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Announcements

• **Wednesday Wear, Nerstrand United Methodist Church hours are Wednesdays 1 - 5 and Saturdays 9 - 12.** Women's, men's and children's clothing, shoes, accessories, linens, toys and books. All things are free with donations accepted. Come and see what we have!

• **Dennison Lions Club** meets monthly. During COVID-19, meeting times may vary.

• **Dennison City Council** meetings are held the first Thursday of every month at 7:00 p.m.

• **The Nerstrand City Council** meets the second Tuesday of every month at 7p.m. at the Nerstrand City Hall. Office hours are: Monday 8:30-11:00; Tuesday by appointment; Wednesday 8:30-11:00; Thursday 5:00-7:00; Friday by appointment. 507-332-8000.

• **Warsaw Township Meeting** is held the 2nd Monday of each month at the Warsaw Township Hall. Meeting time is 6:00p.m.

• **The Wheeling Township meeting** will be held on the second Monday of each month at 8:00p.m. at the Wheeling Township Hall. Contact Rebecca Vergin, Township Clerk.

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Rice County Steam and Gas Tractor Show September 1-3

The 49th annual Rice County Steam and Gas Tractor Show will take place September 1-3 of 2023.

Visitors can take a trip back in time with all the various exhibits and activities going on at the annual Rice County Steam & Gas Show just South of Dundas MN on Hwy. 3 Friday, Saturday and Sunday, September 1, 2 & 3.

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Former Governor Al Quie Passes Away

Former Minnesota Gov. Al Quie, a moderate Republican known for working across the aisle as both governor and as a congressman, has died. He was 99.

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Elvis & Johnny, Bingo & More

The popular Vegas Style Tribute Show featuring the music of Johnny Cash, Elvis, and Neil Diamond returns to Dennison Saturday September 16th, Under the big top.

For fans young and old, if you have ever been to the popular Breezy Point Resort up north in Minnesota, you may have caught The Memories of Elvis Show (www.espking.com) with Chris Olson.

You may have seen their show on the dockside bar at Breezy Point or if you have been to Dennison on Labor Day Weekend, Chris Olson performs this entertaining tribute of The King, and will be bringing his talents and show back to DENNISON, MINNESOTA on Saturday, September 16th. Show time will be at 7:30p.m.

This will be a rain or shine event under the big top at the Fireside.

Doug Allen Nash will again join the show this year with is tribute to Neil Diamond and also his "Johnny Cash Tribute - American Icon". (www.dougallennash.com)

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What breaks your heart? This is more than a bad day, or a break-up with your last date. What are those things that you are passionate about? Is it your family, your job, your hobbies, people in your community, your faith? Do you get angry at injustice? Does your heart and spirit break and get stirred up at the evil in this world? Mine do! If your heart isn't moved- you may want to consider some drastic surgery today.

We dislike thinking about those things that pull us to strong feelings of any kind. We'd rather have hassle-free days, green lights, good food, sunny weather, close parking spots and well-behaved children. We often think, I'm a Christian, I love Jesus and I go to church and help sometimes- so God should make my life easy! We don't want to be inconvenienced, or interrupted, or have any trouble at all! Instead of safe- God's plan is to challenge us and grow our faith deeper. He wants to see and hear passion in our prayers. He wants to know what we care about and if we care about the things that He cares about. Nehemiah had a broken heart. The city of Jerusalem lay in ruins and needed help. Nehemiah prayed! Nehemiah's heart broke for those things that break God's heart. We too need to be to the point that we pray- 'Break my heart Lord.' Break it, crush it, strip me of all comfort, ease and apathy. When we pray

that way you will need Courage!

When you truly pray that prayer you will be burdened and grieved. You will lose sleep, burn with righteous anger and do things others don't understand. Nehemiah (Nehemiah 1) was going through all of these feelings as he heard what his brother shared about the city of Jerusalem and the sad state of the temple.

The wall was not repaired, and the gates were gone. They had no defense against the enemy. They had no way to protect themselves or to protect the temple of God either. Nehemiah took this news hard- he loved his home city- he understood how disgraceful this was to the Jews. The enemy would have a field day with this as well. Nehemiah's response was a lot like Jesus' response as he looked over Jerusalem many years later: "I sat down and wept." Nehemiah sat down and wept. His heart was broken for his beloved city and for his people. This was a big deal! This was God's city, God's temple- and no one is rebuilding it or protecting it. But Nehemiah didn't just sit and cry- he did something about it. For days, he mourned, he fasted, and he prayed!

We need the Courage to pray, "God, Break My Heart" We need to humbly bow down before our God and Savior. When we pray like this, we're asking God to break our heart, to strip us of all comfort, ease, and apathy. We are seeking His heart, His passion, His will. In the Lord's prayer we pray, "not my will by thine be done- not my will but yours Lord."

I'm warning you now, when you pray for God to break your heart for what breaks His- God will answer! You will have a deep sense of justice for people around you. You will be burdened for those that face an eternity in hell. You will be burdened by the pain of people around you. You will be grieved, lose sleep, and you will probably get angry- your heart will burn with righteous anger when those that can't do for themselves are being hurt, and treated unfairly. This prayer will make you more sensitive to the people around you and their cares and concerns. Praying this prayer will have you doing things that no one else will understand.

Linda and Pastor Colleen's heart broke for those fighting addiction. South Troy Celebrate Recovery was born out of that passion- hearts that are broken for others. Celebrate Recovery meets every Sunday night at South Troy. This chapter of Celebrate Recovery is almost a year old and oh, the stories of recovery, of healing, of lives changed!!! It took a few years- but God has it up and running now.

