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"NORTHWEST MINNESOTA'S REGIONAL NEWSPAPER"

# CHECK OUT THE SENIOR MOMENT

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# Full schedule of activities on tap

Busy times will be ahead in Thief River Falls as a variety of activities are planned starting next week.

Tuesday, Aug. 1 Night to Unite, an annual event to strengthen neighborhood spirit and community/police partner-ships, will be held Tuesday, Aug. 1, from 5 to 7 p.m., at Peder Engelstad Pioneer Village. Rides into the Village are available for senior and disabled visitors. The event features family fun. Saphire Brown will perform with special guest Josiah Dyrud. The Community Band will also perform. A free meal of hot dogs, chips, watermelon and root beer floats will be served.

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Thursday, Aug. 3 Art Sparks, a free event for all school-age kids and teens, will be held Thursday, Aug. 3 at 2 p.m. at the Thief River Falls Public Library.

Also on Thursday, the RehabAuthority RiverFest 5K/1K will be held on the Greenwood Trails. Race time is 5:30 p.m. The cost is \$20, and racers sign up at RehabAuthority. For more information, call 218-681-0449 or email krosendahl@rehabauthority.com.

Friday, Aug. 4
"The Muppets Treas-

ure Island" will be shown Friday, Aug. 4 at 1 p.m. at the Thief River Falls Public

Also on Friday, a fundraiser will be held from 4 to 5:30 p.m. for the **Her**itage Center. The meal is \$12, and it's half price for kids up to 10 years old. The Heritage Center is raising

money to make updates at the center.

RiverFest starts Friday with entertainment, food vendors and a beer garden at 6 p.m. at Hartz Park. The cost is \$20 in advance or \$25 at the door. Admission is free for kids 10 and under. Advance tickets are being sold at the Thief River Falls Chamber of Commerce, the Northdale stores, Hugo's,

Holiday, Station 59, DigiKey and Cenex Travel Center.

Friday night's entertainment includes Four Wheel Drive at 6 p.m., The White Keys at 8 p.m. and PopROCKS at 10:30 p.m.

Saturday, Aug. 5 On Saturday, Aug. 5, the Uff Da Challenge will be held from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at

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# Relay for Life in Roseau Co.

Russell Sorenson of Roseau is running 26.2 miles on Aug. 17 as a fundraiser for Relay For Life. His run will start near Greenbush and end in the Riverview Gazebo Park in Roseau. Sorenson is an experienced marathoner and has challenged himself to raise funds for Relay For Life by running 26.2 miles at least five times in the past.

Individuals may pledge an amount per mile or a flat fee. His address is 318 6th Ave. NE, Roseau, 56751; or he can be reached at 218-463-1501.

The Roseau County Relay For Life begins at 6 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 17, in Riverview Gazebo Park. It will be held in conjunction with the Roseau Gazebo Night Concerts.

For more information, call Tami Borgen at 218-242-3533 or email relayforlifeofroseaucounty@gmail.com.





Several local and area officials and quests participated in the Pennington Soil and Water Conservation District 75th

Anniversary Project Tour on Tuesday, July 25. This photo shows officials examining County Ditch 96 Phase II.



Pennington County Board Chairperson Neil Peterson and Rep. John Burkel visit during the Pennington Soil and Water Conservation District Project Tour on Wednesday, July 25.



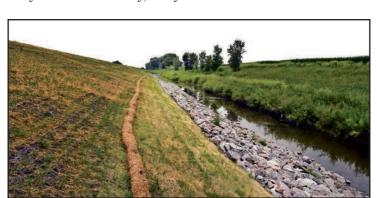
Forty-three side water inlets were installed along 15 acres (1.25 miles) of land near Thief River Falls. The average buffer width was also extended to 46 feet. The project cost nearly \$130,000 and included funding from a variety of sources.

# **Pennington SWCD conducts** 75th Anniversary Project Tour

The mission of the Pennington Soil and Water Conservation District is to provide landowners and other agencies with technical assistance in identifying and improving resource issues. It's been doing that for 75 years. Wednesday, July

25, a tour of some of the projects the District has been in-

volved in was conducted. The Pennington SWCD was established in 1948 through farm committees assisted by the Agriculture Extension Service.



This shows part of Phase II of the County Ditch 96 project. Nearly one-half mile of the south bank was stabilized by the project. It involved several funding sources.



In May 2021, 567 trees were planted on the Holen farmstead near St. Hilaire. The trees included redosier, dogwood, flame willow, Black Hills spruce, hackberry and Amur maple. The effort was funded through EQIP-RCPP for tree establishment, weed barrier fabric, and tee protection tubes. The Holens are very happy with the project.

# TRF levies on the ballot in November

PlanForOur-Prowlers.org provides detailed information about investment plan

The Thief River Falls School Board approved a resolution on Monday to present voters with an investment plan that seeks apstabilize the district's finances and support educational programming, technology and student servtional ices. District voters will consider three ballot questions seeking the additional financial support on Tuesday,

School District 564, Thief River Falls, issued the following statements:

For the past year, the district's Long-Term Planning  $\operatorname{Advisory}$ Committee (LTPAC) has been gathering feedback from district staff, students and community members over the course of over a dozen meetings to help prioritize what sort of investments would best serve students and provide financial stability in the years ahead.

A new website - Plan-ForOurProwlers.org - will serve as an informational hub for residents to learn more about the proposed investments and the referendum on Nov. 7. The website provides residents with details about the school district's financial challenges, how the plan will benefit students, the cost of the investment and the projected tax impact on property own-

"This is an important community decision about the future of our schools,' said Chris Mills, superintendent of Thief River Falls public schools. "We hope the website will be a go-to resource for anyone looking to learn more about the plan to meet the needs of our students.

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15TH ANNUAL Trails To Treatments August 12th, 2023

Middle River, Mn

#### Schedule of Events

3:00 PM - Silent Auction begins \*City Maintenance Shop \* Contact Shirley 218-686-4163 or Joan 218-469-2097

3:30 PM - Sale of TTT items, raffle and meal tickets \*American Legion - Main Street

\* Contact Stacy 218-686-7074

3:30 PM - 4:45 PM - Live music \*Main Street Contact Nathan 218-688-0058

3:30 PM - 5:00 PM - Horse rides and kids Activities \*Between Fire Hall and Legion Contact Sue 218-686-4340 or Ronnette 218-689-8154

3:30 PM - 5:30 PM - Wagon rides along Luminary Trail \*Main Street

\* Contact Sue 218-686-4340 5:00 PM - Best dressed Cowboy/Cowgirl contest \*Main Street

\* Contact Sue 218-686-4340

5:00 PM - 8:00 PM - Evening meal \*American Legion - Main Street

BBQ ribs with all the fixings

5:30 PM - Cancer Tribute Ceremony \*Main Street Contact Mardy 218-689-2063

6:00 PM - Live auction with Jason Rominski \*Main Street

Contact Shirley 218-686-4163 or Joan 218-469-2097 15 minutes after Live Auction - Silent auction ends

For more information contact: Mardy Anderson - 218-689-2063 or Stacy Bierman - 218-686-7074

\*\*\* In case of inclement weather, all

events to be held on \*Main Street will

be moved into the American Legion.

Please Note: Any time prior to the event, auction items can be dropped off at Border Bank in Middle River or at the American Legion in Middle River the morning of August 6th or contact Shirley 218-686-4163 for pick up.

This event will be held in compliance with federal, state, and local social distancing and social gathering guidelines. Please continue to check the TTT Facebook page or www.northcountryhorsemen.com for any changes or cancellations All proceeds go to NCH Trails To Treatments (TTT) Cancer Fund.



August 5th and 6th, 2023 Ornquist Arena Middle River, MN

### Schedule of Events

Friday, August 4th **Camping Available** 

Saturday, August 5th

8:30 AM - 9:30 AM - Registration for horse trail rides

9:45 AM - Preregistered riders drawing and ALL riders gather for picture

10:00 AM & 2:00 PM - Horse trail rides

\*\*\* A donation of \$35 per rider or \$90 per family (Parents and their children 17 & under) is suggested. With this donation you will receive a t-shirt, lunch between rides, and a meal ticket for Saturday, August 12th, 2023 TTT Benefit Supper of BBQ ribs with all the fixings. \*\* All other meals and snacks are the riders' responsibility \*\*

Sunday, August 6th

10:00 AM - Horse trail ride

\*\*\* All weekend rides will count as double hours for the NCH Trail Ride Program.

Contact Kristi - 218-686-7440 or Shannon - 218-688-1889

15th Annual Trails To Treatments Benefit Silent and Live Auction items can be dropped off at the Ornquist Arena during registration or inbetween rides. Contact Shirley, 218-686-4163

All proceeds go to NCH Trails To Treatments (TTT) Cancer Fund. For additional information visit: www.northcountryhorsemen.com

#### 13th District **Horticulture** Show to be held

The 13th District Horticulture Show will be held Saturday, Aug. 12 at First Lutheran Church, 312 Third St. in Baudette. The church is located on the east side of Baudette along Highway 11.

Members are encouraged to bring their plants, both floral and vegetable, and participate in this event. Registration opens at 8:30 a.m. Refreshments will be served. Exhibits must be in place for judging by 11 a.m.

For more information, call 218-689-8661.

#### **Roseau County District 4** to vote

Roseau County District 4 will be heading to the polls to cast their votes Tuesday, Aug. 8. Kermit Jensen and Tim Palmquist are vying to serve the remainder of Russell Walker's term, which ends Dec. 31, 2024. Walker resigned in February due to health reasons.





# **NORTHERN AROUND** THE REGION

**April Scheinoha** 

#### **Employees** concerned about proposed position changes

Hallock - Seven employees and one former employee visited the Kittson County Board meeting Tuesday, July 18 to voice their concerns regarding proposed changes for certain positions within the courthouse.

In recent weeks, County Board has held workshops during which commissioners can discuss items but cannot take action. A major discussion has centered around the auditor/treasurer and financial officer positions as they have begun to work with David Drown and Associates on a wage study. Currently, the administrator also holds the auditor/treasurer duties for the county. The

commissioners are considering placing the auditor duties with the financial officer and renaming that po-

sition chief financial officer.
The board approved developing a job description for a chief financial officer position, which would replace the current financial accounting specialist de-

scription. The group attending the meeting questioned in chorus whether that position would be posted and if anyone is able to apply. Administrator Brian Buhmann said he assumed anyone who is qualified can apply.

The group said they've been hearing rumors about the new positions being created for specific employees. Deputy Assessor Alyssa Gustafson said they sought more open communication.

Deb Costin, former payroll services employee, said she's concerned about the budget with the additional staff duties.
County Board Chairper-

son Loren Younggren said these changes won't add much to the budget. He said replacing Marco with an in-house IT director will be "almost a wash." The assistant to the chief financial officer isn't a new position as the employee will be cross-trained to assist in taxpayer services, which has been down an employee for some time. The interim administrator's salary is the same as Buhmann's current salary – \$115,000. - Kittson County Enterprise, July 26, 2023, by Anna Jauhola

### **Kittson County Museum to hold** 50th anniversary celebration

The Kittson County Museum will celebrate 50 years on Aug. 4-6 in conjunction with Lake Bronson's annual Bronsonfest event.

It all begins Friday, Aug. 4. At 3 p.m., food will begin being served at the museum's picnic shelter.

A concert will begin at 7 p.m. behind the museum on

the depot platform. Parking will be available behind the log cabin. There will be some chairs available, but attendees are encouraged to bring lawn chairs. Little Bobby and special guests will per-

Little Bobby, born in Red Lake and raised in Thief River Falls, is a third-generation Native American musician. He is a multi-instrumentalist focusing on blues. His first album came out in 2005, and his last two albums have been #1 & #2 in Minnesota (RMR, January – May 2023).

His special guests at the concert include Grammy winner and WC Handy winner Allen Kirk; The Westside Horns, who have performed with the Texas Tornadoes & Freddy Fender; and Kittson County's own Maury Finney. Finney is a Billboard and Cash Box two-time Instrumentalist of the Year with 15 charting singles. Finney, a member of the Minnesota Music Hall of Fame, also played on Little Bobby's recent album "God Made Me

On Saturday, Aug. 5, the museum will host an open house with refreshments from 1 to 5 p.m. Author Randy Persson will sign books from 2 to 4 p.m. Personn's new book is titled "The Mystery of 10,000 Lakes" which includes a chapter on Lake Bronson. He is from Arizona but has roots in Kittson County. His parents are the late Reuben and Ione (Pready) Persson.

On Sunday, Aug. 6, a community church service and lunch will be held at the Village Square. Afterward, there will be more musical entertainment. Beginning at 1 p.m., The Skally Line will perform. The Skally Line features folk music artists Fred Keller and Bill Cagley. Keller plays the mandolin and has been in such bands as "The Banshees," "Blue Drifters" and the "Whistlepigs." Cagley plays the guitar, banjo and limberjack. He has recorded several fiddle songs. Together, their music focuses on Minnesota's history and stories. Keller performed several years ago at the museum. People of all ages will enjoy this performance. Also, the Museum Board will serve free root beer floats that afternoon.

# Maruska graduates

Patrick Maruska of Warren graduated from Bismarck State College during the college's commencement ceremony Friday, May 12 at the Bismarck Event Center. Maruska graduated with a welding certificate.





