



Tri County Canary

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Sean “The Sweetheart” Stebbins - State High School Wrestling Participant. National Guard National Combative Competition 2x runner up. Amateur Mixed Martial Arts Driller Promotions Champion. United States Amateur MMA National Champion May of 2017. World IMMA Bronze Medalist November 2017.

Lewis’ grandson, Sean Stebbins achieves World Recognition in Martial Arts

Sean Stebbins, 27 years old, a 125# flyweight MMA competitor has a year to remember.

Sean Stebbins, grandson of David and Penny Lewis, celebrated with family over the Christmas Holiday. This year, it was an extra special holiday, as over the past year he demonstrated his skills and achieved World recognition in Mixed Martial Arts Competitions.

Sean began as a very talented and dedicated athlete in High School, pursuing excellence in wrestling and an earning an opportunity in the state tournament. However, after high school, he never lost his competitive desire. He joined the Army National Guard and found more competition in the Army Combatives Program. He participated two times in the All- ARMY Combative National Tournament. He took runner up both times in this competition.

Sean began participating in the Mixed Martial Arts Competitions through Driller Promotions in Minnesota, claiming the title, and has advanced quickly. In May of 2017 he became the United States Amateur National Champion. This earned him an opportunity to represent the USA as a member of the USA TEAM in the World Championships in Bahrain. Sean was the only athlete from

Minnesota that earned a spot on this team. Sometime after his National Championship Title, Sean Stebbins became known as “Sean, The Sweetheart Stebbins” It was in November of 2017 he traveled to Bahrain to compete in the International World Championship Mixed Martial Arts Competition. Not only did he compete, but brought home the Bronze Medal, with his only amateur loss, a controversial split decision in the semi -final match. His amateur record is 10-1 and he is now looking to

pursue professional competition in the UFC.

When Sean returned to the states and family, he shared about his experience:

“I finished with a bronze medal at the IMMAF World Championship Tournament. No doubt, losing one fight short of the Gold was a hard pill to swallow, but the experience was nothing short of amazing. I am honored to have had the opportunity to represent the USA in international competition. Between traveling for over 30



Sean “The Sweetheart” Stebbins celebrates his victory in November 2017 at the International World Championship Mixed Martial Arts Competition.

hours each way, fighting within 36 hours of landing in Bahrain, adjusting to the 9 hour time difference, weighing in every morning and fighting against National Champions from around the world, competing in the IMMAF World Tournament is the most difficult thing I have ever done in my life. Thank You to everyone who reached out to show your support. If I didn’t respond it was not because I was ignoring you, rather the support for the team and I was so great there is no way I could respond to everyone. Just know your messages were well received. Last night I returned safely to the US and have never been more excited for Thanksgiving in my life.

Practice resumes Friday!”

Mixed Martial Arts (MMA) is a hybrid type combat sport that incorporates various techniques from boxing, wrestling, judo, jujitsu, karate, Muay Thai (Thai boxing) and other disciplines. It was originally described as a terribly brutal blood sport without rules, however, MMA modified rules and gradually rid itself of that image and has now become as one of the fastest growing spectator sports of the early 21st century. These events are sanctioned in many countries and in all of the 50 states.

Sean currently lives in the twin cities, co-parents his two children and works two jobs. He has nearly completed a degree in psychology and plans to pursue professional competition in the UFC. You can follow him on instagram.



Penny and David Lewis, from Leonard, celebrate with their grandson, Sean Stebbins.



Diane and Bruce Crevier, of the Champions Forever Ministry Group, brought 6 of their 12 children to perform their Spin-tacular show at the Fosston High School on Wednesday, February 21st. Look for more photos on page 8.



Essentia Health -Fosston and Prairie Pines Assisted Living received its Community Collaboration award at the LeadingAge Minnesota Institute, the state’s largest and most comprehensive aging services conference attended by more than 4,000 older adult services professionals in all aspects of older adult services. Pictured (l to r): Mark Anderson, Chair, LeadingAge Minnesota Board of Directors; Marilyn Sundquist, Senior Services Director, Essentia Health Living Center; Joan Dufault, Volunteer Coordinator, Essentia Health Fosston; Renee Rustad, Social Service Designee, Essentia Health Living Center; Mary Hanson, Language Arts and Technology Instructor, Fosston High School; Kevin Gish, Administrator, Essentia Health-Fosston; Gayle Kvenvold, President and CEO, LeadingAge Minnesota.

Connecting Generations Through Life Stories

Essentia Health – Fosston Living Center and Prairie Pines Assisted Living Receive Community Collaboration Award

SAINT PAUL – (Feb 23, 2018) – Essentia Health Fosston Living Center and Prairie Pines Assisted Living were recently awarded the Community Collaboration Award from LeadingAge Minnesota.

The Community Collaboration award celebrates an aging service provider that collaborates with a city, agency, community groups or other businesses to go beyond its health service, housing or commercial enterprise role to support and improve the greater community.

Essentia Health Fosston Living Center and Prairie Pines Assisted Living Community partnered with the local high school and community volunteers to create the Life Story Project. Tenth grade students interviewed residents and created a Life Story Book for each participant that included information about the participant’s childhood days, families, careers, hobbies, likes and dislikes, and favorite memories. The Life Stories were then shared with the residents, families and caregivers

at Essentia Health Fosston Living Center and Prairie Pines Assisted Living.

“Through this project, our staff learned more about the people we serve. They are now able to plan and deliver personalized care that focuses on the whole person, values the retained abilities of the person, and engage them in meaningful conversations and experiences,” said Kevin Gish, Administrator, Essentia Health Fosston.

“Encouraging cross-generational relationships is key to

developing a greater understanding and acceptance of aging in our society,” said Gayle Kvenvold, President & CEO, LeadingAge Minnesota. “The Life Story Project helped create bonds between our younger generation and older adults, enhanced the lives of those involved in the program, and strengthened the overall community connection to aging.”