When you pray for your heart to break you will face opposition, criticism and possibly persecution. But through all your pain, agony and discomfort you will also be blessed. You will be blessed as your heart breaks over something that breaks the heart of God. Nehemiah cried out against the injustice; he cried out against the actions of his people and gave them the message that God had given him. They were to confess their

sins, turn to God and rebuild Jerusalem. Nehemiah spent time fasting, praying and planning. It wasn't just a lunchtime fast, but a whole-hearted, down in the dirt- down in front of the altar time of fasting and prayer! His heart was broken for what was going on in Jerusalem. They cried out to God- their burden seemed almost too great to bear.

When the problem is bigger than you- than anything you can do- turn to God in heartfelt prayer. As you pray, and fast you will discover that our God's greatest blessings come from God's greatest breakings. What if God breaks your heart for what breaks His? You'll discover his blessings. You will discover a holy hurt in your spirit- that will propel you forward into action!

- Comfort never moved me to action!
- More luxury life- never made me consider those that are suffering.
- Pain free days never made me more like Jesus.

Pain purifies, and suffering strengthens. It is the trials that we have been through that teach us to depend on God. I dare you to pray: BREAK MY HEART! When you sincerely pray that prayer it will shake you out of your continual pursuit of comfort. It will stir you with a divine burden you simply can't ignore.

Questions to ask yourself this week:

- What truly breaks your heart on behalf of God?
- What are you going to do about what breaks your heart?

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The Lord Provides

Abraham looked up and there in a thicket he saw a ram. . . . He . . . took the ram and sacrificed it as a burnt offering instead of his son. — Genesis 22:13

Abraham's faith is tested with the ultimate challenge: Is he willing to give up his most precious treasure to God? And at the last possible moment, God intervenes, telling Abraham to stop. So Isaac is spared, delivered from a death sentence. And God provides a substitute, a sacrificial ram to be offered instead. The place is then called "The Lord Will Provide."

Abraham could not have known that about 2,000 years later an even greater sacrifice would be made. God would again provide a substitute, who actually became "the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!" (John 1:29). That substitute was Jesus, God's only Son, who gave up his own life to pay for all our sin so that all who believe in him may have eternal life (John 3:16).

God's judgment against sin fell on his own Son. Jesus, the sacrificial Lamb, stepped in and took our place. On that day, through Jesus' death on a cross outside Jerusalem, a sufficient sacrifice was provided (see Mark 15:33-39).

Abraham could not have known all this, but by the grace of God he had received the gift of faith and could trust that God would somehow keep his promises.

Lamb of God, thank you for being our substitute and dying in our place, opening the way for us to be saved. Give us faith to believe in you and to serve you every day. Amen.

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Former Governor Al Quie Passes Away

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Quie died of natural causes late Friday, August 18 at a senior living community in suburban Wayzata where he had lived for the last 10 years, his son, Joel Quie, said Saturday.

While he had been in declining health in recent months, he still enjoyed meeting and greeting people. At a family gathering two weeks ago, he read aloud to his great-grandchildren from their favorite storybook, his son said. He died just a month shy of his 100th birthday.

“His stature and his energy and his enthusiasm for life was there right to the end,” Joel

Quie said.

Albert Harold Quie was born Sept. 18, 1923, on his family’s dairy farm near Dennison in southeastern Minnesota. After serving as a Navy pilot in World War II, he returned home to resume farming. He served a stint in the Minnesota Senate before winning a special election for a vacant congressional seat.

Quie represented southeastern Minnesota’s 1st District in the U.S. House from 1958 to 1979, becoming known for his expertise on education and agriculture. He ran for governor in 1978 and unseated Rudy Perpich in what was dubbed the “Minnesota Massacre,” a bad year for state Democrats. Voter anger had lingered after Gov. Wendell Anderson arranged for Perpich, then his lieutenant governor, to appoint Anderson to the U.S. Senate seat that Walter Mondale gave up in 1976 to become vice president.

But Quie’s single term as governor turned rocky amid a deep budget shortfall in the early 1980s, when Democrats controlled the Minnesota Legislature. Amid the bitter divisions of the 1981 and 1982 sessions, he opted not to seek reelection.

In a farewell address at the University of Minnesota in December 1982, Quie decried the growing partisanship in politics but said he remained optimistic about the future of the state and the nation.

“I entered public life with a strong, though still-developing belief in the sanctity of the individual, the centrality of the family, and the compassion and good sense of people in neighborhoods and local communities. I believed that all people have infinite worth, and that all people possess gifts that can be

known fully by no one,” he said. “My belief in these ideas gained in strength as the years passed and I better saw their worth, and as they withstood the doubts of skeptics and the strain of great change. Nothing ... has successfully challenged my early — and lasting — belief in them.”

Quie, a man of deep Lutheran faith, remained active after leaving office, serving as a local and national leader of the Christian ministry Prison Fellowship.

Joel Quie, a retired Lutheran pastor, said his family used his 99th birthday celebration last year as sort of a dress rehearsal for what they hoped would be his 100th. Current Gov. Tim Walz proclaimed it Al Quie Day. When he turned 97, the former Navy pilot got to fly in an open cockpit plane — albeit with another pilot at the controls. He had been an avid horseman and last rode when he was 1995. His goal was to saddle a horse when he turned 100, his son said.

“God blessed him with incredible resilience and stamina,” his son said. “And he embraced it and lived life to the fullest.”

Walz, a Democrat who held Quie’s congressional seat for 12 years before becoming governor, paid tribute to him Saturday, recalling that he found him “caring, funny, and generous as ever” when he attended his predecessor’s 99th birthday celebration.

“A veteran, a man of faith, and a life-long public servant, Governor Quie had a deep commitment to the betterment of our state and a legacy that extends beyond his time in office,” Walz said in a statement. “His advocacy for education, eliminating discrimination, and rural development demonstrated his



unwavering dedication to creating a better life for all Minnesotans.”

