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Announcements

Church Garage Sale

May 7-8 from 7am-3pm

South Troy Church

This is a fund-raiser for the Youth group and summer camps. Donations for the sale are being accepted up until Friday noon.

• With COVID-19 challenging all of us in one way or another, we know there are individuals and families in need of help.

Several organizations in the Zumbro Valley Area (around Hammond, Zumbro Falls, Mazeppa area) are here to offer assistance and/or resources for you.

If you or someone you know is in need, please reach out at ZumbroValleyHelps@gmail.com.

We will send your email to the appropriate organization or send you information on helpful resources. We will get through this together! Be safe, stay healthy and if you can, stay home!

• The Mazeppa Area Historical Society continues to do research into our past for the future: Check your attic's, in need of the 1940's & 1950's Mazeppa Journals. Thank you for your support in preserving our history for the future! Let's have a Great 2021!

• The Mazeppa Area Food Shelf, serving Mazeppa, Bellechester, and Zumbro Falls Area is open the second Thursday of the month from 9:30-11 am and 3:30 - 5:30pm, and the fourth Thursday from 3:30 - 5:30pm. Food drop off locations are First State Bank of Red Wing, Mazeppa Branch, and Entry way to Mazeppa City Hall.

• The Zumbro Valley Food Shelf is located at South Troy Wesleyan Church, 56817 Hwy 63, Zumbro Falls, MN. The hours will be Tuesdays 11:00am-5:00pm and Thursdays 11:00am-6:00pm. Donations and volunteers are greatly appreciated. For more information contact Pastor Colleen Hoeft at 507-259-1442 or choeft52@gmail.com.

Mazeppa Memorial Day Activities

VFW members will be honoring the fallen soldiers this Memorial Day with appearances at four sites on Monday, May 31st. They will be at Poplar Cemetery at 9am, Bear Valley Cemetery at 9:30am, Mazeppa Cemetery at 10am and a program at the Mazeppa Veterans Memorial at 11am.

Before Memorial Day in 1922, VFW members conducted the first poppy distribution, becoming the first veterans' organization to organize a nationwide distribution. The poppy soon was adopted as the official memorial flower of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, as it remains today.

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2021 Wabasha County Dairy Princesses



Left to Right: Jordyn Schumacher (attendant), Mia Dose (princess), Emma Borgschatz (attendant), and Ashley Holst (attendant)

(Wabasha County Dairy Ambassadors, see page 10)

Spring Improvement Projects in Mazeppa

The city council approved a quote for \$56,500 to replace the sidewalk on the east side of First Avenue from the bank to Elm Street, with the exception of one block between Walnut and Maple.

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Z-M School Moves on SRO change

The Zumbrota-Mazeppa School District has approved replacing the school resource officer with a Goodhue County Deputy. The Z-M had contracted the service with Zumbrota Police Department but the new contract had cost increases which would amount to more than the safe school levy funding allowed. (continued on page 12)

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Fear Not: Mom is Here!



By Pastor Colleen Hoeft

What is one fear that mom helped you overcome? For me it would be the fear of performing—I was still scared, but she always came to my concerts, recitals and checked on my fair projects and she was proud of me—that made me want to continue to do those very things. How about you?

Angel Fiorini suffered horrific burns to her body to save her 3 children as their home burned to the ground – October 2016 She told People magazine, “I have a really strong desire to make a difference from all of this. My life wasn’t just spared for no reason. It’s something that gives me strength, knowing what I’ve overcome and what I’ve been able to fight through.”

Angel faced her fear and against terrific odds was able to “save” her children. Most moms will never have to save their children from a house fire- but they are willing to lay their lives down for their children. You will find moms that will help a teenager study for the ACT long into the night, or sit with a child in their room until they go to sleep or until mom gets rid of the monster under their bed. Moms are asked to put their lives on hold for years as they care for their families instead of going after some of their dreams. In extraordinary cir-

cumstances Moms’ will do what it takes to take care of their children.

This month we’re celebrating our mothers- all mothers—we each have one. No matter how “heroic” each was- they brought us into this world and did their best to bring you up to become all that you can be. There was a woman in the bible by the name of Jochebed, she faced extraordinary times and had to make some tough decisions to save her son.

Jochebed and Amram were hiding their son because the Pharaoh had decreed that all baby boys born to the Hebrew people were to be killed as soon as they were born. Jochebed and her husband had no intention of drowning their infant son- but they had to do something. They kept him hidden for 3 months. I’m not sure how that worked—a tiny baby can make a lot of noise! She must have picked him up at the sign of every whimper. The stress she and the family must have went through—3 months hiding their baby son. His brother and sister and father all must have been under a lot of stress wondering when the authorities would break through the doors and kill the little boy! Jochebed had to have times of intense fear that her son would be discovered and that he would be killed. After 3 months it got to be too difficult to hide him anymore- so now what? If they didn’t come up with something he would be killed! Jochebed was an intelligent woman and quite industrious. I have no doubt God planted this plan in her mind- but she also had a strong faith and trusting spirit to listen. “she got a basket made of papyrus reeds and waterproofed it with tar and pitch. She put the baby in the basket and laid it among the reeds along the bank of the Nile River.”

She made the basket waterproof and large

enough for the 3-month-old baby boy. Jochebed thought long and hard—where to put this basket and how to make sure he would be safe. I have no doubt the placing of the basket in the area that Pharaoh’s daughter bathed was strategic. She also trusted that that woman had the heart of a mother and wouldn’t be able to resist a baby that needed rescuing!

Jochebed faced a number of fears that would be difficult for any of us and are similar in ways to the fears that women and men face in their lives. One fear we struggle with is our fear of the future. Jochebed had courage to face that fear and trust God to protect her son.

I’ve battled this fear over the years with my own children. As they matured and got older, I had to let them go and do and experience life on their own. There were times, especially in the spring when my son would leave and go and help at the farm and I would have to fight the fears that he would get hurt or killed or who knows—I had to release him even at age 14 I had to accept that I couldn’t be with him every minute of every day.

