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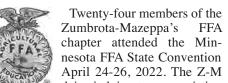


Although the Spring weather hasn't been too spring like, The Messenger is Gearing up for some Sum-

Along with our partners, we are excited to be giving away prizes to you, our loyal readers and supporters. There is no purchase necessary, and you must be 18 or older to win.

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dairy judging team consisting of Troy Clemenson, Natalie Clemenson, Ashlyn Miklas, and Caryn Miklas placed first in state competition. The FFA team will be advancing to national competition at the FFA convention in Indianapolis in late October. There were eight teams from the Z-M FFA chapter competing in various classes at the state convention. All teams received atleast a Silver ranking at the state meeting and four of the teams earned a Gold ranking.



L to r: Troy Clemenson, Natalie Clemenson, Ashlyn Miklas, and Caryn Miklas



• The Mazeppa Area Historical Society Museum is closed at this time but can call anytime for information: Helen Reiland-507-250-6021 or Tom Stahman-507-843-4601. Thank you for your support!

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

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2022 Memorial Day

Z-M FFA Dairy Judging Team take First Place at State



Zumbro Falls Cemetery Memorial Day Wabasha County VFW Post 1802 photos by Missy Papenfus



Hammond Bridge

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Religion

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By Pastor Colleen Hoeft

I like having options and variety. I like finding different ways to drive somewhere. Sometimes I need to go to Wabasha- there are 3 different major routes to get there- one is scenic and full of s curves, another goes north before it goes to Wabasha, and the other goes south before it goes to the County seat. Even though Highway 60 is the shortest mile wiseit is actually is the longest, time wise, path to Wabasha. In a lot of things, it just depends on what your goal is how you determine the path you end up taking.

In these kinds of choices there isn't a right or wrong path- they will all get you to where you are going. We all like choices, we all like to choose our houses, our cars, our foods, the stores we shop in- We like options to be available. Maybe that's why we have such a difficult time with Jesus words in John 14. Jesus is only giving us one way to get to heaven-"I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me." He leaves no other option. If you put heaven into your GPS the only route would be JESUS!

So, who is Jesus- who is he claiming to be? He tells Philip- "Don't you know who I am? If you have seen me, you have seen the Father. How can you ask me to show you the Father?" Jesus claim is that He is one with the Father- God- thus claiming that He is God. Is that difficult for you to accept- for some there may be questions and a struggle with this truth. Let's investigate who Jesus is. Jesus Christ was God wrapped in human flesh- we call that 'incarnation.' Jesus is the 2nd person of the Trinity- God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit- three in one. We can read the clues about this characteristic of God in Genesis 1:26, "Let us make mankind in our own image." When Jesus arrived on the scene, he introduced himself as the Son of God- not just a good man and teacher. His Father was God-. Jesus was equal with God from the very beginning of time. Jesus came to live fully man and fully God, sent to rescue us from the sin that holds us captive and leads to the horrors of hell. He came to bring us freedom from sin and death. He said to those that believed in Him, "If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. Then you will know the truth and the truth will set you free." John 8:31-32. Jesus said a number of things about himself-leaving no doubt on who he is.

1. Jesus said He was the Messiah. He declared it in Luke 4:16-21, Jesus read a prophecy about the Messiah from the book of Isaiah- and then at the end he said- you are witnessing history- this prophecy has come true! In that moment- people didn't recognize him, but many would begin to follow and believe. This was only one prophecy that was fulfilled through the life of Jesus. Others that I could mention are from Micah 5:2, that Jesus would be born in Bethlehem. Isaiah 7:14 prophesied that the Messiah would be born of a virgin. The prophet Zechariah wrote that Jesus would be sold for 30 pieces of silver and the money thrown to the potter's field- (500) years before it happened! These are all- Isaiah 53:7

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said, "He was led like a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before its shearers is silent, so he did not open His mouth." On trial before Pilot, Jesus didn't respond and Pilot was amazed. Mark 15:5. David even prophesied about Him in Psalm 22:17-18that he would be stared at and gloated over while they gambled over his clothing. This is only 5 prophesies and there were many more- Scholars recognize at least 60 prophesies that Jesus fulfilled.

Back in the 1960's a couple of mathematic professors wanted to figure out the odds that one person could fulfill only 8 of the prophesies was an astronomically large number, 1017. That's 1 in 100,000,000,000,000,000. They wrote about their findings in a book titled Science Speaks.

2. Jesus said he was God. One of the times Jesus claimed this is in John 8:58 "58 "Very truly I tell you," Jesus answered, "before Abraham was born, I am!" By stating He was before Abraham and using the phrase- I AM he was declaring himself to be God.

3. Jesus said He was the Only Way to God. "I am the way the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me." John 14:6 Can't be much more clear can it?

