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- **03** COMMITTEE SESSIONS WRAPPING UP IN THE SENATE MN State Senator for District 41, JUDY SEEBERGER, visits the KDWA studio to bring updates on bills working their way through the system. We discuss the Vet's HOne, stiffer penalties for opioid dealers, and the end of the ISD 200 Foodworker's Strike.
- 03 STRIKE, SURPLUS, SENIORS, AND SAND PITS

In today's segment with MN Stat Representative SHANE HUDELLA, he talks about the education omnibus bill and the food worker's strike, the historic budget surplus, the rising cost of senior housing, and the expansion of a sand pit in Denmark Township.

- **05** KDWA's Mo has a very special in-depth interview with Pastor RANDY BERG of Calvary Church in Hastings as he shares about the long standing relationship Calvary has had with a sister church in Ukraine and upcoming Easter services.
- **05** We talk Hastings Tastings, MN FoodShare, Meals on Wheels and the upcoming Drive Out Hunger Golf Tournament with JOANNIE BECKER and KELLY CARTER of Hastings Family Service.
- **06** Even if you have been to Hawaii before, cruising the islands and/or cruising from the mainland give you a completely new perspective and simplifies a Hawaiian vacation. TED BLANK gives us lots of insight in this week's Travel Show.
- **06** COREY WALLER and DAVID TRUAX are fundraising for the 25th annual Dick Hiley St Jude Classis Bass Fishing Tournament and need your help! All money raised is given to St Jude Hospital in Memphis and they have raised over \$5 million since 1998.
- **06** -Thank you to Hastings Council Member JEN FOX Ward 2 -for recapping the most recent council meeting.
- **07** Our friends from the Carpenter St Croix Valley Nature Center always inform and educate us when they stop in for their monthly visits. Tune in for a lively conversation with SARAH GERMSCHEID and JENNIFER VIETH as we talk eagles, maple syrup and spring!
- **07** What going on at the Hastings Area YMCA? Lots! Tune in for our interview with Forever Well Coordinator TRACY SPINKS!
- **07** President of the Hastings Area Chamber of Commerce and Tourism Bureau KRISTY BARSE shares info about an exciting upcoming bike tour, a great partnership with the schools and a sneak peak of Rivertown Days 2023!
- **10** EASTER BREAK IN THE MN HOUSE MN State Representative for District 41B, SHANE HUDELLA, stops in during the Legislature's Easter break to give a "half time" review of the 2023 Session to date. We cover the Veteran's Home, the tax on Social Security benefits, and more.

- **11** MEET THE NEW BOARD MEMBERS United Way of Hastings operates under the guidance of a Board of Directors, and today we meet board members KEITH VIETHS of Coborn's and DYLAN HERMANSTORFER, of Fleet Farm and HKS Director JANE NEUMILLER-BUSTAD brings us the latest information on a Fentanyl Awareness session, scheduled for early May
- **11** UWH CAMPAIGN SPONSORSHIPS HKS Director JANE NEUMILLER-BUSTAD of United Way of Hastings reminds us that the UWH Sponsorship Campaign is in full swing. We talk about sponsorship levels and the ongoing public awareness campaign regarding illicit Fentanyl.
- **12** In The Garden. This time on In the Garden, Kelly and Char offer up a selection of tried and true tools that gardeners of any experience should own. Start the season off right with our timely tool tips.
- **12** In this edition of Doc of the Town with host DR. GARRICK OLSON he speaks first hand about the topic of osteoarthritis.
- **12** It's another edition of "Where Are They Now" with ERIC MECH. Hear about his new position as a Purpose Coach and Mentor with the Purpose Company.
- **13** TED BLANK of Ted Blank Luxury Travel and Adventure reports people are taking longer trips than before the pandemic. Hear the reasons why in our interview.
- **13** LINDA SCHENK, Operations Director of Freedom Park Great River Road Visitor and Learning Center in Prescott stopped in to talk about their exciting upcoming programming.
- **13** ALISON ENNENGA is the co-founder of Fairy Wonderland Park A Project of Healing Play, Inc. and has turned tragedy into legacy in memory of her daughter.
- **14** AMY LANE and RYAN McCOY of Black Dirt Theater invite you to participate in their summer musical The Music Man! Auditions for cast members start in early May and there is also a need for set crew, ushers, box office help and more.
- **14** JENNIFER FLAHERTY is a self proclaimed survivor of many things and founded Hope for the Brave as a 3-tiered approach to helping women in crisis get out of the cycle of abuse.
- **17** SENATE RESUMES SESSION MN State Sentaor for District 41, JUDY SEEBERGER, rejoined her Senatorial Colleagues for the rest of the 2023 session and called in to brief us on the progress. We talk about a visit to Hastings by MN Governor WALZ, budget and commerce omnibus bills, and the status of legislation to end taxation of Social Security benefits.
- **17** SESSION RESUMES The MN returned to session after Easter/Passover Break, and State District 41B Representative SHANE HUDELLA stops in to report on the progress of bills moving through the House. We talk about Omnibus bills, voter registration, and gun control.
- **18** PROVIDENCE HOUSE FINAL PREPARATIONS Rise Up Recovery in Hastings is very nearly ready to open Providence House for occupancy, and Executive Director TIFFANY NEUHARTH provides the latest update on renovations, including donations of labor and materials to make the residence ADA-compliant. We also talk about the upcoming "Sober Prom".
- **18** BELLS OF THE BLUFFS TO TEAM UP FOR SHOW The Bells of the Bluffs Handbell Choir, under the direction of MARILEE ANDERSON, will be combining with Bells of the Lakes, Rochester

