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Announcements

• Mark Your Calendar:

September 1, 2021 - Rockets Blast Off Day

September 7, 2021 - Opening Day for the 2021/2022 School Year

September 10, 2021 - True Blue Celebration

October 7, 2021 - Dig Pink

October 8, 2021 - Homecoming

• **Lunch Bunch** is a group of RHS Alumni that meet once a month for lunch at Little Oscar's. We are going to start meeting again on July 15th at 11 a.m. at Little Oscar's. All alumni and friends are invited to join us.

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Sunday AUGUST 01 2021

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— Church Service — 10am
— Live Music — featuring blue grass music
— Live Auction — bidding begins at 1pm
— Cash Raffle — \$20 tickets* cash payouts totalling \$5,000 winners announced at event
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53rd Annual Chicken Barbeque and Street Dance August 21

The 53rd annual Chicken Barbeque and Street Dance, which benefits the Randolph-Hampton Fire Department is set for Saturday, August 21 in Randolph.

The fund raising event will be serving from 3 PM to 8 PM.

The band, "Hillbilly Inc." will perform outside around 8 pm.

America's Favorite Old-Fashioned Big Top Circus is Coming to Dennison!



Thanks to the sponsorship of the Dennison Lions Club, Fireside Lounge & Dennison Community Church, Culpepper &

Merriweather Circus, America's Favorite Big Top Circus is coming to Dennison, MN - Thursday, August 5, 2021 to the lot across from the Dennison Community Church located at 37514 3rd Ave.



Now in its 36th edition, C&M Circus has become internationally known for quality family entertainment. This authentic One-Ring, Big Top Circus has been featured on National Geographic's Explorer TV series, Entertainment Tonight, A&E Special: Under the Big Top and most recently, On the Road with Circus Kids, a Nickelodeon special featured on the Nick News Program.

Tent Raising & Tour:

On circus day between 9:30 and 10:00 a.m. come watch the raising of the Big Top, then stay for the FREE Tour. This presentation offers a unique face-to-face opportunity for families, schools, daycare centers and community members to meet and learn all about the Culpepper & Merriweather Circus. Learn facts about our performers, the history of our show and the different species of animals in our Circus Family. In this presentation we will also address topics such as hygiene, grooming and the veterinary care all of our animals receive. This is a special part of Circus Day that should not be missed!

Circus Performances:

Our circus performances will be 5:00 & 7:30 p.m. bringing the magic of the circus to life in each 90-minute show.

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Dennison Days Returns August 7



The Dennison Lions Club will host Dennison Days coming up August 7, with many old favorites returning to the weekends event schedule.

At press time, some events were still being confirmed, as the Lions Club was only able to begin planning for the event a few weeks ago.

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Dinner with Jesus: Matthew & Friends

This weekend is our nations birthday, Independence Day. Often, we celebrate with family and friend get togethers- cook-outs or picnics. It's a time to remember our history and the sacrifices of those men and women in the early days of our country that believed in an independent nation apart of King George's rule. How will you be celebrating? However, you celebrate no doubt there will be food! Some of my favorite memories as a kid and as a young adult were picnics with family- when I was a kid and with my church family as an adult. Here at South Troy we always had a huge picnic gathering near the Zumbro River. We played softball, great food and they served pop and ice cream. Great memories and lots of fun!

What is your favorite kind of dinner? casual? formal? Picnic or potluck, sit down or buffet? People have family dinners, fancy dinner parties, or lunches. Meet Matthew; he was a Jew, he was a tax collector, he was wealthy, he had probably cheated many in his community and was despised by the "religious" leaders of his society. His friends were other "sinners" that were despised as well. Then one day Jesus walks by; Matthew recognized him. He had heard him speak, had heard about the miracles and he wanted to know Him better. As Jesus passes by- He stops- He turns and looks Matthew in the eye—He smiles because Jesus sees Mathew's heart—a heart open and ready to receive Him and says, Matthew, come and follow me! Matthew is so excited- he leaves it all behind. He leaves the money on the table; he leaves the paperwork and the position forever to follow Jesus. His entire life changed with those 2 words, "follow me." and now- a few days later, Matthew had a party and he assembled all his friends to meet Jesus. Jesus accepted the invite.

Jesus sat at the table with Matthew and his friends. That's huge!!! When you share a meal with someone you are saying- I accept you, I want to get to know you... I am willing to learn about you. Jesus didn't see this as a way to make points—he was accepting an invite from Matthew and an opportunity to share with Matthew's friends about the good news. That would certainly make evangelism easier wouldn't it? Having Jesus come in person to our dinner or event and having Him share about himself. That's what Matthew did—he hadn't been following Jesus very long- but he knew that Jesus testimony of himself would be a powerful tool to reach his friends and family with the gospel. Matthew cared enough about those in his circle of friends that he wanted them to know Jesus.

Matthew wanted them to receive Jesus as their Savior, to follow Jesus as he has done. Matthew had been freed from his sin and guilt and wanted the same for his friends and family. Are we like Matthew? Have we invited our friends or family to meet Jesus? It begins with a relationship with Jesus and with those we want to introduce. Matthew didn't go and find strangers- he invited his friends and associates. We can do that too.

Matthew's friends felt they belonged- even though Matthew had changed, and they were willing to listen and meet this person that meant so much to Matthew. When we help people to feel like they belong, that they are accepted -right where

they are at- they will be much more receptive of what we want to share with them.

When Matthew turned to follow Jesus- one of the first things he did was to desire to share his new friend with all his old friends. That's the call to every Christian. We are to go into all the word and be His witnesses. First to our close family and friends. Remember Cornelius- his entire household was present when Peter came to share about the good news and the entire household believed that day and was baptized! Were they perfect and shiny Christians—no- they were still the same people they were 10 minutes before on the outside- but they were definitely changed on the inside! How about the jailer in Philippi, he was about to kill himself and Paul intervenes and he brought Paul into his home and over a meal, Paul shared the truth of the gospel and the jailer and his entire family was saved and baptized! Then there was the Ethiopian eunuch, and many others... as they were introduced to faith in Jesus Christ- they believed. On the outside they were still gentiles, tax collectors, jailers, Romans, etc. but on the inside, they were new creations and followers of Jesus!

Peter wrote, "you must worship Christ as Lord of your life. And if someone asks

about your hope as a believer, always be ready to explain it. 16 But do this in a gentle and respectful way. Keep your conscience clear. Then if people speak against you, they will be ashamed when they see what a good life you live because you belong to Christ." 1 Peter 3:15-16.

We are to be ready to give an answer for our hope as believers We are to share the hope of Jesus Christ with those around us. That's one thing our world needs desperately: hope. Hope that life isn't a waste, hope that there is a future, that there is a heaven, that we can change, hope for a better life in this world and the next. We, as believers have the answer. We have that hope! We are called to share that hope, to be light, to a dark world. Jesus left us here to be his light to the world. It's time to invite your friends, your family to dinner with Jesus. Introduce them to the love of your life, the one and only one that can profoundly change our dark hearts and hopeless worlds to light, love and joy! John wrote, "This is the message we heard from Jesus and now declare to you: God is light, and there is no darkness in him at all." We have the answer, we have the hope, and we have the ability to invite people to come to the table and meet Jesus!