Jesus is the Messiah. He said it and the evidence supports it as well. God did all of this because He loves us. He loves His creation. Jesus came to earth because of LOVE. God loved human beings enough that He made a way for them to get back to Him. He allowed His only Son Jesus to be sacrificed for us. But, God lets us choose. He gave us free will to choose our own way. We can choose to remain separated from God or we can choose to live in a relationship with

Him.

Jesus is the WAY, the Truth and the Life! One Way only. Does it bother you that there is only one way to God? Think of it like a doctor who's delivering to you the news of terminal cancer. Wouldn't you want the doctor to tell you this news with compassion- not just science and terminology we don't understand. We'd also want to know if there is a cure-. If he told you there was only one cure- and it was 100% effective- wouldn't you want it? Of course, you would- We have the truth- we have the answer for everyone's sin problem. We can offer them the solution. But it is their choice if they are going to take it. Don't shy away from sharing the truth- but always do it with compassion and kindness! There is only ONE WAY- and His name is Jesus!





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Mazeppa United Methodist Church



Three young people at The Mazeppa United Methodist Church confirmed their faith in God on Sunday, May 22. Pictured left to right: Easton Hoefs, Miley Durow, Owen Hoefs, Pastor David Neil. Owen and Easton are sons of Beth and Steve Hoefs. Miley is the daughter of Kelsey Durow.



Graduating senior, Hunter Hoefs, was honored on Senior Sunday at The United Methodist Church at Mazeppa on May 22. Hunter is the son of Steve and Beth Hoefs of Mazeppa. Hunter is pictured here with Pastor David Neil.

Glennes Pahl Glennes Pahl, 85, of Zumbrota, passed



away at the Cannon River Memory Care Center in Cannon Falls on Friday, May 13, 2022. He was born November 7, 1936, in Zumbrota to Rudolph and Esther (Reese) Pahl. He grew up on the family farm in Zumbrota Township of

rural Zumbrota. He farmed with his father and later with his brother, Darren. He enjoyed farming and had a tender heart for all of his animals and pets. He was proud of his antique Oliver tractors.

Glennes was confirmed at Christ Lutheran Church of Zumbrota and later became a member of St. John's Lutheran Church in Mazeppa, MN. He graduated from Zumbrota High School in 1954. He married in 1981 and later was divorced.

Glennes is survived by his brother, Darren (Linda); sisters-in-law, Gin Pahl and Vernetta Pahl; and many nieces, nephews, great nieces, and great nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, Rudolph and Esther and brothers, Harlan Pahl and Duane Pahl.

Funeral service was at 10:30 a.m. on Monday, May 23, 2022, at United Redeemer Lutheran Church in Zumbrota. Reverend Dr. Marggi Pleiss-Sippola officiated. Visitation was from 3 until 6 p.m. on Sunday, May 22, 2022, at the Mahn Family Funeral Home, Larson Chapel in Zumbrota and one hour prior to the service at the church on Monday. Burial was at the Zumbrota Cemetery. Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.mahnfamilyfuneralhome.com.

Marvin Henry Ehlers



Marvin Henry Ehlers, 82, of Mazeppa, Minnesota, died suddenly Wednesday, May 25, 2022, at his home. He was born in Red Wing, Minnesota on November 8, 1939, to Osmar and Effie (Cordes) Ehlers. He attended

Zumbrota Schools and graduated in 1957. He helped on the family farm during his childhood and took over the farm as an adult. He was united in marriage to Mary Lee Clemenson on May 3, 1968, at Christ Lutheran Church, Zumbrota. They made their home on the family farm raising Black Angus beef cows and were awarded Century Farm status in 2008. They were blessed with three kids.



Marvin was a long-time member of Christ Lutheran Church. He started on the Zumbrota township board in 1990 and served until his death.

He is survived by his wife, Mary Lee; one son, Mark (Lisa) Ehlers of Mankato; two daughters Marisa (Brad) Dannheim of Paint Rock, Texas, and Mara (Mark) Sikkink of Maple Grove; four granddaughters Amanda and Malayne Dannheim and Lily and Emma Sikkink; one sister, Helen (Duane) Mathias; and many nieces, nephews, and friends. He was proceeded in death by his parents.

Memorial service was held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, May 31, 2022, at Christ Lutheran Church, Zumbrota. Visitation was held one hour prior to the service. Burial took place at Zumbrota Cemetery following the service.

Charles Jackson

Charles Jackson, 83, passed away Friday,



May 27, 2022 at his home in Mazeppa, MN. Charles "Charlie" Lee Jackson was born October 11, 1938 in Red Wing, MN to Homer and Elizabeth (Collins) Jackson. He was raised on the farm and went to country school through the

eighth grade. As a young man, Charlie worked on the Pea Vinery, shoveled coal off box cars, built Stave silos and painted barns, all while attending to his own farm. Charlie drove truck for most of his life, hauling milk, cattle, gravel, rendering waste and ultimately retired as a concrete driver at age 63. He was united in marriage to Carolyn Rueb on February 19, 1966. Charlie like trading cars, playing cards as well as fishing and hunting with his son. He enjoyed visiting with friends and watching "Westerns". He took many road trips across the country with friends and family. Charles loved a good joke and made friends easily. He was very loved and will be missed by all. Charles is survived by his wife of 56 years, Carolyn; son, Lee (Charlotte) Jackson of Mazeppa. He was preceded in death by his parents; daughter, Annette (in 1989); three brothers, Donald, Vernard and Jerald and his sister, Corinne Brown.

