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## City of Bellechester Residents

The Board of Equalization meeting has been set for Tuesday, April 12th @ 5:00 at the Community Center. This will be for the Goodhue County part of town and those residents. Wabasha County residents in town need to contact Wabasha County directly - there is no meeting. If Goodhue County residents have questions, they can contact the county prior to the meeting if needed.

The April regular City Council Meeting will be moved to this date also - April 12 - and will immediately follow the board of equalization meeting at 5:30.

## Goodhue-Bellechester Rail Riders

By Beth Brekke

A cold wind on February 5th may have kept the Goodhue-Bellechester Rail Riders from starting a bonfire but it didn't keep them from hosting a vintage snowmobile show and ride. 46 Sleds registered for the showing of models from 1995 and older, up from the 35 entered last year. 25 Participated in the ride to Bellechester and back.

The sleds lined up in the lot behind the Lion's building and riders and visitors could make the rounds and vote for their favorites by year and special categories. Those not wishing to endure the cold were able to drive by and admire the sleds.

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Line up of vintage snowmobiles on display during the Goodhue-Bellechester Rail Riders show in Goodhue. The club would like to thank everyone who participated in and donated to the event.

## Announcements

• **Belvidere Happy-Go-Luckies 4-H Club** (usually) meets the first Monday of each month at 7p.m. at St. Peter's Church, rural Goodhue. New members are always welcome! Contact club leader Michelle Benrud at 651-923-5247 for more information.

• **The Goodhue Area Historical Society Museum** is open for the season. June thru August Thursday & Sunday 1 to 4pm. For after hours appointments call Marie 651-923-4302 or 651-301-5731.

Do you have an announcement?

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## St. John's Hosts Basketball Tournament



1st-Clara Weckerling, Hanna Ryan, Ruby Lexvold, Elisa Raasch, Alice Ryan, Josie Lange; 2nd-Ethan Weckerling, Elsie Raasch, Dwight Evenson, William Ryan, Evy Lexvold, Charlotte Lange, Elsie Majerus. 3rd-Rebekah Luhman, Daniella Dahling, Lillian Raasch, Samuel Lange, Dwayne Evenson, Elliott Voth, James Lexvold, Max Lexvold, Gus Raasch, & Coach Karnopp

On Saturday, February 5th St. John's Goodhue held their basketball tournament. We had 4 teams.

St. John's Goodhue, 1st place.

Christ Lutheran Zumbrota, 2nd place.

St. John's Red Wing, 3rd place & Immanuel Lutheran Plainveiw, 4th place.

Everyone had a great day with fun times and fellowship.

## Purple Ribbon Fund Seeks Donors

By Beth Brekke

The Goodhue County Purple Ribbon Fund was organized a number of years ago to make sure the local youth who were lucky enough to earn a spot in the Minnesota State Fair Livestock Auction would receive a fair premium--keeping up with, or exceeding, the average awarded by other counties.

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**Goodhue Sends  
6 Wrestlers to the  
State High School  
Wrestling Tournament**

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# Time to Go

By Pastor Colleen Hoeft

We've been going through the book of Romans and as we reached chapter 10 we discovered that Moses said that to be made right with God required obedience to the law. Paul wrote that the gospel is close to us- in fact it is as close as believing in our heart and saying yes to faith in Jesus Christ. Paul wrote in Romans 10:9, "If you openly declare that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved." Pretty straight forward stuff. Everyone who calls- that includes- everyone! No one is left out- Anyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved. Jesus is inviting all people to be saved. This is more than a mumbled confession of faith- this is the time to take a stand: Jesus, I believe. We are to be bold and let the world know. It seems impossible for a Christian to remain in the closet- a Christian must be ready to share their faith from the very beginning- to let the people around them know. For us in North America- there's nothing too scary about sharing our newfound faith and conversion- we're still pretty safe here. Imagine being of a different faith and culture and then discovering the truth of the gospel. Those that do often face persecution; as a believer they may be kicked out of their home, they may be disowned by their family, and they may even lose their life.

Let's get personal: have you received Christ as your Lord and Savior? Have you let everyone know that you are a believer? This is more than confirmation- this is more than an infant baptism- this is you saying in your heart and mind- I believe in Jesus Christ- He is my God; my Savior and He is my Lord! If you said yes- that's great! Then think about this question for a minute- If you were arrested for being a Christian, would there be enough evidence to convict you?

Jesus said that as a believer our lives will reflect our faith! And for those that aren't producing fruit in their lives- He prunes. Pruning isn't a pleasant process- it's cutting off and removing the branches that are only sucking up the nutrients but not producing anything. The people that are only taking and not giving back- When we produce much fruit, we are His true disciples.

Now for Paul's challenge to each of us today- "But how can they call on him to save them unless they believe in him? And how can they believe in him if they have never heard about him?"

This is a call to all believers. We are able to do greater things than Jesus, because we have His Spirit living inside of us. He sent the Holy Spirit to live in us and fill us with the power to be the leaders- the disciples that He has called us to be! We are called to go and tell them. Paul said, how can they call on Jesus to save them unless they believe in Him? And how can they believe in

Him if they have never heard about Him? How can they hear if no one has told them? Questions we need to answer today just as Paul asked them in the 1st century.

Did you know that there are 7.7 billion people in the world today? And of those 7.7 billion, 2.2 billion of them are Christians. That's a lot of people and a lot of Christians. I do hope you also notice that that is about 5.5 billion people that don't know Jesus Christ as their Savior! That's a lot of people that don't know and many haven't heard.

Now you might be thinking that most of those people are in other parts of the world- and you'd be correct in thinking that many are in other parts of the world- but in the United States- the numbers of people that identify as Christians is less than 50%. The fastest growing 'faith' group in our country are the NONES. Nones are people with no religious affiliation at all. Many of them may be spiritual and believe there is a god of some sort out there- but have no personal relationship with the one true God and His Son Jesus Christ. According to an article published by Statista Research Department, Jan 24, 2022, "According to a 2021 survey, 31 percent of Americans never attend church or synagogue, compared to 22 percent of Americans who attend every week. And another 25% say they seldom if ever attend. If I those 2 numbers are added together that tells us that in the US 56% of the American people aren't attending

church- and although it is possible to be a Christian without going to church- it is also a good indicator that many of that 56% probably do not believe in Jesus Christ as their Savior. So, let's bring these numbers closer to where we live: in the 55991 & 55956 zip codes there are approximately 3372 people; in the 55991:1464 people & in the 55956:1908 people. Now a lot of these people are already going to church- aren't they? As I shared "According to a 2021 survey, 56% of all Americans never or seldom attend church. Now if we take 56% of the people in these two zip codes we would have 1,888 people that seldom or never go to a place to worship.

There are a lot of people that are still unchurched in our communities. They are our neighbors, our family, and our community. Jesus came for them- and He calls us to go to them. Paul asked, "how will they know if no one tells them?" Who better to reach the 1888 people in our zip codes than you and me? We live and work with them. We see them in Walmart, on the bus, in our schools, on our walks, in the restaurants, everywhere. God is calling us to go.

It is time we obey the call of Christ to go and tell the good news. We can do that by supporting those in ministry, sharing our faith story, inviting our neighbors to church, and living out our faith daily. It is Time- who will you tell this week?



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Rosary said 25 minutes before Holy Mass

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Rosary said 25 minutes before Holy Mass

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10:30a.m. Midweek Bible Study on Thursday at St Peter's.

## AREA CHURCH DIRECTORY

### In Christ, Love Conquers Hate

*Scripture Reading — Matthew 5:21-26*

*"Anyone who is angry with a brother or sister will be subject to judgment. . . . Anyone who says, 'You fool!' will be in danger of the fire of hell." — Matthew 5:22*

We have a natural tendency to hate or ignore God and our neighbor. We tell ourselves we are good people. But our selfishness and anger lie just below the surface. Anger often erupts in violent, hateful words and actions. If we don't seem angry, it may just mean that our anger has not yet reached its boiling point or had an opportunity to erupt. In fact, we may be seething with inner anger.

Strictly following the command "You shall not murder" is not enough to overcome hatred. We must address the source of that sin. If we keep our anger from boiling over, we do well. But to gain mastery over anger, we need love. And showing love, especially toward people who have hurt us, does not come naturally. In fact, only the supernatural love of Christ can overcome the hatred we may feel for our enemies.

When the Romans and the Jews hatefully killed Jesus Christ, he could have called on God's army of angels to stop and destroy them (see Matthew 26:52-53). But instead he responded in love, asking the Father to forgive them. When Jesus gave himself for us on the cross, he certainly obeyed the law—do not kill. But he did far more: he fulfilled the greatest law of love.

*Prayer*

*O God, help us not to add to the anger in our world today. Help us not only to control our anger but also to overcome it with your love. And thank you for showing us the way of love, through Jesus. Amen.*

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Sunday Worship 10:00 a.m.; Communion 3rd Sunday

Sunday School and Bible Studies (Adult & Teen) 11:00a.m.



## Robert “Bob” Arthur Richter

Robert “Bob” Arthur Richter, 74, of Red Wing, died peacefully Tuesday, February 1, 2022, at his home. He was born on September 26, 1947, in Red Wing to Kenneth and Helen (Wenzel) Richter.

He graduated in 1965 from Goodhue High School and then served in the US Navy Reserve from 1966-1968. Following his discharge, he attended Minnesota School of Business. On April 18, 1970, he was united in marriage to Gloria Bang at United Lutheran Church in Zumbrota. For a number of years, he farmed in the Goodhue area and in 1984, he and Gloria moved into Goodhue where he worked for the Goodhue Elevator/AG Partners for many years. During that time, he also managed the Country Station. Gloria died on August 2, 2017. For the past four years Robert has resided at the Downton Plaza in Red Wing where he made many friends and was called “Bob the Baker.” He was a member of the Goodhue Lions and the Jaycees. He enjoyed playing cards especially cribbage, fishing, along with spending time at their seasonal camper on French Lake.

Robert is survived by three children, Jeff (Dawn) Richter of Forney, TX; Janet (Chad) Ryan of Goodhue and Jill (Dale) Hecht of Grove City, MN; seven grandchildren, Jack and Sam Richter, Jed and Eli Ryan and Dallee, Georgia and Josie Hecht; one sister, Jeanne (Bill) Roper of Goodhue; one brother, Jim (Kersten) Richter of Elko, MN; brothers-in-law, Glenn (Vikki) Bang of Conroe, TX and Gene (Tracy) Bang of Kenyon; special friends, Willie and Wanda Carlstrom of Cannon Falls and many beloved nieces, nephews, cousins and other relatives and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents and his wife.

