



All aboard for a hay ride! Oak Grove mayor Mark Korin (far right) poses with the next group he was about to take on a hay ride around the City Hall grounds. He wanted to be sure everyone smiled for our camera.

How Will Health Care Reform Affect You?

Myhealthcarefuture.org May Help Answer That Question

In April, a coalition of nonprofit Minnesota organizations launched MyHealthCareFuture.org, an interactive online tool designed to help Minnesotans understand how the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act could affect them personally. The tool is being distributed by Children's Defense-Fund Minnesota, Citizens League, Minnesota Chamber of Commerce, MN Community Measurement, Minnesota Council of Health Plans and others. The tool was funded by the Minnesota Council of Health Plans (MCHP).

"It seems like we've heard every story around health care reform except the most important one: How the law will affect people on an individual basis," said Marc Conklin, one of the tool's architects and small business owner from St. Paul. "That's what this tool is all about."

Depending on an individual's current health

insurance situation, health care reform changes could range from minimal to significant. Some individuals may qualify for low cost or free health care coverage while others may see new benefits, lower deductibles and premiums increases of 50 percent or more.

Myhealthcarefuture.org serves as a guide and information tool (not an official premium calculator) for all Minnesotans looking to answer the question "how will health reform change my personal health insurance situation?" Based on state data, the tool uses public resources to help Minnesotans explore their personal health care futures.

Many aspects of the new health care legislation are still in development on both federal and state

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LACK OF INTEREST SHOWN IN MANY CITY AND SCHOOL BOARD RACES CANDIDATE FILING CLOSES

by Bryan Olson — Special to the *Anoka County Record*

Only two cities and five school districts in Anoka County will have elections this November. The filing period for candidacies closed Tuesday, to be followed by a withdrawal deadline of 5:00 p.m. Thursday. This edition of the Record went to press before the deadline — if there are any candidacy withdrawals we will report them in our Aug. 29 edition.

The Forest Lake ISD #831 School Board voted June 27 to switch to even year elections and cancelled the 2013 election. Current terms were extended by one year, allowing the transition to be completed over the next two election cycles 2014 and 2016.

There will be no contest in **Spring Lake Park ISD #16**, as no one filed besides the four incumbents whose seats were up for re-election. They were Kelly Delfs, Marilyn Forsberg, Jodi Ruch and John Stroebel. Of the four, only Ruch provided a website address on candidacy papers. The *Record* looked up the web page and found it to be blank, other than the words "This account has been suspended".

The Fridley ISD 14 School Board race has five candidates for three seats. Longtime board member Gordon Backlund, a former state legislator now also currently serving on the Fridley HRA, has filed for re-election along with Marcia Lindblad and Mary Kay Delvo.

This will be Delvo's first election after being appointed in November 2012 to fill the remaining term of Brad Richter.

The two challengers include Joseph A. Sturdevant, who has previously been on the Columbia Heights school board, and ran unsuccessfully for the Fridley school board four years ago.

Jay R. Lowinske will also be on the ballot.

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Fun Time Had By All at Oak Grove's Acorn Day

After a hiatus of many years, the Oak Grove Lions Club brought back the annual Acorn Day celebration last Saturday.

The weather cooperated beautifully and the all-day free event at Oak Grove City Hall was a great success judging by the number of people who were continually streaming in throughout the day.

The focal point of the Lions' event was a car show that featured about 75 hot rod-modified cars, mostly of 1960's and '70's vintage. Among the older cars were a 1941 Chevrolet pickup with a radically altered front end, a 1931 Ford Model A, and a 1957 Lincoln Premiere. A few cars that had not been radically altered included a late 50's Studebaker, a 1956 Nash Metropolitan, a 1955 Dodge Royal, a 1959 Ford Thunderbird and a 1953 Ford two-door. A significant representation of Dodge and Plymouth muscle cars of the late 1960s and early 70's was also present. A few Pontiac GTO's from that same era were also on display.

Entertainment and concessions were offered by, among others, the Lions clubs of Nowthen and St. Francis. Live music by the Roadhouse Blue band and activities for youth were also available on the grounds.

Workers from Connexus Energy gave demonstrations to onlookers as to how to keep their home safe when using electrical power, pointing out common mistakes that homeowners often make which can cause injury or death.

Allina's Mobile Wellness truck was there to provide health information and the Anoka County Sheriff's department had displays of equipment and put on a show featuring the canines of the K-9 unit. Booth vendors, bingo and a silent auction rounded out a very successful Acorn Day. — *Bryan Olson*

RAMSEY DEVELOPER JIM DEAL REAPPOINTED TO METROPOLITAN AIRPORTS COMMISSION

Last week, Governor Mark Dayton reappointed Ramsey developer and businessman James Deal (see *Anoka County Record*, Nov. 8, 2012 and Jan. 3, 2013) to the Metropolitan Airports Commission, a post he was first appointed to by Mr. Dayton in early 2011. Deal owns PSD Holding LLC, a land development company, according to the MAC website.

Deal is also on the Board of Directors of the non-profit ClearWay Minnesota and serves as its treasurer. The organization was formed in 1998 to spend a portion of the state's tobacco settlement funds on tobacco-related research and anti-smoking programs.



Deal

Some of the board's seats are appointed by the governor and the state attorney general.

Among the other MAC reappointments by the governor were Steve Cramer, presently executive director of Project for Pride in Living, former Minneapolis city councilor and former head of the MCDA, the city's community development agency; and Lisa Lebedoff Peilen of St. Louis Park, who is a member of several boards in the metro area.

One new member, James Hamilton, a St. Paul attorney, was appointed to replace John McClung, a retired business executive and pilot. McClung had been appointed in 2010 by Gov. Tim Pawlenty, whose press secretary was McClung's son Brian.

