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## GOP Gov Candidates Address Goals, Health Care, and Experience

### Following Candidate Forum, Dean and Downey Have Dispute Over Health Care Policy

Concordia Academy High School in Roseville hosted the Fourth Congressional District GOP Candidate Forum on September 11, 2017. All announced candidates seeking the GOP endorsement for Governor were invited to attend. Anoka County's Senator Roger Chamberlain served as the moderator for the event.

In attendance at the forum were (in alphabetical order by last name) Matt Dean, Keith Downey, Jeff Johnson, David Osmek, and Phillip Parrish.

The forum highlighted common themes such as public transit and health care policy. In addition, topics such as the state's changing demographics, and party support in the urban core was discussed.

#### Downey and Dean MNSure Dispute

During the candidate forum, and again two days later, Mr. Downey questioned Mr. Dean's votes on MNSure while he was a member of the Minnesota House of Representatives.

In an email sent two days after the forum, Mr. Downey stated that Mr. Dean had an opportunity to kill the MNSure state health insurance program, but instead voted to bail it out. His email included a copy of a page from the House Journal highlighting Mr. Dean's vote. Mr. Downey then referenced the candidate forum and claimed that Mr. Dean voted for and against MNSure at different times.

Mr. Dean soon responded on Facebook stating that Mr. Downey had his facts wrong. He stated that he voted NO on the reinsurance bill which would assist in subsidizing private market health insurance policies. He further stated that MNSure is a public program that is guaranteed by law, and is not dependent upon the private market or the reinsurance bill that was passed into law this year.

In response, Mr. Downey asked Mr. Dean to participate in a one-on-one candidate forum on this issue. Mr. Dean declined.

A candidate forum for all announced GOP candidates is scheduled for Friday, December 1, 2017 at Cragun's in Brainerd.

#### Concordia Academy HS Candidate Forum

*Editor's Note: Due to space limitations, we are only including the responses of the top three candidates in the unscientific candidate popularity poll that was conducted at the Republican Party of Minnesota booth during the Minnesota State Fair. Those three candidates in alphabetical order are Matt Dean, Keith Downey, and Jeff Johnson.*

*We are only able to include their introductory statements and answer to a health care policy question due to space limitations. Additional responses may be included in future issues of the Record.*

*Candidate responses below are listed in the order of lots that were drawn prior to the start of the candidate forum.*

#### Introduction- Matt Dean

I've really got a great feeling for where we're heading in Minnesota right now, and after getting through a really tough session with Mark Dayton, who I like more than he likes me, kind of felt like I fell down a



flight of stairs, got into the summer, went to the Fair, and, you know what, this state is headed in a great direction, And I really felt every day like, you know what, I think we're heading in the right direction. You wouldn't know it if you picked up a newspaper or you turned on the television, but we really are heading in the right direction.

After the Fair, I started a tour of 87 counties in 87 days, and I headed up to Crookston. I visited my daughter at college, and we were heading up to Warren, Minnesota, and I was going to meet with a group of activists up there, and a tire blows out on the car. You know, what are you going to do? You're about five minutes away. So it's 2017, you get on Facebook. You say, "Hey, Warren, I'm going to be a little late. Hang tight, you know, we're just—we've got a little flat, it's going to be okay." So about seven minutes later a truck pulls up and says, "Which one of you is Matt?" And I said, "I am," and he said, "Somebody saw on Facebook you had a flat, called me, told me to get you and drag you into Warren." So I said, "All right."

So I jump in the truck, and I'm thinking this is a great state. What a great state we live in, and then I thought I just climbed in a truck with a complete stranger in the middle of nowhere who found out

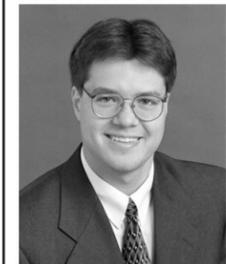
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## Sun & ECM Papers Want Your Personal Data

### Newspaper Website Will Require Registration for Blaine, Columbia Heights, Fridley and Spring Lake Park Residents

A big announcement was made last month by the new out-of-state owners of the *Blaine-Spring Lake Park Life* and *Columbia Heights-Fridley Sun-Focus* newspapers.

#### Publisher's Column



**John Kyslyczyn**

They are going to require you to register online before you can read the "premium content" of their newspapers. Soon, a significant number of articles will only be available to those who "register" on their website.

To make their readers feel good about this new "registration," they claim that they are doing this to "maintain and solidify our partnership with our readers..." What does this double-talk baloney mean?

It's nothing more than an attempt to profit off of mining your personal information and information on your reading habits. First, they will gather your personal information when you register. Second, they will ask you during the registration process to connect any mail subscription you are currently receiving. Third, they will have the capability to log every article you click on in order to track your specific reading habits.

After collecting this information about you, they could sell this information to third party vendors, or use it for targeted mailing, phone calling, or e-mailing. For example, if their data mining shows that you click on a lot of sports articles, they know you would be a prime candidate for a bombardment of sports related advertisements, mailers, or phone calls.

These newspapers already make a substantial profit off of you, the reader. They have a heavy amount of print and website advertising. They also collect exorbitant amounts of money to publish public notices from your city and school district. But that isn't enough — your personal information and reading habits now carry a dollar value to them as well.