Visitation was from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, February 5, 2022, at the Mahn Family Funeral Home, Bodelson-Mahn Chapel. A private graveside service will be at a later date at the Zumbrota Cemetery. Memorials are preferred to the donor’s choice.

## Alan Frank Priem

A memorial service for Alan Priem was held Saturday February 26th at 4:00 PM at Urland Lutheran Church. Mr. Priem, 70, of Bellechester died Wednesday February 9, 2022 at his home in Bellechester where he had recently been under hospice care. Visitation will be two hours prior to the service at the church. Burial at the Urland Cemetery will occur at a later date.

Alan Frank Priem was born September 3,

1951 in Douglas, Wisconsin to Melvin and Violet (Torgeson) Priem. He worked more than forty years at foundry in Lake City. He enjoyed hunting and fishing, spending time with his family, and “making miracles in the garage.”

He is survived by his daughters Rhonda (Tom) Malecha of Lonsdale, Kristina (Randy Freerksen) Priem of Rochester; sons Joe (Kandee) Priem of White Rock, and J.J. (Joy) Carlson of Belvidere; grandchildren Mike, Mikalee, Jaseana, Hunter, Rebecca, Kayla, Emily, Blake, Alyssa, Gabriela, and Kevin; and great-grandchildren Ayden, Jacob, and Addison. Also surviving are a brother Marty (Kim) Priem; and a sister Renay (Rick) Dodge.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and three siblings, Dave “Charlie,” Rick, and Ed.

Online tributes are welcome and may be written at mahnfamilyfuneralhome.com

## Dean Wesley Kirkland

Dean Wesley Kirkland, 89, of Red Wing, died Saturday, February 12, 2022 at his home. He was born April 15, 1932 in West Concord, Minnesota to Raymond and Ethel (Bennett) Kirkland.

He served in the U.S. Air Force in Korea until his honorable discharge in 1953. On January 22, 1955 he was united in marriage to Dorothy Wiemann. Together they raised 4 children. They made their home in Winona and later Rochester before moving to Red Wing in 1969. Following their retirement they enjoyed wintering in Mission, Texas.

For more than 30 years, Dean worked as a corrections worker, both in Rochester and at the training school in Red Wing. He was a member of St. Luke’s Lutheran Church in Goodhue where he was an active member, serving on the church council in various positions including a few terms as council president. He was also a member of the Leo C. Peterson American Legion, post 54.

He and Dorothy were very supportive of their children and grandchildren, never missing a school or sporting event. He was a boy and girl scout leader and was an Order of the Arrow recipient. He enjoyed camping, hunting and fishing with his family and he was also a skilled gardener and a golfer. He was a friend of Bill W., a member of AA, and proud of his 61 years of sobriety.

He is survived by his children; Gregg (Kathy) of Lake City, Debra Kirkland of Neenah, Wisconsin, Michael of Welch and Betsy (Keith) Brown of Goodhue; 4 grandchildren, Heather, Matthew, Caitlan, and Lauren; 4 great-grandchildren; and one brother, Dan (Bunny) Kirkland of La Crosse; sister-in-law, Delores Eastman of Illinois.

He is preceded in death by his wife,

Dorothy; 2 brothers and 4 sisters; and his parents.

Memorial service was at 11 a.m., Thursday, February 17, 2022 at the Mahn Family Funeral Home, Bodelson-Mahn Chapel with Pastor Eric Hanson officiated. Visitation was be one hour prior to the service. Additionally, a celebration of life will be held at a later date this summer. Burial was at Oakwood Cemetery. Online condolence may be left for the family at [www.mahnfamilyfuneralhome.com](http://www.mahnfamilyfuneralhome.com)

## John Henry Hinsch

John Henry Hinsch, 86, of Red Wing, passed away peacefully, February 14, 2022 at the Mayo Clinic Health Systems in Red Wing surrounded by his family. He was born July 13, 1935 in Red Wing to Edwin and Verona (Vieths) Hinsch. He graduated from Goodhue High School in 1953 and also attended Martin Lutheran College in New Ulm. On July 21, 1956 he married Janice Hilan at Minneola Norwegian Lutheran Church. Together the couple made their home in Welch where they farmed. In addition to farming, John worked for Conagra for 41 years, retiring in 1996.

He was a member of the Son’s of Norway and an active member of Cross of Christ Lutheran Church. He served on the church council, volunteered as an usher and was a member of the Early Risers Bible study. John was a gifted singer and he shared his talents with many groups over the years, including the church choir, the Silvertones, and barber shop quartets. Every month for 20 years, John volunteered his time to sing for folks at the Ellsworth nursing home.

He and Janice enjoyed traveling all over the world. Together they visited 31 foreign countries. For 24 years they also wintered in Harlingen, Texas.

John never met a stranger and with his outgoing, positive personality he made friends easily. At Christmas time he dressed up as Santa to visit nursing homes and the Ronald McDonald House. He loved playing with his children and grandchildren and was truly a child at heart.

He will be missed by many, including his wife of more than 65 years, Janice; son, Jonathon; daughter, Janeen (Blake) Immerfall; 4 granddaughters; Stephanie (Tom) Scibora, Megan (Andy) Osterhaus, Christina (Pat) Hill and Dr. Mallory (Dr. Matt) Charging; 7 great-grandchildren; Liam and Sophia Scibora, Ethan and Ella Osterhaus, Theodore “Teddy” Hill, and Kellan and Isla Charging; sisters, Karen (Wayne) Rebischke and Dorothy Sorenson; sister-in-law, Kaye Hinsch; brother-in-law, Roger (Elaine) Hilan; as well as other family and many friends.

He is preceded in death by his parents; siblings, Duane, Eldon, Leon and Marie Hinsch; sisters-in-law, Joan Hinsch and Joann

Hilan; brothers-in-law, Lavern Witt, Donald Thomforde and Arlen Sorenson; and in-laws, Leonard and Myrtle Hilan.

Memorial service was at 1 p.m., Saturday, February 26, 2022 at Cross of Christ Lutheran Church in Welch. Visitation was 4 – 7:30p.m., Friday, February 25, 2022 at the Mahn Family Funeral Home, Bodelson-Mahn Chapel in Red Wing and one hour prior to the service at church. Burial will be at Cross of Christ at a later date. Cards may be sent to the funeral home at P.O. Box 111 Red Wing, MN 55066 or online condolences may be left for the family at [www.mahnfamilyfuneralhome.com](http://www.mahnfamilyfuneralhome.com)

## Timothy Lee Deegan

Timothy Lee Deegan, 63, died Thursday, February 17th, 2022, in his home in Goodhue, Minnesota, surrounded by his loving family. On September 28th, 1958, he was born to Roger William Deegan & Constance Joyce Prather in Sheldon, Iowa. He

married Cheryl Lynn Jeske on March 27th, 1982, in West St. Paul, MN. They made their home in South St. Paul, later moving to Red Wing and finally making their forever home in Goodhue, MN, for the last 25 years, raising their two daughters Elizabeth Lynn Deegan and Emberlee Cheryl Bremseth. He was happiest listening to music, working in his woodshop, and gardening. He attended South St. Paul High School and was employed at SB Tanning CO.

Timothy’s memory will be cherished and kept alive by his wife of 40 years, Cheryl Lynn Deegan; daughters Elizabeth Lynn Deegan (Miles Deutsch) and Emberlee (Cory) Bremseth; his grandchildren Nathan Curtis, Cloe Deegan, Leia Wondrow, Elliana Bremseth, Chase Bremseth, Esmae Bremseth, and Ashton Deutsch; his sisters Roxanne (Dave) Osburn and Theresa (Matthew) Kyarsgaard; mother in law Isabelle Jeske; sister and brothers-in-law; nieces and nephews; cousins and many friends. He was preceded in death by his mother Connie Prather, father Roger Deegan, father-in-law Warren Jeske and sister Debra Rankin.

Timothy was a private family burial on February 26th, 2022. There will be a memorial at a later TBD date. Online condolences are welcome and may be shared at [mahnfamilyfuneralhome.com](http://mahnfamilyfuneralhome.com).

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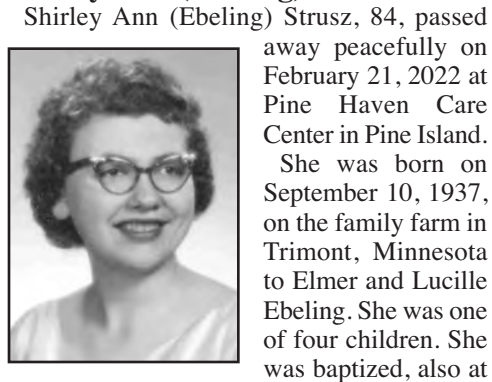
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## Shirley Ann (Ebeling) Strusz



Shirley Ann (Ebeling) Strusz, 84, passed away peacefully on February 21, 2022 at Pine Haven Care Center in Pine Island. She was born on September 10, 1937, on the family farm in Trimont, Minnesota to Elmer and Lucille Ebeling. She was one of four children. She was baptized, also at

home on the farm, and later confirmed in the Lutheran Church. She graduated from Trimont High School in 1955, then moved to Red Wing, where she studied nursing, earning a Practical Nursing Degree in 1956. She then returned to Trimont and worked at the local hospital.

In March of 1957 she went on a blind date, and met the man she would one day marry, Elroy Strusz. Together they were married for 63 years, and had 4 children, Duane, Jane, Diane and Steven. They farmed their entire married life. Shirley, also, worked at the Zumbrota Nursing Home and in Home Health Care for many, many years. She really enjoyed helping others.

She was a very active member of St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Goodhue, attending Bible

Class, Quilting, and teaching Sunday School. She also held many positions including Treasurer of Ladies Aid (x2), she was on the Program Planning Committee, and Bonner Committee, also a member of St. Peter's Lutheran Ladies Aid, since 1966. She was a member of Goodhue County Extensions and served as Vice President and President on Home Council Extensions. She enjoyed visiting with shut-ins and people who were homebound.

Shirley loved her garden and flowers. She enjoyed needlework, any kind of crafting and reading.

She will be missed.

