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R Bar Construction Continues

The R Bar in Randolph is undergoing construction and improvements.



They are hoping to be reopened in early August, but will be dependent on contractors and the challenges of remodeling an old building. A new roof and siding are a part of the project, along with a kitchen update to allow an expanded menu in the future. A planned patio on the east side of the building is also in the works and an upstairs game room with added seating. Watch the R Bar facebook page for updates and a re-opening announcement.

55th Annual Randolph Hampton Fire District Chicken BBQ Saturday, August 19th



On Saturday, August 19th, the Randolph Hampton Fire District will host their 55th Annual Chicken BBQ. Serving from 3:00-8:00pm, the menu includes the following; chicken, sweet corn, baked beans, coleslaw, dinner roll and pop or water. Dance to the music of "Chad Johnson and The Minnesota Transplants" from 8:00pm to Midnight.

Concessions, Flea Market, Games, Food and Music will be held. Raffle tickets are available for purchase through Randolph Hampton Firefighters or local businesses. Raffle ticket winners will be drawn starting at 9:00pm. The winner boards will begin to be posted at 10:00pm and you do not need to be present to win.



Chad Johnson and The Minnesota Transplants

Dennison Days Set for August 4 & 5 The Circus is coming to Dennison Aug. 2

The Dennison Lions Club will host Dennison Days coming up August 4 & 5 with many old favorites returning to the week-ends event schedule.

Check the website www.dennisondays.org

for any schedule updates. Friday night will kick off with a Bags Tournament at 625 Bar & Grill and Free Live Music from Minnesotas Own Dariann Leigh on the Mainstreet Stage at 7:30. *(continued on page 14)*

The Circus is coming to Dennison Aug. 2

Thanks to the sponsorship of the Dennison Lions Club & Fireside Lounge, the Culpepper & Merriweather Circus, America's Favorite Big Top Circus is coming Dennison, MN – Wednesday, August 2nd to the lot across from the Dennison Community Church located at 37514 3rd Ave.



C&MCircus has been providing quality, local family entertainment for 37 years. This authentic One-Ring, BigTop Circus has been featured on the A&E Special: Under the Big Top, Nick News: On the Road with CircusKids and most recently OETA's Big Top Town. *(continued on page 6)*

Announcements

• **Randolph Food Shelf located at St. Mark's Church 28595 Randolph Blvd.**
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Trophy House Restaurant Closes

The Trophy House restaurant in New Trier closed this month on July 16th. The restaurant had served the community with fine food and cocktails for twenty-eight years. They have planned a customer appreciation day to be held on Sunday July 30th from 3 to 6pm at the restaurant. There will be live music, food and drink specials. They still plan to offer their full service catering through the end of the year. The business is for sale or lease.

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For your continued support and supporting us the last 28 years! We will miss each and everyone of you!

Scott & Linda Nelson



TROPHY HOUSE
Country Dining & Cocktails

Freedom in Christ

Freedom: Miriam Webster says, “1: the quality or state of being free: such as a: the absence of necessity, coercion, or constraint in choice or action, b: liberation from slavery or restraint or from the power of another, c: the quality or state of being exempt or released usually from something onerous, d: unrestricted use” all belong to the first definition of freedom.

For followers of Christ, we have freedom: freedom from sin, eternal death, guilt, and freedom to choose- as we live the spirit-filled life that Jesus calls us to live. We also have freedom from empty and meaningless traditions and ‘rules’ that have no bearing on our faith in Christ. Being free in Christ – real freedom – means seeing things clearly. It means knowing who you are and what God has done for you in Christ. It means loving and obeying Him with the full assurance that God will make good on His promise, and you will spend eternity with Him. This kind of freedom doesn’t come by living however you want or “picking and choosing” what laws to follow; true freedom comes from believing and obeying the gospel.

Freedom doesn’t mean we can do whatever we want- without thinking about others. Freedom in Christ- is freedom to choose that

which is best for others and ourselves- choosing to put Jesus first in all things- Loving God and Loving people- not just doing what we want because we have freedom.

Paul wrote in chapter 8 of 1 Corinthians. “But while knowledge makes us feel important, it is love that strengthens the church. 2 Anyone who claims to know all the answers doesn’t really know very much. 3 But the person who loves God is the one whom God recognizes. . . .6 But for us, there is one God, the Father, by whom all things were created, and for whom we live. And there is one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom all things were created, and through whom we live. . . .9 But you must be careful so that your freedom does not cause others with a weaker conscience to stumble.”

Paul addresses the attitudes- the heart issues. The Corinthian church had been struggling with humility and obedience. Proverbs 12:23 says, “The wise don’t make a show of their knowledge, but fools broadcast their foolishness.” and in Proverbs 26:12 “There is more hope for fools than for people who think they are wise.” Paul states, we all know –not just the “most enlightened or most knowledgeable” but all the believers in the faith know that an idol isn’t really a god. They’ve come to believe in the one true God- and Jesus Christ his Son and the person of the Holy Spirit- The one triune God- maker of heaven and earth. The one that redeemed them at a great price. They know that in their hearts- but they may continue to struggle with old habits, old traditions that have been ingrained in them. They must re-train their minds and thoughts to following Jesus Christ and living for Him. It’s all new to them- and they are still learning.

Let me give an example: Playing cards used to be a big ‘no no’ in the Wesleyan church. I had been brought up Lutheran and I grew up playing cards- I grew up playing 500, rummy, crazy 8, and I learned how to

play hearts at church- waiting for confirmation class to begin. So, when we had cards in the youth room at the Wesleyan Church and played games, I never even thought that it could be an issue. Then one Saturday clean-up day- I didn’t make it to help clean the church- but some of the older ladies took it upon themselves to clean the youth room for us. I was surprised to find that all our playing cards had been removed and thrown away! I spoke to the pastor and find out the whys- and not to worry- we had his and the church’s permission to have playing cards- so the church purchased us some new ones. After that, I just made sure that I was there on cleaning day from now on!

The ladies were only doing what they thought was right- even if it really wasn’t a sin issue. Like Paul said, “some are accustomed to thinking . . .this way.” That’s how they were brought up. We can’t always solve every problem with logic. A child who is afraid of the dark is not assured by logical arguments. We need to understand that knowledge can be a weapon to fight with or a tool to build with, depending on how it is used. Our Freedom in Christ must be balanced by Love. As Christians, we are commanded often in Scripture to build one another up. The author of Hebrews said, “. . .let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.” (Heb. 10:24-25)

We must be careful so that our freedom doesn’t cause a weaker- a newer believer to stumble. Jesus gave us the example to follow- we are to do as He has done. We aren’t more enlightened than He was. He is patient with each of us and sees our mistakes, our sins, our screw-ups and instead of telling us how awful or stupid we are- he gently corrects, guides and continues to love us. Paul writes that we are not to be a stumbling

block to others. This doesn’t mean that we must pamper those who are weaker in the faith, it means that our goal should be to build them up and help them grow rather than demanding our rights. Our Freedom must be balanced by love. We are free in Christ, but we must take care that our spiritual knowledge is balanced by love, and that we do not tempt the weaker Christian to run ahead of their conscience.

As part of the Body of Christ, it is always our goal to strengthen and respect each part of that body that we are a part of. In doing that Jesus will be glorified and that the body (the church) will be built up to unity and strength. As we interact with others, we must balance our knowledge with love so that others might be built up in the Lord.

As believers in Christ- we love God with all of our passion in all areas, and we love people. People get first preference- not our own agenda or our own freedoms. When our freedom crosses over someone else and causes them to get off track- we are abusing our freedom. Our freedom in Christ must be lived out in love. The way we relate carries great weight, so relate in love!



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“Tell Me, Please”

The eunuch asked Philip, “Tell me, please, who is the prophet talking about . . .?” – Acts 8:34

At Cove Mountain on the Appalachian Trail I had shelter from an all-night rain. The next morning I was back on the trail. No one needed to tell me where to go. I headed north, as I did every other day of my three-week trek.

Philip, however, whom the Spirit called in our story today, had instructions on where to go. An angel of the Lord told Philip to go south to the desert road leading from Jerusalem to Gaza. There Philip met an Ethiopian official who was returning home from Jerusalem. The Spirit then led Philip to stay near the man and to help him understand a passage he was reading from Isaiah. Philip explained that the passage was about Jesus, the Son of God, who came to die for our sin, and then Philip baptized the Ethiopian, just as the man asked him to do.

Through his Spirit and the Word, the Lord still commands us everyday. God calls us to walk in his ways, loving the Lord with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength, and loving our neighbors as ourselves.

Does God speak to us in other ways, such as the way he spoke to Philip? God certainly can speak to us in dramatic ways, but more often the Spirit of God speaks to us in quiet, subtle ways through his Word and with the help of other believers (like Philip). We should always be following God’s Word and listening for his voice, especially as he nudges us to share the love of Jesus.

Lord Jesus, help us to listen for your voice and to share your love with the people we meet every day. Amen.

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Dolores Elizabeth Gergen (Ross)

Dolores Elizabeth Gergen (Ross), age 95 of Cannon Falls, passed away peacefully on June 23, 2023.



