

8 0 4 8 7 9 3 2 6 1 6 8

■ Inside:

• 3 - Steak Feed

• 4 - Obituaries

• 5 - Sports

• 6-7 - Homecoming

• 8 - Looking Back

• 9 - Classifieds

• 10 - Summer Ball

Ellendale's Whispering Oak Place Fall Festival on Friday, Sept. 25

There will be an NRHEG Homecoming pre-celebration at Whispering Oak Place from 3:30-5 p.m. for their Fall Festival on Friday, Sept. 25. Music, desserts, yard games, pumpkin painting and plenty of time to visit. Located at 903 Calverly Court in Ellendale.

All You Can Eat Dad's Belgian Waffles All Saints Sept. 27

All Saints Church of New Richland will hold their All You Can Eat Dad's Belgian Waffles from 9-12:30 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 27. There will be a raffle and country store. Cost is \$10.

Glow Up Book Workshop at New Richland Public Library Sept. 28

The New Richland Library will hold a Glow Up Book workshop at 4 p.m. Monday, Sept. 28. Transform a retired hardcover into a magical lighted lantern. For ages 13-18.

Romp and Rhyme Storytime at New Richland Public Library Sept. 29

The New Richland Library will hold Romp and Rhyme Storytime at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 29. Puppets, pumping music, bubble machines to raging bands. For ages 3-6.

Ladies' Monthly Luncheon at Red Leaf Wednesday, Sept. 30

All interested ladies from the communities of Ellendale, Geneva, Hartland and New Richland are invited to a luncheon scheduled this month beginning at 1 p.m. at Red Leaf Cafe in New Richland. This group gathers monthly to enjoy each others' company and keep caught up on area happenings. Cost is \$15 for the meal, chicken salad on a croissant with side dishes. RSVP by Sept. 25 at the email address coy_mechanic@yahoo.com, or by calling 507-461-9422.

Bingo Celebration at Geneva Community Center Oct. 3

The Geneva Community Center will hold a Bingo Celebration with doors open at 6 p.m., bingo at 7 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 3. Door prizes, \$500 jackpot, \$40 per person, cash bar available.

Fall into Winter Style Show at Ellendale Community Center, Tuesday, Oct. 6

Join the Fall into Winter Style Show at the Ellendale Community Center at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 6. Tickets available at Two Dove's Boutique Courtyard, \$30 for fashion, fun and hors d'oeuvres.

A word from The Word

"The bricks have fallen, but we will build with dressed stones; the sycamores have been cut down, but we will put cedars in their place."

Isaiah 9:10

Devastation

Local residents, New Richland Care Center, displaced

Roughly nine inches of rain fell over the weekend in New Richland, causing flooding that resulted in the evacuation of the city operated Care Center. More than three quarters of homes were affected, says New Richland City Administrator Tyler Lendt.

"It's a disaster," said Bob Johannsen, administrator for New Richland Care Center, as he surveyed the inside of the flooded building.

The administrator told Kare 11 News he was called in to the Center around 3 a.m. on Saturday. By 6:30 a.m., staff began evacuations as water started to seep into the building.

"I've never actually been through a true flood in my life. This is the worst I think I've ever seen," he said.

The center's 36 residents were initially moved to the facility's dining room to await transport; As groups were bussed out, eventually the water rose so high that the bus could not make it back.

"The last few people who went out of the building actually went out laying on top of a bed because we couldn't get any more vehicles down the road," Johannsen said.

Among those who helped the center get its residents to safety were members of the NRHEG football team.

"There was a pontoon that we had and we kind of floated that out to the

Care Center to get patients out, a bunch of different supplies and all that stuff," said Fynn Baumann, a senior at NRHEG.

Baumann said after their team breakfast was canceled, their coach and athletic director instructed players to help take wrestling mats out of the school as water encroached.

"We got there and it was way worse than we expected. There was water up to my knees, up to my waist, walking through it," Baumann said.

From there, teens helped with sandbagging and then at the care center.

"It wasn't just us football players. It was really everybody. The whole town. Everybody came together," he said.

According to Administrator Lendt, nearly 400 properties were estimated to have been affected by the flooding.

"My wastewater treatment plan operator said we went from 400 gallons a minute of inflow to over 1,500 gallons a minute inflow and it only took a few moments," Lendt recalled.

No stranger to flooding, New Richland has seen at least four major flooding incidents over the past two

Flood continued on 2



UNDERWATER - Drone footage of the city of New Richland, and local Care Center after more than six inches of rain flooded the town.

Photos by Jessie Nino



NRHEG's finest



VOLUNTEERS - Many local high school students volunteered their time Saturday to help with the flooding.

Submitted photo

All that's left to fix is the echo

Hartland Community Center complete

By BEN REVERMANN
Staff writer

At their Sept. 14 meeting, members of the Hartland city council set a 3 percent preliminary tax increase. Under state law, a preliminary tax levy must be set in September; the final levy must be announced in December. At that time, the levy amount can be decreased, but it cannot be higher than the amount named in September.

Mayor Kelly Routh announced that, aside from a small amount of painting and an 'echo' during council meetings, work on the new community center is complete, "and it's all paid for." After moving a refrigerator/freezer over from the old community hall, council members decided to spend about \$900 for a



The new Hartland Community Center is complete. Above, from left, council members: Kyle Reed, Matt Eustice, Lori Routh, Jodie Reed and Mayor Kelly Routh.

some septage waste in the city ponds.

City maintenance staff was instructed to remove a set of dilapidated wooden steps located on city property at 518 Broadway St. before winter arrives.

Acadia Bank requested approval to install a small children's library

Council continued on 2

WASECA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

County sets 3.5% levy increase for 2027

By DEB BENTLY
Staff writer

During their Sept. 15 meeting, county board members approved a preliminary tax levy increase of 3.5 percent, meaning that the property tax amount which will be expected for real estate not located within an incorporated community in 2027 will be higher by roughly 3.5 percent than in 2026.

For the current year, the county levied \$19.2 million from property owners toward a total budget of \$39.5 million. Anticipated amounts in 2027 are a levy of \$19.8 million toward a total budget of \$42.5 million.

During a summary he provided during the meeting, county administrator Michael Johnson told commissioners that more than half of the income which supports county activity comes from state and federal funding sources, from grants, and from other types of taxes.

About 50 percent of property taxes supporting the county come from property zoned agricultural, and well over 40 percent from property considered residential. Johnson shared a partial list of the preliminary levy increases set by other counties in the state: a few counties were also in the vicinity of a 3 percent increase, but other numbers approached 20 percent.

As he summarized the procedures required under state law, Johnson explained that Minnesota requires all entities which rely on real estate taxes for fund-

County continued on 4



Fence Lines

by Mark Bernard

A rainy recipe for disaster

The scurs were counting on the Weather Eye to bring us a nice weekend forecast. At least they got the cloudy part right. Are we done with heavy rains for now or do we get an encore this week? Starting Thursday, mostly cloudy with a good chance of rain. Highs in the low 60's with lows in the low 50's. Mostly cloudy Friday with a fair chance of evening rain. Highs in the low 60's with lows in the mid-50's. Mostly cloudy on Saturday with a good chance of rain. Highs in the low 60's with lows in the mid-50's. Sunday, partly sunny with a fair chance of evening showers. Highs in the upper 60's with lows in the low 50's. Partly sunny on Monday with a slight chance of rain. Highs near 70 with lows in the low 50's. Tuesday, sunny with highs in the mid-60's and lows in the upper 40's. Mostly sunny Wednesday with highs in the upper 60's and lows in the low 50's. We will see 12 hours of daylight on September 25th, a Full Moon on the 26th and the sun will set at 7 p.m. CDT on the 28th. The normal high for September 28th is 68, and the normal low is 45. The scurs will have baked potatoes on their menu soon.

The Full Moon on the 26th is the Harvest Moon. Unfortunately, little harvest is likely to occur by the 26th and seeing the Full Moon is also unlikely due to the clouds. Nevertheless this moon is so named as the settlers could work longer into the night as the moon rise would also tend to be earlier During September. It also goes by several other names by some such as The Corn Moon, The Barley Moon and the Wine Moon. The Ojibwe knew this as The Rice Moon and the Sioux called it The Moon when Plums are Scarlet. At the ranch it is The Vine Crop Moon as squash, pumpkins, gourds and late muskmelon are harvested when we don't get stuck anyway.

What a disaster the weekend turned out to be. Rainfall starting on Friday night, the heaviest running in a narrow band down MN Hwy. 30. It tapered off rather quickly within a few miles either side of the road. The rain didn't stop until around 1 a.m. Saturday morning. I had little way of knowing just how heavy it had rained other than by watching the radar and guessing about where it was the heaviest. At the ranch, the MN Climatology Dept. gauge measured 4.57". In Ellendale on the CoCoRaHS network, 7.29" was tallied. In New Richland, the MN Climatology Dept. gauge reading was 7.51". There were reports of up to 9" west of town.

Dumping that much water into a watershed in such a short period of time was indeed a recipe for disaster, especially after a wet start to September. This is the third one of these events in recent history. The odd thing is the 2010, 2016 and now this 2026 event all occurred within a few calendar dates of each other. September 23rd and 24th, the 22nd and 23rd, and now

the 18th and 19th respectively. The good news was in 2010, October precip was well below normal. It was near normal in 2016. With the extensive tile systems in place, some warmer temps and lower precip, it can turn around quickly. NOAA is predicting better than even odds of above normal temps and even odds of above or below normal precip. Farmers shouldn't get their daubers down just yet.

We were lucky at the ranch with only some water seepage into the basement. Living on a hill has its perks. The dehumidifier likely needs to be replaced as it fails to remove as much water as it once did. The yard slopes away but it's still too wet to do much without tearing it up. The garden is also extremely muddy even though it's positioned on a sidehill. With Mrs. Cheviot gone and very little sunshine, slogging through the mud makes doing chores less pleasant. Not much drying occurs between rains. I had visions of barn cleaning early this fall, but that horse has left the barn. It's too wet to stockpile for now so will just have to be patient I guess. Maybe vent my frustrations on the boxelder that fell in the lot a while back, if I can get the chainsaw started that is.

One could see recently that we are truly moving into fall mode. I noticed some of the solar lights were having a difficult time recharging a few weeks back. I noticed the same thing with the solar lights lighting the path to the lake recently in Canada. The combination of a lower sun angle, shorter daylength, cooler temps, cloudy skies and the leaves still on the trees apparently were all factors having an impact, especially on our solar lights here at home. When I moved a couple of them out into the open they responded by lighting up again at dusk and staying lit much longer into the night. That was an early sign that conditions were not heading in the right direction to dry things up once it started getting wet. That won't change for a while either.

