Dispute between Dayton, GOP on numbers suggests rocky budget negotiation ahead.

By LIBOR JANY
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For the second time in as many months, a North Side family was struck by tragedy after a 6-year-old woman died from a gunshot wound late last weekend died of her injuries Wednesday.

Candace Hatchett, died at North Memorial Medical Center in Robbinsdale Wednesday morning of complications resulting from a gunshot wound to the head, according to Minneapolis police and relatives. She was the mother of 25-year-old Chad Robertson, who was fatally shot by an Amtrak police officer during an encounter in downtown Chicago.

According to police, Hatchett was shot during an evening confrontation Sunday outside the Half Moon Motorcycle Club, at 2329 Golden Valley Road — popular hangout for bikers — in St. Paul. She was shot to North Memorial, along with a man who police say had been shot and bled to death.

A third victim, a male with a gunshot wound, was taken to the hospital. He died. Hatchett, ages 38 and 49, are expected to survive.

“It was similar what we ever saw. The only difference was that we are at a loss for words,” Hatchett, said.

Union alleges HCMC layoffs discriminatory

By JEREMY OLSON
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Workers laid off or dispersed in an announcement highlighting moves by Hennepin County Medical Center are alleging discrimination in a union letter that said the move reflected a pattern they faced.

A disproportionate share of laid-off or reassigned union employees have been members of minorities, women or older workers, union President wenig Maue, a spokeswoman for the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSME). They include employees such as Melvin Gan, 62, who takes pride in cleaning HCMC, Maue said.

“We really don’t find a race- based net anywhere around HCMC because of him,” when he was assigned to the clean HC

HCMC on B2

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Neighbors riled: Minnetonka fights housing plan.

Budget chief blasts GOP ‘alternative math’

GOV. MARK DAYTON’S budget directing council on Wednesday met with legislative Republican large- scale revenue initiatives and the “common good” in their spending proposals, which he said would cost $64 billion in taxpayer funds in the next two years.

With Dayton’s Week End in the legislative session, Frank Veltman and an equally sharp response from House Speaker Kurt Daudt, R-Crown — raise the prospect of the kind of politically contentious, money that in recent years pro- duced multiple specifications and a government shutdown. “This setting up a dynamic that just doesn’t look very fruit- ful,” said Veltman, who singled the Republican budget na- para into “false pretenses.” Dayton, who has offered an own change of “fuzzy math” from the Minnesota budget, noted their criticism came before Republicans even fin- ished approving all the budget measures. House and Senate votes on a series of spending measures have come in recent days, accompanied by lengthy debates.

“The purpose of wrapping bills before we’ve ever passed them on the other side at St. Paul is a whole new level,” Dayton said.

Minneapolis is projected to have a $1.5 billion surplus over the next two-year bud- get cycle, and Dayton and GOP leaders are split on how the tax surplus.

“The governor talking about the tax surplus is completely irresponsible,” Albany Mayor Bill de Blasio said at a news conference on Wednesday. “We need to find a way to get more money into the hands of the people who need it most.”

He added that Republicans in Congress have proposed tax cuts that would benefit the wealthy and corporations, but do little to help middle-income families.


“People will be able to keep more of their hard-earned money,” Cramer said in a statement.

However, opponents argue that the plan would be a giveaway to the wealthy and would take away from other programs, such as Social Security and Medicare.

“Creating a system where the wealthy pay more isn’t going to happen,” said Sen. Bernie Sanders, I-Vt.

Caucus turnout doubles in Mpls.

Solid showings by Hagedorn, Fong,❷ Daily, MINN 111.

By ADAM BELZ
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The DFL caucuses in Min- neapolis this week drew more as many people as the last city election four years ago, but the numbers were not described as a dominant favorite.

GOP leaders say the result is an entrance to presumptive candidate for governor Tim Walz, who was the only candidate to attract more than 50 percent support.

The Minnesota Democratic-Farmer-Labor party launched its convention on July 8.

Union leaders considering union- sponsored health care.

By JAMES WALSH  • Photos by DAVID JOLES • Star Tribune staff

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A proposed affordable housing complex in Minne- tonka has raised its potential neighbors’ worry, who say the building would not fit with either the look or scale of nearby residences.

The two-story, 104-unit complex has been proposed for the southeast quadrant of South Oak Street and Shady Oak Road, which serves as a border between Minnetonka and Hopkins.

The area is surrounded by neighborhoods that mainly consist of one-family homes.

“The nature of our neighborhood will drastically change if this building that masses right up against the street, ” said Ellen Cousins, who lives nearby and drives regularly along Sandy Oak.

Ron Clark Construction, the developer, submitted an informal application, and city officials have yet to make a recommendation on the project.

An updated concept plan will be presented during a meeting Thursday in City Hall.

O say you can see the new neighbors?
If you keep your eyes on the sky in Lilypad Regional Park, chances are you'll spot a bald eagle soaring. A pair found a nice place to nest on top of a utility pole in the St. Paul park, and the national bird has a life span in the wild of up to 28 years and has an average wingspan of 70 to 75 inches.

