

The Spoonful: Officer-involved shooting, canceled - Eden Prairie News (MN) - July 22, 2018

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The Spoonful brings you a roundup of the biggest news in the southwest metro region each week.

Community grieves for Archer Amorosi

A 16-year-old Minnetonka High School student died July 13 following a confrontation with the Carver County Sheriff's Office. **Archer Amorosi** would have been a junior in the fall. His mother called authorities on July 13 and said her son was suicidal, and threatening her with knives and a baseball bat. Officers used a Taser on the teen and at one point, two deputies fired their weapons at him. He was pronounced dead at the scene. The Bureau of Criminal Apprehension is investigating the incident.

New neighbors wage legal battle over barking at Bluff High Kennels in Savage

A 40-year-old dog boarding business in Savage is tangled in a legal debate with neighbors regarding the sound of dogs barking coming from the property. Two homeowners in the Trout Run Preserve residential development have asked the city to revoke a permit for Bluff High Kennels that allows the kennel to operate in a residential zone. The homeowners said the barking has caused health issues. A citation was issued to kennel owners by the city this month for being in violation of the residential habitual barking code. After five citations, the kennel could shut down.

Return to sender: Luce tangles over emails

The Scott County Attorney's Office is reviewing whether criminal charges are warranted against Shakopee City Councilor Mike Luce for allegedly not turning over city-related emails from a personal email account. Luce was asked for these emails after separate data requests from a Star Tribune reporter and a Shakopee lawyer. Luce told the Shakopee Valley News that the emails do not exist, but past data requests reveal Luce has used his personal email account for city-related business. If a city councilor sends or receives emails pertaining to city business from their person email account, those emails are considered public under Minnesota law.

Gun-opposition rally in Excelsior canceled

A parade and rally to oppose gun violence planned for Aug. 18 in Excelsior has been canceled. The city council was concerned with the size of the crowd, as former presidential candidate Bernie Sanders, as well as other activists including students from Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Florida, had been slated to attend. The organizing group, Protect Minnesota, is planning another rally with a prospective date in October. The event will be called the Westside March and Rally Against Gun Violence.

Shakopee nonprofit hosts clinics for amputees to try fitness prosthetics

A Shakopee-based nonprofit called Wiggle Your Toes held a fitness clinic last week for people who have lost lower limbs in conjunction with Ottobock, a leading company in prosthetic limb technology. Many of the attendees had lost a limb in the past year and were able to try out different prosthetic technologies. Reporter Amanda McKnight said everyone at the event expressed happiness knowing their mobility possibilities are endless.

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