean's list at Ridgewater College in Wilmar.

In order to be included on the deans' list, a student must maintain a grade-point average of 3.5 or higher and be enrolled in at least nine credits and meet certain other criteria.

ISU

Local students are among the approximately 9,500 recognized for outstanding academic achievement by being named to the spring semester 2022 dean's list at Iowa State University in Ames.

Students named to the dean's list must have earned a grade-point average of at least 3.5 on a 4.0 scale while carrying a minimum of 12 credit hours of graded course work.

Local students so honored include Jordann N. Schneckloth of Jackson, a senior animal science major, and Sofia Stumpf of Lakefield, a senior biology major.

MNWEST

Local students are among those named to the spring semester 2022 dean's list at Minnesota West Community and Technical College.

Students must be enrolled in at least 12 graded credits and earn a minimum 3.5 grade-point average to be eligible for dean's list honors.

Among those named to the dean's list are Heidi Farrell, Ella Mulder and Braden Schuett of Jackson; Selma Almodovar, Kody Burmeister, Samantha Laabs, Emily Rossow, Samuel Van Westen and Sadie Voss of Lakefield; Drystan Freking and Faith Freking of Heron Lake and Michael Feehan of Okabena.

ND SU

Local students are among the 3,330 North Dakota State University students to be placed on the spring 2022 dean's list.

A student must earn a 3.5 grade-point average or higher and be enrolled in at least nine class credits to qualify for the list.

Jackson students named to the dean's list include Azalea Benjamin, a dietetics major; Sydney Sadusky, a biological sciences major; Trevin Sali-Gaustad, a journalism major; and Abigail V. Turner, a civil engineering major.

Kaleb S. Sydnes, a precision agriculture major from Lakefield, and Wyatt A. Schumacher, a horticulture major from Heron Lake, were also named to the dean's list.

GRADUATES

ND SU

Local students are among those who graduated from North Dakota State University in Fargo following the spring 2022 semester.

Among the graduates are Taylor A. Johanning and Wyatt A. Schumacher, both of Heron Lake. Johanning graduated with honors with a

bachelor's degree in exercise science; Schumacher earned a bachelor's degree in horticulture.

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Rachel Salentiny of Lakefield graduated from Cedarville University in Cedarville, Iowa, following the spring 2022 semester.

Salentiny earned an undergraduate degree in social work.

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Brian Drexler of Lakefield is among the 590 spring semester graduates of Minnesota State Community and Technical College, with campuses in Detroit Lakes, Fergus Falls, Moorhead and Wadena.

Drexler earned an associate degree in automotive service technology.

Grant would allow fiber buildout to rural Heron Lake

Rural Heron Lake area residents may soon have access to fiber-fast Internet service — if a grant application submitted by Jackson-based Federated Rural Electric is successful, that is.

Federated plans to apply for U.S. Department of Agricultura ReConnect Four grant dollars through

the Minnesota Border to Border grant program by the Aug. 4 deadline. Funds would be used to bring fiber to rural Heron Lake and Dunnell area residents.

The upcoming grant application comes on the heels of Federated applying for a Rural Utilities Service Reconnect grant

with which to bring service to unserved areas in Martin County. This multi-year project grant recipient should be announced yet this summer.

Federated Broadband, a division of Federated Rural Electric, is currently working on a project to install fiber-to-the home service in the nearby community of

Ceylon. Scott Reimer, Federated's general manager, said he hopes some — if not most — of the 200 residents of the city will have access by the end of this year.

Federated Broadband serves nearly 1,300 customers in Jackson and Martin counties with line-of-sight Internet and streaming TV service.

Next library program is coming next week

The "Oceans of Possibilities"-themed summer library program continues with the second big performer, Captain KID, and his "Be a Bookaneer!" program.

Captain KID will perform two shows in Jackson on Wednesday, June 29, at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. The shows will take place in the Jackson library meeting room. He will be in Lakefield on Thursday,

June 30, in the Lakefield library meeting room at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. He will also be in Heron Lake on Thursday, June 30, in the Heron Lake library meeting room at 4 p.m.

Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend! Registration is not needed.

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