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STAFF PHOTO BY RICK BUSSLER

The Owatonna Marching Band wrapped up the Wenger Band Festival Saturday afternoon by marching through the downtown streets. Twelve bands from all over the state performed in the festival. The grand champion and people's choice awards went to the 728 Cadets, who also earned top in Class AAA.

Mr. Music honored by hometown



STAFF PHOTO BY RICK BUSSLER

Veteran polka musician Luverne Wanous of Owatonna was honored as the grand marshal of the Wenger Band Festival Saturday. Wanous rode through the parade route playing, what else, polka music on his concertina.

Wanous performs polkas while serving as grand marshal of band festival

By **RICK BUSSLER**
PUBLISHER

It may have seemed a little out of character at a high school band parade to have a man playing polkas on his concertina, but what else would

"It hit my vital organs. Never in my wildest dreams did I ever think of being honored like this."

Luverne Wanous
Veteran Musician

one expect from a musician who's been delighting audiences around the area for nearly seven decades.

Luverne Wanous of Owatonna kicked off the Harry Wenger Marching Band Festival Saturday as grand marshal doing exactly what he loves—playing polka music on the "squeeze box" as he refers to it. "That's my kind of music," said Wanous.

As he rode on a convertible through the parade route, Wanous found many people cheering him on with some even giving him a standing ovation. "I've played for some of their weddings and anniversaries," he reflected.

"It hit my vital organs," Wanous said of being chosen grand marshal. "Never in my wildest dreams did I ever think of being honored like this. I don't know how to explain it—it meant

SEE **BAND FESTIVAL, A3**

Commissioner trial on again

Judge denies tossing out charges against Brady

By **RICK BUSSLER**
PUBLISHER



BRADY

The on-again, off-again trial for Steele County Commissioner James Brady is on-again.

Judge Carol Hanks has denied Brady's motion to drop the charges against him paving the way for a potential trial later this summer.

However, before a trial is set, there will be another attempt to settle the matter with the judge, Brady said. Brady will meet with the judge and prosecutor on July 10 in hopes of settling the matter without going to trial. This will be the third time all sides have attempted to resolve the case.

"I want to get this done as soon as possible," Brady told the Times. "I want to get this done before the election."

Brady currently represents District 1, which includes the cities of Medford and Ellendale as well as many rural townships

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FACEBOOK

Steely and Stella have become fair favorites at the Steele County Free Fair for almost 20 years. They are on the brink of becoming endangered species unless new volunteers step up to help fill their roles.

Fair mascots face extinction unless volunteers step up

By **RICK BUSSLER**
PUBLISHER

They've become iconic with the Steele County Free Fair, but unless volunteers come forward, they could end up on the endangered species list.

Steely and Stella—the fair's mascots for almost 20 years—are in desperate need of volunteers to play the loveable animals who have brought much joy and happiness to people throughout the years. The herd of volunteers has suddenly dwindled down to only one.

Don McCann is currently the lone volunteer who has fulfilled the role of Steely for the past two years, according to Scott Kozelka, fair manager. Kozelka recognizes people are busy with many things, but he's hoping to add to the list of volunteers so that the fair can continue the mascot tradition.

Ideally Kozelka would like four or five couples to assume the role as Steely and Stella. They would be set up on a rotational basis so that the burden doesn't fall onto just one or two people. "We don't want the same couple to have to do it," Kozelka said.

"They are the face of the fair," Kozelka said of the mascots. "When you see those two, you think of the Steele County Fair. They make people smile and hug," he said.

The tradition of Steely dates back to

SEE **MASCOTS, A8**

BP student dazzles Arkema group with new app

By **HOWARD LESTRUD**
STAFF WRITER

WOW! That reaction was echoed by members of the Arkema Citizens Advisory Panel (CAP) at a regular monthly meeting held at the Blooming Prairie City Center on June 13.

The WOW factor was provided by Blooming Prairie High School senior Riley Millam, who was the featured speaker at the regular meeting. Riley is also a member of the Arkema CAP.

Millam is well known at BPHS for his computer programming skills. He informed fellow CAP members about his creation of a special application.

He has helped in experimentation with the high school's 3D printer and he has also been a member of the Wrench Warmers, the Blooming Prairie High School robotics team.

Just recently, Riley developed an app (computer application) to help high school Spanish teacher Jennifer Thomas.

"He's amazing," said CAP member

Sandi Bass after listening to Millam tell about his programming escapades. Millam said Señora Thomas used an online program to help with conjugation of verbs but it did not work so well.

Being a member of the robotics team, as a joke Riley said he could create a better one. His teacher took him up on his dare and worked on app development for about eight months.

On April 16, Riley learned that his app had been approved. He then went into Mrs. Thomas' classroom and published the app in front of her. The app is free and available at the App Store. Students can access the apps from their cell phones.

Millam used a computer and his cell phone to explain his app creation. It's filed under RAM Games, utilizing Riley's initials.

Riley's application is named "Conjugation Station." He may create more conjugation programs for other languages.

Riley, an A Honor Roll student, said

SEE **ARKEMA, A3**



STAFF PHOTO BY HOWARD LESTRUD

Blooming Prairie High School senior Riley Millam discusses his creation of a special application for conjugation of Spanish verbs with members of the Arkema Citizens Advisory Panel.

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OUR VIEW

Perfect forum for sharing your views

One of the most popular pages in the newspaper happens to be the page you're reading right now—the opinion page.

For years this newspaper has strived to build a strong opinion page offering the opinions of not only the newspaper, but also columnists and readers alike. We feel we've been successful as we have several journalism awards to prove our opinion pages are something to be reckoned with.

Sometimes the topics are serious and important while other times they are light-hearted and serve as some humor for people to get through their week. Many times the topics are informative where readers can learn something they may not have previously known.

Writing a letter to the editor or an opinion column is the perfect forum for people to express a stance, exchange ideas and find out what other people are thinking about a specific issue.

The submissions that come from readers, or even the newspaper for that matter, may not change anyone's mind, but it might at least make people stop and think. Our goal is to make readers understand that there is more than one way, their way, to look at a particular issue at hand.

Strong opinion pages help start or continue the discussion and dialogue on timely and important issues that affect people in the communities, school district, county and beyond.

It's important to clarify some issues regarding opinion pages. Some people believe that others who write a letter or an opinion piece, which we often place under the heading of guest column, and take a stand on these types of issues, are negative citizens. That's hardly the case. They have the right to exercise their freedom of speech through the newspaper. In many cases, people who write letters or columns often times share the same opinion or ideas of readers who are reluctant to share their views.

It may be difficult for some people to express their ideas and opinions, especially on controversial topics, in a newspaper in a small community where everyone seems to know everyone. But we hope that never stands in the way of being a deterrent to share your views.

Readers are encouraged to share their views with whatever is on their minds. This is a community newspaper, and we want nothing more than readers to help engage in lively conversation in an effort to make a healthier community.

YOUR VIEW

There's always hope with mental illness

If you have a mental health condition, you're not alone. One in five American adults experiences some form of mental illness in any given year. And across the population, one in every 25 adults is living with a serious mental health condition such as schizophrenia, bipolar disorder or long-term recurring major depression.

As with other serious illnesses, mental illness is not your fault or that of the people around you, but widespread misunderstandings about mental illness remains. Many people don't seek treatment or remain unaware that their symptoms could be connected to a mental health condition. People may expect a person with serious mental illness to look visibly different from others, and they will tell someone who doesn't "look ill" to "get over it" through willpower. These misperceptions add to the challenges of living with a mental health condition.

Every year people overcome the challenges of mental illness to do things they enjoy. Through developing and following a treatment plan, you can dramatically reduce many of your symptoms. People with mental health conditions can and do pursue higher education, succeed in careers, make friends and have relationships. Mental illness can slow us down, but we don't need to let it stop us.

I may be reached at 507-703-8159 if anyone has additional questions or concerns.

Remember, there is always hope.

Mark Jacobson
Peer Support Specialist
Winona

GUEST COLUMN

Memories of All-50s reunions live on

By JOANIE MOSHER

The parties may be over but the memories of the All-50s Owatonna High School class reunions remain, as well as its financial contributions.

Like many things, it all started with an idea that someone was willing to promote and move along with others who came on board. That germ of an idea came from Charlie Peterson, OHS Class of 1957. In 1989, he met with Ted Ringhofer, OHS Class of 1958, who at the time was the head of the Owatonna Chamber of Commerce. The two talked about an All 50s OHS Reunion.

That conversation led to the formation of the original All 50s committee. The members were: 1950 - Don Wesley; 1951 - Bill and Faye Allyn Kottke; 1952 - Don Bengtson, Curt Swenson, Liz Ringhofer Witt, Mary Lee Arndt Thamert; 1953 - Sherm Fjelstad, Dave Jensen; 1954 - Audrey Schley Arndt, Gus Bjorklund, Millie Fritze Peterson, Janette Fette Standke; 1955 - Jeanette Reiter Pirkel, Nancy Schmidt Sewart, Sonja Hanson Wenger; 1956 - Sharon Stark, Chad Lange; 1957 - Charlie and Margie Austin Peterson, Lorraine Johnson Yule; 1958 - Steve Crippen, Doug Mathees, Ted and Wanda Bennett Ringhofer; 1959 - Harlan Manke, Joanie Reiter Mosher, Don Vogt, Bob Wikre.

Not content to limit the party to just the 50s, it was decided to include the Classes of 1948 and 1949 and 1960, Kathy Spatenka Kylo; Marian Sharon Hawkins Besonen. Margie Grunwald Jensen, class of 1948 joined the committee later.

The first meeting was in the lower level of the then new Chamber of Commerce building, and the dates were set: July 13, 2000 at the Monterey Ballroom; and Saturday, July 14, 2000 at the Four Seasons. With help from Ruth Thomas the OHS Alumni Association, the names and addresses were gathered, information was printed thanks to Steve Crippen, Class of 1958, and classmates were asked for donations to cover the

expenses.

The first All 50s Reunion was a two-night, two-site party, with dance bands at both. More than 1,100 people attended and Charlie Peterson was the emcee both evenings. On Sunday there was a picnic at Mineral Springs. The consensus Saturday night was to do it again.

It was another seven years before the second All 50s Reunion. On Friday, Aug.1, 1997, it kicked off at the Eagles Club followed by a Saturday party at the Four Seasons. Charlie Peterson again was the emcee.

The All 50s reunion went on the road for its next gathering. Classmate Don Laughlin (class of 1950) who founded the Riverside Hotel and Casino in the town he named, invited the group to come there. More than 700 people attended the third All 50s Reunion held from Saturday, Feb. 27 to March 3, 2000.

The fourth All 50s get together, was in early March 2003, at the repeat invitation of Don Laughlin in early March 2003. Don hosted a cocktail party in his penthouse where security escorted us to the penthouse elevator. About 300 attended. Joanie Mosher, with help from Ruth Thomas, had booklets printed showing names and addresses of everyone from 1948 through 1960, plus the addition of Marian High School.

Three years later, came the fifth All 50s reunion. On July 28, 2006, the classmates met at the Steele County Fairgrounds Beer Garden. The band was Luverne Wanous. On Saturday evening, July 29, the gala banquet was at the Monterey Ballroom. There were 483 who weathered the heat and humidity. Both nights were in the 90s.

The sixth reunion was held in conjunction with OHS homecoming in 2009. Hans Hohrman arranged for a car from the years 1949 – 1960 to be in the homecoming parade on Oct. 2. Football game was at 7 p.m. and Saturday, Oct. 3 was a banquet and lots of visiting by 493 attendees.

The seventh reunion, with attendance of 225, was



You snooze, you lose

Every morning I seem to go through a battle with my alarm clock. And it's not pretty. I never seem to come out on top.

It begins innocently enough when the alarm clock begins with the radio going off indicating to me my earlier intentions of wanting to get up. Because I've had difficulty getting up at times in the past, I've had to place my alarm radio on the other side of the room. I've developed this love-hate relationship with my alarm clock.

As soon as the radio goes off, I march half dazed across my room cussing under my breath and seeking answers about why the alarm clock mysteriously went off. "It can't be time to get up yet," I assure myself as I appear to be sleep walking around my bed.

Thankfully my alarm clock features the most wonderful invention ever — the snooze button. That's right for the next hour or so I play this squelch the pesky and annoying sounds game with my alarm. Every 10 minutes or so, I get rudely interrupted from my deep sleep to slap the snooze button and shut up the radio once again.

The snooze button is one of life's little luxuries, and it's easy to kid yourself into thinking that all you need is an extra 10, 20 or 30 minutes in the sack. With one little touch, more sleep is headed your way. Or is it? Read on.

Somewhere during this cat and mouse game I have with the clock radio, the alarm turns from radio to a nagging sound that sounds like the world is on the brink of disaster. By about this time, I'm ready to rip the alarm clock out of the wall and chuck it

to China!

"Doesn't this little electrical box have any idea that I still need more sleep?" I ask myself in disgust. It's lucky that there is no sledgehammer within my reach. It wouldn't be a pretty sight.

After about six rounds of hitting the snooze button and building up enough frustration to last a life time, I finally come to my senses and realize perhaps it's time to really get up and end this

I did a little research and found the General Electric Company unveiled the snooze button in 1956. It heralded the invention by promising a new, gentler way to wake up, guaranteeing a few extra minutes of precious sleep.

In a perfect world, we wouldn't need alarm clocks. Every morning we should be able to wake up exactly at the right time feeling refreshed and ready to leap out of bed. But sadly it's just a fantasy for me. I've become a slave to my alarm clock as well as the snooze button.

I have found that if you set your alarm much earlier than you intend to get up, which I clearly do, you could be missing out on vital REM sleep in the morning. The bottom line is, experts say, the snooze button can seriously affect your health. Disturbing sleep in this way can impair your mental functioning throughout the day, affecting memory, reaction time and even your emotional state.

Clearly I have a snooze addiction. I simply have a straightforward lack of sleep causing my reliance on the snooze button.

Doctors warn that healthiness starts with the buzz of your alarm clock in the morning. They urge people to make it a goal to avoid the snooze button.

It's time I go in hot pursuit of locating some snooze-busting methods to cure this addiction that plays games with my body in more ways than one every morning.

