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A leap of faith

**By Tom Burford
Farmers Independent**
“Nothing in life is so exhilarating as to be shot at without result.”

Those words are a famous statement made by Winston Churchill.

Well, Jerry Wraa has been shot at and missed during the Vietnam War, but he thinks that perhaps jumping out of an airplane at 13,200 feet up is right up there in the exhilaration department.

How did it happen that Wraa, 70, found himself tethered to a parachute in June 2018?

The path to the leap of faith began with his involvement in helping injured veterans launch themselves from Lake Itasca's headwaters for a journey down the Mississippi River in September 2017. Called the Operation Heartland Forward Momentum, two military veterans began their journey with the Veterans Adventure Group. The veterans were Daniel Schenstrom of Florida and Justin Matejcek of Tennessee, along with Troy Smith, also of Tennessee, serving as the support vehicle operator. The two on the river used paddleboards as their vehicle to float down

the river. Members of the Bemidji VFW Post 1260 and the Auxiliary worked to help prepare the journey's launch from Lake Itasca. Volunteers for this included: Post Commander Bruce Malterud and his wife Janie, Auxiliary Treasurer; Past Commander, Sr. Vice President Dave Christianson and his wife Becky, Past Auxiliary President; Post Chaplain Jerry Wraa and his wife Lana, Auxiliary Jr. Vice President; and Thor Teiden. Teiden, his wife and brother cleared the channel of obstacles for the paddlers prior to their arrival, as the water level was low. Teiden is also involved in the Veterans Adventure Group.

At the headwaters, the Veterans Adventure Group presented Commander Malterud a handmade wooden American flag, with the initials of fallen Army Rangers from the war on terror.

The river paddlers chronicled their progress on Facebook daily. Wraa and Lana were able to meet the paddlers one more time along their journey and responded to their Facebook posts with encouraging words for the rest of their 1,000 mile

journey. The paddlers made it to St. Louis and because of old war wounds coming to haunt them had to put off the rest of their trip until healed.

But that's not the end of Jerry Wraa's connection. He remained in touch with Schenstrom, Matejcek and Smith and numerous other members of the Veterans Adventure Group (VAG) as they continued challenging activities around the country.

As Wraa explained to me, the VAG strives to help restore the lives of veterans injured physically or emotionally during war. The VAG's official mission statement: “It is the mission, duty, and purpose of Veterans Adventure Group to restore teamwork and purpose, provide support, guidance, and a strong network by building, training, and equipping teams of Veterans to thrive in extreme environments.”

The VAG is a non-profit organization formed in 2016 and is “comprised of a group of veterans determined to make a difference in the lives of other veterans.” The VAG missions entail having veterans participate in what they call “extreme” activities. These range from mountain climbing to skydiving. The idea, noted Wraa, is to “empower people to get back on the edge and push themselves past that limit again.”

One such skydiving event took Sgt. 1st Class Cory Remsburg to skydive in Arizona in the spring of 2018. Remsburg was an Army Ranger injured by an IED during his 10th deployment with his regiment. After the VAG saw the success of this adventure, they talked to Remsburg's family, and started the “Remy Empowerment Jump” in Cory's honor.

After a bit of coaxing, the VAG drafted Wraa for the second time in his life. The first time it was Uncle Sam's Army calling. This time the VAG drafted him to be the first participant in the new Remy Empowerment Jump. Wraa was the person of interest in this case because of his encouragement of others involved with VAG activities. As noted by Schenstrom on the VAG Facebook page, “Chaplain Wraa holds a special place in the hearts of Justin ‘Jello Cups’ Matejcek, Troy Smith and myself since his VFW Post and family helped out so much during the first phase of the paddle trip. It is an honor to have Chaplain Wraa as our first jumper as he (is a) role model for giving back to both the veteran and civilian community....” Schenstrom called Wraa and told him he was picked to be the first jumper (other than Remsburg) in the Remy Empowerment Jump.

Remsburg wrote to Wraa: “I am thrilled you will be the second Remy Jump sponsored by Veterans Adventure Group. I will be looking forward to seeing the pictures and video of your jump. Thank you for all that you have done for our great country, and you continue to do with VFW as well. Wishing you a safe adventure.”

Wraa was not so excited about being in line to “push himself past that limit again.” Nevertheless, he accepted the challenge.