She was preceded in death by her husband of 57 years, William J. Gergen, and son, Thomas A. Gergen.

She is survived by children William (Julie), Stephen (Victoria), Marion (Carey), Linda, Gregory, Carolyn, Constance (Gary), Joel (Mary), Donald (Christine), and Alan, along with grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Raised in St. Paul, Dolores was a member of the class of 1946 at Harding High School. She attended the University of Minnesota and majored in journalism. Dolores and William met at her father's hotel and bar in Hampton, MN where Dolores was employed. They married in 1950 and raised a family of eleven on the Gergen homestead farm near Randolph, MN. Lifelong lovers, they enjoyed dancing and earned recognition as top dancers in the region.

For over thirty-five years Dolores wrote a weekly column for the Cannon Falls Beacon "Thoughts on Sundays (and other weak days)" winning the praise of many dedicated

readers and earning numerous newspaper awards. Her columns were known for their witty, wise, and often poignant musings of her childhood in St. Paul, days on the farm, and the woes, wonders, and whimsies of raising eleven children.

Her last years were spent at the Cannon Rivers Senior Living facility which provided loving care during her final days for which her family will be forever grateful.

Mass of Christian Burial was held on Wednesday, June 28, at 11am, with visitation from 9-11am, at St. Mathias Catholic Church, 23315 Northfield Blvd, Hampton. Interment was at the church cemetery. A life celebration lunch followed in the church basement. Memorials may be gifted to St. Mathias Catholic Church.

Lesley Louise Neary

Lesley Louise Neary (Lu or Lu Lu) of Randolph MN, passed away peacefully on July 5, 2023.



Lesley was born on October 20, 1947, to Leslie and Caroline Mueller of St. Paul, Minnesota. After graduating from high school Lesley went on to

full time employment and held a few jobs

which consisted mostly of secretarial work. Her secretary and administration assistant skills offered employment for 30 plus years in various industries from the lawyer's office, heating and air conditioning but the most referenced and admired company was Soderberg Incorporated, an eyeglass manufacturer where she built long lasting friendships.

Regardless of the company Lesley worked for and the accolades received for great work, her most important and proud job was that of being a mother and eventual grandmother. Lesley raised two children on her own until she met her soul mate and husband until death, Jim.

Lesley and Jim were more home bodies and preferred a house full of family rather than travel and nights out on the town, minus a good trip to the casino for some pulls of the one arm bandit. Lesley had a love for horses which was instilled by her father. This created a lifelong hobby well into her 60's. Lesley loved to ride and in her earlier years competed in many local horse shows and barrel races.

Lesley was full of spunk, charisma and car-

ried a firecracker fierceness packed into a 5'2" frame. She was a proud woman, who lived unapologetic to her convictions and life decisions. She was often willing to offer assistance and frequently become the sounding board offering an ear to listen and would reciprocate by offering sound life learned advise based on real experience.

After retiring Lesley spent much time with her grandkids and family.

Lesley is preceded in death by her parents and her husband, James. She is survived by her sons and most importantly her 7 grandchildren.

Interment at Fort Snelling National Cemetery is pending, along with a celebration of life to be announced later.

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Roy Scott Nelson

Roy Scott Nelson, age 78 of Cannon Falls, passed away peacefully surrounded by his family and friends in his home on Sunday, July 16, 2023.

Scott was born on April 13, 1945 to parents Roy and Marjorie (Hohenhaus) Nelson. He graduated from Faribault High School in 1963 and later worked for Sears for 32 years. Scott married the love of his life Linda in 1967 and they raised three beautiful children together, Eric, Elizabeth and Allison. In October of 1995 Scott and Linda purchased the Trophy House restaurant in New Trier. His favorite spot in the restaurant was serving behind the bar because of all of the locals and friends he was able to socialize with.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Roy and Marjorie Nelson.

Scott is survived by his wife, Linda; children, Eric, Elizabeth and Allison; grandchildren, Scott Worrell, Sophia Worrell, and Alivia Strusz; brothers, Alano "Lon" (Reatha) Nelson, Lynn (Barbara) Nelson; and dog, Stella.

A funeral service was held at 11:00 a.m. Tuesday, July 25, 2023, at Starkson Family Life Celebration Chapel in Hastings. Father Tix officiated. Interment will be held at St. Michaels Cemetery in Kenyon, MN at a later date.

Family and friends were invited to a visitation from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Monday, July 24, 2023, at Starkson Family Life Celebration Chapel and also an hour prior to the service. A reception followed the service on Tuesday.

In lieu of flowers the family requests that donations be made to St. Mary's Catholic Church in New Trier, MN.

Arrangements are being completed by Starkson Family Life Celebration Chapel of Hastings.

Robert E. Will

Will, Robert E., age 95, Educator, Community Builder, Humorist, and Family Man, peacefully passed away Sunday, June 25, 2023, surrounded by love and family. Bob was a gentleman and a scholar with a life rooted in service. His life was

a model of how to live one's vocation and commitment to others. Bob taught Economics at Carleton College for 36 years, joyfully scratching supply and demand charts out on the blackboard, bringing the subject to life. He encouraged generations of students to appreciate the value of liberal arts in their everyday lives. Upon retiring, Bob devoted time to volunteering in the community. "I felt I owed something to the community I lived in, that gave me a good life, that brought up my children, educated my children in the school system. I felt it a duty, and a happy duty."

Born at the beginning of the Great Depres-

sion in Dousman, WI to Erwin and Gena Will, Bob graduated from high school after 8th grade. A life-long love of music began as a young trombonist in the Oconomowoc American Legion Band, an award-winning band that marched in parades from small towns to New York's 5th Avenue. He surprised his parents by enlisting in the US Navy, unaware that swimming was a required skill, one he did not have. Even though Bob never learned to swim, his strong patriotism committed him to the Naval Reserve for a further twenty years. After the war, Bob entered Carleton College in 1946, dragging his Navy footlocker behind him and clutching the GI Bill ("that great social invention"). He graduated Phi Beta Kappa and later earned his MA and Ph.D from Yale University.

Bob met the love of his life, Barbara, while teaching at UMass Amherst. She was the beautiful librarian in the Department of Research Chemistry when Bob walked in seeking advice about moldy wallpaper in the apartment he shared with Gus Mattersdorff. A year later, Gus was best man at their wedding. In 1957, Carleton College President Larry Gould hired Bob to join the Economics department. The newlyweds packed their books and wedding presents and drove to Minnesota. Bob and Barbara built a remarkable life together. They found joy in raising a family, traveling around the world, and deepening their roots in Northfield.

Beyond teaching duties, Bob was an Assistant Dean of the College and the first Director of International Studies and was named the Wadsworth A. Williams Professor of Economics. Many have described Bob as the quintessential Carleton alum and professor: a gifted and enthusiastic teacher, a knowledgeable scholar, an engaged college citizen, a gracious mentor to colleagues and students. Bob was a pioneer in what is now called social entrepreneurship, applying economic theories to real world problems. This pursuit led to Carleton's Social Entrepreneurship scholarship program. While at Carleton, he also earned grants from the Ford Foundation, the Mellon Foundation, General Electric, the Lilly Endowment, and the National Science Foundation. Bob retired in 1993 as the Raymond Plank Professor of Incentive Economics.

Always a performer, many will remember listening to the brilliant badinage between Bob and Wayne Eddy on Northfield's KYMN radio. Bob loved reading aloud and delighted in Robert Service's "The Shooting of Dangerous Dan McGrew." He was also cast in two films: as Rev. William Wilcox in the award-winning Cemetery Stories: A Rebel Missionary in South Africa, by Chérif Keïta; and as the Old Man in Roma Nova, by Max Silver.

Bob left an indelible mark on organizations around the country and world, including the US National Commission for the United Nations Economic and Social Council; the planning commission that created Hampshire College in Amherst, MA; Bob and Barbara helped seed libraries at Miles College in Alabama and the Savannah College of Art and Design in Georgia. Closer to home, Bob's curious and creative mind, and his ever-present yellow notepad, focused on strengthening the beauty and humanity of Northfield, MN. He served on the Rotary Club, Mayor's Streetscape Task Force, Heritage Preserva-

tion Commission, United Way, Northfield Historical Society, All Saints Episcopal Church, Northfield Shares, and Northfield Retirement Community.

In the winter of 1994 Bob was surprised to learn that Governor Arne Carlson proclaimed March 26 as Robert E. Will Day in Minnesota. Twenty years later, Northfield honored Bob with the Joseph Lee Heywood Distinguished Service Award in recognition of over 50 years of service to the Northfield area community. Bob said "There is no better feeling than serving a community. Enjoy it as I have over the years. I did things I never thought I would do in my life."

Bob was preceded in death by his parents, his wife, Barbara, and son, Jonathan. He is survived by daughters Leslie Will and Jennifer Labovitz; son-in-law Mark Labovitz; and grandchildren Zachary Will, Jackson and Tessa Labovitz.

Bob Will has left the classroom. Onward and Upward with the Arts.

The family would like to thank the thoughtful staff at the Northfield Retirement Community for the attentive and compassionate care given to Bob, and acknowledge all the special friendships Bob made through the years.