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DAVID RIESS MURDER INVESTIGATION

Records show BP murder suspect has a sweet tooth

By **AMY BENNETT WILLIAMS**
NEWS-PRESS WRITER

No family members have visited accused killer Lois Riess since she's been in the Lee County Jail, though her 33-year-old daughter Briana has sent \$200 to fund her mother's canteen account, from which she's so far withdrawn \$148.55.

Jail logs show Riess favors sweet and spicy snacks, spending more than \$90 on treats like Hot Hot Hot BBQ Chips, Flamin' Hot Cheetos, squeezable jalapeño cream cheese and All Energy Trail Mix.

Her apparent favorite? Chick-O-Stick candy, orange sugar-coated tubes of peanut butter, which she's bought six times during her jail stay. She's also purchased Colgate, Lady Speed Stick, a towel and two T-shirts.

Minnesota native Riess, 56, is facing a variety of charges including second-degree murder for allegedly shooting Pamela Hutchinson, 59, then stealing

the Bradenton woman's car and ID and withdrawing more than \$6,000 from her bank account.

Riess is also a suspect in the murder of her husband, David, a 54-year-old worm farmer who was found shot dead in the couple's Blooming Prairie, Minnesota, home March 23.

After discovering his body, authorities started hunting for his wife, Lois. They discovered she'd transferred money from her husband's business account into his personal account, then forged his signature on three checks to herself totaling \$11,000. The following day Riess turned up at Diamond Jo's Casino just over the Minnesota border in Iowa, where she was a regular, but she was gone when law enforcement arrived.

The U.S. Marshal Service dubbed her "Losing Streak Lois" on account of her gambling addiction, said Fort Myers-based Deputy U.S. Marshal John Kinsey. After leaving Fort Myers Beach, Riess fled west to Texas before the Marshal Service arrested her in South Padre

Island on April 19.

She was eventually extradited to Florida and was booked into the Lee County Jail on April 28.

In the weeks since she's been in custody, Riess has had several visits from attorneys and investigators from the Public Defender's Office. She hasn't been disciplined or written up for any "response to resistance" incidents, Sheriff's Office spokeswoman Anita Iriarte wrote in an email.

As for how she spends her days, her purchases offer some suggestions. Riess has bought 10 stamped postcards, a writing pad, envelopes, a book of word find puzzles and a pen. Riess waived her right to appear at a Tuesday arraignment hearing; her next court date is 8:30 a.m. July 11 for case management.

Amy Bennett Williams is a writer for the News-Press in Fort Myers Beach, Fla. She spent a week in Blooming Prairie on the Riess story in May.

PATRIOTIC CITIZENS

Sundine family honored with VFW award

By **HOWARD LESTRUD**
STAFF WRITER

The date was June 14, Flag Day in Blooming Prairie.

To recognize local patriotism in Blooming Prairie, the BP VFW Post 878 Auxiliary presented a Patriotic Citizen Award to the Sundine family of Blooming Prairie.

The award recognizes local citizens for the daily display of the American Flag and for unsolicited, inspirational and patriotic service to the community of Blooming Prairie.

A special recognition certificate was presented to Marcy, Shawn, Henry and Harrison Sundine by Gerry Berg, Americanism program chair for the VFW Auxiliary and by Joyce Johns, VFW Auxiliary president.

The Sundines replaced a crab apple tree with a flag pole and an American flag. The pole is surrounded by some beautiful flowers.

"Congratulations, keep our flag flying and thank you," Berg told the Sundines.

Marcy has been a member of the Hayfield VFW Auxiliary for 36 years.

Past recipients of the VFW Auxiliary's Patriotic Citizen Award have been: Minimizer; the Rev. Richard Hegal and wife Norma; Merle McNutt; Farmers & Merchants State Bank and US Bank.



STAFF PHOTO BY HOWARD LESTRUD

A Patriotic Citizen Award was presented by the Blooming Prairie VFW Auxiliary to the Shawn and Marcy Sundine family of Blooming Prairie. Representing the VFW Auxiliary were Joyce Johns, left, president and Gerry Berg, Americanism program chair. The Sundine family includes Marcy, Harrison, Henry and Shawn.

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Details of what Lois Riess, suspect in the murder of a Florida woman, has purchased while being locked up at the Lee County Jail in Fort Myers Beach.

BAND FESTIVAL: Mr. Music

FROM A1



STAFF PHOTO BY RICK BUSSLER

An Owatonna musician plays during the Wenger Band Festival Saturday in Owatonna.

the world to me."

Music has been an integral part of Wanous' life ever since he began playing concertina for a Christmas program in grade school. He attended a one-room school house for eight years near Owatonna before eventually graduating from Owatonna High School in 1953.

In 1958, Wanous purchased a new handmade concertina from New Ulm. He continues to use it today.

He was still in high school when he began performing at the Steele County Free Fair. Wanous, 82, has lost count, but he thinks it's about 70 straight years that he has played at the fair. "I'll be back again this year," he said, noting he will be playing all six days of the fair.

Wanous has a grandson who graduated from Owatonna after playing in the band for several years. "I enjoyed ribbing him that the band would have sounded better with a concertina," he said with a smile.

The veteran polka king said there were no such music programs when he went to school. "I learned to play by ear, and it was all self-taught," he said.

He now marvels at the quality of music performed by high school marching bands. "I think there is some super talent," Wanous said. "I admire the kids for the teaching they are getting," he added.

In the late 1950s, Wanous formed his own seven-piece band that played at weddings and ballrooms for many years. Sadly, Wanous said, the popularity of old-time music is waning as is ballroom music in general. He rattled off a whole list of ballrooms around the region he used to play at that are no longer in business, many of which have even been demolished.

But Wanous doesn't miss a beat as he still performs around the area at many nursing homes and celebrations. Last weekend he traveled to the Brainerd area to play at a 75th wedding anniversary. He plays at about 120 jobs throughout the year.

"Playing comes from the heart," Wanous said. "When you can see so many people have fun, that's what makes it so special."

For most of his adult life Wanous farmed 1,000 acres south of Owatonna. But make no question about what his priority was. "Playing concertina came first and farming came second," he said. "I couldn't live without music."

Wanous found being the grand marshal as a "true honor," and one of the highlights of his career. He thanked the Wenger Corporation for making it all possible for him.

Just like his music, his real feelings come from the heart. "I'm proud to be honored," he said.

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BP Council approves yearly audit

By **DENNIS MARSHALL**
SPORTS EDITOR

The 2017 Audit Presentation took place at the Blooming Prairie City Council's June meeting on Monday, June 11.

The council approved the audit that was prepared and presented by Abdo, Eick and Meyer LLP.

Certified Public Accountant Erin Enstad made the presentation at the meeting.

She said her team examined payroll, disbursements, cash recipients, check records and any investment transactions.

Enstad said her firm did not find any inconsistencies or noncompliances.

Another thing the audit team did was to look and make sure the city is following all the state statute that they are required to follow.

"We did not find any inconsistent or noncompliance with the state statutes," Enstad said. "That's a very good thing."

Highlights from the presentation included that cash in the General Fund went up by \$5,270.

Enstad said Blooming Prairie's General Fund Balance is right there with other cities that have less than 2,500 residents.

The audit reported the General Fund revenues were under budget by \$132 and the expenditures were under budget by \$92,263. Per the financial statements, the net change is \$92,131.

Enstad said revenues were right in line with the budget.

The Sanitary Sewer Fund reflected a decrease in its cash account of \$210,252. However, during 2017 the Sanitary Sewer Fund spent a lot on sewer maintenance and sewer lining.

"The Sewer Fund has consistently done a good job of covering their operating cost," Enstad said.

The Storm Sewer Fund and the Ambulance Funds reflected increases of \$26,446 and \$33,673, respectively, while the Cemetery Fund saw a decrease in cash of \$1,320.

This year the League of Minnesota Cities did not issue a refund from their Works Compensation Program, which accounts

for the reduction of revenue throughout all departments.

All General Fund Departments were under their expenditures budgets, except the Community Beautification Budget, which used funds held from the Chamber of Commerce's donation in 2013 from their gambling account.

The new Governmental Accounting Standards Board requires the city to hire an actuary to do additional calculations on the Fire Relief Association's financial statements.

The cost of the extra work would be an additional expense of between \$4,500 and \$5,000.

The data from the extra work and costs would not have any bearing on the actual financials, just a statement in the financial notes.

IN OTHER BUSINESS, THE COUNCIL ALSO:

- Discussed and approved the final retainage payment of \$2,753 to Municipal Pipe Tool for work completed on the 2017 CIPP Sanitary Sewer Improvement Project. The total project cost was \$55,060. Payment of \$52,307 was made in November 2017 with a retainage \$2,753.
- Approved promoting Tony Motl from Street Supervisor to Public Works Director, effective June 17.
- Approved the application for a permit to consume liquor in the park for a baby shower in the Firemen's Park Pavilion on July 21.
- Approved the request from the Blooming Prairie Youth Club for permission to close 4th Street NE from 1st Avenue NE to Highway 218 North on Saturday, June 30 in order to hold the Blooming Prairie Youth Club Rib Fest and kids games.
- Approved the request from The Cue Company to 2nd Ave NE Between Main Street and 1st Street NE in order to hold a Cancer Research Benefit Auction on Friday, Sep. 7 and Saturday, Sep. 8.
- Discussed and approved the request from the Blooming Prairie Cancer Group for a temporary liquor license to sell alcohol at the Cancer Research Auction to be held west of The Cue Company on Sep. 7 and Sep. 8.

he has self taught himself about computer programming. He said he knows six program languages.

Looking ahead to his future plans, Riley said he likely will target a computer engineer career. "I can't imagine sitting at a desk," Millam said. He said he enjoys working with graphics in creating programs.

Riley hopes to develop more apps in the future. He's working on one now that will help users search for a word by using a built-in camera. "It's kind of a weird idea," he admits. This procedure will help find a word in a large file.

He recently received an internship with IBI Data in Brownsdale. He will work with programing and website development. His robotics involvement helped him get the internship following an interview.

Prior to Millam's presentation, facilitator Roger Sorenson introduced new Arkema plant manager Michael Green. He grew up in Wyoming and said he drifted to Minnesota accidentally.

The Times will introduce Green to the community in an upcoming news story.Next meeting of the Arkema CAP group will be on Tuesday, Aug. 8 at the BP City Center.

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History from the News Archives

10 Years Ago
June 17, 2008

DAN EVANS, PUBLISHER

Blooming Prairie Superintendent of Schools Barry Olson states that renovations on the school are moving along well and are on budget. The first phase includes improved computer labs, the library, science rooms, and a new multi-purpose room. The school board is looking into an operating levy that would provide the schools with around \$300,000 annually.

The Owatonna Chamber of Commerce Board has joined with other groups, businesses and individuals in supporting plans for a Steele County History Center to be built in Owatonna. The \$3 million History Center project is being funded entirely through contributions from individuals, businesses and foundations. The County Board of Commissioners has donated a building site adjoining the Steele County Historical Society's headquarters and their Village of Yesteryear along Austin Road in Owatonna.

U.S. Bank in Blooming Prairie is honoring Carol Kirkebon for 25 years and Sandy Holmes for 10 years of service to the company. Kirkebon works as a teller and Holmes as the sales and service coordinator. Chairole Williamson, branch manager of the Blooming Prairie Office, states that both of these girls work very hard to demonstrate Five Star Service, putting their customers first.

20 Years Ago
June 16, 1998

ELSIE SLINGER, PUBLISHER

The results of the statewide Minnesota Comprehensive Assessments have arrived. Third and fifth graders were tested in both math and reading. Overall, Blooming Prairie students are scoring right around the state average, but a closer look indicates higher scores in language arts and lower scores in mathematics

An almost ideal day greeted the Blooming Prairie Country Club's first tournament of the season as 10 teams of five men competed in the annual Racehorse event on Saturday, June 13. The team of Ray Olson, Jay Iverson, Herman Lembke, Denny Zwiener and BudEbeling came out on top with an 18-hole total of 198 points. Tournament director Carl Peterson expressed satisfaction with the fine weather and the rapid play during the day and called this first competitive event of the season an unqualified success.

For the second time in 1½ years, the City of Blooming Prairie will see its sewer rates increase. Unlike 18 months ago, this time a rescue from the general fund is not possible. Therefore, the rates from \$2.10 per thousand gallons will raise to \$2.30; the base rate from \$13.50 is also increasing to \$15 a month. A \$15,000 deficit in the sewer fund is anticipated by the end of the year due to breakdowns as the treatment plant ages.

The third annual Miss Firecracker event was cancelled this year due to lack of interest. The program was triggered two years ago to have local youth represented in the Fourth of July parade. Participants are judged on manners, poise, grace, talent, interview and presence. 1995 winner was Alyssa Habberstad, and 1996 winner was Samantha Kraling.

50 Years Ago
June 13, 1968

VICTOR, VERNON & VRYLE KREJOI, PUBLISHERS

Attorney and Mrs. Glenn S. Thorson have displayed their support of a community project which is being undertaken to help Blooming Prairie to grow by presenting to Prairie Manors, Inc. a check for \$19,200. Donald Morrison, president of the non-profit organization, stated that \$125,000 must be raised by the people of Blooming Prairie to furnish a nursing home and guarantee capital for the first year's operation.

Mary K. Peterson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Peterson, Blooming Prairie, was awarded a Bachelor of Science degree from the College of Education at the University of Minnesota. Her major was in Spanish and minor in English. She has accepted a teaching position starting next fall in the Wayzata Senior High School.

Harris M. Peterson presented his child-proof bottle cap at the Inventor's Congress in Redwood Falls June 7-8-9. He reported that his invention drew a lot of attention and was one of the biggest features at the show. He has reserved a booth for next year and plans to display many of his other inventions.

75 Years Ago
June 17, 1943

FRANK KREJOI, PUBLISHER

The war department announces the names of 560 United States soldiers who were given as prisoners of war by the enemy. 264 were held by Japan, 291 by Germany, and 5 by Italy. Lloyd Larson of Blooming Prairie is one of the captives held by the Japs. His next kin, according to the war department release is Kenneth Larson, a brother of Lloyd.

