



# A CITIZEN'S ADVOCATE

TUESDAY  
MAY 14, 2024

## SMALL CLASS WITH LOTS OF LOVE AT HENNING SCHOOL

Photo by Chad Koenen  
Alissa Winters gives her mother a flower and a hug during Friday's graduation ceremony at Henning School. Commencement was held two weeks earlier than normal this year due to this summer's construction project.

### Roasting marshmallows at elementary program



Photo by Chad Koenen

Even marshmallows that were slightly burned couldn't stop Henning Elementary School students during their annual spring concert on Friday. During one song the Henning kindergartners expressed their disappointment for a burned marshmallow on a stick.

### Grandfather's stump grinder leads to new business

*Brendefur grows business in Ottertail area*

By Chad Koenen  
Publisher

A stump grinder once owned by Gabby Brendefur's late grandfather has transformed the countryside throughout the greater West Central Minnesota area.

Brendefur, who started Gabb's Stump Grinding

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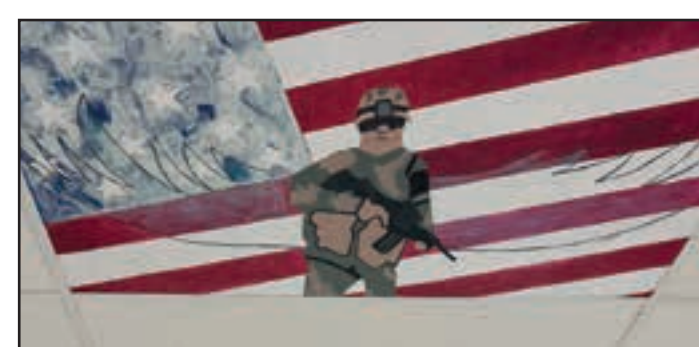


Photo by Chad Koenen

Painted ceiling tiles have decorated the hallways at Henning School for well over a decade. The tiles will be taken down as part of this summer's HVAC and building project.

### Henning council weighs housing project grant

By Chad Koenen  
Publisher

A Henning family is hoping a variety of county funding and grant programs could be the key to bringing additional housing to Henning.

During its regularly scheduled meeting last Monday night, the Henning City Council heard from Beth and Ted Rose regarding the construction of a new spec home on a vacant lot near the school and Star City Apartments.

The hope was to not only provide additional housing in the community, but also help the community grow as well. "I've heard numerous

times that Henning, the frustrating thing in Henning is that they don't

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### Ceiling tiles need to find a new home

By Chad Koenen  
Publisher

For the better part of a decade, visitors at Henning School have been walking with their nose in the air and their eyes in the sky. Of

course, when colorful ceiling tiles sprinkle the hallways of the school it can al-

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# Old grain wagon given to Phelps Mill

By Tom Hintgen  
Otter Tail County Correspondent

County commissioners, on May 7, accepted with sincere appreciation the gift of a grain wagon which will be positioned under the canopy of Phelps Mill. The gift was donated by the Claypool family whose family members hauled wheat to the flour mill which operated from 1889 to 1939.

"My father, Warren Claypool, grew up here in Otter Tail County," said Patricia "Pat" Claypool who today resides near West Lost Lake, just west of Phelps Mill.

Warren's grandfather, Robert, built the Claypool farm and hauled wheat to Phelps Mill in a wagon simi-

lar to the one just donated to Phelps Mill. Otter Tail County has owned the mill and surrounding land since 1965.

"The donation of the grain wagon is in honor of Robert Claypool and his wife, Catherine," Pat Claypool said. "The Claypools owned the farm for 138 years. Over the years many stories about delivering wheat to Phelps Mill were passed along from one generation to the next."

At the height of the wheat grinding season, 25 to 35 wagons loaded with stacks of wheat would line up out-

**OLD GRAIN WAGON AT PHELPS MILL**  
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Photo by Tom Hintgen

This grain wagon, given to Phelps Mill, is the exact style of a wagon which would have been used during the years the flour mill operated in the late 1800s and early 1900s.



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Lillian Grieger, Shadley Bunkowski, Hailey Fiskum and Olivia DeYounge stand with Marjorie Quammen in front of the large potato chip bag blanket last week.

# Henning School students complete reading challenge

A two year project has been completed. For the past four years, Marjorie Quammen and Pam Wiese have held a reading challenge for Henning Elementary students. They have asked students to do a certain amount of reading for a month. Those boys and girls who have met the requirements have received an invitation to a cocoa party.

These students pick out a mug, to call their own, and are served cocoa. They might hear a story being read and/or hear about an issue confronting the world, such as the endangerment of the monarch butterfly.

Two years ago, this year's sixth grade reading challenge heard about a Chip Bag Project.

A spring 2022 issue of the Readers Digest featured a story about Eradajere Eleita, an environmentalist and student, from Detroit,

Michigan. She started an up-cycling project that turned empty foil-lined potato chip bags into sleeping bags for the homeless.

The bags were not recyclable because the silvery lining, that helps the contents stay fresh and dry, cannot be separated from the outer material of the bag. So these bags go into the trash.

But here arose an opportunity. **SCHOOL READING CHALLENGE**  
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# Off to the races at Henning Bike Rodeo



Photos by Dan Broten

While it may have rained for most of the day on Tuesday, the skies opened up and sunny weather welcomed those who attended the annual Henning Bike Rodeo. The bike rodeo was sponsored by Henning CHAT and was held at the Henning Landmark Center. The event included an obstacle course, bike helmet fitting (below left), drag races (above) and a visit from the Henning Festival Royalty and East Otter Tail County Dairy Princess Ambassador (below right).



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# Getting all dressed up at Henning School



Photos by Chad Koenen

Henning Elementary students hosted their annual spring concert on Friday afternoon. Among the highlights was choir teacher Naomi Horn trying to help Henning Principal Thomas Williams get dressed up in a food-inspired outfit (right), as well as Caleb Weiss getting dressed up for a song (right) and Kennedy Lutgens and Reddek Speer (above) dancing to a song.



## NEW HOUSING PROJECT

have any new houses. I hear about the old crappy houses. I hear that from young people a lot," said Beth Rose. Beth said the family has been interested in constructing a housing project or spec home for quite some time, but what really peaked their interest was a recent housing summit in Otter Tail County. She said that housing summit provided the family the opportunity to hear about a number of grant programs available for both developers and new home buyers. One project that could help the Rose family construct a spec home is a Value Gap Funding program in the county. Since many spec homes are constructed for more than they can be sold for on the open market, the program provides grant funding to offset any potential shortfall in housing development. For example, if a developer spent \$300,000 to construct a house, but could only sell it for \$270,000, the county would provide grant funding for the additional \$30,000 shortfall. "We consider Henning worth investing in," said Beth, adding that they own apartments and a vacant lot near Star Apartments in Henning. Beth went on to say they are not planning to get rich off of building a spec home, yet are just trying to help the community grow, while providing a small profit off

the new spec home. Based on the comps they received, the Roses believe they can build a new three bedroom, two bath house for around \$240,000-\$251,000. The fair market value in Henning shows the house could sell for around \$245,000, which could leave a slight shortfall in funding. As a result, Beth and Ted asked the city to participate in the county gap funding program on their behalf, which could allow the family to access the county program. Ted Rose said they were also asking the city to waive the full hookup charge to utilities, which could save them \$5,500 upfront, which could be matched by the county to make the spec house more affordable to construct. If the house is sold for more money than it cost to construct, the developer would not receive the grant funding. The family has approached the city council about the program in the past and Ted said he has heard some concerns raised about being fair to not only themselves, but also future developers who could want a similar deal to construct a home in town. Ted encouraged the city council to not only approve their project for grant funding, but future ones as well to help bring new homes to the community. "One comment I've heard is if we do it for you we need

to do it for everybody. My response is do it for everybody. What you need to say is in order for us to do this we want you to put up a bond. We want you to guarantee if the sale is more than X, Y, Z we will get our money back," said Ted. Beth echoed her husband by saying she has heard from a number of people that a lack of good, quality housing makes it difficult to attract young families to the community. Additional housing could not only help the town, but also the school and current business community as well. "The big thing here is that right now you are making \$80 a year off of me (in taxes) on that piece of property, but if you throw on a quarter of a million dollar house you are getting more," said Beth. "You are getting a family too," said Ted. Several other communities, like Vergas, have utilized the county program in the past to spur housing developments. Henning Mayor Robert Johnson said he would like to see the city set up guidelines regarding the grant and potential housing project funding for both this project, and future ones, prior to agreeing to participate in the program. He said the guidelines will provide a more streamlined process for other developers who may want to come to Henning. The goal was to

continued from 1 complete the guidelines as soon as the next city council meeting in June. **In other news** • Accepted a donation from West Central Initiative for \$1,000 for the Henning Fire Relief. • Heard there are currently four open units at Willow Creek Assisted Living, but there is a waiting list for residents looking for larger one and two bedroom apartments. Currently there are two couples and three individuals waiting for openings. • Discussed the potential for adding camp sites at the Henning Festival Grounds. The city has been looking at making enhancements to the festival grounds area and one potential would be to add camp sites for campers and tents at the festival grounds. • Heard the monthly call report from the Henning Ambulance Service. So far this year the ambulance service has responded to 167 calls, including 40 calls in the past month alone. • Approved the purchase of a Binder Lift for the Henning Ambulance Service. The lift will assist ambulance personnel in lifting and assisting larger patients. The total cost for two Binder Lift's is \$1,150. Utility Supervisor Ted Strand said the city can also look into an OSHA grant to help offset the cost to purchase one of the lifts.

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# Henning Class of 2024 leaves a lasting mark at school



Photo by Chad Koenen

Members of the Henning High School Class of 2024 left a lasting mark on school as part of their senior prank on Thursday morning. Students parked their vehicles up the ramp to block the main door heading into the school and put a fence in front of the door leading into the high school gym. The students also had two fish houses sitting across the street from the school to watch students and staff arrive at school during their senior prank.

## GABB'S STUMP GRINDING

ing in 2020, inherited a stump grinder from her late grandfather after he passed away. After sitting in her garage collecting dust for quite some time, Brendefur put out a few feelers to friends and family to see if they had any stumps that needed to be removed on their properties.

"My grandpa had the stump grinder and he purchased it for himself. He had a bunch of property where he was taking trees down," said Brendefur. "One day I put a few feelers out there to see if someone needed something done."

The 2011 Henning High School graduate quickly found a niche and need for stump grinding throughout the region and expanded her reach to Detroit Lakes, Ottertail, Henning and everywhere in-between. At a crossroads in her life, Brendefur was looking for a change professionally and wanted to start her own business. As demand for stump grinding continued to grow, Brendefur quit her job working for MnDOT and started her new stump grinding business based in Ottertail.



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The stump grinder Gabby Brendefur inherited from her grandfather is still being used at her business, Gabb's Stump Grinding.