He said he prayed and then found comfort and guidance in Psalm 57:1 “... Be merciful unto me, O God, be merciful unto me: for my soul trusteth in thee: yea, in the shadow of thy wings will I make my refuge,” After reading Psalm 27:14 he was greatly encouraged: “Wait on the Lord: be of good courage, and he shall strengthen thine heart: wait, I say, on the Lord.”

He noted, “That solidified a spirit of calm that came over me and I knew this was right and all would be well, and I knew this was a promise of the Most High God.”

“The Holy Spirit descended upon me,” said Wraa. “My fear was gone.”

“Normally, I’m a chicken,” he said. But on the day of his jump, he had no fear. When he jumped, he said, “I could just about see Jesus.”

On June 23, 2018, Wraa boarded an airplane at Baldwin, Wis., with Skydive Twin Cities,



Jerry Wraa, 70, of Leonard, served in the U.S. Army in Vietnam as a combat engineer from 1968 to 1969. He is chaplain of Bemidji VFW Post 1260 as well as for Clearbrook American Legion Post 256. His involvement and dedication to veterans' causes found him leaping from an airplane for the first time in his life. The sequence of Jerry Wraa's skydive event is captured in these photos. First: heading upward in the airplane. Former Army Ranger Kasey Matejcek is giving the thumbs up signal.

a U.S. Parachute Association member. His dive was in tandem with master parachute instructor Kasey Matejcek, an Army Ranger veteran and cousin to river paddler Justin Matejcek.

Wraa said the plane climbed to 13,200 feet altitude. Strapped together with Kasey Matejcek, it was time to leap into the sky. They fell at 180 feet per second (120 mph) for two miles and then opened the parachute, gliding the last half mile to the ground. (To watch the video of Wraa during his first skydive go to: <https://skydivetwincities.smugmug.com/Videos/Jerry-Wraa/>)

Later that day, Schenstrom posted on the VAG Facebook page: “Today we took 70-year-old Vietnam Veteran on his first skydiving excursion. Something

to further empower him to continue pushing forward. We are so happy for Chaplain Wraa and taking the leap into the vast blue skies. I don't ever want to hear an excuse why you can't do something, whether age or physical limitations, there is always a way. Remember, always be awesome.”

Wraa said that one of the purposes of the VAG is to help restore veterans damaged by war. He said suicide among veterans is at an all-time high. Events such as his skydive, he noted, help give purpose and help to reestablish a veteran from military service and war back to civilian life.

Wraa wrote to the VAG, “Thanks to all veterans, to the VAG and praise unto God who keeps us in the shadow of His wings. The Lord has a reason

for this, the mission will continue, as we know God's timing is perfect. Those of you hearing or watching this, take thought: The Lord has a purpose for each of us to make a difference for America, for our Veterans, and for the Kingdom of God. To God be the Glory in Jesus' name.”



A safe landing.



A group of parachutists leap ahead of Wraa.



Wraa comes out into the sky, tethered beneath experienced parachutist Kasey Matejcek.



Free falling at 180 feet per second (120 mph). This photo was captured by a free-falling parachutist who came back and forth with a camera in hand.



Wraa and Matakcek on the ground. Much relief! Would Wraa do the leap again? “Only if it was a cause to help veterans,” he said. Lana Wraa noted, “It’s not on his bucket list.”



U of M Crookston students in the photo, seated are Isieoma Odor and Logan Milligan. Standing, left to right, are Megan Bellefy, Zach Greenberg, Bethany Novak, Josh Lanasa, Ben Koisti and Taylor Harsha.

Megan Bellefy, Bagley, part of Homecoming Court at the U of M Crookston

CROOKSTON, MN (10/05/2018)-- Megan Bellefy, Bagley, MN (56621), member of the homecoming court during the 2018 Homecoming celebration at the U of M Crookston.

Homecoming royalty were crowned at the University of Minnesota Crookston on Thursday evening, September 27, 2018, in Kiehle Auditorium during this year's Homecoming Spirit Rally. The homecoming king and queen were chosen by a vote of the student body.

Logan Milligan, a senior majoring in agricultural business from New York Mills, Minn., was crowned king and Isieoma Odor, a senior majoring in criminal justice from Bloomington, Minn., was crowned homecoming queen for 2018.