Poppy really didn't care for the storm either. She was restless when it was potty time due to all the thunder and lightning. Luckily, other things have occupied her time since. I picked a large Crenshaw melon from the garden and put it on the porch. There was a copious amount of growing that took me a while to figure out. That melon was not there the last time she'd looked out the window, and she let me know about it. Early Tuesday morning, she had a barking fit. I rolled over and went back to sleep once it subsided. When I went out to do chores the sheep were still in the barn. I looked out in the windbreak and saw what appeared to be more sheep. Wrong. Deer, several of them. They'd likely been eating apples off the trees prior to that. Good to know the storm hadn't affected the Corgi alarm system.

See you next week...real good then.

build a single house across two separate lots. The council rejected the request.

The BP convenience store and gas station in Hartland has a tobacco license that hasn't been renewed. City Clerk Karen Flatness emailed the owner a renewal form which must be completed for the business to be in compliance. Flatness told council members the job descriptions for the city clerk and city maintenance worker, since both have become outdated.

Council

from Page 1

that the bank keeps the structure maintained.

No Parking signs will be installed on Broadway and Main to better manage space; they will be installed from the corner to the alley. A resident living on North Star Lane requested permission to

Impossible to ignore the rain



In My Humble Opinion

by Deb Bently

Walking or driving around, one pays little attention to small rises and falls in the landscape. In Waseca, I am aware the library is significantly lower than the courthouse and the downtown area. In New Richland, had I been asked, I could have described that the city park and Highway 30 past the school are lower than the business district.

One needn't pay much attention however, because on a day-to-day basis, those differences in elevation are incidental, essentially irrelevant.

On a day-to-day basis, there is no reason to consider how fundamentally important those changes in elevation are when the town fills up with water.

I live about five miles north of New Richland. The rain gauge on our weather station claims we got between two and three inches of rain on Friday and overnight into Saturday. As it got dark on Friday, it was impossible to miss the lightning and thunder, but I was not looking at radar, so I was oblivious to the long, narrow band of heavy, heavy rain that was sliding past only a few miles south of me.

Instead, I saw its aftermath as I drove into New Richland Saturday morning thinking I was going to the

post office.

I should have been somewhat prepared for what I saw--on my drive into town, first my usual way was blocked by water overflowing a bridge. My first alternate route was impassable because a wide band of water covered a gravel road. When my third route brought me into New Richland from the west on Highway 30, my first dramatic introduction to the flooding was two flashing firetrucks parked at each end of a giant pool of water.

It wasn't long before I realized I was no longer simply running an errand.

Instead, I had wandered unaware into a catastrophe.

At the back side of the school, I could see people in wheelchairs being brought off a bus and rolled inside. At the front, water filled the street and covered most of the sidewalk, but wasn't quite touching the building's lowest entry doors, the

my head in dismay. One person pointed to the water in her yard and mentioned she had lived in this same house for the two previous flooding incidents over the past five years, but the water had never come as high as it was now; only the high wooden platform of her children's swingset was showing above the water. Nearby, two colorful "noodle" floats bobbed against the grass. An older couple of grandparent age stood in water calf deep on their front yard.

When I eventually found a route to the business district of town, a large group of people of many ages was filling sandbags. Their busy activity sent an impression of good-willed determination to do what they could. Downhill from them, the city-operated care center was surrounded by water.

I snapped one picture of the group, then realized the battery in my smart phone had died. Though that made me want to howl in frustration, it was probably a good thing that circumstances forced me to stop taking pictures.

Had I been 50 photographers, I could not have taken enough pictures to record the loss, the bravery, the sense of being overwhelmed, that was Saturday morning in New Richland.

Flood

from Page 1

decades, including 2010, 2016, 2023 and now 2026.

Lendt said the city has been working for years to address the issue.

"There's plans in the works. We've had engineering studies done that show where the high water mark is. We're developing the plan. We're talking to the right parties, the key members, and we're not quite to the point where all we're waiting on is funding but we're getting close to that point," Lendt said.

Johannsen said, "A lot of these people have seen this before because many of our residents are local. I think it was more traumatizing for the staff because they had no idea where the residents were going to go."

According to Johannsen, as of Sunday, the residents were at different care centers across the area. He is hopeful they can be back in the building in the next six months.

There's been an outpouring of support and more volunteers will be needed in the coming days to help with cleanup.

"It was a humbling experience to go through this with a town like this. It was incredible," Lendt said.

According to Lendt, the American Red Cross is helping people impacted by the floods.

Locally, a benevolence fund maintained by the Area Food Shelf of New Richland is helping about 20 victims. Those interested in helping the nonprofit can send monetary donations to: AFSNR Benevolence Fund, PO Box 12, New Richland, MN 56072.



More than six inches of rain fell Friday into Saturday. New Richland Care Center residents were evacuated to the high school.



Those helping out at the Waseca Legions Heros Appreciation Breakfast brought 50 meals to the New Richland City Hall on Sunday, Sept. 20, 2026 to help those emergency personnel dealing with the flood.

Photo by Mary Jo Knudson



Star Eagle

is for sale at these locations:

CLARKS GROVE - Gopher Stop

ELLENDALE - Lerberg's Foods • Casey's

WASECA - Kwik Trip • Kwik Trip North • Casey's Supplies

NEW RICHLAND - Wagner Foods • Casey's

GENEVA - Geneva Bar & Grill

HARTLAND - BP Gas Station

HOPE - Krause Feeds &

And At The Star Eagle Office

NRH EG
Star Eagle

SERVING THE NEW RICHLAND-HARTLAND-ELLENDALE-GENEVA AREA
and the communities of Waseca, Otisco, Hope, Clarks Grove, Matawan, Freeborn and Waldorf

PHONE: 507-463-8112
FAX: 507-463-0504, email: steagle@hickorytech.net
USPS No. 382-040, address: 128 North Broadway
Mail: PO Box 248, New Richland, MN 56072

DEADLINES: STAR EAGLE: Noon Monday
GOLDEN LINK: Previous Friday

ELI LUTGENS
MELANIE PILTINGSRUD
AMELIA ROESLER
DEB BENTLY
JIM LUTGENS
TERESA ROSACKER
PAYGE ROSACKER

Publisher
Copy Editor
Editor
Staff Writer
Sports Editor
Advertising Sales
Editorial Assistant

Contributors: Al Batt, Bob Hanson, Mark Bernard, Mark Domeier, Dick Herfindahl, Barb Mrotz, Brenda Dokken, Judy Tweeten, Rachael Jaegar, Tristan Gehring, Ben Revermann, Payge Rosacker, Darin Reese, Rachel Loverink

SUBSCRIPTION RATES
\$57 Per Year, Waseca, Steele, & Freeborn Counties
\$67 State of Minnesota • \$77 Outside Minnesota

Published every Thursday by EJI Publications, Inc., and Periodical Postage paid at the Post Office at New Richland, Minnesota 56072. Entire contents copyright © 2026 EJI Publications, Inc. and respective authors. Opinions expressed in editorials or letters to the editor are those of the individual authors, and do not necessarily represent those of the Star Eagle or EJI Publications, Inc. Letters may be edited for content or length. POSTMASTER: Send address changes to P.O. Box 248, New Richland, MN 56072-0248

Compostings

by Al Batt

Three-year-old troublemaker

ECHOES FROM THE LOAFERS' CLUB MEETING
I told my sister that she had drawn her eyebrows too high. How did she take that? She looked surprised.

DRIVING BY BRUCE'S DRIVE
I have a wonderful neighbor named Bruce. Whenever I pass his drive, thoughts occur to me. The rain sounded cold. That's because it was cold. For many years of my walking on this good Earth, such things signaled it was time to get the house ready for cold weather by putting up the storm windows and stacking firewood. I'd scurry up a sturdy (our least wobbly) ladder while carrying a putty knife to pry out any stubborn screens before replacing them with the storm windows. Then we installed tar paper first, followed by straw (or hay) bales around the base of the house to insulate the uninsulated stone foundation. This was meant to block freezing drafts and lower the amount of wood and fuel oil needed for heating. Stacking the bales tightly against the home's base stopped the frigid winter wind from rushing into crawl spaces or uninsulated floor cavities. Without such precautions, the wind gained speed as it whipped through the house. Standard bales provided an R-value that I am guessing was even higher than their X-value or Z-value, but I'm no expert. We did all this without consulting a single woolly bear caterpillar (woolly worm) or for that matter, a single woolly mammoth. Woolly bear caterpillars cannot predict the weather, but I examine them each year. I like simple answers, of which there are few, perhaps none. Folklore says long black bands mean a harsh, cold and snowy winter. A wide, rusty brown middle band predicts a mild winter. If the dark head is the longest, it means a severe early winter, while if the dark tail is longer, it foretells a cold late winter. The reality is that the bands show the caterpillar's age and how much it has eaten, not future weather. But keep looking—we get plenty of reality elsewhere.

READ ANY GOOD T-SHIRTS LATELY?
I see a lot of T-shirts worth reading: here are three of them. "Family troublemaker" being worn by a 3-year-old boy but would have been just as proper on a grandfather. Stupid should hurt. I'd agree with you but then we'd both be wrong.

I'VE LEARNED
The hardest thing to say is "I'm sorry," but "Worcestershire" has to be a close second. I'm the world's greatest advo-

cate of hyperbole. Mumbling is the glue that holds a marriage together.

BAD JOKES DEPART-MENT
What happens when you call the tinnitus hotline? It just keeps ringing.

If you drive a Subaru in reverse, what are you? U r a bus.

I asked the librarian if there were any books on the Titanic. She said, "Probably, but they would be soaking wet by now."

I saw a man pushing a wheelbarrow filled with horseshoes, four-leaf clovers and rabbit's feet. He was pushing his luck.

NATURE NOTES
Not all gulls are eating pilfered pizza or fallen french fries in a parking lot. A Bomgaars store had a large flock of ring-billed gulls on its roof. The Latin word "arena" means sand, and the stage where gladiators and exotic animals engaged in mortal combat was covered in a thin layer of sand. The store's roof might have been a gull arena. There are at least 28 gull species in North America, and not one of them is officially called a seagull. They are named Bonaparte's gull, herring gull, ring-billed gull, Franklin's gull, etc.