Left to cherish her memory include her husband, Elroy of Zumbrota; son, Duane of Zumbrota; daughters, Jane (Allen) Busby of Palm Bay, Florida and Diane Buller of Wisconsin Rapids, Wisconsin; grandchildren, Angela, Nick, Kelly, Devon, Brennan and Bryan; also 6 great-grandchildren; sister, Laverna Dickman of Trimont; and brother, Vernon Ebeling of Kasson.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Elmer and Lucille Ebeling; son, Steven (December 2000); brother, Kenny Ebeling; and two sons-in-law, Joe Hickey and Mark Buller.

The family would like to thank the staff at Pine Haven Care Center and the Heartland Hospice Care Team for their exceptional care of Shirley.

Blessed be her memory.

A memorial service was scheduled for Tuesday, March 1, 2022, at St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Goodhue, Minnesota.

Visitation began at 10:00 AM, and the service followed at 11:00 AM. A light luncheon followed the service.

## Carlson Signs with Bemidji State University



Carlson family: front: Whitney, Blake, Tina. Back: Kris, Julia, Joslyn

Blake Carlson of Goodhue High School has signed with Bemidji State University with an intent to continue playing football! Blake will be graduating this May from Goodhue High School.

## Goodhue High School Honor Roll

The following students were named to the Honor Roll at Goodhue High School for the first semester of 2021-22.

### A Honor Roll

Grade 9 – Avy Agenten, Nathan Beck, Ella Buxengard, Ciara Callstrom, Kate Carlson, Marisa Collins, Aaron Cruz, Katherine Huneke, Cole Jenson, Jaclyn Jenson, Caleb Kurtti, Briana Lodermeier, Kendyl Lodermeier, Sean Matthees, Izzabelle O'Reilly, Jenna O'Reilly, Lily Peterson, Morgan Rehder, Jacob Ryan, Kaelynn Ryan, Skyler Schmit, Valerie Shores, Taylor Thomforde, Emma Voth, Kason Zetah

Grade 10 – Caden Berg, Kasen Bigalk, Laura Brinkman, Julia Carlson, Austin Clemens, Braeden Eckhoff, Ava Gadiant, Elisabeth Gadiant, Teagan Hinsch, Sophia Huneke, Alyssa Luhman, Jocelyn Medina Gutierrez, Hannah O'Neill, Carsyn O'Reilly, Ellie Peterson, Chance Rehder, Jed Ryan, Olivia Ryan, Alexa Schafer, Gavin Schafer, Tanner Smith, Alli Strauss

Grade 11 – Cade Altendorf, Melanie Beck, Justin Buck, Madison Ferguson, Brianna Fitzgerald, Jack Goodman, Beau Jaeger, Tori Miller, Madisyn Nurnberg, Hallie O'Connor, Abigail Opsahl, Will Opsahl, Jeremiah O'Reilly, Sofia Pantoja, Adam Poncelet, Carson Roschen, Brooke Ryan, Jada Scheele, Tally Stehr, Emma Thomforde, Karli Zetah

Grade 12 – Taylor Berg, Lucas Bortz, Ethan Breuer, Brooke Buck, Joslyn Carlson, Kristopher Carlson, Tyson Christensen, Johns Collins, Joseph Cuccio, Emily Doerhoefer, Trent Heitman, Trey Heitman, Alandra Hinsch, Alivia Holst, Laurel Jacobson, Johnathan Jenson, Cody Lohman, Cameron Mandelkow, Lindsey Mangan, Darby Miller, Madelynn O'Connor, Maddox O'Reilly, Makae O'Reilly, Jenna Ryan, Anika Schafer, Dylan Schafer, Claire Schulte, Grace Schulte, Haley Stern, Grace Thomforde, Alejandra Vargas-Garcia, Liv Veiseth, Dayne Wojcik, Kameron Zetah

### B Honor Roll

Grade 9 – Brooke Alms, Ethan Ballman, Austin Bartholome, Henry Caswell, Allie Christensen, Lucas Erickson, Bella Jaeger, Caden Lodermeier, Tristin Mandelkow, Anna Mangan, Massiny Morseth-Talbot, Owen Nolette, Kabre Norman, Maya Poncelet, Charles Strelow, Addison Taxdahl, Aurora Wiskow

Grade 10 – Jeremiah Bien, Caleb Dicke, Devon Hublit, Eli Ryan, Chloe Sorenson, Jada Wagner

Grade 11 – Connor Ballman, Hudson Bryan, Owen Buxengard, Jake Callstrom, Michelle Garcia, Lilian Germann-Hutter, Zachary Luhman, Lucas Melson, Malakye Parker, Tyler Pawlenty, Andrea Ramirez Perez, Ethan Strickland, Alex Vieths

Grade 12 – Ryan Bortz, Izaak Duden, Derick Evenson, Ethan Fanslow, Kyler Hokanson, Ethan Matthees, Alex Nelson, Jehimi Rodriguez, Karlie Vieths, Ryan Voth



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March, 2022

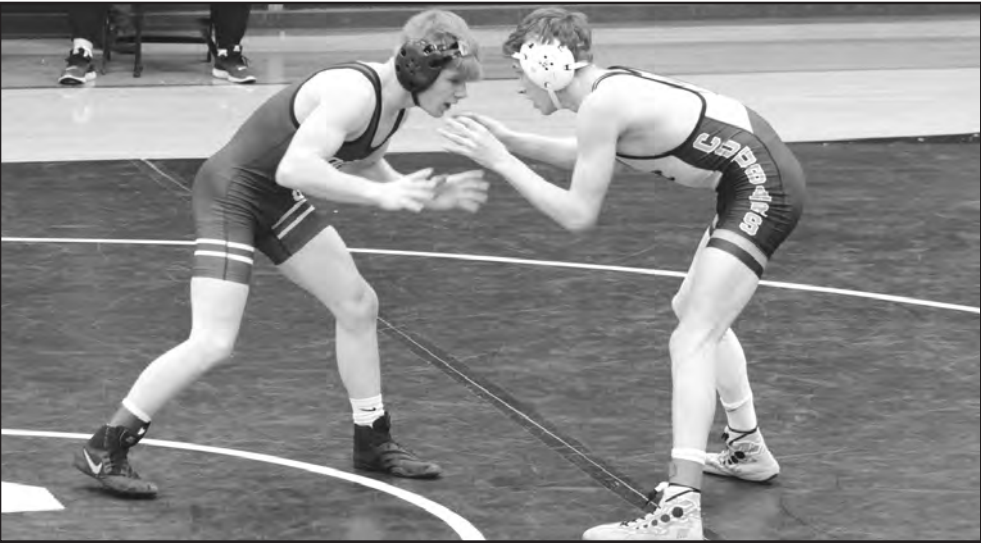
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## Goodhue beats Zumbrota-Mazeppa 33-31! Kurti seals the win with a pin at HWT!



113 Ryan Bortz (G) wins 2-1 over Luke Williams (ZM) *photos by Amber Lohman*



120 Lucas Bortz (G) wins 4-1 over Jack Krier (ZM)



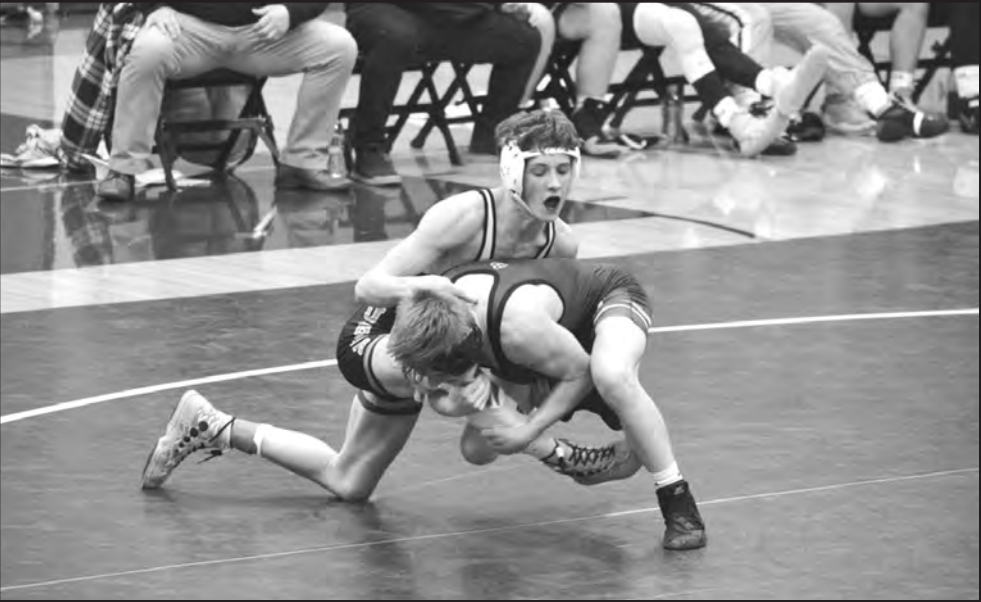
220 Cody Lohman (G) wins by fall over Cody Anderson (ZM)



Caleb Kurt (ZM) wins by fall over Dalton Hall (ZM)



182 Mason Taxdahl wins by fall over Wyatt Mulder (ZM)



Lucas beat Jack Krier of Zumbrota 4-1 to get his 100th win.

### Goodhue Golf and Track to Pair with K-W

Goodhue and Kenyon-Wanamingo Schools will be cooperating with their golf and track teams this spring. The pairing was approved at the February 7th school board meeting. This agreement will be in effect for two years and the team will compete in the Gopher Conference even though Goodhue is in the Hiawatha Valley League.



