

APRIL, 2021

Wanamingo Water Towers to be Replaced

The city council is proposing a construction project for next year which would include a new water tower, well house and water main upgrade. The new water tower would hold 250,000 gallons and is large enough to serve the cities water needs into the future.

This would replace both existing water towers. Also planned are looping the three primary water mains to eliminate dead spots and improve water pressure throughout the city. The project is anticipated to cost \$2,430,000.

Wanamingo is still exploring the feasibility of participating in a regional sanitary sewer facility with Pine Island, Goodhue and Zumbrota. Whether they eventually pair with the other cities or build their own, the study will be helpful for either.

The city water meters will likely need to be

replaced as the company which provided the meter servicing will no longer serve small communities. It would cost approximately \$135,000 to replace the 400 meters in service in the city.

K-W Speech Team students compete

Sub Section Results from Saturday, April 10th: Sophia Culuris - 1st place Original Oratory, Ashley Rechtzigel - 1st place Great Speeches, Elliot Olson - 2nd place Serious Prose, Izzy Chmelik - 4th place Poetry, Jordan Blowers - 6th place Serious Prose, Aspen Donkers finished as 1st Alternate in Dramatic Interpretation.

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New Staff at OMC in Wanamingo

The Olmsted Medical Clinic in Wanamingo has a new Nurse Practitioner at their office. Tuyet Hak has been filling in since the retirement of David Detert. Tuyet was born in Viet Nam and her family moved to this country when she

was six years old. Her

Tuyet Hak APRN, CNP

father worked for IBM in Viet Nam and transferred to Rochester in 1991 where she grew up. (continued on page 4)

2021 Goodhue County Dairy Princesses

2021 Goodhue County Dairy princesses were crowned this weekend. They are Madison Bartholome daughter of Jim and Lisa Bartholome of Goodhue, Cassandra Hinsch daughter of Mike and Ann Hinsch, of Goodhue and Chelsey Lexvold daughter of Brent and Wendy Lexvold of Goodhue. They will represent the dairy farmers and dairy industry in Goodhue County for the next year.



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Announcements

 Wanamingo Senior Citizens meet the first Friday of each month at 11:30 AM at the Wanamingo **Community Center.** There is always a speaker or some type of entertainment. All Seniors are welcome and encouraged to come. If you need to sign up or cancel, please call Virginia Sabin at 824-2603.

• Wanamingo Veterans Honor Guard invite you to become a member. Join us and help us make the Wanamingo Veterans Honor Guard an even bigger success. WVHG meets the third Tuesday of each month at the Wanamingo Community Center. The VFW will meet from 7-7:30p.m. The Honor Guard will meet from 7:30-8:30p.m. For more information contact Paul Rugg 507-824-3306, Gary Floan at 507-732-7740, or Larry Van De Walker at 507-421-4674.

• 2021 Goodhue County Health & Human Services Immunization Schedule, located at 426 West Avenue, Red Wing, MN. January through July 1st, Tuesday 1-4pm; August through December, every Tuesday 2-4pm. Clinics are walk-in. No appointment needed. For other times, call for an appointment 651-385-3200 or 1-800-950-2142.

• 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 threeriverscap.org for more information



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Religion

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HE is RISEN!!!

He is Risen- He is Risen Indeed. That is a traditional Easter greeting. "He is risen!" and the response is "He is risen, indeed!" This Easter tradition has a lot to say to us today as we prepare for Easter Sunday. The history behind it is pretty vague, but regardless of its origin it is a great way to greet one another on Easter. One of my favorite accounts of Easter is from Matthew 28:1-7, ""Early on Sunday morning, as the new day was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went out to visit the tomb. 2 Suddenly there was a great earthquake! For an angel of the Lord came down from heaven, rolled aside the stone, and sat on it. 3 His face shone like lightning, and his clothing was as white as snow. 4 The guards shook with fear when they saw him, and they fell into a dead faint.

5 Then the angel spoke to the women. "Don't be afraid!" he said. "I know you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. 6 He isn't here! He is risen from the dead, just as he said would happen. Come, see where his body was lying. 7 And now, go quickly and tell his disciples that he has risen from the dead, and he is going ahead of you to Galilee. You will see him there. Remember what I have told you."

What glorious news!!! He is Risen from the dead! Just three days before, these same women- were on the hill of Golgotha outside of Jerusalem, where they saw Jesus die. Where they saw all their hopes dashed to the ground. They saw the prophet, the man they had followed some of them for three years- totally defeated and hanging on a cross with criminals. They saw him carried off to this same tomb and left there. They had no hope of seeing him again.

They had lost hope. Yet, they wanted to do one last thing for this great teacher and leader among them and make sure he was buried correctly-- They gathered their supplies and waited until the Sabbath was over and then they could head over to the cemetery and take care of their friend and teacher.



As they approached the area, the ground shook—rocks are rolling around, the trees are swaying wildly, they lose their footing and stumble. Then they see and hear- He is Risen. It is a message full of meaning still today.

#1 – He Is Risen Means Jesus Is Alive. As believers we are saying that we believe that Jesus is still alive and living forever. Paul said that if the resurrection didn't happen, we are most to be pitied. But the resurrection of Jesus IS true, which means that Jesus is alive, which means that everything he promised will happen. It's not a myth, fairy tale, or children's tale. The disciples were firsthand witnesses- and Jesus appeared to over 500 people after his resurrection! That's very good evidence!

#2 – He Is Risen Means Jesus Is Reigning: Our risen Lord is just that – Lord. He sits on the throne of heaven, on the right hand of God the Father. He is King of Kings and Lord of Lords. Our lives and the world may seem insanely chaotic but there is nothing outside of the sovereign rule of King Jesus. Politics can't stop Jesus. Our sin and weakness can't stop him. Satan can't stop him. One day all the world everything and everyone must bow before the risen and ruling Christ. There is no better news than that.

#3 – He Is Risen Means A Man Sits Upon the Throne. This just blows me away! The incarnation, death, and resurrection of Christ mean that a man, a human, bone of our bone and flesh of our flesh, is seated on the throne of heaven. Christ knows the struggle and striving and suffering that come with living in a fallen, broken world. He has been here and done that. He was temped, it says in all ways that we too have been tempted. Yet, as He sits on the thronehe is approachable—I can walk up to his throne—and like a little child that crawls onto their daddy's lap, I can come to Him and share my heart, my hurts, my joys and my struggles and He will listen—and He understands. When we share with Him our anxiety over the uncertain times before us—He understands our burden and asks that He can carry it for us.