His wife, Gretchen Quie, died in 2015. Al Quie is survived by children Fred Quivik of St. Paul; Jennie Coffin of Fairfax, Va.; Dan Quie of Greenfield, Minn.; Joel Quie of Eden Prairie; Ben Quie of St. Paul; 14 grandchildren and 22 great-grandchildren. Quie’s funeral will be held at Central Lutheran Church in Minneapolis on September 9 at 1 pm.

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Nashville Country Music Artist Lissa Coulter performed Friday of Dennison Days



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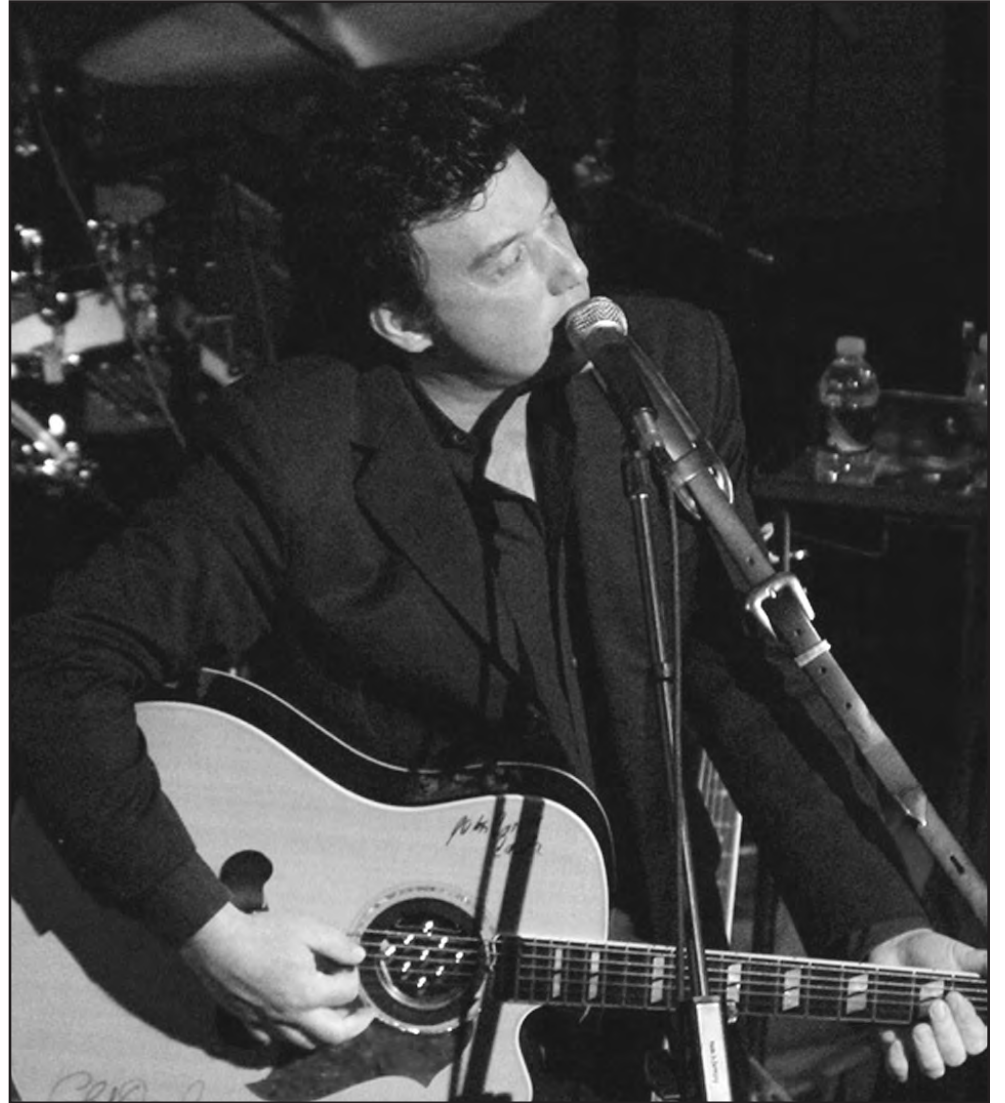
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It is in this production, Nash includes one of his own songs "June" co-written and co-produced with Jeff Silverman in Nashville, TN. Engineering mix by Grammy Award Winners John Carter Cash and Chuck Turner at Cash Cabin Studio in Hendersonville, TN.

You can see both of these great artists in Dennison Saturday, September 16th.

Advance Tickets are just \$25.00. \$30.00 Day of Show. Call Fireside at 507-645-9992 during normal business hours, or e-mail them at firesideloungedennison@gmail.com to order tickets.

You can also make dinner reservations that evening ahead of the show. Space is limited, so make your reservations early. This year's



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event will be a part of a weekend celebration in Dennison. As Fireside Lounge celebrates

20 years of Amy Family Hospitality, Friday, September 15th, Music will be provided by popular variety band, The Look. Music will start around 7 PM Friday Night to kick off the weekend. Also this year, under the tent Saturday afternoon,

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Traxler Law

By Cheri Roshon

As I get older and closer to retirement, I begin to wonder how to take care of the treasures I have accumulated over the years. As they say, one man's trash is another man's treasure, and I am sure my offspring will look at most of my accumulations as the former, and not the latter. Downsizing while I am still here on Earth seems to be a great idea, but then once I toss something out, I am sure I will need it the next week. So, maybe a yard sale here and there, or a post on Craig's List

will begin the process. However, the possessions that really matter need to be taken care of before I am unable to make decisions for myself, and that is where an estate lawyer will come in handy.