The funeral service was at 11:00 a.m. Wednesday, June 1, 2022 at Our Saviour's Lutheran Church in Zumbrota. Pastor Eric Westlake officiated. Visitation was Tuesday, May 31 form 4 to 7 p.m. at Mahn Family Funeral Home-Larson Chapel, and one hour prior to the service at the church. Interment will be at the Zumbrota Cemetery. Online condolences are welcome and may be shared at mahnfamilyfuneralhome.com.



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Wabasha Senior Action Team has been Busy Supporting Local People with Memory Loss and Their Caregivers

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By Tina Moen, MS, ACSM EP-C, CHWC, LCI Statewide Health Improvement Partnership Coordinator Wabasha County Public Health Department

The Wabasha County Senior Action Team, working to raise awareness and share resources to help our community age well, sponsored an event held on April 13, 2022 for a virtual reality experience. This experience allowed caregivers to gain a better idea of what it's like to live with Alzheimer's disease, Lewy Body dementia or Parkinson's disease. Many people from the community attended the event at the Wabasha Public Library where they were able to experience, via Virtual Reality, what it would be like to have one of the dementias that impact our society. The experience was brought to the community by Jenna Barkeim, R.N., BSN who is the training center instructor for Benedictine Living Community in Winona; they use the Virtual Reality experience modules there as part of their staff training.

The feedback provided by participants was very positive and included:

"I'd highly recommend it for people getting a new diagnosis of dementia; wondering what lies ahead, why their loved one is acting so strange and/or living in denial!"

"The perspective of being the one with dementia was so powerful!!" "Gave good insight into what the person

with dementia feels."

"I see my loved one get frustrated with what he can't do and it gave me more empathy/ understanding"

"I learned about people's light sensitivity and it gave me more empathy / patience for those going thru this battle."

Memory Café Updates

The Wabasha County Senior Action Team continues to host a Memory Café in Wabasha! It takes place on the second Thursday of every month from 1:00-2:30pm. It is held in the back room of the Chocolate Escape in downtown Wabasha. This is a social event for the caregiver and their care receiver who has dementia or cognitive impairment. Attendees socialize, play games, listen to music and enjoy other pleasurable activities.



Maggie Sonnek being set up for virtual reality experience

Many people with dementia and their caregivers become socially isolated and a Memory Café is a safe place to socialize and network with others in similar situations.

Please join us or let someone else know about us!

Memory Café

FOR: People coping with memory loss and their caregivers to socialize, laugh, and learn with others in an understanding and friendly atmosphere

WHEN: Second Thursday of each month, 1:00-2:30pm

WHERE: The Chocolate Escape, 152 W. Main Street, Wabasha, MN

THE WCSHAT TEAM works collaboratively to implement Dementia Friendly initiatives as part of the Community Health Improvement Plan and includes representation from Ace Brain Fitness, Elder Network, Gundersen St. Elizabeth's Hospital and Clinics, Southeast Area Agency on Aging, Wabasha County Public Health, Wabasha Statewide Health Improvement Partnership (SHIP), Wabasha Public Library, community members, and senior advocates.

SHIP is a state-based program that works at the local level to support healthier communities by expanding opportunities for active living, healthy eating, well-being and commercial tobacco-free living. If you would like information about partnering with Wabasha County SHIP, please email at tmoen@co.wabasha.mn.us or call her at 651-565-5200.

Missy's Managing the Manor

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

Changing of Seasons/Closet Cleanout!



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I acquired a bad habit from my mother, and she got it from her mother. We love CLOTHES! When I was a kid, my grandparents lived in St. Paul in a condo. A few times a year, we would stay for the weekend and literally shop 'til we dropped. Those are the best memories I have, shopping with grandma and mom. I can honestly say, I used to LIVE for clothes. And that is why I enjoy picking clothes out for our store MotoProz.

Anyway, it can be hard to let go of all the clothes. Years ago, I got a cedar chest and put off-season clothes in there. That means twice a year, I go through my clothes.

Missy Papenfus If the cedar chest gets too full, it is time to downsize. I told myself, no more buying sweaters, dresses, or dress pants now that I no longer need business clothes for work. Of course, I kept a few of my favorite things.