#4 – He Is Risen Means the Penalty for Sin Has Been Paid: We are all sinners born into sin from day one. And God cannot let any sin to enter heaven. The punishment for our sin is death. Because of the love that God has for His creation He has provided us a way out—Romans 6:23 "For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life through Christ Jesus our Lord." It is free for us—but it cost Jesus His life.

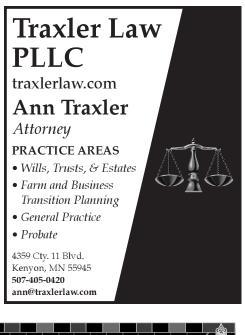
#5 – He Is Risen Means Jesus Will Make All Things New: One day—as we join Him in heaven there will be: No more cancer. No more depression. No more COVID-19, no more wars or hunger, or shootings. Right now, we live in a dark and dying world, but the king is returning.

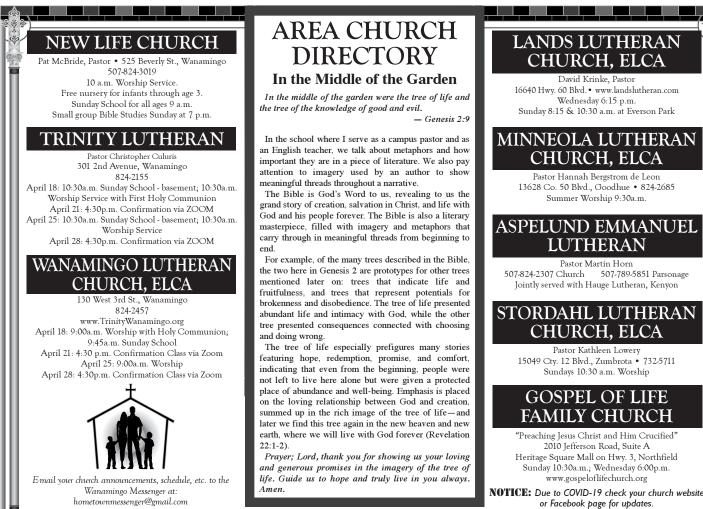
#6 – He Is Risen Means We Will Receive New Bodies. Right now, our bodies decay. Fall apart. Go to pieces. We are afflicted with migraines, heart disease, PTSD, Alzheimer's, and ALS. But this won't always be the case. Christ will return and we will receive new, resurrection bodies that don't feel the crippling effects of sin.

#7 – He Is Risen Means We Have A Sympathetic Great High Priest. We all want someone that understands how we feel and what we are going through. Jesus knows us inside and out (and loves us anyway!) The risen Jesus is our Great High Priest, taking us into the Most Holy Place, and praying on our behalf. Because he suffered, he can sympathize with our weakness and our pain. Jesus is near to us, helping us, praying for us. #8 – He Is Risen Means We Have the Holy Spirit. Now that Jesus is alive, he gives the Holy Spirit to all who believe in Him. The Holy Spirit is no longer reserved for prophets and mighty men and women. He comes to all who believe, weak and strong, young and old, mature and immature. Through Christ's death and resurrection, we are brought into a relationship with God. Jesus Christ sends the Holy Spirit to us and brings into the presence of the Father.

#9 – He Is Risen Means We Have Hope. We have hope because we see in Jesus Christ the agony of the Cross- and how great His love for us.

He Is ALIVE! The resurrection of Jesus changes absolutely everything. Because He lives, we have hope for today, tomorrow and forever! He is risen! He is Risen indeed!



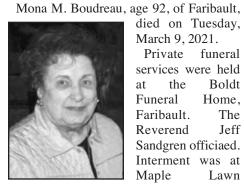


Obituaries

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April, 2021

Mona M. Boudreau



Cemetery.

Mona (Benson) Boudreau (Mrs. Donald) was born November 12, 1928 at St. Mary's Hospital in Rochester to Elmer O. and Hulda (Nelson) Benson. She was baptized at Trinity Lutheran Church, Hayfield, confirmed at Bethany Lutheran Church, Kenyon and graduated with the Class of 1946 from Kenyon High School. She was married to Donald Boudreau on May 26, 1955 at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Minneapolis. Mona was employed at Wilson & Co. as a secretary for 5 years and

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then at Faribault Daily News for 30 years as secretary to the publisher. She was a memdied on Tuesday, ber of the Faribault Senior Center and a March 9, 2021. Volunteer at the Clothes Closet. funeral She is survived by two children, Bruce (and Jan) Boudreau and Kathy (and Paul) services were held Boldt Stepka, all of Faribault; three granddaugh-Home, Faribault The

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ters, Jennifer (and Andy) Lohrmann of Faribault, Kallie (and Jake) Smuda of Virginia Beach, VA and Jenna Boudreau, of Minneapolis; five great granddaughters, Olivia, Ellie and Georgia Lohrmann and Kenley and Maryn Smuda; two sisters in law, Mary Boudreau and La Donna Boudreau both of Faribault; and other rela-

tives and friends. She was preceded in death by her father in September 1970, her mother in March 1997, and her husband in August 1996.

Condolences for Mona's family may be sent to the Boldt Funeral Home, 300 Prairie Ave., Faribault, MN 55021.

Visit boldtfuneralhome.com for information and guestbook.



Larry J. Wrolstad

Larry J. Wrolstad, 74, of Kenyon, died Monday, April 5, 2021 at Methodist Hospital, Rochester. 29. Faribault the son of Ennert and Donna (Christenson) High

Kenyon

School. In 1966 Larry married Linda Marlene Anderson, the sweet waitress at Harry's Café his mom introduced him to. He served 4 years in the US Air Force where he was stationed in Guam for 6 months during Vietnam. After his military service he lived in Cedar Rapids, IA for 17 years, the Twin Cities and finally moved back to Kenyon in 1984. He worked as a crane operator until retiring in 2008. In retirement, he drove truck for McDonough and van for Held Bus Co until he was diagnosed with cancer in 2018.

