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and your family's emergency procedures and prepare for weather-related hazards.

**Each day of the week focuses on a different weather safety topic:**

- Monday: Alerts and Warnings
- Tuesday: Severe Weather, Lightning and Hail
- Wednesday: Floods
- Thursday: Tornadoes (with statewide tornado drills)
- Friday: Extreme Heat

This is also a great time to make and practice your emergency plan and build or refresh your emergency preparedness kit.

**Recommended Items to Include in a Basic Emergency Supply Kit:**

- Water, one gallon of water per person per day for at least three days, for drinking and sanitation
- Food, at least a three-day supply of non-perishable food.
- Battery-powered or hand crank radio and a NOAA Weather Radio with tone alert and extra batteries for both Flashlight and extra batteries.
- First aid kit
- Whistle to signal for help.
- Dust mask, to help filter contaminated air and plastic sheeting and duct tape to shelter-in-place.
- Moist towelettes, garbage bags and plastic ties for personal sanitation.
- Wrench or pliers to turn off utilities.
- Can opener for food (if kit contains canned food)
- Local maps
- Prescription medications and glasses
- Infant formula and diapers
- Pet food and extra water for your pet
- Important family documents such as copies of insurance policies, identification and bank account records in a waterproof, portable container.
- Cash or traveler's checks and change
- Emergency reference material such as a first aid book
- Sleeping bag or warm blanket for each person.
- Complete change of clothing including a long sleeved shirt, long pants and sturdy shoes.
- Consider additional clothing and bedding since we live in a cold-weather climate.
- Household chlorine bleach and medicine dropper - When diluted nine parts water to one part bleach, bleach can be used as a disinfectant.
- Fire Extinguisher
- Matches in a waterproof container
- Feminine supplies and personal hygiene items
- Mess kits, paper cups, plates and plastic utensils, paper towels
- Paper and pencil
- Books, games, puzzles or other activities for youngsters.

The most important events during Severe Weather Awareness Week are the two annual statewide tornado drills. In Minnesota, the 2026 statewide tornado drills are scheduled for Thursday, April 16th at 1:45 p.m. and 6:45 p.m.

Outdoor warning sirens will sound in a simulated tornado warning. The first drill is intended for institutions and businesses. The evening drill is intended for second shift workers and families.

Outdoor warning sirens and NOAA Weather Radios will sound in a simulated tornado warning.

**Here are some ideas on how you and your family can use this time to review your emergency plans:**

- Create or update emergency plans with your entire family so everyone knows what to do in case of an emergency. Ensure everyone has up-to-date contact info and knows what to do.
- Practice your family plan during the evening tornado drill on April 11th at 6:45 p.m. Have everyone build a family emergency kit together.
- Check with places your family spends time, such as schools, workplaces, churches, markets, or sports facilities to learn what their emergency plans are.
- Share the plans for these areas with your entire family and talk about what you would do if your family was not together during a disaster.

**Why Severe Weather Awareness Week?** Understanding this threat and knowing what to do when a tornado is approaching can save lives. We in the ROCORI area, Richmond in particular, have had our fair share of severe weather over the past few years. The last threat in Richmond was eight years ago in June of 2013 when a storm knocked over trees and downed power lines! Take advantage of Severe Weather Awareness Week to review your own and your family's emergency procedures and prepare for weather-related hazards.

**Warning Terms** The National Weather Service uses the words "advisory", "watch" and "warning" to alert you to potentially dangerous weather. Understanding these terms and knowing how to react can be a life saver.

**Advisory** An advisory is issued when a hazardous weather or hydrologic event is occurring, imminent or likely. Advisories are for less serious conditions than warnings that cause significant inconvenience and if caution is not exercised, could lead to situations that may threaten life or property.

**Watch** A watch means weather conditions are favorable for dangerous weather to occur. In other words, a "watch" means watch out for what the weather could do, and be ready to act accordingly. You may wish to alter or have a back-up plan for any outdoor activities or travel. For events that come and go quickly, such as severe thunderstorms, tornadoes or flash floods, a watch means that the odds are good for the dangerous weather, but it's not yet happening. When a severe thunderstorm, tornado or flash flood watch is in effect, it means you should look for signs of dangerous weather and maintain access to the latest information. Sometimes a severe thunderstorm, tornado or flash flood can happen so quickly that warnings can't be issued in time. For longer-lived events, such as floods or winter storms, a watch means that the event isn't an immediate threat. For either kind of event, a watch means you should keep up with the weather news and be ready to act. A winter storm watch means it's time to prepare by stocking up on emergency supplies and making sure you know what to do if a warning is issued.

