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Announcements

• **Celebrating Advent at Dennison Vang Lutheran Church:** Advent begins on Sunday, Nov. 21. To get Advent off to a good start, all are invited to an Advent "Prayer Stations" intergenerational activity. Resources and activities to help us celebrate Advent in our homes will also be made available.

The Advent Prayer Stations and Hot Chocolate Bar will be on Sunday, Nov. 21 following the 9:00 AM service at Vang.

• **Wangen Prairie Lutheran Church is collecting books for preschoolers and school supplies, especially for high school students, to be distributed to kids at Cannon Falls and Kenyon-Wanamingo schools.** To add to the celebration, we will also serve an early Thanksgiving dinner after our 9:00 a.m. service. We will also have guest speaker Paul Knutson for the New Hope Mission Society to update us on their ministry.

• **Dennison Red Cross Blood Drive Cancelled:** The Red Cross Blood Drive that was scheduled for Nov. 23 has been cancelled due to staffing shortages. There are numerous blood drives still happening in the area, however. Please go to www.redcrossblood.org to find a blood drive near you.

• **Hiawathaland Transit:** Service hours are 7:30am-4:30pm Monday through Friday. Call dispatch at 866-623-7505 Monday through Friday 6am-9pm and Saturday 7:00am-5:00pm. Visit threeiverscap.org for more information.

• **Kenyon SEMCAC dinners** are served Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday at Gunderson Gardens at 11:15a.m. to anyone 60 or older. A suggested donation is posted. Reservations are required by signing up the day before or calling Helen Aase at 789-5315.

Kenyon Restaurant to Open Later this Month

Lacey's Kitchen and Cocktails will be opening for business November 26th. They are currently renovating the Schweich's Hotel Bar and Restaurant, building remodeled by Lawrence Schweich in 2013. Business partners Steve Lacey, the experienced chef, and Heather Thram will be managing the business. They had considered working together on another project, which didn't materialize because of the Covid shutdown. The

two started looking into this opportunity a year ago.

Steve Lacey has been involved in the food service industry since he was fourteen years old, when he worked at the Happy Chef restaurant. He was a Happy Chef manager at the age of eighteen, and went to college at Mankato. Steve is a graduate of one of the top culinary schools in Vermont and worked in French and Italian restaurants in San An-

tonio, Texas before moving back to Minnesota thirty-years ago with his wife to raise their family. He worked at numerous fine restaurants in the twin cities including Legends at Prior Lake, where they catered events for up to 5,000 guests at a time. He is looking forward to bringing something special to the community with his new restaurant. He has the knowledge and skill to make food a little better and puts his expertise into every meal he puts on a plate.

Heather Thram brings her business experience to run the daily operations. She has worked as a realtor and property management consultant for the last ten years. Her husband Rick is a business partner who owns the building.



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K-W School Vote Passes

On November 2nd the Kenyon-Wanamingo school district asked the voters to approve an operating levy of \$950 per student for the next ten years. A current levy of \$295 expires this year. The proposed levy would cost the average homeowner with \$200,000 house an additional \$300 each year in taxes. A similar proposal had been brought to the ballot the

last two years and failed to pass. This year the vote passed with two thirds approval, a change from last fall when it was defeated by the same margin. Breakdown by community of the voting was 655 yes votes to 320 no votes in Kenyon and 340 yes votes to 229 no votes in Wanamingo.

Local Christmas events this season

Thursday, December 2nd will be Christmas in Wanamingo. The activities will take place from 4 to 5pm in the Industrial Park and from 5 to 7pm on Main Street businesses. This year the theme is "Season of Giving" and you can bring a canned food item or cash to get a punch card to be eligible for prize drawings. The high point of the night will be a visit with Santa Claus at the Wanamingo Mutual Insurance office.

On Saturday, December 4th Christmas in Kenyon will be held. Santa will be at S.I.F.T. from 1 to 3pm. K-W Choir students will be caroling around town. A vendor fair will be held from 9am to 3pm at the All-Seasons Community Center. The annual tree lighting will take place at the Veteran's Park at 5pm. There are many more activities scheduled during the day and you can see them on the Christmas in Kenyon schedule on page 4.

On Saturday, December 4th there will be a Christkindlmarkt, or German Christmas Market held in Goodhue from noon to 6pm. There will be German food and beverages, crafters, vendors, artisans and horse drawn wagon rides.



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By Pastor Colin Rueter,
New Life Church

Statistics vary, but around 8 in 10 Americans have one. You probably have one on your shelf at home, or under your end table...or in a box downstairs. Maybe yours is on your coffee table or in your backpack. The Bible – God’s inspired and written word. Every year, the Barna Group and the American Bible Society conduct a survey: The American Bible Society’s State of the Bible. [https://sotb.research.bible/] Findings this year show just over one-third of U.S. adults (34%) reads the Bible once a week or more, while half (50%) read the Bible less than twice a year (including “never”). There are other statistics that has drawn the conclusion that while some Bible reading has increased, especially post-Covid, that many are not engaged with the full scope of the Bible story. This story – the Creation, Fall, Redemption, and Future Restoration through Jesus Christ – has profound impacts on the way we live, view the past/present/future, and how we prioritize all the things that beckon our attention.