How to Make a Living Will

Dear Savvy Senior,
What's the best way to go about making a living will? I recently retired and would like to start getting my affairs in order; just in case.
Approaching 70

Dear Approaching,
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Advance Directive
To adequately spell out your wishes regarding your end-of-life medical treatment you need two legal documents: A "living will" which tells your doctor what kind of care you want to receive if you become incapacitated, and a "health care power of attorney" (or health care proxy), which names a person you authorize to make medical decisions on your behalf if you become unable to.

These two documents are known as an "advance directive," and will only be utilized if you are too ill to make medical decisions yourself. You can also change or update it whenever you please.

Do-It-Yourself
It isn't necessary to hire a lawyer to complete an advance directive. There are free or low-cost resources available today to help you write your advance directive, and it takes only a few minutes from start to finish.

One that's completely free to use is Caring Connections, a resource created by the National Hospice and Palliative Care Organization. They provide state-specific advance directive forms with instructions on their website (CaringInfo.org) that you can download and print for free. Or you can call 800-658-8898 and they will

mail them to you and answer any questions you may have.

Or, for only \$5, an even better tool is the Five Wishes living will. Created by Aging with Dignity, a nonprofit advocacy organization, Five Wishes is a simple do-it-yourself document that covers all facets of an advance directive that will help you create a more detailed customized document. It is legally valid in 42 states and the District of Columbia. To learn more or to receive a copy, visit AgingWithDignity.org or call 888-594-7437.

Want Legal Help
If you would rather use a lawyer, look for one who specializes in estate planning and health care related matters. The National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys (NAELA.org) and the National Association of Estate Planners and Councils (NAEPC.org) websites have directories to help you find someone. Costs will vary depending on the state you reside in, but you can expect to pay somewhere between \$200 and \$500 to get one made.

Do Not Resuscitate
You should also consider including a do-not-resuscitate order (DNR) as part of your advance directive, since advanced directives do little to protect you from unwanted emergency care like CPR. Doctors and hospitals in all states accept them. To create a DNR, ask your doctor to fill out a state appropriate form and sign it.

Another tool you should know about that will compliment your advance directive is the Physician Orders for Life-Sustaining Treatment (POLST). Currently endorsed in 22 states with 24 more in some phase of development, a POLST translates your end-of-life wishes into medical orders to be honored by your doctors. To learn more or set one up, see POLST.org.

Tell Your Family
To insure your final wishes are followed, be sure you tell your family members, health care proxy and doctor so they all know what you want. You should also provide copies of your advanced directive to everyone involved to help prevent stress and arguments later.

For convenience, there are even resources – like DocuBank.com and MyDirectives.com – that will let you and your family members store your advanced directive online, so you can have immediate access to them when you need them.

Send your senior questions to: Savvy Senior, P.O. Box 5443, Norman, OK 73070, or visit SavvySenior.org. Jim Miller is a contributor to the NBC Today show and author of "The Savvy Senior" book.



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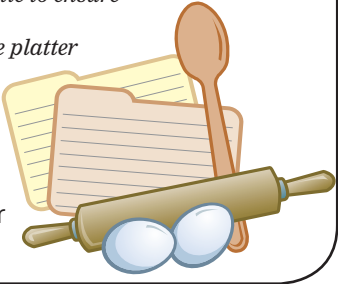
SUBMITTED PHOTO

Blooming Prairie Elementary School teachers recently were presented Master's degrees in Leadership Teaching and Learning from Southwest State University in Marshall. Pictured are (from left) Diane Pfeffer, second grade; Denise Hadrath, second grade; Chelsea Van Roekel, third grade; Emily Henslin, kindergarten and Heather Schiller, first grade.

Recipe corner
Makes 35 to 40 bite-size balls

- 1 8-ounce package cream cheese, at room temperature
- 1 cup grated sharp cheddar cheese
- 1 teaspoon minced garlic
- 1 tablespoon chopped fresh parsley
- 1 teaspoon cayenne pepper
- 1 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
- 1/2 teaspoon kosher salt
- 1 cup finely chopped walnuts

- Put the cream cheese, cheddar, garlic, parsley, cayenne, black pepper, and salt in a food processor. Process for 5 to 10 seconds, until well blended. Scrape the mixture into a bowl, cover, and refrigerate for 1 hour.
- Spread the chopped walnuts on a plate. Shape the cheese mixture into 35 to 40 small cheese balls, each about the size of a large marble. Roll each cheese ball in the walnuts, coating the outside (you may to press a little to ensure sticking).
- Serve the cheese balls on a large platter and enjoy!



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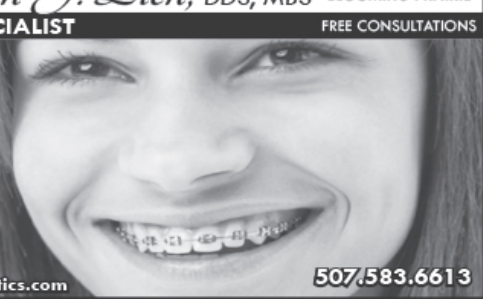


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OBITUARIES

James Prihoda, 62, Blooming Prairie

James D. “Jim” Prihoda, 62 of Blooming Prairie, passed away Sunday, June 10, 2018 at Mayo Clinic Hospital – St. Mary’s Campus in Rochester.

James Dean was born July 29, 1955 in Austin, the son of William and Margaret (Bangert) Prihoda. Jim graduated from Blooming Prairie High School in 1973. He worked at Srsens Auto, Krampitz ITCO and Viracon. In the fall of 1989 he began his almost 30 year career as a plumber working for Christianson and Myre Plumbing & Heating, and Prairie Plumbing & Heating.

Jim met the love of his life Monica Lammers on a blind date and on May 28, 1993 the couple married. In 1998 Jim achieved Master Plumber and continued his work until retiring in 2018 from Prairie Plumbing & Heating. Jim was a lifelong Blooming Prairie resident except for three years that he spent in Colorado.

He appreciated the outdoors, especially fishing. He was proud of one of his largest catches, a 27 ½ inch walleye caught on Lake Mille Lac. He enjoyed turkey hunting, and working the family farm. He enjoyed spending his free time at the pond on the farm. Jim was a member of the Wild Turkey Federation, Ducks Unlimited, Pheasants Forever and the NRA. He was a longtime member of First Lutheran Church, and a supporter of BP Cancer Group. Jim will be greatly missed by his family and friends.

He is survived by his wife Monica Prihoda of Blooming Prairie; brothers Bernie (Sue) Prihoda, of Owatonna, Lloyd (Jane) Prihoda of Blooming Prairie, Daryl (Jane) Prihoda of Austin; sisters-in-law Shelley Prihoda of Blooming Prairie, Jeanne (Mark Haugland) Parmenter of Austin, Diane (Merle) Klouse of Rose Creek; brother-in-law David (Crystal)



Lammers of Adams; many nieces, nephews, great nieces and great nephews, and other relatives and friends.

Jim was preceded in death by his parents, William and Margaret Prihoda and his brother Steve Prihoda.

Memorial services were held on Thursday, June 14, 2018 at First Lutheran Church in Blooming Prairie with Pastor Heidi Heimgartner officiating. Interment was at First Lutheran Cemetery.

Memorials can be directed to First Lutheran Church or recipient of donor’s choice. Jim wanted everyone to be comfortable, and to remind everyone that casual attire for the funeral is welcome! Services prearranged and performed by Worlein Funeral Home of Austin. Condolences may be expressed to the family online at www.worlein.com.

Scholarships for special ed students



Submitted photo

Advocates for Developmental Disabilities of Steele County awarded scholarships to students who received special education services during their high school years. From left, Marcia Meiners, board member; Thomas Erickson, David Keck, Logan Bauer, Laurie Running, director and Wendy Reller, board member. Not pictured: William Titchenal. Erickson of Blooming Prairie will be attending Riverland Community College in Austin and plans to major in computer science. Keck of Owatonna will be attending Riverland Community College in Albert Lea and plans to major in diesel technology. Bauer of Owatonna will be attending South Dakota State University and plans to begin his work towards a bachelor degree. Titchenal of Owatonna will be attending Winona State University and plans to major in graphic design.

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your writing journey, from conception to publication You can enter the first annual Minnesota Author Project by June 30th by submitting a fiction or young adult book. Winners will receive \$1,000 and will be featured in the Library Journal.

This week’s special children’s program will be Siamas Music of the Congo on Thursday, June 21 at 1 p.m. Also don’t forget Monday movies at 1 p.m., Tuesday storytimes at 10:30 a.m., and Wednesday Adventure Club at 10 a.m. See you at the library!

Meinard Haberman, 76, Blooming Prairie

Meinard E. Haberman, age 76 of Blooming Prairie, died peacefully on Tuesday, June 12, 2018 surrounded by his loving family at Mayo Clinic Hospital Rochester, St Mary’s Campus.

He was born Oct. 11, 1941 in Austin, the son of Edward and Mary (Rysavy) Haberman. Meinard was a lifelong Blooming Prairie area resident and belonged to St. Columbanus Catholic Church. He made his living working at the Union Creamery in Blooming Prairie as a butter maker, for Lysne Construction, and for Cybex in Owatonna.

On Aug. 26, 1961, Meinard and Janice Marie Branderhorst were married at Litomysl Catholic Church. The couple raised five children. Meinard enjoyed being outdoors fishing, gardening, or driving around the countryside. He also liked



playing cards and going to farm shows.

In later years, Meinard spent his leisure time sitting in his garage on his work bench eating his peanuts. He was a hard-working man and will be dearly missed by his family and friends.

Survivors include his wife of 57 years, Janice Haberman of Blooming Prairie; his children Richard Haberman of Claremont, Brian (Becky) Haberman of Northwood, Iowa, Jane Techau of Owatonna, Larry Haberman of Blooming Prairie and Thomas (Jessica) Haberman, also of Blooming Prairie; 20 grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren; brothers Robert Haberman and Eddie (Nelda) Haberman, both of

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PASTOR’S CORNER

God’s love sacrifices

Ever heard of Jaime Jaramillo?

In the 1970s, he was a wealthy businessman in Bogotá, Colombia. One day while walking, he saw a young girl climbing down through a manhole into the sewers below. He went home, put on a wetsuit and followed the girl into the manhole. To his horror he discovered about 90 children living underground in the filthy, rat-infested sewers. They lived there to escape paramilitary gangs that were killing street children. One gang member said, “Killing these kids

is like killing lice. We call them ‘the disposables.’” Appalled, Jaramillo went on to rescue as many kids from the sewers as possible and built a home where they receive an education and live in a loving Christian community. He did this for thousands of children. This human example reminds me of the sacrificial love God has for all. God’s love sacrifices! On Sunday mornings where I pastor, we have been looking at Jonah in the Biblical book of Jonah, who was called to go to the Ninevites to share about God. The Ninevites were

some bad dudes! Cruel. Hateful. Violent. Yet God sent Jonah, knowing how dangerous it was. God’s love sacrifices. Last month at my church, we had a representative from the ministry, “Destiny Rescue”, share about how that ministry is rescuing young girls in Asia who were kidnapped for the sex trade. This includes men risking their safety to get these girls to a safe place and women who sacrifice time and money to purchase and sell jewelry made by these girls. God’s love sacrifices. Volunteers in our churches spend

time through Sunday school, VBS and more to teach and love children in our community and our churches. Why? God’s love sacrifices. Who does God love, with all this sacrificial love? ALL! We can love sacrificially in many ways. Some may serve here in southeast Minnesota, and some may go, like Jonah to the Ninevites, or perhaps somewhere else around the world. If you are reading this, and you have experienced the sacrificial love of God, and are passing it on to others, thanks! Keep it up because...God’s love sacrifices!

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Yes, it's knee high by July 4

According to an old farming adage, the Fourth of July isn't just our nation's birthday, it's also an important benchmark for the nation's corn crop. If all's going well, it should be "knee-high by the Fourth of July." Right? Siblings Isaac, 6 and Cory, 4 Stoen of Blooming Prairie do their own measuring and yep, the corn is already knee high and it's still June. The Stoens are children of Melissa and Brandon Stoen.

STAFF PHOTO BY HOWARD LESTRUD



BRADY: on trial

FROM A1

on the west side of the county. He is up for re-election this fall and is facing opposition from Sylvia Archer of rural Ellendale. Brady was elected to the board in 2014.

Brady is anxious to get this matter resolved. "People think I'm trying to hide something and I'm not," he said, adding he seems to be in a no-win situation right now.

Ultimately, no matter what takes place with the criminal case, Brady says the voters will determine what happens. "The voters are going to be the judge and jury is what it comes down to," he said.

"I'm not going to plead guilty to something I didn't do," Brady said.

Brady, 55, was charged in June 2017 with a gross misdemeanor of officials not to be interested in contracts. If convicted, he faces a maximum sentence of one year in jail and a \$3,000 fine.

Prosecutors accuse Brady of being in his official capacity as a county official when he wrongfully and unlawfully was directly or indirectly interested in a contract, work, labor or business to which the county was party to.

Brady was set to go on trial in March, but it was postponed at the last minute. His attorney, Jim Ryan, of Rochester filed a

"I'm not going to plead guilty to something that I didn't do."

James Brady
Steele Commissioner

last minute motion seeking to have the case thrown out. Ryan argued that a county commissioner is not considered an official, and therefore the charges should be dropped.

Judge Hanks determined that Brady is a county official under state law. The Olmsted County Attorney's Office is handling prosecution of the case to avoid any conflict of interest with Steele County.



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MASCOTS: volunteers needed

FROM A1

1998 when a caricature was made of the steer. Former fair manager Elmer Reseland, who also worked in Owatonna schools for many years, made Steely a live character in 1999.

"Elmer was always coming up with different projects when he worked in the schools," said Vicki Deml, fair secretary. "Each school had its own mascot. Elmer was big on mascots, and felt the fair needed one," she added.

The fair utilized a costume company in the Twin Cities to design the mascots, according to Deml. In 2010, Stella was added as Steely's sidekick.

For many years Richard Dalen and Joanne Nystrom took up the honors of being the mascots by themselves. In 2015, they passed off the duties to various volunteers.

A few years ago the fair tinkered with a third mascot, Stanley, to compliment Steely and

Stella. "Stanley took a leave of absence. He's in treatment," joked Wayne Steele, publicity director of the fair.

Fair officials would be just content sticking with Steely and Stella moving forward.

