

MORTON AREA NEWSLETTER

October, 2017

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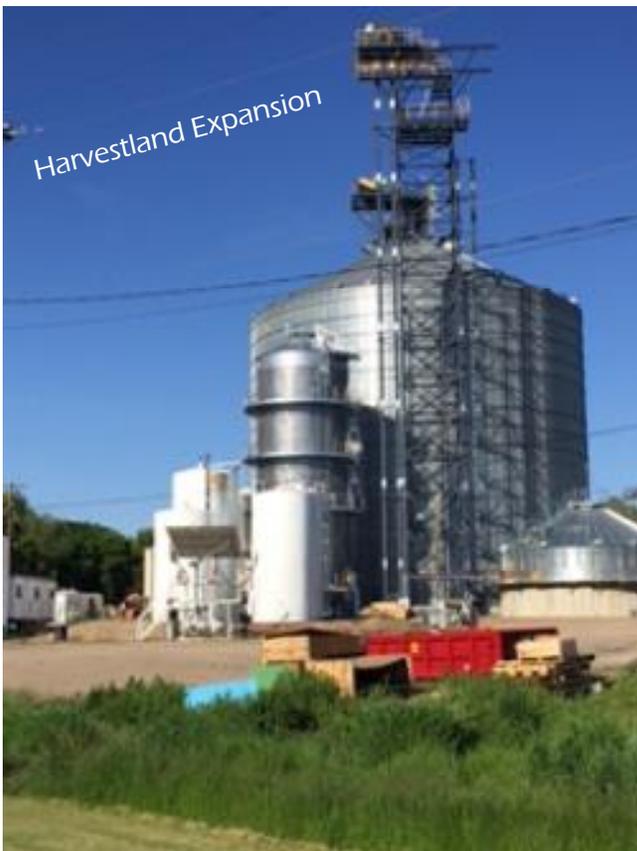
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Welcome Detail Plus to Main Street Morton!



Step Saver renovation of the former School gym



Harvestland Expansion



Step Saver expansion along the rail



Step Saver Development along Highway 19 in Morton

Attention Veterans!

Lee Stock of
Renville County Veterans' Services is at
Morton City Hall
on the
2nd Tuesday of each month
(or other dates if necessary)
to assist you with any of your veteran
service needs.

Please contact Lee to schedule an
appointment

Notice

Renville County WIC will no longer have an outreach site in Morton. Effective October 4, 2017, those who picked up in Morton can pick up their benefits either in the Olivia office every Wednesday from 1:30-3 pm or at the new Fairfax site on the 1st Wednesday of January, April, July, and October from 9:30-11:30. The Fairfax site will begin in January 3, 2018 at the Fairfax City Hall. Should you have any questions or concerns, please call WIC staff at 320-523-3762.

Olivia Site: Renville County Public Health Office, 105 S. 5th St, Suite 119H (Government Services Center, lower level), Olivia, MN

Fairfax Site: Fairfax City Hall, 18 1st St SE, Fairfax, MN

Thank you so much to the Morton community for your help in supporting improved nutrition for Women, Infants, and Children!

Renville County WIC Staff

ALCOHOLICS
ANONYMOUS
MEETS AT
MORTON CITY HALL
EACH MONDAY
EVENING,
BEGINNING AT
7:00 P.M.

CENTRAL COMMUNITY TRANSIT

The Central Community Transit serves all of Renville County

Monday . Friday and all your Transportation needs.

For more information call:
Central Community Transit at:
320-523-3589 or 1-800-450-7964



Ruby's Pantry Food Distribution

The 3rd Tuesday of the month
at the National Guard Armory in Red-
wood Falls

Registration begins at 4:00

Distribution runs from 4:30-6:00
a \$20 cash donation gets you a share
bring 2 laundry baskets for your food
contact rubysredwoodfalls@gmail.com
for information especially those who
want to volunteer.

RENVILLE COUNTY FOOD SHELF

Any resident of Renville County may
visit the

Renville County Food Shelf located on
Main Street in downtown Olivia.*

Hours of Operation

Monday 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

Tuesday CLOSED

Wednesday 10:00 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Thursday 5:00 – 7 p.m.

Friday 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

Located at 108 S. 9th Street, Olivia, MN
56277

Telephone: 320-523-5339

e-mail: rcfoodshelf@gmail.com

* Bring a current utility bill or other document that has your name and street address.

The Second Harvest Heartland guideline is 25 lbs . of food per person once a month or twelve times a year.

If you are doing home projects
and improvements, please
check with city hall to be sure
you are complying with local
requirements.

The official newspaper for the City of Morton is the Renville County Register. All notices and publications as required by law are printed in that paper and as an additional means of providing public information, such notices will be printed in this newsletter when possible. All other publications and postings are done as a courtesy and means of informing residents of activities.

Church Service Schedule

Zion Lutheran

9:00 a.m. Sundays

Bible Study & Sunday school following services

St. John's Catholic

Mass at 8:00 a.m. Sundays

CHURCH SERVICES ARE AIRED ON
MEDIACOM CUSTOMERS'
CHANNEL 8

Tuesdays & Fridays at 10:00 and 1:00

Newsletter/Local Access

Information

If you have items you wish to have in the newsletter or posted on the access channel, please drop them off at city hall and we will be happy to include them (at no charge!)