About LeadingAge Minnesota

Driven to transform and enhance the experience of aging,

LeadingAge Minnesota works alongside its members, caregivers, advocates and consumers to collectively shape the future of aging services and ensure older adults in every community live with dignity, meaning and purpose. Together with more than 50,000 caregivers, LeadingAge Minnesota members provide quality services and supports to 63,000 older adults every day in independent senior housing, assisted living communities, adult day, in-home care and skilled nursing facilities.

Forum on opioid abuse March 8 in Fosston

Opioids claim the lives of too many people in our country and community. Their harsh, deadly reality can affect families, friends and neighbors. On Thursday, March 8, Essentia Health-Fosston will bring together experts in the community to try and combat the deadly opioid epidemic.

A forum, “Don’t Close Your Eyes,” will be from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at New Journey Church, 505 Ninth St. NW, Fosston. It’s open to residents, community leaders, law enforcement, health officials and faith groups. A light supper will be provided free of charge. RSVP to Lynae Finseth at 218-435-7660 or Carrie Danielson at 218-435-7661.

“This forum could save lives,” says Dr. Cynthia Omokaro, a family medicine physician at Essentia Health-Fosston. “Opioid abuse is still very real and very deadly. We now know the true addiction opioids have and we are feeling its terrible effects.”

The forum will feature health care professionals, including an Essentia physician, a massage therapist and a chiropractor/acupuncturist. Also participating are members of the Polk County Drug Task Force, Northwest Mental Health, Polk County Public Health and Clearwater Life services. There will be information on Alcoholics Anonymous and Narcotics Anonymous for people to take home.

“This is an opportunity for people to come together and get a clear look at this ugly truth,” says Dr. Omokaro. “Solving this crisis will take all of us.”



Katie Lundeen from Oklee with Northland Community Technical College in Thief River Falls music instructor Linda Samuelson and Dr. Dennis Bona, NCTC President. Katie is in Nursing and received three scholarship awards; Liberal Arts Gerald & Marilyn Wigness Music Scholarship, Liberal Arts NCTC Choral Music Scholarship and Liberal Arts NCTC Music Scholarship.

Northland Community & Technical College Spring 2018 Foundation Scholarship Awards

Northland Community & Technical College (NCTC) is proud to announce the spring 2018 NCTC Foundation scholarship recipients. As part of the NCTC Foundation's mission to enhance the educational experience of students, the Foundation distributes over \$150,000 annually in scholarships. Support and generous investments from local businesses and individuals make these scholarship opportunities available to NCTC students. Over 130 scholarships were awarded to students during the spring semester. Award ceremonies were held on both campus locations to honor the recipients. The East Grand Forks (EGF) campus ceremony was held on February 8, 2018 and the Thief River Falls (TRF) ceremony on February 15, 2018.

Brooks, Berberich Megan Nursing - LPN Northern State Bank Scholarship

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Goodridge, Dietsch Hannah Business Lowell & Marge Swenson Endowment Scholarship Renewal

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McIntosh, Rolf Hannah Liberal Arts - Science, Technology, Engineering, & Mathematics Hank Leopold Art Scholarship

Oklee, Linder Levi Liberal Arts - Communications & Humanities Hartz Foundation Scholarship

Oklee, Lundeen Katie Nursing - LPN, Nursing - RN, Liberal Arts Gerald & Marilyn Wigness Music Scholarship

Oklee, Lundeen Katie Nursing - LPN, Nursing - RN, Liberal Arts NCTC Choral Music Scholarship

Oklee, Lundeen Katie Nursing - LPN, Nursing - RN, Liberal Arts NCTC Music Scholarship

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RLCC High School Theater will be presenting its first musical in over 35 years

The RLCC High School Theater will be presenting the musical "SOMETHING'S AFOOT" by James McDonald, David Vos and Robert Gerlach and special arrangement by Samuel French Inc.

This musical comedy is loosely based on Agatha Christie's "TEN LITTLE INDIANS". A group of six guests have all been invited by Lord Rancour to the island in 1930 called Rancour's retreat. Everyone is hoping for a wonderful weekend when the butler is murdered while informing the others that Lord Rancour will not be at supper because he has been killed. Suspicion, accusations, confusion galore. It is a great who dun it. Mr. Swanson, English teacher at RLCC, had directed this show 35 years ago with Deb

Lambert, Carol Bergeron, Eric Mickelson, John Lindquist and Matt Radniecki.

This year's cast is Jade Person as Lady Grace-Manley Prowe, Sydnie Melby as Hope Landon, Kara Longtin as Regina Rancour, Tom Nelson as Geoffrey, Hannah Kolstoe as Miss Tweed, Colonel Gillweather as Nick Pahlen, David Clifton as Clive, Lilly Guillemette as Lettie, Dan Guillemette as Flint, Jayden Iverson as Dr. Grayburn, Gunner Anderson as the Stage Manager, Remi Ransack special effects, Mr. Swanson and his shop classes will help with sets, Mrs. Mickleson will be helping with the music and Michael Swenson will be directing. It will be a fun time.

Thank You

I would like to say thank-you to everyone who gave me cards, gifts and well wishes on my retirement. Thanks to the management, board of directors and co-workers at the Gully Tri Co-op for the party and gift and to all who attended. Your friendship and generosity is very much appreciated.

Thanks again!

Lloyd Godtland

Inga Otelia Johnson
June 22, 1913
January 13, 1998

Floyd Elmer Johnson
July 7, 1918
February 10, 1981

"Forever in Our Hearts"

Love, Cecelia, Merlin, Marlene and families

College News

Vermilion Community College Fall Honors

ELY, Minn. (March 2, 2018) Hunter Churnes of Clearbrook, was named to the Fall 2017 honors list at Vermilion Community College in Ely, MN. Students named to the honors list have attained a GPA of at least 3.0-3.49 for the semester.