My heart as a pastor is to remind God’s people, and others who have ears to hear, that the God of the Bible is in control and that He would grant us faith to believe. This faith and knowledge of God comes from the true and firm foundation of the Bible. In a world that seems to be falling apart, broken beyond re-

pair, and without order...God is in control, God has spoken, and God is present. Through reading the Bible, we know He is working all things according to the foreknowledge and counsel of His will. His purposes will not be thwarted by any force. We know that Jesus came to seek and save the lost, out of a love for mankind, rebellious sinners who cannot save ourselves. He does this out of His great love and mercy, to adopt us as children, and conform us into the image of His Son, Jesus. How do I know these things, and more, to be true? Well, sing the familiar song with me, “The Bible tells me so...” By God’s grace, over the coming months, we will walk through the Bible together. I’ll introduce a book of the Bible with an overview, how it fits within the narrative of the full canon of

Scripture, and engage the question: “How then shall we live?” As a ship in a storm looks for the lighthouse to guide and warn, so we need a beacon to guide and warn. We need a beacon that brings hope and points us to the grace of God in Christ alone.

My encouragement to those who read this: Trust in your Creator and spend time getting to know Him and His word, the Bible. I trust that as we do this, encouragement and peace will come to those who cast their cares, thoughts, and lives upon God through Christ. Like the disciple said, “Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life, and we have believed, and have come to know, that you are the Holy One of God.”

(John 6:68-69). Later, he encourages, “Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time he may exalt you, casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you.” (1 Peter 5:6-7). I trust that by spending time getting to know His word, we will come to know God and His Son Jesus more deeply and clearly. It is written, “For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart.” May this upcoming journey be for our good and God’s glory!

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Wednesday, Nov. 17 - 7:00 PM at Dennison -

Taize Evening prayer

Sunday, Nov. 21 - (First Sunday of Advent) - 9:00 AM Vang,

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Sunday, Nov. 28 - 9:00 AM Vang

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Scripture Reading — Ruth 4:18-22

Perez was the father of Hezron . . . Obed the father of Jesse,

and Jesse the father of David. — Ruth 4:18-22

The first mention of David in the Bible comes in the book of Ruth. David’s story was part of God’s much bigger story. Through the lives of David and many others, God was shaping and molding a people for himself. God called men and women into a relationship of grace, responsibility, and adventure.

The story of Ruth included disappointment, death, and discouragement. But as God worked in the lives of Ruth and Boaz, encouragement, joy, and hope began to shine through. Ruth and Boaz became ancestors of David.

Family connections anchored David’s life, making his family story an important part of his identity. As Eugene Peterson noted, “The genealogy shows that the story of Ruth and Boaz wasn’t simply a small love story into which they had accidentally fallen; rather it was a sprawling love story of epic proportions. For through the union of Ruth and Boaz came David” (Conversations).

Genealogies show us, in part, how God works in the world. Jesse told his children the stories of Perez, Hezron, Ram . . . Ruth and Boaz, and Obed as reminders of God’s faithfulness throughout the generations. And the thread of those stories went further back to a couple named Abraham and Sarah, whom God had called into a relationship with himself (Genesis 12). This was part of the inheritance David had even before he was born.

Prayer

Lord and God, thank you for your faithfulness and for calling me into a relationship with you as part of your story of life for us all. Amen.

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Paul T. Hokanson

Paul T. Hokanson, age 88 of Wanamingo passed away Tuesday, October 19th, 2021 at St. Mary's Hospital in the loving presence of family. Memorial Service was Friday, November 5th at 11:00 at Minneola Lutheran Church.



Pastor Hannah Bergstrom de Leon officiated. Visitation was Thursday, November 4th, 2021 at Mahn Family Funeral Home - Larson Chapel in Zumbrota, MN from 4-7pm and for one hour prior to the service at the church. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Paul T. Hokanson was born January 7th, 1933 in the stone house in Belle Creek Township to Thore and Minnie (Karlstad) Hokanson. He attended grade school in Cherry Grove Township and graduated from Kenyon H.S. in 1951. He received his Electrical degree from Dunwoody in 1959, served in the U.S Air Force from 1953-1957. He worked as an electrician in Hibbing, MN from April 1960-Oct 1961. An Electrical Engineer at Honeywell from Nov 1961 - Nov 1971. An Instrumentation Engineer at Prairie Island Nuclear Power Plant Dec 1971-March 1973 and an Engineer Aide and Supervisor at Honeywell in Plymouth, MN from March 1973 until he retired in 1992.

Paul loved spending time with Family, Friends, fishing, hunting, and fixing anything put in front of him. No matter how big or small the project may have been. He treasured his time with his grandchildren and great-grandchildren and caring for his 40 acre hobby farm. Paul was a long time member of Minneola Lutheran Church and was an active member. He was admired for his ability to handle anything with his kind and compassionate soul.

Paul was preceded in death by his father Thore, his mother Minnie, loving wife of 61 years Gloria, Brother Roger (Helen) Hokanson, daughter in-law Lhonda Hokanson and Boon Sorensen. He is survived by his two sons Gregory and Darin (Megan) Hokanson, his brothers Melroy (Leah) Hokanson, Harlan (Bonnie) Hokanson, Gary (Marlene) Hokan-

son and sisters Marleen (Larry) Beckman and Kathryn (Jerry) Hauschildt and 4 grandchildren Travis, Micheal, Tyler, Skylar and 8 great grandchildren.