**Warnings** For severe thunderstorms, tornadoes and flash floods, a warning means the weather event is imminent or occurring somewhere in the defined warning area and that people need to take shelter as soon as possible. Outdoor tornado warnings are normally given by sirens. People indoors should listen to radios, TV or Weather Radio warnings to find out the latest information. Depending on local policy, other types of weather warnings may also broadcast via sirens. Check with local emergency management officials to learn about local siren activations. A winter storm warning means it's not safe to travel or venture outside. If traveling, head for the nearest shelter.

Before watches and warnings are issued, the National Weather Service, private forecasters, newspapers, radio and television normally try to alert the public to potential weather dangers. Forecasters may begin issuing bulletins on winter storms up to three or four days before a storm hits. But forecasters can't issue alerts for the danger of severe thunderstorms, tornadoes and flash floods that far ahead. Usually, the NWS Storm Prediction Center sends out alerts the day before dangerous weather is likely. Most television weathercasters highlight these alerts on the evening news the day before threatening weather.

**Nextgrill Recalls Over 10.2 Million Metal Wire Bristle Grill Brushes!**

This recall involves Nexgrill metal wire bristle grill brushes with black plastic or wood handles measuring between 18 and 21 inches long. The following model numbers are included in this recall and can be found on the product packaging: 530-0024, 530-0024G, 530-0034, 530-0039, 530-0041, 530-0042. The word "Nexgrill" is included on each model. Small metal wire bristles can detach from the brushes and stick to the grill or food, posing an ingestion hazard and risk of serious internal injuries that could require surgery.

Consumers should immediately stop using the recalled grill brushes and contact Nexgrill for a full refund to be issued as a gift card. Consumers will be provided with a registration code as part of the recall process and will be directed to upload a photograph of their grill brush with that code and their initials to the recall website to register for the recall. After receiving a confirmation email that their registration has been successfully processed, consumers will then receive directions on how to discard of the recalled grill brush.

Nexgrill is aware of at least 68 reports and reviews where small wire bristles detached from the grill brushes, including five reports of consumers who swallowed metal bristles and sought medical treatment to remove the bristles from their digestive tract or throat.

**Sold At:** The recalled grill brushes were sold in stores at Home Depot and online at homedepot.com from 2015 through 2026 for between about \$5 and \$15.

**Importer(s):** Nexgrill Industries, Inc. of Chino, California

**Manufactured In:** China  
**Recall number:** 26-339  
**Customer Contact:** Nexgrill toll-free at 800-942-1498 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. ET Monday through Friday or online at <https://nexgrill.mktpoint.com/recall> or [www.nexgrill.com](http://www.nexgrill.com) and click on "Product Recalls" for more information.

**Out and About!**  
**GSTA Rod & Custom Spectacular-April 11th and 12th at Canterbury Park!**

The 68th Annual Gopher State Timing Association (GSTA) ROD & CUSTOM SPECTACULAR presented by Route 65 Classics will be held at Canterbury Park Saturday, April 11 and

Sunday, April 12, 2026. The event is free and open to the public. The event will feature a variety of classic cars, trucks, and motorcycles. There will also be live music, food, and a raffle. Tickets are available for purchase. For more information, visit [www.gstaclassics.com](http://www.gstaclassics.com).

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## Help Wanted

### EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

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### HELP WANTED

Riverside Resort in Richmond is looking for someone to clean cabins during the resort season. Looking for enthusiastic and energetic cleaners willing to work Saturday's until about 3 p.m. There are weekday shifts as well. Please call 320-493-9234 and ask for Christina for more details or to apply.