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#### **DEATH NOTICES**

#### Inez Nelson, 90

Moorhead - Inez Vivian Nelson, 90, of Moorhead, passed away on June 20,

Visitation will be held from 5-6:30 p.m. with a prayer service beginning at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, August 7, 2023 at Wright Funeral Home, 605 2nd Ave S, Moorhead. Funeral Services will be held on Tuesday, August 8, 2023 at 2 p.m., with visitation starting one hour before, at Trinity Lutheran Church, 210 7th St S, Moorhead. A livestream of the service will be available on Inez's page at www.wrightfuneral.com, where a video tribute and online guestbook may also be

#### Sharron Olberg, 84

Holt - Sharron Olberg, 84, of Holt, passed away on Monday, July 24, 2023 at Thief River Care Center.

The service to celebrate Sharron's life will be at 2 p.m. on Monday, July 31, 2023 at Nazareth Lutheran Church in Holt. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service. Burial will follow at the Holt Cemetery.

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.johnsonfuneralservice.com.

#### Nana

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#### Stromlund, 91

CA - Nana Mae Stromlund, 91, passed away the evening of July 12, 2023.

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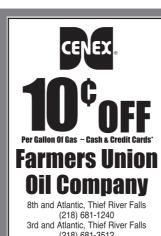
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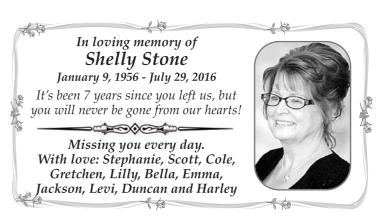


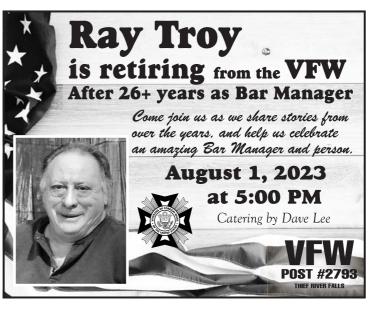


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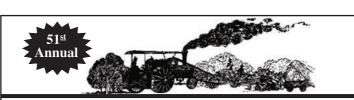
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#### Scammer caught!

"I've had it, I'm going off the grid!" A friend so fed up with scams, apps or programs that are difficult for older users to use, said he never wants to use computers again, and is going off the grid.

I don't blame him. There have been times when I wanted to chuck my computer into the middle of the street and run it over ... several times. Older folks, like myself, didn't grow up using computers, and this change in society and our culture, which is increasingly reliant on being computer savvy, has been a difficult adjustment. We often see nothing in them that they like. In a past editorial, I said that if scams continue and we see little in terms of catching the culprits, then our confidence will decrease.

Let me point out a story that appeared in the July 26 edition of the Thief River Falls Times. A local woman was duped into believing that her computer contained child porn and she was told to make payments in order to clear up the situation. She complied with the scammer's requests to obtain a total of \$40,000, and send photos of her ID and the front of her house with the address showing. A short while later, the scammers wanted an additional \$20,000.

Law enforcement was alerted that

the woman had been scammed out of money and set about efforts to catch the person who was to pick up the money. Gourav Patel, 34, Chicago, was soon arrested outside the woman's house. As far as I know, he remains in a jail cell. I hope he's cooperating with law enforcement as I'm fairly positive that he was not acting alone. I am as confident as I can be in saying that I also suspect other law enforcement agencies are now involved.

Cases like this that come to light are important for the confidence they help build among older citizens who are struggling to navigate the modern age. If you want us to use computers to pay bills, do our banking, and shop, make it safe for us to do so.

The second point I'd like to make is to seniors. Please call a trusted relative, friend or someone in law enforcement if you have been approached to send money via phone, email or mail, or an offer seems too good to be true.

No one likes to admit they've been duped or are a victim, but especially seniors. We're proud, we're stubborn, and easily embarrassed by the fact that sometimes we do stupid things. If our wisdom tells us anything, it should be that age is no guarantee that we won't make mistakes. Please don't be afraid to contact law enforcement for help. It could help you and prevent others from being victimized.

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#### Farm advocates provide help and support Minnesota farmers are said Minnesota Farm Advo-

ily. However, producers can find help through the Minnesota Department of Agriculture's Farm Advocate Program.

Trained advisors, or advocates, offer one-on-one assistance and advice to farmers facing crises caused by natural disasters or financial problems. There is no charge or fee for the assistance.

"If you are struggling in your farm operation for whatever reasons and are not sure of what to do, feel free to call one of our farm advocates to arrange a visit,"

vide suggestions and assistance on remedying them. All visits are free and confidential.'

Farm advocates can provide help with financial planning and lender negotiations. They are also able to provide referrals and assistance with federal and state farm programs, legal service, and social and human

"Our farm advocates can provide farmers with an entire network of professional help," said Agriculture Commissioner Thom Petersen.

"Attorneys, facing several challenges, cate Bruce Lubitz. "Advo- human service professionfrom drought to dairy supply cates will come to your farm als, educators, and government officials all work with financial strain on the famcates help producers make informed decisions. This is an important program, and we want Minnesota farmers to know they're not alone when facing difficult times.

The Farm Advocate Program has been supported by the MDA since 1984 and was born out of the 1980s farm Advocates have crisis. helped hundreds of farmers over the decades.

For more information and to find the closest Farm Advocate, visit the MDA website at www.mda.state. mn.us/farmadvocates.

Rural Reflections ...

# If we expect the worst from each other, we will get it





I wasn't shocked at the recent murder of a Fargo police officer. I was saddened and sickened at the malicious disregard for the life of a human protector, but I wasn't shocked. I don't mean that I felt it was going to happen, it's just that it has happened enough in my adult life that it didn't seem as uncommon an event as it

should have been for me. My first memories of an officer's death while on duty were probably US Marshals Robert Cheshire and Kenneth Muir. They were killed by Gordon Kahl in 1983 when I was 17. I began working at the local sheriff's office in 1989 and there was a book that listed officers who had died while on duty. I had to check for the Marshals' names to confirm the crime was true. It just seemed impossible.

There have been officer deaths in the area throughout history. The passage of time has given me a more historical perspective of those tragic killings, so they still seemed surreal to me. I didn't believe such a crime would ever occur again. I felt like people were better now and another officer shooting was impossible.

The death of Mahnomen County Deputy Christopher Dewey shocked me. I had never spoken with him; however, I had seen him on the booking cameras a few times when he had transported inmates to the Pennington County Jail. Deputy Dewey's story was courageous, and his death so tragic. I thought that would be the last violence against an officer I would hear about, but that is far from true.

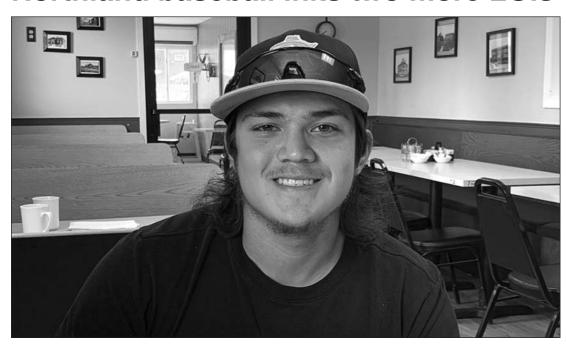
Officers killed on duty sadly only highlights all violence against officers. According to the Minnesota Bureau of Criminal Apprehension Uniform Crime Report, there were 467 officers assaulted statewide in 2019. A 140 percent increase was reported over the three years ending Dec. 31, 2021. The Pioneer Press reported that agencies reported 339 officers were assaulted in the first four months of 2023, up from 293 during

the same time in 2022, but down from 377 in early

What has happened to our culture that we feel violence against an officer is a choice? I think there is a cultural tacit approval created by reduced penalties and cashless bonds. Criminals are deterred by laws and penalties, but laws only do so much. The other element of preventing criminal acts is condemnation of such crimes by parents, elected officials and civic leaders. When these same people use soft words and excuses for such criminal acts, they miss their opportunity to use their bully pulpit to do good and instead use it to be popular or to get elected ... again. Acceptance of petty crime is an evil tool that grows stronger over time until it can be used to kill.

We now pardon crime as a way to forgive the criminal and to signal our good virtue. Forgiveness is for the person, not the offense. Accepting criminal behavior is only a step away from expecting it. If we begin to expect the worst from each other, we will get it. We may already be witnessing it

### Northland baseball inks two more LOIs



The Northland Community & Technical College baseball team has singed two more local players to letters of intent for the 2023-24 school year. Top - Demitrius Oberg, a catcher from Stephen-Argyle, has signed with the Pioneers. Bottom - Dennis Ashley from Mahnomen/Waubun is the Pioneers' newest outfielder after signing a letter of intent. (Submitted)



### Minnesota DNR to require nontoxic ammunition for state park special deer hunts, 56 SNAs that allow hunting

People participating in in Minnesota. special hunts in state parks and recreation areas or hunting in those scientific and natural areas where hunting is allowed, will be required to use nontoxic ammunition starting this fall. Peatland SNAs are exempt from this requirement. Due to shortages in certain ammunition types, this requirement also will not apply to state park youth deer hunts in the shotgun zone if hunters remove all parts of harvested deer, including the entrails.

State statute provides the highest level of protection for natural resources, including wildlife and natural features, in state parks and SNAs. Hunting is not a primary purpose of state parks and SNAs, and is only allowed if it is consistent with or helps advance the management of natural resources on these lands. Deer hunting is allowed through commissioner's order or state statute on SNAs, and state park special hunts require a special use permit. State parks and SNAs account for less than

Requiring nontoxic ammunition will help protect species from lead poisoning — such as eagles, ravens, hawks and bobcats — that might ingest ammunition or feed on deer gut piles. Lead poisoning can cause neurologic impacts to wildlife, leading to injury and death. Additionally, use of nontoxic ammunition will protect the environment of these sites from lead leaching into the soil and waters via gut piles or spent ammunition remaining on site.

Nontoxic ammunition includes bullets, slugs, muzzleloader ammunition and shot that do not contain lead. More information is available at the Minnesota DNR's nontoxic ammunition webpage (mndnr.gov/hunting/ammo/n on-toxic.html)

Hunters who plan to participate in state park special hunts, or hunt in an SNA where hunting is allowed and nontoxic ammunition is required, should purchase their non-toxic ammunition early to ensure they have it in time

will participate.

Hunters in Minnesota who do not wish to use nontoxic ammunition have abundant options for hunting in locations with no ammunition restrictions, such as wildlife management areas and state forests.

The Minnesota DNR also continues to encourage the use of nontoxic ammunition and tackle on all Minnesota lands and waters.

To learn more about state park special hunts, including how to register, see the special hunts section toward the bottom of the Minnesota DNR's deer hunting webpage (mndnr.gov/hunting/deer). To learn which SNAs allow hunting, visit the SNA rules website (mndnr.gov/snas/ rules.html).

For questions about the above information or other DNR-related topics, contact the Minnesota DNR Information Center

info.dnr@state.mn.us or 888-646-6367 (8 a.m.-8 p.m. Monday through Friday, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday).

### 10% of DNR-managed lands for the hunt in which they **Starry stonewort** confirmed in North Twin **Lake in Beltrami County**

The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources has confirmed the presence of the invasive algae starry stonewort in North Twin Lake, near the town of Turtle River in Beltrami County.

A Beltrami County invasive species specialist found starry stonewort near the North Twin Lake public access while conducting a routine early detection survey. North Twin Lake is near three other lakes where starry stonewort was previously confirmed. Available treatment options could include hand pulling, herbicide applications or other methods as appropriate.

Starry stonewort has now been confirmed in 25 water bodies in Minnesota. It was first confirmed in the state in

Starry stonewort has never been eradicated from any U.S. lake or river, but treatment or careful removal can help reduce the risk of spread and relieve associated nuisance impacts on waterrelated recreational activities. Early detection is key to effective management.

Starry stonewort is an algae that looks like some native aquatic plants. In late summer and early fall, starry stonewort's small white starshaped bulbils become more visible, making it easier to distinguish from other aquatic plants. Information on how to identify starry DNR's website

stonewort can be found on (mndnr.gov/invasives/aquaticplants/starrystonewort). If people think they've found starry stonewort or any other invasive species new to a lake or river, they should report it to the DNR by contacting their area invasive species specialist (mndnr. gov/invasives/ais/contacts.ht

Starry stonewort can form dense mats, which can interfere with recreational uses of a lake and compete with native plants. It is most likely spread when fragments have not been properly cleaned from trailered boats, personal watercraft, docks, boat lifts, anchors or other water-

related equipment. Whether or not a lake has any invasive species, Minnesota law requires people

Clean watercraft, trailers and equipment to remove aquatic plants and prohibited invasive species.

Drain all water and leave drain plugs out during transport.

· Dispose of unwanted bait in the trash.

· Never release bait, plants or aquarium pets into Minnesota waters.

• Dry docks, lifts and rafts for 21 days before moving them from one waterbody to another.

These additional steps reduce the risk of spreading aquatic invasive species:

 Decontaminate watercraft and equipment - find free stations on the courtesy decontamination page of the DNR website (mndnr.gov/

· Spray with high-pressure water or rinse with very hot water (120 degrees for at least two minutes or 140 de-

grees for at least 10 seconds). · Dry watercraft and equipment for at least five days before using in another

water body. More information is available on the aquatic invasive species page of the DNR website (mndnr.gov/ais).

