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Senior Festival Hymn Sing

A Senior Festival Hymn Sing is planned for Thursday, October 26 at Faith Community Church of West Concord. The program will begin at 2:00 pm with dessert to follow. Sing the old familiar hymns, enjoy instrumental music, a devotional, and more. Faith Community Church is an accessible facility on one level. The church is located at 305 State Street North (Hwy 56) in West Concord.

Family Fun Night

Family Fun Night will be held on Wednesday November 1st at Faith Community Church in West Concord.

Supper will be served at 6:15 p.m. followed by fun, games, music & more. The fast-paced evening is designed to serve the entire family and concludes at 7:45 p.m. The nursery will be available.

These fun nights are planned for the first Wednesday of each month, starting in October and running through May. Family Fun Nights allow families to eat, play, and learn together. Mark your calendars now and plan to join us.

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West Concord Hootenanny

By Cheri Roshon

Join us for the 4th Annual Hootenanny in West Concord on October 28th. All the fun you need, right on Main Street!

Our schedule is as follows:

WesCon Breakfast Specials from 7 am to 10:30 am. Lunch specials and bowling start at 11 am.

Specials at the Farm Store from 10am to 4pm

Activities at the library from 10am to noon
Bean Bag sign up at 11 am, play at noon.

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Dodge County Dairy Princess Chosen as State Finalist



a 90 pound block of butter at the Minnesota state fair.

Makenzie is the daughter of Eric and Angie Alberts of Pine Island and a seventh-generation dairy farmer. The family milks about five hundred Holsteins at the Pine Shelter Farms.

This year celebrated the 70th Princess Kay of the Milky Way, the pageant for the dairy industry representatives. Each year young women with dairy farm backgrounds are chosen in each county to be spokespersons for the products.

Makenzie Alberts of Dodge County advanced to the state competition and on August 24th was named runner up in the Princess Kay pageant. Emma Kuball of Waterville was crowned Princess Kay. On August 28th, Mackenzie had her image carved in

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Mercy Meals event to be held in West Concord

The citizens of West Concord and surrounding communities are invited to help put together Mercy Meals for an Orphan Grain Train/Mercy Meal packaging event on Saturday, November 18, 2023. The Mission of Mercy Meals is to fight world hunger and reverse the effects of malnutrition. 795 million people in the world today are undernourished.



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MUST DO's

By Pastor Dave Breederland
Faith Community Church
of West Concord

At this time of year, there are a lot of “must do” things. Farmers work long hours gathering their harvest. Then they have their post-harvest machinery clean up, repair, and storage. Other folks realize they “must do” something about their leaves, yard, garden, and flowers. With winter looming on a cloudy horizon, the lawn mower must be winterized, the boat put in storage, new tires ordered before the snow flies, and the snow blower started. For still others, cutting and splitting wood for their wood burners is now a high priority on their “must do” list.

A “must do” list is not new. It varies from season to season. Yet a careful reading of the Gospel of Luke reveals that even Jesus had a “must do” list. The motif of what Jesus “must” do is strong in the Gospel of Luke. For example, see Luke 4:43; 9:22; 13:33; 17:25; 24:7, 44. (And that’s just for what Jesus must do. There are many verses detailing what we must do in Luke, but those will have to wait for another article someday.)

For Jesus, his “must do” helped him with his priorities. He had lots of people clamoring for his attention. The religious leaders of the day often disagreed with what Jesus said and did. They wanted him to change, to conform to their ways. At the temptation of Jesus (see Luke 4), the Devil tried to divert Jesus from God’s plan. Growing up, my fa-

ther often told me to “Plan your work and work your plan.” Jesus’ work was planned by his Father, and he did it. We can be thankful for that. “Jesus said, I have brought you glory on earth by finishing the work you gave me to do.” (John 17:4 NIV)

Jesus also stated, “The Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests and the teachers of the law, and he must be killed and on the third day be raised to life” (Luke 9:22 NIV). How many of us would like that to be on our “must do” list? Jesus knew what was ahead of him and in faithful obedience completed his mission, preparing the way for our redemption, our forgiveness, our adoption, our sanctification, our glorification, and much more.

The “must do” of Jesus was part of God’s plan of love for the world. He sent Jesus to earth on a mission. Jesus completed that mission of his Father, and because of that invites us to believe in him, i.e., Jesus. Too often, we think we have to “do” something for our salvation, for our deliverance. So, we throw ourselves into good activities, religious rites, trying to have our good outweigh our bad, and more. Yet those things won’t get us into heaven, it is only by the gracious work of Jesus on our behalf and our commitment to him that will get us there. As the hymn writer stated, “Jesus paid it all, all to him I owe.”

This fall, with all the things on your “must do” list, take some time to reflect and rejoice on Jesus’ redemptive work on the cross.

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Moses and Monsters

“I [Wisdom] was there . . . when [God] gave the sea its boundary so the waters would not overstep his command.” — Proverbs 8:27-29

Historically Moses, directed by God, is understood to be the writer of the first five books of the Bible. Growing up as part of the royal family in Egypt, Moses (a Hebrew child adopted by the king’s daughter—Exodus 2) would have been taught many myths about the origin of the world. An old Mesopotamian myth, for example, held that Marduk, a warrior god, fought against Tiamat, a monster ruling the chaotic sea. Marduk defeated Tiamat and brought order out of chaos.

Now, let’s look at Genesis 1 again. We see powerful waters, but they are not described as a god or a monster; they are simply a part of the world God is creating. God tells the waters where they can go and where they cannot go. (See also Proverbs 8:12-31.) Moses shows that the true God is in control of all things.

In myths about creation there is always uncertainty about whether a people’s gods can hold back the forces of chaos. The ancient Egyptians, for example, believed that their sun god Ra had to descend into the underworld every night to defeat the great serpent Apophis, or else the ordered world would be destroyed.

But in the Genesis story, God creates and makes peace not through battle but with a word. No other force or would-be god is there; creation has only one true Lord.

Lord and God, we praise you that no force in heaven or on earth has power over you, and that you hold all things in your hands. Amen.

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West Concord Fireman's Breakfast



OBITUARY

Lois S. Boe

Lois S. Boe, 83, beloved wife and mother, of West Concord, died Thursday October 12, 2023 and will never be forgotten.

She was born December 5, 1939 in Kenyon to Herman and Emma (Neseth) Sahl.

She married Arlo Boe July 23, 1957 in Kenyon, MN.

From 1960 until 1977, she and her husband, Arlo, operated the West Concord Nursery and Greenhouse. From 1977 until 2004, they operated Concord Restoration.

She has felt at home at Medford Senior Care in Medford, MN this past year.

Lois was a fun, bubbly soul, who lived her life out loud. She believed having a laugh a day was the way to a wonderful life. She and her husband were very active in many antique auto associations, in particular the Pierce-Arrow Society. They traveled to many antique car meets and had a lot of fun along the way. She also was active in her community and Trinity Lutheran church plus was a member of the Red Hat Society.

She is survived by her son, Jeff (and DeAnn) Boe, Daughter Rachel (and Dan) Lewis, grandsons, Jacob (and Eliza) Boe, Brandon Richey, Evan Richey, Drew Ian Richey, Ryan Lewis and Eric Lewis, granddaughter, Jordyn Boe (and Riley), great granddaughter Quinn Richey and great grandson Isaac Richey, brothers and sisters, Merty Boe, Marilyn Boe, Bill Leonelli, Ervin and Susie Boe, Stanley and Tammy Boe, Gregg and Margie Albert, Jim and Zoa Heckman, Along with nieces and nephews, Steve and Tracy Boe, Deanna Boe and Rachel Zakariasen, Norma and Rob Radtke, Chuck Rice, Ana Boe, Karla Boe, Kris Boe, Kari and Matt Swigerd, Amy and Ron Flicek, Joan and Travis Boerner, Marty and Angie Leonelli, Michael and Johanna Leonelli, Pam and Scott Severson, Jon and Amy Boe, Lyle Boe, Adam and Megan Boe, Jason and Gwen Boe, Heidi Boe, Sarah Buchel, Tim and Holly Albert, Alexis and Andrew Blaugh, Joshua and Angie Heckman, Amber and Chris Pucci, Jordan and Sarah Heckman, Cheryl and Jim Bischoff. Marla Manley, Doug and Patricia Sahl. Including all their wonderful children: Remembering Aunt Lois!

She was preceded in death by her husband Arlo Boe and daughter Pauline Boe-Richey, Peter and Signora Boe, Art Boe, Burt Boe, Liz Leonelli, Susan Boe.

Funeral Services including visitation will be held on Saturday October 21, 2023 at Trinity Lutheran Church in West Concord, MN. Visitation will be held at 1:00 pm and the Service will begin at 2:00 pm. Interment will be in the Concord Cemetery in Concord MN. The Church will have the Funeral on their live feed from their website for the people who cannot attend.

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Mercy Meals

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To date, Mercy Meal volunteers have packaged 8,077,522 meals which have been distributed to 19 countries as well as places within the United States such as local food pantries, disaster relief sites, and the Navajo Indian Nation. One hour of volunteer time can feed a child for an entire year! Developed by nutrition scientists, these highly nutritious, wellbalanced meals provide a source of easily digestible protein, carbohydrates, and vitamins needed to reverse malnutrition.

Mercy Meals food products are made up of 4 dry ingredients that are easily packaged (rice, dried vegetables, soy flakes, & dried chicken flavoring) and need only boiling water to prepare. The cost per package, which



provides a meal for one person is about 17 cents. Volunteers will provide the labor to package and vacuum seal each meal. This event will take place at the West Concord Historical Society building from 8:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m. and is open to all ages and organizations to volunteer. Through this one simple event, by giving of our time and talents, we can make a difference in other people's lives and develop an appreciation for the blessings in our own lives!



Sign up at: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C084AACA82BA2F8C61-45052569-mercy>. The event is being sponsored by Trinity Lutheran Church of West Concord, Faith Community Church of West Concord, and Concord Church of Christ along with assistance from the West Concord Historical Society and the City of West Concord. We are asking for donations to assist in purchasing the raw materials used to prepare the meals. The goal is to raise \$4,000 for the event, which will provide 24,000 individual meals. Monetary donations

may be dropped off at any of the local churches listed above, as well as the West Concord City Hall. Cash or check only. If giving by check, please make your check out to "MN Southern Orphan Grain Train". All who donate by check will be sent a tax-deductible receipt from the Orphan Grain Train Organization. Questions may be directed to: Mark Ellingsen, West Concord Orphan Grain Train/Mercy Meal event coordinator, at 507-251-3547 or Shari Ellingsen at 507-251-4246.

Dodge County Dairy Princess Chosen as State Finalist

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Makenzie is a sophomore at South Dakota State University where she is pursuing a dual major in agricultural communication and leadership and a minor in dairy industry. She is a 2022 Pine Island graduate and this is her first year as a dairy princess. She has been active in 4-H and FFA and just finished her position as Minnesota state FFA secretary.

Makenzie started showing calves as a novice in 4-H and grew to love showing cattle at the fair. In high school she joined FFA and continued to be involved in agricultural activities. She fed calves on the family farm, helped with herd management, takes turns at one of the three times a day 7-hour milking shifts and drives tractor hauling forage in from the fields during harvest. Her mother was on the Dodge County Dairy board and she remembers wanting to be a dairy princess since she was a young girl.

This summer she will be working on the family farm and taking part in representing the dairy industry at events like Breakfast on the Farm and the Dodge County Fair. The week before the Minnesota State Fair will be the most exciting time when one of the ten finalists will vie to be chosen as the 2023 Princess Kay of the Milky Way.

Her favorite memories were growing up on the close-knit family farm with her cousins and doing fun things like sliding down the bunker plastic as kids. Now she helps to fill the bunker and throw tires on the plastic.

After college she plans to follow a career in a company involved in the dairy industry and help educate the public about how dairy products get to the table.



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That's the Latest Weather



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.

The old adage is that everyone talks about the weather but nobody does anything about it. Well if I may, let me talk about it here. I was thinking about this as I was reading the latest weather statistics as to how hot September was and how dry the summer was. Early October saw the Twin Cities high tem-

perature hit the warmest October temperature ever recorded. Many of us, having grown up on a farm or in a small rural community, always were aware of the weather. In my era, when they talk about the drought this year, I instantly recall years like 1975/76, 1980 and 1988 as some of those similar years where rain was in short supply.

We also recall the winters where it snowed more than normal or it was colder than normal. My dad always would bring up the year of 1936. He grew up north of the Twin Cities around Braham. The winter of early 1936 was brutal. He said for them on the farm that year, it never got above zero for 6 weeks. I'm not sure the records would indicate that but if it did get above zero, it wasn't by much. Then the summer of 1936 was one for the record books. It was very hot and dry throughout that summer. The dustbowl years were in the 30's and it came to Minnesota big-time in '36'.

I remember two 3-day blizzards quite vividly. One was in March, 1971. My classmate Joel Sackett and I were headed to the Eubank farm south of Old Town as there was a party for some girls from Renville who were visiting West Concord High School for a few days. There was going to be a get together at the Eubank farm hosted by Joyce Eubank. Joel and I decided we were going to

get there one way or another. The blizzard was just starting when Joel came to our farm to pick me up. We head east of West Concord and took the Caryl Bringgold road south to get to the Eubank's place. As we head south down the Bringgold road, we could barely see as the drifts were pretty high from all the previous snow we had that winter and the wind made the snow fall sideways. Joel told me to stick my head out the window so I could keep him away from the edge of the road. Somehow I was able to do that until we had a bit of a clearing.

We finally made it to Eubanks in what turned out to be a two-night slumber party. Me and Joel and 6 girls stuck in a three day blizzard. Even if I wasn't a weather nerd, I would remember this snowstorm. We were hoping this blizzard was at least a 5 day event but I'm not sure Mrs. Eubank was thrilled at that prospect. We had a great time and by Sunday afternoon, the wind and snow had let up enough that a snowplow could make its way down the township road. Turns out the snowplow was the Concord Township snowplow driven by my dad with Ed Roberts as his wingman. I told my dad on the phone that Saturday night that there was no hurry for them to plow the road to the Eubanks place. I was thinking of all the Concord Township residents that wanted their road plowed first. But no, by midafternoon Sunday, they had plowed township roads all the way to Eubanks. I think they actually did a part of Milton Township roads to get there. Joel and I did some shoveling to get vehicles unstuck in the farmyard and then we had to leave. In the summer of 71, Joel and I made a visit to Renville to visit with all the girls who we had a slumber party with in March. There was no weather event that made us stay extra-long. Darn the luck!

