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BRADLEY BIBLE OF THE BECKER TRAP TEAM took home the MSHSL state championship in the Clay Target State Tournament held last week in Prior Lake. See his story on page 11. (Submitted Photo).

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Did you know Bob & Judy's Farm Market is closing their doors? See the story on page 3.

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With the newspaper wrap up occurring Wednesday evening, all news items submitted to run that Saturday must reach our office by Wednesday morning by 11 a.m.

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WITH RAIN BEING DESPERATELY NEEDED IN CENTRAL MINNESOTA, Monday's forecast indicated some strong showers and thunderstorms for the region. Photographer Chris Lommel pointed his camera north to capture this amazing cloud cluster descending upon Monticello from the northwest at around 8:15 p.m. Monday. The view is from "Montiview Park," located on Monti Hill, the site of the Mountain Bike Challenge Course. Community United Methodist Church is in the center foreground. (Photo by Chris Lommel, Lommel Photography).

## Spud Fest 2021 hard to top

By Bill Morgan  
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The Big Lake community rallied all last week and made the 2021 Big Lake Spud Fest a resounding success!

Though the weather was "iffy" for a few of the days, patrons came out of the woodwork to attend many of the celebrations and showed their support for their hometown, annual festival.

Thursday saw the Big Lake Ambassadors go through rehearsals for Saturday's coronation, the Big Lake Library will host a Family Night at the Library and at 4 p.m., the festival and carnival began setting up for the weekend festivities.

Concessions under the main food tent were hosted

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QUENTIN WHITTAKER scooped up floating ducks from the duck pond with a fishing net at Spud Fest to reveal the prize he was awarded for his efforts. Quentin and his mom, Tea, elected to choose a plastic sword over a whistling tube as his prize. (Patriot Photo by Bill Morgan)

## Chaos in Clearwater!

By Penny Leuthard,  
Contributing Writer

There was pandemonium at the Silver Bullet Saddle Club Rodeo Grounds in Clearwater last Saturday evening as the first ever Chaos in Clearwater Demolition Derby came to town to entertain the crowds and participants alike.

The derby kicked off at 6 p.m. with the Children's Power Wheels Derby. Free for participants, the event was open to kids three to 10 years old. Outfitted with helmets and driving derby decorated 'cars', the kids had a great time. Trophies were provided by Full Throttle Promotions.

Along with the derby itself, another of the exciting events of the evening

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THE WINNER OF THE DERBY CAR RAFFLE is thrilled for the opportunity to drive in the event. (Submitted photo.)

## PATRIOT CELEBRATES 1ST YEAR!

By Bill Morgan  
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We made it! One full calendar year after opening business as the Patriot Newspaper serving Becker, Big Lake, Clear Lake and Clearwater communities.

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Four staffers from the previous newspaper — the Citizen-Tribune — were given the news last spring that the newspaper's last edition was quickly ap-

proaching. The superceding editor decided it was time to go into full retirement and these stubborn four staffers refused to see the small town newspaper go by the wayside.

After careful consideration, planning and sacrifice, the four staffers — Chris Meyer, Bill Morgan, Carol Hanson and Kathy Nelson — decided to preserve the local newspaper of Becker, Clear Lake and Clearwater, re-brand it and re-include the community of Big Lake — all

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## Xcel cancels plans for Becker natural gas plant

Submitted article

(Editor's Note: The following article was submitted by Xcel Energy.)

Xcel Energy announced late last week it is proposing an alternate energy plan (also known as an integrated resource plan) for the Upper Midwest that enhances the company's commitment to dramatic reductions in carbon emissions from the electricity it provides customers while ensuring continued reliability and affordability. The plan would reduce carbon emissions more than 85% by 2030, compared to 2005 levels.

The new proposal is an alternate option to the Upper Midwest Energy

Plan proposed to regulators last year, and it delivers even greater carbon reductions than our original plan while still providing reliable and affordable energy for our customers. Unlike the original Upper



Midwest Energy Plan, the alternate proposal does not include the natural gas-fired combined cycle plant at the Sherco site in Becker, Minn., and instead would include four smaller natural gas facilities in separate locations throughout the region. Xcel Energy projects that these facilities would

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## Orrock considers becoming 2nd amendment safe community

By Katherine Cantin  
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Orrock board member Gregg Felber decided to bring an item to the board's attention during open forum at the recent twp. meeting. Normally open forum is reserved for citizens who wish to address the board, but Felber used the opportunity to bring a somewhat politically-charged item to the board's attention before formally adding it to a meeting agenda.

Felber spoke about how some cities and towns are adopting language promising to be a second-amendment safe city/town, meaning that, should legislation rule in favor of heavier gun control, those laws would not be enforced in said town/city. Given that Orrock has no policing force of its own, relying on the Sherburne County sheriff's office, this would be a largely ceremonial action.

Felber reviewed current gun control standards, saying that individuals who were suspected of being unsafe to themselves or others can have their guns held by law enforcement for up to 72 hours. The weapons will be returned to the individual when it is deemed the situation is safe. Proposed legislation would allow guns to be taken permanently from individuals in a similar situation, with less recourse for the individuals affected. Felber believed the system currently in place works well, and that the new legislation would overstep citizens' rights.

Treasurer Gary Goldsmith spoke a few words of caution before they finished discussing the topic for the evening. He said that, since the adoption of this policy was largely ceremonial, it more or less amounted to a political opinion, and he was uncertain about the morality of binding all the members to a political opinion, especially if the vote was not unanimous and some chose to vote against the action. He also was uncertain about binding that opinion to the township,

when perhaps not all township residents would agree with the opinion.

The board decided to add the item to next month's agenda for further discussion and consideration.

### Sheriff's Report

Sgt. Luke McLean of the Sheriff's dept. gave a report to the Orrock town board. The dept. received 103 traffic complaints over the last month. They are trying to get more patrols out on the road to get drivers to slow down. He also noted there has been some thefts reported in the area, regarding items being taken from cars. McLean encouraged residents to take valuable items with them after leaving their vehicles or to stow them in the trunk of the car so thieves are not tempted to break into the car.

He encouraged residents not to light off fireworks due to the dry conditions this year.

### JP Brooks Agreement

Kevin Clark, a representative of JP Brooks, the developer who is building homes in the Shores of Eagle Lake development, attended the recent Orrock town board meeting. He hoped to come to an agreement with the township where the township took over control of the roads.

The company is willing to chip seal the roads using funds from an escrow account with the township before giving up control of the roads to the township. However, it was not clear who was the true owner of the escrow account. The account is tied to the land in question and is believed to be held for the purpose of road maintenance, but the land which is now the Shores of Eagle Lake has changed hands a few times before being purchased by current owner JP Brooks. The party that opened the escrow account had to cancel their development plans for the land after becoming bankrupt.

The board wanted to make sure they were covered before agreeing to let JP Brooks access the es-

crow funds. They planned to ask Bev Harvey, the owner of the land before JP Brooks (who purchased the land from the bankrupt owner) to promise to reimburse the township in the event that they get sued over using the funds. They thought it was likely Harvey would agree to this.

The board also wanted to review the HOA agreement for the development, to see what the homeowners are liable to maintain.

They planned to have further discussions with JP Brooks before coming to a decision.

**Roads**  
The board decided to send out a letter to a resident who had parked his trailer in the right of way on a property adjacent to his.

They scheduled tree trimming for the year.

The board discovered that a weight limit sign within the township had recently been removed by an individual in order to get away with exceeding the weight limit. The issue is under investigation, but there were supposedly some witnesses who saw an individual commit the act.

### In Other Business, the Board:

- Adjusted some policy language regarding snow removal and right-of-way;
- Agreed to identify storm drains in the township for the adopt-a-storm-drain project;
- Passed on purchasing a parcel of tax-forfeited land;
- Moved to allow the treasurer to make plans for the American Rescue Plan Funding – the board was hopeful the funds would be eligible to be used for a potential town hall expansion;

• Moved to repair the irrigation system at town hall, so long as the cost is under \$4,000;

• Asked that residents call Midco directly with any issues they have regarding their property being torn up by the cable company, as the township and clerk have no power over the issue.

## Big Lake City council selects new police chief

By Katherine Cantin  
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A special Big Lake City council meeting was called June 14 to interview police chief candidates.

Two candidates from within the department applied for the position, Acting Chief Matt Hayden, and Officer Sam Olson. After over a week of consideration, the council offered Matt Hayden the position. Hayden has been serving as the Acting Chief since Joel's Scharf's medical leave and eventual resignation from the position.

Council member Ken Halverson stated that he wished some external candidates had also been considered for the position. Because of this, he chose to abstain from the vote to appoint Hayden as the next police chief.

Council member Paul Seefeld responded by stating that the decision to look internally only was recommended by the personnel committee in an effort to make the best decision for the city.

Mayor Paul Knier thanked both of the candidates for applying for the position.

### CommonBond Communities

The board approved a resolution of support for

CommonBond Communities to submit their tax credit application with Minnesota Housing. These are the same apartments that were such a hot topic during the last regular meeting, but the board approved the resolution without discussion, as it was only a resolution of support as CommonBond makes its application, and does not have a bearing on the council's final decision regarding the senior housing.

Later in the meeting, Hanna Klimmek of community development noted that CommonBond was still looking at their plan and trying to determine if the items the council asked them to consider were feasible and whether they wished to continue.

### Open Forum

Troy Stegora spoke to the council about an issue with a parcel of city property that bordered his property. The city owns the small bit of land for the use of snow storage, but Stegora has been using that property to access his own land. He ran into some trouble upon discovering he did not have the proper easement to use the land that way. He told the council that he has been maintaining the property himself, so he would like to either become the owner of the property or have the city take over maintenance.

### Swimmer's Itch

City Staff was planning to treat Big Lake for swimmer's itch this week. This is a process that is done only along the shoreline with the swimmers, and is completely harmless. The beach will not need to be closed during this process.

### Follow-up on Open Forum

In response to the previous meeting's open forum speakers, City Administrator Clay Wilfahrt has been speaking with the veterans who were unsatisfied with the condition of the flags at the city's Memorial Day services. Together, they developed a plan to care for the new flags so the situation does not occur again. Wilfahrt stated that he planned to contact the American Legion to follow up on this conversation.

Wilfahrt also stated he has been speaking with the city attorney regarding the request that Big Lake become a second amendment safe city. He told the council members that he expected the item to be on the agenda at the next regular meeting in July.



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# Bob and Judy's Farm Market closes this Sunday

By Katherine Cantin  
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Bob and Judy's Farm Market, a business that has been an integral part of Big Lake for more than 20 years, will be closing its doors permanently this weekend. They will continue to operate through the holiday weekend before shutting down.

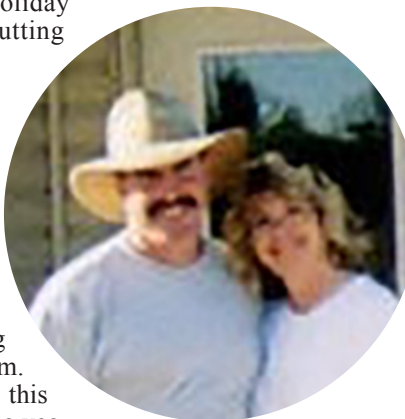
## Reason for Leaving

Bob and Judy Wilts, the owners of the business, stated there are a few reasons for the decision. They have had difficulty for the last few years in finding help on their little farm. They have dealt with this situation by purchasing vegetables from other farmers in the area. They also stated that they wanted to retire due to their age. Both Bob and Judy had recently lost a sibling, and so they wanted to make sure they took some time to enjoy life in retirement.

"We want to take a little time to enjoy life before we tip over," said Bob Wilts.

## History of the Shop

Bob Wilts' grandparents bought the land where the farm store is located back in 1951. His parents cared for the farm after his grandparents, and Bob was raised working on the farm.



Judy came from Maple Grove.

"That was back when it was still rural," she said. "People in the cities thought Maple Grove was the end of the world."

Bob and Judy were

married 41 years ago, and they continued to work the Wilts' family land. Judy had been pursuing a degree in journalism, but decided to stop after her second year of college when the couple got married.

She worked for the *West Sherburne Tribune* for some time before deciding to be a full-time mom after having her second child.

For a long time, the two raised and milked cattle on their farm, but got into growing vegetables instead after deciding to move away from raising the animals. They set up the farm store to sell their vegetables, and later added a greenhouse and started a nursery.

## Retirement

The couple is looking forward to retirement and being able to enjoy the beautiful Minnesota summers without worrying about work. Judy mentioned a couple of events that she was excited to attend this summer, having been unable to do so before. The couple also plans to travel, see their kids who live in different

states now, and enjoy themselves.

Currently, their shop and their house are up for sale. Judy said they aren't selling the family farm yet, but they may do so in the near future.

"We're hoping to move, but we're not yet sure where," said Judy.

Bob agreed, saying that, when he grew up, the city of Big Lake had only around 600 residents.

"It's not the same rural community anymore," he said.

The two are considering moving to a community that is still rural. None of their family still lives in Big Lake, so the two are ready to make a change. Judy said it will be hard for the pair to leave the friends that have become like family to them.

BOB AND JUDY WILTS posed in front of their shop recently after opening 20 years ago. (Submitted photo.)



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# Area News

## Special Memorial Day



**BIG LAKER GEORGE QUINN** (left) presented a folded American flag to **Dianne Allen**, the daughter of **SR1 Warren Dufresne** of the U.S. Navy who had his name inscribed on a bench (inset, along with another service member) at the Big Lake War Memorial site. To her right is her daughter, **Danielle Krueger**, who is a Big Lake HS graduate and resident of Big Lake. (Submitted Photos)

(Editor's Note: The Patriot plans to run a recipe or two each week from locals and their favorite recipe books. If you have one you'd like to share, contact the Patriot at 763-275-0275).

### Melon Summer Salad

- 1 cup watermelon balls;
  - 1/4 cup honey;
  - 1 cup cantaloupe or honeydew balls;
  - Juice of one lemon;
  - 1/2 cup whipped cream.
- Sprinkle fruit balls with lemon juice, then honey. Chill. Fold whipped cream into fruit just before serving. Serve on crisp lettuce leaf.



Submitted in memory of **Josie Kobs**.

### No Bake Cookies

- 2 cups sugar;
- 1/2 butter;
- 1/2 cup peanut butter;
- 5 Tbsp. cocoa;
- 1/2 cup milk.

Mix above ingredients in a pan and boil over the

stove. Then remove and add 5 cups of oatmeal. Stir well. Drop by teaspoonful onto waxed paper. Let sit for 30 minutes and serve.

Submitted by **Jackie Johnson**

### Doughnuts

- 5 eggs;
- 4 1/2 heaping tsp. baking powder;
- 2 2/3 cup milk;
- 10-12 cups flour;
- 3 Tbsp. melted shortening;
- 3 cups sugar;
- 1 tsp. salt;
- Flavoring.

Mix together eggs, sugar, milk, and melted shortening. Combine flour, baking powder and salt. Add to liquid mixture and stir lightly. Fry in hot oil, 365°, for about 3 or 4 minutes and drain on paper towel. Makes 9 1/2 dozen doughnuts.

Submitted in memory of **Dora Nelson**

## Big Lake Twp. and Sherburne County trade roads

By **Katherine Cantin**  
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The Big Lake Town Board held a public hearing regarding having Co. Rd. 79 once again becoming a township road, and having 209th Ave. become a county road. The reason for the trade is CR 79 does not have nearly as much traffic as 209th, which is a straight, through road, while CR 79 tends to meander and turn. Because of the high volume of traffic on 209th, the county is better equipped to deal with the road, between improving the road quality and adding shoulders to increasing patrols from the sheriff's office. Meanwhile, since not many people use

CR 79, the township is perfectly capable of maintaining the road.

Carey Adler, a resident of 209th Ave., came to speak during the open forum. He was concerned that turning 209th into a county road would lead to an increase in traffic, and noted that the traffic situation was already bad. He has clocked many motorists driving at increased speeds. He mentioned that little kids like to fish in the brook along the road, and worried about their safety.

The board assured Adler that converting 209th to a county road should only improve the road's safety. With wider shoulders, there should be room

to allow residents to walk alongside the road if they so choose. The board did not expect the amount of traffic on the road to increase once it becomes a county road, but merely wanted to make it as safe as possible for the motorists and residents who use the road.

The board proceeded to approve the plan to trade roads.

### Audit

The board reviewed their annual audit from 2020. **Schlenner Wenner**, the auditor who was hired for the project, reported that they did not find any significant issues with the township budget. The only issue was the segregation of duties, a finding that is very

common in townships that have few staff members. The auditor also reported that the township forgot the annual delegation of electronic fund transfer last year, though the situation was corrected this year.

### In Other Business, the Board:

- Passed on the opportunity to appoint a board representative to work with the *Mississippi Watershed District*, trusting the county to represent their interests for them;

- Approved the treasurer move forward with creating a plan for the *American Rescue Plan* funds that will be distributed this year and next year.



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## Big Lake ECFE wins best parade float!

Submitted article

(Editor's Note: The following article was submitted by Big Lake Community Education.)

Big Lake Community Education took home the first place prize last week for their float in the Spud Fest Parade.

The Big Lake Early Childhood Parent Advisory council created the float and had families who joined to walk the parade. The theme was "Bee Your Best Way," which is part of Big Lake's social emotional curriculum: "Be Kind, Be Safe, and Be a Learner."

This is the focus throughout all the district's Early Childhood Programs which include:

- *ECFE (Early Childhood and Family Education)* classes, for families with children Birth-Pre Kindergarten. The *ECFE* is "Come for your child, stay for you." No one is turned away. Day and evening classes are available along with free baby classes!
- *Little Learners Preschool*, which now has five new outdoor class offerings this Fall, is a *Five Star Parent*



SEVERAL FAMILIES involved with Big Lake ECFE helped to create this first-prize float for last week's parade. (Submitted photo.)

ent Aware Rated program that focuses on teaching kindergarten readiness skills through play and hands on learning activities.

- *Hive Time*, the wrap around childcare is for the children that are in *Little Learners Programs*

that need care before and after preschool. It also is available throughout the Summer and is a *Five Star Parent Aware* rated program.

"We were able to keep programming going all last year with the amazing sup-

port of our families and Big Lake School District," said Sarah Fritsch, the ECFE coordinator. "The parade float was our way of celebrating all our success throughout such a challenging year."

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BIG LAKE ECFE STUDENTS walked alongside their first-prize winning float in last weekend's Spud Fest Parade. (Submitted photo.)

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by the *Knights of Columbus* and the lines were very long — but well worth it and after the late night talent show by the Big Lake cheerleaders, the fireworks were shot in the sky and many "oohed" and "ahhed" for the 20-minute program.

