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## Announcements

• **Kenyon Farmers Market** is the third Thursday of each month (May-Oct) starting at 4pm until 7pm. Location: First Evangelical Lutheran Church, 309 Forest St, Kenyon. For more information or questions reach out to kenyonfarmers-market@gmail.com

• **Meals on Wheels** is available to anyone age 60 and over who are wanting a prepared hot, nutritious meal on a regular basis. Meals are available Sunday through Friday, including holidays. The meals are prepared at Kenyon Senior Living and volunteers deliver them right to your home. Delivery is available to anyone living in Kenyon city limits. The cost per meal is \$7.25. Volunteers provide you with a meal card to use as payment for your meals. Each meal card contains 12 meals, totaling a cost of \$87.00. You pick which days you would like to receive meals and can change it at any time. Meals are typically delivered between 11:15 and 12:15.

For more information about the program contact Barb St. John at 507-789-5553.

• **Hiawathaland Transit:** Service hours are 7:30am-4:30pm Monday through Friday. Call dispatch at 866-623-7505 Monday through Friday 6am-9pm and Saturday 7:00am-5:00pm. Visit [three-riverscap.org](http://three-riverscap.org) for more information.

• **Kenyon SEMCAC dinners** are served Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday at Gunderson Gardens at 11:15a.m. to anyone 60 or older. A suggested donation is posted. Reservations are required by signing up the day before or calling Helen Aase at 789-5315.

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## Kenyon Attorney To Retire from Active Practice after 59 Years



Franklin Peterson

Franklin Peterson was born on a farm near Braham, Minnesota and graduated from High School there. He enrolled in Augsburg College and his football coach suggested that he join the International Guard. He was later

called up to the Air Force for eighteen months.

He returned to school at St. Cloud State and then enrolled in William Mitchell Law School in St. Paul.

In 1963 Frank came to Kenyon, Minnesota looking for a small town to practice law. There he took over the law firm of Ray Wahlberg and spent nearly sixty years as an attorney in town. In the early years he was associated with Steve Jorstad in Wanamingo.

Frank liked the people of Kenyon. "They are hardworking people and pay their bills",

he commented. The town saw good growth with lots of development like apartments and Foldcraft, during the 60's and 70's.

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## Wanamingo Girl is First Time Dairy Princess

Claudia Kennedy of Wanamingo will be a co-dairy princess representing Goodhue County dairy farmers and the dairy industry this year.



Claudia Kennedy

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## Experience First Hand



L to R: Cayden, Carsyn, Casey, Kim, & Jack O'Reilly

Please come and join us at the Annual Breakfast on the Farm being hosted by O'Reilly Organic Dairy on Friday, June 17th from 7:00 am – 11:00am. The Goodhue County dairy farmers, the Goodhue County American Dairy Association and KCUE Radio make this event possible each year. This event is held annually to share with the public on how the dairy industry operates and contributes to the local economy and way of life. The goal is to get people out on the farm to have a first-hand experience of seeing how dairy farmers take cow health and comfort very seriously and work hard to ensure you have high quality products to feed your family.

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## Win a Weekend Getaway!



Although the Spring weather hasn't been too spring like, The Messenger is Gearing up for some Summer Fun!

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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in the  
**World's Longest Coffee Break**

Friday, June 17, 2022

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at

**Kenyon VFW**

601 2nd Street, Kenyon, MN 55946



## Judges: "God Delivers"



By Pastor Colin Rueter,  
New Life Church  
(colin@nlcwanamingo.org)

Judges: [ /jəj/ ] noun --- The Hebrew term shofet, which is translated into English as "judge," is closer in meaning to "ruler," a kind of military leader or deliverer from potential or actual defeat.

The Book of Judges does not specifically name its author. The tradition is that the Prophet Samuel was the author of Judges. Internal evidence indicates that the author of Judges lived shortly after the period of the Judges. Samuel fits this qualification. The text was likely written between 1045 and 1000 B.C.

### OVERVIEW:

The book can be considered a period of time for the Israelites, as well as a book in the Bible. It covers a time period between the

death of Joshua and the crowing of Saul as King, which is written of in 1 Samuel 10:24. The text covers a variety of geographic locations: cities, villages, and battlefields across the region, which make for interesting journeys through the land.

The text can be divided into two sections. In Chapters 1-16, we read of an account of the wars of deliverance beginning with the Israelites' defeat of the Canaanites. This section end with the defeat of the Philistines and the death of Samson. The second section, chapters 17-21, refer to an appendix of sorts and does not relate to the previous chapters. It is likely in the final few chapters (Judges 17-21) we have an overview of the moral climate during those days and not a chronological order of events. These events probably happened in and around the times of various judges mentioned in earlier chapters of the text.

The nation underwent political and religious turmoil as the people tried to possess those parts of the land that had not yet been fully conquered. The tribes fought among themselves during this time, in great extremes even (Ch. 12, 20-21).

### SO WHAT?

The main idea within this text is seeing and understanding that God will not let sin go unpunished. Rebellion and disregard for His commands and authority will bring about consequences and judgement from His hand.

We saw in Exodus that Israel was established as God's people, God was their King. There was a rejection of God's covenant with

them at Mount Saini. In Judges, God disciplined them for following other gods, disobeying His sacrificial laws, engaging in blatant immorality, and descending into anarchy at times. Yet, because they were His people, He listened to their cries for mercy and raised up leaders to deliver them. Unfortunately, even these godly individuals did not wield sufficient influence to change the nation's direction. The people's inability to resist sinful Canaanite influences eventually revealed their desire for an earthly king, forsaking the Kingship of God they had.

What we must remember as we look at and mediate on God's word in the Book of Judges is the faithfulness and discipline of God for our good and His name's sake, His glory. If we continue in disobedience, like the nation of Israel in Judges, we invite God's discipline, not because He enjoys our suffering, but "because the Lord disciplines those he loves, and he punishes everyone he accepts as a son" (Hebrews 12:6). We are reminded in this text of God's faithfulness. Even "if we are faithless, He will remain faithful" (2 Timothy 2:13). Though we may be unfaithful to Him, as the Israelites were, still He is faithful to save us and preserve us (1 Thessalonians 5:24) and to forgive us when we seek forgiveness (1 John 1:9). "He will keep you strong to the end, so that you will be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God, who has called you into fellowship with his Son Jesus Christ our Lord, is faithful" (1 Corinthians 1:8-9). God's faithfulness to those who seek Him through Jesus is avail-

able to you today. Trust in the Perfect King Jesus, who is Savior and Lord, today. Together, may we seek and remember God's mighty works, in the true accounts of the Bible and in our own lives. Like the old hymn, "Trust and obey, for there's no other way. To be happy in Jesus, then to trust and obey."

Next month, we will look at the Book of Ruth – an account of genuine love and redemption. Regardless of our circumstances in life, we can live according to the instructions of God. Genuine love and kindness will be rewarded. God abundantly blesses those who seek to live obedient lives. Looking forward to continue the journey, friends!

Thanks a Bunch!



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Email your church announcements, schedule, etc.  
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### AREA CHURCH DIRECTORY

#### The Universal Church

*There before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and before the Lamb. — Revelation 7:9*

The Christian faith is deeply personal. At the same time, it is also deeply communal. When we say, with the Apostles' Creed, "I believe in . . . the holy catholic church," we are declaring that the church, the body of Christ, includes all who belong to the people of God throughout history.

Let's be clear, though, that this statement does not single out or promote a particular church within the body of all who believe in Christ. The word "catholic" here means "universal," indicating that the church of Christ includes all of God's people from all times in history. The breathtaking vision in Revelation captures the scope of Christ's church gathered "from every nation, tribe, people and language." Can you imagine a more awe-inspiring sight?