The mascots are utilized for various parades, fundraisers and community events throughout the area. And, of course, they keep the magic of the fair alive throughout the six-day event.

Kozelka said the requirements for the mascots are anyone 21 years or older and personable. "We want people who want to have enjoyment and fun doing it," he said, adding that a little acting would be nice to compliment the gig. He noted there are various outfits to fit different people.

Anyone interested in joining the mascot herd can contact the fair office at 507-451-5305.

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TRACK AND FIELD

Several Blossom tracksters set PRs

BY LEMAR NELSON
STAFF WRITER

Although the track teams had no competitor of championship caliber, both the boys and girls teams had a successful and enjoyable seasons. Several Blooming Prairie Awesome Blossoms had career seasons, and a few advanced to the Gopher Conference and Section 1A meet at the year's conclusion.

First year coach Chelsea Van Roekel said she was pleased with the number of students out for track, both boys and girls.

A young girls' team featured a record 23 letter winners, while the boys awarded 17 letters.

Most of the team members will return for another season.

Following are the awards presented to individual members of the teams. Most Valuable Track Awards went to Alec Ille and Sam Wurst, with Outstanding Field Athlete honors going to Gabe Hagen and Gemini Johnson.

Alec Ille and Sam Wurst were honored as Outstanding Track Athletes, and Most Improved Awards went to Isaac Ille and Jacob McHenry for the boys and Megan Oswald for the girls.

The Coach's Award of Excellence went to Jesse Schewe and Jerrin Jax and Sam Skillestad and Madi Lea received the Gopher Conference Sportsman honors.

Zach Weber and Wurst led the teams in scoring for the season. As a team the junior high boys won the Gopher Conference Meet, and the girls claimed runner-up honors. The girls' 800-meter relay team also earned a conference title.

For the boys' team, the best marks for each event included: the 3,200 relay team of Schewe, Isaac Arnold, Adam Larson and Alec Ille timed a nine minutes and 29.61 seconds, Xavier Rennie ran the 110 hurdles in 17.81, Gabe Hagen ran the 100 in 11.75, and the 800 relay team (Mitchell Fiebiger, Matthew Pryor, Weber, Hagen) timed a 1:38.53.

Alec Ille toured the 1,600 run in 4:32.70, the 400 relay team (Fiebiger, Pryor, Brian Jimenez, Hagen) timed 47.92, Weber ran the 400 in 56.33, Xavier Rennie ran the 300 hurdles in 46.86 and Alec Ille ran the 800 in 207.91.

Fiebiger timed a 25.13 in the 200, Alec Ille ran a 20:30.78 in the 3,200,



Blooming Prairie's Sam Wurst completes in the high jump at the 2017 Class A State Track and Field Meet at Hamline University in Saint Paul.

and the boys' 1,600 relay team of Pryor, Alec Ille, Sam Skillestad, and Weber timed a 3:52.93. Isaac Ille leaped 5-foot-4-inches in the high jump, Weber leaped 18-2 in the long jump, and Rennie leaped 34-7 in the triple jump.

Hagen threw the shot put 44-4 and sailed the discus 109-0.

Schewe jumped 9-6 in the pole vault to round out the boys' individual bests.

Individual best marks for the girls included: Abby Smith, Rachel Oswald, Ann Kittelson and Wurst

timing a 11:34.56 in the 3,200 relay, Asia Thostenson timing an 18.68 in the 100 hurdles and Abby Braaten running the 100 dash in 14.28.

The 800 relay team (Gemini Johnson, Ayren Ingvalson, Wurst, Abby Braaten) timed a 1:22.82 in that event.

Abby Smith toured the 1,600 run in 6:23.72, the 400 relay team (Johnson, Madi Lea, Sierra Larson, Braaten) timed a 55.13 and Wurst timed a 1:03.33 in the 400. Rachel Oswald jumped the 300 hurdles in 55.01 and Kittelson ran the 800 in 2:51.62.

Braaten timed a 28.59 in the 200 dash.

Asia Lightizer ran the 3,200 in 13:57, and the 1,600 relay team (Kittelson, Greta Sunde, Braaten, Wurst) ran that race in 4:46.89. Wurst leaped 5-0 in the high jump, Johnson leaped 15-9.5 in the long jump and 27-10 in the triple jump. Micalyn Trihus threw the shot 28-10 and the discus 78-6, and Johnson jumped 8-1 in the pole vault. Those marks all were career best for the above named athletes. Overall, the season proved a success for the competitors.

PHOTO BY JOSH ZIMMER

BASEBALL

Owatonna's Holcomb heading to NDSU

BY DENNIS MARSHALL
SPORTS EDITOR

Former Owatonna pitcher Alec Holcomb announce on Tuesday, June 12 that he would be continuing his college baseball career at North Dakota State University.

"Excited to announce my commitment to continue my education and baseball career at North Dakota State University! #GoBison," Holcomb said on Twitter. Holcomb has spent the past two seasons at Des Moines Area Community College.

Holcomb has several looks from Division II or Division III schools after finishing his career with the Huskies, but he opted to attend DMACC.

Holcomb finished his freshman season at DMACC with 17 strikeouts in 18 innings and a 5.30 ERA.

Holcomb has worked very hard to improve the velocity of his fastball.

He was throwing in the mid 80s (miles per hour) his senior season at Owatonna and now he's throwing in the 90s.

Holcomb made nine starts his sophomore season at DMACC. He lowered his ERA to 4.75, pitched 47.1 innings (third most on team) and struck out a team-high 58 batters.

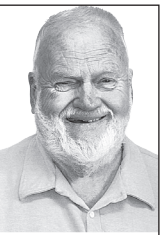
Holcomb also earned first-team Academic All-Region honors.

NDSU finished this past season with an overall record of 26-24, and played the University of Minnesota at U.S. Bank Stadium.



ALEC HOLCOMB

RELAX, REFLECT AND CHANGE



Outside the Lines
LEMAR NELSON

When high school students are on recess for the summer, and high school sports are on hiatus, I always get that feeling of nostalgia for the year just past, and some anticipation that another such year is in the near future.

The break in activity does give me a little time to savor the memories of the past season and some time to rejuvenate my thinking.

I am not a fan of hot weather, but I realize that for most people, this is more to their liking than the cold and snow of winter.

The best thing about summer for me is the fact that I can get around without worry of taking a tumble because of slipping on icy patches in the street.

I had several weeks this past winter that I barely left the house in fear of bad streets, so I guess I should be thankful for this type of weather instead.

Among several things that I do like about summer is the sight of green grass, myriad beds of flowers, birds singing in the trees and burgeoning crops in the surrounding fields.

All of that more than compensates for my dislike of hot weather, and I am more than satisfied for the trade-off.

POLICE NIGHT OUT

Hats off this week to the local police department on the decision to again sponsor a National Night Out Celebration.

A special thanks to Police



PHOTO COURTESY OF CARL PETERSON

Blooming Prairie's Jake Ressler tees off at the Class A State Golf Meet at Pebble Creek Golf Course in Becker, Minnesota on Tuesday, June 12.

Chief Greg Skillestad and officer Dan Peach for organizing this second annual event.

I have often wondered why some of our residents on various blocks have not participated in this national observance, but a whole community get-together is an even better idea in which to draw residents together.

The local police depart-

ment is making big plans for the event to be held in the city park on Saturday, July 28, with games, a laser demonstration, food and super heroes. This year the band Boiling Point will even be providing a live concert. The popular outdoor movie will also be an attraction again, and there should be fun for the whole family.

More details will be forthcoming later this summer, but residents should make plans to attend this national observance right now.

A big tip of the hat goes to the members of the Blooming Prairie Police Department.

RESSLER GOLF ENDS

Blooming Prairie High School senior Jake Ressler



PHOTO COURTESY OF CARL PETERSON

Blooming Prairie senior Jake Ressler poses for a photo with the Awesome Blossoms golf coach, Carl Peterson, after the Minnesota Class A State Golf Meet.

concluded his high school golf career in competition at the state golf meet this past week at Pebble Creek Golf Course in Becker.

Ressler carded an 85 the first day of the meet, but then had a bad back nine on the final day to shoot a 96. His 181 total for the 36 holes put him in 56th place in Class A golf.

Ressler competed on the local golf team that had won consecutive section 1A meets, and he golfed with this past year's state individual champion, Tommy Braaten.

It finished an excellent golf career for Ressler.

Although spring sports are now complete, it should be noted that summer basketball is still thriving. Several students are competing in AAU basketball, and both the boys

and girls are busy playing on teams in summer leagues. While most students are busy with other summer activities, these individuals still are competing in games and loving every minute of it.

COMING UP

Several events come to the community in the next few weeks, including the Blooming Prairie Youth Club annual Rib Fest on June 30, and the Fourth of July activities and celebration the following week. The Rib Fest is making an effort to make this annual affair especially appealing to families' enjoyment, and a number of games for the young ones besides the rib tasting will be available.

The cost is relatively inex-

SEE OUTSIDE THE LINES, B2

AUTO RACING

Bandit Series event in Cedar Rapids postponed

STAFF REPORT

The Bandits tried to get in and out of Hawkeye Downs Speedway Saturday without incident, but Mother Nature had other ideas.

Severe weather, including a tornado warning, forced Bandit promoters to postpone the event until Sunday, July 29th.

“We gave it our best shot and thought the weather would cooperate, but during the first Challenge race of the evening, we had to postpone,” Bandit General Manager Jason Johnson said. “The most important thing is keeping everyone safe, including the Bandits and our fans.”

The results from Saturday night, which include three Heat races as well as the Bandit Shoot Out, will count in the point standings. The rescheduled date will see the Bandits pick things up starting with the first of two Challenge races.

“We’ll run the two Challenge races and the A-Main Feature on the 29th, beginning at 1 p.m.” Johnson said.

All tickets from this past Saturday’s event will be honored on July 29th. Fans should bring their tickets or wristbands to the gate that day.

“We will always try to make it right,” Johnson said. “Our fans deserve the best, so we aim to give them the best.”

Next up for the Bandits is their first-ever stop in Pennsylvania.



A young fan signs Craig Kruckeberg's No. 55 truck 'Tonk' prior to the Bandit Series event at Cedar Rapids on Saturday, June 9th. Owatonna's Sydney Schultz competes for the Huskies at a track meet during the 2016-17 season.

They'll be at Lake Erie Speedway in North East on Saturday, July 7th. About Bandit Big Rig Series The Bandit Big Rig Series returns big rig tractor truck racing to the short track in the United States.

The series was designed to be affordable and accessible for anyone wishing to put together a race team. For additional information, please contact Jason Johnson at (507) 676-1987, or email jason@banditseries.com.

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OUTSIDE THE LINES: Hats off to all dads

FROM B1

pensive as well, as wristbands to allow unlimited rib tasting are only \$10. This is a popular event, and a large crowd is anticipated for this big fundraiser for the local club. Proceeds go a long way to defray the cost of programming at the local club throughout the year, and local residents are encouraged to attend.

The planning committee for the Fourth of July has also worked hard to provide the usual and some unusual activities.

In addition to the annual parade, activities and concessions in the city park, and the big fireworks display the evening of the Fourth, some new events have been added.

A walking tour of Main Street is on the agenda, and a brief history of each business building will be posted on the business windows. The Awesome Blossom race will offer a new wrinkle this year, as it will be run through alleys instead of on the streets. That is a truly different route for that event. Along with all the usual activities, this annual celebration will again attract thousands to our community.

A DAY FOR FATHERS

As I probably said on Mother's Day, it should be noted that fathers deserve obedience and honor every day of the year, but it is still welcome to have a day set aside to honor fathers, just as we did for our mothers.

If I recall my own younger days, my father was a quiet man, who didn't say much, but he was a great dad and raised us kids with a firm, yet respectful hand.

He would grow impatient with me, when he tried to teach me how to change the oil on the car or clean the carburetor, but he was also my biggest fan in watching me play baseball or basketball.

I assume there are many like him, and all fathers certainly deserve the respect they are given. I hope it was a happy Father's Day for all. Keep enjoying summer and its many activities, and we'll talk again.

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STAFF REPORT

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Registration is also open for track, junior golf, summer camps, summer swim lessons, summer tennis lessons, learn to skate hockey, farm camp and Friday camp through Owatonna Parks and Recreation.

Season passes for River Springs are also available through Owatonna Parks and Recreation.

The archery range is now opened. The range is located at 711 North Elm Avenue.

Owatonna Parks and Rec are now taking reservations for the summer and fall park pavilions. Reserve for family reunions, parties, small gathering, graduations and wedding receptions.

There are three Movies in the Park planned for this summer. Movies begin at sunset (between 7:30 p.m. and 9 p.m. depending on the day). Details for each movie will be posted on the Parks and Rec's website and Facebook page as the dates get closer. Movies are free and concessions are available.

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Key differences between independent and assisted living

BY ANNE-MARIE BOTEK

It can be overwhelming to find a new living arrangement for an aging loved one, especially for those who are unfamiliar with the nuances of senior living options. In order to find the best fit, one must understand what types of housing and care are available and the key differences between them.

Senior care exists on a spectrum, and independent living (IL) is the least restrictive and assistive residential option. One step above IL is assisted living (AL). AL is also minimally restrictive, but as the name implies, this residential setting offers assistive services and supports. Let's take a closer look at the differences and similarities between these two senior living options.

Living Spaces

The independent living category encompasses a wide range of housing arrangements, from apartment-style communities to housing co-ops. Generally, though, residents live in their own private dwelling spaces and have access to common areas where they can gather with other members of the community. Independent living can also be referred to as an active adult community, senior apartments, a retirement community, a 55+ community, or a retirement home. Because this option is designed for seniors who

can still live independently, the features and amenities in the individual dwelling areas are comparable to those in a typical small home, townhouse or apartment.

The typical assisted living arrangement is apartment-style. Individual units may or may not be equipped with full kitchens. Assisted living communities with specialized memory care units for seniors with cognitive impairment often feature increased security measures (e.g. locked doors and extra surveillance equipment) and may not allow residents to have kitchens in their apartments, due to safety concerns.

Some specialized communities, called Continuing Care Retirement Communities (CCRCs) offer independent living, assisted living and higher levels of senior care all on the same campus to allow residents to easily transition between these settings as their needs increase.