"I was really just ready to get away from that kind of work and working for someone else," she said, adding that many of her family members have owned their own businesses in the past. "I was just kind of doing it on the side until I decided to leave MnDOT for good and I have been plugging away at it ever since."

Enlisting the help of her brother Gavin during the summer of 2022, Brendefur continued to grow her business as residents look to get rid of old trees, or make way to complete

a remodeling project of their home. Today, her finance Dave Bartnes helps with the business as much as possible as Brendefur continues to grow her still young small business.

"We have really gone from the Ottertail area and stretching it to the Detroit Lakes area," she said. "We go where the work is."

Gabb's Stump Grinding currently has two walk behind stump removers, including the original stump grinder that Brendefur inherited from her late grandpa. Due to the size of the stump grinders,

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Brendefur can easily get in-between buildings, cabins and tight spaces commonly found in the lakes area throughout Otter Tail and Becker County.

"I can get in-between lake homes," she said. "Usually there is not much space in-between the homes."

The biggest stump she has removed so far has been seven feet in diameter, something her stump grinders were more than equipped to do. As any construction or landscaper will attest, one of their favorite parts of the job is seeing how their work transformed the area—something that Brendefur is one of her favorite aspects of the job as well.

"The before and after are my favorite," she said. "Usually I always remember to take the before picture, but the after picture I sometimes forget."

Brendefur will travel throughout the region and has even had some requests in the Fargo-Moorhead area. For more information about Gabb's Stump Grinding contact Brendefur at (218) 731-9093 or view her on Facebook.

# Getting ready for rain at preschool graduation



Photos by Chad Koenen

The Henning preschoolers performed a number of songs and received their preschool certificate during a graduation program at the school on Tuesday evening. Following the program, students and their friends and families enjoyed refreshments and treats in the small gym.



## OLD GRAIN WAGON AT PHELPS MILL

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side the mill. Nearby was a restaurant, general store and blacksmith shop.

Located in Maine Township of central Otter Tail County, the mill built in 1889 was designed to produce 60 to 75 barrels of flour per day. By the 1930s the railway was in place and it became easier for county farmers to ship

their grain to Minneapolis. Phelps Mill went out of business in 1939.

Phelps Mill was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1975. Hundreds of visitors to Phelps Mill each summer will no doubt appreciate seeing the donation of the historic grain wagon.

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The first group of volunteers celebrated volunteer week at an orientation program at Astera Health in Wadena. Front row: Lois Miller, Cindy Mohs, Joyce Malmgren and Judy Spenst. Back row: Gloria Cichy, Jan Kern, Ron Noon, Lorie Baron, JoAnn Reineke, Diane Line, Kathy Lorentz, Connie Nelson, Karen Crandall, Cindy Schwartz, Sylvia Silvers and Chris Olson.

# Astera Health restores volunteer program

Astera Health celebrated National Volunteer Week by bringing back its volunteer program. This program was on hiatus during the COVID-19 pandemic. "Our volunteer program had existed for many years, but like many programs, it was halted due to a shifted focus on COVID. We know the efforts of our volunteers are welcomed by our patients, visitors, and staff. We are grateful to have so many community members helping us make the patient experience even better," said Joel Beiswenger, CEO and President of Astera Health.

The volunteer program offers an opportunity for volunteers to contribute in a way they feel comfortable with. From sitting with a patient to sewing at home, volunteers give support that medical staff members cannot easily provide. According to the US Census Bureau, Minnesota ranked third in the country for volunteerism in 2021. Harvard studied the benefits and discovered volunteerism extends the life of those volunteers who devote as little as two hours

per week. Additionally, the study showed people who volunteer are more physically active and improve their sense of well-being compared to those who do not. To learn more about volunteer opportunities, visit [www.asterahealth.org/volunteers](http://www.asterahealth.org/volunteers) or call (218) 631-7499.

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# Accidents reported in southwestern OTC

By Tom Hintgen  
Otter Tail County Correspondent

Sheriff deputies, on May 7, reported two accidents in Otter Tail County. The first accident took place May 5 in Rothsay at the intersection of SE Second Avenue and South Center Street at 2:44 p.m. This

was a minor vehicle crash with non-life-threatening injuries. A woman was transferred to the hospital in Breckenridge. The second accident took place at 4:46 p.m. on May 5 in Tumuli Township (Dalton area). This was a dirt bike accident that resulted

in non-life-threatening injuries. "The dirt bike operator was riding on private property and was wearing protective equipment," said a sheriff deputy. The injured person was

treated locally and later was flown by air ambulance for a higher level of care as a precaution. The county sheriff's office was assisted by Dalton Rescue, Ashby Ambulance, Ringdahl Ambulance and Life Link.

# Syttende Mai celebration set for May 19 in Vining

Norway declared independence, 210 years ago on May 17, 1814. Nordics world wide celebrate this special Norwegian day. On Syttende Mai (May 17) The Norwegian royal family is presented on the balcony of the palace in Oslo waving at thousands of children who with their families, line the streets carrying Norwegian flags. The public is invited to Folden Lutheran Church in rural Vining on May 19 to celebrate by enjoying a Syttende Mai feast of meatballs, mashed potatoes, corn, coleslaw as well as flat bread, rommegrot, sweet soup, cookies, cakes and more. Dinner is served from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. \$15 adults, \$7 ages 7-12, no charge 6 and under.

to provide volunteer help as well as the cultural program. The Leif Erikson Sons of Norway Lodge presents monthly Nordic cultural programs for the community. Music, speakers, videos, arts and crafts, foods, dance, workshops and more from traditions from all the Nordic countries. For more information please call Ann Rasmussen (605) 999-4839. The Leif Erikson Lodge has over 140 members and enjoys programs most months of the year at the Vining Community Center.

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## CEILING TILES HOME

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most be difficult to watch where one is walking, in order to catch a glimpse at the unique and one-of-a-kind pictures above.

The ceiling tile project began 12 years ago when former superintendent Dean Krogstad shared information regarding a ceiling tile painting project students completed at his previous school with former art teacher Terry Oscarson. The Henning art teacher picked up on the project and installed approximately 40 painted ceiling tiles at the school during the 2012-13 school year.

For much of the past decade, art students at Henning School have been painting decorative ceiling tiles that have been placed throughout the hallways at the school. The ceiling tiles included everything from famous quotes to scenes from movies, or even inspiration that affected their lives. Unfortunately, due to this summer's school building project, the ceiling tiles will need to be taken down at the school.

Henning Superintendent Melissa Sparks said the ceiling tiles that will be utilized when the HVAC and maintenance project is completed later this summer, will be a different size than the ones currently in place. As a result, Sparks said the school district is asking that anyone who would like to keep the ceiling tile they painted to let the school know by Friday, May 17. The ceiling tiles will be given to each student who participated in the project, if they would like to keep it, as long as they inform the district office by Friday of their intentions.

Ceiling tiles that are not claimed by Friday will be properly disposed of as part of the remodeling and maintenance project.

The Henning School office phone number is (218) 583-2927.

## SCHOOL READING CHALLENGE

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tunity. These empty bags were free, light-weight, water proof, and easy to carry.

The bags were washed, trimmed and ironed together.

Mrs. Quammen challenged the then fourth grade readers asking them if they could gather enough bags to make a "blanket" that could be donated to an area shelter.

The students accepted the challenge. Announcements were made to the entire school and donations were accepted. Bags were readied to be ironed into strips and then blankets.

Four blankets were the result. They will go to a shelter in the Fargo Moorhead area.

Back in Detroit, hundreds of blankets have been made. While it would have been easier just to buy some blankets, this project made an impact socially and environmentally.

The Henning students also thought a project like this could be a good one for organizations like a 4H club or National Honor Society.

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# OPINION

## Spring is finally in the air

Standing on the outside deck, first thing in the morning: Spring in the country surrounds me.

The sounds prove that winter is gone, and warm spring has arrived. There is: The sound of turkey gobblers gobbling, far off, hidden deep in the oak woods. Mrs Robin is ferrying sticks to her nest beneath the second floor patio. Mrs Phoebe is working away up in the her nest in the window up at the south-facing peak of the roof

Red Wing Blackbirds are trilling away, which is kind of new here. They mostly stick to wetlands, where there are lots of willows and cat tails. Mrs Wren happily singing at least a dozen different and wonderful tunes while she fills her little house back up with all the little twigs and sticks that I knocked out of there a couple of weeks ago.

Below the house, the pot-hole is filled up with fog, and filled up with the sound of toads happily thawed out and croaking.

All the mess found under the melted snow has been raked up and put away.

So much for the good stuff. It just rained, so the grass has grown about a foot, and needs mowing. I forgot to get new blades for the lawn mower, so I'm faced with sharpening the old ones,



**The Prairie Spy**  
Alan "Lindy" Linda

which are the worse for wear after close encounters with various rocks and sticks.

The apple trees are demanding to be pruned, stating: "You remember what happens, right? When you don't prune us? Right? We load up with too many apples and our arms break, and you feel bad. Right?"

Yeah, right. I begin looking once again for some pruning shears, of which I have several, of which none are showing themselves.

Last year's flowers are dead and dragged in their pots on the front step. Someone needs to go to and buy some. I would, but once I'm faced with all the choices of different and beautiful flowers in the florist's greenhouse, I either buy one of everything.

Or I freeze in my tracks, and wait for someone else to do it.

Ah, spring is here. Is that a wood tick?

## Have your opinion heard

Deadlines for all Letter's to the Editor is Friday at 12 p.m. Letter's can be emailed to [news@henningadvocate.com](mailto:news@henningadvocate.com) or dropped off at the Citizen's Advocate office at 412 Douglas Ave.



## Pull over to the side of the road when vehicles fail

**Question:** We have a new driver in the house. I was trying to explain to my child what to do if you have a tire blowout or experience steering failure. It might mean a bit more coming from a State Trooper. Could you please explain? Thank you for all you do.



**Ask a Trooper**  
Sgt. Jesse Grabow

**Answer:** A "blowout" is a burst tire that can throw your vehicle out of control. Before a blowout occurs,

you may hear a thumping sound or notice the

steering wheel pulling to the right or left. If you experience a blowout, hold the steering wheel tightly, steer straight ahead, and slowly ease your foot off the accelerator. Do not brake until the vehicle is back under your control. Pull the vehicle completely off the road at the nearest safe location.

When it comes to steering failure, if the front wheels of your vehicle do

not respond when you turn the steering wheel, ease up on the accelerator. Do not brake unless it is necessary to avoid a crash. Your vehicle may balance on its own and travel in a straight path as you reduce speed. If you must apply the brake, do so gently. If you brake suddenly, or try to shift gears, the change in speed may throw the vehicle off balance and out of control.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Henning should be proud of their school

To the Editor,

I have had the opportunity to substitute teach several times this spring for Henning Schools. I want the people of Henning and the surrounding area to know what a great school they have. I have been in education for 44 years, primarily in the Twin Cities. Now a retired teacher and Athletic Director but still coaching. I have property in Otter Tail County and spend as much time as I can up in this wonderful country.

