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## Triton Welcomes New Teachers



Stacey Ullom



Erica Meyers

### Stacy Ullom

Triton is thrilled to welcome Stacy Ullom to the team!

Mrs. Ullom is a UWRF graduate and brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to the art department.

Her husband is a former Cobra Alumni and wanted to move back to Dodge Center and encouraged her to apply for the position. *(continued on page 6)*

## Timeless Anodyne at The Annadine

By Megan Ziegler, Staff Writer for the Hometown Messenger

You've been in one of those places yourself at some point in your life. An ethereal place that stays grounded while time and history spin around it. Whether it was your grandparent's original red barn, seeping with memories of hard work and the smell of freshly cut hay, or your quaint hometown parish with the creaky floor you found wholly comforting, you left that place feeling a connection to humanity, to ages past, and to dreams woven for the future. One such significant place melding the origins of the

building to the aspirations of today is known as The Annadine in Dodge Center. I had the privilege of diving into its rich history and bright future with owner Nadine Langworthy.

It all started in 1880 when Dodge Center needed a drug store on Main Street. Back in the day, the drug store had three sections consisting of a beauty shop, a doctor's office, and a dentist office upstairs. There was also a bakery in the adjoining building. One of the drugs sold at the drug store was anodyne.

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Nadine and Randy Langworthy

## DCHS Class of 1961 - 60th Class Reunion



*DCHS Class of 1961  
60th Class Reunion at  
Dodge Country Club in  
Dodge Center, MN on  
Saturday, Oct. 9, 2021.*

**Pictured left to right: Connie (Phelps) Avery, Diane (Lentz) Heitcamp, Kaye (Trom) Toquam, Sandy (Witt) Carrol, Lee Bryngelson, Connie (Vangness) Sackett, Ron Trapp, Audrey (Underwood) Bryngelson, Eleanor (Chicos) Engesser, Terry Perkins, Glenn Kruckeberg, Bruce Hayden, Lorraine (Turnmire) Nelson. Not pictured: Henry Janning.**

## Announcements

• The United Methodist Church of Dodge Center at 20 First Street NE offers a meal carry out from 5:00-6:00pm the third Wednesday of each month.

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## Insight for Living - Now and Later



By Roger Langworthy  
Praise Fellowship Church

First Timothy 4:8 says, "Physical training is good, but training for godliness is much better, promising benefits in this life and in the life to come." The Bible speaks very plainly about life here and now, our physical life on earth. But it also speaks to a life after our physical death. In fact, Jesus made it so very clear about living after death that he said it this way in John 11:25, "I am the resurrection and the life. Anyone who believes in me will live, even after dying."

Notice that this life after death is not just because you have life here and now. It is promised to those who believe in Jesus. It is to those who believe Jesus is the Son of God and that he died a sacrificial death to pay the price for our sin. It is to those who receive his salvation and make Jesus to be the Lord of their life here and now. Second Corinthians 5:19 says, "For God was in Christ, reconciling the world to himself, no longer counting people's sins against them. And he gave us this wonderful message of reconciliation."

So, how does one train for godliness (God-

likeness) for the benefit of now and later? Psalm 19:7-8 says, "The instructions of the LORD are perfect, reviving the soul. The decrees of the LORD are trustworthy, making wise the simple. The commandments of the LORD are right, bringing joy to the heart. The commands of the LORD are clear, giving insight for living."

Various descriptions are used to identify the Scriptures: instructions, decrees, commandments, and commands of the Lord. We will receive these various benefits by knowing and applying these to our beliefs and our practices: Reviving the soul, Wisdom for the simple, Joy to the heart, and Insight for living. Psalm 119:73 says, "You made me; you created me. Now give me the sense to follow your commands."

God is the creator and giver of life. He knows the best way for us to live our life. For us to have all the benefits of life now and later it is needful that we be trained in godliness. This training comes from the instructions of the Lord and will give us insight for living.

God is always about giving us a choice. But with every choice there is the outcome. Some would say that God's instructions are too restrictive, and they choose their own way instead. But God's instructions are always motivated by his love for us and to protect us. There is a narrow path that leads to life, and a wide path that leads to destruction (Matthew 7:13,14). I appeal to you today to choose the path that leads to life and let God's instructions give you insight for living, for both now and later.

For video messages of this topic visit the sermons page of our website at [pfc-of-dc.org](http://pfc-of-dc.org).

## The United Methodist Church of Dodge Center Celebrates Its 150th Anniversary of Christian Mission in the Area This Year



Church member Beth Hanggi presenting a history of the church to the congregation at our special anniversary worship service on September 26. Congregation president Lisa O'Neil is in the background.

Pictured to the right: Lisa O'Neil is the speaker on our current mission projects.



Archived history and pictures were on display, former pastors Joyce Parker, Deb Miller, and Linda Boorman were in attendance with current pastor Chad Christensen, and a meal followed the Anniversary service on September 26.

## Area Church Directory God is Enough

Scripture Reading — Luke 23:44-46

Whom have I in heaven but you? And earth has nothing I desire besides you. — Psalm 73:25

Sometimes there is too much wrong in this world! The economy takes your job. Cancer takes your spouse. The river takes your home. Yet even when so much is wrong, God is enough.

But some people skate through life. They seem to have no troubles at all. Their kids run faster. Their jobs pay better. Their dreams shine brighter. And they act like they deserve it, but they don't. It's just wrong! Yet even when so much is wrong, God is enough.

It helps to remember Jesus: accused by his own people, abandoned by his closest friends, stripped naked and nailed to a cross. It was all so wrong! So wrong that the sun quit shining and Jesus cried out, "My God, why have you forsaken me?" (Mark 15:33-34). Yet even then, God was enough.