The truth is bad things do happen. I’ve lost a child through a freak accident; I know other families who have lost children or husbands in accidents or disease. I know there are times when people walk out the door for something routine and never return; but we can’t live constantly worrying about a future that hasn’t happened. We face a lot of fears, but the future is out of our control. We can choose not to live in fear of the future. God’s Word is packed with sweet promises that smash all our fearful thinking. We can trust God with our circumstances and our loved ones. This doesn’t mean that everything will turn out exactly as we desire. This doesn’t mean

each prayer will be answered as we wish and we may not see the evidence of God’s faithful hand until the end of our days, but we know it will be there.

People fear many things- getting old, getting fat, dying alone, being poor- These fears concern most of humankind as we age many of these fears become more debilitating too. All these fears- boil down to a lack of trust in our Heavenly Father. Jochebed- despite the very real possibility of her son being killed at any time for over 3 months, remained faithful. She kept trusting God had a plan and she obeyed the plan as it came to her. God blessed her faithfulness and continued to honor her devotion and trust in Him. God desires that we leave our anxious thoughts, our ‘worries’ at the cross and instead of worrying- trust in Him. He’s got this! He loves us and those that we worry about even more than we do. He never fails- and He will do what’s best- we must only trust Him! Jochebed had to be willing to let go of control and leave her son at the mercy of Pharaoh’s daughter. What are you hanging onto that needs to be laid out in the water? It’s time to let go! It’s time to put your complete faith and trust in God. He loves you and He will be with you... Philippians 4:6, “Don’t worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need and thank him for all he has done. 7 Then you will experience God’s peace, which exceeds anything we can understand. His peace will guard your hearts and minds as you live in Christ Jesus.” Just as Jochebed refused to worry about the future of her son- so we too can pray instead of worrying and leave the future in the Hands of God. He is faithful! Trust Him!



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Armed with a Bow

Scripture Reading — Revelation 6:2
There before me was a white horse! Its rider held a bow. . . . — Revelation 6:2

What does it mean that the rider on a white horse “held a bow”? Are we to imagine a soldier who has the training to kill with a bow and arrow? Or perhaps we picture a hunter, with bow in hand, standing over a downed deer.

It is tempting to read God’s story that way. But if we did, we would think the first rider is all about bringing death and destruction. To read the story that way would miss the surprising good news that the One who is skilled with a bow is God. He has worked with a bow for a long time.

In the first book of the Bible, Genesis, we find a promise that God gave to Noah after the great flood. “I have set my bow in the clouds” God said, “and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth” (Genesis 9:13, NRSV). We usually understand the bow in the Genesis story as being a “rainbow.” But it is the same word that is used in this story in Revelation.

In other words, the first horseman, Jesus, is armed with God’s covenant promise. His goal is to bring God’s promises for the renewal of creation to every part of creation.

Prayer

Lord, our Lord, you surprise us with your promises and your determination to bring life and healing to your creation. Thank you for so loving this world that you gave your one and only Son to give us life. Amen.

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Gary W. Eggenberger

Gary W. Eggenberger, 73, passed away peacefully on April 4, 2021 surrounded by loved ones in Altoona, Iowa. Born March 24, 1948, to Iver and June Eggenberger, he was the first born of six children.



Nicknamed "Mr. Perfect," he earned that title in every way.

Gary grew up in Lake City, Minnesota, and graduated from Lake City High School in 1966. After graduation, he followed in his father's footsteps and proudly joined the United States Army. He developed many lifetime friendships there and loved sharing stories from his time in service to anyone that would listen. Gary returned to Lake City after his service time and met the love of his life, Jeanne Komisar, of Zumbro Falls, Minnesota. They were married on December 4, 1971, and would soon start their family, which Gary was always so proud of. A natural born family man, his love for his wife and children was evident to everyone who knew him. However, the role he was destined for was Papa.

Gary had a long, successful career in the nursery industry. His sales career spanned 30+ years and helped form his four basic principles he demonstrated throughout his life: Be honest, follow through, treat peo-

ple as you would like to be treated and always say "thank you." Gary's impact on his industry was recognized nationally in 2003, when he was awarded the Wholesale Plant Sales Professional Award from the American Nursery & Landscape Association, where he served as President of the Iowa chapter.

Gary was active in his community and church, and served at St. John Lutheran Church in Charles City, Iowa. He was head coach for the Continental Amateur Baseball Association team and loved watching his players become successful on and off the diamond. In retirement, Gary and Jeanne moved to Altoona, Iowa, to be closer to their family. Gary was an avid Broncos and Twins fan, and enjoyed watching his grandkids' activities, his 4:30 glass of wine on the front porch, playing cribbage, and traveling.

Gary is survived and lovingly remembered by his wife of forty-nine years, Jeanne; his children: Cory of Bondurant, IA; Tanner (Rondi) of Minneapolis, MN; Janee' (James) of Altoona, IA; and Parker (Jill) of West Des Moines, IA. Additionally, Gary's eight grandchildren, who will miss him dearly; Jacob (Minneapolis), Sam, Charlie, Jack and Ruby (Altoona), Matthew (Bondurant), and Finn and Emilia (West Des Moines). Gary's siblings: Lee (Sharon) of Lake City, MN; Laneova' of Clarkston, WA; Jim (Deanna) of Charlottesville, VA; and Todd (Polly) of Shorewood, MN. Brother-in-law Jim Komisar (Debbie) of Winnipeg,

Canada; and mother-in-law, Dolores Komisar of Rochester, MN. As well as several nieces, nephews, and other close family members. He was preceded in death by his parents, Iver and June Eggenberger; his sister, Ardie Eggenberger; and his father-in-law, Tilmon Komisar.

Visitation was held on Sunday, April 11, 2021, from 1 to 4 pm at Mahn Family Funeral Home, Anderson - Peterson Chapel in Lake City. A private family service was held Monday April 12. A live stream of the service was on the Mahn Family Funeral Home Facebook page starting at 11 AM, Monday. Burial was in St John's Cemetery. Memorials may be directed to the family. On Line Condolences may be placed at www.mahnfamilyfuneralhome.com

Masks and social distancing were required.