On Friday, the carnival re-opens and ran all day. Dozens of rides, carnival games and challenges were on the docket as kids and adults were all smiles from the fun and thrills. At 5 p.m., the annual Guns & Hoses softball game between the police and fire departments kicked off the softball tournament. The BLPD took the contest, 22-16 and currently lead the all-time series three games to two.

Bingo was a popular event throughout the weekend as well as the ever popular beer tent. *The Departures* played live music at the main stage area where guests reminisced about the cover songs they were hearing or hit the dance floor to trip the light fantastic.

Saturday morning, the softball tournament began under cloudy and grey

skies. The *Spud Run Motorcycle Ride* also started their engines and roared through the city from *Tootsie's Bar* on one end to the *Buff* on the other.

And of course, at 11 a.m., the well received parade slowly traveled down Eagle Lake Road through town to the delight of kids and parents. Floats and their helpers distributed Whoppers, licorice, gum, Tootsie Pops, Jolly Ranchers, Smarties and even refreshing freeze pops to all who gathered along the parade route.

A contest was held to reward the top three floats in the parade and the first place finisher was the *Big Lake Early Childhood* float. Second place went to the *St. Paul Bouncing Team* and third went to the *Evolution Tae Kwon Do* float.

Following the parade, guests took to the carnival area for rides, lunch or sugary treats and also visited the Middle School area where the *SpudINC Robotics* team was planning on holding demonstrations of their robot, however, because of the rain, they had to shut things down.

The *Big Lake Women of Today* also held crafts over by the tennis courts and early afternoon, the *Big Lake Ambassadors* held their coronation under the main tent for the judges.

The *Dance Caravan of Otsego* performed on the main stage for one hour and at 8 p.m., the music of *Sweet Siren* will get people on their feet on the main stage

The *Big Lake Lions* hosted their annual Potato Pancake breakfast at the main food tent Sunday morning and from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., the *Spud Daze Marketplace* opened up with over 20 local vendors and their wares.

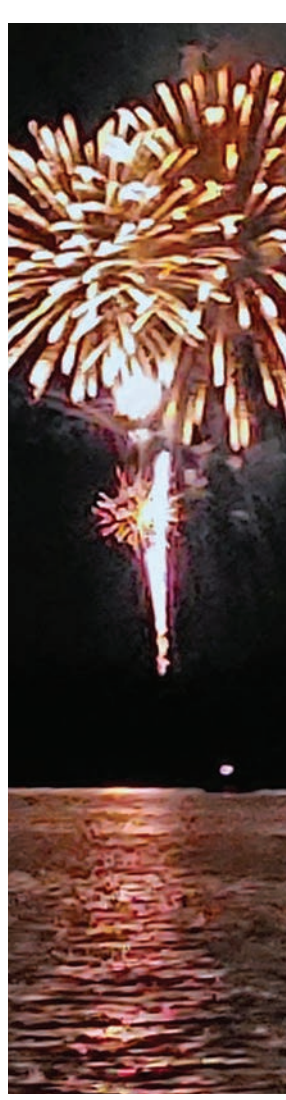
*Electric Steel* was the featured band on Sunday and played from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the main stage area and at 1 p.m., visitors tasted and voted on their favorite potato soup in a contest at the main food tent area.

Don't forget! Next year is scheduled to be one of the festival's biggest years as Spud Fest celebrates their 50th year in 2022!



A BEAUTIFUL DISPLAY by the Ballet Folklorica Rosa Quetzal Dance Team (above). (Photo by Shelley Berthiaume)

FIREWORKS LIT up the night sky (right) to kick-off Big Lake's Spudfest weekend. (Photos by Shelley Berthiaume)





## The Gift Of Family Vacations

Last week, two of my sisters, Ruth and Terri, and my niece, Lillie, traveled to Boise, Idaho for a week long trip to visit relatives and friends.

The trip was to celebrate Lillie's high school graduation. We flew out the day after Lillie's graduation party.

We were able to visit one of Lillie's cousins in Boise that she hasn't seen in a long time, as well as a long time friend we haven't seen in over a decade.

A good share of our time in Idaho was spent with our cousin, Emma Rasmussen, and her husband, Clyde.

Emma is my mom's first cousin and we are related through her dad, Wendle Gilyard. Wendle was a brother to my grandfather, Thoulow Gilyard.

My mom always talked about how beautiful her cousin Emma was, but the two didn't get to meet until later in life.

My mom met Emma in her seventies on a trip to Boise, Idaho with relatives, and they immediately formed a special bond.

We thoroughly enjoyed our time last week with Clyde and Emma. The couple chauffeured us to many wonderful and scenic destinations.

Emma and Clyde live along the Boise River. We enjoyed several walks on



By Mary Nehring,  
Contributing Writer

the Boise River Greenbelt walking trails.

Boise is known as the City of Trees and has a rich history. The area was started by fur trappers and became a gold hotspot.



FAMILY TIMES. Clyde and Emma Rasmussen, my sister Ruth Chavez and her daughter Lillie, my twin sister Terri and I pictured in Boise, Idaho last week. (Submitted Photo).

Today the area is known for delicious foods, outdoor attractions, hot springs, art, cultural events and breathtaking scenery.

The first day of our trip, Clyde and Emma took us to Idaho City and shared a great deal of trivia about the gold rush days. We enjoyed

lunch and a cocktail at a saloon, did some shopping and took a stroll through a pioneer cemetery.

The next day, we attended the annual National Old Time Fiddle Festival in Weiser, Idaho. We also made a stop in McCall, which used to be a logging town.

We drove thru Cascade State Park. The mountains and beautiful creeks were magnificent.

Towards the end of the week, we attended a wine and art festival at Terrace Park, located in the Boise National Forest.

Besides the wonderful sight seeing, we were blessed to visit a great deal about family with Emma and Clyde.

Emma got out many old photo albums and spread them out on her kitchen table. We were able to read hand written letters penned by our great Grandma Gilyard (Emma's grandma).

We were never able to meet our great Grandma Gilyard, as she died in 1956. Running our hands across letters she had written made us feel close to her.

We savored the special moments looking through old photographs with our cousin Emma. It was a wonderful week we will not soon forget.

When I look into the faces of my siblings, aunts and uncles and cousins

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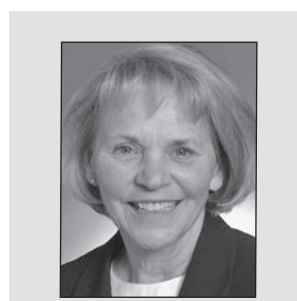
## Accountability To Taxpayers

(Editor's Note: The following article was submitted by the Sen. Mary Kiffmeyer team).

June 25, Sen. Mary Kiffmeyer, Chair of the State Government and Election Finance Committee, and the Senate passed a comprehensive budget funding state agencies and providing valuable reforms to increase transparency and hold government accountable for results. With significant bipartisan support of 40-26, the bill passed and will go to the House before Governor Walz signs it into law.

"The State Government budget impacts each and every Minnesotan," Kiffmeyer said. "I am pleased to see such good policy being put into law without government overreach and overspending. We can have a robust budget with modest programs while still providing the many necessary services in our state."

Notably, this budget adds a Legislative Audit of COVID-19 Funds, requiring the Office of the Legislative Auditor (OLA) to conduct an audit of the state's response to COVID-19. This audit would conduct a comprehensive analysis of programs to provide testing, vaccinations, and public outreach, along with contracting and other state purchasing to facilitate the response, and methodology used in modeling and forecasting the course of the outbreak. The OLA will then make recommendations based on what improvements and inefficiencies it finds in



By Sen.  
Mary Kiffmeyer

the audit.

"There is no doubt about it, there were problems in how COVID decisions were made across state government," Kiffmeyer said. "Minnesotans deserve a deeper look into how things were decided and why. In government, we love to talk about transparency in theory, but very rarely do we see it in practice when we most need it. That's what this audit will do - provide transparency so this does not happen again."

Other provisions in the State Government budget include:

- Establishment of the Legislative Commission on Cybersecurity to make sure the Legislature has the needed resources to keep government technology secure.
- With so many hacks and data breaches worldwide, this is a needed change for the security of the Legislature;
- Election security provisions, including the physical security of elections equipment and electronic recording of absentee ballot drop boxes to increase election;
- Daylight Savings Time

elimination if/when the federal government permits change;

- Pharmacy Benefit Manager Reverse Auction of Drug Benefits, which will save taxpayers money on the state employee pharmaceutical benefits;
- Addition of State Historic Preservation Office for state archaeologist report.

In the Veterans Department, this bill provides significant resources to support veterans across generations. Many veterans return home from service with Post Traumatic Stress Disorder or injuries that lead to substance abuse and are in need of intervention, empathy, and kindness. This bill provides significant resources for suicide prevention and crisis support. It also includes a compromise for the Veterans Restorative Justice Act, which provides alternative sentencing options for veterans who have committed certain criminal offenses. Veterans who are in the program would be diverted to receive therapy, substance abuse support, or treatment for needs that are so often tied to service.

There are also financial resources going to fully develop veterans' homes in Montevideo, Bemidji, and Preston. This will help prepare our care options for senior veterans, especially as increasing numbers of the baby boomer generation require heightened levels of care.

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## Letters To The Editor

## TO THE EDITOR:

Juneteenth a holiday or you're a racist. The creation of a new federal holiday was a mistake made possible by our spineless Representatives and Senators. I say spineless because most were obviously afraid of voting against this holiday for fear of being labeled racist. If June 19th was the day in which the Irish were released from servitude, of which there were over 300,000, would there be a national holiday to celebrate it? No, because of their skin color.

Is June 19, 1865, a historical event? Yes, but it does not rise to the level worthy a National Holiday.

So what is going to be the result of this new National holiday? Besides the obvious yearly loss in productivity of billions of dollars, we have created another tool that can be used to divide our citizens by race. It won't matter why one opposes Juneteenth as a National Holiday for they will be labeled racist by the usual crowd.

So what I propose is that those that oppose this latest holiday take out their frustrations by removing their elected Senators and Representatives at their next election and elect people with a little more spine and good sense.

Bret R. Collier  
Big Lake, MN

## TO THE EDITOR:

Minnesota folks, pay heed. Fort Snelling, the oldest military outpost in Minnesota and a great tourist attraction what was built to keep the peace between the Indian tribes, has been taken over by activist groups and the new museum will now depict the fort as more of a "concentration camp" and have displays of "inequity" and a place of genocide and a site of "conscience", whatever that means? Where are the people fighting this activist lunacy? In fact, the fort was used also to train soldiers and feed and shelter Indian women and children after the Dakota War in Minnesota. More real history being destroyed, tampered with or whatever you call it. Rise up folks and let them know your disgust. Also, Democrats in every Democrat run state are refusing to remove DEAD people from voter rolls. I think we all know why. Those mailed out ballots and names of DEAD people will come in handy. Georgia audit now says that 100,780 obsolete voters including 18,486 DEAD people. Wherever audits have taken place, they are finding the same scenario. Think about that.

Regards,  
Gordon Schmidt  
Loretto, MN

## Greater Accountability To Taxpayers

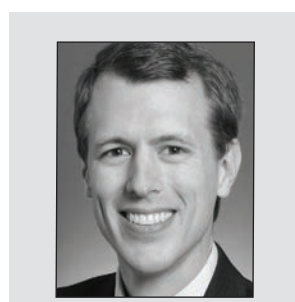
(Editor's Note: The following article was submitted by Sen. Andrew Mathews).

The Minnesota Senate on Thursday approved a comprehensive, bipartisan transportation budget agreement that invests billions over the next two years in the state's transportation infrastructure without a gas tax, mileage tax, sales tax, or license tab fee increase.

Ensuring Minnesotans have safe roads to drive on is a top priority of the legislature. The state has plenty of money for maintenance without putting the budget on Minnesotans through new taxes, fees, or mileage tax.

The transportation budget agreement provides \$7.8 billion for state roads, including construction, development, and maintenance. That includes \$3.68 billion for state road construction and \$300 million for corridors of commerce. The bill also provides an additional \$14 million for local bridges and an additional \$5.5 million for the Local Road Improvement Program, as well as an additional \$30 million for small city and township roads.

Senate Republicans fought to improve convenience and ease stress for



By Sen.  
Andrew Mathews

Minnesota drivers this session. The final transportation budget includes several of those priorities, such as allowing Minnesotans to purchase their license tabs and replacement license plates from fully-automated kiosks; permitting driver's education students to take the classroom portion of their instruction online; creating a pilot program where Minnesotans could receive their standard driver's license card the same day they renew their license or pass their driving test; and reopening all recently-closed exam stations to deal with the testing backlog. The bill also provides funding to improve speeds and reduce wait times at local DMV offices by adding more staff.

The bill keeps the state's

commitment to law enforcement by providing \$608 million for the state patrol and capitol security, including funding to hire 63 new troopers, funding to meet the state patrol's request for body cameras, and funding for trooper pay raises.

The bill cleans up impermissible MnDOT spending. The Constitution mandates Minnesota's gas tax, motor vehicle sales taxes, tab fees, and auto parts sales tax be used strictly for "highway purposes," yet each year the state spends about \$232 million from these accounts on programs unrelated to roads. Many of these items, such as aeronautics, tourist information centers, and parades will be moved to the general fund.

The bill includes \$15 million to protect children at school bus stops by equipping Minnesota school buses with outward-facing cameras to catch stop-arm violators. The provision would likely make Minnesota the first state in the nation to install cameras in all its buses. The bill also provides \$7 million dollars for the successful Safe Routes to Schools program, which aims to improve student safety and reduce traffic near schools.

## Decent Infrastructure Needed

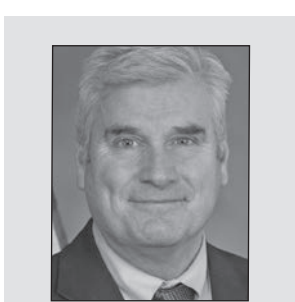
(Editor's Note: The following article was submitted by the Congressman Tom Emmer team).

As many of us celebrate Independence Day at the cabin or make our way to a Fourth of July parade, we will be driving on roads and crossing bridges that are in dire need of repairs.

Weekend trips, your daily commute, grocery-runs, and carpools should not be complicated by congestion, potholes, and crumbling infrastructure. The federal government and the state of Minnesota have a shared responsibility to provide for the safety and reliability of our roads and bridges, a mandate which - as a father and an elected official - I do not take lightly.

This week, the House will be voting on a transportation bill. Unfortunately, this package seems to fall short of what we'd hoped to see from a "bipartisan" infrastructure effort. Instead of focusing on our nation's most pressing infrastructure needs, the legislation we expect to consider this week does nothing to streamline the regulatory permitting process for new road and bridge construction, limits the State's authority to prioritize new construction in areas of greatest need, and for every \$2 spent, \$1 would go to funding for Green New Deal mandates

Since coming to Congress, we've worked to ensure Minnesota has better roads and safer intersections. Last year, we secured \$40 million to improve Highway 10, and an additional \$15 million for an infrastructure project in Anoka to replace the Rum River bridge on Hwy. 10 and the adjacent 4th Avenue bridge. This project also included a reconfiguration of the Hwy. 10/47/169 Interchange.



By Congressman  
Tom Emmer

We continue to advocate for funding to go towards roads like Hwy. 212 and 94, bridge projects in Stearns County, and intersection improvements like the one at Annandale State Hwy. 24 and Hemlock Street. Our state and local officials know how to better handle the resources within their own communities than bureaucrats in Washington, D.C. We will continue to work to direct funds to local planners to improve our state's roads and bridges and reduce the time it takes for these projects to be completed.

## Town Hall &amp; App Challenge Launch!

We're back in Washington this week, and I was excited to be giving everyone an update during my town hall meeting. All topics were open for discussion; however, we focused on work force issues.

I was joined by two experts from Career Solutions and the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development. They were able to assist with a variety of concerns for Minnesotans seeking employment opportunities and information about our current work force challenges.

I hope you joined us for another successful telephone town hall, and you can learn more about how to participate in future town hall meetings by visiting my website!

This week, I am also excited to announce that registration for the Congressional App Challenge is now open!

Congress established the App Challenge to promote Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) skills which are critical to the American workforce. This competition invites middle and high school students around the country to compete against their classmates in creating their own software application, better known as an app. The application period is now open! To learn about how to apply, and to learn the rules surrounding the Challenge, go to [CongressionalAppChallenge.us](http://CongressionalAppChallenge.us). The registration deadline is November 1, 2021. Register today!

## Securing Relief for Rural Hospitals

This past year, our doctors, nurses, and health care administrators went above and beyond during the COVID-19 outbreak to care for our most vulnerable. Congress adopted the *Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Relief (CARES) Act* which established the *Provider Relief Fund (PRF)* to direct funding and resources to our hospitals, health systems, and frontline workers.

Congress intended for this program to keep hospitals staffed and functioning. Unfortunately, the current guidelines for this program have put rural providers in a position where they will be forced to return their funds to the *Department of the Treasury* (Treasury). Over the last year, the *Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)* - the department responsible for implementing the PRF - released more than 30 different versions of

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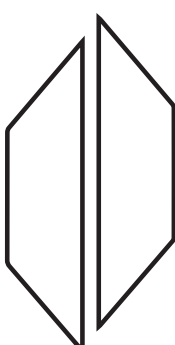

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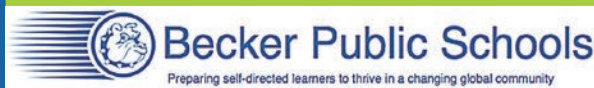


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God Bless!



## Becker graduate receives Rox Project Scholarship

Submitted article

(Editor's Note: The following article was submitted by Rox Project S.A.V.E. Foundation.)

Jaden Kraus, a graduating senior student from Becker High School, was recently chosen as one of five recipients of a St. Cloud Rox Project S.A.V.E. Foundation Scholarship Award valued at \$2,000 during the recently completed 2020-21 school year. The Scholarship Award is sponsored by the Founding Partners of the Rox Project S.A.V.E. Foundation: Marco, Wells Concrete, CLA, and BankVista.

Kraus, a resident of Clear Lake, received her award at the Monday, June 21st Rox home game at Joe Faber Field in St. Cloud during an on-field ceremony. Jaden plans to attend the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse in the fall and major in Elementary Education.



JEDEN KRAUS received a \$2,000 scholarship to attend the University of Wisconsin - La Crosse. (Submitted photo.)

Project S.A.V.E. is a certified 501(c)(3) Charitable Foundation, launched in March, 2019, and administered by the St. Cloud Rox Baseball Club to serve as a 'teammate' to the many

communities throughout Central Minnesota. Its main purpose is to provide Grants, Donations and Scholarships in support of youth-related programs and activities involving Sports,

Arts, Volunteerism and Education initiatives. Helping kids and having fun along the way. It's the Rox way!

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guidance for this fund! This uncertainty has caused rural providers to withhold from utilizing their allocations out of fear of falling out of compliance.

