

November 2023 Newsletter

From The Executive Director

“I am grateful for what I am and have. My thanksgiving is perpetual.”

~Henry David Thoreau



Gratitude is defined as the quality of being thankful; readiness to show appreciation for and to return kindness. According to Forbes Global Media Company, there are scientifically proven benefits of gratitude that will motivate you to give thanks year-round.

Gratitude opens the door to more relationships, improves physical and psychological health, improves self-esteem and more.

The National Science Foundation says that we have 65,000 thoughts a day and it is suggested to make a habit of expressing thankfulness and appreciation to embody those benefits of gratitude.

Wright County is growing in population and has a higher labor force participation rate than the norm for the state. The people are also known to have a high work ethic. Work ethic is a belief in work as a moral good; a set of values centered on the importance of doing work and reflected in a desire or determination to work hard.

As we work with others or hire those to work together, let us try to make perpetual gratitude a part of the high work ethic in employment and in life.

WCEDP EVENTS!

Join us and CRS for our Annual Holiday Social!



**JOIN WCEDP & CRS
AT OUR ANNUAL**

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Wright County
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Holiday Networking Social

**DECEMBER 7TH, 2023
FROM 4-6PM
AT THE ST. MICHAEL THEATER**

APPETIZERS, CASH BAR (THE FIRST ONE IS ON US), & PRIZE DRAWINGS

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CELEBRATING 30 YEARS!

WCEDP Annual Meeting & Awards Presentation!

EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

Join us for a **FREE** breakfast as we celebrate this years successes!

We will present our 4 annual awards, welcome new Board Members & hear from our Keynote speaker Erik Therwanger!

TIME

Doors open at 7:30am, meeting concludes at 10:00am (Breakfast is provided!)

Location

Wright County Government Center
3650 Braddock Ave NE
Buffalo, MN 55313



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Sponsorships go toward the keynote speaker, attendees' gift, breakfast, and venue expenses.

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- Silver Sponsor: \$250
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MANUFACTURING MONTH

Thank You to all of our Manufacturers!

While WCEDP Staff couldn't attend all of the tours we were happy to have the chance to stop in at Whirltronics, UMC, AVA, and Die Technology!



WE WANT TO VISIT YOUR BUSINESS TOO!

CONTACT JOLENE FOSS TO SCHEDULE A VISIT TO YOUR BUSINESS!

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Congratulations Whirltronics Inc.!



Whirltronics Has Won The Manufacturers Alliance Award: Manufacturer of the Year!

The Manufacturers Alliance provides manufacturing companies with training and education by experienced peers. Every year the Manufacturers Alliance awards three manufacturers an award to acknowledge their hard work and dedication to cultural improvement. In 2023 Whirltronics is happy to say that we have won Manufacturer of the Year!

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To learn more about Whirltronics and their values go to <https://whirltronics.com>

Do you want to know more about Whirltronics and what they do?

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WAVERLY FARMERS MARKET

Waverly community thrives as local farmer's market wraps up a successful first year.



Ben and Karen Swartzter stand proud at the stand for their local business, **BS Bees**, which produces homemade honey. PHOTO BY AUSTEN NEATON



Jen and Josh Borrell smile at their stand at the farmers' market. PHOTO BY AUSTEN NEATON

BY AUSTEN NEATON Staff Writer- Herald Journal Friday, Oct. 6, A.D 2023

Waverly wraps up the summer farmers' market with a classic car show at Railroad Park Sept. 30.

After a successful summer, Josh and Jen Borrell, the market organizers, and Jessi Brien, a vendor at the market, decided they wanted to do something special for the final date of the season.

After deliberating several options, the group ultimately settled on organizing a car show fueled by their shared passion for classic automobiles. Additionally, they were influenced by the track record of success enjoyed by other car shows in the region. "We wanted to do the car show as a sort of celebration, and it is a way to get more people into the farmers' market and to just be out and about in the town," Josh said.

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UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA EXTENSION

Minnesota Beginning Farmer Institute - Clearwater

The Minnesota Beginning Farmer Institute is a four-part course that uses an interactive approach to learning about farm management topics. Each workshop will have educational handouts and presentations. Learning objectives include, understand components and use of business plans and goals, understand components and use of taxes and business entities, including expenses and deductions, understand components and use of financial statements and record keeping, including balance sheets, income statements and cash flows, & understand grain marketing and land rent, including the cost of production.

This course will meet on four consecutive Tuesdays, from Jan. 9 to 30, 2024.

[MORE INFO](#)

BUSINESS NEWS



MAPLE LAKE Minnesota

A Hundred Thousand Welcomes "Céad Míle Fáilte"

Sunfish Dental now in the McHugh building!



By Brenda Erdahl - Maple Lake Messenger News Online- October 25, 2023

Dr. Niki Tripp and her Sunfish Dental team have officially moved into their new home in the old McHugh Building on Birch Ave in Maple Lake.

Tripp has spent the last seven months refurbishing the 81-year-old piece of Maple Lake history, and on Wednesday, Oct. 18, celebrated her grand opening with a ribbon cutting ceremony and free mini donuts.

"We had a really good turnout, I was pleasantly surprised," said Tripp who reported giving away more than 100 bags of mini donuts.

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Coming Soon to Montrose

Gortons 12/12 Meats Opening Soon!

The Gorton family has been in the meat industry since the 1970's when Tony Gorton attended meat cutting school after his time in the military. In the 1980's Tony began producing Beef Jerky, wholesaling it all over the country under the name Nortog Meat Snacks. In the early 2000's Nortog opened its doors to the public and started its first retail meat market in Rockford, MN. He had since retired and his son Doug has opened a new market called Gorton's 12/12 Meats located in Montrose, MN on the corner of Hwy 12 and County road 12.

Gorton's 12/12 Meats specializes in fresh meat merchandising, fresh sausage from their sausage kitchen and smoked meats and snacks.

To find out when they are officially open checkout their Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/Gortons1212Meats>



[WEBSITE](#)

BUSINESS NEWS CONTINUED

Now Open!



Welcome to The Spot - a new service dog training facility in Greenfield, MN that will provide specialized training to veterans, first responders and their canine companion. In addition, The Spot will feature boarding, playcare, and grooming for dogs and cats in our community!

To learn more about their services follow them on Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/thespotbynutrisource>



Parenting With Grace is now open.

Go to their website for more information about what they have to offer and employment opportunities!

PARENTING WITH GRACE

Ribbon Cutting
October 25, 2023



WEBSITE



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Central Minnesota Area - 19th Annual Career Fair



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March 27, 2024, 2-6pm
Monticello High School
5225 School Blvd, Monticello, MN 55362

Registration cost is \$150.00 per booth.
Registration includes one table, two chairs, limited electricity,
Wi-Fi and advertising for the event.

For those who need an accommodation to attend this event,
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Tim Zipoy at 763-271-3722

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