Council Meetings

Next

Regular City Council Meeting:

Wednesday,

November 8, 2017

starting at 7:00 p.m.

Meetings are aired live on Mediacom's local access channel and again the day following the meeting at noon.

Meetings are live on facebook as well

If you are experiencing issues with the broadcast, please contact city hall so improvements and changes can be made.

CIVIL DEFENSE

SIREN TESTING

Civil Defense sirens are tested each month on the first Wednesday at 1:00 p.m.

BONE BUILDERS

Our group meets on Tuesday & Friday at 8:45 a.m. at the Senior Center.

Everyone has a great time, sharing news, joking & laughing. Join us!

Commercial Tailor

- ⇒ Men's and women's alterations
- ⇒ Mending
- ⇒ Darning socks and
- ⇒ Sweater repairs
- ⇒ Work on some ladies gowns.

Additional charge on rush orders.

Call Lin at 530 1335.

40 years of experience.



FRANKLIN WELLNESS CENTER

OPEN 24/7 FITNESS CENTER

ARE YOU HAVING PROBLEMS WITH

- ⇒ DIABETES,
- ⇒ HYPERTENSION,
- ⇒ ANXIETY,
- ⇒ HIGH CHOLESTEROL,
- ⇒ BALANCE PROBLEMS
- ⇒ OR DEPRESSION?

⇒

THE CENTER CAN HELP SET YOU UP WITH A PLAN TO WORK ON THESE PROBLEMS.....

CALL: 507-430-2191

ASK FOR CONNIE.

**GARBAGE DAY IS
EACH TUESDAY MORNING**
PLEASE HAVE CONTAINERS AT THE
CURB NO LATER THAN
7:00 A.M.
PLEASE ALLOW FOR
ADEQUATE ROOM FOR THE ARM OF THE
TRUCK TO
ATTACH TO YOUR CONTAINER. ALL GAR-
BAGE MUST IN THE CONTAINER AND THE
CONTAINER MUST BE
ACCESSIBLE.

UPCOMING
CURBSIDE RECYCLING DATES:
Have your container at the location of
your garbage pick up by 6:00 a.m.

October 17 & 31

November 14 & 28

Mobile Recycling Unit
The MOBILE RECYCLING UNIT HAS
MOVED!!
The mobile recycling unit has moved FROM
the lot across from the old school TO the
back of the parking lot next to River Valley
Arms & Ammo
*As a reminder, residents that have the curb-
side service available to them are encour-
aged to use it.*

SALE BOOKS 

REDWOOD FALLS FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

Wednesday, Oct. 25, 5-7 pm
(This is a preview night - books are double Thurs. prices)
Thursday, Oct. 26, 10 am - 6 pm
Friday, Oct. 27, 10 am - 5 pm
Saturday, Oct. 28, 10 am - 12 noon

**If you would like to donate books, please
bring them to the Library the week of Oct. 23.**

**MORTON FIREMANS RELIEF ASSOCIATION
STEAK FRY & RAFFLE**
Friday, November 17th 2017 • 5:00-8:00 pm

PRIZES: LEGACY SPORTS POINTER 12GA O/U
SMITH & WESSON M&P FDE AR15 5.56 RIFLE
RUGER AMERICAN 17HMR FARMER EDITION

and VARIOUS OTHER PRIZES
NEED NOT BE PRESENT TO WIN • \$1.00 DONATION
LIC. #B-02560 EXP. 11/30/2017



TICKETS AVAILABLE AT
CITY HALL
AND FROM
FIRE DEPARTMENT
MEMBERS



BOY SCOUT TROOP 70



ALL YOU CAN EAT PANCAKE BREAKFAST!

SERVED WITH SAUSAGE LINKS AND CHOICE OF DRINK

COME OUT AND SUPPORT US
AT THE REDWOOD FALLS AMERICAN LEGION

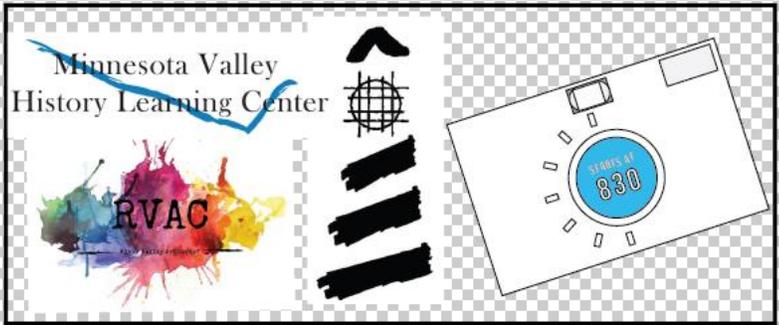
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2017
FROM 8:00AM TO 1:00PM



TICKET PRICES:
KIDS 6 AND UNDER: FREE
STUDENTS AGED 7-12: \$4.00
ADULTS: \$7.00

RSVP @ RiverValleyArt.Space/MVHLC+Limited to 25 Children RSVP is required*

Capture The River Valley



Day One: Friday, October 20th

8:30am-9:00am @ Morton City Hall
Role / Overview
9:00am - 10:00am
Green Light House Photo Lesson
10:00am - 12:00pm
Walking Scavenger Photo Hunt
12:00pm - 1:30pm
Lunch and Games
1:30pm - 4:30pm
Building Frames & Art Projects

Day Two: Saturday, November 18th

8:30pm - 9:00am
Role / Recap @ Morton City Hall
9:00am -11:00am
Gallery Preparation
11:00am - 3:00pm (Open to Public)
Art Show
*Attendance not required for gallery opening.
*Limited to 25 Children RSVP is required

Fee:
\$25

Bring A
Sack
Lunch!

