## **Public Notices**

### NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

Date: November 11, 2025

YOU ARE NOTIFIED UNDER THAT:

1. Default has occurred in the conditions of the Mortgage dated November 25, 2011, executed by James J. Boos and wife, as Mortgagors, to Liberty interest to Liberty Savings Bank, fsb, as Mortgagee, and filed for record December 2, 2011, as Document No. County Recorder of Stearns County, Minnesota; modified pursuant to a Modification of Mortgage dated May 1, 2022, FOR THAT PURPOSE. and filed for record July 28, 2022, as Document No. County Recorder of Stearns County, Minnesota. The land described in the Mortgage is not registered land.

- 2. The Mortgage has not been assigned.
- 3. The original principal amount secured by the Mortgage was \$276,800.00.
- 4. No action or proceeding at law is now pending to recover the debt secured by the Mortgage, or any part thereof.
- 5. The holder of the Mortgage has complied with all conditions precedent to acceleration of the debt secured by the Mortgage and foreclosure of the Mortgage, and all notice and other requirements of applicable statutes.
- the amount due on the Mortgage, and taxes, if any, paid by the holder of the Mortgage is \$230,090.50.
- 7. Pursuant to the power of sale in the Mortgage, the Mortgage will be foreclosed, and the land located in Stearns County, Minnesota, described as fol-

LOT 6, BLOCK 2, SPRING-WOOD ESTATES, STEARNS COUNTY, MINNESOTA

will be sold by the County Sheriff of Stearns County, Min- lot. A complete legal descripnesota, at public auction on tion of the property and a copy January 6, 2026, at 10:00 a.m., of the Preliminary Plat, as well at the Stearns County Sheriff's as other documents, are avail-Department, located at 807 able for viewing at City Hall. Courthouse Square, St. Cloud, Minnesota.

- 8. To the best of Mortgagee's information, the property being foreclosed has a property address of 22814 Grovewood Lane, Cold Spring, parcel identification number 76.42188.0018.
- 9. The time allowed by law for redemption by Mortgagors or Mortgagors' personal representatives or assigns is six (6) months after the date of sale.
- 10. The property must be vacated by 11:59 p.m. on January 6, 2026, provided the Mortgagors have not reinstated the Mortgage under Minnesota Statutes, Section 580.30 or redeemed the property under 580.23. If the foregoing date is a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday, then the date to vacate 11:59 p.m.

11. THE TIME ALLOWED BY LAW FOR REDEMPTION BY THE MORTGAGORS, THE

MORTGAGORS' PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES OR AS-SIGNS, MAY BE REDUCED TO FIVE WEEKS IF A JUDI-CIAL ORDER IS ENTERED MINNESOTA STATUTES, SECTION 582.032, DETERMINING, AMONG OTHER THINGS. THAT THE MORTGAGED PREMISES ARE IMPROVED WITH A RESIDENTIAL Joanna M. Boos, husband and DWELLING OF LESS THAN FIVE UNITS, ARE NOT Bank Minnesota, successor in PROPERTY USED IN AGRI-CULTURAL PRODUCTION, AND ARE ABANDONED.

THE PURPOSE OF THIS A1356570, in the Office of the COMMUNICATION IS TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OB-TAINED WILL BE USED

LIBERTY BANK MIN-A1637659, in the Office of the NESOTA, SUCCESSOR IN IN-TEREST TO LIBERTY SAV-INGS BANK, FSB

> /s/ David J. Meyers David J. Meyers (#0151695) Rinke Noonan, Ltd. Suite 300 US Bank Plaza 1015 W. St. Germain St. P.O. Box 1497 St. Cloud, MN 56302  $(320)\ 251-6700$ (320) 656-3500 fax Our File No. 22118-0210 Dmeyers@RinkeNoonan.com

Attorneys for Mortgagee

(Pub. Nov. 18 - Dec. 23, 2025)

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING **COLD SPRING** PLANNING COMMISSION

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held before the Cold Spring Plan-6. At the date of this Notice ning Commission on Wednesday, December 17, 2025, beginning at 6:30 p.m. or as soon thereafter as practical, at 27 Red River Avenue South, to consider the request outlined

> Preliminary Plat for Granite Landing 6th Addition - Derek Mueller/Cold Spring Granite Co.