We all know that our personal data is not safe in anyone else's hands when you read stories about multi-billion dollar companies like Equifax getting hacked. There is no good reason to give away

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## Columbia Heights Public School District Hosting 2017 Bond Referendum Community Forums

The Columbia Heights Public Schools Board of Education unanimously voted to place a Bond Referendum question on the Nov. 7, 2017 ballot. This request is for a Bond not to exceed a total of \$16 million for safety, security and educational facility and site needs, upgrades and maintenance at North Park Elementary School and Columbia Heights High School.

To learn more, the public is invited to attend three upcoming Columbia Heights Public School District Bond forums. The purpose of the forums is to share factual information directly with the community; the forums will include question and answer sessions. The Bond forums are scheduled for the following days, dates, times and locations:

- Thursday, Oct. 12, 7:30 p.m., Columbia Heights High School (1400 49th Avenue NE, Columbia Heights)
- Monday, Oct. 16, 6:15 p.m., North Park Elementary School (5575 Fillmore Street NE, Fridley)
- Monday, Oct. 30, 6:30 p.m., Columbia Heights High School (1400 49th Avenue NE, Columbia Heights)

To learn more facts about the Bond Referendum, visit [www.colheights.k12.mn.us/2017Bond](http://www.colheights.k12.mn.us/2017Bond). For additional questions or to discuss having a Bond presentation, please call Bryan Hennekens at 763-528-4479.

## Sen. Hoffman: State Legislators Convene for Inaugural Mississippi River Legislative Caucus Meeting

Senator John Hoffman, DFL- Champlin, joined legislators from seven states at the first meeting of the newly created Mississippi River Legislative Caucus (MRLC) in St. Louis on September 12 and 13. Senator Hoffman was invited to be part of this caucus due to the cities of Brooklyn Park, Coon Rapids, and Champlin all having the Mississippi River in common.

The goal of the MRLC is to better coordinate state legislators in the ten states bordering the Mississippi River around river health and sustainable infrastructure development.

The meeting corresponded with the annual meeting of the Mississippi River Cities and Towns Initiative (MRCTI), a group that coordinates mayors whose jurisdiction includes the river. A Congressional Mississippi River Caucus also exists, but this new project is the first to specifically coordinate state legislators along the river.

Attendees came from Illinois, Iowa, Louisiana, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, and Tennessee. These legislators were able to work alongside mayors from their state on a shared vision for the river corridor.

“Having conversations that cross state and political lines has been incredibly productive. We are all dedicated to developing the river valley in innovative, sustainable ways that protect our drinking water and drive our economy forward. These conversations have been incredibly valuable, and I look forward to continuing this work with my fellow colleagues and Mississippi River Legislative Caucus members,” said Sen. Hoffman.

The meeting addressed a range of issues and opportunities facing the region, such as: expanding container shipping and port developments along the river; strategies for reducing nutrient loading and improving water quality in collaboration with the agricultural community; smart community development along riverfronts; flood prevention; and ensuring safe drinking water by partnering with local business leaders.

State legislators also met in conjunction with river mayors for discussions on how to better leverage federal programs and funding mechanisms to improve the resilience of their local communities.

“We are extremely excited to help better coordinate state and local leaders as they work together for a healthier Mississippi River,” said Jeff Mauk, executive director of the National Caucus of Environmental Legislators, the organization that convenes the MRLC. “Having grown up near the river, I know how important it is to these communities and how crucial it is to bring legislators from different states and parties together with a focus on solutions.”

The MRLC will continue to provide opportunities for legislators from the ten river states to share ideas and collaborate through digital engagement and in-person gatherings throughout the year.

## Free Dollars Into Cents Class

The University of Minnesota Extension, Anoka County will present a free Dollars into Sense class on Thursdays October 12, 10-11:30 am; November 9, 6-7:30 pm; December 14, 10-11:30; January 11, 6-7:30 pm, and February 8, 10-11:30 am at the Anoka County Human Services Center (1201 89th Ave, Blaine). Class will cover tracking expenses, putting together a spending plan, goal setting, credit, and where to get additional help/resources. To register, call University of Minnesota Extension, Anoka County at 763-324-3495 at least three days prior to the class.

## Coon Rapids Fix It Clinic

Have items that need fixing? Bring them to the Fix-It Clinic! It's a great way to fix and reuse goods rather than throw things away!

Volunteers will help disassemble, troubleshoot and repair broken items such as small appliances, vacuums, household electronics, lamps, etc.

The clinic will be held on Saturday, October 7, 2017 from 10:00 AM-1:00 PM at the Coon Rapids Public Works Building, 1831 - 111th Ave NW, Coon Rapids, MN 55433.

For further information, contact Amanda at 763-767-4689.

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**Quote of the Week:** "Private-sector employees are generally employed at the will of the employer, and their employers can fire them as they see fit. That includes disagreement with what they say in public."

- Mark Tushnet, Harvard Law Professor

**Quote of the Week:** "American families and businesses suffer under some of the highest tax rates in the world, and consequently families have less income and businesses create fewer jobs. Our economy has been stuck in low gear for years, growing far slower than the post-WWII average of 3.3%. As a result, median family incomes have failed to keep pace since the 2007 recession."

-Rep. Jason Lewis (MN-2)

**Fact of the Week:** Alejandro Villanueva of the Pittsburgh Steelers, who stood alone during the National Anthem last week, has seen his jersey become the top selling jersey at NFLshop.com.

