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Announcements

• **Breakfast Buffet at the VFW!** Saturday, March 12th from 7 - 11AM at the VFW.

Adults - \$10, Kids 12 and under \$7.

Call 507-789-5691 for more info.

• **K-W DC Trip Spaghetti Dinner at Kenyon VFW, Friday, March 11 from 5 PM – 8 PM.** Join us for our 2nd spaghetti dinner event at the Kenyon VFW! We'll have noodles, meat sauce (and without), garlic bread, drinks and dessert. We'll also have a silent auction during dinner. ~ This is our last fundraiser for students traveling to DC in the spring. Thank you for supporting the tradition of this trip for Kenyon and Wanamingo.

• **The Drowsy Chaperone presented by KWHS Theatre Dept at the Kenyon-Wanamingo HS Auditorium.**

Show times:

7:00pm Friday, March 11

7:00pm Saturday, March 12

2:00pm Sunday, March 13

Adults \$10

Students \$7

Suggested audience age: 14 and up

The show runs about 1 hour & 45 min with no intermission.



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Progress Continues on Kenyon School Memorial

The Village of Kenyon began educating students mostly in their homes as the village grew and more people came to live. The biggest building (and the one most of us know as Kenyon High and Grade School) was dedicated in 1915 and a number of the 'pediments' seen in these photos were made of Indiana Limestone. What's so special about Indiana Limestone? It is a very dense 'freestone'.

That means that exhibits no preferential direction which translates into the fact that it can be carved in a limitless variety of shapes and sizes. It is very durable and that can be seen from the fact that our pediments have lasted 106 years including a little trip down to the ground in 2013.

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The Monument Committee will be taking orders for pavers to help complete the project. The Monument is located on the south end of what was the old High School property in Kenyon. Check out the Facebook Page for further updates.

Kenyon Woman Convicted of Embezzlement

A southern Minnesota woman who stole nearly \$1 million from her employer 24 years ago was convicted again this week of embezzling hundreds of thousands of dollars from two more workplaces.

Kimberly Sue Peterson-Janovec, 59, of Kenyon, was found guilty by a U.S. District Court jury of two dozen charges for defrauding employers of more than \$700,000 and failing to report the money on her tax returns.

The U.S. attorney's office announced Tuesday that Peterson-Janovec was convicted of 13 counts of wire fraud, two counts of mail fraud, three counts of aggravated identity theft, three counts of making and subscribing a false tax return, and three counts of failure to file individual tax returns.

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Kimberly Sue Peterson-Janovec

Goodhue Golf and Track to Pair with K-W



Kenyon-Wanamingo and Goodhue Schools will be cooperating with their golf and track teams this

spring. Goodhue approved the pairing at their 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.



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Numbers: 'Census in the Wilderness'



By Pastor Colin Rueter,
New Life Church
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We continue our journey through God's story – the Bible – by engaging the Book of Numbers.

Numbers: num·bers/ noun --- Completion of census while the people of Israel are in the desert (wilderness) for 40 years before crossing into the Promised Land.

The author of this book is Moses. He is the central figure within the book, and in at least two instances Numbers mentions him recording events by the Lord's commands (Numbers 33:2; 36:13).

OVERVIEW: The Book of Numbers essentially bridges the gap between the Israelites receiving the Law (Exodus and Leviticus) and

preparing them to enter the Promised Land (Deuteronomy and Joshua). The events of the book began in the second year after the Israelites departed Egypt, as they camped at Mount Sinai around 1444 BC (Num. 1:1). The theme of obedience and rebellion followed by repentance and blessing runs through the entire book, as well as the entire Old Testament. The theme of the holiness of God is continued from the book of Leviticus into the book of Numbers, which reveals God's instruction and preparation of His people to enter the Promised Land of Canaan. The book ends thirty-eight years later "in the plains of Moab by the Jordan opposite Jericho" (Num. 36:13) in 1406 BC. The Lord directed the message of Numbers toward the younger generation, children of the former slaves who escaped through the Red Sea. Except for Joshua, Caleb, and Moses, the older generation—everyone twenty years old or older at the time of the first census—died before the completion of Numbers, due to their disobedience and disbelief in the God who rescued them from slavery (Num. 14:22–30).

Side note: It is interesting to note the mention of Caleb in Numbers as a spy for Israel. He is described as "Caleb son of Jephunneh the Kenizzite" (Numbers 32:12; Joshua 14:6, 14). The only other mention of Kenizzites in the Old Testament is in Genesis 15:19, where they are listed among the inhabitants of Canaan that Abraham's descendants would displace. It is through Caleb, as one example, that we see God's true plan to "bless all nations" though Abraham (Gen 12:15) as Caleb

was not a native Israelite, yet was an integrated member of the nation. God's plan from the beginning was to include all peoples among His covenant community for salvation and blessing as they follow Him (Gal 3:8-9).