And what unites this astonishing multitude of people from every time and place? Since the early centuries of the church, the teaching of statements like the Apostles' Creed has played a central role in uniting Christians around the true faith anchored in Scripture and inspired by the triune God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

May the truth and witness of the universal church comfort, encourage, and challenge you to love and serve the God whom countless believers have served through the ages.

*Lord, we are humbled and grateful to belong to your church, and we look forward to praising and serving you forever. Amen.*

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108 Bullis St., Kenyon  
Sunday Mass 8:00a.m.  
Wednesday Mass 5:00p.m.

## David Lionel Langsdorf

David Lionel Langsdorf, age 82 of Kenyon and formerly a long-time resident of Cannon Falls, died on Friday morning, May 13, 2022.



Dave was born on February 13, 1940, in Red Wing, the son of Leonard and Virginia (Veith) Langsdorf. He attended school in Red Wing until his family moved to Cannon Falls. He graduated in 1958 from Cannon Falls High School.

Dave married ElsieAnn Krier on September 30, 1960, at St. Ansgar's Lutheran Church, Cannon Falls, where he continued to be very active. He sang in the choir, served on church council, attended Saturday men's bible study, and went on mission trips. Dave was a dairy farmer and owned and operated the Longvilla Farm. He was active in the National Farmers Union. In 1985, he received the Conservationist of the Year Award. He also served on the Belle Creek Watershed Board.

Dave was active in the Cannon Falls Lions Club and received Lion of the Year and the Melvin Jones Fellowship Award. He is always the one who is quick to help anyone!

Dave had a quick wit, could tell Sven and Ole jokes 'til the cows came home, and could do a Donald Duck voice to cheer you up. He was a storyteller and loved to share stories with his grandchildren and great grandchildren. He was a talented poet and could sing and play guitar. He collected Minneapolis Moline tractors and faithfully participated in the annual Randolph tractor parade. He enjoyed driving school bus in Randolph and often drove for other school events and sports. Dave and Elsie spent the last 13 years as snowbirds in Arizona.

Above all, family was everything to him. He will be forever missed by his wife of 60 years, ElsieAnn; daughters, Connie (Mark) Miller of Kenyon and Wendy (Kevin) McGuire of Red Wing; 6 grandchildren, Blake Miller of Kenyon, Becca Augustin (Dave Engberg) of Red Wing, Bailey (Jeff) Ament of Kenyon, Curt (Erin) Augustin of Red Wing, Kailen McGuire of Troy, IL and Mitchel (Kiley) McGuire of Ventura, IA; 8 great grandchildren, Chloe, Dawson, Leah, Sage, Rudy, Maxx, Hank and Elaine; and sister, Diane (Chuck) Grabow of Red Wing.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Bill; and parents-in-law, Murlene and Harry Krier; and sister-in-law, Debra Jean Krier.

A brief memorial service was held on Monday, May 16 at 3pm at Lundberg Funeral Home, Cannon Falls. This service was live-streamed. A visitation followed from 4-7pm.



## Judith "Judy" Ann Pavék

Judith "Judy" Ann Pavék, 77, of Kenyon, died Thursday, April 14, 2022 at Methodist Hospital in Rochester.

She was born June 22, 1944 in Faribault, Minnesota the

daughter of Benjamin and Arloine (Torsdahl) Rehnke. She grew up in Kenyon and attended Kenyon Schools through high school.

On December 2, 1961, she married Gary Pavék at Trinity Lutheran Church in Faribault. Judy was a Licensed Practical Nurse receiving her Associates Degree in Nursing from technical college in Rochester.

Judy's nursing career included nursing at the State School in Faribault and the Kenyon Sunset Home. She then worked as a dental assistant for Dr. Hiner in Kenyon and completed her working career in 2009 as the Office Manager for Lyle Wendroth at the State Farm Insurance office in Kenyon.

Judy loved fishing, sewing, quilting, crocheting, and baking Christmas cookies. She was an avid lover of music and enjoyed many concerts by the St. Paul Orchestra. Spending time at the cabin on Cass Lake was also a favorite of hers. She spent many hours exploring the woods looking for Lady Slippers. Judy loved her grandchildren and great grandchildren and was devoted to attending as many of their activities no matter how far she had to travel.

Judy was involved in the Kenyon community serving on the Board of Directors for the Kenyon Sunset Home and the Kenyon Planning Commission.

She is survived by her husband, Gary Pavék of Kenyon; daughters, Gwen (Layne) Buckingham of Wanamingo and Dawn (Matt) Wiegand of Stillwater; grandchildren, Nolan Buckingham, Cora (Justin) Cromer, Olivia (Todd) Buckingham, Seth Buckingham, Ben (Chelsea) Wiegand, Joe Wiegand and Emily Wiegand; great grandchildren, Hunter and Charlotte Buckingham, Axel Jed and Zeke Markham, Riley Morris and Harvey and Wren Wiegand; brother, Jerald Rehnke of Hastings; three nieces and one nephew.

She was preceded in death by her parents Benjamin and Arloine Rehnke.

Visitation was at Michaelson Funeral Home, Kenyon on Monday, April 18th from 4:00 - 7:00 PM and at the church prior to the service. Funeral services were held Tuesday, April 19, 2022 at 11:00 AM at Gol Lutheran Church. Pastor Marvin Kormann officiated. Interment was in the Kenyon Cemetery in Kenyon.

In lieu of flowers, memorials preferred to Kenyon Senior Living.

## Jane Margaret Froehlich

Jane Margaret Froehlich, 87, of Kenyon, died Thursday, April 21, 2022 at her home surrounded by her loving family.



She was born December 16, 1934 in Renville County, Minnesota the daughter of James and Anna (Johnson) Crawford. She graduated from Hector High School in 1952. On November 7, 1953, she married Melanchthon Froehlich at Swedlanda Lutheran Church in Hector.

Following Mel's military service, the couple moved to a farm in the Kenyon area. Jane was primarily a housewife and helped Mel on the farm. Jane and Mel attended Hegre Lutheran Church and later became members

at Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Aspelund.

As a couple, they took many motorcycle trips to various destinations all over the United States. They also enjoyed hosting music parties at their home for many years.

Jane loved baking bread and chocolate chip cookies, attending music festivals and a weekly music jam. Most of all her greatest joy was having her family in her home, serving the Lord and participating in Bible studies.

She is survived by her children, Judy (Wendell) Berg of Hillsboro, ND, Gene (Vickie) Froehlich of Kenyon Susan (Tom) Dodds of Kenyon; grandchildren, Aaron (Angie) Berg of Portland, ND, Brian (Susie Paul-Hus) Berg of Trios-Rivières, Québec, Melissa (Eric) Keller of Valatie, NY, Andrea (Luke) Salik of Grandville, MI, Kayla (Jeffrey) Burse of West Concord, Michael (Bethany) Froehlich of Rosemount, Sarah (Ian) Smyth of Rochester, Daniel (Jamie) Dodds of Huntsville, AL and Bridget (Josh) Sands of Faribault; great-grandchildren, Hailey, Alexis and Jacob Berg, Mélina Paul-Hus, Emma and Zachary Berg, Ethan, Elijah, Ainsley and Avonlea Keller, Gabriella and Theodore Salik, Jackson Froehlich, Key-Lon Burse, Clark and Crosby Froehlich, Molly Wagner, Gabriel and Georgia Dodds, Melody and Mariah Sands, Skye and Jayden Kirby and Zach Stromley; sister, Joan Curtiss of Hector; sister-in-law, Jeanette Borth of Faribault and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, James and Anna; husband, Melanchthon Froehlich; grandsons, Morris Dodds, Jr. and William Daniel Froehlich.