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Larry loved riding and collecting Harley Davidson motorcycles. He shared this love with his family and often planned rides with them or rides that would take him to visit them. He also collected Allis Chalmers tractors, Lionel model trains and vintage toys. Larry enjoyed camping, boating and spending time on the water with his family. He was a fun guy who loved life and always kept his family first.

He is survived by his wife, Linda Wrolstad of Kenyon; daughter, Loretta (and Brett) Carlson of Rogers; son, Larry (and Amber Yang) Wrolstad of Minnetrista; grandchildren, Tanya (and Tim) O'Neil, Felicia Nelson, Jessica Nelson, Garett Carlson, Clara Belle Wrolstad; great grandchildren, Nelson, Elaina, Bradlee, Navy, Preslee, Jameson; brothers, Jerry (and Patty) Wrolstad, Steve (and Donna) Wrolstad, Paul Wrolstad, Tom Wrolstad, Jon Wrolstad; sisters, Sharon (and Doug) Henke, Suzanne Stewart, Joan (and Robert) Nye, Cindy (and Steve) Oelkers, JoEllen Wrolstad, Laurie Ann McComas

He was preceded in death by his brother, Richard Wrolstad; sister, Mary Ellen Wrolstad.

Funeral services were held April 9, 2021



at 2pm at Holden Lutheran Church with visitation one hour prior to the service. Interment was in the Holden Lutheran Cemetery.

Bernard "Ben" Linaman

Bernard "Ben" Linaman, 90, of Kenyon,



died Monday, April 5. 2021, in Colorado Springs, CO, after complications from a stroke. Bernard Frederick Linaman was born January 20, 1931, Bellechester, in Wabasha County, to

Fred and Agnes

(Megears) Linaman. He was baptized in Bellechester. He attended country school through the 8th grade. On July 18, 1952, he entered into the United States Army where he was a cook. On June 18, 1954, he was honorably discharged and returned home.

On June 21, 1958, he married Glenora Voxland at Holden Lutheran Church. Ben and Glenora made their home south of Kenvon where he was a farmer for most his life before moving to town in 1993 from the family farm. Ben also worked at the Kahler Hotel in Rochester, RYT-way in Northfield, the photo lab at Walmart in Owatonna and Treasure Island in Red Wing until he retired.

Ben was a member of Hegre Lutheran Church. He loved spending time in his wood shop making tables, shelves, canes, or any other project people asked of him. He was always building something. He also enjoyed cooking, baking, gardening and traveling.

He is survived by two sons, Tommy (Denise) Linaman of Kenyon and David Linaman of Owensville, Missouri; one daughter, Lynette Linaman of Chanhassen; eight grandchildren, Fay (Todd) Crouse, Scott (Ashley) Linaman, Mark Linaman, Craig (DeeAnna) Linaman, Samantha Linaman, Andrew Linaman, Jessica (Runner) Chandler, and Casey Beam; twenty-two great-grandchildren; two brothers, Jim Linaman of Mesa, Arizona and Donald Linaman of Nevada; one sister, Donna Merkel of Spring Valley, Minnesota; many nieces, nephews and other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his wife Glenora in 2002; his parents; three brothers, Louie, Fred and Frank; one sister, Helen Winslow.

A private family memorial service will be held at a later date. Interment will be in Hegre Lutheran Cemetery.



K-W School & Community

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K-W Speech Team students compete



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Five members will compete in the Section tournament hosted by Byron on Saturday, April 17th. All meets this year have been held virtually with students competing from KWMS classrooms in rounds held through a platform similar to Zoom. The Speech team coaches are Heidi Hanson and Rebecca Kunesh.

New Staff at OMC in Wanamingo

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Tuyet's uncle was a doctor and her aunt was a nurse. She knew she wanted to follow a nursing career since she was a young girl. All three of her brothers are also working I the medical field. She attended Winona State to earn her BSN and received her Masters Science in Nursing at Walden University in Minneapolis. She has been working in Pine Island and Cannon Falls clinics as well as Wanamingo for the last four months.

Tuyet is married and lives in Byron with her husband and two daughters. Her husband works in sales. In her spare time she likes to play volleyball, badminten, go hiking and enjoy other outdoor activities, crochet and spend time with the kids and their Husky dog.

Kenyon-Wanamingo Spring School Activities

The K-W school is planning a spring band and choir concert with the theme "Here Comes the Sun" for Thursday May 6th. The band concert will be held outdoors starting at 7pm so bring lawn chairs or blankets to sit on. The choir concert will be held indoors in the middle/high school auditorium. On Thursday May 13th the elementary school will hold their spring band and choir concerts at the Kenyon-Wanamingo Elementary with the band concert outside starting at 7pm and the choir concert held afterwards indoors in the elementary school auditorium.

The K-W school play, "Beauty and the Beast" will be held starting Friday May 7th in the K-W high school auditorium at 7pm. There will also be performances on Saturday May 8th and 15th at 7pm and matinees on Sunday May 9th and 16th at 2pm.

There is interest in starting a K-W fishing club. The High School sport started in the south and has been growing in Minnesota in the past few years. It starts in May and consists of bass fishing tournaments throughout the summer.

The Kenyon-Wanamingo Prom is scheduled to be held Saturday May 1st. There will be a Grand March at 4pm in the east high school gym and a dinner and DJ at the Red Wing Golf Club. An after Prom party is planned at the K-W high school.

Two GaGaBall pits are going to be constructed by the High School shop class and erected at each school location. Donations have been received for the funding of these. GaGaBall is similar to dodge ball but played in an octogon arena about 24' across.