## Section 1 A Wrestling Tournament

### Quarter final Round

#### Goodhue 60 St. Charles 10

106 – Braxton Wohlferd (St. Charles) over Lucas Erickson (Goodhue) Dec 9-6  
113 – Ryan Bortz (Goodhue) over Colton Mathison (St. Charles) Fall 0:49  
120 – Lucas Bortz (Goodhue) over Bryndon Koepfel (St. Charles) Fall 1:00  
126 – Jeremiah Bien (Goodhue) over Unknown (Unattached) Forf  
132 – Ethan Breuer (Goodhue) over Jonas Barclay (St. Charles) Fall 0:34  
138 – Beau Jaeger (Goodhue) over Greyson Mauskemmo (St. Charles) TF 22-4  
145 – Maddox O’Reilly (Goodhue) over Carter Mathison (St. Charles) Dec 11-6  
152 – Jett Thoreson (St. Charles) over Makae O’Reilly (Goodhue) Maj 9-0  
160 – Grant Reed (Goodhue) over Chace Kobs (St. Charles) Maj 15-2  
170 – Kade Altendorf (Goodhue) over Ethan Chelmowski (St. Charles) Fall 0:57  
182 – Tytan Small (St. Charles) over Carsyn O’Reilly (Goodhue) Dec 8-1  
195 – Mason Taxdahl (Goodhue) over Alex Burlingham (St. Charles) Fall 0:37  
220 – Cody Lohman (Goodhue) over Unknown (Unattached) Forf  
285 – Caleb Kurtti (Goodhue) over Unknown (Unattached) Forf

#### Semi-finals

#### Dover-Eyota 45 Goodhue 30

106 – Lucas Erickson (Goodhue) over Max Loftus (Dover-Eyota) TF 16-0  
113 – Ryan Bortz (Goodhue) over Caden Haag (Dover-Eyota) Fall 5:29  
120 – Lucas Bortz (Goodhue) over Damon Bye (Dover-Eyota) Maj 16-4  
126 – Bolton Thesing (Dover-Eyota) over Jeremiah Bien (Goodhue) Fall 1:29  
132 – Grady Eaton (Dover-Eyota) over Ethan Breuer (Goodhue) Fall 4:42  
138 – Beau Jaeger (Goodhue) over Nathan Krisik (Dover-Eyota) Fall 2:51  
145 – Brodie Kellen (Dover-Eyota) over Maddox O’Reilly (Goodhue) SV-1 6-4  
152 – Gavin Gust (Dover-Eyota) over Jeremiah O’Reilly (Goodhue) Fall 0:50  
160 – Makae O’Reilly (Goodhue) over Treyton Thesing (Dover-Eyota) Dec 3-1  
170 – Landon Lehnertz (Dover-Eyota) over Grant Reed (Goodhue) Fall 3:15  
182 – Aidan Gasper (Dover-Eyota) over Kade Altendorf (Goodhue) Fall 4:42  
195 – Tyler Mix (Dover-Eyota) over Carsyn O’Reilly (Goodhue) Fall 4:00  
220 – Jackson Duellman (Dover-Eyota) over Caleb Kurtti (Goodhue) Fall 1:38  
285 – Cody Lohman (Goodhue) over Steven Halbakken (Dover-Eyota) Fall 1:18

### Cody Lohman got his 100th career win!!



**Pinned Ethan Ruskell of Chatfield in 1:20 during the Individual Section championship semifinals Sat 2/26 at the Mayo Civic Center in Rochester.**

## Goodhue 33, Zumbrota-Mazeppa 31

#### February 10, 2022

106 Schaefer, Noah (Zumbrota-Mazeppa) over Forfeit, (Goodhue)  
113 Bortz, Ryan (Goodhue) over Williams, Lucas (Zumbrota-Mazeppa) 2-1  
120 Bortz, Lucas (Goodhue) over Krier, Jack (Zumbrota-Mazeppa) 4-1  
126 Stimets, Ryan (Zumbrota-Mazeppa) over Bien, Jeremiah (Goodhue) Fall 1:57  
132 Schiell, Lucas (Zumbrota-Mazeppa) over Breuer, Ethan (Goodhue) 12-0  
138 O’Reilly, Maddox (Goodhue) over Murray, Ben (Zumbrota-Mazeppa) 4-0  
145 Lochner, Kaleb (Zumbrota-Mazeppa) over Nelson, Alex (Goodhue) Fall 1:43  
152 O’Reilly, Jeremiah (Goodhue) over Goodman, Mason (Zumbrota-Mazeppa) 6-5  
160 O’Reilly, Makae (Goodhue) over O’Reilly, Isaiah (Zumbrota-Mazeppa) 2-0  
170 Lexvold, Ryan (Zumbrota-Mazeppa) over Altendorf, Kade (Goodhue) 4-0  
182 Taxdahl, Mason (Goodhue) over Mulder, Wyatt (Zumbrota-Mazeppa) Fall 5:48  
195 Tupper, Gabe (Zumbrota-Mazeppa) over O’Reilly, Carsyn (Goodhue) Fall 2:44  
220 Lohman, Cody (Goodhue) over Anderson, Cody (Zumbrota-Mazeppa) Fall 2:37  
285 Kurtti, Caleb (Goodhue) over Hall, Dalton (Zumbrota-Mazeppa) Fall 2:44

## Plainview-Elgin-Millville Tri

#### February 11, 2022

#### Goodhue 48 Plainview-Elgin-Millville 28

106: Aiden Graner (PEM) over Lucas Erickson (GOOD) (Fall 2:21)  
113: Carson Rahman (PEM) over (GOOD) (For.)  
120: Lucas Bortz (GOOD) over Nolan Ford (PEM) (Fall 1:18)  
126: Jeremiah Bien (GOOD) over Joshua Schad (PEM) (Fall 0:40)  
132: Ethan Breuer (GOOD) over Garion Wallgren (PEM) (Fall 1:19)  
138: Beau Jaeger (GOOD) over Sam Ring (PEM) (Fall 1:08)  
145: Logan Dittrich (PEM) over Alex Nelson (GOOD) (Dec 5-0)  
152: Dominic Michel (PEM) over Jeremiah O’Reilly (GOOD) (Dec 6-4)  
160: Makae O’Reilly (GOOD) over Alex Hinrichs (PEM) (Fall 3:58)  
170: Kade Altendorf (GOOD) over Devyn Hutchison (PEM) (Fall 1:12)  
182: Carsyn O’Reilly (GOOD) over (PEM) (For.)  
195: Mason Taxdahl (GOOD) over Maeson Tradup (PEM) (Fall 1:04)  
220: Martin Prieto (PEM) over Caleb Kurtti (GOOD) (MD 22-10)  
285: Anthony Robertson (PEM) over (GOOD) (For.)  
Plainview-Elgin-Millville 45 Fillmore C-Lanesboro-M-C Wolves 25  
106: Kane Larson (FCLM) over Aiden Graner (PEM) (Dec 6-4)  
113: Carson Rahman (PEM) over Clayton Knutson (FCLM) (TF 17-2 0:00)  
120: Nolan Ford (PEM) over (FCLM) (For.)  
126: Joshua Schad (PEM) over (FCLM) (For.)  
132: Garion Wallgren (PEM) over (FCLM) (For.)  
138: Carter Hovland (FCLM) over Logan Dittrich (PEM) (Fall 3:36)  
145: Connor Hovey (FCLM) over Sam Ring (PEM) (MD 16-2)  
152: Dominic Michel (PEM) over Cole Sass (FCLM) (Dec 6-4)  
160: Alex Hinrichs (PEM) over Wyatt Jensen (FCLM) (Dec 5-2)  
170: Orion Sass (FCLM) over Devyn Hutchison (PEM) (Fall 0:29)  
182: Oliver Hoeltzle (FCLM) over (PEM) (For.)  
195: Martin Prieto (PEM) over (FCLM) (For.)  
220: Drew Rahman (PEM) over Bodey Wright (FCLM) (Fall 0:50)  
285: Anthony Robertson (PEM) over Aaron Hutton (FCLM) (MD 11-3)  
Goodhue 53 Fillmore C-Lanesboro-M-C Wolves 21  
106: Kane Larson (FCLM) over (GOOD) (For.)  
113: Lucas Erickson (GOOD) over Clayton Knutson (FCLM) (Dec 5-2)  
120: Lucas Bortz (GOOD) over (FCLM) (For.)  
126: Jeremiah Bien (GOOD) over (FCLM) (For.)  
132: Ethan Breuer (GOOD) over (FCLM) (For.)  
138: Maddox O’Reilly (GOOD) over Carter Hovland (FCLM) (MD 16-3)  
145: Connor Wingert (FCLM) over Alex Nelson (GOOD) (Fall 3:51)  
152: Makae O’Reilly (GOOD) over Cole Sass (FCLM) (Fall 2:30)  
160: Jeremiah O’Reilly (GOOD) over Wyatt Jensen (FCLM) (MD 10-2)  
170: Orion Sass (FCLM) over Kade Altendorf (GOOD) (Fall 3:10)  
182: Oliver Hoeltzle (FCLM) over Carsyn O’Reilly (GOOD) (Dec 6-2)  
195: Mason Taxdahl (GOOD) over Bodey Wright (FCLM) (Fall 2:31)  
220: Cody Lohman (GOOD) over (FCLM) (For.)  
285: Caleb Kurtti (GOOD) over Aaron Hutton (FCLM) (Fall 1:23)



# Goodhue Sends 6 Wrestlers to the Minnesota State High School Wrestling Tournament

*Ryan and Lucas Bortz, Maddox O'Reilly, Makae O'Reilly, Cody Lohman and Caleb Kurti*

*Ryan, Lucas, Maddox and Makae all won section titles. Cody and Caleb earned 2nd place in their respective weight classes. Caleb only a 9th grader placed 2nd in the HWT division and pinned the number 1 seed from Triton! Maddox will be a returning 3rd place finisher in the 138 LBS weight class.*

## MSHSL Section 1A Results for Goodhue

**106**

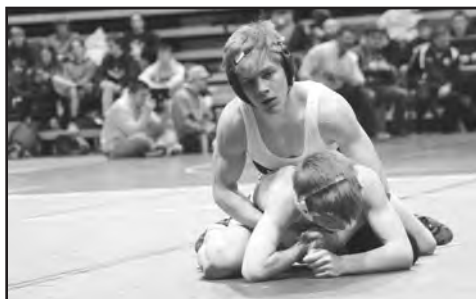
**Lucas Erickson (16-18) placed 6th and scored 5.0 team points.**

Champ. Round 1 - Lucas Erickson (Goodhue) 16-18 received a bye () (Bye)  
Quarterfinal - Kane Larson (Fillmore C-Lanesboro-M-C Wolves) 33-8 won by major decision over Lucas Erickson (Goodhue) 16-18 (MD 13-2)  
Cons. Round 2 - Lucas Erickson (Goodhue) 16-18 received a bye () (Bye)  
Cons. Round 3 - Lucas Erickson (Goodhue) 16-18 won by decision over Braxton Wohlfert (St. Charles) 16-22 (Dec 5-1)  
Cons. Semi - Masyn Hanson (Kenyon-Wanamingo) 32-14 won by major decision over Lucas Erickson (Goodhue) 16-18 (MD 10-2)  
5th Place Match - Cole Sheely (GMLOS) 23-24 won by fall over Lucas Erickson (Goodhue) 16-18 (Fall 0:53)