The MAC owns and operates the Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport and six smaller airports in the metro area. The commission has 15 members.

They don't understand . . .

Our top economic priority should be to make Minnesota a better place to work and/or run a business. Democrats in our state do not seem to understand this.

Sure, Democrats on the campaign trail promised jobs would be their top priority as a new majority in Minnesota. It made for a good slogan, but the fact is their historic increases in spending and taxing are costing us well-paying jobs and driving out businesses. It is absurd Gov. Mark Dayton is taking secret recruiting trips and attempting to lure businesses to Minnesota while he and fellow Democrats are simultaneously chasing jobs out the back door.

Last spring, newspapers quoted Minnesota business owners who warned passage of the new warehouse tax, business-to-business tax and more would give them no choice but to consider moving their operations to a more business-friendly state. Dayton and Democrats turned a deaf ear, raised spending and taxes by billions, and now we are seeing the warnings become reality.

Did the tax-and-spend liberals think business owners were bluffing? Do they just not care to support our home teams?

Those of us who view successful businesses as the backbone of our economy understand the value of a strong business climate. We applaud Kansas, which recently reduced its income-tax rates, to 3.9 percent for top earners and to 2.3 percent for the lowest earners. Kansas' business climate is one reason an operation in West Central Minnesota plans to expand in that state instead of Minnesota, where it is headquartered.

That is just one example – and 50 good small-town jobs – that shows people and businesses vote with their feet. We also are hearing stores on our borders are seeing a precipitous drop in sales since Dayton and the Democrats jacked up cigarette taxes by \$1.60 per pack. It also is reducing revenue from the drinks and snacks people regularly purchase along with a pack of smokes.

We were heading in the right direction after Republicans in the Legislature set the budget in 2011. The state economy produced at least \$3 billion in more-than-projected revenue in that time. Jobs were on the rise in Minnesota, with 55,000 more last year alone. We replenished previously drained state reserve accounts and not only paid off the entire K-12 education funding shift, but made a substantial dent in school debt the previous Democrat majority and Gov. Tim Pawlenty enacted.

But Democrats could not resist excessive, wasteful spending this year. They drove our All Funds budget up by 10 percent, the largest dollar-for-dollar increase in state history. They raised taxes and fees on hardworking Minnesotans by around \$2.5 billion to pay for it.

We cannot afford to be so haughty as to think workers and businesses will remain in Minnesota just because “we like it here.” There are a lot of other nice places to live which promote economic freedom for hardworking taxpayers and entrepreneurs. People will find them and it already is happening.

MINNESOTA MAJORITY SCORECARD

Minnesota Majority recently issued its scorecard for the 2013 session. They graded all Minnesota legislators on how well they supported the traditional values position on 11 key issues. I received a score of 91 out of 100. You can see the report on this web page: <http://www.minnesotamajority.org/minnesota-majoritys-2013-heroes-zeros-legislative-scorecard/>



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Anoka County Watchdog eyes the County Board and next year's campaigns

Did you read the articles this week quoting commissioners Carol LeDoux and Jim Kordiak explaining their votes against cutting taxes for their constituents?

We could only shake our heads at their illogical and bizarre apology (classic definition) for their votes on eliminating the so-called “wheelage tax.”

Essentially, the argument from the Liberal Two is that this tax is really a “user fee” and that since it goes to roads, it's an acceptable tax.

First, words matter. This is a wheelage TAX, not wheelage fee. The nomenclature is correct because it is indeed a tax. A fee is a charge that is levied to directly cover the cost of providing a service. For example, paying a fee to get your driver's license renewed is a fee. Paying a general tax that goes into a large pool of funds to pay for systemic maintenance and construction of county roads is not.

Moreover, it's not a USER fee because it only applies to a segment of users, not all.

For example, there are people who don't own a car and therefore don't pay the tax.

Yet these people clearly use the roads and derive a benefit. They often drive with others. They ride busses. When they have a medical emergency, the ambulance doesn't use it a magic carpet. It uses the roads. The groceries get to the store by truck. If the house is on fire, the fire truck uses the roads to get to the fire.

In short, it's not a “fee” and it's not a “user” fee as those terms are commonly understood.

Of course, obfuscation and incorrect descriptions of their agenda isn't new to the Left. Just listen to President Obama on any given day. For example, he recently was on the Jay Leno show, where he pronounced that there was no domestic spying program when there clearly is one.

It has long been a tenet of the Liberal ideology to call black white and white black.

So it is in this case.

Second, the tax was justified as something absolutely critical and essential to providing a core government function.

For example, LeDoux offered the obligatory preface to her apology by noting that she “struggled” with the issue.

LeDoux frequently “struggles” with votes before voting against taxpayers.

Moreover, the rhetoric around the wheelage tax from these two simply hides the real issue and merely seeks political cover for supporting a tax increase.

To be clear, there will be no loss of funding because of the tax cut. As Commissioner Schulte has noted many times, the county will backfill road and bridge funding with other funds realized through savings and efficiencies, meaning that the funding will remain steady while the tax levy will not increase because of the tax cut.

Well, imagine that. A reduction in the cost of government without any reduction in service.

This is exactly what conservative governance means and is the toughest kind of governing because it requires some hard work and due diligence to find the efficiencies and implement them.