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Pictured left to right are Representative Matt Grossell (R-Clearbrook), Brian Ramsrud - Headwaters Regional County Farm Bureau president from Clearwater County, Representative Steve Green (R-Fosston) and Stan Kimmes - Beltrami County Farm Bureau president.



Pictured left to right are Paul Dragseth - West Polk County Farm Bureau vice president, Dustin Perry - West Polk County Farm Bureau president, Representative Debra Kiel (R-Crookston) and Gloria and Bennett Osmonson - East Polk County Farm Bureau president.

Farm Bureau holds Council of County Presidents

The Minnesota Farm Bureau Federation (MFBF) recently held their Council of County Presidents meeting on February 21 at the Minnesota History Center in St. Paul with nearly 190 Farm Bureau leaders, elected and appointed officials in attendance. County Farm Bureau presidents heard from

state legislators, as well as Minnesota Agriculture Water Resources Center Executive Director Warren Formo, Bruce Kleven - Kleven Law, MFBF President Kevin Paap, MFBF Executive Director Chris Ratz and MFBF Public Policy Director Amber Hanson Glae-

ser. Attendees discussed MFBF and American Farm Bureau Federation 2018 Focus Areas including 2018 Farm Bill, trade, environmental regulations, mental health, property taxes, pollinators and the effect of recent federal tax laws on Minnesota farmers and ranchers.

Concordia Offers New Summer Choir Opportunity

Concordia College is offering a new summer competitive choir. The college became the new home of the Minnesota All-State Lutheran Choir (MASLC) in August.

The MASLC is a 20-day summer choral camp experience open to all students in 10th-12th grade. Choir members are chosen by competitive auditions at various locations around the state and a choir of 45-60 voices is chosen. Members participate in eight days of rehearsal and spend the last 12 days of camp on tour around Minnesota. Part of each concert on the tour is a congregational hymn-sing in which the choir members sit among the congregation.

Dr. Michael Culloton, assistant professor of vocal music

education, church music conductor, and conductor of the Chapel Choir, Kantorei and Cantabile at Concordia, is the MASLC's new conductor.

"I am very excited to take over the artistic leadership of this great organization, and we are thrilled to host these fine musicians on our campus every summer," says Culloton. "MASLC has been a very important choir in the lives of many of my students over the years, and I am honored to carry on the legacy of Mark Aamot and

Tom Rossin."

Students can register at ConcordiaCollege.edu/high-schoolsummerchoir.

The Minnesota All-State Lutheran Choir began in 1969 and has grown to include more than 1400 alumni. The concept of the choir is to provide young people with a spiritually aesthetic experience, and the opportunity to grow in their faith and share that enthusiasm for church music with congregations on the tour.

King Town Farmers Mutual Insurance Company

Annual Meeting Notice

Wednesday, March 14, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. - Community Center - McIntosh, MN

The purpose of the meeting is:

1. Present the annual report
2. Elect members to the Board of Directors
3. Transact other business that may come before the meeting

A short program on fire prevention will be presented. There will be drawings for cash and prizes.

LUNCH WILL BE SERVED FOLLOWING THE MEETING!

Richard Johnson, Secretary/Treasurer

Local students helping Bemidji State University put a modern spin on a classic opera

BEMIDJI, Minn. (March 1, 2018) - Students from [home-town] ([zipcode]) were part of the cast and crew for Bemidji State University's production of Gilbert and Sullivan's "The Pirates of Penzance," March 2-4 in Bemidji, Minn.

BSU presented the classic with a modern sci-fi twist. The two-act comedic opera followed a young pirate apprentice named Fredrick who was about to get his freedom after 21 long years belonging to the pirates. Inevitably, he ran into some troubles along the way.

The opera's space theme came from Dr. Cory Renbarger, Bemidji State's associate music professor who also directs the university's opera theater productions.

"I am a fan of sci-fi," he said. "I was watching something last summer as we were thinking about what shows to do, and I thought Pirates of Penzance would work," Renbarger said. "Why not make it different and new?"

Bagley: Megan Flaherty, senior, vocal music education, performed as Isabel

Fertile: Noah Harstad, junior, music education, played trombone in the pit orchestra

Goodridge: Mariah Coan, junior, elementary education, performed as a police officer

Mentor: Katilynn Meine, senior, music, performed as Mabel

Strandquist: Katrina Nordine, junior, music education, performed as a ward of General Stanley

CHS Northland Grain-Oklee would like to invite you to help us Fight against Hunger.

We will have a free will luncheon at the Oklee Elevator, Main Office, Friday, March 9th, 2018 from 11 am to 1 pm.

You are also invited to bring in a non-perishable item, which will be given to our local food shelf.

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MARCH 1-20, 2018



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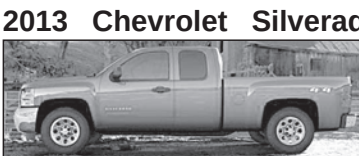
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Red Lake Falls—Megan Lacrosse 34, Jozi Halvorson 4, Josie Huot 5, Emma Duden 15, Madison Derosier 8, Kelsey Landman 2

East subsection
Fosston 66,
Cass Lake-Bena 55
CLB 20 35-53
FOS 25 41-66

Cass Lake—Taryn Frazier 17, Serayah Drouillard 6, Michelle Jourdain 10, Trina Headbird 16, Malaina Reyes 4, Mariah Ortiz 2

Fosston—Jennifer Non 8, Jaclyn Hubbard 18, Brianna Vig 8, Lillie Manecke 17, Kora Norland 3, Jenna Manecke 10, Callie Theis 2

Win-E-Mac 53,
Clearbrook-Gonvick 50
WEM 24 29-53
C-G 22 28-50

Win-E-Mac—Madyson Planter 2, Kylie Brekke 4, Sydney Tadman 13, Lindsey Espeseth 15, Elliana Lindberg 9, Tyra Wilson 8, Carlie Sander 2