My neighbor Crandall enjoys watching true crime documentaries. That's what he says he is doing when the squirrels swipe the seed from one of his bird feeders.

A flock of starlings filled a tree. They were noisy, definitely not the silent majority. They are complex learners and were likely sharing the news of the day, the locations of predators, food sources, prime roosting sites, their hopes and dreams, and their frustrations with dunderheaded humans.

The number of pheasants counted in Minnesota DNR's August roadside survey jumped nearly 20% from last year. This year's pheasant index was 90 birds per 100 miles of roads driven, compared to 75 birds in 2025. There were 93 broods per 100 hens, an increase from 82 broods per 100 hens in 2025, with an average of four chicks per brood. Weather and habitat are the main influences on Minnesota's pheasant population. There was a net loss of about 22,500 acres of protected wildlife habitat compared to 2025. The cottontail rabbit index (14 rabbits per 100 miles) was similar to 2025 (14.5 rabbits per 100 miles).

MEETING ADJOURNED
Mark Twain wrote, "I could live two months on a good compliment." Please become an expert at forgiveness, be happy about the good fortune of others, and offer kind words.



SERVICE - Megan Misgen got only the best of steaks from Gage Flatness during the Hartland Fire Departments Steak and Sweet Corn Feed at the NEW Community Center on Saturday, Sept. 19, 2026.

Steak is back!

Annual Hartland fire department feed returns after five year absence

By BEN REVERMANN
Staff writer

The Hartland Fire Department's Steak and Sweet Corn Feed on Saturday, Sept. 19 over the dinner hour gave area residents a chance to enjoy delicious food and also see the city's new base of operations, the recently completed community center. According to Brandon Flatness, "For the first hour and half I stood outside holding the door open because the line never went down." The event was free of charge with free-will donations accepted.

Everything in the Community Center kitchen, the stove, the sinks, the mats on the floors, were brand new and in use for the first time. Many of the guests were also entering the building for the first time and the compliments flowed freely: "It's so beautiful in here," or "I like what they've done with the place." Karen Flatness, Hartland City Clerk, was the first of the city personnel to move her office into the new community center. She kept a tally of all the heads through the door and revealed, "Right now we're at 330, but we still have a half hour left; we very well could see 350 people show up today." The Star Eagle entered through the back door and had to walk through a wall of smoke from the grills set out there. Firemen armed with tongs and spatulas were watching steaks with eagle eyes as runners made their way inside carrying containers filled with cooked meat.

Hartland firefighter Eric Grunzke said, "We went up to New Richland this morning to help, that was around 7:20 a.m., ran a lot of hose and moved sump pumps. Some of the guys were blocking and rerouting traffic." Brandon Flatness added, "I believe Waldorf was there helping also. All the Hartland firemen were back in town to start working on the steak feed by 2 p.m."

Councilman Kyle Reed was at the dinner with his wife Jodie. He observed, "Five years ago we never had this many people show up; back then we were lucky to get 200 in the door. We were really blessed with the weather the way it's been, we could've been hit a lot worse, too bad for New Richland. For weeks leading up to today people were talking about coming here. The steak feed was really missed! I know I missed it."



GREETERS - Karen and Brandon Flatness were taking tickets during the extremely busy and much-anticipated Hartland Fire Department's Steak and Sweet Corn Feed.



GRILL MASTERS - Bruce Nielsen and Matt Hoescher were manning the grill and pushing out steaks during the Hartland Fire Department's Steak and Sweet Corn Feed on Saturday, Sept. 19, 2026.

Star Eagle photos by Ben Revermann

Subscribe to the Star Eagle • 463-8112

Get your news in the Star Eagle

- e-mail steagle@hickorytech.net
- Call (507) 463-8112
- FAX (507) 463-0504



STEVE JAMES EXCAVATING & CONSTRUCTION
ELYSIAN, OWATONNA, WASECA & WATERVILLE
507-451-3080
SteveJamesExcavating.com

- Excavation
- Site Development
- Site Utilities
- Basement Digging
- Trucks & Hauling
- Landscape Supplies
- Rock, Sand, Gravel & Dirt
- Demolition
- Water & Waterline Repair
- Jetting, Camera & Locating
- Septic Services
- Snow Plowing

Offering Commercial & Residential Services



Bayview Freeborn
FUNERAL & CREMATION SERVICES



"We can cross this bridge together"
bayviewfuneral@gmail.com

507-373-4330 • 1415 Hwy. 13 N. • Albert Lea
Locally Organized, Owned & Operated since 1939

Advanced Funeral Planning



Andrew Schwarz
Licensed Preplanning Consultant

- It is a sincere act of love.
- It relieves the burden of making arrangements at a most difficult time, enabling family & friends to better support each other's sorrows.
- It provides comfort to the family that final wishes are respected.
- It allows the funeral to focus on the living who are left to deal with their grief and loss.
- It is capable of relieving the financial burden for family members.
- It can make it easier for those we love.



BONNERUP
FUNERAL & CREMATION SERVICES
Albert Lea • New Richland • Ellendale
217 West Division Street • New Richland, MN 56072
Phone: (507) 465-8015 • www.BonnerupFuneralService.com



TGWET
GREG WILMES EXTERIORS



COMMERCIAL • RESIDENTIAL
NEW CONSTRUCTION • REMODELING

- SHINGLES, STEEL, RUBBER ROOFING
- VINYL, STEEL, & CEMENT BOARD SIDING
- WINDOWS & DOORS: INSULATION, SHEETROCK
- ALL FLOORING: CONCRETE, PATIOS, DECKS
- SEAMLESS GUTTERS & GUTTER PROTECTION SYSTEMS
- CERTAINTED® CLAIMS SPECIALIST

"Footings to Finish"

GREG WILMES EXTERIORS LLC
BUILDING CONTRACTOR #BC793885

GREGWILMESROOFING.NET
GREGWILMESROOFING@GMAIL.COM
(507) 202-7070

RUSS NELSON MOTOR SHOP

Electric Motor Repair and Replacement



601 Dutton Drive
Ellendale, MN
507-473-0513
russnelson1941@gmail.com

OBITUARIES

Kathryn Parriott

Kathryn Marie (Evenson) Parriott peacefully entered her heavenly home on September 3, 2026 at the age of 95. She had been living at the Thorne Crest Senior Living Community in Albert Lea, MN for five years when she went to be with her Lord and Savior.

Kathryn was born on August 4, 1931 in rural New Richland, Minnesota, the daughter of Alice (Sunde) and Art Evenson. She grew up on farms in the St. Olaf Lake area with her parents and six siblings. She was baptized and confirmed at Le Sueur River Lutheran Church, where she also attended church and Sunday school.

As a young girl, Kathryn survived polio, which affected her ability to walk. After one summer of being able only to crawl, God restored her health and strength.

Kathryn graduated from New Richland High School in 1949, and soon after moved to Owatonna to begin work as a secretary at Federated Insurance, where she was employed for 11 years.

In 1961, Kathryn married her high school classmate, Earl Parriott, who was farming with his family west of New Richland after his return from Europe, being stationed there during his service in the Army. They made their home on this farm for the next 60 years, where they raised crops, hogs, and their three children: Jayne, Julie, and Mark.

Kathryn was a full-time homemaker, mom, and "farm hand." She did the daily chores, fed the pigs, mowed the lawn, cared for all the family pets, raised vegetable and flower gardens, cooked every meal and kept up the house.

Kathryn was a very dedicated member of the First Congregational Church in New Richland. Her faith and her Church were a constant in her life, and many of her activities centered around her church, including Church Choir, teaching Sunday school and Bible school, holding offices in her church unit and Women's Fellowship, and enjoying outings with the Couples Club.

Besides all her church activities and getting all three kids to their church and school events, Kathryn found time to serve her community. She volunteered for Meals on Wheels, Telecare, and Bingo at the Care Center, United Fund of Byron Township, and was a member of the Women's Legion Auxiliary.

Kathryn loved and enjoyed family-centered activities most of all. Grandchildren's visits to the



Kathryn Parriott

farm, attending their school and sports events brought her joy, as did visiting with all her siblings in person or on the phone, enjoying suppers, coffee parties and "sweets" with lifelong farm neighbors and friends and with her many beloved Norwegian relatives and cousins. She loved to visit and laugh. Kathryn was a wonderful baker of "sweets" and always had some on hand for company. She was an avid reader, who loved books and frequented the New Richland Library.

Kathryn is survived by her daughters Jayne (George) Jessen, Julie Peterson, and son Mark (Sara) Parriott. Grandchildren Christopher (Shannon) Jessen, Claire (Ty) McDevitt, Morgan (Diana) Parriott, Griffin (Taylor) Parriott. Great-grandchildren Jackson, Jordan, and Jett Jessen, Mila and Max McDevitt, and Luna Parriott. Her sister Joanne Cherrington and brother Charles Evenson.

Kathryn joined her loved ones who went before her: her husband of 60 years, Earl Parriott, her parents Arthur and Alice Evenson, in-laws Leo and Clara Parriott, brothers Roger, Winston and Ellsworth Evenson, sister Eilene Johnson and Tom Collins.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, September 26, 2026 at the Bayview/Freeborn Funeral Home in Albert Lea, MN. A visitation will be held from 9:30-11 a.m. prior to the service. Pastor Brian Wasmoen will officiate.

Memorials may be made to the New Richland Public Library or the New Richland Area Historical Society.

The family extends their sincere thanks and appreciation to the entire Thorne Crest Community and staff for their dedicated care, kindness, and friendship given to Kathryn during the five years she called Thorne Crest "Home." Your compassionate care gave us peace of mind.

to attend a "truth in taxation" meeting which all entities must hold in December.

Waseca County's truth in taxation session will be at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 15.

Tax levy amounts continue to be counted as "preliminary" until the end of December, by which time entities must establish their "final" amounts. Under state law, the "final" amount can be lower than the "preliminary" one, but it cannot be higher.

■ County from Page 1

ing set a preliminary levy amount before the end of September. Levy amounts for cities, school districts, townships and the county are placed on an individualized tax summary that is sent to property owners in November.

Property owners are also invited



NRHEG fifth-graders took part in Farm and Home Safety Day at the Waseca County fairgrounds on Sept. 15. The day included a chance to see a medi-vac helicopter as well as a variety of safety presentations. Star Eagle photo by Deb Bently

Farm Bureau Safety Day educates youth

By DEB BENTLY Staff Writer

About 280 local fifth-graders took part in safety-related conversations and activities during the Farm Bureau Farm and Home Safety Camp the morning of Tuesday, Sept. 15, according to organizer Debbie Roemhildt.