This month, I decided to focus on a woman who has a large tool box of legal training to pull from. Ann Traxler at Traxler Law, PLLC is that person. Ann is a graduate of Mitchell Hamline School of Law, with a certification in law and business. She grew up just south of West Concord and moved to Kenyon in 1990. She and her family have a small farm outside of Kenyon with a garden of fresh vegetables. At one time they had a cattle business but decided to forgo that operation when Ann began her law practice. They had 4 boys at home, all of whom are grown and some with families of their own. Jake, Tara and their son and daughter, and Caleb and Samantha all live south of Owatonna. Levi and Natalie live



Ann Traxler

Rice County Steam and Gas Tractor Show September 1-3

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Attendees can expect to see many of the familiar attractions as they have in the past including the operating sawmill, corn shelling, thrashing, blacksmithing, and more. The annual flea market will take place on the grounds and additional exhibits are many, including antique tractors, classic cars and trucks along with draft horses. Vintage Machinery, both horse drawn, and tractor driven, will be on display and used in various exhibits on the grounds.

The tractor parade takes place at noon each day.

Breakfast is served daily on the grounds as well as other food stands offering food throughout the day.

The kids pedal pull is Saturday after the parade, and the tractor pull is Sunday at 9:00 AM. Ford tractors and implements are the feature of this year's show, and one is being raffled off for their annual fundraising raffle. The kids' play area includes a merry go round, swings, sandboxes and more.

A petting zoo will also be available for visitors, presented this year courtesy of Windy Willow Farm Adventures.

There will be live music all three days and a non-denominational church service will take place Sunday at 8:00 AM.

General admission is just \$10 for the entire weekend and all events are free for ages 12 and under.

The all-volunteer group works hard to preserve history, maintain the grounds and bring new pieces of history to visitors every year.

The newest acquisition for the club was the former Waterford, MN schoolhouse and township building, which was recently moved to the grounds from its original location in Waterford (Just North of Northfield). The move south down Highway #3 was delayed several times earlier this year due to weather and other factors, so the building will not reopen this year for tours and events, but the group hopes to have it set on the foundation yet this fall. Photos of the historic move are available on the Rice County Steam and Gas Facebook page.

Complete information and event listings are available on the group's Facebook page and website at ricecountysteamandgas.com

in Nerstrand and help with work in the family businesses, Traxler Power and Equipment, and the NAPA store in Kenyon, along with Ann and her husband Jeff. Their son Quinn is a civil engineer and lives and works in Denver, but comes home often to his townhouse and his girlfriend.

Ann was a student at U of M in Waseca and at the Twin Cities campuses. At the time, she majored in Animal Sciences. This complements her Law Degree, as she now assists farm businesses transitioning to new formations, and new generations taking over family farms. She says there are as many options as there are families and plans, so it can get

quite complicated.

Her practice provides both personal and business legal services. Her business law practice interests include forming new businesses, legal contracts, and real estate transactions. She also works with wills and estate planning. She handles trusts to control assets, inheritance and probates. Health care directives and power of attorney decisions are also a part of her expertise.

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NH+C's Long Term Care Center is set to close

Northfield Hospital + Clinics will close its Long Term Care Center at Northfield Hospital this fall, due to financial challenges and lack of available staff.

This does not impact other operations of Northfield Hospital and NH+C's medical services.

NH+C will work with each resident and their support person of choice to select an alternative placement that meets their individual needs and choices.

NH+C will provide assistance in the relocation process, and there will be no cost to residents or families.

NH+C will work with affected staff to explore other job options within NH+C with another local employer. We will provide resources to help LTCC staff during this transition.

The decision by NH+C's Administration and Board comes as NH+C – like hospitals across the state – faces significant challenges. NH+C lost several million dollars in 2022 as expenses significantly outpaced revenue from services. In the Long Term Care Center alone, it costs significantly more to provide care than payments for the service cover.

"This is a painful decision, but it's the best decision under difficult circumstances, to keep NH+C strong enough to serve our communities well," says NH+C President & CEO Steve Underdahl. "An organization can't sustain ongoing heavy losses and continue to operate effectively."

The decision is part of an overall review of services at NH+C to ensure the organization can serve the community for generations to come. NH+C's Administration and Board consider several criteria as they analyze service lines: finances, mission, and commitment to serving local communities. They also consider whether a service is available from other providers in the region.

Healthcare organizations across the U.S. are under serious pressure from four converging trends: worker shortages; increased costs; flat payments; imbalance of government and private payors. Similar actions are occurring across the state and around the country.

NH+C is following rules set by Minnesota law to manage the closure. The process is ex-



pected to be complete by October 5. NH+C is working with the state's Department of Human Services (DHS) and Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) to ensure compliance with state law. DHS regulates the management of skilled nursing facilities in Minnesota, with specific requirements and timelines that must be met when closing a facility.

"We will make this transition as comfortable as possible for residents and families," Underdahl says. "We're proud of the excellent care our dedicated Long Term Care staff has provided, especially during the very challenging years of pandemic. We will do our best to support our colleagues as they face this transition, too."

The Long Term Care Center is a 40-bed unit at Northfield Hospital. It opened in 1963 as the H.O. Dilley Skilled Nursing Facility in the hospital then-located on Second Street (now Way Park). It was originally built with a \$250,000 bequest from Minnie Dilley. The center has received five-star ratings over the years from Centers for Medicare and Medicaid (CMS), based on health inspections, staffing, and quality of resident care.

NH+C is city-owned, but it is not city-funded. All NH+C funds come from the services NH+C provides. No city funds have ever been used to build or run the Long Term Care Center.

NH+C's 2022 net revenue was \$119.7 million. Net expenses were \$128.8 million.








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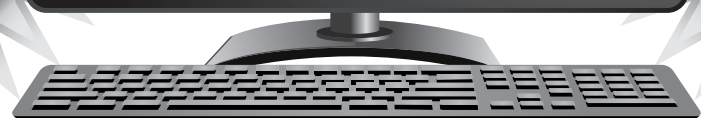
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What is Child Support?

By Goodhue Co. Health & Human Services

Child support is money parents pay for the care, support and education of their child. It may include a monthly court-ordered amount for Basic Support, Child Care Support and Medical Support. Under Minnesota law, a child has the right to be financially supported by both parents.