Genevieve Siems

Genevieve Siems, 96, of Mazeppa, died Sunday. She was born on October 30, 1924 in Bellechester, MN to Peter and Susan (Miller) Arendt. She grew up in the Mazeppa and Bellechester area. Genevieve and Glen were married on September 7, 1949 and raised a son and daughter.

She enjoyed being with her family, cooking, baking big family meals, embroidering, crocheting, and working with her flowers.

She is survived by her son, Ken (Carole) Siems; daughter, Sue (John) Rouchka; Grandsons, Troy, Jarrett Siems, and Tom Rouchka; and her brother, Ervin (Mary Ellen) Arendt.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Glen; parents; brothers; sisters; step-brothers; and step-sisters.

Visitation was held Wednesday at Mahn Family Funeral Home - Larson Chapel on April 7, 2021 from 4pm - 7pm with a prayer service at 6:45pm.

Funeral Mass was private at Ss. Peter and Paul Catholic Church in Mazeppa.

Burial was at Mazeppa cemetery following Mass.

Janet Catherine Leonard

Janet Catherine Leonard, 77, of rural Millville, passed away at her home on Friday, April 16, 2021 after a valiant 5 1/2 year struggle with cancer. She was born June 2, 1943 in Red Wing to John and Sarah (Spence) Reiland. Janet attended Sheldon Country

School and graduated from Mazeppa High School in 1962. She married Jerome Leonard on July 14, 1962 at St. Peter and Paul Catholic Church in Mazeppa.

The Leonard's lived in the St. Paul area for several years and moved to West Albany in 1981. Janet loved being a homemaker and raising her family. She enjoyed working in the yard and in her garden, baking apple pies, and feeding the Hummingbirds. Her passion was her collectible shoe display, of many figurines and shoes. Janet was a very dedicated wife, mom, grandma, great-grandma, and sister. She was a member of St. Patrick's Catholic Church in West Albany.

Janet is survived by her loving husband of 58+ years, Jerome "Jerry" Leonard of Millville; a son, Jeff (Annette) Leonard of Zumbro Falls; daughters, Jane (Mick) Adler and Jean (Bill) Krusmark both of Millville, and Janell (Dirk) Oelkers of Zumbro Falls; 13 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren; sisters, Ruth Staub Vandeweerd, and her twin sister, Jane (Ralph) Burdick both of Mazeppa. She was preceded in death by her parents, a brother William (Bill), a grandson, Joshua, and a granddaughter, Demitria.

A walk-through visitation was held on Wednesday, April 21 from 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. at Schleicher Funeral Homes, Lake City Chapel, and one hour prior to the service at the church.

The Funeral Mass were held at 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, April 22, at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in West Albany, rural Millville. Father Matthew Fasnacht officiated. Burial will be in St. Patrick's Catholic Cemetery at a later date. Please practice social distancing and masks were required at all services.



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Missy's Managing the Manor

A monthly read with tips and tricks (that work for me) on my quest to becoming more organized while decluttering.

I get by with a little help from my friends...



By Missy Papenfus

When we bought MotoProz in 2007, I worked five and a half days a week between the store and my job at Mayo Clinic, and I even bartended one night a week. I used to clean something each weekday morning, whether it be vacuuming before work, cleaning the bathroom, doing some laundry, etc. That way when the weekend came, my housework was done.

After a year of that, I hired a housecleaner once every two weeks. It was THE best thing I ever did. It is like Christmas every other week!

I also like to bribe my son Monty to help me out sometimes with stuff I do not enjoy doing or putting off like cleaning my vehicle. He usually gives me a hard time, because he keeps his vehicle cleaner than I do. I also ask my mom to help me out once in a while, if we are having a holiday, she always comes over early to help me get ready. It is an unwritten rule and her job to wash our wine glasses. They are usually spotted up and dusty because they have not been used since the year before. Mike's sister also helps me out.

Never hesitate to ask someone for help. You can pay them back and help them out when they need it, and you get your chores done. It's a win, win!

Stay tuned for next month's topic "Do your worst task FIRST". There's so much to do, so little time. Bye for now!

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2021 Zumbrota-Mazeppa Prom

By Missy Papenfus

Prom looked different this year. Zumbrota-Mazeppa students and their guests (177 of them) walked through the "Welcome to Fabulous Las Vegas Nevada" themed prom Grand March with their masks on Saturday, April 17th. Our son Monty who graduated last year attended with his girlfriend Anna Lowrie who is a senior this year.

Back 25 years ago when I attended prom in Lake City, we had grand march, then went to a fancy dinner at the restaurant of our choosing with two or three other couples. In lieu of a group meal, that was the plan this year, and then met back at school for a dance with a DJ.

A lot of the kids met at the Covered Bridge Park for pictures with the Junior and Senior Classes. The weather may have been a little on the cool side, but the rain held off for the pictures. When we came out of the Grand March, the sun came out.



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MISSY'S MESSAGE

HEALTHY HABITS!



MISSY PAPENFUS

A couple months back I talked about getting more steps in. I have been trying to get into a new routine. I am happy to report my step count last week was over 60,000. I've been hitting the 50,000 step mark each week for the past few months, and it was time to STEP IT UP A NOTCH, pun intended.

I like to start off the day with exercise, because when I do not do it right away, it is too easy to not do it. Reporting back, keeps me more accountable. The weather is getting a little nicer, so it is easy to get a quick walk in during the workday. Going shopping or running errands is another way I like to sneak in some extra steps. I get an easy 1000 steps walking to the post office each day.

I have been fighting a cough for about two weeks, and it has been hard for me to get exercise in. I feel like I am starting over with better habits. It is time to get back at it and get serious. I have a friend I have been texting back and forth to keep each other more accountable. Starting small keep adding more healthy habits. Drinking more water, keeping a food journal. Make a plan, and sticking to it. Reporting back to someone has been working a lot better for me. My problem has been that I quit reporting back and then digress into old habits or no habits.

