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MOVIE SCHEDULE	APRIL 4- APRIL 10	MOVIE	TIME	MOVIE	TIME	MOVIE	TIME
CAPTAIN AMERICA: Winter Soldier 2D (PG13)	Fri 4:15, 7:00, 9:40	Sat/Sun 12:30, 4:15, 7:00, 9:40	Mon-Thurs 4:15, 7:00	CAPTAIN AMERICA: Winter Soldier 3D (PG13)	Fri 4:20, 7:05, 9:45	Sat/Sun 1:00, 4:20, 7:05, 9:45	Mon-Thurs 4:20, 7:05
MUPPETS MOST WANTED (PG)	Fri 4:45, 7:00, 9:20	Sat/Sun 12:15, 2:30, 4:45, 7:00, 9:20	Mon-Thurs 4:45, 7:00	DIVERGENT (PG13)	Fri 4:15, 6:55, 9:40	Sat/Sun 1:00, 4:15, 6:55, 9:40	Mon-Thurs 4:15, 6:55
NOAH (PG)	Fri 4:10, 6:55, 9:35	Sat/Sun 12:30, 4:10, 6:55, 9:35	Mon-Thurs 4:10, 6:55				

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PR school, teachers agree on contracts

By Chris Reinos
Daily Journal

The Pelican Rapids School Board and district teachers have agreed to a new two-year contract, according to a report in the Pelican Rapids Press.

The contract, which will cover this school year and next, will be retroactive to July 1, 2013. The deal will expire June 30, 2015.

In the deal, district teachers will get a .8 percent salary increase this year and a 2.37 percent increase next year. State averages for such agreements have been at 2 percent pay raises for both the first and second years.

AREA ROUNDUP

The deal was formally approved at the board's March 24 meeting.

Changes to funding law could mean more money for Perham-Dent

With the closure by the state legislature of a so-called "donut hole" in education funding, mid-sized school districts such as Perham-Dent could receive much more state funding, according to a report in the Perham Focus.

The legislature's omnibus tax bill, signed into law by Gov. Mark Dayton on March 21, now allows more schools to

receive state money. Previously, about 70 mid-sized districts were restricted from funding options available to larger districts statewide.

The Perham-Dent School District could add about \$580,000 to its yearly budgets beginning in 2016 if it chooses to pursue the full amount of funding available under the law. The school board will soon vote on how much of that \$580,000, if any, they wish to accept.

Prairie Ridge Hospital nearing its fundraising goal

The Prairie Ridge Hospital is set to open soon, and that's not the only good news:

the hospital has raised \$127,000 of its \$150,000 goal, according to a report in the Grant County Herald.

The hospital set the \$150,000 goal as a requirement of accepting a \$24-million loan from the USDA Rural Development agency to build the new hospital.

As part of its fundraising plans, the hospital received a \$300,000 grant from the Otter Bremer Foundation. The first half of that grant was given as a gift, while the second half would only be paid out as a dollar-for-dollar match.

The hospital has until June to raise the remaining \$27,000 necessary to get the second half of the Bremer Foundation grant.

Fire: With home destroyed, Lees now looking for a home

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with his 16-year-old daughter, Sara. The first ones to arrive on the scene, they could see flames coming through an entry door when they arrived.

They found Robert, who said his wife was still inside the house — at the top of the stairs in an entryway.

"We just wheeled her down that set of steps and out the door," Christensen said. "It was pretty smoky, but no flames on our end."

He thought maybe the electric wheelchair lift on the stairs wasn't working because of a possible power outage, but Norma said it was just that she didn't have the chance to use it to go down the five steps before help arrived.

The whole rescue took just a couple minutes, and Christensen and his daughter did it without any fire protective gear. As an 18-

year veteran of the Battle Lake Fire Department, Christensen hasn't had that severe of a rescue situation before.

"I really don't even think about it," he said. "It's just kind of what we do. We do it without thinking about it, I guess."

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— Firefighter Mark Christensen on entering the burning home

Norma was safely out of the house, Christensen discovered the fire was hot and blazing just beyond a door where she had been.

"It was just crackling and smoking, and lots of heat coming out that door," Christensen said. "It was real bad. You could hear the fire burning pretty good just through the hallway."

By that time, fire crews and other emergency personnel had arrived and began extinguishing the blaze. The Lees were taken to the hospital for smoke inhalation and released later that night.

"We're very grateful to all the firefighters and rescue squad from Battle Lake," Norma said. "They were here in a very short time. They were very attentive."

Neighbors also arrived to help the couple, giving Robert a coat and gloves. The Lees know Christensen as a neighbor, as well.

