



# Tri County Canary

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## Traveling art exhibit visits area public libraries

The Northwest Minnesota Arts Council (NWMAC) sponsors an annual Traveling Art Exhibit, which visits northwest Minnesota communities throughout the year. After a break last year due to the pandemic, the exhibit will once again be coming to your area. The exhibit includes 15 original pieces of art by regional adult and student artists, chosen from works submitted for our annual juried exhibit. The exhibit is currently at the Fertile

Public Library in Fertile until December 16. Please stop by to see these works of art. See below for the schedule for the year.

**The 2021-2022 Artists and Artwork:**

Aubree Bonham, Fertile, "No Evil" (Mixed Media) (student)  
Riley Moland, Fertile, "Unique Askew" (Acrylic) (student)  
Heidi Danos, Fosston, "Never Apologize" (Mixed Media)  
Peggy Branden, Lake Bronson, "Emerging" (Mixed Media)

Glen Heppner, Warroad, "Pelican" (Oil Painting)  
Lucille Nelson, Argyle, "Lending a Hand" (Drawing)

Bert Foster, Thief River Falls, "Old Man Resting" (Photograph)

Christine Foster, Thief River Falls, "Bridge to the Past" (Oil Painting)

Brennon Collins, Greenbush, "Lake Lounging" (Print) (student)

Phyllis Kalliokoski, East Grand Forks, "Amalfi Coast" (Watercolor Painting)

Dara Maunu, Warroad, "Whimsical Walks 1" (Acrylic Painting)

Cindy Kolling, Gully, "Snapping Turtle Laying Eggs" (Drawing)

James Johanneck, Red Lake Falls, "Buckthorn Root Ball Vase" (Wood Sculpture)

Eskyla Manriquez, Ada, "Air Jordan 1 Chicago Black Toe" (Sculpture) (student)

Trinity Walseth, Goodridge, "Titles of Trinity" (Print) (student)

**The 2021-2022 Traveling Exhibit Schedule\*:**

Nov 17–Dec 16, 2021 Fertile Public Library

Dec 16, 2021– January 12, 2022 Thief River Falls Public Library

January 12 – February 16, 2022 Fosston Public Library

February 16 -- March 16, 2022 Crookston Public Library

March 16 -- April TBD\*\* Red Lake Falls Public Library

\*The start and end dates at each location are approximate, depending on weather, venue hours and other circumstances that may occur to prohibit travel. For specific library hours, please contact each location before planning your visit, especially if you are planning on bringing a group.

\*\*Tentatively scheduled

For more information about the Traveling Exhibit or our other exhibits look to our website at [www.NWArtsCouncil.org](http://www.NWArtsCouncil.org), call our office at (218)-745-8886 or contact Trey at [treyeverettcreates@gmail.com](mailto:treyeverettcreates@gmail.com) or [NWArtsCouncil@gmail.com](mailto:NWArtsCouncil@gmail.com).



NWMAC Traveling Art Exhibit at Fertile Public Library.



NWMAC Traveling Exhibit in Fertile.



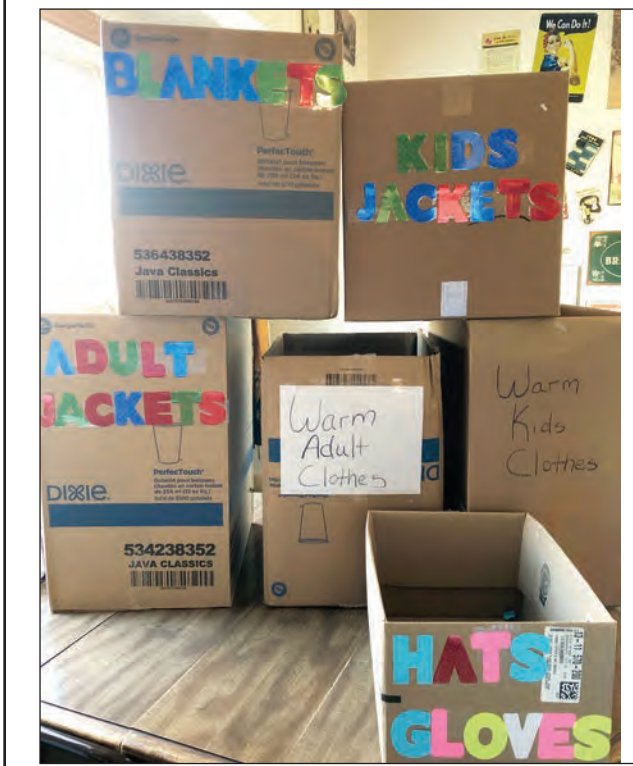
Auctioneer Eric Mickelson did the auction at the Terry Halvorson benefit that was sponsored by the Gonvick Lions Club. Assisting Eric is Scott Fawver. Over \$60,000 was raised for the family. It was held in the Gonvick Legion and serving of food was done in a big tent on the street just outside. Power and heat for the tent was supplied by Charps to keep the tent warm for eating and the bake sale.



Looking at the bid items that were displayed in the Gonvick Legion building.



A huge bake sale was set up in the tent for the benefit for Terry Halvorson. Taking care of it were Sharon Bergerson and Carol Peterson.



The boxes are back! Free warm clothing, jackets, blankets, hats and gloves for adults and children who are in need of items this year. Items are located at the covered picnic pavilion next to the big fish and across from Garden Valley in Erskine. Feel free to come and look through the boxes and take what you need for winter. When going through the boxes please keep things sorted in its own box. Please don't make a mess.

If you have winter clothing or blankets to donate please feel free to bring them and sort them into the marked boxes. Please do not leave bags/boxes of clothes on the ground or sitting around unsorted. It is very important that the area stay neat and tidy or it will have to come down. Please don't be the reason someone doesn't get a warm jacket this year- keep it clean. And please remember this is specifically for warm winter items to help out adults and children in need.



The cast and crew of "Church Basement Ladies" is ready to serve up an extra-large dose of laughter this weekend as they welcome audiences to the Bagley High School Theater this Thursday, Friday, and Saturday at 7:00 p.m. and Sunday at 2:00 p.m. All tickets are \$10 and will be sold only at the door. If you attend, you will be sure to take a trip down memory lane as the church basement ladies (and their pastor) take you back to 1964 to the East Cornucopia Lutheran Church of the Prairie where everyone is busy preparing for the holiday lutefisk and lefse dinner. Photo ID: Josh Gunderson, Karen Stish, Jill Bakken, Carol Nelson, Abby Pearson play the characters in "Church Basement Ladies." on stage at the Bagley High School Auditorium this weekend.

## Polk County Sheriff

**Update:**  
On 11-21-2021 at approximately 1212 hours the Polk County Sheriff's Office, Gonvick Fire Department and Oklee Ambulance Service responded to 302 Birch Street Trail, MN to the report of a house fire. The resident Jonathan Wilson and one minor child were in the house when the fire started. There were minor injuries reported. The fire was caused by a 20-pound propane tank that was brought into the house to thaw out. The house was a complete loss. There will be no further details released at this time.

