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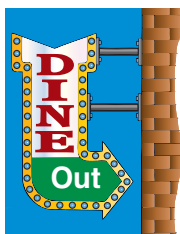
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## Enjoy a Meal, Write a Review



We are offering our readers a chance to write a review of one of the restaurants in our Diners Guide. Visit one of the restaurants featured on the Diners Guide in this issue and let us know what you think of the meal you enjoyed.

Some of the establishments have a coupon you can clip out and bring along for a discount on your meal. Let them know you saw their ad in the Messenger Diners Guide.

E-mail us your comments on your dining experience at [messengerdrawing@gmail.com](mailto:messengerdrawing@gmail.com) or mail them to P.O. Box 1, West Concord, MN 55985. If selected to print we will send each response a \$25.00 gift card to a local restaurant.

## Announcements

• GriefShare support group for those seeking support and healing from loss of a loved one through death meets at Anchor Of Hope Church, 203 E. Main St, Dodge Center, at 6:30 pm. Contact Rev Dale Rood at 507-633-2772 for further information.

• The United Methodist Church of Dodge Center at 20 First Street NE offers a dine in and carry out meal from 5:00-6:00pm the third Wednesday of each month.

Do you have an announcement?

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## Come to a history event this month

By Nan Babcock

If you have an interest in local history, plan to join us at the Dodge County Historical Society's get-togethers during September. We have three events on our schedule.

During Big Iron at the fairgrounds in Kasson, our Log Cabin will be open, 9 to 5 Friday, Sept. 6 and Saturday, Sept. 7, with historic exhibits on trucking and gas stations. The Log Cabin is air conditioned, come sit awhile and share trucking stories with us.

A history discussion and tour is scheduled at the historic Westfield Church in Westfield Township on Thursday, Sept. 12, at 1:30 p.m. We welcome our Hayfield and Claremont

area groups as well as all other interested people to this event. *(continued on page 5)*

**Pictured to the right: September brings three opportunities to participate in history discussions sponsored by the Dodge County Historical Society. Please join us at the historic Westfield Church near Blooming Prairie Sept. 12, at our Log Cabin at the fairgrounds in Kasson Sept. 6 and 7 during Big Iron, and at the West Concord Historical Society Sept. 19 to chat about history as it happened here in Dodge County.**



L to R: Jack Hager, Julie Fuchs, Karlyn Buchanan, Katie Fitzgerald, Caroline Gosse

## Five New Teachers Join Triton Staff this year



**Jack Hager** will be the long term special education sub. Jack graduated from the University of Wisconsin - LaCrosse with a degree in Social Studies Education. He is looking forward to a new experience getting the chance to work with students in a new field. Jack loves to travel and will take any chance he gets to take a road trip.

**Julie Fuchswill** be the preschool and elementary ECSE teacher. Julie graduated from Mankato State University and has been a para-professional for the past twelve years. She has been getting the Kindergarten ready for the kids and is ready to see the students.

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## LIVE MUSIC!

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## Forgiveness Gives Freedom

To err is human to forgive divine...Most of us have experienced the relief of receiving forgiveness from someone we hurt. And as believers we have experienced the forgiveness of Jesus Christ for our sins. Sadly, we have times and people that we struggle to forgive; those that have sinned against us. There's a warning that deals with that in a pretty well-known passage in the Bible-the Sermon on the Mount, Matthew 6:12-15, "and forgive us our sins, as we have forgiven those who sin against us. 13 And don't let us yield to temptation but rescue us from the evil one. 14 "If you forgive those who sin against you, your heavenly Father will forgive you. 15 But if you refuse to forgive others, your Father will not forgive your sins."

Pretty tough standard put into place by Jesus- Forgive as we have been forgiven- or you will not be forgiven.

It had been over 22 years since Joseph had seen his brothers. The Bible tells us that he was 30 years old when he stood before Pharaoh and was made the 'prime minister' over all Egypt. For thirteen years, after being sold into slavery, he spent time as a slave and a prisoner. All through no fault of his own. Now, before him stands the very ones that sold him into slavery and caused all his pain and the separation from his family. But, despite the pain that his brothers had caused him we see an amazing response to his brothers.

Instead of vengeance Joseph gives forgiveness. Did they deserve it? No. Yet Joseph knew God and he knew the hand of God. He also understood that no matter what happens to us in life "Everything works good for them who love the Lord". (Romans 8:28.) The bad in our lives may be caused by someone else but God always brings good. Not always as we think it should be or even when we think it should be. God redeems those bad things in our life and brings about something amaz-

ing- if we keep our faith and trust in Him. And that's where Satan will attack! He desires to destroy anything good- especially our family.

We see it here in full force- Satan wanted to destroy the people of Israel and what better way than through envy and fear within the family of Jacob/Israel. If he could destroy Jacob's family- God's plan for the Messiah would have been stopped (in Satan's mind anyway.) Allowing bitterness and hatred into our family is a powerful tool of Satan. This often comes from unforgiveness. We have to remember that "Conflict is inevitable, but combat is optional."

It is extremely important that within our families we learn to forgive one another. Sadly, there are people who carry around unforgiveness toward their parents or siblings for years. They are eaten up with unforgiveness which turns to hatred. If you or someone in your family has done something to hurt another person, your best recourse is forgiveness. Forgiveness can mend our relationships- even those of our families. Forgiveness may even help win our relatives to the Lord.

We must learn to forgive.

- Forgive as you have been forgiven, "Make allowance for each other's faults, and forgive anyone who offends you. Remember, the Lord forgave you, so you must forgive others." Colossians 3:13.

- Forgive as often as necessary Back to Matthew 18:21-22, "Then Peter came to him and asked, "Lord, how often should I forgive someone who sins against me? Seven times?" 22 "No, not seven times," Jesus

replied, "but seventy times seven!"

- Forgive unconditionally "Love keeps no record of being wronged." 1 Corinthians 13:5. Forgiveness is to forgive unconditionally. This is why we are told to forgive so many times.

Steps to forgiveness

- Decide to forgive
- Demonstrate forgiveness. This is more than just words and mere decisions this is when we physically say we have forgiven.

- Depend on God to help you forgive

Joseph forgave his brothers. He determined that he would not be a prisoner of his past. And because he forgave, God made him to be fruitful in the land of Egypt. (Genesis 41:51-52.)

It is impossible to reach and stretch for the future when we're living in the pain of the past.