**113**

**Ryan Bortz (33-5) placed 1st and scored 22.0 team points.**

Champ. Round 1 - Ryan Bortz (Goodhue) 33-5 received a bye () (Bye)  
Quarterfinal - Ryan Bortz (Goodhue) 33-5 won by fall over Clayton Knutson (Fillmore C-Lanesboro-M-C Wolves) 8-22 (Fall 1:31)  
Semifinal - Ryan Bortz (Goodhue) 33-5 won by major decision over Tanner Ginther (Caledonia-Houston) 8-10 (MD 10-0)  
1st Place Match - Ryan Bortz (Goodhue) 33-5 won by decision over Gage Bartels (Chatfield) 30-8 (Dec 8-4)



**Ryan Bortz**

**120**

**Lucas Bortz (42-4) placed 1st and scored 22.0 team points.**

Champ. Round 1 - Lucas Bortz (Goodhue) 42-4 received a bye () (Bye)  
Quarterfinal - Lucas Bortz (Goodhue) 42-4 won by fall over Timmy Hogfeldt (GMLOS) 21-25 (Fall 0:33)  
Semifinal - Lucas Bortz (Goodhue) 42-4 won by decision over Simon Seymour (Caledonia-Houston) 26-19 (Dec 4-2)  
1st Place Match - Lucas Bortz (Goodhue) 42-4 won by decision over Chris Cushman (Wabasha-Kellogg) 31-13 (Dec 9-3)



**Lucas Bortz**

**126**

**Jeremiah Bien (23-15) placed 5th and scored 7.0 team points.**

Champ. Round 1 - Jeremiah Bien (Goodhue) 23-15 received a bye () (Bye)  
Quarterfinal - Ben Carrier (Chatfield) 28-10 won by fall over Jeremiah Bien (Goodhue) 23-15 (Fall 1:51)  
Cons. Round 2 - Jeremiah Bien (Goodhue) 23-15 received a bye () (Bye)  
Cons. Round 3 - Jeremiah Bien (Goodhue) 23-15 won by fall over Henry Cushman (Wabasha-Kellogg) 17-25 (Fall 5:32)  
Cons. Semi - Aiden Quintana (GMLOS) 30-16 won by fall over Jeremiah Bien (Goodhue) 23-15 (Fall 3:25)  
5th Place Match - Jeremiah Bien (Goodhue) 23-15 won by major decision over Tate Miller (Kenyon-Wanamingo) 15-9 (MD 9-1)

**132**

**Ethan Breuer (24-17) placed 5th and scored 7.0 team points.**

Champ. Round 1 - Ethan Breuer (Goodhue) 24-17 received a bye () (Bye)  
Quarterfinal - Grady Eaton (Dover-Eyota) 28-17 won by decision over Ethan Breuer (Goodhue) 24-17 (Dec 7-0)  
Cons. Round 2 - Ethan Breuer (Goodhue) 24-17 received a bye () (Bye)  
Cons. Round 3 - Ethan Breuer (Goodhue) 24-17 won by fall over Jonas Barclay (St. Charles) 12-25 (Fall 3:08)  
Cons. Semi - Gavin Johnson (Kenyon-Wanamingo) 30-10 won by major decision over Ethan Breuer (Goodhue) 24-17 (MD 10-0)  
5th Place Match - Ethan Breuer (Goodhue) 24-17 won by decision over Hunter Stark (Triton) 21-18 (Dec 7-0)

**138**

**Maddox O'Reilly (36-7) placed 1st and scored 22.0 team points.**

Champ. Round 1 - Maddox O'Reilly (Goodhue) 36-7 received a bye () (Bye)  
Quarterfinal - Maddox O'Reilly (Goodhue) 36-7 won by fall over Aidan Olson (St. Charles) 15-18 (Fall 1:53)  
Semifinal - Maddox O'Reilly (Goodhue) 36-7 won by fall over Jack Dornack (Chatfield) 20-22 (Fall 5:26)  
1st Place Match - Maddox O'Reilly (Goodhue) 36-7 won by decision over Cohen Wiste (GMLOS) 40-4 (Dec 7-2)



**Maddox O'Reilly**

**145**

**Beau Jaeger (19-9) placed 5th and scored 7.0 team points.**

Champ. Round 1 - Beau Jaeger (Goodhue) 19-9 received a bye () (Bye)  
Quarterfinal - Carter Mathison (St. Charles) 20-14 won by decision over Beau Jaeger (Goodhue) 19-9 (Dec 3-2)  
Cons. Round 2 - Beau Jaeger (Goodhue) 19-9 received a bye () (Bye)  
Cons. Round 3 - Beau Jaeger (Goodhue) 19-9 won by fall over Cole Kodada (Triton) 7-16 (Fall 0:56)  
Cons. Semi - Donavon Felten (GMLOS) 38-6 won by decision over Beau Jaeger (Goodhue) 19-9 (Dec 6-3)  
5th Place Match - Beau Jaeger (Goodhue) 19-9 won by fall over Connor Wingert (Fillmore C-Lanesboro-M-C Wolves) 19-17 (Fall 3:16)

**152**

**Jeremiah O'Reilly (25-12) placed 5th and scored 7.0 team points.**

Champ. Round 1 - Jeremiah O'Reilly (Goodhue) 25-12 received a bye () (Bye)  
Quarterfinal - Cory Scanlan (Caledonia-Houston) 26-15 won by decision over Jeremiah O'Reilly (Goodhue) 25-12 (Dec 3-1)  
Cons. Round 2 - Jeremiah O'Reilly (Goodhue) 25-12 received a bye () (Bye)  
Cons. Round 3 - Jeremiah O'Reilly (Goodhue) 25-12 won by decision over Liam Schlichting (Triton) 13-22 (Dec 7-2)  
Cons. Semi - Lukas Carrier (Chatfield) 21-16 won by decision over Jeremiah O'Reilly (Goodhue) 25-12 (Dec 5-2)  
5th Place Match - Jeremiah O'Reilly (Goodhue) 25-12 won by decision over Owen Craig (Kenyon-Wanamingo) 15-21 (Dec 3-1)

**160**

**Makae O'Reilly (36-10) placed 1st and scored 22.0 team points.**

Champ. Round 1 - Makae O'Reilly (Goodhue) 36-10 received a bye () (Bye)  
Quarterfinal - Makae O'Reilly (Goodhue) 36-10 won by fall over Thad Evans (Chatfield) 14-11 (Fall 3:43)  
Semifinal - Makae O'Reilly (Goodhue) 36-10 won by decision over Owen Garness (Triton) 23-11 (Dec 8-6)  
1st Place Match - Makae O'Reilly (Goodhue) 36-10 won by decision over Treyton Thesing (Dover-Eyota) 28-9 (Dec 6-5)



**Makae O'Reilly**

**170**

**Kade Altendorf (21-16) placed 4th and scored 10.0 team points.**

Champ. Round 1 - Kade Altendorf (Goodhue) 21-16 received a bye () (Bye)  
Quarterfinal - Landon Lehnertz (Dover-Eyota) 26-12 won by decision over Kade Altendorf (Goodhue) 21-16 (Dec 9-4)  
Cons. Round 2 - Kade Altendorf (Goodhue) 21-16 received a bye () (Bye)  
Cons. Round 3 - Kade Altendorf (Goodhue) 21-16 received a bye () (Bye)  
Cons. Semi - Kade Altendorf (Goodhue) 21-16 won by injury default over Orion Sass (Fillmore C-Lanesboro-M-C Wolves) 33-10 (Inj. 0:00)  
3rd Place Match - Landon Lehnertz (Dover-Eyota) 26-12 won by fall over Kade Altendorf (Goodhue) 21-16 (Fall 3:47)

**182**

**Carsyn O'Reilly (27-19) placed 6th and scored 3.0 team points.**

Champ. Round 1 - Carsyn O'Reilly (Goodhue) 27-19 received a bye () (Bye)  
Quarterfinal - Eric Mauss (Caledonia-Houston) 27-17 won by decision over Carsyn O'Reilly (Goodhue) 27-19 (Dec 9-5)  
Cons. Round 2 - Carsyn O'Reilly (Goodhue) 27-19 received a bye () (Bye)  
Cons. Round 3 - Carsyn O'Reilly (Goodhue) 27-19 received a bye () (Bye)  
Cons. Semi - Oliver Hoeltzle (Fillmore C-Lanesboro-M-C Wolves) 33-13 won by decision over Carsyn O'Reilly (Goodhue) 27-19 (Dec 4-0)  
5th Place Match - Aidan Gasper (Dover-Eyota) 30-19 won by fall over Carsyn O'Reilly (Goodhue) 27-19 (Fall 2:28)

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# Goodhue Wrestling

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195

**Mason Taxdahl (14-8) placed 4th and scored 10.0 team points.**

Champ. Round 1 - Mason Taxdahl (Goodhue) 14-8 received a bye () (Bye)  
Quarterfinal - Will Van Epps (Kenyon-Wanamingo) 31-11 won by fall over Mason Taxdahl (Goodhue) 14-8 (Fall 2:48)  
Cons. Round 2 - Mason Taxdahl (Goodhue) 14-8 received a bye () (Bye)  
Cons. Round 3 - Mason Taxdahl (Goodhue) 14-8 received a bye () (Bye)  
Cons. Semi - Mason Taxdahl (Goodhue) 14-8 won by injury default over Campbell Berge (Chatfield) 8-7 (Inj. 0:00)  
3rd Place Match - Will Van Epps (Kenyon-Wanamingo) 31-11 won by fall over Mason Taxdahl (Goodhue) 14-8 (Fall 3:51)

220

**Cody Lohman (29-8) placed 2nd and scored 18.0 team points.**

Champ. Round 1 - Cody Lohman (Goodhue) 29-8 received a bye () (Bye)  
Quarterfinal - Cody Lohman (Goodhue) 29-8 received a bye () (Bye)  
Semifinal - Cody Lohman (Goodhue) 29-8 won in sudden victory - 1 over Ethan Ruskell (Chatfield) 28-11 (SV-1 4-2)  
1st Place Match - Jackson Duellman (Dover-Eyota) 27-4 won by decision over Cody Lohman (Goodhue) 29-8 (Dec 5-3)  
2nd Place Match - Cody Lohman (Goodhue) 29-8 won by no contest over Ethan Ruskell (Chatfield) 28-11 (NC)



Cody Lohman

285

**Caleb Kurtti (24-8) placed 2nd and scored 18.0 team points.**

Champ. Round 1 - Caleb Kurtti (Goodhue) 24-8 received a bye () (Bye)  
Quarterfinal - Caleb Kurtti (Goodhue) 24-8 won by fall over Addison Honsey (Dover-Eyota) 11-14 (Fall 3:29)  
Semifinal - Caleb Kurtti (Goodhue) 24-8 won by fall over Corbin Giesler (Triton) 27-4 (Fall 5:28)  
1st Place Match - Christian Luthe (GMLOS) 25-9 won by fall over Caleb Kurtti (Goodhue) 24-8 (Fall 1:55)  
2nd Place Match - Caleb Kurtti (Goodhue) 24-8 won by fall over Caden Nolte (Chatfield) 22-9 (Fall 5:40)



Caleb Kurtti

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## Goodhue-Bellechester Rail Riders

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Food, fellowship and photo displays were found inside the club and many door prizes were given out along with the show awards.