Scholarship
Available
Upon
Request

Grades 3
through
Grade 8

Out
Door
Apparel

www.mvhlc.org/ - 220 W 2nd Street - Morton, MN 56270 - (507) 697-6119

SEEKING VENDORS

BENEATH THE VILLAGE WREATH EVENT
IN MORTON, MINNESOTA

Saturday, November 18, 2017

10 AM - 2 PM

at the Step Saver building

285 N Centennial Dr., Morton

Vendors please call 507-697-1884 or email
info@mortonareachamber.org to obtain a
vendor form!



Set-up will begin at 8 AM with doors opening to the public at 10 AM.
There is no charge to be a vendor (included 6' table and 2 chairs).
SAVE THE DATE: Spring Garden Party Saturday, April 21, 2018!

Please remember the Morton Area Foundation
when considering making a donation! For details
on how to donate, please contact Morton City
Hall.

give TO THE MAX

NOV. 16, 2017

"The Oldest Story in North America"

220 West Second Street – P.O. Box 127 – Morton, MN 56270-0127 **Phone: (507) 697-6912 Fax: (507) 697-6118**
E-Mail: mortoncityhall@mchsi.com

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TDD/TTY: 651-602-7830

AMENDMENTS TO THE MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 13TH: NONE

The following are the NOTES from the most recent council meeting (October 11th)

These NOTES have not been approved by the council as of this publication.

Any changes will be noted in the next newsletter.

October 11, 2017:

Regular meeting called to order in open session at 7:00 p.m. Jorey Prescott absent. Others present: Owen Todd, Ben Mammen, Deb Mammen.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA:

- 5A-Water Drainage – Owen Todd
- 8E-Beer License Renewal for Morton BP
- 8F-RADC Membership
- 10A(a) Reporting – computer needs
- 11B(c) Required Contribution

CITIZEN ISSUES: None.

PRESENTERS: Water Drainage: Owen Todd present to discuss the water drainage issues at the east end of town. Owen explained that the purpose of the vertical pipe is to draw out ground water, to dry out the water that is following the sewer lines. He explained that he would like to have it go through a complete freeze to thaw cycle to see how the surface freeze impacts it. Discussion on impact it has had on residents in the area so far.

Ben Mammen presented an updated proposal from Alvan Sander & Sons for tiling. Cost of the tiling is estimated at \$2066.25 plus the pump of \$786.03. By installing the tile 7' down, there will be more property owners seeing benefit. Ben explained that he doesn't have a year to wait to see if the vertical pipe works or not. His yard is useless. He continues to lose trees and landscaping. If the council chooses not to move forward he indicated that people would be attending the truth in taxation hearing since they are paying taxes on property that has been reduced in value due to the water.

Owen explained the issues on the table: (1) Ground Water: This is the water we hope to reduce with the vertical pipe (2) Surface water: This water should be controlled and managed via a ditch or storm sewer.

Owen recommended that if the council chooses to approve proceeding with proposal Mammen presented, that it not be connected into the vertical pipe but use a separate casing and a separate pump.

Owen is recommending that a survey of the area affected by water be completed. The cost of the survey is estimated at \$22,000-28,000. The survey would be a comprehensive plan to address the problems and develop a plan for resolving them. He would see the survey being completed yet this fall.

If the council moves forward with the tiling proposal as presented, the council is setting a precedence. If the council simply provides an easement to Ben for going across city property to the ditch, they are also setting that precedence.

Review of the discussions at the time of the sewer project. There was a recommendation to install a tile line in these areas. Rural Development denied use of their funds for that part of the project. Rural Development has been made aware of the issues we are currently having. Further discussions will take place with them.

Motion by Jacobson to install a single tile line from the ditch along Brook Drive across the southern part of the lot behind the pump house and to grant an easement to Ben Mammen to tie into the tile at the alley. Second by Walker. Motion carried.

Motion by Henning and second by Jacobson to authorize proceeding with burying the pipe and the electrical line by the pump house that was recently installed. Motion carried. Council recommended having TNT do the work since they installed the pipe.

Motion by Walker and second by Henning to authorize Bolten & Menk to complete the survey as recommended at an estimated cost of \$22,000-\$28,000. Motion carried.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Motion by Jacobson and second by Walker to approve the Secretary's report as presented. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Motion by Walker and second by Jacobson to approve the Treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried.

BUSINESS/RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT:

SCHOOL DEMOLITION: A bonding bill is being prepared for presentation in February. Further updates as they become available. Discussion on ownership of the building and the process that will need to be in place when the bonding bill moves forward.