I want to commend the administration and office staff for their welcoming environment. It is my experience that you can figure out the culture of a school in about two minutes when you enter the building. Henning gives off a caring and friendly vibe right away.

I want to acknowledge the teaching staff as well. While I have not met all of them, I can tell you that they are amazing educators. The number of classes they have prepared for each day would cause a revolt in the schools I have taught at. I taught in the biggest school in Minnesota and teachers there

would protest more than two preps per day. Teachers at Henning may be asked to prepare for 4 or 5 classes. I'm amazed at their organization. They smile often and they mean it. The students know they care.

Thanks to the students who have welcomed this old teacher standing in front of them. I have found the students to be wonderful to be around. They have been helpful, and they show a kindness to each other that I'm sure they don't even recognize. The culture of this school is not an accident. Kudos to staff, teachers, coaches, and administrators. I also want to commend the parents and others who have raised this generation of Bulldogs. You have done well.

I look forward to seeing students around town this summer. They bring a smile to my face every time.

Mike Grant

Eden Prairie, Minn.

### Thankful for the support of the Henning community

To the Editor,

To the wonderful people of the Henning Community,

I'd like to thank and express my gratitude to the people who live and work in the Henning community for all the prayers and well wishes for my recovery from a stroke and treatment for giant cell arthritis. Regaining my equilibrium and learning to walk again has been a challenge. Thank you for your patriotism and your moral decency, your caring for each other, and your community.

We've lived and worked in the Henning community for 53 years and raised our family here, and never once have we been ashamed to call this our home. We've seen some dramatic changes in our 53 years and the last 3 or 4 have been hard to keep up with. In my mind, I remember how things were and I guess I might have to accept they're gone. That's why I love my Heavenly Father and His Government. He says in the Bible, "I change no." Jesus is a solid rock and we can count on His principles and promises to be, "the same yesterday, today, and forever." And why shouldn't they be, He knows the end from the beginning and has a plan from the beginning of time.

As I see the chaos and trouble in the world, I'm thankful for the promise of Jesus. "My peace I give unto you, not as the world gives."

Another promise in the Bible in the last half of John 10:10, in Jesus' love we can "have abundant life." In our 80+ years, my awesome wife and I have experienced His presence and blessings in so many different situations. And in spite of some hardships, our faith has continued to grow.

My worst circumstance would be coming before my Lord, Jesus and hear Him say "depart from me, I don't know you, workers of lawlessness." What could be worse? Something in our lives has deceived us! Something we thought was good and true is actually wrong! We like law and order in our personal lives and community for protection. But, call it legalism when Jesus asks us "if you love Me, keep My commandments" and then promises us the Holy Spirit to enable us. (Matthew 7:23, John 14:15)

Jesus warned us about deception. He said that "it would deceive if possible, the very elect." The Bible records it had already started in the early church. Could it

be what God has asked us to remember? Have we forgotten? (Matthew 24:24, 1 John 2:18, Exodus 20:8)

Could it be in order to distance themselves from the corruption in Judaism and to appease Gentile converts they let themselves be influenced and swayed away from Bible-based doctrines?

History records how the mother church descended into falsehood and deception in a period of time called "the dark ages." The reformers led by the Holy Spirit uncovered and tried to bring back God's original plan of life and worship. Many of them paid for their commitment and zeal with their lives at the hands of the church with its priests and prelates.

Now I want to be clear! God still has His children in every denomination and system of worship. That's why in the book of Revelation, Jesus calls "come out of her, My people." Jesus says the same thing when He says, "if you love Me, keep My commandments." Could it be that all the chaos and sin in the world be because we forgot what Jesus asked us to remember? (Revelation 18:4)

Could that be what in the

book of Revelation records as the whole world following deceptive worship practices? (Revelation 13:3-4)

Such a simple thing, yet most people won't even consider it, let alone search it in the Bible to understand it.

Our poor memories have forgotten what "God asks us to remember." And according to Paul in the Bible, "we will continue to believe a lie because we do not have a love for the truth." (2 Thessalonians 2:10)

It's a tough world with "every wind of doctrine flying around" and we need to be searching the Bible, living what we learn and praying for the Holy Spirit.

My personal desire is to always be doing those things that please Jesus and my Heavenly Father because I love Them and appreciate being Their child. I'm thankful for my church family's encouragement as well as pointing out ways I can do that, mostly for their love and faithfulness.

Well, what starts as a way of saying thanks will end that way. Thank you for letting me share what's on my heart. God bless and I love you!

Dale and Mary Zillmer  
Henning



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# CHURCH

## Focusing on ASD at Henning School Library

As explained on Google, “Autism spectrum disorder (ASD) is a developmental disability caused by differences in the brain. People with ASD often have problems with social communication and interaction, and restricted or repetitive behaviors or interests. People with ASD may also have different ways of learning, moving, or paying attention. Autism spectrum disorder impacts the nervous system. The range and severity of symptoms can vary widely. Common symptoms include difficulty with communication, difficulty with social interactions, obsessive interests, and repetitive behaviors. Early recognition, as well as behavioral, educational, and family therapies may reduce symptoms and support development and learning.”

Our featured book this week is “The Worry Knot” by Mary Bleckwehl. Mrs. Bleckwehl lives in Minnesota where she has been a teacher and a strong advocate for people with many different abilities. This book is a story about love in a family and the differences we may have. The family in this story consists of the parents, an older brother, his two twin sisters and his younger brother that has autism spectrum disorder. From an early point in their lives, one of the twin sisters asks the mother if the main character in this story will “always be this way” to which the mother responds, “which way?” and the young girl says, “needing someone to take care of him.” The mother says that she and the young boy’s father will take care of him as long as they are alive and the little twin girl suggests that the older brother will see to him after that because he is very good at taking care of others.

This story is told from the viewpoint of the older brother. He is a seventh grader with worries twisting in his gut, worries of his crazy neighbors, his mysterious girl crush, and worries of his unpredictable little brother. This book will educate and



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engage you with a realistic and kind depiction of living with someone with Autism.

We would love to share this book with you. We hope in the fall when we return to regular library hours during our school year, that you will find yourself coming to the library to check this or one of our other books out.

The State of Minnesota from the Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund through the Minnesota Historical Society has awarded the Henning Public School Library a grant in the amount of \$9,325. This grant will provide over 449 books to the Henning Public School Library.

This grant helps provide a quality learning experience for our local Minnesotans by providing exemplary library bound (as much as possible) books that feature depictions of various aspects of the State of Minnesota. Students will develop knowledge, skills, and understanding about many areas of Minnesota by reading about Minnesota, its geography, heritage, culture, people, landforms, arts, sports, and more. Books will be purchased for all ages of people who frequent the library. This grant will help represent diverse ethnicities and people as we are purchasing books that feature a wide variety of people who have contributed to Minnesota. In addition, because Minnesota history is a vital component of our middle school curriculum, we want a strong selection of books that depict Minnesota history, industries, contemporary Minnesotans, immigration, the contributions of indigenous people, Minnesota authors/illustrators, and state bird/fish/foods, etc.



Cornerstone Church, Henning

# Church directory

### Battle Lake Alliance Church

401 W Gilbertson St., Battle Lake  
Derek Mansker, Pastor  
(218) 864-5539  
www.battlelake.org  
Wednesday: 5:20 p.m. Youth meal,  
6 p.m. Kids 4 Truth (formerly Awana)  
Sunday: 9 a.m. Sunday school, 10  
a.m. Worship

### Cornerstone Church

EagleBrook Association Church  
501 Front Street, PO Box 172  
Pastor Wendell Wahlin  
(218) 371-6398  
Wednesday: 4 p.m. Women’s Bible  
study, 6 p.m. Men’s Bible study  
Sunday: 8:45 a.m. Fellowship, 9  
a.m. Worship

### Firestarters Worship Center

107 W Main, Ottertail  
Rev. Pete Thiel  
(218) 367-3455  
Wednesday: 6:30 p.m. Bible Study,  
6:30 p.m. Youth group: Jesus Revolution  
Sunday: 10 a.m. Worship

### Folden Lutheran

18692 500th Ave., Vining  
Hwy. 40, five miles South of Vining  
Pastor Rud Wasson Jr.  
Wednesday: 4:30 p.m. Bible study  
Sunday: 11 a.m. Worship with  
communion

### Good Shepherd Lutheran Church ELCA

703 Douglas Ave., Henning  
Pastor Keith Lankford  
(218) 583-2786  
Tuesday: 9:30 a.m. Bible study  
Sunday: 10 a.m. Worship

### Grace Lutheran Church LB

306 Holden Ave., Henning  
Pastor Rud Wasson, Jr.  
(320) 808-9201  
Wednesday: 4:30 p.m. Bible study  
at Folden Lutheran Church  
Sunday: 9 a.m. Worship

### Henning United Methodist Church

503 Holden Ave., Henning  
Lay Speaker- Valerie Shaw  
(218) 583-2737  
Sunday: 9 a.m. Worship

### Hewitt Church of the Nazarene

114 N Front St., Hewitt  
Pastors Jim and Linda McGaffey  
(218) 924-2028  
Wednesday: 7 p.m. Prayer service  
Sunday: 9:30 a.m. Sunday school,  
10:45 a.m. Worship

### Joyful Spirit United Methodist Church

61847 State Hwy. 29, Wadena  
Ricardo Alcoser, Pastor  
(218) 367-2270  
Office: (218) 629-1569  
joyfulspiritmnumc@gmail.com  
Sunday: 11 a.m. Worship, Fellow-  
ship prior to and following worship  
Wednesday: 5 p.m. Bible study

### Lakes Community Church

201 Main Avenue E. P.O. Box 92, Clith-  
terall  
Wednesday: 6 p.m. Bible study  
Sunday: 9:30 a.m. Bible study,  
10:45 a.m. Worship

### Leaf Mountain Lutheran Church

43339 County Highway 6, Clitherrall  
Pastor Nate Hanson  
(218) 864-3140  
Saturday: 6 p.m. Coffee and Fel-  
lowship, 7 p.m. Worship with com-  
munion

### Living the Word Bible Institute

Pastor/Director Rev. Mark E. Hume  
(218) 583-2820  
Contemporary/Hebraic worship  
Living the word radio broadcast at  
10:30 a.m. KBRF 1250AM  
Sunday: 10 a.m. Worship

### Nidaros Lutheran Church

18844 Nidaros Church Dr, Clitherrall  
Rev. Ryan D. G. Stout  
Sunday: 11 a.m. Worship with  
Communion

### Ottertail Methodist Church

104 Shores Road, Ottertail  
Rev. Ricardo Alcoser  
(218) 367-2270

Tuesday: 9 a.m. Sewing, 10 a.m.  
Prayer Group  
Wednesday: 3 p.m. Bible study, 5  
p.m. Bible study  
Sunday: 8:45 a.m. Worship, Fellow-  
ship after worship

All services and Bible studies are  
on Facebook Live and on YouTube  
and Facebook