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### HELP WANTED

Do you enjoy the great outdoors and wish you could get paid for working outside? The City of Cold Spring is accepting applications for a part-time Seasonal Parks employee. The position goes from mid-April through mid-October, Monday - Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. for up to 32 hours per week, with a flexible schedule. Job duties include, but are not limited to, lawn mowing and trimming, spring and fall cleanup, and garbage change-out. The pay for this position is \$23.89 per hour. Applicants must be at least 16 years of age, possess a valid Minnesota driver's license, and have a clean driving record. Applications are available at City Hall or on our website at [www.coldspring.gov/office.com](http://www.coldspring.gov/office.com). Applications will be accepted until Monday, April 13, 2026 at 4:00 p.m.

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### Now Hiring: Full-Time 2nd Grade Teacher St. Boniface School Cold Spring, MN

Saint Boniface School is seeking a caring and dedicated full-time 2nd Grade Teacher to join our school community.

Qualified candidates should submit a letter of interest, resume, three letters of reference, and a copy of their Minnesota teaching license.

Please send application materials to:

**Heather Pfannenstein, Principal**  
principal@christcatholic.com



For more information, visit [stboniface.com/careers](http://stboniface.com/careers) or contact Heather Pfannenstein at (320) 685-3541



### Assistant Cook/Child Care Food Service Assistant Saints Peter and Paul School & Child Care

Monday-Friday, 10:30 AM-12:30 PM year-round \$14.00/hour

Saints Peter and Paul School and Child Care is seeking a dependable **Assistant Cook/Food Service Assistant** to support our school lunch and child care meal programs. This position assists the Head Cook with **food preparation, meal service, and kitchen clean-up**, while helping ensure meals are served safely and efficiently to students.

Responsibilities include assisting with meal preparation and serving, delivering meals and snacks to the child care center, maintaining proper food safety and sanitation practices, helping with inventory and food storage, and supporting daily kitchen operations. The role also includes positive interaction with students, staff, and families while helping create a welcoming meal environment.

### Qualifications:

- High school diploma or equivalent
- Food preparation experience preferred but not required
- Ability to follow directions, work as part of a team, and maintain a clean and safe kitchen
- Ability to lift up to 60 lbs and work in a fast-paced kitchen environment

### To Apply:

Please send a resume, cover letter, transcript, and **three letters of recommendation to Heather Pfannenstein at principal@christcatholic.com.**

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## Horoscopes

### ARIES - Mar 21/Apr 20

Aries, you are catching a second wind this week that could rival a hurricane. No one can slow you down right now. Channel this energy into a passion project.

### TAURUS - Apr 21/May 21

Taurus, your eye for recognizing the beauty in things or items that are fashionable is unmatched. This week is the perfect time to curate your space or your wardrobe.

### GEMINI - May 22/June 21

Gemini, the connections in your brain are firing at a rapid pace this week. It is only a matter of time before you solve a problem that has been plaguing you and everyone for weeks.

### CANCER - June 22/July 22

You are feeling more secure in your skin this week, Cancer. People are flocking to you for comfort and advice because you give off a warm energy.

### LEO - July 23/Aug 23

Leo, accept recognition for your hard work when it comes your way in the coming days. Don't be humble; take the bow that you have earned over these last few months.

### VIRGO - Aug 24/Sept 22

Everything is falling into place for you now, Virgo. Your routine feels like something you can do with your eyes closed. Find the perfect shortcut this week.

### LIBRA - Sept 23/Oct 23

A friend of a friend is about to become a very important person in your life, Libra. It's important to keep your heart open to all possibilities. An unexpected invitation pops up.

### SCORPIO - Oct 24/Nov 22

Scorpio, you don't have to try to impress. People are mesmerized by you. You can use this charm to negotiate for something you want this week. A welcome surprise pops up midweek.

### SAGITTARIUS - Nov 23/Dec 21

Your thirst for knowledge leads you to a new obsession, Sagittarius. Diving into a new hobby, career path or volunteer experience could be the way to go.

### CAPRICORN - Dec 22/Jan 20

Capricorn, you are making the impossible look easy right now. Take a moment to see how far you have come and review your accomplishments.

### AQUARIUS - Jan 21/Feb 18

Your innovative ideas are officially trending around the office or workplace, Aquarius. Don't be afraid to lead the pack, as everyone is just trying to keep up.

### PISCES - Feb 19/Mar 20

Pisces, you are walking on sunshine this week. Your creative output is at an all-time high. Paint, write, sing, or engage in anything else you enjoy.