A memorial service will be held to celebrate Bob's life on August 26, 2023, at 2:00pm at All Saints Church in Northfield. Donations may be given to Northfield Shares, All Saints Church, or the Robert E. Will '50 Endowed Internship Fund in Social Entrepreneurship at Carleton College.

Arrangements by Bierman Funeral Home and Crematory <https://www.biermanfuneralhome.com>.

Mike Almen

Mike Almen, 77, of Northfield, passed away peacefully Monday morning, June 26, 2023, at Three Links Care Center in Northfield.

Michael Allen Almen was born on February 6, 1946, in Northfield, Minnesota, to Nikolai and Helen (Baker) Almen. He grew up in Northfield and graduated from Northfield High School. He

enlisted in the U.S. Army during Vietnam and was honorably discharged. Mike was married to Pam Lord in 1981. He worked for Herman Schiell (blacktopping), Sheldahl, spent some of his summers on the farm, and later worked as a handyman. They raised their three sons in Northfield and later divorced.

Mike was best described as a "travelling soul." He enjoyed the outdoors, fishing, working out, and entertaining those around him. Mike had a soft heart and was known to take in stray dogs and cats, whom he would quickly come to love and cherish.

He is survived by his children, Michael Lord of Winona, Nick (Jessica Mehan) of Dennison, and Chad (Colleen) of Northfield; seven grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; sister, Wanda (Jim) Yngsdal of Wanamingo; sister-in-law, Ileen of Northfield; many nieces and nephews; and ex-wife, Pam Almen of Northfield. He was preceded in death by his parent and brothers, Bob and Joe.

A memorial service was held at 10:30 AM, Thursday, June 29, 2023, at Bierman Funeral Home in Northfield. Visitation was one hour prior to the service at the funeral home. Interment followed the service in Vang Lutheran Cemetery, Holden Township. A reception followed the interment at Vang Lutheran Church.

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Minnesota DNR to Require Nontoxic Ammunition for State Park Special Deer Hunts, 56 SNAs That Allow Hunting

People participating in special hunts in state parks and recreation areas or hunting in those scientific and natural areas where hunting is allowed, will be required to use nontoxic ammunition starting this fall. Peatland SNAs are exempt from this requirement. Due to shortages in certain ammunition types, this requirement also will not apply to state park

youth deer hunts in the shotgun zone if hunters remove all parts of harvested deer, including the entrails.

State statute provides the highest level of protection for natural resources, including wildlife and natural features, in state parks and SNAs. Hunting is not a primary purpose of state parks and SNAs, and is only allowed if it is consistent with or helps advance the management of natural resources on these lands. Deer hunting is allowed through commissioner's order or state statute on SNAs, and state park special hunts require a special use permit. State parks and SNAs account for less than 10% of DNR-managed lands in Minnesota.

Requiring nontoxic ammunition will help protect species from lead poisoning — such as eagles, ravens, hawks and bobcats — that might ingest ammunition or feed on deer gut piles. Lead poisoning can cause neurologic impacts to wildlife, leading to injury and death. Additionally, use of nontoxic ammunition will protect the environment of these sites from lead leaching into the soil and waters via gut piles or spent ammunition remaining on site.

Nontoxic ammunition includes bullets, slugs, muzzleloader ammunition and shot



that do not contain lead. More information is available at the Minnesota DNR's non-toxic ammunition webpage.

Hunters who plan to participate in state park special hunts, or hunt in an SNA where hunting is allowed and nontoxic ammunition is required, should purchase their non-toxic ammunition early to ensure they have it in time for the hunt in which they will participate.

Hunters in Minnesota who do not wish to use nontoxic ammunition have abundant options for hunting in locations with no ammunition restrictions, such as wildlife management areas and state forests.

The Minnesota DNR also continues to en-

courage the use of nontoxic ammunition and tackle on all Minnesota lands and waters.

To learn more about state park special hunts, including how to register, see the special hunts section toward the bottom of the Minnesota DNR's deer hunting webpage. To learn which SNAs allow hunting, visit the SNA rules website.

For questions about the above information or other DNR-related topics, contact the Minnesota DNR Information Center at info.dnr@state.mn.us opens in a new browser tab or 888-646-6367 (8 a.m.-8 p.m. Monday through Friday, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday).

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- **FOOD STANDS** - OPEN DAILY, Breakfast served
- Flea Market opens 8 am Daily
- **PARADE OF TRACTORS** - 12:00 NOON DAILY
- Kids Pedal Pull - Saturday after Parade
- TRACTOR PULL - Sunday 9 am, Registration 7 am
- **RAFFLE TRACTOR DRAWING - SUNDAY 4 PM**

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The Rice County Steam and Gas Engines, Inc. is a non-profit organization
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All income is used to improve the show!
Thank you for attending

Leashed Pets Only * Primitive Camping * No Alcoholic beverages allowed on grounds
Registration of All Golf Carts & ATVs will be required at Exhibitor's Gate * Proof of Insurance * No Cycles

The Circus is coming to Dennison August 2

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This year, we're very excited to bring you our brand new 2023 performance featuring Big Cats presented by Trey Key, our Aerialist Extraordinaire Simone on the trapeze, 10th generation Loyal Bareback Horse Riders, the Perez Daredevil Duo on the Tight Rope and Wheel of Destiny, Elizabeth Ayala's incredible foot juggling and hair hang and everyone's favorite Circus Clown Leo Acton.

Circus Day Schedule

9:30 a.m. - Tent Raising & Tour

Everyone is invited to watch the Big Top rise! You'll also get a chance to tour the grounds and get a behind-the-scenes look at our show! Learn about life on the road and the care our animals receive.

4:00 p.m. - Midway Opens

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5:00 & 7:30 Circus Performance

Get ready for an amazing show the whole family will love! Each show lasts about 90 minutes.

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Advance Tickets Prices

Adult Ticket - \$13; Child (2-12) or Senior (65+) - \$8

Advance tickets can be purchased BEFORE Circus Day from these locations:

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A higher percentage of advance tickets goes back to the sponsor, meaning more money back into your community! You'll also save money and can skip the lines at the box office!

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July 29, 2023 9:00 AM
Windom, MN
LIVE ON SITE & ONLINE FARM RETIREMENT AUCTION FOR THE RONALD "RV" VOUGHT ESTATE
John Deere 7830R, 9520 4wd, 4955, 4640, 4020 Tractors, John Deere 9660 Combine, 635F & 608C Heads, Versatile 976, (2) Peterbilt Semis & Grain Trailers, JD 1770 16R30, JD 120 Shredder, JD 2210 Fc, Fast Sprayer, CIH Disk, Grain Carts, Augers, Grain Dryer

July 31, 2023 10:00 AM
Zumbro Falls, MN
LIVE AND ONLINE LIKE NEW JOHN DEERE FARM RETIREMENT AUCTION FOR RON & SHIRLEY ANDERSON
(2) John Deere 6120E MFWD Tractors with Loaders, John Deere 6135E & 6155M Tractors, John Deere 6615 2WD Tractor, John Deere 6403 MFWD Tractor, (3) John Deere 4020 Tractors, John Deere 3020 Gas with Loader, Parker 750 Grain Cart, Augers, Snowblower, Rear Blade, John Deere 850 Compact, Diesel & Gas Generator/Welders, Air Compressors, Shop Tools And Farm Support Equipment

August 5, 2023 8:30 AM
Kenyon, MN
AREA FARMERS PRE-HARVEST CONSIGNMENT AUCTION
LIVE AND ONLINE AREA FARMERS CONSIGNMENT AUCTION, TRACTORS, COMBINES, SEMIS, TRAILERS, CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT, PLANTERS & TILLAGE EQUIPMENT, LIVESTOCK EQUIPMENT, PICKUPS, CARS, ATVS AND FARM SUPPORT ITEMS

August 7, 2023
Bidding Begins: ... July 27, 2023
Starts Closing: ... August 7, 2023
Dodge Center, MN
Online Only Real Estate & Personal Property For LaMar Johnson
Nice 3 Bedroom 1 1/2 Story Home With 2 Sheds On A Large Double Lot, 1923 Ford Model T Roadster, 2018 Flashed Trailer, OMC Gas Skid Loader, 1976 Ford 23' Motorhome, Pressure Washer, Cement Mixer, Ladders, Hand Tools

August 11, 2023 9:30 AM
New Richland, MN
LIVE AND ONLINE FARM RETIREMENT AUCTION FOR ALLEN & JANE NELSON
John Deere 9650 STS Combine, JD 893 Corn Head, JD 925 Bean Head, John Deere 8760 4WD Tractor, John Deere 4440 & 3020 Loader Tractor, International Day Cab Semi, Wilson Grain Trailer, Wilmar 8100 Crop Sprayer, Planting & Tillage Equipment, Parker 500, 525 & 2000 Grain Boxes, Grain Bins, Augers, Grain Dryer, Holding Bins, Power and Hand tools, Vehicles, Farm Support Items

August 12, 2023 10:00 AM
Delavan, MN
LIVE & ONLINE LARGE FARM RETIREMENT AUCTION FOR GREG & ANNETTE JENKINS
(6) Case IH MFWD & 2WD Tractor, Case IH 6088 Combine, Heads, John Deere 1770 Planter, Fast Applicator, (3) Semis & Grain Trailers, CIH 255 & 200 Tillage, Roller, Rem Grain Vac, Mack Straight Truck, Farm Support Equip.