I led a bipartisan letter to the HHS Secretary Xavier Becerra urging him to correct the PRF reporting requirements before the June 30, 2021 deadline, when hundreds of rural hospitals will be required to return their funds to the federal government.

Due to unclear and burdensome guidance, a significant portion of this program – designed by Congress to be a lifeline to struggling providers – will ultimately be returned to the Treasury. This is unacceptable, which is why I will continue to fight for rural providers and their patients.

If you are in need of assistance or would like to share your thoughts with me, please write me an e-mail at [Emmer.House.gov/contact](mailto:Emmer.House.gov/contact).

To keep up with what we're doing in Washington, follow me on [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#) for more updates!

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"This bill supports Veterans across generations. We are ensuring our vets have access to resources to adapt to home life after serving our country while acknowledging the adjustment can be difficult. It is time to stop simply thanking our troops but put policy behind our words and put those policies into action. Our Veterans deserve it."

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(such as Emma), it is powerful to realize how our lives are all interwoven.

I pray our visit blessed Emma and her husband Clyde as much as it did my sisters, my niece and I.

Traveling, especially with family, is a gift. It is so important emotionally, physically and spiritually to recharge our batteries.

I feel it is important for all of us to get away from our responsibilities.

Family trips are even more special after the last year with COVID, which made traveling challenging.

Family trips are also a time to make special memories with loved ones through the adventures we experience along the way.

It is always fun to get away, yet it is always wonderful to get back home. Home feels very good after you've been gone.

I'm grateful we were able to get away and spend special time with family.

Traveling with family is a gift and I praise God for it.

## More Spud Fest fun from carnival to parade!



THE GAME TIME basketball contest (right) brought out kids and adults to try their hands at sinking buckets to win furry prizes. (Patriot Photo by Bill Morgan)

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# Wright Co. seeks outstanding seniors, amateur talents

*Submitted article*  
*(Editor's Note: The following article was submitted by the Wright County Fair.)*

The Wright County Fair is approaching soon, and there is still time to nominate an outstanding senior citizen volunteer or sign up for the talent show.

**Outstanding Senior Citizen Award**  
Nominations from county residents are now being sought for the 2021 Outstanding Senior Citizen Award for Wright County. The award recognizes outstanding senior citizens (70+) who have contributed their time and talent to benefit their community. They will be honored at the Wright County Fair on July 23, 2021.

The eligibility criteria for the outstanding seniors are that they are a Minnesota resident and are 70 years of age.

Only volunteer activities after the age of 65 for which there is no compensation (except for reimbursed expenses) are considered.

Winners at the county level will move on to compete at the state level at the Minnesota State Fair.

Nomination form can be found at [www.WrightCountyFair.org](http://www.WrightCountyFair.org) or [www.MNStateFair.org](http://www.MNStateFair.org). Nomination form is to be returned before July 09 to Nancy Betzler 3623 156th ST NW Clearwater MN 55320. Phone: 320 558-2431

**Amateur Talent Show**  
The Wright County Fair is still taking applications for the Amateur Talent Show taking place at the Wright County Fair in Howard Lake on Thursday July 22, starting at 6 pm. Auditions will take place on July 8th at 6 pm at the Fairgrounds. Digital entries can also be sent in. See the Fair guide book or the fairs website [www.WrightCountyFair.org](http://www.WrightCountyFair.org) for information. Form is to be returned to Nancy Betzler 3623 156th ST NW Clearwater MN 55320. Phone: 320 558-2431

# Lynden Twp. approves driveway expansion

*By Penny Leuthard, Contributing Writer*

On the agenda for Lynden Twp.'s June meeting were driveways, a variance, and road updates.

**Driveway Request**  
Justin Sundell, representing Newport Leasing, approached the board to discuss their request to widen their driveway 10 feet on either side to help facilitate truck traffic going in and out of the property. The driveway is currently 30 feet wide, and they would like to widen it to 50 feet total.

Sundell informed the board that Newport Leasing had also purchased a 1.4 acre parcel to the south of their current property and inquired if a new CUP would be needed or if the existing CUP could be extended to cover the new property.

Supervisor Dennis Niemi indicated he had

completed a site visit and didn't see any issues with the driveway expansion. A motion carried approving the driveway expansion and extending the company's existing CUP to the new parcel.

**Variance Request**  
Jerry Konz, representing JK Landscape, approached the board to discuss the company's variance request to increase the impervious surface area of the property to 64.1%; county and township ordinances state impervious surfaces can be no more than 60%.

A public hearing concerning the request was held in May, there was no public input.

A motion carried approving the variance and accepting the planning commission's finding of fact with four conditions; requirement of a water infiltration pond, approval of the wastewater plan by the

township engineer, proper applications for permits are made, and the property owner will save, defend, and hold the township harmless in granting the variance.

**Road Updates**  
Niemi informed the board the township didn't receive the LRIP grant they applied for so they will need to discuss options and get estimates before proceeding with any road repairs. He indicated he would obtain estimates for fixing 200th Street and report back at the next meeting.

Most items from the township's spring road tour have been completed. All roads slated for additional gravel and dust control should be completed.

**Other Business**  
Bob Spitzley from Stearns Co. Environmental Services contacted the township regarding a property that will potentially

need a CUP prior to building on it. The item will be discussed further at the next township meeting.

Spring cleanup day was a success; the township is expecting to receive a Stearns Co. SCORE grant that will pay for much of the expenses incurred. The Stearns Co. Explorers group was presented a donation of \$340 from the sale of the scrap metal collected for their help during the event.

After discussing best practices for township email addresses, it was determined the best resolution would be removing titles from them and using personal names instead. The township clerk, treasurer and James Kantor will work on the issue.

The next Lynden Twp. meeting will be July 12 at 7 p.m.

# Centra MN Swine club hosts swine show

*Submitted Article*  
*(Editor's Note: The following article was submitted by the Centra MN Swine Club.)*

The Centra MN Swine Club hosted a Swine Show at the Benton County fairgrounds last weekend.

The Swine Club is a partnership between Benton and Sherburne county 4-H. Several Becker and Big Lake 4-H'ers participated in the event. Centra MN Swine Club hosted this show, which was part of a jackpot series that includes additional shows.



THE CENTRA MN SWINE CLUB includes: (LtoR) Bryant Pierce, Dashton Mueller, Teresa Simcoe, Blazden Mueller, Bailey Muehlbauer, Brady Thompson and Jackson Rosati. (Submitted Photo).

Over 150 pigs entered at the show and youth from all over the United States attended. Some attendees came from Oklahoma and

Illinois. The swine club hopes to host the show again next year.

# Walz's peacetime emergency is over

*By Bill Morgan, Editor/Staff Writer, Reporter.Bill@PatriotNewsMN.com*

After nearly 16 months, the Minnesota Legislature has ended the peacetime emergency for COVID-19 declared by Gov. Walz in March of 2020.

Early Wednesday morning, the Minnesota House, on a motion made by House Republicans, adopted an amendment to the State Government Finance Bill that ended Walz's emergency powers, which he was about to surrender come August 1. However, under heavy pressure from state politicians, Walz released a press release saying the emergency situation with COVID-19 would end Thursday, July 1 instead. Walz made his move as

Minnesota House members debated the state government budget omnibus bill this week, facing an 11:59 p.m. deadline Wednesday before state agency and services could start shutting down. House Majority Leader Ryan Winkler, D-Golden Valley, shortly before midnight Tuesday offered an amendment to end the emergency, which he said was negotiated with the Republican-controlled Senate.

The emergency powers have ignited a months-long, partisan debate in St. Paul over executive authority and the separation of powers. Legislative Republicans — including Senate Majority Leader Paul Gazelka, R-East Gull Lake — have said Walz overstepped his bounds as governor, and that the Leg-

islature should have been involved in pandemic-related policies and programs. Walz has maintained that a pandemic is an ongoing emergency, and that the nation's only divided Legislature wouldn't be able to act quickly enough in an ever-evolving health care crisis.

Gazelka and his colleagues want to rewrite state law "to make sure that no governor can ever again abuse emergency authority like Gov. Walz has for the past year."

"House Republicans are thrilled that the peacetime emergency has come to an end," said Gazelka. "But it's clear that emergency powers are in desperate need of reform to strike a proper balance between the executive and legislative branch."

In his news release, Walz defended his use of the peacetime emergency, saying it "allowed us to respond quickly and effectively to the pandemic this past year."

"We built testing sites from the ground up, we secured emergency personal protective equipment to protect our healthcare workers on the frontlines, and we developed a nation-leading vaccination program to get life-saving shots into the arms of Minnesotans," he said.

The bill subsequently passed the House, and was approved by the Minnesota Senate. Under Chapter 12, peacetime emergencies are terminated following a majority vote by both bodies.

# Sherburne HHS offers support for residents

*Submitted article*  
*(Editor's Note: The following article was submitted by Sherburne County HHS.)*

Sherburne County Health and Human Services is offering several programs to support the health and well-being of county citizens. The following includes information on some of the services provided by Sherburne County HHS

**Car Seat Distribution Classes**  
Sherburne County Government Center, 13880 Business Center Drive NW, Elk River. If eligible, residents of Sherburne County can receive a car seat for a \$20 suggested donation. Call to find out income guidelines (families who are on WIC or chil-

dren on medical assistance are automatically eligible). Call for an appointment or more information, 763-765-4112 or 1-800-433-5239.

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**HIV testing**  
Free and confidential testing is available by appointment at: Sherburne County Health and Human Services, 13880 Business Center Drive, Elk River, MN 55330. Contact the HIV tester at 763-765-4000.

**Vaccine Tuesdays**  
Sherburne County Public Health is offering free COVID-19 vaccines, and offering free or low cost immunizations for children 18 years of age or younger and uninsured or underinsured adults 19 years and older in Minnesota who meet eligibility guidelines on Tuesdays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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765-4000 or 1-800-433-5239. **WIC (Women, Infants & Children)**

WIC is for: women who are pregnant, breastfeeding, or recently had a baby; and infants and children to their fifth birthday. WIC provides nutrition education, breastfeeding support, healthy foods and referrals to health services/community resources.

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Minnesota Women in City Government is a member organization of the League of Minnesota Cities. It was founded in 1978 to encourage, mentor, and support development, leadership growth, and involvement of women in local government. MWC recognizes exceptional and distinguished appointed and elected officials who have made a significant impact on city government.



# Area News

## Santiago Lions hold benefit for Andrew Reid

By Katherine Cantin  
Staff Writer  
Reporter.Katie@PatriotNewsMN.com

The *Santiago Lions* held a benefit last weekend for Santiago man Andrew Reid. Reid was recently diagnosed with stage 4 glioblastoma, an extremely rare brain cancer. Reid's father, Steve Reid, is a firefighter with the *Becker Fire Dept.*

The *Santiago Lions* held the benefit and sold raffle tickets to help raise money for the young man to pay his medical bills. The event was held at *Bailey Ray's Roadhouse*.

The family of Andrew Reid is extremely grateful and moved by the generos-



*SANTIAGO RESIDENTS (above) attended the Reid benefit held by the Santiago Lions last weekend. In the foreground sit prizes for raffle tickets. (Submitted photo.)*



*ANDREW REID'S FATHER, STEVE REID, addressed the benefit attendees. Steve Reid is a Becker firefighter. (Submitted photo.)*

## Modern American revolution

Submitted Article

*(Editor's Note: The following article was submitted by Dr. Phyllis E. VanBuren of Clearwater, MN. This is Part II of a two-part series on CRT and Social Studies Standards.)*

Recently, we have become the "untied" States of America and fear becoming the "divided" States of America.

Last week, approximately a hundred concerned patriots gathered at the *Holiday Inn* in St. Cloud, one of 17 presentations between June 8-30 across Minnesota. The *Raise Our Standards* tour is sponsored by the non-profit *Center of the American Experiment*. Those attending were parents and grandparents, several teachers, a few administrators, and even a couple members of school boards. No one identified as a reporter for newspapers, radio or TV.

Since they will not be reporting on an issue of great concern for our children, our communities and even our beloved country, I am writing to share an explanation of what *Critical Race Theory* is and intends to do to remake our culture and what we need to do to combat this ideological movement that has made great gains and seeks to cause another revolution in our country, even as they deny the Revolutionary War and its role in our history.

Remember those words uttered by candidate Obama on October 30, 2008, in Columbia, Missouri? He declared: "We are five days away from fundamentally transforming the United States of America." He did not completely achieve that during his eight years in the Oval Office. He has announced that the Biden administration is furthering his agenda—AND THIS IS PART OF IT.

In Russia and China, the Marxists sought to divide the working class (Proletariat) and the owners of production (Bourgeoisie). In theory, Marxism (socialism/communism—different terms, same principles) refers to a classless society for the common good. Please note the successes in the former USSR and current Russia, China, Cuba, Laos, North Korea, Vietnam, Venezuela and some African countries.

This ideology was exported to the USA, but our class system was fluid, and persons could achieve greater status from personal hard work. Therefore, the leftists had to find a way to divide the "haves" and the

"have-nots" for their new cultural revolution. The USA is a heterogeneous society in contrast to the homogenous persons in the aforementioned countries. Hence, the factor that was noticeably different and unchangeable was race.

No one in this country can deny slavery (a phenomena dating back to 3500 BC in Mesopotamia) or its tragic scar on the history of our nation. But with the Civil War to end slavery and the 13th, 14th, and 15th Amendments, the Civil Rights Movement and Voting Rights Laws of the '60s, and the impact of Martin Luther King, Jr. ("I have a dream that my four little children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the color of their skin but by the content of their character."), we celebrated progress towards equality and unity in the 20th century.

What happened as we entered the 21st century? The walls of segregation returned with the warm-fuzzy words of "diversity," "social justice," "equity," and "inclusion." These are the buzzwords of CRT that is the lens (not the curriculum) by which everything in society is viewed. While the words sound safe, they carry indoctrination into our classrooms. Our children learn to divide themselves according to skin tones and gender. Those at the top of the prescribed pyramid are the "oppressors" (white, heterosexual, conservative, Christian males) and at the bottom are the "oppressed" (all blacks). The concept of "intersectionality" places the others in between to determine their culpability as "oppressors" or their suffering as victims ("oppressed").

According to CRT, NOTHING can change because it systemic and engrained due to race. The "woke"/"cancel" culture delineates defects in society to this plague of parasites (whites) and disseminates it most effectively to our children in their classrooms.

The Marxist propaganda first took over post-secondary schools, but now it is in the PreK-12 education.

Ignorance is not bliss. Many parents have assumed that their children are in classrooms that reflect those in which they learned a generation ago. In part, they saw into their students' classrooms through distance learning. In part, they have learned of the radical changes with mandated changes in curriculum

in their states, and currently at the federal level.

After students learn to hate themselves, they learn to hate this country that was founded on racism (according to CRT) and why they should embrace the "-isms."

Take heart...you can make a difference. Just go online (conservative sites) and skim the headlines for CRT (in abundance) and especially select those with parents at school board meetings. Parents are telling the school boards and administrators what SHOULD be taught. Parents have swept numerous school board elections and taken back control of their schools. Teachers, who could lose their jobs and some have, have stood up to the tyranny and advocated for the students. They have also instructed the students to challenge questionable statements and assignments from their teachers.

Action steps that American Experiment suggests for Minnesotans include:

- Submit feedback to the revision of the Social Studies Standards currently underway (already behind schedule probably due to the feedback from the public in phase one). Learn more at [RaiseOurStandardsMN.com](http://RaiseOurStandardsMN.com).
- Coming soon—A grassroots app for activism for pro-MN, pro-kids ideas. Join *IlluminED*;
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- In the time remaining in the special session of the Legislature, encourage your legislators to remove all elements of CRT from the final education omnibus bill...just as many other states have done—removed it from all schools in their state...and fight the current administration's efforts of forcing CRT from the federal level;
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## Novotny Joins Minnesota Civil Air Patrol's Legislative Squadron

Submitted Article

*(Editor's Note: The following article was submitted by the Paul Novotny team.)*

State Representative Paul Novotny, R-Elk River, recently joined the *Minnesota Civil Air Patrol's Legislative Squadron*. Rep. Novotny was presented a certificate of membership at a ceremony held on June 10th.

Joining Rep. Novotny at the ceremony was MN Wing Vice Commander, Lt. Col. Paul Prior, Col. Kevin Silwenski, Wing Government Affairs Advisor, and one of his constituents, 2nd Lt. Joe Calandra.

The *Minnesota Civil Air Patrol* supports communities with emergency response, diverse aviation and ground services, youth development, and the promotion of air, space and cyber power.



*REP. PAUL NOVOTNY holds his certificate of membership next to (not shown) Col. Kevin Silwenski, MN Wing Vice Commander Lt. Col. Paul Prior, 2nd Lt. Joe Calandra. (Submitted Photo)*

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# Becker's Bible captures MSHSL clay target title

By Mark Kolbinger  
Contributing Writer

Last week, the MSHSL hosted its Clay Target State Tournament and Becker trap team member Bradley Bible brought home the state title by shooting a perfect score of 100. Bible and South St. Paul's Boone Johnson each broke all 100 targets en route to sharing the state title as co-champions.

A total of 92 individual shooters competed in the field, which also included a team competition in which 40 different teams qualified for the state event.

Bible, Becker's only Senior, was a steady competition all season according to coach Chris Keeler. Bible, with 15 total shooters, competed its regular season in the Class A division. For the regular season and qualifying events, teams are divided into divisions based on the number of shooters on the team. However, the MSHSL State Championships are a one class affair, meaning students from all across the state compete against one another for the state individual and team titles,



BRADLEY BIBLE OF THE BECKER TRAP TEAM took home the MSHSL state championship in the Clay Target State Tournament held last week in Prior Lake (Submitted Photo).

Bible's perfect score was one of five total posted at the championships, as his co-champion and three shooters competing in the team competition broke all their targets.

"I can't say enough about how good of a kid Bradley is," Keeler said. "He is quiet, humble and a hard worker who enjoys shooting. He is going to be successful in whatever he decides to do."

Despite the pressure of the state tournament, Keeler said Bible never wavered in his approach to his rounds.

"He's calm and smooth and he's really fun to watch," Keeler said. "As the coach, I tell all of our younger shooters to watch him and what he's doing."

Congratulations to Bradley on adding his name to the list of Becker Bulldog state champions.