## FREE SPEECH FOR SOME!

Our liberal friends have always displayed a shocking amount of constitutional illiteracy, but their support for those NFL players disrespecting our national heritage by failing to stand during the National Anthem moves them to a new level of stupidity - and hypocrisy.

Putting aside the wisdom and propriety of kneeling, fist raising, or just sitting on your butt during the Anthem, a lot of folks need just a bit of a primer on the intersection of the First Amendment and employment law.

NFL players, like many private sector employees, are "at will" employees, meaning that they can essentially be fired for any reason or no reason at all.

Now there are exceptions. For example, employers may not terminate employees for reasons related to ethnicity, religious affiliation, and the like.

Moreover, there may be collective bargaining agreements that modify the "at will" status of employees.

On the other hand, the "at will" status of NFL players is reinforced by the presence of "character" or "morality" clauses in player contracts that explicitly allow for termination when a player embarrasses the team through bad behavior, such as beating your girlfriend in an elevator or getting popped for DUI on multiple occasions.

The bottom line here is that NFL players don't have a First Amendment right to do what they're doing, so please stop with all the high-minded and dramatic rhetoric that dresses up this garbage in constitutional vestments. It's just not true.

Think about it, chowder heads. The NFL greatly restricts the First Amendment rights of its employees. Coaches are fined for criticizing officiating. Players are fined for excessive end zone celebrations. They are fined for wearing too much face paint.

Also recall that the NFL fined players for wearing 9/11 tributes on their cleats.

Where was the First Amendment outrage over that, liberals?

Clearly, there are no free speech rights in the No Fun League, except to protest the National Anthem.

Owners could stop this garbage in its tracks if they wished.

And speaking of the First Amendment, it's been an interesting - and hypocritical - ride watching

liberals suddenly embrace the right to free speech and freedom of association in the workplace.

It was just a few short weeks ago that liberals were cheering the news of Charlottesville protest participants being fired from their jobs, even though their participation had nothing to do with their jobs.

Liberals have also cheered court decisions against freedom of association claims, such as bakers and photographers refusing to participate in gay weddings.

Building owners have been similarly booed by liberals for claiming First Amendment rights against being forced to rent to gay couples.

Where was the reverence for the First Amendment back then?

Oh, yeah. Constitutional rights in the eyes of liberals aren't really rights. They're another tool of situational ethics, mere props to couch raw political aggression and intimidation in the high-minded rhetoric of the rule of law.

## WEINER ROAST

Former Democrat Congressman Anthony Weiner, AKA Carlos Danger, was sentenced to a heaping, helping dose of justice this week when he was sentenced to 21 months in prison for sexually exploiting a 15 year-old girl by "sexting" her as well as 19 other women in 2016.

Of course, this wasn't the only chapter in Weiner's infamous personal life, but it may have been the most sordid and disgusting.

Weiner was aware of the girl's age when he sent her lewd photos and asked her to engage in sexual activity via Skype and other social media apps.

All of which make him a child molester and a sexual predator.

What was even more shocking, which the mainstream media buried in news stories, was the slimy narrative his defense team employed in a failed effort to get him off the hook.

Weiner's team labeled the child an "instigator" of the affair, and accused her of orchestrating the affair to "grandstand" and potentially influence the 2016 elections.

Talk about blaming the victim.

Weiner's defense was little more than today's version of the long-discredited "she shouldn't have worn that dress" defense of yesteryear.

One can only imagine the outrage had Anthony Weiner been a rank-and-file GOP legislator instead of a Democrat married to a powerful Democrat in the Clinton inner circle.

Thankfully, the judge didn't buy this shameless, vile "blame the victim" stratagem.

Judge Denise Cote correctly opined, "She was a minor, she was a victim, and she is entitled to the law's full protection."

So where is the outrage from the media pundits?

Where are the sexual assault victim advocates?

Where are the feminists?

Anthony Weiner's attempt to blame his child victim was undoubtedly the sickest chapter in the book of a pervert, pedophile, predator, and all around bad guy.

So long, Anthony. You won't be missed.

## OBSERVATIONS ON TAX REFORM

Republicans in Washington this week unveiled the broad outlines of the first significant effort to reform that nation's arcane and unworkable tax code.

Republicans are right to make the effort, as reforming the code and lowering rates are good

public policy.

The real question is whether they can deliver comprehensive reform, which will likely have to happen without Democrat support, meaning the Republican team, especially in the Senate, will have to be united.

The stakes are high. A failure to pass tax reform will surely demoralize the GOP base, as a repeal of Obamacare isn't happening after 7 years of promising it would.

And unlike the tax reform of the 1980s, you can bet Democrats won't be on board.

Why? Because they have over the intervening years built a masterful trap preventing income tax cuts.

For years, Democrats have successfully worked to skew the income tax so that only successful people pay the vast majority of it.

Nearly half of Americans don't pay any income tax at all. Families in the middle deciles, the "middle class" only pay about 2.5% of their income in federal income taxes.

In other words, the clear majority of Americans have no direct stake in these proposed cuts and thus don't care.

A recent national poll showed that 53% of Americans favor higher taxes on "the wealthy" (read: someone else). A similar number of 52% opposed their own income taxes being raised.

So much for "we're all in this together."