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Hundreds of blue signs raising awareness about child abuse are appearing along a network of roads around the metro area, marking the fifth year of the annual Blue Kids Campaign.

Hennepin County and Cornelia, a Minnesota nonprofit that helps families and adults dealing with autism, launched the campaign Wednesday by planting 109 signs at the Hennepin County Government Center in downtown Minneapolis.

The signs represent the thousands of kids abused in Minnesota each year. April is National Child Abuse Prevention Month.

“Children are our treasures,” said Patricia Hazen, executive director of Cornelia House. “Together we can make a difference for all the children in our lives.”

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The county and nonprofit are partnering with a local restaurant company that will take donations from patrons and post signs at its nine restaurants in the west metro area and Minneapolis.

Since the Blue Kids Campaign started in 2011, it has raised $400,000 to benefit services that Cornelia House provides for about 350 kids and adults each year.

The council stopped short of saying definitively that it would end the contract and took criticism for that from the six Falcon Heights City Council Members Wednesday night when he saw some from the former Falcon Heights police force.

“Would you work for you,” said resident Chuck Laszewski. "You've talked for a long time about it."

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Ray Herman
Educator, administrator and coach

He brought a ‘unified vision’ to consolidated school district

By JOEL RIPPEL • joel.rippel@startribune.com

After 20 years of the daily challenges of a high school principal, Ray Herman faced a new challenge — helping with the merger of three high schools into one.

In 2000, when Sherburn-Dunnell, Truman and Welcome school districts consolidated into Martin County West High School, Herman, the principal at Sherburn-Dunnell, oversaw the transition to the new high school.

“Martin County West would not be the school it is today without his imprint,” said Martin County West Principal David Traetow.

“His work life was as executive director of the Minnesota Student Athletic Federation, a position he held for 25 years,” Traetow said.

“He always worked on one level but wore another hat behind the scenes to complete projects.”

Herman died on March 24 in Rosemount. Herman, a 1964 graduate of Martin County West High School, served the community in many roles.

“Even after graduation, he would always recognize and reach out to students to make sure they knew he was still caring,” said Traetow.

In addition to coaching and his duties as athletic director, Herman officiated football, basketball and softball and served as the Valley Conference secretary for several years.

Herman was named to the Minnesota Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Hall of Fame in 2006.

Herman was also longtime member of the Lannas clubs in Sherburn and Rosemount.

“He loved being busy,” said daughter Erin Herman, who is the principal and girls’ basketball coach at Murray High School. “He was not good at being idle. He started his day with sports and officiating. He was a people person.”

Herman and his wife, Jeff, were blessed with two children, Rich and Mary. They had six grandchildren, three great-grandchildren, and a sister.

Herman had a special relationship with his father for more than 30 years, raising son Jay and daughter Mary Van. Herman spent hours with his family, playing cards, golf, bowling, and spending time with his grandchildren, who were always part of his life.

“Herman was a passionate advocate for athletics, and he is truly missed by all who knew him,” said Traetow.

Herman’s legacy will live on in the lives of his family, friends, and the community. He was a mentor to many, and his spirit will continue to inspire those around him.

Information provided by Star Tribune

Leebens, James V., Jr. “Jim” March 11, 1941 - March 4, 2017, passed away peacefully on March 4, 2017, at his home in Bloomington, Minnesota, surrounded by family. He was the beloved husband of 52 years to Barbara E. Leebens, the father of four children, James C. Leebens, Eric D. Leebens, Rebecca J. Dottavio, and Andrew W. Leebens, and the grandfather of eight grandchildren. He was a graduate of the University of Minnesota, where he earned his degree in agriculture and went on to work for the University for many years. He was a member of the St. John’s Lutheran Church in Bloomington and was an active member of the Twin Cities Jewish community. He will be deeply missed by his family and friends. Memorial service will be held on Saturday, April 8, at 1 PM at the St. John’s Lutheran Church in Bloomington. Burial will be at the Shalom Cemetery in Bloomington. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the American Heart Association or to St. John’s Lutheran Church. Condolences may be sent to: Barb Leebens, 9050 25th Ave. South, Minneapolis, MN 55419. The Minneapolis Star Tribune Home, 1220 Westyata Blvd in Mpls, MN 55401-1729 651-631-2727

Wendebach, David L. December 29, 1942 - March 29, 2016. David was survived by his wife of 44 years, Jane, his children, Gregory (Catherine), Jody (William), and Andrew, and eight grandchildren. He was a devoted husband, father, and grandfather. David was a member of the Peace Lutheran Church in Bloomington and was active in the community. He was a dedicated employee of the University of Minnesota for many years. He will be deeply missed by his family and friends. Memorial service will be held on Saturday, April 8, at 1 PM at the Peace Lutheran Church in Bloomington. Burial will be at the Shalom Cemetery in Bloomington. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the American Heart Association or to Peace Lutheran Church. Condolences may be sent to: Jane Wendebach, 9060 Home Ave., Bloomington, MN 55420-3258. The Minneapolis Star Tribune Home, 1220 Westyata Blvd in Mpls, MN 55401-1729 651-631-2727

