



Tri County Canary

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Holiday Showcase enjoyed by many

Friday, December 1 kicked off the Christmas season in Gonvick. Clear Waters Life Center renewed the annual Holiday Showcase that had been held in the Gonvick School gym in the 90's. It featured dinner and local talent and that is what happened on December 1.

They had an assortment of traditional international appetizers and desserts served buffet style. Clear Waters Life Center has been offering dinners on

Friday night from different cultures and this replaced that for their December event.

The theater group consisting of actors from fifth grade through adult age had a variety show that included vocalists and musicians from the area.

They featured Christmas traditions of Germany, Mexico, Sweden and Norway.

A live nativity scene was outside before the events started.

Photos courtesy of Carol Reed



Four who attended the Clear Waters Life Center Friday night received after dinner treats. From left to right: Terri Godtland, Fay Bjerke, Gary and Arlys Mathis.



Aaron Faltz, was part of the program at the Clear Waters Life Center dinner on Friday night, Dec. 1, playing "Carol of the Bells."



Pastor John and Tammy Ragan sang "In the Bleak Mid-Winter" and "O Come Little Children" for the over 200 who attended the Clear Waters Life Center dinner in Gonvick on Friday, December 1.



"Hallelujah Song Christmas" with unique music on glasses filled with various amounts of water was played by the FHL Academy. Included in the musical group were Elizabeth Becket, Rosie Cassibo, Carter Knutson, Dwayne Knutson, Elisabeth Paavola, Iris Paavola and Joy Paavola.



This quartet provided music for "Silent Night" at the Clear Waters Life Center Friday night International dinner. From left to right: Brian Engebretson, Arthur Cloud, Pastor Adam Krog and Nathan Engebretson.



Over 200 enjoyed the dinner put on by the Clear Waters Life Center in Gonvick on Friday, December 1. A center buffet for drinks and appetizers was available before the meal was served.

Structure Fire at Northern Plains Rail Service in Erskine



On Wednesday December 6th, a fire broke out at Northern Plains Rail Service in Erskine. Firemen from many departments helped fight the fire. A main building was completely destroyed by fire.



There were many different departments that were on scene to assist with the fire at Northern Plains Rail Service in Erskine last Wednesday including Erskine Fire Dept., Mentor Fire Dept., McIntosh Fire Dept., Essentia Ambulance and the Polk County Sheriff's Office.



Gerald Dyr Dahl Memorial- Pine Lake 200 Snowmobile Race RESCHEDULED

Only 7-10" of ice in nearly 30 locations around the lake as of Friday, Dec. 8, so therefore the race is rescheduled to December 30th and 31st. The forecast for cold weather earlier never happened, unfortunately.

Raffle tickets for the Arctic Cat 120 from Christian Brothers Racing, \$500.00 merchandise/parts certificates from Ski-doo, Polaris and Arctic Cat, as well as a Ruger American .17 HMR from Bagley Motorsports will be available at Sportsman's Lodge and Side Track Tap midweek. This raffle is a huge fundraiser so your support by purchasing tickets is greatly appreciated! Please spread the word and have a Merry Christmas everyone!

P.S. Sponsors are still needed!



Nate Chandler and Dale Volstad were in charge of the sound system at Clear Waters Life Center International Dinner held Friday night, December 1st.

Do you need help to heat your home?

Applications for the 2018 Energy Assistance Program are being taken by Inter-County Community Council. If you feel you may be eligible, either write to Inter-County Community Council/ P. O. Box 189/ Oklee, MN 56742, or phone (218) 796-5144 or 1-888-778-4008 and an application will be mailed to you. You may also access the Energy Assistance application form on our website: www.inter-countycc.org. Click on "Energy Assistance" then "Application."

Households may apply once during our program year of October 1, 2017 – May 31, 2018. Energy Assistance eligibility is based upon household income and household size. Both homeowners and renters may be eligible. Households who live in subsidized housing but pay either heat or electric costs may

also qualify. Subsidized housing residents who have both heat and electric costs included in their rent do not qualify for energy assistance.

Inter-County Community Council serves households located in East Polk, Pennington, and Red Lake Counties.

The eligibility guidelines for 3 month's gross income are listed below:

Household Size	Maximum Income
1	\$6,250
2	\$8,173
3	\$10,096
4	\$12,019
5	\$13,942
6	\$15,865

This program is funded by the Minnesota Dept. of Commerce and U.S. Dept. of Health & Human Services.

College News

Gebhardt recives MSU degree

Morgan Gebhardt, of Leonard, received her BA in English, Cum Laude from Minnesota State University.