Clearbrook-Gonvick—Brynn Hetland 17, Jackie Lynn Taffin 12, Jennifer Lavin 5, Danae Stenzel 4, Tamara Skinaway 6, Cassie Faldet 6

Boy's, Friday, March 2

Bagley 55, Wadena-DC 50
WDC 23 27-50
BAG 31 24-55

Wadena-Deer Creek—Berket Loer 10, Jonathan Pantages 14, Cade Kappahn 2, Hunter Hawkins 7, Noah Ross 16, Cooper Folkestad 1

Bagley—Zachary Lykins 8, Isaac Tierney 19, Kenly Gordon 5, James Hvezda 6, Tannen Agnes 7, Michael Troxell 6, Lamarco Pemberton 7, Zachary Anderson 2

Girl's, Saturday, March 3

Minn. Section 8A tournament, Saturday's quarterfinals at Thief River Falls REA

Red Lake 83, Fosston 54
FOS 27 27-54
R-L 38 45-83

Fosston—Jennifer Non 9, Jaclyn Hubbard 22, Brianna Vig 2, Lillie Manecke 10, Natasha Ordenez 2, Jaime Carlin 4, Jenna Manecke 4, Callie Theis 1

Red Lake—Kaylynn Chaboyea 3, Marlene Blue 1, Alexis Desjarlait 12, Tammy May 3, Angel McClain 21, Gerika Kingbird 15, Autumn Holthusen 24, Kelanna McClain 4

Win-E-Mac 51,
Lake of the Woods 27
LOW 9 18-27
WEM 26 25-51

Lake of the Woods—Alcia Draper 6, Ashton Aery 2, Greta Moeller 17, Jourdan Aery 2

Win-E-Mac—Madyson Planter 3, Kylie Brekke 8, Sydney Tadman 10, Lindsey Espeseth 14, Elliana Lindberg 8, Katelyn Vesledahl 4, Tyra Wilson 2, Carlie Sander 2

Boy's, Monday, March 5

Boy's Minn. West Subsection 8A Final regular-season standings

Listed in order of seeding (section W-L, QRF, overall W-L)—Ada-Borup 8-0, 112.4, 20-4; Sacred Heart 19-0, 103.8, 22-4; Fertile-Beltrami 12-4, 96.3, 18-7; Kittson Co. Central 10-6, 83.0, 16-8; Stephen-Argyle 10-10, 77.4, 14-11; Northern Freeze 9-10, 67.2, 13-13; Red Lake County 9-14, 52.4, 9-17; Badger-Greenbush-Middle River 9-9, 57.0, 11-15; Norman Co.

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Local Basketball Results

Girl's, Thursday, March 1

Minn. Section 8AA tournament, Thursday's first round

Dilworth-G-F 90, Bagley 20

Minn. Section 8A tournament, Thursday's first round

West subsection
Red Lake Falls 68,
Kittson Co. Central 67
KCC 23 44-67
RLF 30 38-68

Kittson County Central—Andi Stregre 7, Kasey Soliah 7, Marlee Turn 4, Madi Olson 2, Cora Kujava 36, Morgan Olson 4, Maddy Anderson 3, Sayde Peterson 3, Karin Dahl 2

ing (section W-L, QRF, overall W-L)—Hawley 7-5, 94.9, 13-11; Roseau 5-4, 84.7, 17-9; Crookston 9-8, 85.2, 13-13; EGF Senior High 8-4, 87.4, 15-11; Bagley 3-4, 78.5, 13-12; Dilworth-GF 5-10, 61.9, 8-18; Warroad 3-6, 67.3, 12-13; Thief River Falls 1-13, 55.8, 2-24

Minn. South Subsection 8AA Final regular-season standings

Listed in order of seeding (section W-L, QRF, overall W-L)—Perham 12-0, 178.4, 26-0; Breckenridge 9-3, 119.8, 21-5; Osakis 3-0, 111.6, 20-6; Park Rapids 7-4, 97.2, 12-12; Wadena-Deer Creek 1-6, 71.1, 13-13; Barnesville 5-8, 73.5, 9-15; Staples-Motley 4-5, 73.5, 9-15; Long Prairie-Grey Eagle 1-3, 59.7, 7-17

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Services held for Durward Peterson

Durward Carroll Peterson ("Sonny") passed away peacefully February 24, 2018 in Bagley, MN. He was 88 years old.

Funeral services were held on Saturday, March 3, 2018 at 1:00 p.m. at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Clearbrook, MN. A visitation was held on Friday, March 2, 2018 from 5:00 – 6:30 p.m. with a Prayer Service beginning at 6:30 p.m. at the Cease Family Funeral Home in Bagley, as well as one hour prior to the services at the church on Saturday. Military Rites will be accorded by the Melvin Johnson American Legion Post #256 of Clearbrook. Interment will be held at a later date at Silver Creek Cemetery in Clearbrook. The Cease Family Funeral Home of Bagley assisted the family with arrangements.

Durward was born April 12, 1929 in Minneapolis to Lillie (Walberg) Peterson and Clarence Emerentius Peterson. He was baptized and confirmed in the Lutheran faith. His early years were spent growing up in the center of the city of Clearbrook where his parents owned and operated a restaurant, "Pete's Eats". In the 1940's his parents sold their restaurant and purchased a farm. There he found he had a true love of farming.

He enjoyed playing several sports in high school and graduated from Clearbrook High School in 1947. He farmed with his father and spent several years attending Bemidji State College (now "Bemidji State University") in Bemidji. At Bemidji State he joined the Army ROTC program and trained in light machine gunner training.