The other 3-day blizzard I remember quite vividly was in January, 1975. I was living in Waseca at the time as I was working at KOWO radio. I call it the 'Super Blizzard' as it was the weekend that the Vikings were

playing the Steelers in the Super Bowl. I was doing the morning shift on weekends on the radio. That Saturday morning, I was the only one who could get to the radio station as I only lived one block away. I always enjoyed being on the air when storms were happening as we had a captive audience who wanted to know what was going on. We had so many businesses calling in to say they were closed that I decided that we would only take calls from places that were open. It took much less time to go through that list on the air. There were like 4 places open. 3 gas stations and 1 bar. That was the Horseshoe Bar which coincidentally was within walking distance from where I lived even in a blizzard.

There was one hot early October back in 1975 as we finished off a dry year. It was around the 8th or 9th of October and it hit 88° during the soybean harvest. I remember unloading soybeans, auguring them into the old hog house. It was so hot that I was working on a tan shirtless, shoveling soybeans in the heat. Needless to say and much like this year, jacket weather came back in a day or two as temps returned to the 50's and any tan I got unloading soybeans quickly faded. And that's why we talk about the weather, it will bring back memories, some good that make you smile and some you're glad you don't have to go through them again.

West Concord Hootenanny

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The rest of the events are held from 11am to 2:30pm:

- Trunk or Treat
- Trick or Treat with the farm animals Hay bale climb and Corn Pit
- Hay Rides
- Bouncy House
- Craft and Vendor Fair
- Hair Color and Face Paint
- Carnival Games
- Music by Rockin' HEP Cats noon to 3 pm
- And last but not least, Costume Contest at 3 pm

Come out and experience all this fun for yourself, and bring the whole family!

4th Annual Halloween Hootenanny

West Concord, MN

October 28th, 2023

- Breakfast at Wescon Lanes 7-1030, Lunch and Bowling Specials starting at 11
- Specials at The Farm Store from 10-4
- Activities at the Library 10-Noon
- Trick or Treat with the Farm Animals from 11-230
- Trunk or Treat 11-230
- Hay Rides 11-230
- Bounce House 11-230
- Craft and Vendor Fair 11-230
- Carnival Games 11-230
- Hair Color and Face Paint 11-230
- Bean Bag Tournament - sign up at 11, start at noon
- Music by Rockin' HEP Cats 12-3
- Costume Contest at 3pm

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West Concord City Council Meeting Minutes August 17, 2023

Meeting was held at the City of West Concord's Bell Tower Center

PRESENT: Mayor Jeffrey McCool, Councilmember Christina Peterson, and Councilmember Crystal Nielsen.

(Arrived at 7:00 pm)

ABSENT: Councilmember Jeffrey Burse and Councilmember Collin Ripley

ALSO PRESENT: Administrator Cory Hinz, City Clerk-Treasurer Lauren Highfill, Accounting Clerk Michelle Lee, Police Chief Shannon Boerner, and Library Director Heather Frederick,

CONSENT AGENDA

• Approve City Council Meeting Minutes from July 13, 2023

• Approval of Payment of Claims dated 07-19-2023 in the amount of \$1,358.94

• Approval of Payment of Claims dated 07-20-2023 in the amount of \$145,993.43

• Approval of Payment of Claims dated 07-21-2023 in the amount of \$46,654.75

• Approval of Payment of Claims dated 07-21-2023 in the amount of \$18,232.71

• Approval of Payment of Claims dated 07-25-2023 in the amount of \$640.00

• Approval of Payment of Claims dated 07-25-2023 in the amount of \$16,700.67

• Approval of Payment of Claims dated 08-11-2023 in the amount of \$714.21

• Approval of Payment of Claims dated 08-15-2023 in the amount of \$46,052.10

• Resignation Letter from City Administrator Cory Hinz (August 11, 2023)

• Approve Personnel Committee Minutes of August 17, 2023

Administrator Cory Hinz spoke on behalf of the city regarding the Personnel Committee's decision. According to the approved minutes, the City Personnel Committee recommended an interim City Administrator for the City Council Meetings, Budget Meetings, and Personnel Committee Meetings starting Tuesday, September 12, 2023, through the successful hiring process of the new City of West Concord Administrator.

MOTION: Motion to approve consent agenda.

Motion was made by Councilmember Crystal Nielsen, seconded by Councilmember Christina Peterson.

Ayes: Mayor Jeffrey McCool, Councilmember Crystal Nielsen, Councilmember Christina Peterson

Nays: None

CITY BUSINESS

MOTION TO APPROVE CITY OF WEST CONCORD INSURANCE POLICY AND PREMIUMS FOR 2024: PRESENTED BY JEFF STEVENSON, STEVENSON INSURANCE, INC.

Jeff Stevenson, from Stevenson Insurance Inc., presented the 2024 City of West Concord Insurance Policy and Premiums to the City Council. The presentation included Liability Coverage, Workers' Compensation Plan, and the recommendation to select 'DOES NOT WAIVE' limits for the League of Minnesota Cities Liability Coverage Waiver Form. Overall, there is a rate increase of roughly twenty-five percent. The 2023 cost of the package was estimated at \$35,000, and

the 2024 cost is estimated at \$44,000. Jeff Stevenson will work on breaking these premiums down by department to present at a future meeting. Jeff Stevenson will also discuss the Tort Reform at the next meeting.

Motion to approve the 2024 City of West Concord Insurance Plan presented by Jeff Stevenson, Steven Insurance, Inc.

MOTION: Motion to approve Insurance proposal.

Motion was made by Councilmember Christina Peterson, seconded by Councilmember Krystal Nielsen.

Ayes: Mayor Jeffrey McCool, Councilmember Crystal Nielsen, Councilmember Christina Peterson

Nays: None

PRESENTATION OF THE 2022-2023 WEST CONCORD HISTORICAL SOCIETY ANNUAL GAMBLING REPORT: PRESENTED BY JEFF BUROW, GAMBLING MANAGER FOR THE WEST CONCORD HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Jeff Burrow, Gambling Manager for the West Concord Historical Society, presented an overview of the Annual Gambling Report and the future gaming legislation to the City Council. Jeff Burrow pays 15% of the net proceeds; West Concord Historical Society Rents are presented monthly at the Council meeting. Based on new legislation, the State of Minnesota will give game producers guidelines to ensure gambling follows state legislation. Jeff Burrow will keep the city updated on these changes and how this will affect city gambling operations.

Informational Item

PRESENTATION OF THE 2024 CITY OF WEST CONCORD UTILITY AND STREET RECONSTRUCTION FEASIBILITY REPORT, PRESENTED BY JOE PALEN, STANTEC

The City Engineer, Joe Palen of Stantec, will present an Overview, Cost Summary, and Timeline of the 2024 City of West Concord Utility and Street Reconstruction Feasibility Report.

Stantec recommended that the 2024 Utility and Street Reconstruction be completed as presented within the Feasibility Report, assuming the city wished to proceed with any portion or all of the proposed improvements. The estimated project cost for the Irvin and Second Street Utility and Street Reconstruction project is \$1,699,198.69. If the City wishes to adjust the project costs, the proposed project area targeted for reconstruction can be modified.

If the City Council wishes to construct any of the Municipal Liquor Store parking lots and Alley improvement in 2024, Stantec recommended they be combined with the 2024 Utility and Street Reconstruction to achieve better construction pricing. The estimated project cost of the Municipal Liquor Store parking Lot and Alley improvement totaled \$119,775.50.

If the City Council wishes to construct any portion of the 5th Street Residential Development in 2024, Stantec recommends combining the selected portions of the 5th Street Residential Development with the 2024 Utility and Street Reconstruction to achieve better construction pricing. The estimated project cost of the 5th Street Residential De-

velopment (Phases 1, 2 and 2A) totaled \$669,839.21. The costs for Phase 1, Phase 2 and Phase 2A are outlined in the following table from the 5th Street and 7th Street Residential Development Feasibility Report. The city has the option of completing only Phase 1 or Phase 2A or some combination of the proposed phases in conjunction with the 2024 Utility and Street Reconstruction Improvements.

Stantec recommended that the City meet with its financial consultant to review options and develop a financial program for these reconstruction and development projects. The Council and Staff need to determine what portions of the project costs are to be recovered through assessments, and if they wish to consider modifying the 2024 Utility and Street Reconstruction project assessment calculations to be more consistent with the 2020 assessment rates.

If the City chooses to follow its current assessment policy for the Irvin and Second Street Utility and Street Reconstruction Improvements, the total assessment to benefiting property owners is estimated to be \$495,831.09, which is approximately 29.2% of the total estimated \$1,699,198.69 project costs. Because of the characteristics of the street reconstruction improvement footprint, recent construction cost inflation, and the number of corners lots included in the project area, the estimated assessment rate for street improvements and drain tile connections are unusually high. As a result, the Council may want to consider reducing the assessment rate to something that is more fair and equitable and is more in line with the assessments levied for the 2020 Utility Improvements.

If the City Council wishes to reduce the proposed 2024 Utility and Street Reconstruction assessment rates for the street reconstruction and drain tile connections, the city could reduce the percentage of the cost that it would assess for both items from 50% to 35% or even 33%. Reducing the percentage of the costs to be assessed for street improvements and drain tile connections to benefiting property owners to 35% would reduce the proposed assessments to rates for both items as noted in Table 5 in the Feasibility Report. The estimated street improvements and drain tile connections assessment rates in Table 5 of the Feasibility Report are consistent with West Concord's 2020 assessment rates adjusted by a 5% annual inflation factor for the four years between 2020 and 2024. If this methodology is used, the total estimated amount to be assessed to benefit property owners totals \$370,663.14, which is approximately 21.8% of the total estimated \$1,699,198.69 project costs.

A project schedule was provided in the back of the Feasibility Report for planning purposes. The project schedule was reviewed at the Council meeting and included important events and timelines needed to advance the project.

Informational Item

2023 CITY OF WEST CONCORD BEAUTIFICATION INITIATIVE – POLICE CHIEF

The City of West Concord Police Chief, Shannon Boerner, presented the monthly 2023 Beautification Update.

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Christmas in West Concord
Saturday, December 2nd

Baskets are needed for the annual Silent Auction at West Concord's Community Christmas Celebration.
Bring the baskets to City Hall.
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REPORT OF OFFICERS

REPORT FROM CITY ADMINISTRATOR

The City Administrator presented the July 2023 Rent from West Concord Historical Society: \$2,298.90 and the Municipal Liquor On & Off Sale Monthly Report. The Muni did well over Survival Days, and revenues were brought in at \$37,750.

This will help to offset future costs. The City's budget target will be reached shortly, and as a result, the current manager will cover some of the employment hours and reduce expenses.

The Mayor thanked the Administrator for his service to the City.

REPORT FROM WEST CONCORD LIBRARIAN

The library director was present to discuss current programming at the Public Library. The Rad Zoo was a hit, and the summer read-

ing program ended with a summer Reading party with an attendance of roughly twenty-five residents. The first annual game night will be held August 25, 2023, and the library received multiple donations of games for the event. A book club will begin in the Fall, and a Saturday and Evening option will be available. Based on Council recommendation the director reached out to the non-profit 'Let's Smile Inc' out of Owatonna, and they are willing to come and do a presentation about oral hygiene at the library. The Director also met with the Dodge County Library Directors. They working to set a meeting with the county Commissioner to discuss future funding for a 3-5-year period rather than evaluating yearly. Unfortunately, funding is down \$7,947.00 from the previous year, and the Library Director's goal is to get the library back on track with funding for the future. A dividend of \$1,258.46 was received from SELCO for the FY2023 year, which is based on the net lending activity for interlibrary loans. In the future, all library board meet-

ings will be open to the public. The board will determine the library budget each year to be presented to the City Council for approval. Meetings will be announced on the bulletin board at the City Hall, and meeting minutes will be posted on the City Website following each board meeting.

REPORT FROM WEST CONCORD PUBLIC WORKS

Keith Clammer explained the need to remove infected trees from Irvin Street. The Council agreed the plan was in the best interest of the City.

REPORT FROM PEOPLE SERVICES Informational Item

REPORT FROM WEST CONCORD POLICE CHIEF

The Chief of Police, Shannon Boerner, was present to discuss the need for the City to enact a Moratorium on Cannabis in the City of West Concord until the Office of Cannabis Management and the State of Minnesota have more time to develop policies surrounding the new legislation. Many cities have chosen to enact an Interim City Ordinance prohibiting the establishment and operation of any business related to Cannabis growing, manufacturing, or sales. The Chief also explained that the City could enact an ordinance on the use of Cannabis on public property. The Council agreed that the city should go forward with the Moratorium. Currently the Council does not see the need to enact an ordinance on public use. If it becomes problematic the Council will revisit the need to have a public use ordinance.

MOTION: Motion to move forward with

the attorney to create a Moratorium on Cannabis for the City of West Concord and for the City Clerk to schedule a public hearing when the Moratorium is ready.

Motion was made by Councilmember Crystal Nielsen, seconded by Councilmember Christina Peterson.

Ayes: Mayor Jeffrey McCool, Councilmember Crystal Nielsen, Councilmember Christina Peterson

Nays: None

REPORT FROM FIRE CHIEF

Chief Chad Finne was present to discuss the West Concord Fire Department's need for daytime EMT coverage on the ambulance, Monday through Friday. The Fire department recommends that the city hire two full-time EMTs to staff the ambulance during the weekdays. The Fire Chief also requests that the City provide him with copies of all billings that are related to the Fire Department.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting Adjourned at 9:13pm

MOTION: Motion to Adjourn.

Motion was made by Mayor McCool, seconded by Councilmember Christina Peterson.