Being hurt by someone, particularly the ones you love and trust, can cause anger, sadness, confusion and other emotional wounds. If we dwell on situations, grudges filled with resentment, vengeance and hostility can take root. Jesus commanded us to forgive! "Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who have trespassed against us." The Lord's Prayer Matthew 6

You and I have mountains to be subdued, and victories to be won. Perhaps, someone has offended you and today, God has convicted them, and they are coming to you to seek forgiveness. Please forgive them. God forgave you; please do the same for them!

Forgiveness brings freedom! It gives you freedom to love, to trust, and to become more like Jesus. When you hang unto un-

forgiveness you develop a hang-up that will bring you down and threaten to destroy you. Desire God's healing, His strength and power to forgive- He will give it to you. He will equip and empower you to forgive those that have hurt you.

Our best example is Jesus himself- if he can forgive those that put him on the cross- and if He is willing to forgive all that call upon His name- no matter what they have done or who they are- How can we do any less? Forgive- and you will be forgiven! Be free from the sin of unforgiveness. Forgiveness Gives Freedom!

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Keith Mosier, Pastor

### Area Church Directory

#### What Things?

"Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?"

— Luke 24:32

At a concert, the usher at the door looked so familiar to me. But I could not recall where or when I might have met him before. After a brief conversation with him, we recalled that years ago he had been my son's grade-8 teacher. We enjoyed sharing a few memories of that time in our lives.

I think the situation was slightly different as the two followers of Jesus walked along toward their home in Emmaus. They didn't recognize that they were talking with Jesus, even though they had seen him recently. Did he not look the same? Jesus asked questions and taught them about the Scriptures, but it wasn't till they sat and shared bread together that their eyes were opened to see him. What a wonderful feeling that must have been!

Then, after Jesus "disappeared from their sight," they joyfully made the long trip back to Jerusalem to share their story. They could not wait to share their experience. Their love for Jesus and the others was enough to propel them back to Jerusalem to share.

With a text message from my cell phone, we eagerly shared with our son that we had talked with his grade-8 teacher at the concert that night. And it was fun to share that with him.

Are we eager in a way like that to share with others about our times with Jesus?

Lord, thank you for moments when you meet with us in a fresh new way. Open our eyes and hearts to your work in our everyday lives, realizing you are closer than we might think. Amen.

### CLAREMONT

#### 1st Presbyterian Church

200 East Street, Claremont • 528-2320  
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#### St. John Lutheran Church

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Pastor Alan Broadwell  
Sunday Service at 10:30a.m.

### WEST CONCORD

#### Faith Community Church

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Pastor David Breederland  
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[www.fcwc.org](http://www.fcwc.org)  
Facebook: WC Faith Community Church

#### Hegre Lutheran, ELCA

51939 Highway 56 Blvd., Kenyon • 507-527-2353  
Sunday: 9:15a.m. Sunday School; 10:30a.m. Worship

#### Trinity Lutheran, ELCA

301 Highland St., West Concord • 507-527-2778  
Pastor Chad Christensen • [trinitychurchwc.net](http://trinitychurchwc.net)  
Sunday worship video is posted on Facebook:  
[Trinitylutheranchurchwestconcordmn](http://Trinitylutheranchurchwestconcordmn)  
Sundays 9:45a.m. Worship in building and live streamed on Facebook.  
Sunday School 10:30a.m.  
Tuesday Men's Bible Study, 7:00a.m.  
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55087 200th Ave., West Concord • 507-527-2723  
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## Irene Marie Fredrickson

Irene Marie Fredrickson, 86, of Kenyon, passed away on Saturday, August 17, 2024, at Elysian Senior Homes in Northfield.



She was born April 10, 1938, to Maynard and Ellen (Palmer) Thompson of Claremont. Irene graduated in 1955 and continued to beauty school. Irene and Duane were married on October 27, 1956, at the United Methodist Church in Dodge Center. They were blessed with two daughters, Sharon and Debra. Later they moved from the Claremont area and started farming in rural Kenyon. She worked side by side with her husband until he retired in 1995. Irene worked several jobs including the Kenyon Sunset Home working nights for 10 years until 2000.

Irene enjoyed camping, baking, garage sales, and antique shops. In 2000 they took a RV and drove to Alaska for three months with her brother and his wife. Duane and Irene spent 58 years together until his passing in 2014.

She has had a long battle with Alzheimer's and now has gone home to her heavenly father.

She is survived by daughters, Sharon (and Bill) Parsons of Kenyon, Debra Hoffman of Faribault; grandchildren, Jaymeson (and Donna) Parsons of Farmington, Joshua (and Rhonda) Parsons of Northfield, Jesse Hoffman of Faribault; and many great-grandchildren; brothers, Ronald Thompson, Lee (and Joyce) Thompson, Larry Thompson, Marvin (and Ruth) Thompson; sisters-in-law, Ruth Fredrickson, and Phyllis Maring.

She was preceded in death by her husband Duane Fredrickson; parents, Maynard and Ellen; brothers-in-law, Allen (and Joan) Fredrickson, Richard (and Maxine) Fredrickson, Earl Fredrickson, Roger Maring; sister-in-law, Joan Thompson and Janet Thompson.

Funeral services were held on Wednesday, August 21, 2024, at 11AM at Gol Lutheran Church. Interment was held in the Gol Lutheran Cemetery.

## Barbara Joy Paustian Benda

Barbara Joy Paustian Benda peacefully left this world from her home and flew on to her next great adventure, Wednesday, August 21, 2024. Barbara Benda was born on a very cold night, November 15, 1926, in Ellendale, Minnesota to Carl and Effie (Drum) Paustian in their home. Born into a family whose ancestors were some of the first settlers, they funded Capt. John Smith and took part in establishing Harvard. The interesting history continued as they settled across the country.



Always a singer, Barbara started singing at her church at the age of five and continued her talents in several college, church and community choirs, and at weddings and funerals. Barb was also a very talented piano and organ

player and entertained us with polkas, hymns, and classical music. We are all blessed to have developed an appreciation for all kinds of music.

Barbara met her beloved husband and great love of her life, Joseph Dwayne Benda, when he was a lay preacher at Ellendale Methodist Church during World War II. Their first date was at the Steele County Fair, where Barbara got sunburned and fell deeply in love. It was love at first sight and the rest was history. Barbara & Dwayne were married at the Ellendale Methodist Church on April 27, 1947, where Barbara was also baptized and confirmed. Shortly after they got married, they moved to a farm in Ellington Township, Dodge County. They spent their lives farming and raising their family of five boys and five girls. Barbara and Dwayne always had a variety of animals, including their beloved Arabian horse named Gaze and their loyal German Shepherd companion, Boadie.