## Sons of Norway meeting December 9

The Sons of Norway Grandlund Lodge #240 will hold its monthly meeting on December 9, 2021, at 6:30 pm in the Embassy Community Center, 3rd and Eaton, in Fosston. The evening event includes the Julenisse Kveld – Juletreffest og Sangleiker – Traditional Christmas Eve Potluck. Members are encouraged to bring a dish to share for the potluck. Following the meal will be a Christmas gift exchange for those who wish to participate. Men, bring a gift for a man and women, bring a gift for a woman. Guests are always welcome to attend the programs.

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## Surviving the Holidays

By Sue Abderholden  
We're heading into the time of year when a variety of celebrations are held: Thanksgiving, Christmas, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, New Year's Eve, Rohatsu, Feast Day of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Solstice. It is a time when we usually gather with family and friends. We eat, we talk, we play games, we laugh, we hug.

Over 9,100 Minnesotans have died from COVID-19. There were 723 Minnesotans who died by suicide in 2020. Over 1,000 Minnesotans died from an overdose. So, for many Minnesotans the approaching holidays will be hard. Memories come flooding back providing moments of immense sadness, not joy. When we gather and there is an empty chair we are reminded of their death.

Having unexpectedly lost my husband of over 40 years at the end of May, I am apprehensive as the holiday season approaches. We've spent the last 43 years celebrating holidays together so him not being here will have a profound impact.

There are also people who struggle during the holidays due to the impact of mental illnesses or substance use disorders. There's ambiguous loss, reminded of what might have been. There's the difficulty of engaging when your symptoms are overwhelming. There's the difficulty of trying to cope with a loved one's symptoms and illnesses. While we see the beautiful ads about wonderful holidays, they aren't always wonderful and we might feel even more pressured to make them wonderful and more disappointed when they aren't.

Especially this year, I have no great words of advice for surviving the holidays. It is going to be hard. But here are several things to keep in mind:

• Sit with the grief. Grieving takes time. It's not about get-

ting better, especially the first year, it's about getting through it. Don't try to "fix" someone. Sit by them; allow them to cry, to reminisce, to be sad.

• Reach in. Whether it's grief or the symptoms of a mental illness it's hard to reach out for help. Reach in, offer something specific – a ride, a meal, some fresh flowers, a walk. Send a note that you are thinking of them.

• Let it go. Now's not the time to complain, to talk about adhering to treatment plans, to fight over what should happen in the future. Just be a family member or a friend. There will be time to have those discussions in the future. But make these holidays a time to be a family that loves each other unconditionally – that truly cares about each other.

• Say "No." Not all families are healthy. Abuse exists. It's okay to say "no" to attending events that will be detrimental to your mental health and safety. We have families of origin and families of creation. Some people have to redefine their family.

• Keep it simple. Ban perfection. It's so easy to get stressed about having everything be perfect – the gifts, meals, or the decorations. What do you remember most about holidays in the past? My guess is it wasn't all the extra "stuff" but the people and the feelings and emotions.

I know that the coming holidays will be very different and difficult for me. So, I'm planning ahead. I'm writing down the things and activities that will help my grief and my missing him. I'm going to try a SAD light, I'm going to take walks if it isn't too cold, I'm going to journal, I'm keeping my expectations low and not doing a lot of decorating or gift buying. I'm connecting to the people who know me and help me.

However you are entering this season, just remember it's not easy for everyone. Be kind to people who seem to be behaving badly or have a short fuse. There might be a reason that they are struggling during this time and an act of kindness could help.

## DNR License Center in St. Paul resumes in-person services

The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources will resume in-person services at its St. Paul License Center on Dec. 1.

The License Center stopped providing in-person services on March 27, 2020, as a safety precaution in response to COVID-19. License Center staff have continued to serve customers without interruption via telephone, mail and online.

"We're thrilled to work with customers in person again," said Steve Michaels, DNR licensing program director. "Given the continued public health situation, License Center staff will be following COVID-19 safety protocols including wearing masks, and we recommend that customers also wear masks when they visit us."

License Center staff assist customers with registering watercraft, off-highway vehicles and snowmobiles, as well as in purchasing hunting or fishing licenses, creating DNR customer records, applying for permits, and other DNR licensing needs.

License services remain available online at mndnr.gov/BuyALicense, at 1,500 license agents located throughout the state, and by visiting a local deputy registrar's office.

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Inter-County Community Council is accepting applications for openings in our Head Start program. **Early Head Start Home Visitor:** 40 hours a week, year round position, office location in Thief River Falls, MN. Position works with families of children ages birth to 3 years, providing in home education visits on a weekly basis. Minimum of a Child Development Associate, Associate degree preferred; experience with children preferred, additional training will be provided. Must be able to pass a background check. **Position open until filled.**

**Health Coordinator:** 40 hours a week, year round, office in Thief River Falls, MN with travel to satellite offices, the first 4 weeks will be located in Oklee for training. Position supports staff serving families of children ages birth to 5 years to meet Head Start health requirements focusing on data monitoring, referrals, and staff training; minimum of Bachelor Degree in health/related field; preference for nursing license or other health credentials/certifications. Experience in health field and with young children preferred. Additional training will be provided. Must be able to pass a background check. **Applications due by Noon on December 13, 2021.**

Application and position specific information, including job duties, salary and educational requirements are available on our website at [www.intercountycouncil.org](http://www.intercountycouncil.org). Send completed application and resume to Inter-County Community Council, Human Resources, PO Box 189, Oklee, MN 56742 or [hr@intercountycouncil.org](mailto:hr@intercountycouncil.org). Call 218-796-5144 x1028 for more information. ICC is an equal opportunity employer and program provider.

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## DISPATCHER

The Polk County Sheriff's Department in Crookston, MN has a full-time Dispatcher position available. Applicants must possess excellent computer skills, have the ability to speak clearly and concisely, and have the ability to exercise independent judgment, using all information available in critical and emergency situations. Provides a single point of contact for 24-hour voice/radio communications - emergency and 911 services to citizens. High school diploma or GED is required. Post-secondary education preferred. Polk County offers a highly competitive benefits package including affordable healthcare plans through BCBS including attractive low-cost family healthcare plans, dental, vision, life, long-term and short-term disability coverage; flexible spending accounts; PERA retirement with contributions made by the County, vacation and sick leave, and access to many other health and wellness programs. Wage range for this position is \$22.59 - \$28.72 per hour, DOE, and qualifications. An application and full job description can be obtained at <http://www.co.polk.mn.us> click on Careers. Please mail your completed application and resume to the Polk County Administrator's Office, 612 N. Broadway, Room 211, Crookston, MN 56716. (218-281-5408) or e-mail [alecia.helms@co.polk.mn.us](mailto:alecia.helms@co.polk.mn.us) This position will remain open until filled. EOE.