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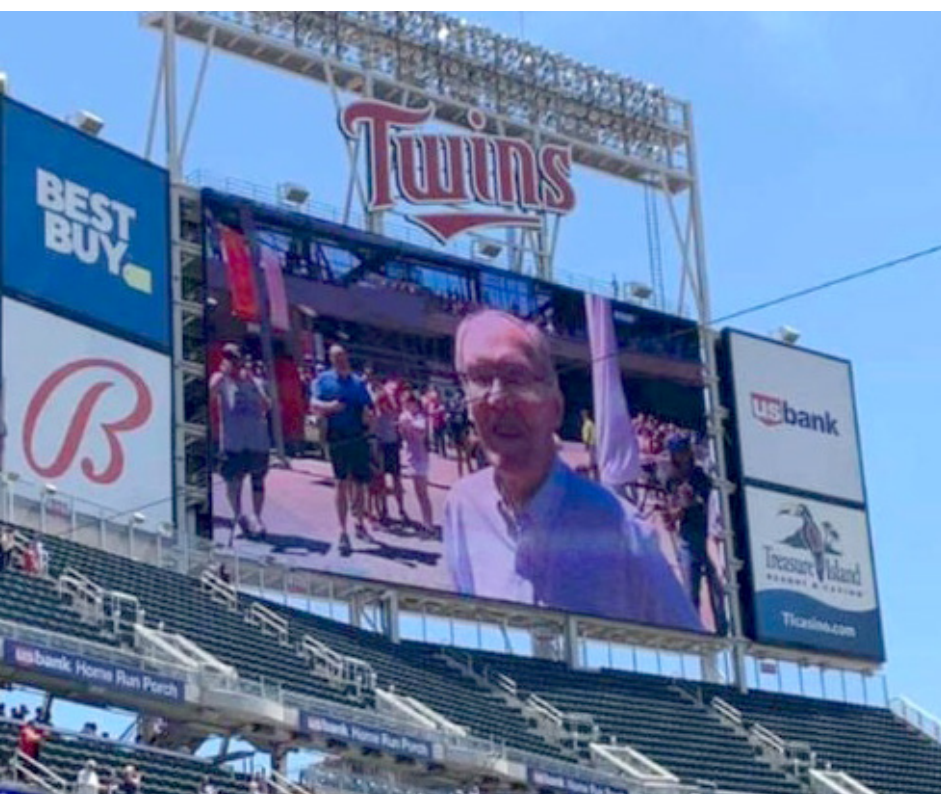
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# Ricker competes at state track meet

By Mark Kolbinger  
Contributing Writer

Tyson Ricker capped off a tremendously successful track season by participating in the MSHSL State Track and Field championships on June 19.

Ricker participated in the 1600 meter race and finished in 14th place overall, as he ran with the quick pack in his division and was one of just two Sophomores who finished the race.

Ricker posted a time of 4:39.91 against the top competition from across Minnesota.

The 2021 MSHSL State meet was the final one under the 2 class system, as next year the MSHSL will add a third class to the track competition season. Becker will compete next year in the Class AA



TYSON RICKER, pictured (middle) with coaches Trish Riemer-Kealy and Dustin Weege, competed in the MSHSL State Track and Field Meet on June 19th (Submitted Photo).

division against teams that come from more similar sized schools.

"Tyson did a great job and again ran a really smart race," Coach Paul Schmidt said. "As coaches we are

all really proud of his season and look forward to the great things he can do in the future."

# Bandits, Buzzards continue action

By Mark Kolbinger  
Contributing Writer

Becker's two amateur baseball teams continued action in the past week, with the Bandits dropping a pair of league games and the Buzzards picking up a win in a close contest that was highlighted by some adept lineup maneuvering by the team's acting manager.

### Bandits

Last week, the Bandits dropped a 5-2 contest to Lake Cafe of Big Lake. Becker managed just six hits in the game and gave away a pair of unearned runs because of some defensive lapses.

Mitch Louden led the Bandit attack at the plate, going 2-for-4 with a walk, while Matt Krenz, Zach Wenner, Connor Rolf and Dalton Fouquette each had

a hit apiece in the game. Cam Fischer took the start on the mound and lasted 4.2 innings, while scattering three hits and striking out three Big Lake hitters. Just two of his four runs surrendered were



earned. Matt Moe came on in relief and went the final 4.1 innings, striking out four and giving up just one earned run.

Sunday, the team suffered a shellacking at the hands of the Monticello Polecats, 13-2. The team

again managed just six hits total for the game, while the pitching staff gave up 10 earned runs.

Louden again had a pair of hits for the Bandits, while Krenz added a 2-for-3 performance with two RBIs and a double.

Andrew Kolbinger took the start on the mound and lasted two innings as he struggled a bit with his control, giving up three walks and hitting two batters. Fischer came on in relief for two innings and then Ryan Groskreutz pitched two innings of two-hit ball. Krenz finished the game off with one inning of work on the mound for the Bandits.

Wednesday night, the Bandits were to take on the Albertville Villains and then are off over the holiday, resuming play July 7 with a home game versus the Luxemberg Brewers.

### Buzzards

Sunday, the Becker

Buzzards squeaked out a 5-4 win over Fergus Falls in a game that saw Manager Jason Baune miss due to a nagging injury he suffered when he dove for a fly ball in the Buzzards' loss to the Bandits earlier this season.

Acting Manager Brian Kolbinger seized the managerial reins and was forced to navigate some interesting lineup changes. With the win, however, Kolbinger maintained an undefeated record in games where he served as the manager.

Becker jumped to the early lead with a pair of first inning runs, as Rich Petty and Jason Pflugsten scored with the key hit being a single by Chico

Schroeder. The Buzzards would again strike for a pair of runs in the third inning, as Kolbinger delivered a key hit from his designated hitter position as he was batting for starting pitcher Tanner Bakke.

Matt Koester and Nick Allerson both touched home plate that inning to score the runs. In the fourth inning, Pflugsten scored his second run of the game to finalize the Buzzard scoring.

All together, the Buzzards pounded out nine hits, with Allerson leading the way with his 2-for-3 performance. Bakke drew the start

on the mound and was effective in four innings of work before Kolbinger came on in relief on the mound in the fifth. However, in that inning, Petty was tossed by the umpire for arguing a play at first base and then the shuffling began. Because the Buzzards had started the game with just 10 players, Bakke now had to enter the game in Petty's spot in the order and he came back to the mound to resume pitching with Kolbinger shifting to play defense in the field. This created the strange phenomenon where Bakke not only picked up the win in the game, but was also credited with the save.

The Buzzards are now off until July 10 when they travel to Menahga to take on Clarissa and Verndale in a doubleheader.





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was the chance to drive in the 80's chain car class. Those who could only dream of participating due to not having a demo car to drive were able to purchase raffle tickets for the chance to make that dream come true. SBSC provided the demo car for the lucky winner.

Other raffle prizes were \$1,000 cash for second place and a gift card basket for third.

Along with the 80's chain car, the demo derby classes included limited weld trucks and two man extreme mini vans; the stock weld cars class was featured as the main event. Cash prizes were awarded.

Chaos continued into the evening, with the crowd

sharing its enthusiasm for the events with shouts and loud cheers. At its conclusion, *Radio Nation* continued the night's entertainment with rock and country music.

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For more information on the SBSC visit their website at [silverbulletssaddeclub.com](http://silverbulletssaddeclub.com).

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operate significantly fewer hours per year than the proposed *Sherco* combined cycle plant and have far fewer carbon emissions but are necessary to ensure system reliability when wind and solar resources are not available.

The alternate plan would add significant amounts of additional wind and solar energy. Like the original plan, the new alternate proposal would close all coal plants in the region by 2030 and continue operating the company's carbon-free Monticello nuclear plant until at least 2040. The new plan also adds 250 megawatts of energy storage to the grid. The alternate plan has a lower projected cost than the original plan.

"Our new plan that we've proposed today meets the shared goals of our company, customers, communities, and stakeholders to lead the clean energy transition by affordably reducing carbon emissions while maintaining reliable electricity for our region," said Chris Clark, president, *Xcel Energy-Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota*. "As we continue driving toward our 100% carbon-free vision, we're taking advantage of low-cost renewable energy, new technology and new ways of ensuring reliability for our region to deliver industry-leading carbon reductions."

### Years of Engagement Provide Options

The alternate option was developed following significant feedback from stakeholders, as well as additional analysis on the fu-

ture of the region's energy grid. The new option relies on renewable generation, energy storage and smaller natural gas facilities to maintain reliability rather than the *Sherco* combined cycle plant proposed in the original plan.

One new natural gas combustion turbine would be located in Lyon County, Minn., and another would be located near Fargo, N.D. The company would also repower two other natural gas facilities. Notably, the combustion turbines are planned to be built with technology that can be used to maintain grid stability while not burning fuel and will be designed to enable the use of hydrogen in the future. These plants will serve an important role in ensuring the reliability and stability of our electric system while advancing the clean energy transition, and collectively, these plants are lower cost than building the combined cycle plant and associated infrastructure at *Sherco*.

"Our commitment to the Becker community and central Minnesota will not change," said Clark. "We've partnered with them to bring new jobs and capital investments to the community to replace the retiring coal plants, and we'll continue to develop projects that keep this region vibrant and growing. We'll also work with our employees to ensure a smooth transition over the next decade that will bring opportunities for training and new positions throughout the company."

### Alternate Plan Details

The alternate plan

would reduce carbon emissions 85% by 2030, compared to 80% reduction in the company's original proposal. The alternate plan includes over 2,600 megawatts of wind, 3,100 megawatts of solar and 250 megawatts of new energy storage. Additionally, it would save customers energy by using energy efficiency programs to save approximately 800,000 megawatt hours of electricity each year, and more than 400 megawatts of demand response programs that would reduce the amount of energy our customers need, especially at peak times. The company projects that the plan would save customers approximately \$600 million compared to the original plan.

A Commission decision on the plan is expected in late 2021.

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## Concordia College Dean's List

Submitted article

(Editor's Note: The following article was submitted by Concordia College.)

Dr. Susan Larson, provost and dean of the college, has announced the names of students whose superior academic achievement during the second semester of the 2020-21 academic year placed them on the Dean's Honor List at *Concordia College*, Moorhead, Minn. "We offer our congratulations to these students on their academic accomplishments and are grateful for the many ways they have enriched our campus community," says Larson.

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# Legion sweeps Saints

By Bill Morgan  
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The *Big Lake Legion* baseball team swept a doubleheader on the road last Thursday against St. Francis.

### Big Lake 10, St. Francis 4

In game one, the *Saints* jumped out to a 4-0 lead in the first inning only to have the *Hornets* respond with two in their half of the inning to make it 4-2. Big Lake would shut out the *Saints* the rest of the way and added six runs in the second, one in the third and one in the fifth to win by six.

Big Lake got on the board in the first when Collin Skaug walked and Nolan Reiter doubled to left field to drive Skaug in. Keenan Hjermstad followed Reiter's single with a double to score him.

In the second inning, Dylan Robeck drove a single to right and Conner Stern walked to put runners at first and second. Jaxyn Tschritter advanced the runners with a sacrifice bunt and both runners scored on Skaug's triple to center field. Reiter followed with a single to score Skaug and Hjermstad walked to move Reiter up a base.

Samson Schlegel doubled both runners home.

In the third, Big Lake increased the lead to 9-4 when Stern walked and stole second, Skaug reached on an error and Hjermstad reached on another error to score Stern.

The final tally came in the sixth when Schlegel singled to left and stole second before reaching third on an error to the catcher. Jonah Blackman got Schlegel home when his ground ball was muffed by St. Francis' second baseman.

Skaug finished the game going 1-3 with two runs scored and one walk. Reiter was 2-for-3 with two RBIs, two runs scored and one walk. Schlegel was also 2-for-3 and had one run scored and one RBI.

Schlegel got the win on the mound, going 5.2 innings, giving up three hits, four runs, three walks and had eight strikeouts.

St. Francis' Braden Fiene took the loss, going 1.2 innings, giving up eight runs on six hits while walking three and striking out two.

St. Francis had eight errors and Big Lake three.

### Big Lake 13, St. Francis 3

In game two, the *Hornets*

put the game away very early by scoring nine times in the top of the first to cruise to a 10-run win.

Skaug got things rolling when he singled on a hard ground ball past the *Saints* second baseman. Schlegel came in as a courtesy runner for Skaug and advanced to second on a Reiter single. Hjermstad grounded into a fielder's choice to advance Schlegel to third and he eventually scored when I Terlinden singled between short and third.

Kaden Haselius grounded out with the lead runner advancing to third and Terlinden advancing to second. Robeck got an RBI on a single as Terlinden moved up a base and he scored on a wild pitch. Stern walked to put himself on first and Robeck remained at third. Stern and Robeck completed a double steal to score another run and C Stukenholtz soon walked to put runners at first and second.

Aiden Payne singled to right to score Stern and advance Stukenholtz to second. Skaug doubled to right to score Payne and Stukenholtz scored on a passed ball.

Reiter singled to keep the inning alive and Hjermstad followed with a single to

put runners on second and third following an error. Reiter would score the ninth run on another error before the inning finally ended on a weak fly ball to center.

In the third, Big Lake added three more when Stukenholtz walked and stole second base. Payne popped out to the second baseman for the first out and Skaug drove Stukenholtz home with a triple. Reiter reached first on a fielder's choice with Skaug remaining at third. Hjermstad flew out to right with Skaug scoring and Reiter advancing all the way to third base. Terlinden singled Reiter home to complete the scoring in the third.

One more run was added in the fourth when Stern reached first on an error and gained second on yet another error to get in scoring position. After advancing to third on a Payne single, Stern scored on a Skaug ground out.

Skaug was 3-for-4 with a single, double and triple and scored once while driving in three. Terlinden was also 3-for-4 with three singles, two RBIs and one run scored.



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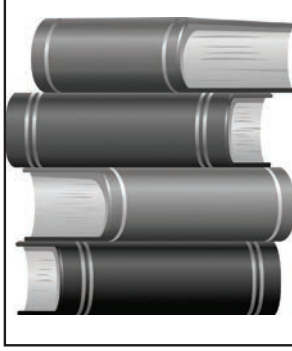
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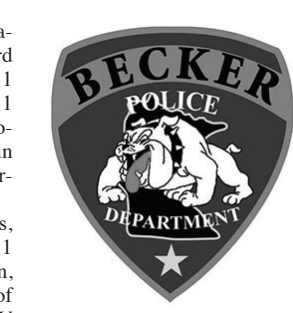
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**21-Jun:** 2 record check, 2 mental health, 1 public safety, 1 driving after revocation Citation #261, 1 suspicious activity, 1 found property, 1 speed Citation #262, 1 security check, 1 expired tabs warning, 1 suspicious vehicle, 1 driving after suspension / possession of marijuana and paraphernalia / no proof of insurance Citation #263  
**22-Jun:** 4 agency assist, 1 extra patrol, 1 miscellaneous officer, 1 record check, 1 lift assist, 1 harassment, 1 miscellaneous public, 2 medical, 1 welfare check, 1 medical alarm, 1 domestic dispute, 1 Dog at Large Admin Citation #3587 / Potentially Dangerous Dog Notice, 1 security check  
**23-Jun:** 1 dog complaint, 1 trespass, 2 record check, 2 security check, 1 fraud complaint, 1 suspicious person, 1 speed warning, 1 medical, 1 sale of alcohol to person under 21, 1 ATV complaint  
**24-Jun:** 2 driving conduct warning, 2 equipment warning, 1 hazardous road conditions, 1 record check, 1 welfare check, 1 expired registration warn-

ing / driving after revocation Citation #264, 2 speed warning, 2 extra patrol, 1 equipment warning / possession of small amount of marijuana Citation #265 / Possession of small amount of marijuana / Possession of 5th degree controlled substance  
**25-Jun:** 3 equipment warning, 1 agency assist, 1 theft, 1 juvenile concern, 2 suspicious activity, 1 parking complaint, 1 lost property, 1 no seatbelt / equipment warnings, 1 obscenity, 1 security check, 1 burning complaint  
**26-Jun:** 2 agency assist, 1 extra patrol, 2 equipment warning, 1 vehicle lockout, 1 speed warning, 1 accident, 1 vehicle fire, 1 assault, 1 welfare check, 1 equipment warning / driving after suspension Citation #266, 1 suspicious vehicle  
**27-Jun:** 4 equipment warning, 2 security check, 2 medical, 1 lift assist, 1 agency assist, 1 ATV complaint, 3 speed warning, 1 speed Citation #267, 1 traffic complaint



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# Announcements

## Game Time

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### CRYPTO FUN

Determine the code to reveal the answer!

Solve the code to discover words related to dog days of summer. Each number corresponds to a letter. (Hint: 14 = M)

**A. 5 17 14 20 24 20 6 8**  
Clue: Moisture in air

**B. 4 18 22 14 6 5**  
Clue: State of being warm

**C. 14 15 22 1 17 22 8**  
Clue: Metal in thermometers

**D. 5 15 18 6**  
Clue: High temperature

Answers: A. humidity B. warmth C. mercury D. heat

### This Week's Calendar Events:

- Sun. - July 4, 2021:**
  - Independence Day - July 4th
  - National Caesar Salad Day
  - "America the Beautiful" Published: Anniversary, 1895
- Mon. - July 5, 2021:**
  - Canada: National Injury Prevention Day
  - National Graham Cracker Day
  - Bikini Debut: Anniversary, 1946
- Tues. - July 6, 2021:**
  - Cannes Film Festival (7/6-7/17)
  - United Nations: International Day of Cooperatives
  - Major League Baseball Holds First All Star Game: Anniversary, 1933
- Wed. - July 7, 2021:**
  - National Father Daughter Talk a Walk Together Day
  - Spain: Running of the Bulls (7/7-7/14)
- Thurs. - July 8, 2021:**
  - U.S. Senior Open (GOLF) Championship (7/8-7/14)
  - Anniversary: Last Mission of the Space Shuttle Program
- Fri. - July 9, 2021:**
  - National Sugar Cookie Day
  - Moon Phase: New Moon
- Sat. - July 10, 2021:**
  - National Motorcycle Day
  - Bahama's Independence Day

### Becker Area Senior Center (BASC) Upcoming Events

- BASC at Becker Community Center (BCC)**
- Mon., July 5:** BCC is open
  - Tues., July 6:** 9am-Coffee, conversation, cards  
1:30pm-Walk-Around BCC (1 mile)
  - Wed., July 7:** Coffee on at 5am  
**1:30pm-BASC BINGO's BACK!**  
and now with cash prizes
  - Thurs., July 8:** 9am-Coffee, cards, conversation  
11am- Play Upwords & Scrabble
  - Fri., July 9:** Open all day  
Coffee on at 5am  
**Cribbage moved to Mondays**

**"Sign up now open at BCC front desk for Fitness Assessments to be done July 13, 14 & 15. Individual 1/2 hour time slots.**

**Becker Community Center: 763-200-4271**  
**BASC Cell Phone: 763-528-0643**  
**BASC Coordinator: Carol Brunn**  
**Activity Coordinator: Pat Throlson**  
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**Send activity/class opportunities to:**  
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### THE VOLUNTEER BRIDGE

**RSVP / The Volunteer Bridge**  
**\*\*Critical Need for Volunteers**  
**Food Service with Elk River Senior Dining**  
 Volunteers are desperately in need to assist in cleaning up the dining area before and after meals. If kitchen help isn't your thing, volunteers also help in welcoming and registering seniors as they come in for their lunchtime meal. Volunteers are needed Monday through Friday from 10:00 – 1:00 pm at the Senior Dining Site in Elk River.  
**Meals on Wheels Drivers**  
 Consider a hot meal when you are unable to cook for yourself... So important! Delivery drivers are needed to ensure that those in need receive mid-day meals. Drivers needed Mon-Fri. Each route takes about an hour to deliver. Volunteers are needed to deliver meals out of Becker, Big Lake, Elk River and Zimmerman to those waiting in and around each of those communities. Offer to deliver from a community near you once per month, once per week, or even more!  
**Blood Pressure Recorder with Guardian Angels**  
 Take and record blood pressure, heart rate, blood oxygen level, and weigh of independent seniors. Knowledge of normal levels is required, and CNA, LPN, or RN experience is preferred. Clinics most in critical need of volunteers are in Zimmerman on the 2nd Tuesday of the month from 9-10:00 am and in Becker on the 2nd Thursday of the month from 9-9:30 am.  
 If you are interested in volunteering in these or other opportunities, please contact:  
**RSVP Volunteer Program**  
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**Becker American Legion Auxiliary**  
 Meetings are held the second Tues. of every month at the *Becker Legion Hall* (Old Fire Hall), 7pm. Paula Hinds, President (763) 262-6679.