K-W Noble Knights

April, 2021



K-W Noble Knights for March 12, 2021 Front Row: Oaklee Lemke, KG, Mrs. Katie Valek; Korbyn Meyers, Gr. 1, Mr. Tony Donkers; Olivia Lerfald, Gr. 1, Ms. Megan Sabrowsky ; Stephanie Couch, Gr. 1, Ms. Megan Sabrowsky; Elijah Wood, Gr. 2, Mrs. Renee Hildebrandt; Arwyn Sweet, Gr. 2, Mrs. Deb Hinrichs. Back Row: Morgan Hershberger, Gr. 3, Ms. Val Ashland, Neya'Miah Berge, Gr. 4, Mrs. Jena LeTourneau; Aislynn Ronningen, Gr. 4, Ms. Rhonda Thesing; Damien Horst, Gr. 4, Mr. Jake Wieme

Not pictured: Anthony Hauer, Gr. 3, Ms. Sandy Sahl



Ashlynn Amiot Gr. 3, Ms. Sandy Sahl



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K-W Noble Knights for March 19, 2021 Front Row: Sabin Varanelli, KG, Mrs. Tanya Short; David Aguilar Garcia, KG, Mrs. Katie Valek; Emmot Putnam, Gr. 1, Mr. Tony Donkers; Beau Callahan, Gr. 1, Ms. Megan Sabrowsky; Nathan Flom, Gr. 1, Ms. Megan Sabrowsky; Mariah Brainard, Gr. 2, Mrs. Renee Hildebrandt. Back Row: Boe Aronson, Gr. 2, Mrs. Deb Hinrichs; Piper Rueger, Gr. 3, Ms. Val Ashland; Parker Miller, Gr. 3, Ms. Sandy Sahl; Sylvia Hedeen, Gr. 4, Mrs. Jena LeTourneau; Brady Christensen, Gr. 4, Ms. Rhonda Thesing; Crue Nesseth, Gr. 4, Mr. Jake Wieme



K-W Noble Knights for March 26, 2021 Front Row: Sebastian Uran, KG, Mrs. Katie Valek; Ivan Estrada, Gr. 1, Ms. Megan Sabrowsky; Sophia Nokes, Gr. 1, Ms. Megan Sabrowsky; Logan Schmitz, Gr. 2, Mrs. Deb Hinrichs. Back Row: Gracie Bozvay-Curley, Gr. 3, Ms. Val Ashland; Eli Caron, Gr. 3, Ms. Sandy Sahl; Zachary Pederson, Gr. 4, Mrs. Jena LeTourneau; Tessa Adams, Gr. 4, Ms. Rhonda Thesing; Brayden O'Brien, Gr. 4, Mr. Jake Wieme. Not pictured: Kyleigh Wetzstein, Gr. 1, Mr. Tony Donkers



Gr. 2 Mrs. Renee Hildebrandt



K-W Noble Knights for April 9, 2021

Front Row: Maverick Moechnig, KG, Mrs. Tanya Short; Tarynn Houglum, KG, Mrs. Katie Valek; Daniel Richards, Gr. 1, Mr. Tony Donkers; Leia Patterson, Gr. 1, Ms. Megan Sabrowsky; Beau Callahan, Gr. 1, Ms. Megan Sabrowsky; Evelyn Nystuen, Gr. 2, Mrs. Renee Hildebrandt; Isaac Caron, Gr. 2, Mrs. Deb Hinrichs. Back Row: Hunter Taylor, Gr. 3, Ms. Val Ashland; Abel Eggert, Gr. 3, Ms. Sandy Sahl; Jacob Flom, Gr. 4, Ms. Jena LeTourneau; Ace Laack, Gr. 4, Ms. Rhonda

Thesing; Sydney Trapp, Gr. 4, Mr. Jake Wieme



New Study Highlights Higher Profits for Ag Water Quality Certified Farms

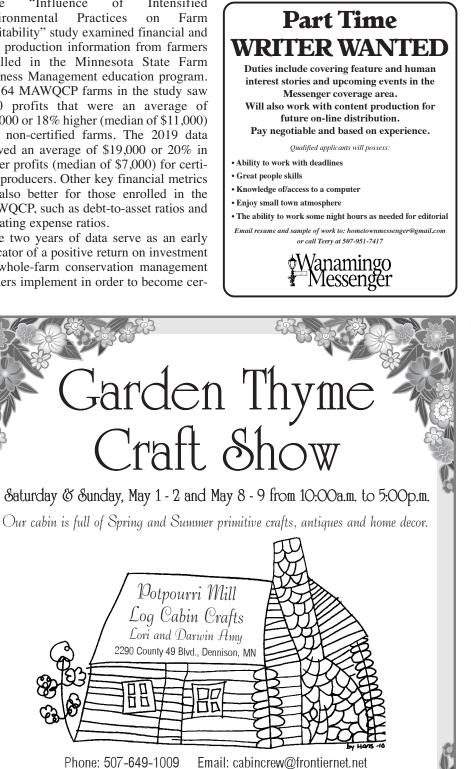
A new study by the Minnesota State Agricultural Centers of Excellence shows that farmers enrolled in the Minnesota Agricultural Water Quality Certification Program (MAWQCP) had higher profits than non-certified farms. This marks the second year of data highlighting improved financial outcomes.

The "Influence of Intensified Environmental Practices on Farm Profitability" study examined financial and crop production information from farmers enrolled in the Minnesota State Farm Business Management education program. The 64 MAWQCP farms in the study saw 2020 profits that were an average of \$40,000 or 18% higher (median of \$11,000) than non-certified farms. The 2019 data showed an average of \$19,000 or 20% in higher profits (median of \$7,000) for certified producers. Other key financial metrics are also better for those enrolled in the MAWQCP, such as debt-to-asset ratios and operating expense ratios.

The two years of data serve as an early indicator of a positive return on investment for whole-farm conservation management farmers implement in order to become certified. "The Minnesota Ag Water Quality Certification Program is a double-win for the state," said Agriculture Commissioner Thom Petersen. "We see that certified farms have a major impact on our environment for the better; now we also know that those farmers see better economic outlooks which helps our ag economy. I encourage all farmers and landowners to look into the advantages of certifying their land."

"While this study is in its infancy, capturing two years of data and 3% of the Minnesota database, it does look encouraging that producers who are water quality certified enjoy an increase in farm profitability," said Keith Olander, Executive Director of AgCentric.

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"As we expand this dataset in future years, we will look to incorporate enterprise level management data that may explain more about what is driving these profit levels." To view, download, or request a copy of



this report, visit agcentric.org.

The MAWQCP is a voluntary program for farmers and landowners that protects the state's water resources by putting farmers in touch with local conservation district experts to identify and mitigate any risks their farm poses to water quality. Producers going through the certification process have priority access to financial assistance.