Ayes: Mayor Jeffrey McCool, Councilmember Christina Peterson, and Councilmember Crystal Nielsen.

Nays: None

By: _____

Mayor Jeffrey McCool

Attest:

By: _____

Lauren Highfill, City Clerk-Treasurer

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SNOW REMOVAL PERIOD

Notice is hereby given the West Concord Ordinance 1310.11 is now in effect.

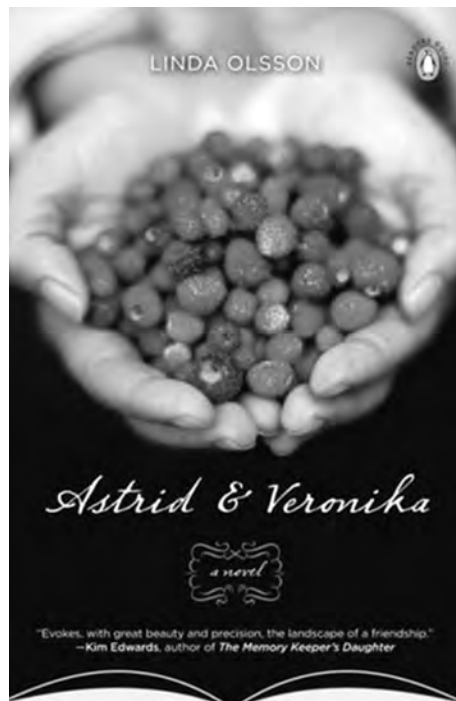
11310.11 Definition. Subdivision 1. A "snow removal period" as used in this subsection means a period of time commencing at the beginning of each snowfall and lasting for 48 hours after a snowfall even if the snow has been removed from city streets.

Subd. 2. Parking prohibition. During a snow removal period, it is unlawful to park or leave a standing vehicle on any street between the hours of 1:00 o'clock a.m. and 6:00 o'clock a.m.

Subd. 3. Public notice. Notice of snow removal period must be published in the official paper each year prior to the snow season. Notice must be posted in the city hall and other available places at the time of publication.


Join us for Book Group at the Library Saturday, November 4 from 9-10am or Wednesday, November 8 from 4-5pm

With extraordinary emotional power, Linda Olsson's stunningly well-crafted debut novel recounts the unusual and unexpected friendship that develops between two women. Veronika, a young writer from New Zealand, rents a house in a small Swedish village as she tries to come to terms with a recent tragedy while also finishing a novel. Her arrival is silently observed by Astrid, an older, reclusive neighbor who slowly becomes a presence in Veronika's life, offering comfort in the form of companionship and lovingly prepared home-cooked meals. Set against a haunting Swedish landscape, *Astrid & Veronika* is a lyrical and meditative novel of love and loss, and a story that will remain with readers long after the characters' secrets are revealed.



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If you or someone you know has had a major crisis, excessive unexpected payments, unemployment, or are just otherwise financially unable to provide for their family this year, we would like to help.

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Applications are available at Casey's General Store, Heritage Bank, and City Hall in West Concord.

Completed applications must be returned to the Caring & Sharing drop box at the West Concord City Hall before November 10th, 2023.

"Angels" with gift suggestions for each child will be available on the City Hall Christmas tree about November 15th, 2023. Please stop in and share the spirit with a contribution.

Ask the Nutritionist



By Noel Aldrich, PhD, CNS
Licensed Nutritionist

In last month's article, I presented the benefits of eating an apple each day. In my clinical practice, I love to present the ways that food can be used as medicine. Nutrition is designed for healing. Nutrition is the original health program. When you recognize what foods will provide the nutrients your body needs, you are on your way to managing your health well.

But where do you start? First, consider the current health symptoms that you are managing. How long have you had these symptoms? Have you considered that your symptoms may be related to what you are eating?

For example, many clients will mention

they have acid reflux. Acid reflux is also called GERD or "heart burn" because of the burning sensation located near the heart, especially following meal time. Many medical doctors will recommend antacids such as TUMS or Rolaids, or will prescribe a medication to reduce stomach acid. However, too much stomach acid is not the problem. Not enough stomach acid is being produced. How can this be?

The problem is with the special muscle that connects your stomach with your esophagus. This muscle squeezes shut when stomach acidity gets high. If the stomach acidity is not high enough, it will resist closing. So the problem is not too much acid in the stomach, but not enough. Additional reasons this muscle may not close properly include: a hiatal hernia, H. pylori infection, obesity, smoking, some medications, and some foods like chocolate, onions, or alcohol, which relax the muscle that is supposed to close.

When prescription medications are taken to stop the production of stomach acid there are side effects. The chemical pathway to make stomach acid will be reduced, and the chemical pathway that makes energy for muscles can also be reduced. The energy pathway is affected by the same medication that slows down stomach acid production. In addition, lower stomach acid will increase the risk of bacterial infections coming through the digestive system. When the digestive system is working well with quality stomach acid then most bacteria are killed in the acidic stom-

ach. A report from 2021 stated a 77% increased risk of dying from COVID infection among those who were taking prescription medication for acid reflux. Your digestion system has great defenses to keep you protected. You do not want to reduce these defenses.

Quality stomach acid is produced from foods that are rich in hydrogen. Fresh fruits and vegetables will provide much of what your body needs. Hydrogen and chloride will combine to make stomach acid that will be effective to digest your food. Good sources of chloride include – sea salt, rye, lettuce, celery, and olives. If you notice an event of acid reflux coming on, eat some stalks of celery, some olives, or drink some celery juice and notice if this resolves the event. If you do improve quickly, you know that your body needs more chloride to produce the necessary stomach acid.

Some additional ways to address acid reflux may include:

- 1 Tablespoon of Apple Cider Vinegar mixed in a large glass of water with a meal
- Eat some sauerkraut or drink some cabbage juice with a meal
- Eat some papaya with a meal
- Eat fresh pineapple with a meal
- Take a digestive enzyme supplement such as Betaine HCl with a meal

As we get older, the body decreases its production of enzymes. Digestive aids from various foods or supplements will help to keep the digestion strong. In order to get all

the nutrients from your food, you need to have quality digestion.

I welcome your questions and enjoy the opportunity to discuss healthy options with those who reach out to me with questions.

If you would like to present a question for a future article please write to:

Dr. Noel Aldrich, P.O. Box 167, Northfield, MN 55057

or send an email to: nutritionproportion@gmail.com

If you would prefer to meet for a personal consultation, you can contact me at nutritionproportion@gmail.com, or check out my website at www.nutritionproportion.net



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Museum Musings



“IS IT FOR ME?”

By Colleen Sathrum Hayne

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A 1954 Bell Telephone ad shows the whole family running when the telephone rang and asking, “Is it for me?” Remember those days? A catastrophe once was caused in my family when a phone call was for my sister, but I answered, and forgot to give her the message. She was supposed to be substitute organist for church that Sunday. The congregation showed up and my family entered the silent church just in time for the service —and at that moment I remembered what I should have told my sister. She had to provide the music that Sunday without any practice.

I think she may have forgiven me by now.

Bell Telephone was founded by Alexander Graham Bell in 1877, the year after he invented the telephone. It merged with AT&T in 1900.

Until 1921 West Concord, like many rural communities, had two competing independent phone companies: The West Concord Farmers Telephone Company and The Mutual Telephone Company. It was not a cost effective situation and very unhandy. If you were a subscriber of one phone company you could not call someone who was a subscriber of the other. The West Concord Enterprise stated this in 1914: “It (the newspaper) sincerely trusts the two telephone companies may be able to get together, and thus allay the feeling that now exists.

We shall treat both companies with perfect fairness, hoping that very soon a satisfactory compromise will be made to adjust the differences.”

We are fortunate to have a vintage Mutual Telephone Directory at the Museum and here are some excerpts from its guide for “How to Use the Telephone.”

- 1) Always obtain the correct number from the Directory before you make a call. If the person you wish to call is not listed in the Directory, call the operator to ascertain the number, as new subscribers are being added daily.
- 2) Please answer your ring promptly; by so doing you will help improve the service.
- 3) Speak directly into the mouth piece.
- 4) Do not use the telephone during thunderstorms as it is dangerous. Central is forbidden to answer calls at such time.
- 5) Please call by number only; the figure 5 indicates one long ring, all other figures indicate short rings, viz. five-one-five A (515A) indicates a long, short, and long ring on the A line.
- 6). Profane and indecent language is strictly forbidden on all lines.

The next item in the guide was about making long distance phone calls, known as Toll Calls back then:

- 7) We have direct connection with toll lines of the Tri-State Telephone and Telegraph Co. and local connections with all surrounding towns. Call Central for Toll rates.

In the Spring of 1921 common sense prevailed. A new phone company, for good reason named the United Telephone Company, brought together the two competing companies. A notarized document from the Minnesota Railroad and Warehouse Commission stated that the Farmers Telephone Co. served 133 town stations and 176 rural stations and the Mutual Telephone Co. served 166 town stations and 284 rural stations. The document also stated that the town plants were “practically duplications of each other” and that the competition and duplication of property had caused both companies to struggle to meet operating expenses, not to mention having insufficient funds for dividends. The final order of the document was that United Telephone Company be authorized to purchase all of the physical property and other assets and liabilities of the two companies. All of West Concord could now communicate with one another.

During the years between the formation of the new telephone company in 1921 and the change-over to Dial Service in 1969 by Minnesota Telephone Company, many improvements were made. These included underground cables in town and all private lines in the city except for 12.

As dial service grew imminent, the West Concord Enterprise lamented what was being lost. Operators like Alma Ross, Martha Frederick, Ida Verness, and Olga Eglund provided service that went well beyond their switchboard jobs. These were common questions asked of the operators: “Will you tell me the number? What time is it? Will you please transfer the long distance call I’m expecting to “such and such” a place? Where was the fire? I’m going to be out of the office for a few minutes.

Here is what a 1934 Bell Telephone ad proclaimed: “Americans get more out of the telephone than any other people in the world. Partly it is because we still have the pioneer qualities. We are restless, sociable, ingenious, enterprising. The telephone is adapted to us and we are adapted to the telephone. There are few persons in this country so isolated that the telephone cannot find them. Your telephone grows in value the more you use it—the more you rely on it to help you through the day’s activities.”

What if we substituted the word cellphone for telephone in the ad? It all sounds very familiar. President Rutherford B. Hayes turned out to be distinctly wrong when he remarked after experiencing his first phone call. “It’s a great invention but who would ever want to use one?” More than 7.2 billion people in the world are using cellphones today and many can’t imagine life without them. Can you?



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The Origins of Halloween

By Cheri Roshon

With Halloween on the horizon, you may be thinking about what kind of a costume will you wear for trick or treating, or for that Halloween Party you are invited to. Or you may be out shopping for candy to give to the trick or treaters coming to your door. But do you ever wonder where the holiday actually originated? Why would people dress up and go out asking for candy, and what does "Trick or Treat" mean when the children all chime in when you answer your door? First of all, if you refuse to give a treat, the kids in the costume will trick you in some way, encouraging you to just give them a treat. I don't know if anyone actually does these tricks, but that's what Trick or Treat means today.

But what is the origin of this bizarre tradition, and why is it held every year on October 31st? Well, you are about to find out! The Halloween tradition was a Celtic tradition, signifying the end of the year's harvest. It was held at a religious celebration called Samhain (SAH-win) where the people of the villages would dress up as goblins, ghouls and other scary things to ward off the ghosts during the harvest.

In the 8th century, Pope Gregory III named Nov. 1 as a time to honor the saints. Soon after, All Saints Day came to incorporate some of the traditions of Samhain. The evening before All Saints Day was known as All Hallows Eve, and later Halloween.

But where do today's traditional Halloween activities come from?

The traditions of carving pumpkins into Jack O' Lanterns originated in Ireland, using turnips instead of pumpkins. As the story goes, it all started with a man called Stingy Jack. Jack was said to have trapped the Devil several times, and would only let him go after the Devil promised not to take him to Hell when he died. But when Jack died, he found that Heaven didn't want his soul either, so he was forced to wander the Earth for all eter-

nity as a ghost. The devil gave Jack a burning lump of coal inside a carved out turnip to light his way. The locals started carving scary faces into their own turnips to scare the evil spirits away.

The festival of Samhain marked the transition from the end of the year (harvest) to the beginning of winter. The Celts believed this was when spirits walked the Earth. Later on, Christian missionaries introduced All Saints Day on Nov 2nd, which started the idea that the living would come into contact with the dead around the same time of the year. In order to keep the evil spirits from terrorizing the Celtic people, they came up with the idea of wearing disguises so the evil spirits wouldn't bother them.

There are several versions of why people dress up and go door to door, but the most popular one says that during the time when the evil spirits came to Earth, people began to put food outside their doors to appease the bad spirits, and the spirits would leave them alone. This evolved into folks dressing up as scary entities and asking for a treat at every home in return for not playing tricks on the household.

Black cats are another symbol of Halloween. Back in the Middle ages, dark felines were considered a symbol of the Devil. It didn't help that, centuries later, accused witches were often found to have cats, black ones in particular. People began to believe that cats were a "witches familiar", supernatural entities that would assist in the practice of dark magic, and the cats and spells have been linked ever since.

The black and orange colors associated with the holiday also trace back to Samhain. Black symbolized the "death" of summer, and orange symbolized the autumn harvest season because of the fall colors.

The game of bobbing for apples has long been associated with Halloween parties, but the origin is actually more rooted in love and romance. The game goes back to a courting ritual that was part of a Roman festival honoring Pomona, the Goddess of agriculture and abundance. The gist was that young men and women would be able to predict their future relationship based on the game, but I haven't been able to find the rules to the



game. When the Romans conquered the British Isles, the Pomona Festival blended with Samhain, and that's why we bob for apples in this day and age!

Lighting candles and bonfires was done to light the way for souls seeking the afterlife, and now most people just burn candles instead of bonfires.

Bats were likely present at the earliest prototype of Halloween celebrations, because large fires were built to keep the bad spirits from interrupting the harvest celebration. Fires attract insects, which in turn attract bats, so seeing bats became a part of the festival. Medieval folklore expanded on the eeriness of bats with a number of superstitions built

around the belief that bats were the harbinger of death. Well, at least for the insects!!