> Cold Spring Granite Co. 17482 Granite West Road, Cold Spring MN, has submitted for consideration, a Preliminary Plat to be known as Granite Landing 6th Addition. The proposed plat consists of one

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## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING COLD SPRING

PLANNING COMMISSION Notice is hereby given that Minnesota 56320, and has tax a public hearing will be held before the Cold Spring Planning Commission on Wednesday, December 17, 2025, beginning at 6:30 p.m. or as soon thereafter as practical, at 27 Red River Avenue South, to consider the request outlined

> Preliminary Plat for West Wind Development Plat 2 - Lumber One, Cold Spring

Lumber One, Cold Spring Inc., 700 3rd St S, Cold Spring MN, has submitted for consideration, a Preliminary Plat to Minnesota Statutes, Section be known as West Wind Development Plat 2. The proposed plat consists of two separate lots. A complete legal descripis the next business day at tion of the property and a copy of the Preliminary Plat, as well as other documents, are available for viewing at City Hall.

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29TH ANNUAL PIONEER CHRISTMAS

### NOTICE OF **PUBLIC HEARING COLD SPRING**

PLANNING COMMISSION Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held before the Cold Spring Planning Commission on Wednesday, December 17, 2025 beginning at 6:30 p.m. or as soon thereafter as practical, at 27 Red River Avenue South, to consider the request outlined

Rezoning Request: Alliance Land & Development/DJP Properties, Inc.

Alliance Land & Development and DJP Properties are requesting to rezone Lot 1, Block 1, River Links First Addition from C-3 Highway Commercial to R-3 High Density Residential.

The application and supporting documents are available for review at City Hall. All persons attending the hearing and wishing to be heard will have an opportunity to do so. Written comments will be accepted up until the hearing

(Publish December 2, 2025)

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER SPECIAL USE PERMIT APPLICATION

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held before the Cold Spring Planning Commission on Wednesday, December 17, 2025 beginning at 6:30 p.m. or as soon thereafter as practical, at 27 Red River Avenue South, to consider the request of Alliance Land & Development/DJP Properties Inc. to construct a 68-unit apartment building to be located at 625 14th Ave S in Cold Spring. A Special Use Permit is needed to allow a multi-family dwelling of 25 units or more in the R-3 (High Density Residential) Zoning

The application and supporting documents are available for review at City Hall. All persons attending the hearing and wishing to be heard will have an opportunity to do so. Written comments will be accepted up until the hearing

(Publish December 2, 2025)

### **Notice of Public Hearing** Stearns County, **Planning Commission**

Notice is hereby given that the Stearns County Planning Commission, in and for the County of Stearns, will conduct certain public hearings as fol-

1. To consider a conditional use permit request for a major shoreland alteration submitted by Paul Gertken on behalf of Horseshoe Heights Association of Richmond, MN according to sections 10.2.14 D., 10.2.14 F., and 10.2.14 I. of Stearns County Land Use and Zoning Ordinance #439. The request includes retaining walls over 4 feet in cumulative wall height, rock riprap placement, and more than 100 cubic yards of topographic alteration on steep slopes within the shore impact zone of Horseshoe Lake. The property under consideration is Lot 15 Block 1 of Horseshoe Heights Plat 2 in section 25 of Munson Township

(123/31).2. To consider a rezoning request submitted by Bruce & Kelly Spartz, St. Cloud MN according to Section 4.10 of Stearns County Land Use and Zoning Ordinance #439 to rezone 6.8 acres from the Agricultural 40 (A-40) zoning district to the Residential 1 (R-1) zoning district. The property is in the N1/2 SW1/4, lying west of County Road 138 and east of the Sauk River, in Section 34 of St. Joseph Township (124/29). The property address is 9984 County Road 138, St. Cloud MN.

