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Garden Valley Education Foundation provides \$5,000 technology grant to Bagley High School

The Garden Valley Education Foundation recently presented a \$5,000 technology grant to Bagley High school for the purchase of a 3D Printer. Michael Malterud, Industrial Technology Teacher, has the knowledge needed to teach the students to problem-solve and think outside of the box when it comes to working with the 3D printer designs. Tyler and Alexis, both 7th graders at the

high school are excited about the 3D technology and have already begun creating projects.

Garden Valley CEO/General Manager Tim Brinkman and Garden Valley Director Al Paulson presented the technology grant check to Bagley Superintendent Steve Cairns, Principal David Gouch, and Industrial Technology Teacher Michael Malterud.

The Garden Valley Educa-

tion Foundation was established in late 1990, by Garden Valley Telephone Company, to promote rural economic development through the use of modern telecommunications technology for educational purposes. Garden Valley Telephone Company funds the Education Foundation with unclaimed capital credits.

Garden Valley is a progressive telecommunications company serving 24 exchanges and

surrounding communities in beautiful northwest Minnesota since 1906. Garden Valley is a member-owned cooperative providing business and residential consumers with advanced integrated communications solutions; high speed Internet, Digital HD TV, Security, 4G LTE Cellular, Smart Home technology and Voice services. Your Technology Leader.



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Garden Valley Director Al Paulson, Garden Valley CEO/General Manager Tim Brinkman, Bagley High School students Alexis Egelend and Tyler Hamen, along with Bagley High School Industrial Technology Teacher Michael Malterud are shown by the 3D printer.



NELL Program: The Conservation Treatment of Fine Art at the Minnesota State Capitol

As part of the restoration of the State Capitol, all of the fine art in the building was evaluated and, as needed, treated to restore and preserve it for future generations. This project took more than three years to complete.

This program will begin with Denis Gardner, Minnesota Historic Preservation National Register Historian, providing some background and context for the art – what it is and how it got there. Bob Herskovitz,

Minnesota Historical Society's Outreach Conservator, will follow with an illustrated talk describing and showing the process and results - how it was done and what the art looks like now. The program will begin at 9:30 am at the Bagley American Legion.

NELL programs are free and open to all ages.

For more information contact Tamara Edevold, program coordinator at 694-2856

Mathis and Linder Re-elected to Square Butte Board

Grand Forks, ND. Gary Mathis, Gonvick, was re-elected to the board of directors of Square Butte Electric Cooperative at the cooperative's annual meeting held April 7, 2017. Mathis represents Clearwater-Polk Electric Cooperative, Bagley, MN on the 11-member Square Butte board.

Square Butte is a generation and transmission cooperative that sells wholesale power to Minnkota Power Cooperative, Inc, Grand Forks, and Minnesota Power, Duluth. Square Butte and Minnkota share common management and are owned by the same 11 electric cooperatives in Eastern North Dakota and Northwestern Minnesota.



Gary Mathis, Gonvick



Steve Linder, Oklee

Grand Forks, ND - Steve Linder, Oklee, Minn., was re-elected to the board of directors of Square Butte Electric Cooperative at the cooperative's annual meeting held April 7, 2017.

Linder represents Red Lake Electric Cooperative, Red Lake Falls, Minn., on the 11-member Square Butte board.

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Friday Night Out workers (from left) Renee Hutchens, Eileen Lien and Teri Godtland smiling in spite of the hair nets!

A Taste of Greece in Gonvick at Friday Night Out Event

Friday Night Out at Clear Waters Life Center (CWLC) is becoming the thing to do the first Friday of each month. April's dinner featured Greek cuisine prepared with the assistance of guest chef, Dave Vasilakes, and his daughter, Katie. Everything was homemade from the gyro meat to the baklava. Each dinner event serves multiple purposes in keeping with CWLC's mission as a faith-based community of people providing a place to impart hope and enrich the lives of individuals and families.

Friday Night Out events bring life and activity which are seen in the smiles and heard in the laughter and conversation. They are an opportunity for community-building where individuals and families of diverse backgrounds, from our guests to our volunteers, come together and enjoy one another's company. It takes a team of volunteers who laugh, talk, and enjoy one another's company as they work together to pull off each dinner. We invite you to join us for one month or every month to become part of our community-

building volunteer team.

In addition, the dinners provide vocational experience for our Mustard Seed Homes residents, from food prep and operating commercial kitchen equipment to serving and "people" skills. Our commercial kitchen allows for the development of food service skills in a realistic environment. Finally, the financial donations help us continue our programming and maintain our buildings. With the help of Thrivent's Action Team program, we have been able to keep costs down while providing high quality food.