SO WHAT? The harmony of God's love and wrath is the message of Numbers in a nutshell. The wrath of God is seen in the death of the rebellious generation in the wilderness, those who never entered the Promised Land. The love of God is realized in the new generation as God protected, preserved, and provided for these people until they possessed the land. A major theme woven in the New Testament from Numbers is that sin and unbelief, rebellion, reap the judgment of God. First Corinthians specifically says, and implied in Hebrews 3:7-4:13, that these events were written as examples for believers to observe and avoid. We are not to "set our hearts on evil things" (v. 6), or be sexually immoral (v. 8), or put God to the test (v. 9) or gripe and complain (v. 10). Just as the Israelites wandered in the wilderness 40 years because of their rebellion, God sometimes allow us to wander away from Him and suffer loneliness and lack of blessings when we rebel against Him. But God is faithful and just, and just as He restored the Israelites to their rightful place in His heart, He will always restore Christians to the place of blessing and intimate fellowship with Him if we repent and return to Him (1 John 1:9). In addition, the concept of the promised Messiah pervades the book. The story in chapter 19 of

the sacrifice of the red heifer "without defect or blemish" prefigures Christ, the Lamb of God without spot or blemish who was sacrificed for our sins. The image of the bronze snake lifted up on the pole to provide physical healing (chapter 21) also prefigures the lifting up of Christ, that whoever looks to Him by faith may have spiritual healing. In chapter 24, Balaam's fourth oracle speaks of the star and the scepter who is to rise out of Jacob. Here is a prophecy of Christ who is called the "morning star" in Revelation 22:16 for His glory, brightness, and splendor, and the light that comes by Him. From his royalty, as scepter, Jesus not only has the name of a king, but has a kingdom, and rules with a scepter of grace, mercy, and righteousness.

It is vital to the health of your faith that we see these connections between the Old and New Testament. We cannot separate the two without losing a full understanding of God, Jesus' incarnation, life, death, and resurrection. These all give us hope to the promise that the King will return for His people because God is faithful and always fulfills His promises.

Next month, we will look at the Book of Deuteronomy – a retelling by Moses of the teachings and events from Exodus, Leviticus, and Numbers as the people of Israel prepare to cross over to the Promised Land. We hear Moses speak for God about the importance to love and obey the One True God.



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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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Charles Conrad "Chuck" Gaasedelen

Charles Conrad "Chuck" Gaasedelen, age 78, of Kenyon, MN, died Saturday, February 5, 2022, at his home surrounded by his loving family.



Chuck was born on April 6, 1943, in Faribault, MN, the son of the late Conrad and Ethel (Radtke) Gaasedelen.



He was raised in Kenyon, MN, and graduated from Kenyon High School in 1961. He joined the Army Reserve in 1964 and retired as a Lieutenant Colonel in 1996. He was married to Marcella "Marcie" Helgeson on November 26, 1966, at First Lutheran Church in Kenyon, MN. He worked as an Army Civilian Technician in Faribault, MN, for 33 years, retiring in 2000. In his free time, he enjoyed snowmobiling and motorcycles but was especially proud of his family. He loved to go and see his granddaughter's sporting, musical, and horse events and to hear about everything they all accomplished.

Chuck is survived by his beloved wife of 55 years, Marcie, daughters, Cheryl (Brian) Dahl and Stacy (Jason) Quam, and 6 granddaughters, Siri, Mara, Josi, and Mali Quam and Corynne and Julia Dahl, all of Kenyon, MN, as well as other family and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents, Conrad and Ethel Gaasedelen.

A memorial service celebrating Chuck's life was held at 2:00 pm on Wednesday, February 9, 2022, at First Lutheran Church in Kenyon, MN, with a time for visitation one hour before the service. Pastor Julie Rogness will be presiding.

Ronald William Lurken

Ronald William Lurken, 88, of Kenyon, died Thursday, January 27, 2022 at Brookdale of Faribault surrounded by family.



On May 2nd, 1933 Ronald was born in Faribault to Henry and Ewana (Gess) Lurken. He grew up and attended school in Kenyon. Shortly after his schooling,

he bought his own truck and hauled milk for the Moland Creamery. In 1962 Ron purchased his first farm and became a successful crop and dairy farmer. He hauled sweet corn for the Kenyon and Owatonna Canning Companies for over 50 years. Ron met Marlene in Owatonna and they would be married on May 1st, 1955. Ron loved to go dancing, bowling, hunting, many vacations to Texas for the winter and spending time with his family and friends.

He is survived by sons, Larry (Wanda) Lurken of Kenyon, Steven (Deanna) Lurken of Kenyon, Jeff Lurken of Kenyon; daughters, Cindy (Tony) Kline of Owatonna, Brenda Grunwald of Medford; grandchildren, Ryan Estrem, Sara Estrem, Kasey Grunwald, Riley Grunwald, Amy Lurken, Erin Cox, Katie Lurken, Brent Lurken, Kristina Anderson, Marissa Flavin, Scott Lurken; great-grandchildren, Daisy, Huck, Ava, Kale, Olivia,

Marley, Murphey, Emelia, Kendall, Leyton, Baylor; siblings, Virgil (Patricia) Lurken of Cottage Grove, Sharon (Robert) Ulrich of Dallas, TX, Audrey (Russell) Finne of West Concord and long-time friend, Irene Miller of Faribault.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Henry and Ewana; wife, Marlene Lurken, sister, Darlyne Schmalfeldt; sons, Randy Lurken and Baby Boy Lurken.

There was a private family service. A celebration of life will be held at a later date. Interment was in the Moland Lutheran Cemetery in Kenyon.

John Andrew Peterson

John Andrew Peterson, 54, of West Concord, passed away at home on Sunday, January 16, 2022.