One of the most frequently asked questions

received at the Child Support Office is, How do I change my child support order? This process can begin with either party seeking a potential modification, which can only be changed or modified by court order. There are three options to have a review and potential modification of the child support order.

- Contact an attorney and let them take care of all the necessary paperwork and details.
- Complete and file your own legal action documents, which is called Pro Se which means you represent yourself. For this option, you can contact Court Administration to request a packet of necessary documents be mailed to you or you can go to the Minnesota Judicial Branch website to obtain the documents online at

<https://www.mncourts.gov/GetForms.aspx>.

• The final option is to request a review through your county's child support agency. With this option, a child support worker will review your case to see if the change(s) in circumstances meet the statutory criteria for a modification, meaning the current order is 'unreasonable or unfair'.

Reasons for a modification request may include, but are not limited to, a change of income, disability, change in medical insurance or medical assistance. A great tool to help you determine whether you may or may not qualify is the Minnesota Child Support online calculator at: <https://childsupportcalculator.dhs.state.mn.us/>.

Learn more about changing child support orders, making child support payments, and general child support information at <https://www.childsupport.dhs.state.mn.us/Action/Welcome>.

In addition, this webpage offers links to many helpful tools, including an online portal.

Goodhue County's Child Support Unit strives to help with financial support, so that both parents can concentrate more on the emotional support and growth of the child(ren). If you have questions, please feel free to contact us at 651-385-3200 or email us at hhs.childsupport@co.goodhue.mn.us. A new texting option is also available. Please contact your Child Support worker for more information regarding this option.

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Metabolic Syndrome Solution



By Noel Aldrich, PhD, CNS
Licensed Nutritionist

Metabolic Syndrome was defined in 1998 as a cluster of symptoms related to how your body processes the food you eat each day. A person with Metabolic Syndrome has the following symptoms:

- A waist measurement more than 36 inches
- And two of the following measures:
 - Low HDL cholesterol (“good” cholesterol)
 - High Triglycerides (more than 150 mg/dl)
 - High Blood glucose (more than 110 mg/dl)
 - High blood pressure (more than 130/85 mmHg)

If you are diabetic or have been taking blood pressure medicine for many years, or have been using statin medication, these are some of the first indications leading to Metabolic Syndrome. According to data from the National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey, more than 34% of adult Americans have Metabolic Syndrome. Conditions associated with Metabolic Syndrome include: heart disease, gout, fatty liver disease, gall stones, depression, and arthritis. Within medical literature, these conditions are described as “lifestyle diseases,” which means our choices in daily living result in these conditions. However, very few medical doctors have the time to coach lifestyle changes, so you may think medication is the only answer to control these health conditions, but this is not the case. The right information can help you make real changes in your health and lifestyle.

Insulin is the key hormone that regulates the metabolic processes in your body. Insulin’s job is to signal the cells in your body to store sugar and get the sugar out of the blood stream. In a healthy body, insulin is made every time you eat and signals the cells to store the sugar that has been eaten. When insulin levels are increased you are not able to lose weight or burn off extra calories because your body is receiving the signal to “store up” and not to “burn off.” When a person snacks frequently, or has five to six small meals each day, the body is always receiving the signal to “store” and never allowed to “burn off” calories. In order to reverse Metabolic Syndrome, we need to understand how to control the master hormone

insulin.

Insulin affects many processes in the body. When insulin is high, the body stores fat, stress hormones are increased, and fat in the blood is increased. When insulin is high, inflammation increases and the body ages faster. When a person practices healthy lifestyle patterns insulin signals are more regulated, and the symptoms and conditions associated with Metabolic Syndrome can be reduced.

The Metabolic Balance Program was developed more than 20 years ago to provide a lifestyle plan to control insulin and improve an individual’s quality of life. The program was developed by a medical doctor, a food scientist, and a nutritionist. Metabolic Balance has become one of the most successful lifestyle programs available to address the global health issue of Metabolic Syndrome.

There are eight principles within the Metabolic Balance program that are important for improving health and controlling insulin. These eight principles are:

- 1) Eat three meals each day. No snacks.
- 2) Keep a 5-hour break between meals. No snacks.
- 3) No meal should be longer than 60 minutes.

4) Begin each meal with one or two bites of protein.

5) Eat only one protein with each meal, and do not repeat that protein the rest of the day.

6) No eating after 9 pm.

7) Drink the quantity of water calculated for you. (Half your body weight in fluid ounces.)

8) Eat an apple each day.

In addition to these eight principles, a personal food plan is developed by a certified coach based on your blood chemistry to determine exactly what foods your body will thrive on. When you are eating the foods your body needs, cravings will disappear, satisfaction will increase, and your quality of life can increase. The Metabolic Balance Program is a positive solution to the challenge of Metabolic Syndrome.

As a certified coach, I have personally followed these eight principles since 2017 and have seen the benefits for myself, my family members, and hundreds of clients. You can find out more about this program at the website www.metabolic-balance.us or contact me at nutritionproportion@gmail.com and request a video presentation to review at home.

FEAR



By Susan Hinrichsen, CHC, CLC, MC

Fear can be in many different aspects of our life. It can be a fear of trying or doing something new or fear of not having enough money, time, new places, job loss, or failing relationships. We are in different places and seasons of life so the fears may change as we enter different stages of life for each individual. Fear can be difficult to work through on our own if we do not understand what is underlying the fear and were the fear is originating from.

We have been taught to conform to rules or act a certain way as a child which also can shape our beliefs about the world, others, and ourselves. Most times the underlying issue of fear relates to a lack of love and belonging.

A very common fear is fear of failure or not being enough to step into a fearful situation and meet it head on. By not confronting our fears we put limitations on our

personal growth and life experiences. This in turn prevents us from achieving our life purpose and personal evolution.