August 19, 2023 10:00 AM
Red Wing, MN
LIVE AND ONLINE FARM RETIREMENT AUCTION FOR EMERY & GINNY FITSCHEN
John Deere 4960 MFWD, John Deere 4430, Kubota 6800 MFWD, (2) Parker Grain Carts, John Deere 1760 12R30", JD 714 Disc Chisel, JD 2210 Field Cultivator, Augers, Other Good Farm Machinery, Farm Support Items

August 23, 2023
Bidding Begins: ... Aug. 16, 2023
Starts Closing: ... August 23, 2023
Nerstrand, MN
ONLINE ONLY PERSONAL PROPERTY AUCTION FOR THE OLSON ESTATE
(3) 1936 Ford Pickups, Red Wing Stoneware, Scandinavian Rosmalding Items, Antique Furniture, Collectibles, Modern & Antique Furniture, Lawn & Garden Items, 160 Gallon Sprayer, Log Splitter, Fuel Tank, Hand & Power Tools and More

August 28, 2023
Bidding Begins: ... Aug. 19, 2023
Starts Closing: ... August 28, 2023
Wells, MN
ONLINE ONLY FARM RETIREMENT AUCTION FOR CRAIG & JANELL SCHULTZ
John Deere 9670STS Combine, 893, 635, JD 8230 & 8100 MFWD, JD 2630 Display & Globes, JD 1770, JD 235, JD 3010, Brent 644 Wagon, J&M Cart, Wilrich 957 Ripper, Fast Sprayer, Farm Support Equipment

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Machinery, Garden Tractor & ATV
JD 115 Stalk Chopper, 15'; Kewance 1175 Rock Flex Disc, 22.5'; Unverferth 30' Head Trailer; Gehl 125 Mixer Mill, Hyd. Drive; Peter 13"x120" Swing Hopper Auger; JD 7200, 12R30", Dry Fert, 20/20 Seed Sense & Precision Plant Units; JD 2800 Plow, 6 Bottom, Vari-Width, On-Land, 75 Acres on Rebuild; JD 7000, 8R30"; Liquid Fert., Precision Plant Update, Rebuilt; Donahue Imp. Trailer; JD 1445 Dsl, 72" Front Deck, 4x4, ROPS; IHC 782 Dsl, 54" Deck, 42" Snowblower, 42" Blade; *05 AC 400 ATV, 4x4, 827 Miles; Storage Containers: 40', 10', 8'; Work Benches, Skid Loader Attachments, Power & Hand Tools

Grain Trailers, Semi's, Pickups, Grain Handling
*16 Wilson DWH-650 Tri Axle Hopper Grain Trailer, 49'x72"x96", Super Singles, Tarp, Vibrator; *14 Wilson DWH-550 Tri Axle Hopper Grain Trailer, 47'x72"x96", 24.5" Tires, Tarp, Vibrator; *81 Timpte 40' Hopper Grain Trailer, Tarp; *Unverferth 7250 Grain Cart, 1000 PTO; *99 Independent 35'x96" Hopper Grain Trailer, Tarp; *89 Timpte Hopper Grain Trailer, 42'; *04 IH 9400 Day Cab, 10sp, Air Ride, 22.5, Cat C13; *94 Mack CH613, Factory Day Cab, 779,069 Miles, 9sp, E-7, Wet Kit; *79 Freightliner, 855 Cummins, 21' Obeco Box & Hoist, 13sp, Tandem Axle w/Tag; *81 Mack R Model, 13sp, Twin Screw, 16' Box & Hoist, Tarp; *96 Mack Day Cab Semi, 350hp, 9sp; *03 Chevy 2500 Duramax, 4x4, 5th Wheel, Many New Parts; (5) Chevy 1 Ton, 1/2 Ton, 3/4 Ton Pickups; Ext. Cab & Crew Cab; *89 Kenworth Day Cab Semi; Westfield MK 13"x91' Swing Hopper Auger; DMC Air System 1700, 5" Lock, 40hp 3 Phase, 400' of 5" Pipe; JD 643 6R30" Corn Head; Farm King 8"x31' Auger

Farm Tractors & JD High Crops
*93 AGCO White 6125 2WD, 18sp PS, 3 Hyd., PTO, 124hp; JD 4020 High Crop, Side Console, Synchro, 3pt., Fenders, ROPS, SN T233R2520086R; JD G High Crop, Restored, Power Trol, Electric Start, SN 48122; JD A High Crop, Restored, Electric Start, Power Trol; IHC 1066, Weights, Fenders, PTO, 3 Pt., Open Station; Ford 601 Work Master, 3pt., PTO; Case 1070 Diesel, 5506 Hrs, 18.4x38, 3pt., PTO; JD 40-W Utility, 3pt., Gas; Farmall B, NF, Gas, Belt Pulley

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Saturday Schedule of Events

- 8-11a.m. **All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast** Hosted by Nerstrand-Dennison Fire Dept., and Dennison Community Church \$12 for adults, \$5 for kids 12 & under, 3 & under FREE. Includes pancakes, eggs, sausage, coffee, juice, milk. Under Mainstreet tent.
- 7:30 a.m. **Sign Up for Clutchmen Truck & Tractor Pull at Pull Site**
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- Classic Car Show on Mainstreet** Presented by Clutchmen Car Club
Trophies at 1:00p.m. Contact Steve King 612-968-9547 or email: kingpin1876@gmail.com
- 8:30a.m. **Euchure at Fireside Lounge** For information, contact Jen Eggum 507-649-0602
- 9a.m. **Truck & Tractor Pull Begins on the Hill**, sign up begins at 7:30a.m.
- 10a.m. **Cow Milking Contest** Main Street, hosted by David Flom Dairy
- 11a.m. **Food Stands Open**
Joel Stenhaug & Jim Tracy Memorial Horseshoe Tournament in City Park Presented by the Dennison Lions
Kids Bingo Under the tent. Presented by Dennison Lions. Ages 3-11.
- 12:30p.m. **Parade Downtown - A Kiddie Parade Leads Off Main Parade** (Ages 12 & Under)
\$100.00 Prize for Best Parade Entry! Sign up at 12:00 p.m. South Mainstreet. Contact Diane at 612-532-0268
- 1-3p.m. **Kids Carnival** Presented by Darwin & Lori Amy and Randolph FFA students
- 1-4p.m. **625 Bar & Grill Foosball Tournament** Sign up at 625 or call 507-782-9061
Live Music at 625 Bar & Grill
- 1:30p.m. **Road Rally** (Line up South side of Elevator) Prizes! Hosted by Dennison Lions Club. Contact Tim at 507-581-6218
- 2p.m. **Kids Pedal Pull on Mainstreet (At Mainstreet intersection)** Sign up begins at 1:30p.m.
- 3:30p.m. **Purse & Gift Card Bingo Under Mainstreet Tent** Presented by Dennison Lions & Fireside Lounge
- 5p.m. **Game Show TBD**
- 7:30p.m.-12a.m. **Live Music from "WRECKLESS" on Mainstreet Stage** 18+ event. No Cover Charge. 21 to drink.
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What Is Your Soul Calling



By Susan Hinrichsen, CHC, CLC, MC

Over the last few articles, we talked about how science is now finding that we are more than what we have been told about who we are and what we are capable of doing and/or accomplishing in our lives. The research in quantum science is showing that our health and wellness is more than just diet. That our thoughts, feelings, and emotions contribute to our health and that everything is connected, and you are connected to everything.

We live in a world that is rushing around, scrambling to get our kids to school, get to work, driving through construction, watching the clock, all to get to work on time. Whether it is an office job, or a service job, we live under stress and pressure every day of our life. This stress and pressure builds up within our body and this in turn makes our body work harder and expend more energy to rejuvenate

our cells while sleeping. Some people may not sleep very well and that compounds the ability of your body to do its job of healing and rejuvenating.

Since the pandemic, everything in our lives has turned upside down, and this has brought to the surface, along with the stress and pressure, fear. Everything around us has a narrative of fear built into it. Fear of our economic system, fear of our place in society, fear of the future, fear of the past or change, fear of what humanity has been through and fear of what is next. Our lives are wrapped in fear. Society has been conditioned to believe we are insignificant, powerless, and helpless, and that there is nothing significant about life, but life is creation at its finest and it is divine. We were not designed to live in fear, nor were we designed to be separate from one another. Fear can be paralyzing to the point where you don't even associate together that the issues you may be having around things, experiences, change, your career, relationships and the environment have been almost normalized into our daily lives.

