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Inside**Homecoming**

Victim identified in Hwy. 13 fatal crash

The Minnesota State Patrol has released the name of the Hartland man who died in a head-on collision in Freeborn County on Thursday.

26-year-old Luke Mathew Hershey died when the sedan he was driving collided with a 2023 Kenworth Construction Truck. Hershey was not wearing a seat-belt. The driver of the truck, 80-year-old Dwight Kleinschrodt suffered non-life-threatening injuries in the crash. Alcohol was not a factor in the crash.

NRHEG One Mile Color Run, Walk or Stroll 3 p.m., Sat., Oct. 5.

This fundraiser is for a new playground. Check-in is at 2 p.m. The race begins at 3. There will be music, face painting, Moegeo's Food Truck, fire truck and more. The registration fee is \$30 cash or check. There is on-line registration or a mail-in form. Registration includes a T-shirt and race entry. Forms available in both school offices. Children 4 and under free.

Ellendale Heritage Society to meet on October 5

The next meeting of the Ellendale Heritage society will be Saturday, October 5 in the community building at 9 a.m.

Woodville Cemetery Tour Sunday, Oct. 6

Dennis-Steffel-Omtvedt Funeral and Cremation Service is planning a walking tour of Woodville Cemetery for the afternoon of Sunday, October 6.

The organization invites interested individuals to keep an eye on the company Facebook page for more information and "sneak peeks."

Waseca Farmers Market Saturdays from 8 a.m. until noon

Every Saturday until the fall season, the Waseca County Fairgrounds will be hosting a farmers market from 8 a.m. until noon.

Waldorf Veterans Memorial Fund Drive

Donations are requested to support the construction of the Waldorf Veterans Memorial. Checks written to WVMP Fund Drive can be mailed to WVMP Fund Drive; Judy Joecks, treasurer; P.O. Box 55; Waldorf, MN 56091. Questions can be directed to Charlie Barnes at (763) 286-2246.

Shepherd's Robe Free store Tuesdays from 1-3 and 5-7 p.m.

The Shepherd's Robe free store offers clothing, supplies, and much more for free to all interested parties. The store is located at Vista Covenant Church, 14679 275th Avenue, New Richland.

Farmamerica Open Corn Maze every Sat. night in Oct.

Every Saturday night in October from 6-9 p.m. Farmamerica will host a maze under the stars. The cost is \$5 per person and there will be food trucks, yard games and entertainment. Farmamerica is partnering with local FFA chapters for these nights.

A word from
The Word

If the blind lead the blind, both will fall into a pit.
Matthew 15:14

Happy Homecoming NRHEG celebrates September 22-28



NRHEG Royalty from left: Violet Elise Aronson, Jase Knudson, Hannah Brunsen, Tayla Sandry, Alden Dobberstein, King Harbor Cromwell, Prince Beckett Budach, Jayden Fleming, Queen Mallory Schlinger, Princess Leni Routh, Cole Hutchens, Sierra Misgen, Owen Bartlett and Lia Johannsen.
Star Eagle photo by Deb Bently

Parade, football win highlights week

By ELI LUTGENS
Publisher/Editor

NRHEG Homecoming week 2024 concluded last week with a week full of activities, themed dress up days, coronation, and parades coming to a close Friday.

Tuesday evening, Harbor Cromwell, son of Mike and Nikki Cromwell, alongside Mallory Schlinger, daughter of Matt and Tanya Schlinger were crowned King and Queen.

Serving as the night's Emcee's were Adalyn Staheim and Chloe Reiwer.

Together the homecoming candidates were introduced, along with a list of their activities, which will follow at the end of this article.

Students' week was busy with various observances, including a trip to Ellendale for the parade route on Friday. The homecoming court also helped serve lunch to elementary students. Dress-up themes included: "Country vs. Country Club," "Tacky Tourist Day/Hawaiian," "PJ Day," "Color Wars," and of course, "Panther Spirit Day."

Parades concluded the afternoon activities Friday. The football team played and dominated in a 43-8 win over Medford, which was followed by a student dance.

Photos from throughout the week

can be found in this week's edition of the Star Eagle.

Introductions read allowed during Tuesday night's coronation follow:

NRHEG Homecoming Royalty

Tayla Sandry is the daughter of Sherri and David Sandry. She has two younger siblings: Reid and Addison. She enjoys traveling, shopping, and spending time with friends. Tayla is involved in the National Honor Society. Her favorite memory from high school so far is Homecoming Friday every year! One fun fact about Tayla is that she is a resident of Canada. If she had a time machine, she would travel back to last week when she was in the Dominican Republic. Her hero is Mr. Ferber because he survived driving with her brother. Tayla plans to attend college for a degree in early childhood education.

Harbor Cromwell is the son of Nikki Cromwell and Michael Pederson. He has one sister, Winter. He likes to spend time fishing, golfing, bingo, and eating food. Harbor is involved in football, wrestling, track & field, student council, DECA, FCA. His favorite memory from high school so far is joining football Freshman year. One fun fact about Harbor is that he can do a backflip. If he had a time machine, he would



Above, the NRHEG 2024 Homecoming parade. Below, Youth Panther cheerleaders performed a "halftime spectacular" at Friday's homecoming game.
Star Eagle photos by Eli Lutgens

travel back in time to meet Jesus. His hero is Christian McCaffrey because he has great work ethic and he's his favorite running back. After high school, Harbor plans to go to college and own a big house.

Mallory Schlinger is the daughter of Matt and Tanya Schlinger. She has two older sisters; Aubrey and Syndney Schlinger. Mallory is involved in Volleyball, FCA and Luther League at her church. She enjoys hanging out with friends and family and

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Whiteside enters 8th year at helm of Community Education

By BEN REVERMANN
Staff writer

New Richland resident Macy Whiteside is the current Community Education Director for NRHEG. If she is not busy writing grants, she is working on the Panther Publication. She is also in charge of four different Facebook pages in relation to NRHEG district. Whiteside earned her master's in educational leadership from MSU Mankato with a major in psychology and a minor in biology.

Her mission statement on the district website reads: "I am the Community Education Director for NRHEG Public Schools and I am

thrilled to work with people of all age ranges by hosting, organizing, creating, and teaching various types of recreation and enrichment classes for our community in order to promote and encourage lifelong learning." Whiteside says about her help in community education, "We fill in some gaps the school can't, handling the before school and after school programs."

Originally from Wisconsin, she moved here when she was in elementary school with her father, Rick Kissling, then manager of an Arabian Horse farm; he has since become a Waseca local. Her mother, Janice Crosby, used to work for Delta out of

Waseca, but Whiteside is the first to say, "I don't have a lot of family here locally." Whiteside and her husband Jon have a 14-year-old son Levi, who attends NRHEG secondary, and a daughter Kendall, 10, who goes to elementary school in Ellendale. She and her family have two horses and two dogs on a small farm not far from New Richland. When she isn't working, her hobbies include watching youth football, wrestling, baseball, softball, and going horseback riding. She will also help teach kids things like T-ball, coach pitch, art club, Lego club and kickball, but that's for third grade and under.

In the area since 2017, this will be

her eighth year as community education director. Of the things that have happened in that time, she says one of her favorites is the recent renovation work at the Ellendale school; changes there have given children new equipment and state-of-the-art technology to help with their learning. She has many goals when it comes to community education. Said Whiteside, "We want to reach out to as many people as we can, enabling people of all ages to use the school." An expanding, vibrant program requires instructors, she points out. "I am always looking for instructors, as many as there are, we will take them to run a class or instruct a class. Any



Community Education Director Macy Whiteside

help is encouraged." Whiteside invites anyone interested in teaching a class or getting involved in community education, or to advertise NRHEG school related activities in her Panther Publication. Contact her via email at mwhiteside@nrheg.k12.mn.us.

NEW RICHLAND CITY COUNCIL

Council sets 16.2% preliminary tax levy increase

By BEN REVERMANN
Staff writer

During their Sept. 23 meeting, members of the New Richland city council set their preliminary adjusted 2025 tax levy at \$758,166, an amount almost \$106,000 higher than in 2024, or about 16.2 percent.

City Administrator Anthony Marten predicted that, once actual numbers for staff insurance are available rather than the estimates used to determine preliminary amounts, the city's levy increase will be no more than 12%. He told council members he estimates high to assure his plans will cover the final figures.

"But," said Martens, "everything is costing more right now. Gas for city vehicles is higher, wages are higher, chemicals for the waste treatment plant are higher. Maintenance for the city streets is higher. New equipment is costing more, everything is going up." Council members raised a few possibilities for increasing non-levy income, including re-examining fees charged for ambulance calls. After discussion, however, council members approved the preliminary budget with a vote of 3 for and 1 against.

Pam Krill is the Workforce Development Coordinator for NRHEG schools, hired by the South Central Service Cooperative to help local students explore employment opportunities as they prepare to leave school. From a small town herself, Krill says she wants to help New Richland grow. Of last year's graduates, Krill reported 22 went directly into the workforce. Krill told council members she wants to learn where those students went and what could be done to encourage them to stay local. She described activities undertaken during the 2023-'24 school year, including a Mobile Health Lab and Big Ideas Trailer. She also mentioned tours taken by various groups to visit local businesses and perhaps consider them as future employers.