Smith, Dorothy V. June 13, 1928 - March 29, 2016. Dorothy was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother. She was a member of the United Methodist Church in Bloomington and was active in the community. She was a dedicated employee of the University of Minnesota for many years. She will be deeply missed by her family and friends. Memorial service will be held on Saturday, April 8, at 1 PM at the United Methodist Church in Bloomington. Burial will be at the Shalom Cemetery in Bloomington. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the American Heart Association or to United Methodist Church. Condolences may be sent to: Robert Smith, 9701 Westyata Blvd., Bloomington, MN 55420-1919. The Minneapolis Star Tribune Home, 1220 Westyata Blvd in Mpls, MN 55401-1729 651-631-2727

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PUBLIC SAFETY

Texting is blamed in fatal car crash

Driver was on his phone before crashing a coroutine, prosecutor says

BY PAUL WALSH pwalsh@startribune.com

A driver was texting when he crashed through a red light, hit a car and finally died of his injuries Friday, April 7th @7 pm with @N .C. Little Hospice. Funeral serv-
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Homeless man charged with raping benefactor

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ness was exploited by a homeless man while staying in her home, according to an adepted creation of the attack. The woman was assau-
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Baxter dies in waters of Mississippi lock and dam

A 52-year-old baxter was in a prohibited area of a lock and dam in Minnesota River in south-eastern Minnesota last week when he was sucked into the current and died, authorities said.

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### National Outlook

**Yesterday’s High** / **Low**

- Anchorage: 47/32
- Baltimore: 70/53
- Billings: 58/36
- Birmingham: 83/63
- Cedar Rapids: 48/38
- Cheyenne: 51/24
- Cincinnati: 76/47
- Dallas: 72/49
- Denver: 54/28
- Des Moines: 52/43
- Green Bay: 47/35
- Houston: 75/60
- Indianapolis: 62/47
- Las Vegas: 75/54
- Madison: 46/37
- Memphis: 72/58
- Nashville: 83/56
- Omaha: 61/43
- Orlando: 93/67
- Pittsburgh: 70/45
- Rapid City, SD: 55/25
- St. Louis: 63/51
- San Antonio: 73/52
- San Francisco: 67/52
- San Juan: 84/73
- Seattle: 51/48
- Spokane: 61/40
- Tucson: 85/47
- Acapulco: 89/69
- Addis Ababa: 81/55
- Athens: 68/54
- Barbados: 85/78
- Belgrade: 58/46
- Brussels: 55/42
- Caracas: 78/70
- Dublin: 52/40
- Frankfurt: 63/41
- Havana: 90/72
- Helsinki: 45/34
- Jerusalem: 80/57
- Kingston: 88/79
- Lima: 78/69
- Mogadishu: 100/80
- Mumbai: 91/77
- Nairobi: 85/64
- Nassau: 90/75
- New Delhi: 97/71
- Ottawa: 46/37
- Paris: 59/45
- Prague: 56/39
- Quebec City: 34/32
- Reykjavik: 45/27
- Rio de Janeiro: 93/73
- Riyadh: 80/59
- Rome: 64/46
- Stockholm: 52/36
- Vancouver: 52/46
- Vientiane: 88/72

**Twin Cities**

- High: 53
- Low: 33
- Winds: 61
- Precip.: 46
- Outlook: 73
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**Forecast**

- Today: Sunny, cool.
- Tonight: Cloudy, mild.
- Saturday: Sunny, warm.
- Sunday: Sunny, mild.

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**Paul on Twitter:** @pdouglasweather

**Cool and sunny with T-shirt temps ahead**

So far it’s the busiest year for tornadoes on record (relatable data dates to 1950). Yesterday’s outbreak was a violent reminder that the current pattern favors the quartet outbreaks of large hail, damaging winds and tornadoes. At some point this atmospheric scale will migrate north. Peak season for Minnesota is May and June.

Here’s a good time to review a tornado safety plan with your kids. The basement, under the stairs, is the safest place. Otherwise, a small wind shelter room on the second floor, like a closet or bathroom. People have survived EF-5 tornadoes by crawling into their bathtubs. **Do NOT open windows to equalize air pressure. Avoid cars and mobile homes, which can become airborne.**

Nothing but clear here into Saturday with a warm front. If we remain on course, this day Thursday we should see 70s; average for late May. Model guidance hints at T-storms Friday, then a cooler peak early next week. The warm for two, more than cozy and cold for widespread severe outbreaks. Compared to much of the USA we’re getting off easy.

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### HEALTH REPORT

- **Sunrise:** 6:44 AM
- **Sunset:** 7:47 PM
- **Average High:** 70°
- **Average Low:** 44°
- **Average Heating Degree Days:** 55°
- **Average Cooling Degree Days:** 38°
- **Actual High:** 70°
- **Actual Low:** 44°
- **Actual Heating Degree Days:** 55°
- **Actual Cooling Degree Days:** 38°
- **Actual Precipitation:** 0.24"