Psalm 73 is a long prayer about how there is too much wrong in this world. It's a complaint, until the psalmist gains a new perspective. Then the prayer takes a turn: "Whom have I in heaven but you? And earth has nothing I desire besides you." In other words, even when so much is wrong, God, you are enough.

At the end of his rope, Jesus releases himself to God: "Father, into your hands I commit my spirit" (Luke 23:46). Because even when so much is wrong, God is enough.

Prayer

Lord God, whom do I have in heaven but you? And besides you, there is nothing on earth I desire. Let that be my prayer, because you are enough. Amen.

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## Pastor John Hagen

Pastor John Hagen, 88, of Faribault MN, died peacefully at Pleasant Manor on September 25, 2021.



John Holte Hagen was born in 1933 in Crookston Minnesota to George and Evelyn Hagen. He grew up as the oldest of five children on a farm with an old ca-boose as his play-house. His family moved to Tokyo after WWII where he graduated from the American High School in Japan. John returned to the US and graduated from St Olaf College in 1956. Later he graduated from George Washington University with a law degree, then worked for the federal government in that capacity.

In 1959 he met Diane Reinertson at a Luther Place event in Washington D.C. When she returned to college in Ohio, he wooed her by writing humorous letters. They married in December 1961 and would have celebrated their 60th anniversary this year. As Diane completed her degree at Capital University, John moved to Ohio to attend Trinity Lutheran seminary. After the births of son Mark and daughter Kristin, John and his family moved to Edinburgh, Scotland where he did post-graduate studies and was interim pastor at a Scottish Presbyterian church.

The family moved back to the USA and to Minnesota in 1973 where for 19 years John served as pastor at Gol Lutheran Church in Kenyon, and Grace Lutheran Church in Nerstrand. While living in Kenyon, John was active in community theater, the Lions Club and hosted AFS foreign exchange students. John and Diane moved to Faribault MN in 1992 where John worked as an interim pastor at numerous congregations around Southern Minnesota for over 15 years. John and Diane became active members at First English Lutheran Church, continued participating in local theater, and became enthusiastic members of the community.

Known for his hearty and infectious laugh and gentle kindness, John had a true generosity of spirit. Not only was he open-minded and accepting of all people no matter their differences but devoted much of his time in service to others. His volunteer projects included

working with refugees from many countries, including Vietnam and Sudan and having fun with participants in Diane's social group for residents of group homes.

Asked to play Santa Claus so many times due to his strong resemblance and rapport with jolly old Saint Nick, John purchased his own costume to make appearances for friends and neighbors, performing at community events, and for children of inmates at the Shakopee women's prison. It was the perfect role for John because he loved interacting with children and spreading goodwill.

No one more loved reading and collecting books more than John, and he was rarely seen without a book in hand. He had an interest in genres ranging from theology and history to science fiction and romance. His collection filled several rooms of the parsonage. John volunteered at the Talking Book Library, reading books and periodicals to create recordings for the blind.

Due to his wide range of interests and decades of reading and watching news and sports, John knew facts of all types and was unbeatable at trivia. John loved to debate. He had strong opinions and many ideas but was just as happy to learn about other people's opinions and ideas. He was fascinated by gadgets of all kinds and intrigued by technology. He especially loved animals and had dogs and cats as pets.

A lover of travel throughout his life, John, Diane and their kids crisscrossed the country on long road trips to visit friends and family—though John was somewhat notorious for not always paying close attention to the gas gauge. John and Diane also enjoyed international travel to Norway and other parts of Europe, the Holy Land, Egypt, China, Japan, and visited their son and family in Tbilisi Georgia (the other Georgia).

In more recent years as his mobility and eyesight decreased, John continued to find pleasure in life, and enjoyed a good conversation with friends and family.

John is survived by his wife Diane Hagen, his son Mark Rein-Hagen and wife Tamar (Piso), his daughter Kristin and husband Paul Newsome, and his grandchildren Marjorie and Peter Newsome, Giselle, Alexandre (Sandro), and Vivian Rein-Hagen; brother Gordon Hagen and wife Roberta; Sisters-in-law Sandra Hagen, Barbara Reinertson and husband Spencer Chen, and Diane Reinertson; Nieces

Kendra Hagen and Anna Reinertson and Nephews Kai Hagen and wife Kirsten Waller and Kelwin Hagen and wife Kelli; and almost-grandchildren Danika, Kailey, Taryn, Tessa, and Tanner Longshore and their parents Julie and Joe Longshore.

John is preceded in death by his parents, brothers Bruce and Alan Hagen and sisters Gail and Kay Hagen, brother-in-law Craig Reinertson, and niece Shaula Hagen.

Visitation was held at Boldt Funeral Home in Faribault on Friday October 15th from 4:00-6:00 p.m. A celebration of John's life was held on October 16th at First English Lutheran Church in Faribault at 11:00 a.m., a luncheon followed. Due to John's love of bright colors, guests were encouraged to wear colors in their clothing and/or their masks.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Lutheran World Relief, First English Lutheran Church, or the Paradise Center for the Arts in Faribault MN.

## Christina Joy Nolt

Christina Joy Nolt, 39, of Dodge Center, MN passed away from T Cell Lymphoma on Wednesday, September 29, 2021, at her home.



Christy was born on March 22, 1982, to Mahlon and Regina (Troyer) Hershberger in Millersburg, OH. She married her husband, Delvin Nolt and together they had four children.