TAX FORFEITURE PROPERTY: Motion by Jacobson to work with the Morton EDA to purchase parcel #34-00301-00 with the intent to transfer the property to the adjoining property owner for economic development. Second by Walker. Motion carried.

RAILROAD SUPPORT: Motion by Jacobson and second by Henning to approve the letter and resolution 05-2017 in support of the Tiger Grant for Minnesota Valley Regional Rail Authority. Motion carried.

BUSINESS SUBSIDY POLICY: Policy presented at the last meeting and tabled. Motion by Jacobson and second by Walker to approve as presented. Motion carried.

Discussion on the Harvestland application for use of TIF. Further discussion at the next meeting when the agreement is prepared and ready for execution.

MORTON BP BEER LICENSE: Motion by Walker and second by Henning to approve renewal of the beer license for Morton BP. Motion carried.

RADC MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL. Motion by Jacobson and second by Henning to deny the request for membership renewal at this time. Motion carried.

SUPPORT TO KIDS:

MVHLC will be hosting an activity on October 20th (during MEA). Details are in the newsletter.

MUNICIPAL SERVICES:

Water/Sewer: With the water/sewer reporting not being completed by People Service after November, Jason will need to be responsible for the online reporting. To do that he will need a computer suitable for completing these tasks. Motion by Walker and second by Henning to approve the purchase of a desktop computer for Jason from BusinessWare Solutions for \$1127. Motion carried.

FEMA Update: There was approximately \$60,000 of damage from the September rains. Since the area was declared part of a disaster, there will be reimbursement of 75% of the expenses.

VEHICLE NOISE SIGNS: Cost of the signs and installation is \$2019.76. Motion by Jacobson and second by Henning to table at this time and address at a later date if necessary due to the costs. Motion carried.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Police: No activity report for review at this time. The contract states that there will be a quarterly review of the service being provided. This review can be completed by the Administrator and will be invited to council meetings as the council deems necessary.

Fire: Fire Hall Update: No updated numbers available at this time.

Statement of Position from the State Auditor: For Council and Department review: The statement is a reminder and a refresher of funds belonging to relief association and those belonging to the city.

Required Contribution: Based on an amended report, there will be a mandatory contribution due during 2017 of \$1034.00 This will be paid to the relief association when state aid arrives. Review of budget and history of past amendments that occurred. Discussion on reporting and meeting deadlines.

MANAGEMENT:

Budget 2018: Truth in Taxation Hearing is scheduled for December 13. Council will be discussing 2017 in review and 2018 goals at the next two meetings. Council should be prepared.

Board of Equalization: Jorey and Lacey still need to complete the online training.

BusinessWare Proposal: Cost of a wireless access point for city hall \$723.54. Motion by Jacobson and second by Henning to approve. Motion carried.

Sandy Walker thanked Jason for going above and beyond to help residents. Sandy also relayed a compliment from an agency regarding the City Clerk going out of her way to assist residents.

Pay Bills: Motion by Walker and second by Jacobson to pay bills. Motion carried.

On motion meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.



Beneath the Village Wreath

November 17th-19th

Win \$100 in Chamber Bucks!
Register from 10-2 at the Morton Chamber Booth on Saturday!

Friday, November 17th

4pm - 7pm Firemen's Steak Dinner
7pm Hospice Tree Lighting

St. John's Catholic Church
Morton City Hall

Saturday, November 18th

9am Coffee, Rolls & Lunch with Seniors
9am Ornament Hunt Registration
10am 1st Ornament Hunt Clue Posted
10am - 2pm Craft Vendors
10am - 2pm RCHS Museum Book & Bake Sale
10am Cookie Contest
10am Ornament Contest
1pm - 2:30pm Santa Photos & Goodie Bags
6:30pm Turkey Bingo

Morton Senior Center
Step Saver (Old Morton Gym)
Green Lighthouse Photography
St. John's Catholic Church

Sunday, November 19th

9am - 11:30am RCHS Museum Pancake Breakfast
10am Awards Presentation

Morton Senior Center
Morton Senior Center



Ample parking on the West side of the Step Saver (285 Centennial Drive, Morton, MN 56270) building. Handicap entrance available on the North side of the building.

For event information, find us on [Facebook.com/mortonmnchamber](https://www.facebook.com/mortonmnchamber).



For Immediate Release

Contact: Michael Sandager, Renville County Soil and Water Conservation District, 320-523-1559, Michael.sandager@mn.macdnet.net

It's Here! MN CREP III

Renville County, Minn— Landowners have a new option to protect their environmentally sensitive cropland with the introduction of the Minnesota Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (MN CREP).

MN CREP is a voluntary state-federal program designed to improve water quality and habitat conservation. It will protect and restore up to 60,000 acres of marginal cropland across 54 southern and western Minnesota counties, using buffer strips, wetland restoration and drinking water wellhead protection. The program is funded with approximately \$350 million from the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) and \$150 million from the State of Minnesota.

"This is a milestone in conservation for Minnesota," according to John Jaschke, Executive Director of the Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources (BWSR). "State soil and water conservation district staff and federal USDA staff are ready to help landowners get started."