After a performance evaluation on Sept. 19, Administrator Martens and Mayor Ferguson recommended New Richland Police Chief Tanyce Bruegger should receive a pay

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FenceLines

by Mark Bernard

Nannberry leaves had brilliant color

More warm sun and dry to round out September from the scurs and the Weather Eye. Does October offer more cooling and some precip or do warm and dry prevail? Starting on Thursday, mostly sunny with highs in the low 70's and lows in the low 40's. Sunny on Friday with highs in the upper 60's and lows in the mid-40's. Sunny on Saturday with highs in the mid-70's with lows in the mid-50's. Sunday, sunny with highs in the mid-70's and lows in the mid-40's. Partly sunny on Monday with highs in the upper 60's and lows in the low 40's. Tuesday mostly sunny with highs in the mid-70's and lows in the upper 40's. Sunny on Wednesday with highs in the mid-70's and lows in the low 50's. The normal high for October 5th is 64 and the normal low is 41. The scurs are starting to think they should've invested in the sweatshirt factory rather than the umbrella factory.

The severe, clear, warm temps and continued lack of precipitation has kept harvest moving at a steady pace. Soybeans are getting closer to harvested, although there are still some fields and patches remaining. Even some of the fields that were harvested were questioned by combine operators when the stems were green and the soybeans themselves were 11-12%. Yields on soybeans have generally come down to earth. Sure, there are some surprisingly good fields for the year, but they have been more the exception and not the rule. After finishing up with soybeans some are anxious to get going on corn. Might not be a bad idea as one can never count on the weather to do a person any favors. A smattering of corn has been picked. Reports of both yield and moisture were surprising in a positive sense. The sample-size was too small to represent any kind of a trend. Some good news never hurts, however.

Those looking for a hobby are starting to worry about the lack of rain again. In September we measured only .69" in Bugtussle and a measly .50" at the ranch six miles to the east. This is not that unusual and, when one thinks about it, not all that alarming when it comes to crop production. The last several years are a case in point. In 2022 for instance, we had an extremely dry fall. We had abundant, wet snowfall, however, and ground that never completely froze under it for most of the winter. This allowed much of the snowfall to percolate into the soil. Many of us also received heavy May precipitation that year. Given those two factors, we overachieved across much of south-central MN. Last year we actually had fairly decent fall recharge in September and October, but very little snowfall with a much warmer than normal winter. We received abundant rain in April. Won't even go there about how much rainfall we received in May and June.

The garden continues to churn out tomatoes beyond expectations. They have been beautiful and generally large. As a result we continue to enjoy BLT's several times a week when we're not eating tomatoes with coleslaw or cottage cheese. Not too shabby with macaroni salad either. Afraid the cucumbers have packed it in for the season. They were tremendous and we're hoarding the few remaining cukes in the refrigerator. The sheep were lucky recipients of numerous overgrown specimens over the course of the growing season. Try

as you might, there always seems to be some that hide under the dense foliage. Same with the zucchinis. Can think there are a few that should be ready in a couple days. Upon checking, they've suddenly grown to over two feet in length. Oh, well, they too are showing signs of powdery mildew.

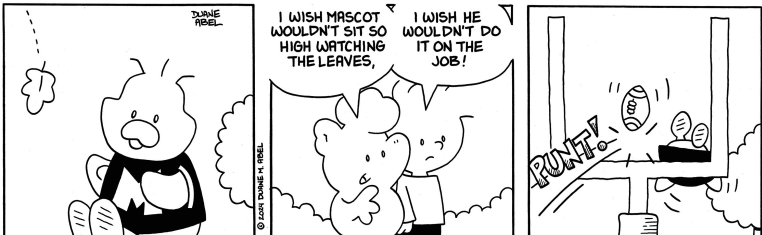
With the wetter season we had going on in August, it brought about conditions that allowed for development of a lot of leaf diseases on many species of plants. The nannyberry leaves that had such brilliant red color last fall are also covered with powdery mildew. It usually means they'll be dull brown and fall off the bushes rather quickly and unceremoniously. Several who have happened by the office have also mentioned rust on their bluegrass. We've noticed that at the ranch, especially on the north sides of buildings where it remains shaded part of the day. The rust usually isn't harmful to the bluegrass, but it does leave the rusty red spores on your shoes and the mower. A suggestion in one lawn care guide was to remove the infected clippings from the lawn. With the drier conditions in September, the problem seems to have solved itself. I wasn't about to rake all that stuff up.

Looks like the hummingbirds' last day at the ranch was September 27th. That one showed up after it appeared they were gone a day or two earlier. There was still enough fresh sugar water mixed up to refill a couple of the nectar feeders. After cleaning them out, I did just that and also filled one feeder with a 3:1 water to sugar ratio solution just to see if there was any preference should any hummingbirds happen by. None have, so it will remain an unsolved mystery. Leaves falling from the trees sometimes make me look twice to see if it's one last hummingbird, but alas. Still lots of robins passing through, using the birdbath and eating nannyberries. Still haven't replenished the suet supply, which was totally gone. Once the nectar feeders come down, that'll be the next step towards welcoming the overwintering guests. I do so with a sense of foreboding as winter has such a cold, dark finality to it. I find less and less positive about it every year. I'm convinced the hummingbirds heading to Costa Rica have this thing figured out.

On the 8th we will have had Poppy for two years now. Time has flown by. Seems like only yesterday we were in Missouri picking her up. Seeing all those Corgis in one spot was an unforgettable sight. Her riding in my lap all the way back from there was especially memorable. She'd wake up, rustle around a bit, then curl up and go back to sleep. She's spent most of the last two years convincing us she's not a Border Collie even though she's taken a shine to sleeping in the dog hole Ruby made in the couch. Now she's mostly through the puppy stage, although at two years old she should be. She knows the routine, although lately she'd like to sleep in rather than heading outside for chores. Not an option. Ranch rules are if we have to do chores, so does she. Poppy has perfected dawdling to an art, although she knows when we've reached our limit and need her to come, now! Takes a while sometimes. As we often say, it's a good thing she's cute.

See you next week...real good then.

ZED by Duane M. Abel



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The inner workings of sandwiches

Legend has it that John Glynn, who taught English in Ellendale for many years before I arrived, ate a turkey sandwich for lunch every single day of his career. I like turkey and I like sandwiches, but that's really sticking to a theme.

Quite often, I create a sandwich to bring for my lunch, but I like to vary the inner workings. I'll go between ham and turkey and chicken and roast beef, depending on what's on sale and what I have a hankering for. There are many different varieties even among those types of meat, with smoked or ro-tisserie or many others.

Mayo and cheese are important on my sandwich. And yes, I'm a mayonnaise guy, not Miracle Whip. The cheese also varies. I very much enjoy muenster and havarti, but cheddar or colby also adds good flavor.

One can toast the bread on their sandwich if they want. That's good to do when the loaf of bread is nearing the end of its shelf life and has started to get crusty anyway. Or maybe you enjoy a bagel as the bread of choice. Bagels have more heft than a couple slices of bread. Even with the bread - Do you want white or wheat? Do you like seeds on top of your bread?

So many choices. You can add lettuce or tomato to fill out your sandwich. If you go to a sandwich shop or deli or sub place, there are tons of items to add. Maybe you



Whatever Flips Your Waffle

by Mark Domeier
Contributing Writer

prefer spinach to lettuce. Pickles can be good on there; I've taken a particular liking to banana peppers. And you might like butter instead of mayo. Perhaps you add some mustard or oil.

How did we get to this utopia of sandwiches? Even though people point to the 4th Earl of Sandwich for an origin point, this handheld food has been around much longer than 1762 when John Montagu, the aforementioned earl, wanted to eat while he was at a gambling table. According to History.com, this story may be made up, but somehow, sandwich became what we called a couple pieces of bread with a variety of fillings in between.

The first recorded instance of a sandwich dates back to the first century B.C., when Hillel the Elder, who was a rabbi, used lamb, herbs, and unleavened bread, a tradition the Jewish people still use during Seder.

Sandwiches gained popularity in the United States early in the 20th century. People were eating sloppy joes and po' boys, but it also became a time when sandwiches did

not have to just have meat in them. After all, one of the most popular types of sandwiches today includes two things for the inside: peanut butter and jelly. We all know that creamy peanut butter is the way to go, right? That chunky stuff just tears the bread apart.

There is sometimes an argument about what a sandwich has to include to be considered a sandwich. There are even legal definitions for the purpose of restaurants and what can officially be called a sandwich. It is generally accepted that it must have either two slices of a type of bread with filling in the middle, or one slice of bread covered with food. An example of the latter would be an open-faced sandwich where you might even include gravy and need a fork to eat it instead of using your hands. Or not, I guess, up to you.

But where does that leave an ice cream sandwich? Can we even call it that? There is no bread involved.

And by the definition, is a hot dog a sandwich? Bread - check. Filled with meat and condiments - check.

When I make a sandwich for school, I will usually heat it up in the microwave for a little bit. That takes the chill out of the meat and melts the cheese a little. The only exception might be for a summer sausage sandwich; they are amazing when cold and are for sure my favorite type of cold sandwich.