Moreover, after rightly hammering Barack Obama for running up the national debt for 8 years, Republicans are now forced to explain why they now favor a public policy change that will enhance that same deficit, at least under traditional, static scoring models.

Thus, for the plan to be supported by the public, Republicans will have to explain two subjects that are hard for many to understand.

The first is that tax cuts are important because the current system acts as a huge drag on job creation, both for corporations and pass-through firms and an obstacle to job creation. In short, they have to argue that a direct benefit to some will be an indirect benefit to all (or nearly all).

Second, the GOP will also have to explain the concept of "dynamic scoring," the idea that tax cuts will bring in more revenue to the treasury and thus mitigate the "cost" or even become a revenue-positive proposition.

Finally, the GOP will have to overcome itself, at least in the Senate. Goodness knows where RINOs like Susan Collins will be on this subject.

We wish the GOP well in this critical endeavor.

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## GOP Candidates

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I was here from the Internet. And then I said a prayer. But I wound up getting to Warren. Things are good, and we live in a great state. I love Minnesota. I was born on the Iron Range, I grew up on Rice Street, I'm a fifth generation Minnesotan. I married Laura, the best thing I ever did was marry the girl I met in kindergarten on Rice Street, and we've got three great kids, two in college, one at home. The kid in college is so great, she even took one of my dogs — so our nest is even a little emptier — along with her to college, so now I'm down to one dog. We're doing a great thing and just raising our family and saying, "What are we going to do next?" I look up, and I see we've got a lot of opportunities in this great state of Minnesota, but we've got a lot of challenges too. And we can meet those challenges as our Party — if we have the right candidates with the right message working hard enough.

I've said I'm willing to do that. I'm willing to put myself out there, get a great team in all eight congressional districts to do that, and I need your help. It's going to be a fun, fun —

### Jeff Johnson - Introduction

My wife Sonja and I, we both spent about the first half of our lives in Northwestern Minnesota, Crookston, Detroit Lakes, and Moorhead, and now we've spent the second half essentially in Plymouth. We



have two teenage boys, Thor and Rolf. We've got a bulldog named Chester. I have had my own business for about 16 years, and during that time, I also served a few years in the House way back when, and I'm now the often lonely voice of sanity in the heart of the beast on the Hennepin County Board. And I'm running for governor.

And I'm running for a really simple reason, to take power away from government and give it back to the people of Minnesota. Everybody in this room knows what the mantra of government is today. They know best how we should spend our money and [unintelligible] — what sort of healthcare we should have, how we should commute to and from work, how big our lots should be, how we should raise our kids. That will change when I'm governor of Minnesota, because it's none of government's dang business, and it's worth a fight.

And let me tell you a few of the ways that I'll do that as governor. We're going to cap property tax increases, and we're going to eliminate state mandates on our schools and state regulations on our businesses. We are going to aggressively fund roads and bridges and a good bus system, and we are just as aggressively going to defund every 19th century form of transportation that's all the rage with the liberals right now, including light rail and commuter rail and streetcars and anything else they come up with next. We are going to welcome with open arms, anybody who wants to come here legally and work next to us to achieve the American dream, but we will ban sanctuary cities in the state of Minnesota,

because they don't belong here.

We're going to put an end to some of the huge corporate subsidies we've been seeing in this state for the last 20 years, and after a 57 percent increase in state spending the last eight years, I'm not interested in slowing the rate of growth and calling that a victory. We will actually reverse that trend and start to shrink the size, scope, and cost of government for real.

And one last thing, because this is closest to my little Hennepin county heart, I'm fighting this every day, I will fire the Met Council and replace that beast once and for all, not because that's the biggest problem in Minnesota but because it's symbolic of the biggest problem in Minnesota, this belief that there are really two classes of people, a ruling class and the rest of us that need their advice. So I look forward to talking to you about some of the other things that I will be discussing during the campaign and why I believe I'm the strongest candidate, and I hope to earn your support.

### Keith Downey - Introduction

I want to start by asking three questions. Have you ever been concerned that your kids will not stay in Minnesota? Have you ever been concerned that maybe your parents might not stay in the state of Minnesota?



Have you, yourself, questioned whether you can stay in the state of Minnesota? I'm getting the exact same reaction from the people in the audience here that I got every single day at the State Fair when I asked people that question. "I grew up here. I had a wonderful opportunity, tremendous education, and wonderful opportunities to succeed in business. And I look across this state, and I see really good people doing what they've always done in Minnesota and not finding a path and not seeing their opportunity here in Minnesota anymore."

And so I think we run, as Republicans, on a very simple and clear message. We have to make Minnesota work for everyone, and it's not. For a lot of us, yes, but the trend lines are not positive. We're shedding jobs, we're shedding private sector jobs, our economy actually shrank in the second — or the last quarter of 2016 and the first quarter of 2017. Think about that. Our economy contracted in Minnesota. We are creating social service and education jobs, not private sector jobs, and people out across this state, whether you're a miner up on the Range who just wants a job, whether you're a farmer out in Greater Minnesota who just wants the MPCA and the DNR off their back, whether you're a small business owner who is crippled by the cost of Obamacare and what's happening, we have to stand up and fight.

