Highway 60 now completely open
Jay Schneider
LIFE ENTERPRISE

After nearly six months, construction along the stretch of West Waterfall Drive from Eagle Lake to the city of Waterville is officially complete.

The road opened to the general public Friday, Oct. 15, marking the completion of a major street project and a $2.2 million street project, according to Mueller.

The highway was also re-routed to accommodate an intersection of Highway 14 east of Eagle Lake to Highway 13 at the intersection of 60 and 13.

The City of Madison Lake had extensive work done through the city, with highway widening and curb being added to a stretch through the city. Field approaches along the 17-mile corridor were worked for local farmers. A number of new stormwater structures were added, as well as a new highway warning system that is slightly wider.

Pedestrian ramps were also updated in order to meet Americans with Disabilities Act requirements.

The highway was also surfaced throughout, making it suitable for commercial vehicles.

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The wheels on a large construction vehicle traveled over the course of the next four months, and the new roadway will be suitable for commercial vehicles.

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Deke, with military veterans and first responders. Pictured (left to right): Lisa Ingebrand and the small-group training sessions were successful for the training and placement of service and facility dogs.

As a member of the California Emergency Dispatcher Association, Miller travels throughout the country—of-fering her own time and money—to relieve dispatchers of stress and provide them time off to cope with trauma. During those trips, she fell and hit her head on an escalator. The result was a traumatic brain injury that affected Miller’s speech, memory, vision, motor skills, and overall health.

“I did therapy, but by the end of 2020, my doctors said I’m still as I am and I’m going to get better,” she explained. “That’s when I reached out to000 if ever I’m a service dog.

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Fairway Independent Mortgage in Waterville, a branch of Fairway Independent Mortgage Corporation, which supports AWI, hosted the Oct. 16, online. Local sponsors included: the Waterfall Lanes Club, J & L Bottlers, Phil Matt, Luan Werner - Century 21 Forest for Heroes, and Motor House Used and Salvage.

More than 100 people attended the 5K walk/run, which included face painting, a bounce house, a silent auction, and a chance to meet three service dogs and facility dogs and their trainers.

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CNO Stated that she is on the board of directors for the Wemahsh Senior Housing Association and is a member of the Wemahsh Board of Directors.

She expressed her appreciation for the hard work and dedication of the staff and volunteers who contribute to the operation of the senior housing community.

CNO also discussed the importance of community engagement and collaboration with local partners to ensure the success of the senior housing program.

CNO encouraged everyone to take advantage of the opportunities to participate in senior housing programs and to support the initiatives that promote the well-being and quality of life of older adults.
Suicide Grief Support Group to meet

Family, friends and anyone who has lost a loved one to suicide are invited to attend the monthly meeting of the Minnesota Suicide Resource Network.

The meeting will be held at 7:00 PM on the third Tuesday of each month at Trinity Lutheran Church, 1729 Presidential Lane, Shakopee, Minnesota.

Please contact Tom Hantich at 952-328-9380 for more information.

Letter to the Editor

Citizen of Waterford, if any of your owners say Pit Bulls running loose and free, PLEASE call the Sheriff’s department (507-357-4447) and/or the Waterville City Hall (507-391-4545) so we can get a handle on this dangerous situation before anyone is hurt, which appears to be the case with a situation with these dogs on the run on our street we can put a stop to it sooner, rather than later.

Linda Brooks

Those Who Were The Days

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Sex offender moves to Le Sueur County

Morgan, a Level 3 sex offender has moved to Le Sueur County.

According to Le Sueur Sheriff Joe Marshall, Morgan, Brian Joseph Miller, 39, of Le Sueur County, was arrested by the Le Sueur County Sheriff’s Office on Sept. 30th and transported to the Le Sueur County Jail. He was later released and is a registered Level 3 sex offender.

Miller's offense history includes being convicted of sexual assault with a minor and conditional convictions of drug offenses. He was convicted in 2003 and 2004 of drug offenses.

Miller was placed on parole in 2010 and discharged from parole in 2013. He was placed on probation in 2013 and discharged from probation in 2016.

Miller's sexual assault conviction was from 2003. He was convicted of sexual assault with a minor in 2003 and was sentenced to 15 years in prison. He was released from prison in 2010 and was placed on parole.

Miller's current address is unknown and he is currently under the supervision of the Minnesota Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation.

Peace United Methodist Church, Morristown, recently honored the firemen and women, nurses, and law enforcement officers of recent court proceedings. The young people made cards which were presented to them along with a large bouquet of flowers. The young people presented the cards to the church service. The church wanted them to know how much they are appreciated for all the work they do for the essential workers and the young people of the church.

Owatonna man accused of threatening local woman

A felony charge was filed against John Allen McCollum, 49, of Owatonna, on Oct. 14 in the Le Sueur County Court of County Judge McCollum is accused of threatening violence.

