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Announcements

• **OPEN INVITATION:** All are welcome to breakfast, fellowship, bible study, and prayer time every Saturday morning at Hauge Lutheran Church in Kenyon. Breakfast and fellowship start at 8:00 am. Followed by a verse by verse bible study. Finishing with prayer time at 10:00 am. All are welcome (men, women, and children) each Saturday morning!! Any questions, please contact Loren Bauer: 507-450-6623.

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• **Wanamingo Veterans Honor Guard** invite you to become a member. Join us and help us make the Wanamingo Veterans Honor Guard an even bigger success. WVHG meets the third Tuesday of each month at the Wanamingo Community Center. The VFW will meet from 7-7:30p.m. The Honor Guard will meet from 7:30-8:30p.m. For more information contact Eric Dierks 507-321-1967, Gary Floan at 507-732-7740, or Larry Van De Walker at 507-421-4674.

Do you have an announcement?
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Goodhue County Fair August 6-10, 2024

The 2024 Goodhue County Fair starts next Tuesday in Zumbrota. The fair is a showcase for the county and provides many opportunities to exhibit items in the open class competition.

Get Your Motor Runnin'



By Cheri Roshon

Walk into Decker Power Equipment, and you will be amazed at all the big boy toys you will see! *(continued on page 4)*



2023 Goodhue Co. Fair

Fine Arts, Crafts, and Needle Arts, Culinary, Flowers, Fruits, Vegetables, Woodworking, Collections, and Hobbies are open to any person to participate in the fair show. 4H members will be showing their beef, dairy, swine, sheep, goats, rabbits and poultry during the week with the ribbon buying breakfast and

auction Saturday morning, August 10th beginning at 8am. The horse pleasure and games show is on Sunday August 4th in the horse arena starting at 8:30am. The pet show is on Monday August 5th at 6:30pm. On the lighter side there will be a goat costume show on Friday August 9th at 5 pm.

This year the grandstand shows include bull riding, barrel racing and mutton busting on *(continued on page 5)*




2023 Rosefest

Rose Fest In Kenyon the Third Weekend in August

Plan for Rosefest this August. Some of the events planned include the Medallion clues which will be published the next three Wednesdays on the RoseFest Facebook page. The Grand Marshall and Rose Fest Royalty will be announced at 6pm on Wednesday August 14th. At 7:30pm that evening there will be a town cruise of golf carts, ATV's and UTV's. The lineup will begin at the First Lutheran Church parking lot at 7:15pm. *(continued on page 5)*

Clutchmen Car Club Truck & Tractor Pull and Car Show August 3rd

After being cancelled during Dennison Days in June due to the rain and weather that plagued many events earlier this year, the Clutchmen Car Club will hold their annual Truck and Tractor Pull and Classic Car Show in Dennison Saturday, August 3rd. *(continued on page 7)*




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What are you doing God?

Have you ever wanted to ask God a question? Like why? Why is there pain and suffering? Why is the grass green? What is your plan? When are you coming back?

Joseph was a dreamer. Joseph was daddy's favorite. And besides being the favorite son of Jacob-whom his father gave him a one-of-a-kind special coat- he also alienated his brothers by raving them out when they did something wrong! Joseph's brothers had built a strong resentment and hatred toward their brother. When Joseph began having his dreams- he chose to announce them to his family. Both dreams indicated that his brothers and his parents would one day be bowing down to him. Pretty heady stuff for a 17-year-old man.

Joseph's brothers conspired together to get rid of him- to get rid of the dreamer- their little brother Joseph. The plan was to kill him and tell their father that a wild animal must have killed him. When Joseph appeared in Dothan where they were tending the sheep- they saw their chance. They grabbed him and threw him in a dry cistern- Nine of the brothers were having a lunch break when they saw a band of Ishmaelite traders heading their way- Judah came up with an even better plan than killing their brother- let's sell him off as a slave- then our hands will be clean and we'll be a few coins richer as well! So that's what they did. We've fixed him now- we won't have to give him a 2nd thought- for all practical purposes Joseph is dead to us and good riddance! They take his robe- bloody it up and bring it to their father Jacob, who goes into an extended time of mourning for his favorite son.