Since the program's statewide launch in 2016, 1,038 farms totaling over 734,000 acres have been certified across Minnesota. Farms have added 2,095 new conservation practices, which protect Minnesota's waters. Those new practices help to reduce of greenhouse gas emissions by over 40,500 metric tons each year. That annual saving is equal to 4.5 million gallons of gasoline, or 44.6 million pounds of coal, or eliminating more than 100 million miles driven by an average passenger vehicle.

The program is on target to meet Governor Tim Walz's goal of enrolling one million acres by the end of 2022.

Farmers and landowners interested in becoming water quality certified can contact their local Soil and Water Conservation District or visit MyLandMyLegacy.com.

About the Minnesota Agricultural Water Ouality Certification Program

The Minnesota Agricultural Water Quality Certification Program is a voluntary opportunity for farmers and agricultural landowners to take the lead in implementing conservation practices that protect our water. Those who implement and maintain approved farm management practices will be certified and in turn obtain regulatory certainty for a period of ten years. The program is available to farmers and landowners statewide.



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CITY OF WANAMINGO City Council Regular Meeting Monday, March 8, 2021 7:00 P.M. Wanamingo City Council Chambers – 401 Main Street

Wanamingo, MN

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Holmes. PRESENT: Council: Ryan Holmes, Larry VanDeWalker, Eric Dierks, Stuart Ohr, and Jeremiah Flotterud

City Administrator: Michael Boulton **ABSENT:** Council: Eric Dierks

Deputy Clerk: Karen Masters

ALSO PRESENT: Brad Kennedy, David Jacobsen – Jacobsen Law Firm, P.A., Brandon Theobald – WHKS, Lee Martin – Metering & Technology Solutions, Barney Nesseth, Michele Vlasak - Kenyon Leader, and David Friese – Zumbrota News-Record.

ADOPT AGENDA: VanDeWalker motioned to adopt the agenda, seconded by Flotterud. Passed 4-0-0.

CONSENT AGENDA: Flotterud motioned, seconded by Ohr. Passed 4-0-0. **PRESENTERS:**

A) Brad Kennedy reported on:

1) Finished trimming oak trees along Hillcrest Avenue – February cold months good for oak tree trimming

2) Hockey Rink – continuing to build up ice and clean snow off ice

3) Finished sand blasting and painting Pay Loader fenders. Staff plans on continuing to touch up sand blast and paint rusted portions of pay loader and time permits

4) Continuing on refurbishing swimming pool picnic table and benches.

5) Completed yearly inspection on both wells with McCarthy Wells

6) Working on cleaning up the shop including taking scrap metal to recycle

Mayor Holmes recognized the Wanamingo Staff in being awarded the 2019 Minnesota Department of Health Water Fluoride Quality Award. The City staff maintained a consistent level of fluoride in drinking water throughout 2019. Mayor Holmes presented the staff with the award from the US Depart of Health and Human Services Center for Disease Control and Prevention.

B) Barney Nesseth reported on:

In December 2020 the City Council agreed that the liquor licenses for JB's Tavern, On-Sale Liquor (\$2,100) and Sunday Liquor License (\$300), be approved with a license fee of \$1 be paid before January 1, 2021 with the remaining balance to be set by the City Council and paid after JB's Tavern is allowed to be reopened by Governor Walz.

Nesseth stated that bars/restaurants had been allowed to open in January 2021.

Nesseth thanked the Council for time to allow cash flow to catch up in the past month and a half being open.

Nesseth was back to negotiate reduced Liquor Licenses due to being shut down and at limited capacity for portions of 2020 and the beginning of 2021.

Boulton stated that most area communities had approved 50% reduction in 2021 On-Sale Liquor Licenses to their local bars due to being shut down for parts of 2020 and the beginning of 2021. Ohr motioned to reduce JB's Tavern 2021 On-Sale Liquor/Sunday Liquor License by 50% (from \$2,400 to \$1,200), seconded by VanDeWalker. Passed 4-0-0.

C) Lee Martin – Metering & Technology Solutions reported on:

1) Itron and Badger had a 30-year relationship that ended a few months ago. Itron no longer wishes to work with small accounts with small number of meters. A number of communities in this area are in the same boat as the City of Wanamingo.

2) The City uses Itron ERT (Electronic Radio Transmission) heads to send signal from the Badger meters to the Itron handheld meter reader (DS200). The City can no longer buy the Badger meters and the Itron ERT's together.

3) The City had two immediate costeffective choices of up updating software and equipment annually with Itron or work with Metering and Technology Solutions to keep the current Itron meter reader (DS200) serviced. The DS200 could be serviced and running for the next 5-10 years while transitioning to a new endpoint that uses cellular service with the ultrasonic meters that the City has been installing the last few years (60-70 meters). 4) The Beacon software is web base (supported through Chrome browser) that utilizes cellular service for meter reading. Beacon is supported by the City Utility Software, Caselle.

5) Cellular service utilizes short increment pulse reading. The City or user can log in and see the usage down to the hour. The City staff and resident can monitor high usage when a leak occurs within the hour.

6) Beacon has a one-time fee of \$6,000 for web-based software and staff training. Metering and Technology Solutions offer a lifetime service. Each meter read will have a monthly cellular fee (roughly \$0.85).

7) There will be no maintenance staff time to do reading on new meters (would have to continue to read current meters until the remaining ERT's and meters are all switched to the new endpoints and ultrasonic meters).

8) There would be a 20-year warranty on network, hardware, and software when purchased and installed.

Boulton stated that the City would need to up their version of Caselle utility billing software, Classic to Connect (three versions newer software). Boulton stated that the quote to upgrade software, convert data, set up Beacon, and train staff is \$9,727. Boulton stated that these costs would be paid out of the sanitation fund. The fund collects slightly more than the contract amount to help with the cost of billing. The fund has not transferred or paid for cost of billing in many years (had \$60,000 in cash at the end of 2019 in the fund. Kennedy stated that the City could purchase the new endpoints for the 60-70 newer badger ultrasonic meters at \$150/each (roughly \$10,000). Holmes thought that that it was a great idea to play catchup in software and technology for the City. VanDeWalker stated that this upgrade would save the staff four hours a month of meter reading once all the meters were switched. Boulton stated that the water fund paid off bond debt in 2020 (roughly \$30,000/year), 2021(roughly \$100,000/year), and 2022(roughly \$23,000/year), totaling \$153,000/year. The City is planning a 2022 Utility Improvements Project expected to take new debt on of roughly \$141,000/year starting in 2023). The City has 2021 and 2022 to save up the roughly \$135,000 in the water fund needed to replace the 400 old mechanical meters with the ultrasonic meters and new endpoints (along with \$10,000 for 60-70 new endpoints for current ultrasonic meters) in the next 5-10 years.