Durward married Olive Ann Gordon on December 26th, 1951 in Bemidji. He received his Single Engine Airplane License in May of 1952, owned his own plane for several years and truly loved the freedom he felt whilst flying. When the Korean War started, he enlisted in the US Air Force on February 11, 1953 because of his love of flying. Whilst in the Air Force, he was among several thousand to test for the electronics training and was one of only two Airmen who were accepted. He attended Air Training Command at Scott Air Force Base in Illinois for Communications-Electronics Repairman, Airborne Equipment. He completed that training in December 1953. He served as an Aircraft Radio Repairman. He was stationed at Tsuiki AFB, Japan where he performed repairs and updates to electronics on the P51 Mustangs, the new F89 as well as other aircraft. He attained the rank of Staff Sergeant by the time he was honorably discharged on February 10, 1957 at Andrews Air Force Base, Washington, D.C. During his military service he was awarded the National Defense Service Medal, the Korea Service Medal, the United Nations Service Medal and the US Air Force Good Conduct Medal. After his tour was up he returned to Japan as civilian contractor for National Scientific Laboratories, Inc. and continued to work on airplane electronics. He was a trained pilot and made trips from Chitose in Northern Japan to southern Japan as needed. After his contract was up in December of 1958 he returned home to his wife and

daughter. He lived for over 30 years in Clearbrook raising 5 children with his wife Ann.

Durward was a member of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Veterans of Foreign Wars and the American Legion. March 31, 1961 he was appointed postmaster in Clearbrook, MN. He later became a rural route mail carrier and performed that (full-time job) in addition to his passion of being a part-time farmer. Late in his career he returned to being the postmaster in Clearbrook and then accepted a larger postmaster position in Sebeka where he stayed until his retirement.

Durward loved his children and was very proud of their successes in life. He loved to read, dance, and listening to big band and country music. He was passionate about the outdoors, animals, farming and being on tractors and other farm equipment. He helped his father farm after working all day for the Post Office, and toiled until sundown and weekends. Even after the sale of his father's farm, Durward continued to farm his quarter section of land north of Clearbrook and also had cattle and several horses on his homestead. An avid hunter, he took many hunting trips with friends and family to Montana. Fond of fishing, he spent many hours on the lake with his parents and family. He loved new adventures and took his family on many camping vacations and loved to plan the next epic family trip. He and his family took at least two trips to the west coast, the Black Hills and ND Badlands (both of which he loved), many of the great National Parks in the west as well as a vacation to the East coast Washington, D.C. area. He loved the USA and was honored to have served his country. He taught his children that they should travel and see their own beautiful country first before exploring other countries.

After he and his wife Ann divorced, Durward married Ella Hanson in 1990. They made their home for a number of years in Crookston. A few years later they moved to Glenwood, to be close to his son Tony, as well as his Great Aunt and Uncle, Russell and Esther Peterson (Glenwood was an area where both his great-great, and great grand parents had first settled in MN). He lived there until he entered the nursing home in Belgrade. In 2014, he moved to the Good Samaritan Center in Clearbrook to be closer to his daughter Krista, as well as his brother Darryl and family. He subsequently got a legal separation from his wife Ella. In December 2018 he moved to the Cornerstone facility where he passed away on February 24, 2018.

Durward truly enjoyed being back in Clearbrook where he grew up and spent so much of his life. He could once again see old friends and people he knew in Clearbrook and surrounding area. He enjoyed going out to eat and taking long car rides around the back roads all the way from Bemidji to Grand Forks. He'd reminisce and fondly share memories of his early life in the area with his daughter Krista, and her children.

Durward is survived by his children: Juel (James) Bagaason of Fridley; Jan Louise (Thomas Sloan) Peterson of Dudeldorf, Germany; Ross (Mariella) Peterson of Sioux Falls, SD; Tony (Somsri) Peterson of St. Paul.; and Krista (Joseph) Walton of Trail. Ten Grandchildren: Tara (Adam) Traut; Ryan (Jensena) Peterson; Courtney Peterson; Daniel Peterson; Haley Peterson; Samantha Walton; Cuhlainn Sloan; Kjersten Walton; Deidra Walton; and Abigail Walton. Two Great Grandchildren: Kaden Traut and Ace Peterson and his brother, Darryl (Bonnie) Peterson.

Durward was preceded in death by his parents, Clarence and Lillie Peterson and sister Yvonne Johnson.

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Death Notice for Orton Stardig

The family and friends of Orton Orlando Stardig are sad to announce his passing on February 15, 2018 at Amara Hospice in Edinburg, Texas at the age of 94.

Orton was born to Albert and Hilda Stardig on July 28, 1923. He was baptized and confirmed in Salem Lutheran Church of McIntosh.

He attended country school through the 8th grade and then went on to McIntosh High School, graduating in 1940.

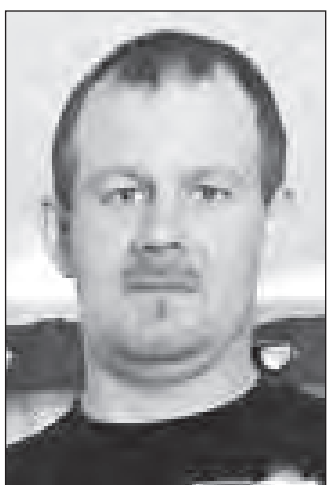
Orton farmed 400 acres of land southeast of Winger, growing wheat, oats, barley and flax. His pastimes included woodworking, dancing, listening to Scandinavian "old time" music, playing games and reading. After retiring, he also enjoyed golfing and walking his dog. He began spending winters in Texas in 1977.

Although Orton was a man of few words, he will be remembered for his dry sense of humor and calm, kind and loving spirit.

Orton was preceded in death by his parents, his sister Martha, and his wife Ency.

He is survived by his wife Joyce, his daughter Mona, his granddaughter Lisa, and his stepchildren James, Cassandra and Jason.

Blessed be his memory.



Services for Ronald "Ronnie" Bestul

Ronald "Ronnie" Bestul, age 36, of Winger, MN, died Saturday, February 24, 2018, at his home.