Christy was diagnosed with Peripheral T Cell Lymphoma on September 11, 2019. Through the next two years it meant trips for treatments and some study trials. Nothing was successful. Her journey here on earth was short, but she was one you never heard complaining. She was a good support to her husband, who is a farmer and a pastor, and she was a great mom to her four children. She loved gardening, organizing, shopping, and attending garage sales. Her visits to a coffee shop were always a highlight to her day. Her Christian example of love for God and then loving those around her was a great testimony.

Christy is survived by her husband, Delvin Nolt; children, Maleah, Shawn, Deklan, and Brenden; parents, Mahlon and Regina Hershberger; brothers, Dan (Brittney) Hersh-

berger and Jason (Jordan) Hershberger and sister, Mary Hershberger.

She was preceded in death by her maternal grandparents, Darwin and Violet (Stutzman) Troyer and paternal grandparents, Mose and Lydia (Peachy) Hershberger.

A funeral service was held at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, October 5, 2021, at Community Celebration Church, 27337 County Hwy 34 in Kasson, MN. Visitation was from 2:00-4:00 p.m. and 6:00-8:00 p.m. Monday, October 4, 2021, at Czaplowski Family Funeral Homes, 25 South Street SW in Dodge Center, MN. Interment was in Riverside cemetery in Dodge Center, MN.

You were invited to join a live stream of the funeral service on the Czaplowski Facebook page starting at 9:50 a.m.; <https://www.facebook.com/Czaplowski-Family-Funeral-Homes-Crematory-336420016774213/>.

To share a special memory or condolence please visit [www.czaplowskifuneral-homes.com](http://www.czaplowskifuneral-homes.com), Czaplowski Family Funeral Homes, 25 South Street P.O. Box 502, Dodge Center, MN 55927 (507) 374-2155. Blessed be her memory.

## Audrey J. Serie

Audrey J. Serie, age 80, died on Sunday, October 3, 2021, at the Fairview Care Center in Dodge Center.



Audrey Jean Serie, the daughter of Willis and Florence (Zeller) Miller, was born on November 27, 1940 in Milton Township, Dodge County. She grew up

near West Concord and attended country school in Berne. She later graduated from West Concord High School and continued her education at the Minnesota School of Business in Minneapolis. She worked at the IDS center. On April 27, 1963, she was married to Larry Serie in Mantorville. They both worked in both Chicago and Kansas City, for Hartford Ins. They moved back to Berne where she raised her children on the family farm. Audrey was an active member of Zwingli United Church of Christ, serving on several committees and helping with Swiss Fest. She enjoyed Nascar, watching football, drinking Pepsi and having snacks. Bugles and Cheez Whiz were among her favorites. She also enjoyed having coffee and creating relationships with her neighbors in Berne. Audrey especially loved her family and rarely missed any of her children and grandchildren's events.

She is survived by her children Michael (Kim) Serie of Mantorville and Lesa Serie of West Concord, grandchildren Kayla (Jordan) Kaehler, Brady Serie and Jacob Lund, and great grandson Laine Kaehler. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, Larry Serie, and a brother Garth Miller. The family wants to thank the staff at Fairview Care Center for their wonderful care.

Family and friends gathered at the Michaelson Funeral Home in West Concord from 4PM until 7PM on Friday, October 15, 2021. A private family service will be held at another time.

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## Linda Kay Bowman

Linda Kay Bowman, 65, of Dodge Center, MN passed away peacefully with her children by her side on Monday, October 11, 2021, at Mayo Clinic St. Mary's Campus in Rochester, MN.

Linda was born on June 8, 1956, in Dodge Center, MN to Donald and Barbara (Bartel) Jensen. She graduated from Dodge Center High School in 1974. On November 29, 1975, she married John Bowman



and together they had three children, Heather, Jessica, and Jon. Linda worked for Mayo Clinic in Rochester, MN for 35 years, retiring in 2014. She enjoyed traveling, gardening, crocheting, cooking, canning, and attending her grandchildren's events.

Linda is survived by her children, Heather Bowman (Tracy Monson) of Dodge Center, MN, Jessica (Adam) Noble of Dodge Center, MN and Jon (Makenzee) Bowman of Rochester, MN; six grandchildren, Jacob Monson of Dodge Center, MN, Elliot and Easton Noble of Dodge Center, MN, Coy, Grace and Layke Bowman of Rochester, MN; mother, Barbara Jensen of Dodge Center, MN; mother-in-law, Shirley Bowman of Dodge Center, MN; siblings, Debra (Charles)

Johnson of Dodge Center, MN, Julie (Robert) Bowman of Dodge Center, MN, David (Charles) Jensen of Ponce de Leon, FL, Bonnie Jensen of Dodge Center, MN, Korina (Jay) Osborn of Afton, MN, Dale (Tamara) Jensen of Dodge Center, MN, Darrin Jensen of Dodge Center, MN, Dallas (Barbara) Jensen of Dodge Center, MN and Dennis (Naomi) Jensen of Dodge Center, MN; brother-in-law, Tom Bowman of Dodge Center and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by husband, John Bowman; grandson, Isaac Monson; her father, Donald Jensen; infant brother, Daniel; father-in-law, Earl Bowman and sisters-in-laws, Joanne Wetzstein and June Bowman.

A funeral service will be held at 11:00 a.m.

Monday, October 18, 2021, at United Methodist Church, 20 1st St NE in Dodge Center, with Reverend Chad Christensen officiating. Visitation will be from 4:00-7:00 p.m. Sunday, October 17, 2021, at Czaplowski Family Funeral Homes, 25 South St SW in Dodge Center and one hour prior to the service at the church. Burial will be held at a later date in Riverside Cemetery in Dodge Center, MN.