I think there are three key things in this election in terms of policy. The first is to reinvigorate our private sector business climate. The second is we have got to offer choices to people who are locked in failing schools or schools who are coming at them, coming at their kids and their families with this progressive Left agenda, and we have to shrink the size and interest of

Minnesota state government. All that having been said, I can tell you from what I sensed out at the State Fair when I hear from the people around this state, more important than anything, this election cycle, Republicans have got to stand on the side of the people.

My fundamental message to the people of Minnesota is that I believe in you, and I trust Minnesotans, not bigger government, for our future. We have a chance to restore this state if we knuckle down and do the hard work, but we aren't going to do it unless the people know that we're on their side. The energy from 2016 in the electorate has not dissipated. If anything else, I think it's intensified. We have to go out prove to people we're on their side, we care about them, and we're going to fight for them, and that's what I'm going to do if I'm your governor.

### Question 1 - Healthcare

"Healthcare is now a major concern for a vast number of people across the nation and, of course, in Minnesota. What would you do as governor to reform Minnesota's healthcare system so there's more affordable and available to more Minnesotans, so Minnesotans have options other than being tied to federal healthcare mandates and regulations?"

### Keith Downey - Healthcare

Right before Obamacare, you may remember that healthcare costs were going up 8, 10, 12, 14 percent a year, and it caused a momentum that gave us Obamacare, and so anybody that stands up here and says we just need to go back to the way it was before Obamacare, that doesn't work. At the time, before Obamacare, there were a number of initiatives in the state legislature here in Minnesota to reform what we were doing and to extract significant amounts of costs by moving to more citizen consumer centric and patient centric care models — literally looked back at them recently with the Chair of the Republican Healthcare Task Force. I think we could easily save \$1 [billion] to \$2 billion per year if we simply went to a more market based, indemnity based coverage model, and there are currently waivers being submitted at the Department of Human Services here in Minnesota to do that.

So we have an opportunity to re empower consumers and patients and get them back with their doctors, have them with an independent relationship with their insurance company. There are models that are working, and we can pursue them. We can't go back to the old way, and we sure as heck can't do what our legislature just did this year. We bailed out Obamacare, folks, for two years, \$300 million a year, we bailed it out. We're calling it reinsurance. It's a back end bailout. It's what we fought in Washington, DC. It's what Marco Rubio is credited with having shut down in DC, that the federal government cannot back end bail out Obamacare by reimbursing the insurance companies. That's just what we did in Minnesota, and Matt's run around the state telling people that he wants to kill and bury MNSure.

The question that remains for all of these legislators up here is to come clean and explain to us why you (Mr. Dean) bailed out MNSure. It's going to live for another two years, and now we own everything that happens with it. It was a colossal mistake. We will have our work cut out for us to undo it, but we have to get to real reforms, not these Band Aids.

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**Matt Dean - Healthcare**

Minnesota used to have a good health care system, lowest uninsured of any state in the country, we had the undisputed highest quality, we had some of the lowest costs, we have the best doctors, hospitals, clinics, nurses in the country. We had an average of five choices for people who lived in Greater Minnesota counties on the individual market. We were then told by President Obama, "You can keep your doctor, you can keep your plan, you'll save \$2,500 a year." What happened? Well, they lost their doctor, they lost their plan, and we now have one or fewer choices in the majority of Minnesota counties for individual health insurance.

If I could have our 2005 healthcare back, I'd take it back in a minute, and so would people who are struggling to try to get their families health insurance all across the state of Minnesota. I met a guy named Charlie Dunker who — his wife was on MNSure and it basically killed her. If you go to my website, you can see their story. His wife was the same age as my wife. When Charlie called me, my life changed forever. There was a line where I said, "No more can I put up with this BS that we're getting from this agency." And from then on, I said, "I can't tinker

with this, I can't change the Board, I can't do this. I need to kill it." So, yeah, I have a plan, two steps — kill it and bury it — MNSure, total. You know who likes that a lot? People who are on MNSure, county board people who have to deal with this every day.

We have a plan that will actually restore greatness in Minnesota healthcare before it's too late, because, believe it or not, we still have the hospitals, doctors, and clinics, but we won't have them very long unless we act right now. So we can do that if we have the initiative and the political will.

With regard to reinsurance, I didn't like it very much either, Keith (Mr. Downey). That's why I voted against it.

**Jeff Johnson - Healthcare**

So there are a lot of ideas I could share with you about what to do about health insurance or healthcare costs in Minnesota. One of them is to work with other Midwestern state governors to create an interstate compact where people can buy insurance across state lines. If the Feds won't do it, at least we can do it regionally, and I can give you 20 others. But that's really not the point to most people. They don't want to hear about what our 12 point plan is or our 4 point

plan is. They don't want to hear that we're going to kill something, or they don't want to hear a fight about whether we bailed something out or didn't.

We have hundreds of thousands, maybe millions of Minnesotans right now who are scared to death about what they're going to do for insurance, what they're going to do for their parents' insurance or their kids' insurance, where they're going. And so what we have to tell them is what we're going to do, not how we're going to kill something but what we're going to put in its place, and it has to be simple. It has to be about more options, more choices, and more control for people over their own families' healthcare.

We have more mandates in Minnesota, I believe, than any other state, at least we're close, because government always knows best, and I think that if an individual feels that this is the best insurance policy for my family, but the ruling class says it's not, the individual wins. And that's what we have to change. We have to make sure that people understand that we're not going to abandon them, we're not going to kill everything that might help them with their own family, but we're going to give them more options, and in doing so, it's going to bring the cost down and push quality up, because that's what competition does.