Ronald LeRoy Bestul, the son of LeRoy and Joyce (Askelson) Bestul, was born in Ada, MN, on February 16, 1982. He grew up, along with three older sisters, on a farm near Winger, MN. As a child, Ronnie was baptized and confirmed at Faaberg Lutheran Church, Rindahl, MN. As far back as anyone can remember, he was always taking things apart and putting them back together. He tackled lawnmowers, snowmobiles, 3 wheelers, cars, and anything with a motor. Ronnie always had a passion for mechanics and auto body work, which he devoted his career to. Over the years, he also helped family and area neighbors with fall harvest and hauling grains. Ronnie enjoyed racing snowmobiles in the winter and demo cars in the summer! He was extremely proud of his restored

cars, especially his mustang. Ronnie enjoyed spending time with family, just hanging out. He was always a prankster, with a contagious laugh. Ronnie was a great cook, known for smoking and grilling meats. He enjoyed playing baseball & pool, shopping trips to Menards and playing darts with his dart league. He had a special bond with his great-nephew, Kaiden. Ronnie had a kind heart and will be missed by all who knew and loved him.

Ronnie is survived by his mom, Joyce of Fertile, MN; sister, Jackie (DelRay) Rux of Holt, MN; nephews: Steven (Gabriel) Courneya of Erskine, MN, and Rueben (Tracey) Fritsch of Winger, MN; nieces: Jessica (Ben) Horgeshimer of Crookston, MN, and Shandelle (Branden) Sherer of Winger, MN; great-nephews: Kaiden Sherer, Tracen Fritsch, Gabe Horgeshimer, and Isaiah Horgeshimer; great-nieces: Isabel Horgeshimer, Nevaeh Fritsch, Kinzley Sherer, Brooklyn Courneya and Courtney Fritsch. He was preceded in death by his dad, LeRoy; two sisters: Patty and Jody; and grandparents: Jr. & Ovedia Askelson and Peder & Agnes Bestul.

A Funeral Service was held at 10:00 am on Saturday, March 3, 2018, at Faaberg Lutheran Church in Rindahl, MN. Visitation took place one hour prior to the service at the church. Burial will be held in Faaberg Lutheran Cemetery in the spring.

Arrangements entrusted to Anderson Family Funeral Home in Mahanomen. Online website: www.anderson-familyfh.com



Services for Larry O'Neill

Larry O'Neill passed away on Tuesday, February 27, 2018 at Thief River Care Center in Thief River Falls, MN with his loving family by his side.

Memorial mass will be held on Saturday, March 10, 2018 at 11:00 AM at St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church in Oklee with Father Adam Hamness Officiating. Burial will be held at Zion Lutheran Cemetery at Oklee, MN. Visitation will be held one hour prior to the service on Saturday.

Larry J. O'Neill was born February 19, 1930 in Crookston, MN son of Owen and Peggy (Tharaldson) O'Neill. He was raised in the Oklee area and graduated from the Oklee High School in 1948.

On November 10, 1952 he was united in marriage to Jeanie Lussier at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Brooks, MN. The couple settled on the O'Neill family farm which was homesteaded in 1878. To this union there were 5 children born Leslie, Robert, Lori, Shelly and Joanie. Larry farmed the home farm his entire life which was his true

passion. In 2017 grandson Patrick and family bought their home. They built a new home in Oklee.

Larry enjoyed restoring tractors, he loved spending time with family especially at the lake. He was an avid reader and enjoyed learning. He cherished good times with friends and loved driving fast and riding jet skis.

He served on the Oklee School Board, served on Chester Township Board, served on the Midland Coop Board, worked on the Northwest Ag Action Committee and was awarded farmer of the year in 1975.

Larry is survived by his loving wife of 65 years Jeanie of Oklee, MN, children Les (Cheryl) O'Neill of Oklee, MN, Bob (Pam) O'Neill of Oklee, MN, Lori (John) Melby of Oklee, MN, Shelly (David) Rerick of Otsego, MN, and Joanie (Dennis) Bakke of Thief River Falls, MN; grandchildren Patrick (Jenny) O'Neill, Logan (Fiancé Abby Gerardy) O'Neill, Katie (Mark) Lorenson, Sarah (Nate) Lundeen, Angie (Todd) Knott, Suzanne O'Neill, Douglas (Corey) Melby, Tanya (John) Syvertson, Peter (Fiance Leah Hagberg) Rerick, Noah Rerick, Bella Rerick, Brooklyn Bakke and Kennedy Bakke; great-grandchildren Peyton, Owen, Quentin, Calvin O'Neill, Max, Zac, Cam Lorenson, Ty, Mya and Whitney Lundeen, Baylee, Jackson and Allie Knott, Mya and Everly Melby, Jude and Nora Syvertson; several nieces and nephews, Mark Spong friend and longtime employee.

He is preceded in death by his parents Owen and Peggy O'Neill, brother Mack O'Neill and sister Donna Burrell.

Arrangements with Johnson Funeral Service of Oklee, MN.

Death Notice for Ruth Sandland

Ruth Sandland, 99, formerly of Clearbrook, MN, died on February 27, 2018 at St.



Peter's Health in Helena, MT.

Arrangements are pending with the Cease Family Funeral Home of Bagley, MN.

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



Services for Eileen Ostenaar

Eileen Ostenaar, age 98, of McIntosh, MN passed away on Sunday, February 25th at McIntosh Senior Living. Memorial services will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Friday, April 20th at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in McIntosh with Pastor Ernest Christensen officiating. Interment will be in St. John's Cemetery, rural McIntosh. Family will greet friends for one hour prior to the service on Friday at the church. Arrangements are with the Carlin Family Funeral Service, serving McIntosh and messages of condolence may be posted at the web site of carlinfuneral.com

Eileen May Sloane was born on November 17, 1919, in Clearwater, Manitoba, Canada to parents Alex Sloane and Edith (Harding) Sloane. She attended school at the Cypress School District #175 until she needed to move to a larger community to complete her high school in Crystal City, Manitoba, graduating in 1938. Following her graduation, she decided to move to Carman, Manitoba, in order to attend school to become a nurse. At the completion of her nurse's training she had practical experience that occurred in Winnipeg. Following this, she worked in nursing in Winnipeg and then moved to Minneapolis where she began working at the Sister Kenney Institute. While there, she was able to work with children who were afflicted with polio and to use cutting edge techniques.