Amenities and Care Services

Independent living communities aim to make their residents' day-to-day lives a bit easier, thus enabling them to live on their own for as long as possible. The services IL provides are aimed at minimizing seniors' daily responsibilities, not assisting with activities of daily living (ADLs). Landscaping, laundry and housekeeping services, on-site dining facilities, security surveillance, and a variety of activities and events are the typical offerings in IL settings. However, they do not have full-time staff dedicated to providing custodial or medical care.

"The main benefits of independent living communities are receiving help with meals and housekeeping/maintenance tasks, as well as having

a centralized hospitality service building for socialization," says Regina Wallace, director of the independent senior apartments program for the Hebrew Home at Riverdale in Riverdale, New York. "It's not really about hands-on care in these communities."

Assisted living, on the other hand, is geared more towards helping aging adults who need some assistance with activities of daily living (ADLs), such as bathing, dressing, doing laundry and taking medications. Staff members, including at least one medical professional (typically a certified nurse practitioner), are on call 24 hours a day in most AL residences. However, assisted living communities don't provide intensive hands-on care or skilled nursing care for older adults with serious mental or physical ailments.

Both independent living and assisted living communities have recreation schedules that are unique to each facility's residents and their abilities. Common activities include game nights, field trips, support and discussion groups, holiday celebrations, exercise classes and continuing education courses. They also provide transportation services for shuttling residents to and from doctor's appointments, the grocery store and other errands.

Comparing the Costs of Independent and Assisted Living

Rent and utilities represent the primary cost for independent living residents, according to Wallace. Aging adults who live in communities that offer specialized recreational opportunities (e.g. private golf courses) may incur additional expenses in the form of membership and/or joining fees.

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Train cars loaded with ethanol will now be rolling out to East coast

BY RICK BUSSLER
PUBLISHER

As 100 train cars of ethanol rolled off the tracks outside of the Al-Corn Clean Fuel Plant on the edge of Claremont two weeks ago for the first time ever, plant officials finally realized how serious they are about rail.

Al-Corn has just wrapped up a major \$146 million expansion, allowing it to ship more product by rail. At the center of the expansion is a rail loop that allows Al-Corn to load 100 train cars before being shipped out to other areas of the country. The first shipment went out to the East coast.

"People thought we were building some kind of race track with a loop track," said Randall Doyal, CEO of Al-Corn. But it turns out to be Al-Corn's attempt at keeping up with the ever-growing demand of ethanol throughout the world. Al-Corn constructed a one-mile loop track.

Doyal expects two 100-car trains to roll out of Al-Corn on a monthly basis. It takes about one week to fully load a train with product. About 1 million bushels of corn is needed to produce enough ethanol for the 100-car train. There is roughly 3 million gallons of ethanol on one train, according to Doyal.

Needed to load the large rail shipments is locomotives. Al-Corn is currently leasing two locomotives to move the train cars around the plant. They also had to get special training for staff members to operate the locomotives.

At the center of the expansion is Doyal, who has been involved with 10 start-ups at three ethanol plants around the country during his career. He came to Al-Corn less than two years after it opened.

This is Al-Corn's fourth expansion since Doyal came on board in 1996, but by far the largest for the facility. Previous expansions were completed in 1998, 2003 and 2007. With the latest expansion, Al-Corn's capacity is expected to be 120 million gallons of ethanol annually.

But, as Doyal pointed out, Al-Corn expects to get more capacity out of the recent expansion. The previous expansion was supposed to reach capacity at 45 million gallons, but Al-Corn was running at 52 million prior to the latest expansion.

Besides the rail operations, Al-Corn also installed a new drier as well as additional grain storage. "It's a very efficient design," Doyal says.

Doyal noted Al-Corn is generating half of



Staff photo by Rick Bussler

Al-Corn CEO Randall Doyal shows off a portion of the \$146 million expansion that has just been completed at the Claremont ethanol plant. Al-Corn will now be shipping most of its ethanol by rail cars. Two 100-car trains are expected to roll out of Al-Corn each month loaded with ethanol.

the energy it takes to operate the facility. This is accomplished through a process that features a jet engine turbine.

Even with the latest expansion, Al-Corn still lags behind some larger operations across the state. Janesville, for example, produces 140 million gallons of ethanol. Another larger facility is located in Welcome.

The expansion has created more jobs at Al-Corn, which has added 15 new positions this year. There are currently 50 people employed at the plant. "We tried to beef up our staff ahead of time," Doyal noted. "We're thinking we're about right (at this time)," he said.

Another added bonus with the expansion is what it means to area corn producers. "It means a lot larger corn market locally," Doyal said. "It means a better price for corn and more revenue for folks in the area," he added.

Prior to the expansion, Al-Corn typically paid about 75 cents higher per bushel than other local grain markets. Doyal doesn't expect that to change at all in the future.

Besides the better markets, Doyal said Al-Corn will also generate significant tax dollars for the area. "It's a huge economic engine," he said.

Doyal has had farmers comment to him in the past about the significance of the ethanol plant. He said one of those farmers told him, "You made the difference between making a good living and not making it at all."

Worldwide market

Before the expansion, the ethanol was shipped out on trucks to Flint Hills in Rosemount and other terminals in the Twin Cities. Much of it is then shipped on the river to markets in the south like New Orleans. "We shipped very little by rail in the past," Doyal said.

He expects the ethanol need to continue growing around the world. Last year large amounts of ethanol were shipped to Turkey.

China and India have significant problems with emissions, according to Doyal. "Other countries are waking up to having clean air," he said.

"I never thought we would see the move (with ethanol) overseas," Doyal said. "It's kind of fun to see."

When Doyal began his career in the mid-1990s, he never envisioned this kind of growth in the industry. He said ethanol has become 10 percent of the fuel supply in the U.S. Currently, Minnesota's fuel supply is around 13 percent ethanol, he added.

Doyal doesn't know exactly what the future will bring, but he says Al-Corn is poised to handle the growing demand. A footprint for another 70 million gallon expansion has been worked into the current project.

"We're always thinking ahead," Doyal said. "We are very intentional with expansion."

Business Briefs

Burgess hired at United Prairie

Lifelong area banker, Josh Burgess, has joined United Prairie Bank in Owatonna to lead the banking team as market president.



Josh Burgess

an experienced and determined leader to help bring the team to the next level," said Scott Bradley, United Prairie's President/Chief Executive Officer. "Josh is a great fit, and we're excited to have him onboard."

Burgess added, "I'm most looking forward to growing with this team. It's great to be part of a community bank with local roots."

He most recently held a leadership role as a regional business banking manager with Wells Fargo. He managed a region that covered

most of southeastern Minnesota, including the Rochester and Owatonna areas.

Burgess is a finance graduate of the University of Wisconsin-LaCrosse, and obtained his M.B.A. at Edgewood College in Madison, Wis.

In his spare time, Josh enjoys time spent with his wife and three children, as well as participating in the family business, harvesting maple syrup. He also raises chickens and bees.

BP Chamber celebrates State Farm opening



The Blooming Prairie Area Chamber of Commerce recently celebrated a ribbon cutting for State Farm Insurance, 417 Highway Ave. S. New management took over after Dale Borchert retired. Shown at a recent ribbon cutting are, from left to right: Greg Johnson, president of the chamber; Jeremy Wangen, BP Chamber; Joe Plemel, business insurance representative; Jenn Trostern, office representative; Judy Plemel, agent ChFC; Crystal Wencil, office manager and Becky Noble, executive director of the BP Area Chamber of Commerce.

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STEELE-DODGE BUSINESS

New clothing business opens in Dodge County



Becky Schultz, left, has opened Becky's Community Closet on Main Street in Kasson. Her future daughter-in-law, Julie Schroeder, has been helping to get the store up and running. The store will feature second-hand clothing.

BY RICK BUSSLER
DCI PUBLISHER

A new face has been added to Kasson's Main Street business district. Becky Schultz opened a second-hand clothing store, Becky's Community Closet, May 29. She plans to offer a wide variety of clothing from newborns to 5X sizes. She will be striving for affordability with her offerings for customers. Most of her items will be priced \$5 or less. Schultz plans to utilize a straight flat pricing system. For example, adult pairs of jeans are priced at \$4.50. "I want to keep the pricing lower," Schultz says, adding she wants her selections to be afford-

able for people to shop. The store is located at 19 W. Main St. next to the mini-mall at the corner of Mantorville Avenue and Main Street. The building has been closed for nearly two years. It previously was home to a barbershop and Daniel's Restaurant. Schultz hopes to purchase the building in the near future. One of Schultz's goals with the interior of the store is to "keep it more shoppable" for customers. She is working on spreading items out throughout the store so they're not all clumped together. "I prefer to have more space so they're not bumping into people," she said. Schultz acknowledges this is her first adventure into the business world so she's learning

as she goes. "I've always been a customer before," she said. She added she would welcome any ideas or input people may have to make the store better. Prior to opening last week, Schultz purchased inventory from another second-hand store that recently closed down. She also went to yard sales to clean them out on the last day. She said she has always wanted a second-hand store. Part of the lure of owning a second-hand store comes from her past. She grew up in a family that relied on second-hand stores. She recalls when her father was out of work, her mother tried to raise them on one income. "There were times of struggle for us," Schultz said. "It was a

struggle for us to make ends meet," she added. Schultz also remembers how her mother purchased clothes at a second-hand store and then came home to wash them so she could hide the fact of where they came from. "We were humbled by it," she said. "We always wanted to do better, but it took us a while to get there." She also raised her family of "three and a half kids" on a fixed income and often reached out to second-hand stores and the food shelf for assistance. "It was difficult for me to buy them clothing and stay within a budget," Schultz said. With this store, she said, "I wanted something that would be more affordable and give back to something that has helped us."

Schultz said there is often a stigma attached to purchasing items from a second-hand store. But she points out many of the clothes that come through have only been worn a few times. "Their pride gets in the way," she said. "There is nothing wrong with it. There is no reason to be ashamed of it. If you need something, go in and get it." Her decision to open the store was also recently influenced by the fact that she came into some extra money. Asked what her goal is with the store, Schultz replied with a grin: "Becoming a millionaire on used clothes." Seriously, she said, she's not expecting to get rich, but just maintain enough money to keep the lights on. Schultz and her husband moved to the Kasson area about three years ago from the Rushford-Houston area. Her husband, Jeremy, operates a trucking company out of Kasson. She previously was manager of the Dollar General in Kasson. Becky's Community Closet will be open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday from 12 p.m. to 4 p.m.

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and a multi-cultural festival. Applications are due to SMIF by Aug. 31. Awardees will be notified by Oct. 11. For the application and guidelines, visit www.smifoundation.org or contact Jennifer Heien, Grants Coordinator, at 507-214-7040 or jenniferh@smifoundation.org.

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BERRY DELIGHTFUL

Yummy strawberries draw 471 guests to Red Oak festival

By **HOWARD LESTRUD**
STAFF WRITER

Strawberries have really sweet personalities.

One of those sweet strawberries was Lacey Haberman, 8, who came in a strawberry costume to participate in the 77th annual Red Oak Grove Lutheran Church Strawberry Social on Tuesday, June 12. Red Oak is located seven miles southeast of Blooming Prairie.

Fifty-nine Red Oak volunteers made this event a successful fundraiser for the church with funds going to missions and other causes.

Linda Christianson, chairwoman of the event, said 471 guests attended the summer festival. She said 167 were fed over the lunch hour, including 40 from area nursing homes and assisted living facilities.

Elderly facilities included Prairie Manor Care Center and Heather Haus of Blooming Prairie and Cedars senior living, Oaks senior living, Sacred Heart Care Center, St. Mark's Care Center/assisted living and Good Samaritan Comfort Care.

"We are so thankful for those who support our strawberry social," Christianson said.

Strawberry social visitors come from a 20-mile radius including Blooming Prairie, Hayfield, Austin, Rochester, Ellendale, Hollandale and Owatonna.

In addition to consuming strawberries and shortcake or strawberries and ice cream, guests viewed quilts on display for purchase. A bake sale was also held.

Chances were also sold on a quilt made by Diana Magnuson. The quilt measures 108 inches by 108 inches. The quilt features an interacting diamond design, teal blue and gray on one side and gray, black and white roses on the back side.

Christianson said 600 tickets were sold on the quilt raffle. "A woman from Florida



STAFF PHOTO BY HOWARD LESTRUD

An estimated crowd of 471 showed up for the 77th Annual Red Oak Grove Lutheran Church Strawberry Social on Tuesday, June 12. This was a yummy helping of strawberries, ice cream and short cake.

called early Tuesday and wanted to buy 200 tickets at \$1 each, hoping to win the quilt and give it as a wedding gift," she related.

Unfortunately, this ticket buyer was not successful. Sandy Bjork of Austin was the winner of the quilt. She and her husband are members of Red Oak.

Judy Wambeam handles the quilting projects as Mission Growth chair. Picnic activities outdoors were also provided youngsters who attended.

Christianson said she had tons of thank yous to send to those who helped make the event a success. She said the meat and cole slaw were donated.

"We have been working feverishly for two months on this project," said Christianson. Planning is already beginning for next year with a critique meeting set for next week to summarize what went well and what needs to be changed, said Christianson. Next year's festival will be held on Tuesday, June 11.

Christianson thanked Brent Ingvalson, church council president, for the extra work he put into the event.

Most of the food, including the 200 pounds of strawberries prepared for the social, either ran out, or was close to running out.

Red Oak volunteers served 180 pounds of pulled pork, 120 hot dogs, cole slaw for 500 people and 2 1/2 roasters filled with beans.



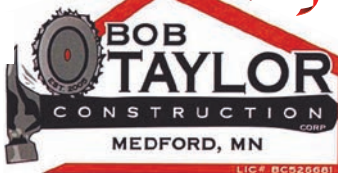
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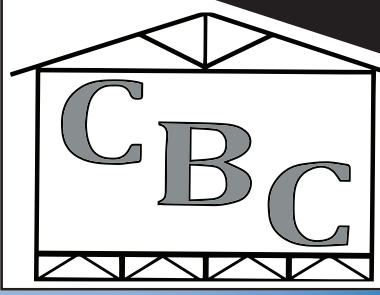
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For new fair manager, it's all about continuing a century of success

Scott Kozelka eases into his new role

BY CHRIS BALDWIN
STAFF WRITER

This past year, after his predecessor and friend Jim Gleason was diagnosed with cancer, Scott Kozelka was named as the man to replace him as manager of the Steele County Free Fair.