The best way I’ve been able to describe our purpose on earth is to think of our time here as a school. We are all spiritual beings having a temporary human experience. This is the place where we get to have experiences that we learn and grow from, and it is these experiences that guide our path in life to our purpose. I hear so many people say that things always happen to them but in fact, they happen for you to help you learn whatever you need to learn from the experience to move onto your next lesson.

When I find myself feeling fearful around a situation or issue is to ask myself, what is it about the situation that is causing me to feel fearful around the situation or issue, and to ask myself what about the situation is causing me to feel fearful. I tell myself that it is okay to feel fearful and acknowledge the feeling. I then approach the feelings with curiosity and look inward to see what is causing the fear, acknowledge that reasoning and try to replace that reasoning with an updated thought that is at minimum neutral or positive. After all, we will not be eaten by a wild animal so death should not be a factor. (I hope you are smiling by now).

If you are interested in reaching out and scheduling your complimentary discovery session to help you move past fear or whatever is keeping you from being your best self, visit my website susanhinrichsen.com and while you’re there download my 7-Day Workbook at no cost to you.

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Nerstrand City Council Meeting July 19, 2023

PRESENT: Mayor Todd Evavold, Council Member John Harris

ALSO PRESENT: Public Works Steve McDowell

Approval of Agenda:

MOTION: Motion to approve the Agenda as presented.

Motion made by Councilor Harris, second by Mayor Evavold

Ayes: Harris, Evavold
Nays: None

Approval of Consent Agenda:

A) Regular Council Meeting minutes of June 14, 2023

B) Payment of Claims dated: June 19, June 26, July 6, and July 19, 2023

MOTION: Motion to accept consent agenda as written.

by Councilor Harris, second by Mayor Evavold, motion passed unanimously.

Open Council Seats:

RESOLUTION 2023-04: Resignation of Council Members Carri Turi and Jennifer Schwab:

MOTION: Motion to accept the resignations of Turi and Schwab by Councilor John Harris, second by Mayor Evavold, motion passed unanimously.

RESOLUTION 2023-05: Appointment of council member to fill vacancies.

Kevin O'Brien applied for the position of Council Member. The Council considered and discussed the application.

MOTION: Motion was made by Council Member Harris, seconded by Mayor Evavold to approve Kevin O'Brien as Council Member, motion passed unanimously

NEW BUSINESS:

Tree Removal Bids:

Council discussed removing a cluster of trees behind the Schiels building on property line. Bid was received from Flom Tree in the amount of \$2,756.32.

MOTION: Motion was made by Harris, seconded by Evavold to approve the bid from Flom Tree for the removal of the trees. Motion approved unanimously

The City received four bids for the bids for tuck pointing City Hall. Mayor Evavold con-

tacted all of the companies and discussed with them the tuck pointing only west and north side of building including west side ground flashing before winter since there are holes in the mortar.

MOTION: Motion was made by Council Member Harris, seconded by Mayor Evavold to accept the bid from Owen Masonry for \$34,172 to tuck point the west and north sides beginning in September of 2023. Funding will be from the ARPA money the City had received.

Motion passed unanimously

Shredding of City Documents:

Mayor Evavold discussed the Visa bill from Veterans Shredding out of Burnsville hired by the previous city clerk. There was no notice to council or mayor. There was also no record of documents shredded as required by Minnesota Statutes 138.17, Subd. 7.

Old Business:

Mayor Evavold updated council that Steve McDowell and himself had a meeting with Bollig Inc. The meeting regarded information that Bollig would need to proceed with being the City Engineering firm.

Report of Public Works:

· Streets-Bonde Farms sprayed for wild parsnip on Kielmeyer Ave. The spray didn't seem to work well, so it was decided to mow it down and spray again. The ditch has been mowed and it will continue to be monitored.

· Farm Street-Land surveyor has staked out the various parcels and will be getting the survey to the city which will then go to the city attorney for further details to complete legal documentation of land parcel swapping and easements.

· Gravel-Gravel will be put down on Poplar Street to Maple Street as well as the west dead end of Second Street North. Alleyways are looking good.

· Transfer Station Pump 1 - Steve has rebuilt the pump

· Transfer Station Pump 2 - Oil has been changed

· Water Department - A chemical delivery was made

· Pot Holes - Steve patched pot holes around town with cold patch as well as some larger holes with gravel. Another spot on the alleyway east of Poplar was brought up and Steve will take care of.

· Drainage issues - The ditch needs to be cut so drainage can happen near the downside of Third Street. Need drainage improvements on the north side of the Methodist Church and possibly on the south end of Poplar.

Mayors Report:

· Water Tower - Mayor Evavold met with a representative from McGuire Inc. inquiring about getting a bid to sandblast and repaint the water tower.

· Temporary Clerk - The mayor reported that the temporary clerk has been getting city business processed on average of 8 hours per

week thus far.

· Comparative Positions- The mayor contacted the city of Dennison who has 8 less households than Nerstrand and they have been paying their clerk 20 hours/week for the last 14 years. This includes both the financial and city business aspects. The city of Hampton was also contacted about their two person arrangement for clerk and financial responsibilities. This arrangement does not require a yearly audit due to the self-audit nature of their paperwork documentation. Nerstrand's most recent annual financial audit cost the city \$16,720. The city will look into the possibility of eliminating this expense. The city of Hampton has a population of 747 and their clerk is hired for 25 hours per week and their financial person is hired for 5 hours per week. Hampton will be putting together their procedure list of how they carry out this two person arrangement. The mayor anticipates a 16 hour work week plus separating out an additional 5 hours for financial work. There was further public discussion on making sure all aspects of the future city clerk position are considered and nothing is missed when determining the weekly work schedule.

Adjourn:

MOTION: Motion by Councilman Harris, second by Mayor Evavold to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by Mayor Todd Evavold in absence of City Clerk Todd Evavold
Mayor Todd Evavold



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MnDOT to Begin Using Wireless Emergency Alerts for Traveler Safety

The Minnesota Department of Transportation has entered into an agreement with the Federal Emergency Management Agency to begin using Wireless Emergency Alerts through the Integrated Public Alert & Warning System, FEMA's national system for local alerting that shares emergency information to the public.