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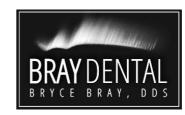


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# Riverre August 1-6, 2023

#### Thursday, August 3

#### **Art Sparks**

Location: TRF Public Library 102 1st St E, Thief River Falls, MN 56701 FREE for all school age kids and teens

More Info: (218) 681-4325

#### Rehab Authority RiverFest 5K/1K **Location:** Greenwood Trails

Time: Race time 5:30 p.m. Cost: \$20. Sign up at Rehab Authority before July 27th to get a t-shirt. Can sign-up after, but not guaranteed a t-shirt. More Info: 218-681-0449 or krosendahl@rehabauthority.com

### Friday, August 4

#### Movie & Popcorn

Location: TRF Public Library 102 1st St E, Thief River Falls, MN 56701 Movie: The Muppets Treasure Island Time: 1:00pm FREE for all ages More Info: (218) 681-4325

Heritage Center Fundraiser Location: Heritage Center, 301 4th Street E. Time: 4:00pm-5:30pm

Meal is \$12, half price for children up to 10yrs. Come help us raise money to make updates to the Center so its safer for our older population. More Info: 218-681-2793

### RiverFest Concert

Time: musical entertainment starts at 6 p.m. Food vendors and beer garden. More Info: 218-681-3720 or www.trfchamber.com/riverfest

**Entertainment** 6:00pm Four Wheel Drive 8:00pm The White Keys 10:30pm PopRocks

#### Saturday, August 5

#### Street Wizards Annual Cruise-In Car Show Location: Floyd B. Olson (Gazebo) Park

Time: 11a.m. - 3 p.m. Registration 8a.m. - 11a.m. More Info: 218-686-5611

### **Crazy Days Vendor Show**

Location: Downtown TRF. Great shopping deals, kids Time: 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

# Location: Floyd B. Olson Park (Gazebo)

More Info: 218-964-5370

#### <u>Uff Da Challenge</u>

Farmers Market

Location: Oakland Park

Time: 8:00am-2:00pm Join the Uff Da Challenge obstacle course To register: Register at https://bit.ly/Uffda23 More Info: Call 218-684-5072, of visit the Facebook page https://m.facebook.com/uffdachallenge, or scan the QR code.

#### **RiverFest Concert**

Location: Hartz Park Time: musical entertainment starts at 4 p.m. Food vendors, and beer garden. More Info: 218-681-3720 or www.trfchamber.com/riverfest

#### **Entertainment**

4:00pm Jensen Sisters 6:00pm Eagle Creek

8:00pm Shania Twin/Tim "Vegas" McGraw 10:30pm BlackHawk

Stay up-to-date by visiting www.trfchamber.com/riverfest

# Weekend activities/Continued

(Continued from Page 1) Oakland Park. To register for the obstacle course, go to https:/bit.ly/Uffda23. more information, call 218-684-5072 or visit the Uff Da Challenge Facebook page.

Also on Saturday, the Crazy Days vendor show will be held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in downtown Thief River Falls. Shoppers can catch some deals, and kids can play some games.

Also on Saturday, the Thief River Falls Farmers Market will be open, starting at 9 a.m., at Floyd B. Olson Park.

The park will also be the site of the 22nd Annual Cruise-In Car Show, hosted by the Thief River Falls Street Wizards Car Club (with members in sur-

Several area students

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rounding communities). The show is open to, but not limited to, all special interest, custom, classic, antique, convertible, collector, musclecar, street rod, competipickups, tion. motorcycles.

Registration starts at 8 a.m. to show time. Show times are 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. with awards to follow. Spectator admission is free. The vehicle entry fee is \$20. Free dash plaques and goodie bags will be provided to the first 150 vehicles. Approximately 25 various event

awards will be given out.

DJ music will be provided, the Top Hawg concession truck will be on-site, and several area restaurants are within walking distance.

Area students graduate from NDSU

cum laude, English educa-

Kyle Stenberg, computer

Hallock - Danielle Nicole

Crotty, magna cum laude,

Oklee - Abigail Agnes
O'Neill, pharmacy;
Roseau - Katelynne

Lindsey Czeh, cum laude,

human development and

For show information, contact Randy at 218-686-5611, Gary at 218-681-6397, or Mike at 218-689-9197, or visit the TRF Street Wizards Facebook page.

The car show is one of the oldest major activities of RiverFest celebration.

From 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday, Pioneer Village will host Old Time Day. The public is invited to see the Village's exhibits and play Glow Mini Golf. The cost is \$3 per per-

The RiverFest concert continues Saturday at 4 p.m. at Hartz Park. The entertainment lineup includes the Jensen Sisters at 4 p.m., Eagle Creek at 6 p.m., Shania Twin/Tim "Vegas" Mc-Graw at 8 p.m. and BlackHawk at 10:30 p.m.

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Guests on the Pennington Soil and Watershed Conservation District 75th Anniversary Project Tour stopped at the recently completed Greenwood Street streambank stabilization project to discuss how it was engineered and completed.

350 feet of Red Lake River streambank near Greenwood Street was protected using Class III riprap, fill, and live stakes.





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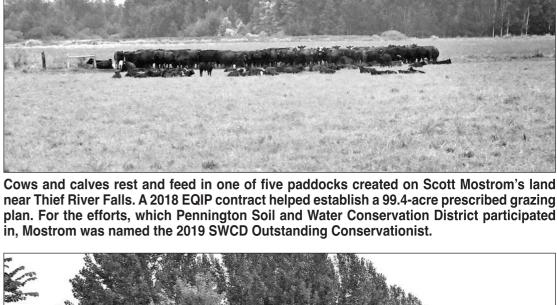
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In 2006, over 3,000 trees were planted on the Mitch Engelstad farm near Thief River Falls. Since then, Engelstad planted another 1,000 trees and created six acres of native grass. Be-

fore the tree break, which includes over 17 different species of trees, the farm was very wind swept.





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# TRF levies/Continued

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During this November's election, the district will ask voters to consider three bal-

lot questions which, if approved, will authorize new funding to protect the longterm financial stability of the district's operations, recruit and retain talented staff, and invest in technology, small class sizes and

new learning opportunities. Question One: Seeks to authorize a new operating levy of \$740 per-pupil. If approved, the levy would provide \$1,375,000 annually for the district's general fund over a 10-year term and cost a \$150,000 home \$15.06 per month. Passage would create 3 to 4 years of financial stability for the district.

• Question Two: Seeks to authorize a capital projects levy (CPL) of \$800,000 per year for a 7-year term and cost a \$150,000 home \$4.66 per month. The CPL would complete funding for the district's 1:1 technology plan, which ensures all students have access to reliable learning technology at school and at home. The CPL would also invest in security and safety improvements in the district's buildings, and help alleviate financial pressure on the district's general fund.

Three: Question Seeks to authorize an additional operating levy of \$460 per-pupil. If approved, the levy would provide \$843,000 for a 10-year term and cost a \$150,000 home \$9.25 per month. This funding would support the same services as Question One by strengthening the district's general fund to avoid deficit spending and create an additional 2 to 3 years of financial stability for the district's budget.

Questions two and three are contingent upon question one passing.

Without additional financial support, the district faces a deficit of nearly \$2.4 million heading into the 2025-2026 academic year. The district has already cut nearly \$2.7 million, or approximately 10% of its total budget, over the last six years in response to inadequate state funding for education. Further cuts to the budget would likely include reductions in staffing and student programming.

In the coming weeks, visitors to PlanForOur-Prowlers.org will find a tax calculator to determine their tax impact on their individual properties as well as answers to frequently asked questions and instructions for how to vote. The website will be updated regularly through Election Day with further information about early voting and answers to additional community ques-

"We're committed to providing residents with the information they need to make an informed vote, and we look forward to engaging our community further about this big step for our schools," said Mills.

Residents with questions or suggestions are encouraged to submit feedback at PlanForOurProwlers.com/co nnect.

Nate Dalager, associate vice president at HDR in Thief River Falls, visited with individuals on the Pennington **Soil and Water Conservation** District 75th Anniversary Project Tour about Phase II of the County Ditch 96 project. This portion of CD 96 is located just south of St. Hilaire. HDR provided a survey and design for the project. Dalager noted that during the process they discovered moisture migrating north to the ditch. The soil type and action of the water led to bank erosion. Sand was put behind riprap, which protects the bank. The design would allow water to flow into the ditch without causing erosion. A number of sources made it possible to fund the project.

Tyler and Jenna Holen of St. Hilaire shared their experience working with the Pennington Soil and Water **Conservation District during** the SWCD 75th Anniversary Summer Project Tour on July 25. In May 2021, 567 trees were planted on the Holen farmstead. The effort was funded through EQIP-RCPP. The Holens said they were very happy.



**SWCD Anniversary Tour** 



### Three RLF school buses damaged

The Red Lake County Sheriff's Office is investigating after three Red Lake Falls School District buses sustained extensive damage this week.

At 7:58 a.m. Tuesday, the sheriff's office was dispatched to the bus barn on İnternational Drive in Red Lake Falls. It is believed that one or more people had illegally entered the bus barn sometime between 10 p.m. Monday and the time of the report Tuesday morning.

If anyone saw anything suspicious around that time or has any information regarding this incident, they are urged to contact the sheriff's office at 218-253-



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# Life at 50 and Beyond

# Hospice nurses provide care during some of life's toughest moments

Coping with terminal illness can be challenging, even for those people with immense support systems behind them. At some point in one's care plan, it may be recommended to transition from actively treating or trying to cure a condition to making the person more comfortable. This is when hospice steps in.

Generally speaking, hospice is reserved for people who expect to die from an illness within the next six months. Hospice care can take place in a health care setting or in a person's private home. Hospice nurses are vital parts of a hospice care team. These people care for those who have opted for hospice at the ends of their lives and fulfill the hospice philosophy of comfort and quality based on each person's unique

According to Samaritan

Life-Enhancing Care, a hospice nurse serves many purposes. A hospice nurse discusses and explains the patient's prognosis, and performs assessments and reviews medical histories. The nurse will administer medication for pain and monitor conditions and additional needs. Hospice nurses work to support the family and advocate for care according to the patient's wishes. They also can answer questions and address concerns, serving as sounding boards in difficult situations. Hospice nurses also provide emotional support and can facilitate spiritual support.

Nurses also may be present. at the time of death if asked. Hospice nurses also may help coordinate counseling for surviving family members who are experi-

encing grief. Hospice nurses may be

classified as intake admissions, case managers, visit nurses, and triage nurses. One or more hospice nurses will be involved with patient care over the course of treatment.

Most hospice providers are Certified Hospice and Palliative Assistants or Nursing Certified Hospice and Palliative Licensed Nurses. It is important for people considering hospice care nursing to determine the certification and coursework necessary for a career in the field. Families seeking hospice care needs should work with certified individuals.

It takes a compassionate person to work in hospice care. These invaluable individuals step in to offer assistance during trying times for individuals and their families.

# The basics of pickleball

by David Hill

I haven't played tennis in about 30 years. The other day I came across my tennis

racket in the garage.

The last time I played tennis was probably against my mom. In her day, she was a very competitive ten-nis player, and she never showed any mercy. I remember her smiling as she'd plant herself in the middle of her side of the court and direct the ball to whichever side of the court I wasn't. She was in total control and had me running constantly. Come to think of it, when I played Marv Lundin he did the same

In spite of ... or despite those memories, I decided to knock the spider webs off of my racket, and play a game of tennis.

There's something definitely wrong with my racket. It squeaked and squawked, and groaned. There were sounds coming

from my racket that I dare not repeat in print. It wasn't me! It's definitely the tennis racket. Yes, the racket. Definitely the rack-

I've decided that maybe that's why I see a lot of older, more "dignified citizens," playing pickleball. I say dignified because I am sure none of them make noises like I do ... I mean

my tennis racket. Here's an explanation of pickleball that I came across in a service we subscribe to:

A court sport is sweeping the nation, and it isn't ten-

nis or basketball. According to the Sports & Fitness Industry Association, 4.8 million people played pickleball in 2021, marking a nearly 15 percent growth in the total number of players

from the year prior.

Data from the SFIA suggests pickleball is popular among people of all ages. Total participation among players between ages six and 17 (21 percent), 18 and 34 (29 percent) and 35 and 54 (20 percent) is significant, and players 65 and older also are well represented (18 percent).

As the popularity of pickleball grows, now is a great time to explore the basics of this game that's become a go-to pastime for so many

What is pickleball?
USA Pickleball TM notes
that pickleball combines many elements of tennis, badminton and ping-pong. That game is played with a paddle and a plastic ball with holes and can be played both indoors and outdoors on a badmintonsized court with a slightly modified tennis net. Much like tennis, pickleball can be played in a singles (oneon-one) or doubles (two-ontwo) format.

How long has pickle-

ball been played? Despite a recent and meteoric spike in popularity, pickleball has been around since 1965. The brainchild of three fathers from Bainbridge Island (which is just a brief ferry ride away from Seattle), the game was invented as a means of entertaining bored children. It has since

evolved from those roots

and become a wildly popular game across both the United States and Canada, and the game has even begun to spread into Europe and Asia.

How is pickleball played?

An extensive list of the rules of pickleball can be found at https://usapickleball.org/what-is-pickleball/officialrules/rules-summary/. A game is typically played to 11 points, and a team must win by two. Tournament games may be played to 15 or 21, and a team must win

Does pickleball utilize referees?