**Becker American Legion Post 193**  
*Becker Legion* meets the second Tues. of every month at 7pm at *Becker Legion* (old fire hall.)

**Becker AA Meeting**  
 Becker Group of Alcoholics Anonymous meets Thurs., 8pm at *Mary of the Visitation*, 12100 Sherburne Ave, Becker. For information, call/text (320) 247-4732 or email [beckeraagroupmnn@gmail.com](mailto:beckeraagroupmnn@gmail.com)

**Becker Boy Scout Pack 92 Cardboard, Paper & Aluminum**  
 Bring your aluminum cans to the trailer located near *Becker True Value*. Paper & cardboard recycling location is at the *Becker Community Center*, please remember to flatten the cardboard & absolutely no garbage on the first Sat. of every month. There will be a Scout there to help unload between 9am-12pm. Thanks for your support!

**Becker Evangelical Ministries**  
 Every Wed., 6-7:30pm at Becker Middle School. GYM 45 - growing young men. HIS KIDZ - K-3rd grade. G.I.R.L.S. GROUP - 4th & 5th grade girls.  
 Becker Free Church (763) 261-4125 or register online at [WWW.BECK-ERFEECHURCH.ORG](http://WWW.BECK-ERFEECHURCH.ORG) (under Youth Connection click "Event Registration").

**Becker Food Shelf**  
 Open Tues., 9-11am & Thurs. 4-6pm. The food shelf is located 12060 Sherburne Ave. in *City Hall*. (763) 261-4612.

**Becker Hearts & Hands Quilt Guild**  
 Meet 2nd Mon. of month at 7pm. *Becker Baptist Church*. Contact Elizabeth Steckelberg (320) 259-9542.

**Becker Lions Club**  
 Meetings are held the second Mon. each month at 7pm at *Becker City Park*. Dale Seavert (320) 290-5342.

**Becker Lions Collecting Items to Recycle**  
 The *Becker Lions* are collecting used eyeglasses (no cases please) and hearing aids. Collection buckets are located at the *Becker Community Center*, *Insight Eye Care* and *Becker Food Shelf*. We are no longer collecting used cell phones or printer cartridges. If you have any questions please contact Lion Dale Seavert at (320) 290-5342 (phone or text) or by email at [djseavert@gmail.com](mailto:djseavert@gmail.com).

**Becker Sons of the American Legion Squadron 193**  
 Meets the third Tues. of each month at 7 pm at *Becker Legion* (old fire hall). Looking for new members. Commander John Fischbach (320) 249-0579.

**Becker Beyond the Yellow Ribbon Meeting**  
 The monthly meetings are held 6 pm the third Thurs. of the month at Becker City Hall. (320) 980-2752 or see the state website at [www.beyondtheyellowribbon.org](http://www.beyondtheyellowribbon.org).

**Big Lake American Legion Post #147**  
 Meets the first Thurs. of the month @ 7 pm. Community Room by the Big Lake Police Station, 790 Minnesota Ave, Big Lake 55309. Please contact Commander Paul Seefeld (612) 801-7731.

**Big Lake OPEN AA Meetings**  
 Mon., 7pm at the *Church of Mary of the Visitation Catholic Church*, Big Lake. Big Book Study, Handicap Accessible. Questions? Contact: Rob, (763) 218-5328.

**Big Lake Al-Anon**  
 Meetings held Mon., 7pm at *Mary of the Visitation Catholic Church* - Big Lake Annex, "lawn chairs outdoors when weather permits."  
 Newcomers encouraged - we are a very welcoming group! Laurie (763) 218-5330.

**The Big Lake American Legion Auxiliary**  
 Meets the first Tues. of each month at 6:30pm. in the *Senior Citizen Center* at *Big Lake City Hall*. Please contact Kathy at (763) 263-6093 for membership information.

**Big Lake Beyond the Yellow Ribbon**  
 The Big Lake *Beyond the Yellow Ribbon* meets at 6:30pm on the third Mon., of each month in the Community Room adjacent to the Big Lake Police Dept. & the Big Lake Library.

**Big Lake Bicycle Advisory Committee**  
 Meets second Tues. of each month at 11am. Meetings via Zoom due to COVID. Contact Recreation & Communication Coordinator Corrie Scott at [cscott@biglakemn.org](mailto:cscott@biglakemn.org) or 612-297-6331 for meeting links or questions on the Committee Website: <https://www.biglakemn.org/443/Big-Lake-Bicycle-Advisory-Committee>.

**Big Lake Community Food Shelf**  
 The Big Lake Community Food Shelf hours of service are Mon. & Thurs. 5:30-7:30pm & Wed. 9-11am. We also serve clients every "Freebie Friday" from 11:30am-12:30pm., providing produce, dairy, & bakery goods. Our new, "Pop-up Pantry", from 11:30am-12:30pm every Tues. To volunteer call (763) 263-2432 or [www.blcfs.org](http://www.blcfs.org).

**Big Lake Day of Prayer**  
 Big Lake meets year round the first Wed. of the month, at 7am for a prayer breakfast at *Big Lake High School* flagpole.

**The Big Lake Lions**  
 Looking for community minded people to join our organization. If interested in getting involved with our organization, please contact any Lion member or send a note to P.O. Box 128, Big Lake, MN 55309 or (763) 263-2218.

**LC of Big Lake Lioness - Community Activities**  
 Our commitment to the community & our activities & meetings will remain the same No meetings are held over the summer months but will resume in Sept. at which time we've begun planning for our annual Garage Sale on Sept. 18 at the *Lions Park* on CR5.

**LC of Big Lake Lioness**  
 If you are interested in learning more about the LC of Big Lake Lioness you can catch us on FB: [www.facebook.com/BigLakeMnLionessClub](https://www.facebook.com/BigLakeMnLionessClub), or attend any meeting held the second Mon. of the month at the *Lions Park* on CR5. social starts 6:30pm, meeting 7pm. All are welcome to attend to learn more about the club.

**Big Lake Senior Center**  
 The Big Lake Senior Club meets Tues., 1-4pm, *Big Lake City Hall*, 160 Lake St. North. We would love to have you join us for card games & conversation. Darlene (763) 263-7134 for information.

**Big Lake Women of Today**  
 Hold a monthly general meeting at Senior Activity Center located in the Big Lake City Office Building on the 3rd Thurs. of the month @ 7pm. Contact Natalie @ (612) 518-3504 or find us at Facebook or [www.biglakewomenoftoday.webs.com](http://www.biglakewomenoftoday.webs.com).

**Clear Lake Legion**  
 Meets the second Tues. of the month at *Palmer Twp. Hall*. The Legion will meet at 7pm. New members are always welcome. Bud Stimmler at (320) 761-5793.

**Clearwater AA/Al-Anon**  
 Meeting is at 7pm, Sun. night at Clearwater United Methodist Church, 405 Main St. Clearwater. (320) 310-1399 AA or (320) 558-6613 for Al-Anon.

**Clearwater AA Meeting**  
 Mon. nights, 7pm at *Rejoice Lutheran Church*, 1155 CR 75, Clearwater. (612) 801-7317.

**Clearwater Area Friends of the Library**  
 Clearwater Area Friend of the Library are currently accepting donations of gently used books, DVDs & CDs for their used bookstore located in the Clearwater Library. Donations are tax deductible & can be dropped off at the Clearwater Library.  
 Textbooks, dictionaries, encyclopedias, outdated medical books, mazines, & moldy books cannot be accepted. All proceeds from the sale of used books are used to support the programs, services & equipment of the Clearwater Library.

**Clearwater Legion**  
*Clearwater Legion* meetings are held the second Thurs. of the month. Auxiliary 6:30pm, S.A.L. at 7pm. Legion 7:30pm. *Clearwater Legion*, Clearwater.

**Clearwater/Clear Lake Food Shelf**  
 Open Mon. 5:30-7pm, Tues. 9-11am & 6-8pm, Wed. 3-5pm & in the brown Lions Community Building beneath the water tower in Clearwater. We service residents of Clearwater & Clear Lake.

**Clearwater Narcotics Anonymous**  
 Meetings are at 7pm, Wed. night at Clearwater United Methodist Church, 405 Main St. Clearwater. (612) 607-4484.

**Clearwater Travel Plaza Customer & Employee Appreciation Patio Party**  
 Annual Customer & Employee Appreciation Patio Party, Tues., July 13, 4-7pm honoring those that serve our community (Clearwater Fire Dept., Wright County Sheriff's Dept., & the Color Guard). Free food & pop, & music.

**Dementia Support Group**  
 The fourth Wed. of each month at 10-11am, Room 19 at *Becker Community Center*, 11500 Sherburne Ave. No cost to join. Tami Kolbinger at (612) 590-2449 or email [tjkolbinger@gmail.com](mailto:tjkolbinger@gmail.com).

**FREE - Advocates for Independence**  
 First & third Wed. of the month 2-4pm at Independent Lifestyles, 215 North Benton Drive, Sauk Rapids. Make a difference in your community for people w/disabilities. Michele Pelka (320) 281-2042. All abilities are welcome to attend.

**Free Grace Recovery**  
 Sun. 6-8pm at *Clear Lake Town Hall*, 7684 1st Ave. W. Clear Lake. A light meal will be served at 6pm. Everyone is welcome. Justin or Renee at (612) 384-9069.

**FREE - The Saint Cloud Area Parkinson's Disease**  
 (PD) Support Group invites you to "Coffee & Conversation" the last Wed. monthly at 10am at Edgewood Living 677 Brianna Drive, Sartell. Meetings are open to those diagnosed w/ PD, their families, caregivers, & the general public. Group provides support, education, & awareness about the disease. Bobbi (320) 281-3343.

**God's Grub Community Meal**  
 Second Sun. of every month, 4:30-6:30 pm. Saron Lutheran, Big Lake, 311 Lake Street South. Served curbside, ready to go.

**Living with Parkinson's Under The Age of 60**  
 We meet the third Tuesday of each month from 6:30-8pm at *Saron Lutheran Church*, 311 Lake Street So., Big Lake, MN 55309.  
 Any questions, please call Camille Johnson at (763) 350-7401.

**Mental Health Discussion Group**  
 Meets Mon., 6-7pm at *Independent Lifestyles*, 215 N. Benton Dr., Sauk Rapids. This is a free group, everyone is welcome. Ricky (320) 281-2025.

**Palmer Day Volunteer's Needed**  
 This year's Palmer Day is slated to be Sat., Sept. 11, 2021. Palmer Day has been held the Sat. after Labor Day every year the past 21 years with a parade, great food & beer for sale & more at the Park, proceeds are donated to local, non-profit organizations.  
 Volunteers are needed to keep it going. Email Nancy Lorentz if interested or more info @ [nancylorentz@gmail.com](mailto:nancylorentz@gmail.com).

**Parkinson's Disease Support Group**  
 Meets third Mon. of the month, from 1-2:30pm at ILICIL Independent Lifestyles, 215 N. Benton Dr., Sauk Rapids. This free group provides support, education, & awareness about the disease. Independent Lifestyles at (320) 529-9000.

**Rivers of Hope**  
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**Scout Fun Day Cub Scout Pack 94**  
 July 31, 2021, 1-4pm, *Warner Park Lake*, Clearwater, MN. Join us for a free day of adventure & camping skills. Boys & girls K-12 all are welcome!  
 Activities: archery, bb guns, fire building, nerf axe throwing, carving, hiking & crafts. Head to [ScoutFunDay.org](http://ScoutFunDay.org) to register!

**Snake River Free Mission Church Upcoming Events**  
 Hymn sings are held every other month on the second Sun. at 4:30pm. Check *Snake River Church FaceBook* page for updates. Annual MidSummer, Sun., July 11, 10:30am followed by pot-luck & sale.  
 5 mi. N of Hwy 10 on CR 11, 1.5 mi. E n CR4 & then L on 180th Ave (8940 180th Ave), Becker. Mary (612) 219-8648.

**Volunteer as a Foster Grandparent**  
 Local schools & organizations need caring adults like you! Orientation, training & ongoing support are provided. Pat Braun (612) 390-0617.

**Wright County Community Action**  
 You have been affected & are having or are anticipating having difficulty paying your mortgage, WCCA is here to help you navigate your options & keep your home. To speak with a homeownership advisor, call Wright County Community Action at (320) 963-6500 ext. 238 today. Services are unbiased, confidential & free of charge.

**Young @ Heart**  
 Starting in July the Community Young@Heart will meet on the third Thurs. of every month at *Rejoice Lutheran Church*, 1155 Co. Rd. 75, Clearwater, MN. Join us: 10:30 to meet & greet old & new friends, 11:30 lunch (suggested donation), 12pm program.  
 We are looking for volunteers to share music or a program. Contact Linda (320) 295-1117 or email: [agre5628@aol.com](mailto:agre5628@aol.com).



### August - Sherburne County Health & Human Services - Classes are as follows:

**WIC** (Women, Infants & Children) is for women who are pregnant, breastfeeding, recently had a baby, infants and children to their 5th birthday. WIC provides nutrition education, breastfeeding support, healthy foods and referrals to health services/community resources. The service is free, and you or your children may be eligible. For more information, please call 763-765-4116 or 1-800-433-5239, or check out the website <http://www.co.sherburne.mn.us/hhs/wic.php>. The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) prohibits discrimination in the administration of its programs. WIC is an equal opportunity provider.  
**Immunization Tuesdays**  
 Sherburne County's Immunization Clinic offers free or low cost immunizations for children 18 years of age or younger and uninsured or underinsured adults 19 years and older in Minnesota who meet eligibility guidelines on Tuesdays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Call for an appointment or more information, 763-765-4000 or 1-800-433-5239.

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**Mary of the Visitation Catholic Church**  
Father: Michael Kellogg, 763-447-3339, 12100 Sherburne Ave. Mass Times: Sat. 5 pm; Sun. 8:30 am; Sun. 10:30 am. Masses held on 1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays of the month. (Masses held on 2nd & 4th Sundays in Big Lake)  
**Faith (Becker) Lutheran Church (ELCA)**  
Pastor: Yolanda Denson-Byers, 763-261-5751, 11755 Sherburne Ave. Services: Sun. Worship 9:30 am, Sun. School 10am.  
**Oakwood Community Church Assemblies of God**  
Pastors: Gerry Bass & Sarah, 763-220-6004, 13140 1st St (SW Corner of Becker Furniture World). Services: Sun. Bible Study/Sun. School 9am, Sun. Worship 10am.  
**Snake River Free Church**  
Pastor: Steve Johnston, 612-219-8648, 180th St SE. Services: Sun. Worship/Sun. School 10:30am., Hymn Sing is second Sun. of every month.  
**Becker Christian Center & Abundant Grace Church**  
Pastor: Ken Hanson, 763-262-2177, 15455 59th St SE. Services: Sun. Praise & Worship 9:30am, Wed. Family Fellowship 7pm.  
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Pastors: Brian & Linda Holmes, 763-263-3771, 12264 Pleasant Ave. Services: Thurs. Worship 6:30pm.  
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Pastor: Kevin Wilson, 763-245-0001, 14000 Clubhouse Ln. Services: Wed. Worship 6:30pm.

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Pastor: Bill Nixon, 763-263-2287, 20455 187th Ave Nw. Services: Sat. Worship 9am, Sat. Sabbath School 10:15am.  
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763-263-2167, 511 Eagle Lake Road. Services: Sun. School 9am, Sun. Worship 10am.  
**Bridgeview Assembly of God**  
Pastor: Steve Royalty, 763-263-6274, 20500 County Road 11. Services: Sun. Worship 10am, Wed. Service 6:30pm.  
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Pastor: Don Bellach, 763-263-6322, 16392 235th Ave NW. Services: Sun. Worship 10am.  
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Pastor: Gordon Langdon, 763-263-7878, 15300 County Road 35.  
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**Mary of the Visitation Catholic Church**  
Father: Michael Kellogg, 763-447-3339, 440 Lake St N. Mass Times: Sat. 5 pm; Sun. 8:30 am; Sun. 10:30 am. Masses held on 2nd & 4th Sundays of the month. (Masses held on 1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays in Becker)  
**Riverside Church**  
Online: www.myriversidechurch.com, 763-263-2410, 2014 County Road 14. Services: Sun 8:45am, 10:30am & 12:05pm.

**Saron Lutheran Church**  
Pastor: Kyle Sidlo, 763-263-2209, 311 Lake St. S. Services: Sun. Worship 9:30am, indoors or livestream.  
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Pastor: Daryl Thul, 763-662-2048, 14675 37th St. Services: Sun. inside Sanctuary Worship 8am, 9am drive-in Worship.  
**Our Savior's Lutheran Church E.L.S. & Princeton Evangelical School**  
Pastor: Timothy Zenda, 763-662-2570, 18977 17th St. Services: Sun. School/Bible Class 10:30am, Divine Worship 9am.  
**Glendorado Lutheran (ELCA)**  
**Good Shepherd Lutheran Church (ELCA)**  
Pastor: Shari Routh, 920-573-0193, 1100 186th Ave NE. Services: Sun Good Shepherd 9am, Sun. Glendorado 10:30am.  
**Gethsemane Church (ELCA) - Ronneby**  
Pastor: Barbara Peterson, 320-983-5002, 14478 78th St. NE. Services: Sun. Worship 10am.  
**Glendorado Evangelical Country Church**  
Pastor: Sam Alfano, 763-662-2244, 16999 Glendorado Road NE. Services: Sun. School 9:30am, Sun. Worship 10:30am.