Barbara loved reading and is well known for reading Winnie the Pooh stories to her children and grandchildren. No one can match the character voices she created. She also loved to sew, knit, and crochet. Each time a new grandchild or great grandchild was born, Barbara would crochet a newborn set to celebrate. Her family was lovingly warmed by the hats, scarves, and mittens she knit. Her many afghans and quilts will be a reminder of her love.

Barbara loved cooking, gardening, and canning as well as travel. Barbara loved music and she passed that gift along to many of her children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren, playing piano and singing her favorite Methodist hymns to all of them.

Barbara was active in the United Methodist Church teaching Sunday School, serving on many committees, and working with youth. Barbara worked with the United Methodist Women in Owatonna UMC from 1947 to 1963 and in West Concord UMC from 1963 until it closed.

She was preceded in death by her beloved husband, Dwayne Benda, brother, Donald Paustian, sister, Miriam Welch, grandson, James Patrick Keel, and grandson-in-law, Adam Schaefer.

She is survived by her sister-in-law, Donna Wavrin, her 10 children, Robert (Joani) Benda, Joy Roth, Susan (Tom) Keel, Merrill (John) Hamerlinck, Debra Way, Craig (Mary Jane) Benda, Mark Benda, Steven (Angie) Benda, Terry (Sheila) Benda, and Holly (Shawn) Busby.

Her 22 grandchildren Heidi (Chris) Leathers, Sarah (Matthew Johnson) Roth, Nicholas (Kristina) Roth, Ryan (Jessa) Keel, Andy (Vanessa Vogl) Hamerlinck, Geoffrey (Katy Collier) Hamerlinck, Barbara (Nathan) Irish, Jason (Laura) Benda, Cortnie Benda, Brooke (Levi) Ranvek, Mallory Elwood, Dillon (McKenzie) Benda, Hunter (Rebecca) Benda, Mariah (Hilman Speltz) Benda, Megan Schaefer, Slade (Tyler) Benda, Ethan Benda, Joshua (Rachel) Benda, Derek (Kayla) Benda, Arianna (Charles Van Ginkel Mourelo) Winkle, Edward ReMine, and Samuel ReMine.

Her 23 great grandchildren Beau and Brooks Leathers, Dorian Strelow, Eli and Ivy Irish, Logan and Sadie Benda, Parker Benda, Jaeger and Floyd Ranvek, Rosalind, Bennett, and Tyrnan Elwood, Joscelyn Benda, Elaine Speltz, Holden and Kai Schaefer, Hendrix

and Hudson Benda, Charles Benda, Khloe and Kinzie Benda, and December New Baby Benda and many nieces and nephews.

Her long and active life of service was a blessing to so many. She will always be greatly missed, but her unending love and our many wonderful memories will fill our hearts forever.

Family received friends Sunday, August 25th, at Michaelson Funeral Home, 204 Eugene Street, West Concord, from 2 pm - 4 pm. Funeral Services took place Monday, at 1:30 pm at United Methodist Church, 401 Main Street, West Concord, with a visitation one hour prior to service. Burial followed in Forest Hill Cemetery, Owatonna.

## Audrey Bryngelson

Audrey Bryngelson, 81, of Dodge Center passed away Friday, August 23, 2024, at St. Mary's hospital in Rochester, MN. She was born in Blooming Prairie, MN on July 18, 1943, to Gerald and Borghild (Trom) Underwood.



Audrey attended country school in Blooming Prairie and high school in Dodge Center, where she graduated in 1961. She married her high school sweetheart, Lee Bryngelson on December 2, 1961, and soon after started her family of 6 children.

Audrey enjoyed the simple life; Love, laughter, and the Lord. Mom loved her Lord and served him by studying scripture and serving at church. She had so many interests and skills. Audrey was an amazing quilter and sewer, making quilts for all of her great grandchildren. She was also an amazing cook - easily putting weight on all of us due to the cream, hope butter, and love she put in all her dishes. Most of all mom loved her family and her family loved her. Making and hearing her laugh was our favorite. Audrey made everyone feel special and loved -she wanted to share her positive outlook on life and eternal optimism.

Audrey is survived by her husband, Lee Bryngelson; sister, Geraldine Vaith; brother, Dale Underwood; children and grandchildren, Mitch (Karen) Bryngelson; Emily (Jamie) Irving, Jade (Brady) O'Brien. Jilaine (Scott) Rendler; Brittany (Brandon) Klebel, Kellen Rendler, Paige Rendler. Lisa (Greg) Head; Molly (Jared) Sellin, Cydney (Jesse) Todd, Peyton (Amber) Head. Eric (Michelle) Bryngelson; Alyssa (Garrett) Jerue, Erica (Matt) Robineson, Jax Bryngelson. Damon (Kristina) Bryngelson; Bailey Fennell, Lexi (Cody) Dravland, Abby (Tyler) McKinney, Brody Bryngelson. Alex (Meg) Bryngelson; Mason Iverson. And finally, 22 much loved but not listed great grandchildren (known to them as Gigi).

Audrey was preceded in death by brother, Howard Underwood and her dear granddaughter, Jenna (Bryngelson) Detko.

A funeral service was at 11:00 a.m. Saturday, August 31, 2024, at Grace Lutheran Church, 404 Central Ave N in Dodge Center, MN. Pastor Elliott Malm officiated. Visitation was from 4:00-7:00 p.m. Friday, August 30, 2024, at Czaplowski Family Funeral Homes, 25 South St SW in Dodge Center,

MN and one hour prior to the service on Saturday. Interment was in Riverside cemetery in Dodge Center, MN.

In lieu of flowers please consider a donation to Grace Lutheran Church in honor of our mom.

"In heaven we will know each other by a glance of a soul" found in Gigi's thought for the day journal.

To share a special memory or condolence please visit [www.czaplowskifuneralhomes.com](http://www.czaplowskifuneralhomes.com), Czaplowski Family Funeral Homes, 25 South Street SW Dodge Center, MN (507)374-2155. Blessed be her memory.

## Donald Louis Subbert

Donald Louis Subbert, 93, of Dodge Center, MN, passed away on Monday, August 26, 2024, at Fairview Care Center in Dodge Center, MN.