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Grieving and Quenching the Spirit

Do not grieve the Holy Spirit. . . Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you. — Ephesians 4:30-32

The Bible includes warnings about grieving the Spirit and hindering his work.
Ananias and Sapphira lied to the church and the Holy Spirit (Acts 5:1-10). They sold a piece of property, kept some of the money, and gave the rest to the church. That wasn't a bad thing, of course, but then they lied about their gift, saying they donated all of the money from the sale. They wanted people to be impressed by their generosity. But they could not get away with their deception. If we make a false commitment to God, pretending we are following the Spirit and even bragging about it, we fall into dangerous hypocrisy.
Following our own selfish desires, we can quench or suppress the Spirit. We can dampen the Spirit's fire by not following the Spirit's leading. We can refuse to use the gifts of the Spirit when they are available. But if we do things like that, how can we expect to be faithful and useful to God?
We can also grieve the Spirit by rebelling against God and doing as we please (see Isaiah 63:10). We can be stubborn and mean-spirited. Instead of being kind and compassionate, we can act with bitterness and anger. We can be unwholesome and immoral.
How can we protect ourselves from these destructive ways? We can ask the Holy Spirit to fill us and guide us each day so that we can live in step with him. Then God can use us in wonderful ways.

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Keith Freeman

Keith Freeman, age 90, of Dundas, passed away peacefully on Sunday June 27, 2021, at Three Links Care Center.



Keith Arlen Freeman the son of Frank and Nada Freeman. He was the last surviving sibling of Frank and Nada.

Keith was born on April 8, 1931, at the home where he resided his entire life excluding the last month of his life. He attended Dundas elementary school and graduated from Northfield High School Class of 1949. He married Monica Louise (Kreitz) Blegseth on June 24, 1960, at St. John's Lutheran Church in Northfield.

Keith served in the Army in the Korean War and then worked construction driving scraper for 31 years. He then did woodwork at Heirloom Brass in Dundas. After retirement he enjoyed traveling. Keith was a fearless man who always had a quick joke to lighten your day. Keith loved people. In his later years he enjoyed making new friends at FiftyNorth who became a part of his expanding family. He became a father figure to many in his later years. He will be greatly missed.

He is survived by his three children: Dale (Terri) Freeman of Newnan, Georgia, Susan (Tim) Malecha of Lonsdale and Julie

(Don) Werner of Tyrone, Georgia; 10 grandchildren, Nicole Freeman, David (Katie) Freeman, Kurtis (Jared) Malecha, Katelynn Malecha, Megan (Dan) Simon, Nathaniel Thompson, Bethany (Jorge) Bravo, Anthony Werner, Dominik Werner and Rebekah Werner; 8 great-grandchildren; Sister-in-law Nordis Estrem of MN/NM.

Funeral services were at Seventh-day Adventist Church in Faribault on Friday, July 2, 2021, beginning at 10:00 AM. Visitation was on Thursday, July 1, 2021, from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM at Seventh-day Adventist Church and one hour prior to the service in the church. Burial was at Groveland Cemetery in Dundas. Arrangements by Bierman Funeral Home and Crematory. biermanfuneralhome.com.

Clarence Marshall Hines

Clarence Marshall Hines, age 96, of Stanton, passed away Saturday, June 26, 2021, at Reflections End of Life Center in Northfield.



Clarence was born the son of George and Inga (Terland) Hines on August 5, 1924, in St. Paul and the oldest of four children. At the age of 18, Clarence enlisted in the United States Army on

November 16, 1942, and served in the infantry during WWII. He fought in the Rhineland offensive in Germany where he was wounded. He received the Purple Heart and two bronze stars for his combat during the war.

He returned to Minnesota where he was united in marriage to Marilyn Davis on July 21, 1951. They built their home in Stanton and raised four children. He was the manager of Triangle Aviation in Stanton. There he taught many people to fly and was also a mechanic and worked maintenance. His job also included hauling skydivers and towing gliders. From this career, he sprayed crops and also farmed. He worked for over 40 years at the Stanton Airport. Marilyn passed away in 2017.

He enjoyed vegetable gardening and taking road trips around the United States with Marilyn and friends. He also enjoyed camping with his family.

Clarence is survived by his children Brad Hines of Cannon Falls, Keith (Beth) Hines of Cannon Falls, Patty (Don) Enberg of Stanton, Denise Hines of Northfield; nine grandchildren; 15 great grandchildren; a great-great grandson; and a brother Martin Hines in Arizona. He was preceded in death by his wife; daughter-in-law Barb Hines; and two sisters Jan and Char.

Funeral services were held at Stanton United Methodist Church in Stanton on Saturday, July 3, 2021, beginning at 11:00 AM. Visitation was one hour prior to the service in the church. Burial was held at Stanton Cemetery in Stanton. For memorial contributions, the family has designated the Stanton Cemetery or American Cancer Association. Arrangements by Bierman Funeral Home and Crematory. biermanfuneralhome.com.

Dawn R. Dettling

Dawn R. Dettling died Wednesday, July 14, 2021 at her home in Cannon Falls after a brief battle with cancer.



She was born September 4, 1960 in Faribault, MN, to Martin P. and Alicia (Lehmann) Dettling. At the age of 5, her family

moved to Lake Byllesby where she grew up in an idyllic environment with the endless pleasures of living on a lake all year round.

She graduated from Randolph High School in 1978 and being a slight over-achiever, received a B.S. degree in account-

ing in 3 years from Winona State University before she reached the age of 21. She passed all four parts of the CPA exam on the first try. She worked at 4 different CPA firms in Cannon Falls, Waseca, and St. Paul, where she gained a wealth of experience in finance and tax. She was also exposed to a wide range of differing operating methods in running a CPA firm, which greatly impacted her when she opened her own practice in Cannon Falls.

In 1991, Dawn took an unexpected detour and served almost 3 years in the U.S. Peace Corps in La Paz, Honduras, Central America. She worked in small villages with women artisans and in establishing, maintaining, and operating FINCA banks (similar to savings and loan institutions.) She experienced life in a way that 50 years in the U.S. couldn't compare to, and it molded and shaped her into the woman she became.

Upon returning to the states, Dawn opened her own CPA firm in the fall of 1994. She wanted more than to just provide a service or product to her clients, she wanted to build both professional and personal relationships with them and to always be fair and honest. Looking back over almost 26 years of being in business, she was humbled to realize she did just that with her clients who became friends, and some even like family to her.

Dawn's faith is what really grounded, centered, and guided her throughout her life. She worshiped at Bethlehem Baptist Church in downtown Minneapolis since 2005 and was faithfully involved in several ministries and women's bible studies. She served in the Titus II Ministry for 13.5 years to the same younger woman, who was like a daughter to her. She also served in the nursery program every Sunday for the last 15 years, working with 2- and 3-year-olds! It was truly a calling on her life, and Sundays were her highlight.

She also served for 10 years in the Charis Prison Ministry, which was a huge blessing to watch God change and transform many men's lives right before her eyes. And, locally, from May through December, she served at the Cannon Falls Food Shelf for the past 25 years.