Students from the Janesville public school system, New Richland-Hartland-Ellendale-Geneva,

Team Academy in Waseca, Trinity Lutheran School in Janesville, and Waseca Intermediate School took part.

Learners were shown what a power take-off (PTO) is and county sheriff Jay Dulas explained the dangers of any spinning tool. Then a staged accident took place, during which a straw-filled mannequin came in contact with a spinning PTO bar. Volunteers from the county sheriff's office, Waseca Fire Department and North Waseca Ambulance then demonstrated the procedures typically followed after an accident, with each agency arriving in turn.

Dulas described the inter-agency cooperation and communication which protect the health, safety and privacy of the injured person.

The mannequin was loaded onto a backboard and carried to a nearby ambulance. Dulas described that, when first responders believe an injury needs to be treated at a trauma center, a helicopter might be called in to facilitate the fastest possible transport.

Dulas went on to share information about the processes and limitations of the helicopter, including that it could land only in wide open areas away from power lines.

"You are very lucky today," he told the group, and went on to inform them an evacuation helicopter had been dispatched to the demonstration and would arrive in about eight minutes. The group walked to the edge of the open field on the fairgrounds and was able to watch as the helicopter arrived.

With the engine off and the rotors still, students were given a chance to walk past the craft and ask questions

of the pilot and two emergency medical technicians.

Along with the staged accident and evacuation, students divided into groups and rotated among speakers who shared information about being safe as a passenger or driver, risks of exposure to chemicals, handling of chemicals, electricity and power lines, and safety around animals.

Roemhildt stressed the value of the various presentations and how knowing the information in advance could be pivotal in preventing future injuries or accidents.

She expressed Farm Bureau's grati-

tude to the presenters, including the county sheriff's office, Steele Waseca Cooperative Electric, North Waseca Ambulance, Crystal Valley, Summers Ridge Veterinary, the Waseca fire department and Northland Farm Systems of Owatonna.

She also expressed thanks to numerous local agencies whose donations helped make the day possible: Culligan of Waseca; Waseca County Corn and Soybean Growers; the Schoenfeld Family Fund; Cally Jo Children's Fund; Janesville State Bank; Keen Bank; Compeer Financial and Midwest Bank.

Find us on: **facebook** **NRHEG Star Eagle**
@newrichlandstar - Newspaper
<https://www.facebook.com/newrichlandstar>

USED BOOKSTORE
507-455-3440
eatonsbooks@q.com
Mon-Fri 10-5 Sat 10-3:30
602 North Cedar Ave Owatonna MN 55060

INJURED?
We've Helped Thousands Get Compensation
Contact Us Today For Free Advice
Car Accidents
Personal Injury
Workers' Compensation
507-900-5480
www.FieldsInjury.com

LOCAL SERVICE. STRONGER TOGETHER.
Your farm. Your future.
Your agency.
Change is never easy.
We understand. That's why we're here—local, trusted, and committed to you.
STABILITY, EXPERIENCE, PERSONAL SERVICE.
You can count on us.
AMERICANA
★ INSURANCE GROUP ★
We're the "A" Team
CALL YOUR LOCAL TEAM TODAY!
ALBERT LEA 507-377-2000
ELLENDALE 507-684-2314
WELLS 507-801-1100
www.americanainsurance.com

Get your news in the Star Eagle
• e-mail steagle@hickorytech.net
• Call (507) 463-8112
• FAX (507) 463-0504

LERBERG'S
CAR WASH & COIN LAUNDRY
Touchless Wash and Self Serve
FITNESS CENTER & TANNING
24 HOURS **507-684-2471**
118 5th Avenue West
Ellendale, MN 56026

NASINEC
Funeral Home & Crematory
789 Business Park Drive Wells, MN 56097
507-553-3124 • info@nasinecfnh.com

www.mainstreetdentalclinics.com
Main Street Dental Clinics
comfortable dentistry
Less than excited about your visit to the dentist?
Relax. It's Main Street Dental.
Rochester (507) 536-7700
Mankato (507) 720-0250
Bloomington (507) 583-2141
Owatonna (507) 455-1000
New Richland (507) 463-0502

NEW!
Radel Court is Ellendale's newest maintenance-free apartment living with a modern feel.
• 1 & 2 bedroom open floor units—Now Leasing!
• Spacious kitchen with stainless steel appliances
• Large living area with hardwood style flooring
• Storage closets available • Pet friendly • Off-street parking • Secure access
• Fully furnished social space for large gatherings
NOW LEASING!
RENT SPECIAL AVAILABLE - PLEASE CALL!
6-month, 12-month and 18-month lease terms
For more information, contact Jason at (507)676-8300
DIVERSIFIED 1330 State Ave, NW
PROPERTY MANAGEMENT SERVICES Owatonna, MN 55060
507-414-8090



BIG PLAYS — At left, the Panthers’ Calvin Nissen skies to pull in a first-half pass from Brooks Gilliland. At right, Gilliland delivers the football under pressure. Photos by Jim Lutgens

Panthers fall to Southland in twice-postponed game

After two postponements - the first to avoid heavy rain Friday night, and the second because of the resulting flooding, the New Richland-Hartland-Ellendale-Geneva High School football team got to play a game.

The outcome wasn't what the Panther faithful hoped for, a 32-20 loss to Southland, but at least they got it in Monday afternoon at Jim Gustafson Field in Albert Lea.

"First of all just want to give a shout out all of the volunteers and people that helped out in New Richland Saturday," said NRHEG head coach Devin Lockerby. "In a time of need, people stepped up and helped wherever they were needed."

As for the game, Lockerby said the Panthers have some things to improve on as they head into Friday's Homecoming game against Lewiston-Altura.

"Southland is a really good team," said Lockerby. "And we made some mistakes that cost us the game. But I am excited about how our team responds to adversity. Things didn't go our way and they continued to get up and fight back. We're excited about Homecoming this week."

The Rebels showed the ability to move the football early in Monday's game, taking the opening kickoff and driving deep into Panther territory, but a defender was there to break up a potential touchdown pass in the end zone.

The Panthers responded well, but their next drive ended in a punt and it was scoreless after a fast-moving first quarter.

Then the Rebels embarked on their first scoring drive, capped by a quarterback keeper from the 5. A successful two-point conversion made it 8-0 with 10:49 left in the second period.

Then it was the Panthers' turn and, behind the hard running of Sean Lassahn, they marched to the Southland 13-yard line before a fourth-down pass fell incomplete.

The Rebels again marched inside Panther territory before another incomplete pass on fourth down.

It looked like the Panthers had a chance to score late in the first half, but it didn't work out that way. The Rebels intercepted a third-down pass and returned it 67 yards for a touchdown with no time remaining. They again made the two-point conversion and it was 16-0 at halftime.

The second half couldn't have started any worse for the Panthers as Southland recovered an on-side kickoff and went 44 yards in four plays, again making a two-point conversion.

The Panthers' next drive finally gave their fans something to cheer for, with Lassahn runs mixing with some Brooks Gilliland passes, the last one going to Calvin Nissen from seven yards out, capping a nine-play, 58-yard drive. A two-point conversion run was stopped.

After the Panthers forced a punt after three plays, Lassahn broke loose and raced to the end zone from 32 yards out. Brooks Gilliland passed to his brother Mack for the conversion and it was 24-14 with 5:17 left in the third.

The Rebels, after a nice kickoff return, answered with a 10-play, 51-yard drive and added another two-point conversion, making it 32-14 with 1:24 left in the period.

The Panthers responded with a scoring drive of their own, capped by a Lassahn run from three yards out. It covered 60 yards and took 14 plays, and it was midway through the fourth quarter when it was completed.

Next was one of the most curious referee calls you'd ever see. The kickoff was fumbled and the Panthers apparently recovered but, after talking it over, the refs called for a re-kick due to an inadvertent whistle.

The Panthers then stopped the Rebels on fourth down, but were forced to punt on fourth-and-23.

Southland ran out the clock, handing the Panthers their first loss of the season in three games.



ALL OUT — The Panthers’ Aubrey Hendrickson goes to the floor for a dig during NRHEG’s loss to Bethlehem Academy last week. In the background is Emmy Stadheim. Photos by Jim Lutgens

NRHEG spikers top Medford, fall to BA

The New Richland-Hartland-Ellendale-Geneva High School volleyball team ventured to Medford Tuesday, Sept. 15.

It was an enjoyable bus ride home.

The Panthers came away with a 3-0 victory, with set scores of 25-19, 25-21 and 25-19.

The Panthers came from behind to win the first set, holding steady in the second and third sets.

"The girls found more confidence in our hitting options behind the service line," said Panthers head coach Bethany Tennis.

The Panthers served up a season-best eight aces.

Full individual statistics: Ezra Boerner six kills, five digs, two blocks, one ace; Izley Boerner four digs, one ace; Clara Buendorf one kill, one block; Gia Cazares one dig, one block; Aubrey Hendrickson eight digs, two aces; Jovey Knudson three digs, two blocks, three aces; Anika Ladlie seven kills, eight digs, one ace; Brooklyn Sommer 12 set assists; Emmy Stadheim four digs.

"We hope to take this success and continue on Thursday when we face Bethlehem Academy at home," said Tennis.

It didn't happen, though, as the always-strong Cardinals pulled out a 3-0 win, with set scores of 25-20, 25-11 and 25-21.

"It was a tough night for the Panthers and we couldn't quite come away with a win," said Tennis. "We struggled to get our offense connected and were not able to consistently put the ball down when we had opportunities."

Tennis said outside hitters Ezra Boerner and Ladlie gave the Panthers some good offensive opportunities throughout the evening.

"Moving forward, we need to do a better job of making decisions with the ball and finding ways to place it strategically to give ourselves more to score," said Tennis. "The girls want to win, and are hungry to get back on the court and compete. As we head into Homecoming week, our focus will be on bringing energy, playing with confidence, and finding more consistency on our side of the net."

Individually for the Panthers against BA: Ezra Boerner six kills, three digs; Izley Boerner two digs, one ace; Buendorf two blocks; Sierra Fish one kill, Hendrickson 10 digs, one ace; Knudson one kill; Ladlie eight kills, 14 digs; Sommer one kill, five digs, 18 set assists, one block, one ace; Stadheim one kill, three digs.