**PUBLIC NOTICES**

**ANOKA COUNTY BOARD MEETING SUMMARY**  
The Anoka County Board met on September 12, 2017. Standing county committee information reports and action items were considered, and action was taken as necessary. The following resolutions were adopted: #2017-98 Domestic Violence Awareness, #2017-99 Constitution Week, and #2017-100 Contract with Law Enforcement Labor Services, Inc., Representing the 911 Dispatchers. 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](http://www.anokacounty.us) (10/3, 2017 ACR) #747

**CITY OF OAK GROVE**  
CITY OF OAK GROVE COUNTY OF ANOKA STATE OF MINNESOTA NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Oak Grove City Council will hold a public hearing on Monday, October 9, 2017 at or around 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 19900 Nightingale St NW, to accept public comment regarding certification of delinquent sewer usage/water usage and street light utilities and other charges on the tax rolls. All delinquent balances shall be charged an interest rate of ten percent (10%) to be certified to the county for collection with the payable 2018 property taxes. All interested persons are invited to attend the public hearing and be heard on the matter, or to submit written materials prior to the meeting. Katie Ostendorf Interim City Clerk (10/3, 2017 ACR) #750

**NOTICE OF SHERIFF SALE**

Sale for Unpaid Repairs and Storage Fees Pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 514.18-22. Pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 514.20, these vehicles will be sold at public auction on Tuesday, November 21, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. (CST).  
2004 Kenworth, VIN: 1XKDDT9X24J054430  
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2004 Kenworth, VIN: 1XKDDT9X75R073042  
The location of the sale is: Grounded Air Transport, Inc., 15850 Lincoln St. NE, Ham Lake, Minnesota 55304. Contact Brennen Herzog at (763) 780-1443.  
The total amount due for redemption prior to the sale is \$245,202.57 (approximately \$61,300.64 each).

Sale will be conducted by the Anoka County Sheriff's Office - Civil Unit. Notice has been provided to the registered owners. (9/26, 10/3, 10/10 2017 ACR) #742

**CERTIFICATE OF ASSUMED NAME STATE OF MN MN STATUTES CHAPTER 333**

The undersigned, who is or will be conducting business in the State of Minnesota under an assumed name, hereby certifies:  
1. Assumed Name: **Affordable Travel**  
2. Principal Place of Business: **1710 Cloud Drive NE Blaine, MN 55449**  
Nameholder(s): **Bastian Enterprise 1710 Cloud Drive NE Blaine, MN 55449**  
4. I certify that I am authorized to sign this certificate and I further certify that I understand that by signing this certificate, I am subject to the penalties of perjury as set forth in Minnesota Statutes section 609.48

as if I had signed this certificate under oath. FILED: 9/9/2017 # 964175600023 /s/ Valentine Bastian (10/3, 10/10 2017 ACR) #748

**CERTIFICATE OF AMENDMENT TO ASSUMED NAME STATE OF MN MN STATUTES CHAPTER 333**

The undersigned, who is or will be conducting business in the State of Minnesota under an assumed name, hereby certifies:  
1. Assumed Name: **Crafted to Comfort**  
2. Principal Place of Business: **10208 Lever St NE apt 5 Circle Pines, MN 55014**  
Nameholder(s): **Christina Krentz 10208 Lever St NE apt 5 Circle Pines, MN 55014**

is an amendment of Certificate of Assumed Name File Number: 956479000026. Originally filed on 7/5/2017.

**CERTIFICATE OF ASSUMED NAME STATE OF MN MN STATUTES CHAPTER 333**

I am authorized to sign this certificate and I further certify that I understand that by signing this certificate, I am subject to the penalties of perjury as set forth in Minnesota Statutes section 609.48 as if I had signed this certificate under oath. FILED: 9/22/2017, # 966920200028 /s/ Christina Krentz (10/3, 10/10, 2017 ACR) #744

**CERTIFICATE OF ASSUMED NAME STATE OF MN MN STATUTES CHAPTER 333**

The undersigned, who is or will be conducting business in the State of Minnesota under an assumed name, hereby certifies:  
1. Assumed Name: **Rio Stone Cafe**  
2. Principal Place of Business: **6415 U.S. Hwy 10**

**Ste 120 Ramsey, MN 55303**

Nameholder(s): **Chavez&loja LLC 6415 U.S. Hwy 10 Ste 120 Ramsey, MN 55303**  
4. I certify that I am authorized to sign this certificate and I further certify that I understand that by signing this certificate, I am subject to the penalties of perjury as set forth in Minnesota Statutes section 609.48 as if I had signed this certificate under oath. FILED: 8/29/2017 # 962889200024 /s/ nicolas chavez-estrada (10/3, 10/10 2017 ACR) #743

**CERTIFICATE OF ASSUMED NAME STATE OF MN MN STATUTES CHAPTER 333**

The undersigned, who is or will be conducting business in the State of Minnesota under an assumed name, hereby certifies:  
1. Assumed Name: **Vay Kay Collections**  
2. Principal Place of Business: **1701 113th Ave NW Coon Rapids, MN 55433**