**• CLEAR LAKE**  
**Living Waters Church**  
Pastor: Mark Stahl, 320-292-0250, 7830 Church St. Services: Sun. Worship 10am, Wed. Bible Study 6:30pm.  
**Trinity Lutheran Church Missouri Synod**  
Pastor: Josh Reber, 320-743-2919, 8641 Main Ave. Services: Sun. Worship 8:45am, Sun. School 9:45am.  
**St. Marcus Catholic Church**  
Father: Joseph Backowski, 320-743-2481, 8701 Main Ave. Services: Sat. Confessions 4:15pm, Sat. Mass 5pm, Sun. 8am.

**• DUELM**  
**St. Lawrence Church**  
Father: Joseph Backowski, 320-968-7502 or 320-743-2481, 10915 Duelm Road NE. Services: Sun Mass 10am.

**• CLEARWATER**  
**Clearwater United Methodist Church**  
Pastor: Alison Hendley, 320-558-2581, 405 Main St. Services: Sun. Worship 9:30am.  
**Freedom Bible Church**  
605 Lime St. (Old Clearwater Post Office). Services: Sun. Bible Study 9:30am & 6pm, Sun. Worship 10:45am, Wed. Bible Study 7pm.  
**Rejoice Lutheran Church - ELCA**  
Pastor: Jim Bump, 320-558-6851, 1155 County Road 75. Services: Sun. Worship 9:30am.  
**Church of St. Luke**  
Father: Dennis Backer, 320-558-2124, 17545 Huber Ave NW. Services: Sat. Mass 5pm, Sun. Mass 8am & 10am, Weekday Mass Tues.-Fri. 8am/Sat. 9am.  
**Tri-County Alliance Church**  
Pastor: David Fogal, 320-558-2750, 8464 160th St NW. Services: Sun. School 9am, Sun. Worship 10:30am, Wed. Nights (Sept.-May) - Free Family Meal 5:30pm; Bible Adventure Club, Pre-K-6th Grade Students, 6-7:30pm; Youth Group Grades 6-12, 6-7:30pm.

**• SILVER CREEK**  
**Immanuel Lutheran Church**  
Pastor: Ken Tatkenthorst, 763-878-2820, 11390 Elliot Ave NW. Services: Sun. Worship 9am  
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## Obituaries

**CHARLES H. LAMP JR., AGE 82 MISSION, TX AUGUST 25, 1938 – JUNE 23, 2021**

Charles H Lamp Jr, 82 previously of Big Lake, MN. Passed away on Wednesday June 23rd in Mission, TX after a long and painful battle with lung and bone cancer.

Charlie was born on Aug 25, 1938, in Stewartville, Mn to Charles and Bernice Lamp. He married Marilyn Treece on Dec. 10, 1966, where the couple made their home in St. Louis Park before moving to Big Lake in 1971.

Charlie worked as a car painter most of his life, he worked at *Prestige Lincoln Mercury* in St. Louis Park. *JC's Auto Body* in Big Lake and finally *Gould Brothers Chevrolet* in Monticello. He also owned and operated *Lamps Limousine Service* from mid-1980-1993 in Big Lake.

After surviving his first battle with lung cancer he retired and moved to Mission, Texas with his wife Marilyn in 1995. Charlie loved to travel, meeting and visiting people, he taught line dancing for many years, enjoyed flea markets and playing many different card games.

Charlie is survived by his wife Marilyn of 54 years; Children; Bill Lamp (Debra) of Big Lake, Laura Lamp of San Mateo, CA, and Christine Lamp Secord of Big Lake; Grandchildren; Brandon Lamp, Jennifer Daiker, Bryan Lamp, Kaylah Breese, Derek and Samuel Secord; 4 great grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by his parents Charles and Bernice Lamp



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## Probates

STATE OF MINNESOTA  
DISTRICT COURT  
COUNTY OF SHERBURNE  
TENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
PROBATE DIVISION  
Court File No.: 71-PR-21-94  
NOTICE OF AND ORDER  
FOR HEARING ON PETI-  
TION FOR FORMAL PRO-  
BATE OF WILL PREVIOUSLY  
PROBATED INFORMALLY;  
FOR FORMAL ADJUDICA-  
TION OF INTESTACY, DE-  
TERMINATION OF HEIRS,  
APPOINTMENT OF PER-  
SONAL REPRESENTATIVE  
AND NOTICE TO CREDI-  
TORS; AND PETITION FOR  
TEMPORARY RESTRAIN-  
ING ORDER AGAINST PER-  
SONAL REPRESENTATIVE.  
IN RE: Estate of:  
Gerald S Hansen,  
also known as  
Gerald Steward Hansen,  
Decedent.

Jennifer M Bredeson has  
filed a Petition to Set Aside Infor-  
mal Probate; Petition for Formal  
Adjudication of Intestacy, Deter-  
mination of Heirs, Appointment  
of Personal Representative and  
Notice to Creditors; And Petition  
for Temporary Restraining Order  
Against Personal Representative.  
It is Ordered that, on 8/12/2021 at  
1:30 p.m., a hearing will be held in  
this Court at the Sherburne County  
Government Center, 13880 High-  
way 10, Elk River, Minnesota  
55330-4608, on the petition.

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

**BY THE COURT**  
Dated: 6/18/2021  
/s/ Gina DeVilbissHendry,  
Court Administrator Deputy  
Jon R. Schindel (MN# 332835)  
Nicholas D. Henry (MN# 395850)  
SchindelSegal, PLLC  
5901 Cedar Lake Road  
Minneapolis, MN 55416  
**ATTORNEYS FOR PETI-  
TIONER**  
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STATE OF MINNESOTA  
DISTRICT COURT  
COUNTY OF SHERBURNE  
TENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
PROBATE DIVISION  
Court File No.: 71-PR-21-102  
ORDER AND NOTICE  
OF HEARING ON PETI-  
TION FOR FORMAL ADJU-  
DICATED OF INTESTACY,  
DETERMINATION OF HEIR-  
SHIP AND APPOINTMENT  
OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE AND NOTICE TO  
CREDITORS  
Estate of:  
David Paul Ackerman a/k/a  
David P. Ackerman,  
Decedent.

IT IS ORDERED AND NO-  
TICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that  
on the 12th day of August 2021, at  
2:10 o'clock p.m., a Hearing will  
be held in the above-named Court  
at the Sherburne County Govern-  
ment Center, 13880 Business Cen-  
ter Drive, Elk River, Minnesota,  
for adjudication of intestacy and  
determination of heirship of the  
decendent, and for the appointment  
of Sue Anne Ackerman, whose  
address is 11700 Western Avenue,  
Desert Hot Springs, California  
92240, as personal representative  
of the estate of the above-named  
decendent in unsupervised admin-  
istration, and that any objections  
thereto must be filed with the  
court. That, if proper, and no ob-  
jections are filed, a personal rep-  
resentative will be appointed to  
administer the estate, to collect all  
assets, pay all legal debts, claims,  
taxes and expenses, and sell real  
and personal property, and do all  
necessary acts for the estate.

NOTICE IS FURTHER  
GIVEN that all creditors having  
claims against said estate are re-  
quired to present the same to said  
personal representative or to the  
Court Administrator within four  
months after the date of this notice  
or said claims will be barred.

**BY THE COURT**  
Dated: June 28, 2021  
/s/ Gina DeVilbissHendry,  
Court Administrator Deputy  
THIS INSTRUMENT WAS  
DRAFTED BY:  
MacMillan & Athanases, PLLC  
9220 Bass Lake Road, Suite 200  
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55428  
Telephone: (763) 559-9553  
Facsimile: (763) 559-1064  
(Published in the *Patriot*:  
07/03/21; 07/10/21).



## Summons

STATE OF MINNESOTA  
DISTRICT COURT  
COUNTY OF SHERBURNE  
TENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
FAMILY COURT DIVISION  
CASE TYPE: DISSOLUTION  
WITH CHILD  
File No. 71-FA-21-269  
AMENDED SUMMONS  
In re the Marriage of:  
Michael John Dahl,  
Petitioner,  
and  
Pauline Georgette Dahl,  
Respondent.

THE STATE OF MINNE-  
SOTA TO THE ABOVE-NAMED  
RESPONDENT: PAULINE G.  
DAHL, 210 3RD STREET  
NORTH, WINSTED, MINNE-  
SOTA 55395.  
You are hereby summoned  
and required to serve upon peti-  
tioner's attorneys an Answer to  
the Petition which is herewith  
served upon you, within 30 days  
after service of this Summons and  
Petition upon you, exclusive of  
the day of service. If you fail to  
do so, judgment by default will be  
taken against you for the relief de-  
manded in the Petition.

This proceeding involves, di-  
rectly, or brings into question, real  
property situated in the County of  
Sherburne, State of Minnesota,  
and legally described as:  
**Lot 7, Block 2, Forest Oaks First  
Addition, Sherburne County,  
Minnesota.**

This proceeding involves, di-  
rectly, or brings into question, real  
property situated in the County of  
Hennepin, State of Minnesota, and  
legally described as:  
**Lot 2, Block 3, Engels Estates**

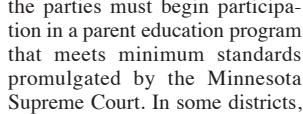
**NOTICE OF TEMPO-  
RARY RESTRAINING AND  
ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE  
RESOLUTION PROVISIONS  
PURSUANT TO MINN. STAT.  
518.091**  
Under Minnesota law, service  
of this Summons makes the fol-  
lowing requirements apply to both  
parties to this action, unless they  
are modified by the court or the  
proceeding is dismissed:  
(1) Neither party may dispose of  
any assets except (i) for the neces-  
sities of life or for the necessary  
generation of income or preserva-  
tion of assets, (ii) by an agreement  
in writing, or (iii) for retaining  
counsel to carry on or to contest  
this proceeding;

(2) Neither party may harass the  
other party; and  
(3) All currently available insur-  
ance coverage must be maintained  
and continued without change in  
coverage or beneficiary designa-  
tion.  
(4) Parties to a marriage dissolu-  
tion proceeding are encouraged to  
attempt alternative dispute resolu-  
tion pursuant to Minnesota law.  
Alternative dispute resolution in-  
cludes mediation, arbitration, and  
other processes as set forth in the  
district court rules. You may con-  
tact the court administrator about  
resources in your area. If you can-  
not pay for mediation or alterna-  
tive dispute resolution, in some  
counties, assistance may be avail-  
able to you through a nonprofit  
provider or a court program. If you  
are a victim of domestic abuse or  
threats of abuse as defined in Min-  
nesota Statutes chapter 518B, you  
are not required to try mediation  
and you will not be penalized by  
the court in later proceedings.  
(5) Under Minnesota Statutes  
section 518.157, in a contested  
proceeding involving custody or  
parenting time of a minor child,  
the parties must begin participa-  
tion in a parent education program  
that meets minimum standards  
promulgated by the Minnesota  
Supreme Court. In some districts,  
parenting education may be re-  
quired in all custody or parenting  
proceeding. You may contact the  
district court administrator for ad-  
ditional information regarding this  
requirement and the availability of  
parent education programs.

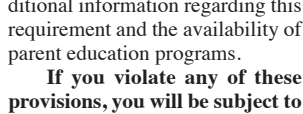
If you violate any of these  
provisions, you will be subject to  
sanctions by the Court.  
Upon service of this Sum-  
mons, the restraining provisions  
contained in the notice apply by  
operation of law upon both parties  
until modified by further order of  
the court or dismissal of the pro-  
ceeding, unless more than one year  
has passed since the last document  
was filed with the court.  
Dated: June 22, 2021  
CRAWFORD LAW OFFICE  
/s/ Bruce N. Crawford  
Bruce N. Crawford (Attorney I.D.  
387178)  
222 South 9th Street, Suite 1600  
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55402  
(612) 216-3510  
bruce@crawfordlawoffice.com  
ATTORNEY FOR PETITIONER  
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## Township Public Notices

### ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS TWO YEAR SNOW PLOWING AND ICE CONTROL SERVICES FOR BECKER TOWNSHIP Sherburne County, Minnesota

Sealed bids for the furnishing of all labor, materials and equip-  
ment for Snow and Ice Control Services for the township roads in  
the Town of Becker, in Sherburne County, will be received by the  
Becker Town Clerk at the Becker Township Hall, 12165 Hancock  
Street SE, P.O. Box 248, Becker, MN, 55308, until 7:00 P.M., CDT  
on July 19, 2021. Bids will be opened and publicly read aloud at or  
shortly after 7:15 p.m.

The projects consist of snow plowing and sanding roads in  
Becker Township. Said bids shall be for furnishing equipment, labor  
and materials for snow and ice control of all township roads as more  
thoroughly described in the Snow Plowing and Sanding Bidding  
Packet. Copies of the Bid Package for use by Contractors in submit-  
ting a bid may be obtained from the Becker Town Clerk phone 763-  
261-5301, Fax 763-261-5303, email: [clerk@beckertownship.org](mailto:clerk@beckertownship.org),  
Becker Township website ([www.beckertownship.org](http://www.beckertownship.org)), or by visiting  
Becker Township Hall during office hours or by appointment.

The bids shall be submitted on the forms provided.  
Bids shall be in a sealed envelope with a statement thereon  
showing the work covered by the bid. Bids shall be addressed to:  
Lucinda Messman, Town Clerk  
Town of Becker  
PO Box 248  
Becker, Minnesota, 55308

And may be delivered by U.S. mail, email, or submitted in per-  
son. Bids received by Town Clerk after the time set for receiving  
bids will be rejected.

The Town Board reserves the right to waive any informalities or  
to reject any or all bids.  
No bidder may withdraw his bid within 30 days of the actual  
date of opening thereof.  
By order of the Town Board of the Town of Becker  
Lucinda Messman, Town Clerk  
June 23, 2021  
(Published in the *Patriot*: 06/26/21; 07/03/21).

**TOWN OF BECKER  
SHERBURNE COUNTY, MINNESOTA  
Advertisement for Bids  
TWO YEAR GENERAL MAINTENANCE CONTRACTOR  
SERVICE AGREEMENT**

Bids will be received until Monday, July 19th, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.  
Bids for a Two-Year General Maintenance Contract will be re-  
ceived at the Becker Township Hall located at 12165 Hancock Street,  
Becker, Minnesota 55308 until Monday, July 19, 2021 at 7:00pm.  
The Becker Town Board will meet at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, July 19,  
2021, (opening to occur approximately 7:05 pm) to consider said  
bids.

The said bids shall be for the furnishing of equipment, labor and  
materials for general maintenance of all township roads as more thor-  
oughly described in the proposed Agreement which may be obtained  
by contacting the Becker Town Clerk by phone 763-261-5301, Fax  
763-261-5303, email: [clerk@beckertownship.org](mailto:clerk@beckertownship.org), by visiting Becker  
Township Hall during office hours (posted online at [www.beckertownship.org](http://www.beckertownship.org)) or by appointment.

The bids shall be submitted on the Agreement forms  
provided. Bids submitted on other forms may be rejected  
by the Town Board.

Bids shall be in a sealed envelope with a statement thereon indi-  
cating submission is for General Maintenance Contract.  
Bids shall be addressed to:  
Lucinda Messman, Town Clerk,  
Town of Becker  
P.O. Box 248  
Becker, Minnesota 55308

and may be delivered by U.S. mail or submitted in person to  
Becker Township Hall. Bids received by the Town Clerk after the  
time set for receiving bids shall be returned unopened. The Town-  
ship Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids or any portion  
thereof for any or no reason.

By order of the Town Board of the Town of Becker.  
Lucinda Messman, Town Clerk  
(Published in the *Patriot*: 06/26/21; 07/03/21).

**NOTICE  
TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING CHANGE**  
WHEN: July 12, 2021 (change due to Independence Day  
being observed on Monday, July 5th, 2021).  
TIME: Beginning 7:30 p.m.  
WHERE: Clearwater Township  
15015 State Highway 24 NW  
Clearwater MN 55320  
PURPOSE: Regular Board Meeting  
Jean Just, Clerk  
Clearwater Township  
(Published in the *Patriot*: 07/03/21).



# Public Notices

## Sherburne County Public Notices

### Planning and Zoning Administration NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Sherburne County **PLANNING ADVISORY COMMISSION** will meet at 6:00 P.M. July 15, 2021, at the Sherburne County Government Center, 13880 Business Center Drive, Elk River, Minnesota to hold a public hearing for all unincorporated areas of Sherburne County in which the County has zoning and land use authority, to consider the following application(s) and other planning and zoning related topics.

**James & Sharon Gullickson:** Request Preliminary and Final Simple Plat Approval of "GULLICKSON ADDITION" consisting of (2) lots. PID # 10-110-1100. Legal Desc: N 1-2 of NE 1-4 of Centerline (full legal on file). Sec 10, Twp 33, Rge 27, Big Lake Township. 14.19 acres in the General Rural District and within the Recreational Development Shoreland District of Birch Lake.

**N.C. Contracting Inc.:** Request Preliminary Standard Plat Approval of "ELK LAKE OAKS" consisting of (6) lots. PID # 01-031-1112. Legal Desc: That part of Government Lot 2 (full legal on file). Sec 31, Twp 35, Rge 26, Baldwin Township. 20.37 acres in the General Rural District and within the Natural Environment Shoreland District of Goose Lake and within the General Development Shoreland District of Little Elk Lake.

**Sanfords-Liestman LLC (Property Owner Scott & Jackie Liestman):** Request Preliminary Standard Plat Approval of "SANFORD FIRST ADDITION" consisting of (9) lots. PID #01-010-1302. Legal Desc: Parcel A: That part of the Northeast Quarter (full legal on file). Sec 10, Twp 35, Rge 26, Baldwin Township. 35.79 acres in the General Rural District.

**Jon & Jeff Smith (Property Owner Equity Trust Company Custodian):** Request Preliminary Standard Plat Approval of "J AND J MEADOWS" consisting of (9) lots. PID # 01-018-2300. Legal Desc: SW 1-4 of NW 1-4 (full legal on file). Sec 18, Twp 35, Rge 26, Baldwin Township. 33.07 acres in the General Rural District.

**John Walker (Property Owner John Walker & Mary Zelenak):** Requesting an Amendment to the Sherburne County Comprehensive Land Use Map from Agricultural to Rural Residential and Amend the County Zoning Map from Agricultural District to Shoreland Residential District. PID # 40-034-1101. Legal Desc: That part of the NE 1-4 of the NE 1-4 (full legal on file). Sec 34, Twp 35, Rge 29, Palmer Township. 10.5 acres in the Agricultural District and within the Recreational Development Shoreland District of Rush Lake.