Area Handbells, and Twin Cities Bronze for a concert on May 6th at St. Philip's Lutheran Church in Hastings. ANDERSON, and choir member KATHY OLSON give the details.

- **19** APRIL 27 CITY COUNCIL MEETING RECAP Hastings Mayor MARY FASBENDER calls in to recap the City Council meeting of Monday, April 17th. Agenda items included approving the contract to repair Pleasant Drive, Amending City Codes for Escrow and Gambling Fees, and Charitable Donations received by the City.
- **19** In this month's Grief Chat show with host DONNA MATHIOWETZ we talk about the ripple effects of grief that make up Secondary Grief.
- **20** In this week's Travel Show with host TED BLANK of Ted Blank Luxury Travel and Adventure he explores the many ways wine and travel go together!
- **20** KDWA was doubly blessed when ROB HALBERG of Benedictine Living Community Regina and LAURIE THRUSH of the Hastings Senior Center.stopped in together to chat about the upcoming Senior Expo on May 17 from 5-7 pm at the Tilden Community Center.
- 21 City of Hastings Mike R interview
- **21** –KATE TORBORG and CORTNEY JANISCH of Anytime Fitness talk the basics of fitness and invite listeners with Silver Sneakers, Active & Fit, Silver & Fit and One Pass memberships to the gym.
- **21** The patios are opening, the traffic has picked up and the businesses of Prescott are inviting you to come check them out! Tune in for our interview with Prescott Chamber of Commerce Coordinator CASEY JOHNSON to hear how they are helping support local businesses.
- **24-** BUSY WEEK IN THE MN HOUSE The MN House returned from break to a full slate of bills to deliberate. Representative SHANE HUDELLA makes his weekly stop at the KDWA studios to bring updates on legislation for e-tabs, funding for the State Military, and considerations for veterans who are 100% disabled.
- **24** SPRING PROGRAMMING IN FULL SWING The City of Hastings' Parks and Recreation Department has a full slate of activities for Spring and will be releasing the Summer Calendar soon. Tune in to hear Programming Specialist PAIGE MARSCHALL-BIGLER provide all the details.
- **26** IN THE GARDEN WITH TED BLANK GARDENS OF THE WORLD. This show is a mini travelog thanks to special guest Ted Blank who shares his picks for great gardens of the world. Giverny, Kew and the Royal Botanical Gardens are some of his choices.
- **26** Mark your calendars for the 14th annual Hootanany Music Festival in downtown Hastings on Sat, April 29th.Music runs from 4:00 1:00 pm in 8 locations and organizers JOE PETIT, DREW CAVALIER and LANDON CAVALIER have all the details.
- **26** April is Autism Acceptance Month and LISA SIEBEN and ELLIE WILSON talk about how we can all become more accepting of people with autism.

- **27** In this week's Travel Show with host TED BLANK of Ted Blank Luxury Travel and Adventure we discuss how guided tours have changed since the pandemic.
- **27** MN LEGISLATURE ACTING ON ABORTION The MN State Legislature is working to pass a number of bills related to abortion in MN, and Total Life Care wants everyone to have the information they need to keep up on the issue. Executive Director ANDREA KULLMAN visits the KDWA studios to discuss the bills and invites people to a gathering to discuss the bills.
- **27** Founder NANCY TURNER has all the details for This Old Horse's Run for the Roses Event on Saturday, May 6^{th.}
- **28** Dog Relater MAX BITTERMAN stopped in the KDWA studio last week to answer all of our behavioral questions about our favorite four legged friends.