Visitation was at Michaelson Funeral Home, Kenyon on Monday, April 25th from 4:00 - 7:00 PM and at church one hour prior to the service. Funeral services were held Tuesday, April 26, 2022 at 11:00 AM at Emmanuel Lutheran Church - Aspelund. Reverend Lyle Aadahl officiated. Interment was in the Hegre Lutheran Cemetery in Kenyon.

In lieu of flowers, memorials are preferred to Emmanuel Lutheran Church.

## Richard Gerald Westphal

Richard Gerald Westphal, 85, of Kenyon, passed away on April 24, 2022, at the Homestead Hospice house in Owatonna.



He was born November 14, 1936 in Faribault, to Adolph and Edythe (Murphy) Westphal. Richard

grew up and graduated in Kenyon, before enlisting in the United States Navy with his brother. He was stationed in Virginia when he went on leave to New York and met Judith Hadsell. They would then be relocated to San Francisco where they would be married on June 22, 1958. Richard then re-enlisted after the birth of their first child and would be moved through out the United States and Panama. Richard would achieve the rank of Chief Petty Officer before retiring from the United States Navy. After retirement, Richard attended school at St. Cloud Technical College. Upon graduation he would work for Republic, Northwest, and Delta Airlines as a computer programmer. After his second retirement Richard and Judith retired to their lake property on Ponto Lake in Backus for several year before moving back to Kenyon.

Richard would be described as patient and well organized. He always went above and beyond any task that he took on. He was fully committed to his wife and family and set a great example for his children. He loved to watch westerns and listen to Don Williams. Richard's passion was to go fishing for wall-eye. He was very active in the VFW, American Legion and the Color Guard in Kenyon. He also enjoyed coffee in the morning with the guys.

He is survived by his wife Judith Westphal of Kenyon; daughters, Kelly Westphal of Kenyon; Lynne (Darryl) Giese of Faribault; Robin (Rod) Elton of Cottage Grove; sons, Scott (Mary) Westphal of Riverview, FL; Jody Westphal of Montgomery; granddaughters, Melissa (Brandon) Beaune, Jessica (Jordan) Watkins, LaLonnice (Alex) Mullenberg, Amanda Elton; grandsons, Michael Burlingame, Joshua Westphal, Scott (Jessica) Westphal Jr, Corey Giese, Drew (Jennifer) Moorman; Step Granddaughter Tiffany Breuer; and 19 great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Adolph and Edythe Westphal; brother Donald "Dutch" Westphal of Kenyon; and sister Mary "Sharon" (William) Nedrow of Roanoke, VA.

A visitation will be held at Michaelson Funeral Home in Kenyon on Friday April 29th, 2022 from 12PM-2:30PM, with a short prayer service starting at 2:30PM. Burial will be held at Kenyon Cemetery with the Kenyon Honor Guard presenting honors. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be given to the Kenyon VFW Post 141. Richard Gerald Westphal, 85, of Kenyon, passed away on April 24, 2022, at the Homestead Hospice house in Owatonna.

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## Elizabeth Ruth Groth

Elizabeth Ruth Groth, 78, of Zumbrota, formally of Kenyon, peacefully passed away Sunday, May 15, 2022 at St. Mary's Hospital in Rochester, surrounded by family.

She was born September 29, 1943 in Hayward, Wisconsin, the daughter of Raymond and Hazel

(Roberts) Hams. Liz grew up in Maplewood, MN and graduated from North St. Paul High School in 1961. She then continued her education at the Methodist Kahler School of Nursing and became a Registered Nurse. While in nursing school she met Lew at the Skyline Ballroom, and on October 3, 1964 the couple were united in marriage at Central Park Methodist Church, St. Paul, MN. Liz worked at various hospitals, and then at Kenyon Nursing Home before she and Lew started Groth Implement in 1974. While working at the shop and raising their children, Liz decided to learn enough about flying to safely land the plane if something happened to Lew. This started her passion for flying. Not only did she get her pilot's license, but also achieved her Instrument rating, and purchased their Beechcraft "99LG". Liz served as President of the Minnesota Ninety-Nines where she flew blood for the Red Cross and Daffodils for the American Cancer Society. The couple took many vacations in their airplane over the years, including flying in and camping out at Oshkosh Fly-In for several years, and to warmer weather in the winter. Liz continued to work at the shop even after Lew retired, working for her son until his retirement. She loved visiting with and getting ribbed by the customers and keeping busy with the book work.

Liz was an avid genealogist and took many trips with her daughter to various parts of the country tracing family history, visiting family, cemeteries and courthouses. She loved to knit, read, and kept her mind sharp working various types of crossword puzzles.

Liz loved her family and was happiest to be in the middle of all their activity. She loved the mini-golf and Door County vacations with the grandchildren, baking and cooking days with the girls, making the big breakfasts for hunting days, and cookie-making with the kids. She was known for her Chocolate Chip Cookies and her Pecan Pie, but the kids and grandkids fought over her Grandma's Molasses Dunking Cookies every Christmas.

She is survived by her husband Lew Groth of Zumbrota; daughter Barbara Groth of Kenyon, son Brian (Mirela) Groth of Pahrump, NV; Grandchildren Stephanie (Derik) Quam of Red Wing, Eddie Matul of Kenyon, Erin (Trent) Brossard of South Bend, IN, Megan Groth (Colton) of Lake Crystal; great granddaughter Ellie Quam, sister Marilyn Michaelson of Sun City, AZ, brother Perry Hams of Rice, in-laws, nieces and nephews.

Liz was preceded in death by her parents, brother Bob Hams, son-in-law Edward Matul, nephew Steve Groth, and niece Jane Wood.

There was a visitation at Michaelson Funeral Home in Kenyon on Wednesday, May 18th, 2022 from 4PM to 7PM. Funeral serv-

ices were held at First Evangelical Lutheran Church in Kenyon on Thursday, May 19th, 2022 at 11AM with a visitation one hour prior. Interment was in the Wanamingo Trinity Lutheran Cemetery.

Memorials are preferred to the First Evangelical Lutheran Church in Kenyon.

## Maxine Dohmen

Maxine Mary Dohmen, age 80 of Cannon Falls and formerly of Dennison, died peacefully on Wednesday afternoon, June 1, 2022 at Cannon Rivers Senior Living, surrounded by her loving children and grandchildren.

Maxine and her twin sister, Kathleen were born on May 9, 1942 in Vermillion, MN, the daughters of Aloys and Catherine (Kaiser) Girgen. Maxine graduated from Hastings High School in 1960 and married Ronald J. Dohmen on April 28, 1962 in Vermillion, MN.

Maxine worked for Fire and Marine Insurance Co. in St. Paul, Northrup King in Stanton, Kid Duds in Cannon Falls, and Ger-Bes Enterprises in Vermillion, where she retired as office manager.

Along with being active at St. Michael's Church, Maxine always supported those going through cancer treatment. She would often make homemade turbins for them, or simply be a caring presence. As a two-time survivor of breast cancer herself, she made many friends with patients and doctors along the way.

Maxine was very social and loved spending time with her family and friends. She also enjoyed playing cards. She will be remembered by her family and friends as a dedicated wife, mom, grandma, and great-grandma.

She was preceded in death by her parents; beloved husband of 59 years, Ron; sister, Rita (Girgen) Kaiser; and brother-in-law, Hank Goers.

She is survived by children, Martin Dohmen of Northfield, Norma (Scott) Wickum of Wanamingo, Renee (Mike) Bauernfeind of Kenyon, and Leonard (Leona) Dohmen of Dennison; 5 grandchildren, Jeremy (Colbe) Bauernfeind, Samantha (Andy) Meyer, Jesse (Erin) Bauernfeind, Shelby Wickum, and Luke (Trisha) Bauernfeind; 6 great-grandchildren, Luella, Lydia, Lincoln, Wilder, Bodhi, and Mason; siblings, Norbert (Dorothy) Girgen, Clarice (Steve) Sobania, Mary (Chuck) Johnson, and Kathleen Goers; and many nieces, nephews, and in-laws.