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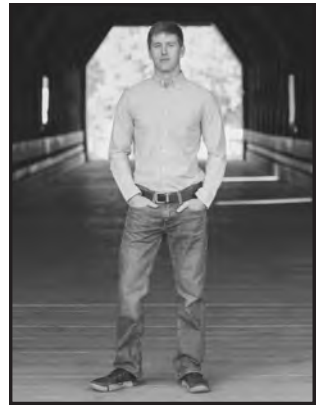
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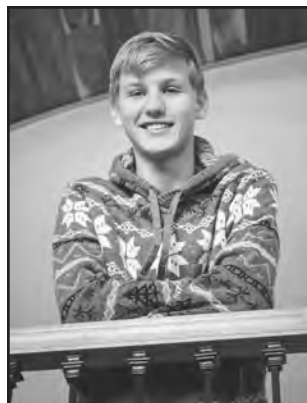
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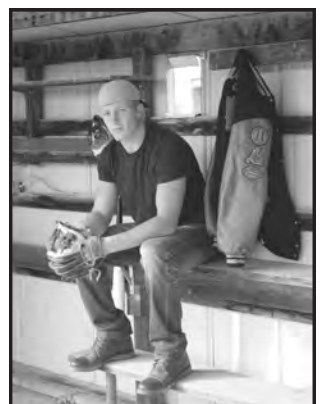
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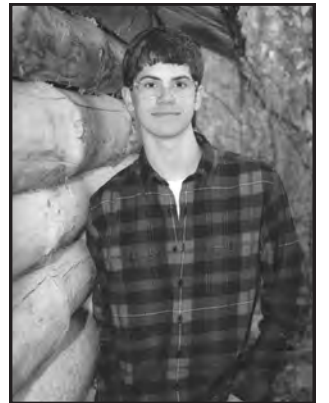
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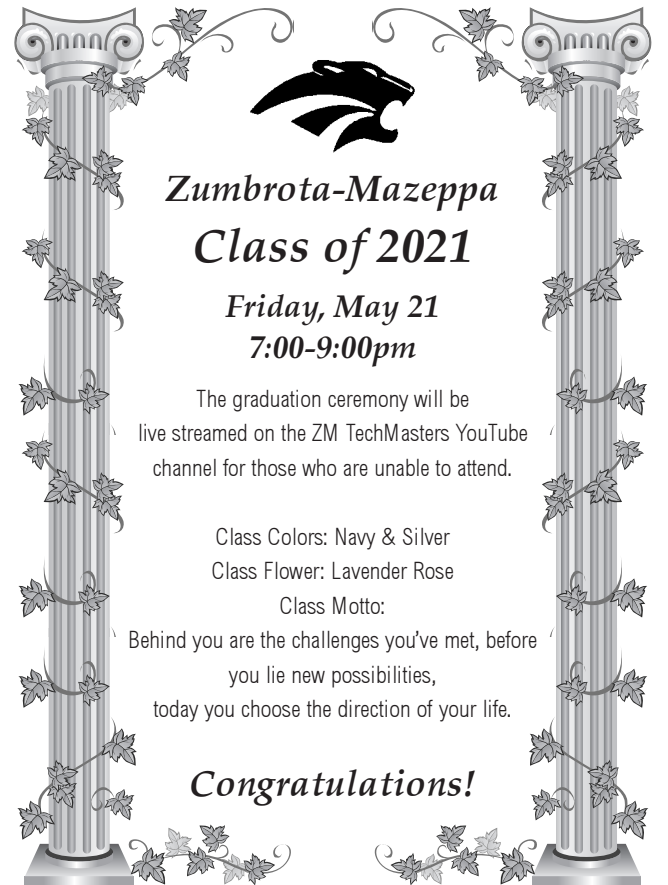
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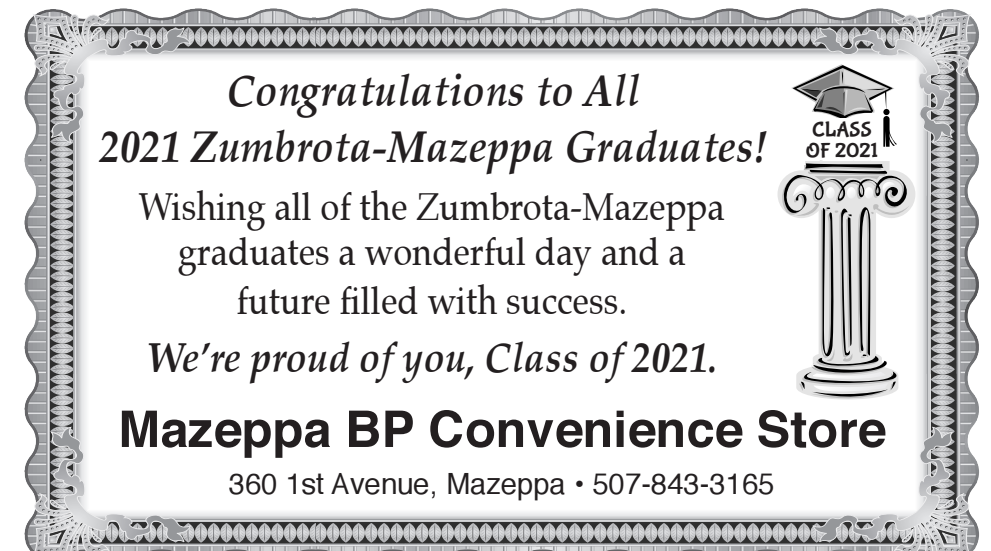



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Mazeppa Memorial Day Activities

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Today, Buddy Poppies are still assembled by disabled and needy veterans in VA Hospitals.

The VFW Buddy Poppy program provides compensation to the veterans who assemble the poppies, provides financial assistance in maintaining state and national veterans' rehabilitation and service programs and partially supports the VFW National Home for Children.