Derek Weckerling won the 50/50 raffle and the winners of the classes were as follows:

90-95: Jeff Ryan with 90 Polaris Sport

81-89: it was a tie: Husband and wife Reggie and Tasha Miller had same number of votes, Reggie with 81 Kawasaki LTD 440 and Tasha with 81 Kawasaki Intruder (they have to share the trophy!)

77-80: Steve VanDeusen 79 Arctic Cat El Tigre

74-76: John Little 76 Rupp  
72-73: Jeff Ryan 72 Arctic Cat Panther  
70-71: Jeff Ryan 71 Polaris TX  
69 & Older: Vicki & Rik Stockey 62 Polaris L-55

Best Matching Suit & Sled: Andrew Kenig with 72 John Deere (trophy & \$50)

Most off the wall: Vicki & Rik Stockey 62 Polaris L-55 (got the entry fee back)

Best of Show: John Little 76 Rupp (trophy, \$50, \$50 gift card from Smokin Oak of Red Wing)

The club had groomed the trail the previous day and although it was not in the greatest shape due to a lack of snow, it was sufficient for the ride to Bellechester. One newer snowmobile and a side-by-side followed the group to ensure everyone made it safely. Only one machine needed a little help when it suddenly died close to the destination.

See video and more photos including a list of event donors on the Goodhue-Bellechester Railriders facebook page.



President Treyben Kehren drew for door prizes and awarded the trophies at the Vintage snowmobile show held February 5, 2022.



A unique 2-person sled owned by Tasha Miller of Bellechester. It is a 1974 restored Ski-Doo Elite 440.

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## Purple Ribbon Fund Seeks Donors

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Volunteers raised money from individual families, local businesses, and by having the previous year's state fair auction participants put together gift baskets that were then donated to the county fair livestock auction.

The group's efforts were successful but committee member Bob Eppen relays, "After a few years and suggestions from the public, it seemed like we were spending too much money on too few kids, so we started looking for a way to spread that around more. We came up with giving scholarships to the graduating class of 4-Hers who had stayed in 4-H throughout their senior year in high school and had been a member for at least 6 years." He went on to clarify that the money is available not only to recipients going on to school but also those who enter the military, the workforce, or stay home to farm. The money is available to any eligible youth across all project areas, not just livestock. "We figured they all put in a lot of time and all should be rewarded equally."

With only a short fund-raising time period, the group was able to award \$500.00 to each

applicant in 2021. Their long-term goal is to provide \$1000.00 awards, starting slowly to maintain sustainability. There were 18 eligible seniors in 2021 but 36 in 2022 emphasizing the need for more ways to raise funds.

The Purple Ribbon Fund officially formed a 501(c)(3) organization with both federal and state tax exempt numbers so donations are 100% tax deductible. They have adopted the mission statement, "To better the Goodhue County youth" and hope to grow to support local FFA chapters as well as 4-H. The Goodhue Lion's Club, Goodhue County Pork Producers and local businesses have stepped up to help but the group is looking for more partners. Any business, group, or individual may sponsor one or more scholarships or simply make a donation of any amount.

Board members and volunteers are Derrick Dicke, Betty Dicke, Brandon Schafer, Noah Erickson, Andy Mann and Bob Eppen. You may send donations to Goodhue Co. Purple Ribbon Fund, 34890 165th Ave. Way, Goodhue, MN 55027. For more information or to pledge a donation, call Bob Eppen at (651) 380-0494.



## New and Expanded Businesses in Southern Minnesota



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At Southern Minnesota Initiative Foundation (SMIF), we know that providing resources to entrepreneurs in our own backyard can help unlock the innovative ideas that make southern Minnesota's business ecosystem so unique. One of the major ways that we have been able to do this is by investing directly in businesses through our financing opportunities.

In 2021, SMIF invested \$1.4 million in businesses through our loan and equity funds. We could not have done this without many important partnerships. By collaborating with financial partners including banks, EDAs and cities, we were able to leverage an additional \$2.2 million.

The following list of businesses that SMIF invested in last year offers a snapshot into the innovative nature of entrepreneurs in our 20-county region. From a brewery to an artisan cheesemaker and from a software company to a bioplastic manufacturer, these are the entrepreneurs that are building southern Minnesota's future.

We were pleased to invest in the following startups and expansions in 2021:

### Startups

#### Bamasota BBQ, New Prague

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#### Bennett Pharmaceuticals of America, Le Sueur

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#### Blair Construction Cleaner LLC, Rochester

Full service commercial cleaning service for construction sites.

#### Clear Water Nitrate Reduction, Austin

Removes nitrates from agricultural runoff. Launch Minnesota and Red Wing Ignite were financing partners.

#### Fairmont Brewing Company, Fairmont

Brewery offering freshly brewed craft beer. First Farmers and Merchants Bank, Region Nine Development Commission and City of Fairmont were financing partners.

#### JJ's Beauty Supply LLC, Mankato

Retail sale of hair and beauty products.

#### JockLab LLC, Red Wing

Sports technology and basketball training company. Launch Minnesota was a financing partner.

#### Jonny's Smokin' BBQ, Le Sueur

Mobile food truck specializing in smoked meats.

#### Manny Millwright LLC, Rochester

Construction company focused on building grain bins, grain towers, drying storage bins and other items for the agricultural sector.

#### Merge, Rochester

Mobile food truck featuring a seasonal brunch menu.

#### Murphey Oil LLC, Minnesota Lake

Food N Fuel convenience store. First National Bank of Waseca, Faribault County, Region Nine Development Commission and Minnesota Lake EDA were financing partners.

#### New Dawn Education Group, Owatonna

Nonprofit child care center focused on providing an environment for children to build relationships of mutual caring and respect.

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#### The BeauTox Shop, Dundas

Aesthetics practice.

#### Trumbles 2.Oh!, Albert Lea

Restaurant, bar and bakery. ALEDA, Freeborn Mower Electric Coop and City of Albert Lea were financing partners.

#### Wigham Trucking LLC, Albert Lea

Freight shipping trucking company.

### Expansions

#### CannonBelles, Cannon Falls

Artisan cheese company offering unique flavors.

#### Curly Girlz Candy, Owatonna

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#### Custom Iron, Zumbrota

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**CannonBelles, cheesemakers in Cannon Falls who received a loan from SMIF in 2021.**

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## MISSY'S MESSAGE



### CURING A COUGH



**MISSY PAPERFUS**

I just got over the worst cough. I am not going to use the word "cold", because I only had one symptom bad enough to complain about. The terrible cough. It lasted for over a week. Woke me up 3 times a night at least. I've tried it all. Sometimes time itself is the only cure.

Mike's trick is drinking hot tea with honey. Put it a large Kwik Trip glass in the microwave for 2 minutes. Then he likes to use a Lipton Sweet Tea bag and honey. Drink one of these right away when waking

up in the morning, another when you get home from work, and then another before bed. You don't have to worry about not getting enough fluids!

I like to drink Nyquil before I got to sleep. When I woke up in the middle of the night coughing one of the nights, Mike grabbed a different bottle of Nyquil Cough, and he told me I was taking the wrong stuff! I also tried sleeping with two pillows to keep my head more elevated.

I did not exercise during the week of this dreadful cough, to not exacerbate the cough and to sleep in. I also used a prescription from my doctor for Tessalon Perles.

The weird thing about this cough, it started on a Friday evening. My mom and I left to go to our cabin, so I did not have to go back to work until Tuesday. I stayed home most of Tuesday morning. I did not have a cough during the day, it hit me at night keeping me from getting good sleep. I was finally able to sleep all night the following Saturday, a week later. I went to work, but when I got home at night, I drank my tea and put my feet up. I'm glad that's over!

*Memo from MotoProz...*

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## Rural Veterinarian Who Offered to Give Away His Practice Gets What He Wanted: A Successor

*Dr. Robert Bogan didn't want to leave Faribault County, Minnesota without a vet.*

Courtesy of KARE 11

BLUE EARTH, Minn. — A rural Minnesota veterinarian who offered to give away his practice — building and all — to help attract his replacement, now has what he wanted: a successor.

“It lifts the weight off your shoulders,” Dr. Robert Bogan says.

75-year-old Bogan was Faribault County’s only vet. He made the offer after five years of searching for someone to take his place.

A story last summer about Bogan’s offer, featured in a KARE 11 Land of 10,000 Stories segment, was shared more than 8,000 times on Facebook.

“This story spread far and wide and the message got to where it needed to go,” Blue Earth City Administrator Mary Kennedy says.

In the days that followed, 10 young vets and vet students expressed interest. Eight of them made the trip to Blue Earth to meet with Bogan and tour the town. Five of those submitted formal applications.

From the applicants, Bogan selected Dr. Zach Adams, a 2021 graduate of the vet school at Iowa State University.

“It’s a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity,” Adams says. “I came here and realized it was a good fit.”

Adams was serving his veterinary residency in North Carolina when he saw the story posted on his vet school’s Facebook page.

“I was just sitting in my apartment scrolling through Facebook,” Adams says. “I was like, that sounds like something I could do.”

Adams grew up on a hobby farm near Preston, Iowa, a town of about 900 people.

He says Blue Earth felt right.

“It’s very similar to where I grew up, so it feels kind of like home.”