He was born March 8, 1967 in Faribault to Robert and Elaine (Chavie) Peterson. John grew up in Kenyon and graduated from Kenyon High School in 1986. After graduating he

worked with his father out in the Dakotas on the pipelines. Then he held various mechanical jobs and was known as the jack of all trades. John loved to attend and participate in truck pulls and mud racing with his kids. He loved to camp which often revolved around his truck events. John loved spending time with his children, grandchildren, and friends.

He is survived by Julie Peterson of Kenyon; children, Stacy (Michael) Peterson of Wanamingo; Spencer Peterson of Kenyon, Mariah Peterson of Seattle, WA; siblings Steve Peterson of Sandstone, Fred (Becky) Peterson of Sandstone, Larry (Bea) Peterson of Sandstone, Joyce (Vinny) Rauk of Nerstrand, Julie (Ray) Greseth of Wanamingo, Cindy Meyer of Kenyon, Eileen (Scott) GERMENDSON of Wanamingo, Mark Peterson of Sandstone, Scott (Jean) Peterson of Sandstone, Laura (Bryan) Haugen of Kenyon, Peggy (Brandon) Burow of Wanamingo; John is also Survived by his favorite dog George.

He was preceded in death by his parents Robert and Elaine; sisters Annette Engel and Jane Starch.

Celebration of Life was held at the Kenyon VFW on Saturday January 22nd, 2022 at 3PM.

Lester "Les" Thomas Johnson

Lester "Les" Thomas Johnson, 99, of Kenyon, died Sunday, January 16, 2022 at his home surrounded by his loving family.



He was born November 9, 1922 in Faribault, Minnesota the son of Lars and Theodora (Jacobson) Johnson. As a child, he



met his wife to be, Ruby. They began dating at age 15 after confirmation. Following his high school graduation, Les went off to the University of Minnesota for one year and then transferred to Augsburg College where

he played football, basketball, and baseball. World War II arrived and Les joined the Navy and became a Naval Aviator. He and Ruby were married on May 5, 1944. They moved to Corpus Christi, Texas, where Les was a flight instructor. They then moved to Atlanta, Georgia, where Les continued his service to his country and remained there until the war ended.

In 1946, they moved back to Wanamingo where they lived until March, 2021. When they returned to Wanamingo, Les began working with this father at Johnson Food Market. He continued this business and branched out to Kenyon to have a grocery store there. He took part in the Board of Associated Grocers.

Les was a charter member of Trinity Lutheran Church in Wanamingo where he and Ruby have been very active members. Les loved the men's Bible study group that met for countless years. He took part in choir, taught Sunday School, and served on the church board. He was active in the Lions Club of Wanamingo, volunteered as a local fireman and belonged to the Wanamingo Commercial Club. Les loved to golf with his family and friends. Most of all, he loved his 77 years of life with his wife, Ruby, and time spent with his family.

He is survived by his wife of 77 years, Ruby Johnson of Kenyon; Children, Steve (Trudy) Johnson of Kenyon and Sonia (Bruce) Wessman of Maple Grove; son-in-law, Gene (Eileen Soskin) Berg of Freeland, WA; grandchildren, Kristin (Collin) Berg, Lars (Lauren) Berg, Scot (Jennifer) Johnson, Matthew (Holly) Johnson, Joel (Heidi) Wessman, Jana (Todd) McGowan and Leah (Benjamin) Herdrich; 14 great-grandchildren and brothers-in-law and sister-in-law, Frank Goplen, Maynard Goplen, Arlynn Goplen and Ethel Goplen.

He was preceded in death by parents Lars and Theodora; daughter, Karen Marie Berg; brother and sister-in-law, Marvin (Dorothy) Johnson; brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law, Phillip (Elsie) Goplen, Edith Goplen, Sherman Goplen and Louise Goplen.

Memorials are preferred to Lutheran Disaster Response or ELCA World Hunger.

A Celebration of Life will be held at a later date.

Leif Eric Blakstad

Leif Eric Blakstad, 51, of Kenyon, died peacefully Tuesday, Dec 21, at the Homestead Hospice House in Owatonna, surrounded by family following a courageous nine-year battle with clival chordoma.



Leif was born in Zumbrota, MN to Gale & Diane (Piercefield) Blakstad and attended Cannon Falls school and grew up in Sogn Valley. Leif worked primarily as a farmhand and excelled in retail. He had three beautiful children and enjoyed being a stay at home dad. Leif loved the outdoors and particularly cherished his children.

Leif is survived by his sons Gavin & Gunnar (14), his daughter Lyra (6), his brother Tom Bilderback, his sisters Gwen Bilderback (Al Alger), Kim Bien (Wyatt Hayes) , & Roxanne (Chris) Powers, and several nieces and nephews with a special mention of Jessie

& Jody Stock.

Leif is preceded in death by his mother Diane, his father Gale, his sister Chrissy, and his brother Michael.

Leif will be dearly missed. The family will host a celebration of life in the spring to be announced.

Phyllis M. Forss

Phyllis M. Forss, age 86, formerly of Hader, MN died Friday, February 18, 2022, at Kenyon Senior Living.



Phyllis Marie Loken was born on June 21, 1935, in Zumbrota, MN. Phyllis was one of four children born to Olaf and Dora Loken. Her siblings were Irene, Russell,

and Carol. On May 7, 1955, at Emmanuel Lutheran Church, rural Kenyon, MN, Phyllis married Ralph Forss. Both Phyllis and Ralph were longtime members of Emmanuel Lutheran Church. They were married 66 years and had three children: Sandi, Susan, and Scott.