A Waterville Police officer was dispatched to a Waterville residence on Oct. 14 after a woman allegedly made a verbal threat from McCollum.

According to the report, the woman stated she had heard McCollum make threats to kill her. She also stated McCollum had threatened her with a knife and a gun.

The woman also said the officer that McCollum threatened to kill her because she reported him for domestic violence.

The officer said he also had information that McCollum had been convicted of domestic violence.

Owatonna family reunites

The descendants of John C. and Anna Louise (Wolf) Knauss, are celebrating their 75th annual reunion on Saturday, August 21 at the Morris County American Legion. These descendants include Mary, Carl and Beth Boese, Bill and Kay Lynn Conston, Mitch Knauss, Ralph Knauss and Lonnie Kluesner and Roger Winger, John Knauss, Nettie Knauss, Wayne and Julia Knauss, Amos and George Knauss, Roger and Bev Thompson, Tom Hart, Darrell and Ruth Knauss, and Ruth and Malcom Allen, Jane and Lou Morsching, Mary Lou Denison, Rev. Hall, John Knauss, and Mary Knauss. Everyone had a great time and enjoyed the fellowship!
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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

You are hereby notified that on Monday, October 25, 2021, at 6:00 pm, at City Hall, 110 West Main Street at 6:00 pm for the purpose of considering the making of improvements, described as “2021 Street and Utility Improvements,” on the following streets:

• 2nd Street NW from Main Street to W Franklin Street
• 2nd Street SW from Main Street to Thruen Street
• 7th Street NW from Main Street to Main Street
• 7th Street SW from Main Street to Main Street
• 3rd Street SW from Main Street to Main Street

The proposed improvement includes the construction of sanitary sewer, curb and gutter, aggregate base and bituminous surfacing. Written comments may be dropped off at City Hall, mailed to Elysian City Hall, P.O. Box 246, Elysian, MN 56028, or emailed to lorri@elysianmn.com. Written comments must be received prior to November 1, 2021. A hearing on the improvement and the making of an improvement will be held on Tuesday, November 2, 2021 as indicated above.

Le Sueur

SIGN TECHNICIAN/HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE WORKER

LE CENTER HIGHWAY SHOP

The Le Sueur County Highway Department has an opening for a Sign Technician/Highway Maintenance Worker. The individual will be based at the Le Sueur County Highway Department’s Le Center Highway Shop.

The Sign Technician is responsible for the installation and maintenance of traffic control signs. The Highway Maintenance Worker will be responsible for a variety of maintenance and repair duties in compliance with the Minnesota Uniform Traffic Control Code.

Required Qualifications:

• Must have a High School Diploma
• CDL license preferred
• Must have the ability to lift objects weighing up to 50 lbs

TO APPLY: Submit written application and resume to: County Administrator, Le Sueur County, 101 Main Street S, Le Center, MN 56057. Applications must be submitted by November 1, 2021. An Equal Opportunity Employer.


Applicants are encouraged to apply online at https://www.mii.com/careers. Applications should include a cover letter, resume and three professional references. Applications will be accepted until the positions are filled. European Roasterie Inc. is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

The Highway Maintenance Worker performs intermediate skilled trades work in the maintenance, installation, cleaning and repair of public roadways, buildings and property, operating various types of equipment, serving the general public.

Starting wage is $23.00 per hour. Benefits include health insurance, retirement plans, vacation, sick and holiday pay. Some work is performed under the limited supervision of the Highway Maintenance Supervisor.

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New business aims to grow beautiful connections

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A licensed therapist, who spent the last six years working as a hospice grief counselor, is now focusing her efforts on growing a new business—one that will bring more beauty into people’s lives.

Shannon Kuball recently opened Barns and Bloom Flower Farm, a you-pick flower business, in rural Waterville.

“The goal is to create a connection to the land and beauty—especially during COVID. There was just so much fear. Not enough beauty.”

Kuball explained to do something about it. Using her life-long love of flowers and a patch of her family’s farmyard, Kuball created a garden full of colorful beauty.

“I’ve always connect with other people, the land, and beauty—especially during COVID,” she explained. “I’ve found that to be something beautiful.

“This is a new idea; she acknowledged. “It might take some time to catch on, but I hope people will try it and enjoy their time here, and share beauty by making a bouquet to take home or give to someone.”

Barns and Bloom Flower Farm officially opened in late August.

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“She also plans on offering a series of “Hands-on Healing” events this winter at which Kuball will use her counseling background to help participants work through grief while they create something beautiful.

“The goal is to create an arrangement you like and have fun,” she said. “I've had groups out here who have a lot of fun helping each other decide what looks best. I just love it. There’s a lot of creativity and laughter.”

“I’m not sure how things will grow, but I’m willing to grow in whatever direction things take… whatever is needed,” she stated. “But, there will be some beauty, more beauty.”

More information can be found on Barns-and-Blooms-Flower-Farm's Facebook page.

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