Recreational games of pickleball can rely on the honor system much like pick-up games of other sports do. However, USA PickleballTM notes that referees and line judges are important components of tournament play. More information about becoming a pickleball referee can be found at https://usapickleball.org/get-involved/pickleball-officiating/.

Why should I play pickleball?

Players enjoy the game of pickleball for a multitude of reasons, including the thrill of competition, the chance to socialize, and the opportunity to exercise outside of a gym or home fitness center. But many play the game because they find it

Pickleball has experienced a notable spike in popularity in recent years. More information about the game and how to get involved is available at https://usapickleball.org.

# Tax breaks may be available for aging taxpayers

Growing older comes with many perks for those who are open to exploring the benefits. In addition to senior discounts on movies, meals and more, moving into one's golden years could offer some breaks when it comes to taxes and finances.

It is always best to go over tax- and finance-related plans with an accountant or certified financial planner to figure out what is in your best interest. However, generally speaking, here are some potential agerelated tax perks.

Increased retirement savings

Older individuals can contribute more to employer-sponsored retirement accounts and Roth or traditional individual retirement accounts (IRAs), according to AARP. For 2023, the contribution limit for employees who participate in 401(k) and 403(b) programs, most 457 retirement savings plans and Thrift Savings Plan through the U.S. federal government can increase their contributions to \$22,500. Those over

total of \$30,000. Larger standard deduction

age 50 can maximize contri-

butions even more, up to a

Balance Money says for tax year 2023, people age 65 or older can add an extra \$1,850 to the standard deduction they're eligible for if they're unmarried and not a surviving spouse. Those who are married and file joint returns can add

In addition, the standard eligible deductions increased. Most older taxpayers feel the bigger standard deduction plus the



extra standard deduction is more than any itemized deductions they can claim and choose this option when filing their returns.

Reduced taxable income The ability to contribute more to tax-defered retirement accounts enables older adults to reduce their taxable incomes. This, in turn, reduces the amount that needs to be spent on income

Changes in filing threshold

According to The Arbor Company, which oversees senior living communities, the filing threshold is the income that must be made before being required to file a tax return. Typical taxpayers who are either employees or retired and drawing pensions or Social Security find the threshold increases over age 65. Single filers over age 65 do not need to file returns if their incomes are \$14,050 or under. Married filers over age 65 have a threshold of \$27,400. If primary or sole income comes from Social Security or a pension, those over age 65 may not have to file returns at all.

Elderly or disabled tax credit

Differing from deductions, a credit for taxpayers is available to people age 65 or older or retired persons on permanent and total disability who receive taxable disability income for the tax year, according to the Internal Revenue Service. In addition, this credit is for those who have an adjusted gross income or the total of nontaxable Social Security, pensions, annuities, or disability income under specific limits. The eligibility levels change from year to year. Credits range from

\$3,750 to \$7,500. These are some of the tax breaks American seniors can expect when filing their income tax returns. Speak with an accountant and financial planner about other perks that come with aging. Individuals also can visit www.irs.gov for further information.

Courtesyof Metro

# Hearing loss: A common problem for older adults

by the National **Institute on Aging** 

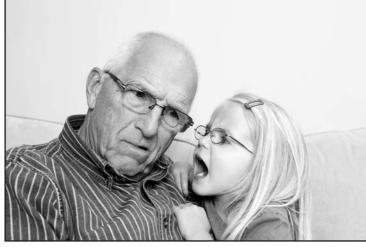
Hearing loss is a common problem caused by loud noise, aging, disease, and genetic variations. About one-third of older adults have hearing loss, and the chance of developing hearing loss increases with age. People with hearing loss may find it hard to have conversations with friends and family. They may also have trouble understanding a doctor's advice, responding to warnings, and hearing doorbells and alarms.

Some people may not want to admit they have trouble hearing. Hearing problems that are ignored or untreated can get worse. If you have a hearing problem, see your doctor. Hearing aids, special training, certain medications, and surgery are some of the treatments that can help.

Signs of hearing loss Some people have a hearing problem and don't realize it. You should see your

doctor if you: · Have trouble understanding what people are

saying over the telephone Find it hard to follow



conversations when two or more people are talking

· Often ask people to repeat what they are saying Need to turn up the TV volume so loud that others complain

· Have a problem understanding speech because of background noise

Think that others seem to mumble

understand Can't what's being said when children and people with higher pitched voices speak to you Types of hearing loss

Hearing loss comes in many forms. It can range from a mild loss, in which a person misses certain highpitched sounds, to a total loss of hearing.

Sudden hearing loss. Sudden deafness, known as sudden sensorineural hearing loss, is an unexplained rapid loss of hearing. It can happen to a person all at once or over a period of a few days. It should be considered a medical emergency. If you or someone you know experiences sudden hearing loss, visit a doctor immediately.

Age-related hearing loss. Age-related hearing loss, also called presbycusis, comes on gradually as a per-

son grows older. It seems to run in families and may occur because of changes in the inner ear and auditory nerve, which relays signals from the ear to the brain. Presbycusis may make it hard for a person to tolerate loud sounds or to understand what others are say-

Age-related hearing loss usually occurs in both ears, affecting them equally. Because the loss is gradual, people with presbycusis may not realize they have lost some of their ability to

Tinnitus. Tinnitus is also common in older people. It is typically described as ringing in the ears, but it also can sound like roaring, clicking, hissing, or buzzing. It can come and go. It can be heard in one or both ears, and it may be loud or soft. Tinnitus is sometimes the first sign of hearing loss in older adults. It can accompany any type of hearing

Tinnitus is a symptom, not a disease. Something as simple as a piece of earwax blocking the ear canal can cause tinnitus. It can also be a sign of other health

conditions, such as high blood pressure or allergies. Tinnitus can also occur as a side effect of certain medica-

Causes of hearing loss. Loud noise is one of the most common causes of hearing loss. Noise from lawn mowers, snow blowers, or loud music can damage the inner ear and result in permanent hearing loss. Loud noise also contributes to tinnitus. You can prevent most noise-related hearing loss by turning down the sound on your devices, moving away from loud noise, or using earplugs or other ear protection.

Earwax or fluid buildup can also cause hearing loss by blocking sounds that are carried from the eardrum to the inner ear. If wax blockage is a problem, your doctor may suggest mild treatments to soften earwax.

A ruptured eardrum can also cause hearing loss. The eardrum can be damaged by infection, pressure, or putting objects in the ear, including cottontipped swabs. See your doctor if you have ear pain or

fluid draining from an ear. Health conditions common in older people, such as diabetes or high blood pressure, can contribute to hearing loss. Ear infections caused by viruses and bacteria (also known as otitis media), a heart condition, stroke, brain injury, or a tumor may also affect your hearing.

Hearing loss can also result from taking certain medications that can damage the inner ear, sometimes permanently. These medications may be used to treat serious infections, cancer, or heart disease. They also include some antibiotics, and even aspirin at some dosages. If you notice a problem while taking a medication, check with your doctor.

Genetic variations can cause hearing loss as well. Not all inherited forms of hearing loss are evident at birth. Some forms can show up later in life. For example, otosclerosis, which is thought to be a hereditary disease, involves the abnormal growth of bone that prevents structures within the ear from working properly.

Life at 50 and Beyond

# Five common identity theft scams

their guard down when it comes to identity theft. Personal information is much more accessible in an increasingly digital world. Consequently, instances of identity theft and consumer fraud continue to grow.

Trade Federal Commission says identity theft is when someone uses your personal or financial information without your consent. Commonly stolen data includes addresses, credit card numbers, bank account information, Social Security numbers, or medical insurance numbers.

Though thieves can gather information by intercepting it through digital channels or simply by stealing mail or going through trash, many times people inadvertently share personal information with scammers themselves. Here's a look at five common scams.

1. Phone scams – Phone

scams may involve telemarketers trying to sell you something in exchange for personal information given over the phone, as well as people impersonating government agencies or credit card companies. "Please confirm account information" or "We'll need your financial information to process" are some of the phrases these scams utilize. Never give out personal information over the phone unless you've confirmed the individual you're speaking to is legitimate.

2. Text links – The Pew Research Center says 81% of adult mobile phone users use text messages regularly. Scammers utilize text messages to try to gain information. The text includes a link to a site that will request personal information. Do not respond to such texts and avoid clicking on the links.

3. Phishing emails -

Phishing emails look like they are coming from legitimate sources, but they often contain malware that can infiltrate computers and other devices to steal identi-

4. Medicare card verifica-

tion - Older individuals long have been targets of criminals. Seniors are now being called, emailed or even visited in person by scammers claiming to represent Medicare. Perpetrators of this scam offer new services or new chipped Medicare cards in exchange for verification of Medicare identification numbers. Medicare numbers should be carefully guarded, and seniors should keep in mind it's highly unlikely Medicare representatives will contact them in

this way. 5. Data breaches – It's not just a home computer or phone breach you need to worry about. According to

Legal, security experts indicate major companies are being breached. By the time it's discovered that data was stolen, your personal information, which usually includes credit card numbers, email addresses and home addresses, has been circulating for some time. While it's impossible for private citizens to prevent this type of data breach, a credit monitoring service can alert consumers if their information shows up where it seemingly doesn't belong.

Identity theft is an everpresent threat and consumers must exercise due diligence to protect their personal information.

(More scam awareness tips can be seen on page 3 of this past week's Times.)

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# Nursing home care and the "look-back period"

Health care plans provide access to medical care and other necessities and reduce out-of-pocket healthrelated expenses. Each plan is different, and depending on where you live, your cov-

erage may vary.
People quickly find that many healthcare plans do not include provisions for long-term health care, such as paying for nursing facilities. Understanding how health plans work and learning about potential financial reviews for nursing home payment qualification is a good idea for anyone concerned about financing their future health care

Health care basics

In the United States, health care is largely privately managed, with most employers offering access to various health coverage plans. Government subsiinclude

Medicare, which is for retirement-age individuals and younger people with disabilities. Medicaid is a joint state- and federallyrun government program that provides health coverage to low-income individuals and families.

Unless an individual meets low-income criteria, nursing home care is paid for by the resident; otherwise, people who qualify for Medicaid can have their nursing home expenditures paid for by that program. To receive Medicaid assistance, applicants should expect a financial review, including a look-back period.

What is the look-back period?

The health, senior finance and lifestyle Senior Living resource advises that Medicaid is a "last resort" method of financing nursing home Individuals

expected to use other means of payment first and "spend down" their assets. When financial resources dwindle, Medicaid will kick in to provide coverage.

To ensure that individuals simply do not transfer money out of their accounts to avoid paying for nursing home care by their own means, Medicaid requires a look-back period into applicants' finances to determine if there were any violations to rules regarding asset transfers.

Most people engage in some sort of long-term planning to protect a portion of their assets so that they can be used to support spouses or children. According to rules, an applicant is permitted to transfer certain monies to his or her spouse, provided the spouse isn't also applying for long-term through Medicaid. care Most money and tangible

asset transfers (check with your state Medicaid office for the most current rules) must have taken place 60 months (five years) prior to application for Medicaid. Penalties will be instituted when rules are broken, namely gifts or asset transfers that take place within the look-back period. This Medicaid delay acceptance.

Paying for long-term care can be complicated business with look-back periods and required spend-downs. It is in a person's best interest to seek the guidance of a financial planner who specializes in elder care to navigate these financial waters.

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# **Explore resources for caregivers**

Caregivers are called on to step in for any number of reasons. Some serve as companions to the elderly, while debilitating diseases like cancer. While many caregivers are professionals hired for their services, a good number of caregivers are informal – meaning they are family members or friends assisting loved ones.

Even though they are trying to help others, caregivers often must confront a form of stress known as caregiver burnout. The Cleveland Clinic states this stress is marked physical, emotional and mental exhaustion that occurs in caregivers. This burnout may lead to fatigue, anxiety and depression.

While there may not be a way to completely eliminate

all caregiving stress, there provides grants to states are some ways to prevent burnout. Utilizing various resources can be a start. others assist those with Here's a look at some avail-

• Trusted friend: Find

Support National

able caregiver resources someone you trust with

whom you can discuss your feelings, including any frustration you may feel. This can be a neighbor or a coworker with whom you feel comfortable sharing personal details.

groups: Support groups can provide safe spaces to vent with others who are in the same boat. Houses of worship may host support groups, or you can find out about meetings through hospitals or from personal doctors. Family Caregiver Support Program was established in 2000 and

and territories to fund a range of support that assists family and informal caregivers to care for their loveď long as possible. Other groups include Caregiver Action Network and Family Caregiver Alliance.

• Respite care services: Respite care services provide temporary breaks for caregivers by enabling the sick, elderly or injured to stay in care facilities for anywhere from a couple of hours to a few days. Some respite care services will provide short-term, in-home

• Professional therapist:

Many therapists are trained to counsel individuals who have particular issues. or even caregiver needs. Utilize their services if speaking with a confidante is not enough.

Caregivers often put the needs of others before their own. But they may need a little help along the way, which is where caregiver resources can come into

play. *Courtesy* MetroofCreative

# How to talk to someone who has hearing loss

by David Hill

One of our favorite stories about aging and hearing loss in our home involves a story about Oliver.

The story goes that after a day of hard work one spring, I woke and said, "I hurt all over."