She loved reading, walking, working, serving, and spending time with family, friends, and clients.

Dawn was at total peace upon receiving her cancer diagnosis and couldn't wait to go home to be with her LORD and SAVIOR.

She is survived by her parents, Marty and Alicia and three brothers, Phil (Tracy), Shad (Holly) and Craig. She was proud to be Auntie to Danielle, Brianna (Ryan) Prechel, Jake (Maggie), Jessica, Nick (Sarah), Phillip, and Mathew, and to great nieces and nephews, Divinity, Dayton, Colton, Benjamin, Annabelle, and Cane. She is also survived by an uncle, aunts, and cousins.

A private family service will be held. In Dawn's memory, contributions may be made to donor's choice.

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Rocket Fastpitch 14u Team



Players from left to right: (back row) Addi Davis, Kady Simota, Paige Otte, Kylee Carey, Charli Raymond (front row) Rihanna Gomes, Bailey Parish, Taryn Alexon, Bell Haro, and Allie Gillette (not pictured Emily Betzold). Coaches: Keith Alexon, Kent Betzold, Jeff Davis, Tony Gillette, and Heather Siebenaler

The Rocket Fastpitch 14u team brought home second place medals from their first tournament of the season. The Rockets participated in the 26th Annual Little Canada Classic on June 12th and 13th. After finishing pool play on Saturday with combined game scores of 21-5 they went into bracket play on Sunday as the #1 seed in the gold bracket.

Rockets received a first round bye and beat Northern Blast 14-10 after a slow start. This landed them in the championship game vs Champlain Park. The Rockets held their own until the 4th inning when they allowed 7 runs, ending the game in the 5th losing 3-10.

Rocket Fastpitch 14u had played in only two games prior to the tournament due to rescheduling most of these games. The players were instead able to cheer on the Randolph Rockets Varsity team throughout their conference, section, and state champion wins.

Free Meals for Enrolled Preschool - Grade 12 Students

Free Breakfast and/or Lunch will be available for all enrolled Preschool - Grade 12 Randolph students for the school year 2021/2022.

We recommend that families who would apply/qualify for Free and Reduced meals should still apply. This may qualify your child for additional benefits.

Things parents need to know:

We will no longer be doing pick up or delivered meals.

Students still have to sign up and pay for snack and milk cart.

If your child brings a cold lunch and gets a milk, they will be charged for the milk.

Please have money in their account.

Grades 7-12 students still need to have money in their account to buy a 2nd entrée, ala carte, and extra milk.

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RANDOLPH SCHOOLS

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Priceless Gifts You Can Give



By Harvey Mackay

A woman who lived far beyond eight decades had been in the habit of having a birthday party every year. Her friends and relatives always remembered her with little gifts, usually knick-knacks for her house.

As she was getting ready for her 90th birthday party, a friend asked her what gift she wanted for her birthday that year.

"Give me a kiss," was her reply. "Then I won't have to dust it."

Yes, I know that's not always a safe option in these Covid times. But you get the idea. Creative gift giving is an art.

Strive for a gift that shows you have taken the trouble to pay attention to the recipient and have a genuine interest in them. Price isn't important; sometimes the best gifts cost little or nothing, because they come from the heart.

I recently came across a list of priceless, useful, thoughtful gifts anyone can give – and better yet – they are all free. I guarantee the recipient will love them.

The gift of listening. No interrupting, rushing the speaker, letting your attention wander or finishing the speaker's thoughts. No planning your responses or trying to top the speaker's story. Just listen.

Good listeners steer conversations toward other people's interests. When you feel you are being listened to, it makes you feel like you are being taken seriously and what you say really matters. And remember, you can't learn anything when you are doing the talking.

The gift of affection. Be generous with appropriate pats on the back, hand holding, hugs and even kisses, like the 90-year-old woman preferred. (Again, keep pandemic recommendations in mind.) Find a way to show your love, especially when so many people are craving human contact.

The gift of support. Show your co-workers that you care by empathizing with them, displaying concern and understanding. Be compassionate and try to build deeper relationships. Open up a bit and be understanding. Try to anticipate needs, and help when needed and wanted. Just be interested in others.

The gift of laughter. Share articles, positive news, funny stories and cartoons to tell someone, "I love to laugh with you." Laughter makes you healthier and feel better. A laugh a day keeps the doctor away. Maybe people should take a humor or joke

break ... instead of just a coffee break.

The gift of a compliment. Everyone likes a hearty "well done." Mark Twain once said, "I could live for two months on one good compliment." Who doesn't love to receive compliments? They make everyone feel better.

Compliments not only reassure people, they create positive energy, strengthen relationships and build trust. They are a sign of respect. You don't need to be an expert at giving compliments. You just need to be sincere and genuine.

The gift of solitude. Be sensitive to the times when others want nothing more than to be left alone. Solitude does not mean loneliness. It's natural to feel overwhelmed at times, so time alone can be refreshing.

The gift of joy. Be happy and joyful whenever you can. Your mood should never turn into gloom and doom for others.

One of my favorite authors, Norman Vincent Peale, said: "Joy increases as you give it, and diminishes as you try to keep it yourself. In giving it, you will accumulate a deposit of joy greater than you ever believed possible."

The gift of friendship. Without friends, life would hardly be worth living, so let your friends know just how much they mean to you today. I've always felt that the best vitamin for developing friends is B1.

I can't imagine what my life would have been like if I hadn't had such loyal and true friends. I am fortunate to number among my friends several classmates from first grade, as well as people I just met. My



friends have saved my bacon over and over again. A few have actually saved my life.

The gift of your smile. A simple smile breaks all the barriers of language and culture. The more you smile, the happier other people around you feel. Never underestimate the value of a smile.

People all over the world smile in the same language. A smile should be standard equipment for all people, both at work and at home. It takes only 17 muscles to smile and 43 to frown – so really, you have no excuse. Put on a happy face!

Mackay's Moral: Gifts that are freely given are worth more than all the gold in Fort Knox.

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53rd ANNUAL

Chicken Barbecue Street Dance

Randolph/Hampton Fire District

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Saturday

August 21, 2021

Randolph, Minnesota

Serving from 3:00 to 8:00 p.m.

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The KING with Cash & Diamond Returning to Dennison

After a year of cancelled events, the popular Labor Day Weekend show featuring the music of Johnny Cash, Elvis, and Neil Diamond returns to Dennison Friday, September 3rd, 2021.

For fans young and old, if you have ever been to the popular Breezy Point Resort up north in Minnesota, you may have caught **The Memories of Elvis Show (www.espk.com) on their dockside bar or if you have been to Dennison the past few years on Labor Day Weekend, Chris Olson performs this entertaining tribute of The King, and will be bringing his talents and show back to DENNISON, MINNESOTA on Friday, September 3. Show time will be at 7:30p.m.** This will be a rain or shine event under the big top at the Fireside. This years show also has a new guest, bringing an additional voice to the stage, saluting Johnny Cash and even some Neil Diamond. More about that a few paragraphs below.