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### CLERK TYPIST CASHIER III – POLK COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH

If you are ready to make a difference and love the idea of working with children, families and the community, this position may be right for you. Polk County Public Health has an opening for a full-time Clerk Typist Cashier III position. Candidate will assist staff in Community Health initiatives and perform clerical duties within the Women, Infants and Children (WIC) program. Applicants must have a high school or equivalent (GED) and 2 years of related experience. A valid driver's license is required. Polk County offers a highly competitive benefits package including affordable healthcare plans through BCBS including attractive low-cost family healthcare plans, dental, vision, life, long-term and short-term disability coverage; flexible spending accounts; PERA retirement with contributions made by the County, vacation and sick leave, and access to many other health and wellness programs. Salary range for this position is \$16.88 - \$21.46. Interested individuals may contact the Polk County Administrator's Office at 218-281-5408. To obtain an application and job description go to: [www.co.polk.mn.us](http://www.co.polk.mn.us) and click on Careers. Applications for this position must be received by **4:30 p.m., December 15, 2021.** Please submit your completed application/resume to the Polk County Administrator's Office Polk County Government Center, 612 N. Broadway, Room 211, Crookston, MN 56716. Applications may also be emailed directly to [alecia.helms@co.polk.mn.us](mailto:alecia.helms@co.polk.mn.us) EOE.

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## Custodian I Facilities Management Department

The Polk County Facilities Department has 2 (two) immediate openings for a full time, benefitted Custodian I position. This position performs a variety of custodial duties including emptying trash, sweeping, mopping, and vacuuming floors, cleaning restrooms, and ordering and stocking supplies. This position will be assigned a primary location, however, will be required to work at multiple facility locations as needed and assigned, including the jail. Polk County offers a highly competitive benefits package including: affordable healthcare plans through BCBS including attractive low cost family healthcare plans, dental, vision, life, long-term and short-term disability coverage; flexible spending accounts; PERA retirement with contributions made by the County, vacation and sick leave, and access to many other health and wellness programs. Applicants must have a high school diploma or GED. Previous custodial experience is preferred but not required. A valid driver's license is required for this position. Wage range for this position is \$15.93 - \$20.25/hour DOE and qualifications. An application and job description can be found on Polk County's website: [www.co.polk.mn.us](http://www.co.polk.mn.us) - click on Careers or contact the Polk County Administrator's Office at (218) 281-5408. Please send your completed application and resume to the Polk County Administrator's Office, 612 N. Broadway, Room 211, Crookston, MN 56716, or e-mail directly to [alecia.helms@co.polk.mn.us](mailto:alecia.helms@co.polk.mn.us) All qualified applicants will be considered for employment. **This position will remain open until filled.** EOE

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## BAGLEY SCHOOLS CURRENT OPENINGS

**Title 1 Interventionist** position. Bagley Elementary School has an opening for a 1.0 FTE Title 1 Interventionist for the remainder of the 2021-2022 school year. Must have a valid teaching license. Applicants should send a cover letter, resume, teaching license, transcripts and three letters of reference to Nichole Ekre at 202 Bagley Ave NW, Bagley MN 56621 or [nekre@bagley.k12.mn.us](mailto:nekre@bagley.k12.mn.us).

**Substitute Teacher** positions. Substitute teaching opportunities are available at Bagley Public Schools. Applicants should send a cover letter, resume, teaching license, transcripts and three letters of reference to Nichole Ekre at 202 Bagley Ave NW, Bagley MN 56621 or [nekre@bagley.k12.mn.us](mailto:nekre@bagley.k12.mn.us).

**Paraeducator** positions. Paraeducator position openings in the Elementary, candidates must be highly qualified, which includes either 2 or more years of college, an AA Degree, or the ability to pass the Para Pro Exam. Application forms may be downloaded, picked up in the District Office or you may email [nekre@bagley.k12.mn.us](mailto:nekre@bagley.k12.mn.us).

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**Substitute Food Service Support Staff** - a high school diploma or GED is preferred but not required. Currently accepting applications for substitute food service support staff.

**Native American Home School Liaison** positions. Full-time positions open for the 2021-2022 school year. Candidates must be highly qualified, which includes either two or more years of college, an AA Degree, or the ability to pass the Para Pro Exam. Application forms may be downloaded, picked up in the District Office or you may email [nekre@bagley.k12.mn.us](mailto:nekre@bagley.k12.mn.us).

For more information, please call Nichole Ekre at 694-6184.

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## ASSISTANT COUNTY ATTORNEY - POLK COUNTY, MINNESOTA

The Polk County Attorney's Office located in Crookston, Minnesota, is seeking applications for the position of a full-time Assistant County Attorney to represent the State of Minnesota and Polk County in criminal and civil proceedings.

This is a challenging and rewarding position with primary responsibilities including prosecuting felony, gross misdemeanor, and misdemeanor cases, handling child delinquency and CHIPS proceedings, representing the county in other court and administrative proceedings, and providing legal advice to county departments. The emphasis of this position will be criminal prosecution, with the successful candidate's duties mainly encompassing representation of the State of Minnesota in criminal proceedings is district court. The caseload will involve extensive court hearings and appearances, as well as jury and court trials, with an emphasis placed on courtroom skills, legal research, and legal writing abilities.

Annual salary range for this position for 2022 is \$81,016 to \$102,981, depending upon experience and qualifications, with annual step increases. The position also includes a highly competitive benefits package. This benefits package includes a monthly \$1,200 cafeteria plan contribution by the County; healthcare plans through BCBS with various deductibles and very attractive, low-cost premiums regardless of the number of dependents; dental, vision, life, long-term and short-term disability coverage; flexible spending accounts; PERA retirement with contributions made by the County; 10 paid holidays each year; paid vacation and sick leave; and access to other health and wellness programs.

Applicants must possess a Juris Doctorate and be admitted to practice law in the State of Minnesota in-order to successfully perform the essential duties of this position. Legal experience in a County Attorney's Office or other Prosecutor's Office preferred but not required. A full position description and application can be obtained by contacting the Polk County Administrator's Office at 218-281-5408 or online at <http://www.co.polk.mn.us> and click on Careers. Please mail your application and resume to the Polk County Administrator's Office, 612 N. Broadway, Room 211, Crookston, MN, 56716, or e-mail to [alecia.helms@co.polk.mn.us](mailto:alecia.helms@co.polk.mn.us). This position will remain open until filled. EEO

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## Theology in the Trenches

By Kathleen Kjolhaug

### Someone Had To Tell the Man

Someone had to tell the man, and as I was the only other person present, it had to be me. As he sat upon our kitchen stool, I began.

"Honey, the TV in the loft just has to go."

His response came sooner than I anticipated as a groan like sigh exhaled itself into a complete sentence. "No...it still works...You can't just give it away!"

As gently as I could, I broke the news. "It's worse than that dear. We won't be able to even give it away. Nobody will want it. It will have to go to the dump!"

The beast currently anchored a bookshelf as it perched like a whale upon a dock. The big boxy beast was nothing short of impossible to move as it dominated the room.

I'd unloaded the big maroon couch acting as a companion near the whale beast a few months back on buy and sell. My thought process was that if I downsized little by little in order to begin my gradual up-

date, he might not notice. Or, if indeed he did notice, he'd be more inclined to appreciate the process. However, thus far, it wasn't working. I should have known better as this is the same man who had difficulty parting with his corduroy Levi's from college...assuming if he'd hang onto them long enough...they'd once again be in style.