The Buddy Poppy was inspired by the poem, "In Flanders Field", written during the First World War by Canadian physician Lieutenant-Colonel John McCrae. He was inspired to write it on May 3, 1915, after presiding over the funeral of friend and fel-

low soldier Lieutenant Alexis Helmer, who died in the Second Battle of Ypres. According to legend, fellow soldiers retrieved the poem after McCrae, initially dissatisfied with his work, discarded it. "In Flanders Fields" was first published on December 8 of that year in the London magazine Punch.

*In Flanders fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses row on row,
That mark our place; and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.*

*We are the Dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved and now we lie
In Flanders fields.*

*Take up our quarrel with the foe:
To you, from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow,
In Flanders fields.*



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The Case for Rural



Tim Penny
So. MN Initiative Foundation

Anyone who knows me well knows that I regularly champion the benefits of living in rural Minnesota. Not only was I born and raised here, but I have served Greater Minnesota for many years, first during my time in the U.S. Congress and now as the president and CEO of Southern Minnesota Initiative Foundation (SMIF). Now there is growing evidence that many young people are putting down roots in small towns, drawn to a strong sense of community, the lower cost of living, the proximity to natural areas and, increasingly, the awareness of the ability to work remotely.

Married couple Caleb and Blake Lauritsen-Norby were happily settled in the Twin Cities but made the decision to

move to Lanesboro after their first visit there reminded them of the small towns where they grew up. They ended up opening a grocery store, Parkway Market and Coffeehouse – a much-needed amenity in Lanesboro. With the help of a Small Enterprise Loan from SMIF and loan partner CEDA, Caleb and Blake were able to update the building's equipment. Caleb also has a Lego business, Planet Brick, upstairs. For Caleb and Blake, the reasons behind moving to rural were plentiful. The real estate is more affordable, the high-speed internet is faster than what they experienced in the metro, they are surrounded by beautiful landscape and they are able to have a close connection with their customers.

For Shawn Vogt Sween, one of SMIF's Board of Trustees, her move to rural Minnesota was about returning to the place where she grew up, in a small township between Grand Meadow and Spring Valley. Now a Harvard-educated lawyer, Shawn initially left her hometown to pursue her education and kickstart her career. She found herself moving across the country for a span of 14 years with her husband and high school sweetheart, Patrick. From Washington D.C. to California, nothing felt home to the couple quite like life in rural Minnesota. The pair realized they wanted to raise their children in their home community. Today, Shawn, Patrick and their five children live on a hobby farm two miles from the farm where Shawn grew up and her family still lives. Shawn serves her

community through her law practice and is proud to demonstrate that small towns are an excellent place for business owners to be. She has found that people are eager to support local businesses and has enjoyed being able to give back to the community where she grew up.

A recent report from the Center for Rural Policy and Development found that wages in rural Minnesota can go further in meeting the cost of living compared to the seven-county metro area. Employers and economic development professionals can use this report, and the accompanying tool that shows wage data for various occupations across the state, to recruit more people to move to rural Minnesota. Additionally, remote work has become so commonplace that more people are able to live where they want to live instead of where their work is located. This is a huge opportunity for small towns to gain a younger generation of workers who are committed to building their lives in rural Minnesota.

SMIF is able to play a supporting role for people moving back to the region. For entrepreneurs who want to start or grow a business here, we offer business financing and training opportunities. For families who have young children, we support early childhood through a variety of programs and funding, including efforts to enhance the availability and quality of childcare facilities.

Personally, there is no place I would rather be than in rural Minnesota. As the pandemic continues to shape our lives, I believe



more and more people will be moving back home or choosing rural where they can work remotely or start their own businesses while taking advantage of small-town life.

To read more stories about young people who are choosing to work and live in SMIF's 20-county region, visit smifoundation.org/stories.

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

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Wabasha County COVID Vaccine Clinic and Vaccine Rate Information

By Tammy Fiedler PHN
Wabasha County Public Health Director

Wabasha County Public Health has been working on vaccinating our community since December 30, 2020. Data from The Minnesota Department of Health as of April 24, 2021 indicates that 52.0% of our county has at least one vaccine dose, and 42.5 % have completed the COVID vaccine series. The vaccination rate for Wabasha County residents between the ages of 50-64 is 67.6%, and for our 65+ population the rate is 95.9%. I am proud to say that Wabasha County is one of the counties with the highest COVID-19 vaccination rates in Minnesota.

Public Health has been organizing and administering vaccine up to three times each week since December. We have noticed a drastic drop in registrations in our county the last two weeks. Because of the difficulty in filling spots and the complex vaccine storage and handling procedures we will be planning our clinics a bit differ-

ently moving forward.

Public Health receives Moderna Vaccine which comes in vials with 10 or 15 doses per vial. We would like to have the number of those registered match the doses in a vial.

This will allow us to be able to better manage our supply of inventory, and eliminate the need for calling in extra people to cover no shows for appointments. If you have not received your vaccination you are eligible at this time! Please contact Wabasha County Public Health (651-565-5200) to get on our list. When we have reached the 10 or 15 people needed we will contact you to help you schedule your appointment.

Please take the time to share this information with those in our county who may not receive newspapers or do not have access to social media or the County Website for updates. Wabasha County Public Health would like to thank our community for their work in helping to reduce the spread of COVID-19 over the past year.

Guidance Updates for Schools and Sports

The Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) in partnership with the Minnesota Department of Education (MDE) issued updated guidance to support COVID-19 testing for students in middle and high school as well as any Minnesotans participating in organized sports.

The guidance comes as Minnesota is experiencing increased community spread of COVID-19 and an especially high circulation of variants. Health officials now esti-

mate that 60% of all COVID-19 cases in Minnesota are associated with the B.1.1.7 variant, a more transmissible version of the virus that may be associated with more severe symptoms. Much of the spread of COVID-19 in recent weeks has been seen in younger Minnesotans, particularly among middle and high school.