I took it one step further, and bought a shelving unit with 8 separate cubbies and labeled them with "shorts, t-shirts, capris, vacation clothes, etc." This has made it super easy switching out clothes between seasons, and I no longer dig at the bottom of the cedar chest! I also keep some clothes at our cabin. I can just jump in the car and don't have to bring too much stuff back and forth.

Having less clothes, helps keeps my closet at home more organized. If something doesn't fit, I get rid of it or put it in another spot if I am not quite ready to part with it yet.

Stay tuned for next month's topic: Spring Cleaning! There's so much to do, so little time. Bye for now! PRE-TRACKING PART

ssy's Message

A recap of last months' Missy's message, I committed to pre-tracking my food intake for 10 weeks. After breakfast, I plan what I am having for the day and stick to it as best I can.

My 10 weeks of pre-tracking is up, and I have not been near as consistent in my pretracking as the first half. We are going through a bit of a change right now; such is life. Monty got a dog, so we are still

Missy Papenfus

getting into a new routine. I have been taking the dog for walks in the morning which has in turn upped my steps each day. With the nice weather and the dog, getting walks and more daily steps has been a lot easier.

Along with my walking, I have been participating in free YouTube workouts by Caroline Girvan five days a week, about 30 minutes each, this entire ten-week period. I can feel I am getting stronger each day. Consistency is key. Progress not perfection.

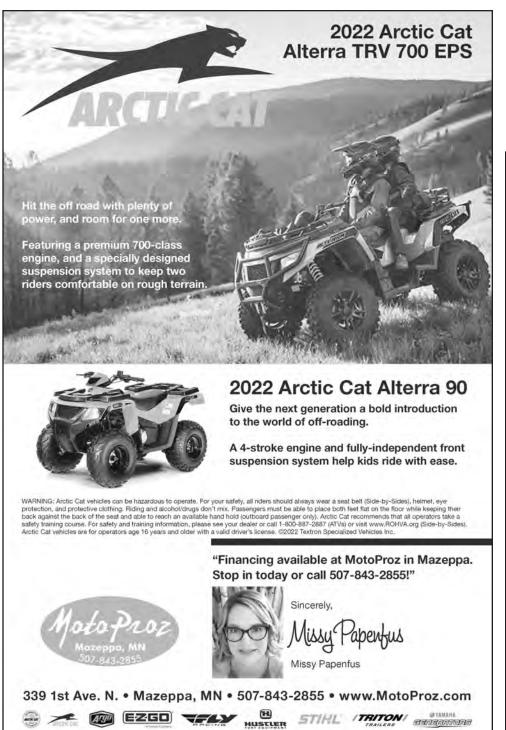
Memo from MotoProz...

Our new and used machine inventory has been changing daily! Check us out online for the most up-to-date inventory at www.MotoProz.com. Stihl has many great Father's Day (June 19th) gift options for the special Dad in your life! Happy Father's Day to all the Dads!

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Pleasant Dale Cemetary Wabasha County VFW Post 1802. Our family watching my dad, Jim Adams march (holding the bugal).





Hammond St. Clemens Cemetery VFW Wabasha County Post 1802. An eagle showed up over the river at the perfect time, during Taps.

A Monthly Moment at MotoProz

By Missy Papenfus

The last Monday of April, Monty came to me and said, "My tooth hurts". I told him to take a couple Advil. I forgot about it. The next day at work, he grabbed a flashlight and said "look at my tooth". It was one of his wisdom teeth. It was really swelled up. Holy cow! Monty goes to the dentist in town. I gave him a call and left a message. Lucky for Monty, he took-a-look at it right away; and said he could take it out Friday (on his day off). I asked Monty if he wanted me to go with. He said no, and he'd be fine. A couple shots of Novocain, 20 minutes later, he was done and back to work at MotoProz. Thank goodness for small town service!