Chris Olson's life seems so inevitable. The hair, the eyes, the sneer, the stride, and the voice - "THAT VOICE". It's obvious that he was born to play Elvis. Though Chris nursed his dreams of being a rock

and roll star, he was somewhat unfamiliar with Elvis Presley the American icon. Chris, being just 10 years old at the time of Elvis' passing, couldn't quite figure out what all the commotion was about during the funeral; the radio and TV exposure, etc. Chris Olson is from White Bear Lake, Minnesota. Born in 1967, he always had a love for music. He was in a rock band with some high school buddies. While courting his girlfriend Mary Ann, she recalls Chris asking her "Is that all you listen to, Elvis?". Mary Ann answered, "That's it. There's nothing else to listen to!"

Mary Ann, being a strong willed Elvis fan who has seen Elvis Presley live three times, is now Chris' wife and booking agent. It was Mary Ann who recognized Chris' singing talent. As Mary Ann tells it, Chris was singing along with the Elvis music she never turned off, and sounding more like Elvis everyday. She new the potential Chris had as the Elvis performer which Elvis fans had been missing since his passing 16 years earlier, in 1977. So, it's now 1993. Chris and Mary Ann are married. She gets right to work fashioning Chris into the Kings image, though this did take some convincing on Mary Ann's part.

Chris was hesitant on growing the large Elvis-like chops, and Mary Ann remembers Chris saying, "An Elvis performer? I don't know. Who will come to hear me sing? Much less, pay me to sing like Elvis? Naah, I'll pass!"

Time went on, and Mary Ann was starting to give up on the idea of Chris being an Elvis performer.

Then, one day after she came home from

shopping, she heard the song Are You Lonesome Tonight.

As she entered the basement, Chris turned around with the microphone in his hand. Mary Ann asked, "Is that you singing?" Chris answered, "Yeah, it's me." She said, "I thought it was an Elvis CD!". Immediately Mary Ann said, "That's it! You're going to be an Elvis performer!". Mary Ann, being the big Elvis fan that she is, new she had to share this chilling talent with the public. Chris grumbled, "OK, but do I have to grow those big chops?". Mary Ann answered, "Yep!"

That was the start of he MEMORIES OF ELVIS SHOW, by Chris Olson.

After a successful show in 2018 at the Fireside, Doug Allen Nash will be returning for the Labor Day weekend show, performing his tribute to Johnny Cash and Neil Diamond.

SESAC affiliated writer/publisher and Nashville recording artist Doug Allen Nash (www.dougallennash.com) has performed internationally in over 85 countries while touring for USO, MWR, and Armed Forces Entertainment. He was a featured artist on the Armed Forces Network commercial in Europe, appeared on radio and television interviews as well as radio play on European Music Charts. Nash has also performed nationally from the Las Vegas strip to major casinos and resorts such as Sun Valley, Idaho, Opryland Hotel, and Taj Mahal in Atlantic City.

He has been the opening act for Wayne Newton, Charlie Daniels, Huey Lewis and

the News, The Oak Ridge Boys, Montgomery Gentry and other national recording artists as well as being the house band for the largest grossing venue in Texas, City Streets. Nash co-produced the trademark show 'Almost Angels', a long-running production in Atlantic City.

It is because of Doug Allen Nash's great performances and charisma that he received the United States Department of Defense's Certificate of Esteem Award, Certificate of Appreciation Award, Republic of Korea's Apple of Excellence Award, and inducted into the South Dakota Country Music Hall of Fame.

Doug Allen Nash has performed many styles and varieties of music over the course of his career in the entertainment business and continues to perform with passion. He is currently performing "Johnny Cash Tribute - American Icon". It is in this production, Nash debuts one of his own songs "June" co-written and co-produced with Jeff Silverman in Nashville, TN. Engineering mix by Grammy Award Winners John Carter Cash and Chuck Turner at Cash Cabin Studio in Hendersonville, TN.

You can see both of these great artists in Dennison September 3rd.

Advance Tickets are just \$20.00. \$25.00 Day of Show. Call Fireside at 507-645-9992 or e mail them at firesidelounge-dennison@gmail.com

to order tickets. You can also make dinner reservations that evening ahead of the show.

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on their wild and crazy unicycles, Logan Jimenez with his Cockatoo Review, Emilie Dean with her amazing feats of aerial strength, the Wheel of Destiny, and back by popular demand, the Russian Swing by The Perez Family. But, lets not forget our favorite performing Jungle Cats, Soloman & Delilah, presented by Mr. Trey Key, that will certainly have you on the edge of your seats! All accompanied by original music composed by the talented, Matt Margucci from Los Angeles, California.

Our performers are sure to amaze, delight and entertain the audience members of all ages beyond your wildest imagination.



For more information visit our FaceBook page with videos, photos and comments from past sponsors and patrons. For a direct link you can go to www.cmcircus.com and click on the FaceBook link.

SAVE MONEY by purchasing your tickets in advance at the following location:

- Dennison Depot
- Heritage Bank
- Fireside Lounge
- Parkside Gas & Groceries

Prices for advance tickets are \$12.00 for adults and \$7.00 for seniors (65 and over) and children (2 to 12), children under 2 are always free. Advanced tickets can also be purchased online 10 days before the show at

cmcircus.com until 10:00 pm the day before the show. On show day tickets will be \$15.00 for adults and \$8.00 for seniors/children. Support your community and save money by purchasing your tickets early. For more information, call 866 BIG TOP 6, 8:00 a.m. – 5 p.m., Central Time everyday or email at cmcircus@gmail.com.

Circus Day Schedule (times may vary)

- Between 9:30 & 10:00 a.m.– Tent Raising & FREE Tour
- 4:00 pm Midway Box Office Opens (pony rides, moonbounce, concessions and more)
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OVER \$2,500 IN PRIZES!

Judging begins 2:30pm on Saturday.

Electricity is not provided.

Contact: kingpin1876@gmail.com

or 612-968-9547 to register or for more information



Saturday Schedule of Events

- 7a.m. **Annual BBQ Cook Off Begins. Over \$2,500 in Prizes!** Hosted by MarLea's
Contact Steve at kingpin1876@gmail.com or 612-968-9547
- 8-11a.m. **All You Can Eat Dad's Waffle Breakfast**
Sponsored by Polka Dot Dairy, Parkside General Store, Dennison Community Church
\$9 for adults, \$5 for kids 12 & under, 3 & under FREE. Includes waffles, sausage, coffee, juice, milk. Under Mainstreet Tent.
- 7:30 a.m. **Sign Up for Clutchmen Truck & Tractor Pull at Pull Site** Contact Larry Enfield 507-789-6692
- 8a.m. **Citywide Garage Sales & Street Vendors Start**
5K Run Begins at Paul's Plumbing Building, North of Dennison Depot.
For more information text Barbie at 507-581-1021 or e-mail: dennisonvangoffice@gmail.com
Classic Car Show on Mainstreet Presented by Capitol Construction.
Trophies at 1:00p.m. Contact Steve King 612-968-9547 or email: kingpin1876@gmail.com
- 9a.m. **Truck & Tractor Pull Begins on the Hill**, sign up begins at 7:30a.m.
Euchure at Fireside Lounge For information, contact Jen Eggum 507-649-0602
- 10a.m. **Cow Milking Contest** across from Fireside
- 11a.m. **Food Stands Open**
Joel Stenhaus & Jim Tracy Memorial Horseshoe Tournament in City Park Presented by the Dennison Lions
Kids Pedal Pull Mainstreet Presented by the Dennison Lions. Pre-register at 10:30 a.m.
- 1-3p.m. **Kiddie Carnival & Games Beside City Hall** Presented by Randolph FFA students
- 1:30p.m. **Parade Downtown - A Kiddie Parade Leads Off Main Parade** (Ages 12 & Under) **\$100.00 Prize for Best Parade Entry!**
Sign up at 12:00 p.m. South Mainstreet. Contact Diane at 612-532-0268
- 2:30p.m. **Purse Bingo Under Mainstreet Tent** Presented by Dennison Lions & Fireside Lounge
- 7p.m.-12a.m. **Live Music from "Driver Five" on Mainstreet Stage** 18+ event. No Cover Charge. 21 to drink.
Presented by Capitol Construction and Fireside Lounge & Supper Club