Beginning on April 26, 2021, in order to keep our students learning in-person and continuing with sports, the state is increasing our testing efforts:

- All Minnesotans who are participating in organized sports are strongly encouraged to test every week.

- Every student in middle and high school, regardless of participation in activities, is strongly encouraged to get a COVID test every two weeks.

- Schools have a key role to play by helping make testing more accessible to all of our students and their families by promoting testing opportunities in their communities and strongly encouraged to offer onsite testing for middle and high school students.

The state will provide free COVID-19 saliva test kits for any middle school, high school and organized sports team through the state's partnership with Vault Health.

Outdoor sports face covering requirements and recommendations have also been updated.

- Requirement: Face coverings are required to be worn when sports participants are not actively practicing or playing and cannot maintain physical distancing.

- Recommendation: Participants are

strongly recommended to either wear a face covering at all times (including while actively practicing or playing) or test all participants weekly for COVID-19.

Face coverings must continue to be worn at all times for indoor sports.

Z-M School Moves on SRO change

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The new three-year contract with the Zumbrota Police Department would have cost nearly \$62,000 in the last year of the contract. K-W School District had terminated their SRO this year and Z-M School had inquired about the Goodhue County Sheriff Department taking over the SRO position. The GCSO contract for a school SRO is anticipated to be around \$43,000 for this coming year and about \$49,000 for the 2022-23 school year.

The board has approved the construction of a new addition for a 4,300 sq ft auxiliary gym and a 3,000 sq ft band room as well as a new primary music room. The cost estimate is \$4.3 million.

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Historical Happenings

Compiled by
Helen Reiland

THE MAZEPPA JOURNAL, Editor and Publisher: Barbara and Reider Tommeraas
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 12, 1951

Obituaries

MRS. LILLIAN CHAPMAN

Mrs. Lillian Chapman died suddenly Friday evening of a heart attack at the home of her son, Charles of Faribault, with whom she had made her home the past years.

Lillian Carlson was born Nov. 25, 1861 in Wabasha County, and lived in Mazeppa and Oronoco except for 35 years spent in Faribault. She was 89 years, 10 months and 10 days of age at the time of her death.

She was married to Francis Chapman, who died in 1946. One daughter died in infancy. Surviving are four sons, Charles of Faribault, Roy of California, Morris of Pine Island and John of Rochester; two daughters, Mrs. Ami McDonough (Minnie) of Mazeppa and Edna of Milwaukee; 21 grandchildren, and many great-grandchildren and great-great grandchildren; four sisters and two brothers.

HERMAN HENRY BORGSCHATZ

Herman Henry Borgschatz, son of Henry and Anna Borgschatz, was born at Hay Creek, Sept. 15, 1879

May 20, 1903, he was married to Louise Dropcheske.

Surviving are his wife; three sons, Henry W. of Zumbrota, Edward of Pine Island, and Arnold of Mazeppa; three daughters, Mrs. Carl Radke (Lenora) of Pine Island, Mrs. Bernard Kann (Rosella) of Goodhue and Mrs. Sigurd Hendrickson (Olga) of Wanamingo.

Weddings

KUEHL-BRIGGS

On their wedding trip are Mr. and Mrs. Norman Kuehl (nee Beatrice Briggs) who were married, Saturday afternoon at the Trinity Lutheran church, at Spring Valley, Minn.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Grant Briggs of Spring Valley and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Emil Kuehl of Mazeppa.

On their return they will be at home on a farm near Mazeppa.

Pancake Day in Mazeppa Saturday

Mazeppa should be bulging at the seams, Saturday, as the first Pancake Day is observed here.

Sponsored by Mazeppa businessmen, a full day of entertainment and eating has been planned. Pancakes will be served at the Legion hall from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Music and entertainment will be provided throughout the day, and a feature event will be a pancake eating contest at noon. Free merchandise drawings will be held at 1, 2:30 and 4 p.m.

Prizes will be given by businessmen which are on display in the Maas Store window, and an attractive display has been placed in the Kingsley window by Mazeppa Farmers' Cooperative Dairy Association. Trophies won by Mazeppa butter and attractive posters featuring dairy products make up the display.

Those over-sized yellow buttons, reading "Mazeppa Home of State Championship Butter- Pancake day" are currently adorning businessmen to remind everyone that for a good time and wonderful eating. Mazeppa is the place to be on Saturday.

FOR SALE- 1941 Tudor Ford, Bud Almeter. Inquire at Valley Motor & Implement Co., Mazeppa

FOR SALE- New cast iron 5 foot recess tub, right hand. At reduced price. Searles Hardware.

Mazeppa- Sunday Oct. 14- "Ma and Pa Kettle Go To Town"- admission 12c inc. tax with merchant ticket- 8 P.M. SHARP!

THE MAZEPPA JOURNAL- Reider J. Tommeraas- Editor and Publisher

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Historical Happenings are taken directly from the archives of the original papers as printed. Any discrepancies need to be taken up the Editor and Publisher of the said papers, who are deceased.

Regular City Council Meeting Minutes Wednesday, March 31, 2021

An Emergency meeting of the Mazeppa City Council was called to order at 6:04 PM by Mayor Chris Hagfors.

Pledge of allegiance was said.

Present: Mayor Chris Hagfors. Council Persons Steve Liffriq and Mike Hammes.

Others Present: City Administrator Clerk Karl Nahrgang

Attending via teleconference/electronic meeting:

Public Works Director Scott Ellingson and Holly Galbus from the News Record.

Motion by Liffriq, second by Hammes to approve the agenda. All in favor, none opposed. Carried.

Meeting to consider estimates to repair well pipe or completely replace pump, motor, and pipe.

Motion by Hammes, second by Liffriq to approve quote from Thein Well for \$16,432.24 to replace the well pipes and continue to use the existing motor and pump. All in favor, none opposed. Carried.

Motion by Liffriq, Second by Nelson to adjourn the meeting. All in favor, none opposed. Carried.

Meeting recessed at 6:25 PM.