Minnesota State University, Mankato will award 1,817 degrees at the end of the fall semester, with commencement ceremonies scheduled for 9 a.m. and noon Saturday, Dec. 9 in Taylor Center's Bresnan Arena on the Minnesota State Mankato campus.

Polk County Sheriff

Structure Fire

On 12/06/2017 at approximately 1500 hrs, the Polk County Sheriff's Office responded to a shop fire in Knute Township in the city of Erskine. No one was injured and the building was a total loss (unknown value at this time). The case is active and being investigated by the Fire Marshal. The property is owned by Northern Plains Rail Service.

Assisting agencies: Erskine Fire Dept., Mentor Fire Dept., McIntosh Fire Dept., Essentia Ambulance and the Polk County Sheriff's Office.

Sanford Bemidji Parent Connection

A support group for parents of kids with special health needs

BEMIDJI, Minn. – For a parent of a child with special health needs, it can be isolating. Many feel that no one else understands their struggles. But that is not the case, and Sanford Bemidji wants to bring those parents together in a support group called Parent Connection.

The group meets the last Thursday of every month from 5 to 6 p.m. in the 1611 Anne St., Clinic Conference Room. Free childcare is provided. An upcoming gathering takes place Dec. 28.

No registration is required. Visit sanfordhealth.org, keyword: Parent Connection for more information or contact Sanford Bemidji Children's Clinic, at (218) 333-4710.

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Red Nose Day donates \$10,000 to North Country Food Bank for child hunger programs!

Crookston, MN- December 8, 2017- North Country Food Bank received \$10,000 from Red Nose Day to fight child hunger in northwest and west central Minnesota. Funds raised by Red Nose Day support non-profits that work to lift children out of poverty. North Country, through its affiliation with Feeding America, was the recipient of \$10,000 from Red Nose Day. North Country will use these funds to fight child hunger throughout northwest and west central Minnesota.

"Many children in our communities struggle with hunger. These children often have little to no food to eat when they are not in school. These children face the reality – every day –

of not knowing when they will eat again, or where their next meal will come from. The Red Nose Day funds will help us make sure these children have enough to eat on evenings and weekends when school is not in session," said Susie Novak, executive director of North Country Food Bank, Inc.

North Country is grateful for the support of Red Nose Day, and the difference it will make to children struggling with hunger. "The generosity of Red Nose Day, and those who support it, will positively impact the lives of many children in the months ahead. It will give them a chance to focus on learning, do well in school, and most importantly, a chance to

succeed," said Novak.

For more information on how to get involved in the fight against hunger, please visit www.northcountryfoodbank.org

About North Country Food Bank, Inc.

North Country Food Bank, Inc. distributed over 8 million pounds of food last year to more than

220 hunger-relief agencies in a dedicated partnership to end hunger in northwest and west central Minnesota. North Country Food Bank was established in 1983, and has served communities in northwest and west central Minnesota for more than 34 years. For more information about North Country Food Bank, please visit www.northcountryfoodbank.org or call 218-281-7356.

The Tradition of the Epiphany

While some may think the holiday season ends once New Year's Day comes and goes, for Christians, the season continues into January with the feast of the Epiphany.

The Epiphany occurs 12 days after Christmas, which falls on January 6 (or January 19 for some Orthodox churches that celebrate Christmas on January

7). The Epiphany celebrates the Three Kings, also known as the Three Wise Men, who visited Jesus shortly after his birth.

The Epiphany is celebrated by Catholics and Orthodox Christians. Among Hispanics, the day is known as El Día de los Reyes.

Many traditions are included in Epiphany celebrations. According to the Center for Christian Ethics at Baylor University, three historical traditions of the Epiphany include baking a "Kings' Cake," marking a door lintel with the Magi's blessing, and participating in worship with lighted candles. Some families also exchange gifts on the Epiphany to commemorate the gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh that the Three Wise Men presented to Jesus upon arriving at the manger.

the year, followed by the initials of the Magi - Caspar, Melchior and Balthazar - followed by the last digits of the year. For 2018 the formula should read: 20+C+M+B+18. Others believe the letters represent the abbreviation of the Latin phrase "Christus mansionem benedicat," or "May Christ bless the house."

King cakes

King cakes vary by region. In Spain, local bakers make a special ring-shaped roll. In France, it is a flat almond cake with a toy crown cooked inside. In Mexico, bakers put a figure of Baby Jesus inside a cake. The person who finds the figure is awarded the honor of baking or providing the cake for the following year and hosting the Epiphany celebration.