As far as favorite hot sandwiches go, that's easy. My mom has been making Reuben sandwiches for Christmas for as long as I can remember. The key to a good Reuben is the meat to sauerkraut ratio. Too much meat, and the flavor combination just doesn't work. Places like Arby's have way too much corned beef on their Reuben. Mom's is done just right, and I look forward to that every Christmas.

Whether it's a hamburger or a tuna melt or a good old ham and cheese sandwich, the possibilities are endless. But don't be afraid to try a new combination or new topping or new condiment. You may discover a new world of taste.

Or, like Mr. Glynn, you can have a turkey sandwich every day and love it.

Word of the Week: This week's word is piquant, which means pleasantly pungent or spicy, as in, "She really enjoyed the piquant mustard on her sub as it added just the right amount of kick to her taste buds." Impress your friends and confuse your enemies!

Council

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increase to Grade 7, Step 1, at a rate of \$34.23 an hour effective Oct. 4. The two administrators also recommended maintenance worker Braeden Thompson be moved to Grade 2, Step 5, at a rate of \$22.56 an hour effective Oct. 4.

The New Richland Care Center reported its current census is 38, somewhat lower than its average of about 41. The facility reported college-age workers are returning to college, leaving fewer staff members to care

for residents. Post secondary high school students are working when they can and that is appreciated. A new beautician started at the Care Center in September and works there a few days each week.

The People Service water maintenance report included that the department has new chloride variance authorizations and a permit from the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) as of August 1. It also reported opening and inspecting man-hole covers from Division to Dogwood Streets as far as Broadway. An inspection undertaken August 5 checked for any breaks or leaks from Highway 13 to Aspen.

Street and maintenance depart-

ments reported weekly maintenance work had been performed at Legion Field, City Park, City Hall, the city Shop, library, water plant, and at St. Olaf Lake park. Hydrants were flushed on Sept. 12. Al Brooks serviced city fire extinguishers. Legion Field and St. Olaf Lake were closed for the season, including closing water lines and pulling in ropes and the swimming raft. Luke Dobberstein cleaned out ponds and mowed brush in the ditch along Seventh Street.

Council members discussed the need to review and update city ordinances, including recoding some. American Legal Publishing has agreed to work with the city and host

its ordinances online. Fees named by the company include update costs between \$1,600 - \$2,100; recodification \$6,275; publishing the laws online would entail a one-time fee of \$595, with an annual cost of \$550. Martens reported about \$1,800 is available in the ordinance budget at this time. American Legal Publishing has agreed to waive one year's hosting fee, saving \$550.

Employee Anniversaries: Tanycee Bruegger has been with the police department for six years; Kade Madden for one. Mitch Schaitel has been with the ambulance department for one year.

The next city council meeting will be at 6:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 14.

The only state we didn't see was Hawaii

Our Labor Day tradition is to leave Albert Lea, Minnesota by 9 a.m. Labor Day, staying overnight in Wall, South Dakota at the Super Eight Motel. We have the evening meal of shrimp and fries or onion rings after visiting T-Rex, the huge dinosaur in the backyard of Wall Drug Cafe.

T-Rex was resting as he had eaten too many red heads. (You could tell by all the red hair stuck between his teeth that he had a full tummy.) So we continued on to our evening meal and then night, night time at the Super Eight Motel in Wall.

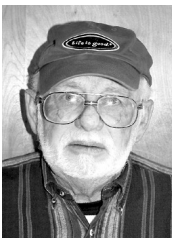
Back on I-90 and off at Sheridan, Wyoming and up the mountain on highway 14 to Arrowhead Lodge, elevation 8,300' and 829 miles from Albert Lea (our destination, staying for one week).

The mule Deer hunters were at their favorite camp spot on the road behind Arrowhead Lodge. At that time there were seven guys from six different states: John from Montana; Steve and Mike from Arkansas; Dan from Wisconsin; Dennis from Michigan; Pat from Washington and Jim from Tennessee. In talking to them, they referred to themselves as "Stately," because they are from different states!! I will admit they are great guys.

There are three lodges in the mountains above Sheridan, Wyoming off of highway 14 at the elevation of about 8,400 feet: 1. Arrowhead 2. Bear 3. Elk View. Each has a plus feature over the other two. Elk view has a more eloquent gift shop, dining room and bra. Bear lodge has the cowboy, working class customers. Arrowhead has the most ambiance. (We stay at Arrowhead for that reason).

Most of our meals were eaten at Bear lodge, served by great, friendly employees: Ian, Sabrina, Sydney, Winston, Augustine or Colter. Over the years (1973 was our 1st year), we have gotten to know other Bear Lodge friendly employees, for example: Yuki in housekeeping, tall person Jon in charge of four-wheelers and snowmobiles.

Some of the more interesting



"If you repeat what you have read here, it may be used against you."

things on the top of the Big Horn Mountains:

A. Medicine wheel, a native American sacred worship ground in the form of a wheel.

B. A huge golf ball on top of the hill by a medicine wheel that Paul Bunyan couldn't find after playing golf.

C. Waterfalls at Bucking Mule with gold at the bottom of the falls.

D. Shell falls with wild sheep at the top, plus a gift store.

E. A visitor's center with movies of the area, plus a gift center run by Sheridan Chamber of Commerce.

F. Unbelievable trout fishing, mule deer and moose hunting or just watching.

G. Blue birds, hawks, ravens, plus ducks, geese, sandhill cranes and other wildlife.

H. A small male mule deer that hides under cabin 16 at Arrowhead.

I. Straight lightning. We heard straight lightning of three bolts that knocked out all cell phone service coming down the west side of The Big Horn Mountains.

J. "The phone Booth" a place along the highway at the top of The BigHorn Mountains where your cell phone will work. (Otherwise your cell phone will "NOT" send or receive.)

K. "Black Mountain," a hike of about three miles to an observation fire lookout. The top has an outhouse with "maybe" toilet paper. I do a "random act of kindness" by bringing and leaving a roll each time. I've climbed to the top in my 30's, 40's, 50's, 60's, 70's, 80's. At the top you can see the gold roof at the college 40 miles away!!

We left Arrowhead lodge Tuesday morning September 9, staying at the

FACT OR FICTION

...you decide

by Bob Hanson, Emeritus

Super Eight Motel in Wall, South Dakota. Once again great employees. Khalema checked us in and Juanita treated us to her Dairy Queen Birthday cake.

Wednesday we got home to Albert

Lea about 6 p.m. Good trip, Good time!!

P.s. We played license plate leaving Albert Lea and coming back. Only state we didn't see was Hawaii.

P.p.s. We drove by the corn palace in Mitchell, South Dakota to see the new theme, "Famous South Dakotans" in corn and corn stalks.

Bob is a retired AAL (Aid Association for Lutherans) agent, currently working on his master's degree in Volunteering. His wife, Genie, is a retired RN, currently working on her doctor's degree in Volunteering. They have two children, Deb in North Carolina, and Dan in New York. Bob says if you enjoy his column, let him know. If you don't enjoy it, keep on reading, it can get worse. Words of wisdom: There is always room for God.

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OBITUARIES

Curtis Krause

Curtis Alan Krause, age 79, of New Richland, passed away on Thursday, September 26, 2024, following 15 months of living with Bulbar ALS.

Born on September 21, 1945 in Waseca to Elmer and Mildred (Abbe) Krause, Curt was raised in rural Meriden, where he could hit a baseball across a field. He'd also proudly tell you of his Owatonna roots as a member of the class of '63. He continued his studies at Mankato State University. Legend has it he was such a force in intramural football, the varsity team asked him to join. He declined, though; Karen Ratigan was much more captivating than the prospect of fame under stadium lights.

Curt and Karen married on September 5, 1970, residing in Waseca until they moved to rural New Richland, where they raised their three children and Curt farmed. Agriculture wasn't just Curt's profession; it was his life's work. For 60 years, he not only farmed, he also traveled across southern Minnesota and Iowa as an agriculturalist for Birds Eye/Conagra. His days were spent on the back roads, putting in miles, enjoying Peanut M&Ms, and amassing an encyclopedic knowledge of every church, cemetery, and bathroom within a 200-mile radius.

While Curt's humor wasn't on any payroll, it could've been; he cracked jokes easily and often. His croquet game, on the other hand, was no laughing matter. With the intensity of a seasoned athlete and his characteristic easy-going nature, Curt played croquet as if he already knew he was going to win...and he almost always did. The same was true of his card-playing skills at seven-up and pfeffer, even with late-stage ALS.

When he wasn't farming, winning at croquet and six-handed pfeffer, or trying out his latest material on family and friends, Curt could be found at Trinity Lutheran Church, where he functioned as the unofficial welcoming committee. He sang in the choir, served on the council, and even led services when the pastor was away. His faith was strong, his voice deep, and if you stood next to him during a hymn, he could tell you the hymn number without opening the book.

Curt is survived by Karen and his three children: Heather (Dion) Krause Quiram, of Mankato; Nathan (Jennifer) Krause, of Cottage Grove; and Meghan (fiancé Brown



Curtis Krause

nell Mack) Krause, of Minneapolis; as well as four grandchildren who know more jokes than they probably should: Spencer, Ella, Evan, and Lauren. He's also survived by his siblings: Linda Armstrong, Roger Krause, Carol Mueller, Kathryn Bean, and Joann Krause (and their spouses), and his brother-in-law Bob Ratigan (and spouse), along with countless nieces, nephews, and friends, who all loved him enough to laugh at the same joke for the 47th time. He is preceded in death by his parents, parents-in-law David and Fern Ratigan, aunts and uncles, brother-in-law David Mueller, and nephew Tim Ratigan.