The opportunity checked another box.

“I’m a die-hard Vikings fan and I’ve always wanted to live in Minnesota so that kind of helped push the way too,” Adams says.

Adams says he’d hoped at some point to own his own mixed animal veterinary practice, but didn’t think the opportunity would come this soon.

Adams started working alongside Bogan in January with an ownership transition planned over the next year or so.

“I think he’s going to fit in very well in Blue Earth,” Bill Rosenau, a Faribault County farmer and banker said.

A shortage of rural vets has plagued, small, rural communities across the country.

As a member of the county economic development authority, Rosenau was among those working to recruit a new vet to Blue Earth.

Like many Faribault County farmers, he’d feared Bogan eventually retiring without a replacement.

“To get somebody to come out and do on-site work would have been almost impossible because they would have been over an hour away,” Rosenau says.

Since moving to Blue Earth, Adams has felt the love, including a welcome from a pizza delivery person his first week in town.

“I think most people know what house he bought, are excited to see him, are excited to meet him,” Kennedy says.

Bogan’s offer to give away his practice included his clinic building in Blue Earth, the furnishings and equipment, his pickup truck and even Annie, the office cat — who is written into the agreement Adams signed.

“I had a lawyer take a look at my contract,” Adams says with a laugh. “He called me and was like, ‘You know you’re getting a cat with this, right?’”

Leyton Becker, a second-year vet student who interned with Bogan last summer and was featured in the KARE 11 story, had initially expressed interest in taking over the practice, but decided it was too early in his schooling to commit.

The University of Minnesota vet student says he met Adams during his visit to Blue Earth and holds open the possibility of joining him later in the practice.

“He’s a great guy and I could totally see myself working with him,” Becker said.



Dr. Robert Bogan (right) is giving his veterinary clinic to Dr. Zach Adams

Photo credit: Devin Krinke, KARE 11



Dr. Robert Bogan (front) and Dr. Zach Adams make on-farm visit

Photo credit: Devin Krinke, KARE 11



Dr. Zach Adams pets Annie, the office cat, who came with the vet clinic he’s being given by Dr. Robert Bogan

Photo credit: Devin Krinke, KARE 11



Dr. Robert Bogan introduces Dr. Zach Adams to one of the farmers who use his veterinary clinic

Photo credit: Devin Krinke, KARE 11



## When is ice safe?

By Minnesota DNR

There really is no sure answer. You can't judge the strength of ice just by its appearance, age, thickness, temperature, or whether or not the ice is covered with snow. Strength is based on all these factors -- plus the depth of water under the ice, size of the water body, water chemistry and currents, the distribution of the load on the ice, and local climatic conditions.

Did you know?

New ice is usually stronger than old ice. Four inches of clear, newly-formed ice may support one person on foot, while a foot or more of old, partially-thawed ice may not.

Ice seldom freezes uniformly. It may be a foot thick in one location and only an inch or two just a few feet away.

Ice formed over flowing water and currents is often dangerous. This is especially true near streams, bridges and culverts. Also, the ice on outside river bends is usually weaker due to the undermining effects of the faster current.

The insulating effect of snow slows down the freezing process. The extra weight also re-



duces how much weight the ice sheet can support. Also, ice near shore can be weaker than ice that is farther out.

Booming and cracking ice isn't necessarily dangerous. It only means that the ice is expanding and contracting as the temperature changes.

Schools of fish or flocks of waterfowl can also adversely affect the relative safety of ice. The movement of fish can bring warm water up from the bottom of the lake. In the past, this has opened holes in the ice causing snowmobiles and cars to break through.

For more information on ice safety contact the MN DNR and ask for our free ice safety publications, which include the brochures, "Danger, Thin Ice" and "Cold Water Kills" and the wallet-sized reference card and 11X14 posters titled, "Minimum Recommended Ice Thicknesses." Metro (651) 296-6157 or toll free outside the metro area 1-888-646-6367 or email the Information Center at [info.dnr@state.mn.us](mailto:info.dnr@state.mn.us).

## DNR Hunting, Fishing Skills Webinars Continue this Spring

### Registration open for new sessions of Minnesota Outdoor Skills and Stewardship Series

Anyone interested in fishing, hunting, habitat, and the outdoors can learn about activities like sturgeon and steelhead fishing, native plants and pollinators, creating sharp-tailed grouse habitat, wild rice management, and more during webinars hosted by the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources this spring.

"We've got a great mix of webinars in our spring lineup that will help people of all ages with a variety interests enjoy the outdoors," said Benji Kohn, DNR volunteer mentor pro-

gram coordinator. "Some webinars center on fishing opportunities and skills, while others are about outdoor adventures or learning more about wildlife conservation."

The DNR started the Minnesota Outdoor Skills and Stewardship Series in March 2021 to share how-to knowledge relevant to outdoor seasons and activities. Webinars are at noon on Wednesdays, last less than an hour, and are recorded and made available online.

The webinars are free, but participants must pre-register. More information, including spring session topics and how to register, is available on the outdoor skills and stewardship page of the DNR website.

## Fish House Removal Deadlines Loom



The deadline to remove fish houses from inland waters in the southern two-thirds of Minnesota is Monday, March 7. Make plans now to ensure you get your shelter off in time -- and don't forget to clean up everything after you go.



By Jim Miller

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### Dear Savvy Senior,

**Can you give me a brief rundown of Medicare's enrollment choices along with when and how to sign-up?**

**--Approaching 65**

Dear Approaching,

The rules and timetables for Medicare enrollment can be confusing to many new retirees, so it's smart to plan ahead. Here's a simplified rundown of what to know.

First a quick review. Remember that original Medicare has two parts: Part A, which provides hospital coverage and is free for most people, and Part B which covers doctor's visits and other medical services, and costs \$170.10 per month for most enrollees in 2021.

### When to Enroll

Everyone is eligible for Medicare at age 65, even if your full Social Security retirement age is 66 or later.

You can enroll any time during the "initial enrollment period," which is a seven-month period that includes the three months before, the month of, and the three months after your 65th birthday. It's best to enroll three months before your birth month to ensure your coverage starts when you turn 65.

If you happen to miss the seven-month sign-up window for Medicare Part B, you'll have to wait until the next "general enrollment period" which runs from Jan. 1 to March 31 with benefits beginning the following July 1. You'll also incur a 10 percent penalty for each year you wait beyond your initial enrollment period, which will be tacked on to your monthly Part B premium. You can sign up for premium-free Part A, at any time with no penalty.

### Working Exceptions

Special rules apply if you're eligible for Medicare and still on the job. If you have health insurance coverage through your employer or your spouse's employer, and the company has 20 or more employees, you have a "special enrollment period" in which you can sign up. This means that you can delay enrolling in Medicare Part B and are not subject to the 10 percent late-enrollment penalty as long as you sign up within eight months of losing that coverage.

### Drug Coverage

Be aware that original Medicare does not cover prescription medications, so if you don't have credible drug coverage from an employer or union, you'll need to buy a Part D drug plan from a private insurance company (see [Medicare.gov/plan-compare](http://Medicare.gov/plan-compare)) during your initial enrollment if you want coverage. If you don't, you'll incur a premium penalty - 1 percent of the average national premium (\$33 in 2022) for every month you don't have coverage - if you enroll later.

### Supplemental Coverage

If you choose original Medicare, it's also a good idea to get a Medigap (Medicare supplemental) policy within six months after enrolling in Part B to help pay for things that aren't covered by Medicare like copayments, coinsurance and deductibles. See [Medicare.gov/medigap-supplemental-insurance-plans](http://Medicare.gov/medigap-supplemental-insurance-plans) to shop and compare policies.

### All-In-One Plans

Instead of getting original Medicare, plus a Part D drug plan and a Medigap policy, you could sign up for a Medicare Advantage plan instead (see [Medicare.gov/plan-compare](http://Medicare.gov/plan-compare)) that covers everything in one plan. Nearly half of all new Medicare enrollees are signing up for Advantage plans.

These plans, which are also sold by insurance companies, are generally available through HMOs and PPOs and often have cheaper premiums, but their deductibles and co-pays are usually higher. Many of these plans also provide coverage for extra services not offered by original Medicare like dental, hearing and vision coverage along with gym/fitness memberships, and most plans include prescription drug coverage too.

### How to Enroll

If you're already receiving your Social Security benefits before 65, you will automatically be enrolled in Part A and Part B, and you'll receive your Medicare card about three months before your 65th birthday. It will include instructions to return it if you have work coverage that qualifies you for late enrollment.

If you're not receiving Social Security, you'll need to enroll either online at [SSA.gov/medicare](http://SSA.gov/medicare) or over the phone at 800-772-1213.



## Bellechester City Council Meeting Minutes January 19, 2022 @ 6:00PM

Regular City Council Meeting was called to order by Mayor Jody Gordon at 6:00 p.m. Pledge to the flag.

Roll call was taken: The council in attendance: Mayor Jody Gordon, Council people Rich Majerus, Kyle Blattner, Mark Gerken, Jered Buxengard as well as City Clerk Lisa Redepenning. Treasurer Kyle McKeown and City Engineer Matt Mohs were absent. Luke, Lacey, and Steve and from SE Choppers were also present.

Minutes of December, 2021 meeting were

reviewed and motion was made by Rich Majerus with a second by Mark Gerken to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

Bills were reviewed and a motion by Jered Buxengard with a second by Kyle Blattner to approve and pay the bills as presented. Motion carried.

Old Business:

- Sewer Grant – update progress. Grant is progressing.

- Old Bar Property – update. The email from Wabasha County was presented. Motion was by Rich Majerus with a 2nd by Jered Buxengard to make to offer \$1500 for

the old bar property. Motion carried.

New business:

- Luke – SE Choppers – asking for feed-back from council on the August event that they hosted in town. It was a successful event for both city and SE Choppers and they are wanting to expand. Looking at August 20th for 2022 and will come back to council for the permit.

- Committee Appointments for 2022 ~ Acting Mayor: Mark Gerken; Ambulance: Rich Majerus; Bank: First Farmers & Merchants; Attorney: Gorman; Fire Association: Kyle Blattner/Jered Buxengard; Paper: News Record; City Engineer: Matt Mohs ~ Bolton & Menk, Inc. Motion was made by Rich Majerus with a 2nd by Jered Buxengard to make above assignments for 2022 as the same as 2021. Motion carried.