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Ramsey City Councilor Announces Campaign For Abeler's House Seat

Editor's Note: Earlier this month Ramsey city councilor Jason Tossey announced his intention to run as a Republican candidate for Rep. Jim Abeler's State House seat. In June, Abeler began to campaign for U.S. Senate (see Anoka County Record, June 20, 2013). The District 35A seat includes Anoka and Ramsey. Tossey's candidacy statement follows:

Priorities. “Over the past few years I have represented Ramsey citizens by voting that their tax dollars are not wasted on risky business subsidies when they often come at the expense of the basic roles of government, such as roads. I am concerned that the state's road and highway infrastructure is reaching critical mass as well, and that has never been more evident than the current situation on Highway 10 in Anoka and Ramsey. As a thirteen year law enforcement veteran, I know the importance of supporting basic roles of government, but I feel elected officials have forgotten those basic pillars by venturing into areas that were meant for the private sector. This comes at a cost to services and your wallets.”

“I strongly believe that the problem is not revenue, but misguided spending. Over the last legislative session we saw a state government that raised taxes for everyone. The taxes imposed on the state's middle class and small businesses will, no doubt, hurt the economy and kill jobs. Meanwhile, the legislature provided tax breaks and subsidies to big businesses on the backs of the middle class, small businesses, and the state's poorest. This is not fair, and must be reversed or dynamic job growth will not return anytime soon.”

Education. “As a life long Minnesotan I have

been all around the country, and the world, during my time serving in the military. During my travels I saw, first hand, the importance of a Minnesota public education. I am concerned that we are lowering the bar for our students, educators, and parents that will hurt our future economy and our first class work force. I will work for innovative solutions to ensure Minnesota remains a top notch place to educate our children.”

Natural Resources.

“Those who know me, know that I cherish our state parks, lakes and woods. I believe that our state is blessed with tremendous natural resources, and conservation efforts are vitally important to our citizens and our economy. I look forward to continuing Minnesota's support of our outdoor traditions.”

Public Safety. “Over the last 13 years of my law enforcement career I have seen both the good and bad of society. Fortunately, I am also reminded time and time again that most people will do what is right without a new law or requirement from the state. I am concerned that as more laws are passed, more liberties are being taken away. I'm also concerned that laws that protect life, liberty, and property have been de-emphasized with many new laws that are passed. I would always balance the need of new laws against individual liberties before I vote on legislation.”



Jason Tossey

Continuing Leadership. “I also recognize the passion that Representative Abeler has shown for health and human services, including senior issues. I understand the importance of his work and I am committed to ensuring that his knowledge and passion for those programs is not lost. Although Jim cannot be replaced, his pragmatic leadership shown by working across the aisle on issues important to all citizens is something I am committed to at the Capitol.”

Jason is in his first term at the Ramsey City Council where he also serves as Chairperson of the Personnel Committee. Jason is in his 14th year of Law Enforcement, and is currently a police investigator. He is a graduate of Saint Cloud State University, and a veteran of the U.S. Navy.

Jason and his wife, Kristin, have a daughter, Taylor, and reside in Ramsey. Jason is a past president of MN Fraternal Order of Police # 26 (philanthropic organization), and has also served as steward to his police local. Jason is a supporter of Pheasants Forever, MN Special Olympics - Law Enforcement Torch Run, and Youth First (Community of Promise) where he currently serves on the Board of Directors.

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HEALTH CARE REFORM ACT *continued from page 1*

levels. Myhealthcarefuture.org is designed to give consumers the best information available as to how and why insurance coverage could change in January 2014. The tool is not an exact, legally binding quote of future coverage or premiums. Estimates of premium decreases/increases are based on the state's most comprehensive analyses of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, and how the federal legislation applies to Minnesota's unique health care environment. For more information, visit myhealthcarefuture.org.

Family, Household size of 3

Coverage Options	Federal Poverty Guideline limit %	Income limit (2013)	% Estimate of Anoka County families	At least 46.5% of Anoka County families potentially qualify help
Medicaid (adult)	138	\$26951	7%	
MinnesotaCare	139-200	\$39060	11%	
Premium Discount + or MinnesotaCare	201-250			
Premium Discount	251-400	\$48825	22%+	
Open Market, No Subsidy	401+	\$78120	35%+	

Individuals, Household Size of 1

Coverage Options	Federal Poverty Guideline limit %	Income limit (2013)	% Estimate of Anoka County families	At least 19% of single people in Anoka County potentially qualify for help
Medicaid (adult)	138	\$15856	15%+	
MinnesotaCare	139-200	\$22980		
Premium Discount + or MinnesotaCare	201-250			
Premium Discount	251-400	\$45960	11%	
Open Market, No Subsidy	401+			

In 2011, it is estimated that 8.9% of Anoka County residents were uninsured. The following information is specific to Anoka County and refers to the percentage of families and individuals who potentially qualify for low cost or free health coverage or help paying premiums. This information is for people who do not have coverage through their employer.

Medicaid

*Children 0-1 qualify for Medicaid up to 280% of federal poverty guidelines. (\$54,684 for a family of 3.)

*Children 2-18 qualify for Medicaid up to 275% of federal poverty guidelines. (\$53,708 for a family of 3.)

MinnesotaCare. Adults between 139% and 200% of the federal poverty guidelines.

Income Range	Anoka County, Minnesota	
	Families	Nonfamily households
	Estimate	Estimate
Total	86611	34275
Less than \$10,000	1.9%	7.0%
\$10,000 to \$14,999	1.3%	7.7%
\$15,000 to \$24,999	4.3%	13.2%
\$25,000 to \$34,999	6.3%	12.7%
\$35,000 to \$49,999	11.1%	18.5%
\$50,000 to \$74,999	21.6%	22.0%
\$75,000 to \$99,999	19.3%	10.8%
\$100,000 to \$149,999	23.0%	6.6%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	7.3%	0.9%
\$200,000 or more	4.0%	0.6%

Premium Discount+ or MNCare. Depends on what the Legislature does with MinnesotaCare this session. People in this income range (201 to 250% FPL) will EITHER be in MNCare or in the Exchange. If the person purchases a SILVER plan or above, he/she would be eligible for help paying the premium, along with deductible, copays and other costs.