Geraldine Delores (Schaefer) Wallaker

Geraldine Delores (Schaefer) Wallaker, 91, passed away Friday, October 15, 2021 at the Zumbrota Care Center. Geraldine was born on June 22, 1930 in Eyota, MN to Harold and Erma (Messner) Schaefer. She grew up in this area and attended the Pine Island country school as a child.



On October 4, 1952 Geraldine married Robert "Red" Wallaker in Sioux Falls, SD. Geraldine enjoyed many hobbies including, quilting, sewing, baking, preparing photo albums, and having coffee with friends. She was mostly a homemaker but also worked at Casey's Pizza, Maple Island and Visitation in Mendota Heights.

Geraldine is survived by seven children; Gerald (Linda) Wallaker, Nancy Rath (friend Jim Kittelson), LaRita (Jim) Brown, Cheryl (Merlin) Moreland, Teresa (Larry) Lawson, Brenda (Jack) Harvey and Steven Wallaker; 23 grandchildren; 51 great grandchildren; 5 great-great grandchildren; son-in-law, George McWaters; five siblings, Norman "Bud" Schaefer, Dale (Janet) Schaefer, Galen Schaefer, Bonnie (Harlan) Hokanson and Barb Gullickson; sister-in-law LaVonne Schaefer.

Geraldine was preceded in death by her husband, Robert; daughter Debra McWaters; great grandson Austin Larson; son-in-law Don Rath; brother Lowell Schaefer; sister Shirley Braaten; half-brothers Lowell Schaefer and Robert Schaefer; half-sisters Theresa Wiley and Darlene Richter; brothers-in-law Eugene Gullickson and Robert Braaten; Steven's longtime friend, Pam Sawyer.

The funeral service for Geraldine was at 11:00 am Monday, October 18, 2021 at Trinity Lutheran Church in Wanamingo. Pastor Christopher Culuris officiated. Visitation was one hour prior to the service at the church. Burial was at Trinity Lutheran

Church Cemetery. Online condolences are welcome and may be shared at mahnfamily-funeralhome.com.

Lila Dorene (Syverson) Grose

Lila Dorene (Syverson) Grose, 85 of Kenyon, died Monday, October 25, 2021 at the District One Hospital in Faribault with family at her side.



She was born January 20, 1936 in Wanamingo, Minnesota, the daughter of Casper and Clara (Grendahl) Syverson.

She attended school in Wanamingo and graduated from Wanamingo High School in 1953. She worked at the Mayo Clinic after graduation. She met Ronald Grose of Kenyon and they were married at Lands Lutheran Church in Zumbrota on October 1, 1955. The couple lived out in Monkey Valley, southwest of Kenyon before moving into Kenyon in 1967.

Lila was a homemaker for her family. Lila was a great cook and worked as a cook at the Kenyon School District for many years. She enjoyed cooking and canning the vegetables she grew in her garden. The grandchildren had their favorites that they would ask her to make for them. She and Ron helped with janitorial work at First Evangelical Lutheran Church. Lila was also involved in helping her husband, Ron operate Grose Refuse in Kenyon for 47 years. She would upcycle the furniture in good condition that was left out for pickup on the route. She also volunteered her time at Third World Thrift Shop in Kenyon. She did not like to see things go to waste and reused and repaired as much as she could.

In retirement, Lila and Ron enjoyed spending time with their family at their timeshare in Orlando, Florida. She was very devoted to their family and enjoyed visits, phone calls, emails and texts with their children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She made her own personalized greeting cards on her computer to celebrate birthdays and anniversaries.

She is survived by her three children, Pamela (David) Broin of Owatonna, Judy (Kevin Sage) Brockmiller of Gayville, SD, and David Grose of Kenyon; sisters, Dorothy Ness of Rochester, and Arlene Anderson of Phoenix AZ; sister in law, Alyce Matthees of Zumbrota; 12 grandchildren, Peter Broin, Kelli Broin, Travis (Brittney Olsen) Brockmiller, Tessa Brockmiller, Tarah Brockmiller, Nicholas Grose, Jasmine Grose, Tyler Grose, Danielle Grose, Noah Grose, Samantha Grose and Caleb Grose and 14 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Ronald Grose; parents, Casper and Clara Syverson; brother, Clifford Syverson; sisters, Marion Stevens and Patricia Dankers; brothers in law, Jewel Ness and Menford Stevens; sister in law, Joyce Syverson; and nephew, Tony Stevens.

A funeral service was held Saturday, October 30, 2021 at 11:00 AM at First Evangelical Lutheran Church, Kenyon. Pastor Julie

Rogness officiated. Visitation was at church one hour prior to the service. Interment was in the Kenyon Cemetery in Kenyon.

Ronald Allan Grose

Ronald Allan Grose, 90, of Kenyon, died Monday, October 18, 2021 at the Northfield Hospital with family at his side.



He was born September 24, 1931 in Kenyon, Minnesota the son of Russell and Myrtle



(Oelschlager) Grose. He attended school in Kenyon and graduated from Kenyon High School in 1949. He then served in the United States Air Force from December 30, 1950 until his honorable discharge on February 21, 1952. On October 1, 1955, he married Lila Syverson at Lands Lutheran Church in Zumbrota. The couple lived out in Monkey Valley southwest of Kenyon prior to moving to Kenyon in 1967.