Well, there are more things associated with Halloween, but these are the most common. Now that you have acquired all this new knowledge, be sure to go out and celebrate the end of summer, gardens, and swimming pools, and be prepared for the mittens, boots and coats. There are several Trunk or Treat options for safe trick or treating, and one of them is in Oronoco on October 28th from 11 am to 1 pm. It will be held at the Presbyterian Church at 20 3rd Street SW. There will be a photo booth, a craft/bake sale and lunch available. Be sure to dress up and have some fun, and be safe! Happy Halloween!!

Donations Needed for Veterans

The West Concord American Legion (Post 295) and Auxiliary are sponsoring a collection of items for residents at the Hastings Veterans Home. This place is home to 80 men with mental health and chemical dependency conditions.

Please remember the sacrifice these veterans have made for our country and give generously.

Requested items are: Men's Clothing: sizes Large to 4X includes: coats, hoodies (zip or no zip styles), sweatshirts, sweat pants, and bathrobes. All clothing must be new or gently used. Electrics include: alarm clocks, razors, and power strips.

New Greeting Cards: assortment.

Collection baskets will be placed at the following West Concord businesses until December 2nd: Casey's, City Hall, Colleen's Salon, Ellingson's Drainage, Heritage Bank, and L & D Recycling.



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Windy Willow Farm Adventure

By Cheri Roshon



Where can you find 40 different activities to do in one place, outdoors, and a variety of classes and fun gifts inside? Answer.... 9748 110th St. E, Northfield MN!! I met Colleen and Chad Almen at the Farmers Market in Dennison one windy end of summer day.

They were buying some of my freeze dried candy, and telling me about their newest adventure on their farm, just a few miles away. I was intrigued, as they have some classes coming up that I would love to attend. They asked me if I would be interested in consigning some of my candy, and I said yes! We made a date to get together in a few days so I could see the Windy Willow Adventure, and deliver the goods.

As I drew near to the farm, I began to see structures spread all over the acreage. A giant Corn Hole game stood out, as well as rows of tires, and so many things, you will have to go see it for yourself! There is a large driveway into a parking lot that I found out will eventually be home to craft fairs and Farmer's markets.

The set up is well planned for expansion and new ideas.

This farm has been Colleen's home since she was born. Her family all live close to or on the adjoining properties, so it is a family business right from the beginning. Colleen and Chad have 2 daughters that help keep the



business running smoothly, and of course their 3 year old official Junior Manager, Ruth! Ruth is the daughter of Colleen and Chad's oldest daughter, Kayla Ballstadt, and she is happy to answer your questions! Ashley Almen is also on staff to answer questions and help you find what you are looking for.

Outside you will find many activities to choose from. A few of the 40 different activities are the giant Corn Hole game, Hay rides, a corn maze, and friendly farm animals to visit. There are cows, sheep, goats, turkeys, ducks, pigeons, chickens, rabbits, pheasants and a pig. Colleen's mother used to be in charge of the Children's Barnyard at the Rice County Fair, and Colleen has carried on the tradition at the farm. It's a place where all ages can connect to nature, and have a fun day exploring all kinds of things. It is fun to show the youngsters where their food comes from. I like the sign out front as you come in. The motto is "Bridging the gap between urban and rural areas, through exciting educational fun!" That pretty much says it all!

Indoors you will find a large area with homemade goods, from cookies and bars, muffins and freeze dried candy, to kitchen essentials like towels, scrubbies and dishrags, to paintings, crafts and jewelry. There are pet supplies, hair accessories, coffee mugs, lotion and soaps. Local honey and maple syrup, cheese curds and meat sticks top it all off. And believe me, there is a lot to choose from as a souvenir of your day! There are even farm fresh eggs. On busier days, there is a food truck available, and on the slower days, a hot dog cart and fresh movie style popcorn.

Classes include a Barn Quilt Painting class on Nov 5th, a Paint and Sip on Nov 9th, a DIY wooden Christmas centerpiece on Nov.16th, Porch Pot class on Nov. 30th and Dec. 2nd, and a wreath Building class on Dec 2nd, too. January will be a Pour Your Own Epoxy Charcuterie board, and more to choose from. See The website for more classes and costs

at www.windywillowfarmadventure.com, To contact them with questions about the events, etc, email them at windywillowfarmadventure.com, or call 507-581-9248 to schedule your next event. They have indoor and outdoor spaces for birthday parties, family reunions, church socials, field trips and family fun days. As you can see, they have a little bit of many things for you to enjoy.

As I was walking around the property, taking it all in, I met Cathy Franklund and her family wandering around looking at everything Windy Willow has to offer. I asked her if she had been here before, and she replied, "I've been watching the progress for 2 years, wanting to come and see it all in person. As you come up the road, you get excited because you know it's going to be a lot of fun!" And I could tell the 3 generations were all having a great time on the property. Another lady I talked to said she brings her granddaughter to the farm often.

So, if you are looking for something to do to take advantage of our relatively short beautiful fall season, head over to Windy Willow Farm and see for yourself why once you visit, you will definitely want to go back, time and time again! And tell them Cheri sent you!



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Angie's is a Hit

By Cheri Roshon

Angie Anderson is making a splash on Main Street in Kenyon with a new homestyle restaurant, and a whole lot more! Located at 631 Second Street, next to Tatge's Jewelers in Kenyon, she has revamped a space and made it her own style. She will be open Tuesday through Saturday from 7 am to 8 pm, and Sunday from 8 am to 1 pm.

Angie has worked at a lot of area restaurants in her life, and always knew it was something she wanted to pursue as a career. One of the last places she cooked at was JB's Tavern in Wanamingo. She worked at and co-owned JB's with Barney Nesseth for about 9 years before deciding that she needed a change. That change came when Barney called and wanted a meeting with her, and to her surprise, offered her the opportunity of a lifetime--- a partnership in a restaurant in her home town! She was thrilled, and was off and running, giving the Emerson Building on the main drag of Kenyon a new look. After months of remodeling and a few setbacks, as most businesses encounter, she opened in June of this year with a menu of home cooked delights.

Every day you will find a new special on the sandwich board outside the Restaurant. Staples such as beef or pork commercials, liver and onions, soups and sandwiches, gyros and traditional hot dishes, or as we mid westerners call it-- goulash. Orange chicken and rice, all kinds of burgers, and some traditional appetizers are on the menu, as well as garlic cheese bread.

Since breakfast is Angie's favorite meal to cook, there will be Omelets, pancakes, buttermilk biscuits, sausage and bacon....oh my! My mouth is watering just thinking about all the choices! And just so you know, Angie is a very creative cook, so you will be encouraged to try the new specials, too.

This month, Angie was finally satisfied with her newest addition...PIZZA! She experimented with different crusts and sauces, and as of a few weeks ago, is now offering pizzas with names like Monkey Valley, The Viking, The Knight, Italian Stallion, and many other creative combinations! If you want to know the toppings, come on in and check out the new menu! The pizza can be eaten in or ordered for take out or take and bake. Eventually she wants to have a delivery service as well, so stay tuned for that!

Ok, so if you aren't ready to come in and sample the menu yet, remember I said "and a whole lot more"? Angie's has ice cream! An ice cream counter hosts several flavors to tickle your taste buds as dessert after your meal, a sit down treat, or to take with you. I can't wait to try all the flavors and decide on a favorite or two!

As things evolve and she has the food service running smoothly, Angie has plans for a retail section in the restaurant. She will have freeze dried candies, art from Minnesota locals, greeting cards, hand painted signs with quirky sayings, and other Minnesota crafts. After all, Kenyon needs new places to shop for gifts and souvenirs for our folks "just passing through".

There is a large section in the back of the restaurant for larger gatherings, lunch meetings, and special occasions. If you need a place to host your event, just call (507) 789-1100, and see what Angie offers for your special requests.

When a new business opens, I like to get the opinions of the locals. I met Lorin



Pohlman of Wanamingo reading the sandwich board of specials outside the cafe. I asked him if he had eaten at Angie's yet, and he was happy to share his opinion. "Everything she makes is excellent. I've been trying things I normally wouldn't, but because Angie made it, I try it. The food is awesome, and the service is great, too!" I then wandered into Held Bus Service next door, and found Mac McDonald at the desk. I told him who I am, and asked for his opinion. He said, "Angie's food is always very good, especially the liver and onions! The rest of the food is really good, too!" Next I went into Angie's,

and talked to some of the customers who were enjoying their lunches. When I asked one gentleman if I could take his picture, he asked if he should drool! That pretty much says what he thinks! Then Steve Gappa said, "The food is tremendous. the town really needed this." Gary Schwake chimed in with, "Now if they only had pie!" I strolled around and asked others what they thought, and every person I asked had positive comments, so I am happy to say that I highly recommend that you stop in and check out Angie's for yourself! And tell them Cheri sent you!

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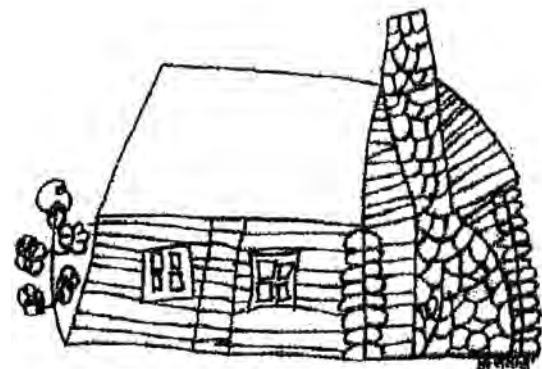
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L to R: Salma Fernandez, Ella Thomas, Danielle Hallaway, Jozey Boe, Lauryn Nauman, Nancy Fernandez (homecoming queen), Kaeden Ellingson (homecoming king), Tyler Gnagey, Graham Christianson, Logan Tufte, Joaquin Lundi, Corey Lilledahl

Congratulations to the Triton homecoming court and the Triton Cobras football team. The Cobras won their homecoming game 29-12 over St. Charles.

Cobra Communications



Craig Schlichting
Superintendent

One of my favorite things about Triton has always been the people that I have met and had the privilege of getting to know. Recently, at a superintendent meeting, we had a presentation from a company that works with schools and has a variety of services that they provide to help support schools. One of the Co-CEO's that was presenting was a former student that I knew from when I first started at Triton almost 30 years ago. When something like that happens, I can't help but smile and think about

all of the amazing students that I have had the opportunity to meet and know during my tenure at Triton Public Schools.

We currently have our entire high school English department composed of former graduates. Even our high school principal is a former graduate. We have a number of folks that work at Triton that are former students. They fill a variety of roles from driving bus, working with our food service, working as administrative assistants, custodians and paraprofessionals. Just about every position in the district has a former student that is working every role. It is always a blessing when we get to hire former graduates. They understand what an amazing school district we have, and are happy to return. I think it says a great deal about how amazing our school district has become over

the years.

I realize that I will retire at some point in my career, but having the opportunity to have worked for our amazing district is something that I am very thankful for. When I started at Triton in the fall of 1993, we were a very new school district and had just started working together to serve the three communities of Claremont, Dodge Center and West Concord. We have seen a number of changes that have taken place over the years, but the one thing that I think has always been a constant is the great people that live and work in our school district. I am thankful that I landed in such an amazing place and have been able to raise my family and work in such a great place with great people. We have a great number of things to be proud of in our school district, but one of my favorite things will always be

the great people that I have had the opportunity to serve as students. Even better is when you run into them unexpectedly and see them doing amazing things with their career.

Please reach out to me with any questions that you may have regarding our school district. You can email me at schlich@triton.k12.mn.us or you can call me at 507-418-7530 to reach me at the district office. I would be happy to set up a time to meet with you or your organization. I believe that communication is an important aspect of my job responsibility, and I welcome the opportunity to learn from your perspective. GO COBRAS!

#WeAreTriton

2023 Triton Homecoming



Triton's 2023 Homecoming Court.

Front Row left to right: Junior MC Salma Fernandez, Ella Thomas, Lauryn Nauman, Queen Nancy Fernandez, Jozey Boe, Dani Hallaway.
Second Row left to right: Junior MC Corey Lilledahl, King Kaeden Ellingson, Tyler Gnagey, Graham Christenson, Logan Tufte, Joaquin Lundi.



Ready..... Set..... GO! Triton's first ever inflatable costume racers entertained the crowd during half-time at the Homecoming football game. The Minion Won!



TRITON CLASS OF 2024



SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

Ameryn Dostal is a senior at Triton this year. Her parents are Genas and Rodney Dostal. She has three brothers, Braedon, Landon and Daegan and one sister, Sabryn. She is a member of SADD, MHS and Link Crew.

Ameryn is also active in soccer and track and field.

Outside of school she likes lifting, going to sports events, working at American Eagle and hanging out with her boyfriend.

Her hobbies are running, playing soccer with friends, going out with family and shopping.

Her favorite band is One Direction and their Made in the Am album. Her favorite movie is Rise of the Guardians and favorite actor is Ryan Reynolds.

After graduation she plans to continue her bachelor's degree in graphic design at Dunwoody College of Technology. She hopes to get a job in graphic design somewhere close to Dodge Center to stay close to family.