SATURDAY, AUGUST 7 CLASSIC CAR SHOW 8AM
Trophies at 1PM
TRUCK & TRACTOR PULL 9AM

All You Can Eat DAD'S WAFFLE BREAKFAST
SATURDAY, AUGUST 7
8:00a.m. to 11:00a.m.

Dennison Lions Club DENNISON DAYS RAFFLE

1st Prize: \$500 Cash

2nd Prize: \$200 Cash

3rd Prize: \$100 Cash

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DENNISON DAYS

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Dennison Days

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(North of Dennison Depot Marathon)


Start off August on the right foot - literally - by joining others for the Dennison Days 5K Fun Run and Walk. Continue the celebration by inviting all of your family and friends for the day filled with entertaining events and activities for everyone. You can run, walk and roll.

\$30.00 Entry Fee
 Runners will also get a free waffle breakfast!
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Can register up to and day of race but a shirt isn't guaranteed.

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18th Annual Dennison Days Truck and Tractor Pull



Saturday, August 7, 2021

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Rose Fest Around the Corner



Kenyon will celebrate Rose Fest August 19th through 22nd. On Thursday, August 19th there will be Live Pro Wrestling at the Kenyon Fire Department Hall. Doors open at 6pm and the bell rings at 7pm.

Friday, August 20th there will be a hog roast at the Kenyon VFW from 5 to 7pm with live music following from Mitchell Hall and the Tennessee Trio from 7:30 to 10:30pm. A Rose Fest Regatta Challenge is being held at the Kenyon Swimming Pool Friday at 7pm. Build a boat out of cardboard and duct tape and come compete. A wine and beer tasting will be held at the Fire Hall on Friday from 5 to 8pm.

Saturday starts off with a 5K run/walk at 8am. A vendor and craft fair will take place at Held Bus Company on Saturday and the VFW will host a lunch from 10am to 2pm and Bingo will be from 6 to 8pm. A street dance will be held by the muni Saturday evening from 8pm to 12:30am.

Sunday the Field of Flags will have a closing ceremony at 2pm at Veteran's Park.

Dennison Days Returns August 7

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Mar Leas is hosting a Friday Night Band this year to kick off the celebration with THE YA YA BOYS.

Saturday morning brings the Waffle Breakfast and the BBQ cook off. If you want to participate in the BBQ cook off, just give Steve a call or text at 612-968-9547, or e-mail him at kingpin1876@gmail.com.

City Wide Garage sales are also part of the days events. Just look around for the signs.

Dads Waffle Breakfast returns and serves from 8 AM to 11 AM under the big tent on main street hosted by The Dennison Church. The Classic Car Show hosted by the Clutchmen Club will again be on main street across from the Fireside. Those interested in the Car Show can also contact Steve King at 612-968-9547.

Other activities include Euchre, which will be at The Fireside Lounge this year, and the Truck and Tractor Pull on the north side of town. The 5 K Run/Walk returns this year. Participants can sign up after 7 AM on main street and be a part of a fun activity to help raise funds for the Dennison Community Lutheran Church and their outreach programs. The race kicks off at 8.

For participating runners, a Free Waffle Breakfast is included that you may enjoy before or after the run. Several food booths will be on main street to keep you filled up with your favorite summer "fair" food, including the Cannon Falls Lions Club. The Cow Milking Contest is at 10 AM, with the Dairy Princesses joining in, and this years special guests will be announced soon. Sign up for the kids pedal pull begins at 10:30 am with the pull at 11 AM on Main Street

The Dennison Days Parade is at 1:30 PM.

Afternoon events include:

DESIGNER PURSE Bingo under the big top at 2:30 PM.

Again this year is FREE EVENING ENTERTAINMENT under the Mainstreet tent. This years musical act is DRIVER 5.

After a year without outdoor and family events, the Lions Club looks forward to hosting this annual event once again for the area.

Watch www.dennisondays.org for updates.



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Tuesday, August 10, 2021 at 7 p.m.
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FREE show

Wednesday, August 11, 2021 at 7 p.m.
Demolition Derby

Adults - \$12.00

Under 12 - \$6.00

For more information, visit impdemoderby.com

No one under the age of 12 is allowed in the pits. Children ages 12-17 must have a parent/guardian signature to purchase a pit pass.

Thursday, August 12, 2021 6:30 p.m.
Tractor and Truck Pull

Adults - \$10.00

Under 12 - \$5.00

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Friday, August 13, 2021 at 7 p.m.
Autocross Racing

Adults - \$12.00

Under 12 - \$8.00

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Saturday, August 14, 2021 at 5 p.m.
Demolition Derby

Adults - \$15.00

Under 12 - \$10.00

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2021 Free Entertainment Schedule
Daily entertainment

All American Lumberjack Show

Located on the southwest side of beer garden

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Show times TBD

For more information, visit lumberjack-shows.net.

Just 4 Laffs Kids Entertainment

Located by the children's barnyard/4-H building

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Show times TBD

For more information, follow Just 4 Laffs

on Facebook or visit just4laffsmn.com.

FFA Children's Barnyard

Located west of the 4-H building

Local FFA students will be on hand to introduce kids to plenty of furry friends - chicks, rabbits, goats and more!

Open Tuesday-Saturday

Goodhue County Historical Society

Located in the school house next to the children's barnyard

The Goodhue County Historical Society offers fun for the whole family. Each day will feature unique programming, so be sure to come back daily to participate in new activities!

For more information, visit goodhuecountyhistory.org.