He was born in Carroll, Iowa to Louis August Subbert and Alice Louise Subbert (Schumacher) on January 8, 1931. He grew up helping his parents on the farm. On August 11, 1954, he married Rose Ella Haight in Aurelia, Iowa. They moved in 1955, with Donald's parents up to Dodge Center, MN where he continued to help his parents with the farming.

Donald belonged to the MN Crop Improvement Association to raise registered and certified seed for many years and sold the seed to local farmers. He enjoyed farming, vegetable and flower gardening, and mowing the lawn. He took pride in entering his vegetables and showing some of his best produce at the Dodge County Fair.

He became a member of the United Methodist Church in Dodge Center, MN in 1955. He also was a member of the Dodge County Farmers Union. Donald and Rose Ella were able to renew their vows and celebrate their 70th wedding anniversary on August 11, 2024, with their family.

Donald was preceded in death by his parents, Louis A. Subbert and Alice L. Subbert.

He is survived by his wife, Rose Ella Subbert; daughters, Debra (Larry) Meeker of Mantorville, MN and Diane (Doug) Kern of Houlton, WI; four grandchildren, Michael (Jessica) Meeker, Grant Kern (Emily Johnston), Steven Meeker (Tea Wytaske), Taylor Kern (Olivia Anchondo); three great-grandchildren, Paisley Styer, Marlee Meeker, and Brecken Meeker.

A private family service will be held. Burial will take place at the Evergreen Cemetery in Mantorville, MN.

In lieu of flowers the family prefers donations be made to the United Methodist Church in Dodge Center, the American Cancer Society, or a charity of their choice.

To share a special memory or condolence please visit [www.czaplowskifuneralhomes.com](http://www.czaplowskifuneralhomes.com), Czaplowski Family Funeral Homes, 25 South Street SW Dodge Center, MN (507)374-2155. Blessed be his memory.

## Wayne T. Eddy, Legendary Voice of KYMN Radio, Passes Away at 83

Courtesy of KYMN Radio

Wayne T. Eddy, the broadcast founder of KYMN Radio, a co-founder of the Northfield historical Society, a dedicated member of the Defeat of Jesse James Days, and perhaps the single biggest promoter of Northfield, itself, over the last half-century, has passed away Saturday morning, at the age of 83.

Wayne was born on May 22, 1941. He grew up in St. Paul, attended Harding High School, and learned the craft of broadcasting at Brown Institute before landing his first job in radio in 1964 at WTMB in Tomah, Wisconsin. In 1966 he took a job at KAUS in Austin, Minnesota, working as a Disc Jockey in the mornings and then serving as the weatherman on the evening news television broadcast.

Wayne came to Northfield in the late summer of 1968 as the first hire by Stan Stydnicki of the yet to be launched 1080 AM KYMN radio. Over the next few weeks, he spent time working throughout Northfield, getting to know seemingly every person in the community and promoting KYMN.

"I moved up here immediately on the 18th

and went to work on the 19th at 8:00 in the morning. Stan put me on the street right away to sell advertising, even though there was no radio station. It was physically being built. The tower was going up. But I was so excited. I was 27 years old, I think."

On September 27th, 1968, it was Wayne's voice that was first heard on our airwaves, playing Up, Up and Away by the 5th Dimension. Over the next five decades, Wayne's voice would be heard on KYMN nearly every day as host of the KYMN Morning Show and later the Wayne Eddy Affair, on sporting events, and on special community event broadcasts, including the Defeat of Jesse James Days Grand Parade.

Jeff Johnson, the outgoing owner of KYMN Radio said he learned "everything" from Wayne, but in particular, he learned the commitment to community that is necessary to make a small-town radio station successful. Wayne was deeply involved in so many different organizations, both local and statewide. He would speak with pride about his days with the Northfield Jaycees. As mentioned, he was one of the founders of The Northfield Historical Society and was instrumental in that organization's acquisition of the Scriver Building, which of course houses the original Northfield First National Bank that the James/Younger Gang attempted to rob.

With his booming voice and outgoing personality, Wayne Eddy was known by every person in Northfield and seemed to know every person as well. Johnson said his impact on the community was felt by everyone who lived here.

"How many events did he emcee? How

many parades did he announce? How many towns people did he interview? How many charities was he involved with? You know, he helped found the Northfield Historical Society among other things. And he was so completely entwined with the Defeat of Jesse James Days. Yeah, his impact is immeasurable."

With the Defeat of Jesse James Days, Wayne served as the General Chair of the organizing committee three times, in 1974 & 75, then again in 1999 & 2000, and once more in 2011 & 2012. As a member of the James Gang Raiders, he portrayed, as he put it, nearly every character in the bank raid reenactment before he finally settled in as Frank James. Playing a role as a bank raider, he said, was always his favorite part of the celebration.

"There's nothing more exhilarating than dressing up like a cowboy or an outlaw from the 1800s, getting in the saddle, going into town, getting off the horse, going in, robbing the bank, coming out remount and leave or dying in the street. There's nothing more exciting. It is a blast."

Wayne served as president of the Minnesota Broadcasters Association and helped develop new educational programs as chair of the Pavek Museum of Broadcasting. In 1998, he was named Minnesota's Outstate Broadcast Personality of the Year, and in 2007 he was inducted into the Minnesota Broadcasters Hall of Fame.

Teri Knight, who worked with Wayne in a variety of roles at KYMN on and off over the course of nearly two decades, is a veteran of Twin Cities broadcasting as well. She said



Wayne Eddy

with the exception of some of the legendary names from the heyday of WCCO-AM, Charlie Boone, Roger Erickson, and Steve Cannon to name a few, there is no name more revered and remembered in the realm of Minnesota radio broadcasting than Wayne Eddy.

"His personality is bigger than life, and I would call him authentic, committed to community, committed to service, and just an absolute radio icon."

Wayne was a true champion of Northfield, and he expressed his love for the city often. He was the living embodiment of this radio station for fifty years, at least. Every employee of KYMN Radio, past, present and future owes Wayne our deepest gratitude. This radio station, or as he would say, "Your hometown radio station," is a part of Wayne's long and impactful legacy. The KYMN family will miss him dearly.

Our thoughts and our deepest condolences are with Wayne's wife Julie, and their daughter, Angel.