3. To consider a rezoning request submitted by Mark & Dave Traut, LLC, Waite Park on behalf of the Stock 1998 Family Trust dated July 8, 1998, St. Joseph MN according to Section 4.10 of Stearns County Land Use and Zoning Ordinance #439 to rezone 18.53 acres from the Agricultural 40 (A-40) zoning district to the Industrial (I) zoning district. The property is in the N1/2NE1/4SE1/4, lying east of County Road 133, in Section 36 of St. Wendel Township (125/29). The property has no

4. To consider a rezoning request submitted by Nicholas J Korn Revocable Trust, Coon Valley WI according to Section 4.10 of Stearns County Land Use and Zoning Ordinance #439 to rezone 15 acres from the Agricultural 40 (A-40) zoning district to the Residential 5 (R-5) zoning district. The property is in part of Governments Lots 4 and 5, lying east of County Road 10, in Section 31 of Farming Township (124/31). The property has no address.

When and where is the meeting? Date and Time: Decem-

ber 18, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. Location: Stearns County

3301 County Road 138, Waite Park, MN 56387

Service Center

How do I participate? Public Testimony: If you would like to provide public testimony, you may do so by appearing at the above hearing, by telephone or other electronic means, please contact Winskowski Heidi.Winskowski@stearnscountymn.gov, or Nick Neuman at Nicholas.Neuman@stearnscountymn.gov calling (320) 656-3613.

Written Testimony: You may submit written testimony by emailing Heidi Winskowski at Heidi.Winskowski@stearnscountymn.gov or Nick Neuman at Nicholas.Neuman@stearnscountymn.gov by 3 p.m. on December 17, 2025. Written testimony may also be mailed to the Stearns County Environmental Services Department, Service Center, 3301 County Road 138, Waite Park, MN 56387.

Comments on this public those persons receiving copies of this notice. If you know of any interested person who for any reason has not received a copy of this notice, it would be appreciated if you would inform them of this public hear-

Where can I view the ap- None plication?

A copy of the application was recited. can be viewed approximately one week prior to the meeting at https://stearnscounty.civicweb.net/portal/. Action taken on this request will be available shortly after the meeting at the same website man to approve the consent

What if the meeting changes?

This meeting is subject to change. Please sign up for automatic updates for this meeting at https://stearnscounty.civicweb.net/portal/. Call the Department for assistance.

What is the next step?

of Commissioners will consider this request on January 6, 2025. The agenda can be found

https://stearnscounty.civicweb. net/portal/. Interim Use and Conditional Use Permits will be placed on the consent agenda which is heard at the beginning of the agenda. To inquire how to request an item be placed under the regular agenda for discussion, please contact the Department. If the Board of Commissioners do not concur with the Planning Commission, they will hold another public hearing and new notice will be sent.

Sitework

Basements -

Additions,

**Demolition** 

· Septic Systems -

**New or Replacement** 

Stearns County Planning Commission

Barrier Free Status: This meeting will be accessible to the handicapped. Attempts will be made to accommodate any other individual need for special services. Please call (320) 656-3613 early so arrangements can be made.

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to qualified voters of Eden Lake Township that filing for town office will be available from Tuesday, December 30, 2025 through January 13, 2026. Affidavits of Candidacy shall be filed with the Town Clerk.

Filing will close on Janury 13, 2026, at 5:00 p.m.

Filing will be at the Firehall in Eden Valley on January 13, 2026 from 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.Filing fee is \$2.00.

Offices to be filled at the March Annual Election are: One Supervisor - Three Year Term

One Clerk - Two Year Term

Stacey Thielen, Clerk 17085 Patricia Street Pavnesville, MN 56362

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### **Stearns County Surplus Auction**

Notice of upcoming Auction of Stearns County surplus, seized and forfeited assets located at Jeff Martin Auctioneers, 2910 9th St. East, Glencoe, MN 55336. 844-450-6200 They will be sold in the Up-

per Midwest Winter Construction Equipment & Truck Public Auction on December 16th @ 9 AM CT.