Before her retirement, Phyllis was a waitress at the Edgewood Restaurant and then spent a long career as a legal secretary supporting three attorneys in Wanamingo (Frank Peterson, Ray Wahlberg, and Steve Jorstad). She was a familiar face to many in Wanamingo and probably knew everyone in town.

Phyllis had many interests that kept her busy. In addition to working full-time, Phyllis enjoyed spending time with family. She was a woman of love. She cheered for all her kids, grandkids & great-grandkids. Food was love to her. You learned to visit her house hungry because you would be fed. She mailed, yes mailed our favorite cookies, bars, or other treats out of state and even out of the country to make us happy. She and Ralph were always eager to host family holiday and birthday gatherings.

Phyllis was very active in her church and was always willing to volunteer and provide food for many church gatherings. She also served on the church's 150th anniversary committee. Phyllis also enjoyed sports. Whether watching in person, on TV, or listening to games on the radio...she was there. She was an avid high school sports, Twins, Vikings, and U of MN Gophers fan. She and Ralph enjoyed their country home in South Hader, MN for many years.

Phyllis was preceded in death by her husband, Ralph; her sister, Irene; and her brother, Russell. Survivors include her children Sandi (Andre) Chromey, Susan (Dave) Davidson, and Scott (Craig) Thomas-Forss; grandchildren Anna (Aaron) Telecky, Sara (Thad) Dahling, Luke Davidson, Angela (Piet) Hansel, Tyler (Kesley) Buchardt, and Brandon (Carol) Thomas; great-grandchildren Isabelle, Ruth, Grace, Seth, Evelyn, Quinham, Finley, Kaden, Ellen, and Cooper. Survivors also include her sister Carol (Ray) Dahlen, as well as many nieces and nephews.

Memorial service will be held on Friday, March 25, at 2 pm at Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 42957 Co. 1 Blvd, Kenyon, MN 55946 There will be a visitation two hours prior to the service at the church. The service will be live streamed.

Sandra A. Soine Olson

Sandra A. Soine Olson, age 84, of Nerstrand, died Tuesday, Feb. 22, at her home.



Sandra Ann Olson was born in the Sogn Valley on May 7, 1937, the daughter of Thomas and Ruth (Otterness) Soine. She grew up there and graduated from Cannon Falls High School. She graduated from Nursing School at St. Lucas in Faribault as an R.N. Sandra earned a BA from Barat College in Lake Forest, IL. She took graduate classes from Mankato State University and the University of Minnesota, obtaining a master's degree in Health Care Administration. Sandra worked with people with disabilities. She was instrumental in the development of Riverview manor, the first residential group home in Wanamingo. She also worked for many years with both the Developmental Activity Center in Red Wing and the Faribault Regional Center. She later worked in the fields of staff development and administration.

On March 18, 1961, Sandra was married to Richard Olson at Trinity Lutheran Church in Faribault. She was a member of Vang Lutheran Church in Dennison, the Minnesota Nurses Association, the Goodhue County Historical Society and The Minnesota State Historical Society. In her younger years Sandra was a supporter 4H and the FFA. She served on the Vang Lutheran Cemetery Board. Her hobbies included her dogs, gardening, barn preservation, and spending time outdoors. She most especially loved the time spent with her grandchildren.

Survivors include her husband Richard, children David (Lisa) Olson, Heather (Brian) Holley, Barbra (Tim) Olson, and Catherine (Brad) Luebke; grandchildren Blake and Zachary Olson and Madi and Cal Luebke; sisters Sheila (Arlen) Olson and Sherree (Larry) VanDeWalker; brother Terry (Sandy) Soine; many nieces and nephews, and her beloved dog Scottie. She was preceded in death by her parents.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Goodhue County Historical Society, Vang Lutheran Church or nursing scholarships at St. Olaf College Nursing Department. Funeral services were held at 2:00 pm, Monday, Feb. 28, at Vang Lutheran Church, 2060 County 49 Blvd, Dennison, MN 55018. There was a visitation starting at 12:30 pm, prior to the service at the church. Interment was in the Vang Lutheran Cemetery. Sandra's funeral was live streamed.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Goodhue County Historical Society, Vang Lutheran Church or nursing scholarships at St. Olaf College Nursing Department.

Funeral services were held at 2:00 pm, Monday, Feb. 28, at Vang Lutheran Church, 2060 County 49 Blvd, Dennison, MN 55018. There was a visitation starting at 12:30 pm, prior to the service at the church. Interment was in the Vang Lutheran Cemetery. Sandra's funeral was live streamed.

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William James (Jimmy) Gullickson

William James (Jimmy) Gullickson, 52, of Wanamingo, Minnesota. Passed away on Wednesday, March 2, 2022, after a long and courageous battle with cancer. He passed away at home with his family by his side. Jim was born on July 24, 1969, to



James and Janie Gullickson in Cheverly, MD. Jim was a lifetime resident of Wanamingo, growing up in the rural area near Hader and later moving into Wanamingo. Jim attended Wanamingo schools through his entire school years and graduated in 1988.

Jim had a love of riding his Harley, camping and he was also a wild game hunter. Jim married his soulmate, Karen on July 11, 2014. Their love of motorcycles, camping and each other helped build and make their marriage stronger.