There was a significant pause, and next heard, "You hurt Oliver? Who's Oliver?" Well, I wanted to know who Oliver was too, and

asked "Oliver? What are

you talking about? Who's

Oliver?" "You said you hurt

I paused trying to put the pieces together, and finally comprehending I said, "I didn't say I hurt Oliver, I

said I hurt A-L-L Over."

"Well, you mumble. You need to learn to enunciate." As we age, we all face certain ... challenges.

According to the National Institute on Aging, here's how you talk to someone who has hearing loss. I suppose, I'll get a quote from a national organization that tells one how to talk to someone who mum-

Here are some tips you can use when talking with someone who has a hearing problem:

• In a group, make a point to include people with hearing loss in the conversation.

• Find a quiet place to talk to help reduce background noise, especially in restaurants and at social gatherings.

• Stand in good lighting and use facial expressions or gestures to give clues.

• Face the person and speak clearly. Maintain eye contact.

• Speak a little louder than normal, but don't

• Try to speak naturally and at a reasonable speed. • Do not hide your mouth, eat, or chew gum

while speaking. · Repeat yourself if necusing different essary,

 Try to make sure only one person talks at a time. Be patient. People

with hearing loss may also be frustrated by their condition. Stay positive and relaxed.

· Ask how you can help.

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# Pain in your foot or ankle? It could be arthritis

(StatePoint) Arthritis in managing your symptoms. the feet and ankles can produce swelling and pain, deformity, loss of joint func-tion and loss of mobility. Whereas previous generations had to accept this as a normal part of aging, an explosion of new therapies and surgical treatments is offering patients today both hope and relief. For best results, however, foot and ankle surgeons urge early intervention.

When it comes to arthritis, it's important not to tough out symptoms or bear the pain," said Danielle Butto, DPM, FACFAS, a foot and ankle surgeon and Fellow member of the American College of Foot and Ankle Surgeons (ACFAS). "Earlier treatment is not just about alleviating symptoms sooner. In many cases, we can even slow the progression of the symptoms, and use less invasive procedures to treat the condition than we would otherwise.

Understanding the early warning signs of arthritis, the progression of different forms of the disease and the new treatments available are important for getting the proper treatment and

Osteoarthritis

Osteoarthritis is a degenerative condition characterized by the breakdown and eventual loss of cartilage in the joints.

One common area where osteoarthritis occurs is the big toe. The big toe makes it possible for you to walk and run upright, absorbing forces equal to nearly twice your body weight when walking. With all it endures, it's no surprise that overuse can erode cartilage, causing serious pain and even physical deformities. Nevertheless, many people confuse big toe arthritis, also known as hallux rigidus, with bunions.

Early signs of hallux rigidus include pain and stiffness during use, or during cold, damp weather, difficulty with activities like running and squatting, and swelling and inflammation around the joint. Additional symptoms may develop over time, including pain during rest, bone spurs, limping, and dull pain in the hip, knee or lower back due to changes in gait.

If you notice any of these symptoms, see a foot and

Conservative treatments like shoe modifications, orthotic devices and physical therapy, may prevent or postpone the need for surgery. If you have mid- to end-stage arthritis in your foot or ankle, you may require next steps, such as ground-breaking cartilage regeneration treatment, implant surgery or the surgical removal of damaged cartilage and spurs, all of which have quick recovery

"People with this disor-der tend to suffer much longer than they need to," said Dr. Butto. "They're often pleasantly surprised when they find out their problem can be fixed."

Rheumatoid Arthritis Rheumatoid arthritis (RA) is a disease in which

certain cells of the immune system malfunction and attack healthy joints. Foot problems caused by RA commonly occur in the ball of the foot near the toes, although RA can also affect other areas of the foot and ankle. The most common signs and symptoms are pain, swelling, joint stiffness and difficulty walking, as well as a range of deformities, including rheumatoid nodules, dislocated toe joints, hammertoes, bunions, heel pain, Achilles tendon pain and flatfoot ankle pain.

As part of a team that includes a primary doctor or rheumatologist, your foot and ankle surgeon will develop a treatment plan aimed at relieving associated pain, which may include orthotic devices, accom-modative shoes, aspiration of fluid build-up and steroid injections. When RA produces foot pain and deformities not relieved through other treatments, surgery may be required.

"Listening to your body and seeing a foot and ankle surgeon are so important. With today's scientific advances, treatment can reduce pain and restore you to your previous mobility, strength and functionality,' said Butto.

For more information on foot and ankle arthritis or to find a foot and ankle surgeon near you, visit FootHealthFacts.org, the patient education website of the American College of Foot and Ankle Surgeons.

# How to use diet to combat age-related bodily changes that can affect your health

The human body is a marvel. How the body transforms over the course of an individual's life is one of its more remarkable qualities, and those changes never cease, even as individuals near retirement

The changes associated with aging include physical transformations but also more subtle shifts the naked eye cannot see. For example, metabolism slows as individuals grow older, and aging also can lead to a decrease in bone density and muscle mass. These changes affect how men and

women at or nearing retirement age should approach their diets in recognition of the various ways their nutritional needs change at this point in their lives. Any modifications to a diet should first be discussed with a physician, but the following are some ways aging adults can use diet to combat age-related changes to their bodies:

Prioritize protein. The authors of a 2010 study published in the journal Current Opinion in Nutrition and Metabolic Care recommended that adults older consume

between 25 and 30 grams of protein with each meal. The researchers behind the study concluded that such consumption could limit inactivity-mediated losses of muscle mass and func-

• Overcome reduced production of vitamin D. WebMD notes that people over 65 typically experience a decrease in natural production of vitamin D. Vitamin D is not naturally found in many foods, so aging men and women may need to rely on supplementation to ensure their bodies get enough of it. Vitamin D helps with anti-inflammation, immune system support and muscle function, among other benefits. So it's vital that aging men and women find ways to get suf-

ficient vitamin D. Consume ample dietary fiber. The National Resource Center on Nutrition & Aging notes that fiber plays an important role in the health of older adults. Fiber has been linked with heart health, healthy digestion, feeling full, and preventing constipation, which the online medical resource Healthline notes is a common health problem among the elderly. Though the National Center Resource Nutrition and Aging notes

that older adults need slightly less fiber than their younger counterparts, it's still a vital component of a nutritious diet. The feeling of fullness that fiber consumption can provide is also significant, as it can ensure adults who aren't burning as many calories as they used to aren't overeating in order to feel satisfied. That can make it easier for such adults to maintain a healthy weight.

• Monitor intake of vitamin B12. The NRCNA notes vitamin B12 is involved in a host of important functions in the body, including nerve function and the formation of red blood cells. Vitamin B12 is most easily found in animal products, which many aging men and women must largely avoid due to other health concerns. In such instances, men and women can discuss supplementation with their physicians as well as alternative food sources of B12, such as fortified cereals, salmon and other items.

Bodily changes related to aging increase the likelihood that men and women will need to alter their diets in order to maintain their overall health.

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# Things to know before drafting a living will

During the prime of their lives, people typically don't give much thought to scenarios in which they become ill or are facing the end of life. Sickness and mortality are not easy conversations to have, but it is important for everyone to approach these heavy topics with close family members so that individuals can rest easy knowing their needs will be met if or when their health falters.

An advanced healthcare directive - also known as a living will - is a legal document in which a person lists the specifics of medical care and comfort actions they desire should the individual no longer be able to make decisions for themselves due to illness or incapacity. The legal advice resource Legal Zoom says the living will may list certain things, such as whether life support is desired or if pain medica-

their living arrangements

need to be adjusted. Needs

evolve as children move out

or other situations arise.

One of the scenarios that

may come to pass as a per-

son ages is the need for

more specialized help that

just isn't possible at home.

When failing physical or mental health affects one's

ability to be independent

and live safety at home,

moving into an assisted liv-

ing facility may be the next

step. The National Center

for Assisted Living indicates

assisted living offers the lit-

tle bit of help some people

need when they can no

longer manage living alone.

Typically these facilities

provide assistance with

bathing or dressing, med-

tion should be administered. A living will should not be confused with a traditional will, which is a legal document that explains wishes for financial and personal assets after a person dies. Living wills also differ from living trusts, which address how assets will be managed if a person becomes incapacitat-

A living will is not always a necessity if a person does not have strong feelings about decisions made on his or her behalf while not cognizant. However, for those who do want to have a say in care, a living will is the best method for ensuring choices will be carried out. The following are some other questions people should ask themselves concerning living wills.

· Do I want to remove the burden of tough choices from my loved ones? A living

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sion, meals, housekeeping,

laundry, and personal care.

Residents usually have

their own apartments or

private rooms. Because they

are mostly regulated at state level in the United

States, there is a lot of vari-

AARP says assisted liv-

Vetting is an important

living facilities

As people age, oftentimes ing to people who may not

ing homes.

facilities.

will relieves grieving loved ones of the responsibility of making challenging decisions of invoking life-saving procedures or not - particularly if they're not sure what you desire.

Do I have firm feelings about life-saving methods? A living will allows you to spell out preferences on insertion of feeding tubes, if you want specialized hydration, if you want to be hooked up to life support if brain function is minimal, and a host of other scenar-

· Is cost preventing me from drafting a living will? Cost need not be a factor in setting up a living will. You can download a free template from any number of online legal sources. Local hospitals often have forms as well, which can be notarized for only a few dollars. These forms are generally comprehensive and can help

givers need to assess their

needs and desires in a facil-

ity to find the right one that

fits. Assisted living facilities

offer a home-like environ-

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Potential residents and

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Paying for assisted living

you answer all the questions and write in specifics.

Have you selected a trusted person to carry out wishes? A health care proxy, according to the American Bar Association, is a person

authority to make decisions for you if you are unable to express your preferences for medical treatment. Together with the living will, the health care proxy,

appointed by you with the also called a durable medical power of attorney, can fulfill your wishes accord-

A living will is an important component of medical and estate planning.

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### Annual colorectal cancer screenings are recommended for men and women over 50

As the human body ages, screening for various conditions and diseases may need to occur more frequently. Routine doctor visits may not be a part of most people's image of the perfect retirement, but such checkups can save lives and make one's golden years much

more enjoyable.
The World Health Organization notes that cancer is the leading cause of death across the globe and that colorectal cancer is the second most common cause of cancer death in the world. A 2017 study published in the journal Cancer Epidemiology, Biomarkers & Prevention concluded that risk factor modification, screening and treatment all have considerable potential to reduce colorectal cancer mortality by 2030.

National The Library of Medicine recommends that men and women between the ages of 50 and

75 be screened for colorectal which include an assortcancer every year. Doctors screen for colorectal cancer in various ways, and many of these screenings need not be conducted annually. However, the USNLM recommends that all men and women between the ages of 50 and 75 receive a fecal occult blood, or stool-based, test every year. In addition, men and women should receive a fecal immuno-chemical, or FIT, test every year. The FIT is a simple test that adults can conduct in the privacy of their own

Doctors may recommend additional screenings for colorectal cancer. Upon making such recommendations, doctors will discuss patients' screening options,

ment of tests, and then recommend which test might be best for the patient. The USNLM recommends men and women receive stool DNA tests every three flexible sigmoiyears, doscopy tests every five years and double contrast barium enemas every five years. Virtual colonoscopies (once every five years) and colonoscopies (once every 10 years) also may be recommended.

Colorectal cancer claims hundreds of thousands of lives across the globe every year. Men and women over 50 can reduce their risk of falling victim to colorectal cancer by scheduling annual screenings.



Routine doctor visits may not be a part of most people's image of the perfect retirement, but such checkups can save lives and make one's golden years much more enjoy-

#### government support, nor may the facilities accept anything other than private payment or long-term care insurance to cover room and Other considerations in assisted living facilities are size, specialties, atmos-

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# Common warning signs of arthritis

 $_{
m has}$ name recognition, even among people who are not suffering from it. But despite that recognition, arthritis is not as well understood as one might think.

According the Foundation, Arthritis arthritis is not a single disease, but rather an informal way of referring to joint pain or joint disease. In fact, the term "arthritis" is so wide-ranging that it actually refers to more than 100 types of conditions.

Despite that complexity, arthritis often produces four important warning signs, regardless of which type of arthritis a person may have.

1. Pain

The Arthritis Foundation notes that arthritis-related pain may be constant or intermittent. One common misconception about arthritis pain is that it only occurs during or shortly after a body is at rest. However, arthritis-related pain can occur while the body is at rest and is not always triggered by an activity that incorporates a part of the body affected by arthritis. In addition, pain from arthritis can be isolated to one area of the body or affect various parts of the body.

2. Swelling Skin over the joints affected by arthritis may become red and swollen. This skin also may feel warm to the touch. The Arthritis Foundation advises anyone who experiences this swelling for three days or longer or more than three times per month to contact a physician. 3. Stiffness

This warning sign is, along with pain, the one that is most often associated with arthritis, even by people who don't suffer from the condition. Stiffness when waking up in the morning or after long periods of being sedentary, such as sitting at a desk during the workday or taking a long car ride, can be symptomatic of arthritis, especially if the stiffness lasts

an hour or longer.4. Difficulty moving a

The Arthritis Foundation notes that people should not experience difficulty moving, such as when getting out of bed. People who experience such difficulty may have arthritis.