Although not a native of Steele County, Kozelka first

encountered the fair when he moved to town with his wife around 1980. She was a volunteer for 4-H and drew him in as a volunteer shortly after.

Having worked at Aramark for 33 years, Kozelka brings a wealth of business acumen to the role. He will be retiring from his job this June in order to throw himself into his new

role full-time.

“There’s always big shoes to fill in doing this,” Kozelka said, “we have a great fair, but we have to keep its legacy going.” Kozelka has served on the Board of Directors for the Steele County Free Fair for six years, and had volunteered in different capacities in the years preceding his tenure there.

Kozelka had been a mainstay within fair leadership, working under Elmer Reseland and Jim Gleason amongst others. One of the biggest positives Kozelka sees is the fair’s longevity. Having been held in Steele County for a century and half, and having been situated at the fairgrounds for 100 years, the fair has become

a tradition nearly as old as the county itself.

This year’s theme will do its best to represent the fair’s extensive legacy. Its slogan is: “A Century scene in 2018.” Kozelka hopes to replicate the continued success of the event. “We have to keep the experience high so that people will keep coming back.”

SEE FAIR MANAGER, C3



SCOTT KOZELKA

SPARKING SAFETY EARLY



STAFF PHOTO BY RICK BUSSLER

Aalayah Noasconi, 9, of Owatonna, gets a tight squeeze from Sparky during the annual Steele County Safety Camp Friday afternoon on the fairgrounds in Owatonna. Joining Sparky in congratulating the children on their accomplishment of learning about safety were Larry the Seat Belt Dummy, left, McGruff the Crime Dog and Smokey the Bear.

Camp focuses on safety for youngsters

BY RICK BUSSLER
PUBLISHER

About 250 area children are safer this week after taking part in a countywide safety camp last week in Owatonna. At least that’s the hope of area public safety officials.

“We make it a huge community event,” said Matt Oeltjenbruns, a detective with Owatonna Police and chair of the Steele County Kid’s Safety Camp Board. “It’s a police deal, but it’s all of us together trying to make sure kids are safe.”

During the two-day camp, officials teach fishing, boating, camping, firearms safety at Lake Kohlmier and bike, electrical, equipment and fire safety at the fairgrounds. Various groups and organizations throughout the county join in to provide visual demonstrations of the different safety lessons.

Though safety camp has been a staple in Steele County for 22 years, the lessons have changed over the years. One of the newest lessons is NetSmartz Internet Safety by Blooming Prairie Police. Internet safety, Oeltjenbruns said, is vital because kids “have a whole world at their hands” through computers, ipads and cell phone. “You can get yourself in trouble pretty darn fast,” he said.

Some of the other exhibits during the camp include vehicle extrication and Sparky’s Fire House by



STAFF PHOTO BY RICK BUSSLER

Steele County Commissioner Jim Abbe provided a third grader with a fist bump after completing the safety camp. Commissioner Rick Gnemi is shown at the left waiting to give his approval while Sheriff Lon Thiele is in the background.

Owatonna Fire, State Patrol helicopter, electrical safety by Owatonna Public Utilities and farm equipment safety by Vern Wilker.

Bicycle safety was another popular class led by local police officers. The Four Seasons Centre was converted into an obstacle course for the kids to practice safety on their bikes. “We’re trying to make sure they are safe on their bicycles,” Oeltjenbruns said.

He compares safety camp to parenting. “We have to teach kids young,” he said. “They may not understand everything, but we hope they understand some of the core concepts.”



STAFF PHOTO BY RICK BUSSLER

Donning safety camp t-shirts, participants in this year’s camp split up into various groups to do their very own safety cheers. Halle Anderson and Landon Amundson, both of Owatonna, were two of about 250 area children who took part in the two-day camp in Owatonna.

SEE SAFETY CAMP, C5

Ellendale Days kicks off Thursday

BY DENNIS MARSHALL
SPORTS EDITOR

The City of Ellendale will host its popular annual Ellendale Days Festival starting Thursday and running through Sunday.

The festival includes many well-liked events such as a dance and a parade, but there will also be several new additions this year as well.

The weekend of events starts on Thursday with the Old Car Show at the Community Center, and Nevery Brothers Concert behind the Ellendale Municipal Liquor at 6 p.m.

A wishing lanterns ceremony will take place at the city’s football field starting at 8:45 p.m.

The “wishing lanterns” event was started after an Ellendale family suffered the death of their young daughter earlier this year.

However, the event is not just a memorial event. It gives individuals the opportunity to wish for anything they can imagine.

The ECAG will host bingo at the Community Center on Friday beginning at 6:30 p.m.

There will be 20 games with each card costing \$1 and a 50/50 payout each game.

Minnesota Twins tickets will be awarded to the winner of the final game and a special raffle will take place during the

event.

The First Lutheran Church Rummage Sale will take place on Saturday from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The Unsung Hero Award will be presented to a member of the community who has gone above and beyond on Friday at 7 p.m.

The community voted on the winner by casting votes in different locations around town.

The recipient will receive a plaque recognizing their contributions.

Additionally, the Lions Club will host a meat raffle, The NRHEG youth competition cheer squad will perform and the Grand Marshal will also be announced on Friday night.

There will be rummage sales throughout the town on Saturday, and there will be an Alzheimer’s Walk that will start at Floors 4-U at 9 a.m.

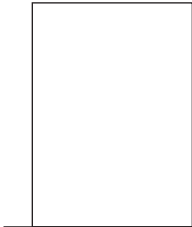
Registration for the walk begins at 7 a.m. Contact Allison Muilenburg for more information at 507-383-6254.

A softball tournament starts on Saturday at 10 a.m. at the fields behind the bus garage.

There will be free root-beer floats, activities for all ages, music and snacks for purchase sponsor by the Community Foundation of Ellendale at the City Park from noon to 4 p.m.

SEE ELLENDALE DAYS, C3

The 4-H Adventures and Day Camps



Steele Talkin'
TRACY IGNASZEWSKI

Even though it seems like it’s been raining forever, summer is finally here! Oh I do love these summer days but as a parent I do have a hard time hearing “I’m bored,” “What is there to do!” Well folks I have just the answer for you! If you are looking for ways to add some exciting adventures to your youth’s summer than you are reading the right article!

Let me tell you about the Steele County 4-H Summer Day Camps! Youth do not need to be a 4-H member to participate in any of these camps. They just need to be a youth looking for some activity this summer!

The 4-H Day Camp is just that - Outdoor Fun! This day camp will be filled with outdoor activities and craft projects. We will start the morning at 9 with games and activities, at noon we will make our outdoor cooking meal and by 4 p.m. our day will be completed. This day camp will take place Thursday, July 20 and 27 at Mineral Springs.

The 4-H Adventure Club, which is held at the Library in Blooming Prairie at 10 a.m. every Wednesday in July. This Adventure club has lots of neat science experiments taking place.

Our 4-H Garden Adventure, which is held at the Owatonna Hy-Vee on Thursday in June and July at 9 p.m. There will be hands-on fun with lots of gardening knowledge.

All of these day camps are open to youth in grades 3rd – 6th grade. The best thing about them is that there is no charge for these day camps. Yes that is correct it is FREE! So call now space is limited. Remember you do not need to be a 4-H to participate in these camps.

For information on these adventurous day camps, please call the Steele County Extension Office at 507-444-7685 or email steele@extension.umn.edu. Please pre-register for these events by calling the Extension Office two days before the scheduled camp. Add some adventure to your summer – participate in a 4-H Day Camp!

Tracy Ignaszewski is the 4-H program coordinator for Steele County. Steele Talkin' is a regular column featuring authors from various organizations throughout Steele County.

Homespun, homegrown, and homemade

Owatonna farmer's market in full bloom for the summer season

BY CHRIS BALDWIN
STAFF WRITER

Although the farmer's market was held in year's prior, the official guidelines were approved by the Owatonna Park and Rec Board on April 6, 1999 and by the city council on June 16, 1999, making it an official event for the city.

Since then it has blossomed into a great way for the community to come together and share some of their wares, including craft items, food, and plants.

John Meixner of Little Professor Book Center has managed the farmer's market since 1999, and in that time has seen it grow into a staple of summer Saturdays.

Meixner feels that the farmer's market is a vital part of creating an active and flourishing downtown space. His favorite part is walking around and talking to all of the different vendors.

"Every year the farmer's market draws people to Owatonna's downtown to check out the locally made and locally grown items," said Owatonna Chamber of Commerce and Tourism President/CEO Brad Meier. "It's a great way for locals to sell items and to draw people into our central business district."

Meier notes that this year the farmer's market hours have expanded, starting at 7 a.m. and running until 3 p.m. In past years the market finished up around noon.

"The farmer's market has also been an outlet for new entrepreneurs to test their market and sell product," Meier said of the event. "Some have gone on to opening their own business."

MainStreet Director Shirley Schultz feels it is this prospect which lends itself to the market's continued importance for the city. "The farmer's market is a great opportunity for people to try their hand at entrepreneurship," she explained.

"They have an idea or a hobby and get an opportunity to make some cash for their efforts and test the market," Schultz said, noting that because of the exposure the farmer's market can provide several businesses have gone on to a bricks and mortar location.

Schultz continued, citing that, "for example "The Hat Chic" proprietor, Tanya Hensen, saw a need in the marketplace for OHS Huskies fans. She started creating hats, tees and items, selling her wares on Saturdays at the farmer's market."

"Taking her business to the next step, Tanya opened as a pop-up store during the fall in a temporary location in a vacant building and the pop-up venue did so well that fall, that it turned



STAFF PHOTO BY CHRIS BALDWIN

Farmer's market vendor Tebra Thiele smiles as she treats customers to some farm-fresh eggs and oatmeal cookies. Thiele also sells craft goods and produce plants, including jalapeño peppers pictured here. The farmer's market will be open on Saturdays until October in Central Park in Owatonna.

into a permanent store in downtown Owatonna," Shultz explained. The Hat Chic store is now located at 110 North Cedar Ave. in Owatonna.

"Tanya's story of an entrepreneur is repeated across the country, where communities and MainStreet help grow businesses, jobs, and the local economy," Schultz said. As MainStreet Director, Schultz sees a lot of value in the continued success of the farmer's market. "The farmer's market draws many folks into downtown," she said. "Some continue strolling through

some of our unique boutiques, shops, or run errands at the new Ace Hardware store, while sellers and shoppers stop for a coffee, breakfast or lunch at one of the local eateries where they run into old friends and neighbors," said Schultz. Besides the increase in traffic that it brings to the downtown region, it is also a great way for the community to stay in touch.

Tebra Thiele, who sells an assortment of items, from craft goods to produce plants that vary with the season, says she gets many regulars, and has come to know her costumers each Saturday. "Its nice to get together and see people," she said.

She has participated as a vendor at the market for four years, originally selling farm-fresh eggs before moving on to offer a wide array of items, including her much demanded oatmeal cookies. Thiele explains that she uses some of the money she makes at the market to help sponsor her sons' hobby: stockcar racing. "I say that this is mom's sponsorship."

Although the weather this year has been less conducive during Saturdays, vendors like Thiele are hoping for some clear skies and warm days to get the

community out in force for the event. "It's nice when the weather's nice."

Thiele sees many members of the community at the market and says that it's a good way to stay up to date on community events and the most recent news around town.

"The farmer's market brings vendors and residents from Steele County together in Central Park on Saturdays, May through October," Schultz said. "All products are homegrown or homemade by the seller," she added.

"Downtown is buzzing with activity as customers peruse the stalls of products on Saturdays," Schultz notes. When asked if she has a favorite product, Shultz responded with, "produce, jewelry and pies to name a few!"

The farmer's market is held at Central Park in Owatonna and offers Steele County residents with the chance to peddle some of their homemade, or homegrown items, as well as enjoy the community togetherness such events foster.

This year's farmer's market will run until October, and is open from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m., although vendors are free to open and close at their convenience.

Supporting community events like the farmer's market is both a great way to spend a Saturday, and a great way to ensure that Owatonna's downtown remains a vibrant, and vital part of the community.