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GOLF SPECIALS HAMMOND STOCK Monday through Thursdays CUSTOM MBRO FALLS 9 Holes and a Cart for \$20 TRUCKS 18 Holes and a Cart for \$25 nuisens 507-753-3131 RAT RODS ZFGC, the course with begutiful views of ponds WEEKEND RATES and a vineyard and the rolling fills on every hole. Enjoy a beverage or food in the clubhouse after you round with your friends! ATV/UTV 9 Holes and a Cart \$24 TRACTORS 30th 18 Holes and a Cart \$34 Annual MOTORCYCLES Course is not available on Vednesday nights and Thursday nights as we are full with Men's TWILIGHT SPECIAL People's Choice Friday-Sunday 3 pm to close **30 Plaques for** 9 Holes and a Cart \$20/person League. 30 Years Best of Show For exhibitors MONDAY SPECIAL 12-8pm Cheeseburger, Fries & a Beer \$10 registration 8:00 to 11:30am. **TUESDAY SPECIAL** 12-8pm \$20 entry fee. 3 Large Street Tacos & a Beer \$10 Magnets for first 100 entries WEDNESDAY SPECIAL 12-8:30pm 10 Boneless Wings w/Sauces & a Beer.......\$10 Sunday, July 4, 2022 MUSIC THURSDAY SPECIAL 5:00-8:30pm 10:00am to 3:00pm Open to Public Smoked Ribs Platter - Ribs, Beans and SUNDAY SPECIAL 8-11am Coleslaw ..\$13 Homestyle Breakfast Made to Order **Ballfield, Hammond** Omelettes, Biscuits and Gravy, Eggs and FRIDAY SPECIAL 4:30-8:30pm Fish Fry! Amazing Lemon Flavored Cod Loins and Grilled Tilapia & Sides Hashbrowns, French Toast and Pancakes .\$14 ^{\$5.00} Adults (13 yrs. & under Free) Famous Broasted Chicken 11:30-8pm \$14 SATURDAY SPECIAL 12-8:30pm Half a Chicken with Mashed Potatoes & Acoustic Music by Bob Schlief 10am to 2pm Full Mexican Menu - Chimichanaa Gravy, or Baked Potato or Fries or Burritos, Fajitas, Enchiladas, Street Tacos Homemade Potato Salad & Coleslaw \$11 Served with Beans & Rice. Lunch & Cold Drinks Availabe w/Tables Under Tent Amazing food with a beautiful view from every chair in the clubhouse! For more information call Randy at 507-696-1790



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Reconvened Regular City Council

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Meeting Reconvened Local Board of Adjustment and Equalization Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, April 27, 2022

The recessed regular meeting of the Mazeppa City Council and Local Board of Adjustment and Equalization reconvened at 6:00 PM by Mayor Chris Hagfors.

Pledge of allegiance was said.

Present: Mayor Chris Hagfors. Council Persons Steve Liffrig, Mike Hammes, Dustin Wiebusch, and Erica Young.

Others Present: City Administrator Clerk Karl Nahrgang, Eva Van DeWalker, John Clemens, Josh Skattum, Dale Matthees, and John Gruhlke.

Attending via electronic meeting:

Wabasha County Assessor Jean Meyer. Motion by Hammes, second by Liffrig to approve the agenda and addendum. All in favor, none opposed. Carried.

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

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

Jean Meyer from Wabasha County Assessor's office gave a brief explanation of purpose of the B.O.E. meeting and the responsibility of the Board of Equalization. Meyer also gave statistics explaining the general increase within the City of Mazeppa and that recent sales have moved the average market price significantly higher.

Wabasha County experienced a 5% increase in market value of 5%.

Base market value within the City of Mazeppa was 15%.

Newer subdivisions in the City of Mazeppa increased by 33%.

There may have been some equalizations in frontage formulas within neighborhoods within the City.

A property owner asked several questions about the increase in value on a property including if a property or properties next to the property in question were in a state of disrepair, would that affect the neighboring properties.

Ms. Meyer said that if a property were located next to a business or industrial area, it may affect the value, but not necessarily by a property in disrepair.

A second resident asked for Ms. Meyer to clarify why frontages were to be reviewed if the older part of Mazeppa has nearly identical frontages.

Ms. Meyer replied that the County double checks the formula for valuing lot frontage to be sure every property has been updated,

Parcel R23.00283.00. Owner requested that the value be reviewed. His December 2021 property appraisal was less than the 2022 market value listed. Ms. Meyer agreed to review his appraisal documentation and bring it to the appeals board at the County level. Motion by Wiebusch, second by Hammes to not change 2022 valuation on parcel R23.00283.00. All in favor, none opposed. Carried.

Parcel R23.00283.27. Owner stated that the building on this property now longer houses a business and is being used as storage only. *(continued on page 13)*

Win a Weekend Getaway!

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(WE WILL NOT SHARE YOUR INFORMATION WITH ANYONE!)

You will be entered into our Summer Fun Giveaway. The Grand Prize is a Two -Night Stay and Grand Casino Mille Lacs and and a Family 4 pack of tickets to Iconic Fest July 8 & 9 . If you are a fan of 90's Country, you will enjoy Iconic Fest. This years line up includes Black Hawk, Doug Stone, Phil Vassar and More. Located between Garrison and Brainerd, this annual event is a great way to get away and enjoy live music outdoors. Check out their website at iconicfest.com

We will also have Tickets to Volksfest in Goodhue. This years musical guests include Hairball and John Michael Montgomery. Goodhue is located just 20 minutes east of Dennison. A short drive for some great weekend entertainment June 10 & 11. We will also draw weekly for dining certificates to the areas best restaurants. Winners will be notified by e-mail, so make sure you enter today!

The Only way to enter is send an e-mail to messengerdrawing@gmail.com.

Prize Drawings Begin June 1st! There is no purchase necessary and this promotion is void where prohibited.