Landowners who are accepted in MN CREP will enroll in the USDA's Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) for 14-15 years. At the same time, the land will be put into a permanent conservation easement through the State's Reinvest in Minnesota (RIM) easement program. Private ownership continues and the land is permanently restored and enhanced for water quality and habitat benefits.

The Renville County Soil and Water Conservation District is currently taking applications for CREP III. Landowners wanting to learn more should contact the Renville SWCD at 320-523-1550 or visit us at our office located at 1008 W Lincoln Ave, Olivia, MN.

More information about the MN CREP can be found at www.bwsr.state.mn.us/crep.

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE Contact: Michael Sandager

320-523-1559

Landowners have new options to meet Buffer Law Requirements

Funds available to soil and water conservation districts for implementation of buffer law.

10/5/17

Olivia, Minn.

Almost \$5 million dollars is now available to support landowners in meeting the requirements of Minnesota's buffer law. The buffer cost-share program funds were approved at the June meeting of the Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources (BWSR). These Clean Water Funds, passed by the legislature and signed by Governor Dayton at the end of the 2017 legislative session, provide important support to the Governor's Buffer Initiative.

The funds will be distributed to soil and water conservation districts (SWCDs) and are to be used for cost-sharing contracts with landowners or their authorized agents to implement riparian buffers or alternative practices on public waters and public drainage ditches.

The Renville Soil and Water Conservation District received \$75,000 in cost-share funds and is distributing it through a flat-rate cost-share program to cover the cost of seed and installation for buffers. Landowners can receive \$100 per acre for a non-native seed mix and \$175 an acre for a native seed mix, District Technician Michael Sandager.

The 2017 legislation also recognizes that some landowners may have hardships (such as weather) in meeting the public waters deadline. The added language allows for an eight-month extension for implementation when a landowner or authorized agent has filed a riparian protection "compliance plan" with their local SWCD by **November 1, 2017**. Compliance waivers offer a buffer deadline extension until **July 1, 2018**.

The state buffer law requires a buffer on public waters by November 1, 2017 and a buffer on public drainage ditches by November 1, 2018.

For more information on the buffer law, including the cost-share program, call the Renville Soil and water Conservation District at 320-523-1559 or visit the BWSR webpage at www.bwsr.state.mn.us/buffers.

Need to earn extra money?

Mature workers wanted!



Earn while you learn and put your experience to work

Paid training with a goal of employment

If you're 55 or older, unemployed and want to get back into the work force, Experience Works might have the training & employment opportunities that are just right for you.

Contact Experience Works at: 1-855-270-9660

ExperienceWorks
www.experienceworks.org

HOUSING REHAB. APPLICATIONS NOW AVAILABLE!

The Cities of Vesta, Lucan and Morton have received a grant to provide housing repair loans to eligible homeowners living within the city limits of any of these three communities/ Eligibility requirements are as follows:

- ⇒ Applicants must own or be purchasing a property
- ⇒ The home being improved must be the applicants principal place of residency
- ⇒ Repairs that are permanent and necessary are eligible
- ⇒ Applicant must be current on real estate taxes
- ⇒ The home must be insured
- ⇒ Homeowner must be classified as low to moderate income per the income guidelines of the program.

Applications are available at Morton City Hall

Annual Fund Raiser at the Morton Senior Center

Saturday, November 4th
9:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.

Food:
Sandwiches
Chips and Pickles
Dessert
Rolls
Beverage
U-mys
Good...

Garage Sale
Bake Sale
Door Prize



RVAC Presents

River Valley Fall Festival

Free Games
Fun Times

River Valley
Fall Festival

Ticket \$5

SPECIAL DEMONSTRATIONS BY
River Valley Artists!
GAMES . CREATIVITY . CELEBRATION

SATURDAY
28
OCTOBER

LIVE DEMONSTRATIONS AT 4:00 PM
Morton City Hall
220 W 2ND ST.
MORTON, MN 56270
FREE GAMES - FUN TIMES
DOORS OPEN AT 4:00 PM

RiverValleyArt.space

Low Income Energy Assistance Program

The Energy Assistance Program (EAP) helps pay for home heating costs and furnace repairs for income-qualified households.

EAP is federally funded through the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. Grants are:

- For renters or homeowners
- For households with income at or below 50 percent of the state median income
- Based on energy cost, household size, and income

Services may include:

- Payment of energy bills
- Help with utility disconnections or fuel deliveries.
- Education on efficient and safe use of energy.
- Advocacy with energy suppliers and human service providers.
- Repair or replacement of homeowners' broken heating systems.

2018 Maximum Energy Assistance Program Income Guidelines

EAP eligibility is based on the three most recent months of income.

Household Size	Three Month Maximum	Annual Income
1	\$6,250	\$25,000
2	\$8,173	\$32,692
3	\$10,096	\$40,385
4	\$12,019	\$48,077
5	\$13,942	\$55,769
6	\$15,865	\$63,462

APPLICATIONS AND ASSISTANCE WITH COMPLETING THE APPLICATION IS AVAILABLE AT CITY HALL

TRUTH IN TAXATION HEARING
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2017

7:00 P.M.