Medford Quarter 4 Honor Roll



High Honor Roll

Grade 7

Andrea Bock
Samantha Buecksler
Hanna Chadbourn
Casey Chambers
Rian Cloutier
Landon Driscoll
Kylie Dusek
Jacob Esch
Dylan Heiderscheidt
Alex Helgeson
Tate Hermes
Josephine Homeier
Connor Jones
Morgan Jones
Grace Keller
Destiny Kostka
Lydia Krenske
Beau LaCroix

Carter Luebbe
Alexys Lustig
Jenesis McGuire
Jack Meyer
Riley Norland
Payton Ristau
Jaidyn Rubio
Martina Smith
Paige Stadler
Tyler Steffen
Reagan Sutherland
Isis Walters
Mackenzie Zacharias

Grade 8

Carter Blome
Logan Buecksler
Reed Cumberland
Isabel DeLeon
Cheyenne Fedder

MacKenzie Kellen
Megan Klein
Clara Kniefel
Samantha Miller
Julia Niles
Jack Paulson
Elizabeth Peterson
Scott Scholljegerdes
Nicole Schrot
Hannah Schull
Jayme Stransky
Amelia Thompson
Rosie Tobar
Ava Jae Westbrock
Jeancarlo Zuniga

Grade 9

Jenna Berg
Kinsey Cronin
Garrett Fitzgerald

Johanna Grant
Brock Merritt
Brooke Purrier
Lily Roehrick
Isabella Steffen
Tyler Stursa
Haley VonRuden
Hanna VonRuden

Grade 10

Abrianna Casey-Kircher
Sviatlana Danilyuk
Jordan Edel
Zachary Finholdt
Kaylin Hanson
Hailee Homeier
Madison Klein
Emma Kniefel
Morgan Langeslag
Kiley Nihart

Brendan Rahn
Makayla Smith
Jordyn Stadler
Zachary Wetmore

Grade 11

Andria Archibald
Camisha Chavis
Bailey DuChene
Meredith Gillis
Taylore Keppers
Rachael Luebbe
Jade Pekarek
Noah PirkI
Sophie Proehl
Bailey Purrier
Madison Schletty
Brandon Sisler
Austin VonRuden

Grade 12

Isabel Brady
Cassandra Brase
Morgan Cammock
Madelyn Cloutier
Madison DeMars
Amanda Honsey
Kaylee Kern
Kelsey Kern
David Klapperich
Josephine Kubat
Gregory Larson
Trenton Lund
Skylar Meyer
Katla Michaelson
Jasmine Panos
Danielle Stewart
Grace Wobbrock

Grade 7

Joshua Bluhm
Xander Carlson
Abigail Fitzgerald
Kiley FreeLove
Garron Hoffman
Weston Janke
Shad Lambert
Adalia List
Ryan McGivney
Kael Neumann
Cohen O'Connor
Mia Rangel
Jeremiah Schlund
Makinley Smith
Charles Spitzack
Cohen Stursa
Annabelle Troester
Shara Ungs
Justin Voegele
Parker Vogt
Keaton Walock
Josephine Witter

Abbigayle Wright
Anahi Zuniga

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Jessica Campos
Jordan Capello
Jalene Chavis
Emma Corbin
Paige Davis
Jacob Ernste
Henry Grayson
Nicole Harfmann
Jackson Hemann
Noah Honsey
Isabelle Huizel
Kimberly Jarvi
Nathan Johnson
Jacob Kucera
Lynn Larson
Desiray Limon
Kaitlyn Limon

Journey Palluck
Justin Ristau
Brielle Smith
Anna Sobrak
Malachi Sutcliffe
Jared Zuniga

Grade 9

Braden Barbeau
Emily Chadwick
Robertta Domstrand
Lizbeth Gutierrez
Gavin Hermes
Madison Jaster
Malia Kircher
Mason Nagel
Markessa Niner
Alexander Oatway
Luz Peralta
Peyton Seiler
Nevaeh Smith
Alex Vandereide
Miya Weber

Grade 10

Conrad Blome
Natily Buck
William Chester
Taylor Fette
Shelby Ganske
Veronica Gonzalez
Yazmin Gonzalez
Riley Hill
Shawn Johnson
Isabel Reuvers
Kevin Robles
Elizabeth Ruiz Becerra
Jeremiah Sutcliffe
Abigail Tellijohn
William VonRuden
Lanaya Wacek

Grade 11

Journey Anderst
Zackariah Andrews
Tanner Barbeau
Mary Braasch-Turi
Connor Davis

Jason Domstrand
Warren Garza
Jacob Gasner
Ryan Hermanstorfer
Brett Johnson
Cody Kosel
Bryce Lisowski
Tori Rigglesman
McKinley Schneider
Brianna Sisler
Claire Stewart
Kelsey Walock

Grade 12

Aldrich Courtney
Borwege Mitchell
Codina Sara
Disher McKenzie
Finholdt Benjamin
Gengler Alex
Gillis Ian
Gramse Thomas
Hable Brynn
Hanson Beth Ann

Kavitz Cael
Keilen Logan
Kern Brandon
Kern Tristen
Knutson Timothy
Krenske Madison
Mandara Benedetta
McCarthy Jenna
McCarty Nathan
Meixner Nathan
Mendoza Lopez Gisela
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ELLENDALE: *Ellendale* *Days Festival* FROM C1

The second annual Tour of Ellendale starts at 12:30 p.m. at the park, and the Ellendale Days Parade will begin at 4 p.m.

The Lion's Club will host kiddie games behind the bank from 4:30 p.m. to 7 p.m.

The Ellendale Fire Department is sponsoring a Commercial Club Pork Chop Supper at the Community Building beginning at 5 p.m.

Perhaps the most looked-forward to event, the Human Foosball, will take place from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the lot south of Post Office.

Residents can hit teachers, council members and business owners in face with a pie from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the bank lot south of post office.

The teen dance will take place from 9 p.m. to midnight at the Community Building.

The Steele River Band will perform from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. and the Hard Days Night Beatles Cover Band will perform from 10 p.m. to midnight.

On Sunday, the festival concludes with the Lion's Club will host a Pancake Breakfast at United Methodist Church from 8 a.m. to noon; there will be a community church service in the park (weather permitting) at 10 a.m. and a tractor pull at 11:30 a.m.

There will be food booths in and around various events and in the downtown area throughout the weekend.

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BLOOMING PRAIRIE

JUNE 20
10 a.m. – Adventure Club, BP Library
2 p.m. – Pony Tales, BP Library
6 p.m. - Chamber Picnic, Brookside Campgrounds
7:30 p.m. – Street Self-Defense Class, BP High School

JUNE 21
1 p.m. – Siama’s Music of the Congo, BP Library

JUNE 25
1 p.m. – Movie Mondays, BP Library

JUNE 30
3 p.m. – BP Youth Club’s Ribfest, Servicemen’s Club

ELLENDALE/GENEVA/HOPE

JUNE 20
9:30 a.m. – Community Ed (Sharpie Art Coasters), NR HS Art Room
4:30 p.m. – Community Ed (Panther Cheer Camp), Ellendale Gym

JUNE 21
Ellendale Days
10 a.m. – Community Ed (Learn to Draw), NR HS Art Room
12:30 p.m. – Community Ed (Summer Adventures)
1 p.m. – Community Ed (Youth Basketball), NR Middle School Gym
4:30 p.m. – Community

Ed (Panther Cheer Camp), Ellendale Gym

JUNE 22
Ellendale Days

JUNE 23
Ellendale Days
12:30 p.m. – Ellendale Area History Tour, Starts at Village Park

JUNE 26
Ellendale Days
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1 p.m. – Adventure Club, Owatonna Library
1 p.m. – Rec on the Go, Owatonna Education Center

JUNE 21
10 a.m. – Siama’s Music of the Congo, Owatonna Library
7 p.m. – 11 @ 7 Concert Series, Central Park
7 p.m. – History Uncorked, History Center

JUNE 22
8 p.m. – Movie in the Park – Wonder, Central Park

JUNE 23
Owatonna Steele County Amateur Radio Club, McKinley Elementary

7 a.m. – Noon – Farmers Market, Central Park
9 a.m. – Youth Baseball & Softball Clinic, Manthey Park
10 a.m. – Historic Walking Tour, Downtown Owatonna

JUNE 24
Owatonna Steele County Amateur Radio Club, McKinley Elementary

JUNE 25
10 a.m. – Rock-On, Owatonna Library
11 a.m. – Golf to Prevent Child Abuse, Owatonna Country Club
4 p.m. – Owatonna HRA Meeting, City Admin Building
7 p.m. – Medford City Council Meeting, City Council Chambers



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Tax rally planned in St. Paul

On Saturday, June 30, citizens and experts will join with musicians and comedians to rally on behalf of transparency in government, and against the influence of Dark Money and corrupting lobbyist interests. Originally scheduled for April 15th, Tax Rally MN 2018 was rescheduled due to the epic blizzard of 2018. Concerned Minnesotans and their families are invited to join between 11 a.m. and

2 p.m. on the steps of the Minnesota Capitol to kick off the summer and celebrate Independence Week by embracing your Freedom of Speech. In addition to a great line-up of activists and experts, the rally will feature free live music and comedy. Food trucks will be on hand, or bring your own picnic. Non-profit organizations will have informational tables and giveaways for all attendees.

Veteran officer hours set for this week

The June hours for the Steele County Veterans Service officer have been announced. Rene Gilormini will be at the Servicemen’s Club in Blooming Prairie on

Thursday from 9:30-10:30 a.m. and at the Ellendale Community Building from 11-11:30 a.m. Any questions can be directed to the Veterans Service Office at 507-444-7460.

Coloring with a patriotic twist



STAFF PHOTO BY HOWARD LESTRUD

Marilyn Witzel representing the American Legion and VFW auxiliaries of Blooming Prairie, recently presented awards to winners in the 2018 coloring contest sponsored by American Legion Post 52, VFW Post 878 and their auxiliaries. Winners from left to right were third graders Neila Nelson (third), Bella Schiller (first) and Ellie Hart-han (second).

Artists wanted for SEMAC grants

The Southeastern Minnesota Arts Council announces a call for proposals by individual artists. All proposed projects must begin no earlier than Sept. 1, 2018 and be completed within 12 months, culminating with a capstone event that is accessible and open to the public. Online applications will be available throughout June with an online submission deadline of 11:59 p.m. on July 1. SEMAC, a non-profit arts agency, is designated by the State of Minnesota Arts Board as the regional arts council for eleven southeastern Minnesota counties: Steele, Dodge, Fillmore, Freeborn, Goodhue, Houston, Mower, Olmsted, Rice, Wabasha, and Winona. For information about the grant application process, eligibility, or grant writing assistance, contact the SEMAC office at 2778 D Commerce Dr. NW, Rochester, MN 55901 or call 507-281-4848. Information may also be found at www.semac.org. To encourage the development of entirely original artistic works, SEMAC offers two distinct grants for individual artists: Proposals will be accepted from individual artists 18 or older who are full-time residents of the SEMAC region. No matching funds are required. Advancing artist grants An Advancing Artist grant provides up to \$5,000 in financial support to enable artists to further their work. It is intended to recognize, reward, and encourage outstanding individual artists in the region. An artist at this stage has created an independent body of work over a number of years and has received regional or statewide recognition of their work. Artists at this stage are often, but not always, committed to making a living as an artist, whether or not they are doing so. They may struggle with the balance of producing

art and marketing their art. They usually have a well-defined audience and show their art locally, regionally, and perhaps nationally. Emerging artist grants The Emerging Artist grant provides up to \$2,500 in financial support to artists who are at a stage in their artistic development where they have some evidence of achievement but do not have a substantial record of accomplishment. The term “emerging” does not refer to an artist’s stylistic evolution but to the artist’s accomplishments and recognition. Artists at this stage are developing their talents and may have been noticed locally. Many artists remain in this category for their entire artistic lives. Minnesota voters have made this activity possible through grants from the Minnesota State Arts Board by a legislative appropriation from the arts and cultural heritage fund.

Food Safety Training to be held in Mankato

Do you make and sell baked goods, home-canned pickles, salsa, jam and jellies? Are you a cottage food producer? If you are, attend the Cottage Food Producer Food Safety Training on Tuesday, July 10, 1-5 p.m. at the U of M Extension Office, 1961 Premier Drive, Suite 110, Mankato. This advanced safe food handling course focuses on aspects of cottage food products including baked, confectionery, dried, fruit preserves and, acid and acidified fruit and vegetables. You will learn how to produce, package and label a safe food product. Wonder if your product tests as an allowable non-potentially hazardous food? Bring it along to the cottage food

class and have it tested. If you sell more than \$5,000 annually, this workshop meets the training requirement to register as a Minnesota cottage food producer. Registration materials available at <http://www.extension.umn.edu/food/> food-safety/courses/cottage-foods/. For more information contact, Karl at 507-337-2808 or engel114@umn.edu.

Integrative Health & Wellness Coaching, available at Owatonna Hospital

Interested in discovering what motivates you, what gets in the way and how to manage and work through those obstacles? Integrative Health & Wellness coaching will help you identify your unique plan for health and collaborate on strategies that will work for you. Common areas of focus include exercise, nutrition, sleep and stress. Sessions are held over the phone, in-person at Penny George Institute for Health and Healing—Owatonna Hospital or a combination of these options to fit your needs. Sessions are scheduled Monday through Friday with the coach at times that fit both the client and coach’s schedules. Linda Hoffman, OTR/L, is the Integrative Health & Wellness coach. She’s a licensed occupational therapist for more than 20 years and has been certified by the WellCoaches Health and Wellness Coaching program. She’s passed the national certification exam for health and wellness coaches and has been providing coaching services through Penny George Institute for more than three years. Initial sessions are one hour for \$60. Follow-up sessions are 30 minutes for \$30. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call 507-977-2171.

SAFETY CAMP: Sparking Safety Early

FROM C1

Oeltjenbruns finds that safety camp sticks in the minds of children. As a school resource officer at Owatonna Middle School, he often hears kids talking about what they learned in safety camp several years later. The camp also helps break down barriers between police officers and children. “They get to see our faces in a good light. We’re not just in squads or uniforms,” Oeltjenbruns said. “We’re there to show them we’re not mean guys. We like to have fun just like they do,” he added. Board members of the safety camp are Oeltjenbruns, Leila Kath of Owatonna Fire, Ted Mittelstadt of Izaak Walton League, Tony David

of Steele County Sheriff’s Office, Christy Hormann of the Steele County Attorney’s Office, Lisa Boyd of Cybex, Courtney Rousenau and Tim Truelson of Owatonna Park and Rec, Melissa Beaver of Gold Cross Ambulance and Jake Peterson of Blooming Prairie Police.

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NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE 18-108522

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that default has occurred in the conditions of the following described mortgage: DATE OF MORTGAGE: May 22, 2007 ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: \$280,000.00 MORTGAGOR(S): Timothy J. Nelson and Stacy A. Nelson, husband and wife MORTGAGEE: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. TRANSACTION AGENT: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. MIN#: 100024200017549680 LENDER OR BROKER AND MORTGAGE ORIGINATOR STATED ON THE MORTGAGE: American Brokers Conduit SERVICER: Specialized Loan Servicing LLC DATE AND PLACE OF FILING: Filed June 26, 2007, Steele County Recorder, as Document Number A000350611 ASSIGNMENTS OF MORTGAGE: Assigned to: BAC Home Loans Servicing, LP; Dated: October 23, 2009 filed: November 20, 2009, recorded as document number A000367871; thereafter assigned to Specialized Loan Servicing LLC dated February 2, 2018 recorded February 9, 2018 as document number A000416923. LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: Lot 2, Block 2, Emerald Acres No. 3 PROPERTY ADDRESS: 618 Birchwood Ln SE, Owatonna, MN 55060 PROPERTY IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 17-593-0202 COUNTY IN WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED: Steele

THE AMOUNT CLAIMED TO BE DUE ON THE MORTGAGE ON THE DATE OF THE NOTICE: \$309,989.03 THAT all pre-foreclosure requirements have been complied with; that no action or proceeding has been instituted at law or otherwise to recover the debt secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof; PURSUANT, to the power of sale contained in said mortgage, the above described property will be sold by the Sheriff of said county as follows: DATE AND TIME OF SALE: July 6, 2018, 10:00am PLACE OF SALE: Sheriff's Main Office, Law Enforcement Center, 204 Pearl Street East, Owatonna, MN 55060

to pay the debt secured by said mortgage and taxes, if any, on said premises and the costs and disbursements, including attorneys fees allowed by law, subject to redemption within 6 months from the date of said sale by the mortgagor(s) the personal representatives or assigns. TIME AND DATE TO VACATE PROPERTY: If the real estate is an owner-occupied, single-family dwelling, unless otherwise provided by law, the date on or before which the mortgagor(s) must vacate the property, if the mortgage is not reinstated under section 580.30 or the property is not redeemed under section 580.23, is 11:59 p.m. on January 6, 2019, or the next business day if January 6, 2019 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday.