THE MAZEPPA JOURNAL, Editor and Publisher: Barbara and Reider Tommeraas FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 1954 Obituaries

ROBERT LEONARD SCHEFFLER

Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon for Robert Leonard Scheffler, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Scheffler of Zumbrota. Robert was born at St. Mary's hospital, Rochester, August 30, 1954 and passed away there, Monday evening at 11:30 pm.

Surviving are his parents, and three sisters, Beverly, Carolyn and Corrine.

GERKEN & BUTLIN IMPLT. C. TO SPONSOR DEMONSTRATION

Gerken and Butlin Implt. Co. of Mazeppa and McKenzie Implt. Co. of Lake City will co-sponsor a Field Demonstration next Wednesday September 22 on the Fritz Klindworth farm, located quarter of mile north of Oak Center.

Weddings

BEFORT-STANOCH

White gladioli formed the background at St. Mary's Catholic church at Bellechester, Saturday morning, September 11 for the marriage of Miss Eileen Befort, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Befort of Bellechester and Alphonse Stanock of Holdingford, Minn.

FOR SALE: 300 acres known as Joe Francis farm. Electricity, Large barn, 2 silos, dwelling and other buildings. Price \$13,500.00, \$3000 will handle. Inquire Clyde E. Thomas, Mazeppa, Minn.

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WEDDINGS

KANN-RING

Red poinsettias and Christmas greens formed the background for the marriage of Phoebe Ann Ring of Minneapolis and John B. Kann of Goodhue at 11:30 a.m. December 28, at SS Peter and Paul Catholic church.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John F. Ring of Lake City and the groom is the son of Mrs. Rosella Kann of Goodhue.

JACKSON-MUSTY

Rev. F.J. Felton officiated at the nuptial mass for Betty Ann Musty and Vernard C. Jackson at a double ring ceremony at 9:30 a.m. December29, at SS Peter and Paul Catholic church.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Musty of Mazeppa and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Jackson of Pine Island.

Obituaries

JOSEPH ROBERT OELKERS

Joseph Robert Oelkers, four-year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Oelkers of Mazeppa, died at 1:20 p.m. Saturday, January 1, at Zumbrota Community hospital. He had been ill for several months with leukemia.

Joseph was born December 31, 1950. Surviving in addition to his parents are a brother Michael, and two sisters, Deborah Ann and Barbara Jean; grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Oelkers of Zumbrota and Mr. and Mrs. William Murray of Pine Island.

TED ROSENERS TO OBSERVE SILVER ANNIVERSARY SUNDAY

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Rosener, of Rochester will celebrate their 25th anniversary Sunday, January 9 with an open house.

Mrs. Rosener is the former Lena Hofschulte, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Hofschulte of this village.

NOTICE

A basketball meeting, for the purpose of organizing an Independent team, will be held at the gym, Sunday January 9th at 2 p.m.

Anyone interested in playing is invited to attend.

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

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Ms. Meyer stated that she must talk with the person in the Assessor's office that deals with commercial properties to determine what, if any adjustments can be made. This will be reviews at the appeals board at the County level.

Motion by Young, second by Liffrig to not change 2022 valuation on parcel R23.00283.27. All in favor, none opposed. Carried.

Parcel R23.00242.06. Owner contacted Assessor's office before LBAE meeting to question 2022 increase in value. An error was found in value calculation.

Motion by Wiebusch, second by Liffrig to approve change in 2022 valuation on parcel R23.00242.06 from \$337,100 to \$277,000. All in favor, none opposed. Carried.

Parcel R23.00095.00. Owner contacted Assessor's office before LBAE meeting to question 2022 increase in value. An error was found in value calculation.

Motion by Young, second by Wiebusch to approve change in 2022 valuation on parcel R23.00095.00 from \$248,100 to \$132,100. All in favor, none opposed. Carried.

Parcel R23.00211.00. Owner contacted County Assessor's office before LBAE meeting. Ms. Meyer said that since this was one of the sales that was used in the market value calculations, it could not be changed, but may be eligible for adjustment in future years due to the condition of the structure.

Motion by Young, second by Wiebusch to not change 2022 valuation on parcel R23.00211.00. All in favor, none opposed. Carried.

Parcel R23.00149.00. Owner questioned the

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amount of increase in valuation for 2022 when the property has experienced substantial value increases multiple increases over consecutive years. Ms. Meyer stated she would have to consult the individual that works with the commercial property valuations in the Assessor's office and contact the parcel owner for possible adjustment at the board of appeals at the County level.

Motion by Wiebusch, second by Liffrig to close the Local Board of Adjustment and Equalization hearing. All in favor, none opposed. Carried.

LBAE closed at 7:05 PM.

Motion by Wiebusch, second by Young to open the regular Council meeting. All in favor, none opposed. Carried.

Regular Council meeting re-opened at 7:06 PM.

No presenter available for preliminary plat request.

Motion by Young, second by Hammes to table Olson preliminary plat. All in favor, none opposed. Carried.