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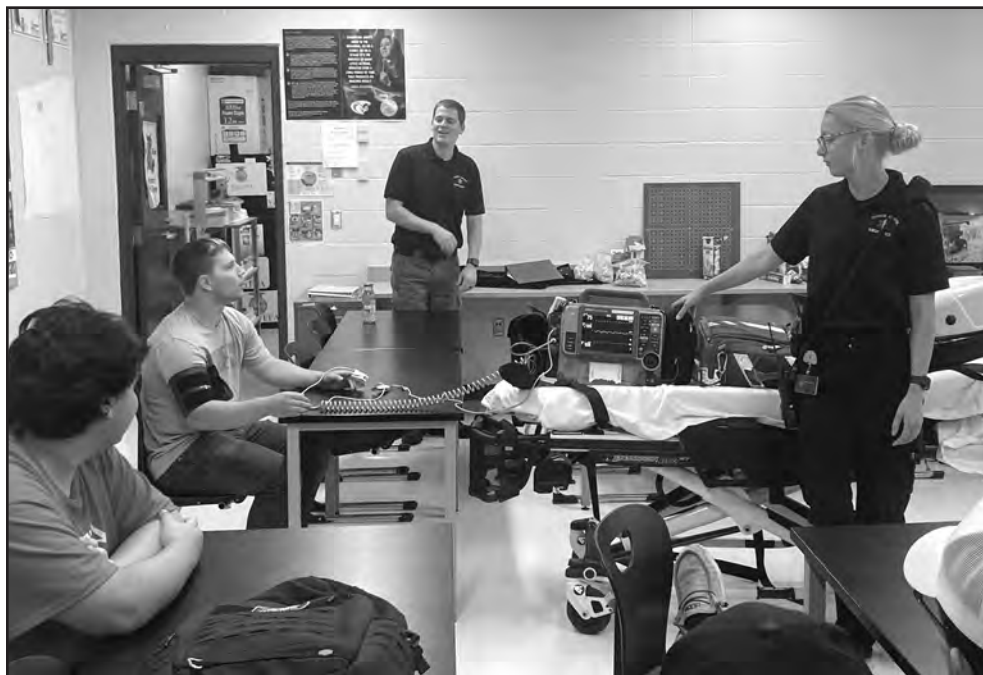
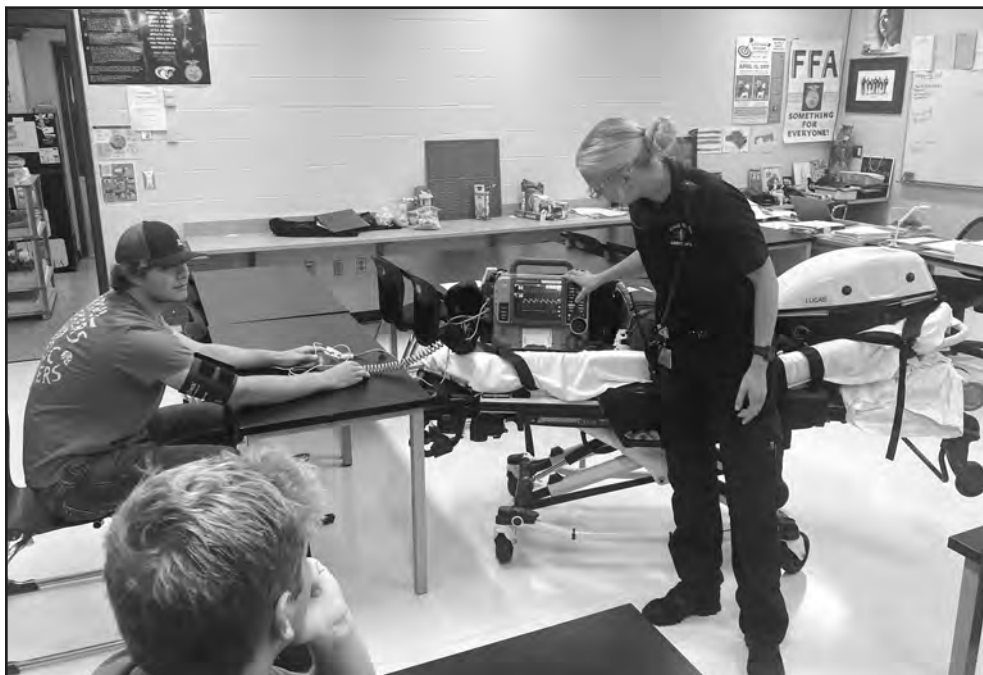


The 2024 Dodge County Business Expo will be held March 23, 2024, at Triton Public Schools. Over 100 vendors from Dodge County are expected to participate in this annual event. 2024 will mark our 24th Dodge County Business Expo. We are planning many new and exciting exhibits and fun for the entire family — watch for more information over the coming months!

Triton Work Readiness Class



The Dodge Center Ambulance came to Triton's Work Readiness class to discuss careers in first responder careers.



Triton's Supermileage Program has students racing towards a bright future!

In an effort to increase support for and promotion of Technology Education, public awareness in the area of fuel economy and student involvement, MTEEA will hold the Supermileage Challenge, a fuel economy competition for technology students every spring. Competing students and clubs will be challenged to build a one-person, fuel-efficient vehicle powered by a single cylinder four-stroke cycle engine. The 33rd annual competition will feature vehicles competing in Pro Sport, Super Sport, E-85, Urban Concept and Plug in Electric classes.

The supermileage season is fast approaching. 2023-2024 will be the 3rd season after a 20-year hiatus. For some students this will be their 3rd year competing and the advisor's second year advising. The year 2021 showed us there was definitely a need for the club as many people were interested in competing. We learned that year that too many people was detrimental to the team. Organizing and delegating duties was a job in itself. Last year with a core group of 5 on a team worked, but still had room to grow. Ideally a team needs to be well organized and have a solid 7-10 members. Last year's team consisted solely of 10th and 11th graders that worked well together. This year it will be exciting to incorporate new members. The Supermileage Club is looking for 9-12th graders with an interest in the manufacturing process and in motorized vehicles.

Going forward ideally, we would like to create 2 teams, basically a Junior Varsity and a Varsity team of 7-10 members each. The competition allows us to use the same vehicle for 3 consecutive years with a major modification each year. The modification could be fuel type, chassis design or some other main component.

This year's Varsity team is excited to use their experiences of the last two years and create a new vehicle utilizing the success and failures of the past 2 years. The 2022-2023 would be handed down to the JV squad with several recommended modifications. This repurposing of the vehicle will allow it to be modified with minimal expense to the club. The JV team will have a season with a proven vehicle to learn on and gain their own experiences with the Varsity team mentoring them

through the entire process.

Each team would have their own set of Officers with Varsity members mentoring Junior Varsity Officers throughout the entire process. All members would be responsible for fundraising and the manufacturing and design of the car. Formal meetings will be held twice a month that may be followed by workdays or used to schedule workdays.

The objective of the competition is to provide Career Technical Education students and MTEEA Clubs with a challenging project that allows practical experience in design, fabrication, and testing. This is exactly what the STANDARDS FOR TECHNOLOGICAL LITERACY from the International Technology and Engineering Educators Association are all about!

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For the Supermileage Challenge, cars were expected to make 6 complete runs on the Brainerd International Road course. Each run is two laps around the course for a total of 6.2 miles on each run. The minimum time allowed is 15 minutes with the maximum time being 24 minutes. The maximum speed allowed is 30 MPH with no minimum speed. The race directors supply the fuel bottles which hold 250 ml of pump grade fuel. The race directors measure the weight of the fuel before and after each run to calculate the fuel used. The average of six runs fuel economy will decide team placement. If a team fails to complete 6 runs they will not be eligible for placing in the competition.

2022 season best of 246 MPG but completed less than 6 runs

2023 season best of 201 MPG and completed more than 11 runs

2024 season goals are yet to be determined.



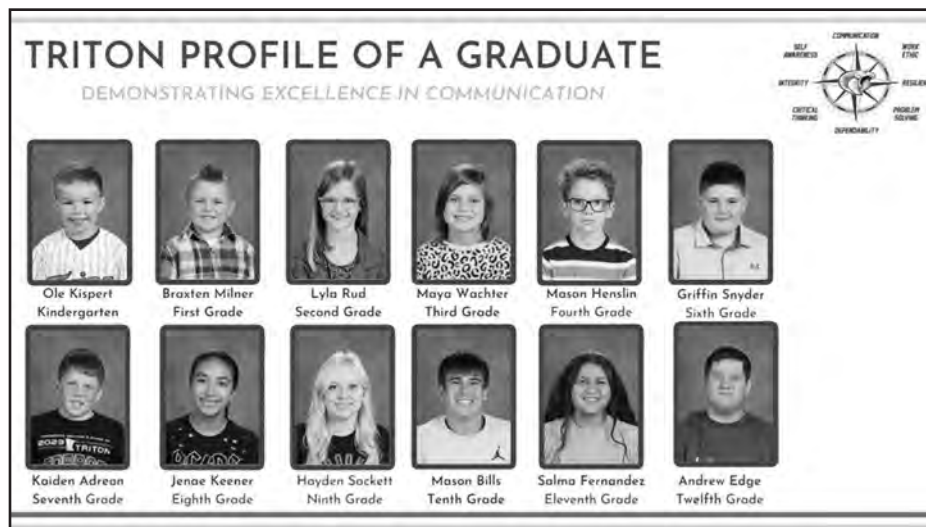
2022 was an example of good efficiency but poor reliability. 2023 yielded good reliability but less efficiency. Experience and new members with new ideas should see an all-around improvement. The following are some of the guidelines that we need to adhere to.

- Some of the car's requirements include:
- Pro Sport-Any motor between 0-140cc
 - Super Sport-Any motor between 141-250cc
 - E-85 CLASS-Any motor between 0-250cc run a fuel mixture of an 85% Ethanol blend fuel.
 - URBAN CONCEPT CLASS
 - The vehicle must have 4 tires in contact with the road at all times
 - The vehicle must have an enclosed body with a windshield and roof
 - Wheels must be located inside of the body

- Each vehicle must have a steering geometry capable of a 35 foot inside turning radius.
- Vehicle wheelbase may not exceed 114" Length X 70" Width.
- SuperMileage Challenge requires a minimum of two kill switches grounding the engine ignition
- brakes must hold the vehicle and driver on a 15-degree ramp
- the driver must be able to exit the vehicle unassisted in under 10 seconds.
- All vehicles are to be equipped with at least two rear view mirrors
- A minimum 5-point, SFI type race harness is required

Generous donations from individuals and businesses within the community are what allows this program to exist.

Triton Honors Profile of a Graduate Award Winners!



Congratulations to the latest Profile of a Graduate Award Winners! These students continue to be leaders and role models. They have excelled in the profile area of communication.

The Triton Profile of a Graduate is our locally developed approach to what it means to be a graduate of Triton High School. We have incorporated many principles and competencies designed to help all students develop the skills necessary for success in college, in a career, and most importantly in life.

The Profile of a Graduate is designed around a community-engaged process to create a beacon for future educational strategic planning. It presents a clear visualization of priority goals for teaching and learning that can be easily communicated to students, parents, and staff to align collective efforts. Our Profile articulates the Triton community's aspirations for all students and will serve as a North Star for future system transformation.

Driver's Training with Mr. Johnson and Enhanced Driving Institute

The Enhanced Driving Institute is proud to offer the most comprehensive driver's education program available, and we are extremely excited to be bringing our program to Triton High School with a teacher the students know and trust! Our next class will run October 23rd -November 3rd. Classes will be Monday-Friday from 3:30-6:30PM and will be held in the Triton High School Media Center.

All students over 14 years old are legally eligible for class, though we recommend waiting until students are 15 or nearly 15. Our Complete Package (\$415) includes 30 hours of classroom instruction AND the 6 hours of Behind the Wheel Training with a licensed instructor that is required by the state of MN. All behind the wheel lessons will begin and end at our Rochester campus location. The Complete Package is subject to a one year program agreement which requires all 3 behind the wheel lessons to be completed 10 months after the first day of class. Students who will not turn 15 for a bit, could also register for the Classroom Only Package (\$240). The Classroom Only Package is not subject to a program agreement. These students would receive their Blue Card when they enroll in BTW training (\$240).

All registration is done completely online through our website: <https://www.enhanceddrivinginstitute-mn.com/triton>

If you want to know more about our program e-mail Mr. Johnson: jjohnson@trion.k12.mn.us

Triton High School Concurrent Classes

By Christi Runnells

Each issue of this school year's Triton Times, I'd like to highlight Triton High School's concurrent course offerings available to our students. A concurrent course is a class that upperclassmen can take to earn both high school and college credit—FREE and right at Triton. Concurrent courses are taught by our own Triton teachers to sections made of only Triton students. Students earn anywhere from 1-4 credits for each class, depending on which class they take. Teachers must have a master's degree and a minimum of 18 graduate credits in that field. This month we'll look at some of the English department offerings.

Concurrent English 1 is the equivalent of Rochester Community & Technical College's ENGL 1117 Reading & Writing Critically 1

and ENGL 1118 Reading & Writing Critically 2. Successful completion of each semester course earns the student 4 credits, for a total of 8 credits of English. This course is open to juniors and seniors who have a qualifying ACT or MCA test score or pass into college level reading on the Accuplacer test. We could find documentation that we have had this class for 23 years at Triton, but we think it started even before that around 1996. (If anyone reading knows the start year—I would love to know!). Currently Karen Kleinwort and Anne Wotherspoon each teach one section of this course. Ms. Kleinwort stated she loves to see students challenged and see themselves grow in new ways. She feels this is a great way to get a taste of college rigor while still having the high school

student experiences. When asked who should take this class, her answer was "Everyone! This class is worth it! Many do not believe they can do it, but I have seen them not only successful, but gain confidence in all areas of their life because they meet and exceed their own expectations."

Concurrent English 2 is the equivalent of Riverland Community College's ENGL 2241 American Literature 1 and ENGL 2242 American Literature 2. Each semester is 3 credits, for a total of 6 credits earned if the student successfully completes both semesters. The course is open to seniors who have taken Concurrent English 1. Anne Wotherspoon helped us bring these courses to Triton and has taught the course since we started offering it in the 2018-2019 school year. This is her fifth year teaching the course. As a second level class, it allows students to really dive into American literature. Ms. Wotherspoon especially enjoys hearing the students' insights on the literature they're discussing. She believes this is a valuable class for Triton students because it can save them thousands of dollars instead of taking the class in college and it's a great way to see what shaped modern literature from the beginning. She also adds that this class includes a persuasive speech, which helps to prepare students for



their capstone senior board.

We are very proud of our ability to offer college credits to students right here at Triton. Ms. Kleinwort summed up concurrent courses best: "Even if students do not think they are college bound at the moment, it is still beneficial to take advantage of the concurrent opportunities. It may be that one day down the road they decide to try something new. Concurrent allows them to save time and money even if it seems like an unlikely possibility at this point in their life."