"THE TIME ALLOWED BY LAW FOR REDEMPTION BY THE MORTGAGOR, THE MORTGAGOR'S PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES OR ASSIGNS, MAY BE REDUCED TO FIVE WEEKS IF A JUDICIAL ORDER IS ENTERED UNDER MINNESOTA STATUTES SECTION 582.032 DETERMINING, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THAT THE MORTGAGED PREMISES ARE IMPROVED WITH A RESIDENTIAL DWELLING OF LESS THAN 5 UNITS, ARE NOT PROPERTY USED FOR AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION, AND ARE ABANDONED.

DATE AND TIME OF SALE: July 27, 2018, 10:00am PLACE OF SALE: Sheriff's Main Office, Law Enforcement Center, 204 Pearl Street East, Owatonna, MN 55060 to pay the debt secured by said mortgage and taxes, if any, on said premises and the costs and disbursements, including attorneys fees allowed by law, subject to redemption within 6 months from the date of said sale by the mortgagor(s) the personal representatives or assigns. TIME AND DATE TO VACATE PROPERTY: If the real estate is an owner-occupied, single-family dwelling, unless otherwise provided by law, the date on or before which the mortgagor(s) must vacate the property, if the mortgage is not reinstated under section 580.30 or the property is not redeemed under section 580.23, is 11:59 p.m. on January 6, 2019, or the next business day if January 6, 2019 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday.

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Dated: May 7, 2018

Specialized Loan Servicing LLC Assignee of Mortgagee

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5/15, 5/22, 5/29 6/5, 6/12, 6/19

FORECLOSURE

18-109396

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that default has occurred in the conditions of the following described mortgage: DATE OF MORTGAGE: May 22, 2012 ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: \$238,555.00

MORTGAGOR(S): Phillip E. Daley and Carol S. Daley, husband and wife MORTGAGEE: Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. LENDER OR BROKER AND MORTGAGE ORIGINATOR STATED ON THE MORTGAGE: Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. SERVICER: Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. DATE AND PLACE OF FILING: Filed May 30, 2012, Steele County Recorder, as Document Number A000384891 LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: Lot 1, Block 1, South Prairie Park Addition PROPERTY ADDRESS: 1915 Le-mond Pl, Owatonna, MN 55060 PROPERTY IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 17-516-0101 COUNTY IN WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED: Steele

THE AMOUNT CLAIMED TO BE DUE ON THE MORTGAGE ON THE DATE OF THE NOTICE: \$196,273.87 THAT all pre-foreclosure requirements have been complied with; that no action or proceeding has been instituted at law or otherwise to recover the debt secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof; PURSUANT, to the power of sale contained in said mortgage, the above described property will be sold by the Sheriff of said county as follows: DATE AND TIME OF SALE: July 27, 2018, 10:00am PLACE OF SALE: Sheriff's Main Office, Law Enforcement Center, 204 Pearl Street East, Owatonna, MN 55060

to pay the debt secured by said mortgage and taxes, if any, on said premises and the costs and disbursements, including attorneys fees allowed by law, subject to redemption within 6 months from the date of said sale by the mortgagor(s) the personal representatives or assigns. TIME AND DATE TO VACATE PROPERTY: If the real estate is an owner-occupied, single-family dwelling, unless otherwise provided by law, the date on or before which the mortgagor(s) must vacate the property, if the mortgage is not reinstated under section 580.30 or the property is not redeemed under section 580.23, is 11:59 p.m. on January 27, 2019, or the next business day if January 27, 2019 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday.

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Dated: June 5, 2018

Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. Mortgagee

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6/12, 6/19, 6/26 7/3, 7/10, 7/17

FORECLOSURE

18-109407

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that default has occurred in the conditions of the following described mortgage: DATE OF MORTGAGE: November 14, 2014 ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: \$73,979.00 MORTGAGOR(S): Michael C. Falvey and Lindsay Falvey, husband and wife MORTGAGEE: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. TRANSACTION AGENT: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. MIN#: 1008671-0000023175-1 LENDER OR BROKER AND MORTGAGE ORIGINATOR STATED ON THE MORTGAGE: American Mortgage & Equity Consultants, Inc. SERVICER: Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. DATE AND PLACE OF FILING: Filed November 18, 2014, Steele County Recorder, as Document Number A000399642 ASSIGNMENTS OF MORTGAGE: Assigned to: Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: Lot 25, Block 4, Belmont, an Addition to the City of Owatonna PROPERTY ADDRESS: 212 Beech Ave, Owatonna, MN 55060 PROPERTY IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 17-132-0425 COUNTY IN WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED: Steele

THE AMOUNT CLAIMED TO BE DUE ON THE MORTGAGE ON THE

DATE OF THE NOTICE: \$72,812.18

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

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

DATE AND TIME OF SALE: July 26, 2018, 10:00am

PLACE OF SALE: Sheriff's Main Office, Law Enforcement Center, 204 Pearl Street East, Owatonna, MN 55060

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

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Dated: June 6, 2018

Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. Assignee of Mortgagee

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NOTICE

STATE OF MINNESOTA COUNTY OF STEELE

THIRD DISTRICT COURT JUDICIAL DISTRICT PROBATE DIVISION

Court File No: 74-PR-18-1043

NOTICE AND ORDER OF HEARING ON PETITION FOR PROBATE

OF WILL AND APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate of Sharon Stark a/k/a Sharon A. Stark, Decedent

It is Ordered and Notice is given that on July 23, 2018, at 3 p.m., a hearing will be held in this Court at 111 East Main Street, Owatonna, Minnesota, for the formal probate of an instrument purporting to be the Will of the Decedent dated, April 11, 2018, and separate writings under Minnesota Statutes section 524.2-513, dated April 10, 2018, ("Will"), and for the appointment of Terry Casperson, whose address is 1985 Raspberry Ridge Place NE, Owatonna, MN, 55060 as Personal Representative of the Estate of the Decedent in an UNSUPERVISED administration. Any objections to the petition must be filed with the Court prior to or raised at the hearing. If proper and if no objections are filed or raised, the Personal Representative will be appointed with full power to administer the Estate including the power to collect all assets, to pay all legal debts, claims, taxes and expenses, to sell real and personal property, and to do all necessary acts for the Estate.

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

Karen R. Duncan Judge of District Court 6/06/2018

Attorney for Petitioner Eric J. Mattison Einhaus, Mattison, Carver & Haberman, P.A. 202 N. Cedar Avenue Owatonna, MN, 55060 Attorney License No: 151609 Telephone: (507) 451-3580 FAX: (507) 451-3532 Email: mattison@owatonnalawyers.com

6/12, 6/19

NOTICE

STATE OF MINNESOTA COUNTY OF STEELE

DISTRICT COURT THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT PROBATE DIVISION

Court File No: 74-PR-18-1093

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: FOREIGN PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE ACTING IN MINNESOTA

Estate of James J. Dusek Decedent

Notice is given that Michael C. Klampe residing at 1268 West Highway 30, Ellendale, MN 56026 is the domiciliary foreign Personal Representative ("Personal Representative") for the estate of James J. Dusek, a resident of the State of Arizona. On June 8, 2018, the Personal Representative filed with the Court a document stating an intention to exercise, as to assets in Minnesota, all powers of a local Personal Representative and to maintain actions and proceedings in Minnesota in accordance with Minnesota Statutes

section 524.4-205.

Notice is also given that any Minnesota creditor who objects to the Personal Representative's exercise of power over assets in Minnesota must file a written objection within 60 days from the Personal Representative's filing. If no objective are filed, the representative may, after the expiration of the 60 day period, exercise all powers of a local Personal Representative.

Robin Hoesley Court Administrator 6.13.2018

Kim Wobschall 6.13.2018

Attorney for Foreign Personal Representative Adam J. Houck Adams, Rizzi & Sween, P.A. 300 First Street NW Austin, MN 55912 Attorney License No: 393158 507-433-7394 Fax: 507-438-8890 ahouck@adamsrizzisween.com

6/19, 6/26

NOTICE

STATE OF MINNESOTA COUNTY OF STEELE

THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT PROBATE DIVISION

Court File No: 74-PR-18-1075

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

Estate of Peggy Ann Radjenovich; a/k/a Peggy A. Radjenovich; a/k/a Peggy Radjenovich, Decedent

Notice is given that an application for informal probate of the Decedent's Will, dated November 3, 2015,

Kim Schmitz Registrar 6.07.2018

Attorney for Personal Representative Molly R. Wiese Deckert & Van Loh, P.A. 12912 63rd Avenue North Maple Grove, MN, 55369 Attorney License No: 0391941 Telephone: (763) 587-7100 FAX: (763) 587-7110 Email: molly@deckertvanloh.com

6/19, 6/26

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- Popular basketballer Jeremy
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- S. American rodents
- Comic opera "Princess _"
- Commodities buyers and sellers (slang)
- Hovers
- Having had one's head cut off
- One-time monetary unit of Greece
- Not no
- Beloved Cubs third baseman Ron
- Shapes
- Giants signal caller Manning
- Moves all the way around
- Babe Ruth retired as one
- Relinquishing
- Native religion in China
- Not well
- Fill with high spirits
- In bed
- Type of pet
- Somewhere to go
- Smaller quantity
- Ingested
- Singer and Jacobs are two
- Anger
- British rockers _ Zeppelin
- Like

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- Polyvinyl acetate
- Canadian folk musician
- Evergreen trees and shrubs
- Meat from a pig (French)
- Secretion
- Quality of yielding nothing of value
- Aquatic mammal
- Father
- Protective crusts
- Caps
- Handwoven rug
- Soil-like material
- Not wide
- When you aim to get there
- Hold molecules
- Tooth caregiver
- Amount of time
- Beverage container
- Perform
- Appollo's grand-mother
- Obsolete home entertainment device
- Serbian mythological demon
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- Midway between south and south-east
- Makes sense
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6:30 ECAG BINGO EVENT
AT COMMUNITY BUILDING
SPONSORED BY ECAG
7:00PM ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE UNSUNG HERO
AT COMMUNITY BUILDING
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Saturday June 23rd

7AM RUMMAGE SALES THROUGHOUT TOWN
7AM-8:30AM ALZHEIMER'S REGISTRATION
NEXT TO FLOORS 4-U
SPONSORED BY THE ECAGE
CONTACT ALLISON MUILENBURG FOR INFORMATION (507-383-6254)
8AM-12PM FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH RUMMAGE SALE
AT THE CHURCH
9AM ALZHEIMER'S WALK STARTS
LINE UP NEXT TO FLOORS 4-U
10AM SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT AT THE BALL FIELDS
BEHIND THE BUS GARAGE.
11AM-7PM LIONS CLUB FOOD WAGON - LOCATED STREET BY BANK
12-4PM FREE ROOTBEER FLOATS, ACTIVITIES FOR ALL AGES, MUSIC AND
SNACKS FOR PURCHASE
SPONSORED BY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF ELLENDALE
AT THE CITY PARK
12:30-4PM 2ND ANNUAL HISTORIAL TOUR OF ELLENDALE
STARTING AT THE PARK
2-7PM KONA ICE - CORNER BY CAFÉ - SPONSORED BY ECAG
4PM ELLENDALE DAYS PARADE
LINE UP ON SCHOOL STREET AND BUS GARAGE LOT
SPONSORED BY THE ELLENDALE LIONS CLUB
CONTACT ALLISON MUILENBURG (507-383-6254)
4:30-7PM LION'S CLUB KIDDIE GAMES
BEHIND THE BANK
4:30PM TURTLE RACE
STREET NEXT TO THE BANK

4:30PM KIDDIE TRACTOR PULL - IN FRONT OF THE POST OFFICE
SPONSORED BY ELLENDALE FIRE DEPT.
5-7PM COMMERICAL CLUB- PORK CHOP SUPPER
AT COMMUNITY BUILDING
SPONSORED BY ELLENDALE COMMERCIAL CLUB

6-9PM HUMAN FOOSBALL
AT THE LOT SOUTH OF POST OFFICE
SPONSORED BY FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

6:30-8:30PM PIE IN THE FACE
BANK LOT SOUTH OF POST OFFICE
SPONSORED BY THE ECAG
(PIE A TEACHER, COUNCIL MEMBER, BUSINESS OWNER IN THE FACE)
9PM TO MIDNIGHT TEEN DANCE
ELLENDALE COMMUNITY BUILDING
SPONSORED BY ELLENDALE FIRE DEPARTMENT
7-9PM STEELE RIVER BAND- BEHIND THE BAR
\$5.00 COVER CHARGE

10-MIDNIGHT HARD DAYS NIGHT
BEATLES TRIBUTE BAND - BEHIND THE BAR
(NO ONE UNDER 21 ALLOWED IN OR BEHIND THE BAR AFTER 6:30PM)

Sunday June 24th

8AM -12:30PM LION'S CLUB PANCAKE BREAKFAST
AT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
10AM COMMUNITY CHURCH SERVICE IN THE PAR
IN CASE OF BAD WEATHER THE EVENT WILL BE AT METHODIST CHURCH.
11:30AM TRACTOR PULL REGISTRATION BEGINS AT THE BUS GARAGE
11:30AM LION'S CLUB FOOD WAGON AT THE BUS GARAGE

This community event
is sponsored by:
Ellendale Commercial Club,
Ellendale Lions Club,
Ellendale Community
Action Group, Ellendale
Foundation and the
City of Ellendale.

FOOD BOOTHS
IN AND AROUND
VARIOUS EVENTS
AND IN THE
DOWNTOWN AREA
THOUGHOUT THE
WEEKEND.



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