D) David Jacobsen – Jacobsen Law Firm, P.A. reported on:

1) Provided a 2020 summary of criminal and civil attorney services

2) City of Wanamingo pays \$1,000/month for prosecution services and \$400/month for civil work to Jacobsen Law Firm, P.A. – request to increase rates \$50/month for Municipal Prosecution Legal Services and \$100/month for Municipal Civil Legal Services.

3) Law firm has been handling prosecution since 2011 and civil since 2014. Steve Jorstad, 'of counsel', handled prosecutions and civil (off and on) for the City since 1975. Mike Hero has transitioned to 'of counsel' as well (part-time).

4) Hired AJ Lindell to Jacobsen Law Firm, P.A. in December 2020

5) Gave breakdown of Prosecuted Offenses within City of Wanamingo - 31 offenses (21 traffic and 10 community offenses). 27 of the 31 cases have been closed. Cases moved along even with having to deal with COVID. County has had to adapt and work harder to coordinate cases. Jury trail cases are only available in one court room and are slow moving.

6) There were 76.8 hours dedicated towards prosecution for the City of Wanamingo in 2020

7) The City of Wanamingo should have received \$2,800.00 (or \$1,992.50 due to tracking software glitch that is being fixed at the State level) in fine revenue after Goodhue County and State of MN received their shares

8) Civil attorney work included: supported staff, reviewed Council packets, drafted ordinances (Including Tobacco Ordinance), easement work, logo/branding patent, 2020 Roadway Improvements, agreements (County Fire Department Mutual Aid), lot split/parcel combinations, Emerald Valley Association, EDA Land Sale, personnel advice, and other legal documents, and provided advice to Council and Staff.

E) Brandon Theobald – WHKS – City Consulting Engineer reported on:

1) Stated that he was looking for direction from the City Council on 2021 Crack Filling. Had discussed possible crack filling with Administrator Boulton, who provided the Council with a memo.

Administrator Boulton's memo provided updated information on the 2021 Crack Filling. In the 2021 budgeting process City Council was not sure where the State of Minnesota would be in fulfilling the entire \$270,221 Local Government Aid (LGA) obligation to the City of Wanamingo. The COVID Pandemic left uncertainty along with a serval billion-dollar project State budget deficit. The November 2020 budget forecast showed a projected \$1.273 billion deficit in the 2021-2022 budget (February 2020 had a \$2.42 billion deficit for 2021-2022 budget and July 2020 had a \$4.7 billion-dollar deficit for 2021-2022). The February 2021 budget forecast shows a projected \$1.6 billion surplus for the 2021-2022 budget. The projected surplus should mean that LGA is paid in full for 2021-2022.

The 2021 crack filling could take place since the 2021 LGA will be funded, as the Council discussed at the December 2020 budget hearing. Boulton stated that the Council could have City Staff and Brandon Theobald of WHKS put together a crack filling proposal. The proposal could include 5th Street and 3rd Street in Emerald Valley Addition, Mingo View Drive, the alley between High Avenue/1st Avenue/3rd Street W/Second Street W, along with touch up crack filling on Nelson Drive and Beverly Street. Theobald stated that the Council could provide him direction so he could solicit bid from contractors and come back to the City Council for approval at the April City Council meeting.

Flotterud questioned if there were funds not spend in 2020 for crack filling that were budgeted. Boulton and Theobald stated that budgeted crack filling funds were spent in the 2020 Roadway Improvements Project in addition to the bonded funds for various patching and manhole adjustments. Flotterud asked if the \$25,000 discussed adding back into the budget was in addition to the \$25,000 in the final budget approved in December 2020. Boulton stated that this was the same \$25,000 but that the Council agreed not to spend the funds unless 2021 LGA was fully funded. Ohr had concerns with crack filling too late in the season and making sure contractors did the work when it was warm. Ohr and Flotterud were not fans of crack filling, but rather seal coating. Theobald stated that roads should be crack filled a year before or the same year that they are seal coated to stop water from undermining the condition of the asphalt. Ohr suggested updating the Street and Infrastructure Improvement Plan that was put together in December 2016. Ohr and Flotterud suggested saving the best roads first with crack filling and/or seal coating. Flotterud asked what the cost was in maintenance of a block of street. Theobald stated that reclaim/pave is roughly \$25,000/block \$50,000/block, for mill/overlay, a few thousand per block to chip seal, and crack filling depends on the number and depth of cracks per block (cost based on linear feet and material). Theobald stated that the larger the project in crack filling seal coating the better pricing. Boulton stated that the \$25,000 budgeted could be added to depending on the final 2020 General Fund balance. The final General Fund balance would be known in the next few weeks as the 2020 City Audit is complete. Boulton stated that any balance over \$500,000 reserve at the end of 2020 in the general fund could be allocated (continued on page 9)