### Southbrook Baptist Church

1842 2nd Street SW, Wadena  
Pastor Jake Heppner  
(218) 631-2002  
Wednesday: 5:30 p.m. Kid’s club,  
Youth group  
Sunday: 9:30 a.m. Bible study,  
10:30 a.m. Worship

### St. Edward’s Catholic Church

201 Douglas Ave., Henning  
Father LeRoy Schik

(218) 583-2490

Friday: 8 a.m. Confessions, 8:30  
a.m. Mass, 9 a.m. Holy Hour, 9 a.m.  
Adoration  
Sunday: 8 a.m. Confessions, 8:30  
Mass

### St. John’s Lutheran Missouri Synod

31963 Co. Hwy. 61, Ottertail  
Rev. Karl Weber  
(218) 367-2470  
Wednesday: 5 p.m. Confirmation  
Sunday: 9:30 a.m. Worship with  
communion, 11 a.m. Bible study

### St. Paul’s Lutheran Missouri Synod

750 1st St. W., Richville  
Rev. Karl Weber  
(218) 367-2470  
Sunday: 8 a.m. Worship with com-  
munion

### St. Paul’s Lutheran Missouri Synod

700 Douglas Ave., Henning  
Rev. Daniel Larsen  
(218) 583-2707  
Sunday: 9:30 a.m. Worship with  
Communion, 10:30 a.m. Fellowship  
and Sunday school

### Trinity Lutheran Missouri Synod

208 N Clark St., Deer Creek  
Pastor Donald Wagner  
(218) 462-2464  
www.trinitydeercreek.org  
Monday: 9 a.m. Quilters  
Wednesday: 9 a.m. Bible study  
Sunday: 9:30 a.m. Worship, with  
communion 10:30 a.m. Sunday  
school

### Vining Lutheran Church

(218) 769-4251  
(218) 731-0661  
Pastor Jan Smith  
Sunday: 9 a.m. Worship

### Wadena Seventh Day Adventist Church

14711 125th Ave., Wadena  
Pastor Josh Jeresek  
(218) 631-4030  
Saturday: 9:30 a.m. Sabbath  
school, 10:50 a.m. Worship

### Water’s Edge Church

309 Holden Ave., Henning  
Pastor Andrew Lynch  
(218) 583-2161  
www.watersedge.church  
Wednesday: 5:30 p.m. AWANA  
Sunday: 9:30 a.m. Worship

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Thank you Pro Ag of Henning! How nice it is to move into farm country and, never being a farmer myself, have a company like Pro-Ag in Henning to go to for help. Their employees are always so helpful and a special thank you to Tom. He was so helpful in taking time out of a busy day to help us in the design and installation for our food plot! Try going to a box store for this! Thank you again! Elaine and Bill Pedrow



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# OBITUARIES

## Edward Ellenson, 88

Edward "Ed" Ellenson, age 88, of Henning, passed away at his home on April 29, 2024. A Celebration of life will be held on Friday, June 7, 2024, at 11 a.m. at Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd in Moorhead, Minn. Visitation will be held one hour prior to service at church. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be sent to Concordia College in Moorhead, Minn.

Edward Neal Ellenson was born January 21, 1935, in F.D., the son of Orvin and Hazel (Halvorson) Ellenson. He graduated from Fergus Falls High School in 1953, Concordia College, Moorhead, Minn., in 1958, and received a master's degree from NDSU, Fargo, in 1961. He studied at Harvard University during the summer of 1964. He married Ann (Anna Mae Berg) on December 21, 1957.

After college graduation, Ed was an administrator at Concordia College for 22 years, beginning as the college's only Admissions Counselor. He developed the Financial Aids program, was named Vice President for Admissions and Financial Aids, Vice President for Development and Public Relations, and served as Vice President of the college from 1977 to 1980. During those years, Ed was a consultant for the Education Testing Service of Princeton, New Jersey and was a member of the College Scholarship Board. In 1980, he and Ann purchased Fervig Insurance Agency in Moorhead where they worked together as owners and agents until 1995. Ed was a very active member of the FM community serving on the FM Area Foundation Board of Governors, the Moorhead Public Service Commission, the Moorhead Charter Commission, the Moorhead Planning Commission, the Board of Equalization, and he served as President of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church.

In 2001, Ed and Ann moved to their Middle Leaf Lake home near



Henning, where they quickly became part of their new beloved community.

Ed's life was rich with family, friends, and adventure. He loved racing his 1966 Porche 911 in vintage racing events, flying as a private pilot and traveling with Ann throughout the world. For ten years they traveled throughout the country in their motor home before settling in Surprise, Arizona as their winter home.

Ed was a loving and devoted husband, father, grandfather, and friend. One of his great joys was building memories with his beloved grandchildren at Middle Leaf Lake. They filled his heart with love, and he adored them. Preceding Ed in death is his wife Ann, his parents Orvin and Hazel Ellenson Rustad and his stepfather, Leonard Rustad.

He is survived by two daughters: Elizabeth (Craig) Ordal of North Oaks, Minn., and Rebecca Ellenson (Steve Cherne) of Henning; six grandchildren: Kristen (Rob) Stroik, Sara (Tucker Pavek) Ordal, Peter (Kayse Kruschke) Ellenson-Myers, Cora (Christian) Preston, Casey (Victor) Wahl, and Kelsey Cherne; many cousins, nieces and nephews, great nieces and nephews, as well as countless friends he considered to be part of his family.

Please visit [www.karvonenfuneralhome.com](http://www.karvonenfuneralhome.com) to leave memorials and condolences on Ed's Tribute Wall.

Arrangements provided by Belmont-Karvonen Funeral & Cremation Service of Henning.

## Terry Oseien, 75

Terry Lee Oseien, Pensacola, Fla., passed away on April 9, 2024 at the age of 75. Terry was born in Minneapolis, Minn. on September 11, 1948. At an early age his family moved to the Tampa area where Terry grew up, graduated from high school and cultivated his love for the water. He joined the Navy shortly after graduation, serving first on a submarine then on a Gun ship off the coast of Vietnam. After completing his military commitment he moved to Orlando, Fla., where he pursued his career in drafting and design with Post, Buckley, Schuh and Jernigan engineering. During his time he also became a certified Federal Bridge Inspector which gave him the opportunity "to hang" off many of Florida's most well known bridges.

He met Nancy in 1986 and they were married in 1988. They shared many hours boating on the St. John's River then moved to the Pensacola area in 1995. He became active with the Hadji Shrine as well as the American Legion Post 340.

Terry is survived by his wife Nancy, step daughter Allison (Jeff), Ocoee, Fla.; grandchildren Blake and Taylor, brother Ben (Darene), Henning, sister Christine (Roddy) NeeSmith, Riceboro, Ga.; nieces Maryann Trana (Doug), Angie Kemple (Kris), Thomasville, Ga., Kayla Floyd (John), Midway, Ga. and nephew Ben (Jill), Henning.

A Celebration of Life will be held on Thursday, May 23 from 4-6 p.m. at Doug and Mary Trana's cabin at 30626 Edgewater Drive in Henning.

## Gail Helmbrecht, 70

An Open House Celebrating the Life of Gail Helmbrecht, age 70 of Henning, will be held on Saturday, May 18, 2024, from 12-2 p.m. at the Belmont-Karvonen Funeral Home in Henning.

Gail Sharon Schallock was born on May 9, 2024, in Parkers Prairie. Her parents were the late Gaylerd and Doris (Johnson) Schallock. Gail graduated from Henning High School with the class of 1971. She made her home in Folds Township and was employed at the Wadena Bakery in Wadena.

On May 5, 1973, Gail was united in marriage with William "Cookie" Braaten Helmbrecht. Their marriage was blessed with two children: Pamela Jo and Clay. Together they made their home on East Battle Lake. Gail was employed at the Henning Bar & Grill and Oakwood Supper Club and Golf Course, Walmart in Fergus Falls, Minnesota and then Lucy's Café in Henning. Gail enjoyed working at B&D's Grocery in Henning for 15 years and retired in 2016.

Gail enjoyed the outdoors, hunting and especially spending time with her grandchildren.

On May 5, 2024, Gail passed away peacefully at her home in rural Hen-



ning, surrounded by her family and the gentle care of Knute Nelson Hospice. Preceding Gail in death were her parents Gaylerd and Doris Schallock, her husband William Helmbrecht and her sister JoAnn Henry.

Gail is survived by her children: Pamela Jo (Russ) Moran and Clay (Julia) Helmbrecht; seven grandchildren: Anthony (Jordan), Logan (Zach), Abigail (Gage), James, Wyatt, Chris, Shauna and Kass (Katherine) and siblings: Shirley Vye and David (Lori) Shallock; many other relatives and a host of friends.

Please visit [www.karvonenfuneralhome.com](http://www.karvonenfuneralhome.com) to leave a message of comfort and support for Gail's family.

Arrangements are provided by the Karvonen Funeral & Cremation Service.

## David Hendershot, 52

David Hendershot, age 52, formerly of Deer Creek. David passed away at Region's Hospital in St. Paul, as the result of an accident. A celebration of life was held from 4-8 p.m. on Friday, May 10, 2024 at The Deer Creek Community Center in Deer

Creek.

Please visit [www.karvonenfuneralhome.com](http://www.karvonenfuneralhome.com) to leave memorials and condolences on David's Tribute Wall.

Arrangements provided by Karvonen Funeral & Cremation Service of Wadena.

## John Flath, 89

Memorial services will be held for John Flath age 89, of Menahga, on Saturday, May 11, 2024 at 2 p.m. at the Karvonen Funeral Home in Wadena.

Visitation was held on Friday, May 10, 2024 from 4-7 p.m. at the Karvonen Funeral Home in Wadena. Visitation resumed one hour prior to the me-

morial service on Saturday.

Please visit [www.karvonenfuneralhome.com](http://www.karvonenfuneralhome.com) to send John's family a message of comfort and support.

Arrangements are provided by Karvonen Funeral and Cremation Services.

## Terry Bowen, 62

Terry Bowen, age 62, of Sebeka, passed away on May 3, 2024, at Astera Health in Wadena. Memorial Services were held on Saturday, May 11, 2024, at 1 p.m. at Oylen Alliance Tabernacle, Minn. Visitation was held one hour prior to services at the

church.

Please visit [www.karvonenfuneralhome.com](http://www.karvonenfuneralhome.com) to leave memorials and condolences on Terry's Tribute Wall.

Arrangements provided by Karvonen Funeral & Cremation Service of Wadena.

## Duane Bartels, 88

Duane Eugene Bartels passed away on May 6, 2024, at St. William's Living Center in Parkers Prairie with his family by his side. He was 88 years old. Visitation will be held from 4-7 p.m. on Thursday, May 16, 2024, at St. Matthew's Lutheran Church in Clarissa, Minn. with a prayer service starting at 4 p.m. A Funeral Service will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, May 17, 2024, at the church with visitation one hour prior to the service. Interment and full Military Honors will be at Oak Valley Cemetery by Wrightstown at 1:30 p.m. the same day as the service.