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## Come to a history event this month

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Built in 1907, the Westfield Church is a replica of a Lutheran Church in Hemsedal, Norway. Details of the founding of the city of Hayfield were found in a document in a drawer at the Museum, and we'll share the

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contents at this meeting. We are also still looking for stories of the maternity homes in Hayfield. We're hoping to hear more stories of Claremont and the surrounding area as well. The Westfield Church is located at 71829 120th Avenue, Blooming Prairie.

The West Concord Historical Society will partner with us in hosting a roundtable discussion with Richard Staub, a West Concord centenarian, along with an ice cream social, at the West Concord Historical Society auditorium at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 19. Richard has a dramatic life story, which includes being born in Germany, moving to the United States, and then fighting alongside U.S. troops against Germany in World War II. The West Concord Historical Society is at 600 First Street West in West Concord.

We hope to see you at one or more of our events. We're fascinated with the many aspects of our history that have happened right here in the county where we live, and we look forward to sharing with our fellow Dodge County residents. For more information call the Dodge County Historical Society at (507)635-5508 or email [dodgecountyhistoricalsociety@gmail.com](mailto:dodgecountyhistoricalsociety@gmail.com).

## Join us for Book Group at the West Concord Library Saturday, September 14 from 9-10am Sold on a Monday by Kristina McMorris

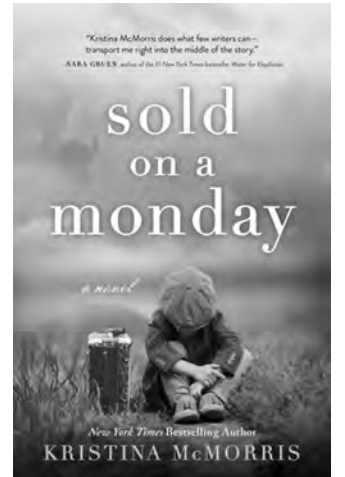
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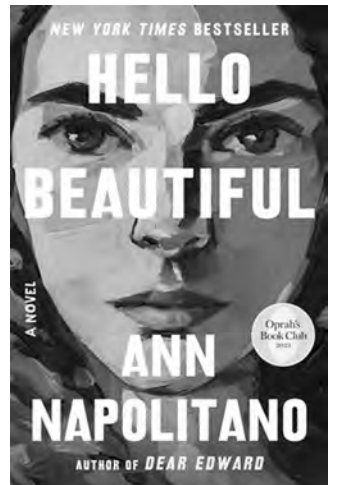


## Wednesday, September 18 from 4-5pm Hello Beautiful by Ann Napolitano

William Waters grew up in a house silenced by tragedy, where his parents could hardly bear to look at him, much less love him. So it's a relief when his skill on the basketball court earns him a scholarship to college, far away from his childhood home. He soon meets Julia Padavano, a spirited and ambitious young woman who surprises William with her appreciation of his quiet steadiness. With Julia comes her family; she is inseparable from her three younger sisters: Sylvie, the dreamer, is happiest with her nose in a book and imagines a future different from the expected path of wife and mother; Cecelia, the family's artist; and Emeline, who patiently takes care of all of them. Happily, the Padavanos fold Julia's new boyfriend into their loving, chaotic household.

But then darkness from William's past surfaces, jeopardizing not only Julia's carefully orchestrated plans for their future, but the sisters' unshakeable loyalty to one another. The result is a catastrophic family rift that changes their lives for generations. Will the loyalty that once rooted them be strong enough to draw them back together when it matters most?

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## Five New Teachers Join Triton Staff this year

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**Karlyn Buchanan** will be the elementary Title One teacher this year. Karlyn is a WSU-Rochester graduate Elementary education K-6 para to teacher program. She has worked as a Title One para for two years at K-M and a First Grade teacher at K-M for

four years. Karlyn is looking forward to making new relationships with staff and students at Triton and helping the students learn new ways, gain confidence in themselves and grow. Her hobbies are cheering on Minnesota sports, fishing, hunting and reading.

**Katie Fitzgerald** will be the Triton middle and high school Ag Teacher and FFA advisor. Katie graduated from Triton in 2020 and graduated from SDSU in My of 2024 with an animal science degree. She is looking forward to using her agriculture and FFA experience and background to help educate students. Growing up in West Concord Katie showed cattle on the county, state and national levels and was the 2020 Minnesota FFA Star Farmer.

**Caroline (Gosse) Otto** will be Middle School Special Ed teacher. She has been long

term sub for First Grde and student taught the K-M Fifth Grade. Caroline is looking forward to building relationships with staff and students and making an impact in the com-

munity she grew up in. She enjoys golf, spending time with her two Labrador Retrievers, traveling with family and planning her up coming wedding.

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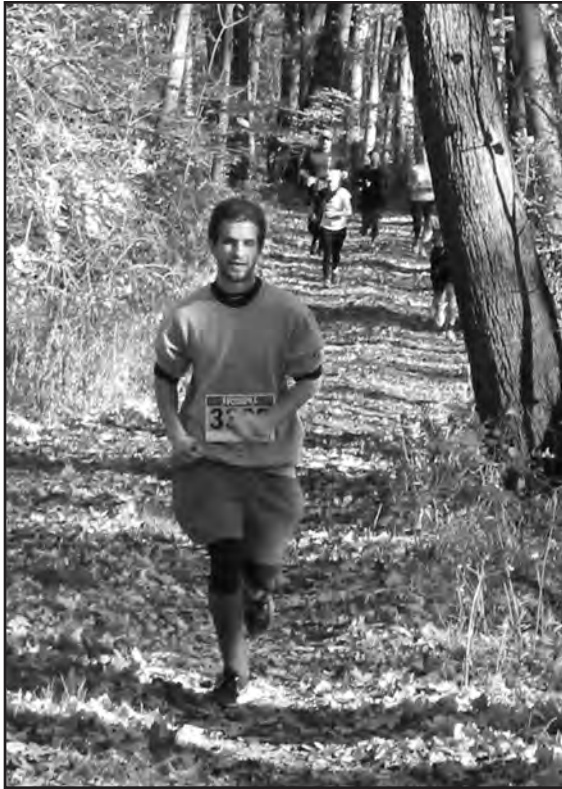


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## Big Woods Run

An organized run through the Big Woods State Park is happening again this year! St John's United Church of Christ is once again planning the Big Woods Run, a race that takes runners through one of the best hardwood forests in southern Minnesota. Saturday, September 28, 2024 is the date to pull on your running shoes and enjoy this scenic trek. The Big Woods should be in prime color for the runners and spectators.