During this time she met her future life dance partner, Oliver, in May of 1947. They were married on April 15, 1949. As a result of the learning experience she gained at Sister Kenny, Eileen was able to pursue the coursework in Denver, Colorado, to become a Physical Therapist. Following her training, Eileen and Oliver decided to live in Denver where their only daughter, Diane, was raised. Eileen loved the climate, seeing the mountains, gardening, dancing, and life long learning. Upon Oliver's retirement in the early 1980's the two would travel to the McIntosh farm that they had purchased for retirement. In 1985 they made McIntosh their permanent home.

Eileen lead a quiet and productive life. She was a role model and a calm force in supporting that others think independently and pursue developing their potential. She and Oliver enjoyed 62 years of marriage until he passed in 2011. She was able to out live all of her siblings and be very involved in the lives of two granddaughters, Gwen and Carla. She enjoyed the birth of two great grandsons, Max and Charlie Rue as well as happily learning about the future birth of a new great granddaughter due in June of 2018.

She is survived by her daughter, Diane Joyce (Grundyson), one son-in-law, Bruce Grundyson, and their two daughters, Gwen Eileen (Rue) and her husband Kristopher Rue of Rogers, MN, and Carla May Grundyson of Madison, WI. There are two great grandsons, Maxwell Rue, and Charles Rue of Rogers, MN.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Alex and Edith Sloane, three brothers, Ernie, Bill, Syd, one sister, Nora (Carnegie), and one nephew, Norval. There are several nieces and nephews, John, David, Jim, Edwin, Esther, Louise, Bruce, Sandra, Tom, Stephen, Eileen, Alex, and Jeanette. There are many great and great-great nieces and nephews (all mentioned are residing throughout Canada).



Services for Mark Vedbraaten

Mark Vedbraaten, age 61, of McIntosh, MN, passed away peacefully at home on Saturday, March 3rd, after a long battle with cancer. Funeral services will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Friday, March 9th, at Trinity Free Lutheran Church, rural McIntosh, with the Rev. Karl Anderson officiating. Interment will be in Rosehill Cemetery, Fosston, in the spring. Visitation will be held for one hour prior to the service on Friday at the church. Arrangements are with the Carlin Funeral Home, serving McIntosh and messages of condolence may be sent at www.carlinfuneral.com.

Mark Allen Vedbraaten was born on February 19, 1957 in Fosston, Minnesota the youngest of five children to parents Lawrence and Adele Drellack Vedbraaten. Mark grew up in the Fosston area and attended Oklee High School.

Mark was united in marriage to Ruby Stewart in 1977. Mark and Ruby had two children, Lynda and Michael. In the spring of 1985, Mark married Terry Young and they had three children, Chris, Stacy, and Dustin. When Mark was a boy he began working by hauling milk for the family business. Mark continued with driving truck his entire life, working for several different local companies, as well as owning his own truck. Mark moved a variety of loads throughout his career including milk, gravel, grain, wind blades, and even snow from the township roads. Mark was

an amazing husband, father, and grandfather. Mark could be found in the summer on the lake fishing, or on the patio enjoying time with family and friends. In the winter Mark shared a passion with his wife and children of snowmobiling. Day or night, Mark was up for a good cup of coffee and a visit with family and friends. Mark passed down a love for hunting and the outdoors to his children that were instilled in him from his father and brothers. He also was a fan of good old western movies and old country western songs. Mark loved cheering his children and later his grandchildren on the many sporting events at the local schools.

Mark drove truck all his life, but his dream job was to be a farmer. He learned his love of farming while working with his uncles at a young age. Mark and Terry could be found many weekends in the summer working their large garden that they would grow. Mark would joke as he mowed the lawn or tilted that "this is the closest to farming I'll get".

He is survived by his wife, Terry Vedbraaten of McIntosh; five children, Lynda (Shawn) Couch of Nevis, MN, Michael (Sherrie) Vedbraaten of Thief River Falls, MN, Christopher (Amy) Vedbraaten of East Grand Forks, MN, Stacy (Derek) Roach of Mekinock, ND, and Dustin Vedbraaten of McIntosh; three brothers, Roger (Edith) Vedbraaten of Fosston, James (Renae) Vedbraaten of Thief River Falls, MN, and William Vedbraaten of Gully, MN; 11 grandchildren, Chase, Jade, Ruby, Ariana, Lucian, Jake, Aubrie, Gage, Easton, Lyla, and Carly; great grandchild, Logan; sisters-in-law, Lorraine "Lolly" Miska of Crookston, MN, Lynn Fallik of Houston, TX, Karen Vedbraaten of Lengby, MN, and Sharrie Janovick of Superior, WI; and brother-in-law, Kevin Wildes of Sun City, AZ. Nieces, nephews and cousins also survive.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Ron Vedbraaten; grandson, Logan Vedbraaten; sisters-in-law, Lynda Vedbraaten and Deborah Wildes; brother-in-law, Scott Young; and several aunts and uncles.

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Chris Nelson, Jeremy Rychlock and 1975 Golf Team inducted to Northland Athletic Hall of Fame on Saturday, February 24th



The picture of the individuals includes Chris Nelson on the left and Jeremy Rychlock to the right.

NCTC Historical Timeline

1949 - Thief River Falls Area Vocational School was established. It was held at various locations in Thief River Falls.

1965 - Thief River Falls State Junior College was established and housed at Lincoln High School.