MORTON CITY HALL

Purpose: To address any and all comments, questions and concerns regarding the budget being proposed for the following year. Property valuations are not addressed at this time.

The mission of the Morton Area Chamber is to foster a strong, inviting community through supporting and attracting businesses, organizations and tourism.

The vision of the Morton Area Chamber is to be the leading resource that businesses and organizations partner with to create a healthy and vibrant community.

**Morton Area Chamber and Tourism
Secretary Report from Oct 5, 2017**

1. Called meeting to order at 12:19 p.m. Present : Heather, Nicole, Sarah, Bonnie and guest Joseph Evans
 2. Agenda – Heather motion to approve, Sarah 2nd, approved
 3. Secretary Report for Sept – tabled until next meeting
 4. Treasurer Report – Heather motion to approve, Sarah 2nd, approved
Committee Updates
 5. EMT Grant
 - a. Invoices for reimbursement have been sent for July, Aug and Sept
 - b. Most of the funds are planned to advertise for Beneath the Village Wreath
 6. Beneath the Village Wreath
 - a. Set for Nov 18, 2017
 - b. City is lighting the Hospice Tree at 7 pm Nov 17
 - c. Discussion on plans in place for the day. Bonnie will type up and send to committee members.
 - d. Next committee meeting is Oct 12 at 4:30 at The Hair Stop
- Old Business
7. River Valley Art Center plans were discussed
 - a. Best help we can provide is to talk with people so they are aware and to hang fliers if we are out and about
 8. Franklin and Morton Newsletter submissions – minutes and remind people that they can donate aluminum can recycling funds to Morton Chamber
- New Business
- a. We are still looking for people interested in becoming board members
9. Adjourned at 1:09.

Respectfully submitted by Bonnie Green, Secretary



Saturday October 14th... Cash Drawing: 350.00 ...Meat raffle to follow Starts at 6pm

Poker night starts on Monday October 16th at 7pm!! If you come to play you will get .75 off your cocktails until you're out!!!!

Just Chattrn'

On my walk...in the Birch Coulee Battlefield....a sea of wildflowers, a huge blue sky...a doe and her fawn..doesn't get any better than that ! Leave your dumb phone at home!

I lost the dog's red leash. If you find it you get the dog!

We are watching with bated breathe the renovation of Becky's Red Sled into Lonnie's Detail Plus. Lookin, good Lonnie!

Nine inches of rain, 4 inches of rain and the Park creek is over it's banks! And it's rid of that green slime! I have no water in my basement! Thanks, Jay!

I'm crushed!..ENSURE (a botttle of Maltodextrin, sugar, oil, milk and soy proteins) is tricking older people into thinking that they need Ensure to stay healthy and active...(Nutrition Action) But it tastes so good!!!!

I hit the jackpot this week.....apple and strawberry pie from Beulah and a sack of my favorite candy (Dove roasted almonds covered in Dove dark chocolate) on my front porch. Thanks, Mike

Aroind 50 years ago:Mike Caven proved t0 be Morton's top point getter by taking first place in both high and low hurdles, also doing well was Dennis Kodet who placed second in the 220 yard dash, 3rd in the discus and fourth in the shot put and 100 yard dash...Wesley Wings has purchased the Morton Hotel and is in the process of tearing it down.....open house bridal shower for Mary McCauley, bride to be of John Simmons,...the Morton pool will open on June 16th with Ann Gallery as a qualified life guard....Jim Angermeyr ran a fantastic race in the district meet eclipsing Tom Freitag's 53.7. Jim's time was 53.4 and made his last race his bestCheerleaders: Kay Mahlun, Charlotte Serbus, Mary Mahlum, Jean Robinson. Alternates are Pat Crooks and Cathy Colwell.....did you hear about the couple that have married so long they are on their second bottle of Tabasco.....open house bridal shower for Patsy O'Neil bride to be of Robert Tisdell.

From the Senior Center...I'm supposed to *show respect, personalize, pay attention; show you care:* (You wait on *those guys* and see what you come up with)....We celebrated Carol Kojetin (10-2) and Dick Roper (10-8) birthdays Thanks to Harry and Lyle for the watermelon !

Six steps to make America more civil: become more aware of other people....do a good dead every dayclean up your language.... give others the benefit of the doubt.....change the world right where you are.....leave your surroundings better than you found them. (Star Tribune)

Pop Tab Program

What is the Pop Tab Program? Our Pop Tab Program is a great way for families, schools, organizations, businesses and individuals to support the Ronald McDonald House of Rochester, Minnesota's mission. When pop tabs are donated, volunteers bring them to a local recycling facility and exchange the aluminum for cash. All proceeds directly support the Ronald McDonald House of Rochester, Minnesota.

What exactly is a pop tab? A pop tab is the flip top on aluminum cans. You can collect them from soda cans, sparkling water cans and various other beverage cans. We also take tabs from soup, fruit, vegetable and pet food cans that have tabs.

Where do I drop my pop tabs off? Drop your collected tabs off at Morton City Hall. From here they will be forwarded to Rochester, Minnesota

VETERANS DAY

IN THIS TIME
IS IN THE HEARTS OF THE PEOPLE
FOR WHOM HE SAVED THE UNION
THE MEMORY OF ABRAHAM LINCOLN
IS ENSHRINED FOREVER

November 11, 2017



"To care for him who shall have borne the battle..."