"Really nice young man," Robert said. "Damn good neighbors."

'A constant companion'

Though Robert and Norma escaped the fire without injury, their two pets weren't as fortunate. Their dog, Daisy, a papillon, and a cat, Bella, perished in the blaze.

"That's surely the hardest part," Norma said. "Because our little dog has been our constant companion for several years."

They got Daisy about three years ago, a dog that Norma described as patient and friendly with people. If Robert didn't happen to hear his wife when she would call from him in the house, the dog would run to wherever he was to essentially let him know he was

needed.

Daisy followed Norma around everywhere. However, when the fire broke out, the dog wasn't there.

"As I started to go, I yelled for my little dog to come with me," she said. "I called her as I left the room to go to the door and usually she's right beside me. I really thought she was coming right with me."

"I'm afraid the only pictures I had of her got burned up. We just never thought we might lose her."

Finding a place to live

Originally from southwest Iowa, the Lees, who look forward to celebrating 63 years of marriage this December, moved to their house in Battle Lake in 1990. They had a summer cabin there for about 30 years before that.

Norma will miss the garden, but will have the memories of picking berries with her granddaughters. She'll also miss the woods surrounding the house and the birds chirping to bring about the early signs of spring.

Since the fire, the Lees are staying with their daughter, Roxanne Swisher, near Vining for the time being. They will meet with their

insurance company today, and then determine what they will do for their long-term living situation based on what they learn after that meeting.

They've received a few items, like blankets, from

their church, Vining Lutheran.

An account has been set up at the First National Bank in Battle Lake for donations to the Lees. Call the bank at 218-864-5275 for more information.

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For a suggested donation of \$15, guests are served soup by Avland's and fresh-baked bread donated by City Bakery in ceramic bowls handmade by M State pottery students and community artists.

Proceeds from the luncheon benefit the Fergus Falls Salvation Army soup kitchen.

Minnesota State Community and Technical College

Events: Team penning, Garden Day on tap Saturday

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- Friday**
- Archery for families, Prairie Wetlands Learning Center, 9 to 10:30 a.m.
 - Whist Invitational, Park Gardens, 1:30 to 2:30 p.m.
 - Fish fry, Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church, 5 to 7 p.m.
 - Razzle Dazzle Revue, A Center For The Arts, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

- Saturday**
- Central Minn. Team Penning, Red Horse Ranch Arena, all day
 - Garden Day, Kennedy Secondary School, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
 - Antique tractor show, WestRidge Mall, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.
 - "Healthy Living 2014: Spirit, Soul and Body," Fergus Falls YMCA, 1 to

- Sunday**
- Central Minn. Team Penning, Red Horse Ranch Arena, all day
 - Mariachi band and dancer performance, Don Pablo's, noon to 3:30 p.m.
 - Antique tractor show, WestRidge Mall, noon to 5 p.m.
 - Mall Jam, WestRidge Mall, 1 to 5 p.m.
 - Razzle Dazzle Revue, A Center For The Arts, 2 to 4 p.m.

Potentially record-setting snowstorm should end tonight

By Andy Rathbun
Pioneer Press

ST. PAUL — What could be the largest April snowstorm in more than a decade is coming to town.

According to the National Weather Service forecast for the Twin Cities:

A winter storm warning remains in effect from southwest Minnesota through east-central Wisconsin into west-central Wisconsin. Snow accumulations from 6 to 12 inches

are expected, with the highest amounts in the St. Croix River Valley.

In the Twin Cities, the highest accumulations are expected to be in the northern suburbs, where up to 10 inches is expected. Southern suburbs could see up to 8 inches.

A winter weather advisory borders the winter storm warning to the southeast, where snow accumulations will be less.

Precipitation will begin

to change over to snow across southwest Minnesota by early evening. The changeover to all snow will occur across south-central and portions of east-central Minnesota between 8 and 10 p.m.

There will be a period of sleet, rain and possibly some freezing rain during the early evening across south-central and east-central Minnesota before the changeover to all snow occurs.

West-central Wisconsin, mainly north of Interstate 94, will have a period of sleet, freezing rain and snow this evening before changing over to all snow by midnight.

Areas south of I-94 in west-central Wisconsin will likely see periods of rain mixed with freezing rain and sleet this evening before changing over to all snow after midnight.

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LOCAL GRAIN

Friday, April 4

Corn	4.10
Soybeans	13.59
Wht. Mill	6.90

LOCAL HOGS

Friday, April 4

Butchers 50% lean \$90; Sows: \$78 to \$88; Boars: Call 736-5464 for price.

OTC FSA PRICES

Friday, April 4

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