Nameholder(s): **Lucas A Hunt 1701 113th Ave NW #115 Coon Rapid, MN 55433**

**CERTIFICATE OF ASSUMED NAME STATE OF MN MN STATUTES CHAPTER 333**

I am authorized to sign this certificate and I further certify that I understand that by signing this certificate, I am subject to the penalties of perjury as set forth in Minnesota Statutes section 609.48 as if I had signed this certificate under oath. FILED: 8/30/2017 # 962585000039 /s/ Lucas A Hunt, CEO & Founder (9/26, 10/3 2017 ACR) #739

**CERTIFICATE OF ASSUMED NAME STATE OF MN MN STATUTES CHAPTER 333**

The undersigned, who is or will be conducting

business in the State of Minnesota under an assumed name, hereby certifies:

1. Assumed Name: **Pretty-Betes**  
2. Principal Place of Business: **12488 Crane St. NW Coon Rapids, MN 55448**

Nameholder(s): **Kathleen Brenna 12488 Crane St. NW Coon Rapid, MN 55448**

4. I certify that I am authorized to sign this certificate and I further certify that I understand that by signing this certificate, I am subject to the penalties of perjury as set forth in Minnesota Statutes section 609.48 as if I had signed this certificate under oath. FILED: 9/18/2017 # 965468700027 /s/ Kathleen Brenna (9/26, 10/3 2017 ACR) #740

particularly described EASE OF REC CASE: 17-0025 Dunkirk Street NE PETITION: The

E 297 FT OF N 297 FT APPLICANT: Five Star OF NE 1/4 OF NW 1/4 Group, LLC LOCATION: 12850

23, EX RD SUBJ TO

**PUBLIC NOTICES UNPAID**

**CITY OF BLAINE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

BEFORE THE BLAINE PLANNING COMMISSION PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Planning Commission of the City of Blaine, Minnesota, will hold a public hearing on the following application: **CASE: 17-0038** APPLICANT: Pressed, Inc. LOCATION: 12425 Ulysses Street NE

The applicant is requesting a Conditional Use Permit to allow for the operation of a yoga studio/juice bar in a multi-tenant retail building. The tenant space is 3,890 square feet in size. The use is considered amusement/recreation and the use requires a conditional use permit in the B-3 (Regional Commercial) zoning district. Subject parcel is more

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Subject parcel is more particularly described as: The Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 3, Township of Blaine

applicant is requesting the following:

a) Preliminary Plat 31, Range 23, EXCEPT approval to subdivide the South 990 feet 5.3 acres into eight (8) thereof, also EXCEPT lots and one (1) outlot to the East 660 feet of said Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter.

b) Conditional Use Permit to allow for AND construction of eight (8) Outlot B, HARPERS single family homes in a STREET WOODS, DF (Development Flex) recorded to the zoning district.

Anoka County, Minnesota.

**CASE: 17-0019**

APPLICANT: City of Blaine

PETITION: The City is proposing a code amendment to the Performance Standards (Chapter 33) to add free standing solar energy panels as a use that is allowed by Conditional Use Permit and to establish general zoning standards for review and approval of such facilities.

remain and a common lot).

d) A Conditional Use Permit to allow for the construction of eight (8) twinhome units and a private street in a DF (Development Flex) zoning district.

Subject parcel is more particularly described as:

THAT PRT OF LOT 28, GREEN ACRES ADD DESC AS FOL, BEG AT THE NW COR OF SD LOT, TH E ALG N LINE THEREOF 660 FT TH S ALG A LINE PRL/W W LINE OF SD LOT 330 FT, TH W PRL/W SD N LINE 660 FT TO THE SD W LINE, TH N ALG SD W LINE 330 FT TO POB, EX RDS, SUBJ TO EASE OF REC HEARING DATE AND TIME: Said hearing will take place on Tuesday, October 10, 2017 at the Blaine City Hall Council Chambers, located at 10801 Town Square Drive, Blaine, Minnesota, 55449 at 7:00 p.m.



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**PATRICIA WALKER ANTIL**  
STATE OF MINNESOTA  
DISTRICT COURT  
COUNTY OF ANOKA  
PROBATE DIVISION  
TENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
Court File No. 02-PR-17-448  
Estate of Patricia Walker Antil, Decedent

**NOTICE OF AND ORDER FOR HEARING ON AMENDED PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION OF INTESTACY, DETERMINATION OF HEIRS, FORMAL APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

It is Ordered and Notice is given that on October 31, 2017 at 9:00 a.m., a hearing will be held in this Court at the Anoka County Courthouse, 325 East Main Street, Anoka, Minnesota, 55303, on a petition for the adjudication of intestacy and determination of Decedent's heirs, and for the appointment of Raymond John Antil, whose address is 5435 West Bavarian Pass, Fridley, MN 55432, as personal representative of the Decedent's estate in an unsupervised administration.

Any objections to the petition must be raised at the hearing or filed with the Court prior to the hearing. If the petition is proper and no objections are filed or raised, the personal representative will be appointed with the full power to administer the Decedent's estate, including the power to collect all assets; to pay all legal debts, claims, taxes, and expenses; to sell real and personal property; and to do all necessary acts for the Decedent's estate.

Notice is further given that, subject to Minn. Stat. § 524.3-801, all creditors having claims against the Decedent's estate are required to present the claims to the personal representative or to the Court within four (4) months after the date of this notice or the claims will be barred.