Jim is survived by his loving wife, Karen; two step-children, Taylor and Karissa; his mother, Janie of Brandywine, MD; three brothers, Justin of West Concord, Joe (Teresa) of Wanamingo, and Jarid (Gilda) of Boonsboro, MD; and many nieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his father, James Gullickson; brother, John Gullickson; grandparents, Wilbur and Inez Gullickson, Cecil and Colleen Peyton; nephew, Jesse; and niece, Lindsey.

Memorial service was held at 5 p.m. on Friday, March 4, 2022, at Mahn Family Funeral Home - Larson Chapel in Zumbrota with one hour of visitation prior to the service.

A private family burial will take place at a later date.

Donald A. Hope

Donald A. Hope, age 91, of Nerstrand died on Monday, February 28, 2022, at the Regina Hospital in Hastings.



Donald Albert Hope, the son of Carl and Milla (Quale) Hope, was born on August 9, 1930, in Faribault. He grew up on a farm near Nerstrand. During WWII his four oldest brothers served in the US Military, while he and his other two brothers stayed back and ran the family farm. Donald did various jobs, setting bowling pins, working at Andrew's Nursery, fire watch up north and working at McQuay's. He returned to farming and also working construction. He was a proud member of the Carpenters Local #7. He worked on several overpasses for the construction of I-35 and I-494. He also helped construct buildings at St. Olaf and Carlton Colleges, Owatonna High School, District 1 Hospital in Faribault, and the Owatonna Power Plant. He was an active member of Valley Grove Church, serving in several different leadership rolls. On December 28, 1954, he married Kathleen O'Hara in Faribault. Donald enjoyed walks in the woods, photography and fishing. He was a talented wood worker. He built several pieces of furniture; many pieces for his family. He also enjoyed bird watching, turkey hunting, canning jellies and sauces, and baking his own bread. Donald was a voracious reader and had a library of very wide subject matter. Almost all of his reading was for information. He would spend hours studying maps including lake maps with their depths.

He is survived by his daughters, Nadine (Randy) Langworthy of Dodge Center, Elizabeth Hope (special friend Brad Neset) of Nerstrand and Kari Hope of Ely; grandchild-

dren Karma (Chad) Baumgartner, Belden Hope, Patrick (Erin) Moravitz, Samuel (Claire) Moravitz and great grandchildren Trevor Thomas, Derik, Jenna and Braden Baumgartner, Milla, Evie Hope, Ella Perish, and Leland Moravitz. He is preceded in death by his parents, son David Hope, sister Carol Gunhus and brothers, Harding, Glenn, Russell, Philip, James and Allan.

Visitation was held from 4:00pm until 7:00pm on Thursday, March 3, 2022 at Michaelson Funeral Home in Kenyon and an hour prior to the service at the church. Funeral services will be held at 11:00am, on Friday, March 4, 2022, at the Valley Grove Church northwest of Nerstrand.

Evans Josephson

F. Evans Josephson, 88, died at his home on Sunday, February 27, 2022, of multiple myeloma (cancer in his bone marrow). He was born August 20, 1933 to Emil and Florence (Jackson) Josephson in Red Wing, MN. He was baptized, confirmed,



and will be buried at his life-long church home, Vasa Lutheran, Vasa, MN.

Evans married Norlene (Lawson) at Holden Lutheran Church (Kenyon, MN) in 1963. Until his cancer diagnosis, Evans and Norlene lived on their farm near White Rock, where they raised their children. Norlene taught school and Evans farmed. Through the years, he also worked hauling milk to the local Vasa and Belle Creek Creameries, and later hauling livestock for Elmer Pagel. Evans was very proud of his Swedish heritage, loved to read, and enjoyed coffee with friends and family, or a good farm auction. Before marrying and starting a family, Evans had served honorably in the U.S. Army, stationed in the U.S. from 1954-1956. He was always proud of the military service of the generations of his family and community.

Evans and Norlene moved from their farm to Cannon Rivers Senior Living in Cannon Falls following Evans' cancer diagnosis and treatments. It was a huge change for Evans but he quickly came to enjoy the good friends and conveniences there. Evans' family is very grateful to the staff at Cannon Rivers Senior Living, Mayo Health System, and Moments Hospice for the excellent, compassionate care they provided him. It allowed him and his family to enjoy his strong independence until the final few days of his life.

Evans is survived by his wife of 58 years, Norlene of Cannon Falls; two sons, Jim (and Theresa) of White Rock, and Dan (and Allison) of Cannon Falls; and one daughter, Sue (and Gary) Duden of Nerstrand; six grandchildren, Krystal (and Quinton) McBride, Katie (and Alec) Hervey, Karen (and Matt) Berg, Amanda (and Trevor) Hodgman, Brady Chicos (and Ellen Kurtz), and Dylan Tupa (and Cierra Swenson); and three great-grandchildren, Paycen and Sienna Hodgman, and Oscar Berg.

Evans was preceded in death by parents Emil and Florence Josephson, and all of his siblings, Ardyce, Willard, Wendell, Wesley and Joyce.

Evans chose to be cremated, and his memorial service was held on Monday, March 7 at 11:00 am, with visitation from 10-11 am, at Vasa Lutheran Church. Pastor Maureen Hagen officiated. This service was live-streamed and available to watch at www.LundbergFuneral.com under Evans' obituary. Honorary urn bearers were his grandchildren. Memorials are preferred to the Vasa Lutheran Church or the Vasa Museum. Interment with military honors will be held at a later date at the church cemetery.