Visitation will be held from 5:30-7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, October 2, 2024 at Trinity Lutheran Church in New Richland. A funeral service will be held at 10 a.m. on Thursday, October 3, 2024 at Trinity Lutheran Church, with a visitation beginning at 9 a.m.. Pastor Mary Iverson will officiate, perhaps wondering how to fill the space Curt's welcoming presence normally would. Interment will follow at St. Olaf Cemetery, where Curt's final resting place will overlook the fields he loved. The service will be livestreamed and can be viewed by visiting www.BonnerupFuneralService.com.

Curt's family extends a special thank you to Anna (Stork) Jensen and the kind-hearted teams at Synapticure, Waseca Emergency Medicine, and Mayo Clinic Hospice for their compassionate care. Memorials are preferred to I Am ALS, Trinity Lutheran Church, or the NRHEG Alumni Association Scholarship. In true Curt fashion, he leaves us with this parting reminder: "Daddy sang bass..." (a la Johnny Cash). In Curt's honor, tell a joke today.

Gary Wayne Berg

GARY WAYNE BERG, age 77 of Waseca, passed away on the morning of Wednesday, September 25, 2024 at Oaklawn Care and Rehabilitation Center in Mankato.

Gary was born in Albert Lea on August 9, 1947 to parents Oscar "Buddy" and Betty (Anderson) Berg. He grew up on the family farm and graduated from New Richland High School with the class of 1965. When Gary was only seventeen, he and some friends pursued early enlistment in the United States Navy. Immediately following his graduation, he began his active military service. Gary was proud to become a Navy SeaBee and loved his time in the construction battalion while stationed in Vietnam. Gary was gravely injured by mortar fire on the first night of the Tet Offensive just days before the end of his tour. After lengthy stays in several hospitals, he was awarded the Purple Heart. Although he remained legally blind and physically disabled, he returned to Minnesota and was proud to work as a block tender for Evenson Brothers Construction for many years. In 1967, he was married to Karen Matz

in Port Hueneme, California. Although they later divorced, they continued a great friendship as time went on. At age 32 Gary returned to school to study business, first at UMW in Waseca where he earned an Associate's Degree and later he earned his bachelor's degree and graduated Suma Cum Laude from MSU in Mankato. Gary finished his working years with a 22-year career at the Internal Revenue Service.

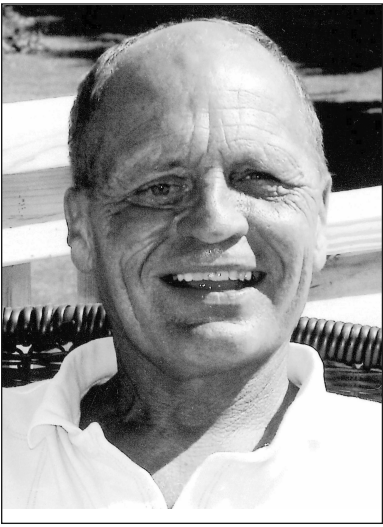
Gary was a past Post Commander and Treasurer with the Waseca American Legion, he was a life member of the Waseca VFW, and he loved marching with his squad for many years. He also loved tending to his garden... so much so that in his later years he actually hauled Minnesota dirt to his winter home in Texas in order to plant his Good Friday Potatoes. Because Gary was legally blind following his military service, he was never able to drive a vehicle again. It was a part of his life that he desperately missed, and his family is so happy to know that after over 60 years he's now able to drive that beloved red '57 Chevy on streets paved in gold.

Gary is survived by four children, Michele (Al) Tischer of Austin, Mar-

cie (Nathan) Ross of Waseca, Matthew (Kristina) Berg of Waseca, and Mitchell Berg of Chesapeake, VA; his former spouse and good friend, Karen Berg of Waseca; grandchildren Lucas Tischer, Katey (Kyle) Sellers, and Isaac (Alyssa) Tischer all of Austin, Emilee (Blake) Kortuem, Alex (Carley Larson) Ross, and Juliana (Nathan) Sipe all of Waseca, Jordyn (Gavin) Doering of OK, Ryan Berg of Waseca, and Noah Berg of SC, Tyler Berg, Oscar Berg, and Lauren Berg, all of VA; great-grandchildren, Oaklyn and Cleo Tischer, Amelia and Charlotte Sellers, Tate and Will Kortuem, and Liam Berg; and siblings Kathy (Edgar) Peterman of Anoka, and Kris (Gary) Budach of New Richland. He was preceded in death by both of his parents; a great-niece Finly Budach; and many other special relatives.

Gary's family would like to express special thanks to Amanda, Jami, and Josie as well as the other staff at Oaklawn Care and Rehabilitation Center in Mankato for the fantastic loving care that they offered to Gary over the past two years.

Visitation was held from 4-7 p.m. on Monday, September 30, 2024 at the Third Street Chapel of Dennis-



Gary Berg

Steffel-Omtvedt Funeral and Cremation Service in Waseca, and will continue for two hours before the service at the church on Tuesday.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, October 1, 2024 at Le Sueur River Lutheran Church in rural New Richland, with Rev. Dan Kordahl officiating. Interment will follow at Le Sueur River Lutheran Cemetery. dsfuneral.com

Delores Bishman

Delores Genevieve (Johnson) Bishman, age 90, passed away with family by her side Friday, September 27, 2024, at Reflections Hospice in Northfield, MN.

Delores was born May 21, 1934, on the family farm in Lemond Township to Guy and Esther (Anderson) Johnson. She attended school at District 85, then Owatonna High School, where she was a cheerleader, and a homecoming queen attendant, graduating in 1952.

After graduation, she moved to Owatonna, MN, and began a 61-year career working at Jostens. She started as full-time, later worked seasonally while raising her children, then returned to full-time employment until her retirement in 2013.

Delores married Dale Bishman at Pontoppidan Lutheran Church in El-

lendale, MN, on June 18, 1954. From this union, they had five children: Debra, Darlene, Michael, Michele and Patricia.

Delores served on the Altar Guild at St. John Lutheran Church in Owatonna for many years. She loved cheering on the Minnesota Vikings, spending time with family, tapping her toes to a good ole' polka, and eating ice cream.

She is survived by Dale, her husband of 70 years, their five children: Debra (Al) Koglin, Hutchinson, MN, Darlene (Greg) Thomas, Pequot Lakes, MN, Michael (Barb) Bishman, Owatonna, Michele Ulrich, Owatonna, and Patricia Kark, Owatonna; grandchildren: Adam (Anna) Koglin, Kevin (Hannah) Koglin, Shauna (Nathan) Magedanz, Marshall (Ashley) Thomas, Corey (Melissa) Bishman, Casey (Kasey) Jo

Bishman, Cole (Lindsey) Bishman, Cody (Christine) Ulrich, Katie (Todd) Merritt, Carly Ulrich, and 21 great-grandchildren.

Delores was preceded in death by her parents, Guy and Esther Johnson; sisters Eileen Sather and Adella Bennett; and brother Vernon Johnson.

Friends may greet the family starting at 9:00 AM and continuing until the time of service, Saturday, October 5, 2024, at St. John Lutheran Church (1301 Lincoln Ave. S. Owatonna). Funeral service will be at 11:00 AM, followed by interment at St. John Cemetery in Owatonna.

Thank you to all the staff at Ecumen Brooks, Mayo Waseca Hospital, Reflections Northfield and Alina Hospice for the loving care of our mother.

In lieu of flowers, memorials are preferred to St. John Lutheran



Delores Bishman

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Leslie Christensen

Leslie James Christensen, 94, passed away on Monday, September 23, 2024. A funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. on Thursday, September 26, 2024 at the Cross of Glory Lutheran Church in Hartland, MN. A visitation will be held from 9-11 a.m. on September 26, 2024 at the church. Pastor Marcia Pedersen will be officiating.

Leslie James Christensen was born in Albert Lea, MN on July 13, 1930 to Victor and Beverly (Longshore) Christensen. He grew up in Freeborn, MN and graduated from Freeborn High School. After his schooling, Leslie joined the Army Air Force in 1948 and served until 1949. He was united in marriage to Yvonne Amley on December 31, 1950. Leslie farmed with his brother and on his own in the area. He also owned his own road construction business (Christensen Road Equipment), where he hauled rock and gravel, bladed roads and plowed snow. He also served on the Freeborn-Mower Electric Board.

Leslie enjoyed traveling to various countries around the world, including Australia, New Zealand, Japan, England, China, Switzerland, Italy, Germany, Norway and Denmark. He also traveled with his family, taking trips to Las Vegas with his daughters and taking all of his grandchildren to Disney World in Florida. In his free time, he enjoyed fishing, gardening and flying his plane. His greatest love was spending time with his family.