The schedule of events includes a half marathon, 10k, 5k and a kids 1k. The half marathon will take runners through beautiful wooded scenery with challenging hills. The 10k and 5k runners will enjoy a fairly flat wooded trail course. The half marathon and 10k races begin at 9:00am at St John's UCC, 19086 Jacobs Ave, Faribault. 5k runners will take a shuttle bus from the church to the starting line in the middle of the park. 5k runners must be on the bus no later than 8:40am. The kids k begins at 10:30 at the church. Runners can register online at [www.finalstretch.com](http://www.finalstretch.com). Race day registration is 7:15am-8:45am at the church.

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## Dine-In Returns to Vang Lutefisk Dinner

The annual Vang Lutheran Church Lutefisk dinner is on once again this year, with a few changes. This year, the event will be on Sat-

urday, October 5th, beginning at 11 AM.

This year, the event will offer dine-in service again for the first time in several years after operating just takeout, which was initially started after COVID restrictions. The meal will be served buffet style.

Guests may make reservations ahead for seatings at 11 AM, 12 noon, 1 PM, and 4 PM. Continuous seating will start at 5 PM, with no reservations needed then.

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This is an annual fundraising event for the rural church.

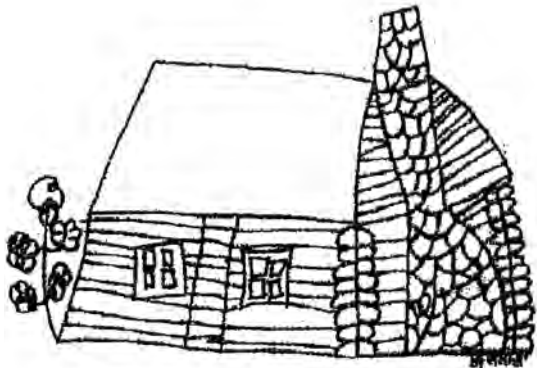


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# K-M/Triton Soccer Boys Open Season with a Draw



By Pat Garry, Sports Writer

KASSON—It was good to be back on the pitch for the Kasson-Mantorville/Triton boys soccer team, despite their game against the Faribault Falcons ending in a 0-0 tie on Friday night, August 23. KoMet keeper Riley Mitchell played a great game, posting seven saves and capturing the well-deserved shutout. K-M/T had opportunities that just didn't materialize, including a last-second goal that was called back, due to a hairline

offsides call.

"While not the exact result we were looking for, it was a strong start against a solid team," said Coach Shawn Bromelkamp. Faribault had defeated the team twice last season, including in the playoffs. Next up is a Tuesday matchup in Byron, versus the Bears, a section and conference opponent.

## Lady soccer Cobras overwhelmed by Warriors



By Pat Garry, Sports Writer

Getting the new season underway, the Triton/Kenyon-Wanamingo/Hayfield girls soccer team took on a formidable Caledonia bunch on Thursday, August 22. It was an all-Warriors day, as they bested the Cobras, 7-0. T/K-W/H goalkeeper Alyssa Knudson had 20

saves. Junior McKenzie Purinton and 7th grader Rebekah Henslin made their first career starts for the Cobras.

It was a busy week for T/K-W/H. On Tuesday, August 27, they battled Cannon Falls at home. Thursday, August 29, found the Cobras clashing with Pine Island/Zumbrota-Mazeppa, again at Triton High School. Capping the hectic week, the girls hit the road and met-up with Tri-City United on their pitch. Cobra Coach Jeremy Himli says, "It is nice to stay busy, as it is a great way to stay sharp."

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# Goodhue, Dodge, Olmsted 4H Shooting Program to Compete at Minnesota 4H Shooting Sports Event



Wildlife day at Frontenac State Park

Submitted by Jim Perrotti

The Goodhue, Dodge, Olmsted 4H Shooting Program will be competing at the Minnesota 4H Shooting Sports Event held in Alexandria Minnesota September 6,7, & 8th, 2024. When the Youth are there that will have the opportunity to compete in different disciplines offered through the 4H Shooting Sports program. The disciplines offered are Archery, Air Discipline, Trap, 22 rifle, and Muzzle loading/Tomahawk, plus have the opportunity to do Wildlife Calling, Wildlife Knowledge, and Cast Iron Cooking To compete in each of these events the Youth will have trained in the disciplines they choose to compete in. 15 hours of training is required the first year out for a discipline and 8 hours each year after plus 8 hours of Wildlife training each year. This year Wildlife Day was held at Frontenac State Park. 4H Youth learned about bird and tree identification and made pizza on cast iron pans. Most of the 4H youth also took a wildlife project to their local county fair. 27 4H Youth from Goodhue, Dodge, Olmsted, and Winona Counties will be competing in this year's event. This year the Shooting Sports Program received donations from Bellechester Legion, NRA Foundation, and the Mazeppa Lions Club to help with archery supplies, trap shells, and other supplies needed for the shooting program. If any youth are interested in the 4H Shooting Program please contact 4H extension at 651-385-3100.

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## Down on the Farm/ Up at the Cabin Farm Vehicles: More Power!

By  
Monica & Claudia Vanderborght

It seemed silly to pay someone to plow the 1/3 mile gravel driveway when Monica owned a perfectly good F250 farm truck. (Plowing couldn't be that difficult, could it?) So she bought a plow blade, had the installers give her a quick "How To" for running it, and figured she was good to go.

Now Monica wasn't inexperienced with vehicles: besides driving sedans and minivans in the suburbs, Monica had toured 49 states on a motorcycle. She had also slow-crawled through many back-country trails with her Jeep Wrangler, equipped with an air-actuated front differential locker, big Super Swamper radial tires, and a 4" suspension lift. She had conquered "Baldy" – a steep, sandy hill at a private off-road camp in northern Wisconsin, disemboweling a rear shock while navigating over some large boulders. In Colorado, she negotiated 12-point turns on the old single-lane mountain trails. And at her elementary school, Monica routinely parked at a 45-degree slant on the snowbank. (The kids loved it; the principal hated it).