Other members of the homecoming court included Megan Bellefy, a junior double major in agricultural education and animal science from Bagley, Minn.; Josh Lanasa, a senior majoring in agricultural business from Eden Prairie, Minn.; Taylor Harsha, a senior double major in marketing and management



Megan Bellefy, Bagley, MN, part of Homecoming Court at the U of M Crookston.

from Park Rapids, Minn.; Zach Greenberg, a senior majoring in sport and recreation management from Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada; Ben Koisti, a senior majoring in golf and turf man-

agement from Lake Norden, S.D.; and Bethany Novak, a senior majoring in marketing from Dahlen, N.D.;

Theme for Homecoming 2018 is “There is No Place like Homecoming” and activities for the include powderpuff football, coronation, the Alumni Awards Celebration, and the weekend's football, soccer, and volleyball games.

The University of Minnesota Crookston now delivers 35 bachelor's degree programs, 23 minors, and 40 areas of emphasis on campus as well as 16 degree programs entirely online. These degrees are offered in the areas of agriculture and natural resources; business; liberal arts and education; and math, science and technology. With an enrollment of 1,800 undergraduates from more than 20 countries and 40 states, the Crookston campus offers a supportive, close-knit atmosphere that leads to a prestigious University of Minnesota degree. “Small Campus. Big Degree.” To learn more, visit www.umcrookston.edu.



Ron and Linda Engelstad, Garden Valley employee Jeff Lund and Nicolette Leach, Grygla/Gatzke School Board Chairperson, check out the broadcast "behind the scenes!" Photos courtesy of Grygla School.

Grygla School broadcasts first live athletic event

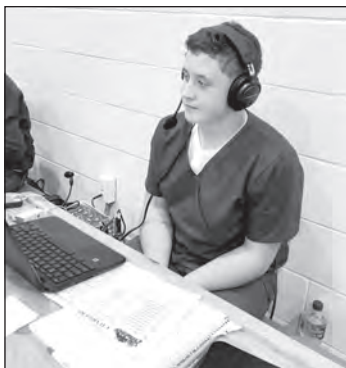
Garden Valley TV and Grygla School Partner Together

Submitted by Mrs. Jana Nelson, GHS Media Productions teacher.

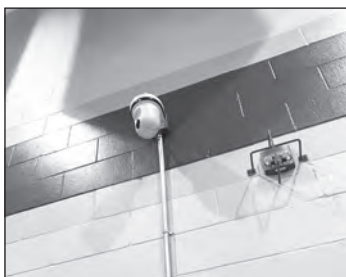
Tuesday, October 2nd was a big night for the Grygla High School Students and their community. Not only was it the 'Pink Out' Volleyball game against Lake of the Woods but it was the first ever TV broadcast on Garden Valley channel 36 for

the Grygla High School Media Production Class. This summer Garden Valley mounted a high tech video camera on the big gymnasium wall. They brought in a triscaster with monitors and a sound system for the students to learn and

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Jared Haack, (above) a Grygla Sophomore, was the commentator for the game. He is pictured here, along with a photo of the students behind the scene (below)



The camera set up in the gym at the Grygla School.

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Celtic Musician to Perform at Gonvick Library LINK Site

A performance by famed Celtic musician Laura MacKenzie is scheduled Thursday, October 18 at 3 p.m. at the Gonvick Library LINK Site, 170 Main St. MacKenzie will demonstrate traditional songs, border dance tunes and more, using a variety of instruments, including the Scottish small-pipes, border pipes, whistles and concertina. Admission is free thanks to funding from the Minnesota Legacy Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund.

The Gonvick LINK Site is a location of Lake Agassiz Regional Library, which is a consolidated LINK Site system comprised of 13 branch libraries and nine LINK sites serving the residents of seven counties in northwest Minnesota. More information is available at www.

larl.org, and the library's app, LARL Mobile, is available in the iTunes and Google Play stores for free download.



Catherine Graftaas is shown practicing the song she will sing with her father, Brian, for "Gully Home Companion Goes to Nashville". There is no apparent stage-fright when Catherine performs!

We welcome her back to Gully on October 20th, at 7 p.m.



"An Immigrant's Tale (a program on Scandinavian immigration.)

"An Immigrants Tale" will be presented on October 17 at the Lengby Community Center. Program begins at 9:30 am. All ages are welcome; programs are free, donations encouraged.

NELL speaker Roger Hellesvig to tell "An Immigrant's Tale" Using an immigrant trunk as the focal point, Roger tells what it was like to immigrate to Minnesota in the mid 1800's. The audience will discover the choices immigrants had to make when coming to this new land. They also will learn a little about the Norwegian culture as he describes items from the trunk.