Dated: 9/11/17  
/s/ James A. Cunningham, Jr. Judge of Dist Court  
Dated: 9/12/17  
/s/ Lori O'Brien, Court Administrator  
Prescott, Pearson & Tande, P.A.; Matthew M. Tande; MN# 0388339; 443 Old Highway 8 NW, Suite 208; New Brighton, MN 55112; Telephone: (651) 633-2757; Facsimile: (651) 633-7562; e-mail: mtande@prescottpearson.com (9/26, 10/3 2017 ACR) #741

**CASE: 17-0028**

APPLICANT: SoCore Energy

LOCATION: East of Sanctuary Drive and west of Flanders Street (south of 107th Avenue)

PETITION: The applicant has requested a Conditional Use Permit to allow SoCore Energy to build, own and operate a photovoltaic energy system (solar farm). The site will consist of approximately 5.4 megawatts and 8 megawatts of energy storage on 23 acres. The modules will be installed on a ballast racking structure with a maximum height of 7 feet when tilted 25 degrees to the south.

Subject parcel is more particularly described as:

UNPLATTED CITY OF BLAINE SE1/4 OF NW1/4 SEC 22-31-23(SUBJ TO RCPA EASE OVER THE E 85 FT)

**CASE: 17-0039**

APPLICANT: Timber Valley Development, LLC

LOCATION: 3rd Street NE and 101st Avenue NE

PETITION: The applicant is requesting the following:

a) Comprehensive Plan Amendment for the property east of 3rd Street from CC (Community Commercial) to MDR (Medium Density Residential).

b) Rezoning for the property east of 3rd street from B-2 (Community Commercial) to DF (Development Flex).

c) Preliminary Plat approval to subdivide 3.47 acres into 10 lots to be known as Cardinal Court (one lot for the church site that will

**CITY OF SAINT FRANCIS**  
PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the St. Francis Planning Commission will be holding a public hearing on the following land use items on October 18, 2017, starting at 7:00 p.m. at the ISD #15 District Office located at 4115 Ambassador Blvd.

items should attend the meeting. Written comments may be submitted to the City no later than 7:00 p.m. on Friday, October 13th; or emailed to Ben Gozola at (bgozola@sambatek.com) no later than noon on the day of the meeting. Materials regarding the above items are available upon request.

Ben Gozola, Planner

**DALE FRENCH**  
STATE OF MINNESOTA  
DISTRICT COURT  
COUNTY OF ANOKA  
PROBATE DIVISION  
TENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
Court File No. 02-PR-17-502  
Estate of Dale French, Decedent

Notice is given that an Application for Informal Probate of Will and Informal Appointment of Personal Representative was filed with the Registrar, along with a Will dated April 15, 2010. The Registrar accepted the application and informally appointed Julia French, whose address is 11256 Crocus Street NW, Coon Rapids, Minnesota 55433, to serve as the personal representative of the Decedent's estate.

**CITY OF SAINT FRANCIS**  
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Any heir, devisee or other interested person may be entitled to appointment as personal representative or may object to the appointment of the personal representative. Any objection to the appointment of the personal representative must be filed with the Court, and any properly filed objection will be heard by the Court after notice is provided to interested persons of the date of hearing on the objection.

**GEORGE ALBERT HILL**  
STATE OF MINNESOTA  
DISTRICT COURT  
COUNTY OF ANOKA  
PROBATE/MENTAL HEALTH DIVISION  
TENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
Court File No. 02-PR-17-510  
Estate of George Albert Hill, also known as George A. Hill, Decedent

Notice of Informal Probate of Will and Appointment of Personal Representative and Notice to Creditors

Notice is given that an application for informal probate of the Decedent's will dated July 9, 2017 ("Will") has been filed with the Registrar. The application has been granted.

1. ORDINANCE: An ordinance to remove language in City Code Chapter 10 (Zoning), Section 18-11 Solar Energy Systems and to establish City Code Chapter 10 (Zoning), Section 29 Solar Energy Systems. The ordinance increases the availability and type of Solar Energy Systems allowed within the City of St. Francis.

Unless objections are filed, and unless the Court orders otherwise, the personal representative has the full power to administer the estate, including, after thirty (30) days from the issuance of letters testamentary, the power to sell, encumber, lease, or distribute any interest in real estate owned by the Decedent.

Dated: 9/21/17  
/s/ Peggy Zdon, Registrar  
/s/ Lori O'Brien, Court Administrator  
FREDRIKSON & BYRON, P.A.; Angela Erickson; MN# 0395351; 200 South 6th Street, Minneapolis, MN 55402; Telephone: (612) 492-7000; Facsimile: (612) 492-7077; e-mail: aerickson@fredlaw.com (10/3, 10/10 2017 ACR) #745

Notice is also given that the Registrar has informally appointed Michelle Hill, whose address is 11307 Robinson Drive, Apt. 307, Coon Rapids, Minnesota 55433, as Personal Representative of the Estate of the Decedent. Any heir, devisee or other interested person may be entitled to appointment as personal representative or may object to the appointment of the Personal Representative. Unless objections are filed with the Court (pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 524.3-607) and the Court otherwise orders, the Personal Representative has full power to administer the Estate including, after 30 days from the date of issuance of letters, the power to sell, encumber, lease or distribute real estate.

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