Lighting candles

Individuals are urged to keep candles lit on the Epiphany. This is to symbolize how Jesus' presence on Earth was comparable to light entering a darkened world.

The arrival of the New Year beckons an important religious celebration that extends the magic of the Christmas season.

To the family and friends that put on the benefit for me and my family. And to the people who attended, donated and the many welcomed visits. Also to the wonderful businesses in the area that donated items for the silent auction.

Thank you so very much for all the support.

Dale and Shelley Brekke

★ **NOTICE** ★

Red Lake Rosie's Rescue, Inc. program serves only residents of the Red Lake and White Earth Reservations and **does NOT** provide for animal surrender dogs or cats or clinic services outside the reservations in neighboring communities of Gully, Gonvick, Clearbrook, or Bagley.

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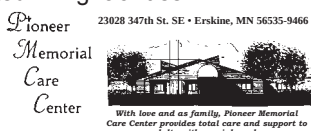
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R38-38C

CLEARWATER COUNTY ATTORNEY

Job Title: Clearwater County Attorney

Job Description: We are seeking a County Attorney applicant who will be responsible for handling juvenile delinquency matters; child support enforcement; criminal prosecution and other areas statutorily imposed upon County Attorneys. Applicants must be admitted to the practice of law in the State of Minnesota and have solid research and writing skills together with prior advocacy experience. Please email a cover letter and resume, along with other supportive documents the applicant wishes to submit, to the Clearwater County Attorney's Office at the email address below, or mail to: 213 Main Avenue North, Bagley, MN 56621.

Contact Information: Kristi Thompson, 218-694-6566, atty@co.clearwater.mn.us

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Early Childhood Positions Available

Do you like working with young children & their families? Would you like to work in a family friendly environment?

Inter-County Community Council is accepting applications for openings in our Head Start program:

TRF Assistant Teacher: 40 hours a week, 9 month position, working with 4 year olds in our Thief River Falls classroom, early childhood education or experience preferred, but willing to train

TRF Classroom Assistant: 40 hours a week, 9 month position, working in our 4 year old classroom in Thief River falls as an assistant to the lead & assistant teachers, GED or high school diploma required, experience with young children preferred, training will be provided

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Application and position specific information, including job duties, salary and educational requirements are available on our website at www.intercountycouncil.org. Send completed application and resume to Inter-County Community Council, attn.: Human Resources, PO Box 189, Oklee, MN 56742 or hr@intercountycouncil.org. Applications must be received by 12 pm on Friday, December 22, 2017. Call 218-796-5144 x. 28 for more information.

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Red Lake County Central High School is seeking a 1.0 FTE Life Science teacher for grades 7-12 for school year 2018-19.

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Oklee, MN 56742
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O38-40C



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SENIOR COURT CLERK STATE OF MINNESOTA - NINTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Clearwater County (Bagley, Minnesota)

The Ninth Judicial District seeks candidates for one full-time Senior Court Clerk in the Clearwater/Hubbard/Mahnomen/Norman County administrative unit (the permanent work location will be in Bagley, MN), to provide advanced court clerical work in District Court. Duties may involve responsibility for a specific area of court case processing or for performing a variety of advanced clerical functions in multiple case types and will require the application of independent judgment and the interpretation of policies and procedures.

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For a further description of the position and required qualifications, and to apply on-line, go to www.mncourts.gov (Careers). Applications will be accepted until 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, December 26, 2017. The salary range for this position starts at \$17.66 per hour and includes a full State of Minnesota benefits package. Questions may be directed to jill.hendrickson@courts.state.mn.us or call 218-759-4361.

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Theology in the Trenches

By Kathleen Kjolhaug

Truth Be Told

I'm going to tell you a story, and it's true, every single word. Little Lakynn Rose: "Gramma. Why it dark?"

The stage setting set the backdrop.

Mere minutes ago, little Lakynn Rose and I dropped her sister off at preschool and upon leaving, we completed our ritual. We sauntered past the church sanctuary within the building in which we were.

You see, our very first visit to this sacred space was embedded in this little one's mind and now, each time we pass, her memories are ever present. There was construction going on at the time, and all lights were lit. The doors were wide open, and the gateway into this area held intrigue for the little one in tow.

We made our way through the construction zone, up to the wooden cross upon the altar discussing any and all questions that were on the mind of a two year old. There were many. That was several weeks ago.

Each week, as we returned, the scene in the sanctuary presented itself differently, and once construction was completed, the lights were often out, the doors locked, and the crucifix up front would sometimes be lit...or not. With nose pressed to glass, her comments would flow as to whether or not she could see the light behind the cross. Once she had taken in the scene before her, she told all she met along the journey out what it was she had seen.