In a moment, Joseph's life was changed from being the beloved son to a slave in the

unknown land of Egypt. Upon his arrival his sightseeing was cut short because he was sold to Pharaoh's captain Potiphar to be a servant in his house, but the Lord was with Joseph.

God was still working- did it feel like it? I doubt Joseph was thinking- 'this is great- I'm so glad I can be a part of this plan and be a slave in Potiphar's house.' There were good days and bad days there- but things began to shape up for Joseph. Joseph had a

good work ethic- he was faithful- he didn't slack off or sabotage his relationship with his master- he served him as he was taught- he served him as he would serve his father and his God. Despite not understanding the 'why am I here' question- Joseph did the next thing.

Joseph remained diligent and industrious in his dealings despite being a slave. And because of his work and his integrity Potiphar entrusted him with charge of all of

his house affairs. Pretty amazing! A Jewish slave with responsibility in the house of a powerful Egyptian. Well, it was better than being the guy that cleaned the latrines-but he was still a slave. He still had no rights and no voice. He wasn't paid for his work either- in fact, he was probably given more work to be responsible for. It would seem that Potiphar would acknowledge his hard work and maybe give him his freedom... Not happening!
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AREA CHURCH DIRECTORY Sleep of Exhaustion

He lay down under the bush and fell asleep. — 1 Kings 19:5

Yesterday I mowed our overgrown lawn, cleaned our cluttered garage, and washed some of the filmy windows on our house. Physically exhausted at the end of the day, I fell asleep as soon as my head hit the pillow.

In our reading for today, Elijah is exhausted and falls asleep under a bush in the wilderness. But Elijah isn't exhausted from doing chores. He has just had a dramatic confrontation with the priests of Baal (see 1 Kings 18:16-46), and now he is fleeing for his life from King Ahab and Queen Jezebel. Totally shattered—physically, emotionally, and spiritually—Elijah asks God to take his life.

Yet God doesn't answer his plea. Instead, through an angel, God provides Elijah with sustenance for the road ahead. Then, after some more restful, restorative sleep and more food and drink from the angel, Elijah sets out on the journey ahead of him.

What can this extraordinary story teach us? We are reminded of our basic need for sleep and its restorative benefits. Even more importantly, we see that God tenderly cares for us, feeds us, and watches over us—even in our deepest, darkest moments. Though our own story may not be as dramatic as Elijah's, God will provide what we need so that we too can take up the journey ahead of us. In fact, God has already provided for us through his Son, Jesus, who invites us to come and rest in him (Matthew 11:28-30).

Lord, our only hope for true rest is in you. As you reach out to us, help us to come to you. Amen.

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What are you doing God?

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Instead, Joseph was being sexually harassed-without any protection from the system. He was a slave- without any rights or voice. He avoided his boss's wife for a long time- she was persistent though and when she finally

had him alone in her house- she tried to force him into a relationship right then and there. Instead of succumbing and being her 'slave' he ran! He saw the temptation for what it was and avoided it at all cost. And cost him it did! Due to the false accusation of Potiphar's wife to her husband, because Joseph would not sleep with her, Joseph was cast into prison. At this point you might argue, why didn't God rescue him from his troubles? Joseph found favor with the guards in prison and things were going well for him, despite being in prison.

James wrote in the book of James, "Don't run from tests and hardships, brothers and sisters. As difficult as they are, you will ultimately find joy in them; if you embrace them,

your faith will blossom under pressure and teach you true patience as you endure. And true patience brought on by endurance will equip you to complete the long journey and cross the finish line—mature, complete, and wanting nothing"

Many Christians assume that when things are difficult, when there seems to be road-blocks, that in these situations that God is not with them. That He has forgotten them and that His plans are either impossible- or that we heard Him wrong. Most of us forget that the message of Scripture is very clear that God is most powerfully present in these tough situations.