Leslie is survived by his daughters, Cynthia (John) Miller of Ely-



Leslie Christensen

sian, MN, BethAnn (Jerry) Kroeger of Freeborn, MN, Lesley (Craig) Wenzel of New Richland, MN; six grandchildren, Brandon (Angela) Kroeger of New Richland, Tiffany (Joel) Kriesel of Owatonna, Jennifer (Kelly) Anderson of Hager City, Wi, and Kara (Matt) Wilkenson of New Richland; 12 great-grandchildren; brother Dale (Judy) Christensen; sister-in-law, Jeanne Amley, along with several nieces and nephews.

Leslie is preceded by his wife Yvonne, parents Victor and Beverly Christensen, his two sisters Beverly Jean (infancy) and Jeanne Matthies; twin brother Lloyd Christensen; and his grandparents Peter and Annie Christensen, and Earl and Mary Longshore.

In lieu of flowers, the family prefers donations to the Freeborn Cemetery, or to a charity of the donor's choice.

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DRIVING BY BRUCE'S DRIVE
I have a wonderful neighbor named Bruce. Deep thoughts occur as I drive past his drive. I called a company with a question. I got the hold department. That department did its job and put me on hold. They didn't care for phone conversations. With that frustration as fuel, I opened the garage door and raised a moistened forefinger to determine which direction the wind was blowing. I wasn't far down the road before I encountered a situation that doesn't make many feel fallstalgic. This is the time of the year when a driver could spend time following a farm combine moseying down the road on a field tour. When this happens to me, I try to make a weather prediction (The next few days will bring weather.) and to think of the name of a Kardashian (Not one of them is named Kerfuffle). I tried to decide what my favorite song and my favorite movie were. I tried to identify the make of a car without seeing its name. The combine slowed my pace. Not a bad thing.

I didn't get my knickers in a twist. I'd left early, so I had no reason for hurrying. I wasn't in search of a rare uneaten ear of sweetcorn. I stopped and talked to Mrs. Johnson. She said her doctor had told her she should watch what she eats. She knew it was good advice, but she didn't like what the doctor wanted her to watch. A nurse had asked her if she had a living will. She did. Will is her second oldest boy and lives in Topeka
I took my car in for servicing and received some good news. The floor mats still had some life in them and didn't need replacement. It was a ray of sunshine.

IN LOCAL NEWS
Shhh! The Walls Have Beers liquor store opens.
The Parallel Line Club never meets.
Local poet laureate retires for no rhyme or reason.
Waldo starts a GoFindMe page.
Sweater shop hires a used car-digan salesperson.

I'VE LEARNED
I'm never sure which side the cellphone goes in a formal place setting.
Not every plastic lid is meant to fit something.
Whatever the mind can conceive and believe, it can achieve as

long as it rhymes with conceive or believe.
A car park means a lot.

I WONDER
Did the brain name itself?
Why haven't I heard anyone mispronounce "Pinocchio"?
Why don't people with good tastes in music play it loud in a car with the windows down?
Are there conspiracy theories about other planets being flat?
Did the guy who invented the snooze button ever invent anything else or did he never again get up early enough to invent anything else?

NATURE NOTES
Having a bird feeder is like having a backstage pass. I watched mourning doves drink at the bird-bath. Pigeons and doves suck up water like a horse and both males and females produce pigeon milk in their crops, which they feed to their young. Europeans introduced rock pigeons to North America in the early 1600s.

I watched pelicans herd fish into the shallows for easy eating. It ended in a fierce feeding frenzy. It was an incredible fish drive, similar to but wetter than the cattle drives Rowdy Yates participated in as the ramrod of the crew that drove bovines on the Sedalia Trail in the TV series "Rawhide." Rowdy, played by Clint Eastwood, worked under trail boss Gil Favor. They moved cattle from San Antonio, Texas, to Sedalia, Kansas, while being prodded along by Frankie Laine's voice singing, "Move 'em out, head 'em up, Rawhide." The pelicans worked without music.

Moles rarely come to the surface where owls, hawks, weasels or snakes might get them. Because of their musky odor, moles are unpalatable to some predators, but raccoons, coyotes, foxes and skunks dig them out. Domestic dogs and cats kill moles but rarely eat them. A mole eats earthworms, Japanese beetle grubs, cutworms and more.

Where did "naked as a jaybird" come from? It has an uncertain origin. The expression from the 1800s was naked as a fledgling jaybird, naked as a fledgling robin or naked as a fledgling. At some point, people dropped the word "fledgling" from the idiom. In the 1920s, J-bird was an abbreviation of the word jaybird. Before giving them uniforms, jail authorities stripped new inmates naked and disinfected them.

MEETING ADJOURNED
"Life is short. Be swift to love! Make haste to be kind!"—Henri Frederic Amiel.

A country gem waiting to be found

Barnyard Treasures annual sale

By BEN REVERMANN
Staff writer

"Barnyard Treasures" is an arts and crafts sales event held at the rural farm home of Dawn Raatz. During the Sept. 28 show, 13 vendors had their items on display. Raatz herself advertised "Unique signs hand painted on salvaged barn wood and tin."

Among the vendors were Polly's Pantry Treats, Beautiful Yard, The Candle Beesness, Originals by Sheesh, Agate Couple, Tim's Custom Engraving, Keck's Sweets and Treats, Emerson Lane Boutique, Janae's Wacky Workshop, Uniquely Crafted, Twin Arrow Spices and Pixel 3D Prints. There was also a cider tent offering cold drinks and some snacks and fall treats. Visitor traffic was light, but constant at the 8623 SW 108th Street address in the area of New Richland.

Event organizer and artist Raatz observed, "I've always crafted. In fact I don't ever remember not doing it." She sells an assortment of stencils on tin, stencil on barn wood, paintings/stencil on canvas. She said she started producing and marketing more pieces when her friends began urging her to start selling in volume. At first, she used Facebook as a market, but last year decided to hold an in-person sales event. She's lived on her farm going on thirty years; she and her husband, Steve, have three sons now in their thirties, Cody, Colton and Randy. For the Sept. 28 event, Steve took on the task of managing parking. Cody was nice enough to stick around and help for the day when Mom asked.

Raatz has a refinished, antique horse trailer



Dawn Raatz, owner of Barnyard Treasures.

Star Eagle photo by Ben Revermann

set up in her yard to display her artwork. A borrowed 1950s Ford truck was set in the middle of everything with artwork leaning against it. There is also a small building with her work on display. Besides her focus on barn wood and tin, she also does decoupage. She says she continually tries new things, happily learning as she goes.

At least for now, Barnyard Treasures is a one-day event, although Raatz says she is considering putting something together for the Christmas season. Crafters and other ven-

"I've always crafted. In fact I don't ever remember not doing it."
— Dawn Raatz

dors can contact Raatz at dawn.raatz@yahoo.com, or call her at 507-456-9311. More information is also available on the Barnyard Treasures Facebook page.

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A lot of fishing and a lot of memories

This past week was spent at the cabin with my son Brad and my grandson, Dylan. It was great spending time with both of them and enjoying quality time fishing numerous lakes. We started out fishing Spider Lake with little success, although we did catch a few small fish that were nothing to write home about.

The next day we visited Sand Lake, which is part of the Bowstring chain of lakes. This is a lake where we vacationed on many occasions and Brad wanted to go back there. We didn't have much better luck on that lake either. As the afternoon progressed, the wind picked up and fishing became a little more difficult. This lake can get pretty rough on windy days as we found out. I have seen it rougher at times, but we decided to call it a day. Brad caught a couple of dandy Sand Lake perch, which we kept to hopefully add to for a meal.

After fishing Moose Lake, which is known for muskies, without much success we headed back for the cabin



Woods and Water

by Dick Herfindahl
Outdoors Writer

to have lunch before heading to this little lake not far from the cabin. This little lake has a public access and the best part is that it is surrounded by a National Forest and there are no cabins on this lake. This is a beautiful, deep lake. Although it has no walleye in it, there are northern, bass, panfish and perch to be caught. I can't overstate the beauty of this lake, and, the evening that we were there, the weather was as perfect as it gets.

We have fished this little lake many times over the years and it never seems to disappoint.

The next day we fished another of our favorites and were not disappointed there either. Although we

didn't catch many fish of size, we did catch a variety of fish. We caught lots of small bass, a crappie and some sunnies. I also caught one keeper northern, which we kept to compliment the perch. We fried up that northern and those perch for supper, which made for a nice meal for the three of us. Brad did most of the cooking and he is a master at it. He discovered that we didn't have any flour to use with the Panko, so he used corn starch to roll the fish in and it turned out so good and, it was nice and crispy. We had enough fish left over for Dylan to take home to his wife, Kloe. Dylan had brought steak, hamburger and pork sausage and we

managed to devour most of that. It's no wonder that I gained weight on this trip!

I really enjoyed this time spent with my son and grandson. Having those two there doing all the work made it easy for me. I appreciate spending time with these two doing something that we all live to do. I know that there will come a time when I will not be able to do these outdoors adventures, but I will cherish every moment until that time comes.

Until next time: I did manage to build a new suet feeder for the woodpeckers. I built it out of a small birch log that I had to cut up on my last solo trip. It took no time at all for one to show up. I hope that one of those big black bears that visit the cabin doesn't destroy it.