Today, as luck would have it, the doors were unlocked. We made our way to the back pew and once seated, the conversation began with the original



Question: My father found a wallet at a big retail store while on vacation and was concerned about handing it off to the staff there, instead deciding to contact the owner directly. He was eventually pulled over by local PD, with the wallet in hand, and was told he could be brought up on theft charges. What should he have done? His intent, clearly, was to ensure that the staff at the store wasn't going to pocket any cash from the wallet before putting it in their safe, but that's not how the police perceived it.

Answer: There are two other options that could have been done besides turning the wallet into the store staff. He could have turned it over to a supervisor at the store where it was found. The other option is to report it to the local police or

Ask a Trooper

by Sgt. Jesse Grabow Minnesota State Patrol

sheriff's department where it was found.

What could have happened in this situation is that the wallet may have been stolen and discarded where your father found it, and it was considered stolen property. By explaining how and where the wallet was found would clear him as a suspect of possessing stolen property. If further evidence is needed, law enforcement could obtain video footage from the store and that would support his statement.

We have had wallets, purses and property that were found on state highways or freeway that were turned into a trooper or an MSP office staff employee. We would go through the wallet or purse in an attempt to find some form of identification that can be used to contact that person.

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question. "Why dark?"

And the conversation continued.

Grandma: "Why is it so dark in here little Lakynn Rose? It's dark, so we can see the light. If it wasn't dark, we couldn't see the light! Do you want to go up front and see the cross to better see the light?"

Little Lakynn Rose: "No."

Grandma: "Well, let's just go slowly." Pew by pew we made our way to the front, and as I led, she followed.

We soon arrived near the altar looking up at the large lit cross. In silence...in the darkened church we stood. For many a minute we stood and stared up at the light.

As we turned to make our way back, she asked, "Gramma, Why we go?"

Grandma: "Because, Lakynn Rose, we need to go and tell everyone what we saw." Amen.

Hauling Hay

by Auctioneer Eric W. Mickelson

I was reminded while hauling hay on Sunday afternoon how much I like my 4020 John Deere. As I drove down the road to spear a round bale of hay in the brisk winter afternoon air, my mind kind of wandered to a story my dad told me about hauling hay years ago.....

Grandpa liked to get up early and milk so he and dad would be out milking at 4:00 or 4:30, clean the barn, and be back into the house before 7:00 for breakfast. Then after breakfast dad started the '49 B John Deere hooked to two hayracks and head out north of Gully where they had loose hay stacked. There he would meet his brother-in-law Alvin Stroh who also came from south of Oklee with his U Minneapolis Moline and hayracks. There they would load up the racks and then head back for home. A lot of times I wish I could have

joined dad on his adventures. On this one I think I would have loved to drive that B John Deere, but I think I would have liked to pass the loading the wagons with loose hay!

Fast forward to when I was growing up. Dad always mowed the hay, mom or I raked, and baling was a family affair. Mom would usually drive the tractor while dad or I loaded the wagons. Then most days after the evening milking we would unload the racks loaded that day.

Not so bad as compared to forking all that loose hay. Still square baling was not that easy of a chore!

.....today I was driving down the road with my 4020, backed up to the bale, speared it and headed for the pasture. I dropped it off and lifted the ring over a couple bales and now I was good for a few days. No, I didn't have a cab or heater so

it's pretty primitive, but I pretty much got it made. No loose hay to pitch, no square bales to lift! One day when it is -30 below and I didn't time it right and the 4020 won't start.... I'll probably be mad. But lets face it, I've still got it made!

How about a little tractor trivia!

- In the mid 1800's the "hay press" was invented. The first square baler was that tied bales with twine was invented by Innes in _____.
A) 1916 B) 1926 C) 1936 D) 1946
- The Innes baler used knot-ers from a _____.
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- A man named Hugh Lube received a patent for his round baler in 1910. He improved his design over the years and in _____ Allis Chalmers acquired the right to the baler.
A) 1929 B) 1933 C) 1937 D) 1940
- Allis Chalmers built rotobalers until _____.
A) 1974 B) 1977 C) 1979 D) 1981
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Answers: 1. C) 1936 2. B) John Deere binder 3. D) 1940 4. A) 1974 5. B) Wisconsin



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Diane Lyn Hesse was born in Thief River Falls, MN on October 13, 1947 to Floyd and Fern Hesse. Diane grew up in Plummer and graduated from Pershing High School in 1965, where she was active in Drama Theatre.