I find it inspiring that through all the trials and temptations that Joseph was faced with; he showed integrity, honesty, solid work ethics, his actions showed a confidence in

God, and he was faithful to God even when it didn't feel like God was being faithful to him. Wow!

When you find yourself in a situation where you feel like God doesn't care, go back to the Bible. Remember the character of God. Put your faith in what Scripture tells us about the nature of God. Remember, "He will never leave you or forsake you."

When you wonder why God allows bad things to happen to good people, consider these four things about the bad things that happen:

- Bad things may happen to good people in this world, but this world is not the end.
- Bad things happen to good people, but God uses those bad things for an ultimate, lasting good.
- Bad things happen to good people, but those bad things equip believers for deeper ministry.

• Bad things happen to good people, and the worst things happened to the best Person. (Jesus)

God allows things to happen for a reason. Whether or not we understand His reasons, we must remember that God is good, just, loving, and merciful.

It's ok to ask the question- "What are you doing, God?" God hears and He will answer. Joseph kept the faith. He continued to walk in integrity and each day to do the next thing. He chose not to 'worry' about tomorrow, but to leave it in the hands of God.

We too are called to walk by faith, not by sight. When we are afraid or confused- trust, believe- remember God and His promise. Hebrews 13:5, "God has said, "Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you."

OBITUARY

Sharon Gayle (Parriott) Shimek

Sharon Gayle (Parriott) Shimek passed away on Tuesday, July 9th, 2024 at the age of 77. She was born on September 30th, 1946 in Albert Lee, MN where she grew up on the family farm in Kenyon, MN.



She was preceded in death by her husband, Charles Shimek, whom she had been happily married to for 54 years. She was also preceded in death by her older brother, David Parriott, as well as her parents, George Parriott and Genevieve Parriott (Ovrebø).

Sharon is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Genevieve and Joseph Brumfield, and son and daughter-in-law, John and Jessica Shimek. She is also survived by her older brother and sister-in-law, Gordan and Judy Parriott, and her older brother, Llyod Parriott.

But Sharon was more than a birthday, an age, and a list of family. She was a reporter for several years for the Milaca Times and loved knitting and quilting, but the best thing about Sharon was how she made friends everywhere she went, whether it was her coworker, her neighbor, or the cashier at store she would never visit again. Sharon was kind and cared about everyone she met. Everyone will miss her dearly.

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Exchange Student Looks for Host Family

By Tyler Weeks

Stepping outside our comfort zones and seeking change is a scary idea for many of us—why do something we aren't 100% certain about? But when we say yes to new experiences, life introduces us to cultures and communities that are only reachable through taking that first step.

Exchange students from countries all around the world dream of doing this very thing by visiting America through the International Student Exchange program. Since 1982, the organization has allowed students to temporarily live in countries with a host family to better their education and build relationships. Without the help of local families offering their households to host, their mission and goal of letting youth experience the world through the lens of a small town would never be possible. It's been ISE's leading motivation to persist for over forty years, during which they've brought communities closer together

by promoting peace in a detached world. With their help, over 30,000 students have received access to quality exchange programs.

The cities of Kenyon and Wanamingo are no exception to this, but many exchange students still need families to open their doors. High schoolers from Europe, Asia, and South America are eager to experience life in a Minnesotan community, including people like Umberto. Hailing from a small Italian town, Umberto desires to go to America for the 2024 fall semester to gain independence and improve his English. Hosting him will offer a glimpse into his passion for robotics, philosophy, history, and geography while spotlighting interests like soccer, boxing, and spending time with friends. With his love for travel, he hopes to add Minnesota to his list of visited places, alongside Hawaii, Tanzania, and various European capitals.

If you're interested in positively impacting Umberto's life this upcoming semester, please message Jennifer Conrad, the determined woman aiming to get him and many other students into American households. Find her at 651-434-0517 or on Facebook, where she strives to bring exchange students the opportunities they deserve. If you want to impact your community in a meaningful and life-changing way, know that he and many others from Belgium, Spain, and Thailand look forward to meeting you. In the chance that you still have doubts, though, hear from a family who recently decided to host their first exchange student:

"It has been a phenomenal experience! We never dreamed that we would enjoy her so much. She has already asked us to visit



her home country and said she feels like family here."