People who recognize any of these warning signs should report them to their physicians immediately. Be as specific as possible when describing these symptoms, as specificity can help physicians design the most effective course of treat-



# Aging Eyes?

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# Strength training for seniors

A balanced diet and exercise, which includes a combination of aerobic activities and strength training, is necessary to maintain longterm health.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, regular physical activity is one of the most important things older adults can do to protect overall health. Exercise helps to delay or prevent many of the conditions that come with age. Adults ages 65 and older should aim for the recommended 150 minutes a week of moderate-intensity activity, such as brisk walking, and at least two days of activities that strengthen muscles.

When it comes to muscle strengthening, seniors can follow these safety guidelines as they embark on their strength-training jour-

• Speak with a healthcare provider first. Get the green light to proceed with an exercise regimen before beginning by having a discussion with your general practitioner about your fitness goals. Your doctor can recommend strategies that are safe and point out any exercises that may compro-

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 Master basic exercises Anyone new strength training, which is sometimes known as resisttraining, can start out slowly, even using just weight, to body provide resistance. Resistance exercises can include squats, crunches, modified pushups, planks, and

mise your overall health.

lunges. • Graduate to resistance bands. When you're ready to move on to something else, consider resistance bands as an alternative to free weights. The bands can help you develop good form before introducing weight. Good form is key to avoiding injury.

Work with a trainer. Working with a certified personal trainer can help you learn how to use free weights and strength-training machines correctly. A

trainer also can create routine includes the right number of sets and repetitions to gradually build and maintain muscle mass. If you decide against hiring

a trainer, gym staff members may guide you through equipment and demonstrate proper form.

Exercise with a friend. Strength training with a friend or family member can provide motivation and keep

you on target to meet your

• Build up gradually. Your first strength session should only last 10 to 15 minutes, according to Tiffany Chag, C.S.C.S., a strength coach at the Hospital for Special Surgery in New York. This enables you to gauge soreness. Wait until soreness abates before beginning your next session if you are new to strength training.

Strength exercises are a vital part of maintaining health as a senior. Such exercises help maintain muscle mass and also improve balance and bone health

### Habits that affect cognitive health

changes to appearance and health are associated with aging. Issues such as diminished vision, waning muscle strength and gray hairs are among the more common and noticeable side effects of aging. Cognitive decline is another symptom often associated with aging, even if that needn't be the case.

Certain lifestyle choices can protect against cognitive decline and dementias. While there is no surefire way to prevent dementias, here are some good habits for maintaining cognitive function well into your golden years.

Exercise frequently

Harvard Health reports that exercise, in addition to the many other benefits it provides, may help improve cognitive function in people who have already experienced memory issues. Exercise may be particularly advantageous to people who carry the APOE4 gene variant, which makes peo-

Alzheimer's. Speak with a doctor about how much exercise is needed and what is safe for your age.

Enjoy video games

Playing a favorite video game may improve longterm cognitive function. Researchers at Cambridge Brain Sciences found study participants who played non-cognitive-training video games were associated with better performance several cognitive domains, but only for younger (age 18 to 64) participants. Cognitive training games, on the other hand, were not associated with any cognitive improvement.

Stay socially engaged

According to a study published in the journal Experimental Aging Research, seniors who have high levels of social engagement also have better cognitive function.Getting together with friends, participating in a club, attend-

ple more susceptible to ing religious studies, and any other activity that gets you out with other people can help with cognitive function.

Eat a healthy diet

Eating a diverse array of healthy foods is beneficial. Nutritious diets can help reduce the risk for illnesses that may affect cognitive ability. Eating well also helps keep the brain healthy. A Mediterranean diet appears to lower the risk or slow the progression of dementia in people who have the condition.

Get help for sleep disorders

Lack of sleep can affect memory and learning. By getting help for sleep disorders, you may reduce your risk for cognitive issues.

While it is not possible to prevent or cure cognitive conditions like dementias with lifestyle changes, certain behaviors can lower the risk of developing these illnesses or reduce their

# Family caregivers by the numbers

Caregivers come from all and the career experts at working caregivers who suffer work-related difficulties walks of life, even if people may be most likely to associate caregiving with the paid professionals who work as home health aides or in nursing care settings. However, many caregivers are informal, family caretheir services, but step in to help someone they love. Here's a look at some of the numbers regarding family caregivers, courtesy of the National Alliance for Caregiving, AARP, Gallup-Healthways Well-Being

Index, Respect Care Givers,

53 million: the number of Americans who are providing unpaid care to a family member or a friend.

• 9.5 million: amount by which caregiver numbers increased between 2015 and

• 1 in 5: the number of Americans who are care-

• 22: the percentage of caregivers who are middle-

aged. • 46: the average age of

an employed caregiver. • 70: the percentage of due to their dual roles. 34.7: the number of

hours employed caregivers work each week, not including caregiver services. • 70.7: the percentage of

family caregivers who are (29.3 percent men).

88: the percentage of caregivers residing in urban or suburban areas.

• 69: the percentage of caregivers caring for parents or parents-in-law. Fifty-one percent care for a spouse or partner.

# **Social Security expands** outreach and access for SSI

Security expanded its outreach to people in critical need of financial help who may be eligible for Supplemental Security Income (SSI).

SSI provides monthly payments to adults age 65 and older or to other adults – and children – with a disability or blindness who have limited income and financial resources. SSI helps pay for basic needs like rent, food, clothing, and medicine.

Social Security identified underserved communities in rural and urban areas across the country. It

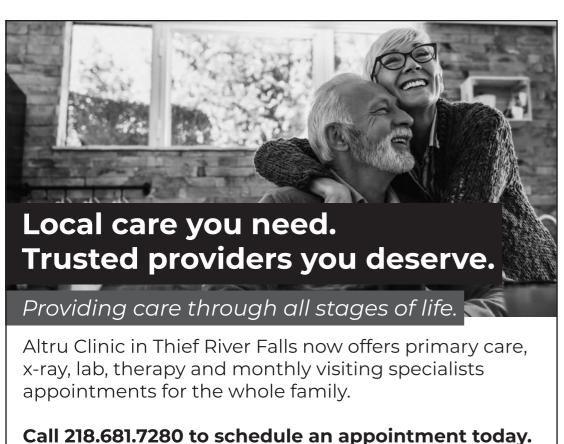
focused on areas with the greatest decline in SSI applications since the pandemic. Its outreach efforts targeted areas where a majority of people are living at or below the federal poverty threshold.

People who receive SSI may qualify for other finanhelp, including Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program or SNAP benefits (formerly known as food stamps), Medicaid, and discounted internet service through the Federal Trade Commission's Affordable Connectivity Program.

Social Security beneficiaries may also be eligible for SSI. People with limited and financial income resources and access can www.ssa.gov/ssi to learn more about SSI eligibility and request an appointment to apply for benefits. People without access to the internet can call Social Security's National 800 Number at 1-800-772-1213 to speak with a representa-

Please share this information with your friends and family to spread the word about SSI.

Thief River Falls, MN 56701





Life at 50 and Beyond

# Seniors, don't be afraid to ride THE Bus

by David Hill **Editor** 

During the Pennington County Fair, I stopped to visit with a representative of THE Bus at their booth in the Huck Olson Memorial Civic Center. I just had to share my experience with their service. She thanked me for being so supportive and asked me to remind others, especially seniors, that the service is available.

So here goes .. After years of trying to ignore the pain in my big toe, I finally decided it was time to have a doctor look at it. It was well that I did, and acknowledge, that something had to be done. There was one, however, limiting concern that I had - how would I get to and from work while I was recovering? Although I'm over 60, I still have to work. While recovering, driving myself was out of the question, as a recovery would require an ortho boot on my right foot and leg, which would make braking and accelerating impossible. Nope, driving was out of the question. Could I, or should I rely on friends to get me to and from work? I really didn't want to put that kind of strain on any of my friendships, especially during what was turning out to be a very difficult winter, so I started looking at transportation options.

As a senior, I've become ... concerned about my independence, and more concerned about my personal safety. I don't think that's an uncommon feeling among seniors, is it?

If asked to describe how

they envision retirement,

many professionals might

reference travel, time spent

with grandchildren and various recreational pursuits.

Few, if any, would mention

cognitive decline. However,

cognitive decline poses a

significant threat to aging

men and women, especially

since recognized that cer-

tain cognitive abilities

begin to decline with

advanced age, even among

healthy. However, despite that decline, the Centers for

dementias like Alzheimer's

disease are not an inevitable part of aging. In fact, the CDC estimates

that as many as 40% of dementia cases may be pre-

vented or delayed. In addition, the CDC reports that

it's not uncommon for routine memory, skills and

knowledge to stabilize or

even improve as the brain

retirees who want to spend

their post-work life pursu-

ing their passions and hob-

bies. Individuals also can

embrace some strategies to

stay mentally sharp in

retirement. Even if early

retirement is a dream, it

might be better to work a

little longer than you had

planned. A 2021 study pub-

lished in the journal SSM – Population Health found

that postponed retirement

is beneficial to cognitive

function for all genders,

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al levels, and professional status. The study reported

Consider delaying

retirement:

That's good news for

Prevention notes

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How to stay mentally

sharp after retirement

Taxies, of course, were available, but so too is THE Bus. Riding THE Bus was probably one of the best decisions I've made. I'd make a call for a reservation the day before. Every morning, I'd then hobble out to the street where I would meet the bus, and ride in comfort and a warm bus to work. It was really nice to climb into a warm bus on a cold day and then let someone else worry about slip-pery roads. During this time, I had to make trips to Sanford Health on the south end of town, and in weather I wouldn't have wanted to drive in myself. The drivers took me right to the front door and then picked me up when I was done. It was great. At no time did I ever feel unsafe. I might have had to wait a little bit at times for a ride, but riding the bus was really a com-

If you're a senior, or someone else in need of a ride, please consider THE Bus. By the way, I feel I have to be fair to other services in our community there's nothing wrong with our taxi services, either. Thief River Falls residents are lucky, indeed, to not only have THE Bus but also taxi service.

When I first started to consider how I was going to get to and from work, I went to the Tri-Valley  $_{
m the}$ Transportation website and read all about what THE Bus could do, how much it cost (\$2 in town) and how to make a reservation for a ride. I know a lot of seniors aren't comfortable with computers, so I've taken the

that individuals who waited

until age 67 to retire experi-

enced less cognitive decline

than those who retired prior

your retirement routine. A

lack of structure may seem

enticing to individuals who

have spent decades work-

ing. However, many retirees

find that little structure loses its appeal quickly

after calling it quits. When

creating a new routine in

retirement, include regular

exercise. According to the

physically active are less

likely to experience a

decline in their mental

function. So daily exercise

not only gives retirees something to do, but also

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Retirees can look into adult

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Make exercise part of

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liberty to copy some of the information available on the website of THE Bus. You'll find it below. You should also know that there are some time limits. Bus service isn't available at all times of the day or night.

Did you know, Tri-Valley Heartland also provides bus services in several other communities? Ride reservations must be scheduled by 3 p.m. the day prior to the trip. Call 1-800-201-3432 for a ride or more informa-

In case you're wondering, the bus routes and schedules are listed in The Times every week.

As promised, here's the information I copied from their website:

"Tri-Valley Transportation also known as T.H.E. Bus (Tri-Valley Heartland Express) is a division of Tri-Valley Opportunity Council, Inc. Tri-Valley is a community action agency serving citizens since 1965 and an Affirmative Action/Americans with Disabilities/ Equal Opportunity Corporation.

"T.H.E. Bus is a curb to curb service and provides public transportation services to the general public in eight Minnesota counties, Polk, Red Lake, Norman, Marshall, Kittson, Pennington, Mahnomen, and Clearwater. Buses run through these counties on various days with various destinations. Our public transit buses are available with no age limits or income guidelines. Buses have seating available for up to 40 passengers. Each bus is handicap accessible with

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"Transportation services

are used for a variety of reasons, which include; medical, nutritional, social, recreational, shopping, work, school, and other peractivities. sonal Destinations include, but are not limited to: Grand Forks, Bemidji, Thief River Falls, Fargo/Moorhead, and Crookston. Tri-Valley Transportation provides safe, friendly, and dependable transportation at a reasonable price T.H.E. Bus is funded depending on the service it is provided.

"In-town and rural transportation is funded through the Public Transportation grant from the Minnesota Department of Transportation. The grant provides 80% operating costs with 20% local match (fare box). This grant is used to enhance access of people in non-urbanized areas to health care, shopping, education, employment, public services, and recreation. It is used to assist in the maintenance, development, improvement, and use of public transportation systems in non-urbanized

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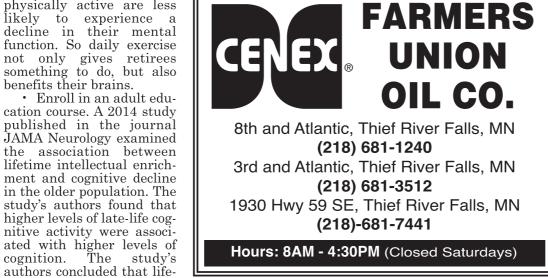
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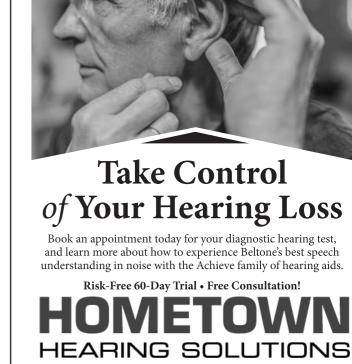
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# Regional Library system seeks funding increase for 2024

by April Scheinoha Reporter

It's past the halfway mark of 2023, and Pennington County leaders and others are thinking of the 2024 county budget. At its meeting Tuesday, July 25, the Pennington County Board heard a budget request from the Northwest Regional Li-

NWRL Director Jim Trojanowski appeared before commissioners, requesting that the county contribute an additional 3% for next year. Currently, the county contributes \$122,977. Commissioners took the request under advisement.