Arrangements by Lundberg Funeral Home in Cannon Falls. www.LundbergFuneral.com

Melroy Jerald Hokanson

Melroy Jerald Hokanson, 91, of Cannon Falls, died Saturday, March 5, 2022, at his home, surrounded by his wife and three sons.



He was born August 16, 1930, in Wastedo, Minn., to Thore and Minnie (Karlstad) Hokanson.

Melroy graduated from Kenyon High School in 1948.

He served as a Corporal in the U.S. Army during the Korean War, from 1952-1953.

On August 13, 1955, he was united in marriage to Leah Mae Alice Ohnstad. Shortly after their marriage, they purchased a farm in White Rock, where they reside today. Together, they raised three sons.

Melroy worked as a cabinet maker and farmed part-time until his kidney transplant in 1991. He and Leah also owned rental properties, which brought much enjoyment in their later years.

Melroy and Leah enjoyed traveling, with Branson and Florida being two of their favorite destinations. He had a deep love for all of his grandchildren and had a mischievous playful manner of always letting them win in their various games. Melroy was a true man of God, who lived his faith in everything he did and said.

Melroy is survived by Leah, his wife of 66 years; sons Melroy Jr. (Michele), Mitchell (Donna), and Mark (Dawn); and grandchildren Ben (Tiffany), Heather (Lauren), Joshua (Julia), Linsey (Ben), Stephanie (Chris), and Andrea (Tanner); and seven great-grandchildren. He also is survived by brothers, Harlan (Bonnie) and Gary (Marlene), as well as sisters Marleen Beckman (Larry) and Kathy Hauschildt (Jerry).

Melroy was preceded in death by his parents, Thore and Minnie, and brothers Roger and Paul.

The funeral will be announced at a later date.

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You can find updates about the Kenyon School Memorial are posted on the KENYON HIGH SCHOOL MEMORIAL FUND page on Facebook.

School Bus Driver Appreciation Day February 23rd



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Proclamation

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- WHEREAS: These drivers safely transport more than 775,000 students to and from school each day throughout the state; and
- WHEREAS: Drivers remain dedicated to their crucial role of serving students and communities during another school year impacted by challenges brought on by the COVID-19 pandemic; and
- WHEREAS: Many school districts in the state face a bus driver shortage and are seeking professionals who are driven to serve in these fulfilling, flexible jobs; and
- WHEREAS: The State of Minnesota appreciates school bus drivers and recognizes their invaluable contributions to public education and student safety.

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Gas Prices Keep Rising



Staff Photo

Although gas prices have continued to rise the past year, big daily jumps continued this week. The Russia Invasion of Ukraine is being blamed for the rapid rise in oil prices this week. This photo was taken in Kenyon on Monday, March 7th, 2022. Ongoing national news report prices will go higher yet in the coming weeks.

Kenyon Woman Convicted of Embezzlement

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The verdicts followed a five-day jury trial before U.S. Chief District Judge John R. Tunheim in Minneapolis.

An indictment filed with the federal court in January 2022 states that Peterson-Janovec “exploited the trust of multiple employers to use her positions of employment to embezzle more than \$700,000” over the course of more than seven years.

The businesses included MI5 Inc. of Burnsville, a Denny’s franchisee that owns and operates eight Denny’s restaurants in Minnesota and Wisconsin, and a family-owned construction company based in Rochester.

At MI5 Inc., Peterson-Janovec served as the director of operations from April 2014 until July 2019 when the company discovered some of the fraudulent activity and she was terminated.

During her tenure with the company, Peterson-Janovec falsified records, created fake

email accounts and generated fake email traffic in which she impersonated employees of various purported vendors.

She received approximately \$356,000 in bogus vendor payments and fraudulently issued payroll submissions using the identities of other people.

Even after she was terminated, Peterson-Janovec continued to send emails from purported vendors of MI5 requesting fraudulent outstanding payments as late as February 2020, according to court documents.

Following her termination, Peterson-Janovec found a job as a bookkeeper with a family-owned construction company in Rochester in early 2020. The company is not named in court documents.

Peterson-Janovec was eventually promoted to general manager. She lied about her work experience to get the job, prosecutors said.

In as little as 18 months, Peterson-Janovec used the company’s accounting software to issue herself approximately \$350,000 in payments, which had been made to appear as if they were going to the company’s vendors.

Peterson-Janovec has a prior federal fraud conviction from 1998, when she embezzled more than \$950,000 from another former employer, according to prosecutors.

A sentencing date has not yet been scheduled.

The case was the result of an investigation conducted by the U.S. Postal Inspection Service, the Burnsville Police Department and the Criminal Investigation Division of the Internal Revenue Service.

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Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a City Council Meeting was duly held in the City Council chambers at 7:00 p.m. on the 11th day of January 2022. The meeting was called to order by Acting Mayor Rechtzigel.

The following members were present: Council Members Dan Rechtzigel, Molly Ryan, and Mary Bailey

Via Zoom: Mayor Doug Henke, Administrator Mark Vahlsing, Attorney Scott Riggs

Absent:
Also, present: Administrative Assistant Holli Gudknecht, Police Chief Jeff Sjoblom, Engineer Derek Olinger, Kathy Flikke Finance Clerk, Todd Greseth, Rodney and Michelle Robertson, and Michelle Vlasak reporter for Kenyon Leader

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

CITIZEN COMMENT

Goodhue County Commissioner, Todd Greseth, gave an update on what's happening in the County.