After graduation, Diane married Milton Grinde and they moved to Minneapolis. Their son, Wade, was born in 1970 and in 1975 they moved to "Green Acres" in Plummer. Daughters, Amanda and Ericka were born in 1979 and 1981.

Diane was employed by Godfather's Pizza in Thief River Falls where she worked with her good friend Mary T. Diane, Amanda and Ericka participated in many horse shows with sister Bonnie's horses. She loved dressing up her two daughters and attending all of Wade's sporting events at Plummer High School. She was definitely Wade's biggest fan as were his two little sisters; known as the "Go Big Red Girls".

In 1989, the family moved to Elk River. Diane's home and garage were always filled with Amanda and Ericka's friends. "Mama G" took many kiddos under her wing while they worked, played and stayed at 156th Street. Diane also worked at Grosslein Beverages, Circuit Check and Holiday Inn until she retired into volunteering. Her volun-

teer work was with Faith In Action, Angels on Main Adult Daycare, RSVP (Retired Seniors Volunteer Programs), and DC4K (Divorce Care for Kids @ River Of Life Church).

In 2006, Diane fell in love with Mexico while visiting for Amanda and Brian's wedding. Returning to Mexico became an annual tradition for Diane and her sister, Nancy Jo ("The Hermanas"). In 2011, Diane was diagnosed with terminal lung cancer and given 6-9 months to live. Her family made sure that she didn't count the days left, instead, she made the days count. They created a bucket list and made many special memories at cabins in Balsam Lake, Biwabik, Okoboji, Arrowwood, and the magical Hollywoods! After 5 years of treatment at Mayo Clinic, Diane was discharged into the loving and capable hands of her Guardian Angels hospice nurses.

Nana thoroughly enjoyed her seven grandkids - Chase, Caden, Tysen, Tessa, Gavin, Blake and Gia. They are her: "Heroes," "Lights of Her Life" and "Shining Stars!" Cancun stole her heart, Kenny Chesney her love, River of Life her soul. She will always be "THE ONLY ONE WE GOT!"

Diane was surrounded by her family and peacefully was received into the arms of Jesus on December 6, 2017. Diane's family reunion in heaven includes her parents Floyd and Fern, sister Vickie, brother Scottie, and her Miltie.

She is survived by Wade (Sarah) Grinde, Amanda (Brian) Bakken, Ericka (Matt) Johnson, her sisters Nancy Jo (Karl) and Bonnie (Pat), her Grand-Babies, and her Posse.

Funeral services were held at 11 a.m. Monday, December 11, 2017 at River of Life Church, 21695 Elk Lake Road NW, Elk River. Interment Oak Grove Cemetery, Red Lake Falls, MN.

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Services for Nevina "Dolly" Walker

Nevina "Dolly" Maria Walker, 92, of Bagley, MN died on Wednesday, December 6, 2017 at Cornerstone Assisted Living in Bagley, MN.

Funeral services will be held on Tuesday, December 12, 2017 at 1:00 p.m. at Faith Lutheran Church in Bagley, MN with a visitation one hour prior. Reverend Mark Olson will officiate. The Cease Family Funeral Home of Bagley assisted the family with arrangements.

Nevina was born in Clearbrook, Minnesota on November 14, 1925, the daughter of William and Jane (Westrum) Johnson. She attended Clearbrook Country School until 8th grade. She was baptized on January 13, 1926, at Evangelical Lutheran in Clearbrook, MN. She was confirmed on June 30, 1940 at Bethsaida Lutheran Church in Clearbrook, MN.

She was united in marriage to James Joseph Walker on June 16, 1945 in California. She was a member of Faith Lutheran Church in Bagley, MN.

Her greatest joys were her children and grandchildren. She loved unconditionally and was always there. She was the kind of grandma everyone dreams of.

Nevina "Dolly" didn't have a college degree or jobs in high positions. What she did have was a kind, loving, forgiving soul. She was a beautiful lady inside and out. One of her nieces once said, "There is a special place in heaven for Dolly." She loved to put on a "snappy" outfit, matching earrings and necklace, just a touch of lipstick, and go visit with her dear friends and family. She wasn't vain, it just made her "feel better". She could be in her hospital bed and want her jewelry on and hair done!

She was an outstanding Lefsa maker, which she shared the art of making lefsa with her daughter and grandchildren. Her grandchildren lined up for thin pancakes at grandma's and even some of the class of 2002 Flyer basketball team! Most of all, her grandchildren lined up for her love. She will be missed.