I'd made the mistake of removing things from his closet many a time, thinking he wouldn't notice. Sooner or later, he always did. His electric typewriter that unbeknownst to me had been gifted upon one of his graduation. Then there was the occasion of his missing ten speed bicycle as I thought it was a good idea to donate it to an auction as it wasn't quite up-to-speed. Little did I know the memories attached to it were also taken from him as I took each item.

I suppose all this has a cumulative effect which directly correlates to his present day response when I begin to go anywhere near his closet. An admonishing finger wags all friendly like as he reminds me,

"Now remember. Ask me first!"

As we discussed the whale beast upon the shelf in the loft, he eventually agreed that it needed to go...just not today. Perhaps tomorrow or next week he will decide to make a trip to the dump, but until then, my hands are tied as it's flat out too heavy a burden for me to carry anywhere.

Matthew must have known we'd need a reminder or two along the lines of bearing burdens. He put it well in his eleventh chapter. "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble of heart; and you will find rest. My yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

Light it is when we toss our burdens looming like whales. Sometimes, getting rid of the heavy is just what might lighten our load. However, gentle and humble of heart are key words that remind me of the posturing I must take before unloading what appears to be burdensome to others. Lord, help me to simply remember that. Amen.



### Ask a Trooper

by Sgt. Jesse Grabow Minnesota State Patrol

**Q u e s - tion:** Hello, I watched a news report which in-

involved a carjacking in St. Paul, MN. I live in MN. The carjacker was apprehended when they attempted to burglarize the victim's home using the address found on insurance paperwork located in the victim's car.

I am writing to find out if I could take a picture (using my phone) of my insurance paperwork and registration to show proof of insurance and registration? The police officer from Wyoming, MN suggested doing this.

Would this be accepted by all police officers and highway patrol across the United States? I would appreciate any information you could provide.

**Answer:** Hello and thank you for the question. Every driver must keep in their possession proof of insurance while driving. They also must produce that proof of insurance to an officer when requested during a traffic stop or an incident on the road such as a crash.

Proof of insurance can be in an electronic form, meaning text-based or imaged-based content in a form that can be shown on a computer or other

digital devices.

So yes, a photograph of the actual insurance card or screen shot of the format is sufficient. The information that is required for proof of insurance is:

- (1) the insured's name;
- (2) the policy number;
- (3) the policy dates of coverage;
- (4) the make, model, and year of the vehicle being covered;
- (5) the vehicle identification number or at least the last three digits of that number; and
- (6) the name of the obligor providing coverage.

Most "proof of insurance" paper forms do not have the person's address listed on it. However, a number of people keep their entire insurance envelope and contents from their insurance company in the vehicle, which has their address listed. I would say, it's best to keep mail and things with your personal address out of your vehicle when you can. Minnesota does not require you to have a "vehicle registration card" in your vehicle.

These are all things to think about as nobody plans on having their vehicle stolen or something worse. Life is about planning ahead and being prepared.

Most folks have garage door openers tucked in the sun visor and house keys on the same key chain for your vehicle. Wallet in a cup holder or the purse on the floor or seat next to you holding your driver's license and other personal documents. If your vehicle was stolen, do you have a plan for securing your garage and home in a timely manner? After the trauma and stress of having your vehicle stolen, there will be a number of things that a person will forget and have not made a plan for.

I would recommend getting in touch with your local police departments or sheriff offices ahead of time for advice on what to do if you become involved in one of these situations. Have a plan and be prepared.

If you have any questions concerning traffic related laws or issues in Minnesota, send your questions to Trp. Jesse Grabow - Minnesota State Patrol at 1000 Highway 10 West, Detroit Lakes, MN 56501-2205. (You can follow him on Twitter @MSPPIO\_NW or reach him at, jesse.grabow@state.mn.us

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### B F Avery

By Auctioneer Eric W. Mickelson



I love studying history. One of our founding fathers was Ben Franklin. He is an icon in the history of our nation. He was born in Boston in 1706 and died in 1790 in Philadelphia. He was a writer, printer, inventor, statesman, and diplomat. But today I want to talk about Benjamin Franklin Avery, founder of BF Avery & Sons, who made his first plow in a little blacksmith shop in Clarksville, Virginia, in the year 1825. Even then, at the age of twenty-four he had ventured far and alone from his birthplace at Aurora, New York. The courage of his youth and fire of his enthusiasm were by no means the least ingredients that went to make up the first Avery plow and throughout the long and useful span of his life, rugged, unbending integrity and a will that knew no faltering marked the splendid course of his career.

After Benjamin's death the company's leadership transferred to his eldest son Samuel and later his second son George. Eventually Avery produced a successful line of steam

tractors. But as times changed they knew they needed to develop an internal combustion engine and tractor. In 1910 they came out with a huge one cylinder machine with a 12" X 18" bore and stroke. The tractor proved unsuccessful so tractor inventor Albert O. Espe of Crookston, MN. Espe designed a machine that had a horizontally opposed engine and a unique power transmission system. The new Avery was introduced in September 1911 as the 20-35 hp model that sported a huge square radiator, unlike all its successors, which had round, vertical tube radiators. The Agricultural Depression of the early 1920s took its toll: Avery Co. declared bankruptcy in 1924. The company reorganized and made it through the Great Depression without making any tractors until 1938. They then introduced the Avery "Ro-Trak." The new machine was a modern tractor with a 6-cylinder Hercules engine and a 3-speed transmission. The Ro-Trak had a unique front wheel system allowing the front wheels to swing together

for row crop work or wide apart for plowing.

Avery developed a new tractor and approached Cleveland Tractor Co., or Cletrac, to manufacture it. Cletrac built the General GG three-wheeled tractor for B.F. Avery, and they were also sold by Massey-Harris and Montgomery Wards (Wards Twin-Row). Cletrac ceased building the General GG during World War II, and B.F. Avery acquired the equipment and began manufacturing it as the B.F. Avery.

During some lean years, B.F. Avery agreed to sell out to Minneapolis-Moline on January 8, 1951. Some of the B.F. Avery models continued in MM's lineup for a number of years, before the manufacturing facility in Louisville was closed for good in 1955.

The prairie gold BF Avery(MM) model is the one I am most familiar with. But you see there is quite a bit of history to go through before you get to that point. I love history... mostly tractor history!

How about a little tractor trivia!

1. The MM changed the name of the Avery R to the BF, why?

2. The MM BF was tested at \_\_\_\_\_ drawbar hp.  
A. 20hp B) 22 hp C) 24 hp D) 26hp

3. The MM BF had a 4 cylinder \_\_\_\_\_ engine.  
A. Waukesha B) Beaver C) Continental D) Hercules  
4. The MM BF had a \_\_\_\_\_ speed transmission.  
A. 3 B) 4 C) 5 D) 6  
5. T or F The MM BF was available with a single front wheel, tricycle front, wide front and high crop models.