During these post-pandemic months, people are now finding that they have an inner drive or push and are feeling they should be doing something different in their life, career, or for others. They have an inner knowing that there is more they are supposed to accomplish. I call this a "soul calling." Maybe you know what it is that you want to do or have an idea about it, or maybe you are not sure. This "soul calling" is very strong. As you start to look for the answers you come across something, a video, a podcast, a per-

son, an article that brings a spark of light into your heart. You follow along and want to make a change or a move forward, but you don't do anything. You sit and contemplate. You feel you have good reasons for not doing what it is you want to do but yet you are still having that "soul calling" that says do it, or just try it. Fear stops you from moving forward because it requires you to "do" something different or to "be" something different, and this is frightening. We start to think of ourselves as not worthy of being more. "Who would want to hear what I have to say, I'm a nobody?" "Who would want what I have created or want to create?" We start to have thoughts that say we do not have what it takes, we are not enough of a mom, or artist, to do, or be, what our soul is calling us to create. I want to encourage you to follow your "soul calling" even if it is baby steps. You can create, and be anything in this life that you want, you just have to believe you can. ("Where your thoughts go, energy flows," past article.)

If you look at your limiting beliefs and figure out what they are, what holds you back from being the best version of you, these beliefs usually have something to do with love, safety or belonging. These limiting beliefs can also be beliefs of others that you have accepted as your own, maybe they came from our parents, or an experience you had when you were a child and could also be subconscious beliefs.

The more we look within ourselves we will find the answers to what we need to know.

The more we look within, the more we can find who we really are and what we know to be true of ourselves. By answering the question of "who am I," enables a person to stand in their own sovereignty no matter what comes their way. I am not saying it is going to be easy, but you will be able to stand in your own truth and knowing.

We live in a time that is evolving and expanding at a fast pace and this is difficult to process and understand. The better we know ourselves the more empowered we feel, and by feeling more empowered, we become even more clear of who we are. The more you are in alignment with who you are and your beliefs about life and yourself, the healthier you become and the more joy you have in your life. Right now, the world is shifting into a new age and needs YOU and everything that you have to offer. You are the bridging generation for the new generation because you are living in both generations. "You" are important!

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Dennison Days Set for August 4 & 5

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Check out Darianns Bio at www.darriannleigh.com.

Saturday morning brings the Pancke & Egg Breakfast hosted by the Nerstrand-Dennison Fire Department and Dennison Lutheran Community Church under the tent.

City Wide Garage sales are also part of the days events. Just look around for the signs.

The Classic Car Show hosted by the Clutchmen Club will again be on main street across from the Fireside.

Other activities include Euchre, which will

be at The Fireside Lounge this year, and the Truck and Tractor Pull on on the north side of town. The 5 K Run/Walk returns this year. Participants can sign up after 7 AM and be a part of a fun activity to help raise funds for the Dennison Community Lutheran Church and their outreach programs. The race kicks off at 8.

For participating runners, a Free Breakfast is included that you may enjoy before or after the run. The Cow Milking Contest is at 10 AM, and this years special guests will be announced soon. Kids Bingo will begin about 11 under the big tent.

The Dennison Days Parade is at 12:30 PM, with a \$100 Prize for Best Float.

Afternoon events include a foosball tournament hosted by the 625 Bar and Grill, and the return of The Road Rally at 1:30. The kids pedal pull will take place after the parade at 2pm.

Gift Card and Purse Bingo under the big top at 3:30 PM, And the yet to be determined Game Sow at 5 PM

Again this year is FREE Saturday EVENING ENTERTAINMENT under the Mainstreet tent, with Variety Bank Wreckless taking the stage. (www.wrecklessband.com)

Remember to get your Raffle Tickets as well for your chance at the \$500.00 Grand Prize. Raffle Tickets are Available at Heritage Bank, Dennison Depot, Fireside Lounge, 625 Bar & Grill, or any Lions Club Member

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Tim Penny
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Imagine being a kid in a small town in Minnesota who, more than anything, wants to dive into the city pool with their friends to escape the summer heat – but their family cannot afford the pool pass. This very situation is what prompted the Wabasha Kellogg Area Community Foundation (WKACF) to start offering free pool passes for all area youth.

This initiative kept the pool open, created a space for children to play in the summer and it provided an opportunity for locals to give back to their community. This is just one of many examples of why Community Foundations are a key ingredient to small town growth and vibrancy.

At Southern Minnesota Initiative Foundation (SMIF), Community Foundations are one of the cornerstones of our Community Vitality focus area. SMIF supports 31 Community Foundations – from St. James and Montgomery to Preston and Pine Island – by providing the administrative and 501(c)(3) infrastructure. Additionally, SMIF provides the volunteer boards with training opportunities and is always on hand to answer questions and guide them as they work toward meeting their philanthropic goals. Over the years, SMIF has also contributed more than \$894,061 in matching grants to these foundations.

The free pool pass project that WKACF supports is one of many projects that SMIF's Community Foundations have invested in over the years. Many memorable and unique local festivals count on foundation funds. For example, the Lanesboro Area Community Foundation provided grants to Buffalo Bill Days and Rhubarb Fest recently, as well as funding for several artistic opportunities in

their community for music, artist demonstrations, and a grant to the public school for visual arts classes.

The Harmony Area Community Foundation supports a summer initiative of “No Child Left Inside”. Several grants were given recently to help provide activities to local youth at no cost. During the annual Canton Day Off Event, kids will have the chance to explore a state-of-the-art obstacle course of inflatables with a progressive agility course. Harmony has also contributed greatly to one of the first Splash Pads in our region. They continue to add to it as an inclusive place for families to cool down on hot days. These are only a few examples of the many ways that our foundations are enhancing the joy of summer.

In addition to summer fun, our foundations have helped fund food shelves, Veteran's memorials, downtown enhancement projects, farmers' markets and annual scholarship programs. During the early days of the pandemic, Community Foundations became a vessel for supporting local businesses and organizations. The versatility of these foundations allow them to leverage resources wisely to respond to the unique needs of their town. Author of Boomtown USA, Jack Shultz, said it best – community funds are one of the keys to small town success. The 31 Community Foundations under SMIF's umbrella have invested \$6.8 million into their communities since the program began



in 1991.

Community Foundations provide a platform for individuals, families and businesses to make meaningful contributions that directly impact their communities. By fostering a culture of giving, these foundations instill a sense of ownership and pride, empowering residents to shape their own future. I encourage you to look up your nearest Community Foundation at smifoundation.org/community-foundations.

Contact Andi Arnold, SMIF's Community Foundation Coordinator, at andia@smifoundation.org or 507.456.5593 with questions about this program.

As always, I welcome your comments and questions. You can reach me at timp@smifoundation.org or 507-455-3215.

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Hampton City Council Meeting June 13, 2023

The Hampton City Council met on Tuesday, June 13, 2023 at the Hampton City Hall for the regular scheduled meeting. Present were Mayor John Knetter; Council Members Cindy Flodeen, David Luhring, and Nick Russell. Also present was Brad Fisher of Bolton & Menk, Mike Slavik, District 1 Commissioner for Dakota County, Melissa Timm, Neil Hoadley, Marlin Reinardy, and Chris Meyer, City Treasurer.

Regular Meeting called to Order - Mayor Knetter called the Regular Scheduled Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Disclosure of Interest – None

Approval of the May 9, 2023 Regular Scheduled Meeting Minutes – Motion by Luhring seconded by Flodeen to approve the May 9, 2023 regular scheduled meeting minutes. All voted in favor. None opposed. Motion passed 4:0.

Approval of Disbursements – Motion by Flodeen seconded by Russell to approve the May disbursements. All voted in favor. None opposed. Motion passed 4:0.

Public Comment:

Mike Slavik, District 1 Commissioner for Dakota County, was in attendance and asked Council if he could provide an update of recent County events. Slavik reported that there is an open house scheduled for tomorrow evening in Randolph for the CTH 88 reconstruction project. Slavik reviewed the anticipated schedule for completion of the project.

The Minnesota Legislative session was mentioned by Slavik. He reported that there will be a 1% sales tax increase for Dakota County and the rest of the 7-county metro area. The purpose of the increase is for housing project needs. The increase will generate approximately \$1.1 - \$1.2 billion in Dakota County. Of that, approximately \$300,000 will be available for housing needs in Dakota County. Slavik mentioned that the state budget mainly benefits needs at the state level. There is very little that will trickle down for that of county needs.

The final item referenced by Slavik was an Open House Meeting that will be held in the back-meeting room at Celt's Pub in Farmington on June 27th at 7:00 pm. The purpose of the meeting is to present a proposal to allow for the County to add 3 additional Sheriff Deputies to improve public safety response time and to have an adequate number of deputies to meet the demand needs in the Sheriff's Patrol area.

Also, in attendance was Neil Hoadley, who asked if the street sign at Water St. and Sun Valley Lane could be moved so that he has better access to his property. Mayor Knetter stated that the City would take a look at Hoadley's proposed location for the sign.

Petitions, Requests, and Communications – Repairs to dry air scrubber at the Main St. lift station – Marlin Reinardy – Marlin Reinardy, former Water/Sewer Superintendent, stated that the air scrubber at the Main St. lift station was installed 5 years ago. Currently, there are neighbors who have reported an odor coming from the lift station. It has been determined that the system's filtering media needs to be replaced. The cost is \$4,100, plus shipping. Installation will be done by the City. Motion by Luhring seconded by Russell to approve purchasing the dry air scrubber filtering media replacement. All voted in favor. None opposed. Motion passed 4:0.