More information can be found at JeffMartinAuctioneers.com

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#### MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SCHOOL BOARD **Independent School** District No. 750 Cold Spring, Minnesota November 10, 2025

The regular meeting of the School Board of Independent School District No. 750 was hearing are not limited to called to order by Chair Bohnsack at the ROCORI District Office Boardroom at 5:30 pm.

Board Members present: Jenna Kollar, Kayla Nierenhausen, Jennifer Bohnsack, Matt Thompson, Robin Vettleson, Lynn Schurman

Board Members absent:

The Pledge of Allegiance

A motion by Matt Thompson to approve the agenda. Seconded by Lynn Schurman. The motion carries unanimous-

A motion by Lynn Schuragenda. Seconded by Robin Vettleson. The motion carries unanimously. A. APPROVAL OF MIN-

The minutes from the Regular Board Meeting held on October 27, 2025 and the special meeting held on November 3, 2025. Recommend approval of The Stearns County Board the minutes from the meetings. B. EMPLOYMENT

Recommend approval of the

assignment as outlined. a. ROCORI Middle School Special Education Long Term

Substitute Teacher - Nicholas Keppler b. Cold Spring Elementary 1st Grade Long Term Substi-

tute Teacher - Sherry Krippner c. Cold Spring Elementary 1st Grade Long Term Subsitute Teacher — Alex Dusha

d. District Education Facility Childcare Assistant - Claudia Latare

C. LEAVE OF ABSENCE REQUEST

a. ROCORI Secondary paraprofessional, School

Michelle Orth, is requesting leave from December 3, 2025 through January 14, 2026. b. ROCORI Middle School Math Teacher Brittany Herrig is requesting leave from April

15, 2026, through the end of

the 25–26 school year. Director of Activities, Mitch Dorr, provided an update on the activities department.

A motion was made by Jennifer Bohnsack to approve the 5th grade overnight field trip to Long Lake Conservation

Pressure Tanks

Center on May 14-15, 2026. Seconded by Matt Thompson. The motion carries unanimous-

A motion was made by Lynn Schurman to approve the changes to the preschool options for 2026-2027 as presented. Seconded by Robin Vettle-Motion carries son. unanimously.

The following resolution was moved by Kayla Nierenhausen and seconded by Matt Thompson:

#### RESOLUTION ACCEPTING DONATIONS

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statutes 123B.02, Subd. 6 provides: "The board may receive, for the benefit of the district, bequests, donations, or gifts for any proper purpose and apply the same to the purpose designated. In that behalf, the board may act as trustee of any trust created for the benefit of the district, or for the benefit of pupils thereof, including trusts created to provide pupils of the district with advanced education after completion of high school, in the advancement of education."; and

Minnesota WHEREAS, Statutes 465.03 provides: "Any city, county, school district or town may accept a grant or devise of real or personal property and maintain such property for the benefit of its citizens in accordance with the terms prescribed by the donor. Nothing herein shall authorize such acceptance or use for religious or sectarian purposes. Every such acceptance shall be by resolution of the governing body adopted by a two-thirds majoritv of its members, expressing such terms in full." and

WHEREAS, every such acceptance shall be by resolution of the governing body adopted by a two-thirds majority of its members, expressing such terms in full;

THEREFORE, BE IT RE-SOLVED, that the School Board of Rocori Public Schools, ISD 750, gratefully accepts the following donations as identified below:

Donor Booster Club

Designated Purpose(if any) • Boys & Girls Golf Bags =

• Replacement Football Pants = \$1900

• Fall Scholarships for Activity Fees = \$1952• State Meal \$\$ for Cross

Country = \$480• Softball Uniforms & Pants

=\$11,325

• Dance Jazz Costumes = • Outdoor PA System =

The vote on adoption of the

Resolution was as follows: Ave: Robin Vettleson, Matt Thompson, Jennifer Bohnsack, Lynn Schurman, Kayla Nieren-

hausen, Jenna Kollar Nay: None Absent: None

Whereupon, said Resolution was declared duly adopted.

son provided an update on the district. The negotiations committee provided an update on parapro-

Superintendent Kevin Ener-

fessional and teacher negotia-The board provided an up-

date on Strategic Planning. Chair Bohnsack called for

comments and requests from visitors. Upcoming events and activi-

ties on the school calendar were reviewed. The regular meeting adjourned at 6:18 pm.