PERFECT PLACEMENT — Jovey Knudson (8) spikes the ball as Bethlehem Academy's Sarah Tobin goes up for the block during Gopher Conference action at New Richland last Thursday. The Panthers beat Medford Tuesday, but lost 3-0 to BA.

Wobbbrock places third overall as NRHEG CC teams run at Hayfield

The New Richland-Hartland-Ellendale-Geneva High School cross country teams competed at Hayfield Saturday, Sept. 10.

For the Panther girls, Julieann finished third overall with a time of 20:29. Following were Violette Botten, 43rd, 26:51; and Rylie Cromwell, 49th, 28:40.

For the NRHEG boys, Kasey Jewison placed ninth with a time of 17:33. Colton Lerman was 47th (21:05) and Devlin McWilliams 58th (22:59).

"The dryer and cooler temps made for some nice running conditions," said Panthers head coach Larry Nydegger. "Kasey and Julieann ran very well today, both finishing in the top 10 and earning awards in the process."

The Panthers traveled to the Blooming Prairie Invitational Tuesday, Sept. 15. Schools in attendance were Blooming Prairie, Hayfield, Medford, Austin Pacelli, Cannon Falls, NRHEG and Randolph.

Lake City took the girls' team title, scoring a near-perfect 19 points. Second was Blooming Prairie with 42. Randolph had 81.

For NRHEG, Wobbbrock finished third overall in a time of 20:02. Botten was 30th at 26:23, Cromwell 33rd at 28:46.

For the boys, Pacelli captured the top spot with a perfect score of 15. Lake City followed with 59. Blooming Prairie had 64, Randolph 105.

Jewison led NRHEG with a fourth-place finish, clocking 17:33. Lerman was 29th in 20:42, McWilliams 38th with a time of 22:08.

"The weather was finally comfortable for the runners," said Coach Nydegger. "It was a nice night to get some fast times. Julieann continues to get quicker, getting her best time of the season. And Kasey continues to get some solid times. All the runners are putting in the work, and the improving times are evidence of that."

Congratulations 2026 Royalty and good luck Panthers!

THEN NRHEG HOME COMING

NRHEG ROYALTY

2025 - Chloe Riewer and Jordan Brouwers
2024 - Mallory Schlinger and Harbor Cromwell
2023 - Hallie Schultz, William Tuttle
2022 - Eva Wayne and Makota Misgen
2021 - Brenlee Knudson and Alex Dobberstein
2020 - Grace Tufte and Thor Routh
2019 - Jayna Domeier and Blake Ihrke
2018 - Jayna Finseth and John Reynolds-Hinderscheit
2017 - Benji Lundberg and Makenzi Rhoades
2016 - Alex Blaschko and Rachel Collins
2015 - Michael Altermatt and Jessica Nafe
2014 - Ryann Hagen and Nick Bartness
2013 - Charlie Wagner and Carson Field
2012 - Maddy Schwierjohann and Riley Schue
2011 - Anna Schlaak and Seth Petronek
2010 - Kaylee Maxon and Cody Root
2009 - Alyssa Hagen and David Lindell
2008 - Emily Dahle and Tim Bartness
2007 - Trevor Bordelon and Hillary Johnson
2006 - Lindsey Hagen and Matt Mangskau
2005 - Alison Anderson and Phil Olson
2004 - Whitney Hagen, Andy Tomsche
2003 - Erin Anderson and Matt Wenzel
2002 - Stacy Lura and Matt Groskreutz
2001 - Ellen Johnson and Alex Barnett
2000 - Nikki Cromwell and Tony Schlaak
1999 - Heather Wayne and Joe Moon
1998 - Faith Van Bockern and Chad Knudson
1997 - Linda Schlaak and Justin Schlaak
1996 - Jenny Hagen and Dan Routh
1995 - Amanda Paulson and Gabe Routh
1994 - Jenny Broskoff and Micah Eastvold
1993 - Gretchen Jensen and Matt Eastvold
1992 - Jane Nordhorn and Terry Truebenbach
1991 - Ronda Hendrickson and Shane Reese
1990 - Jennie Hanson and Brian Brekke

HOMEcoming 2006



20 YEARS AGO - Lindsey Hagen crowned NRHEG Homecoming Queen in 2006.

QUEEN 1961



1961 New Richland Hartland Homecoming Queen - Collette Linnihan

2006 NRHEG HOMECOMING



NEW RICHLAND-HARTLAND HOMECOMING COURT

ROW ONE: M. Mickelson, V. Anderson, Queen C. Linnihan, P. Supalla, A. Berg. ROW TWO: G. Kalis, M. Jensen, D. Roesler, E. Carlson, D. Routh.



65 YEARS AGO - New Richland Hartland Royalty

NEW RICHLAND - HARTLAND ROYALTY

1989 - Heidi Bullock
1988 - Renee Gekeler
1987 - Jennifer Lewison
1986 - Sandy Peterson
1985 - Michelle Thompson
1984 - Rochelle Johnson
1983 - Stacey Thompson

1982 - Sue Crosley
1981 - Joni Koziolek
1980 - Lori Schultz
1979 - Cindy Holmen
1978 - Judy Bartness
1977 - Lori Entwisle
1976 - Karin Edwards
1975 - Susie Stafford
1974 - Dawn Hendrickson
1973 - Kris Thompson
1972 - LeAnn Evenson

1971 - Bev Possin
1970 - Marlene Miller
1969 - Marilyn Peterson
1968 - Gratia Hokanson
1967 - Karen Tukua
1966 - Cheryl Engesser
1965 - Lynda Lyndgarrd
1964 - Barb Finseth
1963 - Maureen Linnihan
1962 - Diane Wyrum
1961 - Collette Linnihan

1960 - Judy Echternach
1959 - Judy Frisk
1958 - Jean Ann Olson
1957 - Karen Erickson
1956 - Joan Frisk
1955 - Kay Wenzel
1954 - Carol Tollefson
1953 - LaJune Strand
1952 - Audrey Johnson
1951 - Thelma Root
1950 - Eileen Arnfelt

1949 - Kathryn Johnson
1948 - Virginia Shurson
1947 - Mary Bruzek
1946 - Alice Piltingsrud
1945 - Geraldine Ackmann
1944 - Jean Routh
1943 - Lila Larson
1942 - Queen Unknown
1941 - Gladys Krause
1940 - Queen Unknown

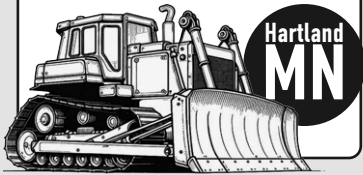
ARO ACCOUNTING

Allyson Olson
cell 507-391-3738
allyson@aroaccounting.com

32718 State Hwy 13, Hartland
507-845-2763

OLSON EXCAVATING

Brandon Flatness, Owner



shop 507-845-2440 cell 507-383-2008

Advanced Funeral Planning

Andrew Schwarz
Licensed Preplanning Consultant

- It is a sincere act of love.
- It relieves the burden of making arrangements at a most difficult time, enabling family & friends to better support each other's sorrows.
- It provides comfort to the family that final wishes are respected.
- It allows the funeral to focus on the living who are left to deal with their grief and loss.
- It is capable of relieving the financial burden for family members.
- It can make it easier for those we love.

BONNERUP
FUNERAL & CREMATION SERVICES
Albert Lea • New Richland • Ellendale

217 West Division Street • New Richland, MN 56072
Phone: (507) 465-8015 • www.BonnerupFuneralService.com

RUSS NELSON MOTOR SHOP

Electric Motor Repair
and Replacement

601 Dutton Drive
Ellendale, MN
507-473-0513

russnelson1941@gmail.com



Boklen Plumbing & Heating



324 N Broadway • New Richland 507-465-8376

Rick 507-402-6766 • James 507-475-2450

TNT BODY SHOP, LLC

Auto & Truck Collision Repair

30877 MN-13
Hartland, MN 56042
(507) 845-2400
tntbodysshop.com

- SERVICES
- Collision Repair
- Factory Matched
- Paint Services
- Frame Alignments
- Frame Straightening
- Towing Services
- Paintless Dent Repair
- Car Rental Service

From your NRHEG AREA BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONALS

NRHEG HOME COMING NOW



NRHEG HOMECOMING 2026

WHO WILL REIGN? — This year's Homecoming royalty are from left: Brooks Gilliland, Jack Bartlett, Brendan Schmidt, AJ Deen, King Ryan Schlaak, Prince Sawyer Root, Queen Ariel-Star Anhalt, Princess Hannah Flatness, Kylie Olson, Keira Hutchens, Izley Boerner, and Olivia Berg. Coronation took place Tuesday, Sept. 22 at 1:45 p.m. at the high school gymnasium in New Richland.

ELLEDALE-GENEVA ROYALTY

- 1989 - Patti Stadheim and Scott Holmes

1988 - Tara Stollard and Scott Crabtree

1987 - Chris Thompson and Matt Kubiatowicz

1986 - Shari Johnson and David Thompson

1985 - Lisa Goodnature and Jeff Misgen

1984 - Colette Hemingway and Jay Crabtree

1983 - Billie Jo Johnson and Edward Deml

1982 - Michelle Kubiatowicz and Joel Langlie

1981 - LuAnn Johnson and Michael Plunkett

1980 - Tammy Harpel and Rick Thompson

1979 - Jean Reistad and Steve Bailey

1978 - Teri Horan and Craig Bailey

1977 - Jeanette Wayne and Neil Jensen

1976 - Debbie Vaith and Dennis Miller

1975 - Pam Cornelius and Spencer Kubat

1974 - Gala Vander Stoep and Dean VanHal

1973 - Teri Jensen and Dave Lieberg

1972 - Debbie Grosland and Tim Donovan

1971 - Mary Beth Goodnature and Brian Wayne

1970 - Nancy Yanke and Robert Sommers

1969 - Vicki Wayne and Rodney Thompson

1968 - Carol Lageson and Dave Richards

1967 - Sue Muri and Steve Wayne

1966 - Stephanie Langlie and Lonny Klemmensen
- 1965 - Teresa Nechanicky and Tom Misgen

1964 - Cheryl Wayne and Tim Thompson

1963 - Katie Bryant and Sheldon Lieberg

1962 - Lois Christensen and Bruce Thompson

1961 - Mary Waage and Gary Harty

1960 - Sandra Verplank and Allan Harty

1959 - Mary Jorgenson and Ray Bailey

1958 - Connie Wayne and Larry Paulsen

1957 - Marilyn Fischer and Warren Torgerson

1956 - Jeanette Grimstead and Corlyn Paulson

1955 - Barbara Langlie and Dale Mrotz

1954 - Audrey Hemingway and Lowell Humburg

1953 - Audrey Steffen and Paul Toft

1952 - Delores Janka and Arnold Halvorson

1951 - Louise Thompson and Kenneth Lunning

1950 - Pat Disher

1949 - Barbara Anderson

1948 - Jean Bartsch

1947 - Betty Jean Edwardson

1946 - Kathleen Balbach

1945 - Zola Randall and Marlowe Sorenson

1944 - Idella Muri

1943 - Dorothy Lonergan and Merlyn Swearingen

1942 - Marjean Randall

1941 - Barbara Webb

1940 - Margaret Smith

1939 - Gen Paulson

1938 - Beulah Ferguson

HOMECOMING 2026



King Ryan Schlaak and Queen Ariel-Star Anhalt

New Richland Auto Repair

Isaac Kofstad
OWNER
246 Third Street N.E.
New Richland, MN 56072
1-507-463-3261

Budach's IMPLEMENT, INC.