Mass of Christian Burial was at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Kenyon on Wednesday, June 8 at 3:00 pm, with visitation from 1:30 - 3:00 pm. Interment followed at the church cemetery. A dinner was at church.

Active pallbearers were nephews, Andy Smith and Ted Dohmen, and friends, Dean Larsen, Wayne Lexvold, Paul Beskau, and Curt Haler. Honorary pallbearers were St Catherine's Circle.

Memorials are preferred to breast cancer research.

Arrangements by Lundberg Funeral Home, Cannon Falls. Online condolences may be directed to [www.LundbergFuneral.com](http://www.LundbergFuneral.com).

## Harland E. Kasa Sr.

Harland E. Kasa Sr., age 80, of Cannon Falls, passed away Tuesday, May 24, 2022, at Abbott Northwestern Hospital in Minneapolis.

Harland was born July 24, 1941, to Helge and Catherine (Bradford) Kasa at home in rural Rice County. He attended school in Randolph and then high school in Kenyon graduating in 1959. Harland then went on to a cabinet-making trade school in St. Paul. In 1961, he entered the United States Army and served until receiving his honorable discharge in 1963. He married Nancy Floyd and the couple had three children, Harland Jr., Scott, and Kristofer. At one time, in the late '60s, Harland owned and operated a shoe repair business where the current Willie's Shoe Repair is located in Northfield. Harland then began a career as a truck driver hauling fuel oil and later started driving for United Van Bus. In 1992 he married Roberta Schultz. He then started Kasa's Buggy Shop in rural Cannon Falls in which he refurbished and repaired many old buggies and wagons. In his retirement years, he drove school bus for the Cannon Falls School District. The kids kept him young and he enjoyed



every minute of being a bus driver.

Harland was well respected and well-liked. He enjoyed visiting and was known as a down-to-earth kind of guy. He was a member at Vang Lutheran Church.

Harland is survived by his wife Roberta of Cannon Falls; three sons Harland Jr. (Darcey) of Seville, OH, Scott of Wyoming, MN, Kristofer (Jessica) of Cannon Falls; a stepson Byron Lukowicz of White Bear Lake; six grandchildren; two step-grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; a sister Judy Preston of Hampton; and a brother-in-law Craig Schultz of Las Vegas, NV. He was preceded in death by his parents, sister Janet Kasa Due; brother-in-law William Preston; grandson Michael Burkey Sr; and a stepdaughter Muriah Lukowicz.

Funeral services was at Vang Lutheran Church on Thursday, June 2, 2022, at 11:00 AM. Visitation was at Bierman Funeral Home in Northfield on Wednesday, June 1, 2022, from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM and one hour prior to the service in the church. Burial was at Vang Cemetery in Holden Township. Arrangements by Bierman Funeral Home and Crematory. [biermanfuneralhome.com](http://biermanfuneralhome.com).

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**K-W Noble Knights of the Week for May 27, 2022**

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Come and have a complimentary breakfast and meet Casey, Kim, Carsyn, Cayden and Jack O'Reilly, along with Princess Kay from the Milky Way, Anna Euerle. Breakfast on the Farm is a fun, yet educational event to explain how milk is produced and educate the consumers and community on the positive impacts the dairy industry has in Goodhue County and to the overall economy. There will be something for everyone, including games and fun activities for the kids, farm tours, petting zoo, milk "Annabelle" the cow, tub train rides, tractor driver simulator-Ag Cab Lab, name a calf contest along with tractor and equipment display. KCUE Radio will be broadcasting live on the air from the farm for their morning broadcast from 6:00 am-10:00 am.

We are encouraging families, daycares, school groups, neighbors, community members and businesses to join us at this great event. We want to take this time to say, "Thank You," for being our neighbors and supporting our family farms. O'Reilly Organic Dairy, a family owned and operated farm, is located at 33456 200th Ave, Red Wing, MN 55066.

O'Reilly Organic Dairy is this year's host and is excited to have you come see their farming operation that they take great pride in. O'Reilly Organic Dairy was started in 2009 after Casey and Kim O'Reilly built their milking facilities and bought their 76 cows across the field from Casey's family farm, Shamrock Farms. Looking to build a future for their family and following their commitment of "Family Farming ~ Generation to Generation." Both Casey and Kim come from multi-generational farming families. They are very blessed with three hard work-

ing boys, Carsyn, a junior this fall in Goodhue, Cayden, a freshman, and Jack, a seventh grader, who are very active on the farming operation. If they are not playing sports, you can find them doing field work, milking cows, feeding livestock, or even possibly building a new building on the farm. I hope you have the opportunity to visit with them at the Breakfast on the Farm event and you too will see, their passion for family farming.

Today, the O'Reilly's milk 100 head twice a day in their double eight parlor and run 320 acres. They raise their crops to feed their own cattle and raise their own youngstock. This will be their second time hosting the Breakfast on the Farm, as they originally hosted the event in 2011 when the boys were younger. They are excited this year to host the event to give the public the chance to see our operation, the great care we take with our cattle and our land, and to have the opportunity for the boys to show their excitement along with Casey and Kim's for what they do each day. We thank God for allowing us to run the land and continue to carry on the family farming tradition.

Casey and Kim, along with their boys, are always welcoming of guest to visit and experience how our farm operates and how when you sit down at your table, you are able to have high quality dairy products right at your table. It is a task we are very committed to. We are very fortunate to own and operate an organic dairy farm and work side by side with our boys each and every day. Casey does an amazing job running all the aspects involved with running a successful organic dairy farm.

As Kim would say, "He is amazing and so humble." Family and faith are our top priority. During the weekdays, you can find Kim at Merchants Bank as a Commercial Lender. Her commitment to her family and to farmers/business owners, makes Merchants Bank a great fit. They know that some days, Kim might leave early to go home and milk when the guys are in the field. Because that is what she loves to do, farm with Casey and their boys. Their love for farming and their commitment to hard work, is only something you can experience on the farm.

We look forward to seeing you on the 17th. Don't miss out on this great opportunity.



**Friday, June 17<sup>th</sup>, 7-11 a.m.**  
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The June Dairy Breakfast on the Farm is a "fun" yet "educational" event to explain how milk is produced and to educate consumers and community on the positive impact the dairy industry has in Goodhue County and MN. They want to say "Thank you" for being our neighbor and supporting our family farm.

Questions? Or group reservations of more than 10:  
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## Kenyon Attorney To Retire from Active Practice after 59 Years

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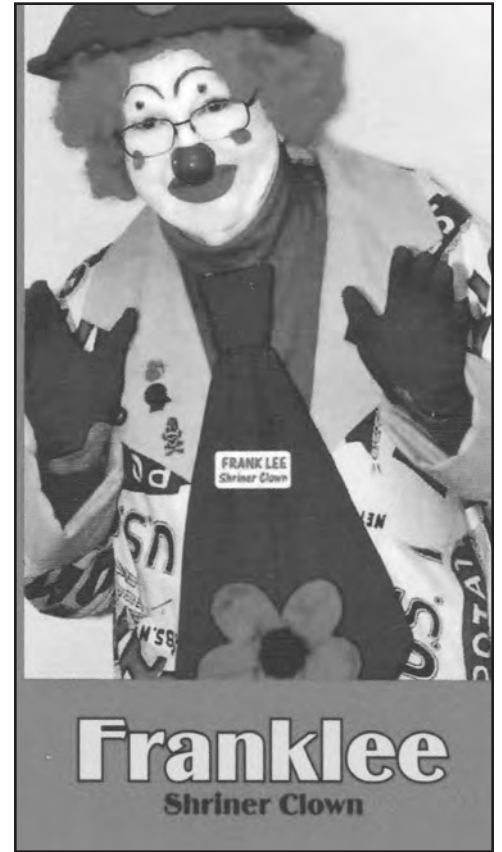
Frank recalls when Harold Nielsen came to Kenyon around 1970 with a vision to build his business here, and how impressed he was with Harold's intelligence and integrity. He focused mainly on general practice, real

estate law, wills and income tax. He also served as city attorney for about twenty years beginning in the 1970's. One of the highlights of his practice was a special assessments case that was contested all the way to the Minnesota Supreme Court, where he won the case.