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On September 20th, 1975, President Gerald R. Ford signed Public Law 94-97 (89 Stat. 479), which returned the annual observance of Veterans Day to its original date of November 11, beginning in 1978. This action supported the desires of the overwhelming majority of state legislatures, all major veterans service organizations and the American people.

Veterans Day continues to be observed on November 11, regardless of what day of the week on which it falls. The restoration of the observance of Veterans Day to November 11 not only preserves the historical significance of the date, but helps focus attention on the important purpose of Veterans Day:

A celebration to honor America's veterans for their patriotism, love of country, and willingness to serve and sacrifice for the common good.

CANCELLED STAMP COLLECTION PROGRAM

If you have stamps and you don't know what to do with them. But you would rather not throw them away here is a nice option for you. You can collect them and drop them off at City Hall to be donated to a Veterans Organization. The Veterans' National Stamp and Coin Club is a wonderful organization. They collect U.S. and foreign stamps and coins, postcards, sports cards and much more. This group then passes the items on to other Veterans Affairs support centers across the nation. The stamps and coins, etc., are supplied for therapeutic use helping veterans.





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Red Ribbon Week~ A National Prevention week Oct 23-31

WHAT IS RED RIBBON WEEK?

It is an ideal way for people and communities to unite and take a visible stand against drugs. Show your personal commitment to a drug-free lifestyle through the symbol of the Red Ribbon, October 23 - 31st.

WHY?

The Red Ribbon Campaign® was started when drug traffickers in Mexico City murdered DEA agent Kiki Camarena in 1985. This began the continuing tradition of displaying Red Ribbons as a symbol of intolerance towards the use of drugs. The mission of the Red Ribbon Campaign® is to present a unified and visible commitment towards the creation of a DRUG - FREE AMERICA.

Take the National Red Ribbon Campaign Pledge now and be a part of the creation of a drug free America.

What's the Pledge about?

As parents and citizens, we will talk to our children and the children in our lives about the dangers of drug abuse.

We will set clear rules for our children about not using drugs.

We will set a good example for our children by not using illegal drugs or medicine without a prescription.

We will monitor our children's behavior and enforce appropriate consequences, so that our rules are respected.

We will encourage family and friends to follow the same guidelines to keep children safe from substance abuse.

I pledge to set guidelines to help children grow up safe, healthy and drug-free.

DID YOU KNOW?

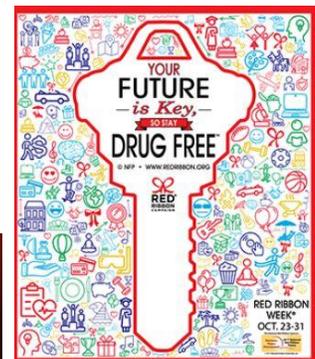
Children of parents who talk to their teens regularly about drugs are 42% less likely to use drugs than those who don't, yet only a quarter of teens report having these conversations.

Parent Pledge

<http://redribbon.org/pledge/>



**YOUR FUTURE IS KEY,
SO STAY DRUG FREE®.**





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Protect your eyes. Research, including data from the well-known Women's Health Initiative, suggests that a healthy diet (as opposed to individual nutrients) can protect against eye disorders. In fact, it seems that the dietary habits that contribute to cardiovascular health (which may protect the brain & help prevent some cancers) are also good for your eyes. Here are the basics.

Emphasize colorful fruits & vegetables. In particular, leafy greens such as kale & spinach are rich in carotenoids and may protect against age-related macular degeneration (AMD) & cataracts. Blueberries, blackberries, beets, broccoli, and carrots are also excellent choices. Colorful foods (deep green, orange, yellow, purple, red, and blue) contain the most carotenoids and other healthy pigments.

Opt for healthy fats, as in fish and nuts, which may benefit the retina.

Get more zinc, which is plentiful in foods. Meat, seafood (especially oysters), and liver are the richest sources. Brewer's yeast, milk & other dairy products, beans, wheat germ, and whole grains also supply some zinc.



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Thank you so much for helping us with our mission to provide Christmas items for our program. Christmas Joy shines in the hearts of people through the spirit of sharing.

Blessings to you all.

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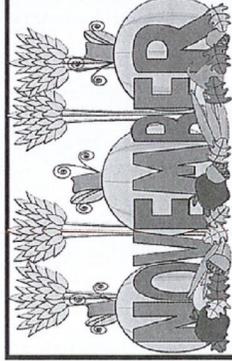
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October
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improving child nutrition,
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and educating communities about the
origins of their food.



GIFT CERTIFICATES

for meals are the perfect HOLIDAY GIFT! Purchase on line at our website: www.lssmn.org/nutrition or at a local site.