Duane was born on August 14, 1935, in a house in Clitherall to Arnold and Leona (Pieper) Bartels. He was baptized and confirmed in St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Henning. During the first 12 years of Duane's life, they lived on a farm by Inspiration Peak and he walked 2 miles to a country school each day and skied to school in the winter. In 1948, the family moved to the Henning area and there he went to country school through 8th grade. Duane attended Henning High School for 2 years and then was drafted into the US Army for 2 years.

In 1960, he met Joanne Woodard at Hiway Park Dance Hall and they were married on October 28, 1961. The couple's first home was an 8' by 28' trailer house on his parents' farm. Duane helped his dad farm and he drove a can milk truck for the Vining Creamery. While living on the farm, the couple was blessed with five of their children, Brenda, Becky, Bradley, Brent, and Barry. In 1968, they moved to the Bertha area where Duane drove a bulk milk truck. In 1969, they bought the Harold Rasmussen farm by Clarissa. Side by side, Duane and Joanne raised dairy cows, pigs, and chickens and were members of the Farmers Union. At their new farmstead, the couple was blessed with 6 more children, Bernal, Byron, Belinda, Bonita, Brandon, and Brett. They sold the dairy cows in 2000 and Duane drove a school bus for Browerville School until he retired.



After having COVID-19, the couple lived with their daughter, Bonita, and her family for 7 weeks and then moved to an assisted living in Glenwood for a year and a half. After this, Duane moved into St. William's Living Center and Joanne returned to the farm.

Duane liked to have a cold one, play cards, and dance the polka and waltz. He loved the Minnesota Vikings and Twins, his cows, and his tractors. Duane also enjoyed afternoons of fishing, watching his boys play ball, and spending time with his children and grandchildren. He will be remembered for his storytelling and he will be dearly missed.

Duane is survived by his wife, Joanne; children, Brenda (Larry) Knutson, Becky (Kevin) Boyer, Bradley (Angie) Bartels, Brent (Michelle) Bartels, Barry (Karen) Bartels, Bernal (Jennifer) Bartels, Byron (Trisha) Bartels, Belinda VanHoever, Bonita (Kenton) Chromey, Brandon (Tabitha) Bartels, and Brett (Katie) Bartels; 28 grandchildren; 6 step-grandchildren; 26 great-grandchildren and one on the way; sisters, Marlys Eckhoff; brothers, Donald (Alice) Bartels, Ronald (Patricia) Bartels, and Alden (Phyllis) Bartels. He was preceded in death by his parents, Arnold and Leona Bartels; brothers, Delmer and Arvid Bartels; sisters-in-law, Kareen and Phyllis Bartels; brother-in-law, Leonard Eckhoff; and grandson, Eli Bartels.

In lieu of flowers, memorials are preferred to St. William's Living Center in Parkers Prairie, MN.

Arrangements are with Iten Funeral Home. [www.itenfuneralhome.com](http://www.itenfuneralhome.com)

## Marion Senn, 89

Marion Senn, age 89, of Menahga, Minn., passed away on May 9, 2024, at CHI St. Joseph's Health in Park Rapids, Minn. Visitation will be held on Friday, May 17, 2024, from 6-8 p.m. with Prayer Service at 7:30 p.m. at Karvonen Funeral Home in New York Mills, Minnesota. Memorial Services will be held on Saturday, May 18, 2024, at 11 a.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church in New York

Mills. Visitation will resume one hour prior to services at church. Marion will be laid to rest at Woodland Cemetery, New York Mills.

Please visit [www.karvonenfuneralhome.com](http://www.karvonenfuneralhome.com) to leave memorials and condolences on Marion's Tribute Wall.

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# Arvig to invest line extension grant funding in rural fiber projects

Arvig has been awarded funding from the Minnesota Office of Broadband Development's Broadband Line Extension Connection Program to construct last-mile fiber network infrastructure for high-speed internet to 69 unserved locations.

Arvig was awarded grants totaling \$543,244 from the program after submitting successful lowest-cost bids to provide fiber to the locations. Total project funding is \$612,244, with Arvig investing \$69,000 to cover additional project costs.

The 69 unserved locations consist of seven projects in these areas:

- Rural Callaway along 260th Avenue
- Along State Highway 210 east of Henning in Otter Tail County
- Rural Rochert, including Cotton Lake and the west side of Height of Land Lake
- Along U.S. Highway 59 and Tee Lake Road south of Detroit Lakes
- Rural Frazee along 360th Avenue

Construction on some projects could begin as soon as May 2024, with work projected to finish by May 2025.

The program requires locations to be served with internet speeds of at least 100Mbps download and 100Mbps upload. Arvig ex-

pects to exceed that requirement, with plans to provide locations access to speeds of up to 1 Gig download and 100Mbps upload. A location is considered unserved if they lack access to a wired service of at least 25Mbps download and 3 Mbps upload.

"The Line Extension Connection Program is a tremendous help to rural internet providers," said David Arvig, Vice President and COO at Arvig. "This funding not only helps us close the broadband gap in rural Minnesota, but it also helps offset the higher deployment costs that often come with providing internet ser-

vice to unserved areas in our state."

The latest grant was awarded as part of Round 2 of the Line Extension Connection program's funding process. In late 2023, Arvig accepted a separate grant from the program to extend internet service in 118 locations in several lakes-area communities.

"We encourage unserved homes and businesses in the region to apply for this program," Arvig said. "Interest from the local community is the first step in getting fiber expansion projects like these going."

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# SPORTS

## OTC earns split with Pillager in PRC action

### OTC to wrap up regular season at Minnewaska

By Chad Koenen  
Publisher

With just one week remaining in the regular season, the Otter Tail Central Bulldog softball team wrapped up conference play with a 1-3 record last week.

OTC will wrap up their regular season on Tuesday in Rothsay and will travel to Minnewaska Area on Thursday to take on the Lakers in non-conference action. The sub section tournament kicks off next week.

teams collected three runs in the second inning. Parkers Prairie scored a pair of runs in the fourth inning, before OTC scored three runs in the bottom half of the inning and added another run in the fifth inning to make the score 9-8 in favor of the Panthers heading into the top of the sixth inning. Both teams scored a single run in the sixth inning to make the score 10-9 in favor of Parkers Prairie.

	AB	R	H	BI
B. Christianson	4	1	0	1
S. Akerman	4	3	3	1
L. Lukken	4	0	1	2
E. Baker	3	1	2	1
K. Cameron	3	0	0	0
E. Dirkman	3	0	1	0
E. Larsen	4	2	1	0
L. Conner	2	1	0	0
K. Trosdahl	1	0	0	0
D. Grabe	3	1	0	0

HITTING- 2B- E. Baker, L. Lukken, S. Akerman  
PITCHING (ip-h-r-er-bb-k)- S. Akerman 7.0-13-10-5-2-5

#### Tuesday

OTC won the opening game of a doubleheader against Pillager in dramatic fashion on Tuesday night.

With the game tied 10-10 heading into the bottom of the seventh inning, Ezra Baker hit her second double of the game with two outs to bring the winning run across the plate and give OTC the 11-10 win.

The Bulldogs trailed early due to a number of mistakes in the field that led to five errors and seven unearned runs. Pillager led 7-2 heading into the bottom of the second inning, before OTC was able to add single runs in the second, third and fourth innings. They scored three runs in the fifth inning, two in the sixth inning.

### OTC DEFEATS PILLAGER

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Photos by Chad Koenen

Above: Lane Dilly became Otter Tail Central's all-time winning pitcher with his 15th career win last week. Below: Kale Misegades tracks down a ball during a recent game in Henning.

# Dilly breaks OTC career win record

## Bulldogs have 11 game win streak snapped

Otter Tail Central tied the longest consecutive winning streak in program history by defeating Pillager 4-0 on Tuesday at Pillager High School. The Bulldogs moved to 10-0 on the season.

OTC got on the board in the fifth inning when Ayden Olson reached base via an error on the second baseman. After Olson, Eric Fick also reached on an error, this time from the shortstop position. That turned the Bulldog lineup to the top of the order. Owen Harig reached base and loaded the bases with a bunt single. Kale Misegades then singled on an RBI single on a squeeze play, scoring Olson.

"We were able to take advantage of some small ball and executed well in the



**BULLDOGS WIN 11 STRAIGHT**  
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# Henning North Stars improve to 2-0 overall

By Chad Koenen  
Publisher

The Henning North Stars improved to 2-0 on the season with a 12-4 win over the Staples Lumberjacks on Saturday.

The North Stars opened the scoring when a pair of runs scored on an error in the top of the first inning. Staples actually took a brief 3-2 lead in the bottom of the third inning when they connected with a two-run single and one run single. However, Henning went on a one out rally in the top of the fourth inning when Jesse LaManna hit an RBI single, before Nick Trosdahl and Nick Lindberg hit back-to-back RBI singles to make the

score 5-3.

Henning made the score 7-3 when Oscar Lindberg hit a two-run double in the top of the fifth inning.

The North Stars scored three more runs in the eighth inning and ended the scoring in the top of the ninth inning when Nick Lindberg hit a two-run home run to make the score 12-4.

In their other game the North Stars defeated the Vergas Loons by a score of 18-0.

This week the North Stars will travel to Deer Creek on Friday night, before hosting Clarissa on Sunday in their home opener. Friday's game will begin at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday's game will get underway at 3 p.m.

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## SPORT SCHEDULES

### HENNING PUBLIC SCHOOLS

	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY
 <b>BASEBALL</b>	<b>4:30 p.m.</b> vs. Pillager			<b>6:30 p.m.</b> vs. Parkers Prairie	<b>4:30 p.m.</b> vs. Barnesville
 <b>SOFTBALL</b>	<b>4:30 p.m.</b> at Minnewaska				
 <b>TRACK</b>					
 <b>GOLF</b>	<b>11 a.m.</b> at Thumper Pond			<b>10 a.m.</b> at Ashby	



# SPORTS

## PUBLIC NOTICE

### 2024 AMENDED NOTICE OF FEDERAL AND STATE OFFICES TO BE VOTED FOR AT THE STATE GENERAL ELECTION OTTER TAIL COUNTY, MINNESOTA

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Section 204B.33 that the following federal and state offices will be voted for at the state general election to be held on Tuesday, November 5, 2024. The filing period for United States Senator, United States Representative, State Representative, Chief Justice of the Minnesota Supreme Court, Associate Justice of the Minnesota Supreme Court, Judge of the Minnesota Court of Appeals, and Judge of the District Court begins at 8:00 a.m., Tuesday, May 21, 2024, and ends at 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, June 4, 2024.

The filing period for presidential elector candidates begins at 8:00 a.m., Tuesday May 21, 2024, and ends at 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 20, 2024, for non-major political party candidates and independent candidates. The certification deadline for major political party presidential elector candidates is August 27, 2024.