Please show your support for our troops who are now deployed. These service men and women are making that sacrifice, so that we may have the many freedoms that we enjoy today.

LOOKING BACK

25 Years back

•Cole Brody Thompson, son of Jena and David Thompson, was brought to the Lord in Holy Baptism on Sunday, September 19th at the Community Lutheran Church. Brody Richards and Stacey Kubiatowicz proudly served as sponsors for little Cole.

•The Women's Resource Center of Steele County (WRC) will hold the 4th annual Walk For Peace on Thursday, September 30, 1999 from noon to 7 p.m. at Owatonna Central Park. The Walk For Peace is a community awareness event sponsored by the WRC to kick off October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month. The Walk is designed to provide an opportunity for people of all ages from Steele County to show their support for a non-violent community.

50 Years Back

•The Ellendale-Geneva Raiders girls worked themselves into a late holiday present by winning the first Ellendale Holiday Tournament Saturday night January 3rd. In their opening game with Emmons, the girls got off to a sluggish start and trailed Emmons, 7-12, at the end of the first quarter. They started to pick up the Tempo in the second quarter and managed a 26-26 tie by the half. Then early in the third quarter, the Raiders defense took over while at the same time the offense ignited and the girls scored 22 points while holding Emmons to just 6 thus, led by 12 at the end of the quarter, 48-36. Each team scored well in the fourth quarter, but Emmons couldn't overcome the lead and fell to the raiders, 67-57.

•Quilting came from the East long, long ago. Nobody knows who began it, where it began, nor when. Quilting is also an American craft, born out of women's need to stretch their scarce dollars by using scraps of fabric to make bedspreads, and at the same time to tell their families story and socialize with other women.

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- Sunday, August 26, 18:43, TRaf-fic stop, Highway 13/235th Ave, Warning-verbal
- Sunday, August 26, 22:17, Di-rected Patrol, New Richland City Of, Cleared
- Monday, August 27, 11:57, Wel-fare Check, Ash Ave N, Cleared
- Monday, August 27, 20:03, Traf-fic Stop, Highway 13/3rd St NE, WArning-verbal
- Monday, August 27, 22:26, Di-rected Patrol, New Richland City Of, Cleared
- Monday, August 27, 23:05, Traf-fic Stop, Highway 13/240th Ave, Warning-verbal
- Tuesday, August 28, 17:45, Infor-mation Call Only, Broadway Ave N,

- Cleared
- Tuesday, August 28, 18:47, Traf-fic Stop, Highway 13/highway 30, Warning-verbal
- Tuesday, August 28, 19:00, Di-rected Patrol, New Richland City Of, Cleared
- Tuesday, August 28, 19:01, Lock Check(Building, Park Entrance), New Richland City Of, Cleared
- Tuesday, August 28, 22:21, TRaf-fic Stop, Highway 13/235th Ave, WArning-verbal
- Tuesday, August 28, 22:30, Assist Ambulance (law), State Highway 30, Assist Renered
- Wednesday, August 29, 13:47, Civil, 240th Ave, Cleared
- Wednesday, August 29, 16:59,

- Directed Patrol, New Richland City Of, Cleared
- Wednesday, August 29, 16:59, Lock Check (Building,Park En-trance), New Richland City Of, Cleared
- Wednesday, August 29, 17:58, Traffic Stop, Highway 30/Ash Ave S, WArning-verbal
- Wednesday, August 29, 19:53, Traffic Stop, Highway 13/Highway 30, Traffic Citation
- Thursday, August 30, 13:27, as-sist Other Agency (law), Division St W, Cleared
- Thursday, August 30, 21:50, As-sist Ambulance(law), #rd St Ne, As-sist renered
- Thursday, August 30, 22:22, Di-

- rected Patrol, New Richland City Of, Cleared
- Thursday, August 30, 22:28, Traf-fic Stop, Highway 13/240th Ave, WArning-Verbal
- Friday, August 31, 14:17, Traffic Stop, Highway 30/Elm Ave S, Warn-ing-verbal
- Friday, August 31, 18:49, Traffic Stop, Highway 13/240th Ave, Warn-ing-verbal
- Friday, August 31, 21:54, Di-rected Patrol, New Richland City Of, Cleared

NR POLICE

- Tuesday, August 13, 09:45, Alarm, 2nd At SE, Cleared
- Tuesday, August 13, 10:59, Or-dinance Violation, Broadway Ave S, Cleared
- Tuesday, August 13, 11:12, Or-dinance Violation, Broadway Ave N, Admin citation
- Tuesday, August 13, 22:11, Di-rected Patrol, New Richland City Of, Cleared
- Tuesday, August 13, 22:11, House Watch, Birch Ave N, Cleared
- Tuesday, August 13, 23:32, Open door/window, Ash Ave S, Cleared
- Wednesday, August 14, 09:36, Ordinance Violation, Broadway Ave N, Cleared
- Wednesday, August 14, 12:20, Criminal History Request, Broad-way Ave N, Cleared
- Wednesday, August 14, 16:51, Directed Patrol, New Richland City Or, Cleared
- Wednesday, August 14, 16:52, Lock Check(Building, Park En-trance) New Richland City Or, Cleared
- Wednesday, August 14, 16:52, House WAtch, Birch Ave N, Cleared
- Wednesday, August 14, 18:16, Traffic Stop, Highway 30/Dog-wood Ave, warning-verbal
- Wednesday, August 14, 20:58, Traffic Stop, Highway 30/120th St, Warning-verbal
- Wednesday, August 14, 21:19, Assist Other Agency (law), 210th St, Assist Renerd
- Thursday, August 15, 22:44, Directed Patrol, New Richland City Of, Cleared
- Thursday, August 15, 23:29, House Watch, Birch Ave N, Cleared
- Friday, August 16, 23:04, Di-rected Patrol, New Richland City Of, Cleared
- Friday, August 16, 23:55, House WAtch, Birch Ave N, Cleared
- Saturday, August 17, 10:46, Suspicious Vehicle, State Highway 13, Cleared
- Saturday, August 17, 18:35, Traffic Stop, Aspen Ave N/3rd St NE, Traffic Citation
- Saturday, August 17, 19:43, Animal Complaint/Bite, Birch Ave S/1st St SW, CLeared
- Saturday, August 17, 20:56, As-sist Ambulance (law), Ash Ave S, Cleared
- Saturday, August 17, 22:44, Di-rected Patrol, New Richland City Of, Cleared
- Sunday, August 18, 00:25, House Watch, Birch Ave N, Cleared
- Sunday, August 18, 09:28, Fraud, Broadway Ave N, Written Report
- Monday, August 20, 15:27, Or-dinance Violation, Broadway Ave N, Cleared
- Monday, August 20, 16:39, Di-rected Patrol, New Richland City Or, Cleared
- Monday, August 20, 16:39, Lock Check (Building, Park En-trance), New Richland City Of, Cleared
- Monday, August 20, 18:18, Welfare Check, Birch Ave N, Log Report
- Monday, August 20, 21:29, Traffic Stop, Birch Ave N/4th St, Warning-verbal
- Monday, August 20, 22:09, Suspicious Vehicle, 240th Ave, Warning-Verbal
- Tuesday, August 21, 09:34,

- Suspicious Person, 1st St NW, Not able to locate
- Tuesday, August 21, 16:56, Di-rected Patrol, New Richland City Of, Cleared
- Tuesday, August 21, 16:56, Lock Check (Building, Park en-trance), New Richland City Of, Cleared
- Tuesday, August 21, 17:18, Traffic Stop, Highway 30/Aspen Ave S, Traffic Citation
- Tuesday, August 21, 17:44, Traffic Stop, Highway 13/3rd St NE, WArning-Verbal
- Tuesday, August 21, 17:53, Traffic Stop, Highway 30/ 130th St, Traffic Citation
- Tuesday, August 21, 22:21, Traffic Stop, Highway 13/240th Ave, Warning-verbal
- Wednesday, August 22, 12:10, Information Call Only, Aspen Ave N, Cleared
- Wednesday, August 22, 13:45, Ordinance Violation, Division St W, Cleared
- Wednesday, August 22, 17:57, Traffic Stop, 130th St/State High-way 30, WArning-Verbal
- Wednesday, August 22, 20:35, Traffic Stop, Highway 13/3rd St NE, Traffic Citation
- Wednesday, August 22, 22:16, Directed Patrol, New Richland City Of, Cleared
- Thursday, August 23, 16:26, Property Damage (not vel), Birch Ave N, Non-traffic Citation
- Thursday, August 23,16:40, Di-rected Patrol, New Richland City Of, Cleared
- Thursday, August 23, 16:41, Lock Check (Building, Park En-trance), New Richland City Of, Cleared
- Thursday, August 23, 18:14, Traffic stop, Highway 13/240th Ave, Warning-Verbal
- Thursday, August 23, 18:56, Traffic Stop, Highway 30/130th St, Traffic Citation
- Thursday, August 23, 20:14, Assist Other Agency (law), 19th Ave Ne, Assist Renered
- Thursday, August 23, 21:12, Traffic Stop, Highway 30/Ash Ave S, WArning-verbal
- Thursday, August 23, 22:15,Traffic Stop, 1st St NE, Warning-verbal
- Friday, August 24, 03:48, Alarm, 2nd St Se, Log Report
- Friday, August 24, 13:43, Ani-mal Complaint/Bite, Broadway Ave N, No Contact
- Friday, August 24, 16:13, Di-rected Patrol, New Richland City Of, Cleared
- Friday, August 24, 16:13, Lock Check(Building, Park entrance), New Richland City Of, Cleared
- Friday, August 24, 17:03, Traf-fic Stop, 3rd St NE/Highway 13, Warning-Verbal
- Friday, August 24, 17:19, Traf-fic Stop, Highway 13/240th Ave, Warning-Verbal
- Friday, August 24, 19:38, As-sist Other Agency(law), 130th St, Log Report
- Friday, August 24, 22:38, Ordi-nance Violation, City Park, Warn-ing-verbal
- Saturday, August 25, 15:50, Di-rected Patrol, New Richland City Of, Cleared
- Saturday, August 25, 15:50, Lock Check (Building, Park En-trance), New Richland City Of, Cleared
- Sunday, August 26, 18:23, Traffic Stop, Highway 30/Elm Ave S, Warning-verbal

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Panthers put it all together for Homecoming

By JIM LUTGENS
Sports Editor

On their first offensive possession last Friday, the NRHEG High School football team went three-and-out, then allowed a touchdown and two-point conversion to visiting Medford.