The most important lesson from the Dakota Dirt Diggers 4WD club (a great bunch of guys who were happy to teach Monica about their favorite hobby) was probably, "If you never get stuck, you're not doing it right." Glorious freedom to make mistakes! Other important

lessons were how to avoid getting stuck (usually) and what it took to get unstuck (towstraps, chains, and winches). Yep, thanks to her Dirt Digger buddies, Monica was somewhat fearless behind the controls of farm vehicles.

The first few snowfalls, light and fluffy, were great practice for the plow controls.

Then one beautiful winter day Monica got overzealous plowing around her pole barn and did, indeed, get stuck. (There was a dip in the lawn that she had forgotten about.) The truck had great clearance, but the snow plow frame didn't. Out came the shovel, the high-lift jack (which she had owned for years but never had a reason to use) and the camera (to memorialize the event). Lesson learned: the plow has less clearance than the truck.

It was a great first winter learning to snow-plow! Only a few times did Monica back into a rock-hard snowbank (going too fast). Or get stuck up to the windows in the hard-packed drift snow across the driveway (going too fast). She volunteered to plow out a friend a few times (only once getting so stuck they had to call the tow truck). And she helped plow the church's parking lot – several times pulling vehicles out of ditches (neither going too fast nor getting stuck).

In the spring, Monica ordered several loads of Class V to firm up the driveway and around the barns. The trucks came once the roads were cleared for heavy equipment. After one dump truck dropped its load and was turning around, the rear tires sunk into the soft spring lawn. The trucker tried, but the tires only spun and sunk deeper into the soft earth. No stranger to stuck vehicles, Monica – friendly and helpful person that she is – offered to help, explaining that she actually had experience pulling vehicles.

Out came her heaviest chains! A quick



hook-up between the dump truck and her little F250 – one tug and he was out. Although he probably never shared that story with his buddies over a bottle of beer.

New livestock necessitated new vehicles. Monica purchased a Kubota tractor to move the 1000-pound round bales for the two cattle and a few 700 pound square bales for the six goats. All was good until after a few thaw-freeze-thaw cycles ... Yes, the Kubota could lift a dry round bale without too much trouble. But when the top few inches had absorbed water and the base had become encased in ice – oops! In the end, Monica took the bales apart and fed the cows one scoopful of hay at a time. Lesson learned: store the hay in the pole barn so it doesn't freeze to the ground.

By winter, the farm had grown to 80 chickens, 14 cows, and 10 goats.

Yes, the Kubota could lift a round bale if it was kept in the pole barn over winter, but it was very difficult to maneuver: with the bale in the front and an implement on the back for ballast, the now very-long tractor required multiple-point turns. She dreamt of something that was both stronger and more maneuverable.

Monica started looking for a skidsteer (just what every retired elementary teacher dreams of!) She had never driven one – had never even sat in one – but fearless Monica started shopping. It wasn't too long before she found one, in-budget, and with acceptable hours.

She drove the F250 with 20' trailer up to get it, but made the sales guy drive it onto the trailer (not willing to look foolish with an audience).

The skid loader was perfect – maneuverable, stronger, and more power! The new snow on the driveway was the perfect place to practice. (And so cozy warm in the cab compared to the chilly open seat of the Kubota.) Who knew the skid loader clearance was only 3 inches? Yup, stuck again. (Towing skills certainly come in handy on a farm.) Claudia in the truck, Monica in the loader – it was out in seconds. Another lesson learned!

Remember the Dakota Dirt Digger motto: "If you never get stuck, you're not doing it right." Monica regularly found herself stuck in the mud with the riding lawnmower, stuck

on a high rut in the skidloader, stuck in a ditch with the ATV (who put that ditch there by the silo?). Once, trying to deliver a hay bale to the goats, Monica got the skidloader stuck in the snow ... tried to pull it out with the truck but got it stuck, too ... and then fired up the tractor, driving it out of the summer barn (intending to free the truck and skidloader) but got the tractor stuck in the drifted snow. Claudia headed to the garage for the snow shovels.

That spring, Monica was moving a round bale across the yard to the goat pasture. The frost was starting to come out of the ground and it was slippery. Heavy machines make deep mud ruts; low clearance makes heavy machines stuck. Usually not a big deal. But this time she couldn't go forward, she couldn't go backwards, and she couldn't get out – trapped inside the cab by the round bale! Oops.

Monica enjoys farm vehicles; Claudia not so much. The most helpful thing Claudia could do was phone Heather: a neighbor, stay-at-home mom, and very experienced farmer. As Claudia reached for the phone, it rang – it was Heather! Calling out of the blue! Within minutes she and her kids were at the farm studying the predicament. Her oldest son had just received a winch for Christmas and was really excited to try it out. He winched the bale off the forks and Heather used the forks to push the loader slowly backward.

And Monica drove the skidloader straight back into the barn until the ground was solid again. Lesson learned!

In time, Monica got quite proficient with the skid steer, able to unload the 20 foot trailer full of round bales as if she had been doing it for years. She could load and unload any farm vehicle onto the trailer without assistance (ATVs, tractor, skid loader) – for which Claudia was grateful because just watching the operation scared her silly.

Guys like to brag about their vehicles – make, model, even the number of cylinders. Let's see: F-250 (10 cylinders), minivan (4), second minivan (6), tractor (3), skidloader (3), mower (4), ATV (4), second ATV (4) – not bad for a suburban gal turned farmer. Not that anyone cares, but the tire count, including all the trailers, was 40.



## Be ready: Back to School Preparedness

As students across the county return to school, it is important for families to prioritize emergency preparedness. Whether it's navigating the risks of severe weather, school lockdowns or unexpected emergencies, taking steps now can ensure that students are safe and ready for the school year ahead.

Below are steps to take to ensure that your student is prepared for emergency situations.

### • Review and Update Emergency Plans

Families should take the time to review and update their emergency preparedness plans, ensuring that all members know what to do in various scenarios. This includes updating emergency contact information with each child's school and discussing the school's

safety protocols with your children.

### • Emergency Communication Strategies

Teach your children the importance of the "Text First, Talk Later" strategy. During emergency situations, networks are more likely to be congested, and long text messages may not go through. Simple texts such as "I'm OK" are more likely to go through. This is a simple step that can ensure families remain connected during emergency situations.

### • Prepare for Weather-Related Emergencies

Educate children on how to react to different weather emergencies, such as tornadoes, flash floods or severe thunderstorms. Understanding where to go and how to stay safe can make a significant difference during a crisis.

### • School Safety Drills

Encourage children to take school safety drills seriously. Whether it's a fire, tornado or lockdown drill, practicing these drills can help students respond effectively if a real emergency occurs.