1973 - Thief River Falls State Junior College was renamed Northland Community College.

1995 - The two schools were merged to form Northland Community & Technical College (NCTC).

2000 - Received a ten-year accreditation from North Central Association of Colleges and Schools.

2003 - NCTC merged with Northwest Technical College in East Grand Forks. The name remained Northland Community & Technical College.

H of F Criteria

Hall of Fame nominees are accepted and approved by the Hall of Fame Induction Committee. Criteria for induction to the Hall of Fame is based upon the candidate's athletic/academic excellence while attending or serving at Northland College, and/or exceptional contributions and service to the College's athletic program.

History

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1975 Golf Team

The Northland golf team had a season to remember in 1975. Following a great regular season, the team had high hopes to go to a second straight NJCAA National tournament. The Region tournament was at the Maple Grove Country Club in Lacrosse, Wisconsin. The Northmen won the tournament convincingly though it was a



The 1975 Golf Team picture includes: left to right - Bruce Restad, Jim Strandemo, David Kjors, Dick Skay and Dick Penning.



Team Members included: front row left to right, Dave Kjors, Dick Penning, Jim Strandemo; back row left to right, Dick Skay, Bruce Restad, Head Coach Al Adams.

very strong field. The team finished with a tournament low 614 team stroke total which was 23 strokes ahead of Wilmar who shot a 637 team total. Head Coach Al Adams said in a Thief River Falls Times article, "The kids did very well. They played well the first day and then they settled back without a lot to worry about with a 20 stroke lead."

The NJCAA National Tour-

nament was played at Prairie Dunes Country Club in Hutchinson, Kansas. It was a tough windy first day and the team was fighting to make the top 15 team finals. Though a better showing in day two, the team did not make the final 15. The course was ranked in the top 40 courses in the United States at the time and was a great experience for the team.



Chris Nelson was inducted for baseball and men's basketball and played in 1988 - 1990.

Chris Nelson is a 1988 Thief River Falls Lincoln High School graduate. In high school, Chris was a three sport athlete in football, basketball and baseball.

Chris enrolled at Northland Community College in the fall of 1988. While at Northland he participated in basketball and baseball for the Pioneers. In basketball, Chris was All-Northwest Division, All State and was also Academic All State. He was also a standout on the baseball field being named All-Northwest Division and All State. Chris says his transition to college was easy being that his brother Kevin played basketball and baseball two years prior.

Chris graduated from Northland in the spring of 1990 with an Associates of Arts Degree. Chris went on to Mayville State University and played baseball for two more years. In 1992 he was named All-NDCAC Pitcher. He also played basketball at Mayville for two years. Chris graduated from Mayville State University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Elementary Education.

Chris has worked for Red Lake Falls Public Schools since 1994. There he has coached junior high football, assistant basketball and has had an illustrious coaching career as the head baseball coach. Chris currently has 326 wins and a winning percentage of 61.5%. His teams have earned numerous state tournament trips. He also

enjoys being a basketball official at the high school and college level. Chris also has helped with the Northland baseball team as a pitching coach from 2010 to 2016.

Chris resides in Red Lake Falls with his wife Amy and his two daughters Savanna and Shandi.



Jeremy Rychlock was inducted for football and played in 1992 and 1993.

Jeremy Rychlock grew up on a farm near Fourtown, and graduated from Grygla high school in 1992.

He enrolled at Northland Community College in the fall of 1992 and played football for the Pioneers in 1992 and 1993. Jeremy received All Conference & All Region honors. Jeremy was also named co-captain and helped the 1993 team qualify for the state playoffs. He was tenacious on the defensive line. Jeremy says he has very fond memories of his teammates and coaches.

Jeremy graduated from Northland in the spring of 1994 with an Associate's of Arts Degree. He went on to Bemidji State University and graduated with a Bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice and a minor in Science in 1999.

Jeremy has worked as a probation/parole agent for the state of MN since 2002. He also worked for Clearwater and Itasca counties. Before his probation/parole career Jeremy did charter fishing in Alaska.

He lives in Grygla, MN with his wife Elaine and two children Blake and Brett.

Garfield Lake Ice Races results from March 4

By Dennis Peterson

It was a windy and wet afternoon on Garfield Lake in Laporte, Mn on Sunday as the Garfield Lake Ice Racers took to the track. With the season winding down and just one more points race scheduled the racers battled to improve their point totals. The final points race will be next Sunday March 11th. The season ending awards banquet is scheduled for March 24th at the 3rd Base Bar and Grill in Laporte. Jared Miller celebrated his

birthday with two heat wins and a feature win on the day. Ryan Julin also picked up two heat wins and a feature win. John Farrington won two heats while Bob Pawlitscheck and Cody Hoffman picked up the checkered flag for consolation race wins.

Session One

Heat #1 Top five.... John Farrington, Bonnie Farrington, Kalin Honer, Bob LaRose, Bryan Karl

Heat #2 Jared Miller, Ryan

Huston, Matt Harvey, John Sharpnack, Josh Bitker

Heat #3 Ryan Julin, Dillon Lutgen, Reid Watson, Justin Miller, Nate Zanter

Consolation Race Bob Pawlitscheck

Feature (Top Ten) Jared Miller, Justin Miller, Ryan Huston, John Sharpnack, John Farrington, Bonnie Farrington, Matt Harvey, Dillon Lutgen, Chris Roller, Bob LaRose

Session Two

Heat #1 Jared Miller, Justin Miller, Kalin Honer, Nate Zanter, Bob LaRose

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Win-E-Mac Lindsey Espeseth going up for a shot against Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears in tournament action last Thursday night. The sophomore was the high scorer for the night with 15 points for the Patriots 53-50 victory.



Tournament action under the basket as the Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears hosted the Win-E-Mac Patriots. #4 Kylie Brekke against Seniors Madelynn Faldet and Brynn Hetland. Hetland was the high scorer for the evening for both teams with 17 points.

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