Premium Discount. This group appears to be eligible for a subsidy if they buy in the Exchange (FPL between 251 and 400%.)

Open Market, No Subsidy. This group is over 401% FPL. They do not qualify for a subsidy, but may still shop inside the Exchange.

Program	% of FPL*	Max. Income
Family		
Medicaid Qualified	138	\$26951
MNCare Qualified	139-200	\$39060
Premium Discount+ or MNCare	201-250	\$48825
Premium Discount	251-400	\$78120
Open Market, No Subsidy: Income over \$78,120	401+	
NonFamily (Individuals)		
Medicaid Qualified	138	\$15856
MNCare Qualified	139-200	\$22980
Premium Discount+ or MNCare	201-250	\$28725
Premium Discount	251-400	\$45960
Open Market, No Subsidy: Income over \$78,120	401+	

(The census data above was used to estimate Anoka County information).

CANDIDATES FILE FOR LOCAL OFFICES *continued from page 1*

Only a small portion of the White Bear Lake school district (ISD 624) is in Anoka County (Lino Lakes) and its school board race will consist of four incumbents and two challengers for four seats. Incumbents seeking re-election are Kim S. Chapman, George Kimball, Janet Newberg and Bob Shevik. Christine Morrison and Donald Mullin have also filed.

The St. Francis (ISD #15) school board race may be watched more than others because only two incumbents have filed.

One of those incumbents, David Roberts of Oak Grove, was appointed to serve out part of the unexpired term of Matthew Rustad, whom the school board had expelled. (See Feb. 28, 2013, Anoka County Record). The remaining two years of Rustad's term will be put on the November ballot. Betsy Roed, Corey Ross and Scott Schwarz, all of Oak Grove, have filed for that seat.

Roed was one of the applicants interviewed for Rustad's vacant seat.

Roberts has chosen to run for one of three four-year seats, along with incumbent Marsha VanDenburgh of Oak Grove. Four others are vying for the four-year seats: Juanita Reed-Boniface, former Oak Grove city councilor and was also interviewed for the vacant seat last February; Malcolm T. Vinger II of Nowthen; Barbara Jahnke and Shannon Collier of St. Francis. (Editor's note: An internet search identifies a Barbara Jahnke as a former guidance counselor at St. Francis Middle School in 2012. This has not been confirmed by the candidate.)

Reed-Boniface ran for one of three school board seats in 2009 but came in fourth place in a field of seven.

The three seats are now occupied by VanDenburgh, Harry Grams and David Anderson — the latter two not filing for re-election.

There are three races in Anoka-Hennepin ISD #11, one of which is unopposed. Jeff Simon was appointed in 2012 to complete the term of Kathy Tingelstad in District 6. and the Nov. 2013 election would be his first, however he already has the seat in hand because no opponent filed.

In District 3, incumbent Bill Harvey also braces for his first election campaign. He was appointed to the seat after it was vacated by John Hoffman, who won a state senate seat in 2012. Harvey's opponent will be Grace Baltich, who was narrowly defeated in 2012 for a state house seat by Rep. Mark Uglem, former mayor of Champlin.

Michael Sullivan of Ham Lake, the school board member representing District 4, did not file for re-election. Paul Meunier, former mayor of Ham Lake and former state senate candidate is among the three candidates for this seat. Janelle Kirkeide, wife of Ham Lake city councilor and former mayor Gary Kirkeide, has also filed. She ran a campaign for Anoka County Board in 2006 but was among those defeated in a primary. William Fields of Andover has also filed.

In the two city races, both incumbent mayors will be on the ballot unopposed. For Circle Pines mayor Dave Bartholomay, it's the second time in a row he hasn't had an opponent for the 2-year term. He was first elected to the city council in 2001 and ran successfully for mayor in 2005.

Lino Lakes mayor Jeff Reinert will have no opponent as he takes his third term as mayor, after having served as a city councilor for ten years prior.

Lino Lakes has two council seats to be elected. One is an open seat as incumbent Jeff O'Donnell did not file for re-election. Like Reinert, O'Donnell was first elected to the council in 1999. The other seat has been held by Rob Rafferty since 2009 and he has filed for re-election. Besides Rafferty, three others will be in the race: Melissa S. Maher, an attorney for the Lockridge Grindal law firm and a former city charter commission member; William Kusterman, a tax accountant who is on the city's Park Board, and Byron J. Roland who is also on the Park Board and has run for city council on previous occasions.

Two council incumbents will try to keep their seats in Circle Pines. Richard Runbeck (elected 2009) and Deborah O'Brien (elected 2005) will be challenged by Richard Whitney and Keith Perlich, a former mayor of the city who chose not to run again in 2005. Beginning with the 2007 election, Perlich has run unsuccessfully for a council seat in every city election since.

Another candidate appears to have withdrawn. The name of Suzanne K. Hochban appeared on the Secretary of State's website as a filed candidate on Aug. 13, the last day of the filing period. The next day, her name was no longer on the list.

The Record made calls to the two city halls, the Anoka County Elections department and the St. Francis school district offices between 5:00 and 5:30 p.m. on Aug. 13, immediately after the 5:00 p.m. deadline for candidate filing. One would think that a few people would still be working to take care of any last-minute paperwork, however not a single phone call wanting to verify the names of the filed candidates, was answered.

Any withdrawals or clarifications will be reported in our Aug. 29 edition.

For additional background information on the candidates, also see *Anoka County Record*, June 20, 2013.