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## Triton Students Tour Al-Corn Clean Fuel



Claremont, Oct 14 - Seventeen students from Dodge Center's Triton High School toured Al-Corn Clean Fuel yesterday to learn about ethanol production.

During the tour, the students, from grades 11 and 12, learned about several components of the ethanol production process including incoming grain grading, grain handling, fermentation, grain storage, dried distiller grain production and storage, ethanol storage and shipment.

"The ethanol industry plays a vital role in boosting the economy here in Claremont and its surrounding towns. By getting a first-hand look at operations at Al-Corn, students have an opportunity to learn about the technologies and processes involved in converting a homegrown ingredient into renewable, clean energy which, in turn, adds value back into our local and state economies," said Randall Doyal, CEO of Al-Corn.

The tour was organized by the Minnesota Bio-Fuels Association (MN Bio-Fuels) and sponsored by Novozymes, a global microbe and enzyme provider, and supporter of Minnesota's ethanol industry. Both Al-Corn Clean Fuel and Novozymes are members of MN Bio-Fuels.

"Earlier in the year, we hosted two virtual plant visits at Al-Corn Clean Fuel for students at Triton High School, so it was a welcome change yesterday to be able to bring students into the actual plant," said Tim Rudnicki, executive director of MN Bio-Fuels.

Robert Ickler, Agriculture Economy instructor at Triton High school, accompanied his students during the tour.

"In this class, students have learned about commodity markets and the role that ethanol plants play in them, as an end user of corn. By seeing an ethanol plant, students are better able to visualize commodity markets," he said.

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**Craig Schlichting**  
Superintendent

The Triton Public Schools 2021 Homecoming was absolutely fantastic. I wanted to reflect on that in the Messenger article this month. I think one of the things that made it so fantastic was having it back after having to miss it last year due to COVID. In my first

year as the superintendent the administrative team really wanted to make the week of homecoming a celebration of the positive things happening at Triton. The administrators worked hard with staff and community members to bring back the parade and some of the other activities that had been a part of the tradition during homecoming week in 2019. It was a great success and we felt that we had some wonderful momentum going and then lost many of our homecoming activities due to COVID in 2020. I am so impressed with how well everything went this year and it was a great homecoming!

One of the most important elements of a successful homecoming is the planning that happens prior to week of homecoming. It takes a group of dedicated staff working together for all the events of the week to come together. Our new activities director Corey Black was able to work with our returning administrative all-stars Mr. Lutterman and Mr. Van Beek to pick up where we left off in 2019. We also have great leadership in our student council with Ms. Swanson that helps

coordinate all of the school activities with the planning of the community. One of the additions to the festivities this year was the tailgating fair. Many of our student groups and the elementary TEAM group put together activities and had food trucks on site. It was held on our new parking area to the West of the bus garages. It was a great time for all that attended. The TEAM group had bounce houses and the student groups had games that you could play for prizes. The parade this year was as big as ever, and I hope we can continue to get the community involved and participating. A huge thank you to all of the community members that were able to be a part of the parade, and a highlight for sure was the return of our school marching band! They sounded amazing and really brought a great deal of spirit to the pep-fests, playing at the game, and being in our parade.

Our new app was even ready in time for homecoming. This is a great way to get live feeds from the school district or you can pick each school individually to get live feed updates from. I am looking forward to using the features of the new software to communicate weather conditions and things that are happening in the district. It allows us the ability

to make voice calls as we have in the past, but it also allows us to send text messages. If you would like to be on our list to receive these please contact the district office and ask to be on the community message list.

The following week two community members treated the staff to a pizza lunch to thank them for all of the extra effort it takes to make homecoming a success. I can't say how thankful I am for our staff to be recognized for the extra effort it takes to work with students on such an event filled and exciting week of activities. I am also thankful to have so many amazing staff and students that were able to show the pride they have in our school district and celebrate the week.

Please reach out to me with any questions that you may have regarding our school district. You can email me at [schlich@triton.k12.mn.us](mailto:schlich@triton.k12.mn.us) or you can call me at 507-418-7530 to reach me at the district office. I would be happy to set up a time to meet with you or your organization. I believe that communication is an important aspect of my job responsibility, and I welcome the opportunity to learn from your perspective. GO COBRAS!

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## Triton FFA Officer Team Attends Fall Leadership Day in Cannon Falls



**Pictured left to right: Morgan Styndl, Stella Streich, Jenna Kenworthy, Elyssa Robinson, Kiya Avery and John Moenning. Missing from the picture is Cadence Spearman**

Our 2021 officer team had a blast at Fall leadership Day in Cannon Falls! President: Kiya Avery, Secretary: Elyssa Robinson, Treasurer: Jenna Kentworthy, Reporter: Stella Streich, Jr. Advisor: Morgan Styndl, and Sentinel: John Moenning attended the event. We left at 7:50am in our official dress and headed to Cannon Falls high school. We had amazing workshops where we learned more about FFA opportunities and how to grow as a leadership team! We were also gifted with the amazing opportunity to go on one of 5 agricultural business tours. On the tours we learned a lot about how the ag business is doing and that we should do everything we can to get our dream job! I was given the opportunity to go on a Meat Market tour. It was fascinating learning the process of knocking and processing beef. The speaker we had was very excited about her job and clearly explained the meat making process. It was absolutely amazing to hear all the job opportunities in agriculture! Overall the day was a success, many new skills were learned and we left with lots of new ideas for our chapter and for our life!

## TRITON CLASS OF 2022



### SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

Benett Monosmith is a senior at Triton High School. His parents are Janna & Brian and he has one brother, Davis.

He is active in Soccer, Football and Basketball and after school enjoys playing video games.

His favorite actress is Jennifer Lawrence.