Note: Filing offices will be closed Monday, May 27, 2024, in observance of Memorial Day. For presidential elector candidates, filing offices will be closed on Wednesday, June 19, 2024, in observance of the Juneteenth Holiday and Thursday, July 4, 2024, in observance of Independence Day.

The place of filing for federal offices is the Office of the Minnesota Secretary of State, Veterans Services Building, 20 West 12th Street, St. Paul, MN 55155. The place of filing for state offices is with the Office of the Secretary of State or with the county auditor of the county in which the candidate resides.

Candidates may file in person or by mail if the filing is received during the filing period. Candidates who will be absent from the state during the filing period and meet the requirements of Minnesota Statutes section 204B.09, subdivision 1a, may arrange to file during the seven days immediately preceding the candidate's absence from the state.

This notice is prepared based on current law. Be aware that the Legislature and/or Governor could make changes that affect some of these processes.

### FEDERAL OFFICES

United States Presidential Electors (10)

United States Senator (1)

United States Representative (1)

District	Counties
7	Becker, Big Stone, Brown, Chippewa, Clay, Clearwater, Cottonwood, Douglas, Grant, Hubbard, Kandiyohi, Kittson, Lac qui Parle, Lincoln, Lyon, Marshall, McLeod, Meeker, Morrison, Murray, Norman, Otter Tail, Pennington, Pipestone, Polk, Pope, Red Lake, Redwood, Renville, Roseau, Sibley, Stearns, Stevens, Swift, Todd, Traverse, Wadena, Wilkin, Yellow Medicine

### STATE OFFICES LEGISLATIVE OFFICES

State Representative (One office per district)  
09A Grant, Otter Tail, Traverse, Wilkin

09B Douglas, Otter Tail

### JUDICIAL OFFICES

Candidates for judicial office may file either with the Office of the Minnesota Secretary of State or with the county auditor in the county where the candidate resides. A candidate filing for one of the Minnesota Court of Appeals seats that has been designated for one of the congressional districts must be a resident of that congressional district.

Supreme Court  
Chief Justice (One Seat)  
Seat Incumbent:  
Chief Justice (Natalie E. Hudson)

Associate Justice (Two Seat)  
Seat # Incumbent:  
5 (Anne K. McKeig)  
6 (Karl Procaccini)

Court of Appeals (Seven Seats)  
Appellate offices are elected statewide. Where designated, candidates must reside in the congressional district listed for at least one year.

Seat #	Incumbent:
2	(Jonathan P. Schmidt)
3 (2nd Congressional District)	(Sarah Wheelock)
4	(Tracy M. Smith)
6 (1st Congressional District)	(Renee L. Worke)
8	(Keala C. Ede)
12	(Diane B. Bratvold)
14 (8th Congressional District)	(Elise L. Larson)

District Court  
Seventh Judicial District: (10 Seats): Counties: Becker, Benton, Clay, Douglas, Mille Lacs, Morrison, Otter Tail, Stearns, Todd, Wadena

Seat #	Incumbent:
1	(Heidi E. Schultz)
5	(Timothy M. Churchwell)
6	(Gail T. Kulick)
7	(Mary B. Mahler)
10	(Matthew M. Quinn)
16	(Gretchen D. Thilmomy)
17	(Sharon G. Benson)
20	(William J. Cashman)
23	(Leah J. duCharme)
29	(Shan C. Wang)

Wayne Stein  
Otter Tail County Auditor -Treasurer  
April 19, 2024

### 2024 NOTICE OF COUNTY OFFICES TO BE VOTED FOR AT THE STATE GENERAL ELECTION OTTER TAIL COUNTY, MINNESOTA

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 204B.33 that the following county offices will be voted for at the state general election to be held on Tuesday, November 5, 2024. The filing period for County Commissioners and Soil and Water Conservation District Supervisors, begins at 8:00 a.m., Tuesday, May 21, 2024, and ends at 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, June 4, 2024.

Note: The filing office will be closed Monday, May 27, 2024, in observance of Memorial Day. The place of filing for county offices is with the Office of the Otter Tail County Auditor-Treasurer, Otter Tail County Government Services Center, 510 Fir Ave W., Fergus Falls, MN 56537.

Candidates may file in person or by mail if the filing is received during the filing period. Candidates who will be absent from the state during the filing period and meet the requirements of Minnesota Statutes section 204B.09, subdivision 1a, may arrange to file during the seven days immediately preceding the candidate's absence from the state. This notice is prepared based on current law. Be aware that the Legislature and/or the Governor could make changes that affect some of the processes.

### COUNTY OFFICES

COUNTY COMMISSIONER  
County Commissioner for District # 1 – Four Year Term  
County Commissioner for District # 3 – Four Year Term  
County Commissioner for District # 5 – Four Year Term

WEST OTTER TAIL SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
Soil and Water Conservation District Supervisor for Nomination District # 3  
Soil and Water Conservation District Supervisor for Nomination District # 4  
Soil and Water Conservation District Supervisor for Nomination District # 5

EAST OTTER TAIL SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
Soil and Water Conservation District Supervisor for Nomination District # 1  
Soil and Water Conservation District Supervisor for Nomination District # 4  
Soil and Water Conservation District Supervisor for Nomination District # 5

Wayne Stein  
Otter Tail County Auditor -Treasurer  
April 19, 2024

Published May 7, May 14, 2024

## Work has begun on the Heart of the Lakes Regional Trail

Construction is underway on the 3.8-mile segment of the Heart of the Lakes Trail that winds through the woods, prairies and lakes of Maplewood State Park.

The Heart of the Lakes Regional Trail is a 10-foot wide, 32-mile long, multi-use recreational trail that will connect the communities of Perham and Pelican Rapids via Maplewood State Park. The trail is an important component of the state and regional trail system in west central Minnesota and is intended for use by walkers, joggers, hikers, bicyclists, dog walkers, inline skaters and snowmobilers. It provides direct access to several popular lakes and allows users to experience many breathtaking vistas.

"Building and constructing a sustainable trail through Maplewood State Park is a tremendous opportunity to create an outstanding outdoor recreational experience for future generations," said Don DelGreco, Maplewood State Park man-

ager. "The trail corridor will weave through remarkable natural resources, preserving the balance of stewardship and protection of those resources while providing for safe, accessible, and enriching outdoor experiences for current and future generations."

The park will remain open during the project, which is anticipated to be completed by fall 2024. Construction updates and notification of any trail closures will be available via signs and maps at key locations throughout the park.

Project work will occur from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., Monday through Thursday, and from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Fridays. Visitors are encouraged to avoid the construction area to ensure public safety and the safety of the work crews. Some sections of park trails intersecting the construction area might be closed during construction.

The Minnesota Department of Natural Re-

sources, Otter Tail County, the cities of Perham and Pelican Rapids, the West Central Initiative and PartnerSHIP4Health partnered to develop the Heart of the Lakes Regional Trail Master Plan. Funding for trail design and development came from state bonding and the Parks and Trails Fund. The Parks and Trails Fund was created after voters approved the Clean Water, Land and Legacy Amendment in November 2008. The Parks and Trails Fund receives 14.25 percent of the three-eighths percent sales tax revenue that may only be spent to support parks and trails of regional or statewide significance.

Ongoing updates on construction will be available on the Maplewood State Park webpage of the DNR website.

Learn more about the Heart of the Lakes Regional Trail opens in a new browser tab on the Otter Tail County website.

## OTC DEFEATS PILLAGER

and the walk-off run in the bottom of the seventh inning.

Brooklyn Christianson, Liz Lukken, Baker and Kenady Cameron each finished with two hits in the win.

Sophie Akerman picked up the win in the circle as she went all seven innings and gave up 13 hits, three earned runs and struck out

seven hitters.

After a dramatic win earlier in the day, the Bulldogs dropped the second game of a doubleheader to Pillager by a score of 14-7. The Bulldogs were out-hit 14-7, but committed just two errors in the game.

The big difference in the game came in the third inning when Pillager over-

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came an early 2-1 lead for OTC by posting seven runs to take an 8-2 lead. They scored three more runs in the fourth inning and sixth inning to come away with the win.

Kaylee Trosdahl took the loss in the circle as she went 3 innings and gave up eight hits, seven earned runs and struck out two hitters.

	AB	R	H	BI
B. Christianson	1	1	0	1
K. Robinson	1	0	0	0
S. Akerman	3	0	0	0
L. Lukken	3	0	0	0
E. Baker	2	1	1	0
K. Cameron	3	1	0	0
E. Dirkman	3	1	0	0
E. Larsen	3	2	1	1
K. Trosdahl	1	0	0	0
B. Bunkowski	3	1	1	1
D. Grabe	0	0	0	0
M. Durbin	2	0	1	2

HITTING- 2B- E. Baker  
PITCHING (ip-h-r-er-bb-k)- K. Trosdahl 3.0-8-8-7-3-2, B. Bunkowski 0.0-1-3-3-4, K. Cameron 3.0-2-3-2-4-4

	AB	R	H	BI
B. Christianson	3	2	2	1
S. Akerman	4	0	0	0
L. Lukken	5	1	2	0
E. Baker	3	2	2	2
K. Cameron	3	2	2	1
E. Dirkman	3	1	0	1
E. Larsen	3	0	1	2
L. Conner	2	2	1	1
D. Grabe	3	0	0	1
K. Trosdahl	0	1	0	0

HITTING- 2B- B. Christianson, E. Baker, L. Lukken  
PITCHING (ip-h-r-er-bb-k)- S. Akerman 7.0-13-10-3-1-7

### Thursday

The Bertha-Hewitt/Verndale bats came alive on Thursday night as the Raisers secured a 16-8 win over the Bulldogs. The Raiders outhit the Bulldogs by a 13-2 margin with OTC taking advantage of nine walks to come away with one run in the third, fourth and seventh innings, as well as a big five run bottom of the fifth.

The Raiders scored two runs in the first, second, fourth and seventh innings, while also scoring four runs in the third and sixth innings.

Sophie Akerman took the loss on the mound as she pitched the opening four innings of the game and gave up eight hits and nine earned runs. Kaylee Trosdahl pitched the final three innings of the game and game up six earned runs and five hits. As a team the Bulldogs walked 11 hitters in the game.

	AB	R	H	BI
B. Christianson	1	1	1	2
S. Akerman	4	0	0	0
L. Lukken	2	1	0	0
E. Baker	2	0	1	0
K. Cameron	3	1	0	0
E. Dirkman	3	1	0	1
E. Larsen	3	1	0	1
L. Conner	0	0	0	0
K. Trosdahl	2	2	0	1
D. Grabe	1	0	0	0
M. Durbin	1	1	0	0

HITTING- 2B- E. Baker  
PITCHING (ip-h-r-er-bb-k)- S. Akerman 4.0-8-10-9-5-2, K. Trosdahl 3.0-5-6-6-6-1

## PUBLIC NOTICE

STATE OF MINNESOTA  
COUNTY OF Otter Tail  
PROBATE DIVISION

Seventh JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
DISTRICT COURT

Court File No. 56-PR-24-385

NOTICE OF INFORMAL PROBATE OF WILL AND APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
Estate of: Shirley L. McKay,  
Decedent.