She is survived by her husband of 72 years, James J. Walker of Bagley, MN; her children, Larry (Louise) Walker of Bagley, MN, Bradley (Marcia) Walker of Florida, Bruce (Debbie) of Shevlin, MN and Janie (Johnny) Jordahl of Gonvick, MN; one step daughter, Jo (Tim) Aery of Baudette, MN; 14 grandchildren; 34 great grandchildren; 5 great great grandchildren; her daughters-in-law, Jackie Rogers of Crookston, MN, Vickie Walker of Bagley, MN, and Vicki Walker of Dillworth, MN; her son-in-law, Kurt Derby of Bagley, MN; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her son, Leslie Duane; her parents, William and Jane Johnson; 3 sisters, Irene, Edythe, and Jeanette; 3 brothers, Wallace, Churchill, Alvin; 2 great grandsons, Chez Andrew Walker and Lane Leslie Egeland.

Messages of condolence may be sent to ceasefuneralhome.com



Services held for Nelson LaFerriere

Nelson "Sonny" LaFerriere, 68, of Bagley, MN died on Sunday, December 3, 2017 surrounded by his family, at the Sanford Fargo Medical Center on Broadway.

Funeral services were held on Friday, December 8, 2017 at 11:00 a.m. at the Calvary Evangelical Free Church in Bagley with the Pastor Rick Moore officiating. The Cease Family Funeral Home of Bagley assisted the family with arrangements.

Sonny was born on June 1, 1949 the son of Nelse and Dorothy LaFerriere in Bagley, Minnesota. He graduated from Bagley High School in 1967 and entered the United States Army on July 19, 1968 during the Vietnam War working as a Military Policeman. While serving our country, he received the National Defense Service Medal, the Vietnam Service Medal, the Vietnam Campaign Medal and the Good Conduct Medal. He received the rank of SP4 before getting honorably discharged on July 16, 1971. He returned to Bagley working as a Bagley Policeman for 2 years. Sonny married Ilene Sundbom on April 28, 1973 at Bagley, Minnesota and Sonny worked as a carpenter with his dad. Sonny and Ilene moved to St. Cloud, and he attended Technical School learning how to repair Tube Televisions and appliances, and worked at Fingerhut. The couple and their family moved back to Bagley where Sonny worked at the Gilfilian Center and drove bus

for Heartland Express from where he retired after 20+ years. After his retirement in 2014, Sonny went to the grandkids sporting and school events just as he did for his kids when they were growing up. Ilene and Sonny have lived in their home in Bagley for 42 years. Sonny was an active member of Calvary Evangelical Free Church, and was involved with the World Wide Ministries, he taught firearms safety and was a Royal Ranger Leader. He enjoyed fishing, hunting, taking weekend camping trips with his family, and snowmobiling. Sonny did a lot of carpentry projects, such as making vanities, bunk beds, and cribs, all for his kids. Sonny lived a life of serving the Lord, he was a loving husband and a dedicated father and grandfather.

He is survived by his wife Ilene of Bagley, MN

Daughter - Heather (John) Michaelson and their children - Haden and Tyler of Euclid, MN

Daughter - Jaime McCauley and her children - Riley, Hunter and Rayelle of Grand Forks, North Dakota

Daughter - Naomi (Josh) Curfman and their children - Morgan, Isaac and Gavin of Fosston, MN

Daughter - Becky (John) Thompson and their children - Harley, Alanna and Jericho of Bagley, MN

Son - Judah (Jandi) LaFerriere and their children - Adrienne and Lindsey of Bagley, MN

Son - Joshua LaFerriere and his children Makenzie and Madison of Shevlin, MN

Son - Seth (Chelsey) LaFerriere and their children - Alex and Jayce of Clearbrook, MN

Half-brother - Albert Norm of Minneapolis, MN

Sister-in-law - Gale LaFerriere of Detroit Lakes, MN

Sister-in-law - Lois LaFerriere of Bagley, MN

He was preceded in death by his parents, - Nelse LaFerriere and Dorothy and Marshall Tollefson; 2 brothers - Jim and Donald LaFerriere; Nephew - Mike LaFerriere and great niece Grace LaFerriere.

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Services held for Rosemary Martin

Rosemary Esther Martin was born August 23, 1929, in Woodruff, WI, the daughter of Charles and Margaret (Stuve) Martin. Her family moved to Humbird, WI, where she grew up and graduated from high school. Rosemary continued her education in nursing at Superior State College.