Reports of Officers, Boards, and Committees:

Engineer's Report – Brad Fisher of Bolton

& Menk began by reporting on the Frontage Road Turnback Agreement. Hampton Township approved the Joint Resolution at their last meeting. The remaining work is to record the Joint Resolution with the state. Any costs associated with the filing will be split between the City and the Township. Fisher reported on his recent communication with the DOT regarding the timeline of when the mill and overlay of the frontage road will be done. The mill and overlay is scheduled to be completed in 2023. However, because of the location of the batch plant that was erected for the purpose of working on the Highway 52 reconstruction project, the City has concerns about the frontage road mill and overlay project being done in 2023 because trucks will be hauling on the frontage road during reconstruction of Highway 52 for the remainder of the construction season in 2023, and in 2024. Discussion with Council regarding their preference for when they would like to have the mill and overlay project done.

The consensus of Council is that the mill and overlay should be done in 2024 because of the volume of hauling yet to be done on the frontage road both in 2023 and 2024.

Fisher asked Council if the traffic situation in the City has improved since changes were made with regard to signage and traffic control. Council agreed that there has been improvement. Fisher mentioned that Stage 2 of the Highway 52 project will begin in mid-July.

The second item reported on by Fisher was the 2023 Pavement Maintenance Project. This was discussed at the May City Council meeting; however, it was tabled to allow time for the City Treasurer to do an analysis of the City's cash accounts, and the potential availability of funding for the project to be done in 2023. Chris Meyer, City Treasurer, submitted a report to Council and Fisher, summarizing his analysis, with the final result indicating that the City does have enough cash available to fund the pavement maintenance project to be done in 2023. In his report, Fisher again summarized work that had been done by himself and Cory Bienfang to assess the current condition of the pavement on streets in the Heights of Hampton. Additionally, Fisher provided the cost summary that had also been reviewed at the May Council meeting. Discussion. After discussion by Council, it was decided to push off the mill and overlay project until next year, so that the City may benefit from more competitive bidding in the spring. Fisher stated that he will move forward with preparing a construction plan by year-end and beginning the bidding process in early 2024. Councilor Luhring stated that he had reached out to the spray patching company used in the past and expects to receive a quote by the end of the week.

The next item on Fisher's list was the Dakota County Maintenance Facility Conditional Use Permit (CUP). Dakota County met with City staff to discuss updates to the Maintenance Facility plans for which the CUP was approved in the fall of 2021. The proposed changes are significant enough to require an amendment of the CUP that was previously approved. The plan is to bring the CUP amendment application to the June Planning Commission meeting for their recommendation, which would then be considered by Council at their July meeting.

The final item brought up by Fisher was the Water St. Lift Station Back-up Generator Project. A great deal of site work has recently been completed. Work will continue, including restoration of turf areas, ahead of the generator delivery and installation later this year.

Pay Application 2 invoice was submitted by Killmer and included in the claims list for payment.

Mayor Knetter recognized a Dakota County Deputy in attendance at the meeting and asked if he had anything to report. The Deputy stated that there were issues with traffic because of the Highway 52 construction project detours, along with people crashing into traffic control barricades. As far as criminal activity, there have been some calls, but nothing too terrible.

Water / Sewer Report – Marlin Reinardy reported on the sonar imaging of the sewer ponds that will assess the wastewater sludge levels. The service is no longer available from the organization he originally spoke to about it. He contacted a company named Team Lab that will charge \$600.00 to do one pond and \$400.00 to do a second pond. It is Reinardy's recommendation that the sonar imaging be done on all 3 of the sewer ponds to get a good baseline for determining future chemical treatment needs. Mayor Knetter stated that he agreed with Reinardy. Knetter mentioned that the sonar imaging of the ponds does not need a motion, as there was a motion to proceed with obtaining the service at a previous Council meeting.

The second item Reinardy mentioned was in regard to the lead pipe inventory project that the City will need to have completed by the fall of 2024. Reinardy mentioned that there is a free 6-hour course in Howard Lake, MN on June 22nd that he would like to attend in order to learn more about the requirements to complete the inventory. Reinardy stated that, if he will be doing the inventory, he wants to get it done before he leaves for Arizona in the fall. Mayor Knetter stated that he thinks it is a good idea for Reinardy to attend the training. Discussion about doing the inventory in-house or outsourcing. Brad Fisher mentioned that there will be grant funding available for this. He said he will know more about the grant funding next month.

Park Report – Councilor Russell reported that there are signs of emerald ash borer damaging trees in the park. He is currently seeking tree removal estimates. At last month's Council meeting Mayor Knetter mentioned that he has been contacted by residents who are concerned about trees along Main St. that are causing damage to the roadway, so the tree removal estimates are for the trees in the parks and also 3 clusters of trees along Main St. The trees at the ballfield will be taken care of after the season is over. Russell stated that he would contact the DNR to get their opinion about options for replacement trees. Mayor Knetter suggested that Russell also get some input from the folks associated with the Hampton Cardinals.

Russell also mentioned that he will be getting quotes for replacing wood chips in the parks. As far as the tennis courts, there are some cracks that need some attention. Russell is also shopping for a bench to be placed at the tennis courts.

Street Report – Councilor Luhring stated that anything regarding the streets has already been discussed.

Ordinances and Resolutions:

Resolution 2023-08 – Approving a donation to the City of Hampton. Mayor Knetter stated that this was a donation from Mark and Julie Peine, who donated a used (like new) commode for the men's restroom at the ballfield. Motion by Luhring seconded by Flodeen to approve the donation. All voted in favor. None opposed. Motion passed 4:0.

Unfinished Business – 2023 Pavement

Maintenance Project – This was covered earlier under the Engineer's Report.

New Business:

Liquor License Renewal – Roundup and Meric's - Motion by Luhring seconded by Russell to approve the liquor license renewals. All voted in favor. None opposed. Motion passed 4:0.

Gambling/Temporary On-Sale Liquor License for St. Mathias Fun Fest - Motion by Russell seconded by Flodeen to approve the gambling/temporary on-sale liquor license for the St. Mathias Fun Fest. All voted in favor. None opposed. Motion passed 4:0.

Quotes/proposals for tree removal on Main Street – Mayor Knetter mentioned that he had requested a quote from one other tree removal service. The owner of that business had been out-of-town and unable to get the quote to Knetter prior to tonight's meeting. - Motion by Luhring seconded by Russell to approve the quote that is most beneficial to the City for the tree removal, pending receipt of the quote from the 4th tree removal service company. All voted in favor. None opposed. Motion passed 4:0.

Outsourcing utility locates – Mayor Knetter stated that, because of the Highway 52 reconstruction project, there have been many more locate requests than average this year. Because he and Josh work full-time, they are unable to keep up with all of the locate requests. The City requested fee information from several companies who provide this service. Only one company responded with the requested information, and that quote was in the amount of over \$10,000 per year. Marlin Reinardy has agreed to resume the duty of doing the utility locates for the City during the months when he is not in Arizona.

City Ordinances regarding parking on City streets – Mayor Knetter stated that this was put on the agenda because of a discussion that occurred under Public Comments at last month's Council meeting. It was felt that Council needed to review the City's Parking Regulations Ordinances to ensure that they properly address problems that have been occurring on the City's streets. Knetter mentioned that one of the problems that he recently addressed was the individual who was repairing cars that were parked on Water St. He said that it took him some time, and several discussions with the apartment building owner, until the issue was finally resolved. The building owner allowed the resident to work on the vehicles in his private parking area on the property.

Discussion. Knetter and Councilor Luhring said they reviewed the Ordinances and feel that they fully cover the issues that Council agreed are important for all residents. Luhring commented that the problem is not the Ordinances, but enforcement of those Ordinances. Discussion among Council and those in attendance about problems with people being parked on both sides of a street and emergency vehicles being able to get through.

Knetter stated that he didn't think this was a problem, as he is a member of the fire department, and he knows he could drive a truck through a street, even if cars are parked on both sides of the street. It was again stated by Council that the Ordinances are sufficient; that the problem is one of enforcement.

Discussion continued about parking enforcement officers or community service officers who are residents, but have the authority to direct residents who are in violation of parking ordinances to stop what they are doing.

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Hampton City Council Meeting

June 13, 2023

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Adjournment – Motion Flodeen seconded by Russell to adjourn the meeting. All voted in favor. None opposed. Motion passed 4:0. The meeting adjourned at 8:07 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Judy O'Brien, City Clerk

City of Randolph Regular Council Meeting June 14, 2023

The regular Randolph City Council meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Marie Jacob.

Roll Call

Present were Mayor Marie Jacob, Council Members Jacob Friedrich, Todd Carlock and Tony Price, Treasurer Sandy Nicolai and Clerk Mary Haro.

Also, in attendance from LeVander, Gillen & Miller legal counsel, Korine Land and Greta Bjorkman, and Bolton & Menk engineer, Matt Blazer.