May's Friday Night Out will celebrate Cinco de Mayo with Mexican cuisine: chips & salsa, tortilla soup, chicken/beef enchiladas, Mexican rice with black beans, fried ice cream, and beverages. Serving is 5:00 to 7:00 PM at 226 Elm St., Gonvick. Reservations are suggested because seating is limited. Call 218-776-2789 or e-mail cwlc@gvtel.com. To learn more about CWLC visit our website, www.clearwaterslife.org, or follow us on Facebook.

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Friday Night Out with one of our Mustard Seed residents working alongside Dave Vasilakes, our guest chef.

Polk County Sheriff's office taking unwanted drugs

Fosston, MN – On Saturday, April 29, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. the Polk County Sheriff's Office and the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) will give the public its 13th opportunity in 7 years to prevent pill abuse and theft by ridding their homes of potentially dangerous expired, unused, and unwanted prescription drugs. Bring your pills for disposal to the Fosston Law Enforcement Center located at 220 E. 1st St. (The DEA cannot accept liquids or needles or sharps, only pills or patches.) The service is free and anonymous, no questions asked.

Last October, Americans turned in 366 tons (over 730,000 pounds) of prescription drugs at almost 5,200 sites operated by the DEA and more than 4,000 of its state and local law enforcement partners. Overall, in its 12 previous Take Back events, DEA and its partners have taken in over 7.1 million pounds—more than 3,500 tons—of pills.

This initiative addresses a vital public safety and public health issue. Medicines that languish in home cabinets are highly susceptible to diversion, misuse, and abuse. Rates of prescription drug abuse in the U.S. are alarmingly high, as are the number of accidental poisonings and overdoses due to these drugs. Studies show that a majority of abused prescription drugs are obtained from family and friends, including from the home medicine cabinet. In addition, Americans are now advised that their usual methods for disposing of unused medicines—flushing them down the toilet or throwing them in the trash—both pose potential safety and health hazards.

For more information about the disposal of prescription drugs or about the April 29 Take Back Day event, go to the DEA Diversion website or the Polk County Website located at www.co.polk.mn.us/sheriff.

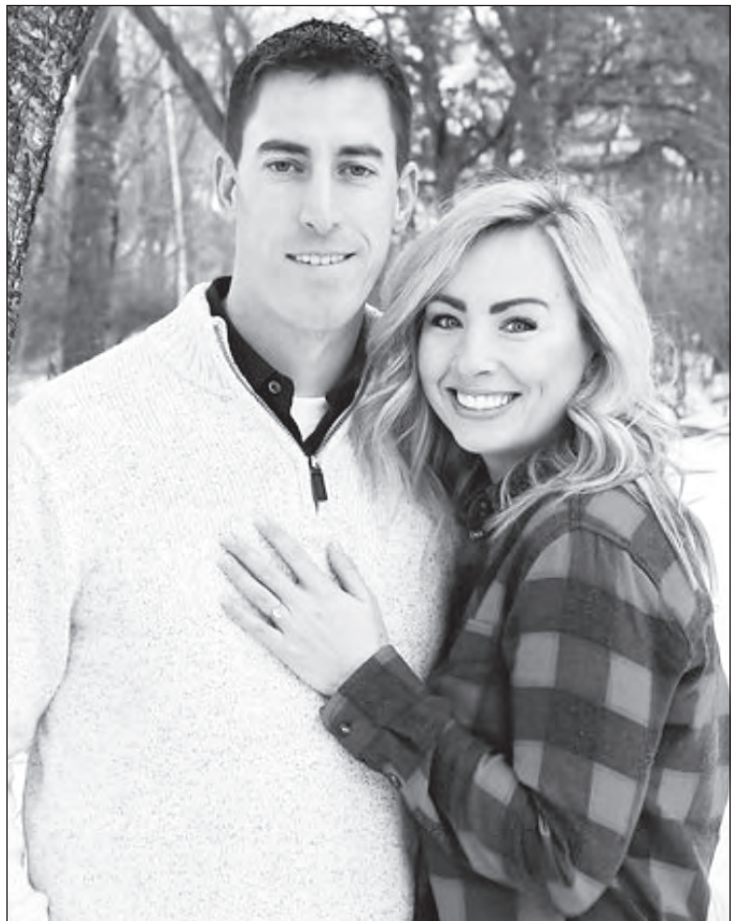


Podnar-Whalen Wedding

Jenna Lynn Podnar and Stephen Gregory Whalen were united in the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony on March 17, 2017 at two o'clock in the afternoon at St. Louis Catholic Church in Luxemburg, WI. Officiating the ceremony was Fr. John Van Deuren. A seated dinner and reception followed the ceremony at Brett Farve's Steakhouse in Green Bay, WI.