On August 26, 1948, Rosemary was united in marriage to Lyle C. Williams. The couple made their home above the Soo Line Railroad depot in Palisade, MN, where Lyle was an agent-operator. Rosemary and Lyle began raising their family and were eventually blessed with five children. Lyle's job took the couple and their family to Clearbrook, MN, in 1955, and then to Oklee, MN, in 1961. Lyle finally took over as agent in Alexandria, MN, in 1968. After living in depots for many years, Rosemary was pleased to own her first house in Alexandria. Wherever she lived, Rosemary always worked hard to make things better for her family.

In Alexandria, Rosemary began working at KCMT-TV and later at 3M. She furthered her education at Alexandria Technical College and received a degree in data processing. Rosemary took a job working for School District 206 and later worked nearly ten years for Hubbard Milling before retiring.

Rosemary enjoyed gardening, growing flowers and vegetables. She always canned a large supply of vegetables, fruits, and meats to get the family through the winter. She was always ready and willing to feed her family and guests. She loved baking

breads, caramel rolls, Swedish tea ring, and cookies. Any guest in her home was welcome to stay for tea and cookies; no one left hungry. Lyle loved traditional Swedish dishes, and Rosemary (a Norwegian) took pleasure in learning to cook his favorite foods.

Rosemary's faith was very strong, and her love of Jesus overflowed into serving others by volunteering with the Free Methodist Church Women's Society and taking part in the local Parkinson's Support Group.

Rosemary also enjoyed board games, puzzles, music, and feeding the birds. She delighted in sewing and passed her sewing and baking skills on to her children. Her greatest joy, however, was people. She relished going on outings with her friends, and everyone was her friend. Her gentle spirit allowed her to accept anyone, and she showed it by the hugs she shared. Above all, she loved her family; and they adored her.

On Wednesday, December 6, 2017, surrounded by her five children and extended family, Rosemary died at the age of eighty-eight years. She was preceded in death by her loving husband, Lyle Williams; three brothers, Lyle, Raymond, and Wallace Martin; and two sisters, Eileen Anderson and Beryl Allen. Rosemary is survived by her children: Jill Flateland (Byron) of Arvada, CO; Wendy Nelson (Jim) of Cloquet, MN; Debbie Godding (Phil) of St. Cloud, MN; Cindy Williams McKinley of Shawnee, KS; and Lloyd Williams (Charlotte) of Nelson, MN; grandchildren: Kirsten Sielaff (Tim); Crystal Fletcher (Jason); Kelly Nelson; Amy Whelan (Adam); Jesse Godding (Alissa); Benjamin Godding (Sarah); Joshua Godding; Micah Godding (Lori); Katie Rose McKinley; Kalen McKinley; Lloyd Williams, Jr.; and Irene Williams; great-grandchildren: Elsa Sielaff and Lucas Whelan; and brothers: James Martin (Maryann) of Beloit, WI, and David Martin of San Antonio, TX.

A funeral service was held 11 a.m., Saturday, December 9, 2017, at Anderson Funeral Home in Alexandria, MN. Interment at Evergreen Cemetery in Alexandria.

Potatoes perfect for the holiday breakfast table

Holiday dinners may get all the glory, but men and women who host friends and family each holiday season know that time spent with loved ones at the breakfast table can be just as enjoyable as breaking bread in the evening. A homecooked meal first thing in the morning is a great way to start the day, and hosts who want to serve up something familiar with a little extra flavor can try the following recipe for "Skillet-Roasted Potatoes with Mushrooms and Pancetta" from Betty Rosbottom's "Sunday Brunch" (Chronicle Books).

2. In a large, heavy, oven-proof frying pan (preferably cast iron) set over medium heat, sauté the pancetta until golden and crisp, 5 to 7 minutes. Remove with a slotted spoon to drain on paper towels.
3. Remove all but 2 tablespoons of the drippings from the pan. (If you don't have 2 tablespoons, add olive oil to make this amount.) When hot, add the potatoes and sauté, stirring, until they start to take on a little color, 5 to 7 minutes. Season with salt and pepper and place the frying pan in the oven. Roast for 15 minutes.
4. Remove the frying pan from the oven and add the mushrooms, garlic and the 3 tablespoons of olive oil. Add the dried thyme and season with more salt and pepper. Toss to coat well.
5. Return the pan to the oven and roast until the potatoes are golden brown and tender and the mushrooms are softened, about 15 minutes more. Remove the frying pan from the oven and stir in the reserved pancetta. If desired, garnish the center of the pan with fresh thyme sprigs. Serve warm.