Apart from significantly affecting a student's life, hosting a kid benefits both sides in many ways. Sharing cultures, creating lasting memories, and allowing them to experience a day-to-day American lifestyle are all things that come with the program. Those of us who have always had access to such opportunities often take the small things for granted. But after seeing how grateful someone is for something as simple as education, our perspective shifts, and daily occurrences like a college football match or summer barbecue take on a new meaning. Hosting an ex-

change student isn't just about opening your doors—it's about opening your heart to something new, exploring the globe without leaving home, and sharing our world with others.

By inviting an exchange student into your life through the ISE program, you can learn about a foreign culture while allowing them to experience yours. This decision doesn't just greatly benefit the student and family; it showcases humanity's openness and care for people who were initially strangers. If you're considering hosting one of these incredible students, step outside what's expected of you this upcoming school year. Open the door to opportunity.

Get Your Motor Runnin'

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Not that us women don't love the equipment you will find in the retail part of the store, but I would guess most of Kevin's customers are guys.

Some of the equipment I noticed were lawn mowers, leaf blowers, tillers and weed whackers.

Then there were snow blowers, chain saws and trimmers. And don't forget the parts and pieces for anything that runs! Then there are the Generac regular and stand by generators for when we lose power. And the D & S Lawn and garden tools and equipment. Lots to see, and so much to learn!!

And then there's Kevin. Most times when I come in to pester him about a story, he is in the back "garage", tinkering with one thing or another that a customer has dropped off for a tune up or a fix. He specializes in small engine repair, and if you ask around, he has a reputation for providing excellent service, and gets the job done.

Kevin stocks new and used equipment in the store. He also can fix just about anything. So if your machine's get up and go got up and left, he can magically bring your equipment back to life. You will find him at 810 3rd avenue in Wanamingo Tuesday through Friday from 8 am to 5 pm, with a lunch hour at noon, and Saturdays from 8 am until noon. He is closed on Sunday and Monday.. Or you can give him a call before you come out to take a look and ask him questions at (507) 824-2421.

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Goodhue County Fair starts Next Week

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Tuesday at 7pm. Wednesday will be autocross racing at 7pm.

Thursday evening at 6:30pm is the truck and tractor pull. Friday will be autocross racing will be held again at 7pm. The grandstand shows end with a demolition derby on Saturday at 10pm.

The carnival midway will open Wednesday

evening and be open Thursday through Saturday from 1 to 10pm. Free events include the Acme Magic Factory, the Circus Science Spectacular, the magic of Shaun Jay and Doc Magic Fun time Variety Show taking place daily all week long. Wednesday will be Day Care Day. Thursday is Goodhue County Ag Day. Friday is Senior Citizens Day with those 65 years and older getting in free.

Daily admission is \$7.00 with those under 12 free. Unlimited ride special armbands are available for \$20.00 on select evenings and Saturday afternoon.

There is free live music at the beer garden every day. Tuesday is Leonard McCracken from 7 to 10pm. Wednesday is Dave Carpenter and friends at 2pm and Ryan Sullivan at 6pm. Thursday features Troy Aron Johnson at 5pm. On Friday George's Concertina Polka Band is at 2:30pm and Bryan Anderson at 7pm. On Saturday Foster Grand will play from 8:30pm to 12:30am.



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Rose Fest In Kenyon the Third Weekend in August

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On Thursday evening the Farmers Market will be held from 4 to 7pm and the Gopher State Garden Tractor pull will take place on Langford Avenue behind CHS starting at 6:30pm. Friday will kick off the city wide garage sales. There will be a book sale from 10am to 4pm in the city council chambers.