Approval of Agenda

We will add Bryce Pressnall to the agenda. Motion to approve the agenda with the addition of the water report was made by Friedrich, seconded by Haro. All voting in favor, none opposed, motion passed 5:0

Public Comments

Dakota County Commissioner Mike Slavik discussed with us the need for additional deputies to be hired. He talked about how the other districts such as Lakeville, Eagan, Apple Valley, etc. indicate that they all pay for their own police departments but they are asking what they are paying for the rural areas since this is on the general taxes. They formed a subcommittee to find ways to be fair and equitable and it was found that 95% of the cost of the patrol areas serving the rural area are being paid for by cities who do not receive these services. Some solution and guidance would be: 1) fairness; 2) to be safe and protecting the rural area and 3) we do not want to have this conversation again. There will be a meeting on June 27 at Celt's to discuss current public safety needs in the patrol area, staffing strategies to meet them successfully and options to help pay for them. They would like to have a representative from each city and township in attendance.

He discussed the Dakota911 center and that every city pays for their own 911 calls and the county pays for all of the 911 calls in the rural areas. The county would spread out the cost share over a five-year period which would be at a cost of approximately \$21-22 per person.

We would pay 20% for the first year and increase the amounts over the next five years. With this cost sharing they would add a representative on the 911 board for the rural cities and townships. Also, this would allow the county to add 3 new deputies.

We will have a representative at the meeting and will discuss this later during our meeting. Minutes

A motion to approve the May 10, 2023 regular council meeting minutes was made by Friedrich, seconded by Jacob. All voting in favor, none opposed, motion passed 5:0.

A motion to approve the special minutes from June 2, 2023 was made by Price, seconded by Friedrich. All voting in favor, none opposed, motion passed 5:0.

Approval of Treasurer Report and Payment of Bills

Sandy updated the bank account balances using the previous year budgets. It was noted that the park fund is negative but noted that

all of the gambling funds we receive from the fire department are to go into that account.

Sandy also noted that she will pay Tony Price for the special meeting with next month's bills.

There was a question regarding the invoice for mowing which was thought to be \$640 per month but the contract indicates \$160 per week or \$640 per month.

Motion to approve the payment of bills as presented was made by Jacob, and seconded by Haro. All voting in favor, none opposed, motion passed 4:0. Friedrich abstained from vote due to the fact that he purchased supplies in the amount of \$343.30 to fill potholes and submitted it for payment but he only submitted the invoice for supplies and not his time.

Old Business: None

New Business

Bryce Pressnall – Water Tower

Bryce received a phone call from the water tower that there was a Zone 5 problem. Apparently, the breaker head tripped so there was no power so he called an electrician (McGrath Electrical) who came immediately. He noted that the tank was about half full so it was not an immediate problem but still needed to be dealt with quickly.

Bryce noted it was the VFP control which turns the pumps on and off. He didn't know at first what caused it but was later told there was a power surge in the city and this may have been the cause of it. McGrath told him that a surge will affect the VFP control. The VFP is junk and "we are babysitting it". We have a controller that is old school and because of COVID we are having trouble getting the parts. A soft start was put in to get it working. It was noted that this may be covered by insurance and we should check on that.

It was asked if there is a surge protector in the panel and Bryce didn't know if there is one but indicated that is important that there needs to be one. It was also asked if we can just put a meter starter which would be less expensive and more reliable. Bryce also noted another item is we should update or replace the Small Call (that is what calls Bryce when there is a problem). It is a 1970's model and batteries are corroded so they can't be replaced. It still works at the present time but he's does not know how much longer it will continue to work. Bryce will look into this and keep us updated. Matt asked that Bryce reach out to him as he would like to see the lift station on the same system and to have Bryce also get the call for it as a backup person.

Denial of Variance

Eric and Michelle Brochman had applied for a variance for their garage last month and the public hearing was held but during the discussion it was noted that he would meet the setbacks since he moved the building to the east therefore did not need a variance so we denied his request.

A motion to deny the variance application of Eric and Michelle Brochman and approve Resolution 23-09 Adopting Findings of Fact and Reasons for Denial for the Variance Request for a Setback from the side yard for the property located at 4315 292nd Street East, Randolph, Minnesota, was made by Friedrich, seconded by Carlock. All voting in favor, none opposed, motion passed 5:0.

Lot Split for Acre Real Estate Holdings, LLC

Acre Real Estate Holdings, LLC asked for approval for the land that they purchased and recently had rezoned to limited industrial be split into two separate parcels. We see no

reason to deny the request.

Motion by Friedrich to approve the lot split and Resolution No. 23-10 Approving the Property Split of Dakota County Parcel Id. No. 32-00500-51-020 in Randolph, Minnesota, seconded by Carlock. All voting in favor, none opposed, motion passed 5:0.

Dakota County Easement Acquisition

The City owns several parcels of land along County Road 88 to which Dakota County will need an easement for the construction and utilities for those parcels for the county road project.

Motion to approve all of the Easement Agreements was made by Friedrich, seconded Carlock. All voting in favor, none opposed, motion passed 5:0.

Motion to approve the Settlement Agreement with Dakota County in the amount of \$34,708.55 was made by Jacob, seconded by Friedrich. All voting in favor, none opposed, motion passed 5:0.

City Ordinances

We have been working on revising and updating our city codes since last Fall. Our counsel prepared a Frequently Asked Questions page which will be put on our website. We updated our zoning codes and zoning map. Mayor Jacob opened the public hearing at 7:47 p.m. on our zoning ordinances for questions and public comment. It was asked what is the process to change the zoning on a property once this is approve. They would have to have a public hearing and it we would decide if it fits into our comprehensive plan. We would make a decision based on the legalities. Our comprehensive plan is updated every 10 years and our 2040 Comprehensive Plan was just approved in September 2022. Being no further comments or questions, the public hearing was closed.

Motion to approve Ordinance 23-02 Repealing and Replacing the Randolph City Code and Zoning Map was made by Friedrich, seconded by Jacob. All voting in favor, none opposed, motion passed 5:0.

Motion to approve Resolution 23-11 Appointing Individuals to Positions Consistent with the new City Code was made by Friedrich, seconded by Jacob. All voting in favor, none opposed, motion passed 5:0.

Our legal counsel recommended that since the new Adult Cannabis law has passed that we have the ability to adopt a moratorium effective until January 1, 2025 which is when they will start the licensing process for retailers.

This will give us time to figure out what is happening. If there is a sufficient number of retailers registered in the county the quota may be filled so we won't have to approve one. \$500 is the maximum that will be allowed to be charged. We could set a public hearing to adopt a moratorium. Korine will send Mary the information to do this.

Bolton & Menk Sewer Update

The first construction newsletter went out. They also had an open house tonight and it was a very good turnout. They also did an email blast for the open house meeting so if you are signed up for that you should have received one. Once construction starts you will see them more frequently. They are typically sent out on Friday. John Andres is with Bolton & Menk and he will be on site every day during the project. We will start to see equipment being delivered and they will be putting up road closure signs. They are coordinating with the fire department so they are able to get their equipment out or moved when needed.

Lastly, the last contract was through the final design, so they have a proposal for their services for the construction phase. This pro-

posal is for 2023 through 2024, which includes surveying, material testing that has to be done, as-built survey - after the construction is done, the project closeout, and the funding draws - they will fill out the paperwork (this is not reimbursable from the bond). The amendment is for \$705,756 and it will take us through the project.

The land is in the court process as the eminent domain petition has been filed. We will ownership on August 28, 2023. We have possession of the land on that date. We will have to deposit the money for the land with the court in mid-August.

It was asked talked about the temporary water lines and how the billing the residences during this time since they will not be hooked up through the meters. It was indicated that it is usually billed at last years rate during the same time period.

Motion for an Amendment to the original Bolton & Menk contract in the amount of \$705,756 was made by Jacob, seconded by Haro. All voting in favor, none opposed, motion passed 5:0.

Council Reports

Tony asked about hooking up to the sewer if you don't have a failed system. Is there anything in the ordinances if you sell a home that you would have to hook up to it. If it passes inspection, you do not have to hook up to it but you are can if you want to. Any new developments will have to hook up to it as long as the system is available to them.

It was noted that the AC is not working in City Hall. Clerk Haro is working on getting this repaired. We should look at the cost and she if it should be replaced.

Friedrich talked about the potholes on 290th Street and asked if there were any other areas that needed to be filled.

Mayor Jacob talked Sam about mowing and he indicated that since it is so dry, he recommends not mowing at this time as it will wreck the grass. At this time, we recommended that he mow around the fence at the holding pond. Marie will talk to him about mowing that.

Clerk Haro indicated that she talked to the Otte's and asked that they mow inside the holding pond. She also asked about the lot next to Reed that the school owns and Marie indicated that she will talk to Mr. Kelley about getting it mowed.

Marie indicated that she thanked the teachers for the mulch project that was done. The teachers said to keep in mind any projects for next year that they could work on. They would like to stay in the community.

It was noted that someone has a rooster in town. Apparently, it was a senior prank but we need to talk to the person to tell them they are not allowed and that they need to move it out of city limits.