The hearing of these requests is not limited to those receiving copies of this notice, and if you know of any neighbor or affected property owner who for any reason has not received a copy, it would be appreciated if you would inform them of this hearing.

Recommendations made by the Sherburne County Planning Advisory Board may be subject to further action by the Township of Baldwin, the Township of Livonia or the Township of Big Lake, and the Sherburne County Board of Commissioners.

Recommendations that are forwarded to the County Board from this public hearing will be heard at the August 3rd, 2021 County Board of Commissioners Meeting at 9:00 AM in the County Board Room located at the Sherburne County Government Center. Nancy Riddle, Zoning Administrator (Published in the Patriot: 07/03/21).

### ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS SP 071-613-012 CSAH 13 from Line Ave to Tyler SHERBURNE COUNTY, MINNESOTA

NOTICE is hereby given that SEALED Bid Proposal Packages will be received by the Sherburne County Engineer at the office of the undersigned until

**2:00 PM on Wednesday, July 21, 2021** for the following project:

#### The Major Quantities of Work are:

Remove Bituminous Pavement	SY	27,563
Excavation	CY	50,595
Select Granular Borrow	CY	21,630
Aggregate Base, Class 5	CY	8,513
SP 9.5 & 12.5 Bituminous Paving	TON	10,181
15"-21" CS Pipe Culvert	LF	377
12"-30" RC Pipe Sewer	LF	3,901
Concrete Walk	SF	23,925
Concrete Curb & Gutter	LF	12,722
Lighting Units	EA	25
Sign Panels	SF	748
Seeding	AC	4.9
Pavement Markings	LF	30,554

Minimum wage rates to be paid by the Contractors have been predetermined and are subject to the Work Hours Act of 1962, P.L. 87-581 and implementing regulations.

#### READ CAREFULLY THE WAGE SCALES AND DIVISION A OF THE SPECIAL PROVISIONS AS THEY AFFECT THIS/ THESE PROJECT/PROJECTS

The Minnesota Department of Transportation hereby notifies all bidders:

in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (Act), as amended and Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Subtitle A Part 21, Nondiscrimination in Federally-assisted programs of the Department of Transportation, it will affirmatively assure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged business enterprises will be afforded maximum opportunity to participate and/or to submit bids in response to this invitation, and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, disability, age, religion, sex or national origin in consideration for an award;

in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 as amended, and Title 23, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 230 Subpart A-Equal Employment Opportunity on Federal and Federal-Aid Construction Contracts (including supportive services), it will affirmatively assure increased participation of minority groups and disadvantaged persons and women in all phases of the highway construction industry, and that on any project constructed pursuant to this advertisement equal employment opportunity will be provided to all persons without regard to their race, color, disability, age, religion, sex or national origin;

in accordance with the Minnesota Human Rights Act, Minnesota Statute 363A.08 Unfair discriminatory Practices, it will affirmatively assure that on any project constructed pursuant to this advertisement equal employment opportunity will be offered to all persons without regard to race, color, creed, religion, national origin, sex, marital status, status with regard to public assistance, membership or activity in a local commission, disability, sexual orientation, or age;

in accordance with the Minnesota Human Rights Act, Minnesota Statute 363A.36 Certificates of Compliance for Public Contracts, and 363A.37 Rules for Certificates of Compliance, it will assure that appropriate parties to any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement possess valid Certificates of Compliance.

If you are not a current holder of a compliance certificate issued by the Minnesota Department of Human Rights and intend to bid on any job in this advertisement you must contact the Department of Human Rights immediately for assistance in obtaining a certificate.

The following notice from the Minnesota Department of Human Rights applies to all contractors:

"It is hereby agreed between the parties that Minnesota Statute, section 363A.36 and Minnesota Rules, parts 5000.3400 to 5000.3600 are incorporated into any contract between these parties based on this specification or any modification of it. A copy of Minnesota Statute 363A.36 and Minnesota Rules, parts 5000.3400 to 5000.3600 is available upon request from the contracting agency."

"It is hereby agreed between the parties that this agency will require affirmative action requirements be met by contractors in relation to Minnesota Statute 363A.36 and Minnesota Rules 5000.3600. Failure by a contractor to implement an affirmative action plan or make a good faith effort shall result in revocation of its certificate or revocation of the contract (Minnesota Statute 363A.36, Subd. 2 and 3)."

A minimum of **4.5 %** Good Faith Effort to be subcontracted to Disadvantage Business Enterprises.

**Receipt of Bid Proposal:** Bids will be received at the Public Works Office, located at the Sherburne County Government Center, 13880 Business Center Drive Suite 100, Elk River MN 55330 until **2:00 PM Wednesday, July 21, 2021.**

**Bid Opening:** Proposals will be opened by the County Engineer after the hour set for receiving bids at the Sherburne County Government Center. The bid opening is open to the public and will be held in the Maple Room A conference room at the Sherburne County Government Center; 13880 Business Center Drive, Elk River MN 55330. As a courtesy to our bidders, the bid opening may be attended via online through WebEx. Information for accessing the bid opening via WebEx will be provided in the bid proposal package.

Plans & specifications may be examined at the office of the Sherburne County Highway Engineer, 13880 Business Center Drive Suite 100, Elk River MN 55330, or at <http://www.co.sherburne.mn.us/publicworks/index.php> & follow the Construction Projects & Bids (eGram) link. A user ID & password is required to download the Plans & Specifications. Contact Public Works at 763-765-3300 to obtain.

**The cost to download the Plans & Specifications is free.** The cost to obtain a hard copy of the Plans & Specifications is **\$50.00** with an additional **\$10.00 mailing fee.**

**TO SUBMIT A BID – A Bid Proposal Package shall be purchased. The cost to obtain the Bid Proposal Package is \$10.00.** Requests are made to the Sherburne County Engineer, 13880 Business Center Drive Suite 100, Elk River MN 55330. Failure to purchase bid proposal package from Sherburne County is a basis for rejection of the bid.

Requests must be accompanied by check, draft, or money order, payable to the Sherburne County Public Works. Bids must be accompanied by a **Certified Check or Bidder's Bond** made payable to the Sherburne County Treasurer as a proposal guarantee for at least **5% of the amount of the bid.**

No bidder may withdraw their bid (which shall include the Certified Check or Bidder's Bond) within 15 days after the scheduled closing for the receipt of bids.

The County Board will consider award of the contract at the August 3, 2021 County Board Meeting contingent upon County Engineer & County Attorney review. It is the County's intent to begin construction the middle part of August 2021 and completed by end of June 2022.

The County Board reserves the right to reject any or all bids & waive informalities.

Dated at Elk River Minnesota, this 23rd day of June 2021.  
Signed: /s/ Bruce Messelt, Sherburne County, Minnesota

#### PUBLIC NOTICE

Sherburne County has designated its official website as <http://www.co.sherburne.mn.us/publicworks/index.php>. Official publication of bids, requests for information, and requests for proposals will be done on the official website as an alternative means to disseminate solicitations of transportation construction and maintenance projects. (Published in the Patriot: 06/26/21; 07/03/21; 07/10/21).

# Catholic Charities Senior Dining frozen meal distribution in July

### Submitted Article

(Editor's Note: The following article was submitted by the Catholic Charities organization.)

Catholic Charities Senior Dining has organized Frozen Meal Distribution pop-up locations for the month of July across Central Minnesota, with meals for seniors age 60 and over available at 26 locations, including Albany, Askov, Big Lake, Brainerd, Browerville, Deerwood, Foley, Hinckley, Little Falls, Milaca, Mora, North Branch, Ogilvie,

- **Brainerd:** Thursday, July 1, 11 am to 12:00 pm — Brainerd Lakes Salvation Army, 208 S 5th St, Brainerd, MN 56401;
- **Ogilvie:** Tuesday, July 6, 11 am to 12 pm — Ogilvie Museum, 102 N Hill Ave, Ogilvie, MN 56358;
- **Mora:** Tuesday, July 6, 12 to 1 pm — First Presbyterian Church, 551 S Wood St, Mora, MN 55051;
- **Albany:** Tuesday, July 6, 1 to 2 pm — Pondview Estates, 334 Golfview Dr, Albany, MN 56307;
- **Milaca:** Thursday, July 8, 2 to 3:30 pm — Alliance Church, 12543 MN-23, Milaca, MN 56353;
- **Wadena:** Thursday, July 8, 1 to 2 pm — Immanuel Lutheran Church, 403 2nd St SE, Wadena, MN 56482;
- **Little Falls:** Friday, July 9, 10 to 11 am — Little Falls Senior Center, 510 7th St NE, Little Falls, MN 56345;
- **Hinckley:** Friday, July 9, 10 to 11:30 am — Hinckley Community Center, 102 Dunn Ave N, Hinckley, MN 55037;
- **North Branch:** Saturday, July 10, 9:30 to 11:30 am — Ruby's Pantry, 4359 392nd St, North Branch, MN 55056;
- **St. Cloud:** Monday, July 12, 11 am to 1 pm — First Presbyterian Church, 340 5th Ave S, St. Cloud, MN 56301;
- **Foley:** Monday, July 12, 11 am to 1 pm — Foley Area CARE, 321 6th Ave, Foley, MN 56329;

- **St. Cloud:** Tuesday, July 13, 1 to 3 pm — Catholic Charities Emergency Services, 157 Roosevelt Rd, St. Cloud, MN 56301;
- **Sartell:** Wednesday, July 14, 9:30 to 11 am — Sartell Community Center, 850 19th St S, Sartell, MN 56377;
- **Rush City:** Thursday, July 15, 10 to 11:30 am — Sacred Heart Catholic Church, 425 S Frandsen Ave, Rush City, MN 55069;
- **Sandstone:** Thursday, July 15, 1 to 2:30 pm — Pine Habilitation and Supported Employment, Inc. (PHASE), 106 Main St, Sandstone, MN 55072;
- **Staples:** Thursday, July 15, 2 to 4 pm — Lake-wood Health System (Main Campus parking lot near Farmer's Market), 49725 Co Rd 83, Staples, MN 56479;
- **Pillager:** Thursday, July 15, 12 to 2 pm (frozen meal distribution); 12 to 4 pm (NAPS distribution) — Pillager Area Family Center, 305 Fir Ave, Pillager, MN 56473. Through the Nutrition Assistance Program for Seniors (NAPS), Minnesota's Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP), Second Harvest Heartland will provide a box of nutritious food to low-income seniors 60 years old and over. Program participants are given a box of highly nutritious food that may include canned fruits, vegetables and juices, milk, cheese, canned meat, peanut butter or dried beans, cereal, rice or pasta;
- **Pierz:** Friday, July 16, 10 am to 12 pm — Fellowship Bible Church, 12876 MN-25, Pierz, MN 56364;
- **Deerwood:** Monday, July 19, 11 am to 12:30 pm — Deerwood Auditorium (parking lot), 23770 Forest Rd, Deerwood, MN 56444;
- **Askov:** Tuesday, July 20, 1 to 2:30 pm — Askov Community Center, 6369 Kobmagergade, Askov, MN 55704;
- **Browerville:** Wednesday, July 21, 10 to 11:30 am — Browerville Area Food Shelf, 704 N

Main St. Browerville, MN 56438;

- **Sartell:** Monday, July 26, 8 to 10:30 am — Celebration Lutheran Church, 1500 Pine Cone Rd N, Sartell, MN 56377;
- **Big Lake:** Monday, July 26, 10 am to 12 pm — Old National Bank (parking lot), 19943 County Rd 43, Big Lake, MN 55309;
- **St. Cloud:** Tuesday, July 27, 1 to 3 pm — Catholic Charities Emergency Services, 157 Roosevelt Rd, St. Cloud, MN 56301;
- **Paynesville:** Wednesday, July 28, 1 to 2 pm — Green Roof Area Center, 1105 W Main St, Paynesville, MN 56362;
- **St. Joseph:** Thursday, July 29, 10:30 am to 11:30 am — Resurrection Lutheran Church, 610 Co Rd 2, St. Joseph, MN 56374.

The Senior Dining Frozen Meal Expansion Project started in August 2020 and additional pop-up locations are continually being added. At the time of writing, 26 locations for the month of July are currently scheduled. Visit [cstcloud.org/events](http://cstcloud.org/events) for the most up-to-date information. The project is partially funded under a contract with the Central Minnesota Council on Aging as part of the Older Americans Act.

These healthy and nutritious frozen meals meet one-third of the recommended daily allowance for seniors, and are packaged in oven-safe containers that are easy to heat and eat in both conventional and microwave ovens. Meals are available in quantities of 10 and up to 30 per calendar month. Participants must be 60 years of age and older to be eligible, and all clients must complete an annual registration form. There is no cost to participate; however, donations will be accepted.

**Catholic Charities Receives Minnesota DHS Circle of Excellence Award**

In November 2020, Catholic Charities was awarded the Minnesota Department of Human Services Circle of Excellence award, which recognizes six organizations that have partnered with DHS and done an exemplary job of providing food, shelter and other assistance to Minnesotans in need. The award recognizes that Catholic Charities—specifically, its Senior Dining program—has had to change its model for providing low-cost nutritious meal options for older adults in Central Minnesota during the pandemic. By incorporating frozen foods, developing pop-up sites and partnering with food shelves, including Catholic Charities Emergency Services Food Shelf, the Senior Dining program more than tripled its capacity and has been able to prepare and deliver about 91,000 meals per month, up from 26,000 meals a month the previous year.

**About Catholic Charities Senior Dining**

Catholic Charities Senior Dining sites have been providing seniors with food during the COVID-19 pandemic with modified quarantine practices. Recognizing that seniors who live in rural communities have limited opportunities for food support, Catholic Charities Senior Dining is partnering with several Central Minnesota locations to offer our frozen meals to pick up in a no-contact, drive-through format.

Catholic Charities Senior Dining, a program of Catholic Charities of the Diocese of St. Cloud, has been providing low-cost meal options for seniors 60 and older in Central Minnesota for more than 55 years. The program currently has senior dining sites located across nine counties throughout the Central Minnesota region, offering meals for takeout, pickup and home delivery.

To see a list of Catholic Charities Senior Dining site locations by county, visit the Senior Dining section at [cstcloud.org/program-status](http://cstcloud.org/program-status).

# Legislators approve \$4M funding for tobacco prevention

### Submitted Article

(Editor's Note: The following article was submitted by ClearWay Minnesota.)

Minnesotans for a Smoke-Free Generation thanked legislators for including an additional \$4 million a year for tobacco prevention in the omnibus Health and Human Services (HHS) policy and finance bill. The Minnesota Senate and House of Representatives passed that bill recently. Minnesotans for a Smoke-Free Generation is a coalition of more than 60 organizations that share a common goal of reducing youth smoking and ending tobacco's harm for good. The coalition supports comprehensive policies to end youth addiction, including sustainable funding for tobacco prevention and treatment.

"With this HHS budget, Minnesota will continue our shared efforts to build a future free from tobacco addiction," said Molly Moilanen, Vice President at ClearWay Minnesota and Co-Chair of Minnesotans for a Smoke-Free Generation. "Thank you to Chairs Liebling and Benson, as well as lead authors Rep. Morrison and Sen. Miller for finding a tobacco prevention funding solution. Our state has made great strides, but we continue to face a youth tobacco epidemic and health disparities caused by decades of tobacco marketing. Minnesota should continue investing in prevention and treatment until Big Tobacco no longer views our kids as 'replacement smokers.' And we must continue to fight against an industry that targets and harms Black, Indigenous and LGBTQ residents."

There is an urgent need to invest in tobacco prevention since ClearWay Minnesota will sunset at the end of 2021, leaving a hole in prevention resources. Over the past two decades, ClearWay Minnesota, the foundation created with three percent of the tobacco settlement, has provided the majority of funding for the state's tobacco prevention programs.

This funding would allow Minnesota to more aggressively prevent tobacco addiction before it starts. Minnesota has achieved historically low levels of youth

smoking, but continues to face an e-cigarette epidemic that wiped out decades of progress to reduce overall youth tobacco use. The 2020 Minnesota Youth Tobacco Survey showed one in five Minnesota high-schoolers reported using e-cigarettes within the past 30 days, and 70 percent of youth e-cigarette users reported one or more signs of dependence.

The COVID-19 pandemic reinforces the need for strong tobacco prevention and treatment programs, since smokers are at increased risk for severe illness from COVID-19. To make matters worse, communities targeted by the tobacco industry, including Black and Indigenous Minnesotans, are some of the hardest hit by COVID-19.

The HHS omnibus budget dedicates general funds to boost underfunded tobacco prevention programs at the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH). Minnesotans for a Smoke-Free Generation urges MDH to use these new funds to take on the youth e-cigarette epidemic and address racial disparities fueled by Big Tobacco.

These lifesaving investments represent just a small fraction of the state's tobacco revenue totals. Last year, Minnesota collected nearly \$760 million in tobacco revenue (\$607 million in taxes and \$152 million in settlement fees). In late March, the state also collected \$81 million in tobacco settlement back payments. Despite all this revenue, Minnesota spent only one percent of that total on tobacco prevention and treatment.

#### About Mns for a Smoke-Free Generation

Minnesotans for a Smoke-Free Generation is a coalition of more than 60 organizations that share a common goal of saving Minnesota youth from a lifetime of addiction to tobacco. The coalition supports policies that reduce youth smoking and nicotine addiction, including increasing tobacco prices, ending the sale of menthol and all flavored tobacco products, and funding tobacco prevention and treatment programs.



# Police & Sheriff Reports



**Interested in being a sponsor for the Cop's Corner?**  
 Contact Carol at the Patriot at 763.275.0275.  
 Team up with your police dept.  
 for a better, safer community

### "ASK A TROOPER" by Sgt. Jesse Grabow of the Minnesota State Patrol

**Question:** My son just got back from Legionville where he was selected to attend and train and will serve as a school patrol captain when school starts up next fall. Can you talk about that? He had a great experience and I didn't realize how much history there is with it.

**Answer:** I'd be glad to chat about it as I just wrapped up helping instruct session two. The idea of the School Patrol originated with Sister Carmela of the Cathedral School in St. Paul on Feb. 21, 1921 when the first patrolmen were stationed at the intersection of Kellogg Boulevard and Summit Avenue in Saint Paul. Adopted citywide by the City of St. Paul in 1922 as a part of the program of the School System and the St. Paul Police Department, it was also adopted as a statewide program by the Minnesota Highway Patrol.

Earle Brown, the first chief of the Minnesota Highway Patrol, felt that a uniform program of training and support should be created in the State and came to the Minnesota American Legion in 1935 requesting such assistance. In 1936, under a cooperative program, The American Legion started a statewide training program held at the Crow Wing County Fairgrounds in Brainerd, with two years at Camp Ripley, using these facilities until 1956. The Training Center was staffed by members of the Minnesota Highway Patrol, qualified Legionnaires and support staff.