Ag Equipment & Napa Auto Parts
Family owned since 1966!!
229 3rd St NE
New Richland, MN
(507) 465-3237

Titan^{Pro}
SEED • CHEMICAL • INSURANCE

CHAD JOHNSON
Ellendale, MN
507-391-2757
Call me, your local dealer, & find out about our diverse seed line & chemical programs for this year's harvest!

Whispering Oak Place
ASSISTED LIVING & MEMORY CARE

903 CALVERLY COURT
ELLEDALE, MN 56026
PHONE: 507-684-3026
WHISPERINGOAKPLACE.COM

JANIKE SEEDS
PIONEER BRAND • CORTEVA

LAYNE JANIKE
(507) 995-6627
layne.janike@plantpioneer.com

KRAUSE FEEDS & SUPPLIES

9352 SW 37th Ave,
Hope, MN, 56046
(507) 451-3043
kfshope@outlook.com

NEW RICHLAND LIQUOR CO.

507-465-3552
102 Broadway Ave N,
New Richland, MN 56072

Insurance from the Best!

Troy Thompson LUTCF
1330 W. Main, Albert Lea, MN
Ph: 507-377-2852 F: 507-377-3301
troythompsonagency.com

Tesch Service

321 Elm Ave W, Waseca, MN
Call Us! **(507) 835-4610**
teschservice@mediacombb.net

L&D Ag Service
Hartland, MN

408 Broadway St,
Hartland, MN, 56042
(507) 845-2100
LD-AG.com

Main Street Dental Clinics
Less than excited about your visit to the dentist?
Relax. It's Main Street Dental.

www.mainstreetdentalclinics.com
Rochester (507) 536-7700 3110 Wellner Dr NE
Mankato (507) 720-0250 287 St Andrews Dr #100
Blooming Prairie (507) 583-2141 405 Main St E
Owatonna (507) 455-1000 1170 E Frontage Rd
New Richland (507) 463-0502 132 Broadway Ave N

Wagner Foods

Your local family-owned store for Fresh Produce & Quality Meats, friendly service & great prices!
Mon-Sat: 8 am - 8 pm
Sun: 9 am - 5 pm
(507) 463-3717
120 South Broadway
New Richland, MN
newrichlandgrocery.com



Shown here are some pictures of the flooding in Albert Lea in June of 2012. Shown is water going under the bridge, on Bridge Avenue, and the east entrance to Edgewater Park.



Rain so hard, fish were flopping on the street

This week we have been experiencing fall weather along with more than a little rain. My heart goes out to the people of New Richland and to all who have been effected by the flood waters. We have experienced some flooding in and around Albert Lea over the years, but I can't recall any of this magnitude. Hopefully everyone is safe and not too much damage has been inflicted on the homes.

I recall a few years ago when I was having coffee at McDonald's with some friends just after we had just experienced a large amount of rain. As we were leaving, I noticed water coming up from the storm sewer. There was not only water, but fish were also shooting out of the sewer and flopping on the street.

With archery deer season now underway, it is an ideal time for hunters to familiarize themselves with the Minnesota Department of Natural



Woods and Water

by Dick Herfindahl

Outdoors Writer

Resources' online log for deer and other wildlife sightings.

"We will again welcome hunters to use our online hunter field log to share what wildlife they see once the season begins," said Tyler Obermoller, DNR research scientist. "We get valuable information from deer hunters about the deer and other wildlife species they observe."

This is the sixth year of this community science effort. The Minnesota DNR uses the information to supplement its model-generated population

estimates, which are an important tool for managing wildlife.

Using a mobile device or desktop computer, deer hunters can enter information about wildlife they see while in the field on the Minnesota DNR website, including deer, turkey, bear, fisher and other species.

Hunters are encouraged to fill out a hunter field log after each hunt. Filling out the log, even if no deer are seen, allows for an accurate estimate of the number of deer observed per hour of field observations, which

provides a useful comparison to deer density modeling results. The log will remain open through the end of 2026.

More information on the hunter field log is available on the Minnesota DNR website.

Until next time: There is still plenty of time to enjoy the outdoors in our area. Whether it be biking, hiking jogging or walking, the outdoors is still there for us to enjoy. Archery hunting for deer is now open along with some small game hunting for cottontail rabbit, squirrel, red & gray. Hunt safe and if you are a youth, make sure that you have taken your firearm safety training.

Please take the time to remember our troops that are serving now and those that have served before them. They are the reason that we have all of the Freedoms that we enjoy today

Attend the Church of your Choice!

ST. PETER EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH New Richland, Minnesota Rev. Scott Williams, Pastor Sunday - 9 a.m. Sunday School, Choir and Choir; 10:30 a.m. Worship Wednesday - 5:15 p.m. Supper; 6 p.m. Bible Study	Tuesday - Council meeting (First Tuesday)	Check the website for additional updates www.vibrantlifeag.com	lowship; 9:20 a.m. Worship/Kids Church Familyoffaithhollandalemn.org ffchollandale@gmail.com	Minnesota Lake, Minnesota Rev. Larry Sipe, pastor Sunday — 9 a.m. Worship
ST. PETER EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH Otisco, Minnesota Rev. Scott Williams, Pastor Sunday - 8:45 a.m. Worship	WEST FREEBORN LUTHERAN Hartland, Minnesota Rev. Marcia Pedersen Sunday - 10:30 a.m. Worship Monday - Council meeting (First Monday of the month) Friday - Quilting meets 9:00 a.m. twice a month, see newsletter for dates.	FIRST LUTHERAN LCMC Ellendale, Minnesota Lay Pastor Ross Sletten Saturday - 8am Men's Bible Study Sunday - 9am Worship Monday - 7pm Call to prayer Wednesday - 9:30am Bible Study; 6pm Confirmation	ZION LUTHERAN, ELCA Rural Ellendale Deacon Billie Jo Wicks Sunday— 8:30 a.m. Worship	ST. PAUL UNITED Minnesota Lake, Minnesota Interim Pastor Sunday - 9:15 a.m. Sunday School; 10:30 a.m. Worship
TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH New Richland, Minnesota Pastor Peg Marose Sunday - 9 a.m. Sunday Worship, Sunday School; 10 a.m. Coffee Monday - 9 a.m. Quilting Wednesday - 6:15 p.m. Confirmation; 7 p.m. Council meeting (first Wednesday)	HARTLAND EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN Hartland, Minnesota Pastor Phillip K. Lepak Sunday - 10:30 a.m. Worship	ELLENDALE UNITED METHODIST Ellendale, Minnesota Randy Cirkse, Pastor Sunday - Summer Service time is 9:30 a.m. Worship; 9:15 a.m. Sunday school. (No summer Sunday school) Worship is at 10:30 a.m. beginning after Sept. 3. Sunday School from Oct through May from 9:15 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. Food shelf is open every Thursday from 3:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.	ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN, ELCA Meriden, Minnesota Deacon Billie Jo Wicks Sunday - 10 a.m. Worship	PEACE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST Minnesota Lake, Minnesota Interim Pastor Sunday — 9 a.m. Worship
LESUEUR RIVER LUTHERAN CHURCH New Richland, Minnesota Pastor Dan Kordahl Sunday - 9 a.m. Worship; 9:30 a.m. Sunday School Tuesday - 8:30 a.m. Quilting	ALL SAINTS CATHOLIC CHURCH New Richland, Minnesota Father Glenn Frerichs Friday - 10 a.m. on 1st, 3rd and 4th Fridays p.m. Mass Sunday - Mass at 8 a.m.	CENTRAL FREEBORN LUTHERAN CHURCH Pastor Matt Griggs Sunday - 10:30 a.m. Worship FM Transmitter is used for those wanting to listen through their car radios at FM 90.7	PONTOPPIDAN LUTHERAN Lemond Township Pastor Gena Parker Sunday— 10:15 a.m. Worship	IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH Freedom Township Rev. Larry Sipe Sunday - 9:15 a.m. Worship
VISTA LUTHERAN CHURCH New Richland, Minnesota Pastor Dan Kordahl Sunday - 10:30 a.m. Worship	COMMUNITY LUTHERAN Geneva, Minnesota Pastor Leandra Anderson Sunday - 10 a.m. Worship (times vary for holidays) Monday - 8:30 a.m. Quilting	EAST FREEBORN LUTHERAN Pastor Matt Griggs Sunday— 8:30 a.m. Worship FM Transmitter is used for those wanting to listen through their car radios at FM 89.3	FIRST LUTHERAN, LCMC Hope, Minnesota Pastor Sandy Miller Sunday - 9 a.m. Worship; 10:15 a.m. Youth/Adult Study	ZOAR UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST Pastor Ava Adams-Morris Waldorf, Minnesota Sunday — 9 a.m. Worship
VISTA EVANGELICAL COVENANT CHURCH New Richland, Minnesota Brian Schanil Pastor Sunday - 10 a.m. Worship; 9 a.m. Sunday School Tuesdays: The Shepherd's Robe Ministry, 1-3 p.m., 6-8 p.m.; Bonfires and Yard Games, 6 p.m. until dark	SIMPLY CHURCH 105 Second Street North East Geneva, Minnesota Todd Lundgren, Pastor Sunday - 9:30 a.m. Bible Study; 10:30 a.m. Worship	ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH LCMS Hollandale, Minnesota Pastor Jesse Krusemark Sunday— 9 a.m. Worship	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH Clarks Grove, Minnesota Pastor James Cameron Sunday— 9:15 a.m. Sunday School; 10:30 a.m. Worship	ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC Waldorf, Minnesota Sunday - 8 a.m. Worship
CROSS OF GLORY LUTHERAN Hartland, Minnesota Rev. Marcia Pedersen Sunday - 9:00 a.m. Worship	VIBRANT LIFE ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH Ellendale, Minnesota Pastor David Modder Sunday - 10 a.m. Worship; 10 a.m. Kids church	FAMILY OF FAITH COMMUNITY CHURCH 101 East Park Avenue Hollandale, Minnesota An EagleBrook viewing church. Sunday— 8:45 a.m. Coffee Fellowship	HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH of LITOMYSL Father Peter Schuster Sunday— 8 a.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation; 8:30 a.m. Mass with Children's Church; Pre-school Sunday School during Mass Wednesday - 6:30 p.m. - Faith Formation classes for grades K-Confirmation www.litomysl.webs.com www.stisidore.school.webs.com	TRINITY LUTHERAN Wilton Township Rev. Larry Sipe, Pastor Sunday - 10:45 a.m. Worship
			THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS Brad Donner, Branch President Waseca, Minnesota www.lds.org Sunday — 10 a.m. Sacrament Mtg.; 11:20 a.m. Sunday School Wednesday — 7 p.m. Youth Activities, ages 12-18	
			NOTE: CHANGES IN CHURCH CALENDARS MUST BE MADE BY NOTIFICATION FROM A MEMBER OF THE CONGREGATION TO THE STAR EAGLE.	
			ST. JOHN LUTHERAN	