It was not a sign of things to come.

The Panthers shut out the Tigers the rest of the way on their way to a 43-8 Homecoming victory, their third consecutive triumph after starting the season 0-2.

"It was a slow start," said Panthers coach Marc Kruger. "Once we settled down and got into a groove, we did very well. Our offense moved the ball very well and our defense shut down Medford after the first drive. I'm very proud of this team and how well we are playing."

After spotting the young Tigers a touchdown, the Panthers scored twice in the second quarter, on a 20-yard pass from Alden Dobberstein to Owen Bartlett and a 24-yard run by Dobberstein. Harbor Cromwell ran for the two-point conversion after the touchdown pass.

The Panthers piled it on in the second quarter, scoring on a two-yard run by Cromwell, a 59-yard scamper by Ryan Schlaak and a 15-

yard run by Cromwell.

It was 43-8 at halftime.

NRHEG ran for 190 yards and Dobberstein threw for 90, going 4-for-5 with no interceptions. They had 11 first downs.

The Tigers, meanwhile, were held to 24 yards rushing and 18 passing, totaling four first downs.

Schlaak was the Panthers' rushing leader with 77 yards on three carries. Cromwell ran for 51, Dobberstein for 38.

Four players caught one pass apiece.

Schlaak led the defense with three tackles. Wyatt Larson recovered a fumble.

The Panthers play Friday at WEM, Oct. 10 at home against JWP and conclude the regular season Oct. 16 at USC. The section tournament starts Oct. 22.

NRHEG 43, Medford 8				
MED	8	0	0	0 — 8
NRHEG	14	29	0	0 — 43
First Quarter				
MED — 2 run (two-point conversion successful)				
NRHEG — Owen Bartlett 20 pass from Alden Dobberstein (Harbor Cromwell run)				
NRHEG — Alden Dobberstein 24 run (Kick failed)				
Second Quarter				
NRHEG — Cromwell 2 run (Bartlett run)				
NRHEG — Ryan Schlaak 59 run (two-				



BIG WIN — After a slow start, the NRHEG football team dominated Medford 43-8 in last Friday's Homecoming game. At left, Jordan Brouwers (54) and Jase Knudson (80) pressure the quarterback. At right, Alden Dobberstein (6) runs behind the blocking of Carter Martens (51). In the background is Jace Ihrke (57).



point conversion successful)			MED		NRHEG		Turnovers		1		0	
NRHEG — Cromwell 15 run (Kick failed)			Total plays		15		24		Penalties		0-0 3-15	
			First downs		4		11					
NRHEG — Dobberstein 30 run (Conversion failed)			Rushing Yds.		24		190					
			Passing		3-16-0		4-5-0					
Third Quarter			Passing Yds.		18		90					
No scoring			Total Yds.		42		280					
Fourth Quarter			Third Down		1-3		1-2					
			Fourth Down		0-0		0-0					
No scoring			Fumbles lost		1-1		0-0					

Receiving — NRHEG: Bartlett 1-20; R.Schlaak 1-16; Cromwell 1-0; Rest of team 1-54; MED: 3-18

NRHEG Defense — R.Schlaak 3 tackles; Bartlett 2 tackles, 1 TFL; Cole Hutchens 2 tackles; J.Brouwers 1 tackle; C.Martens 1 tackle; Wyatt Larson 1 fumble rec.; Rest of team 4 tackles

Spikers prevail at Blooming Prairie

By JIM LUTGENS
Sports Editor

It was a jam-packed Homecoming week for the NRHEG High School volleyball team, and it was a boisterous environment as the Panthers traveled to Blooming Prairie last Thursday for a rare matinee match.

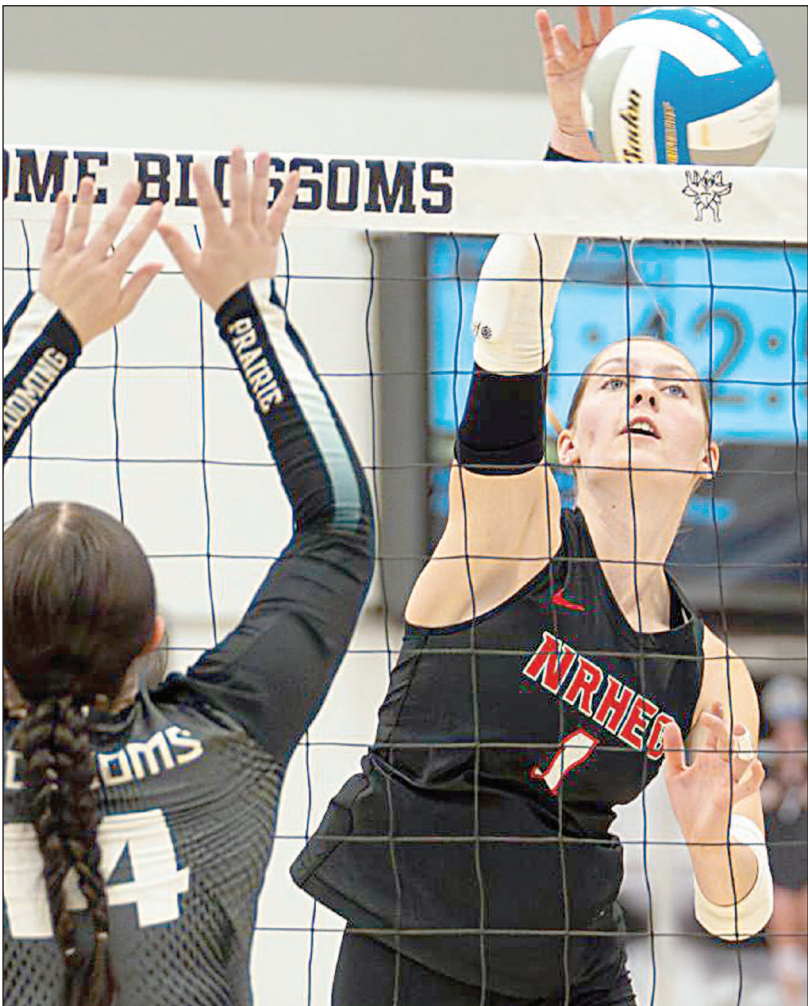
The Panthers were obviously not distracted, winning 3-1, with game scores of 25-22, 18-25, 25-15 and 25-18.

"It was a great and loud environment as Blooming Prairie had their student body in attendance, as well as some from NRHEG," said Panthers coach Bethany Tennis.

"The girls played well, executing the skills they needed in order to get the win."

Individual statistics for NRHEG: Gabby Schlaak 14 kills, 5 digs, 1 set assist, 1 ace 1 block; Camryn VanMaldeghem 9K, 11D, 1SA, 2B; Anika Ladlie 2K, 2B; Mallory Schlinger 5D, 1A; Izley Boerner 7D, 2A; Nora Flatness 1D, 1B; Addy Stadheim 2K, 6D, 33SA, 4A, 2B; Chloe Riewer 6D, 1SA; Chloe Stork 3K, 5B; Meela Budach 6K, 1D, 2B.

"We are always looking to improve our consistency throughout the sets and maintain both the energy and skill level that we know we



CONTROLLING THE ACTION — At left, the Panthers' Gabby Schlaak (1) smacks a spike during a Gopher Conference match at Blooming Prairie last week. At right, Adalyn Stadheim executes a bump. The Panthers won 3-1.

are capable of," said Coach Tennis.

"In the huddle today, the girls knew that we had a tough battle with communication ahead of us, but we had leaders that stepped up to that challenge. Our win over Blooming Prairie will hopefully carry into this weekend as we take on multiple schools in a tournament at TCU."

There, the Panthers tied Glencoe-

Silver Lake 1-1, defeated Fairmont 2-0 and lost 2-1 to LCWM.

Last Monday, the Panthers hosted Jordan in a non-conference match and lost 3-0 in New Richland. The Hubmen won 25-13, 25-12, 25-21.