Frank and Beverly raised three children who graduated from Kenyon high school and all still live in the area. Beverly passed away in 2015. He plans to golf and enjoy watching his seven grandchildren grow up.

Frank considers one of the highlights of his life to be his work with the Shriners organization. He has been able to travel to a lot of places for meetings and participate in about

twenty parades each summer. There are eighteen parade units in the lower third of the state and all are very active in events and raising money each summer. Frank has entertained as a Shiner Clown to bring laughs and happiness to many youngsters attending parades. The Shriners have built an event center in Mendota and a new medical clinic in Woodbury that is devoted to out-patient children's care. The Shriners raise over \$800 million each year and support twenty-two hospitals in the United States and Canada and one in Mexico. They have treated over one million kids in the last thirty years.



## DEED Announces Historic Funding for Broadband Expansion

The Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED) launched a Request for Proposals (RFP) that will award \$95 million in broadband grants across the state, applications must be submitted by August 4, 2022 at 4:00 p.m. Building on appropriations from both the 2021 and 2022 legislative sessions, this grant round contains the highest-ever amount of funding for the Border-to-Border Broadband Infrastructure grant program. Funding from two sources – state and federal – can be used to reimburse for up to half the cost of the broadband infrastructure deployed. Funding for a single project is capped at \$5 million.

"This historic level of broadband funding will increase opportunities for Minnesotans

across the state, said Minnesota Governor Tim Walz, "Now, more than ever, broadband is what connects Minnesotans to their education, jobs and the rest of the world."

On the state funding side, in May 2022 Governor Tim Walz signed legislation appropriating \$50 million -- \$25M in FY23 and \$25M in FY24 – from the state's general fund for broadband. This bolsters the state's practice since 2014 of providing state funds to build out broadband service in areas of the state where it is challenging to do so.

For federal broadband funding, the remaining \$70 million available for grant awards in this round is federal funding from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Capital Projects Fund, administered by the U.S.

Department of Treasury (Treasury).

"High-speed, high-quality broadband is central to modern life – from schools to business to healthcare and beyond," said DEED Commissioner Steve Grove. "This historic round of funding will go a long way towards connecting the over 240,000 homes & businesses that remain without access to the "modern plumbing" of today's economy."

Requirements and application materials for this competitive grant program are available on DEED's website.

DEED is the state's principal economic development agency, promoting business recruitment, expansion and retention, workforce development, international trade and community development. For more details about the agency and its services, visit the DEED website, the JoinUsMn.com website, or follow us on Twitter.


## Wanamingo Girl is First Time Dairy Princess

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This will be the 69th year that the state has held the Princess Kay competition. Girls from all over the state represent their county and some will compete to become crowned Princess Kay of the Milky Way the day before the Minnesota State Fair. Haley Hinrichs of Goodhue was the first and only girl from Goodhue County to win the title.

Claudia Kennedy does not live on a dairy farm but started working at the Norton Dairy in Wabasha County when she was eleven years old. She currently is working at the Tange Dairy in Wanamingo. One of the unusual jobs she has done is to implant steers. She will be attending all the events she can this summer to represent the Goodhue County dairy industry.


Her mother is Kris Streiff and she has five sisters, Mary Voracek, Amy Kennedy, Whitney Floren, Ashlynn Taft and Maddy Kennedy. This fall she plans to attend Dakota County Technical College and study welding.



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## Ten Minutes a Day

By Mary Closner



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Michael Gunderson & Jane Fenton are the two folks behind this company. Their goal is to teach good dog owners to be great dog owners! Considering the old adage that says, "There are no bad dogs, only bad owners", this sounds like a tough gig.

Michael said that back in the dark ages, you know...prior to the wonders of Google, he read actual books and learned to train his first Labrador Retriever (Clarence). One of Michael's specialties that evolved over many years, is training hunting dogs. These days, he says they work with all breeds but 95% of their training is obedience related.

Tons of well-intentioned folks got puppies/dogs during the pandemic. They didn't have an opportunity to socialize them or train them properly as they were used primarily as

comfort dogs. Michael says there's a limited window to socialize a puppy and after that window closes, they can become hand-leery, shy, or neurotic (just like the rest of us during Covid). Animals pick up on our tension and stress and can take on those feelings. Gosh, no wonder dogs don't watch the news.

Michael's wife, Jane, shares his passion for dogs. Their innate gift is assisting folks in understanding their newest family member and helping them build a relationship with that animal. Michael & Jane train the puppy/dog first and the owner second. When I asked them what the most common obedience problem was, they both replied, dogs who counter surf (when your pet jumps up on the counter-top and steals food). Who knew?

Dogs love having a job and understanding where they fall in the hierarchy of the pack. In other words, we need to show 'em who's boss. But sometimes the way we teach them can be confusing and inconsistent. Michael said the tendency is to over correct. "Just like teenagers, dogs think even negative attention beats no attention. We often teach a dog to ignore us by repeating commands and thus rewarding bad behavior with treats and petting. So, say it once and only reward the behavior when done properly." Our family is currently trying to follow Michael's advice by training our rescue pooch not to eat people when they come to our front door.

Gunderson Dog Training & Kennels also prides themselves on a very strict and successful breeding program. Michael & Jane own six dogs and by careful DNA testing and meticulous medical care, they can even pre-

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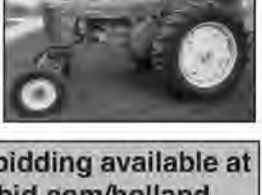
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## Dairy Producers Connect Over Robotic Milking

By MN Extension

Discussions aid understanding of high-tech dairy systems, cow health and the farm's bottom line

When Lisa and Steve Groetsch's cows are ready to be milked, they approach a milking robot on their own. The system is humane for the cows and brings flexibility to dairy farmers like the Groetsches.

They have been using the system for a decade, and are making the significant investment in robots pay off. Although the farm employs more people than ever, people they appreciate very much, the robotic system provides valuable data and efficiency.

The transition hasn't been without its challenges. Nothing about dairy farming is, but they love their cows and the three young adult children they raised on the farm. Their family's work means someone gets milk on their cereal or yogurt as their tasty snack.

When they were invited to present to other dairy producers via University of Minnesota

Extension's virtual Robotic Milking Edition webinar series, Lisa Groetsch realized that while she doesn't see herself as an eloquent speaker, she and Steve had experience to offer.

"To be able to share the good and the bad, and to maybe help another farmer not go through something we've gone through, or to help someone to not feel alone in something, that can be priceless," she says.

### Planned to fit farm life

The series is produced by Marcia Endres, an Extension animal scientist who is well known for her research on cow comfort and wellness. She co-hosts the series with Jim Salfer, Extension dairy educator. Webinars are attended live to include question and answer time and then shared on YouTube. The series has registrants from 42 countries.

"Robots are growing worldwide," says Endres. "My priority is Minnesota, but people are sharing the links and talking about it."

Much of the audience is comprised of dairy producers, but there are also industry professionals, as well as students, such as those Endres teaches as a professor in the University's Department of Animal Science.

Endres planned the Extension series with input received when she and Salfer surveyed dairy producers in 2020.

Producer feedback informed her selection of the virtual format, the 11:30 a.m. time slot



Marcia Endres, U of M Extension animal scientist (left) visits with Lisa Groetsch at Groetsch Dairy.