After graduation he plans to enroll in an Electrician program.



**BENETT MONOSMITH**

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He knew that she would be happy working for a great institution. Stacy is excited to be part of the Triton family and Dodge Center community. She's not only a teacher but a neighbor to some of her students. Stacy and her husband recently bought a new home and realized that some of her students were living in the same neighborhood.

Prior to coming to Triton, she taught Elementary Art for 7 years at St. Clair Public Schools. The art position at Triton is a change of pace that she enjoys. She now teaches Middle and High School Art. She excitedly stated, "It's so different to see the middle and high school students with art projects because they can express their creativity and talent in a way that the elementary level students are still developing."

Stacy understands that returning back to school with in-class sessions and routines

from the pandemic would prove to have a few challenges. For example, masking is not required, but if students feel more comfortable wearing a mask; it's encouraged to do so. This issue has created a great deal of anxiety and pressure for everyone. "It's taking more time to get back into the school routine since Covid." Stacy explained, "We are taking more precautions with cleaning the art supplies. And we clean and disinfect tables more often." She explained further, "If a student has to miss class for an extended period of time, I can excuse missed projects and be flexible with how assignments are to be made up. It's better than coming up with a different assignment that they may not have the required art supplies to complete." School staff must now balance the educational, social and emotional needs of their students along with the health and safety of students and staff in the midst of the evolving pandemic.

Stacy is committed to teaching art and wants to build lasting relationships within her role. She prepared her teaching space and her curriculum in anticipation of a successful year. Stacy Ullom brings a high level of organization and work ethic that will continue to enhance Triton's art department.

### Erica Meyers

Erica Meyers is excited to be part of the Tri-

ton Family! She studied at North Dakota State and earned a Bachelor Degree in Biological Sciences. Then she attended St. Cloud University and earned her Masters Degree in Life Science Education. She had successful student teaching and practical experiences at Kimball High School, St. Cloud Schools, and Ricori High School.

For education majors, student teaching is the capstone, the time when they step into the classroom and immerse themselves in their subjects and their students. Covid affected her student teaching experience, as with many other recent education majors. Traditionally student teachers are trained on implementing classroom procedures, how to create and enforce rules, how to manage students who are off task, disinterested, or misbehaving, and how to keep students actively engaged in their learning. Now student teachers must learn how to effectively manage a class virtually.

Guidelines have been set by the Minnesota Department of Health, and if a significant outbreak occurs in the district; they would require the school to shut down the building. Triton School District will be closely monitoring the data for new Covid-19 cases in Dodge County. Erica is confident that her student teaching experience prepared her to be

successful in teaching during such times of uncertainty. "If the pandemic changes the school's learning format, I should be successful in the transition." She has taught online, hybrid, and in-person. Erica was forced to find creative ways to still hold lessons and get students involved without the traditional learning strategies they learned in school.

After graduating, Erica desired to live closer to her family and find a great school to start her career. "I've been told that Triton is known to be a great school and the Triton School District really cares about their students, and the families, and the community." So she applied to Triton and was pleased to accept the offer.

Inspiration can be found in the countless numbers of student teachers such as Erica Meyers, that rose to meet the occasion of educating our youth; despite the unknown challenges that lie ahead. Erica stated,

"I'm here at Triton to give the students experiences that they will remember and be able to use in their life. I want my students to be excited to learn about science by active learning with experiments, projects, and anything that will make science fun to learn." This should be a reminder that teachers are a vital lifeline for their students, now and during whatever is next.

## Foolish Production Coming to the THS Stage

Triton High School will be presenting the comic fable, *Fools*, on November 4, 5, and 6 at 7:00 p.m. For our senior citizen crowd, we'll once again be offering a free matinee at 1:00 on Wednesday, November 3rd. Tickets for the general admission performances, which are \$4 for students and \$6 for adults, may be purchased in advance or at the door.

This production is under the direction of Anne Schreiber, and joining her as the tech director is John Schreiber, clearly no stranger to the THS stage. As Anne explains, "it's been great having my dad's expertise once again. We work together well, for obvious reasons, but it's also just so nice to have his added vision for the production."

*Fools* has rich history since it was written by Neil Simon, the successful playwright who is responsible for such hits as *The Odd Couple* and *Barefoot in the Park*. The plot centers around a young teacher named Leon, who has arrived in the village of Kulyenchikov to tutor the young Sophia, daughter of the local doctor. Upon his arrival, however, Leon realizes very quickly that all is not right in Kulyenchikov. He meets a shepherd named "Something Something Snetsky" (if only she could remember her first name!), a villager who milks her cow upside down, and a mail carrier who never arrives at the correct house. The situation, Leon realizes, is a curse (or a "nurse" or "purse," as the villagers call it) orches-

trated by the ancestors of the evil Count Yousekivitch, and it has placed the villagers in a constant state of stupidity. Hilarity ensues as Leon struggles to break this curse, and ultimately show the villagers that the power to breaking the curse lies within them.

The cast and crew are busy putting the final touches to the production, and look forward to showcasing their hard work. The cast includes Weston Haugen, Talia Kelley, Kai Zill, Jenna Kenworthy, Andrew Edge, Mariana Castaneda, Ashtyne Avery, Liam Dostal, Hanna Strom, August Johnson, Litany Peterson, Jasmine Bolster, Lena Moe, Ashley Dominguez, Kianna Peters, Lily Dearborn, and Alyssa Mulden. The crew includes the talents of Kaitlyn Krupa, Sydney Pluto, Dasmine Marquardt, Raymond Anderson, A.J. Kozisek, Miley Dostal, Anna Anderson, Anyely Dominguez Marquez, Angeleigh Chinn, Poe Broskoff, Emma Esplan, Anthony Crofton, and Connor Koball.