Ronald was a truck driver all his life. He began driving milk truck, drove grain truck, drove truck for D & T Trucking out of New Brighton primarily to the East Coast often hauling for Hormel and Anderson Windows. He won numerous awards for safe driving while over the road. In 1967, he purchased Ron Grose Refuse and operated it for 47 years. After he retired from over the road trucking in 1996, he worked full time on his business until he sold it and retired at age 82.

He was a member of First Evangelical Lutheran Church in Kenyon and the Kenyon American Legion.

Ronald was a very organized person. He knew a lot about history and "the past". In his younger years he enjoyed bowling and bringing home M&M's and peanuts for his children. He loved shopping with Lila and buying gadgets which he often gave as gifts. He enjoyed visiting with people, spending time at the timeshare in Florida, and driving his 1965 Cadillac. In 2005 he was honored at the Kenyon Rose Fest.

He is survived by his wife, Lila Grose of Kenyon; children, Pamela (David) Broin of Owatonna, Judy (Kevin Sage) Brockmiller of Gayville, SD and David Grose of Kenyon; sister, Alyce Matthees of Zumbrota; 12 grandchildren, Peter Broin, Kelli Broin, Travis (Brittney Olsen) Brockmiller, Tessa Brockmiller, Tarah Brockmiller, Nicholas Grose, Jasmine Grose, Tyler Grose, Danielle Grose, Noah Grose, Samantha Grose and Caleb Grose and 14 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by parents, Russell and Myrtle; brother in law, Roy Matthees and nephew, Bruce Matthees.

A funeral service WAS held Saturday, October 23, 2021 at 11:00 AM at First Evangelical Lutheran Church in Kenyon with visitation one hour prior. Pastor Julie Rogness officiated. Interment was in the Kenyon Cemetery with military honors by the Kenyon Color Guard.

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Norma M. Jacobson

Norma M. Jacobson, age 99, of Kenyon passed away on Saturday, October 9th, 2021 at Three Links Care Center in Northfield, where she had resided since August 2021.

Norma, daughter of Martin and Olianna (Gunderson) Dyrdaahl, was born and raised on a farm in the Moland area outside of Kenyon on January 29, 1922. After graduating from Kenyon High School, she worked in Waseca for the Johnson Company as well as doing housework for several local families. With the help of friends, she met Samuel Lee Jacobson, and they were united in marriage at Hauge Lutheran Church on October 19, 1946, and were married for 48 years until Sam died in February 1995.

Norma's life revolved around her family, church and community. She insisted on caring for many of her grandchildren so her children could work each day. She was a very active member of the community as she was a member of the VFW Post #141 Auxiliary, American Legion Auxiliary, and Holden Lutheran Church where she was a member of WELCA and had taught confirmation classes.

Norma had also been a Girl Scout leader for several years. For many years she cooked for the monthly VFW Smorgaasbord dinners, annual Legion turkey and ham dinners, and Kenyon Firemen banquets. Requests for her roast beef, gravy and dressing were in high demand. Norma will be remembered for her holiday meals and teaching the grandchildren how to make lefse and krumkake. Family meals of her lutefisk and barbecued ribs will be missed. Besides cooking Norma enjoyed quilting, sewing, embroidery and coloring.

Norma was survived by her three children Sonia (Larry) Tatge of Kenyon; Craig (Terry) Jacobson of Rochester; Annette (Gary) Peters of Kenyon: Grandchildren Laurie (John) Dale, Steven (Amy) Tatge, Matthew (Kristy) Jacobson, Kimberly (Jason) Lilley, Darren (Jessica) Peters, Lauren (Jared) Peters Erling; great-grandchildren Austin Dale; Sean, Maya, Evan and Drew Tatge; Bryan and Colin Jacobson; Liam and Kayleigh Peters; Sister Olive Anthony; Sister-in-law LaVonne Dyrdaahl.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband Sam Jacobson; Sister Mildred Lair; brother Robert Dyrdaahl.

Visitation was held at Michaelson Funeral Home in Kenyon on Thursday, October 14th from 5-7PM. Services were held at Holden Lutheran Church in rural Kenyon on October 15th at 11AM with a visitation one hour prior to service.

Verniel Swiggum

Funeral services for Verniel Swiggum were held Wednesday, November 10th at 11:00 AM at Dale Lutheran Church, rural Wanamingo. The Rev. Chris Culluris officiated. Visitation was one hour prior to the service at the church, and burial was in the church cemetery.

Mrs. Swiggum, 94, of Zumbrota, died Sunday November 7, 2021 at Pine Haven Care Center in Pine Island.

Verniel Elaine Lothar was born July 27, 1927 in Goodhue County, the daughter of Christie and Marie Lothar. She was raised in the Bellechester area. On July 23, 1949 she married Henry Swiggum. The couple farmed, and Verniel waitressed for many years at the Edgewood and at the Covered Bridge restaurants. She loved spending time with family and friends, traveling and trips to Balsam Lake; she enjoyed playing cards, bowling, shopping, and going out to lunch. And she was a big fan of Elvis.

She is survived by a son, Marvin (Melissa) Swiggum of El Paso, Texas; a daughter, Sue (Patrick Trevis) Swiggum of Zumbrota; eight grandchildren; eleven great-grandchildren;

and one great-great-grandchild; a sister, Val Nesseth of St. Paul; two brothers, David (Helen) Lothar and Ken (Alice) Lothar, all of Zumbrota; two daughters-in-law Millie Koenig of Maple Grove, and Pat Swiggum of Cannon Falls; as well as many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, parents, two sons, Harvey and Robert, and siblings, Eunice, Audrey, Carol and Dale.