ADOPT AGENDA

Motion by Bailey second by Ryan to approve the agenda.

Roll Call Vote: Henke- Aye, Rechtzigel – Aye, Bailey – Aye, Ryan - Aye

Motion carried 4-0-0.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Bailey second by Henke to approve the Consent Agenda, which includes payment of check numbers, 73146 through 73255; 3847E through 3854E.

Roll Call Vote: Henke- Aye, Rechtzigel – Aye, Bailey – Aye, Ryan - Aye

Motion carried 4-0-0.

PRESENTATIONS/ PUBLIC HEARINGS/ RECOGNITIONS/PROLAMATIONS

Police Chief Sjoblom announced the hire of part-time Officer Rodney Roberts. Officer Roberts gave the Council a background on himself and introduced his wife, Michelle.

ENGINEERING

Request for Authorization to Begin Preliminary Engineering Design for 2023 Pearl Creek & Forest Street Sanitary Sewer Lining Project

Engineer Olinger stated that the City has two sanitary sewer lining projects listed on the infrastructure management plan for completion in 2023. One project is located on Forest Street between 3rd Street and 9th Street and the other is the Pearl Creek main located between 2nd Street and the wastewater plant. Olinger outlined the preliminary activities, fees, and the tentative schedule for this project.

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Motion by Ryan seconded by Bailey to approve the proposal by Bolton & Menk to proceed with the preliminary data collection on the Pearl Creek and Forest Street sanitary sewer improvements at a cost of \$8,946.

Roll Call Vote: Henke- Aye, Rechtzigel – Aye, Bailey – Aye, Ryan - Aye

Motion carried 4-0-0.

LEGAL

2022 Appointments and Designations

Planning Commission – 2 Year Term – Jerry Barrett, Dennis Wickum

Public Utility Commission – 3 Year Term – Jim Malloy

Library Board – 3 Year Term – Eileen Ehrich

Acting Mayor – Dan Rechtzigel

Legal Newspaper – Kenyon Leader

Depository – Security State Bank of Kenyon

City Attorney – Scott Riggs, Kennedy & Graven Chartered

Prosecuting Attorney – David Jacobsen, Hero, Jorstad, Jacobsen Law Firm

City Engineer – Derek Olinger, Bolton & Menk

City Auditor – Abdo Eich and Meyers

Financial Consultant – George Eilertson

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Deputy Clerk – Holli Gudknecht

Weed Inspector – Doug Henke

Audit Committee – Doug Henke, Molly Ryan, Kathy Flikke, Mark Vahlsing

Personnel Committee – Dan Rechtzigel, Doug Henke and Mark Vahlsing

Liquor Committee – Doug Henke, Russell Thurmes, Mark Vahlsing

Kenyon Fire Relief Association – Doug Henke and Mark Vahlsing

Motion by Ryan seconded by Rechtzigel to approve the 2022 committee appointments and designations.

Roll Call Vote: Henke- Aye, Rechtzigel – Aye, Bailey – Aye, Ryan - Aye

Motion carried 4-0-0.

Resolution 2022-01: Establishing License Fees and Compensation

Administrator Vahlsing stated that the only increase for 2022 was an additional \$10 for the Depot Park

building rent.

Motion by Bailey second by Ryan to approve Resolution 2022-01.

Roll Call Vote: Henke- Aye, Rechtzigel – Aye, Bailey – Aye, Ryan - Aye

Motion carried 4-0-0.

Annual Refuse Licenses

Flom Disposal Inc., Waste Management, Veit Container Corp (Commercial, Temporary roll off, dumpster)

Annual Recycling Licenses

Flom Disposal Inc., Goodhue County Public Works, Waste Management (Commercial Recycling)

Annual Sidewalk Obstruction Licenses

Kenyon Ace Hardware, Kenyon VFW Post 141, Mary's Rustic Rose, Twice Found, D&S Banner, Taco Express

Annual Dance License

Kenyon VFW Post 141

Annual Mobile Merchant License

Che Che's Lunchera, Taco Express

Motion by Ryan second by Bailey to ap-

prove the annual refuse, recycling, sidewalk, dance, and mobile merchant licenses.

Roll Call Vote: Henke- Aye, Rechtzigel – Aye, Bailey – Aye, Ryan - Aye

Motion carried 4-0-0.

Kennedy & Graven 2022 Rates for Legal Services

Attorney Riggs reviewed the proposed rates for legal services for 2022. This increase would raise the hourly base rate from \$174.00 to \$180.00 an hour.

Motion by Ryan seconded by Bailey to approve 2022 rates for legal services.

Roll Call Vote: Henke- Aye, Rechtzigel – Aye, Bailey – Aye, Ryan - Aye

Motion carried 4-0-0.

Resolution 2022-04: Approving Minor Subdivision - Lot Split Application – 302 Bullis St. (PID 66.320.0210) – Hauge Lutheran Church

City Administrator Vahlsing stated that Allen Stolee, representing Hauge Lutheran Church, was seeking approval of a lot split that would restore the property boundary between lots 4 and 5 in Block 29 of Bullis' Second South Side addition to the original plat. The proposed lot split has been reviewed and signed off by the City Attorney.

Motion by Henke seconded by Ryan to adopt Resolution 2022-04 approving the lot split for Hauge Lutheran Church.