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Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 11:30am-12:30 pm

Tuesday and Thursday: 5:45 - 6:30 pm

\*No evening water aerobics: July 11-15.

#### Lap Swim/ Adult Swim

Monday-Friday: 10:30-11:30am

Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 5:45-6:30 pm

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Pool may close early due to weather and low attendance.

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Pool Party - per hour \$55.00

### Swimming Lesson Schedule

\* Level 1 is for children who are 5 and over and are beginning swimmers. Preschool lessons for ages 3-5 will be held in the small pools.

#### Session 1

June 20-23 and 27-30

Monday - Thursday

4:10pm - 4:50pm: Levels 1, 3

5:00pm - 5:40pm: Levels 2, 4

5:45pm-6:15pm: Preschool lessons (preschool lessons are for ages 3-5 and are held in the small pools)

#### Session 2

July 11 to July 15

Monday - Friday

5 days/1 hour

4:10pm - 5:10pm: Levels 3, 4

5:20pm - 6:20pm: Levels 5, 6

#### Session 3

July 25-28 and August 1-4

Monday - Thursday

4:10pm - 4:50pm: Levels 2, 4

4:55pm - 5:35pm: Levels 1, 3

5:45pm-6:15pm: Preschool lessons (preschool lessons are for ages 3-5 and are held in the small pools)

#### Toddler/Parent Lessons

July 18-21

10:30-11:00am or 5:00-5:30pm

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City Hall Phone: 789-6415

Swimming Lesson Sign Up and Season Passes will be Tuesday, May 17<sup>th</sup> from 6-8pm at City Hall.

Season passes and lesson registration available at City Hall starting May 25 and at the pool starting June 8<sup>th</sup>.

on the third Thursday of each month and even the 30-minute duration.

### Unbiased and candid

Unlike with webinars offered by robotics companies, Extension discusses every brand, every size farm, and every style of dairy farming, including grazing, large and small freestall barns, mixed systems of robot and parlor, robotic rotaries, and more. The audience includes producers at every stage of decision-making, so Endres invites experienced producers like the Groetsches to tell their stories.

Whether a participant decides to proceed with robotics or not to proceed after learning more, it's time well spent.

"Panelists can be honest about what problems they're having," says Endres. "We don't

pay producers to present on the webinars. They do it from the goodness of their hearts. Dairy producers are so kind, and they want to share."

Register for the Robotic Milking Edition webinar series at the University of MN Extension's website (extension.umn.edu). Podcast listeners can also hear Lisa Groetsch on The Moos Room, episode 105.

Upcoming dates are:

Jun 16, 2022 11:30 AM

Jul 21, 2022 11:30 AM

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## That's the Latest Hospital Receipt



By Emery Kleven

Emery is now a retired farm broadcaster after starting at KDHL in Faribault in 1987. He's a 1971 graduate of West Concord High School. You can view past columns at his website RoadFarming.com. You can email him at emery@roadfarming.com.

Over the course of life a person gets asked for their birth certificate. Sometimes people have to apply to the courthouse in the county they were born in to get a duplicate. I'm not sure what the cost of that is now but I know it's gone up over the years. I fortunately have not had to do that but I did misplace my birth certificate once when I needed it. However, I did have the hospital receipt for my birth thinking that should be good enough to show them I was paid for but they failed to see the humor in that. 'Come back', they said, 'when you find your birth certificate or get a dupli-

cate'. Well I did eventually find it again and all is well.

But as I looked at my receipt I marveled at how cheap I was by today's standards. I will not go into all of that about inflation where 108 dollars and 83 cents in 1953 is actually 5 million dollars and 83 cents in today's dollars. Let's just look at it for what it is. At this price, it's no wonder babies were booming after WWII. Can't you just hear the radio ad in the late 40's and early 50's; 'For only \$108.83 you can get yourself a brand new baby.' I think I've heard an old recording of Cedrick Adams on WCCO doing that exact ad.

I recently added my 7th grandchild to the family on March 29, 2022. I did not ask my son Isaac what the bill was for little Oliver Russell Kleven but if you google average cost of hospital births you get a range from \$5000 to \$11,000. I'm sure it only goes up from there depending on the amount of care needed. It's interesting also to note my mom stayed 4 days in the hospital. Today, if mother and baby are doing fine, they get them out the door as soon as possible. I'm not sure but sometimes it's right from the delivery room to the car as long as the dad remembers to put the new baby seat in the car. He also has to remember to pull up to the front of the hospital.

I'm pretty sure also that the nightly rate for a room at the Hospital Hilton is more than the \$11 a night that my parents were charged. I was charged \$11 for just looking in a room I was walking by in the hospital. On the receipt for me was a 23¢ charge for a phone. I know my mom got her money's worth on that. In fact at that time, we had the party line

where if one phone rang, it rang in all the neighbors houses up and down the road from the Wencil's to the Montgomery's. So she could and probably did talk to all of them in one call to share the good news.

The hospital in Faribault must have known I would be a member of the flower children of the 60's so they offered to sell my parents some beads. One whole dollar for identification beads which by the way I still have. I don't wear them anymore as they're a bit tight around the wrist but they did fit when I first wore them.

When I go up or down highway 56 I comment to myself that if I had a dollar for every time I traveled on this highway, I would be a rich man. My first trip in life was southbound on 56 back to the farm which by the way my parents had just moved to a couple months before I was born. My mom always told me how cold the weather was the day I was born, the day we came home from the hospital and the day of my infant baptism at Hegre Lutheran Church in the middle of January 1954. It was well below zero all of those days I was told.

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This hospital receipt for the birth of Emery Kleven shows why the baby population in the late 40's into the 50's was booming, hence the name baby boomers. Emery contends they got what they paid for.

Then my dad would chime in that he always said it'd be a cold day when we have a fourth child. He was right.

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## **Kenyon-Wanamingo Public Schools: Degrees of Silence**

Dear Bobby,

Their names are written on the proud rolls of Kenyon High School graduates from a time long since gone. As future K-12 educators, people like Chuck, Cindy, Mary Gail, and Mary once walked the same hallways that you and I walked; claimed many of the same loyalties that you and I claimed, and on the day of graduation, they left the building with many of the same aspirations that you and I had. Not only were they Vikings then, but I have a feeling that their hearts still hold a special place for the maroon and gold...as they should.

Bobby, as I reflect on the names of the aforementioned Kenyon graduates, I now realize that this is where our paths diverge. You see, their focus is on a small group of alumni that will help them to build a monument for the past. One covered with names and made of mortar and hand-carved Indiana limestone. We, on the other hand, require no name recognition. Rather, it is our focus to find large numbers of people from the communities of Kenyon and Wanamingo who will help us to build a monument for the future. One that is in the best interests of our children and grandchildren; one that will restore our place in the educational community...going forward.

Six months ago I started sending letters to the Kenyon Messenger due to the fact that our school board representatives were ignoring the pleas of people like you and me. Driven by a concern for what is happening in public education today, my primary focus was to get people's attention. Armed with data and the kind of firsthand information that should make them aware of what is happening to the proud reputation of our "old" alma mater, it was my hope that it might help to generate a response worth noting...and it did. The response was SILENCE.

On May 9, 2022, I received a letter from the KHS Monument Committee. As previously noted, they are searching for alumni willing to make a 'monetary contribution' to a project that 'will honor the quality of the Kenyon School, the Kenyon Community, and all who may have entered through these pediments.' For some, a worthy cause; for others, it remains low on their list of priorities at a time when our great Republic and its public schools are in serious, serious trouble.