If so desired, memorials may be directed to Dale Lutheran Church. Mahn Family Funeral Home, Larson Chapel, in Zumbrota has been entrusted to arrangements.



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<p>Cookie Pre-orders LAST DAY! <i>Sponsored by the Gunderson House</i> See FB page for order info</p>	<p>KW Choir students will be caroling around town <i>Sponsored by KW Choir</i></p>	<p>Donate gifts cards or cash for kids at KW schools Drop donation at City Hall <i>Sponsored by Held Bus Service</i></p>	<p>Storytelling from 10 am to noon <i>Sponsored by the Kenyon Public Library</i></p>	<p>Vendor Fair at All Seasons Community Center 9 am to 3 pm, Dec 3 and 4 <i>Sponsored by All Seasons Community Center</i></p>
<p>Lighting Contest! Light up your house and win a prize! Get the signup form on the CIK FB page to enter the contest!</p>	<p>Annual tree lighting ceremony at Veteran's Park - 5 pm. Speaker: TBD <i>Sponsored by City of Kenyon</i></p>	<p>Scavenger Hunt! Download form from the CIK FB page and submit to CIK to be entered into drawing for prize!</p>	<p>KW Art Students Shop Window Painting <i>Sponsored by D&S Banner Sign and Print</i></p>	<p>Photo frames! Take your photo in front of a frame and post on CIK FB page and be entered into drawing for a prize!</p>

Drawing Prizes donated by: Kenyon Market, Kenyon Ace Hardware, Security State Bank of Kenyon, Kenyon Veterinary Clinic, Franklin Peterson Law, Maring Auction, Milo Peterson Ford and Lyle Wendroth/State Farm Insurance

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K-W Noble Knights



K-W Noble Knights of the Wee for October 15, 2021

Front Row: Haneen Babekr, KG, Mrs. Tanya Short; Nova Christensen, KG, Mrs. Katie Valek; Oliver Stoppel, Gr. 1, Mrs. Katie Benbrooks; Henry Skillestad, Gr. 1, Mr. Tony Donkers; Ella Amundson, Gr. 2, Mrs. Deb Hinrichs. **Back Row:** Olivia Lerfeld, Gr. 2, Ms. Megan Sabrowsky; Frederick Johnson, Gr. 3, Ms. Val Ashland; Sadie Engen, Gr. 3, Ms. Sandy Sahl; Cora Foss, Gr. 4, Ms. Jen Subra; Landon Jarvis, Gr. 4, Ms. Rhonda Thesing



K-W Noble Knights of the Week for October 29, 2021

Front Row: Parker Sletten, KG, Mrs. Katie Valek; Natalie Bauer, Gr. 1, Mrs. Katie Benbrooks; Hudson Otte, Gr. 1, Mr. Tony Donkers; Parker Moe, Gr. 2, Mrs. Deb Hinrichs; Harper Kerr, Gr. 2, Ms. Megan Sabrowsky. **Back Row:** Leon Dressel, Gr. 3, Ms. Val Ashland; Lilah Greseth, Gr. 3, Ms. Sandy Sahl; Mason Fink, Gr. 4, Ms. Jen Subra; Eli Caron, Gr. 4, Ms. Rhonda Thesing



K-W Noble Knights of the Week for November 5, 2021

Front Row: Riley Falenschek, KG, Mrs. Tanya Short; Kiley Hedeem, KG, Mrs. Katie Valek; Korbin Flotterud, Gr. 1, Mrs. Katie Benbrooks; Jaxsyn Bauer, Gr. 1, Mr. Tony Donkers; Jackson Adams, Gr. 2, Mrs. Deb Hinrichs; Keeton Luedtke, Gr. 2, Ms. Megan Sabrowsky. **Back Row:** Henry Kruger, Gr. 3, Ms. Val Ashland; Harvey Bauer, Gr. 3, Ms. Sandy Sahl; Gracelyn Betts, Gr. 4, Ms. Jen Subra; Cohen Moe, Gr. 4, Ms. Rhonda Thesing

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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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Anhydrous Safety Should be Top Concern This Fall

The MDA offers safety tips for those maintaining equipment and applying and transporting NH3

Many farmers and applicators will soon apply anhydrous ammonia (NH3) after harvest. Even with a rush against time and the weather, safety should never be compromised. Recent accidents involving anhydrous ammonia have proven how dangerous and deadly the chemical can be when not handled properly.

The Minnesota Department of Agriculture (MDA) is providing the following tips to farmers and applicators so they can safely

apply anhydrous ammonia.

Always wear appropriate goggles and gloves. Never wear contact lenses.

Be sure to have a clean, adequate emergency water supply of at least 5 gallons.

Exercise caution when making connections and disconnections as if lines contain anhydrous ammonia.

Stand upwind when connecting, disconnecting, bleeding lines, or transferring NH3. Also, close, bleed, disconnect, and secure valves and transfer lines when taking breaks or disconnecting lines, and be sure to handle hose end valves by the valve body.

Position equipment away and downwind from homes, people, and livestock.

Safety is also key to those maintaining anhydrous ammonia equipment. Never assume NH3 lines are empty, always wear proper protective equipment, and have access to safety water.