- Set Board of Equalization Date and Change April Meeting – Tuesday, April 12th @ 5:00 Motion was made by Mark Gerken with a 2 nd by Kyle Blattner to set the Board of Equalization meeting on Tuesday, April 12 @ 5:00 and change the April meeting to coincide with this date @ 5:30. Motion carried.

- Resolution #2022.1 - Adopting the Citizen Participation Plan and Calling for a Public Hearing as Part of the Small Cities Development Program Application – review and approve. Motion was made by Rich Majerus with a 2nd by Jered Buxengard to pass Resolution #2022.1 - Adopting the Citizen Participation Plan and Calling for a Public Hearing as Part of the Small Cities Development Program Application. Motion carried.

- 2021 Cash Reporting Final Report – approve. Motion was made by Rich Majerus with a 2 nd by Mark Gerken to approve and submit the 2021 Cash Reporting Final Report as submitted. Motion carried.

Engineer Report – None.

Clerk Report – Small City Assist & LGA – 2 nd Half payment from State was received \$11,990.50 & \$5731.00 for these both. Citizen Participation Plan and Public Hearing called for February is a required part of the Small Cities Development Program (SCDP) process – FYI.

Savings Account Balance as of 12-31: \$42,150.07

Edward Jones Investment Account Balance as of 12-31-21: \$107,955.74

Wabasha County Tax Payment Received = \$4867.99

Board of Equalization – Wabasha County is an open book meeting, which means the residents can contact them directly with questions. This was a change with the state with how few residents we have in the Wabasha County border. Goodhue County remains the same and we will have our regular meeting moved to that date for April. Here is the information I received from the assessor's office: Open Book meetings are typically held at the county office so the taxpayer can contact (call or in person) anytime ... from when they receive the notice all the way up to the County Board of Appeal & Equalization meeting in June. Taxpayers have more time to contact our office with the open book meetings. They are completely different than the regular Board of Appeal & Equalization meetings as that is a set time and once the meeting is over, taxpayers do not have other options other than Tax Court.

Goodhue County Emergency Management Meeting - February 16th. Is there anyone interested in going, please let me know.

Year end/Quarterly Reporting – all quarterly filing and year end filings are done.

Treasurer Report – None

Water/Wastewater/Facility Report – None

Mayor Concerns: Questions on snow plowing and timing of Bellechester getting plowed, particularly businesses getting plowed maybe first. It will get addressed. BCCA meeting will be held on February 7th @ 7:00 at the Community Center and they are looking for members and suggestions.

Council Concerns: Mowers will get prepared for the summer.

Adjourn

Motion was made by Rich Majerus with a second by Kyle Blattner to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 6:51 pm.

Next meeting is February 16th @ 6:00 p.m. at the Bellechester Community Center.

Submitted by Lisa Redepenning – City Clerk

- Reminder - No motor vehicle shall be left parked on any street(s) or public way in the City, from Nov. 1 thru April 1 the hours of 2am until 6am.

- April Council meeting will be changed to Tuesday, April 12th @ 5:30

## City of Goodhue Special Meeting Minutes February 9, 2022 @ 5:30 pm

Members present: Mayor Bien, Council members Thuman, Anderson Buck, O'Reilly, and Hahn. Also, Present Tony Brecht, Duane Aaland, Brent Nelson and Richard Gorman.

Motion by Hahn and seconded by O'Reilly to approve the Special Meeting Agenda. Motion carried 5-0

Motion by O'Reilly and seconded by Anderson Buck to hire Linda Heydt as the Farmers Market Manager. Motion carried 5-0

Motion by Hahn and seconded by O'Reilly on said pay scale. Motion carried 5-0

Motion by Anderson-Buck and second by Hahn to adjourn the Special Meeting.

## City of Goodhue City Council Meeting Minutes February 9, 2022 @ 6:00pm

Motion by Hahn and seconded by Thuman to approve the agenda. Motion carried 5-0

Motion by Thuman and seconded by Anderson-Buck to approve the Jan. 26, 2022, minutes. Motion carried 5-0

Lot Sale agreement was talked about. Inground pool request was talked about, to further discuss at the next meeting. Volksfest committee update was given by O'Reilly. Motion made by Anderson-Buck and second by Hahn to hire Dereck Weckerling and Jeremy Thuman as part time employees for a temporary time. Motion carried 5-0

Mutual Aid agreement was talked about with the City of Zumbrota. Motion by O'Reilly and second by Anderson-Buck to hire Torrie Rehder as the Pool Manager. Motion carried 5-0

Parking in the city was discussed. Public comments- you must attend the meeting for your concern to be heard. Motion by Thuman and second by Hahn to approve the bills. Motion carried 5-0

Motion by O'Reilly and seconded by Hahn to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried 5-0

Respectfully submitted Jill Buxengard City Clerk

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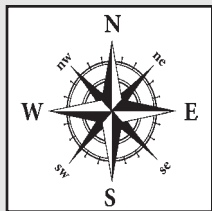
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## Changes in Latitudes, Changes in Attitudes Ambulance Alarm Clock



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.*

We live five miles out of town on a road that leads to Holiday Shores and Loon Bay. These lake communities were built on Lake Barkley and consist of many very fancy water front properties. They were built over forty years ago by folks who were loving the lake life. Now they are barely clinging to life.

It seems about every morning we get a wake-up call in the form of a wailing siren. Somebody wakes up down the road and de-

cides to call for assistance. The dogs hear it first and begin to howl. Then we can hear it in the distance and soon the blue and red lights go flashing by. It may be the EMT in the rescue truck, a Stewart County deputy in a brown SUV or the big, boxy white ambulance.

Down here we joke that the ambulance chasers are not attorneys, but real estate agents looking for a house that will be going on the market shortly. Quite frequently we go out for breakfast at the local diner, just up the road, and usually hear what all the commotion was about that day. Between the waitress and the old farmers at the café, we get the whole story, quite a bit of history and a great commentary of amusing anecdotes.

The other day we heard on the radio what one of the calls was about. It was for an eighty-plus year-old lady who decided to run into town the first thing in the morning. Instead of backing up though, she charged ahead in her Caddy like a battering ram and drove right through the front of the house cruising through the living room, right past the kitchen and came to a stop on the back deck. The medics determined she was alright and the sheriff reported that she mistook the gas pedal for the brake pedal. No news on if she will be driving into town anytime soon though.

## A Minnesotan: Goats



By RosaLin Alcoser

My older sister believes that everyone has had at least one great goat story in their lives.

For her and I it was the time one of the neighbors down the road received a goat for Father's Day. The goat got out and ended up on our front porch then proceeded to bleat if my sister did not sit outside with it. Our dog went ballistic and had to be kept inside all day until our parents figured out whose goat it was.

While they did that we proceeded to name that goat Kiddie; Kiddie was later renamed by his owners. We only had Kiddie for an afternoon but he was a good goat. About a year or so later our family bought him and he was delicious when we had him for dinner.

One of my friend's goat story is from when he and his sister kept goats as a 4-H project back in grade school. Once when their aunt was staying over to watch them for a few days she pulled her car up to their car port in the late evening and heard a sound coming from inside.

Apparently the sound sounded like there was someone inside of the car port pretending to be a goat. Naturally since there was a suspected person pretending to be a goat hiding in the car port she called the deputy to come check it out. It turned out to be one of the 4-H goats bleating like a person pretending to be a bleating goat.

For one of my sister's friends their goat story happened after she told her friends about her belief in everyone having at least one great goat story. This friend was from a big city and had never seen a goat in person. So everyone in their group decided that they needed to take him to see a goat.

So his one great goat story is about the time he was taken to a petting zoo and forced to pet a goat.

Everyone has at least one great story about an encounter with a goat. Whether it is having one show up at your door, keeping goats that pretend to be people pretending to be goats or being forced to pet one by your friends. And if you do not have one great story about an encounter with a goat then clearly you have not spent enough time around goats.

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## March Winners

### **Caramel Bars**

Submitted by Deb Gnotke

2 cups flour  
1/2 cup oatmeal  
1/2 tsp. salt  
1/2 tsp. baking soda  
1 cup brown sugar  
1 cup softened butter

Mix these 6 ingredients and reserve one cup for topping. Pat the rest in greased 9x13 pan and bake at 350 degrees for 10 to 15 minutes.

Mix one (12 oz) jar caramel topping with 4 Tablespoons flour and pour over the crust.

Sprinkle one cup of mini chocolate chips on caramel and crumble the reserved 1 cup on top.

Bake at 350 degrees for 12-15 minutes. Don't over bake, they set up after coming out of oven.

### **Impossible Pie**

Submitted by Linda Gobin

4 eggs  
1/2 stick margarine  
1 Cup sugar  
1/2 cup flour  
1/2 tsp. salt  
1/2 tsp baking powder  
2 cups milk  
1 cup coconut  
1 tsp vanilla

Place all ingredients in the blender at one time, blend until mixed thoroughly, pour into 10-inch pie pan bake at 350 degrees for 1 hour. When pie is done crust is on bottom, custard in middle and coconut is on top. So delicious!

### **Slow Cooker Chicken Tortilla Soup**

Submitted by Andrea Dawson

1 Cup Pace Picante Sauce  
2 cans (10 1/2 ounces each) Campbells Condensed Cream of Chicken Soup  
1 1/4 pounds skinless, boneless chicken breast halves, cut into 1/2" pieces  
2 Cups frozen whole kernel corn  
1 can (15 ounces) black beans, rinsed and drained  
1 1/3 Cup water  
1 teaspoon ground cumin  
4 corn tortillas (6") cut into strips  
1 Cup shredded Cheddar cheese  
1/3 Cup chopped cilantro

Stir the picante sauce, soup, chicken, corn, beans, water and cumin in a 4 quart slow cooker. Cover and cook on LOW for 4-5 hours or until the chicken is cooked through. Stir the tortillas, cheese and cilantro into the cooker. Cover and cook for 15 minutes. Serve with additional cheese and avocado if desired.

### **Coffee Ice Cream Punch**

Submitted by Judy Dyck

1 c. sugar  
1 c. water  
1 T. instant coffee  
1/2 t. vanilla

Boil water, add sugar, coffee, and vanilla. Cool. Pour into 2 1/2 gal. container.

Add:

1/2 gal. (8 cups) milk  
1/4 gal. (4 cups) vanilla ice cream, soft  
1/4 gal. (4 cups) fudge ripple ice cream

Stir and serve.