All candidates are always welcome to submit statements for publication. They can be mailed or e-mailed. Our contact information is on page 5.

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OAK GROVE'S ACORN DAY IN PICTURES



Top left: Oak Grove mayor Mark Korin gasses up the Allis-Chalmers and away they go (top right).

Beneath: two views of a 1959 Ford Thunderbird.

Middle left: a 1956 Nash Metropolitan.

Underneath: Allina's health and wellness truck.

Right: a 1953 Ford.

Bottom photos: amusement for young people, including sack racing.



Minnesota Newspaper Museum's future in question

2013 will likely be last year in present location at the State Fair

The Minnesota Newspaper Foundation (MNF) has been informed of plans by the Minnesota State Fair to raze Heritage Square and revamp the area into a transportation hub.

The Fair Board has not officially adopted the plan but it is "95-98% likely" that it will happen, according to Jim Sinclair, Deputy General Manager of the State Fair. The final vote to proceed will be made by the Fair Board prior to Labor Day of this year. Work is likely to start soon after the close of the 2013 Fair.

The project will mean that the Minnesota Newspaper Museum that has been a part of Heritage Square since 1987 will need to be moved or razed.

The MNF Board of Directors held a conference call meeting on July 25 where it voted to seek bids for the cost of relocating the building. On August 2 the Board met again to review the costs and discuss the future of the museum.

The price tag to move the concrete block/brick building and relocate it to another location on the State Fairgrounds and make necessary repairs could run as high as \$80,000. At its August 2nd meeting the Board voted to go on record as stating "In the absence of a benefactor, the Minnesota Newspaper Foundation does not have the financial resources to move the Minnesota Newspaper Museum to another location on the State Fairgrounds."

The State Fair has indicated that the building would be razed as part of the construction of the new mass transit hub and entrance gate complex where Heritage Square is now located.

The MNF Board also agreed that, unless the museum stays at the State Fair, it is not feasible for the Minnesota Newspaper Foundation to continue to operate of the museum.

All the equipment and personal property must be removed from the present building before the end of September. The Board voted to keep the collection intact and hire professional movers to remove the equipment and other items following the close of the 2013 State Fair. The collection will be stored in a building owned by the State Fair until May 1, 2014, or until another "home" for it can be found. It is the Board's desire "to preserve the Minnesota Newspaper Museum's equipment as part of our industry's history and heritage, and to keep our collection intact."

The Board will be entertaining ideas for finding a new location, either at the State Fairgrounds or off-site with another group or organization.

"We will be exploring many ideas in the coming months," said Julie Bergman, president of the Minnesota Newspaper Foundation. "We urge those with ideas to contact us so that we can investigate every possible solution to this very sad and unexpected development. We are hopeful that there will be an option that presents itself which will allow our unique collection to be displayed and used to tell the story of our industry's unique history."

An appreciation event for volunteers, donors and museum supporters will be held September 7th at the museum.

About the Museum. The newspaper museum, established by the Minnesota Newspaper Foundation in 1987, features letterpress equipment and is a working replica of a small town newspaper.

Authentic in detail, the museum holds the much of the contents of the actual "Maynard News" which operated in Maynard, Minnesota, for most of the town's 100+ years. Additional printing equipment was donated through the years by other individuals around the state.

Since the museum's grand opening 26 years ago, volunteers have donated their time, equipment and financial resources to keep the museum operating as a working tribute to the era. Each year the museum receives tens of thousands of visitors to see a four page newspaper produced.

The Newspaper Museum is owned by the Minnesota Newspaper Foundation and is operated entirely by volunteers and financial contributions. The mission of the Foundation is to preserve the past while expanding the understanding between those who produce Minnesota's newspapers and those who read them, emphasizing the role and obligations of a free press in a free society.

Editor's note: The Minnesota State Fair later issued a press release stating that Heritage Square and the surrounding parking lot property would be remade into a new exhibit area and a transit hub. The new exhibit space will retain some of the old Heritage Square structures and will feature a new State Fair History Museum. Live entertainment will continue to be a new component of the newly developed space which will have a more open and friendly environment. The newly developed transit hub will supplement the existing transit hub on Como Avenue. The start date on the project has not been determined but will occur shortly after the conclusion of the 2013 Minnesota State Fair.

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Any clown can lard another tax increase on the status quo. It takes a leader to change the status quo in a way that reduces tax burdens while preserving or improving service.

The Good Ol' Boys are from status quo. The conservatives are from the reform camp.

And don't fall for all this talk about putting the road budget on property taxes.

The road and bridge budget was always on the property tax levy, which is okay.

Since 1857, Anoka County has been building and maintaining roads. And there wasn't a "wheelage tax" until 2006, some 149 years later.

It wasn't as if the wheelage tax came along and replaced the role of the property tax.

The property tax has always been a source of revenue for roads and bridges and always will be.

The simple fact is that it this repeal was an prime example of good governance. The tax burden will be reduced while the level of service will not be.

It's unfortunate but not surprising that commissioners LeDoux and Kordiak can't understand that simple concept.

LEDOUX IS OUT

Speaking of Commissioner LeDoux, reliable sources tell the Watchdog that she has made the decision not to run for re-election in 2014, leaving an open seat that can certainly be won by a candidate with world view more consistent with that of the governing majority.

District 5 basically covers the south half of Andover and the eastern half of Coon Rapids, with one precinct in Fridley.

Andover is a conservative bastion, having elected Republicans to office time and again.

Coon Rapids has long been a bellwether and a swing district, but voters in the city have always been receptive to a message of fiscal conservatism.