Jenna is the daughter of Dale

& Cyndi Podnar of Luxemburg, WI and Stephen is the son of Greg & Deb Whalen of Oklee, MN. Both the bride and groom graduated from the University of Minnesota Crookston with majors and minors in the agricultural field. Jenna and Stephen are employed by Dakota Agronomy Partners of Minot. The couple reside in Glenburn, ND.



Rodewald/Bachand announce Engagement and Wedding

Katie Rodewald and Mark Bachand announce their engagement and upcoming marriage.

Katie, the daughter of Billy and Renee Rodewald of Andover, MN is a graduate of Upper Valley Iowa University in Fayette, IA. She is currently employed in IT at Bluestem Brands, Inc. in Eden Prairie, MN.

Mark, the son of David and Mary Lynn Bachand of Oklee, MN is a graduate of St. John's University in Collegeville, MN. He is employed as an accountant at Element Financial, Eden Prairie, MN.

Their wedding is planned for May 13th, 2017 at St. Bartholomew Catholic Church, Wayzata, MN.

To whomever stole our car trailer at Pine Lake on or about April 17...

Take care of it ... we bought it from a dear, dear dying relative.

Now you are wanted for a felony charge and it only gets worse.

If you have it in your heart to return it in same condition, no charges will be filed. I don't think you want prison in your future. I think freedom would be the right choice.

Hopefully if anyone else knows anything about this trailer and/or 2 propane tanks, please contact **Sheriff's Dept., 218-694-6226.**

Gully Day is set for July 22, 2017

Mark your calendars and get ready for another fun filled day in Gully. The date is Saturday, July 22, with activities planned from 9 am to midnight. Remember Albert Mikeesh? He will be there. Also for a few laughs "Milo and Silo" will be on stage. Then the North and South will again try their luck at the Knowledge Bowl and the Tug of War. Lots more is still in the planning stage.

You won't want to miss it so be sure and save the date.

Sound Off, combat veterans support group at Sanford Bemidji

Sanford Bemidji offers a support group, Sound Off, for combat veterans. It is held from 5 to 7 p.m. the first and third Tuesday each month at Sanford Bemidji Medical Center's Conference Room A, located immediately to the right through the hospital's main east entrance. The group will meet next on May 2 and May 16.

The group is free and open to men and women from all branches of service, regardless of conflict or disaster. It is facilitated by Billy Benso, United States Marine Corps (USMC) combat veteran, and Mike Sletta, behavioral health triage therapist at Sanford Bemidji.

The group provides members with a safe and confidential place to openly discuss personal issues and how their combat experience impacts their daily life. "Post-traumatic stress disorder, or PTSD, is a condition many veterans struggle with after traumatic experiences such as combat or disaster," said Sletta. "What we want our vets to know is that it's real, you are not alone, and help is out there with groups like ours."

The support group can help veterans learn that:

- Combat did change them
- No matter what they do, they can't change what they've experienced
- Drugs, alcohol, isolation and denial don't work as coping behaviors
- With support of other combat vets, they can learn to live with PTSD

Any veteran interested in attending can simply show up at the scheduled meeting time.

Call 218-333-5165 or 218-333-2582 to learn more.

Speakers on Creating Caring Communities in Red Lake Falls, May 9

Speakers from NAMI Minnesota (National Alliance on Mental Illness) will present "Creating Caring Communities" in Red Lake Falls on May 9. Learn about mental illnesses, the impact of negative attitudes and five things each of us can do to make Minnesota a better place for people who experience a mental illness. The free program is open to the public and will be presented from 11:00-11:45 a.m. at Red Lake Falls Community Center, 107 Champagne Ave. For information, call Brianna Libby at 651-645-2948 x128.

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Open house planned April 27 for Highway 2 and 197 projects in Bemidji

BEMIDJI, Minn. – Residents and business owners are invited to attend an open house on Thursday, April 27 to learn about repairs and improvements the Minnesota Department of Transportation is making with projects on Highway 2 and Highway 197/Bemidji Avenue in Bemidji.

The open house will be held from 2 to 5 p.m. at the Tourist Information Center, near the Paul and Babe statues on the shore of Lake Bemidji, 300 Bemidji Avenue North.

The Highway 2 bypass project includes resurfacing and bridge repairs. It is scheduled to begin May 15, weather permitting.