Exhibit Buildings

4-H building open daily from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Commercial buildings open from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Tuesday and 12:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday

Open class exhibit buildings open from Noon to 10 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday

Beer Garden

Open all week with FREE jukebox and bands Wednesday-Saturday

Daily schedules

Tuesday, August 10 (Opening Day)

11 a.m. to 7 p.m. - Open class exhibit entry (except quilts)

1 p.m. to 4 p.m. - TRIAD - Goodhue County Sheriff's Department

4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. - Goodhue County Sheriff's K9 Unit

Wednesday, August 11 (Day Care Day)

9:30 a.m. - Goodhue County Junior

Holstein Association Show (near dairy barn)

Noon to 6 p.m. - Activities in the schoolhouse hosted by the Goodhue County Historical Society

Throughout day - All-American Lumberjack Show (near beer garden)

Thursday, August 12 (Kid's Birthday Party Day)

10 a.m. - Goodhue County Commissioners Meeting (entertainment tent)

Noon to 6 p.m. - Activities in the schoolhouse hosted by the Goodhue County Historical Society

4:30pm - Bridget's Decorated Cupcake Contest (beer garden)

7:30 p.m. - Farm Bureau Century Farm Program (entertainment tent)

Throughout day - All-American Lumberjack Show (near beer garden)

Friday, August 13 (Senior Citizen's Day)

Noon to 6 p.m. - Activities in the schoolhouse hosted by the Goodhue County Historical Society

3 p.m. and 6 p.m. - All-American Lumberjack Show

7 p.m. - Outstanding Senior Award presentation (beer garden)

Throughout day - All-American Lumberjack Show (near beer garden)

Saturday, August 14 (Family Day)

Throughout day - All-American Lumberjack Show (near beer garden)

All events are subject to change

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Local Government

City of Randolph Regular Council Meeting June 9, 2021

The regular Randolph City Council meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Robert Appelgren.

Roll Call

Present were Mayor Robert Appelgren, Council Members Sarah Podritz, Jacob Friedrich and Todd D. Carlock, Treasurer Sandy Nicolai and Clerk Mary Haro.

Public Comments

A citizen asked about metal buildings and what areas can you put them in. It indicates in the ordinance "Such structure shall have exterior finish and roofing materials which are aesthetically compatible with the principal structure on the lot."

Minutes

A motion to approve the May 12, 2021 regular council meeting minutes was made by Friedrich, seconded by Podritz. All voting in favor, none opposed, motion passed 5:0.

Approval of Treasurer Report

Sandy indicated that we received approximately \$6,000.00 in the water account. It was asked about the CD's and if they automatically renew. Sandy will call the bank and discuss this with them.

A motion to approve the Treasurer's Report was made by Podritz, seconded by Friedrich. All voting in favor, none opposed, motion passed 5:0.

Approval to Pay Bills

We will pay the Bolton & Menk invoice after we move the money from the bond account. Clerk Haro will get the money transferred to our account and then the check can be mailed.

Motion to approve the payment of bills as written was made by Friedrich, and seconded by Podritz. All voting in favor, none opposed, motion passed 5:0.

Old Business

Holding Pond Update

Matt indicated that he received an email from Dan's Engineer regarding what they plan to do. He needs to research this to make sure it is correct Matt will send us an email to update us on what is happening and Clerk Haro will forward it to the counsel so that we are kept up to date on this project.

New Business

Dakota County Deputy

Deputy Scott Blehm was present and asked if we have any questions or if we wanted to bring anything to their attention. It was noted to him that semitrailers have been going through town at an excess speed on 292nd Street.

Rezoning of 4311 Upper 291st Street

Heather Heidenreich and Alayna Lund came before the board to rezone the property from public institutional to rural residential.

Clerk Haro made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 21-02 approving the rezoning of 4311 Upper 291st Street from Public Institutional to Rural Residential. All voting in favor, none opposed, motion passed 5:0.

Ms. Heidenreich also asked about a building permit to install new windows, etc. She was told to submit an application and that will be given to the building inspector who will review it and let her know how much the permit fee is and that the fee needs to be paid before any work can begin. She will get the application in.

All Hazard Mitigation Planning Process

Clerk Haro discussed the All Hazard Mitigation Planning process and made a motion to approve Resolution No. 21-08 to

Participate in All Hazard Mitigation Planning Process with Dakota County, seconded by Mayor Appelgren. All voting in favor, none opposed, motion passed 5:0.

We have a worksheet that needs to be completed and discussed if we should appoint a committee or do if the council should do it together. It was decided to work on it together at a special meeting scheduled for Wednesday, June 16 at 6:45.

Special Event Parking on June 11th

It was discussed that R Bar will be holding an event/car show on June 11th and requested that they be allowed to park diagonally on 292nd Street for the day. Friedrich made a motion to approve the request to park diagonally on the south side of 292nd street with restrictions of parking on the south side only, only until midnight and that the parking not obstruct any lanes of traffic and if violated we would call Dakota County Sheriff's Department, seconded by Haro. Voting in favor, Podritz, Carlock, Friedrich and Haro, opposed, Appelgren, motion passed 4:1.

Parcel Split of Land -

Ferguson Trust to Dakota County

Dakota County contacted Clerk Haro regarding a parcel split from the Judith Ferguson Trust to Dakota County and needs the city's approval to do it. Clerk Haro made a motion to approval the land split for donation of land to Dakota County by the Judith Ferguson Trust, seconded by Friedrich. All voting in favor, none opposed, motion passed 5:0.

Water Meters and Rates

There are 6 commercial meters that need to be installed. We had ordered 2" meters but noticed they were not correct when trying to install them. We asked if the meters that we had ordered for these commercial properties could be returned. Brad from DSG was going to check on a restock fee and look into the return because of the date that we had ordered them. It was noted to him that because of COVID we could not get them installed earlier. Brad from DSG went around with Bryce and did a site inspection to find out exactly what was needed to install new water meters. We received a quote for the 6 meters and necessary parts in the amount of \$6,223.70. Since

we need these meters we will go ahead and order them and will work with DSG to return the previous meters that were ordered so we should get some money back to offset the price of the new meters.

We also discussed the water rates for commercial businesses. We will discuss this with our financial planner when we meet with them.

Bryce noted that the state will be doing their yearly inspection on Monday, June 14th.

Bryce also noted that the new panel is a lot more delicate than the previous one and the wires are starting to turn green so we need to get the heat and moisture out and get it cooled down in the pumphouse. We have an exhaust fan that runs non stop but we need to get a dehumidifying system. He and Mayor Appelgren will get bids from a commercial HVAC installer so we can discuss this as it is urgent. We will add this to our special meeting notice scheduled for June 16th in the event that we can get the bids by then.

Sanitary Sewer Update

Bolton & Menk noted that the appraisal was reviewed by a second appraisal which is required and the offer was presented to the landowner. We are looking at 30 acres which will give us room to expand in the future. They are in negotiations with the landowner for the easement. Once accepted they will prepare the easement and work with Korine, our legal counsel, and get it signed. Then it will be presented to the council for approval. This should happen in the next few months. Then we will need to meet with the township for the conditional use permit. Once this is approved then will discuss the project with

neighboring landowners so they are updated about what is happening.

At this time, they are also waiting on appraisals for the spray irrigation properties.

Miscellaneous

Bituminous Roadways

Carlock noted that there was a pothole on 291st street. This was just fixed last year so Friedrich will contact the company to discuss this with them. Carlock also asked if we could have a contract with a company so we can just contact them and they will come and fill them and bill the city for time and material, then we would not have to discuss this month after month. Friedrich will ask them if they have such a program available.