Answers: 1. MM already had a model R 2. C. 24hp 3. D. Hercules 4. B. 4 5. True





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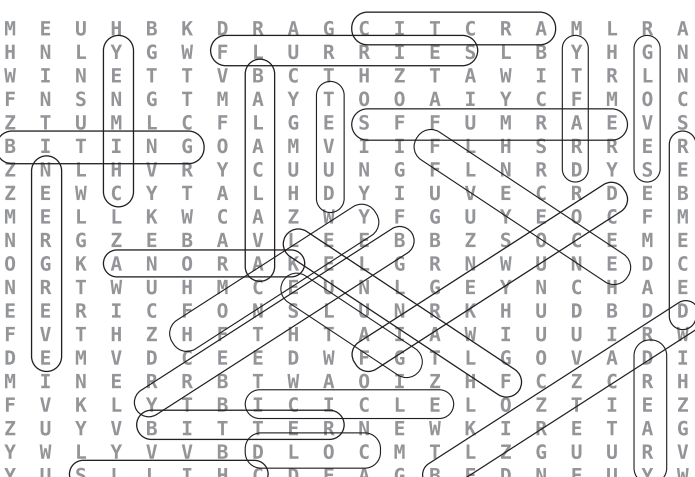
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# OBITUARIES



## Obituary for Duane Johnson

Duane Johnson, 91, of Clearbrook, Minnesota died on Wednesday, November 24, 2021 at Sanford Bagley Medical Center.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday, December 18, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. at Good

Shepherd Lutheran Church in Clearbrook, Minnesota with a visitation one hour prior. Interment will be held at Silver Creek Cemetery in Clearbrook, Minnesota. The Cease Family Funeral Home of Bagley assisted the family with arrangements.

A full obituary will be published in a later edition.

Messages of condolence may be sent to ceasefuneral-home.com



## Obituary for Kathleen Lanman

Kathleen Ellen Lanman "Kass" age 87 of Bloomington, Minnesota. Born October 23, 1934 in Eau Claire, Wisconsin to Raymond F. and Olive M. (Pettis) McSorely. Entered eternal life ~ November 8, 2021.

Kathleen loved life, you couldn't keep her still. She loved to be around people and if she couldn't be around people she was on the phone with them. She loved bowling, Bocce Babes, Bloomington Federated Woman's Club and coed Bocce ball with Art. Kathleen loved singing in the church choir and was known for her big laugh and her chocolate chip cookies.

She is now reunited with her parents. Raymond and Olive; son, Ronald; brothers, Raymond Jr., Jerome, Arthur,

and William; sisters, Patricia and Jeanne Marie.

Left to cherish her memory are her husband Arthur (she was so excited to celebrate their 70th wedding anniversary in January), daughters, Catherine Lanman and Jacalyn Wells; son, Charles (Michelle) Lanman; 12 grandchildren, Aaron (Rebecca), Anthony (Trudi), Ryan (Ashley) Jeff (Kristin), Jonathan (Jamayla), Nicole (Rolf), Rachel (Daniel), Milo, Stella, Alice, Edith, and Mary. twelve great-grandchildren, Brenden, Brittne, Corbin, Jordan, Morgan, Skylar, Hadley, Iris, Chase, Korrine, Max, and Noe; brothers, Larry (Jeanette) and Dennis (Nancy); sisters, Virginia, Deanna, and Janice (Walt); many nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Mass of Christian Burial was held Tuesday, November 16th, 2021 at 10 AM ~ The Church of the Nativity of Mary, 9900 Lyndale Avenue South, Bloomington, Minnesota with visitation one hour prior to mass. Interment ~ Fort Snelling National Cemetery followed by a reception at the church.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to the Bloomington Federated Woman's Club. For live stream information please call Gill Brothers. Gill Brothers 952-888-7771, www.gillbrothers.com



## Obituary for Gladys Hogenson

Gladys Hogenson, 91 of Thief River Falls, MN passed away on Wednesday, November 23, 2021 at

Warroad Senior Living, Warroad, MN.

Funeral service will be 10:30 AM on Friday, December 3, 2021 at Trinity Lutheran Church with Vicar Marilyn Grafstrom officiating. Burial will be at Park Ridge Cemetery, rural Thief River Falls, MN

Visitation will be 5:00 PM until 7:00 PM with a 7:00 PM prayer service on Thursday, December 2, 2021 at Johnson Funeral Service in Thief River Falls, MN. Visitation will also be one hour prior to the service.

Gladys Delores King was born August 11, 1930 in the hospital in Thief River Falls, MN, the daughter of John Joseph and Ella (Husby) King.

She was raised near St. Hilaire her first 12 years and spent 2 years living at Wylie, MN. Her mother, Ella passed away when Gladys was 7. She attended school in Thief River Falls, MN. Her father, John then married Anna Rosette.

On April 25, 1948, Gladys was united in marriage to Lloyd Hogenson at Trinity Lutheran Church parsonage in Thief River Falls. To this union seven children were born, Michael, Marshelle, Mary Jo, Marc, Marty, Myles, and Murray. The couple made their home in an apartment downtown Thief River Falls. They then moved to a small house on Tindolph Avenue and then to a larger home on Tindolph as the family continued to grow. The family moved to East Grand Forks,

MN in 1965.

While living in East Grand Forks, Gladys worked at Good Samaritan Nursing Home for 4 years and Western Potato (now Simplot). In 1978, the couple moved back to Thief River Falls, where Gladys worked at the Turkey Plant for 10 years, until retiring in 1988. Lloyd passed away on August 8, 2004.

Gladys was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church, Thief River Falls, where she taught Sunday School, was a member of the Ladies Aid, and assisted with the Trinity lutefisk suppers. She was a member of the Eagles Auxiliary in both Thief River Falls and Warroad. She enjoyed making donuts, playing cards, fishing, gardening, taking care of her dog and cat, watching "Wheel of Fortune" and she loved getting together with her family. Gladys was the Hershey Kiss lady at her home in Warroad since moving to Warroad Senior Living Center in 2017. Gladys and her family have deeply appreciated the wonderful friendship, care and kindness provided by the Warroad Senior Living Staff.

She is survived by children: Marshelle (Ray) Benson, Fourtown, MN, Mary Jo (Russ) Olson, Minneapolis, MN, Marc Hogenson, Grand Forks, ND, Marty (Linda) Hogenson, Thief River Falls, MN, Myles (Camille) Hogenson, Roosevelt, MN, and Murray Hogenson, Thief River Falls, MN; 15 grandchildren: Steve (Peggy) Hogenson, Dawn (Phil) Johnson, Scott (Kira) Hogenson, Jamie (Rick) Schmidt, Kristi Suchoski, Eric Benson, Matthew Olson, Laura (Arthur) Christopherson, Dustin (Lara Henneman) Hogenson, Heidi (Kenny Ciak) Hogenson, Nicholas (Ally) Hogenson, Jacki (Brad) Borowicz, Anthony Cali, Jamie Cratty and Tyler (Sophia) Cratty; 27 great grandchildren; sister: Joyce Tobin, Fort Wayne, IN; along with several nieces and nephews.

Preceded in death by husband, Lloyd; son, Michael; parents; infant step brother, Gene Dean; nephew, Tom Tobin Jr.; and numerous brothers & sisters-in-law on the Hogenson side of the family.