Most of the project will be done under traffic, but staged detours are required as crews repair two bridges located on the northern portion of the bypass:

- Stage one: Highway 71 southbound bridge connection to the bypass. Detour south on Highway 197/Bemidji Avenue through Bemidji.
- Stage two: Highway 2 northbound bridge connection to westbound Highway 2. Detour onto Highway 71 exit, then west onto Highway 2.

Resurfacing on Highway 197/Bemidji Avenue, from Third Street NW to Seventh Street SE, is tentatively scheduled to begin July 10. The project will be done under traffic and motorists can expect lane closures and delays during peak travel times.

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New Sanford Bemidji program offers help to pregnant women with addiction

BEMIDJI, Minn. – Sanford Bemidji has established a new voluntary treatment program for pregnant women struggling with addiction. The Sanford Bemidji Medication Assisted Therapy (MAT) Clinic is designed for those with opioid use disorder, whether prescription pain pills or heroin.

The Sanford team of experts offers compassionate care for those on the journey to recovery. The program will help women:

- Treat physical dependence on opioids
- Reduce cravings

Gonvick Fire Department SPRING FUNDRAISER

Sat., April 29, 2017
from 5:00 - 8:00

FAMOUS PULLED PORK DINNER

AT THE Gonvick Fire Department

All area residents and landowners are invited

Stockholders Approve Merger of Farm Credit Associations

(Fargo, N.D.)(April 19, 2017) – Stockholders have approved a merger proposal bringing together two Farm Credit organizations serving Minnesota, North Dakota and Wisconsin. AgCountry Farm Credit Services and United FCS will merge under the name AgCountry Farm Credit Services, beginning July 1.

The new organization will operate in 65 counties through 38 offices in parts of Minnesota, North Dakota and Wisconsin. Headquartered in Fargo, N.D., the Association will serve nearly 18,000 customer-members, and have approximately \$7.2 billion in assets.

"We believed from the beginning that the culture, values, and vision of both cooperatives

made this a natural fit," said Greg Nelson and Brad Sunderland, – who serve as board chairs for AgCountry Farm Credit Services and United FCS, respectively. "We would like to thank the stockholders from both organizations for their participation in the voting process and recognizing that this merger will help us better serve agriculture and rural America."

"Since merger discussions began last year, our goal has been to build on the strengths of both organizations to best serve the needs of our members," says Bob Bahl, AgCountry CEO. "In merging these two associations, we are positioned for even greater success and a strong, bright future."

Mandy Roiland

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The program provides medication for treating opioid dependence, as well as confidential group therapy three days per week at the Upper Mississippi Mental Health Center. Women will receive education, help with transportation, prenatal care planning, home visits and visits with Sanford pediatricians after their baby arrives. Anyone can remain in the program after her baby's birth as long as she follows the guidelines.

The MAT Clinic is located within the Sanford Health Pediatric Clinic, located at 1611 Anne St. N.W., Bemidji. For more information contact the clinic at 218-333-5289, or call Ali at 218-333-6509 or Kellie at 218-333-5821.

This project is a part of Sanford Health's First Steps to Healthy Babies collaborative with Beltrami County and Red Lake Family and Children's Services, and it was made possible by PrimeWest Health's Community Reinvestment Grant Program.

Level 3 Offender Taken into custody over the weekend

Level 3 predatory offender Michael James Costa was taken into custody

in California over the weekend. Costa was on fugitive status after absconding from his supervised release in Rochester, Minn. Intelligence information led investigators to California, where with the assistance of local law enforcement, Costa was arrested near Van Nuys. He is currently in custody in the Metropolitan Detention Center in Los Angeles. No further information is available at this time. The Minnesota Department of Corrections would like to thank law enforcement in Minnesota and California, the public and the media for their help in this search.



Mugshot

Costa has a criminal history that includes two convictions for criminal sexual conduct against known juvenile females – in 2004 and 2012. He also has two convictions for failing to register as a predatory offender.

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Saturday, May 6th, 5:00-8:00 p.m. at the **Oklee Hall**

Meal is free will donation and will include spaghetti, breadsticks, salad, juice, coffee and a bar.

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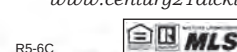
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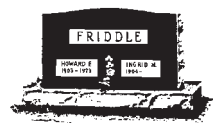
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OBITUARIES



Services for George E. Postier

George E. Postier died peacefully Thursday, April 13, 2017, at the Sanford Medical Center in Bemidji, MN.