Administrator-Clerk

Regular City Council Meeting Minutes Wednesday, April 14, 2021

The regular City Council meeting of the

Mazeppa City Council was called to order at 6:01 PM by Mayor Chris Hagfors.

Pledge of allegiance was said.

Present: Mayor Chris Hagfors. Council Persons Steve Liffriq, Mike Hammes and Jeff Nelson.

Others Present: City Attorney Luke Lamprecht, City Administrator Clerk Karl Nahrgang, Matt Mohs from Bolton and Menk, John Clemens, Helen Reiland, Nate Arendt,

Elizabeth Deming from Lamprecht Law, Wabasha County Sherriff Patrol

Sargent Keith Fratzke, Fran Reuter, Jason Klein, and Tim Sanborn.

Attending via electronic meeting:

Councilperson Erica Young, Pam Clink, Bob Josselyn, John Clemens, Holly Galbus from the News-Record, and Jessica Gusa from the Wabasha County Assessor's Office

Motion by Nelson, second by Hammes to approve the agenda and addendum. All in favor, none opposed. Carried.

Motion by Nelsons, second by Liffriq to close the regular Council meeting open Board of Equalization Hearing. All in favor, none opposed. Carried.

Regular meeting closed and Board of Equalization Hearing was convened at 6:02 PM.

Brief explanation of purpose of the B.O.E. meeting and the responsibility of the Board of Equalization.

Parcels R23.00064.03, R2300066.00, and R23.00240.00. Owner questioned if the description contained a mistake and if that mistake was a double count of the land and thus responsible for the increase in the valuation. Ms. Gusa from Wabasha County explained that the value is determined by measurements of the property and the value of the structure. The tax description is not a determining factor. No challenge to valuation was made.

Parcel R23.00204.00. Owner challenge to increase in taxable value. Land is unimproved lots. No electrical, sewer stubs, septic, or water stubs are available to this property. Ms. Gusa explained method of appraisal.

Motion by Hammes, second by Nelson to not change 2021 valuation. All in favor, none opposed. Carried.

Parcel R21.00139.00. Owner challenged value because of proximity to a bar and to multi-family housing. Board acknowledged proximity issues and that the valuation reflects the difficulties of being next to

other types of housing or business.

Motion by Hammes, second by Nelson to not change 2021 valuation. All in favor, none opposed. Carried.

Motion by Nelson, second by Hammes to close Board of Equalization meeting. All in favor, none opposed. Carried.

Meeting closed at 6:45 PM.

Electronic meeting was re-set and participants re-admitted.

Motion by Nelson, second by Hammes to re-open the regular Council meeting. All in favor, none opposed. Carried.

Regular meeting re-opened at 6:52 PM.

Motion by Nelson, second by Liffriq to approve the March 10, 2021 Regular City Council meeting minutes and the March 31, 2021 Emergency meeting minutes. All in favor, none opposed. Carried.

Wabasha County Sherriff's Patrol Sargent Keith Fratzke presented the monthly Incident Command Report. A discussion of follow-up on a nuisance property cleanup and incidents of speeding and traffic not observing the stop signs along 4th Ave. NE.

A brief report on Public Works was presented by Administrator Clerk Karl Nahrgang.

A Fire Department written report was submitted and reviewed by Council.

Mazeppa Municipal Liquor Store update was given by MMLS manager Heather Groby.

City Engineering update was given by Matt Mohs of Bolton & Menk.

Motion by Nelson, second by Hammes to schedule a working session for May 5, 2021 at 6:00 PM. All in favor, none opposed. Carried.

Motion by Nelson, second by Hammes to schedule a public hearing to discuss WWTP costs for May 12, 2021 at 6:00 PM. All in favor, none opposed. Carried.

Motion by Nelson, second by Hammes to approve Resolution 21-08 for a quick plat to split Parcel R23.00283.63. All in favor, none opposed. Carried.

Motion by Nelson, second by Hammes to approve building permits MZ21-03, Jason Klein/Axle Doctors – siding and windows. MZ21-02, Bill Hayes – 2nd garage/auxiliary building. All in favor, none opposed. Carried.

Zach Hofius presented his proposed Sea Scout Quartermaster project at Walking Bridge Park to the Council. His time frame would be to complete the project during the 1st half of June 2021.

Motion by Nelson, second by Liffriq to approve project at Walking Bridge Park and provide funding for materials. All in favor, none opposed. Carried. Discussion of parking issues around MMLS. City administrator and engineer will discuss option to bring to Council.

Request for tractor pull dates. Pulls will start between 10:00 and 10:30 AM pending weather conditions.

Motion by Nelson, second by Liffriq to schedule tractor pulls at Herb Vik Park for Sunday, July 11, 2021, Saturday, August 14, 2021, and September 11, 2021 with sponsor providing proof of insurance to Mazeppa City Hall. All in favor, none opposed. Carried.

Jason Klein asked the Council to support keeping the SRO program active at the Mazeppa site of Zumbrota Mazeppa Schools.

Motion by Nelson, second by Hammes to approve the updated zoning map and Ordinance 21-01 adopting the new zoning map. All in favor, none opposed. Carried.

Motion by Nelson, second by Hammes to approve summary publication of Ordinance 21-01 zoning map. All in favor, none opposed. Carried.

Motion by Nelson, second by Liffriq to approve Resolution 21-09 for a 1-day charitable gambling permit to Mazeppa Lion's Club for July 10, 2021. All in favor, none opposed. Carried.

Motion by Nelson, second by Young to approve moving forward with 1st Ave. sidewalk project with quote from M & M Masonry for \$56,500. All in favor, none opposed. Carried.

Motion by Nelson, second by Hammes to pay the bills and claims. All in favor, none opposed. Carried.

Motion by Nelson, Second by Liffriq to recess until May 5, 2021 at 6:00 PM for a working session. All in favor, none opposed. Carried.

Meeting recessed at 9:10 PM.