Thank you to Concord Church of Christ for their donation of school supplies!

If you or your organization would like to donate to Triton Public Schools, please call the Elementary Office at 507-418-7500 to find out what is currently on our list of needs!



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Sign up for the color run today!

When? November 4th at 10:00 AM

Where? Triton High School

Why? To raise money and awareness for suicide prevention (proceeds go to NAMI Rochester)

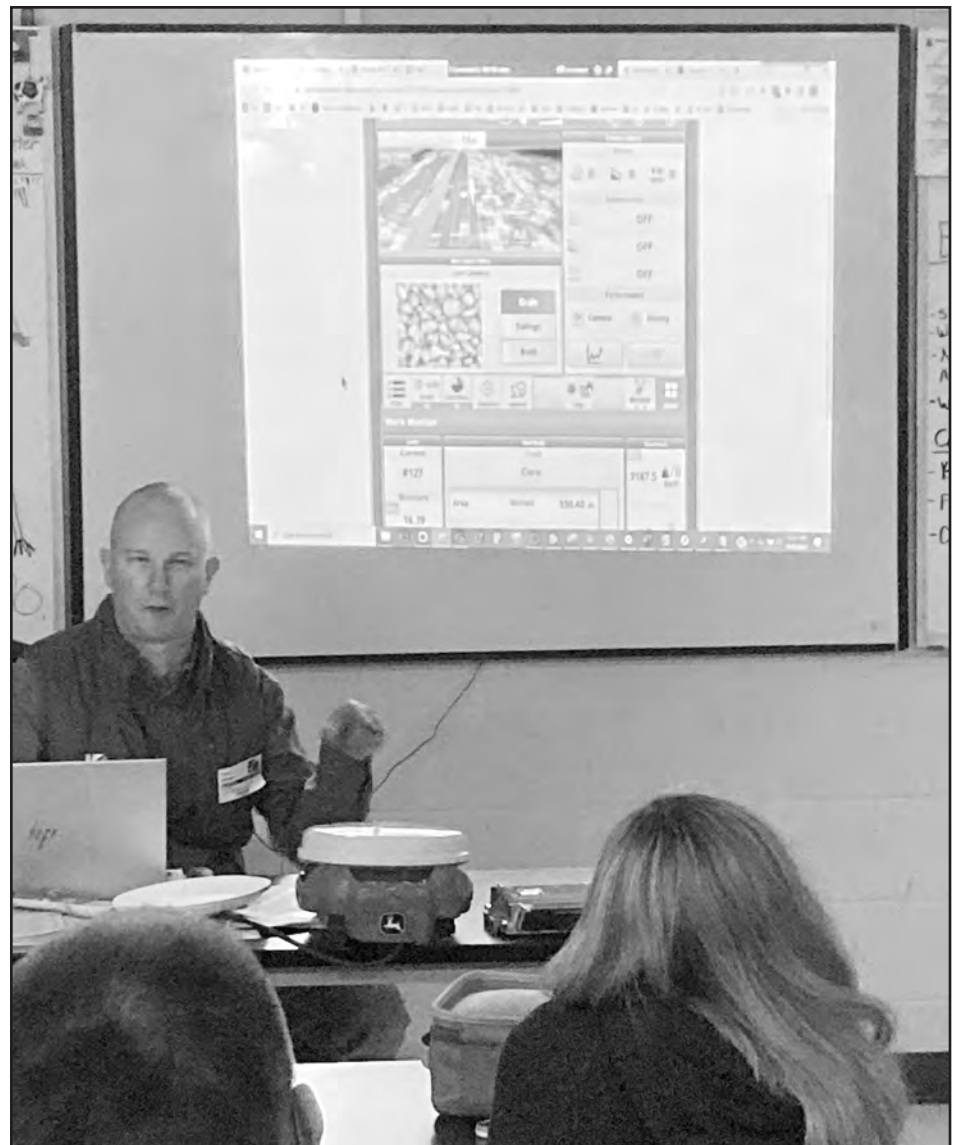
Registration is \$20 and includes a T-shirt

Registration forms can be found in the Triton High School office or in this QR code down below.



SCAN ME

This event is sponsored by Triton Student Council
Contact kfaber@triton.k12.mn.us if you have any questions



Chris Horob and Brian Huinker from Kibble Equipment came to the Agricultural Economics class to cover the economics of precision agriculture tools and how they are shaping the future of food production.

October is Fire Safety Month



October is Fire Safety Month. The Dodge Center Firefighters visited the Elementary School to teach our students about what to do in case of a fire as well as showed them a fire truck and what their gear looks like. These Preschoolers got a firsthand look at the truck, and even got to go inside and check it out!

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- Cobra Care (Ages 4 and 5)-
- Cobra Kids (Before and After School for K-5th)-

Adult Enrichment

- Classes- Events- Trips and Experiences-

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Call us at 507-418-7550

Trick-Or-Canning

-Triton High School Student Council members will be collecting cans for the Dodge County Food Shelf

- Drop Off Location

- Sunday October 29th, 11:30am-1:00pm

- Dodge Center - Triton Activities Door

- All donations will be greatly appreciated!



TRITON COMMUNITY ED YOUTH ENRICHMENT 507-418-7550

DC Lions and Triton Community Ed Annual Halloween Party!

Kids ages Preschool- Grade 5, wear your costumes!
 Children must be accompanied by an adult to supervise them.
 Friday, October 27, 2023
 6-7:15PM
 Triton's South (Elementary) Gym
 Please enter through the Main Elementary Doors



***This FREE event is open to the public.
 Kids will enjoy games, prizes, and treats.***

Crochet for kids! Brittany Wilcox, The Green Shack Grades 3-8

Join Brittany from the Green Shack and learn to crochet! Crocheting is an easy and relaxing hobby that will help you find your creative side. We will meet after school all week and work on our projects with her. She will teach you the basics and before you know it—you'll be a pro! Min 2, Max 8.
 Cost: \$28, includes supplies needed
 5 days after school- November 13, 14,15,16,17
 3:15-5PM
 TES Room 403



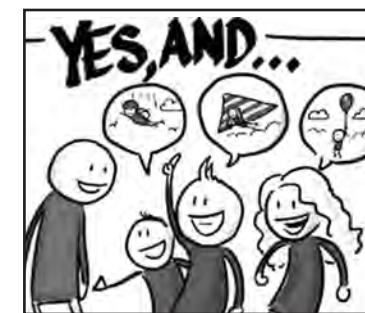
Robotics 2.1 Youth Enrichment League 1st-5th grades

Build a spy-bot, satellite or design your own earthquake alarm. Then program the spy-bot to be sneaky, the satellite to orbit, and the alarm to...be alarming. {YEL!}'s Teach It! Practice It! Play It!@ classroom method emphasizes 21st Century Learning skills like STEM, teamwork, and problem solving. Sign up today! Visit YELKids.com for more information. LEGO® is a trademark of the LEGO Group of companies which does not sponsor, authorize or endorse this site or program. Minimum 6/Maximum 16
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 Dates:
 November 29
 December 13, 20
 January 3,10
 3:20-4:20PM
 TES Community Ed Room #403



OUR STORIES--- Improv Class Child's Play Theatre

Have you ever told your own version of a story or movie you watched? In this class, we'll take stories the students are familiar with, and they will need to improvise the entire story using all of the main characters and plot points in less than 5 minutes! Think you can act out the entire story in just 5 minutes or less? If you can, then this might be right up your alley!
 November 3
 Cost: \$17
 3:15-5:15PM at TES Media Center



Triton Early Childhood Family Education

Please pre-register for these classes so that we can prepare to accommodate all participants. Call 507-418-7550 to register.

Growing Together—Friday Mornings Children 2-5 years, not yet in kindergarten and an adult

Join Mrs. Vermilyea on Friday mornings and meet some new friends! This class provides time together with your children in a variety of activities that will help your children develop new interests and social relationships. Mrs. Vermilyea will provide many activities, games, toys, and crafts for your children to explore. The last half hour of the session will give parents time to connect with other adults to share in supportive discussions about the topics that are on their minds.
 Cost: \$20/family per Semester
 Fall Semester Dates:
 September 22, 29
 October 13, 27
 November 10, 17
 December 1, 15
 10-11:30AM in Mrs. V's Room (#315)



Evening Adventures Children aged 2-5 and an adult

Join us this fall with your preschooler, ages 2- 5 years (not yet in kindergarten). Mrs. Vermilyea will plan a special evening centered around a theme. You will participate in activities, games, explorative play, reading and art around the same topic. Mrs. V has also invited many experts from our community to join you and share their knowledge and resources to make these truly amazing experiences for all who participate. Snacks will be provided, so PLEASE alert us if your child has any allergies or sensitivities to food.
 Please pre-register for each of these classes, so that we can provide the appropriate number of materials and supplies needed.
 Cost: \$8/class or \$20 per semester/family
 Dates:
 October 4 Healthy Habits
 October 30 Halloween Hijinx
 (wear your costume if you'd like!)
 November 1 TBD
 November 29 TBD
 December 6 TBD
 ***TBD topics that are being scheduled are focused on the environment/nature, bugs, farm animals, construction, gym time, music, and food. We'd love to hear what interests you and your child have for future sessions. Feel free to email us at avermilyea@triton.k12.mn.us with your ideas!
 6-7:30PM
 All classes will be in Mrs. Vermilyea's Room #315 in the Elementary School.



Triton Youth Wrestling Try It Day

Kids Preschool-6th Grade are invited to give wrestling a try!

This 2 day camp a for kids who have never joined wrestling before and want to try it before deciding to register for the youth wrestling season.

Kids must pre-register for this event so that we are prepared with enough help to give all kids the attention that they need.

**Kids Prk through 6th Grade
 Tuesday 11/7 and Thursday 11/9.
 6-7:30PM in Triton's Multipurpose/Wrestling Room,
 enter through the Main Activities Entrance
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TRITON COMMUNITY ED ADULT ENRICHMENT 507-418-7550

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Cost: \$14
 This is a 2-night class:
 October 23 and October 30
 6:30-8PM, both evenings (3 hours of instruction total)
 Triton's FACS room located in THS Room 150
 Enter through the Main HS Entrance

Learn to Crochet!

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Join Brittany from The Green Shack and learn to crochet! Crocheting is an easy and relaxing hobby that will help you find your creative side. You will work on a project that should be completed at the end of the class. She will teach you the basics and before you know it—you'll be a pro! Min 2, Max 8.

Cost: \$28, includes supplies needed
 5 evenings--November 13, 14,15,16,17 from 5:30-7PM
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The Looney Lutherans Christmas Ames Center, Burnsville, MN

The Looney Lutherans are back with a brand-new Christmas show, "I'm Dreaming of a Looney Christmas." Full of lots of family friendly music and comedy, including the smash hit "All I Want for Christmas are Some New False Teeth" and the game show, "What's in Your Stocking?" Don't let the season go by without adding a trip to visit the Loonies to your Holiday wish list!



We will stop for lunch at the Cracker Barrel prior to the show. Lunch will be the individual's responsibility. Limit 45 tickets.

Cost: \$74, includes ticket to the show and coach bus ride.
 Thursday, December 7

Bus	Leaves	Approx. Return
Byron Middle School Parking Lot	9:30AM	5:30PM
Kasson KM HS Football Field Lot	9:45AM	5:15PM
Dodge Center Triton Activities Entrance	10AM	5PM

PLEASE CALL TRITON COMMUNITY ED AT 507-418-7550 to register for this trip.

The Marvelous Wonderettes

Sidekick Theatre at the Masonic Heritage Museum, Bloomington, MN



This smash off-Broadway hit takes you to the 1958 Springfield High School prom where we meet Betty Jean, Cindy Lou, Missy, and Suzy, four girls with hopes and dreams as big as their crinoline skirts! As we learn about their lives and loves the girls serenade us with classic 50's hits including "Lollipop," "Dream Lover," "Stupid Cupid," and "Lipstick on Your Collar." In act two, the Wonderettes reunite to take the stage and perform at their ten-year reunion. We learn about the highs and lows the young women have experienced in the past decade and are charmed to find that no matter what life throws their way, they will conquer it together. Featuring over 30 classic '50s and '60 hits, The Marvelous Wonderettes will keep you smiling in this must-take musical trip down memory lane!

We will have a beautiful buffet lunch in the ballroom. The lunch menu is Creamy Chicken Breast, served with Roasted Red Potatoes, Glazed Carrots, Coleslaw, Dinner Rolls, Assorted Dessert, Coffee, Hot Tea, and Water. Maximum 30 guests.

Cost: \$88, includes ticket to show, lunch buffet/gratuity, and coach bus ride
 Wednesday, November 8

Bus	Leaves	Approx Return
Byron Middle School Lot	10AM	5:30PM
Kasson KM HS Football Filed Lot	10:15AM	5:15PM
Dodge Center Triton Activities Entrance	10:30AM	5PM

PLEASE CALL TRITON COMMUNITY ED AT 507-418-7550 to register for this trip.

Triton Community Ed Summer Rec Registration

Please send completed form and payment to Triton Community Ed
 813 West Highway St, Dodge Center, MN 55927

To register in-line go to: <https://www.triton.k12.mn.us/page/community-education>

Name: _____ (Students) Grade: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

ADULTS			
Class	Cost	Name	Notes
Knitting for beginners	\$14		
The Marvelous Wonderettes	\$88		
Looney Lutherans Christmas	\$74		
Crochet for adults	\$28		
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Do You Need Life Insurance After You Retire?

Do I still need life insurance after I retire? I've been thinking about dropping my policy to escape the premiums. Is this a good idea?
--Approaching Retirement

Dear Approaching,

It depends on your family and financial situation. While many retirees choose to stop paying their life insurance premiums when they no longer have young families to take care of, there are several reasons you may still want to keep your policy. Here are some different factors to help you decide.

Family situation: Life insurance is designed to help protect your spouse and children from poverty in the case of your untimely death. But if your children are grown and are on their own, and you have sufficient financial resources to cover you and your spouse's retirement costs, then there is little need to continue to have life insurance.

On the other hand, if you had a child late in life or have a relative with special needs who is dependent on you for income, it makes sense to keep paying the premiums on your policy.