George was born on Dec. 23, 1944, in Bagley, MN, to Graydon and Sophie (Lundin) Postier. He was baptized and confirmed in the Lutheran faith at the Augustana Lutheran Church in Clearbrook. He was raised on the family farm and attended the Rydeen School; Clearbrook High School, graduating in 1962; and the University of Minnesota. During school George participated in 4-H, baseball and football.

George began his working career as a Production Control Manager with Sperry Univac in St. Paul, Minnesota in the late '60's. George moved with the company to Clearwater, Florida in the mid '70s and then to Pueblo, Colorado in the mid '80's when the company was purchased by Unisys. In 1995 the company was purchased by Lockheed Martin and at that time George moved back to Clearwater, Florida and later to Greenville, South Carolina until his retirement in 2000. George loved his work and the friends he made there. After retirement he moved back to Clearbrook to raise his chil-

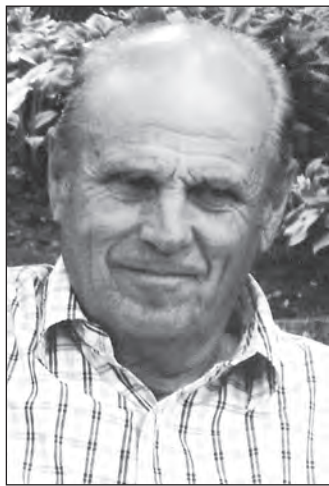
dren and assist his parents. In retirement, George was an active member of the community, worked part-time at Granley's, and served as the mayor of Clearbrook. He dedicated his spare time to the construction and completion of the Clearbrook Veterans Memorial which honors those who served in the Armed Forces. He loved to play golf and was an avid reader with an extensive book collection. George was a huge Minnesota Twins and Colorado Rockies fan, had a passion for cooking, happy hour, and traveling near and far to visit family and friends.

He is lovingly remembered by his children, Austin Postier, Clearbrook, MN; Ashley (Dustin) Thorson, Green Valley, AZ; Amber Elliott, Rochester, NH; grandchildren, Cecelia, Gabriel and Bryson Thorson; sister, Nancy (Andrew) Overby, Harmony, MN; brother, Steve Postier, Harlingen, TX; nieces, Sarah (Jim Wilwerding) Overby, Freeport, MN; Chris (Derrick) Hongerholt, New Market, MN; Jennifer Overby, Apache Junction, AZ.; aunts, Amy (Postier) McQuillan, Oakdale, MN; Alvera Lundin, Bloomington, MN; numerous cousins, great nieces, nephews and many good friends.

George is preceded in death by his longtime partner Brandie (Santistevan) Elliott, his parents and grandparents.

A Celebration of Life service will be held on Saturday, May 13, 2017 at 2:00 PM in Clearbrook, MN at the Clearbrook Community Center with Pastor Bob Kirchner officiating. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service. Burial will follow at a later date with a private ceremony at the Augustana Cemetery in Clearbrook, MN.

In lieu of flowers, memorials are preferred. Memorials will be donated to the Clearbrook Veterans Memorial.



Services held for Ernest Roragen

Ernest Roragen, age 91, of Moorhead, MN, formerly Bejou, MN, passed away Wednesday, April 19, 2017, at Eventide in Moorhead, MN.

Ernest Stanley Roragen, the son of Peder and Ella (Handeland) Roragen, was born on April 30, 1925 at home in Bejou Township. He was baptized and confirmed his faith at Faaberg Lutheran Church in Rindahl, MN. Ernie attended school at Bejou and Mahanomen High School. Following a serious accident, Ernie's dad had an extended hospitalization and was unable to farm. Ernie quit school at age 15 to take over the farming operation.

On November 12, 1949, Ernie was united in marriage to Lucille Barlund at Dove Lutheran Church in Winger. The couple lived on his parents' farm for two years, then purchased his grandparents' farmstead, where they made their home until relocating to Moorhead, MN, in 2015.

Ernie loved the farm and farming. Over the years he had both dairy and beef cattle as well as growing a variety of grains. He never shied away from the work that was needed to make a successful harvest. Despite being very busy with his own farming, he was always ready and willing to help a friend or neighbor in need. In 1969, Ernie went back to school and success-

fully obtained his GED. He was proud to have completed his education.

In retirement, Ernie continued to enjoy farming on a smaller scale with gardening and mowing lawns. He enjoyed spending time with his family. He taught his grandchildren to drive in the fields using the Datsun pickup. In his free time, Ernie enjoyed reading, listening to old time music and coffee time with friends at the local cafes. He enjoyed traveling and took many trips with family and friends, including a Scandinavian tour. Ernie was a proud husband, father, grandfather, brother and uncle. His memory will be cherished.