Friedrich contact Bituminous regarding paving the land between the fence and the road on 291st street for parking by the park. The cost was approximately \$15,000 - 20,000 and if the roads are going to be dug up for the sewer construction it doesn't seem like a good time to spend the money to do this. Also the cost would be better going with crushed rock. Mayor Appelgren will contact Otte Excavating about getting some crushed rock to put down for that area. Appelgren noted the last price he received from Jason was \$4,000 which was crushed asphalt but his supplier is not releasing any at this time but he will talk to them about it if we decide to move forward.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Podritz, seconded by Haro, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m. All voting in favor, none opposed, motion passed 5:0.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Haro



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Hampton City Council Regular Meeting Minutes for June 8, 2021

The Hampton City Council met on Tuesday, June 8, 2021 at the Hampton City Hall for the regular scheduled meeting. Present were Mayor John Knetter; Council Members Cindy Flodeen, David Luhning, and Anthony Verch. Also present was Marlin Reinardy, Water/Sewer Superintendent; Brad Fisher with Bolton and Menk; and Jesse Gesme of 23215 Hampton Blvd.

Regular Meeting called to Order - Mayor Knetter called the Regular Scheduled Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Disclosure of Interest - None.

Approval of May 11, 2021 Regular Scheduled Meeting Minutes - Motion by Luhning seconded by Flodeen to approve the May 11, 2021 regular scheduled meeting minutes. All voted in favor. None opposed. Motion passed 4:0.

Approval of Disbursements - Motion by Flodeen seconded by Luhning to approve the June disbursements. All voted in favor. None opposed. Motion passed 4:0.

Public Comment - None.

Petitions, Requests, and Communications:

A request was made by Councilor Luhning to add to New Business that there be further discussion of the new No Parking signs that will be installed, and the means by which enforcement will be handled. Motion by Verch seconded by Flodeen to add parking sign discussion to the agenda under New Business. All voted in favor. None opposed. Motion passed 4:0.

Ordinances and Resolutions - Resolution 2021-05 - Participate in Dakota County All-Hazard Mitigation Planning Process - Knetter explained that the benefit to the City is that it provides joint powers in the event of a disaster, and also provides an incentive for the City to update its disaster recovery plan. Motion by Verch seconded by Luhning to approve Resolution 2021-05 to participate in the Dakota County All-Hazard Mitigation Planning Process. All voted in favor. None opposed. Motion passed 4:0.

Reports of Officers, Boards, and Committees:

Engineer Report - Brad Fisher with Bolton and Menk updated the Council on the Main St. back-up generator project. The generator is installed and fully commissioned. There was a meeting on site with City staff this past Friday to go over main-

tenance and operation of the facility. Also present at the meeting were the supplier and project manager. User Manuals for the generator were received and distributed to City staff. The project is essentially complete, but still have some punch list items to take care of, such as restoration of the site and miscellaneous paperwork that needs to be done to close out the contract. If all items are completed before the next Council meeting, a final invoice would be submitted for payment and paperwork would be signed to close out the project.

The second item to update is the water tower replacement project and potential funding options. At last month's meeting Council asked Fisher to contact the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) to get clarification regarding whether or not SHPO would have any involvement with regard to the water tower replacement. Fisher did contact SHPO and was told that, if the project is 100% locally funded, then there is no need for SHPO involvement and no need for an Environmental Review related to the project. However, if federal funds and/or state grants are used for the project, then SHPO would have input on the project. Fisher continued that, if we want to keep our funding options open, taking the next step and reaching out to SHPO to find out what their requirements would be, would not mean that the City would be required to go beyond that to the next step, which would be the Environmental Review. Fisher was asked what the cost would be to take the next step in reaching out to SHPO. He stated that it would just be the cost of Bolton & Menk Cultural Resources Group staff time to prepare a report submission to SHPO. Fisher mentioned that he had discussed with his Cultural Resources Group the time that would be involved in the preparation of the report, and they thought it could be done in less than one day's time. However, he mentioned that there is a very long lead time on this, as from the time of report submission to when Bolton & Menk would hear back from SHPO would be approximately two months. Luhning stated that he feels the City needs to keep its options open because he doesn't feel it would be possible to fund the project locally.

Verch asked about the process of doing the environmental review, and wondered if the City could acquire some state or federal funding for that. Fisher responded by saying that the review would involve fish and

wildlife agencies and that, for these types of agencies, the process would go much more quickly, at possibly a 3 to 6-month timeframe, whereas with SHPO, the process may take up to 18 months. So, it is much more important, at this point, to initiate the process by reaching out to SHPO because they likely will have the most regulations that will need to be dealt with. In reference to the historical significance of the existing tower, Fisher explained the process used by SHPO to look at how many similar towers are in existence within a certain radius of the City's. Discussion ensued regarding timeframes, the interpretation of the historic designation of the water tower, and options available to deal with SHPO regulations. Council unanimously directed Fisher to proceed with reaching out to SHPO.

Water / Sewer Report

Marlin Reinardy, Water/Sewer Superintendent, began by stating that he is still working on the replacement of the solenoid valve on the #2 well. He feels that the body of the valve is in good shape, and that it is the solenoid itself that is the problem. He plans to take the unit to a supplier to see if it needs to be replaced. If a plumber is needed for the repair, Reinardy has someone in mind that he thinks he can work with on this.

For sewer-related items, Reinardy mentioned that they are currently transferring waters between ponds. He contacted the Minnesota Rural Water Association (MRWA), about measuring the sludge because it's been a year since the sludge reduction process began with the use of chemicals purchased from State Chemical Solutions. He hasn't heard back from them yet, so will follow up so that the measurement can be done yet in June so that it can be determined whether or not the reduction process is working. Reinardy plans to report on this at the July Council meeting.

Park Report - Verch mentioned that it was reported to him that there are 3 or 4 dead trees by the home dugout at the ballfield. He did check on them and said there are leaves missing on the tops of the trees. He contacted a couple of contractors to get estimates of what it would cost to remove and replace the trees. Verch further reported that there are some weeds on the softball field by the Black Stallion but, because of the heat, chemicals won't work right now, so they will be mowed and sprayed when weather conditions improve. Verch also checked on the status of the chips in the parks. He feels that there is an adequate amount of chips, but that they just need to be raked and spread around. Verch also reported that he had spoken to Ottomatic Lawn Service about the bushes at the entrance to the Heights. He said they are somewhat overgrown and probably need to be pruned back for visibility. Luhning responded that there is plenty of money in the streets budget for that to be done.

Street Report - Luhning stated that there is nothing to report. Reinardy asked for confirmation that Council wants the Resident Parking Only signs purchased that were discussed at last month's meeting. He felt it was unclear that those should be ordered for the streets, along with the other

signs that were purchased for the parks and ballfield. In discussion Council felt that the purchase of the Resident Parking Only signs had been approved at last month's meeting and directed Reinardy to purchase the signs. Knetter asked for a motion to purchase the Resident Parking Only Signs. Motion by Luhning seconded by Verch to approve the purchase of 4 Resident Parking Only signs, to be placed on the opposite side of the street of the Parking for Park Events Only signs. All voted in favor. None opposed. Motion passed 4:0.

Old Business - None.

New Business -

Gambling/Temporary On-Sale Liquor License for St. Mathias Fun Fest - Motion by Luhning seconded by Verch to approve the gambling/temporary on-sale liquor license for St. Mathias Fun Fest. All voted in favor. None opposed. Motion passed 4:0.