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- **01** WEEKLY HOUSE UPDATE In this week's visit with State Representative SHANE HUDELLA, we hear about a controversial Judiciary and Public Safety Omnibus Bill, a proposed gun law with "Red Flag" provisions, and the continuing process for the legalization of recreational marijuana.
- **03** John Dewall Greenhouse. Today's program includes a visit with Hastings High School Horticulture instructor John DeWall. Kelly finds out about the upcoming plant sale and digs a little deeper into the program that prepares students to consider the field as a career. The annual plant sale takes place in the north parking lot of the high school on Saturday, May 6th starting at 9 am.
- **03** ETHAN CORDES, CEO of Sparkplug Chargers shares his story about electric vehicles and the need he saw which led to starting his company.
- **04** In this week's Travel Show with host TED BLANK we hear about traveling to Northern parts of the world and exploring some remote and less traveled areas.
- **05** RANDY BAILEY invites listeners to the 15th annual Rick's Bike Sale from Noon-4 pm in Apple Valley. Proceeds benefit DARTS and Kids-N-Kinship.
- **08** SENATE WEEK IN REVIEW On this segment of Community In Depth, State Senator JUDY SEEBERGER discusses the PFAS bill, the Refinery bill, and the Town Hall held on May 7th in Cottage Grove. We also talk about the session wrapping up in two weeks.
- **08** E-TABS, MEDICAL LEAVE, AND THE SURPLUS For this week's visit with MN State Representative for District 41B, SHANE HUDELLA, we discuss legislation that would affect charitable gambling, a bill for paid medical leave, and the current status of revenue for Minnesota.

- **09** UWH SPONSORSHIP CAMPAIGN United Way of Hastings is well into its annual Sponsorship Campaign and Executive Director MARI MELLICK stops by to encourage the business community to consider funding for United Way of Hastings and its many programs.
- **09** FENTANYL AWARENESS On May 4th, United Way of Hastings held a Roundtable session at Hastings High School, and United Way of Hastings Executive Director MARI MELLICK visited the KDWA studios to discuss the scope of the crisis and how it affects Hastings.
- **10** In The Garden A special salute to Moms and
- **10** LeDuc Historic Estate Site Supervisor MARIAH RING is all smiles because the house is officially opening for the season on Thursday, May 11th.
- **10** Spring is in full bloom at Carpenter St Croix Valley Nature Center and SARAH GERMSCHEID, Director of Education and Visitor Services has all the details!
- **11** Anytime Fitness of Hastings is offering FREE community workout sessions at 9:00 am at Jaycee Park. Tune in for details from trainers LISA KRUSE and CORTNEY JANISCH.
- **11** Check your mailboxes for Hastings Community Education's summer catalog full of something for every age group. Hear more from Enrichment and Recreation Coordinator JACI HANSEY!
- **12** We get to meet more great staff from Benedictine Living Community-Regina and hear all the special things going on there in our interview with BRITTANY TYSON and ROB HALBERG.
- **12** The Annual Memorial Day March for Them has made some BIG changes this year and is now a 10 mile loop in Hastings and coincides with Hastings Memorial Day Program. Hear details from founder TOM WRIGHT.
- **12** We get caught up on all the great things accomplished at Hastings Family Service with KELLY CARTER!
- **15** HOUSE BILLS IN CONFERENCE COMMITTEE In this week's segment with MN State Representative SHANE HUDELLA, we discuss the recent Townhall meeting with Senator Seeberger, a Higher Education omnibus bill with provisions for tuition-free college and other mandates included in the bill, and an update on the project to revamp Vermillion Street.
- **17** Spring has sprung in Prescott and CASEY JOHNSON, Prescott Chamber of Commerce Coordinator is all excited to give us the details!
- **17** Thank you to Hastings Senior Health and Living Activity Director HEATHER RAUVOLA and CHAPLAIN GORDON GATHRIGHT for stopping in today to update us on how they are celebrating National Skilled Nursing Care Week.
- **18-** Start and end this trip in Paris, cruise the beautiful Seine River with stops to take in Monet's Gardens in Giverny, Normandy and the D-Day museum and other memorable sights with TED BLANK of Ted Blank Luxury Travel & Adventure as your guide.