Moreover, 2014 promises to be a year in which swing district are sure to respond to a message of fiscal sanity, given President Obama's mismanagement of the economy and the

many tax increases Governor Dayton and the DFL imposed on middle class and poor voters, including a tobacco tax increase and business tax increases, including those that will come with unionizing day-care providers.

There are no announced candidates as of yet, but the Watchdog has it on good authority that at least two people are seriously contemplating a candidacy.

Sources tell the Watchdog that Andover Mayor Mike Gamache is strongly considering a run and will very likely throw his hat in the ring.

This announcement should make local DFLers happy as Gamache is indeed a popular local elected official.

Gamache years ago unsuccessfully ran for the legislature as a DFLer. He then ran, as many Andover Democrats do, on a non-partisan ballot and won.

Interestingly, he supported the imposition of a "prevailing wage" ordinance in Andover that was strongly favored by labor unions.

His support of prevailing wage, which makes public works projects more

expensive, stands in contrast to the county board, which recently significantly scaled back the county's prevailing wage law.

The other candidate considering the race is conservative in world view and would please many readers of this publication.

The Watchdog is withholding his name at this time pursuant to his wishes.

There will undoubtedly be many more candidates who will jump into the race.

Uberliberal non-profit executive Becky Fink has to be considered since she has unsuccessfully run for office in Coon Rapids almost as often as Jerry Newton.

Get going, Watchdogs. A 6-1 conservative bloc would be sweet.

IS MINNEAPOLIS DETROIT?

One of the problems faced by Detroit is a bloated public payroll and the resulting unfunded obligations to those employees.

Detroit has a ratio of one public employee for every 61 citizens.

Some major cities have a

far higher ratio and some a much lower.

For example, San Francisco has one bureaucrat for every 28 citizens.

At the other end of the spectrum, Bakersfield, California has one public employee for every 246 residents.

So where is Minneapolis?

The City of Lakes is closer to Detroit than Bakersfield.

A city of 383,000, the city has an employee payroll of 5,111, or about one public employee for every 74 residents.

Chicago, notorious for unresponsive bureaucrats, has one of those guys for every 78 residents, a better ratio than Minneapolis.

Las Vegas does even better, with one public employee for every 225 residents.

So how about cities of comparable size?

Bakersfield is a good comparison, at 348,000 residents.

Arlington, VA (365,000) has one public employee for every 145 residents.

Omaha (409,000), a city many liberals in Minnesota love to denigrate (we're becoming a cold Omaha!) has one public servant for every 144 residents.

So how do cities like Arlington and Omaha get away with a municipal work force half the size of Minneapolis?

That's a great question, especially with Minneapolis getting a huge state aid windfall. *ACW*

HAM LAKE RESIDENT \$86 MILLION RICHER

Paul White of Ham Lake was one of three winners in the country of the Powerball lottery drawing on August 7. The other tickets were sold in New Jersey. The jackpot was \$448 million. White's share would have been \$149 million but he chose to take his winnings immediately in cash, which came to \$86 million.

White, a project engineer at Elliott Contracting in Minneapolis, said that he learned he won the jackpot this morning after his significant other called him at work and told him there was a jackpot winner in Minnesota. White knew he had two tickets with the Powerball of 32. He checked the ticket and discovered the remaining numbers on one of those lines matched the numbers 5-25-30-58-59.

Holiday, 1442 N.E. Cross-town Blvd. in Ham Lake, sold the winning ticket. The store will receive a \$50,000 bonus for selling the winning ticket.

This is Minnesota's 22nd Powerball jackpot winner since Powerball began in 1992.

GOVERNMENT MEETINGS CALENDAR

ANOKA COUNTY

Anoka County Govt. Center
2100 3rd Ave.
Anoka MN 55303-5024
Ph.: 763-323-5700
www.co.anoka.mn.us

Mon. Aug. 19

Public Works Cmte., 9 am, Rm 772, ACGC
Library Board, 5:30 pm, Library offices next to Northtown Library

Tues. Aug. 20

Human Services Cmte., 8:30 am, Rm 710, ACGC
Inform. Technology Cmte., 10:30 am, Rm 772, ACGC
Finance & Capital Improvements Cmte., 1 pm, Rm 772, ACGC
Intergovernmental & Comm. Relations Cmte., 3 pm, Rm 772, ACGC

Tues. Aug. 27

Management Cmte., 8:30 am, Rm 772
Anoka County Board, 9:30 am, followed by HRA, Rm 705, ACGC

Thurs. Aug. 29

Public Works Cmte., 9 am, Rm 772, ACGC

FRIDLEY

Fridley City Hall
6431 University Ave NE
Fridley, MN 55432
Ph: 763-571-3450
www.ci.fridley.mn.us

Mon. Aug. 19 & 26

City Council, 7 pm

Wed. Aug. 21

Planning Comm., 7 pm

HAM LAKE

Ham Lake City Hall
15544 Central Ave NE
Ham Lake, MN 55304
Ph: 763-434-9555
www.ci.ham-lake.mn.us
Hours: M-Th 7 AM - 4:30 PM
Fri: 7 AM-12 NOON

Mon. Aug. 19

City Council, 6 pm

Mon. Aug. 26

Planning Comm., 6 pm

LINWOOD TWP

Linwood Town Hall
22817 Typo Creek Dr. NE
Linwood, MN 55079
Ph: 651-462-2812
linwoodtownship.org

Tues. Aug. 20

Planning Comm., 7 pm

Mon. Aug. 26

Park & Rec. Cmte., 6 pm

Tues. Aug. 27

Town Board, 6 pm

OAK GROVE

Oak Grove City Hall
19900 Nightingale St. NW
Oak Grove, MN 55011
Ph: 763-404-7000
www.ci.oak-grove.mn.us