When towing a nurse tank down the road, drive sensibly. Do not go any faster than 30

miles per hour, display a slow-moving vehicle (SVM) emblem visible from the rear, and be sure the tank is secured to the tractor or truck with two separate, independent chains that supplement the hitch pin/clip.

If an accident or spill occurs, immediately call 911 and then the Minnesota Duty Officer at 1-800-422-0798 or 651-649-5451.

You can find more safety, storage, and transportation information on the MDA's website at www.mda.state.mn.us/nh3.

As a reminder, fall application of anhydrous ammonia should happen after average soil

temperatures reach 50 degrees F or cooler to help prevent nitrogen loss, protects water quality, and ensures more nitrogen will be available for next season's crop.

View the MDA's interactive map to find the current 6-inch soil temperature and the past week's history.

Under the MDA's Groundwater Protection Rule, fall nitrogen fertilizer application is prohibited in vulnerable areas of Minnesota due to environmental concerns or risks. View a map of the vulnerable regions of the state.

Kenyon Restaurant to Open Later this Month

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Their plans are to be a full-service restaurant and bar. Starting out they will be open five days each week, Wednesday and Thursday from 11am to 9pm, Friday and Saturday from 11am to 11pm and Sundays 11am to 8pm. The meals will offer traditional classics

as well as modern recipes all created in a homemade style from scratch in their kitchen. Soups, salads, sandwiches and a commercial plate for lunch as well as entrees for the dinner hours. There will be a special children's and senior menu as well providing smaller portions. They also have a variety of fun desserts on the menu. The bar will have cocktails and tap beer including local small brewery favorites.

Reservations are recommended and they will be expanding their meal offerings as time goes on. Plans are to utilize the event facilities for entertaining and offer Sunday brunches and breakfasts in the future. Eventually being open for breakfast, lunch and dinner seven days a week. Be sure to stop in and enjoy the great food and fun experience when the doors open November 26th. The restaurant phone number is 507-623-1173.



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Building a Foundation for Southern Minnesota's Future



Tim Penny
So. MN Initiative Foundation

For me, autumn always signals a natural time to slow down and contemplate the past year as we bundle up and move indoors. At Southern Minnesota Initiative Foundation (SMIF), we use this time each year to reflect on the partnerships that have resulted in a brighter future for southern Minnesota. We do this by celebrating a handful of these partnerships in our annual Impact Report.

In the first story, Beth Fynbo shares her entrepreneurial journey as the founder and CEO of Busy Baby in Oronoco. When she became a parent, she had an idea for a placemat that suctioned to surfaces and allows caregivers to connect babies' toys to a tether system so they can no longer be dropped and thrown. As she turned this idea into a successful business, SMIF supported her through three loans. She has also participated in SMIF's CEO Peer Network to connect with other entrepreneurs who helped her pivot during the pandemic. Since she first reached out to SMIF three years ago, Beth has grown to a seven-figure business and even made an appearance on ABC's Shark Tank.

Another entrepreneur, Angel Uribe, shares her story about starting Stages of Change Center, a business which empowers individu-

als to rethink their relationship with alcohol or drugs. Her business, based in Eagle Lake, began in 2011 with no financing or support. In 2016, she joined SMIF's Prosperity Initiative program which provides business coaching to entrepreneurs who identify as Black, Indigenous or People of Color (BIPOC). This program helped her to develop business competencies and strategies that are still helping her navigate her business with greater confidence today. During the pandemic, she has remained engaged with SMIF through a Prosperity Initiative Peer Network and by participating in business trainings. Angel is currently a SMIF Board of Trustee member.

In the Early Childhood space, we spoke with Jenny Carrier who is the community education director at Kasson-Mantorville Public Schools. As one of SMIF's 25 Early Childhood Initiatives, which are collaboratives that address important needs for children and families in their communities, they have a long history with SMIF. One month prior to the first shut down brought on by the pandemic, they received a Child Care Expansion Grant from SMIF, which filled a critical need of providing onsite child care for ages six to 12 years. During the past year they received two more SMIF grants to support improvements in their building and expansions in their programming, resulting in 12 new jobs.

Finally, the leaders of one of SMIF's 30 Community Foundations shared their story. Mick McGuire, president of Montgomery Community Foundation (MCF) wanted to start a Community Foundation for people to give back to their hometown. Since beginning in 2018, they have supported many local projects, including the restoration of a mural and an historic log cabin. Liz Krocak, vice president of MCF, shares about MCF's COVID-19 response efforts, which included grants to the food shelf and to the Montgomery Economic Development Authority. SMIF provided matching grants for these efforts, in addition to a Small Town Grant which they used to distribute "Monty Bucks" to people in need to spend at local businesses.

The voices that are highlighted in this year's impact report capture the ongoing growth, community togetherness and innovative spirit of our region that is always there, regardless of what is happening in the world. While SMIF played a significant role in helping in-



A \$2,000 grant from Montgomery Community Foundation to Tri-City United Elementary School allowed the school to purchase ukuleles, an instrument that is more conducive to COVID restrictions than recorders.

dividuals and communities throughout the pandemic, one detail that shines through each of these stories is that SMIF was there for these folks long before it began, building a foundation of support and trust over many years.

I invite you to read the stories from our 2021 Impact Report by visiting smifoundation.org/impactreport. It is through partnerships like the ones highlighted in this report that we can make an impact on southern Minnesota's future.