Ernie's family is truly thankful for the wonderful care provided by staff at Eventide on 8th and Hospice of the Red River Valley. Words cannot express the gratitude they have for each of the tender and loving people that surrounded Ernie at the time of his need.

Ernie is survived by his wife, Lucille of Moorhead; three daughters: Nancy (David) Kruse of West Fargo, ND, Jane (Robert) Iverson of Glyndon, MN, and Sandy Olson of Lakeville, MN; two sisters, Pearl Uhlir of Pelican Rapids, MN and Esther Bragot of Crystal, MN; four grandsons: Brian (Jessica Camara Saenz) Iverson of Logrono, Spain, Brad (Sarah) Iverson of Bloomington, MN, Darren (Alicia) Kruse of West Fargo, and Justin (Amy Ambuehl) Kruse of Fargo; and five great grandchildren: Max, Elise, Ted, Quinn, and Henry.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother, Ervin.

A Memorial Service for Ernest was held at the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Bejou, MN, starting at 11:00am on Monday, April 24, 2017. Inurnment was held at the Bejou City Cemetery.

Arrangements entrusted to Anderson Family Funeral Home in Mahanomen.

Online website: www.andersonfamilyfh.com



Obituary for Rae (Winter) Werner

Rae Marie (Winter) Werner was born on February 27, 1962 to Duane George and Verna Jean (Albaugh) Winter in Hallock, Minnesota where she was baptized into the Christian faith. She was confirmed at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Clearbrook, Minnesota. She graduated from Clearbrook High School in 1980. She attended St. Cloud Vocational School where she received a degree for child care. She received her BA degree in Sandpoint, Idaho and graduated from Eastern Washington University with her Masters degree in Early Childhood Special Education.

Rae came to Pipestone, Minnesota for a position with the Pipestone Area School District as an Early Childhood Special Education Teacher. She taught for over 20 years in the Pipestone school district. Rae loved all the "kiddos" that she taught throughout the years and would have brought each and every one of them home with her if she could have. She loved them dearly.

Rae and Steve were married at First Lutheran Church in Pipestone on July 20, 1996. After their marriage, they moved to Postville, Iowa where she was employed for a service coop in the special education field. They were in Iowa for three years before moving back to Pipestone where Rae was again em-

ployed by the Pipestone Area Schools as an early childhood special education teacher. Rae continued her education and received a degree as an elementary principal. She didn't pursue this option as she wanted to remain a teacher to be more connected to her students. To this union, they have three children: Dusti Rae, Jeffrey and Michelle. During the years in Pipestone, Rae and Steve became foster parents for several years. They were blessed to be able to help several children throughout the years.

On September 26, 2012, Rae was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer. She had a whipple surgery and went into remission for a short period of time before the cancer came back. She took 28 different rounds of chemotherapy and was always looking for other options to help her deal with her cancer. Rae was a fighter and battled her cancer hard until the fight finally became too much for her to handle.

Rae's special place was the lake home that they have on Lake Shetek. She loved the peacefulness of the lake. Rae entered into home hospice on Good Friday, April 14, 2017 and passed away on April 23, 2017 at the age of 55 years, one month and 26 days.

Rae was a member of First Lutheran Church in Pipestone. She was very strong in her faith.

She is lovingly remembered by her husband, Steve; her daughter, Dusti Rae (Chase) Sabers of Sioux Falls, South Dakota; her son, Jeffrey Werner of Marshall, Minnesota; her daughter, Michelle (Shelly) Werner of Marshall, Minnesota; her sister, Cindy Lou (Elvin) Erickson of Trail, Minnesota; her brother, Wayne Allen (Clint Berg) Winter of Palm Springs, California; and numerous other relatives and friends. She is preceded in death by her mother, Verna Jean in 1992; and her father, Duane George in 2015.

There will be a Celebration of Life service in Clearbrook, Minnesota, at a later date.



Services for Donald Nelson

Donald Nelson of Newfolden, MN passed away on Friday, April 21, 2017 at the Thief River Care Center in Thief River Falls, MN surrounded by his loving family.

Memorial service will be held on Saturday, April 29, 2017 at 2:00 PM in Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Newfolden, MN with Reverend Cathie Rhodes and Ollie Urdahl Officiating. Burial will be held at St. Edwards Catholic Cemetery at Strandquist, MN.