Monday, November 6	Tuesday, November 7	Wednesday, November 8	Thursday, November 9	Friday, November 10
4 oz. Teriyaki Glazed Chicken 1/2 c. Rice Pilaf/1/2c Broccoli 1/2 c. Tropical Fruit Bread/Margarine 1/2 c. Ice Cream 8 oz. Low Fat Milk	6oz. Hamburger Tomato Cass. 1/2 c. Green Beans 1/2 c. Pineapple Bread/Margarine 2"x2" Lemon Chiffon Dessert 8 oz. Low Fat Milk	8 oz. Vegetable Beef Soup 3 oz. Meat Salad Sandwich 1/2 c. Pea & Cheese Salad Crackers/Margarine 2"x2" Bar 8 oz. Low Fat Milk	4 oz. Hamburger Gravy 1/2 c. Whole Potatoes 1/2 c. Carrots Dinner Roll/Margarine 2"x2" Cake 8 oz. Low Fat Milk	3 oz. Hamburger 1/2 c. Baked Beans 1/2 c. Cole Slaw Bun/Margarine 1/2 c. Pudding 8 oz. Low Fat Milk
Monday, November 13	Tuesday, November 14	Wednesday, Nov. 15	Thursday, November 16	Friday, November 17
3 oz. BBQ Pork 1/2 c. Scalloped Potatoes 1/2 c. Country Blend Veget. Bun/Margarine 1/2 c. Applesauce 8 oz. Low Fat Milk	6oz. Creamed Chicken/Biscuit 1/2 c. California Blend Veg 1/2 c. Fruit Cup Margarine 1/2 c. Pudding 8 oz. Low Fat Milk	3 oz. Hot Beef Sandwich 1/2 c. Mashed Potatoes/Gravy 1/2 c. Corn Bread/Margarine Cookie 8 oz. Low Fat Milk	3 oz. Roast Turkey 1/2c. Mashed Potatoes/Gravy 1/2 c. Green Beans Cranberry Sc. Garnish/Brd/Marg 2"x2" Pumpkin Dessert 8 oz. Low Fat Milk	3 oz. Salisbury Steak 1/2c. Parslisd Whole Potatoes 1/2 c. Squash Bread/Margarine 1/2 c. Blushing Pears 8 oz. Low Fat Milk
Monday, November 20	Tuesday, November 21	Wednesday, Nov. 22	Thursday, November 23	Friday, November 24
8oz. Creamy Vegetable Soup 2 1/2 oz. Turkey Sandwich 1/2 c. Fruit Cup Crackers/Margarine Cookie 8 oz. Low Fat Milk	3 oz. Liver or Pepper Steak 1/2 c. Buttered Boiled Potatoes 1/2 c. Carrots Bread/Margarine 2"x2" Fruit Crisp 8 oz. Low Fat Milk	3 oz. Roast Beef 1/2 c. Mashed Potatoes 1/2 c. Peas Dinner Roll/Margarine 2"x2" Pudding Dessert 8 oz. Low Fat Milk	Closed for Thanksgiving	4 oz. Swedish Meatballs 1/2 c. Paprika Potatoes 1/2 c. Country Blend Veg Bread/Margarine 1/2 c. Ice Cream 8 oz. Low Fat Milk
Monday, November 27	Tuesday, November 28	Wednesday, Nov. 29	Thursday, November 30	Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP or EBT/Food Stamps) payment is accepted in lieu of donation. Contact Site Manager for more information.
6 oz. Beef Noodle Casserole 1/2 c. Green Beans 1/2 c. Peaches Bread/Margarine 1/2 c. Pudding 8 oz. Low Fat Milk	4 oz. BBQ Pork Chop 1/2 c. Sweet Potatoes 1/2 c. Winter Blend Veget. Bread/Margarine 1/2 c. Scalloped Apples 8 oz. Low Fat Milk	4 oz. Meatloaf/Catsup 1/2 c. Whole Parslisd Potatoes 1/2 c. Creamed Corn Bread/Margarine 1/2 c. Mandarin Oranges 8 oz. Low Fat Milk	5 oz. Oven Crispy Chicken 1/2 c. Mashed Potatoes/Gravy 1/2 c. Carrots Bread/Margarine 2"x2" Poke Cake 8 oz. Low Fat Milk	

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 Posted menu is regular diet. Diabetic, sodium, and fat restricted diets available upon request. Regular menu provides average of 700-800 calories.
MENU SUBJECT TO CHANGE.

Call Joanie at 697-6112 one day in advance to reserve your dinner!

Sausage Hash Brown Bake Recipe

Ingredients

- 2 pounds bulk pork sausage
- 2 cups shredded cheddar cheese, divided
- 1 can (10-3/4 ounces) condensed cream of chicken soup, undiluted
- 1 cup (8 ounces) sour cream
- 1 carton (8 ounces) French onion dip
- 1 cup chopped onion
- 1/4 cup chopped green pepper
- 1/4 cup chopped sweet red pepper
- 1/8 teaspoon pepper
- 1 package (30 ounces) frozen shredded hash brown potatoes, thawed

Directions

- **1.** In a large skillet, cook sausage over medium heat until no longer pink; drain on paper towels. In a large bowl, combine 1-3/4 cups cheese and the next seven ingredients; fold in potatoes.
- **2.** Spread half into a greased shallow 3-qt. baking dish. Top with sausage and remaining potato mixture. Sprinkle with remaining cheese. cover and bake at 350° for 45 minutes. Uncover; bake 10 minutes longer or until heated through.

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