Family condolences may be sent to www.johnsonfuneralservice.com



## Obituary for Rev. Gordon Syverson

Rev. Gordon Syverson, age 85, of Fosston, MN, passed away on Thursday, November 25th, at his home. A Celebration of Life will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, November 30th, at Kingo Lutheran Church in Fosston with the Rev. John Ragan officiating. Interment will be in Vernes Lutheran Cemetery, rural McIntosh. Visitation will be held from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. with a 7:00 p.m. prayer service on Monday, November 29th, at Vernes Lutheran Church. There will also be a reviewal for one hour prior to the service on Tuesday at Kingo Lutheran Church. Arrangements are with Carlin Family Funeral Service of Fosston and messages of condolence may be shared at www.carlinfuneral.com.

On Monday, August 3, 1936, Gordon Lee Syverson began his earthly journey. He joined a large farming family in a small white house in Hill River Township in rural McIntosh, Minnesota. His days as a youth were filled with play with his siblings and chores around the farm. He started his life-long love of learning and reading while attending Lindsey Schoolhouse through 8th grade, continuing his education at McIntosh High School, completing high school at Crookston AC. His college years were an example of his willingness to try new things and experience new places. He attended the Bible Institute of Minneapolis, Concordia College-Moorhead, and completing at Augsburg College-Minneapolis. He loved history, philosophy, religion and studied these all of his life. While in Minneapolis, he met and fell in love with Christine Frantsen of the Minot, North Dakota area. They married August 24, 1958. To this loving marriage, three children were born---Naomi, Rhonda, and Michael.

Following his college years, he attended Luther Theological Seminary in St. Paul. He followed where God called him even when it did not always make sense to others. An adventure during Seminary was his internship year in Camrose, Alberta, Canada. The four years of seminary were full years---working full-time, attending classes, a new marriage, and a baby. So, following his graduation from Seminary, he took a break and taught high school for two years at Sioux Valley School District in Jackson County, Minnesota.

June of 1966, Gordon was ordained at Vernes Lutheran Church in rural McIntosh. He began serving East and West Zion Lutheran Churches in rural Starbuck, Hancock, and Benson, Minnesota. His selfless dedication to God and God's church were evident

throughout his ministry beginning in Starbuck. He loved great worship, singing the hymns of the church with gusto, teaching---particularly about Martin Luther---, and being with God's people. He welcomed all without regard to their life circumstance, was tolerant and patient, was generous with his time and resources. His deepest desire was to make a difference in God's world. His farming roots were evident by raising sheep, growing a large garden, and simply being able to be outside in nature smelling fresh mown hay or watching the crops grow. Gordon served East and West Zion until 1993. While at Starbuck, his wife Christine died after a four year struggle with a rare autoimmune disease. This was a devastating season in his life and the life of the family.

In 1993, Gordon accepted a call to Dunnell, Minnesota to Immanuel and Union State Line Lutheran Churches, as evidence of his devotion to rural and small community ministry. He married Loretta Tollefson on December 28, 1993. While he was at Dunnell, he began his love of bicycle trips, making many over the next years. In 2002, his daughter, Rhonda died from a two-year battle against a rare cancer. This was the second grief-filled time for him and children. He retired from Dunnell in 2008 and moved near to his childhood home in rural Fosston.

Gordon loved conversations with a wide variety of people and moments of quiet reflection, both with a cup of coffee and cookie in hand. He was proud of his Norwegian heritage. He could out eat most of those gathered at table with him...especially potatoes of any shape or size or any recipe. He loved being around family for reunions or games following a meal. During his "retirement", God was not done with him yet. He was a powerful, solid, and skilled preacher. So, he was leading worship and preaching as pulpit supply most Sundays, traveling about Northwest Minnesota. He was invited to serve Calvary Lutheran-Winger, Immanuel Lutheran-Bejou, and Our Savior's Lutheran-McIntosh, which he did faithfully until his death. When his pastoral skills and abilities were needed, he always said "yes." This was especially true to be with a family after the death of a loved one. He brought the message of the power of the resurrection of Jesus to all.

Gordon entered the church triumphant on November 25, 2021 surrounded by his children who lovingly sent him on his way towards God. Gordon was a humble, devout, selfless, and hopeful disciple of Jesus. His desire to make a difference in this world for each individual will continue on through all those he touched throughout his 55 years of ministry and life of 85 years.

Gordon's legacy includes those who love him dearly---daughter Rev. Naomi Garber and her husband Greg, son Michael and his wife Joanna and daughters Amy and Allison, brother Norris, sisters Mary and Faith, son-in-law Keith Levinski, his four-legged companion-Shiloh and many, many family and friends.

He was preceded in death by wife-Christine, daughter-Rhonda, siblings-Alvira, Clara, Ardith, Francis, Anola, Edwin, Alan, and Rupert.

Blessed be the life, memory, and legacy of Gordon Lee Syverson.



## Obituary for Peggy Lundmark

Mrs. Peggy June Lundmark, age 73, a resident of Bishop, Texas, passed away on November 15, 2021, in Corpus Christi after a valiant battle with cancer. Her courage and strength was remarkable.

Peggy was born on August 11, 1948, to John and Velma Collier in Seguin, Tx.

Peggy was an avid reader who could sit and read for hours on her Nook tablet; she was in seventh heaven.

Peggy loved spending time tending to her flowers and garden. Her favorite flower was the sunflower. One year Dad planted the field behind the house with nothing but

sunflowers. She was so ecstatic! She also enjoyed feeding and watching the butterflies, hummingbirds, sparrows, and doves that would hang around near the house.

One of her favorite places to visit was Buggs Island Lake in Boydton, VA. Many summer family vacations were spent camping, boating, and fishing on the lake. She also enjoyed sitting with her toes in the water and soaking up the summer sun.

Peggy was predeceased in death by her father and mother, John and Velma Collier; sisters, Beverly Lanmon and Janet Chaddock; and brother, Michael Collier.

She is survived by her husband of 53 years, Donald, and their children, Cheryl Schoop (Robert) of Chesapeake, VA, and Billy Lundmark of Virginia Beach, VA. She has two grandchildren who she adored and loved very much, Kyle and Shelby.

The Lundmark family sincerely thank the many doctors and nurses who treated Peggy with care and compassion during her illness. Peggy lived life to the fullest and could truly say her cup runneth over.

In lieu of flowers, the family kindly requests donations be made to the Susan G. Komen for the Cure Charity.



## Obituary for Mark Gunning

Mark Gunning, 69, of Clearbrook, Minnesota died on Sunday, November 28, 2021 at Sanford Bemidji Medical Center. Arrangements are pending with the Cease Family Funeral Home of Bagley.

Messages of condolence may be sent to ceasefuneralhome.com



## Obituary for Rebecca Rud

Rebecca Rud, age 103, of Fosston, MN, passed away on Sunday, November 28th, at Essentia Health Lilving Center in Fosston. Funeral services will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 7th, at St. Peter Lutheran Church in Columbia Township, rural Bagley, with the Rev. Jane Ekholm officiating. Interment will be in the church cemetery. Visitation will be held for one hour prior to the service on Tuesday (7th) at the church. Arrangements are with Carlin Family Funeral Service of Fosston and messages of condolence may be shared at www.carlinfuneral.com.