You also need to make sure your spouse's retirement income will not take a significant hit when you die. Check out the conditions of your pension or annuity (if you have them) to see if they stop paying when you die, and factor in your lost Social Security income too. If you find that your spouse will lose a significant portion of income upon your death, you may want to keep the policy to help make up the difference.

Debts: If you are still paying off your mortgage or have other large debts, you should probably keep your policy to help your loved ones pay off these debts when you die. But if your debt payments are a small part of your net worth that poses no risk of financial difficulty, then you may not need it.

Work: Will you need to take another job in retirement to earn income? Since life insurance helps replace lost income to your family when you die, you may want to keep your policy if your spouse or other family members are relying on that income. However, if you have very little income from your retirement job, then there's probably no need to continue with the policy.

Estate taxes: Life insurance can also be a handy estate-planning tool. If, for example, you own a business that you want to keep in the family and you don't have enough liquid assets to take care of the estate taxes, you can sometimes use a life insurance policy to help your heirs pay off Uncle Sam when you die.

To help you with this decision, consider talking to an estate-planning expert or a fee-only financial advisor who can help you weigh out the pros and cons.

Sell or Swap Your Policy

If you decide that you don't need your life insurance policy any longer, you may want to consider selling it in a "life settlement" transaction to a third-party company, which typically pays four to eight times more than the policy cash surrender value. The best candidates are people over age 65 who own a policy with a face value of \$100,000 or more.

If you're interested in this option, get quotes from several life settlement providers or brokers in your state. To find them, the Life Insurance Settlement Association provides a directory at LISA.org.

Another option is to use a tax-free 1035 exchange to swap your policy for a hybrid product that blends life insurance with long-term-care insurance coverage. These products come in various forms, but they often combine a whole or universal life policy with a long-term-care rider. If you don't use the long-term-care coverage, your heirs get the death benefit.

Save Your Brain, Prevent Dementia



By Shauna Burslem, D.C.

Save your brain, prevent dementia. The more you eat a diet based on whole healthy foods the more you can improve brain power and brain function. Certain foods can delay or prevent age related cognitive decline and other brain disorders. For instance, anchovies, sardines, mackerel, herring and wild caught salmon are full of omega 3 fats that have neuroprotective properties for the brain. Cruciferous vegetables (broccoli, cauliflower, asparagus, brussels sprouts) and leafy greens also contain brain protecting nutrients like folate, vitamin E, K, lutein and beta carotene. Free range, grass fed eggs, particularly the yolks contain choline which is needed for your body to make acetylcholine which is involved in maintaining your memory.

Women with the highest cardiovascular fitness had an 88% lower risk of dementia than those with moderate fitness. Cardiovascular fitness can be used as measure of how well blood is circulating to your heart and your brain.

Tomatoes and fruit have been shown to improve lung function. A recent study showed that former smokers who consumed tomatoes and fruit improved lung function and even restored damaged lung tissue. The two main compounds responsible for helping the lungs were the flavonoids contained in fruit and the lycopene contained in tomatoes.

The federal government has rebranded the covid boosters as a new annual vaccination. Sadly, Pfizer's testing of the new formulated booster only involved 10 mice. Moderna's version was only tested on 50 adults. The updated mRNA injections were developed to

correspond to the Omicron variant, which now only accounts for 3.1% of the circulating strains currently out there.

46% of American adults suffer from high blood pressure. High blood pressure is affected by circulating blood volume and blood vessel constriction, both of which are regulated by the kidneys. Research data demonstrates high levels of uric acid, cleared through your kidneys, may increase your risk of gout and kidney stones and raise your blood pressure. Vitamin D helps protect against early kidney disease and therefore helps prevent high blood pressure.

Chiropractic and neuroplasticity: Neuroplasticity is defined as the brain's ability to change, reorganize or grow neural networks. Neuroplasticity is a common talking point when discussing degenerative brain conditions, such as Alzheimer's or dementia. Memory loss, brain fog, and mental exhaustion are symptoms of neuroplasticity degeneration. The spine – specifically the cervical spine – plays a very direct, very integral role in maintaining brain function. The spine houses essential nerve bundles and lymphatic delivery systems, which are charged with feeding the brain. Nerve bundles housed in the cervical spine carry critical messages to and from the brain, facilitating both unconscious and complex functions. Likewise, blood supplied to the brain provides oxygen, amino acids, electrolytes, hormones, and more, for healthy operation. With the link between the spine and brain evident, researchers have begun to look at how chiropractic may be used as a tool to help preserve positive neuroplasticity. Clinical studies have already begun, monitoring the effects of chiropractic on patients' abilities to solve puzzles, multitask, and recall memories. A 3-year study comprised of 100 volunteers, presented at the International Research and Philosophy Symposium held at Sherman College of Straight Chiropractic. The study monitored the mental activity of participants using electroencephalograms (EEG), comparing readings before and after chiropractic adjustments. In an overwhelming majority of readings, brain function showed improvements across the board.



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Anhydrous Safety Should be Top Concern After Harvest

The MDA offers safety tips for those maintaining equipment and applying and transporting NH3

Many farmers and custom applicators will soon apply anhydrous ammonia (NH3) after harvest. Even with a rush against time and the weather, safety should never be compromised. Accidents involving NH3 have proven how dangerous and deadly the fertilizer can be when not handled properly.

The Minnesota Department of Agriculture (MDA) offers the following tips to farmers, fertilizer dealers, and custom applicators to safely field apply NH3.

Always wear NH3-rated goggles and gloves. Never wear contact lenses.

Be sure to have a clean and accessible emergency water supply of at least 5 gallons available.

Exercise caution when making connections and disconnections of transfer lines, treating them as if they always contain NH3.

Stand upwind when connecting, disconnecting, bleeding lines, or transferring NH3. Also, close, bleed, disconnect, and secure valves and transfer lines when taking breaks or disconnecting lines, and be sure to handle hose end valves by the valve body.

Position equipment away and downwind from homes, people, and livestock.

Safety is also key to those maintaining NH3 equipment, operating NH3 storage facilities, and transporting NH3.

Never assume NH3 lines are empty.

Always wear the required protective safety equipment.

Have access to safety water (NH3 storage facilities must have a minimum of one open top container holding 150 gallons of clean, accessible water or an accessible emergency shower with a plumbed eyewash. A 5-gallon container of clean, accessible water must accompany NH3 nurse tanks).

When towing a nurse tank down the road, drive sensibly. Do not go any faster than 30 miles per hour, display a slow-moving vehicle (SVM) emblem visible from the rear, and

be sure the tank is secured to the tractor or truck with two separate, independent chains that supplement the hitch pin/clip.

If an accident or spill occurs, seek medical care if needed, immediately call 911, and then the Minnesota Duty Officer at 1-800-422-0798 or 651-649-5451.

You can find more safety, storage, and transportation information on the MDA's website.

As a reminder, fall application of NH3 should happen after average soil tempera-

tures reach 50 degrees F or cooler to help prevent nitrogen loss and ensure more nitrogen will be available for next season's crop.

View the MDA's interactive map to find the current 6-inch soil temperature and the past week's history.

Under the MDA's Groundwater Protection Rule, fall nitrogen fertilizer application is prohibited in vulnerable groundwater areas of Minnesota due to environmental concerns or risks. View a map of the vulnerable regions of the state.

Grant Money Available to Minnesota Livestock Owners for Prevention of Wolf Attacks

Applications due January 5, 2024

New money is available to Minnesota livestock producers to help prevent wolf attacks. A total of \$95,000 will be awarded by the Minnesota Department of Agriculture (MDA) through the Wolf-Livestock Conflict Prevention Grants. Applications are due January 5, 2024.

The grants provide reimbursement for costs of approved practices to prevent wolf-livestock conflicts. Only costs incurred after entering into a grant agreement with the MDA are eligible for reimbursement. Eligible expenses for the grant program will include:

- Purchase of guard animals
- Veterinary costs for guard animals
- Wolf-barriers which may include pens
- Fladry and fencing
- Wolf-detering lights and alarms
- Calving or lambing shelters

Eligible producers must live within Minnesota's wolf range, as designated by the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, or on property determined by the Commissioner of Agriculture to be affected by wolf-livestock conflicts. Any animal species produced for profit and documented to have been killed by wolves in Minnesota in the past is eligible. This includes bison, cattle, chicken, deer, donkey, duck, geese, goat, horse, llama, mule, sheep, swine, and turkey.

The funding also requires an 80:20 matching cost-share, meaning 80% of eligible project costs will be reimbursed by the grant and the remaining 20% will be paid for by the grantee.

The grant application must be emailed or postmarked by 5 p.m. on January 5, 2024. Work for this grant must be done and expenses reported by August 31, 2024. The application and more information can be found

at www.mda.state.mn.us/wolfgrants.

This round of funding for the Wolf-Livestock Conflict Prevention Grants is made possible by monies appropriated by the Minnesota Legislature and funding awarded by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to the MDA for grant distribution.

MDA Seeks Applications for Crop Research Grants

\$1.2 million in funding available for applied research projects

The Minnesota Department of Agriculture (MDA) is now seeking applications for the Agricultural Growth, Research, and Innovation (AGRI) Crop Research Grant Program. Grant funding is intended to generate applied crop research that will improve agricultural product quality, quantity, or value within Minnesota's \$13.5 billion crop industry.

Any Minnesota organization, research entity, individual, or business with agricultural research capabilities is eligible to apply and receive funding. Applied crop research projects must have near-term benefits (three to seven years) for Minnesota's farmers and the state's economy, and applications must include an outreach plan describing how results will be made available to the public.

Special consideration will be given to research on crops with limited access to other research funds, as well projects with an outreach plan describing how activities or outcomes meaningfully involve, inform, or benefit underserved agricultural producers.

The MDA will award roughly \$1.2 million through this round of funding, with a maximum grant amount of \$250,000 per proposal. Applications must be submitted by 4 p.m. on Thursday, November 30, 2023.

Funding for the Crop Research Grant was established through the AGRI Program, which provides grants to farmers, agribusinesses, schools, and more throughout the state of Minnesota. The AGRI Program exists to advance Minnesota's agricultural and renewable energy sectors.

To access full program details and the online application, visit the AGRI Crop Research Grant webpage.

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Embracing Unity: Exploring the First Universal Law of Oneness



By Susan Hinrichsen
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In the tapestry of existence, there exists a profound principle that transcends boundaries and connects every facet of our reality—the First Universal Law of Oneness. This fundamental concept invites us to explore the interconnected nature of the cosmos and the potential impact it holds on our lives.

Understanding the Law of Oneness:

At its core, the law of oneness posits that everything and everyone in the universe is intricately interconnected. It's a perspective that goes beyond the surface of individual ex-

periences, emphasizing the idea that we are all threads in the same cosmic fabric. This interconnectedness extends beyond the tangible world, delving into the realms of spirituality, science, and philosophy.

Spiritual Perspectives:

Many spiritual traditions across the globe embrace the concept of oneness. Whether it's the idea of a universal consciousness, a divine energy, or a collective soul, the essence remains the same unity. Recognizing this interconnectedness can lead to a profound shift in perspective, fostering compassion, empathy, and a sense of shared responsibility.

Practical Applications:

Beyond the spiritual realm, the law of oneness finds resonance in practical aspects of life. Systems thinking, an approach that considers the interdependence of elements within a system, mirrors the principles of oneness. From ecological balance to social dynamics, acknowledging our interconnected existence opens doors to holistic solutions and a deeper understanding of cause and effect.

The Ripple Effect:

Every action, thought, or event creates ripples that reverberate through the fabric of existence. Understanding the law of oneness implies recognizing the profound impact our choices have on the collective experience. It encourages mindfulness and a sense of responsibility for the energy we contribute to the interconnected whole.

Embracing Harmony:

As we delve into the First Universal Law of Oneness, we discover an invitation to embrace harmony. This isn't just a theoretical concept but a practical guide to living in balance with ourselves, others, and the world around us. It encourages a shift from individualism to a more collective consciousness, fostering a sense of unity that transcends borders and differences.

In conclusion, in a world often characterized by divisions, the First Universal Law of Oneness serves as a timeless reminder of our interconnected existence. Embracing this principle offers not only a spiritual awakening but also a roadmap for creating a more harmonious and compassionate world—one where the threads of oneness weave a tapestry of unity.

If you find yourself inspired to deepen your connection with this universal truth and integrate it into your daily life, consider the transformative power of personalized guidance. As a life coach, I specialize in helping individuals navigate the journey of self-discovery, aligning their actions with the profound principles of oneness. Together, we can explore practical strategies to embrace harmony, unlock your full potential, and create a life that resonates with the interconnected rhythm of the universe.

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Gabriella Molina is a senior at Triton this year. Her parents are Michelle Wilson and Luis Molina. She has one brother, Kobe, and a sister, Keanna. She is a member of SADD, FCA and Link Crew. Gabriella is also active in basketball. Outside of school she is active in 3v3 basketball and youth group. Her hobbies include reading and baking. Her favorite movie is Top Gun and she enjoys watching Michael Jordan and listening to worship music. After graduation she plans to attend Mankato State University to major in elementary education.

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Creating a Sense of Belonging



Tim Penny
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Several years ago, SMIF became a member of Welcoming America, joining many other organizations and communities in our region which are dedicated to making southern Minnesota a welcoming place for all. We were excited to see many of our partners in our region celebrating the nationwide Welcoming Week in early September. One of the organizations that was very active during this time was B.E. Welcoming based out of Blue Earth. SMIF has supported the organization with two Small Town Grants. They organized a number of programs throughout the week, including a community bonfire, a story walk and inclusive yard signs to celebrate the people who make Blue Earth what it is.

Many of the inclusive programs that SMIF supports are focused on children in our region. SMIF's Early Care and Education Grant, which is currently open, helps fund early care and education services for children birth to age five, including initiatives which support underserved and diverse populations. During the previous grant round, Healthy Community Initiatives in Northfield used their grant for community outreach to promote local programming that helps low-income and BIPOC families prepare young children for kindergarten. The Rochester Montessori School used their grant to design weekly lessons for small groups using culturally relevant stories and activities for diverse classrooms.