Notice is given that an application for informal probate of the Decedent's will dated 9/1/2016 and codicil(s) to the will, dated, and separate writing(s) under Minnesota Statutes section 524.2-513 ("Will"), has been filed with the Registrar. The application has been granted.

Notice is also given that the Registrar has informally appointed Thomas McKay whose address is 504 Pine Cone Drive, #15, Perham, MN 56573 as personal representative of the Estate of the Decedent. Any heir, devisee or other interested person may be entitled to appoint as personal representative or may object to the appointment of the personal representative. Unless objections are filed with the Court (pursuant to Minnesota Statutes section 524.3-607) and the Court otherwise orders, the personal representative has full power to administer the Estate, including, after 28 days from the date of issuance of letters, the power to sell, encumber, lease or distribute real estate.

Any objections to the probate of the Will or appointment of the Personal Representative must be filed with this Court and will be heard by the Court after the filing of an appropriate petition and proper notice of hearing.

Notice is also given that (subject to Minnesota Statutes section 524.3-801) all creditors having claims against the Estate are required to present the claims to the personal representative or to the Court Administrator within four months after the date of this Notice or the claims will be barred.

A charitable beneficiary may request notice of the probate proceedings be given to the Attorney General pursuant to Minnesota Statutes section 501B.41, subdivision 5.  
Dated: 5-8-2024

Gina DeVilbiss Henry  
Registrar  
TRISHA MERNITZ  
Court Administrator

Dated: 5-8-2024

Attorney for Applicant  
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STATE OF MINNESOTA  
COUNTY OF OTTER TAIL

IN DISTRICT COURT  
SEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
PROBATE DIVISION  
\$525.312 #2  
Court File No. 56-PR-24-975

In Re: Estate of  
Esther L. Ugstad,  
aka Esther Lillian Ugstad  
Deceased.

ORDER FOR HEARING  
PETITION FOR DESCENT OF PROPERTY  
The petition of JOHN S. UGSTAD, dated May 1, 2024, having been filed in this Court representing that the above-named decedent has been dead for more than three (3) years leaving certain property therein described, and requesting the descent of said property be determined and assigned by the Court to the persons entitled thereto.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that said petition be heard on \* June 12, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. by the above-named Court at Fergus Falls, State of Minnesota.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that said petitioner give notice of said hearing in the manner prescribed by M.S.A. §524.1-401 to all persons entitled to notice pursuant to M.S.A. §524.3-403 and to all persons who have filed a demand for notice pursuant to M.S.A. §524.3-204.  
Dated: May 8, 2024  
Sharon Benson  
Judge of the District Court  
Court Administrator  
Trisha Mernitz  
Lee Hippe, Deputy Court Administrator

Robert W. Bigwood, #12087X  
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# SPORTS

## OTC braves the elements at Section 6A True Team meet

By Chad Koenen  
Publisher

The Otter Tail Central Bulldogs braved some torrential rain and less-than-ideal running conditions at the Section 6A True Team meet in Pelican Rapids on Tuesday. With sheets of rain falling at points throughout the meet, the Bulldogs managed to post several season best times as they competed against 14 other complete teams at the true team meet.

Kinley Bormann picked up a pair of first place finishes for the Bulldogs as she took first place in the long jump with a jump of 16'1 1/4", as well as in the triple jump with a jump of 35'4 3/4". She also posted a season best time of 27.88 in the 200-meter dash to finish in third place.

Myiesha Antoni took third place in the high jump with a jump of 5'.

Norah Froslee posted a season best time in the 1600-meter run to finish in third place with a time of 5:24.48.

On the boys side, Mason Dalluge took second place in the triple jump with a jump of 41'10" and also finished in fifth place in the long jump with a jump of 19'1 1/4".

Jonas Hagemesiter took third place in the 300-meter hurdles with a time of 43.95 and Phoenix Allison took fourth place in the 3200-meter run with a season best time of 10:56.58.

**GIRLS**  
100 METER DASH: 17. Annabelle Evavold 14.84, 23. Brenna Saurer 15.25  
200 METER DASH: 3. Kinley Bormann 27.88, 23. Myiesha Antoni 31.99  
400 METER DASH: 28. McKenna Geones 1:22.76  
800 METER RUN: 20. Kallyn Grove 2:49.54, 23. Mae Hagemesiter 3:01.48  
1600 METER RUN: 3. Norah Froslee

5:24.48, 19. Tegan Brandon 6:28.03  
3200 METER RUN: 3. Norah Froslee 12:20.72, 20. Quinn Hagemesiter 15:30.88  
100 METER HURDLES: 11. Bella Olson 19.28, 16. Kylie Akerman 20.06  
300 METER HURDLES: 17. Kylie Akerman 1:00.30, 19. Bella Olson 1:01.26  
4X100 METER RELAY: 12. Relay Team 57.19  
4X200 METER RELAY: 7. Relay Team 1:55.67  
4X400 METER RELAY: 13. Relay Team 5:30.22  
4X800 METER RELAY: 8. Relay Team 11:47.60  
HIGH JUMP: 3. Myiesha Antoni 5-0, 23. Sam Lanners 4-4  
LONG JUMP: 1. Kinley Bormann, 21. Clara Mark 13-4.5  
TRIPLE JUMP: 1. Kinley Bormann 35-4.75, 20. Cadence Call 28-0.25  
POLE VAULT: 7. Avaya Condiff 7-0, 9. Kayetana Lopez-Moen 7-0  
DISCUS: 10. Madison Cameron 81-5, 12. Maggie Mark 79-7  
SHOT PUT: 27. Marlie Bladow 22-1, 29. Maggie Mark 20-8

**BOYS**  
100 METER DASH: 17. Gabe Lindstrom 12.82, 24. William Schwartz 13.00  
200 METER DASH: 18. Jonas Hagemesiter 25.85, 20. Gabe Lindstrom 26.49  
400 METER DASH: 7. Aidan Heggem 58.48, 19. Edoardo Lande 1:05.36  
800 METER RUN: 17. Elijah Fronning 2:26.19, 25. Jack Jossart 2:40.73  
1600 METER RUN: 9. Peter Newark 4:58.55, 12. Elijah Fronning 5:17.52  
3200 METER RUN: 4. Phoenix Allison 10:56.58, 15. Peter Newark 12:50.75  
110 METER HURDLES: 14. Max Mekalson 20.76, 19. MaCade Barbe 22.76  
300 METER HURDLES: 3. Jonas Hagemesiter 43.95, 14. Nathan Russ 48.67  
4X100 METER RELAY: 11. Relay Team 50.40  
4X200 METER RELAY: 8. Relay Team 1:42.88  
4X400 METER RELAY: 7. Relay Team 3:58.35  
4X800 METER RELAY: 8. Relay Team 10:08.26  
HIGH JUMP: 8. Braxtyn Cameron 5-8, 12. Brock Resch 5-4  
LONG JUMP: 5. Mason Dalluge 19-1.25, 19. William Schwartz 17-2  
TRIPLE JUMP: 2. Mason Dalluge 41-10, 9. Aidan Heggem 36-11  
POLE VAULT: 5. Gabe Lindstrom 11-0, 11. Quin Condiff 9-6  
DISCUS: 5. Max Mekalson 106-7.25, 13. Kale Rich 87-0.75  
SHOT PUT: 6. Kale Rich 39-5.75, 11. William Schwartz 37-11



Photos by Chad Koenen

**Top: Norah Froslee took third place in the 1600-meter run during the Section 6A True Team meet last Monday. Far right: Mason Dalluge took second place in the triple jump with a jump of 41'10". Right: Myiesha Antoni receives a handoff during a relay race at the section true team meet last week.**

### BULLDOGS WIN 11 STRAIGHT

fifth," said head coach Ryan Hendrickson.

Harig homered to right field, scoring three runs in the top of the sixth for the OTC. That homer scored Olson, Fick and Harig.

"The homer was absolutely clutch. Owen isn't really known as a power hitter, just an overall good hitter. He barreled that ball up well and let it fly. That was a huge spot for us, Owen was clutch," said Hendrickson.

Lane Dilly earned the win for OTC. The starting pitcher gave up two hits and zero runs over seven innings, striking out eight and walking two.

"Lane was absolutely awesome tonight," said Hendrickson. "He was able to keep a very good pillager team on their heels and kept them guessing. He has been a huge part of our success, we are incredibly proud of this kid."

Dilly and Misegades were a force together in the lineup, as they each collected two hits for OTC. Harig led OTC with three runs batted in he went 1-for-4 on the day. Ayden Olson stole two bases. OTC ran wild on the base paths, amassing six stolen bases for the game.

#### Thursday

OTC made it 11 straight wins on Thursday as they defeated Bertha-Hewitt/Verndale.

The OTC Bulldog '24 team set their new all time record for consecutive wins in a row, at 11 surpassing the im-

pressive 2015 Bulldogs.

"The record means a lot, we have worked hard to put ourselves into this position. Winning 11 in a row takes a lot of team effort, we are proud of our accomplishments so far," said Lane Dilly.

Dilly also became OTC's most winningest pitcher of all time also. When the Bulldogs won their 10th game of this season, Dilly was on the mound vs Pillager Tuesday night. With that win, Dilly earned himself his 15th career win, which set the new bar.

"I am incredibly proud of Lane for such an accomplishment. He set the new bar ahead of some real standout players. Lane has been our ace for a couple years now, and always faces our toughest opponents, his wins did not come easy," said Hendrickson.

Other top win totals include: 2012-15 Nick Trosdahl 14, 1993-95 Eric Olson 13, 2000-02 Ben Aakre 12, 2008-10 Jeff Hamann 12, 2009-11 Brett Collins 11, 1995-97 Shawn Linder 10.

Owen Harig drove in four runs on two hits to lead OTC pest Bertha Hewitt-Verndale 16-4 on Thursday at Bertha Hewitt Public School. Harig doubled in the second inning, scoring two runs, and doubled in the third inning, scoring two.

OTC got on the board in the top of the first inning after Kale Misegades singled, scoring two runs, and Soren

Floden doubled, scoring one run.

OTC scored seven runs on four hits in the top of the second Inning. Lane Dilly drew a walk, scoring one run, Conner Thompson drew a walk, scoring one run, Ayden Olson singled, scoring two runs, Eric Fick singled, scoring one run and Harig doubled, scoring two runs

OTC scored five runs on three hits in the top of the third inning. Conner Thompson singled, scoring two runs, Fick drew a walk, scoring one. run, and Harig doubled, scoring two runs

Noah Link pitched the win for OTC. The righty allowed six hits and four runs (three earned) over four innings, striking out six and walking three. Gavin Pausch threw one inning of shutout ball for OTC in relief. Gavin gave up zero hits, striking out one and walking none

OTC amassed 13 hits in the game with Pausch leading the way with three hits in four at bats. Soren Floden and Conner Thompson each collected multiple hits for OTC. Ayden Olson and Conner Thompson each stole multiple bases for OTC.