Roll Call Vote: Henke- Aye, Rechtzigel – Aye, Bailey – Aye, Ryan - Aye

Motion carried 4-0-0.

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Kenyon City Council

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Resolution 2022-05: Approving Minor Subdivision - Lot Split Application – 1221 Mantorville Rd (PID 66.140.0270) – Cecelia Foss

City Administrator Vahlsing stated that Russell Foss, POA for Cecelia Foss, was seeking approval to split a 2.49 acre parcel from their larger parcel located at 1221 Mantorville Road. The area is zoned residential. The proposed lot split has been reviewed and signed off by the City Attorney.

Motion by Bailey seconded by Ryan to adopt Resolution 2022-05 approving the lot split for Cecelia Foss.

Roll Call Vote: Henke- Aye, Rehtzigel – Aye, Bailey – Aye, Ryan - Aye
Motion carried 4-0-0.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Sewer Rate Study – Review Possible Sewer Rate Increase

Administrator Vahlsing reviewed the sewer rate study that was completed and the proposed rate increase. The study shows an increase to existing sewer rates is necessary due to a projected shortfall.

Motion by Henke second by Ryan to implement the staff's recommended sewer rate changes that would take affect with the April billing period that begins March 15, 2022.

Roll Call Vote: Henke- Aye, Rehtzigel – Aye, Bailey – Aye, Ryan - Aye
Motion carried 4-0-0.

Resolution 2022-02: A Resolution Authorizing Acceptance of 2021 Donations

Motion by Ryan second by Bailey to approve Resolution 2022-02 authorizing the acceptance of the

2021 donations of \$17,510.02.

Roll Call Vote: Henke- Aye, Rehtzigel – Aye, Bailey – Aye, Ryan - Aye
Motion carried 4-0-0.

Resolution 2022-03 Declaring Vacant City Council Seat

Attorney Riggs stated that this resolution declares the open council seat of Tom Gard, who resigned his seat at the December council meeting. Since the remaining term is less than two years, the Council can appoint a replacement to serve until the term expires in December 2022. Vahlsing will advertise for interest in this position.

Motion by Bailey second by Ryan to adopt Resolution 2022-03 declaring vacant City Council seat.

Roll Call Vote: Henke- Aye, Rehtzigel – Aye, Bailey – Aye, Ryan - Aye
Motion carried 4-0-0.

Approve job descriptions - Library Youth Services/Library Assistant Library Assistant

Administrator Vahlsing stated that Assistant Librarian Barb Bonde will be retiring from

her full-time position in March. Library Director Otte and the Library Board are requesting approval to create two part-time positions, a Youth Services/Assistant Librarian and a Library Assistant.

Motion by Ryan second by Henke to approve the Youth Services/Assistant Librarian job description and posting.

Roll Call Vote: Henke- Aye, Rehtzigel – Aye, Bailey – Aye, Ryan - Aye
Motion carried 4-0-0.

Motion by Bailey second by Ryan to approve the Library Assistant job description and posting.

Roll Call Vote: Henke- Aye, Rehtzigel – Aye, Bailey – Aye, Ryan - Aye
Motion carried 4-0-0.

Schedule of Upcoming Meetings

KMU Meeting: Tuesday, January 18th @ 2:00 p.m.

EDA Annual Meeting: Tuesday, January 25th @ 9 a.m. at Lacey's Kitchen & Cocktails (Rescheduled to March)

City Council Meeting: Tuesday, February 8th @ 7 p.m.

COUNCIL AND STAFF GENERAL COMMENTS

Chief Sjoblom stated that they have been dealing with several incidents that have occurred in town.

Mayor Henke commented on the nice weather in Arizona.

Administrator Vahlsing thanked Derek for running the electronic part of the meeting and thanked Mayor Henke for zooming in to the meeting.

Motion by Ryan second by Bailey to adjourn the meeting at 7:52 p.m.

Roll Call Vote: Henke- Aye, Rehtzigel – Aye, Bailey – Aye, Ryan - Aye
Motion carried 4-0-0.

Holli Gudknecht, Administrative Assistant
Dan Rehtzigel, Acting Mayor

Commissioner Corner

Hello, I just wanted to give you an update on what is happening in Goodhue county. The big news is the redistricting of our voting system, take a look at the changes to be implemented this year. Our district 3 in Goodhue county is unchanged but the congressional district has changed for some of our area, and the State races have also changed for some of us. Please be an informed voter and take a look at the changes. Covid numbers are on the steady decline so I hope we can start to put this behind us and get back to a new normal. I just want to send a thank you to all the staff at Goodhue County who have worked so hard through this tough time. So many times we take for granted the things that are done for us but we need to know that there are great people working very hard to help us and make our lives safer. We are still watching and looking at our ARPA funds and the everchanging options that the Federal Government is allowing for us. We do have a project starting this year to update the County park at Lake Byllesby, If you haven't been to the park plan a trip there it is really nice and soon to get better. Currently there is a bill introduced at the State capital to assist our law enforcement, first responders and ambulance for replacement of our expired radio communication. This is a huge amount of money needed since each portable radio is around \$5,000 to replace, if you would like to contact your state politicians and let them know how important this it for us. As always I am available for any questions or concerns. Thank you

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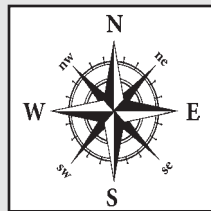
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By Terry Campbell

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.

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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 decides 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.

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**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.