Respectfully submitted: Jenna Kollar, Clerk

(Publish December 2, 2025)

### MINUTES OF THE WORK SESSION OF THE SCHOOL BOARD Independent School District No. 750 Cold Spring, Minnesota November 10, 2025

The Work Session Meeting of the School Board of Independent School District No. 750 was called to order by Chair Bohnsack at the RO-CORI School District Office Board Room at 6:28 pm.

Board Members present:

## **Public Notices**

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Reverse Osmosis Units







# Classifieds

## For Rent

Now accepting applications for Pine West 2 Bedroom Apartment, 2 & 3 Bedroom Townhomes also available. Located in Cold Spring.

For more information call Cindy at 320-685-9803 or SMR at 800-450-7723. www.smrrental.com · Equal Housing Opportunity

## **APARTMENT FOR RENT**

## **ALBANY**

- 2 Bedroom \$800/month
- \$100 Deposit
- Cat ok (\$20/month Pet Rent)

• NO DOGS! Call for Availability 492-3502 or 1-800-632-2827. Loreen 763-238-0616

## Miscellaneous

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Cold Spring, MN 56320

Kelly A. Springer

(0387850)

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### **Public Notices** We pay top dollar continued from page 12 for junk cars, trucks and late model Jenna Kollar, Kayla Nieren-

son. Robin Vettleson **Call 320-236-7477** Board Members absent:

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Lynn Schurman, seconded by Robin Vettleson. Motion carries

hausen, Lynn Schurman, Jen-

nifer Bohnsack, Matt Thomp-

unanimously. The School Board met to go over the Strategic Planning Process Review, Goal Alignment (School Board Self-Evaluation) and Wrap-Up (Board Accountability, Roles, and Responsibilities with the new Strategic Plan)

The work session meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted: Jenna Kollar, Clerk

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STATE OF MINNESOTA **COUNTY OF STEARNS** 

DISTRICT COURT 7TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT **Probate Court Division** Court File No.:

73-PR-25-9758

ORDER AND NOTICE OF **HEARING ON PETITION** FOR FORMAL ADJUDICA-TION OF INTESTACY, **DETERMINATION OF** HEIRSHIP AND APPOINT-MENT OF PERSONAL REP-RESENTATIVE

IN UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

In Re: Estate of

LaVonne A. Ratcliff Decedent

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND CREDITORS: It is Ordered and Notice is hereby given that on the 9th day of January, 2026, at 8:45 A.M., a hearing will be held in the above named Court at St. Cloud, Minnesota, on petition of Solid Oak Financial Services, LLC, for the adjudication of intestacy and determination of heirship of the above named decedent, and for the appointment of Solid Oak Financial Services, LLC whose address is P.O. Box 187, Avon, MN 56310, as personal representative of the estate of the above named decedent in unsupervised administration, and that any objections thereto must be filed with the Court. That, if proper, and no objections are filed, a personal representative will be appointed to administer the estate, to collect all assets, pay all legal debts, claims, taxes and expenses, and sell real and personal property, and do all necessary acts for the estate.

This hearing will be held administratively and no appearances are required unless objections are filed. If objections are filed a new hearing date will be set.

Notice is further given that ALL CREDITORS having claims against said estate are required to present the same to said personal representative or to the Court Administrator within four months after the date of this notice or said claims will be barred.

## (COURT SEAL)

Dated: November 20, 2025 Heidi E. Schultz Judge

Filed in District Court State of Minnesota Dated November 20, 2025

## Help Wanted

#### **EMPLOYMENT** OPPORTUNITY

Backes Wood Products is looking for someone to fill a fulltime woodworking position. Some experience required. Good pay, paid insurance, paid vacation and holidays. Monday through Friday, 40 hours per week with no overtime. If interested please call 320-597-





Highly Organized Self-Starter Needed! The Spicer Commercial Club (SCC) seeks a part-time Administrator to manage daily operations and communications.