Visitation will be held on Friday, April 28, 2017, 5 – 8 PM with a 7 PM prayer service at Johnson Funeral Service in Thief River Falls, MN and also one hour prior to the service on Saturday at the church.

Donald Nels Nelson was born April 10, 1930 at Bagley, MN son of Nels and Eva (Willard) Nelson. He was baptized and confirmed at the Mission Church in Newfolden, MN. He attended Blackbird Country School in Newfolden.

He entered the US Army on November 29, 1951 and served in the Korean War and was honorably discharged on November 6, 1953. Following his discharge he returned to Newfolden and worked various jobs in the area.

On September 6, 1954 he was united in marriage to Mildred Veselka at St. Edwards Catholic Church

in Strandquist, MN. To this union 6 children were born. The couple resided in Newfolden until Mildred's death in 1996. He lived in Newfolden until 1997. On June 27, 1998 Donald was united in marriage to Juliet Larson at Greenbush, MN. They spent the summers at Birch Beach on Lake of the Woods and the winters in Apache Junction, AZ. In the fall of 2012 Don moved back to Newfolden where he has resided since.

He worked for Roy Benson and Son's for 25 years and also worked for Strata Corporation for 25 years, retiring in 2005. Don enjoyed summer fishing, playing cards, spending time with his children and grandchildren and was a pro at horse shoes and the bean bag toss game. He was a member of the Newfolden Lions and the Middle River Legion #444 for 65 years. He enjoyed tinkering and working outdoors, especially in his yard. He always loved to tell a good joke. He took pride in being Jay's right hand man. Don enjoyed the time spent at the Newfolden Senior Citizen Center.

Don is survived by his six children Donovan Nelson of Gillette, WY, Marla Augustine (Special friend Jimmy Olson) of Holt, MN, Darwin (Sue) Nelson of Newfolden, MN, Nancy (Danny) Engen of Newfolden, MN, Jay Nelson of Newfolden, MN, Jodi (Doug) Schulz of Grygla, MN, stepson Jay (Carolyn) Larson of Grand Forks, ND, grandchildren Matt (Trisha) Augustine, Mark (Miki) Augustine, Holly Augustine, Aaron (Cassie) Nelson, Amanda Nelson, Shayla (Tom) Heaton, Davis Engen, Ethan and Leah Schulz; Step-grandson Jake Larson; Great-grandchildren Kaydena, Kelby, Karmyn and Addison Augustine, Talan Zabriskie, Damian Jourdain, Aubrey Heaton; sister Delores Westerlund.

He is preceded in death by his wives Mildred (1996) and Juliet (2015), his parents, mother and father in law, brothers Kenneth, Art and Edwin; son-in-law Eldon Augustine (2012).

Get the facts on life insurance policies

Few people want to face their own mortality when they are in the prime of their lives. However, thinking ahead and making advanced plans can save family members considerable heartache.

Life insurance policies can help men and women make things easier for their spouses, children or siblings. Life insurance provides financial security in the event of a person's death. Such insurance is a key element of estate planning and something all adults must consider.

It's smart to purchase life insurance at a relatively young age because the cost can be lower. Some people put off the process because it can be overwhelming. But Forbes magazine advises that once a person does a little research and learns the terminology associated with life insurance, choosing a policy is not so difficult.

Determine the amount of insurance you will need. Make a list of expected expenses after you pass away. These may include any residual mortgage payments, school tuitions, automotive payments, or funeral expenses. In addition, approximate how much your family will need to live comfortably in your absence. Online calculators can help determine life insurance coverage needs. The New York Life Insurance Company says a quick way to figure out how much coverage you may need is to take your annual salary and multiply it by eight.

Decide on the type of policy. Life insurance policies come in two broad categories: term and whole life. Term life insurance may be less expensive upfront, as it only provides coverage for a set number of years. It will only pay out if the policy holder dies during this "term." Whole life insurance, also called "cash value," usually costs more, but accumulates a cash value that can be borrowed against, and

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it pays out whenever a person passes away.

Choose among reputable companies. You want to ensure the life insurance company you pick will be around for years and has a strong reputation, so give ample consideration to each company you explore before making a final decision.

Know the waiting period. Many policies establish a period of time on policies wherein there is very little cash-out value and the company will not pay out the full death benefit. This may be a year or two after opening the policy. Discuss this information with the insurance agent.