Trojanowski explained that an auditor has advised NWRL to cease deficit budg-

eting. He indicated that state funding will erase the NWRL's deficit, but its funding balance will remain low. Trojanowski cited staff recruitment and book purchases as other reasons for the increase.

It is expected that Trojanowski will appear before the Thief River Falls City Council to ask for additional funding in the future. Currently, the city provides \$172,499.

Commissioners proved seeking a wage study from Bjorklund Compensation Consulting LLC at a cost not to exceed \$5,000. It has been years since the county had a wage study, and union negotiations are expected to begin this fall.

Commissioners pointed members to the county's Noxious Weed Appeal Committee. County Board Chairperson Neil Peterson, Thief River Falls City Forester Louis Brown and Gabe Carlson were appointed.

If an order were issued about noxious weeds on a property and the landowner wishes to appeal, the landowner needs to appeal within two days of receiving the order. The committee will then consider the appeal within five days of receiving

Board meeting is scheduled Tuesday, Aug. 8 at 10 a.m. at the Justice Cen-





# **RiverFest** performers

PopROCKS will headline RiverFest on Friday, Aug. 4. The band is described as Minnesota's ultimate dance party rock band. It is slated to perform at 10:30 p.m.

BlackHawk will headline RiverFest on Saturday, Aug. 5. The country band is slated to perform at 10:30 p.m.







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Badger Independent School District #676 is seeking candidates for

#### **Paraprofessional Positions**

Hours: 7.25 hours per school day from 8 a.m.—3:15 p.m.

Requirements: High School diploma or GED as well as complete a pre-employment criminal history background check.

For full job posting and qualifications, please visit our website at www.badger.k12.mn.us

For questions, please contact Kevin Ricke, 218-528-3201 or kricke@badger.k12.mn.us

Application Deadline: Open until filled.

Badger Independent School District is an equal opportunity employer.

#### Clinic LPN

### North Valley

North Valley Health Center is currently seeking a LPN to work in our busy clinic flex-time (8-24 hours per week), with the possibility of becoming part-time or full-time.

Clinic family practice experience preferred but will train.

Position will work with all clinic providers, including telemed.

Position requires a current Minnesota license.

Competitive pay and benefits.

Please email cover letter and resume to Jill.Lysford@northvalleyhealth.org or mail to:

Equal Opportunity Employe

North Valley Health Center Attn: Jill Lysford, Human Resources 300 W. Good Samaritan Drive Warren, MN 56762



We are hiring for these positions:

Pennington Health Services (DBA Thief River Care Center) EOE/AA

- LPNS FT & PT, PM & NOC shifts, every other weekend/holiday \$5K SIGN-ON BONUS
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- \$3K SIGN-ON BONUS
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\$3k Sign-On Bonus

Come apply at sfhs.org, click Employment, click View Job Postings and look for positions for Pennington Health Services

Please contact Tracy Kriel, Human Resources Director at the Thief River Care Center, tkriel@trcc.sfhs.org or call 218-683-8103



AG SERVICES

# CHS Ag Services is looking for the following full-time position: Operations Manager - Badger, MN.

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# MARSHALL COUNTY CENTRAL SCHOOLS FULL TIME INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY TEACHER

Marshall County Central Schools is seeking an Industrial Technology Teacher for the 2023-2024 School Year. Preferred applicants would have a teaching license in Industrial Technology, Construction Careers, Manufacturing Careers, or Agriculture Education. Persons with a teaching license in another area, four year degree, persons with a professional certificate, or persons with 5 years relevant work experience in related fields are also welcome to apply.

Marshall County Central is ideally located near Thief River Falls in central Marshall County in Northwest Minnesota. Newfolden and the surrounding communities are a great place to live and raise a family with a short driving distance to Old Mill State Park, Grand Forks, and Lake of the Woods.

Our school district is located near large industrial technology companies including Arctic Cat, DigiKey, Central Boiler, MatTracks, EricCo, Argo, and driving distance from Polaris, American Crystal Sugar, and Marvin Windows. Several local companies support local graduates in construction careers

Position is open until filled.

Applications are available:
https://www.newfolden.k12.mn.us/page/job-postings
Please complete the application, background check form,
cover letter, and letter of recommendation.
Application items may be sent to:
High School Principal Brian Longerbone
blongerbone@mccfreeze.org or by mail to:

PO Box 189, Newfolden, MN 56738.

Marshall County Central Schools is an equal opportunity educator and employer.

### **AUTO MECHANIC**

Apply in person or call Tom at 218-681-4820.

HWY. 1 & 59 W.





# Production Workers

Monday – Thursday 8 am - 4 pm Fridays 7 am - 3 pm

Physically must be able to lift 50lbs, possess good communication skills, reliable and demonstrate good time management skills.

Please call 218-222-3677 for details.

Natural Way Mills is located on Co. Road 6 between Gatzke & Middle River

# EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY DENTAL ASSISTANT

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Call 218-463-2553 for more information



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### The following position is available in School District #564, Thief River Falls, Minnesota: MATH TEACHER-MIDDLE SCHOOL

Thief River Falls Public Schools has an opening for a Math Teacher at Franklin Middle School for the 2023-2024 school year. Come join our team, where you will work with other talented faculty and staff. TRF Schools values educators who display a willingness to grow professionally, to be active members of our learning community, and to build positive relationships with students, parents, and colleagues.

#### **Duties:**

- Teach math concepts and lead interventions to students in grades 6-8
  Develop and administer middle school math curriculum consistent with district goals and objectives
- Conduct ongoing assessment of student learning and modify instructional methods appropriately
- Maintain a system for accurate and complete record-keeping, grading and
- reporting requirements Work with all staff in supporting student success
- Work with all staff in supporting student success
   Qualifications:

• Proper MN licensure (as defined by PELSB)

 Successful prior math teaching and small group intervention experience in grades 6-8 preferred

Salary and Benefits: Per Negotiated Contract Application Deadline: Open until filled

On-Line Application and other available opportunities can be found on the District website:

http://www.trf.k12.mn.us > Employment

Providing a community partnership focused on quality learning, Independent School District 564 is an equal opportunity educator and employer



# THE RED LAKE FALLS SCHOOL DISTRICT

is accepting applications for a

#### Full-Time Special Education Teacher

DATE OF AVAILABILITY: 2023-2024 School Year DATE CLOSING: Open until filled

JOB SUMMARY: Provide instruction for students who are enrolled in special education programs; deliver direct & indirect special education services to students in a resource room setting; monitor progress on IEP goals & objectives; follow due process and IEP procedures and manage the paperwork; communicate effectively with families & staff; develop and implement Behavior Intervention Plans and Positive Behavior Support Plans. Training for specific needs of the students in the program will be provided by the district.

QUALIFICATIONS: Requires MN licensure in Special Education or ability to obtain. Experience working with a variety of behavioral, emotional, and learning disabilities, and the ability to deliver specialized instruction to meet the individual needs of these students. Ability to perform duties with awareness of all district requirements and Board of Education policies. Ability to develop effective working relationships with students, staff and the school community.

**WORKING CONDITIONS:** Classroom, office, lifting, pushing, pulling, standing, sitting, keyboarding, etc.

TO APPLY: Please submit resume, transcript, cover letter, MN license, and 3 letters of reference to:
Principal Brad Kennett,
PO Box 399, Red Lake Falls, MN. 56750

or email to: bkennett@redlakefalls.k12.mn.us

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### **CASE AIDE**

#### \$21.29 to \$26.95

Pennington County Human Services is seeking applicants for the position of Case Aide. This full-time (37.5 hours/week) position is under the direction of the Social Services Supervisor and is responsible for performing a variety of paraprofessional Social Services activities to support the professional and supervisory staff of the department. Duties involve such tasks as explaining Social Services, Income Maintenance, and other community programs and services to individuals and groups; and assisting other staff in providing clerical support activities to unit personnel and data entry for all units.

Minimum qualification of education and experience are a High School Diploma or GED. This union position features a wage range of \$21.29 to \$26.95/hour, 13 paid holidays, health and life insurance, and a retirement pension.

Applicants must apply to and be determined eligible for employment as a Case Aide by the Minnesota Merit System. Applicants may complete a Minnesota Merit System on-line application at: <a href="http://agency.governmentjobs.com/mnmeritsystem/default.cfm">http://agency.governmentjobs.com/mnmeritsystem/default.cfm</a>.

For additional information contact:

Julie Sjostrand, Director,
Pennington County Human Services,
PO Box 340, Thief River Falls, MN 56701,
Telephone: (218) 681-2880 ext. 227
or by email at: jasjostrand@co.pennington.mn.us.
The Minnesota Merit System will accept applications for this position until August 8th, 2023, at 12:00 p.m.

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#### Safety Coordinator

# North Valley

North Valley Health Center is currently seeking a part-time Safety Coordinator.

This position is responsible for maintenance of safety standards in the facility for employees as well as patients and visitors. The Safety Coordinator will also create and maintain safety policies and procedures, educate and train employees on current safety plans, and document and report all accidents/incidents. Two years of experience is preferred but not required.

To Apply, please email cover letter and resume to Jill.Lysford@northvalleyhealth.org or mail to:

North Valley Health Center Attn: Jill Lysford, Human Resources 300 W. Good Samaritan Drive Warren, MN 56762 Equal Opportunity Employer

#### **ASSISTANT COOK**

ISD #2906 Red Lake County Central

Red Lake County Central High School in Oklee, MN has a full-time Assistant Cook position open for the 2023-2024 school year. Applicants must hold, or be eligible to acquire the required Food Protection Manager Certifications.

Applicants interested in the position should submit their completed application and any current food service credentials to:

Mr. Randall Pederson, Principal Red Lake County Central High School PO Box 100 Oklee, MN 56742 218-796-5136

Applications will be accepted until the position is filled

Application forms are available at www.rlcc2906.org

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# Employment Opportunity

### **POSITION: Deputy Sheriff**

Roseau County is accepting applications for the position of a regular part-time Deputy Sheriff. Applicants will be invited for testing and will be placed on an eligibility roster based on test scores. Regular part-time Deputy positions may be filled from this roster. The eligibility roster will remain in effect for one year.

This is a Grade 8 position with a starting wage of \$28.13 per hour with an additional \$2.00 night differential pay.

Applicants must be MN POST licensed or eligible to be licensed at the time of hire, hold a valid Minnesota driver's license, have good verbal and written communication skills, be a U.S. citizen, and have no felony convictions. Successful candidates must pass physical and psychological testing and a background check prior to employment.

Applications may be obtained from the County Coordinator's Office by email at joleen.kezar@co.roseau.mn.us; from the Roseau County website at http://www.co.roseau.mn.us or by calling 218-463-4248. Completed applications, along with a cover letter and resume, may be submitted to: Deputy Sheriff Position, Roseau County Coordinator's Office, Room 131, Roseau, MN 56751.

Closing date is: August 4, 2023 at 4:30 p.m.

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# **DEPENDABLE** HELP WANTED

**DUTIES INCLUDE: Working On The Automatic** Inserter, Bagging, Mailing Newspapers and Various Other Duties Around Busy Newspaper Shop. Opportunities for Advancement.

**REQUIREMENTS:** Ability To Lift 60 Lbs. Repetitively; Willingness to Learn. Must Be 18 Yrs. Or Older. Criminal Background Check, Valid Driver's License required. STOP IN AND FILL OUT AN APPLICATION AT

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#### **TEACHING POSITION AVAILABLE:**

Adult Basic Education is seeking a full-time instructor in Thief River Falls to start ASAP.

This position is a part of the Northwest Service Cooperative Adult Basic Education Consortium.

This is a rewarding, full-time, year-round position working with adults ages 17 and older in the academic areas of GED, Adult Diploma, English as a Second Language and Basic Skills - reading, writing, and math at the ABE classroom located on the NCTC campus. (Summer hours are reduced and the classroom is closed on Fridays.) Looking for applicants with strong background knowledge in math, science, & technology and/or with a strong background in reading and writing. Prep time and training paid. Requires a flexible schedule and an ability interact effectively with people of diverse backgrounds. Minnesota teaching certificate required. Wages commensurate with the local school district.

For more information, call 763-453-0322. Please email a letter of application and resume to Kirsten Fuglseth, Adult Education Coordinator at kfuglseth@nwservice.k12.mn.us.

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#### For Appointments Call: (218) 681-4087 www.trfrealty.com



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The Director of Human Resources provides vision, leadership, and strategic direction for the human resources activities of the college which includes identifying, developing, integrating and coordinating human capital solutions to contribute to the achievement of the College's goals.