In 1948, the Minnesota American Legion set up a committee to raise funds to construct a permanent training center for the School Patrol. The Parker family, in 1954, donated the original 560-acre site on North Long Lake. The caretaker house used to be the old farmhouse, and the old barn was once the old milk house and was converted into an educational building. The area called Parkerville consists of many family cottages along the lake right next to Legionville. The generous Parker family, many of whom were Legionnaires in Brainerd, also donated the Boy Scouts camp on the other side of North Long Lake.

A later addition of land raised the total to 610 acres with 1,500 feet of shoreline beach. The property contained some buildings, including a large barn which was converted to an all-purpose unit of classrooms, office, canteen, first aid room, a large theater and a recreational area on the second floor. A modern dining hall, seven dormitories, caretaker's house and two cabins for staff have been built creating the modern Legionville School Safety Patrol Training Center, Inc. The original barn has come down and since been replaced with a new one.

From the first program in 1936 of two weeks and 157 patrolmen, the enrollment has progressed to more than 1,000 each season with the training center having a session capacity of 168. All sessions are now co-ed.

Each youngster, between the ages of 8-13, attends and is sponsored by an organization in his or her hometown. The typical patroller is a student entering fourth, fifth, or sixth grade. The patrollers are selected to represent their schools at Legionville by the School Patrol advisor of their school and local personnel. Teams of patrollers are encouraged to attend together to enhance their training and knowledge.

*If you have any questions concerning traffic related laws or issues in Minnesota, send your questions to Twp. Jesse Grabow - Minnesota State Patrol at 1000 Highway 10 West, Detroit Lakes, MN 56501-2205. (You can follow him on Twitter @MSPPPIO\_NW or reach him at, jesse.grabow@state.mn.us).*



## Big Lake Police Department Calls for Service - Jail Bookings June 21, 2021 - June 27, 2021

**Call for Service Summary:** Total Calls for Service for Week: 255; 2021 Calls for Service: 5,543; Traffic Stops/Enforcement: 67; Citations: 17; Arrests: 4; Medical Emergency Calls: 7; Mental Health Holds: 0; Civil Mediation (Child Custody-Property): 6

### BLPD Jail Bookings - Also Reflected in the Sherburne County Sheriff's Officer Booking Report:

Tyler Johnson - (Age 31 - Big Lake, MN) - GM 3rd Degree DWI; Christopher Donoghue - (Age 48 - Big Lake, MN) - Felony Controlled Substance; Jeffrey Maple - (Age 32 - Big Lake, MN) - GM 3rd Degree DWI; Ricky Williams - (Age 56 - Big Lake, MN) - Domestic Assault.

**Sun., June 27, 2021:** 4200Blk Lake Ridge Dr - Domestic Disturbance - Officers mediated a verbal domestic altercation; Highway 10 / CR 17 - DWI - officers dispatched for a road rage complaint, driver found to be under the influence of alcohol, arrested and booked into jail, see bookings for charges; 5600Blk Loon Dr - Vehicle Crash

- Report of a vehicle crash with no injuries, report completed; 700Blk Shady Ln - Disturbance - Officers dispatched to a disturbance at a residence, officers mediated the problem; 500Blk Minnesota Ave - Fight in Progress - Officers investigated a report of a fight in progress, officers arrived on scene and discovered that parties involved had left and no charges were wanting to be pursued.

**Sat., June 6, 2021:** 700Blk Minnesota Ave - Felony Narcotic Arrest - officers dispatched to a party slumped behind the wheel in a parking lot. During the Officer's investigation controlled substances were located and the occupant was arrested. See Booking Information; State Highway 25 - Marijuana in a Vehicle - Officer stopped vehicle for a traffic violation, could smell odor of marijuana, driver issued summons for Marijuana Paraphernalia Possession; Highway 10 / CR 81 - Revoked Driver - Driver stopped by officer for traffic violation, issued summons for Driving While Revoked; 40Blk Lake St S - Hit and Run - Report of a hit and run vehicle crash, suspect located, and a citation was issued for leaving the scene of a property damage crash; 100Blk Lakeshore Dr - Disturbance - Officers dispatched to a verbal altercation involving family members, situation was mediated; CR 43 / Forest Rd. - DWI - Vehicle stopped for a traffic violation. Juvenile found to be impaired and arrested for 3rd Degree DWI.

**Fri., June 25, 2021:** Highway 25 - Revoked Driver - Driver stopped by officer for traffic violation, issued summons for Driving While Revoked; 100Blk Jefferson

son Blvd - Vehicle Theft - Report of a stolen vehicle from a business. Vehicle was located in Iowa and the driver was taken into custody for possession of stolen property; Highway 10 / CR 17 - DWI - Driver reported to be impaired, found to be under the influence of alcohol, arrested and booked into jail, see bookings for charges; 600Blk Minnesota Ave - Officers conducted numerous patrols of the Spud Fest grounds.

**Thurs., June 24, 2021:** Sherburne County - Assist Sherburne County with a search for a suspect in an assault using the UAV, Suspect had left the area prior to Officer's arrival; 100Blk Eagle Lake South - Revoked Driver - Driver stopped by officer for traffic violation, issued summons for Driving While Revoked; 400Blk Fern St - Trespassing - Report of a suspect at property who was not welcome there, suspect issued a trespass notice; 4300Blk Ridge Cir - Assault - Report of an assault having occurred, investigation ongoing.

**Wed., June 23, 2021:** 4100Blk Lake Ridge - Domestic Assault - Officers dispatched to a domestic disturbance, during the investigation an individual was found to have been assaulted, suspect arrested and booked into jail for Domestic Assault; 5200Blk Pondview LN - Theft - Report of a theft from mailbox, investigation ongoing; 3100 Lake Ridge Dr - Mail Tampering - Report of a mailbox being tampered with. No items missing; Highway 10 / CR 14 - Revoked Driver - Driver stopped by officer for traffic violation, issued summons for Driving While Revoked.

**Tues., June 22, 2021:** 300Blk Jefferson - Theft - Report of a bike theft, investigation ongoing; 100Blk Lakeshore Dr - Property Damage - Report of damage done at Lakeside Park to the bathrooms. Investigation is ongoing; 200Blk Waseca St - Civil Dispute - Officers requested to mediate a dispute over a property line disagreement.

**Mon., June 21, 2021:** 1000Blk Powell St N - Domestic Disturbance - Dispatched to a verbal argument between family members. Situation mediated; Rose Dr / Phylliss St - Vehicle Crash - Report of a vehicle crash with no injuries, report completed; 1000Blk Lake St N - Theft - Report of property theft, investigation ongoing; 3100Blk Lake Ridge Dr - Loud Noise - Report of a mailbox being tampered with and mail found in the street; 700Blk Minnesota Ave - Juvenile Complaint - Report of a disorderly juvenile, mediated by officers.



## Wright County Sheriff's Activity Report Period Ending June 28, 2021

**June 21:** Blake Ryan Hanson, 42, of Mound, was arrested in Carver Co. - Wright Co. warrant - 5th degree possession of controlled substance & Scott Co. warrant - false information to law enforcement. Shayla Rose Dufner, 27, of Rockford, was arrested in Hennepin Co. - charge of possession of synthetic cannabinoid. Andrea Leigh Gunderson, 37, of Brooklyn Center, was arrested in Hennepin Co. - Wright Co. warrant - identity theft violations. Nickolas Delray Williams, 29, of Columbia Heights, was arrested in Ramsey Co. - Wright Co. warrant - domestic assault & Wright Co., Meeker Co. & Stearns Co. violations of domestic abuse no contact orders. Roxanne Marie Holm, 41, of Albertville, was arrested in Albertville - Wright Co. warrant - criminal vehicular operation violations. Brad Adam Hager, 40 of Robbinsdale, was arrested in Hennepin Co. - charge of 1st degree DWI. Laura Lee Brandon, 57, of Monticello, was arrested in Monticello - Wright Co. warrant - 4th degree DWI violations. Matthew Garrett Shupe-Botner, 31, of Delano, was arrested in Delano - Wright Co. warrant - theft by check violations. Michael Edward Harms, 42, of Buffalo, was arrested in Buffalo - Wright Co. warrant - 1st degree criminal sexual conduct violations.

**June 22:** Leticia Angelica Nunez, 26, of Luck, was arrested in Buffalo - Wright Co. warrant - theft violations. Jennifer Lee Davis, 42, of Sauk Rapids, was arrested in Stearns Co. - Wright Co. warrants - 5th degree possession of controlled substance & possession of counterfeit currency violations. Corine Angela Kirmeier, 30, of St. Cloud, was arrested in Stearns Co. - Wright Co. & Anoka Co. warrants - 5th degree possession of controlled substance violations. Alvin Saah Kpelewah, 31, of Howard Lake, was arrested in Stearns Co. - Wright Co. warrant - domestic assault violations. Kendall Joseph Porter, 39, of Albertville, was arrested in Buffalo - MN Dept. of Corrections warrant - 5th degree possession of controlled substance violation. Cory Steven Sund, 35, of Buffalo, was arrested in Monticello - Wright Co. warrant - domestic assault violations. Laura Elizabeth Hartneck, 32, of Buffalo, was arrested in Buffalo - charge of 2nd degree DWI.

**June 23:** Jonathan Roger Husted, 33, of Stillwater, was arrested in Hennepin Co. - charge of fugitive from justice & Wright Co. warrant - 1st degree sale of controlled substance violation.

**June 24:** Cassandra Jasmin Stein, 34, of Albertville, was arrested in Buffalo - Wright Co. warrant - domestic assault violations. Jason Thomas Nesenson, 42, of St. Cloud, was arrested in Clearwater - charge of disorderly conduct. Abdullahi Aden Ibrahim, 22, of St. Cloud, was arrested in Stearns Co. - Wright Co. warrant - obstruction of legal process & driving after suspension violations. Douglas Lamont Gatlin, 30, of Anoka, was arrested in Anoka Co. - Wright Co. warrant - 5th degree possession of controlled substance violation. Michael David Rowles, 25, of North Branch, was arrested in Buffalo - charge of 5th degree possession of controlled substance. Samantha Marie Anderson, 27, of Chaska, was arrested in Stockholm Twp. - charge of violation of domestic abuse no contact order. Robert Alan Tormanen, 41, of Waverly, was arrested in Waverly - Wright Co. warrant - domestic assault violations.

**June 25:** Sarah Jean Pinke, 43, of Monticello, was arrested in Monticello - Wright Co. warrant - 5th degree possession of controlled substance violation. Laura

Elizabeth Hartneck, 32, of Buffalo, was arrested in Buffalo - Wright Co. apprehension & detention order - 2nd degree DWI violations. Timmy Emanuel Stewart, 49, of Buffalo, was arrested in Buffalo - charges of obstruction with force, 4th degree assault, domestic assault, & Morrison Co. warrant - 5th degree possession of controlled substance. Vincent James Tran, 22, of St. Cloud, was arrested in Clearwater - charge of 1st degree burglary. Randall Joseph Hartneck, 60, of Buffalo, was arrested in Buffalo - charge of 3rd degree DWI. rian Lee Hall, 40, of Long Prairie, was arrested in Monticello - charge of false information to law enforcement, Benton Co. warrant - tear gas violations, & Anoka Co. & Stearns Co. warrants - 1st degree DWI. Amory Alban Dean, 34, of Farmington, was arrested in Dakota Co. - Wright Co. court order - violation of domestic abuse no contact order. Elizabeth Ellen Hartneck, 59, of Buffalo, was arrested in Buffalo - MN Dept. of Corrections warrant - 2nd degree DWI violations. Erica Christine Lee, 26, of Monticello, was arrested in Monticello - charge of domestic assault. Joshua Robert Mackey, 49, of Minneapolis, was arrested in Rockford - charge of driving after revocation inimical to public safety.

**June 26:** Willie Charles Lassiter, 25, of Newport, was arrested in Clearwater - charge of driving after revocation inimical to public safety. Leah Brianna Grams, 33, of Moorhead, was arrested in St. Michael - charge of 5th degree possession of controlled substance. Karl Vernell LeClair, 39, of Moorhead, was arrested in St. Michael - charge of 5th degree possession of controlled substance. Eduardo Marquez Millan, 31, of

New Brighton, was arrested in Buffalo - charge of terroristic threats. Andrew John Heitzman, 35, of St. Cloud, was arrested in Clearwater - charge of violation of an order - protection. Caleb Joseph Doyle, 21, of Clearwater, was arrested in Clearwater - charge of 5th degree possession of controlled substance. Geoffrey Markus Kristian Ratliff, 33, of St. Michael, was arrested in St. Michael - charge of 3rd degree DWI. Steven Craig Maciazka, 66, of Otsego, was arrested in Otsego - charge of 3rd degree DWI.

**June 27:** Christiana Victoria Toole, 19, of Vadnais Heights, was arrested in Monticello - charge of 5th degree possession of controlled substance. Monica Elizabeth Brase, 34, of Eden Prairie, was arrested in Buffalo - Wright Co. & Dakota Co. warrants - theft & Scott Co. warrant - 5th degree possession of controlled substance. Joseph James Sufka, 36, of St. Cloud, was arrested in Monticello - charges of obstruction of legal process & DWI refusal to test.

**June 28:** Tommy Michael Salazar, 40, of Albertville, was arrested in Albertville - charge of 3rd degree DWI test refusal. Ryan Michael Poppen, 36, of Minneapolis, was arrested in Hennepin Co. - Wright Co. warrants - theft violations.

**There were** 17 property damage accidents, 9 personal injury accidents, 1 motor vehicle accident fatality, 7 hit & run accidents & 5 car deer accidents.

**There were** 12 arrests - DWI, 1 underage consumption arrests, no school bus stop arm violations & 104 tickets - miscellaneous traffic violations reported this week.



## Sherburne County Sheriff's Activity Report Week of 06/21/2021 - 06/27/2021

**The following individuals have been booked into the Sherburne County Jail for the alleged offense(s):** Tricia Ann Beier, 36 of Monticello, MN 55362 - FEL domestic assault, gm malicious punishment of a child, & MSD domestic assault. Christopher Stevn Donoghue, 48 of Big Lake, MN 55309 - FEL 3rd degree drugs - possession. Kevin Michael Books, 31 of Plymouth, MN 55441 - FEL DWI. Jeremiah Thomas Holmberg, 40 of Princeton, MN 55371 - FEL threats of violence & Dept. of Corrections apprehension & detention order. Daniel Arnold Cranston, 26 of St. Cloud, MN 56303 - GM domestic abuse no contact order violation. Kenneth Ray Levercom, 36 of Anoka, MN 55303 - FEL domestic abuse no contact order violation.

Ricky Williams, 56 of Big Lake, MN 55309 - MSD domestic assault. Abdirahim Dereje Kebede, 19 of St. Cloud, MN 56304 - FEL 5th degree drugs, GM 4th degree assault, MSD fleeing a Peace Officer, give Peace Officer false name, & Stearns Co. warrant. Ryan Robert Bjorstrom, 34 of Elk River, MN 55330 - GM domestic abuse no contact order violation. Olivia Marie Bjorstrom, 32 of Elk River, MN 55330 - MSD harassment restraining order violation. Jose Pu Alonzo, 26 of St. Cloud, MN 56304 - MSD domestic assault. Jack Daniel Smith, 42 of Onamia, MN 56359 - Sherburne Co. warrant. Ariel Simone Hollins, 30 of St. Paul, MN 55445 - Sherburne Co. warrant. Guadalupe Deleon Flores, 44 of No Permanent Address - Sherburne Co. warrant. Traynor Dean Daniels, 23 of Monticello, MN 55362 - Dept. of Corrections & Sherburne Co. warrants.

**Citations Issued:** 9 traffic - speeding - exceed limit; 1 traffic - speeding - exceed limit of 30 mph - urban district; 1 traffic - speeding - exceed limit - 65 mph on freeways and expressways; 6 traffic - speeding - exceed limit 55 mph where appropriate; 1 traffic regulation - driver fails to stop for stop sign; 1 traffic regulation - driver must carry proof of insurance when operating vehicle; 1 traffic regulation - uninsured vehicle-driver violation; 2 driver's license - driving without a valid license for vehicle class or type; 5 traffic-driver's license-driving after revocation; 1 expiration of driver's license - over 21; 2 liquor-consumption by persons under 21. **Total: 30**

**Calls for Service:** 1 burglary; 2 theft; 2 drugs/nar-

cotics; 3 DWI; 5 disturbing the peace; 5 harassment; 1 obscenity; 1 property damage; 1 criminal sexual conduct; 1 DAR/DAS/DAC; 4 crimes against administration of justice; 1 liquor violation; 1 trespass; 7 fraud complaint; 1 animal lost; 3 property found; 1 abandoned vehicle; 6 accident - mv personal injury; 5 accident - mv property damage; 1 accident - mv property damage hit & run; 2 accident - vehicle v. animal; 1 conservation; 2 dog complaint; 2 dog bite; 1 fire - vehicle; 1 fire - grass; 1 alarm - fire; 1 death; 26 medical; 8 mental case; 2 alarm - medical; 2 miscellaneous public; 4 domestic; 6 public assist; 28 agency assist; 6 alarm - security; 18 civil complaint; 123 officer initiated traffic stop; 14 traffic complaint;

1 garbage/littering; 3 suspicious person; 13 suspicious vehicle; 5 juvenile complaint; 1 attempt to locate; 16 security check; 9 extra patrol; 2 loud music complaint; 12 check the welfare; 3 burning complaint; 3 ATV complaint; 1 shooting complaint; 4 repossession; 5 fireworks complaint; 2 parking complaint; 9 jail medical; 22 paper service; 2 recovered stolen motor vehicle; 9 suspicious activity; 2 hazardous road conditions; 3 hazardous materials; 2 aircraft complaint; 31 miscellaneous officer; 11 background check; 1 warrant arrest; 34 transport; 1 jail incident; 4 911 hang up; 7 court book & release; 1 follow up; 1 public lift assist; 2 vandalism; 4 vehicle lockout; 1 warrant attempt. **Total: 527**

June 3rd: Jaden Gnbis reported the theft of a vehicle from 8th Street Circle in Zimmerman. Vehicle taken is a 2015 white Ford Explorer & value is estimated to be \$26,500.

**June 13th:** James Muchow on 100th St NW in Livonia Twp. reported the theft of a 12-foot 1986 Crest liner rowboat that is cream in color. Value of the boat is estimated at \$500.

**June 14th:** John Costello on 104th St NW in Baldwin Twp. reported the theft of mail.

**June 15th:** Michael Wahn on 154th Dr NW in Big Lake Twp. reported the theft of a license plate.

**June 24th:** Allen Nord reported the theft of a catalytic converter from a pickup parked at Cellular Concrete on US Highway 169 NW in Livonia Twp. Estimated value is \$150.



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