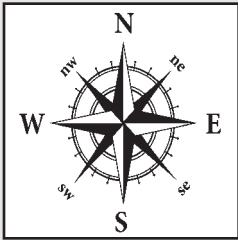
Mayor Jacob indicated she will volunteer to attend the meeting regarding the public safety concerns at Celt's on June 27th. If we have more than two attend, then we need to post it. Councilmember Friedrich indicated that he will also attend.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Jacob, seconded by Friedrich, the meeting was adjourned at 8:49 p.m. All voting in favor, none opposed, motion passed 5:0.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Haro

Changes in Latitudes, Changes in Attitudes Model Rockets



By Terry Campbell

This column is written by Messenger editor and Minnesota native Terry Campbell.

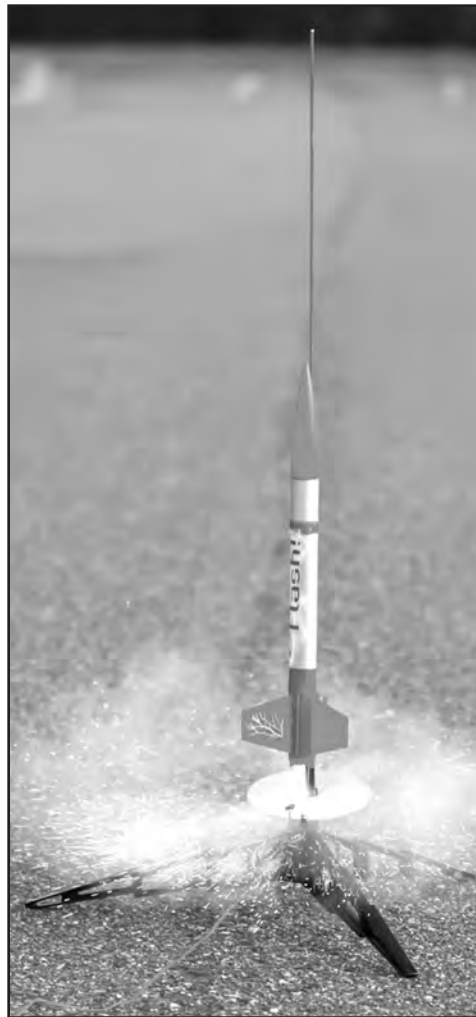
Terry now splits his time between Minnesota when it's warm here and Tennessee when it's cold here.

Most of us who grew up in the 50's and 60's were fascinated with rockets. From the sci-fi shows and movies, to JFK promising to put a man on the moon, it seemed like such an exciting future.

Somewhere in the late 50's model rockets became popular. They consisted of a cardboard tube and a dry fuel rocket engine. A balsa wood nose cone at the top and three or four fins on the base that you could paint to look really cool. The nose cone was attached to the main rocket body and a parachute. When the rocket engine was done burning it would ignite a charge that blew the nose cone off and a parachute allowed it to float back to earth gracefully. In theory you could repack the chute, replace the spent engine and launch it again for hours of fun. That was the point where, theory and practice parted ways.

My friend Jim Engvall was the first I remember to get into model rockets. One day in Mr. Wavra's science class we all hiked out to the football field and set up the rocket launcher. It was a textbook launch. A lantern battery was connected to the launch button and the launch pad. A small gauge wire was folded in half and inserted into the rocket engines with alligator clamps to energize the ignitor. A second or two after the launch button was pressed a flame shot out of the tail of the rocket and away it went. Straight up until it flamed out, and then a poof of smoke and the chute deployed. It slowly drifted back to earth. Unfortunately, there was a strong wind out of the west a few hundred feet above terra firma and we all watched the rocket come back to earth and disappear somewhere to the east of the rail road tracks, at least a half mile from where we were standing. Mitch Frederick and I got permission to take the next hour, which was our study hall, to go looking for the wayward rocket. We never found it but we did get to skip an hour of school, so that was a definite plus for us.

I was hooked so I ordered some model rocket kits and engines from Estes Model Rocket company in Colorado. They had a great catalog of every style of rocket one could imagine. This was the year of the moon landing and they sold a great Saturn V rocket, complete with three stages. At halftime during a bowl game at the Houston Astrodome on December 31, 1969 they launched one of



these in front of a sold-out college football crowd. It was perfect, the rocket performed flawlessly and deployed the chute right under the top of the dome, slowly returning to earth buoyed by the parachute.

My mother wasn't quite as keen to the idea of me launching rockets though. I built and painted the rockets and stored them in my bedroom. Most of my rockets were single use, never surviving their maiden flight. I recall we found one hanging from a tree in the wood while we were squirrel hunting in the fall. My mom finally told me I had to store the rocket engines outside in the farm shop. I guess she had trepidation about me storing rocket fuel in my bedroom.

So, one day my friend Gary Runner was over and we were thinking up things to do for fun. Launching a rocket seemed like the thing to do. We thought if we launched it out in the field, we could avoid any trees on re-entry. But we discovered that model rocket engines were sensitive to humidity in the farm shop and the little lantern battery would not ignite the engine. So, I got the John Deere with a 24volt battery system and enough amps to fry anything. We stuck a 17gauge electric fence wire into the engine and connected directly to the tractor battery terminals. Model rocket engines which have been impacted by moisture do not burn as uniformly as intended and when that bird took off it was not tracking the way I expected. In fact, before it got fifty feet in the air the rocket made an arc and headed back toward us like a boomerang. Gary and I dove for cover. The rocket hit the dirt and burned out before our eyes. My space dreams were crushed and I figured it would be safer if I stuck with farming.

A Minnesotan: Fireworks



By RosaLin Alcoser

Fireworks are my favorite part of the 4th of July celebration. The large burst of glittering colorful explosions soaring up into the sky are always breathtaking; and extremely loud.

I've watched fireworks displays in a couple of different ways over the years. I've had years where we've watched them go off over the lake. One where they were set off on the porch while we were on that same porch. And others where I saw the whole display through the lens of my camera which was a lot less exciting than watching them without looking through the small viewfinder.

Back when I lived in southern Missouri I

was able to watch fireworks while driving home. Mainly because unlike Minnesota Missouri has much looser laws around fireworks. Meaning that people in the city could just set off as many of whatever kind that they wanted off in their yards; including some that if seen in Minnesota would have come from Wisconsin.

Driving through people setting off fireworks left and right is both really cool and really scary at the same time. It's amazing because you're just surrounded by a massive display of explosions causing the sky to be constantly lit by colorful sparks. Which is also scary because you are surrounded by a massive display of explosions that can make it hard to drive as the sky is in a constant state of being blindingly bright then suddenly dark for half a second. This is an experience that I have only ever experienced in Missouri.

The last two years I have watched the fireworks from my Twin Cities apartment which is definitely a different experience. Mainly due to there being far less on official fireworks displays going on in the middle of a Minnesota city then there are in the middle of one in Missouri. There were a couple of people setting them off at home far off in the distance that I could kind of see from my window and a couple glimpse from the official displays in the park.



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- THEME: INDEPENDENCE DAY
- ACROSS
1. Kind of illusion
 6. Perched
 9. Island near Java
 13. Old West pack animal
 14. False statement
 15. Opposite of atonal
 16. Hailing from the East
 17. Supply with weapons
 18. "___ death do us part"
 19. *Frank
 21. *Popular celebratory get-together
 23. Many, many years
 24. Scott Hamilton's "court"
 25. Gross National Product
 28. Abundant
 30. Bantoid language
 35. Bakery unit
 37. Cutlass maker
 39. Two in eighteen
 40. Milk's favorite cookie
 41. Muslim ruler honorific
 43. Hyperbolic sine
 44. Iranian money, pl.
 46. Nancy Sinatra's boots
 47. Fill to satisfaction
 48. *Certain Doodle
 50. Argo's propellers
 52. Feather glue
 53. Give temporarily
 55. Porridge grain
 57. *Roman firework
 60. *The Star-Spangled Banner"
 63. Opposite of neo-
 64. Glass margin
 66. Continental money, pl.
 68. Opposite of #17 Across
 69. Go for the gold
 70. "Silas Marner" author
 71. Mexican money
 72. Not yang
 73. Down and out
- DOWN
1. ___ constrictor, anagram
 2. Word on a door
 3. Duet plus one
 4. Angry
 5. Large California bird
 6. Smelting waste
 7. Stuff of inflation
 8. Adagio and allegro, e.g.
 9. German city on Rhine river
 10. Con
 11. Not of the cloth
 12. Down with a bug
 15. ___ someone ___ bed
 20. Satirical publication, with The
 22. Calligrapher's purchase
 24. *From the ___ forest to the Gulf Stream waters"
 25. *Old ___
 26. Waterwheel
 27. Hymn of praise
 29. *Popular decoration
 31. *"Rockin' in the USA" band
 32. Certain church member
 33. Yiddish busybody
 34. Theater guide
 36. Kind of rock
 38. Heroic tale
 42. B on Mendeleev's table
 45. "Where ___ is heard a discouraging word..."
 49. Sushi restaurant staple
 51. Shiny cotton
 54. High-strung
 56. Car rack manufacturer
 57. Charlie Chaplin's prop
 58. "Oh, my!"
 59. Agrippina's slayer
 60. "I'll second that"
 61. Great Lake
 62. State of mind
 63. One in a litter
 65. *King George ___
 67. Farm structure

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