This program is presented in first person as Roger portrays his great grandfather, Ole Oleson.

"Learn How to Make a Christmas Tree" Brunch scheduled in Fosston

You and your friends are invited to the "Learn How to Make a Christmas Tree" Brunch on Wednesday, October 17, 2018 at 9:30 AM at New Journey Church, 505 9th St. NW, Fosston. **Feature:** Val Brekke. **Speaker & Music:** Judi Rauscher from Sioux Falls, ND. **Sharing:** "The Pictures of Life". Reservations due by Monday, October 15, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. For reservations call Arlene 563-2085, Barbara 687-3431, Beverly 776-3897, Judi Lindseth 563-2205 or 361-446-3218.

Gully Home Companion
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Show at 7:00 p.m.
Show and Potato Bar \$10.00
Gully Home Companion is a fund raiser for Gully Days 7-18-2020 (110th year)

Polk County Sheriff

Fisher School takes precautions on alleged threat

On 10-03-2018 at 1457 hours the Polk County Sheriff's Office was dispatched to the Fisher High School in response to a report of an adult female allegedly headed to the Fisher High School with a weapon to pick up her children. The Fisher school went on lock down policy during the early stages of this investigation. During the investigation Deputies located and interviewed both the reporting party and the suspect in the city of Crookston. The suspect did not possess any weapons when she was located and denied ever making any threats towards the Fisher school, its staff or any children. At this time there is no credible threat to the Fisher High School students or staff.

It has been determined there was never any direct threats made towards the Fisher High School, its staff or any of the students on 10-03-2018. The Fisher High School staff fol-

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lowed proper procedure for any suspicion of danger towards any of its students by locking down the school yesterday afternoon. All mentioned persons of interest in this incident were contacted and interviewed. As a result of this investigation no criminal charges will be filed.

Structure Fire at West Central Ag Service

On 10-4-18 at 0130 hours the Polk County Sheriff's Office assisted the Beltrami Fire Department with a fire inside an industrial dryer used to dry crop produce at 606 Atlantic Ave at West Central Ag Service

in Beltrami, MN. There was extensive property damage however no injuries were sustained. The cause of the fire has not been determined. No foul play is suspected and the State Fire Marshal has been notified. Assisting agencies were the Fertile Fire Department, Ada Fire Department, Crookston Fire Department, Climax Fire Department and County EMS. No further information is being released at this time.

Structure Fire in rural Erskine

On 10-4-18 at 0121 hours the Polk County Sheriff's Office assisted the Erskine and Mentor Fire Departments with a structure Fire at 37772 210th Ave SE Erskine, MN. One small out building sustained extensive damage. No injuries were sustained from the fire. No suspected foul play.

No further information is being released at this time.

Winger fire

On 10/05/2018, at approximately 0910 hours, the Polk County Sheriff's Office received a report of a couch on fire inside a residence in the City of Winger. The fire was reported to be caused by a down power line next to the residence. The down power line caused a power surge and a heated blanket ignited, causing a couch inside the residence to catch fire. A Polk County Deputy, Winger Fire Department, and Essentia Ambulance responded. The homeowner, Daniel Richard Kindall, 51, extinguished the fire prior to First Responders arriving. There were no reported injuries from the fire and this case will be closed.



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R28-29C

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M28-29C

Red Lake County Social Worker

Red Lake County Social Services is accepting applications for a Social Worker. Position provides adult and children's mental health case management along with general case management across all program areas, is a back-up for adult protective services and child protective/child welfare services case management, and performs related tasks as required. Starting wage is \$24.18/hr., wage increases up to 2 times per year, position works 35 hrs./wk. and a full benefit package is available.

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Applicants must complete a Red Lake County application AND MN Merit System application.

For further information, contact Human Resources at 218-253-2590, email: hr@co.red-lake.mn.us. For a Red Lake County application and job description visit www.co.red-lake.mn.us/employment.