Wireless Emergency Alerts use the same system that share critical notifications like AMBER alerts with the public, as well as other time-sensitive information during natural disasters or threats to public safety. WEAs provide the ability to send alerts directly to mobile devices without the user needing to download an app or subscribe to a service. State departments of transportation in Pennsylvania, Georgia and Texas have successfully used WEAs for major road closure alerts, and

many local county sheriff's offices in Minnesota have authority to use the system as well.

"The ability to send WEA messages through IPAWS is an important additional tool for MnDOT to provide real-time information to the traveling public," said Commissioner Nancy Daubenger. "Road closures can occur suddenly, especially in cases of severe weather or major crashes on the highway system. With WEA messages, MnDOT will be able to send immediate mobile alerts to people in the vicinity of a highway closure or detour – helping minimize motorists on roadways during winter conditions and aiding law enforcement and emergency personnel in responding to incidents quickly."

Alerts from MnDOT will typically include a link to 511mn.org (the state's online road information system) for more information and a simple description of the closure or incident, such as:

"EMERGENCY ALERT – The I-90 corridor is closed from the South Dakota border to Albert Lea due to blizzard conditions. Go to www.511mn.org for more information and updates."



MnDOT's operating procedures include sending emergency alerts only when highway closures of more than four hours are expected due to weather (such as snow, ice or flooding) or major crashes or incidents. MnDOT alerts will only be sent for closures on state highways and interstates under the

agency's jurisdiction and will be sent to all mobile phones within a one-mile band around the highway, beginning 10 miles ahead of any closure location. The nature of an emergency could require a larger area for notifications and specifics will be determined on a case-by-case basis.

Warsaw Township Township Board Meeting Minutes June 12, 2023

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Chair Maher called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Members Present: Duwain Egland, Larry Madsen, Emery Maher, Diane McCorkell and Darla Frandrup Others Present: Bob Flom, Mike Saunders, Dina Fesler and Larry Enfield 2.

APPROVE MEETING MINUTES

Motion made by Duwain to approve the minutes as read; Larry seconded. All voted in favor; motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

A request was submitted by Mike Saunders on behalf of Gary Arntson, for Township approval to move forward with his Interim Use Permit with the County for 4 horses to be kept at his property. The property is located at 37533 County 14 Blvd, Dennison. This property is zoned R-1, Suburban Residence District. The County changed their ordinance in 2019 and requires an Interim Use Permit for residents in Residential zoning to have large animals. After determining the residents request meets the County's ordinances and Emery's conversations with the neighbors, a motion made by Duwain to sign off on Township approval; Larry seconded. All voted in favor; motion carried. A public hearing will be held on Monday, July 17th at the Goodhue County Government Center.

The Township has received approval to begin our data retention program. Darla and Diane will follow the Data Retention schedule and begin organizing files at the Town Hall.

Township cards for elected officials were passed out.

Darla received a letter from Xcel Energy concerning a transmission line project in progress. This letter was a courtesy letter and does not include our Township in the project.

The annual Road Tour was completed on May 15th, 2023. Results of the Tour include for work to be completed this summer/fall are:

- Mowing ditches
- Culvert work throughout the Township
- Multiple tree trimming locations including 10th Ave and 30th Ave.
- Work on the 345th St. and Warsaw Trail swoop ditch
- Fix and/or replace curve sign on Warsaw Trail
- Work at 53rd Ave in the ditch and trim trees

There are issues again with the slew road and the beavers resulting in Bob cleaning out the culverts.

Nerstrand Fire Department will begin covering the sections NFLD Rural previously covered. This change will begin in fall 2023 when our contract with Nerstrand is up for renewal. Moving forward Nerstrand will take on additional sections currently covered by Cannon Falls and this cost will be prorated into 2024. The additional sections are in response to the location of the new Fire Station in Dennison and new response times.

ADJOURN

Motion made by Duwain to adjourn the meeting; Larry seconded. All in favor; motion carried. Approved on July 10, 2023

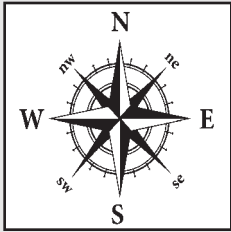
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Changes in Latitudes, Changes in Attitudes Millennials and My Tranquility, not a good mix



By Terry Campbell

This column is written by Messenger editor and Minnesota native Terry Campbell. Terry now splits his time between Minnesota when it's warm here and Tennessee when it's cold here.

Millennials, that group of people who were born during the 1990's through the early 2000's. I have fortunately not had to deal much with millennials since I am much older. Psychologist Jean Twenge, the author of the 2006 book *Generation Me*, considers millennials to be part of what she calls "Generation Me". Twenge attributes millennials with the traits of confidence but also describes a sense of entitlement and narcissism. Based on the fact that I am entering the age of a Grumpy Old Man, I can now transfer much of my irritation on a younger demographic. And this group has easily set themselves up for the blame. I usually like all people but my tolerance for stupid has worn a little thin with the years.

My birthday rolled around again this year, and in celebration of making it one more time through the calendar, my wife got tickets for the 50th anniversary tour of the rock group Kansas. What could go wrong? A classic rock concert whose fans are all in their 60' and 70's. My kind of folk. The State Theater in Minneapolis is a beautiful venue and we had seats in the fourth row from the stage slightly right of center.

We have a knack for attracting the worst concert goers ever though. We have a name for them. Drunk Dave. In honor of the guy at the Styx concert in Des Moines who thought he should dance in the aisle holding a beer and spilling it on anyone within the splash

zone. They are loud and obnoxious and always very drunk. Somehow, they end up in seats next to us.