Must have experience with: Administration, bookkeeping, and basic website management.

Learn more about this exciting opportunity by scanning on the QR code or going to explorespicer.com

Apply by December 15, 2025!



## **Got a Great Local News Story?**

Tell us about it today!

## **CenterPoint Energy Shares Safety and Energy Saving Tips to Keep Customers Safe and Warm**

quire customers to use more energy to maintain a comfortable temperature inside their homes, so CenterPoint Energy is highlighting energy-saving and safety resources to help manage energy usage, while keeping customers safe and warm.

"Our employees work year-round to provide safe, reliable and resilient natural gas service to our Minnesota customers when they need it most and are positioned throughout our service area to respond to customer needs. While our workers remain focused on delivering energy, we know that customers want to keep their bills manageable. We encourage them to take easy steps to help reduce their energy use and save money even as the temperatures drop, while keeping their loved ones safe and warm," said Brad Steber, CenterPoint's Vice President of Minnesota

## CenterPoint's preparedness actions in Minnesota

CenterPoint prepares year-round for cold weather in Minnesota through proactive efforts that aim to provide safe, reliable and resilient energy service, such as:

- Monitoring the natural gas system 24/7 and implementing cold weather action plans.
- Conducting infrastructure projects to modernize our natural gas distribution system.
- · Leveraging natural gas, propane and/or liquefied natural gas stored ahead of the winter heating
  - Staging crews across

Colder weather may re- the company's service area to respond to potential service issues safely and as quickly as possible.

> Quick and easy tips to save energy and money

CenterPoint encourages customers to follow these easy tips that can make a difference on monthly heat-

- Turn down the thermostat. Lowering the thermostat by 7-10 degrees at night, or when away for at least eight hours, can potentially save 10% on heating costs. Customers can use a programmable thermostat to have the heating system work around their schedule.
- Check the furnace filter. Change or clean the filter to maximize the efficiency of the furnace.
- Use window coverings and blinds effectively. If it's sunny outside, open window coverings during the day, and close coverings at night to keep warmth inside. If the sun's not shining, keep window coverings closed to hold warmth in-
- Keep warm air in and cold air out of the home. Use caulk or weather-stripping to seal leaks around doors, windows and other openings such as pipes or ducts. Close fireplace dampers when not in use to prevent heat loss.
- Visit the online CenterPoint Energy Efficiency Store for products that bring savings. Order free window insulation kits, showerheads and weatherization products.

Smart actions to stay

• Use space heaters safely. Make sure a space heater has an automatic shut-off, and keep children,

pets and all items at least assistance options. Among three feet away from it. A space heater that uses natural gas, propane or wood should be vented to the outside. Stoves and ovens should never be used for space heating.

• Test carbon monoxide (CO) and smoke alarms to make sure they work properly. Change batteries regularly. Alarms don't last forever, so replace them according to the manufacturer's instructions.

• Know the signs of CO

- poisoning. Early symptoms such as headache and fatigue are similar to the flu. but without a fever. Continued CO exposure can lead to more severe headaches, dizziness, nausea, difficulty thinking clearly and fainting. If everyone in a household is experiencing these symptoms, it could be CO poisoning. If someone suspects they could have CO poisoning, leave the area immediately, get fresh air and call 911.
- Smell gas? Act fast! Natural gas has a distinctive rotten egg smell. If anyone detects this odor, they should leave their location immediately without using electrical switches or phones. Once in a safe location, call 911 and Center-Point Energy.