As always, I welcome your comments and questions. You can reach me at timp@smifoundation.org or 507-455-3215.

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Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a City Council Meeting was duly held in the City Council chambers at 7:00 p.m. on the 14th day of September 2021. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Henke.

The following members were present: Mayor Doug Henke, Council Members Mary Bailey, and Dan Rehtzigel

Via Zoom: Tom Gard

Absent: Molly Ryan

Also, present: Administrator Mark Vahlsing, Engineer Derek Olinger, Attorney Joe Sathe, Administrative Assistant Holli Gudknecht, Police Chief Jeff Sjoblom, Todd Greset

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

CITIZEN COMMENT

Goodhue County Commissioner, Todd Greset, stopped to check in and let the Council know to contact him if they had any concerns. He saw the ARPA Funds resolution on the agenda and said he is trying to get more of these funds used on public safety.

ADOPT AGENDA

Motion by Rehtzigel second by Bailey to approve the agenda. Motion carried 4-0-0.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Bailey second by Rehtzigel to approve the Consent Agenda, which includes hiring a part-time liquor store employee and payment of check numbers 72675 through 72781; 3783E through 3797E; and additional checks 72799 through 72815. Motion carried 4-0-0.

PRESENTATIONS/ PUBLIC HEARINGS/ RECOGNITIONS/PROLAMATIONS

None

ENGINEERING

Red Wing Avenue Construction Update

Engineer Olinger stated that the bare spots along Red Wing Avenue were reseeded by the subcontractor in mid-September. A meeting is scheduled with Wencil prior to the October council meeting to discuss liquidated damages and closing out the project.

Business Park/Utility Extension Project Update

Engineer Olinger stated that the utility work along Highway 60 has been completed. A-1 has been addressing some miscellaneous repairs that should be completed by the October council meeting. The pay request amount was revised today due to the project being substantially complete.

Pay Request #7 – A-1 Excavating

Motion by Rehtzigel second by Ryan to approve pay request No. 7 to A-1 Excavating in the amount of \$121,869.26 for work completed through September 3rd. Motion carried 4-0-0.

FEMA Flood Repairs

Engineer Olinger stated that the project should start in late October or early November.

Crack Filling of Streets

Engineer Olinger stated that the contractor doing the street crack filling pushed the work out to the end of September. The work

will take one to two days to complete.

LEGAL

No items.

OLD BUSINESS

Finance Clerk Update

Administrator Vahlsing updated the Council on the retirement of Sue Dodds effective October 15. Interviews for her position were completed last week. The position has been offered to one of the candidates. The KMU Commission will make the final hiring approval.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution 2021-12: Adopting the 2022 Preliminary Budget & Levy

Administrator Vahlsing stated that the proposed budget and levy were reviewed at the Council work session on September 8. It was decided to set the maximum levy at 6.4%. The preliminary maximum levy certification resolution must be submitted to Goodhue County by the end of September. The final levy must be adopted by the end of December. The levy can be lowered between now and the end of the year, but it cannot be increased. Chief Sjoblom reported that the part-time officer hours and wages were increased in the budget. This would allow for more coverage on weekends and during “hot spots” during the week. Rehtzigel stated that he would like to see the levy increase of 6.4% decreased before the final levy is adopted in December.

Motion by Gard second by Bailey to adopt Resolution 2021-12 adopting the 2022 preliminary budget and levy, which is a maximum of 6.4%. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Motion by Henke second by Gard to recommend setting the Truth in Taxation meeting for December 7 at 6:30 pm. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Resolution 2021-13: In Support of Goodhue County ARPA Funds being Utilized for Fire Department, First Responder, and EMS Mobile and Portable Radio Purchases

Administrator Vahlsing stated that this resolution would request that Goodhue County use ARPA funds to purchase portable and mobile radios for area police, EMS, and fire departments. The Kenyon Fire Department radios are no longer supported for software updates and hardware repairs. New radios cost approximately \$5,000 each, which the City would need to replace, if the County doesn't cover this cost.

Motion by Rehtzigel second by Gard to adopt Resolution 2021-13 in support of Goodhue County ARPA funds being utilized for fire department, first responder, and EMS mobile and portable radio purchases. Motion

carried 4-0-0.

Security Cameras for Liquor Store

Administrator Vahlsing stated that there was discussion to upgrade the cameras in the liquor store after the May break-in. Quotes were received from WH Security to upgrade the cameras and DVR. There is money in the budget to cover this cost.

Motion by Bailey second by Rehtzigel to accept the quote from WH Security to upgrade the cameras and DVR in the liquor store. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Purchase of 2018 Ford Explorer Police SUV

Administrator Vahlsing stated that the police department needs to replace the 2014 Ford Explorer. Since there is currently a shortage of new police vehicles, a 2018 Ford Explorer was located that would meet the needs.

Motion by Henke second by Bailey to approve the purchase of the 2018 Ford Explorer police vehicle.

Motion carried 4-0-0.

Schedule of Upcoming Meetings

KMU Meeting: Tuesday, September 21 @ 2:00 p.m.

Special City Council Meeting: Wednesday, September 22 @ 5:30 p.m.

City Council Meeting: Tuesday, October 12 @ 7 p.m.

COUNCIL AND STAFF GENERAL COMMENTS

Council member Bailey was excited to see that some changes were coming for the Kenyon Bar and Grill.

Wayne Ehrich noted that the “No Parking” signs around town are for the crack filling of the streets.