The KW athletic booster club golf tournament will tee off at noon on Friday. The VFW hog roast will be held from 5 to 7pm inside the VFW hall. The Kenyon Park and Rec will be hosting a wine and beer tasting at Depot Park from 5 to 7:30pm. From 6 to 9pm Tommy Kramer, a former Vikings player will be meeting outside the Kenyon Muni for free photos and autographs. At 9pm there will be music at the Kenyon Muni with Fire at the Falls starting at 9pm. The Field of Flags will be open all weekend with closing ceremony on Sunday after the parade.

On Saturday August 17th the Kenyon Volunteer Fire Department will host a pancake breakfast and Bloody Mary bar outside the Kenyon Muni from 7 to 10:30am. An old car ad truck show will be held from 8am to 2pm. A tractor pull will begin at 9am at Marings Auction lot. The KW booster Club 5K will start at the High School at 9am. A vendor and craft market will be held from 9am to 3pm. The Road Rally lines up at the CHS elevator at 10am. The Ladies Auxiliary will serve lunch at the VFW from 10am to 2pm. The United Methodist Church lunch is also serving lunch from 11am to 1pm.

There will be Gunderson House tours from 11am to 2pm on Saturday. At noon there will be a Euchre tournament at the Kenyon Muni followed by a bean bag tournament at 3pm. From 5 to 7pm the VFW will host Family Bingo. A street dance will be held outside the Kenyon Muni from 8pm to 12:30am featuring the Jake Nelson Band with Zero Below opening. This is an all ages show with a \$10 cover charge.

A Family Fun Day at Depot Park starts at 10am Saturday. The kid's Tractor pull starts at 10am. There is a free petting zoo and free face painting from 10am to 2pm. At 11:30am there is a free magic show by Greg the Great Magician. Laser tag will be in the ice hockey rink from 2 to 8pm.

On Sunday the Rose Fest parade will start at 1pm followed by the Fire Department Water Fights. The Kenyon pool will host the Rose fest regatta at 5pm.

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That's the Latest Daughter's Wedding



By Emery Kleven

Emery is now a retired farm broadcaster after starting at KDHL in Faribault in 1987. He's a 1971 graduate of West Concord High School. You can view past columns at his website RoadFarming.com. You can email him at emery@roadfarming.com.



A photo opportunity presented itself at the wedding of Emery's daughter when the fire truck arrived.

On August 13th, my oldest daughter Venche and her husband Ben will celebrate their 8th wedding anniversary. A few months ago, while at their house, I looked at a framed picture of toilet paper. Let me explain, and at this point, you say: Yes, Please do!

Well the morning of their wedding as I woke up very early I had some things I wanted to say at their wedding. So I had to write it down but the only paper I had to do it on was some hotel toilet paper. Fortunately we stayed at a classy hotel which used nothing but the best toilet paper.

So what was I supposed to do? I unfurled some paper and started writing. I didn't rip it off immediately as I wasn't sure how much I had to say. But I got it done with 7 sheets of the two-ply paper.

Here's what I wrote: The sign says Love Never Fails. Love also makes us do strange things like wallpaper that spare room the same day as the big game or the day you wanted to go hunting for big game.

Love will make you go to a kindergarten choir concert when you could be doing...nothing!

Those examples tell us truly that LOVE is patient, LOVE is kind. LOVE always trusts.

LOVE always perseveres. Yes, LOVE NEVER FAILS!

Love is written about in song all the time. From Percy Sledge singing 'When a Man Loves a Woman to the Beatles singing Love Me Do!

Randy Travis sang about My Love is deeper than a holler, stronger than the rivers, Higher than the pine trees growin' tall upon the hill. My love is purer than the snowflakes that fall in late December and honest as a robin on a springtime window sill and longer than the song of a whippoorwill.

Johnny Cash sang about a thing called LOVE. Can't see it with your eyes, hold it in your hands

Like the rules that govern our land, it's strong enough to rule the heart of every man, this thing called LOVE.

It can lift you up, it can put you down, Take your world and turn it all around

Ever since time nothing's ever been found

stronger than love.