We are also excited to open up a special



Creating a sense of belonging in rural Minnesota can enhance the overall quality of life for everyone who lives there. By embracing different perspectives, cultures and ideas, rural Minnesota can build stronger, more thriving communities. At Southern Minnesota Initiative Foundation (SMIF), we offer several grant opportunities to support inclusive initiatives in the communities of our 20-county region to help make everyone feel welcome.

round of SMIF's Inclusive and Equitable Communities Grant in late October. This grant supports initiatives which will build inclusive, welcoming entrepreneurial environments and opportunities, especially for BIPOC individuals and/or immigrants or refugees. Earlier this year, the Council of Churches Refugee Services in Mankato was awarded an IEC Grant to support small business leadership skills and engage in cross-cultural learning. The Owatonna Public Schools is using their IEC Grant to provide

immigrants and BIPOC adults the opportunity to learn more about how to successfully launch a small business. Look for details about this grant on our website in a few weeks at smifoundation.org/inclusive.

Belonging begins with us. We can all help make southern Minnesota a welcoming place for all.

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

“ASK A TROOPER”

By Sgt. Troy Christianson of the Minnesota State Patrol

Question: I noticed several freshly killed deer on the side of the highway yesterday. What are the traffic related requirements when someone collides with a deer, and what are the game related requirements with killing a deer? Is it legal to take the deer home?

Answer: If you are involved in a vehicle vs. deer/large animal crash, call 911 to report if there are occupant injuries, your vehicle is disabled, your vehicle or the animal is in the lane of traffic or if the animal has been injured and is unable to run away. Law enforcement will be dispatched to your location to assist. It is important to stay in your vehicle so you do not put yourself in danger of getting struck by a passing vehicle.

The Minnesota State Patrol issues permits for road-kill deer generally at the time of the crash or soon after. Any Minnesota resident may claim a road-killed animal by contacting a law enforcement officer. An authorization permit can be issued, allowing the individual to lawfully possess the animal.

Here are some tips to avoid deer crashes:

- Drive at safe speeds.
- Be especially cautious from 6 to 9 p.m., when deer are most active.
- Use high beams when possible at night, especially in deer-active areas.
- Do not swerve to avoid a deer. Swerving can cause motorists to lose control and travel off the road or into oncoming traffic.
- Watch for the reflection of eyes and silhouettes on the shoulder of the road. If anything looks suspicious, slow down.
- Reduce speeds in areas known to have a large deer population — such as areas where roads divide agricultural fields from forest land and whenever in forested areas between dusk and dawn.
- Deer are unpredictable — they may stop in the middle of the road and change direction when crossing or move toward an approaching vehicle. Blow horn to urge deer to leave the road.
- If a deer is struck but not killed, keep your distance as deer may recover and move on.
- Avoid all distractions while driving.

You can avoid a ticket — and a crash — if you simply buckle up, drive at safe speeds, pay attention and always drive sober. Help us drive Minnesota Toward Zero Deaths.

If you have any questions concerning traffic related laws or issues in Minnesota send your questions to Sgt. Troy Christianson — Minnesota State Patrol at 2900 48th Street NW, Rochester MN 55901-5848. (Or reach him at, Troy.Christianson@state.mn.us)



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It's Easy to Make a Plan for a Safe and Successful Deer Hunting Season

By Minnesota DNR

As archery deer hunters enjoy the current hunting season and 400,000 hunters prepare for firearms deer hunting seasons, the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources reminds hunters to plan ahead for a safe and enjoyable hunt.

“Enjoying the hunt is a lot easier after doing

some simple planning. To that end, we've added a wealth of information for hunters on our website to assist in preparing for deer hunting,” said Barb Keller, Minnesota DNR big game program leader. “Using these planning tools is easy and can open up some breathing room for hunters once the season arrives so they can focus on having a safe and successful hunt.”

The Minnesota DNR's online make a plan tool opens in a new browser tab provides a comprehensive step-by-step list of information hunters need to consider before heading to deer camp. Hunters can walk through the steps to consider, including knowing the hunting regulations, planning for deer processing, getting their deer sampled for CWD, being safe and making the most out of their hunt. To use the online tool, all hunters need to know is the deer permit area



number or DPA numbers where they intend to hunt, which they can find on an interactive deer map.

In Minnesota, archery deer season began Sept. 16 and continues through Sunday, Dec. 31. Youth and early antlerless seasons are

Thursday, Oct. 19, through Sunday, Oct. 22, and firearms deer season is Saturday, Nov. 4, with various closing dates depending on a hunter's DPA. Muzzleloader is Saturday, Nov. 25, through Sunday, Dec. 10.

Halloween Safety Tips for Pets

Some pets love the hustle and bustle of Halloween, while others will find this spooky holiday a bit stressful. We recognize that animals are individuals, so while you while enjoy the festivities, consider it from your pet's perspective: A dog's natural instinct is to protect their home or to alert you that a stranger has arrived, while cats typically prefer a quiet environment with their family. Trick-or-treaters continually knocking on the door or ringing the bell can be very stressful to both dogs and cats. Read on for our tips and tricks on taking the terror out of your pet's Halloween!

1. Halloween hype causes pet stress

Before the trick-or-treating starts, put your pets in a quiet room where they will be safe from all the Halloween activity. If your pup is likely to try to run out the front door and is comfortable in a crate, consider putting them in the crate with a treat-filled toy and some soft music playing in the background. A spritz of Feliway (find it on Amazon!) can help keep cats calm.

Minimize noise by sitting outside to keep trick-or-treaters from knocking on the door or ringing the bell.

Even if you are just having friends over for a Halloween party, keep your pets away from the festivities in their safe room. Masks and costumes change how people look and smell to a pet, so even familiar people may become frightening. Put a sign on the door to the safe room so your guests know it's off-limits.

When going out trick-or-treating, leave your dog at home. Dogs can be easily excited by the Halloween commotion, and a bite or a lost dog will quickly end the evening's fun.

2. Halloween candy—a treat for you, a trick for your pet(s)

Pre-Halloween and during trick-or-treating, keep candy safely stashed in a high cabinet secured with a lock or child-safety latch. Many foods, such as chocolate, gum and xylitol (a sweetener used in many foods) are hazardous to pets.

Watch your kids! Children may make the harmful mistake of sharing their loot. Make sure they know the difference between a treat for them and a treat for their four-legged friends.

Keep the 24-hour ASPCA Animal Poison Control Center hotline handy: 888-426-4435. (The hotline may charge a consultation fee.) If you suspect your pet has eaten something that's bad for them, call your veterinarian or the Poison Control Center immediately.

Pumpkin can be good for dogs and cats, but too much can cause digestive issues. Rotting pumpkin may harbor bad bacteria; keep jack o'lanterns safely away from becoming a holiday snack.

3. Steer your pets away from dangerous Halloween decorations

Introduce your pets to their safe room before you decorate indoors. Changes to your home can make your pets, especially cats, nervous or frightened. Or they may decide those fake spiders pose an existential threat and need to be killed.

Be aware of which decorations pose threats. Some hazards are obvious, like lit candles (fire hazards and toxic to birds if scented). Other potentially dangerous decorations include rubber eyeballs (choking risk), glow sticks and fake blood (possible poisons), fake cobwebs (can choke or entangle pets and wildlife), potpourri (toxic to birds) and strung lights. Watch out for those candy wrappers and plastic packaging too!

Create pet-friendly holiday décor. Make your cat a haunted house out of cardboard boxes or put treats and toys in a paper bag (remove any handles first as cats can get stuck) for a feline version of trick-or-treat.

4. Be cautious with pet Halloween costumes

If you do choose a costume for your pet, consider your pet's personality and what type of costume they may tolerate and for how long. Masks and hats that fit around the face, for example, may be OK for the length of time it takes to snap a quick pic, but they can pose dangers and make your pet feel uncomfortable. Best to keep pet costumes minimal.

Keep an eye on your costumed pet to make sure the costume is comfortable and allows your pet to move freely. Also be sure to remove any chewable parts or objects that could come off and choke your pet.

If your pet appears uncomfortable, take off the costume. Signs of discomfort include folded down ears, eyes rolling back or looking sideways, a tucked tail or hunching over.

5. Protect your pets from outdoor dangers

Bring your pets indoors before night falls. Cats are always safest inside with you, but on Halloween it's especially important to secure all pets inside so they don't run away out of fear of adults and children in costumes.

In case they escape, make sure that all your pets are wearing tags with current IDs and that their microchip is registered with your most up-to-date information. Opening the door repeatedly for trick-or-treaters creates plenty of opportunities for a pet to slip outside and disappear into the night. Proper ID will help you reunite with your lost pet and take a recent picture of your pet that can be used for lost flyers just in case they get lost.

Be aware that not all the wild creatures outside will be wearing costumes. You may see nocturnal animals such as raccoons, opossums and foxes foraging for food while you're trick-or-treating or walking from your car to a party.

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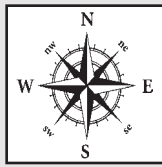
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Changes in Latitudes, Changes in Attitudes Memories of my Great Grandfather Norman



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.

My grandmother told me stories of my great grandfather Norman Campbell. His parents homesteaded our farm in the 1850's before Minnesota was granted statehood. When he was just a small child, the Dakota Indian uprising of 1862 took place. The story was that during this time in August of 1862, his parents kept the horses hitched to the wagon at all times fearing that they would have to flee to Rochester if news that the Indians were approaching. The horses remained harnessed with the buckboard packed and ready to leave at a second's notice if necessary.

The Minnesota Indian War of 1862 caused the greatest loss of civilian life of any one incident until the terrorist attack of September 11, 2001 in New York. The corruption of Indian agents withholding payments to the Dakotah tribe was the catalyst for the uprising. Trading post owners would take the funds to be distributed to the Indians per the treaty agreement, and claim as payment for past debts. Some years they withheld nearly all the money. When desperate Indians tried to buy food on credit, one trader told them to eat grass. He was one of the first killed in the

uprising of August 17, 1862. Little Crow the Dakota chief advised against the uprising but young braves were not dissuaded. Over the next couple weeks more than 800 settlers were killed in the New Ulm area as Indians attacked settlers farming there, before troops arrived and over powered the Indians. Thirty-eight Dakota braves were hanged in Mankato in December of 1862 for their part in the killings. Many of the settlers had been friends with the native Indians in western Minnesota and blamed the government for the war more than the Dakota Indian tribes.

There were more dangers lurking on the homesteaded farm one hundred and fifty years ago. One evening Norman brought the horses into the limestone barn which was cut into the hillside. As he went to scoop some oats out of the burlap bag sitting on the floor, he held the lantern up and saw there was a rattlesnake coiled up in the bag. Fortunately, he looked before he reached or I may not be telling this story here today. One afternoon in the late 1880's, Norman found a number of rattlesnakes sunning themselves on the rocks along the bluff on the north end of the farm. He took a stout oak branch and cudgled eighteen of the reptiles to death that day. His hunt must have been complete because I heard of no other rattlesnake stories on the farm. Never the less this story made quite an impression on me as a young boy and I explored the woods with a snakebite kit and my trusty .22 rifle.

My father also told of a story about Norman later in his life. He took the buckboard and horse to Mantorville one day for supplies and the hired man asked him to bring him back a plug of chewing tobacco and a bottle of whisky. One the way home Norman stopped by a number of the farms on the way and talked with the farmer and gave his horse a drink at the water trough under the windmill. As he visited, he would offer the farmer a nip from the bottle. After three or four such stops, he noticed the bottle was getting empty, so at the last farm he refilled the bottle from the hand pump and put the cork back in. The next time he went to town, the hired man asked him to buy the whiskey somewhere new because the last bottle was quite weak.

A Minnesotan: Trunk-or-Treat



By RosaLin Alcoser

With the exception of 2020, every Halloween since I graduated from college I have participated in Trunk-or-Treat in the church parking lot. Which I absolutely love taking a part in, mainly because I really love Halloween.

For those of you who might not know what Trunk-or-Treat is, it's when children go trick or treating in a parking lot, often at a church, during the day by going from car trunk to car trunk to get candy.

Ideally the people who set up a car trunk for the kids to go to have decorated said trunks for the children. Much like some people used to do to their yards or garages when I was a kid going out on Halloween night.

Even though I can't go over the top with a trunk like I remember some people doing with their houses I still try to get really into the decorating part. Last year I had bats and ghosts hanging all over my hatch back. This year I'm turning it into a 90's Halloween movie grave yard. Which completely isn't just an excuse to buy a plastic skeleton and dress it up.

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tic skeleton and dress it up. His name is now Gary.

The first couple of years I was really just helping out a family member with their trunk but last year I started doing my own. Which is one of the real signs that you're moving up in the world is when you have to start doing or bringing our own thing to the event instead of being tagged onto someone else's.

I love helping at this event and the people running the event love me coming to help because I usually know or can guess what the kids are dressed up as. I for one remember that it was super important to me as a kid, and now, for the adults to know what my costume was when I was a child. Even in the event when I was the only one who knew what I was for Halloween it was still super important to me that people knew what I was without me explaining it to them.

It is starting to get harder for me to know what some of the character customers from the newer shows meant for preschool and kindergarten aged children are as Halloween is slowly becoming the only time that I interact with children of that age. Anything that is a classic costume though I can identify nearly every time.



My great grandfather Norman with his four hitch team of horses

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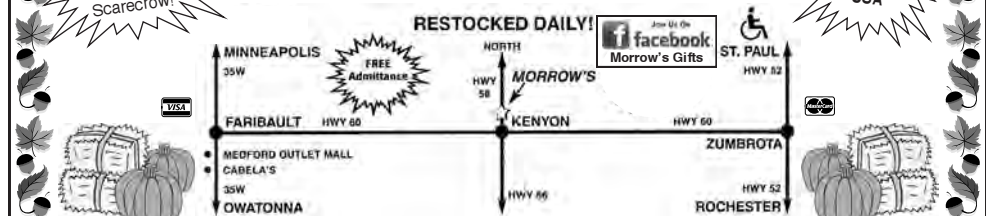
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