LOOKING BACK

25 Years Back



- Margaret Engesser was thrilled to receive the game ball from Panthers Friday night 27-0 win over Lake Crystal-Welcome Memorial from a group of the football players at the "Pep Fest" held for her Sunday afternoon, at the American Legion Clubrooms. Making the presentation of the ball signed by all the members of the team were Kyle Utpadel, Gavin Berg and Clark Field.



- This albino squirrel makes his home in the third street Northeast neighborhood of New Richland. The squirrel is a true albino, with pink eyes as shown in the colored photos. Josh Krueger was the fortunate photographer that was able to get near enough for a shot of the interesting wildlife creature.

- Kara Ignaszewski and Paul Hagemeister take this opportunity to announce their engagement. Parents of the couple are Mary Ignaszewski of New Richland and the late Florian Ignaszewski, and Donald and Bertha Hagemeister, Cathay, North Dakota. Kara graduated from River Falls the University of Wisconsin and Paul graduated from Jamestown (North Dakota) College. A Saturday, October 20, wedding is planned in St. Mary's Cathedral, Fargo, North Dakota.

- A total labor day for the 2001 Minnesota State Fair, August 23 through Labor Day, September 3 was 1,762,976 breaking the former record of 1,689,034 set in 1998.

50 Years Back

- Waseca County Sheriff Mert Schwarz announced the appointment of Al Kroeger of Janesville as chief deputy, Tuesday. He succeeds Schwarz in the position.

- Dennis Dinneen of New Richland was hired as Veterans Service Officer for Waseca County by the Waseca County commissioners at their meeting, Tuesday. Dennis was one of the five selected by veterans groups in the area from a field of 25 applicants. Dinneen will take over the position January 1, on the retirement of Ethan Allen, present service officer.

75 Years Back

- We don't know how often it happens but it is unusual for a lamb to be born at this season of the year and Orland Hagen owns an ewe that went the records one better and became the mother of twin lambs at his farm southwest of New Richland last Thursday.

- Gwen Byersdorff, daughter of Mrs. Ray Byersdorff of New Richland has been named a member of the debate squad at Gustavus Adolphus College, St. Peter.

- Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Schmidt (Marian Schlekau) of Camp Rucker, Ala., are the parents of their first child, a daughter, born at Camp Rucker, Friday, October 12. The baby weighed 7 pounds and 4 ounces and has been named Ruth Alice.



Steve's Meat Market
EST 1973
Award Winning Home-Cured Meat Products

Ellendale, MN 56026

PH: 507-684-2331
FAX: 507-684-3109

NEW RICHLAND CARE CENTER

Exceptional care by and for Exceptional People!

(507) 465-3292

312 1st Street NE, New Richland, MN

Your local family-owned store for Fresh Produce & Quality Meats, friendly service & great prices!

Wagner Foods

Mon-Sat: 8 am - 8 pm
Sun: 9 am - 5 pm

(507) 463-3717
120 South Broadway
New Richland, MN

newrichlandgrocery.com



Bayview Freeborn
FUNERAL & CREMATION SERVICES

1415 Hwy 13N
Albert Lea, MN 56007
bayviewfuneral@gmail.com
507-373-4330

Locally Organized, Owned & Operated since 1939

JANIKE SEEDS

PIIONEER BRAND SEEDS
CORTEVA

LAYNE JANIKE

(507) 995-6627

layne.janike@plantpioneer.com

agro-economics inc.

MARK BERNARD
Crop Consultant
(507) 461-1775

121 3rd St. N.E.
New Richland, MN 56072

CERTIFIED CROP ADVISOR

TS
THOMPSON SANITATION, INC.

LOCALLY OWNED & OPERATED

RESIDENTIAL • COMMERCIAL
ROLLOFFS • RECYCLING

Clarks Grove Office:
108 N. Independence Ave.
Clarks Grove, MN 56016
Phone: 507-256-4370
thompsonsantiation.com



L&D
Ag Service
Hartland, MN

408 Broadway St,
Hartland, MN, 56042
(507) 845-2100
LD-AG.com



Star Eagle
is for sale at these locations:

CLARKS GROVE Gopher Stop	NEW RICHLAND Casey's Wagner Foods
ELLENDALE Casey's Lerberg's	WASECA Casey's Kwik Trip
GENEVA Geneva Bar & Grill	Kwik Trip North
HARTLAND BP Gas Station	HOPE Krause Feeds & Supplies

And At The Star Eagle Office
Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri., 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Story Idea?
507-463-8112

Mike's REPAIR
(507) 455-0388
870 32nd Avenue NW
Owatonna, MN 55060
Serving Commercial & OTR Customers Since 1979

Johnson APARTMENTS
507-456-9514
Operating in
Waseca, Steele,
Freeborn
Counties
johnsonrents.com

Royal Villa Apartments has a one-bedroom apartment for rent. We are an income-based, clean, healthy, quiet place, with activities available for those looking for a place to call home. Secured building access and security system. Utilities included in rent. Satellite TV and Wifi available. Call 507-463-8515 or email hrnrn@hickorytech.net to request an application.

Find us on: **facebook**
https://www.facebook.com/newrichlandstar

NRHEG Star Eagle
@newrichlandstar • Newspaper

Save up to \$800 on a stairlift!*

Move confidently up and down your stairs with an AmeriGlide stairlift.

DON'T WAIT! CALL US TODAY!
1-866-852-5506

*Terms and Conditions apply. Call for details.

AmeriGlide

Breakdowns happen. We'll take it from there.

Let Cinch Home Services help you save on costly repair bills.

With nearly 50 years of experience, we are passionate about protecting our customers and their homes from the expensive costs that come with a home appliance or system breakdown. In fact, we've handled 1 MILLION+ service jobs in the last 3 years.

Our home warranty covers:

- Furnace/Heating Systems
- Air Conditioning Systems
- Electrical System
- Plumbing System and Stoppages
- Toilets
- Refrigerators
- Water Heaters
- Interior Gas Lines
- Cooling Fans
- Garbage Disposals
- And Much More!

30% OFF* PER MONTH

Get 30% off your home warranty plan. Don't wait! Call now for our best offer. **(855) 887-4521**

*Discount applies to the first year of a new Repair Only Plan, Repair + Replace Plan or Repair + Replace Premier Plan. Excludes optional coverage and add-ons. Cannot be combined with any other offer. Not available in all states.

Emergency Management Director

The city of Ellendale is looking for a person to fill the role of emergency management director. The role involves working with Steele County Emergency Management in overseeing, planning and organizing the necessary response for any emergency disasters that may occur in Ellendale. The role involves attending meetings with the Steele County Emergency Management Department and various organizations involved with disaster relief and recovery.

The position assists in placing citizens who are in need of shelter during emergency situations such as winter storms.

This is a paid position with payment for meetings attended and mileage reimbursement.

Please contact the Ellendale City Clerk's office for more details
507-684-2681
office@ellendalemn.com

FULL-TIME PUBLIC WORKS/MAINTENANCE POSITION

The City of Clarks Grove is accepting applications for a full-time position in the Public Works/Maintenance Department. This position performs skilled maintenance work involving the operations of the Public Works Department including streets, water, storm sewer, wastewater, and the water and wastewater systems and facilities, buildings and other related duties as required.

Minimum qualifications include a high school diploma or GED; a valid Class B (CDL) Minnesota Driver's license or the ability to obtain within 30 days; Class D water and Class D wastewater license, or the ability to obtain; and the ability to report to an emergency call within 30 minutes. Starting wage and benefits are based on certifications and experience. Applications may be obtained at the City Office at 103 North Independence Avenue, Clarks Grove, MN 56016 (507-256-8011) or on the City's website at cityofclarksgrovern.com. Applications and resume' must be received in the City Office or by mail to City of Clarks Grove, PO Box 248, Clarks Grove, MN no later than 2 p.m. October 9, 2026. Job description is also available on the city website or by contacting the clerk's office.

LEGAL NOTICES

STATE OF MINNESOTA- COUNTY OF WASECA

THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT- DISTRICT COURT PROBATE DIVISION

Estate of Robert Allen Jensen, Decedent
Court File No. 81-PR-26-679

NOTICE AND ORDER FOR HEARING ON PETITION FOR DESCENT OF PROPERTY

A Petition for Determination of Descent has been filed with this Court. The Petition represents that the Decedent died more than three years ago, leaving property in Minnesota and requests the probate of Decedent's last Will (if any), and the descent of such property be determined and assigned by this Court to the persons entitled to the property.