Administrator-Clerk

Spring Improvement Projects in Mazeppa

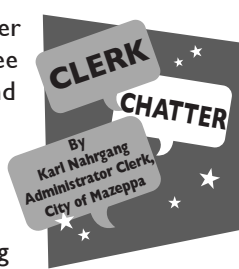
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The project to improve the Walking Bridge Park as a volunteer scout project is scheduled to be completed by June. The estimated cost of \$1,800 is being met by local donations and the city offered to match the donation funds. The city of Mazeppa has a new website. Visit it at www.mazeppamn.us

The liquor store addressed the council with parking issues around the business where homeowners have complained about access to driveways and alleys. One idea is to mark the parking areas more clearly. There is also some repair needed on the stairway to the patio. The liquor store has planed events for the summer including live music twice each month as well as pool leagues, beanbag and dart competitions.



Spring has arrived, and the City has completed another successful Cleanup Day. As the days get longer, we see more people taking advantage of the City's brush and compost site. For the last 2 years, we have had an open gate policy, allowing people access to the facility any time. Facility users have been pretty good about only dumping brush and yard waste. However, it seems that limbs larger than 4 inches in diameter are being dropped. We have also noticed that we have more leaves and grass clippings than ever before. The increased leaves and grass clippings could be due to a heavy year for leaves and growth in the number of households in Mazeppa. It could also be persons outside the City using our facility or lawn service-landscape contractors dumping yard waste. The City does not want to restrict hours or allow key access only. But we do not have the room to store logs and large branches. Nor do we have room to compost the volume of yard waste that we took in last year. Remember, the brush and compost site is for City residents only.



By
Karl Nahrgang
Administrator Clerk,
City of Mazeppa

Zumbro Falls City Council Minutes - March 10, 2021

The council for the City of Zumbro Falls met at City Hall. The mayor called the meeting to order at 7PM.

The clerk read the minutes from the February meeting to council with acceptance as read by a motion from Anderson, seconded Bankers, all in favor, carried.

Treasurer's financial report followed and accepted with a motion from Dennison, seconded Anderson, all in favor, carried.

Damon Erickson presented the council with information on various light poles that are available from XCel Energy and costs incurred if the City was to replace the wood poles throughout the City.

The 2021 Annual Budget for the Zumbro Falls Fire Department was approved by council with a motion from Dennison, seconded Bankers, all in favor, carried. The budget was also approved by the Townships and Cities at the Annual Budget Meeting.

The Board of Equalization Meeting will be held on April 12, 2021 from 9AM to 12PM at the Wabasha County Courthouse for all Zumbro Falls residents. Any questions on your property taxes can be addressed at this meeting.

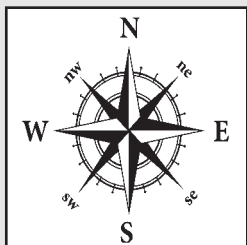
Community Garden applications will be available on the web site in the near future. The applications can be mailed or dropped off with the clerk.

The City Audit has been completed by the Clerk and Treasurer and electronically filed with the State.

A motion was made by Anderson, seconded Bankers, all in favor, for the clerk to pay all bills presented and the meeting to adjourn.

Submitted by,
Susan Eischens, Clerk

Changes in Latitudes, Changes in Attitudes



By Terry Campbell

This column is written by Messenger editor and Minnesota native Terry Campbell. Terry now splits his time between Minnesota when it's warm here and Tennessee when it's cold here.

I like to watch birds. All kind of birds. They have an incredible ability to fly and sing, neither are things I can do. This morning I looked out the front door and there were a couple robins on the porch. The one closest had its head tucked in and feathers quite ruffled. I had never seen one sleep that close to the house. But when I opened the door, it didn't fly away with the other, but moved to the end of the railing. As I got closer it then fluttered off the porch to the ground and hopped away.

I let my dog out in the yard and when I walked around the deck the robin was still hopping along the ground, but seemed a little distressed. My chocolate lab, Sable, always comes out of the door in the morning like a jet taking off. As she circled the house for the first time came tearing by and the robin tried to fly away but sort of crash landed after a few feet, with the dog run-

ning right over top of the hapless bird. I picked the bird up, and set it in the box of the Gator so the dogs wouldn't be tempted to harass it. They are retrievers after all, and bringing me a feathered prize would be quite in character for them. The robin weakly looked at me and huddled up in the Gator box in a defeated and disheveled manner.

When I came back to the Gator, the bird was laying there dead. I imagined his friend had stayed by him through the night knowing the end was near. Maybe he was an old robin and the cold winter was just too much. It was sad to ponder the end of the bird, once sailing through the air with such freedom and singing merrily to welcome each new day. But as I thought about it, I was also reminded of hope. God watches even the birds and not one of them can die without Him knowing it.

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A Minnesotan: Third Winter



By RosaLin Alcoser

The thing that we all know about spring in Minnesota is that the weather can literally do anything. April 2021 alone went from being in the 70's on Easter Sunday to shifting into the third winter. Because after all we already had the first and second winter; how could we even live without a third winter? That would just be unheard of and unthinkable!

The point is that anything can happen in Minnesota's spring months. It can be snowing one day and 100 degrees the next; well maybe not 100 degrees but it

can get quite warm.

I remember in May of 2012 it went from being alright weather in the mid to lower 50s to snowing on Mother's Day weekend.

The reason I remember it is because that Mother's Day weekend is also the weekend that I went to junior prom in the snow. The snow that weekend made for many memorable photos for a lot of my peers that year. A lot of people posted Facebook photos that weekend of them dressed up for prom and playing in the snow.

I on the other hand was posed in front of a dead lilac bush; that had been in full bloom the Mother's Day weekend the year before. I remember it being cold, windy and a bit awkward standing on a shoveled off strip of brown grass in front of this dormant bush for photos.

While I am sure that 2012 was not the only Mother's Day snow that I or any of us have seen it is definitely one that sticks in my mind because of that bush. With any hope the good weather that we have seen at the end of April will be sticking with us for the rest of this spring and lead us into the summer months... or it will snow mid May because it's Minnesota and it has to do a fourth winter this year.

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