Yes, LOVE is patient, LOVE is kind. LOVE never fails.

Venche and Ben, May the LOVE of Jesus always be the center of your marriage from this day to the end of time. 8-13-2016. Love you both, Dad.

So when it was my turn to get up front and give my speech, I reached in to the pocket of my rented tux and unfurled the toilet paper. Ben laughed while Venche had that look of fear and wondering 'Now What?'

It was not the wildest thing that happened that day though. At the reception later, they had a popcorn machine that was inexplicably placed under a fire alarm. Sure enough, one popper started to smoke and the alarms went off and notified the fire department and soon after that the big red rig arrived. Venche, in her quick thinking saw it as a photo opp! So the entire wedding party posed in front of the truck and the best of a bad situation was made.

That reminds me of another song that I could have quoted but I didn't know they had planned on the fire department coming to the wedding. A singer named Dickie Feller back in the 70's recorded a song called; 'Making




The popcorn popper that alerted the firemen that there could be a fire at the church.

the Best of a Bad Situation'. In my very early days of being on the radio, I would play that song. Little did I know that, years later, it was to be a theme song for my daughter's wedding.



Emery's well written speech at his daughter's wedding using the best stationary available.



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This year the event features Minneapolis Moline Tractors and Equipment.

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. Minneapolis Moline 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.



2023 Show

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 moved to the grounds last year from its original location in Waterford (Just North of Northfield). The move south down Highway #3 was delayed several times last year due to weather and other factors. 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

Clutchmen Car Club Truck & Tractor Pull and Car Show August 3rd (continued from page 1)

"People missed the event not taking place in June, so the club had a make up day available to reschedule".according to club members. The club will also host its annual car show on mainstreet across from Fireside Lounge that morning as well. (Check out de-

tails on page 9 of the Messenger) Saturday evening, Russ Franek and The Biscuits will be playing Live at the 625 Bar & Grill. The 2025 event is planned to take place during Dennison Days which is scheduled for June 21, 2025.

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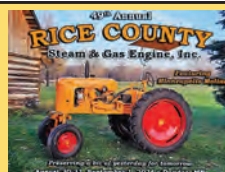
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On Saturday breakfast burritos and a bake sale will be available from 8 to 11am at the Pavilion. At 9am the antique tractor pull starts and coffee and rolls will be served at the venue. The vendor market will be open from 9am to 5pm. At 10am the beer sales will start. At 10am the kids can find coins in the sand enjoy a petting zoo until 2pm. There will be face painting from 11am to 3pm, a silent auction from 11am to 4pm and food vendors from 11am to 11pm on Saturday.

At noon a bean bag tournament will start and a free gaming trailer open from 2 to 6pm.

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Southern Minnesota Initiative Foundation (SMIF) is currently accepting applications for its Small Town Grant program. Towns, or Native nations, with populations of 10,000 or less in SMIF's 20-county region are eligible. Nonprofit 501(c)(3) organizations, public institutions and units or agencies of local, state, federal and tribal government are encouraged to apply. Requests of up to \$10,000 for eligible projects will be considered.

The Small Town Grant Program seeks to invest in collaborative initiatives which improve the way a community works together, solves challenges, creates a welcoming community and sense of belonging for all. SMIF seeks proposals which focus on collaboration throughout the project and will impact the culture, education, economy and/or social aspects of the community. Proposals to launch new projects or expand existing initiatives will be considered.

Since 2017, SMIF has awarded 114 Small Town Grants, impacting more than 150,000 residents in the smallest communities of southern Minnesota. Examples of past grant



The Hayfield EDA received a Small Town Grant in 2022 to support a bike rodeo which promoted bike safety and accessibility in the community.

projects include: the establishment of a new organization to unite various cultures in town, a new event to draw tourism and create a welcoming atmosphere, strategic planning for city growth, marketing videos to retain and attract residents, community-wide branding initiatives, a welcome basket program for new residents, translation services for non-English speaking residents and more.