### MY HISTORY

Obituary written by Rebecca L. Rud

Rebecca Louise (Sovick) Rud was born on May 26th, 1918 in Columbia Township to parents Hans and Hilda (Solberg) Sovick. Rebecca attended the Maple Hill School where Rebecca completed the 8th Grade. Rebecca attended Church known as The St. Peters Lutheran Church on the farm which later became the Sovick Century Farm.

Rebecca started working out at an early age helping out doing house work and helping invalid people. She was always cheerful and they always liked her company and friendship.

She worked at several places later. She worked at the Fosston potato plant for several years and for the Polk County Nursing Service as a Home Health Aide working with a RN with the County Nursing Service for 5 years and then later, took a job in the local hospital for 14 ½ years in the housekeeping area. Then she signed up for the Green Thumb program and worked in the Senior Craft doing sales work and bookkeeping for 8 years also helping one season at the elementary school library. After this time and thoughts for retiring, she worked part time at the Community Center. At the age of 80, she decided to retire.

Rebecca enjoyed flowers and shrubbery and kept up her yard. She enjoyed Country and Gospel Music.

Rebecca Married Edwin Rud in March 1940. They farmed for several years until they sold their farm and moved to Fosston. They became members of the Fosston Baptist Church. Edwin

passed away in February, 1983.

## Rebecca's Obituary Continued by Son Erwin Rud

Rebecca passed away from suddenly declining health on Sunday afternoon, November 28, 2021 at the age of 103 years, 6 months and 2 days.

During her life, Rebecca survived the first pandemic in 1918-1919, saw women get the right to vote in 1922, saw radios, phones and cars becoming new technologies, endured the economic hardships of the depression 1930's that had hot, dry summer weather and bitter cold winters including one deadly fall blizzard with her home farm family that had an older sister Evelyn, older brothers Harold, twins Carl and Clifford, Leonard and her own twin sister Ruth and a younger sister Helen. Then came the WWII years where two brothers served to stop world fascism, one of which survived 2 years in an Italian-German prison camp after a 1942 North African capture. Rebecca witnessed the first working vaccines for polio and rubella, a second ongoing pandemic with working vaccines, as well more technological advances like television, space travel and computers amidst the growing threats of climate change.

A daughter, Delores (Rud) Grundyson, was born in 1940 was and predeceased Rebecca in 2010. One other child, a surviving son Erwin Rud, was born in 1949. Both Erwin and a cat named Vicky Cat Rud, born in 2008, helped Rebecca during her later years both at home and after she went to First Care Living Center in 2016. They will miss Rebecca's ability to remember the many family birthdays

Also surviving are Delores' husband, Rebecca's son-in-law, Melford Grundyson, granddaughter Melanie (Grundyson) with Husband Mark and Great-Granddaughter, Melissa (Olinger) Skaalerud with husband Jonathan and 2 Great-Great grandchildren, Scarlett and Stellan; and a Grandson Perry Grundyson with his friend, Renee.

Son Erwin's children includes Rebecca's Granddaughter Kari (Rud) Schneckloth with husband Eric and Great-Grandson Samuel and Great-Granddaughter Alaina; Grandson Austen Rud with his friend, Susan; and Granddaughter Holly (Rud) Heinz with husband Jon.

Treated like her Children, Rebecca had 2 surviving nieces with Grace Borud and Sylvia (Borud) Larson and 2 nephews with Wesley Trulson and Maurice Borud, many other grand and great-grand nieces and nephews and in-law nieces and nephews.

Rebecca was the last of her third-generation Norwegian family that had been among the first settlers in the Columbia Township and Lengby areas. She was a beautiful person who will be missed by many she met in her life.



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## Pine Lake update!!

As we all prepare for the upcoming annual season opener of the 21/22 Cor PowerSports pro national xc race series at the Gerald Dyrda Memorial Pine Lake 200 things have been delayed all across the industry; parts, sleds, gear, and now we can add ice to that list of things delayed.

We have been working closely with Five Star Promotion group over the past couple weeks watching weather and ice conditions at Pine Lake, this past week we have seen things improve in both of those departments. Team Arctic racer Gunner Arlaud went out to Pine Lake yesterday to do some test holes for us and the report is 4-6 inches of ice in multiple areas. With that information we had a meeting last night with the Dyrda family to discuss options, do we stick with the original December 11-12 date as planned and pray that Mother Nature brings us the cold weather needed to make ice in the next two weeks or do we push the event back to a date we are confident that will have the conditions needed per our event permits to run the event??

Going off the current ice

report, long range forecasts, and talking within the group of our best options the decision has been made to move the Pine Lake 200 back one week to December 18-19, 2021. With that extra week we will have more cold weather moving in to allow the ice conditions to continue improving.

We do ask that ANY racer that is at Pine Lake testing in the next few weeks to refrain from testing in the areas of the pits and race course.

It is hard to believe that it has been 261 days from our season final checkered flag last March at the Naytahwaush Snodeo 200 but it will be a very quick 25 days from today until the first green flag of the 21/22 race season flies at the Gerald Dyrda Memorial Pine Lake 200!!

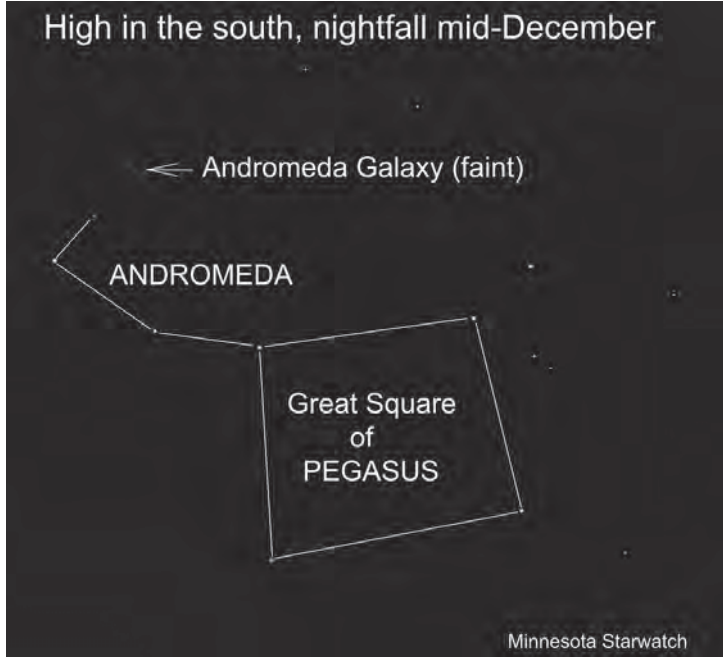
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21/22 Cor PowerSports membership packets will be available for pick up at Pine Lake.

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Kurt Ness was successful on his moose hunt in Canada.



### Minnesota Star Watch for December

By Deane Morrison  
After a long stint as an evening "star," Venus plunges into the sunset on its next trip between Earth and the sun. It's a short trip, though; in less than a month, Venus reappears in the morning sky.

Jupiter remains a beacon in the southwest, while dimmer Saturn shimmers to its lower right. But over the next couple of months they, too, will tumble over the horizon. Next year they will join Venus—and Mars—as morning planets.