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toward crack filling in 2021. Boulton estimated that this could be at least \$15,000-25,000 more funds for crack filling beyond the \$25,000 budgeted. Holmes brought up that the City had discussed purchasing a crack filling machine to conduct the work internally. Theobald stated that very few area communities own their own crack filling equipment. Kennedy stated that Kenyon is planning to crack fill most of their streets in 2021. Wanamingo might be able to get a favorable price from Kenyon's contractor while they are working in the area. VanDeWalker moved to have WHKS and City Staff update the Street and Infrastructure Improvement Plan, seconded by Ohr. Boulton stated that the Council would review the plan at the April City Council meeting. The Council should know the General Fund Reserve Balance from the end of 2020 at the meeting to finalize 2021 crack filling budget. Passed 4-0-0 Theobald brought up the 2022 Water Tower, Well House, and Water Main Looping project. Theobald has been working toward 2022 construction on the Water Tower, Well House, and Water Main Looping project. Bidding will take place late fall or early winter 2021. The contractor will need time to procure steel before 2022 construction season. Engineering will take place in spring-summer 2021. An upgrade would be needed to well number two including a new building adding chemicals rooms and new telemetry controls to the new tower and well number one. The City will make the contract bid awardee work directly with Automatic Systems on the telemetry system upgrades. The City has had Automatic systems install and service the current system. The new water tower is planned to be 250,000 gallons. The WHKS feasibility report recommends taking down the Mingo View and downtown water towers. Theobald stated that the fate of the downtown tower was not decided and would be up to the Council to make the final decision which could include keeping it while removing the tower from the water distribution system. VanDeWalker made it clear that the Council is in favor of taking the downtown tower down due to the longterm costs (roughly \$100,000 to paint every 10-15 years) to maintain the tower that would not be part of the water distribution system. VanDeWalker stated that if some group or individual wished to take on these costs that the Council would consider maintaining the tower for historical purposes. The water tower bid will include black lettering for Wanamingo and an alternative bid for the City logo/brand. Most logo/brand paint jobs on water towers run between \$10,000-\$20,000 extra. The Council wishes to see the new logo/brand on the water tower. The last component of the project is for construction of three water main loops to get rid of dead ends and improve water pressure throughout town. The total project is estimated at \$2,434,000. The Council will be taking action on Profession Service Agreement (PSA) later in the meeting. Holmes asked if the \$200,000 (\$120,000 design and bidding phase & \$80,000 construction phase) engineering estimate covered all costs for engineering. Theobald stated that the costs include conducting engineering design, project inspection, and oversee the bidding process. Each step has numerous tasks that include many hours of staff time. Holmes asked if the 250,000gallon size was big enough for the City's future needs. Theobald stated that the feasibility study estimated 1,345 population by 2040 and the 250,000-gallon size would be adequate. Theobald stated that the design phase would re-evaluate the estimates before final plans were completed.

NEW BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION:

21-019 = Approving 2021 2nd Quarter Maintenance Work Plan: Flotterud moved to approve, Seconded by Ohr. Passed 4-0-0.

21-020 = Certifying Delinquent Utility Bills and Other Services to the Goodhue County Auditor for Collection with 2022 Real Estate Taxes: VanDeWalker moved to approve, Seconded by Flotterud. Boulton stated that the original certification list included twelve. This twice a year process pushes those behind to get paid up. The list narrowed three for certification. Mayor Holmes asked if anyone wished to contest the certifications. No input was given. Passed 4-0-0.

21-021 = Approving Professional Service Agreement Between the City of Wanamingo and WHKS for the purpose of Conducting Engineering Design, Project Inspection, and Oversee the Bidding Process on Water Tower Replacement, Well No. 2 Rehabilitation, and Water Main Looping Project: Ohr moved to approve, Seconded by VanDeWalker. Passed 4-0-0. 21-022 = Approving Proposed Billing Changes to the City/EDA Attorney Services from Jacobsen Law Firm, PA .: Flotterud moved to approve, Seconded bv VanDeWalker. Boulton stated that the proposed increases to the services include \$50/month for Municipal Prosecution Legal Services and \$100/month for Municipal Civil Legal Services. Passed 4-0-0.

21-023 = Approving Non-Binding Affirmative Support of a Regional Sanitary Sewer District Feasibility Study: Flotterud moved to approve, Seconded by VanDeWalker. Theobald stated that it was in the City's best interest to conduct a feasibility report on a Regional Sanitary Sewer Treatment Plant. Theobald stated that millions of dollars are at stake whether the City builds their own plant or regional Treatment Plant with lines to pump it there. The City should look at all options when these highdollar projects are needed. The City can utilize the information from the Regional Sanitary Sewer District Feasibility Study even if this is not the preferred route. There are funding and financing options through the State and Federal levels that can help with the costs of a regional treatment plant or stand-alone plant. There could be significant funds in the State bonding bill that could make a regional sanitary sewer district the best financial option for the Wanamingo taxpayer. Passed 5-0-0.

21-024 = Approving an Assignment and Assumption of Development Agreement and TIF Note and Estoppel Certificate: VanDeWalker moved to approve, seconded by Flotterud. Boulton stated that Maple Island creamery in Wanamingo is being sold to Mead Johnson (Reckitt Benckieser – British Multinational Consumer Goods Company). Greg Johnson, Maple Island President, expects Mead Johnson to hire additional employees at the Wanamingo location after the sale. Johnson also believes that Mead Johnson has plans to expand in the near future. Passed 4-0-0.

21-025 = Extending and Emergency – COVID-19: Ohr moved to approve, seconded by VanDeWalker. Passed 4-0-0.

21-026 = Approving a County-Wide Fire Department Mutual Aid Agreement: Flotterud moved to approve, seconded by Ohr. Passed 4-0-0.

OLD BUSINESS:

*Next City Council meeting on 4/12/2021 at 7:00pm.

Adjourn: At 8:33PM a motion to adjourn was made by Flotterud and seconded by Ohr. Passed 4-0-0.

Signed: Ryan Holmes, Mayor Attest: Michael Boulton, City Administrator

City of Wanamingo

Regular EDA Meeting Monday March 8, 2021 6:00 P.M. Wanamingo City Council Chambers 401 Main Street

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PRESENT: Stuart Ohr, Ryan Holmes, Laurie Musselman, Brian Johnson, Brian Gudknecht, and Jim Kittelson

ABSENT: Josh Schaefer

ALSO PRESENT: Michael Boulton. Brian Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance followed.

ADOPT AGENDA: Ohr motioned, seconded by Gudknecht to adopt. Approved 6-0-0.

CONSENT AGENDA: Gudknecht motioned, seconded by Musselman to approve. Approved 6-0-0. **PRESENTERS:**

NEW BUSINESS:

Resolution 21-04 – Approving a proposed Billing Change to the City/EA Civil Attorney Services from Jacobsen Law Firm, P.A.: Ohr moved to approve, seconded by Gudknecht. Passed 6-0-0.