The Small Town Grant program is sup-

ported, in part, by a generous donation in memory of Paul O. Johnson who wanted southern Minnesota's smallest communities to thrive. Paul's legacy is being continued by his family, Amy De Jong, Paula Rehder and Scott Johnson.

"These funds have been an incredible way to jumpstart collaborative projects that help create welcoming communities," said Tim Penny, president and CEO of SMIF. "Once again, we are grateful to Paul Johnson's family for their generous support."

Applications are due to SMIF by August 26, 2024. Awardees will be notified by October 15, 2024. For the application and guidelines, visit www.smifoundation.org/smalltown-grant. For questions, contact Sarah Scheffert, community vitality specialist, at 507-214-7015 or sarahs@smifoundation.org.

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2024-25 Kenyon-Wanamingo Elementary First Day School Needs
* Please label everything with student's name unless noted "unlabeled" or "to share"

<p>Kindergarten (DO NOT LABEL)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Crayons - (24 ct. Crayola) - 4 boxes -Glue Sticks - 15-20, Elmer's (unlabeled) -Blunt Scissors (Kids Fiskars) No plastic blades -Water bottle -Pencil Box - Approx. 5" X 8" Plastic (No zipper bags) -3 Spiral Notebooks -1 Composition Notebook -Backpack (No wheels) -Tennis Shoes (Velcro if unable to tie) -2 Washable Marker 8-pk. Broad Line -2 low odor EXPO Dry Erase Markers -Tissues to share - 1 lg. box (unlabeled) -1 Highlighter -1 Plastic Folder-Red -2 Packages Baby Wipes -1 Container Clorox/Antibacterial Wipes -Last Name A-M: 1 box Ziploc sandwich bags -Last Name N-Z: 1 box Ziploc gallon bags <p>1st Grade</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Crayons - 24-pack -3 boxes -2 Glue Sticks (unopened & labeled) -(1) 2-pack Pink Pearl Erasers -Scissors - Kid's Fiskars or similar quality -24 Pencils to share (Ticonderoga or USA Gold Brand) -School Box - Approx. 5" X 8" -2 Spiral Notebooks (Wide-rule) -(5) 2-Pocket Folders: Red-Blue-Green-Yellow-Purple -2 boxes Washable Markers - 8 or 10 pk. -2 pk. Expo Dry Erase Markers -2 boxes Tissues (to share) -12 oz. Hand Sanitizer (to share) -2 Yellow Highlighters -Headphones (No earbuds please) <p>2nd Grade</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -24-pack Crayons - 2 boxes -6 Glue Sticks & 1 Glue Bottle (5 oz.) (Unlabeled) -(3) 2-Pocket Folders: Red-Blue-Yellow -Scissors - Kid's Fiskars or similar quality -(2) 24-pack Pencils to share (Ticonderoga or USA Gold Brand) -5" X 8" Crayon Box -2 Spiral Notebooks (Wide-Rule) -(2) 8-pack Washable Markers -2 boxes Tissue (to share) 	<p>2nd Grade (Cont.)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Headphones -(1) 4-pack EXPO Dry Erase Markers -Clorox wipes (to share) <p>3rd Grade</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -(3) 24-packs #2 Pencils - (Ticonderoga or USA Gold. Pre-sharpened preferred.) -Individual enclosed Pencil Sharpener -Pencil-top Erasers -Colored Pencils -Crayons -Glue Stick -Ruler -Scissors -Zippered Bag for Pencils -4 Single-Subject Notebooks (8 1/2 X 11 Wide-rule with spiral binding) -EXPO Dry Erase Markers -Headphones (No earbuds please) -(3) 2-Pocket Folders: Blue-Yellow-Red -Antibacterial Wipes -2 or more boxes Tissues (to share) <p>4th Grade</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -24 Pre-sharpened Pencils -(2) 24-pack Colored Pencils -Crayons (optional) -Pencil Box (No locks please) -Scissors (Not child-sized) -Pencil-top Erasers -2 Glue Sticks -1 Glue Bottle -Pencil Sharpener (optional-not electric) -5 Notebooks: Red-Blue-Yellow-Black-Green -(6) 2-Pocket Folders: Red-Blue-Yellow-Green-Black-other your choice -1" 3-Ring Binder -2 Yellow Highlighters -Basic Calculator -Headphones (No earbuds please) -1 Clorox wipes -2 boxes of tissues -Water Bottle (No glass please) <p>Tennis shoes will be required for all students for Physical Education. We would request no black soles if possible.</p> <p>Please note that supplies will need to be replenished during the school year. Teachers will store extra supplies until needed and notify you if supplies are running low.</p>
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**U.S. Senators
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Department of
Education,
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Human Services
Announce Expansion
of School-Based
Health Services**