- **18** Please join us in congratulating NAN BAILLY on the 50th Anniversary of Alexis Bailly Vineyard in Hastings. All are invited to a special celebration 12:00-5:00 pm daily this weekend to mark the event.
- **18** Hastings YMCA Executive Director JOSH SCHOAF is all fired up to share the fun programming for people of all ages coming this spring and summer at the Y.
- **19** Hastings American Legion Post 47 member AL ALTENDORFER invites listeners to the Memorial Day program on Monday, May 29th at 10:00 am at the Rotary Pavillion in Levee Park in downtown Hastings.
- **19** What's new for Rivertown Days 2023? Trolley rides to get to events! Hear about this and more from Hastings Chamber of Commerce and Tourism Bureau President KRISTY BARSE in our interview
- **19** Thank you to Hastings Mayor MARY FASBENDER for recapping the most recent Hastings City Council meeting for our listeners.
- **22** HPD HAS BUSY YEAR SO FAR On this segment of Community In Deoth, we visit with Hastings Police Chief DAVID WILSKE, whose department is very busy with Police Week, the Special Olympics Torch Run, and striving to keep our community free of crime. We discuss steering locks for vulnerable vehicles, the new SPin Scooters, and more.
- **22** FINAL WEEK OF THE 2023 SESSION Mn State Representative for District 41B, SHANE HUDELLA, calls in to give a final update while the 2023 session is still in session. We hear updates on the Cannabis Bill, the Elections Bill, the Tax Omnibus Bill, and legislation that might not see passage this session.
- **24** Tune in for Part 1 of this month's Grief Chat with host DONNA MATHIOWETZ and learn the "normal" things you are going to feel as a grieving person.
- **24** Tune in for Part 2 of this month's Grief Chat with host DONNA MATHIOWETZ and learn the "normal" things you are going to feel as a grieving person.
- **25** Want to cruise on the ultimate luxury ocean liner, leaving from New York and sailing to Quebec and back? TED BLANK, host of the Travel Show is leading a group in the fall of 2024.
- **25** CYNDI TOPPIN, chair of the Hastings Heritage Preservation Commission stopped in to share details of their recent home award winners.
- **25** The Hastings Power of 100 organization continues to help fund local organizations and in our upcoming interview we hear from founder MELISSA FREIERMUTH and Core 10 member WENDY LOOMIS.
- **26** -BAO VANG of the Better Business Bureau checks in with KDWA to tell us about some unfortunate scams surrounding happy occasion like weddings, prom and graduations.
- **26** During Mo's interview with ROBIN FORSYTHE and SUE SKINNER of DARTS you will learn about aging unbound.

- **26** Animal Ark is having their annual 3K Walk on Saturday, June 10th and shelter volunteers TERA WOLTJER, PAUL HAGEN and sweet GRETA have all the details.
- **29** 2023 SESSION IN REVIEW. MN State Senator JUDY SEEBERGER checks on for the final time of the 2023 MN Legislative Session to review bills that saw deliberations, including the Social Security Tax Relief, Bonding, Transport, and Gas Markup bills. We also talk about her first-hand view of being a Senator.
- **31** The Osceola Train Company has all kinds of adventures for passengers and volunteer NICK MODDERS has all the details.
- **31** Hastings Director of Community Education KARI GORR reflects on the 50 year anniversary of the organization and how they celebrated this milestone anniversary.

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- **01** -Did you know that most cruise ships are built in Italy? Learn more fun facts on this week's Travel Show with host Ted Blank and hear what new cruise ships are being introduced in the next year!
- **01** Dakota County Natural Resource Manager for Parks TOM LEWANSKI invites listeners to an open house event on Wed, June 7 from 4-6 pm at Spring Lake Park Reserve.
- **01** GLENDA SCHNIRRING and DEBORAH DREHER stopped in to tell listeners all about the upcoming St Philip's Garage Sale and Plant Sale going on Saturday, June 10th from 8:00 am 3:00 pm.
- **02** Tune in for an important interview with AMANDA BIGUS of Trellis as she discusses the eligibility renewal process changing for Medicare, Medical Assistance and MN Care.
- **02** We continue our monthly series of interviewing members of the Hastings Ministerial Association and welcome Pastor BRENT KOMPELIEN to hear how he is developing "disciples by doing" at New Life Evangelical Free Church in Hastings.
- **02** Congratulations to Hastings native CHRISTINA ALONGI on the upcoming release of her first book Citadel!
- **07** The Confluence in downtown Hastings is opening soon and IDM Hospitality Management Executive Vice President BECKY ROBERTS shares details!
- **07** KDWA welcomes ALEX MENKE, the new Economic Development Coordinator for the city and JOHN HINZMAN as we learn more about all the new building going on in Hastings.