Motion by Young, Second by Wiebusch to adjourn the meeting. All in favor, none opposed. Carried.

Meeting recessed at 7:11 PM.

Next meeting: 6:00 PM, May 11, 2022 for the regular Mazeppa City Council meeting. Administrator-Clerk

Regular City Council Meeting Minutes Wednesday, May 11, 2022

The regular City Council meeting of the Mazeppa City Council was called to order at 6:00 PM by Mayor Chris Hagfors. Pledge of allegiance was said.

Present: Mayor Chris Hagfors. Councilpersons: Erica Young, Dustin Wiebusch, Mike Hammes, and Steve Liffrig.

Others Present: Wabasha County Sherriff Rodney Bartsch, Chief Deputy Jim Warren, City Attorney Luke Lamprecht, City Engineer Matt Mohs, Elizabeth Deming from Lamprecht Law Office, Bob Josselyn, Tim Sanborn, and City Administrator Karl Nahrgang.

Attending via electronic meeting: Holly Galbus from the News Record.

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

Motion by Hammes, second by Liffrig to approve the April 13, 2022 Regular City Council meeting minutes, April 23, 2022 Council quorum minutes, and the April 27, 2022 reconvened meeting/reconvened LBAE hearing minutes. All in favor, none opposed. Carried.

Wabasha County Sheriff Rodney Bartsch presented the Incident Command Report for April. He told the Council that he was not seeking re-election. He plans to make at least one more in person visit to the Council by the end of the year. He discussed the changes in local policing for Mazeppa during his time with the Sherriff's Department.

Administrator Clerk Karl Nahrgang read the Mazeppa Public Works report, the Mazeppa Volunteer Fire Department report, and the Municipal Liquor Store report.

City Engineer Matt Mohs gave an engineering summary.

Motion by Hammes, second by Young to approve the School District parking lot plan submitted by Larson Engineering. All in favor, none opposed. Carried.

Motion by Young, second by Wiebusch to approve the School District parking lot plan submitted by Larson Engineering. All in favor, none opposed. Carried.

Administrator Karl Nahrgang gave the City Hall activity report.

Motion by Young, second by Wiebusch to approve Building Permit MZ22-03, 163 South St. – Re-roof. MZ22-04, 129 Maple St. NE – Re-roof. All in favor, none opposed. Carried.

Motion by Young, second by Liffrig to approve Resolution 2022-23 Approving Preliminary Plat for Scenic Heights Replat 6. All in favor, none opposed. Carried.

Motion by Young, second by Wiebusch to approve Resolution 2022-22 Approving offsite temporary liquor license to Mazeppa Municipal Liquor to cater event at the Mazeppa Community Center. All in favor, none opposed. Carried.

Presentation by Mazeppa Lion's Club member Tim Sanborn on replacing Lion's Park sign. Several community service organizations have pledged funds toward purchase.

Motion by Young, second by Wiebusch to approve purchase of new sign for Lion's Park up to a total project cost of \$19,000 from Schad-Tracy signs. All in favor, none opposed. Carried.

Motion by Wiebusch, second by Young to accept quote of \$7581 from Valley Electric to install lights at basketball court at City park near the school. All in favor, none opposed. Carried.

Motion by Hammes, second by Liffrig to accept quote of \$6586 from Valley Electric to

replace fluorescent lights in Mazeppa Community Center Hall with LED lighting. All in favor, none opposed. Carried.

Motion by Young, second by Wiebusch to set a special Council meeting to consider Final plat for Scenic Heights Replat 6. All in favor, none opposed. Carried.

Motion by Young, second by Wiebusch to approve a survey to determine the right of way edge along the east side of 3rd Ave. NE/SE from Highway 60 to Maple St. and the east side of 2nd Ave. NE from Cherry St. to Walnut St. All in favor, none opposed. Carried.

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

Council thanked Dan Nelson and Jim Glander for the work on the riverbanks in Walking Bridge and Herb Vik parks.

Council thanked the volunteer group put together by the Parks and Recreation committee for the cleanup of Herb Vik park.

Motion by Younge, second by Liffrig to recess the meeting until Saturday, May 14, 2022 at 08:30 AM for the Cleanup Day event. All in favor, none opposed. Carried.

Meeting recessed at 7:44 PM

Administrator-Clerk

Reconvened City Council Meeting Minutes

Saturday, May 14, 2022

A quorum of the Mazeppa City Council was present at the Cleanup Day trash and recycling collection event.

Meeting was called to order at 8:30 AM.

Present: Mayor Chris Hagfors. Councilpersons: Erica Young, Dustin Wiebusch, and Steve Liffrig.

Others Present: Administrator Clerk Karl Nahrgang and numerous volunteers.