Later in the day, New York Mills ended OTC's win streak with an 11-1 win on Thursday night in Bertha.

New York Mills got on the board in the top of the first inning after Bode Roberts doubled, and OTC committed an error, each scoring

one run.

A fielder's choice by Teagan Lausten extended the New York Mills lead to 3-1 in the top of the second inning.

New York Mills extended their early lead with two runs in the top of the third thanks to RBI singles by Blake Unger and Grady Roberts.

Teagan Lausten earned the win for New York Mills. Lausten surrendered four hits and one run (zero earned) over seven innings, striking out five and walking three.

Kale Misegades pitched four innings in relief for OTC. The reliever surrendered seven hits and five runs (three earned) while, striking out one and walking three. Gavin Pausch took the loss for OTC. Pausch went three innings, giving up five runs (three earned) on six hits, striking out two

and walking one

Noah Link, Eric Fick, Soren Floden, and Misegades each collected one hit for OTC. Link went 1-for-2 at the plate as the center fielder led the team with one run batted in. OTC turned one double play in the game.

#### Friday

OTC fell to Wadena-Deer Creek Wolverines 4-3 on Friday on the final play of the game. The game was tied at three in the bottom of the seventh inning when Gunner Olson scored the game winning RBI on a squeeze bunt.

OTC lost despite out-hitting Wadena-Deer Creek eight to seven. Kale Misegades led OTC with three hits.

The Bulldogs were the first to get on the board in the third when Lane Dilly

continued from 9

single, scoring one run. A double by Connor Dutke gave Wadena-Deer Creek the lead, 2-1, in the bottom of the third.

OTC tied the game in the top of the seventh inning thanks to a ground cut by Gavin Pausch, and a single by Kale Misegades.

Gavin Pausch took the loss for OTC. The righty went one and one-third innings, surrendering one run on one hit striking out one and walking two. Eric Fick started on the hill for OTC. The starting pitcher allowed six hits and three runs over five innings, striking out seven and walking three.

Pausch, Lane Dilly and Misegades each drove in one run for OTC. Owen Harig collected two hits for the Bulldogs in four at bats.

## Henning City Wide Spring Clean Up

The City crew will pick up leaves, brush and clippings on May 20.

All leaves and waste must be left by the curb by 8:00 a.m. if you want it picked up (please bag).



# ENTERTAINMENT

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- 4. Ooze
- 9. A set of eight
- 14. Obstruction
- 15. Swiss mathematician
- 16. Philosophy
- 17. The night before
- 18. A timid person
- 20. Unifies
- 22. Gangs
- 23. Alternative name
- 24. Acumen
- 28. Cathode-ray tube
- 29. Tantalum
- 30. Soluble ribonucleic acid
- 31. Humiliate
- 33. Earthy pigment
- 37. Air Force
- 38. Adult males
- 39. Stiff untanned leather
- 41. Before
- 42. Atomic #18
- 43. Beer mug
- 44. Nostrils
- 46. Type of chef
- 49. Midway between north and east
- 50. They \_\_\_
- 51. Splits
- 55. Walk in a timid manner
- 58. Preserved animal skin with hair
- 59. Popular donut shop item
- 60. You smear it on bagels
- 64. Don't know when yet
- 65. Equal to 10 amperes
- 66. Synthetic acrylic fiber
- 67. One point south of due east
- 68. Of mixed ancestry
- 69. Home of the Pyramids
- 70. A way to change color

### CLUES DOWN

- 1. Excessive fluid accumulation in tissues
- 2. Untangle
- 3. One from the U.S.
- 4. Academic terms
- 5. San \_\_\_ Obispo, in California
- 6. Not healthy
- 7. Self-assessment questionnaire (abbr.)
- 8. Arugula genus
- 9. VIII
- 10. Makes a monarch
- 11. Tormentor
- 12. Commercials
- 13. Sprinkle
- 19. Make a mistake
- 21. Freshwater fishes
- 24. Vermont town
- 25. Man-made device
- 26. Entrap
- 27. Places to store important things
- 31. Accumulate
- 32. Greek mythological nymph
- 34. Gregory \_\_, American dancer
- 35. Denotes past
- 36. Becoming popular again
- 40. Indicates position
- 41. Came before
- 45. An extra seed-covering
- 47. Cheerful
- 48. Deli sandwich staple
- 52. Skateboarders love them
- 53. Mandela's party
- 54. Sierra lake
- 56. Nickname for Elizabeth
- 57. Remove from record
- 59. Employee stock ownership plan
- 60. Former NFLer Newton
- 61. Relative biological effectiveness (abbr.)
- 62. Work unit
- 63. Town in Cambridgeshire

## Mystery photo



Above: This week's mystery photo features a pair of people driving a horse and wagon through the Watermelon Day Parade in Vining. Do you know any of the people pictured above? If so, contact the Citizen's Advocate at news@henningadvocate.com or by phone at 548-5585.

Left: We did not receive an answer to last week's mystery photo.

## It happened in

### 5 years ago

#### Citizen's Advocate Tuesday, May 7, 2019

Four Henning High School students attended the Business Professionals of America 2019 National Leadership Conference in Anaheim, Calif. The conference was held from May 1-5. The four students included Mikayla Leach, Ethan Severson, Megan Weber and Katelyn Zillmer.

For the second time in just a matter of months, the Henning City Council will attempt to fill one of the more high profile positions within the city. During its regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday night, the Henning City Council approved the hiring of Jamie Stans to fill the position of RN/Housing Manager at Willow Creek Assisted Living. This follows Paige Jagol's resignation from the position in late March. Jagol held the position on a full-time basis for just over a month.

This year's Henning High School boys basketball state championship team is not the only one in the history of the school. It is, however, the only state title with Henning as a member of the Minnesota State High School League, earlier referred to as the State High School Athletic Association.

Back in the 1920s, Henning had yet to meet academic standards as an accredited high school and was lumped with other departmental schools of the same standing. A graded school state basketball tournament took hold in 1922. Fast forward to 1925 and Henning took third place in the state graded tourney. Two years later Henning was crowned state champion in the 1927 state tournament held at Hamline University in St. Paul.

### 30 years ago Thursday, May 18, 1994

#### The Henning Advocate

Saturday didn't seem to be an especially good opening day of fishing season for people who were trying to catch walleyes, according to Minnesota Department of Natural Resources Conservation Officer, Tom Campbell of Henning. The pan fish seemed to be biting, but the walleyes weren't.

A young black bear was spending time at the Melvin Porter residence east of Deer Creek on Monday morning. There were so many people in the area, that the bear became reluctant to leave and it climbed a tree. Eventually it wandered off.

The 1994 Henning Festival Kiddie Queen is Jessie Shaw

and the Princesses are Merin Polzine and Kaari Espeland. They will represent the younger generation of our fine city this year.

### 55 years ago Thursday, May 18, 1969

#### The Henning Advocate

Mrs. Enebo Peterson received her Red Cross Volunteer cap at a ceremony at the Henning Nursing Home. She fulfilled the requirements for receiving the cap by taking a six-hour Red Cross training course.

Twenty-six senior girls were special guests at a graduation tea given by the Henning Reading Club.

Joan Vogle was selected to participate in the All State Band this summer. Out of 124 flutes to try out over the state, Vogle was one of the 18 selected.

### 100 years ago Thursday, May 18, 1919

#### The Henning Advocate

Eleven in the class of 1919. One young man and ten ladies will complete their high school work.

He called her Lily, Pansy, Rose and every other flower of the spring. She said you must Li-lac every thing!

A big caravan of horse traders struck town yesterday with their trading stock. They did but little business

here and drove on northward.

### 130 years ago Thursday, May 18, 1894

#### The Alliance Advocate

The irrepressible Alex Van Praag, of Little Falls was in town last Thursday looking up the cigar trade.

Merchant Jensen found his cow last week., not out on the common, but in G. A. Poulson's grainary were she had taken refuge from the storm, and G.A. had locked her up without knowing it.

There is a growing sentiment among the business men of the village against the playing ball on Sunday. Quite a number enjoy this national game, but because of religious scruples cannot attend them, and a reasonable regard for the Sabbath and those who observe it ought to induce the boys to have their games on a day when all are free to attend. A ball game between two churches on Sunday is hardly appropriate.

Beginning with this issue the Alliance Advocate reduces it size one half and will remain this size until after harvest when it hopes the conditions will warrant a return to it's former size. More attention will be paid to general county news.

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# Trivia!

*This week's question:*

What is the official name of the Northern Lights?  
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 B. Advection adnly  
 C. Angular momentum  
 D. Atmosphere river

**Last week's answer:**  
Scotland

Answered by:  
Steve Gunderson

Be the FIRST person after 9:30 a.m. on FRIDAY to correctly answer this week's Big Foot Trivia question and win a free four piece chicken at Big Foot. Call the Citizen's Advocate at 548-5585 or email us at news@henningadvocate.com with the correct answer. Limit one winner per week. Participants are limited to one winning answer in a 30 day period.

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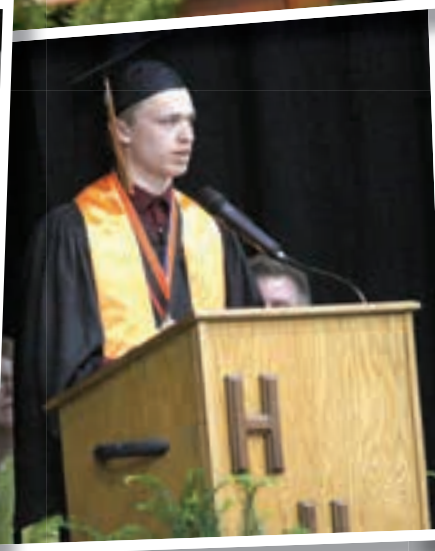
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# Fourteen students graduate from Henning High School

Photos by Chad Koenen  
 One of the smallest classes at Henning School in recent memory received their high school diplomas on Friday night. Members of the senior class include: Lillian Conner, Lane Dilly, Cayden Dittberner, Dealia Grabe, Alivia Gunderson, Carter Kenyon, Emily Kohl, Lyvia Misegades, Ella Missling, Allie Mueller, Jevon Pedersen, Chase Powers, Kira Vergin and Alissa Winters. Right: Alivia Gunderson received her high school diploma from Kim Haugen. Gunderson was also a senior speaker on Friday. Middle right: Jevon Pedersen and Lyvia Misegades gave speeches on Friday. Middle below: Lillian Conner presented a flower to her mother during Friday's ceremony. Bottom right: Kira Vergin receives her high school diploma during Friday's graduation ceremony. Below: Dealia Grabe, Ella Missling and Alivia Gunderson were all smiles during the senior song "Lean on Me."



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