Winter financial assistance resources and support available for customers

CenterPoint is dedicated to supporting customers who may have difficulty paying their energy bill. Throughout the year, but especially in the winter months when global energy prices and home heating costs are historically higher, please contact Center-Point for bill payment and

the many key programs and resources include:

• Cold Weather Rule payment plans. The Cold Weather Rule protects Minnesotan residential customers who are experiencing financial hardship from having their utility service disconnected between Oct. 1 and April 30 if they set up and maintain a payment plan. The payment agreement considers a customer's financial situation and any extenuating household circumstances. CenterPoint customers should call 800-245-2377 between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m., Monday - Friday to set up a payment agreement.

- Energy assistance. CenterPoint representatives can refer customers to resources such as Minnesota's Energy Assistance Program which provides financial assistance for heating costs and furnace repairs for income-eligible house-
- Flexible payment arrangements. CenterPoint customers can enroll in an Average Monthly Billing Plan, which spreads costs throughout the year to help manage periods of peak usage such as the winter heating season
- Energy efficiency resources. Rebates and programs are available to help customers improve home energy efficiency and lower their bills. For qualifying customers, programs may be available at no cost or a reduced rate.

To learn more about these programs and resources, visit Center-PointEnergy.com/PaymentAssistance.

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## Horoscopes

ARIES - Mar 21/Apr 20

Your energy is contagious this week, Aries. Expect bursts of creativity and spontaneous fun to ensue. Perhaps an unexpected adventure will pop up? Take the lead in social situations. TAURUS - Apr 21/May 21 It might be a week for indulgence in the best ways possible, Taurus. Treat yourself to something delicious or cozy, and don't feel guilty about it. Patience will pay off in work projects.

**GEMINI - May 22/Jun 21** 

Curiosity is your superpower this week, Gemini. Choose a new hobby or explore a class at the community college. You might discover hidden talents or interests.

CANCER - Jun 22/Jul 22 Cancer, this is your week to shine emotionally. Reach out to friends or family who you haven't spoken with in a while. Small acts of kindness can come back to you in surprising ways.

LEO - Jul 23/Aug 23

It's time to hear that roar, Leo. Your charisma is unstoppable right now and you're ready to step into the spotlight. Share your ideas and achievements with anyone who will listen.

VIRGO - Aug 24/Sept 22 Your knack for organization is a ticket to smooth sailing this week, Virgo. A little planning goes a long way right now. However, don't forget to add some fun, too.

LIBRA - Sept 23/Oct 23 This week you may find yourself effortlessly charming all of those people around you, Libra. Social events or collaborations may be particularly festive.

SCORPIO - Oct 24/Nov 22 Scorpio, this week brings opportunities to dive in deep with something you are passionate about. Your intensity attracts attention, so embrace your magnetic personality. SAGITTARIUS - Nov

23/Dec 21 Adventure is calling, Sagit-

tarius. Whether it's a small trip over the weekend or a new hobby, your week is packed with excitement and energy. Your optimism is contagious.

CAPRICORN - Dec 22/Jan 20

Determination and hard work this week will have personal or work projects moving along faster than expected. Remember to reward yourself along the

AQUARIUS - Jan 21/Feb

Aquarius, innovation is on your mind right now. Ideas and originality shine through in all you do. Expect some playful debates or spontaneous collaborations.

PISCES - Feb 19/Mar 20 It is alright to let your imagination run wild this week, Pisces. Creativity flows easily, and your intuition can guide you to some unexpected things along the way.



## **Did You Know That?**

common sight in many households each December, and some historians believe this unique tradition can be traced to a creative nineteenth century German housewife. Though Britannica notes the precise origins of Advent calendars are still debated, one theory behind the popular tradition suggests a woman in

Advent calendars are a Munich created the Advent calendar as a way for her young and impatient yet excited son to count down the days to December 25th. Though details are fuzzy and difficult if not impossible to confirm, this legends suggests the crafty German mother filled 24 different small boxes with a baked treat, allowing her son to open one each day during

Advent, the nearly monthlong period of preparation for Christmas that begins on the fourth Sunday before the holiday and ends by Christmas Eve. While this origin story connects Advent calendars with Christianity, and many Christians still make it part of their Christmas celebrations, many modern people with no such affiliation also incorporate the calendars into their holiday season routines.