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Over 11,000 Students Participate in Minnesota State High School Clay Target League

Minneapolis, MN – 11,040 student participants from 343 high school teams are participating in the Minnesota State High School Clay Target League's (MNSHSCTL) 2017 spring season, which began April 2nd. Those are the highest numbers ever for the state, according to League officials. "This League continues to be the fastest-growing activity in Minnesota schools," said Jim Sable, Executive Director of the MNSHSCTL, "such high participation shows the continued demand for alternative high school activities related to Minnesota's longstanding outdoor traditions." The League's co-ed and adaptive nature are key attractions to high schools in Minnesota. The League is fully Title IX compliant with both male

and female athletes competing on the same team. Additionally, it's an 'adaptive' sport, which allows students with physical disabilities to take part.

Upon completion of the Spring League's regular season, all student athletes are invited to participate in individual and team competitions at the 2017 State Championships. The Trap Shooting Championship - the world's largest shooting sport event with about 7,000 competitors expected - is scheduled for June 12th-20th at the Alexandria Shooting Park, while the Skeet Championship will be held at the Minneapolis Gun Club in Prior Lake on June 25th.

The trap shooting season culminates with the State Tournament presented by the

Minnesota State High School League on June 24th in Prior Lake. The State Tournament provides the opportunity for the highest qualifying individuals and teams from the clay target league to compete for the ultimate recognition as Minnesota State High School League State Champions. The Minnesota State High School League was the first state high school interscholastic athletic association in the United States to provide support and recognition for a high school trap shooting state tournament. The Minnesota State High School Clay Target League attracts student athletes that have earned their firearm safety certification to participate in shooting sports while creating a "virtual" competition among high school teams throughout Minnesota at no cost to the schools. Family travel costs are minimal because practice and

competition are conducted at a shooting range near the school's location. The League is also the safest sport in high school, with no reported injuries since the inception of the League in 2001. Conferences are determined by team size rather than geographic location for fair competition. Athletes earn True Team® scoring points as determined by their performance and ranking against all athlete scores within their team's conference. The team score and overall standing are calculated by adding the earned points from qualifying athletes and posted on the League's website. Athletes and their families track their individual and team performance on their phone, tablet or computer via the Shooter Performance Tracker®.

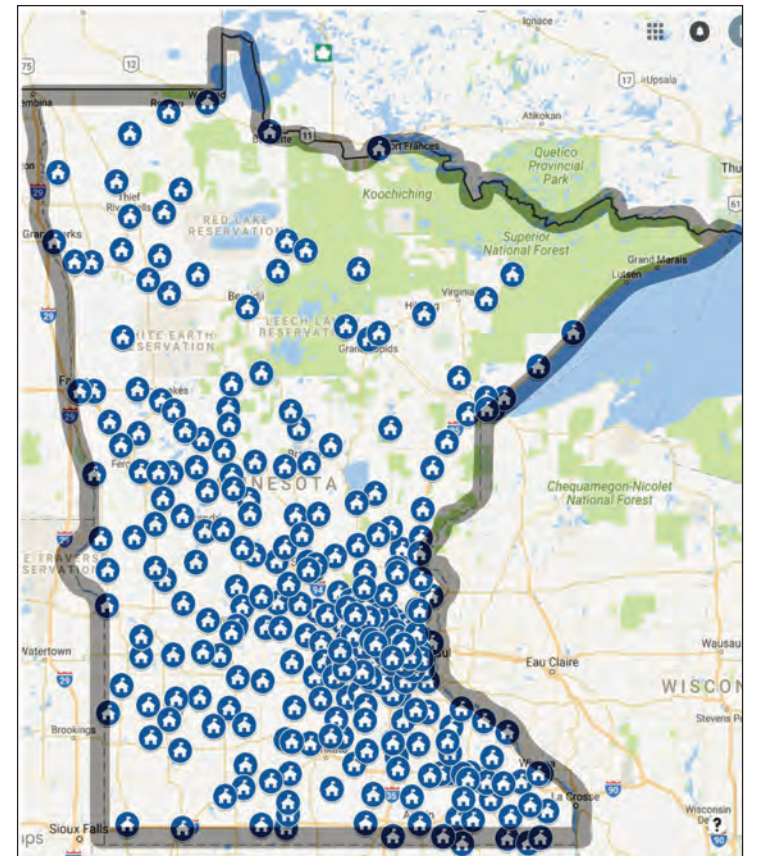
The Minnesota State High School Clay Target League is an affiliate of the USA High School Clay Target League, a 501(c)

(3) non-profit organization. The League is an independent provider of shooting sports as an extracurricular co-ed and adaptive activity for high schools and students in grades 6 through 12. The organization's priorities are safety, fun, and marksmanship – in that order. Nationwide, over 18,000 student athletes

representing over 600 school-approved teams participate in the League each year.

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