The Great Square of Pegasus and the constellation Andromeda ride high in the south at nightfall. Andromeda is basically the line of stars extending from the Great Square's northeast corner. If you follow that line to the second star and take a 90-degree right turn, you'll see first a fainter star and then a fuzzy patch of light. This is the Andromeda Galaxy, the Milky Way's closest large neighbor. A star chart and binoculars will help.

In the east and southeast, the bright winter stars are making their annual grand entrance into the evening sky. You'll know the whole assembly has appeared when you see Sirius, the brightest star in the night sky, below hourglass-shaped Orion.

In the morning sky, Mars has begun a slow climb above the southeastern horizon. As New Year's Eve dawns, the Red Planet appears to the lower left of a thin waning moon. Almost directly below the moon glimmers Antares, the giant red star whose name means "rival of Mars."

On the 6th, a young moon and Venus form a celestial semicolon above the sunset horizon. The

moon goes on to hang below Saturn on the 7th and Jupiter on the 8th. December's full moon rises shortly before sunset on the 18th. Although it traces a high arc across the night sky, it will be near its maximum distance from Earth and so appear smaller than most full moons.

Winter arrives with the solstice at 9:59 a.m. on the 21st, when the sun reaches a point over the Tropic of Capricorn. At that moment an observer in space would see Earth lighted from the Arctic Circle down to the South Pole and up to the Antarctic Circle on the dark side of the planet.

### Northland Community & Technical College to Host Aerial Drone Competition

Northland Community & Technical College's aerospace site in Thief River Falls will welcome the community for a public open house on Saturday, December 11, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. In conjunction with this event, a first-of-its-kind to northwest Minnesota REC Foundation Aerial Drone Competition (RADC), the 2021-22 Challenge: Downdraft 2, will be held featuring high school students from across the region.

Visitors to this event can test their metal riveting skills, fly small drones, explore the world of virtual reality, and compete in a paper airplane creation and flying contest to win some Northland gear. Take the opportunity to sit in the cockpit in one of many aircraft, explore Northland's industry specific program offerings, and enjoy some refreshments.

Northland faculty, students, and staff will be on hand to speak to the opportunities available in the aerospace industry. This career field is in high demand, with a national outlook revealing a need for 192,000 qualified aircraft maintenance technicians between 2020 and 2039. This particular challenge is due to the aging workforce and overall shortage of trained technicians. These factors have aerospace employers investing in recruiting serious candidates within the first semester of college at Northland.

Along with the open house, up to 14 high school student teams will compete in the RADC 2021-22 Challenge. In this exciting competition, teams maneuver around obstacles and through gates to score as many points as possible and accumulate the highest score. Matches will begin at 9:30 a.m. and continue through the afternoon culminating with an awards ceremony at 3:00 p.m.

"The RADC competition is a great way to get kids involved in STEM in a new and exciting way. Teams show off not only their flying skills but their critical thinking, programming and communication skills as well," shared Zack Nicklin, Northland UAS Instructor. "This type of event is a gateway to finding passion in STEM and allows students to explore concepts that can ultimately lead to high tech and great paying jobs in the autonomous technology industry."

RADC fosters student development through teamwork, critical thinking, project management, and communication skills required to prepare them to become the next generation of innovators and problem solvers. Northland's aerospace site is an 86,000 square foot ultra-modern facility located at the Thief River Falls Airport and is host to \$18 million of unmanned aerial systems (UAS) and other industry-specific equipment.

The open house is free and open to the public, and the RADC Challenge welcomes spectators to cheer on the competing teams. For additional information, contact Zack Nicklin at zackary.nicklin@northlandcollege.edu or 218.683.8830; or visit www.northlandcollege.edu/aero-open-house.

Dear Friend:

Yet another busy week in D.C.! I participated in a Judiciary Committee Hearing on sexual harassment arbitration, and then a mark-up dealing with a bill on the issue. I met with so many great groups including the Values Action Team, the National Biodiesel Board, the National Barley Growers Association, the Boys and Girls Club, the American Israel Public Affairs Committee, the Federal Reserve Bank, the Southwest Minnesota Private Industry Council.

I also introduced the S.T.O.P the G.R.I.N.C.H. Act, along with Senator Mike Lee from Utah. Empty shelves and backlogged ports have wreaked havoc on American businesses and families over recent months. Inflation is at a 30-year high making holiday purchases and everyday necessities harder for Minnesota families to buy. This bill would ease supply-chain tensions, by streamlining or suspending certain federal regulations, specifically targeting needs in ports, shipping, and trucking.

Of course, the big news out of D.C. this week is that the Democrats' \$1.7 trillion social spending bill narrowly passed the House of Representatives. The spending in this bill will exacerbate already record-high inflation. It will increase tax audits on small businesses. It provides amnesty and payouts to illegal immigrants. It does not have Hyde Amendment protections included anywhere, directly acting against the millions of Americans who do not want their tax dollars to fund abortions. And, the tax cuts in this bill will overwhelmingly favor the very wealthy, while middle-income households are likely to see an increase in their taxes. This bill is not what the country needs now and it proves how little regard Democrats in Washington have for the American people.

#### This Week in Ag

The House Agricultural Subcommittee on Commodity Exchanges, Energy, and Credit (CEEC), of which I'm the Ranking Member, held a hearing on the renewable economy in rural America. I had the opportunity to ask panelists about economic impacts of the biofuel industry, the economic and environmental benefits of the U.S. bioeconomy, and bioproducts. You can watch my opening statement here.

Interview with "At the Table" by Medical Alley  
Medical Alley invited me to be a part of their latest episode

of their podcast, "At the Table". Jessica and I had a nice conversation about my time in office so far, and about some of the serious challenges facing rural Minnesota like the need for strong communities, rural broadband for increased telemedicine capabilities, and ways to address workforce shortages. You can listen to the whole interview here.

#### Small Business

##### Week Awards 2022

The U.S. Small Business Administration is now accepting nominations for the 2022 National Small Business Week (NSBW) Awards. These awards recognize achievements of SBA-assisted small businesses and the contributions they have made to their communities and our nation's economy. You can nominate for any of the following categories:

- Small Business Person of the Year
- Small Business Exporter of the Year
- Phoenix Awards for Disaster Recovery (and all awards in this category)
- Federal Procurement Awards (and all awards in this category)
- Awards to SBA Resource Partners (and all awards in this category)
- Small Business Investment Company of the Year

For more information, and to make a nomination, please visit the SBA website. Nominations can be submitted electronically by January 11, 2022 and awards will be presented during the NSBW Awards Ceremony in the first week of May 2022. For more information on SBA assistance, click here.

Thank you Howard Olson and Randy Aberle from AgCountry for coming to testify at the Subcommittee on Commodity Exchanges, Energy, and Credit (CEEC) hearing on the renewable economy in rural America.

We were lucky to have Minnesota Ag and Rural Leadership in town this week for a great meeting on important issues like broadband access, keeping the FARM in the Farm Bill, and drought recovery.

Students from The Southwest MN Christian School came to visit with me on their trip to Washington, DC!

#### Coming Up

As always, my office is open and ready to serve constituents of Minnesota's Seventh Congressional District! Please do not hesitate to get in touch if there is anything I can do to help.

Sincerely,

Michelle Fischbach  
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