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## Timeless Anodyne at The Annadine

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The definition in the Merriam Webster dictionary reads, “a drug that allays pain” or “something that soothes, calms or comforts.” Keep that in mind, gentle reader.

Time marches on to the 1960s, the property remains, and not too far away a girl named Nadine enjoys growing up with music. Nadine recalls, “My mother was the church organist and was constantly singing throughout the day at home.” That love of music was passed from mother to daughter, encouraging Nadine to learn the organ, alto saxophone, violin and ukulele.

A few decades later while teaching piano full-time, Nadine resumes her dream of having a Music Teachers National Association Certificate. She finishes at age 53 in 2008, courtesy of St. Thomas University, recalling, “My love for music and for children makes teaching piano the perfect profession for me,

and as more and more discoveries are made on how beneficial learning a musical instrument is not only to a child's brain, but their mental health, I am more passionate about it.” Averaging 40 to 45 students a week, she knew a larger studio space would be ideal for her students.

In September of 2011, the original drug store, dentist, beauty shop and bakery property were now 131 years old and in desperate need of some TLC. Dilapidated, but far from done, the building had potential. Nadine and her husband Randy took the leap of faith to pursue a life-long dream of creating a special multi-purpose musical space. With help from a private loan and an Economic Development Loan from the city of Dodge Center, they bought the building as one property and began on work defining the spaces to their needs.

First, they renovated the bakery into a piano studio with a waiting area, a bathroom, and two classrooms. The studio hosted its first students by November of 2011.

Next, the former upstairs dentist area of today's Annadine building was transitioned into a loft apartment starting in January of 2012. By that summer, the first renters had moved in.

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## Grieving the Loss of a Pet

Our pets become part of our family. They develop distinct relationships with each family member, human and animal alike. After a pet's death, each family member will go through the grieving process in his or her own way.

Gail Wallis Hague, a counseling psychologist with close to 40 years of experience, says that feelings of sadness, anger, loss, shock, or guilt often arise when a pet dies. Processing these feelings can be overwhelming and seem never-ending, according to Hague, who works as the grief counselor at the University of Illinois Veterinary Teaching Hospital in Urbana. She also manages the college's CARE Pet Loss Grief Helpline.

Grieving the loss of a pet is a journey that differs for every person and even other animals in the home.

There are as many grief reactions as there are people who are grieving,” Hague explains. Each person who is grieving is unique, as is the relationship that person had with the pet. The circumstances of the pet's death and family also play a role in how people mourn the loss.

The grieving process requires time, and there are no shortcuts to get through it.

“Grief will come in waves,” says Hague. “As times goes by, the quality of the grief changes and eventually the waves get further and further apart.”

“It is important to recognize the various signs of grief and to be supportive of those who are going through the process,” she says. A strong support system filled with people who are sympathetic and encouraging to the mourning process makes the journey more bearable.

Children under the age of 7 don't fully understand the permanence of death. They will need information tailored to their developmental stage. Parents may find it hard to explain the pet's death to their children, especially while the parents themselves are grieving.

“There are many wonderful children's books that help explain the loss of a pet in way that is easier to understand,” Hague says. There are also books for parents to help them guide their children through the difficult process.

All pets, no matter the species, have the capacity to grieve the loss of a fellow pet in the household.

“A pet going through loss may show signs such as acting bewildered, looking for the other animal to come home, losing interest in normal activities, sleeping a lot, or becoming more needy,” Hague says.

Animals may also act out, becoming snippy or just wanting to be alone. It is vital to allow the animal time to work through this, and with time the grieving behaviors should pass. However, an animal that is not eating or drinking, is losing weight, or otherwise appears ill should be seen by a veterinarian right away.

“I have often seen how a pet will step into the role of the animal who passed away,” Hague observes.

For some people, it will take time to be ready to welcome another pet; for others, it won't take long at all. There is no right amount of time.

“One pet cannot replace another. People often feel that they need to wait to get another pet out of respect for the pet that they lost,” Hague says. “However, the finest thing a person can do for a pet they lost is to love another animal.”

The bond with a new pet will not be identical to the bond that was broken by the pet's death.

“When the longing to share a bond with a pet outweighs the grief, then the person is ready to welcome another animal,” Hague advises.

Hague advises those going through the grieving process to engage in activities that bring them joy and peace with whatever energy is present. She also emphasizes the need to talk about feelings.

“If someone just swallows his feelings without expressing them, these suppressed feelings will manifest later in unhealthy ways,” Hague says. Symptoms of physical or emotional illness may arise. If symptoms of illness occur, seek a physician, counselor, or therapist.

“People must know that it is normal and natural to love a pet as deeply as we love the people in our lives. There is no reaction to be ashamed of while mourning the loss of a pet,” Hague reiterates.

If you have questions about pet loss or grief, contact your local veterinarian.

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They saved the best for last. Finally, after a few years of working on their loans, they dove into the wine bar and music venue area. It was a labor of love and Nadine recalls, "We lovingly removed the peeling white paint from the 13-foot-high pressed tin ceiling and repainted it with a gold metallic paint." They had the help of one of Nadine's piano student's named Anna who, through her Senior Project, helped design the space. Combining the names of Anna and Nadine, they decided to name the new space The Annadine. Only then did Nadine stumble across the meaning of anodyne when googling "Annadine" out of curiosity. Google asked, "Did you mean anodyne?" Nadine stated, "Some definitions are, a painkilling drug or medicine, something that relieves or takes away stress, something that is relaxing. A source of soothing comfort. Not only was that exactly what my vision was for the place, but it was originally a space that provided anodyne." Clearly it was meant to be.