On May 11, 2022, I sent a letter to a member of the KHS Monument Committee. As part of my response, I included an excerpt from a letter I had sent to the Kenyon-Wanamingo School Board on August 20, 2021. Representing just one of over a dozen letters and emails I have sent them (not one of them was ever answered), I chose to reject SILENCE and make reference to an upcoming school board meeting with the following quotation: "On Monday night, parents are going to begin a push-back that has started across the country. While there was a time when communities could trust their teachers, administrators, and school boards, that time has now passed. The enemy is now within...and we are coming for you."

Subsequent to my letter to the school board,

the Superintendent of Schools used this euphemism to file harassment charges against me. These charges were not only used to prevent me from coming on campus and debating him on the merits of their November 2, 2021, Operating Levy Referendum, but it was actually used as a way to SILENCE me for an entire calendar year. If not for the efforts of the Kenyon Police Department, they would have prevented me from attending an awards ceremony that included the recognition of my wife. As for a reply from the KHS Monument Committee seeking a 'monetary contribution' from alumni like you and me, their response was SILENCE.

Finally, as I reflect on what I have observed since moving back to Kenyon (1987), it has now become apparent that the school district's patrons have unwittingly put their trust in the wrong places. While no one wants to admit that student achievement and the overall quality of education once experienced by members of the KHS Monument Committee no longer exists, it does not change the fact that it happens to be true. But here is the "given" that cannot be denied. Under the right kind of leadership standards and skills, the school district can be restored to its proper place in the educational community. As for the communities of Kenyon and Wanamingo, I have found them to be good people; industrious people; people who want the best for their children and grandchildren today, tomorrow, and into the future. It is time for the journey to begin.

In closing, let me paraphrase the final paragraph of the letter I sent to the KHS Monument Committee. Although it has now been over two weeks without a reply, I remain hopeful that residents of the respective communities will no longer maintain their SILENCE in the face of resistance from the school board, the superintendent, or any other forces that could negatively impact the future of our children and grandchildren. After all, they (the patrons) are the ones who will ultimately determine the long-term success of the Kenyon-Wanamingo School District. I leave them with the following thoughts to ponder:

So what is the point and where am I going with my concerns? First, your committee needs our help to complete your goal. Second, the children and grandchildren of our school district needs our help to reach their goals. And third, the job cannot be finished if we are going to sit on the sidelines and hope it will get better by itself. So maybe... just maybe we can help each other before it is too late. Call me....

Godspeed my friend,  
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### **Where Life Begins To the editor:**

On June 1, 2022, the Kenyon Leader printed opposing editorials on the issue of abortion. One written by Reverend Elizabeth A. Eaton, Presiding Bishop of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, and the other by Pastor Shannon Bauer of Wangen Prairie Lutheran Church near Cannon Falls. Sadly, with such diametrically different

views on the Bible's teachings, only one can be right.

As I looked at the viewpoints of these two people of the "cloth," I was struck by the fact that Pastor Bauer's position is limited to the infallible Word of God. In reference to Psalm 139, he has opened the Bible for all to see. Beginning with verse 15 and continuing through verse 16, the Psalmist says, "My substance was not hid from thee, when I was made in secret, and curiously wrought in the lowest parts of the earth. Thine eyes did see my substance, yet being unperfect; and in thy book all my members were written, which in continuance were fashioned when as yet there was none of them." This is where God's sovereignty over life itself begins.

In the Book of Jeremiah, God says to the prophet, "Before I formed thee in the belly I knew thee; and before thou camest forth out of the womb I sanctified thee, and I ordained thee a prophet unto the nations" (Jeremiah 1:5). God knew Jeremiah before he was formed in the womb.

In the Gospel of Luke, the angel said, And behold, thou shall conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shall call his name Jesus" (Luke 1:31). The miracle of life would begin in Mary's womb.

Finally, and in support of Pastor Bauer, the Apostles' Creed (Confession of Faith) taught to Lutherans across the world says, "I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ, His

only Son, our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit; Born of the virgin Mary." Life begins at conception.

When I look at Bishop Eaton's position, I find someone who is using the dictates found in the 1991 ELCA Social Statement on Abortion. Rather than following the teaching's of the Bible, she prefers to use the church's social teachings. With statements like, "While the church longs for a future with fewer abortions every year, the social statement points out that outlawing all or nearly all abortions is not the way to do this; this church teaches that abortion must be legal and accessible." This reminds me of 2 Timothy 4:3a where Paul says, "For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine."

So what is my point? My point is fourfold. First, I found that Bishop Eaton's use of the word church (ELCA) is incorrect. In the real church, you will find the teachings of JESUS CHRIST. Second, both the Old and New Testaments tell us that life begins at conception. Third, Roe vs. Wade is not the guide Christians should be obeying. Instead, the Bible says, "We ought to obey God rather than men" (Acts 5:29). And fourth, Pastor Bauer is the one who is right. Praise God for pulpits full of the Word.

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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 12th day of April 2022. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Henke.

The following members were present: Mayor Doug Henke, Council Members Dan Rechtzigel, Mary Bailey, Kim Helgeson, and Molly Ryan

Also, present: Administrator Mark Vahlasing, Administrative Assistant Holli Gudknecht, Police Chief Jeff Sjoblom, Engineer Derek Olinger, Attorney Scott Riggs, Finance Clerk Kathy Flikke, Police Chief Jeff Sjoblom, Public Works Director Wayne Ehrich, Todd Greseth, and Don Kirchmann

Via Zoom: 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 is happening in the County. The May Commissioner's meeting will be held at City Hall in Kenyon.

### ADOPT AGENDA

Motion by Bailey second by Ryan to approve the amended agenda.

Motion carried 5-0-0.

### CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Rechtzigel second by Henke to approve the Consent Agenda, which includes payment of check numbers, 73496 through 73625; 3900E through 3952E.

Motion carried 5-0-0.

### PRESENTATIONS/

### PUBLIC HEARINGS/ RECOGNITIONS/PROLAMATIONS

The annual municipal prosecution report was tabled until the May meeting.

### ENGINEERING

#### Pearl Creek and Forest Street Sanitary Sewer Improvements Update

City Engineer Olinger stated that three proposals for television inspection of sanitary sewer along Pearl Creek and Forest Street were received.

Proposals for Sanitary Sewer Televising and Cleaning

Motion by Ryan second by Bailey to accept Empire Pipe Services proposal for sanitary sewer televising & cleaning of the Pearl Creek and Forest Street mains in the amount of \$12,782.68.

Motion carried 5-0-0.

#### Chip Seal Project

City Engineer Derek Olinger stated that two quotes were received for the planned chip sealing and crack sealing in town.

Proposals for 2022 Bituminous Chip Seal Project

Motion by Rechtzigel second by to accept the Pearson Bros. Inc. proposal for the 2022 Bituminous Chip Seal Project and authorize staff to proceed with additional street chip sealing to reach a total of the budgeted amount of \$60,000. Motion carried 5-0-0.

### LEGAL

#### Resolution 2022-11: Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund - Elect to Use the Standard Allowance Under the Revenue

Loss Provision

Attorney Riggs stated that the adoption of this resolution would provide the most flexibility for the City to use the \$206,000 in Coronavirus Recovery Funds.

Motion by Ryan seconded by Helgeson to adopt Resolution 2022-11.

Motion carried 5-0-0.

#### Resolution 2022-13: Approving State of Minnesota Joint Powers Agreements with the City of Kenyon on Behalf of City Prosecuting Attorney and Police Department

Attorney Riggs stated that this joint-powers agreement between the Minnesota Department of Public Safety, and the City Prosecuting Attorney and Police Department needed to be renewed. This agreement would be in effect for five years and allow us to utilize the State's criminal justice data network.

Motion by Henke second by Rechtzigel to adopt Resolution 2022-13.

Motion carried 5-0-0.