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 In the forties while living on the "M" Ranch Dairy(The Sheep Ranch)south of Clearbrook, dad and grandpa had a model H. It was technically an HN, it had a single front wheel. I never heard much about the little H but knew at some point it was traded for a wide front B. Now John Deere always said the model B coupled with a #5 mower was quite a pair. But, recently while visiting with dad he said the H and mower were quite a pair too! With the single front wheel and the small maneuverability of the H made

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How about a little tractor trivia.
 1. The H was manufactured from 1939-_____
 A) 1945 B) 1947 C) 1949 D) 1952
 2. The A and B started with 4 speed transmissions. How many did the H have?
 3. The price of a new H was listed from \$595-\$_____.
 A) \$625 B) \$650 C) \$675

D) \$700
 4. According to Nebraska test #312 the H had _____ belt hp.
 A) 10 B) 12 C) 14 D) 16
 5. The model H was built in _____.
 A) Waterloo, IA B) Moline, IL C) Racine, WI D) Des Moines, IA
Answers: 1. B. 1947 2. 3 3. B) \$650 4. C) 14(14.22 to be exact.) 5. A. Waterloo, IA



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For the debut broadcast, students committed to airing the volleyball game live from 7:15-9:15pm. Garden Valley needs to have a time commitment two days in advance and then the cameras are live during the given time no matter what and can not be extended. Those two hours were a great trial run for the Media students to hone their skills and to give it a try. Levi Kiesow handled the running of the triceraster and Gabe Arveson controlled the camera placement. They did this from within the GHS library in the control area. Jared Haack sat in the gymnasium giving a lively audio play by play. All three gentlemen worked like professionals.

Here is an excerpt from the gvtel.com website (Garden Valley Technologies) explaining the program:

As part of this partnership, Garden Valley provided the equipment and training needed by students to broadcast their events. This is a wonderful training opportunity for students to learn the art of broadcasting, and is a unique opportunity for all GVTV subscribers to view local events. Garden Valley is currently in the process of working with other area schools to provide a similar service. Stay tuned as additional local school and content channels become available."

Thank you to Ron Engelstad for getting this process rolling. Ron and Linda stopped in during our live broadcast to watch how the students were running the tricaster and to enjoy seeing the process firsthand. Garden Valley employees Corey and Jeff Lund were on hand to make sure things were on air and running smoothly. They were tweaking the audio right up until we went live and it really helped fine tune the broadcast. Thank you to Garden Valley Technologies for their time and effort getting it ready to go during the summer months, this fall, and for being present with the students Tuesday night. Garden Valley's Andy Knott and Christina Derby trained the students and Mrs. Nelson in during teacher workshops in August.

Be watching Grygla School's website, Twitter, and Facebook for dates and announcements regarding times and dates.

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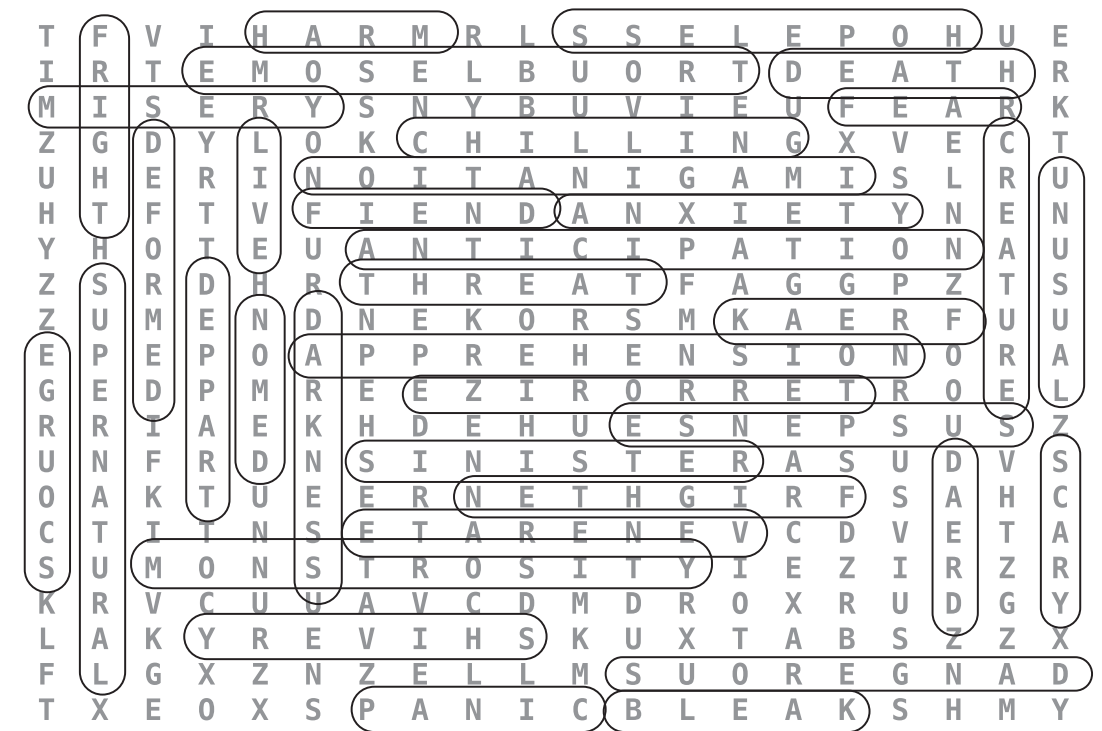
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The Grygla 3rd and 5th graders went on an outing to the Headwaters of the Mississippi on Friday, September 28th. They also visited the Headwaters Science Center in Bemidji where they had a lot of fun and learned a lot! Photos courtesy of the Grygla School