Note: If buying pancetta from a deli, ask for it to be cut thickly into 1/4-inch slices. Prepackaged pancetta is often thinly sliced.

1. Arrange a rack at center position and preheat the oven to 400 F.

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RLC's Jordan Johnson going up for a shot against the Panthers at the NCTC Basketball Tournament.



Connor Lambert shoots a free throw in the Rebels loss to the Red Lake Warriors on December 7.

Applications open for spring wild turkey A and B season permits

The deadline for firearms wild turkey hunters to apply for early season spring hunting permits is Friday, Jan. 26, according to the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources.

The spring season, which runs from Wednesday, April 18, to Thursday, May 31, is divided into six time periods. Only people age 18 and older who want to hunt using a firearm during the first two time periods (A or B) need to apply for a spring turkey permit. Permits

for the remaining time periods (C-F) can be purchased over-the-counter. Archery and youth turkey hunters can hunt the entire season without applying for the lottery.

Permits for the last four time periods and youth licenses are sold starting March 1. Surplus adult licenses from the first two time periods, if available, are sold starting around mid-March.

People applying for permit area 511, the Carlos Avery State Wildlife Management Area, are

advised that the sanctuary portion of the WMA will be closed to turkey hunting except for the special hunt for hunters with disabilities.

For turkey hunting, a person may only use shotguns 20 gauge or larger, including muzzleloading shotguns. Only fine shot size No. 4 and smaller diameter may be used, and red dot scopes and range finders are legal. Visit mndnr.gov/hunting/turkey for more information about turkey hunting.

Championship Day of NCTC TRF Radio 27th Boys Holiday Basketball Tournament

7th Place game – Red Lake County over Clearbrook Gonvick 66-60

Consolation Championship – Red Lake over Gonvick 74-57

3rd Place game – Fertile Beltrami over BGMR 36-27

Championship – Cass Lake Bena over Stephen Argyle Storm 79-48

All Tournament Team

1. Derek Peterson - Red Lake County
2. Athan McCollum - Fertile Beltrami

3. Kendal Whitefeather - Red Lake

4. Dylan Manderud - Gonvick/Grgyla

5. Jake Taggart - BGMR

6. Isaiah Horgeshimer - Fertile/Beltrami

7. Zac Fincher - Stephen Argyle Central

8. Noah Delapaz - Cass Lake Bena

9. Hunter Yutrzecka - Stephen Argyle Central

MVP – Arnold Kingbird – Cass Lake Bena

Chronic wasting disease update: second deer tests positive on Winona County farm

St. Paul, Minn. - The Minnesota Board of Animal Health has identified another case of CWD in a farmed five-year-old white-tailed buck in Winona County. This is the same farm on which CWD was detected in a three-year-old white-tailed buck last month. The deer was harvested on the farm and samples were collected in November when Board staff visited the farm to establish a quarantine (click here to view press release announcing the initial CWD detection in this herd). Positive results were confirmed by the USDA National Veterinary Services Laboratory on December 8.

The Board's investigation of this herd is ongoing.

CWD is a neurodegenerative disease affecting deer, elk and moose (members of the cervid family) and is always fatal. Abnormally shaped proteins called prions cause the disease and convert normal proteins into infectious ones, which eventually leads to the animal's death. The disease is believed to be spread from one animal to another through direct contact and/or environmental contamination. Infectious prions can be spread via saliva, feces, urine, and other bodily fluids. Consuming infected meat is not advised.



Isaac Melby of Oklee got this buck during rifle season outside of Gonvick.



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Shantel Verbout from Grygla, First Team.

Volleyball Honor

Five volleyball student-athletes from the Minnesota College Athletic Conference have received All-American honors from the National Junior College Athletic Association, as announced on Thursday, December 6.

St. Cloud Technical and Community College led the way with two First Team honorees: Kalie Jergens, a 5'8" outside hitter and Kalli Mathiasen, a 5'7" setter. Both Cyclone sophomores are among the twelve members of the NJCAA First Team. SCTCC was one of only two schools to have multiple representatives on the First Team with Harper (IL) College having three individuals also a part of the squad.

Northern Division champion Central Lakes College is represented by Paige Wallevand, a 5'11" setter, one of only three freshmen on the First Team. Northland Community & Technical College sophomore Shantel Verbout, a 5'10" middle blocker, also was named to the First Team.

Cami Sletta, a 5'10" freshman from Ridgewater College earned Honorable Mention All-American honors for the Warriors. In total, 18 NJCAA volleyball students-athletes were honored for their strong efforts in 2017. To access the full NJCAA press release, please visit this link.

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