### • College Student Preparedness

For those with college-bound students, it's important to ensure that they have an emergency kit and are signed up for the campus alert system. These steps can offer peace of mind to both the student and parents.

These strategies into your back-to-school routine not only enhances safety but also empowers your students to take an active role in their own preparedness.

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By Sgt. Troy Christianson,  
Minnesota State Patrol



**Question:** I heard the Minnesota State Patrol got a new design for your patches and squad cars. Can you talk about that?

**Answer:** You are correct. For the first time in more than 50 years, the Minnesota State Patrol has a new look.

Last year when the Minnesota Legislature approved a replacement design for the Minnesota seal and flag, State Patrol leaders took note.

"That decision presented us with a unique opportunity to create something different to represent our division and culture within the State Patrol and its staff throughout the state,"

said Col. Christina Bogojevic, chief of the Minnesota State Patrol.

A working group made up of 13 sworn and non-sworn members of the State Patrol worked for four months with a design agency to come up with and refine the new design. "We wanted something that represented the strong history and legacy of our division, something that is identifiable with the state of Minnesota, all while giving it a more modern update. The redesign was an opportunity for us to create something highlighting our pride in serving Minnesota," said Lt. Col. Jeremy Geiger, who led the group.

The new look — with heavy ties to symbolism — reflects the values and history of the State Patrol. The North Star — a four-pointed star and the same one used on the redesigned state seal — represents the cardinal directions, just as we serve Minnesotans to the north, south, east and west. The Mississippi River, abundant in its contribution to our state and serving as a critical artery for transportation, lends itself to our role of maintaining and securing an efficient transportation network and connecting with others. The Norway pines, the state tree of Minnesota, underscore the steadfast and reliable commitment of the State Patrol, working for Minnesotans 24 hours a day, seven



days a week, through all seasons, all year long.

The new look for the State Patrol isn't just a redesigned patch on our troopers' shoulders. It includes badges, hats, squads, license plates, buttons on uniforms, signage and so much more. In fact, there are more than 188,000 pieces of equipment that will need to be updated with the new design. State Patrol leadership is prioritizing updates on squad cars and uniforms, and being diligent about updating items where they were already scheduled to be replaced. To complete

the whole process will take somewhere from six to nine months and an estimated \$4 million.

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

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## School Bus Safety

It is hard to believe, but summer is coming to an end for students across the state. With schools welcoming back students, Minnesota school buses will make about 10,000 trips each day. According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, a school bus is one of the safest vehicles on the road for students, but we all need to work together

to ensure that everyone makes it home safely.

### Stop for School Buses: It's the Law!

State law requires all vehicles to stop for school buses when the bus driver activates the flashing lights and has the stop arm fully extended.

Drivers who violate the law face a \$500 fine.

Drivers can face criminal charges for passing a school

bus on the right, passing when a child is outside the bus, or injuring or killing a child.

### Motorists:

On undivided roads, motorists traveling both directions must stop at least 20 feet from a school bus that is displaying red flashing lights and an extended stop arm.

Traffic traveling the opposite direction on a divided

roadway with a separating median such as a cement wall or boulevard is not required to stop.

Motorists should slow down, pay attention and anticipate school children and buses, especially in neighborhoods and school zones.

### Students:

When getting off a bus,

look to be sure no cars are passing on the shoulder.

Wait for the bus driver to signal that it's safe to cross.

When crossing the street to get on the bus or to go home, make eye contact with motorists before proceeding.

You can do your part by knowing the School Bus Stop-Arm Safety law. And

students can do their part by keeping themselves safe outside and inside the school bus. Please share with others

to ensure that all our children make it home safely. Together, we can move Minnesota toward zero deaths.



### DODGE CENTER SUMMARY COUNCIL MINUTES Monday, August 12, 2024

This published information is a summary of the full minutes of the August 12, 2024 Dodge Center City Council meeting. A copy of the full minutes is available for viewing at City Hall, 35 East Main Street or online at [www.ci.dodgecenter.mn.us](http://www.ci.dodgecenter.mn.us).

Present: Bill Ketchum, Gary Trelstad, Cathy Skogen, Paul Blaisdell, Matt Maas, Lee Mattson, Deputy Josiah Rehmann, Meredith Brose, Mark Barwald, AJ Gengler, Jeremy Dostal, Daren Meier-Widseth, Jackson Miller-County Environmental Program Manager, Kathy Freeman and others

Absent:

City Council approved the following items:

- Agenda and amended consent agenda to include: Minutes from July 22, 2024 City Council Meeting, March 14, 2024, April 11, 2024 and May 9, 2024 Library Board Minutes; Payment of Bills as amended; Gambling Permit Request from St John's Catholic Church;
  - Delay primary enforcement of the abatement order until September 30, 2024 on 709 2nd St NE;
  - Public Hearing on Nuisance:  
To execute the order to abate 11 1st St NW and 406 1st St NW;
  - Roofing quote from Acreage & Farm Construction for the well house by the shop (\$4,000) and the pole shed at West Park (\$4,200);
  - Hiring of Samuel Jack – paid on-call EMT
  - Temporarily decertify all revenue recapture for Ambulance Services;
- Meeting adjourned at 7:13 pm

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  29. Manual communication gesture
  31. High school ball
  32. Bert's TV buddy
  33. Ice in a cocktail
  34. \*TV's "Supermarket \_\_\_"
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  38. \*Sliced items section
  42. Choose a president
  45. "\_\_\_ we stand, divided we fall"
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  51. Adenine's partner in RNA
  54. Chilled (2 words)
  56. Savory taste sensation
  57. \*Rolling supermarket carrier
  58. Dwarf buffalo
  59. Type of canal, in dentistry
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  61. Surveyor's map
  62. Accompanies relief
  63. "Big Three" TV network
  65. Radio knob, abbr.
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- Stand at least three giant steps away from the curb when you see the bus approaching your bus stop.
- Stay put until the bus stops, the door opens and the driver tells you it's okay to enter the bus.
- Always use the handrails when entering and exiting the bus.
- Never walk behind the bus. If you must cross the street, cross in front of the bus. Walk on the sidewalk alongside the bus at least five giant steps before crossing in front of it, making sure you and the driver can see one another.
- Stay seated and wear your seatbelt the entire time the bus is moving. Avoid yelling or loud talking that could distract the driver.



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