This position has overall responsibility for planning, organizing and staffing the areas of HR operations, and employee and labor relations functions for approximately 300 classified and unclassified employees to ensure the organization can execute its organizational strategies equitably and in compliance with all collective bargaining agreements or plans, laws and regulations. Responsibilities also include the recruitment, and onboarding for all positions; employee engagement and performance management; leadership and staff training and development; classification, compensation, and benefits administration; HRIS systems administration; and supervision of the Human Resources/Payroll office. This position serves as the Affirmative Action/ Primary investigator/Title IX Officer, 1B1 Designated Officer, 1B3 Designated Officer, Chief Diversity Officer and ADA Officer for the College. Principles of diversity, equity and inclusion, affirmation action, and equal employment opportunity will be applied to all college human resources practices. This position involves significant discretion and substantial involvement in the development, interpretation, and implementation of college policy. This position provides confidential advice to the President and leadership team.

This position serves on the President's Cabinet and reports directly to the College President. As a senior leader of the college and member of the Leadership Team, this position provides critical input to the President on key college issues and opportunities. This requires compatibility and a commitment to shared goals with the College President and with the college's leadership team, as well as the ability to establish and maintain productive collegial and professional working relationships with the internal and external community.

Open until filled. For full consideration, please apply by: August 14, 2023. How to Apply

Please apply online

https://northlandcollege.peopleadmin.com/postings/1746 Online applications must include (please note your application

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- Cover letter of interest
- Resume

• College transcripts For confidential inquires or additional information,

please contact: Daniel Kregenow, TriSearch Talent Acquisition Recruiter,

(720) 835-1826 (m), dkregenow@trisearch.com

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#### **Badger Independent School District #676** is seeking a Math Teacher starting the 2023–2024 academic year.

Qualifications: Valid MN mathematics Teaching License or ability to obtain such license by August 29, 2023. Candidates with training, degrees or licenses in other related content areas are welcome to apply. Pay: Starting pay is no less than \$44,870 and may be higher based on education and experience.

**Application Deadline:** Thursday, April 6, 2023 or open until filled. For full job posting and qualifications, please visit our website at www.badger.k12.mn.us

For questions, please contact Kevin Ricke, 218-528-3201 or kricke@badger.k12.mn.us Badger Independent School District is an equal opportunity employer.

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NW4 Sec 30 TWP 152 Range 41 **Red Lake County MN** 

From Plummer- Go 2.8 mi north on Hwy 59. Take a right (East) onto Co Road 26. Go approx. 4.5 miles east on County Road 26. Property will be on north side of road. For Bidding, Registration & Viewing information go to:

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#### NOTICE OF SALE OF COUNTY OWNED LAND TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Sealed Bids submitted by eligible bidders must be received at the office of the Roseau County Auditor, 606 5th Avenue SW, Room 160, Roseau, MN 56751, on or before 1:00 p.m. on August 21, 2023, for the purchase of the County owned fee tract listed below.

Said bids will be opened on Monday, August 21, 2023 at 1:00 p.m. in the Roseau County Board Room. The top 5 (five) bidders will be allowed to offer oral amendments to their written bid at the bid opening. Any unsold parcels will be offered for sale to the public at a

The North Four Hundred Seventeen feet (417.00') of the South Eight Hundred Sixty Six feet (866.00') of Lot One (1), Auditor's Plat No. Thirty-Five (35) of the Southeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter (SE1/4SE1/4) of Section Fourteen (14), Township One Hundred Sixty-Two (162) North Range Forty (40) West of the 5th Principal Meridian, Roseau County,

Together with an easement for ingress and egress over, under and across the North Twenty feet (20.00') of the South Eight Hundred Eighty Six feet (886.00') of said Lot One (1) Auditor's Plat No. Thirty-Five (35), subject to reservations, restrictions and easements of record or in existence. Said parcel contains 3.48 acres, more or less. (Part of parcel # 54.3021700)

**TERMS AND CONDITIONS:** 

The minimum bid price is \$160,000.00 for this parcel. The full purchase price is due at the time of sale by cash or check. All sales are final, and no refunds or exchanges are permitted. In addition to the purchase price, the following fees will be collected at the time of sale:

> State deed tax: 0.33% of the purchase price Deed filing fee: Well certificate (if applicable):

All property is sold "as is". A Certificate of Survey has been completed for said land to be sold. Roseau County makes no warranty to the physical condition of the property.

A Quit Claim Deed will be prepared by Roseau County. Roseau County, as Grantor, retains all minerals and mineral rights.

> Please contact Martha (Martie) Monsrud, Roseau County Auditor/Recorder/Treasurer 606 5th Ave. SW, Roseau, MN 56751 (218)-463-1282 martie@co.roseau.mn.usr

#### **Real Estate**

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#### **CRP and Hunting Land** For Sale

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CRP Land northeast of Newfolden: 40 deeded acres. SE4 SE4 Sec. 1 West Valley Twp. 39.08 CRP acres @ \$64.99/acre. Annual payment: \$2,539. expires 9/30/27. RE tax '23 = \$256. Pl is 74.8 \$2,200/acre.

326.39 deeded acres. Lots 6&7, E2SW4, SE4 Sec.6 New Maine Twp. 317.84 CRP acres @ \$64.99. Annual payment: \$20,656.42. expires 9/30/27. RE tax '23 = \$2,112. PI is 80.4 \$2,700/acre.

The following 2 parcels sell together and would make an excellent hunting destination: 81.89 deeded acres. Lots 1 & 2 Sec. 7 New Maine Twp. 67.80 CRP acres @ \$62.52/acre. Annual payment: \$4,238.86. expires 9/30/26 RE tax '23 = \$512. Pl is 67.2 \$1,800/acre 40 deeded acres. SE4 NE4 Sec. 12 West Valley Twp. 18.12 CRP acres @ \$62.52/acre. Annual payment: \$1,132. expires 9/30/26. RE tax '23 = \$266. Pl is 41. \$1,800/acre.

**Harvest Land Sales** 25499 170th St. NW · Warren, MN 56762 Phone/Text:

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#### **Real Estate**

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1997 JOHN DEERE 9600 RWA; 1991 JOHN DEERE 9600

MASSEY FERGUSON 760 COMBINE W / MELROE PICKUP HEADER CASE IH 1680 RWA; IHC 1480; NEW HOLLAND TR 85 COMBINE 21' VERSATILE 4400 SELF PROPELLED SWATHER 25' CASE IH 4000 SELF PROPELLED SWATHER 18' VERSATILE 400 SELF PROPELLED SWATHER 21' JOHN DEERE 800 SELF PROPELLED SWATHER SWATHER TRAILER; CANOLA ROLLER 25' WINDWARD (MacDon) PULL TYPE AUTO FOLD SWATHER AB 8B FARM FANS AUTÓ BATCH GRAIN DRYER, 600 hrs., shedded GILMORE TAGGE 450 BATCH DRYER 6-SET OF POLY DIVIDERS FOR 900 SERIES FLEX HEADER JOHN DEERE 9600 STRAW CHOPPER DOUBLE CHAFF SPREADER FOR J.D. 9600 **CANVASES FOR VERSATILE 18' SWATHER** MCDON UPPER PEA AUGER FOR DRAPER HEAD

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2011 JOHN DEERE 635 FLEX HEAD w / AWS AIR BAR 30' JOHN DEERE 630F FLEX HEAD 3- JOHN DEERE 930F FLEX -1 w/Crary air reel 2-CASE IH 1020 FLEX HEADS-one w/air bar 2-JOHN DEERE 930 & M.F 9024 RIGID 25' JOHN DEERE 925 POLY POINT FLEX JOHN DEERE 914 6 BELT PICK UP JOHN DEERE 912 6 BELT PICKUP JOHN DEERE 2126 & 5 BELT PICK UP HEADERS IHC 1015 PICKUP HEAD w/Rake Up pickup attach. 6-30" GERRINGHOFF 630 CHOPPING CORN HEAD 8-LANCATO STOCK STOMPERS FOR JOHN DEERE CORN HEAD SEVERAL 20-30' 2 & 4 WHEEL HEADER TRL.

40" 15 H.P. ARIENS RIDING LAWN MOWER 54" JOHN DEERE 725 RIDER JOHN DEERE 930 72" DIESEL FRT. DECK MOWER CRAFTSMAN LAWN VAC 60" KUNZ ACRE EASE PULL BEHIND FINISHING MOWER 24" ARIENS VII REAR TINE TILLER HOMELITE XL 14 14" CHAIN SAW POULAN PRO 46 cc 18" CHAIN SAW PALLET OF PATIO PAVERS 22" TORO SR4 SELF PROPELLED PUSH MOWER 48" PULL TYPE LAWN AERATOR THATCHERS; YARDMAN 20" PUSH MOWER ELECTRIC 110V 20" WOOD SPLITTER 4-LAWN SWEEPS; TROY BILT GAS LEAF BLOWER

#### LIVESTOCK EQUIPMENT

2020 NEW HOLLAND 195 MANURE SPREADER (UNUSED) **NEW HOLLAND 195 MANURE SPREADERS** 1983 22' KIEFER 7' X 22' TANDEM AXLE GOOSENECK STOCK

1960 5' X 9' WW TANDEM AXLE BUMPER HITCH HORSE TRAILER WOOD FENCE POSTS & STEEL T POSTS BALE RINGS; CATTLE PANEL TRAILER 17', 18', & 20' STEEL FEED BUNKS SCHAFFER HYD. POST POUNDER 8 & 10' CATTLE PANELS NEW HOLLAND SIDE SLINGER MANURE SPREADER ROSKAMP GRAIN ROLLER MILL, 15 H.P., 3 PH. 40 GALLON STOCK TANK; SQUEEZE CHUTE FARMHAND MANURE FORK w/GRAPPLE 14-GALLAGER S17 SOLAR ELECTRIC FENCERS

#### FARM MISCELLANEOUS

3-FORK TYPE ROCK PICKERS; 7' IHC # 80 3 PT. SNOWBLOWER 2-WESTFIELD HYD. BRUSH END GATE DRILL FILLS 3 PT. ARMS & QUICK HITCH FROM 875 VERSATILE 2-CAT. 3 QUICK HITCHES; DOZER SPROKETS & RAILS SET OF FORKS FOR ALLÍS OR DRESSER PAYLOADER MANY HYDRAULIC CYLINDERS; TARPS **HYDRAULIC PUMPS & VALVES** 3 PT. PALLET FORK ATTACHMENT w/tilt SEVERAL SETS REAR TRACTOR WEIGHTS 3 PT. 3RD LINKS; JOHN DEERE #71 FLEX PLANTER UNIT 25, 30, & 40 H.P. 3 PHASE ELEC. MOTORS, OK 1, 1 1/2, & 2 H.P. S.P. ELECTRIC MOTORS SEVERAL SPOOLS OF 1/2"-1" CABLE 40" PALLET FORK ATTACHMENT FOR 924/930 CAT LOADER

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# Goodridge **Forward** website revamped

In recent communications with community members, district residents learned that the Goodridge School Board is proposing a \$21.35 million bond referendum to voters Tuesday, Nov. 7.

The district values transparent communications with the community and gathering feedback along the way. To further that goal, the district's dedicated referendum website, GoodridgeForward.org, has been recently updated to include details about the proposed plan, information about the investment, voting information, and more. Goodridge Public School strongly encourages residents to visit the website, engage with the content, and be informed before casting their vote.

The single-question bond referendum addresses two primary needs — critical fa-cility updates that extend beyond the district's annual maintenance budget and improved educational space to best support students both now and into the future. Although the district has done a great job keeping the school maintained, key facility needs cannot be addressed with allocated dollars from the state. The school's building systems are inadequate, outdated, or beyond their useful life. The district lacks enough rest-rooms, making it difficult for student use during pass times. In addition, the facility lacks a dedicated, secure entrance, and the district office needs to be relocated for adequate supervision.

When it comes to improved educational spaces, the district is currently using areas not originally intended as learning spaces, particularly for Special Education. Seven classrooms are undersized and do not meet the Minnesota Department of Education's recommended guidelines for learning spaces. In addition, both the existing shop area and gymnasiums are also undersized.

If approved, the district would invest \$21.35 million into addressing these critical needs. Residents will have the opportunity to vote on or before Tuesday, Nov. 7. Early voting, either at home or in person, begins Friday, Sept. 22. Those with questions or suggestions should contact Tomas Loberg at tomas. loberg@goodridgeisd561.org or 218-378-4134.

# Local students graduate from UND

The University of North Dakota has released its list of spring semester 2023 graduates. Among the grad-

uates were: From Grygla - Megan Larson, Master of Science degree; Hallock - Sydney Montero, M.S. degree; Karlstad - McKenzie Thompson, Juris Doctor degree; Mentor - Adison McCollum, who graduated summa cum laude with a Bachelor of Business Administration degree; Roseau - Jenna Baumgartner, Doctor of Physical Therapy degree, Kacie Borowicz, who graduated summa cum laude with a Bachelor of Arts degree, and Jessica Johnson-Herling, Master of Accountancy degree; Salol - Valeri Colson, who graduated cum laude with a B.S. degree in electrical engineering; Stephen - Tyler Hebert, Bachelor of Fine Arts de-

Thief River Falls - Maci Bakken, Bachelor of General Studies degree, Marisa Forshee, B.S. degree in social work, Myles Johnson, who graduated cum laude with a B.S. degree, Lauren Johnson, M.S. degree, Trandon Lehrer, B.A. degree, Kylie Skime, M.S. degree, Olivia Taylor, who graduated summa cum laude with a B.A. degree, and Ashley Loe, M.S. degree; and Warren – Rylie Mortimer, Bachelor of Business Administration degree, and Connor Narlock, B.S. degree in criminal justice studies.



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