2nd and last Monday of month

City Council, 7 pm (EDA follows council mtg on last Monday)

3rd Wednesday

Parks Comm., 6 pm

3rd Thursday

Planning Comm., 7 pm

RAMSEY

7550 Sunwood Dr. NW
Ramsey, MN 55303
Ph: 763-427-1410
www.ci.ramsey.mn.us

Tues. Aug. 27

City Council "work session" 5:30 pm, reg mtg 7 pm, followed by HRA

Thurs. Sept. 5

Planning Comm., 7 pm

ANOKA CONSERVATION DISTRICT

1318 McKay Dr NE #300
Ham Lake, MN 55304
Ph.: (763) 434-2030
anokaswcd.org

Mon. Aug. 19 & Sept. 16

Board of Supervisors, 5 pm

CENTENNIAL ISD #12

4707 North Rd
Circle Pines, MN 55014
Ph.: (763) 792-6000
isd12.org

Mon. Aug. 19

School Bd regular mtg, 6:30 pm

FRIDLEY ISD #14

6000 W Moore Lake Dr
Fridley, MN 55432
Ph.: (763) 502-5000
fridley.k12.mn.us

Tues. Aug. 20

School Bd "work session," 5:30 pm, Public Comment, 7 pm, Business Mtg 7:30 pm, Fridley City Hall

SPRING LAKE PARK ISD #16

1415 81st Ave NE
Spring Lake Park, MN 55432
Ph.: (763) 786-5570
springlakeparkschools.org

Tues. Aug. 27

School Bd "work session", 6 pm

Tues. Sept. 10

School Bd, 6:45 pm

QCTV Cable Commission

Ramsey, Andover, Champlin, Anoka
Thurs. Aug. 15, 10 am, Anoka City Hall

North Metro TV Cable Commission

Ham Lake, Blaine, Spring Lake Park, Lino Lakes, Lexington, Centerville, Circle Pines
Executive Cmte and Cable Commission meetings cancelled for July and August

Meetings listed on this page are subject to change — call ahead to verify



On Tuesday, August 21, 2013, the Wyoming Dairy Queen will be donating 10% of their total sales during the time period between 6:00pm and 9:00pm to assist with the production costs of Linwood Family Fun Day for the year 2013.

Please help your neighbors enjoy this annual event in this fun, delicious way. Come hungry, and buy an ice cream cake to take home and enjoy your DQ treat at another time.

Your participation during this time period will be especially appreciated.

The Dairy Queen is located at:
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Wyoming, MN 55092
(651-462-8706)



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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
CITY OF HAM LAKE
COUNTY OF ANOKA
STATE OF MINNESOTA**

TAKE NOTICE, that pursuant to the requirements of Minnesota Law, a public hearing shall be held before the Ham Lake Planning Commission on Monday, August 26, 2013 at 6:05 p.m. at the City Hall located at 15544 Central Avenue NE for the purpose of considering the application of Jeff Stalberger requesting preliminary plat approval and rezoning of the residential single family development of Hidden Forest North (16 residential single family lots) in Section 35 a parcel of certain land situated in the City of Ham Lake, Anoka County, Minnesota and which is described as follows to wit:

The Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 35, Township 32, Range 23, Anoka County Minnesota, except that part platted as Sherman Woods.

At such hearing both written and oral comments will be heard.

DATED: August 15, 2013
Dawnette M. Shimek
Zoning Official/Building Clerk
City of Ham Lake

(Published Aug. 15, 2013 Anoka County Record)

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COUNTY OF ANOKA
STATE OF MINNESOTA**

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Government Lot 1, Section 15, Township 32, Range 23, except the West 432.52 feet thereof and also except Parcel 30, Anoka County Highway Right-of-way Plat No. 44, Anoka County, Minnesota.

At such hearing both written and oral comments will be heard.

DATED: August 15, 2013
Dawnette M. Shimek
Zoning Official/Building Clerk
City of Ham Lake

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ANOKA COUNTY BOARD MEETING SUMMARY

The Anoka County Board met on July 25, 2013. Standing county committee information reports and action items were considered, and action was taken as necessary. The following resolutions were adopted: #2013-88 and 89 — highway projects; #2013-90 — revoking wheelage tax; #2013-91 — economic assistance payments; #2013-92 — MCCC Membership. A public hearing was held regarding obstruction of County Ditch 35. A full copy of the agenda, minutes, accounts, and claims greater than \$2000 may be found on the Anoka County Web site: www.anokacounty.us

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**Notice of Vacancies in Multi-Member Agencies
E-GOVERNMENT ADVISORY COUNCIL
658 CEDAR ST, ST PAUL, MN 55155
(651)-556-8010**

Appointing: Governor, Speaker, Senate Subcommittee
Compensation: None; Vacancies: Eight (8); — Three Public Members; — Five Representatives of a state executive branch agency that is actively involved with private businesses, the private business community or the public.

The E-Government Advisory Council is established for the purpose of improving online government information services to citizens and businesses. The Council will recommend to MN.IT Services the priority of North Star (the MN.gov platform; the State of Minnesota web portal) projects and online government information services to be developed and supported by receipts from on-line convenience fees. These online services would include both free online services as well as fee-based services. The Council will recommend approval or disapproval of convenience fees on particular types of transactions, the fee amount, any changes in the fee amount, as well as provide oversight on those convenience fees. Membership includes: 1) the state chief information officer or the chief information officer's designee; 2) one public member appointed by the speaker of the house; 3) one public member appointed by the senate Subcommittee on Committees of the Rules and Administration Committee; 4) five members appointed by the governor representing state executive branch agencies that are actively involved with private businesses, the private business community, or the public; and 5) one member appointed by the governor who is knowledgeable in public access to government data. At the time of publication, the meeting schedule had not yet been determined. Meetings will be held at the Centennial Office Building, 658 Cedar Street, St. Paul, MN.