In the Fall of 2016, five years ago, the long-awaited opening night arrived. Nadine reminisced, "We had our first live music on Friday night, October 28, 2016, featuring Nathan Davidson and the CBB Jazzers."

Nadine describes the space as, "Comfortable, eclectic, a dash of quirkiness, and boho. It's got a good vibe." For example, one of the booths is crafted out of two old pipe organs. And of course, the owners pay homage to the history of the building by showcasing old photos.

The Annadine offers a variety of refreshment. Nadine explains, "We serve a limited menu of three white wines, three red and a variety of domestic and craft beers. We also have a selection of pop, hot tea, coffee and hot chocolate. We are now serving pizza, as well as nuts and snack mix, which we always have had."

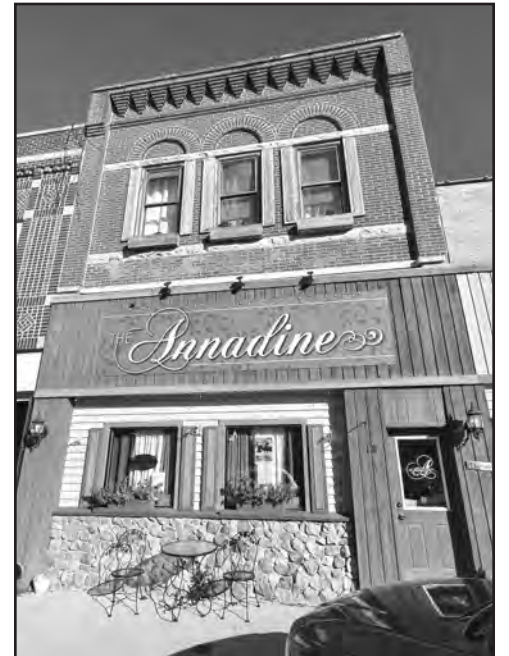
As for music options, The Annadine showcases live music and open mic night. The next three players in the live music category are The Dreamers featuring Wayne Owen on Friday, October 22. Nadine describes them as playing, "all the great pop from the 60s and 70s. They were there!" Next is Jaggedease on Saturday, November 6th, featuring a "more jiving, mellow, lush, all in one" sound, according to Nadine. Then on Saturday, November 20th, 2Birdz members Carl and Roberta Stephenson play, showcasing pop and classic rock songs.

Open mic, held the first and third Thursday of each month with doors opening at 6pm, is a great option for people age 16 and over to showcase their talent. There's a white board for sign up and you're allowed three songs each round, working through the list from 7-10pm. Nadine says, "We enjoy much local talent, both professional and amateurs, young and old. We've had from classic rock to opera, country to Christian, originals and old favorites."

There is no cover charge for open mic or live music." To clarify, The Annadine is only open when these specific music events are held.

The Annadine is celebrating 5 years this month. Nadine stresses the importance of the go local movement reiterating, "We want everyone to know there is a place to get away very close by that has everything you need: good friends, good beverages, and good atmosphere." Check out their Facebook page for the latest information.

In the past 131 years, the vibe of the building and its spaces has changed a bit, but the purpose? Not so much. Relaxing spaces created for soothing the soul and honoring our humanity are a must have. Go and discover for yourself what the Annadine is like. Revel in the history. Revel in the present. Be part of the future of the Annadine.



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--Getting Older

Dear Getting:

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You also need to be aware that certain accounts take precedence over a will. If you jointly own a home or a bank account, for example, the house, and the funds in the account, will go to the joint holder, even if your will directs otherwise.

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## Teachers Make a Difference



By Harvey Mackay

Years ago a John Hopkin's professor gave a group of graduate students this assignment: Go to the poorest sections of the city. Take 200 boys, between the ages of 12 and 16, and investigate their background and environment. Then predict their future outcomes.

After consulting social statistics, talking to the boys, and compiling much data, the students concluded that 90 percent of the boys would spend some time in jail.

Twenty-five years later another group of graduate students was given the job of testing the prediction. They went back to the same areas. Some of the boys – by then men – were still there, a few had died, some had moved away, but they got in touch with 180 of the original 200. They found that only four of the group had ever been sent to jail.

Why was it that these men with many disadvantages had such a surprisingly good record? The researchers were continually told: "Well, there was this teacher."

They pressed further and found that in 75 percent of the cases it was the same woman. The researchers went to this teacher, long since retired. How had she exerted this remarkable influence over that group of children? Could she give them any reason why these boys should have remembered her?

"No," she said, "I really couldn't." And then, thinking back over the years, she said musingly, more to herself than to her questioners, "I loved those boys."

Teachers hold a special place in our lives. As we start another school year, it's a perfect time to salute and applaud the people who

helped mold us into who we became.

October 5 was World Teachers' Day, so let's celebrate the important role teachers play in all our lives. I learned many life lessons from my teachers that had a significant bearing on my life.

There is no magic formula for being a success. Sure, natural talent can make a big difference. It takes iron determination and lots of hard, hard work. The harder you work, the luckier you get. Success only comes before work in the dictionary. My mentor Curt Carlson, founder of one of the world's largest privately owned companies, used to say, "You work five days a week to keep pace with the competition. You work Saturday to get ahead."

**Stay focused.** The person who is everywhere is nowhere. If you have the ability to focus fully on the task at hand, and shut out everything else, you can accomplish amazing things.

Respect has to be given to be received. Respect people for what they are and for what they stand for – even if you don't agree. Be respectful or be regretful.

**Dream big.** I was taught to aim high and to have dreams that inspire me to go beyond my limits. Show me someone who doesn't dream about the future and I'll show you someone who doesn't know where he or she is going. If you can dream it, you can become it.