Chief Sjoblom stated they have some leads on selling the old squad vehicle.

Council member Rehtzigel stated that Rose Fest was a remarkable success and it was nice to see the community coming together. He also encouraged everyone to come out to the Historical Society's Oktoberfest on Saturday, September 18 from 1-4 pm.

Mayor Henke stated that a Rose Fest follow-up meeting would be held tomorrow night at the VFW at 6:30 pm.

Administrator Vahlsing thanked everyone involved in the 911 remembrance last Saturday. It was a very moving tribute with a good turnout.

Motion by Bailey second by Rehtzigel to adjourn the meeting at 7:48 p.m. Motion carried 4-0-0.

Holli Gudknecht, Administrative Assistant
Douglas Henke, Mayor

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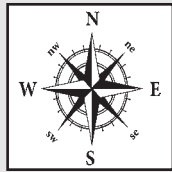
Greetings,

This last few months have been very busy at Goodhue County. Currently we are in the budget process and trying to balance the county needs and the taxes that we are charged is a real challenge. We did receive money from the federal government, ARPA funds. The American Rescue Plan, this money is to be used to help with the pandemic and the uses for this money is ever changing and challenging to make the best use of the dollars. We have also been through the interview process for a new Veterans Service officer, this has been a very frustrating time for our veterans and I hope that this will be resolved with a new VSO. Any Veterans who would like to contact me please do so at 507 319-9550. I want to wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving and safe travels through the holidays.



Todd Greset
Goodhue County
Commissioner
District 3

Changes in Latitudes, Changes in Attitudes One for the Old Times



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.

Coming back to Minnesota this spring we had made the decision to sell the house that my grandparents had lived in. As a rental it was becoming more of a problem to us. That meant a renovation, so we started working. Then things began to change. After stripping it down and cleaning it up, we noticed the charm hidden underneath.

The house was built out of fir. Not pine. Fir gets harder as it ages. You have to drill

eighty-year old fir floor joists. It will bend a nail right over. This was a home to my grand-parents. Two of the nicest people you would ever meet. I knew my grandmother for over forty-years, but my grandfather died the year I was born. My memories of my grandfather Otis, came from some of my neighbors.

Lester Derby was one of my neighbors who lived in the valley next to us when I was growing up. Lester and Lillian were great friends of our family. I remember Lester telling me about my grandfather about forty-years ago. Lester and his wife had moved onto their farm and had three children. Their house had a porch on the front where Lillian did the laundry. One day Otis was visiting Lester and asked how Lillian would do the laundry when the winter came and it would be too cold outside. Lester commented that he would like to enclose the porch, but farming in the 1950's did not look like the money would be available. The next day, Otis stopped down and handed Lester \$500. He said, "fix the porch for your family, pay me back when you are able."

My neighbor Jim Buehler told me about my grandfather Otis. Otis had arthritis quite bad and got around on crutches in his last years. Jim had watched my grandfather cultivating corn and the grass would plug up

the cultivator shovels. Most people would get frustrated and raise the cultivator and pop the clutch to bounce the sod balls of the shovels. But not my grandfather. Jim said he watched him raise the front mounted cultivator, back up and then dismount from the tractor and slowly make his way around the front and push the dirt and grass off the shovels with one crutch. Calmly and patiently, each time with the demeanor of a man who was un-

flappable.

As I stripped the house down to the sub-floor and bare studs, I realized that I was looking at a house no one had seen since my grandfather built it, over eighty years ago. The memory of a simple farmer who lived the righteous way seemed worthy to preserve. My wife and I decided we would move into it and keep it for our summer home.

A Minnesotan: Thanksgiving



By RosaLin Alcoser

Thanksgiving 1999 was my family's first Thanksgiving in Minnesota, which is also the first time I can remember seeing snow. However, it is the Thanksgiving of 2019 that sticks in my mind this year.

Thanksgiving 2019 was my first year back in Minnesota from Missouri. Don't get me wrong I loved Thanksgiving in Missouri, spending it with my older sister and getting Chinese food out so that we did not have to cook a large meal for two. Which made 2019 the first more traditional Thanksgiving I had had in a couple of years.

My family has the tradition of getting up watching the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade every year and making a big meal. The thing that stands out to me the most about that's year's Thanksgiving is cooking that meal.

The reason that cooking this meal stands out to me is because my mother's oven would not stay shut on it's own. Meaning that it was my job that day to keep the oven door shut; so I sat with my back against the oven door to hold it shut for a better part of the day so that the Thanksgiving meal could bake.

Thank You

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Every year, many newspapers have consolidated or gone out of business. We have watched this happen many times in recent years in small rural communities, and especially this past year during the covid situation.

With our small staff of 2.5, we understand this challenge first hand here at the Messenger, which is why we publish the Messenger in its monthly format.

Our goal with the Messenger is to help insure our home towns, still have a community voice of its own, direct mailing to all residents in the zip code. This format allows the community to maintain a local monthly paper, and better connect local residents, businesses and the community. We also understand the need for

more timely information within the month, so we look forward to expanding our digital and online offerings in the coming months, while still maintaining our dedication to our hometowns!



We remain a small family owned business with a goal of supporting our rural communities and businesses.

We are proud to continue to offer you this local hometown paper, in your mail box each month. Our future success depends on the support of our local community, and we thank you in advance for your continued support of The Messenger!



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