"Public Member" means a person who is not, or never was, a member of the profession or occupation being licensed or regulated or the spouse of any such person, or a person who does not have or has never had, a material financial interest in either the providing of the professional service being licensed or regulated or an activity directly related to the profession or occupation being licensed or regulated. MN Statute 214.02.

Application forms may be found at: Application Page or may be obtained from the Office of the Secretary of State, Open Appointments, 180 State Office Building, 100 Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd., St. Paul, MN 55155-1299, or in person at Room 180 of the State Office Building.

In accordance with the Minnesota Open Appointments Law, the Secretary of State acts as an administrator in publishing vacancies, receiving applications, and recording appointments. Applications will be reviewed and appointments made by the appointing authorities for these various agencies; questions about specific vacancies and appointments should be directed to the appointing authority. Applications submitted by September 3, 2013 are assured of full consideration by the appointing authority. Appointing authorities for these agencies may choose to review applications received by the Secretary of State after that date. Applications are kept on file for a one year period. Agency information for this press release was supplied by the various agencies.

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Secretary of State's Office
180 State Office Building
100 Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.
St Paul, MN 55155

**MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE
LIQUOR, WINE AND BEER SALES TAX DELINQUENCIES
Posted 8/13/2013 at 7:00 PM**

Newly Posted List: In accordance with Minnesota Statutes, Section 270C.725., the below taxpayers are 10 days or more delinquent in payment of their taxes and therefore **no wholesaler, manufacturer or brewer may sell or deliver any product to them beginning the third business day (business days are Monday through Friday) after the date of this list (8/13/2013).**

Legal Name: Monterrey Mexican Restaurant of MN Inc.
DBA Name: Monterrey Mexican Restaurant
Address: 9141 S Highway Dr., Circle Pines; Posted: July 2013

Legal Name: Laadah LLC
DBA Name: Columbia Grill
Address: 4005 Central Ave. N.E., Col. Heights; Posted: July 2013

Previously Posted List: No wholesaler, manufacturer or brewer may sell or deliver any product to these taxpayers while their names remain on the list.

Legal Name: Gutierrez & Velez Inc.
DBA Name: Puerta Del Sol
Address: 3800 Central Ave., Col. Heights; Posted: Jan. 2013

Legal Name: Woodsmens Grill LLC
DBA Name: Woodsmens Grill
Address: 1918 1st Ave., Anoka; Posted: June 2013

Legal Name: CEH Investments
DBA Name: Courtside Bar & Grill
Address: 227 Jackson St., Anoka; Posted: July 2013

Legal Name: JBA Corp.
DBA Name: Nicklow's Cafe & Bar
Address: 8466 Central Ave. N.E., Spring Lake Park; Posted July 2013.

Legal Name: First Fork LLC
DBA Name: Miller's Corner Bar and Grill
Address: 547 40th Ave. N.E., Columbia Heights; Posted July 2013

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MINNESOTA STATUTES, CHAPTER 333**

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1. List the exact assumed name under which the business is or will be conducted:

Grill Works Truck
2. Principal Place of Business:
11505 6th Pl. N.E., Blaine MN 55434

3. List the name and complete street address of all persons conducting business under the above Assumed Name, OR if an entity, provide the legal corporate, LLC, or Limited Partnership name and registered office address:

Grill Works LLC, 11505 6th Pl. N.E., Blaine MN 55434

4. I, the undersigned, certify that I am signing this document as the person whose signature is required, or as agent of the person(s) whose signature would be required who has authorized me to sign this document on his/her behalf, or in both capacities. I further certify that I have completed all required fields, and that the information in this document is true and correct and in compliance with the applicable chapter of Minnesota Statutes. I understand that by signing this document I am subject to the penalties of perjury as set forth in Section 609.48 as if I had signed this document under oath.

FILED: July 17, 2013 #68175570002

/s/ William Cave, Co-Owner
(Published Aug. 15 & 29, 2013 Anoka County Record)

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Montu Staffing Solutions
2. Principal Place of Business:
4056 Central Ave. N.E., Columbia Heights MN 55421

3. List the name and complete street address of all persons conducting business under the above Assumed Name, OR if an entity, provide the legal corporate, LLC, or Limited Partnership name and registered office address:

Montu Enterprises, 5135 Dominick Drive, Minnetonka MN 55343

4. I, the undersigned, certify that I am signing this document as the person whose signature is required, or as agent of the person(s) whose signature would be required who has authorized me to sign this document on his/her behalf, or in both capacities. I further certify that I have completed all required fields, and that the information in this document is true and correct and in compliance with the applicable chapter of Minnesota Statutes. I understand that by signing this document I am subject to the penalties of perjury as set forth in Section 609.48 as if I had signed this document under oath.

FILED: July 15, 2013 #68052440002

/s/ James R. Gilliam, President
(Published Aug. 15 & 29, 2013 Anoka County Record)

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Can the Clutter
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Jan Lehman Inc., 1641 Hunters Ridge Ln, Centerville MN 55038

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FILED: July 9, 2013 #680562400023

/s/ Jan Lehman
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Sioux Skillz Academy
2. Principal Place of Business:
10403 Xylite St. N.E., Blaine MN 55449

3. List the name and complete street address of all persons conducting business under the above Assumed Name, OR if an entity, provide the legal corporate, LLC, or Limited Partnership name and registered office address:

Travis D. Bledsoe, 10403 Xylite St. N.E., Blaine MN 55449

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FILED: July 29, 2013 #683445600028

/s/ Travis Bledsoe
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