No business was transacted. Motion by Young, second by Wiebusch to

adjourn the meeting. All in favor, none opposed. Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 11:45 PM. Administrator-Clerk

Special Meeting of the Mazeppa City Council

Meeting Minutes Wednesday, May 18, 2022

A special meeting of the Mazeppa City Council was called to order at 6:12 PM by Mayor Chris Hagfors.

Pledge of allegiance was said.

Present: Council Persons Steve Liffrig, Dustin Wiebusch, and Erica Young.

Others Present: City Administrator Clerk Karl Nahrgang.

Attending via electronic meeting:

Mayor Chris Hagfors.

Motion by Wiebusch, second by Young to approve the agenda. All in favor, none opposed. Carried.

Motion by Wiebusch, second by Liffrig to approve Resolution 2022-24 Approving the Final Plat for Scenic Heights Replat 6. All in favor, none opposed. Carried.

Motion by Young, Second by Wiebusch to adjourn the meeting. All in favor, none opposed. Carried.

Meeting recessed at 6:16 PM.

Next meeting: 6:00 PM, June 8, 2022 for the regular Mazeppa City Council meeting. Administrator-Clerk Changes in Latitudes, **Changes in Attitudes**

Kamikaze **Sparrow**



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

"Whap", it hit the window like a soggy orange thrown by a kid. I was in the living room about 6:30 am. The sun was just peaking over the trees in the east. I was just waking up and heading out for the day. I knew what it was. I am used to it now. I just look on the deck outside the big window and there he lies. A perfectly designed flying machine. Upside down on the deck boards with landing gear fully extended.

This happens quite frequently, almost daily. We have been under assault from the feathered air force for some time. They seem to strike at dawn when the sun is behind them and they have the element of surprise. I believe the surprise is on them though. I am quite accustomed to it.

I go out and scoop up the destroyed aircraft in the snow shovel and give it one last flight out into the yard. It crash lands into the soft grass, it's final resting place. I thought maybe one of my Labs would pick them up but they seem to only like to retrieve ducks that fall into the water. This small bird is not worth their time.

We feed the birds in colorful bird feeders. We buy 50 pound bags of feed for them. They eat black oil sunflower seeds like a horse. I know because I used to have horses. I planted a row of sunflowers along the fence line one year. The green stalks and bright yellow heads were so pretty when the bloomed. Looked like John Deere plants out there in the yard. Until the day the horses realized what they were. I found my riding friends happily munching down the sunflowers as fast as they could. In a couple days my bright yellow sunshine plants were all gone.

Not sure what possesses these birds to fly into the window. Maybe they think it is a portal to another dimension. It certainly takes them from this world to where ever they go next. I remember God says that a sparrow doesn't fall to the earth, but He notices it. I am preparing for whatever I will do for the day and I know I am in good hands. If He sees the sparrow, I know He will keep an eye on me today.



A Minnesotan: Sirens



By RosaLin Alcoser

A couple of weeks ago I was talking to my sister on the phone when my evening was interrupted by a rather familiar sound; the tornado siren. Which naturally prompted me to tell my sister that I had to go, grabbing my bag and shoes, and running barefoot down the stairs to the basement of my building. As some of you are aware I live on the 11th floor of a high rise in the Twin Cities, which means yes I did run down 11 flights of stairs barefoot.

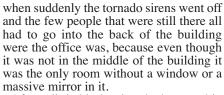
This event brought back one of my memories from when I was in college back in Southern Missouri; which is not per say in tornado alley but is rather close to it.

It was my final year of my undergrad and I was teaching dance at a studio in the evenings about 20 to 25 minutes away from campus. Naturally the studio had massive floor to ceiling mirrors in the rooms and was also in a shopping center.

I was teaching my final class of the evening, intermediate Broadway Jazz,

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After a little bit the siren had stopped in that area, however, the warning was still out and there was a confirmed tornado in the area headed north of town closer to where I lived. Everyone else at the studio lived only a few minutes away and decided to use this opportunity to get home quickly. I choose to take my chances in my car over risking the tornado coming back towards the studio with both me and the massive mirrors in it.

It was one of the longest drives I ever had between my school apartment and that dance studio. There was extremely heavy rain going on while the wind from the storm blew it sideways and I could barely see out of the windshield. Needless to say I immediately regretted my choice to leave the studio.

Just as I was rounding the corner of my street it was starting to let up a bit and I was asking myself why in the world had I decided to do something to stupid and that's when I saw it. The bright shining moment that made me feel a little bit less dumb.

There in the middle of the flooded street was one of my classmates, who was a the-ater major, who was outside tap dancing in the middle of the street during the storm. Because as he explained the next day when else was he going to be able to do a rendition of Gene Kelly's 1952 dance Singing in the Rain.







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2022 Wabasha County Dairy Princess and Ambassadors Pictured (left to right):Ashlyn Schumacher(ambassador), Jordyn Schumacher(princess), Beth Holst(ambassador), Sophie Stelling(ambassador)

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