"I give credit to Jordan as they have a strong program and execute their skills well," said Tennis.

"Overall, the girls played well, but



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just made unforced errors that allowed Jordan to pull ahead. We had many moments of greatness throughout all three sets. Moving forward, we need to control the conference on our side of the net and play with more cohesiveness."

Individually: Schlaak 8K, 5D, 1SA, 1B; VanMaldeghem 6K 7D, 1A, 5B; Ladlie 4K, 3D, 5B;

Schlinger 4D, 2 SA; Boerner 1D, 1SA, 2A; Stadheim 5K, 7D, 19SA, 1A, 3B; Riewer 5D, 1SA; Stork 4B; Budach 2K, 2D.

The Panthers, 3-2 in the conference and 7-8 overall, play tonight at 7:15 at JWP and Tuesday at home against Kenyon-Wanamingo at 7:15.



Our Sincere Gratitude

Thank you for your kind expression of sympathy. The love you have shown has given us great comfort during this difficult time. It is deeply appreciated and will forever be remembered by the family of Pat and Kay Adams.

Runners take home baked goods

By JIM LUTGENS
Sports Editor

The NRHEG High School cross country runners were at Janesville's Prairie Ridge Golf Course last Thursday for the annual Grizzly Pie Invitational.

Jacob Karl, the lone NRHEG boy to compete, finished second overall with a time of 18:23 for 5,000 meters. Caisen Hollerich, a sophomore from Maple River, won it in 18:23.2.

United South Central/Alden-Conger finished first as a team with 60 points, followed by Randolph, Blooming Prairie, Blue Earth Area, Medford and host WEM/JWP.

"Jacob ran a strong race," said NRHEG coach Larry Nydegger. "He and Hollerich pulled away from the pack early and battled the entire distance."

Julieann Wobbrock, an eighth-grader, continued to lead the Panther girls, taking fourth in 22:11.2. Following for NRHEG were Ella Jeno, 13th, 24:04.8; Sierra Misgen, 2th, 28:10.9; Amelia Duryee, 40th, 29:32; and Holly Bartness, 43rd, 31:11. Maple River freshman Sophia Stencel finished first, clocking 19:48.9.

"Julieann wound up in fourth place behind a strong group of runners from the area, Stencel, Gloria Hernandez (Blooming Prairie 2nd : 21.50), and MaKenzie Westphal (WEM/JWP 3rd: 22.06).

As a team, the girls finished fourth out of six teams with 87 points. WEM/JWP won with 43, Blue Earth Area totaled 74, Randolph 80, Medford 105 and USC/Alden-Conger 116.

"Jacob and Juliann continue to perform at a high level," said Nydegger. "Homecoming queen candidate Sierra Misgen met her goal for this meet by improving on her personal-best time this season."

The top five finishers received their choice of a pie. A cookie went to all sixth to 15th-place runners.

The Panthers will return to Prairie Ridge for the Gopher Conference meet Oct. 15.

"I am excited to see how our runners' times improve as the temperatures start to cool down," said Nydegger.

The Panthers' next race is today at 4 p.m. at the Waseca Invitational. They run Tuesday at 4:30 at Oak View Golf Course near Freeborn.



Ella Jeno



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Mortgage, LLC, FKA Quicken
Loans, LLC by assignment recorded
on November 3, 2022 as Document
Number A331966 in the Office of
the County Recorder of Waseca
County, Minnesota.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF
PROPERTY: Lot 9, Block 1,
Lakeview Estates, according to the
plat thereof on file and of record in
the office of the County Recorder in
and for Waseca County, Minnesota.

STREET ADDRESS OF
PROPERTY: 14633 367TH AVE,
WASECA, MN 56093

COUNTY IN WHICH PROPERTY
IS LOCATED: Waseca County,
Minnesota.

THE AMOUNT CLAIMED TO BE
DUE ON THE MORTGAGE ON
THE DATE OF THE NOTICE:
\$242,785.03

TRANSACTION AGENT:
Mortgage Electronic Registration
Systems, Inc.

NAME OF MORTGAGE
ORIGINATOR: Rocket Mortgage,
LLC, FKA Quicken Loans, LLC

RESIDENTIAL SERVICER:
Rocket Mortgage, LLC

TAX PARCEL IDENTIFICATION

NUMBER: R12.428.0090

TRANSACTION AGENT'S
MORTGAGE IDENTIFICATION
NUMBER: 100039034928969916

THAT no action or proceeding has
been instituted at law to recover the
debt then remaining secured by
such mortgage, or any part thereof,
or, if the action or proceeding has
been instituted, that the same has
been discontinued, or that an
execution upon the judgment
rendered therein has been returned
unsatisfied, in whole or in part.

PURSUANT, to the power of sale
contained in said mortgage, the
above described property will be
sold by the Sheriff of said county as
follows:

DATE AND TIME OF SALE:
December 05, 2024 at 10:00 AM.

PLACE OF SALE: Waseca County
Sheriff's Office, 122 3rd Ave. NW,
Waseca, MN 56093.

to pay the debt then secured by said
mortgage and taxes, if any actually
paid by the mortgagee, on the
premises and the costs and
disbursements allowed by law. The
time allowed by law for redemption
by said mortgagor(s), their personal
representatives or assigns is six (6)
months from the date of sale.

TIME AND DATE TO VACATE
PROPERTY: Unless said mortgage
is reinstated or the property
redeemed, or unless the time for
redemption is reduced by judicial
order, you must vacate the premises
by 11:59 p.m. on June 5, 2025.

THE TIME ALLOWED BY LAW
FOR REDEMPTION BY THE
MORTGAGOR, THE
MORTGAGOR'S PERSONAL
REPRESENTATIVES OR
ASSIGNS, MAY BE REDUCED
TO FIVE WEEKS IF A JUDICIAL
ORDER IS ENTERED UNDER
MINNESOTA STATUTES,
SECTION 582.032,
DETERMINING, AMONG
OTHER THINGS, THAT THE
MORTGAGED PREMISES ARE
IMPROVED WITH A
RESIDENTIAL DWELLING OF
LESS THAN FIVE UNITS, ARE
NOT PROPERTY USED IN
AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION,
AND ARE ABANDONED.

MORTGAGOR(S) RELEASED

FROM FINANCIAL
OBLIGATION ON MORTGAGE:
None

Dated: September 27, 2024

ROCKET MORTGAGE, LLC,
FKA QUICKEN LOANS, LLC
Mortgagee

TROTT LAW, P.C.

By: _____/s/
***N. Kibongni Fondungallah,
Esq.***
Samuel R. Coleman, Esq.
Sung Woo Hong, Esq.
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25 Dale Street North
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**THIS IS A COMMUNICATION
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NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2168
New Richland, Minnesota

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the general election has been called and will be held in and for Independent School District No. 2168, New Richland, State of Minnesota, on Tuesday, the 5th day of November, 2024, for the purpose of electing three school board members for four year terms. The ballot shall provide as follows:

To vote, completely fill in the oval(s) next to your choice(s) like this: 

**School Board Member 4 Year Term
Vote for Up to Three**

☐ Kelly Delacruz	
☐ Terri Engel	
☐ Loren Schroenrock	
☐ _____ write-in, if any	
☐ _____ write-in, if any	
☐ _____ write-in, if any	

The polling places for this election and the precincts served by those polling places will be as follows:

WASECA COUNTY Wilton Township Otisco Township Byron Township New Richland Township City of New Richland	31353 West Wilton River Road, Waseca, MN 56093 13243 290 th Avenue, Waseca, MN 56093 117 Division Street East, New Richland, MN 56072 117 Division Street East, New Richland, MN 56072 203 North Broadway, New Richland, MN 56072
FREEBORN COUNTY Bath Township	Mail Ballot Precinct/Freeborn County Government Center/ 411 Broadway Ave S, Albert Lea, MN 56007 402 Park Street, Freeborn, MN 56032 402 Park Street, Freeborn, MN 56032 Mail Ballot Precinct/Freeborn County Government Center/ 411 Broadway Ave S, Albert Lea, MN 56007
City of Freeborn Freeborn Township City of Geneva	405 1 st Avenue South East, Geneva, MN 56035 407 Broadway Street South, Hartland, MN 56042 407 Broadway Street South, Hartland, MN 56042
STEELE COUNTY Berlin Township City of Ellendale Lemond Township Somerset Township Summit Township	Ellendale Community Center, 507 2 nd Street South East, Ellendale, MN 55026 Ellendale Community Center, 507 2 nd Street South East, Ellendale, MN 55026 Lemond Town Hall, 7423 South West 74 th Avenue, Ellendale, MN 55026 Steele County Trail Assn, 9028 South West 37 th Avenue, Hope, MN 56046 Summit Town Hall, 1380 East Highway 30, Ellendale, MN 55026

Any eligible voter residing in the school district may vote at said election at the polling place designated above for the precinct in which he or she resides. The polls for said election will open at 7:00 o'clock a.m. and will close at 8:00 o'clock p.m. on the date of said election.

A voter must be registered to vote to be eligible to vote in this election. An unregistered individual may register to vote at the polling place on Election Day.

Dated: August 19, 2024

BY ORDER OF THE SCHOOL BOARD

/s/ 
Acting School District Clerk

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Kerry, & Julie