STATE OF MINNESOTA COUNTY OF WASECA

THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT DISTRICT COURT PROBATE DIVISION
Court File No.: 81-PR-26-514

Estate of Harry Alfred Sotebeer, Decedent

NOTICE AND ORDER OF HEARING ON PETITION FOR DESCENT OF PROPERTY

A Petition for Determination of Descent has been filed with this Court. The Petition represents that the Decedent died more than three years ago, leaving property in Minnesota and requests the probate of Decedent's last Will (if any), and the descent of such property be determined and assigned by this Court to the persons entitled to the property. Any objections to the Petition must be filed with the Court prior to or raised at the hearing. If proper, and no objections are filed or raised, the Petition may be granted. IT IS ORDERED and Notice is

terminated and assigned by this Court to the persons entitled to the property.

Any objections to the Petition must be filed with the Court prior to or raised at the hearing. If proper, and no objections are filed or raised, the Petition may be granted.

IT IS ORDERED and Notice is further given, that the Petition will be heard on November 18, 2026 at 9:45 a.m. via zoom, by this Court at 307 N. State Street, Waseca, Minnesota. See Notice of Remote Hearing

Notice shall be given to all interested persons (Minn. Stat. § 524.1-401) and persons who have filed a demand for notice pursuant to Minnesota Statutes section 524.3-204.

Notice shall be given by publishing

this Notice and Order as provided by law and by mailing a copy of this Notice and Order at least 14 days prior to the hearing date.

BY THE COURT
Judge of District Court /s/Carol M.Hanks
Shannon M. Asselin
Court Administrator

Attorney for Petitioner Mark R. Carver
Einhaus, Mattison, Carver & Haberman, P.A. 202 N. Cedar Ave. Owatonna, Minnesota, 55060
Attorney License No: 0276133
Telephone: (507) 451-3580
FAX: (507) 451-3532
Email: carver@owatonnalawyers.com

(Published in the NRHEG STAR EAGLE on September 24 and October 1, 2026.

further given, that the Petition will be heard on October 21, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. via Zoom by this Court at 307 North State Street, Waseca, MN 56093.

1. Notice shall be given to all interested persons (Minn. Stat. § 524.1-401) and persons who have filed a demand for notice pursuant to Minnesota Statutes section 524.3-204.

2. Notice shall be given by publishing this Notice and Order as provided by law and by:

0 Mailing a copy of this Notice and Order at least 14 days prior to the hearing date.

D Delivering a copy of this Notice and Order to personally at least 14 days prior to the hearing date.

Dated: COURT SEAL

BY THE COURT
Judge of District Court /s/Carol M.Hanks
Shannon M. Asselin
Court Administrator

Attorney for Petitioner Molly Byron
Byron Law Office, PLLC
122 North State St

Edina Realty
Kim & Marcia Berg REALTORS®
MLS
Buying or Selling CALL US TODAY! 507-456-0816 kimberg.edinarealty.com

MCAN Minnesota Classified Advertising Network

EMPLOYMENT \$20-50/HR.!
Agricultural Engineers, Forester, Program Support needed, NEW Solutions/NRCS. Ages 55+, 32-40 hrs./wk. Marshall, Faribault, Fergus Falls, St. Paul, Duluth, Crookston. Apply: newsolutions.org/jobs

WANTED TO BUY WANTED: ALL 1970S MOTORCYCLES
Running or not. Titled or not. Will pick up. Cash in exchange. Sell now before prices fall. Call Dan at 612/720-2142

MISCELLANEOUS SATELLITE TV + INTERNET!
Get Dish! Free install, free HD-DVR upgrade, 80,000 on-demand movies, plus limited time up to \$600 in gift cards. Call today! 855/562-4309

WE BUY HOUSES
for cash AS IS! No repairs. No fuss. Any condition. Easy three step process: Call, get cash offer and get paid. Get your fair cash offer today by calling Liz Buys Houses: 844/978-0683

MISCELLANEOUS NO MORE CLEANING OUT GUTTERS
Guaranteed! LeafFilter is backed by a no-clog guarantee and lifetime transferable warranty. Call today 888/755-5761 to schedule a FREE inspection and no obligation estimate. Get 15% off your entire order. Plus, Military & Seniors get an additional 10% off. Limited time only. Restrictions apply, see representative for warranty and offer details.

DON'T LET THE STAIRS LIMIT YOUR MOBILITY!
Discover the ideal solution for anyone who struggles on the stairs, is concerned about a fall or wants to regain access to their entire home. Call AmeriGlide today! 866/852-5506

Your ad here!
Only \$279 to reach a statewide audience of 1.3 million readers!!! 612-332-8844

SAFE STEP
North America's #1 Walk-In Tub. Comprehensive lifetime warranty. Top-of-the-line installation and service. Now featuring our FREE shower package and \$1,600 off for a limited time! Call today! Financing available. Call Safe Step 833/966-3882

BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL DIRECTORY

JENSEN'S
PLUMBING, HEATING & COOLING
Serving Southern Minnesota for over 45 years!
104 CENTRAL AVE N
GENEVA, MN
507-256-4712

Insurance from the Best!
TROY THOMPSON
AGENCY, INC.
1330 W. Main, Albert Lea, MN
507-377-2852 fax 507-377-3301
troythompsonagency@gmail.com

Hope CREAMERY
9043 SW 37th Ave. • Hope, MN
507-684-2019

ELEMENTICE
Your local distributor
EAGLE CONCRETE
Division of Waseca Sand & Gravel
13113 315th Ave, Waseca MN
507-835-5150
Also available:
Ready Mix Concrete, Rebar, Landscape Rock

Bohlen Plumbing & Heating
TRANE
It's Hard To Stop A Trane.
324 N Broadway • New Richland 507-465-8376
Rick 507-402-6766 • James 507-475-2450

ARO ACCOUNTING
Allyson Olson
cell 507-391-3738
allyson@araccounting.com
Two locations to serve you
217 East Elm Ave, Waseca
507-391-3738
32718 State Hwy 13, Hartland
507-845-2763

Holland Auction
Holland & Associates
Ellendale, MN
Tracy Holland
#7405002
MSAA
507-456-5128
www.hollandauction.com

Bayview Freeborn FUNERAL & CREMATION SERVICES
1415 Hwy 13N
Albert Lea, MN 56007
bayviewfuneral@gmail.com
507-373-4330
Locally Organized, Owned & Operated since 1939

INSURE CAREFULLY. DREAM FEARLESSLY.
CALL (507) 835-2770 FOR A NO-OBLIGATION FREE QUOTE.
Matthew R. Petsinger Agency, LLC
Matthew Petsinger, Agent
Waseca, MN
teampetsinger@amfam.com
mrapagencyllc.com

JK ROUTH CONTRACTING, LLC
Wick Buildings
Jesse Routh
507-383-7892
jrouthb0d@yahoo.com

PANTHER POWERHOUSE
24-Hour Gym Access
New Member signup by appointment
114 Broadway Ave. N.
Call or text (507)330-2345
Facebook address :
https://www.facebook.com/PantherPowerHouseFitness

Red Leaf Cafe
Open Monday-Friday 6am-2pm
104 Broadway Ave. S. • Downtown New Richland
507-465-8000

Summer Ball



2026 3rd and 4th grade summer softball: Back row from left: Makayla Louks, Emma Brunsen, Naomi Wakefield, Brynlee Pederson, Bree Holland, Briella Koerber, Leia Guerrero, Fay Bartsch. Front: Ellie Olson, Olivia Pederson, Kenny Tolzman, Lydia Holland, Jaelynn Theuer. Not pictured: Nellie Buendorf, Emerson Berg, Aaliyah Johnson.



2026 Summer 12U Softball - Back row from left: Coach Heather Groeneweg, Avery Weckwerth, Alice Lewer, Brynna Christensen, Hazel Bell, Sophia Groeneweg, Kendall Whiteside, Coach John Whiteside. Front row: Kendyl Kaplan Charlotte Simmons, Evelyn Schlaak, Libbie Mullenbach, Avery Blouin, Alexis Olson, Madison Erickson. Not pictured: Rylea Walk.



2026 14U summer softball - Back row from left: Marnie Mullenbach, Vivienne Schlaak, Kali Peterson, Grace Riskedahl, Tianna Wallace, Monroe Wayne, Lily Hughes. Front: Jade Wyrum, JayLee Larson, Alayna DeShane, Lauren Johnson, Maci Johnson.



2026 18U summer softball - Back row from left: Faith Phillips, Olivia Berg, Brooklyn Sommers, Emilia Stadheim, Grace Riskedahl. Front row: Maci Johnson, Jade Wyrum, Izley Boerner, Aubrey Hendrickson.



2026 10U Softball - From left: Paige Ward, Mya Misgen, Lydia Louks, Addison Berg, Kyla Eustice, Kaisley Gehrke. Not pictured: Makenna Misgen, Dyna Hanson, Bexleigh Moen, Hadley Schlaak, Lucy Pederson.



On behalf of the NRHEG Softball Boosters, a sincere THANK YOU to the following organizations and businesses for supporting the spring and summer softball program!

Keen Bank- Ellendale
Lerberg's- Fitness Center, Car Wash & Laundry
Panther Powerhouse
Jensen's Plumbing, Heating and Cooling
Geneva Lumber Company
Schlaak Trucking
Red Leaf Cafe
ARO Accounting
Broskoff Structures
Hartland Fire Department
Sequoia Landscape
L & D Ag
Ellendale Cafe
State Bank of New Richland

The Willow's
Johnson Heating and Air Conditioning
Main Street Dental Clinics
Neighbor's Meats
Wagner Foods
Finly's Wings at Work
New Richland Liquor Company
Heinz Insurance
P & L Excavating
New Richland Craft Mall
Richland Ag Consulting
Ellendale Fire Department
The Pour House
BioPlastic
New Richland Fire Department

**BANK WITH US TO
EXTEND OUR
R.E.A.C.H.
AND IMPACT YOUR
COMMUNITY!**



Open your new account today!



Help make an impact on your community today by opening an account with Arcadian Bank! Visit our website or simply scan the QR code to open an account. We offer the tools and technology you need to bank with us from anywhere!

ARCADIAN BANK

COMMUNITY OWNED. COMMUNITY FOCUSED.

ALBERT LEA 507-373-1945 HARTLAND 507-845-2233 FREEBORN 507-863-2371 www.arcadian.bank Member FDIC NMLS 554275



ALBERT LEA ROOFING
SIDING | WINDOWS | DOORS | GUTTERS

**EXTERIORS...
IT'S WHAT WE DO!**





507.391.3108



ALBERTLEAROOFING.COM