- **08** During this week's Travel Show with host TED BLANK learn how you can turn a great vacation into a spectacular vacation by upgrading to a suite on a ship or at a resort.
- **08** Thanks to Ward 2 Hastings City Council Member JEN FOX for recapping the most recent City Council meeting.
- **08** May was another busy month at Hastings Family Service and Executive Director AMY SUTTON took time to come and chat with us and thank the community for all they do to keep the organization moving forward and helping people.
- **09** -Join us for our interview with BR4R members ESTRELLA CARTER and JAMES CURRY as they talk about the organization and the release of the comic book Hate Stings at the upcoming Juneteenth event.
- **09** Artist DALE LEWIS and his Fine Art Representative MECCA PAGE stopped in to update listeners on Dale's shift from sculpture walks to traveling exhibits.
- **09** What is Plantar Fasciitis and how can it best be prevented and treated? Learn all about it from AARON WICKBOLDT, Allina Supervisor of Rehab at Courage Kenny in Hastings.
- **14** KRISTY BARSE, President of the Hastings Area Chamber of Commerce and Tourism Bureau fills us in on business advocacy, HHS partnerships and Rivertown Days preparation in this month's Chamber Chat.
- **14** Hastings Area YMCA Forever Well Coordinator TRACY SPINKS has so much to talk about in our upcoming interview, you will just have to tune in!
- **15** Get ready to rumble in this week's Travel Show with host Ted Blank Luxury Travel & Adventure as Ted and Mo look at the benefits of both kinds of vacations.
- **15** It's the 7th Annual Make Music Day Wednesday, June 21 and organizer CHUCK SPAVIN has all the details.
- **15** Prescott Chamber Coordinator CASEY JOHNSON is looking ahead to the weekend and beyond with all the great events going on in Prescott!
- **16** -What is the Hastings Arts and Culture Commission and what are the projects they are working on? Find out in our interview with members BARB HOLLENBECK and STEVEN READ.
- **16** KDWA welcomes Carpenter St Croix Valley Nature Center new hire SAM BEHRENDS, Orchardist and Sustainable Agriculture Instructor and Executive Director JENNIFER VIETH. Hear about the busy summer and fall that is planned for both campuses.
- **16 -** Thank you to MONIQUE BOURGEOIS, Chief Community Relations Officer for NuWay Alliance for taking time to update listeners on the various recovery entities that fall under the NuWay umbrella including Cochran Recovery Services in Hastings.
- **21** Did you know that Anytime Fitness in Hastings has an agreement with Country Suites Hotel for members to use their pool as part of their membership? Tune in to get details from trainers COURTNEY JANISCH and LISA KRUSE.

- **21** Tune in for our interview with DIANE DAVIES and hear more about the upcoming memorial golf tournament being planned in honor of her late husband BUTCH, her new book and how life goes on after the death of someone you love.
- **22** Looking for a memorable trip like no other? How about attending the 2024 Grand Prix race in Monaco as a VIP? Tune in for details!
- **22** In the first segment of this month's Grief Chat with host DONNA MATHIOWETZ we talk about Traumatic Grief and the effect it can have on the grieving person and those around them.
- **22** In the second segment of this month's Grief Chat with host DONNA MATHIOWETZ we talk about Unresolved Grief and how this can negatively impact a person for their lifetime.
- **23** Timeshares issues are the biggest complaint the Better Business Bureau receives and BBB Vice President of Communication BAO VANG wants listeners to understand the many scams that are centered around timeshare property, vacation clubs and exit companies.
- **23** The Hastings Concert Association's 2023-2024 Season has been released so tune in to hear details in our interview with Board Member BETTY ASHENBRENNER!
- 23 LILY CRISP, LPN Clinical Manager and ROB HALBERG, Sales and Marketing Manager at Benedictine Living Community tell listeners about the wonderful career progression, tuition reimbursement and on the job training that is offered within the facility to better serve the patients they care for.
- 28 TLC of Hastings will have a booth at the Rivertown Days Arts and Crafts Fair and Executive Director ANDREA KULLMAN invites listeners to stop by and enjoy their "Time Out Tent".
- 28 What kinds of effects will the legalization of marijuana have on those already struggling with addiction issues? Pastor ANDREW LANGBEHN of Branchline Church delves into this topic.
- **29** Author JIM CARLSON stopped by KDWA to tell listeners about his new children's book "Reagan Slays the Dragon".
- **29** Thank you to Chaplain GORDON GATHRIGHT of Hastings Senior Health and Living for updating us on Patio Wednesdays, the Garden to Table program and lots more going on at the center.
- **30** Do have some home repairs that are overwhelming you? DARTS has a Home Repair division and JAN HIX and MICHAEL APPLE tell us all about it!
- **30** STEVE TOLLAKSON, founder of the American Cajon Company, a Peruvian drum making company in Hastings. Tune in to hear about how he started this company and what a cajon is!

30 - What a day brightener these two are! Thank you to LAURIE THRUSH and KARI GORR of Hastings Community Education for coming in and chatting with us about all the great things going on at the Hastings Senior Center.