**Never be afraid to make mistakes.** You're bound to fail at some things. Learn what you can and move on instead of beating yourself up. Embrace mistakes as opportunities to grow. If you're not making mistakes, you're not taking any risks. And that could mean you're not making progress.

**Remain trustworthy.** Trust is the most important word in business, as well as life in general. Trust is central to doing business with anyone. Without it, you have another word that begins with T: Trouble. It takes years to build trust, but only seconds to destroy it.

There are consequences for bad decisions. Bad decisions are quite different from mistakes, as any teacher can tell you. Deciding to take shortcuts instead of doing the job right, making promises you can't keep – there are consequences that are often difficult to overcome which could be avoided by starting off on the right path.

**Make the best of your opportunities.** Look for occasions to display your talents and see where it leads you. There's an old saying that you make your own opportunities. Don't sell yourself short.

**You can make a difference.** Sometimes all a person needs to hear is that they matter. Great teachers inspire that confidence, no matter what the grade or age level. They also set wonderful examples of making a difference in their students' lives, like the teacher who showed all those boys that they had tremendous potential for success.

**Mackay's Moral: The best teachers share lessons not found in books.**

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## Changes in Latitudes, Changes in Attitudes End of an Era



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.*

Twenty-one years ago, I began my life in the newspaper business. It was actually quite by accident. I wasn't intending to help out for more than a few months but ended up buying the paper and the rest is history.

One of the first acquaintances I made were the folks who printed the newspaper each week. In those days we would layout the pages by pasting printed copies on a large sheet and then deliver them to the printer. After printing, the bundled papers would be hauled back to the post office and distributed to retail locations.

Leonard, Margaret and Jeff Bauman owned the press, a business called Country Impressions near Waseca, where we printed each week. I would drop the pages off at 8am and return in the afternoon to pick up the newspapers. The smell of printer's ink and the hum of the big machinery rolling newspapers fresh off the press was exciting. Johannes Gutenberg would have been so proud. At one time they printed nearly every small-town newspaper in this area, about twenty-eight by our recollection.

Early on we had a mishap. One week somehow a page was omitted and the press spit out all copies of our West Concord Enterprise with one blank page in the middle. I didn't notice it until I was back at the office with all copies printed and distributed. The next week I pulled out a copy at the printer and paged through it to see if any were missing. I looked up and there was Leonard, Margaret and Jeff looking at me, rather concerned from around

the office door. I never found out whose fault the missing page was.

Being an ambitious young man back then I would spend hours doing sales calls in Owatonna. It was a lucrative market back then and I made lots of ad sales. Actually, too many sales for one certain person. Elsie Slinger was the owner of the Blooming Prairie Times and she took offense at the number of Owatonna businesses I was selling ads to. She called me up and informed me I was to lay off Owatonna sales calls and I should sit in my office like a good sales person and wait for the businesses to call me. I guess that way she could get those sales. Naturally being a farm boy who always took the bull by the horns and made my own way in life, I couldn't believe someone would have the gall to feed me this line of bull. Needless to say, the phone conversation degenerated rapidly and I informed her that we lived in a free country and I could sell to anyone I pleased.

Maybe that would have been the end of the issue, except that when I dropped off the paste up sheets that next Tuesday morning, who should I see but Elsie Slinger, there picking up her Blooming Prairie Times. She was still steaming from our phone call earlier and launched into a tirade at me. This was better, now we had an audience for the fight. It is amazing at how calm and articulate one can be when they are right and the other person is crazy. When Elsie stormed out, I looked up and saw Leonard, Margaret and Jeff looking cautiously at me from around the office door. I am fairly certain they were expecting some kind of bloodshed from this confrontation. From then on Elsie picked up her papers later, I sold ads to every business in Owatonna as well as some in Blooming Prairie and I never crossed paths with her again.

Over the years I became great friends with the Bauman's and enjoyed visiting with them every week. The number of newspapers they were printing dwindled down to ours and a couple others and they ceased printing newspapers and retired at the end of September. I am going to miss those guys. As for Elsie, she wrote a murder mystery book.

## A Minnesotan: Bundled Up



By RosaLin Alcoser

October 31st, 1999 was my very first Halloween in Minnesota. I was three years old at the time, and I went trick-or-treating in my snow boots. It was a light dusting of snow. But as a newcomer to Minnesota, who had minimal experience with snow, I remember it as more than a light dusting.

Halloween of 2002 was my first Halloween in Mazeppa. I remember that my sister and I went trick or treating as a pair of Dalmatian puppies. It was a warm Halloween or at least warm for a Minnesotan Halloween. At least I think that I remember it being warm. Honestly, I have no idea

I was six, and the Dalmatian costume was mostly made up of sweats.

There have been relatively warm Halloweens in my childhood as well as years when it snowed. There was one year when it snowed, and I refused to wear my coat up to the houses while out trick or treating. Because if I wore my coat, then my costume couldn't be seen. And really if you can't see the costume then what's the point? The true mark of a good Halloween costume is that it can be worn over a snowsuit if need be.

Which brings me back around to last Halloween; which was really my first truly grown up Halloween meaning that I was the one handing out the candy and not the trick-or-treater or at the high school or college Halloween event meant to keep us contained for the evening.

Last year was 2020 so the trick-or-treaters were really just the kids on our street due to COVID and it was also a cold year. So when the neighbor's child was outside our house for trick-or-treat they were bundled up... and as far as I know to this day that was the costume. The kid was just bundled up; reminding us all that the mark of a truly good Halloween costume in Minnesota is the ones that can go over your snowsuit.

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