So, as we took our seats that evening the young guy behind us tried to start up a conversation with us. He was barely into his twenties, but he was hammered. No one should be that inebriated at 6:30pm on a Friday. I just looked at Ashley and said, we got drunk Dave again." It was worse. Three young girls even more sloshed appeared and sat beside him. They talked loudly and kept getting up to buy more drinks. Each time climbing over the people already seated between them and the aisle. People who were their grandparent's age. One time falling over onto my wife and hugging her from behind. The ushers kept motioning to her but she was oblivious to their commands.

So, the show starts and the one young blonde starts talking over the music. "Oh yeah, this was a hair band back then." Rule # 1, don't go to a show of a band you don't know and act like you have something intelligent to say. She repeatedly shouted over the songs, argued with her boyfriend, cried, and kept leaving and returning with more drinks. At one point during her disruptive behavior she said, "The lead singer, he is pointing right at me." She was right. She was so disruptive he was trying to shame her by singling her out from the stage. If you talk during the performance of "Dust in the Wind" you are a special kind of Cretin.

The ushers were not prepared for this childish behavior as the three girls ran up and down the aisle during the show. They tried helplessly to reprimand them, but to no avail. At one point we saw two of them flip off an usher as they ran by. It was like some two-year olds misbehaving at a restaurant. The guests who were trying to enjoy the show were getting more perturbed by the minute. Finally, the blonde girl decided to head for the exit by walking between each guest and the seat in front of them, all the way across the theater. There she passed out at the feet of the two ushers standing at the exit.

It is called concert etiquette, and you may have seen the news footage of a Miranda Lambert concert lately, where she stopped the show mid-song and told four young women to sit back down. I have seen people of all ages acting like idiots, but these took the prize. I never thought I would sound like my dad, but here I am. And I understand now how he felt.

A Minnesotan: Out of State Visitors and the Mall of America



By RosaLin Alcoser

What do you do when family comes to visit you in Minnesota? As a transplant to Minnesota I get to live with the pleasure of family and friends from out of the state coming to visit me every now and again. Which is great. I love it when people come to visit me. Those of you who are also transplants or who have family that comes to visit from out of state will know that these visits mean that you get to show them around Minnesota. Then if you are like me you think of all the great things to take them to see. If you're me, that list mainly consists of museums, one of the state's many hiking trails, and finding the

best Scandinavian bakery in the area. Those are the kinds of things I come up with to take people to because who wouldn't want to go to the Minnesota Museum of Transportation or to Minnehaha Falls. However, the inevitable always happens and I end up doing none of those things and spend the time escorting them around the Mall of America. Do not get me wrong, going to the Mall of America every once in a while can be fun for three or four hours. However, it starts to become increasingly less fun once you start hitting hours six and seven; especially when it is the second time you have taken people around it in the span of a week. I feel that at least for me, the novelty of spending the entire day in the Mall of America has been washed away since I live close enough to it that I can go there anytime I want to. Which I do when we are not in the peak times for out of state tourist to be here. So I mainly go in the winter when it's at the point in the year that I'm looking for an indoor activity since it's just a bit too cold outside for me to enjoy one of those many parks we have. While I have recently spent a large amount of time showing friends and family around MOA this year I was able to get my sister and her husband to one of those parks with me. During their visit I was able to get them to hike with me at Gooseberry Falls and swim in Lake Superior. All of which my sister spent a lot of time calling after me to be careful as I kept running into Minnesota's many waters.

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1. Itsy Bitsy Spider's tunnel
 6. Operations, as in military
 9. Carpenter's joint
 13. Book, in Paris
 14. Coach's talk
 15. Long-necked wader
 16. Did not go out to eat (2 words)
 17. Chi preceder
 18. Top scout
 19. *'90s children's series " ____ in Pyjamas"
 21. *Alternative to stick
 23. T-cell killer, acr.
 24. Show worry
 25. Knee-related acronym
 28. Sushi restaurant's boozy offering
 30. *Grilled cheese and ____ soup
 35. Mouse to a snake
 37. In ____, or together
 39. Convicted one
 40. *Pear or quince, botanically speaking
 41. California and Nevada lake
 43. Raja's daughter
 44. Uncouth ones
 46. Of two minds
 47. RenÉ Descartes' "therefore"
 48. Make wealthy
 50. Use a surgical beam
 52. Gingerbread creation
 53. *When fruit is ready
 55. Red-white-and-blue inits.
 57. *"Hot" vegetable-shaped toy
 60. *L in BLT
 64. 3-D picture in a book
 65. U.N. workers' grp.
 67. Owned house or car, e.g.
 68. Item on a cell phone bill
 69. What's old is new again, prefix
 70. Popular electric car
 71. Hair styling products
 72. Scottish cap
 73. British peers

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1. Block of concrete, e.g.
 2. Pocket bread
 3. Baker's baker
 4. Dickens's Heep
 5. Serena's sport
 6. Prefers
 7. *Fairytale princess test
 8. Virgo's brightest star
 9. Letter opener
 10. Ship to Colchis
 11. Airhead
 12. The loneliest number?
 15. Concerning this
 20. Nautical "Stop!"
 22. College assessment test, acr.
 24. Camera's tiny aperture
 25. *Gwyneth Paltrow's daughter
 26. Sing like Tony Bennett
 27. Madagascar primate
 29. Myanmar currency
 31. BEBÉ's mother
 32. Rooster, in the olden days
 33. Polynesian kingdom
 34. *Layered bulb
 36. Giant Himalayan?
 38. Lady Grantham of "Downton Abbey"
 42. Follow as a consequence
 45. Claw mark
 49. "Battleship" exclamation
 51. Heir's concern
 54. *At the end of a hot pepper or many a sweet potato
 56. Cruising
 57. Prepare to be shot
 58. October birthstone
 59. What Little Toot does
 60. *Fruit of the ____
 61. Brezhnev's domain
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