Conditional Use Permit--Jesse Gesme, 23215 Hampton Blvd. - Recommendation from 05/27/21 Planning Commission Meeting - Motion by Luhning seconded by Verch to approve the Conditional Use Permit for Jesse Gesme, 23215 Hampton Blvd. All voted in favor. None opposed. Motion passed 4:0.


Filling 5th City Council Seat - Knetter asked Council members what their preference would be as far as filling the open City Council seat. He asked if Councilors would prefer that the City advertise for this or that someone would be appointed. His suggestion is to put this on the agenda for next month's City Council meeting, and that the top two vote-getters from the last election be considered for the Council seat. Discussion. Knetter also stated that, technically, he could appoint the Councilor, but his preference is that this be a Council decision. Knetter will reach out to the two candidates to ask about their interest in the position.

Parking Enforcement - Luhning stated his reasons for wanting this topic to be added to the agenda. He feels that there needs to be further discussion among Councilors regarding future enforcement of parking violations. There has been much discussion on this issue in the past, and the City attorney has had input on this regarding changes to the ordinance and what the City needs to do to enforce parking violations. Discussion. Luhning mentioned that, historically, the City has had notices available to be put on windshields of vehicles that are in violation of parking ordinances, and his preference is to continue doing that. Council asked the City Clerk to create the notices, that will include wording that vehicle owners must contact City Hall within 30 days of receiving the notice to report that the vehicle has been moved.


Adjournment - Motion by Luhning seconded by Verch to adjourn the meeting. All voted in favor. None opposed. Motion passed 4:0. The meeting adjourned at 7:38 pm. Respectfully submitted, Judy O'Brien

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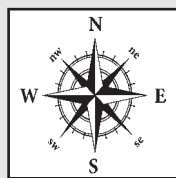


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Changes in Latitudes, Changes in Attitudes The Tennessee Tilt



By Terry Campbell

This column is written by Messenger editor and Minnesota native Terry Campbell.

Terry now splits his time between Minnesota when it's warm here and Tennessee when it's cold here.

I saw pickup trucks driving around like this and thought there must have been a mechanical failure. Then I found out it was actually a fad. It comes from giving a perfectly good four-wheel drive pickup to someone lacking in common sense. They call it the Tennessee Tilt and it has been seen in neighboring North Carolina where they call it the Carolina Squat. It is a terrible new trend for pickups from the millennial country kids. You take a perfectly good 4x4 truck and then you jack the front up so the headlights are in the trees and the back of your truck resembles a dog with an itchy butt, rubbing across the carpet.

I have spent my life driving pickup trucks. A man is not a real man unless he

owns one. He uses it daily and he treats it with respect. You put every thing in the back including the kitchen sink and you want it to stay there.

No logical, intellectual being would slope the bed of the pickup box to self-unload everything you put in there. You put over-size springs on the rear axle so a heavy load doesn't have you dragging the hitch ball down the highway. You want clearance so you don't get hung up on a stump when you go off road.

But down here some hillbilly brain trust came up with a backwards way to make the most noble vehicle on the road look silly. I first thought that "Bubba" found a way to load his fishing skiff without a trailer. Just back that old truck down to the water and run the john boat up in the box. But it is mostly new pickups which were emasculated and sent down the highway looking like some punk at the mall with his pants hanging below his underwear.

It has become bad enough, that the state legislature passed a law to ban this practice, stating; "A private passenger automobile shall not be modified or altered by elevating the automobile more than 3 inches from the manufacturer's specified height in the front and lowering the automobile more than 2 inches from the manufacturer's specified height in the rear."

One of the great things about being an old farmer is that you are actually smarter than most kids, and ornery enough to tell them so.



A Minnesotan: Fireworks



By RosaLin Alcoser

2020 was the first Fourth of July that I spent in Minnesota in years and it was the first year that I had spent it at the lake in years. The years before when I was in school in Missouri and I spent most of those Fourth of July's in the city.

I have found that the biggest difference between being in the city vs being on the lake for the Fourth of July is the way we view the fireworks. Years where I have spent it at the lake. The large colorful bust of the fireworks can be leisurely viewed from the water, dock, or the deck. It's beautiful as the fireworks go off over the

water from afar.

While when the holiday is spent in the city the experience is different. The fireworks go off from all the different parks and people's yards; sometimes in the yard right next to your house. And the streets are packed with people in lawn chairs to watch the chaotic firework display going off around them.

Last year I personally did not get either of these experiences as I was the town reporter; which meant I was at the one Firework display going on in town. Once the Independence Day softball game was over the firework display started and lasted for about half an hour. It was held at the fairgrounds and while some people lined the streets in town, most people watched from the back of their cars at the fairgrounds.

I spent it watching from the back of my hatchback at the fairgrounds... well, my Mom did. I viewed the whole thing through my camera lens while I jotted down notes about the event.

This year though this year will be different as I now live in the cities and will not be covering local events. Instead I will have to be one of those people who views the chaotic display from their home or by going outside to view it from the street.

Lake Shoreline Plantings



Teri Knight



I visited friends on a lake and noticed the plantings (or not) of the various properties.

Shoreline planting provides physical stabilization of a lakeshore or river bank. The extensive root systems of native plants embrace the soil and hold it in place.

They also benefit the water ecosystem by filtering-out pollutants from water runoff, creating healthy shoreline habitat.

Attracting birds, butterflies and hummingbirds.

While it's a great idea to contact your local Soil and Water Conservation District to find what plants are best for your particular area, there are some good overall choices to consider.

These plants for wetlands/lakeshore are native to the Upper Midwest and you can find them at nurseries like Prairie Moon or Prairie Nursery out of Wisconsin offers plans for buffer zones.

The 2nd best time to plant is mid-August to mid to late September, depending on your weather conditions.

Swamp milkweed grows 3 to 4 ft tall in sun to part shade. It's a close relative of the common milkweed and monarch love IT too.

Blue vervain is pretty awesome. It has multiple delicate blue flowers and grows 2 to 6 ft. tall in sun to part shade. Sandpipers, cardinals and juncos eat the seeds and, bonus, due to its high nectar content, bees and butterflies visit blue vervain. Best of all, it blooms all summer.

As for a shrub, Chokecherry is great and grows to about 20 ft in sun to part shade. It's spring flowers are incredibly aromatic! Ruffed grouse and many other birds and mammals (chipmunks, fox, bears) love the berries. Often, a dozen or more birds can be seen feeding actively on ripe cherries in a single shrub.

Top 10 shoreline plants from University of Wisconsin Burnett County.

Teri Knight became a Master Gardener with Dakota County, Minnesota in 2003. She currently produces her website, www.gardenbite.com, that supplements her daily radio program which has aired Monday thru Friday on radio stations throughout Minnesota since 2007. In 2017, several stations in Wisconsin began airing her show. Teri's been involved in community projects which include a Junior Master Gardener program for 8 to 12 year olds, designing and planting a garden for a women's center and various other organizations! Besides all that, Teri is News Director at KYMN Radio and can be heard weekdays on AM 1080 and 95.1 FM The One, From Northfield, MN.



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