MINNEAPOLIS, MN – Today, U.S. Senators Tina Smith and Amy Klobuchar (both D-MN), the Minnesota Department of Education (MDE), and the Minnesota Department of Human Services (DHS) announced that the state has been selected to receive funding to improve school-based health services. Medicaid and CHIP cover over 41 million children, and this program presents an opportunity to provide health care for kids where they spend a significant amount of time: at school. Some care is easiest to provide at school, such as preventive medicine, mental health care, physical and occupational therapy, and disease management. Providing care at school can help ease transportation for parents, reduce stigma and

missed school-time. The funding was made available by the Bipartisan Safer Communities Act, legislation aimed at curbing gun violence and mental illness in schools, which both Senators supported in Congress.

“Providing health care to students at school — where they spend a significant portion of their time — helps them thrive,” said Senator Smith. “We need to expand school-based health services to help meet students where they’re at and better support young people’s mental and physical health, and that’s exactly what this initiative will help do. It removes many barriers to access, such as trying to figure out how to leave school in the middle of the day, and promotes health equity.”

“Schools provide vital mental and behavioral health care on-site to many Minnesota students,” said Senator Klobuchar. “This grant will allow schools to do even more to provide students with the convenient and accessible support they need to do well in the classroom and live healthy lives.”

“Schools are a critical place for reaching and supporting young people in Minnesota. With these resources, we will be able to do even more to meet the needs of students to address mental health and other behavioral health needs,” said MDE Commissioner Jett and DHS Commissioner Harpstead.

Using Medicaid to address gaps in school-based health services has been a key strategy utilized by public health experts in recent years. The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid awarded the funds to support Minnesota’s plans to allow schools to provide more services to children, especially those in rural and other underserved areas.

Office of Cannabis Management opens applications for cannabis business social equity license preapproval

Starting today, prospective cannabis business owners who have been verified as social equity applicants can submit an application for cannabis business license preapproval through the Minnesota Office of Cannabis Management’s (OCM) website.



Information and technical resource materials needed to complete an application are available on OCM’s website. OCM requires that applicants use the worksheets that are posted online to submit their information.

The application window for social equity business license preapproval is open now through Aug. 12, a timeline defined in state statute.

Submitted business license applications will go through a review and vetting process, and if qualified, be entered into a lottery that will award licenses in nine different categories. The first license lottery will be held this fall.

Anyone who intends to apply for license preapproval in this round must have received social equity verification in order to proceed with the license application. OCM plans to offer additional social equity verification opportunities for future licensing application rounds.

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BULL RIDING, BARREL RACING & MUTTON BUSTING
 Adults \$10, under 12 \$10

Wednesday, August 7th • 7pm
AUTOCROSS RACING: Adults \$15, under 12 \$10

Thursday, August 8th • 6:30pm
TRUCK & TRACTOR PULL: Adults \$12, under 12 \$7

Friday, August 9th • 7pm
AUTOCROSS RACING: Adults \$17, under 12 \$12

Saturday, August 10th • 5pm
DEMOLITION DERBY: Adults \$17, under 12 \$12

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Tuesday, August 6th
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Wednesday, August 7th
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Thursday, August 8th
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Friday, August 9th
SENIOR CITIZENS DAY, 65+ FREE

Saturday, August 10th
FINAL FUN DAY

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