#### MetroNet Franchise Letter Agreement

Attorney Riggs reviewed MetroNet's request for Council approval of an agreement to allow them to install high speed internet in the City. Riggs worked on finalizing the original agreement a year ago but did not hear back from MetroNet until last week. MetroNet would be offering high-speed internet only.

Motion by Bailey second by Ryan to approve the MetroNet agreement with the City of Kenyon.

Motion carried 5-0-0.

#### Agriculture Land Lease Renewal Scott Wickum 2022-2024

Attorney Riggs stated that the land lease for the 10.5 acres east of the sewer plant needs to be renewed. The proposed lease rate would be \$170 per acre in 2022 and \$180 in 2023 and 2024.

Motion by Bailey seconded by Henke to approve the Ag land lease renewal with Scott Wickum for 2022-2024.

Motion carried 5-0-0.

#### 2nd Street Saloon LLC dba Lacey's - Caterer's Permit On-Sale Intoxicating Liquor

Attorney Riggs stated that Heather Thram, representing 2nd Street Saloon LLC, was seeking a local caterer's permit to hold a Mother's Day event and possibly other future events at the Kenyon Event Center.

Motion by Rechtzigel seconded by Bailey to approve the catering permit for 2nd Street Saloon LLC dba Lacey's Kitchen and Cocktails. Motion carried 5-0-0.

#### Fire Relief Bingo Application

Attorney Riggs stated that the Kenyon Fire Relief Association was seeking Council approval to conduct charitable gambling involving Bingo only at the Kenyon Muni.

#### Resolution 2022-14: Approving the Application for Lawful Gambling of Kenyon Firemen's Relief Association

Motion by Ryan second by Helgeson to adopt Resolution 2022-14. Motion carried 5-0-0.

### OLD BUSINESS

None

### NEW BUSINESS

**Police Department 2022 Ford Interceptor**  
Police Chief Sjoblom reported on the purchase of a 2022 Ford Interceptor SUV that was located to replace the 2013 Ford Squad car that was totaled in March. The state con-

tract price with the equipment installed would be \$48,931. These funds would come from several sources including the sale of the 2014 squad, the insurance settlement from the totaled squad, 2022 City budgeted amount, and Covid funds.

Motion by Helgeson seconded by Ryan to approve the purchase of the 2022 Ford Interceptor for the police department. Motion carried 5-0-0.

#### Resolution 2022-12: In Support of Minnesota State House File 2821 and Minnesota Senate File 2670 - Statewide Public Safety Radio Communications System Equipment Grants

Motion by Rechtzigel seconded by Bailey to adopt Resolution 2022-12. Motion carried 5-0-0.

#### Declare Old First Responder Truck as Excess Inventory

Assistant Fire Chief Wayne Ehrich stated that the Fire Department received the new First Responder Rescue Truck. They are requesting approval to sell the old rescue truck.

Motion by Ryan seconded by Helgeson to declare the old first responder truck as excess inventory.

Motion carried 5-0-0.

#### Kenyon Country Club - Request for City Approval to Conduct Goose Egg/Nest Removal Golf Course

Mayor Henke reviewed a letter received from the MN DNR that outlined the issues concerning the damage created by the geese at the Kenyon Country Club. The letter also explained the process of the egg/nest management in this area. The Country Club would like Council approval to proceed with the DNR plan.

Motion by Henke seconded by Ryan to approve the request from the Kenyon Country Club to proceed with the DNR goose egg/nest removal plan at the golf course. Motion carried 5-0-0.

#### VFW Liquor License Renewal

Motion by Bailey second by Helgeson to renew the VFW's liquor license including Sunday sales.

Motion carried 5-0-0.

#### Board of Appeals and Equalization Meeting - Thursday, April 14, 2021

Mayor Henke reminded the Council that the Board of Appeals and Equalization meeting will be held Thursday, April 14 at 5:00 pm. At least three Council members must be in attendance including one Council member who is certified by the State for the Board of Adjustment hearing.

#### Schedule of Upcoming Meetings

Board of Appeal & Equalization: Thursday, April 14th @ 5:00 p.m.

KMU Meeting: Tuesday, April 19th @ 2:00 p.m.

EDA Meeting: Tuesday, April 26 @ 8:00 a.m.

City Council Meeting: Tuesday, May 10th @ 7 p.m.

#### COUNCIL AND STAFF GENERAL COMMENTS

Motion by Ryan second by Bailey to adjourn the meeting at 7:56 p.m.

Motion carried 5-0-0.

Holli Gudknecht, Administrative Assistant  
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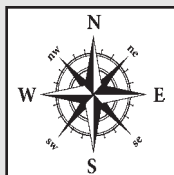
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By Terry Campbell

*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.*

“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 they 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,

when suddenly the tornado sirens went off and the few people that were still there all had to go into the back of the building where the office was, because even though it was not in the middle of the building it was the only room without a window or a massive mirror in it.

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 so 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 theater 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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  - 6. Testing site
  - 9. Mix together
  - 13. Veranda on Moloka'i
  - 14. Lennon's widow
  - 15. Pilaff, to some
  - 16. Neural transmitters
  - 17. Stumblebum
  - 18. Renter's paper
  - 19. \*Plaid weave
  - 21. \*Cozy pajama fabric
  - 23. Thanksgiving side?
  - 24. Sign up
  - 25. \_\_\_\_\_ Francisco
  - 28. 100 centavos
  - 30. \*Woven reversible patterned fabric
  - 35. Tucked in at night
  - 37. Unwelcome mail?
  - 39. Italian alternative
  - 40. Brazilian indigenous people
  - 41. Give out
  - 43. Eye part
  - 44. Violinist Perlman or violinist Stern
  - 46. Toy flyer
  - 47. Clickable text
  - 48. Lady Hamilton's lover
  - 50. Become puddle from icicle
  - 52. Hula dancer's necklace
  - 53. Bloody
  - 55. Cuban dance step
  - 57. \*Popular prom dress choice
  - 61. \*Namesake of a lemon cake
  - 65. Approximately 70% of Earth
  - 66. Daniel \_\_\_\_\_-Lewis
  - 68. City in Belgium
  - 69. Not slouching
  - 70. Khan's honorific
  - 71. Viva voce exams
  - 72. Expunge
  - 73. Actor/director Howard
  - 74. Boundary lines
- DOWN**
- 1. Smelting waste
  - 2. Longer than midi
  - 3. Any day now, formerly
  - 4. Long-limbed
  - 5. Unfortunate outcome
  - 6. \*Rumpelstiltskin's weaver
  - 7. Saint Anne, or Santa \_\_\_\_\_
  - 8. Resoundingly successful
  - 9. Demeanor
  - 10. Slovenian ski maker
  - 11. Cut with a beam
  - 12. Matt Damon/Adam Driver movie "The Last \_\_\_\_\_"
  - 15. 2-dimensional
  - 20. Single-cell protozoan
  - 22. Manhole cover
  - 24. Joviality
  - 25. \*\*Nights in White \_\_\_\_\_"
  - 26. Bullying, e.g.
  - 27. Katmandu country
  - 29. \*Eurasian trade route namesake
  - 31. Stake driver
  - 32. Blacksmith's block
  - 33. Part of a play
  - 34. \*Chinos fabric
  - 36. "Buenos \_\_\_\_\_"
  - 38. Adverse
  - 42. Crosby, Stills, Nash & Young: "\_\_\_\_\_ Your Children"
  - 45. Powerfully persuasive
  - 49. 1990s negation
  - 51. Formerly, formerly
  - 54. "M\*A\*S\*H" character
  - 56. FlambÉ
  - 57. Three-\_\_\_\_\_ sloth
  - 58. 0.405 hectare
  - 59. Perceive by touch
  - 60. \*A wedding veil covers it
  - 61. Blue hue
  - 62. Notable achievement
  - 63. Eye amorously
  - 64. Scotland's famous lake
  - 67. Gone by

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