Maple Island creamery in Wanamingo is being sold to Mead Johnson (Reckitt Benckieser - British Multinational Consumer Goods Company). Greg Johnson, Maple Island President, expects Mead Johnson to hire additional employees at the Wanamingo location after the sale. Johnson also believes that Mead Johnson has plans to expand in the near future. Boulton stated that the Wanamingo City Council would be considering approval for assignment and assumption of development agreement and TIF note and estoppel certification (taking over TIF 3-1 Maple Island) at tonight's City Council meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

NorthStar Genetics notified the EDA in writing that they wish to terminate the leases on their two suites at the EDA owned Medical Center. NorthStar Genetics is being bought out and will be ceasing operations in Wanamingo. NorthStar Genetics had downsized their footprint in the Medical Center building in November 2019. The front office, with a 1,132 square foot area has been vacant since. The remaining two suites of 774 square feet and 1,328 square feet will now be vacant. According to the lease NorthStar is to give 180-day notice to terminate the long-term lease. Kelly Steberg of NorthStar has requested reducing the notice to 90 days. Kittelson stated that the EDA should stand firm on the 180-day notice needed to terminate the lease. Ohr stated that he had spoken with Kelly Steberg. Steberg stated that she would only be working through May. The company will cease to exist in May and will be out of funds. Any outstanding bills can be sent to the new company's Attorney. Kittelson stated that the EDA would not be out revenue if they continued to bill for the 180 days as the lease prescribes. Holmes stated that NorthStar will no longer exist, but there will be assets sold to pay off debt. Holmes said to get contact information to send the final bills from Kelly Steberg. Gudknecht agreed that the monthly invoices should be sent for the 180 days after not to terminate the lease, whether the EDA gets the money or not. Holmes stated that the lease should remain on NorthStar's books as a debt until settled. Boulton stated that monthly invoices would be sent for the lease and expenses to NorthStar Genetics according to the lease agreement for 180 days (March-August 2021).

The EDA Board had previously discussed strategies on how to rent the current vacant space. The notice for rent went on the City website on the City Wanamingo Facebook page. A for lease/rent sign was placed in the front window of the Medical Center. Word of mouth has around town that the suite is open. Administrator Boulton had reached out to Olmsted Medical Center, they are not interested in additional space. There are currently a number of office spaces open on Wanamingo Main Street.

The Medical Center Fund (604) owed other funds (101 - General Fund) \$13,304 at the end of 2019. In 2020 the fund will slightly grow the total amount owed to other funds. With the three suites open the facility cash flow will suffer. The City was notified by Congresswoman Craig's office that the next COVID bill will have funds awarded directly from the US Treasury to replace lost, delayed, or decreased revenue from the pandemic. The City/EDA should be able to submit lost revenue from the Medical Center open suites. The brick-andmortar office space economy has taken a hit during the pandemic as more employees work from home. The Federal funds for lost, delayed, or decreased revenue could be a stop gap for the 604 Medical Center Fund in 2020/2021 until new tenants are found for the open suites in the near future.

There being no further business Kittelson made a motion seconded by Holmes to adjourn the EDA meeting at 6:19 p.m. Approved 6-0-0.

Brian Johnson, President Michael Boulton, Director 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 its warm here and Tennessee when it's cold here.

I am sitting on my front porch this morning with my dog. Eating a granola bar and drinking ice water. The morning sunrise is beautiful. The only sounds I hear are the birds singing in the branches and a distant rooster crowing. Our neighbor has peafowl and the lonesome call of a peacock can be heard from time to time. The daffodils are

smiling at the sun with their cheerful yellow petals everywhere. There is a magnolia tree beside the house and light pink blossoms are opening up in the warm spring releasing a fresh fragrance.

It is a peaceful time of the day. I love to relax here in the morning and again late in the evening and think. I look at nature and I reflect on miracles all around me. It is such a wonderful experience to take in all that is welcoming the creation we live in. Then I think about something from church Sunday morning.

One woman related about her week, and how she was at the hospital with her dying mother. The family was there and they were praying for a miracle. For two days the elderly lady had not opened her eyes or said a word. A nurse came in to check on her mom and the family went out into the hall to visit.

Suddenly they heard her call out and the daughters rushed back into the room. Their mother opened her eyes, looked at them and smiled. "Do you see the angels?" she asked. With that she closed her eyes and then she was gone. Carried by angels from this life to her eternal home. That, I would say is a miracle.

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golden goodness. Although it looks like water coming out of

your tree! You don't have to have Sugar Maples to make some

great syrup. The only difference is the percentage of sugar

Years ago we tapped Silver Maples that produced delicious

stuff. YOu can also tap Boxelder trees. So, apparently there

You need about 40 gallons of maple tree sap to make 1 gal-

Interestingly, the United States and Canada are the only

countries in the world to produce maple syrup. Interestingly,

only 19 states produce Maple Syrup. It's a completely natural

food, meaning nothing is added. Only water is evaporated

from the sap. You need several freeze/thaw periods for a good



Teri Knight

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sap flow. So the temps need to drop below freezing at night and then rise above during the day. A tapping tree should be at least 10 inches in diameter from 4 feet above ground. You can generally get 10 to 12 gals of sap per tree. So if you have a few Maples in your backyard,

batch of maple syrup and there is NOTHING like the real deal. March is a key month for sap flow as the trees stop flowing once their buds set. Many area parks tap trees and some of them have yearly pancake breakfasts, except for this year and last... alas!

you could make yourself a good

Silver maples tapped

Teri Knight became a Master Gardener with Dakota County, Minnesota in 2003. She currently produces her website, www.gardenbite.com, that supple-

ments her daily radio program which has aired Monday thru Friday on radio stations throughout Minnesota since 2007. In 2017, several stations in Wisconsin began airing her show. Teri's been involved in communi-ty projects which include a Junior Master Gardener program for 8 to 12 year olds, designing and planting a garden for a women's center and various other organizations! Besides all that, Teri is News Director at KYMN Radio and can be heard weekdays on AM 1080 and 95.1 FM The One, From Northfield, MN.



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65. Raspberry drupelets

68. Void. as in marriage

69. Defective car

71.

66. Fuss, to Shakespeare

of Honor

73. Money in Myanmar

72. Adam and Eve's first residence

74. Shoemaker without shoes, e.g.

70. Given name of Jack Kerouac's Paradise

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58. Got A+

59. Ice on a window

62. Editing arrow

64. Friend in war

60. Happening soon, old fashioned

67. *Nominee for Billie Holiday role

61. Caffeine-containing nut tree

63. Chinese monetary unit

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