- Christina Leonard, CNP



By Kathleen Kjolhaug

Minutes later, into the opposite side of the house we both did scamper. Perhaps it was my incessantly high pitched screeching suggesting that perhaps he should remove himself from such a location that made him jog in my direction. This time, as he moved on past another large window, we both noticed the green leaves swaying radically close to the front railing of the front porch.

Deuteronomy 10:21 confirms it. "He is the one you praise; He is your God, who performed for you those great and awesome wonders you saw with your own eyes." Amen.

by Sgt. Jesse Grabow Minnesota State Patrol

Earle Brown, the first Chief of the Minnesota Highway Patrol, felt that a uniform program of training and support should be created in the State and came to the Minnesota American Legion in 1935 requesting such assistance. In 1936, under a cooperative program with the American Legion, it was adopted statewide by the Minnesota Highway Patrol, now known as



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Howard Person, Thief River Falls, MN, age 63, passed away on Monday, October 1, 2018 at his residence in Thief River Falls, MN, surrounded by his loving family.

Funeral Service was held at 11:00 AM on Friday, October 5, 2018 at Redeemer Lutheran Church in Thief River Falls, MN, with Rev. Darrel Cory officiating. Interment at Valle Cemetery, rural Oklee, MN.

Visitation was held from 5:00 PM until 7:00 PM with a 7:00 PM Prayer Service on Thursday, October 4, 2018 at Johnson Funeral Service in Thief River Falls, MN. Visitation was one hour prior to the funeral service on Thursday at the church.

Howard Arnold Person was born on April 11, 1955 in Fosston, MN, the son of Arnold and Carolyn (Spencer) Person. On May 15, 1955 Howard was baptized into the Lutheran faith at Valle Lutheran Church in Oklee, MN. He confirmed his faith on April 11, 1971. Howard graduated from Oklee High School in 1973. Following high school Howard attended the University of Minnesota Crookston graduating in 1975 with an Associate degree in Applied Science. He went on to further his education at NDSU in Fargo, ND, and graduated with a B.S. in Animal Science. Howard finished his education with a Master's degree in Diversified Agricul-

ture and Animal Sciences at the University of Minnesota, Twin Cities.

On August 16, 1985 Howard was united in marriage to Rita Hoffart at Redeemer Lutheran Church in Thief River Falls. They made their family and life together in Thief River Falls.

Howard's vast career started in the Pennington County 4-H Program. He then took a position as a County Agriculture Extension Agent in East Polk County. In 1985 Howard returned to Pennington County, working as their Extension Agent. That position eventually also covered Marshall County. After 37 years of service, Howard retired in November of 2015.

Howard received numerous awards and honors throughout his career from the state, local, and federal levels.

Howard was well known for his laughter that filled rooms wherever he went. He liked to spend his time hunting, fishing, gardening and canning, woodworking, and road tripping to look at crops. Time spent with his grandsons, family, extension family, and friends was important to him. Howard will be remembered as a gentle, kind, and generous man.

Howard is survived by his loving wife, Rita of Thief River Falls; daughters, Sondra (Jeremy) McLean of Grand Forks, ND, Christie (Todd) Knaack of Princeton, and Kristen (Nathan) Benidt of Sioux Falls, SD; grandchildren, Joseph Knaack, Dylan McLean, Jack Benidt, and Andy Benidt; mother, Carolyn Person of Oklee; sister, Peggy (Daryl) Schumacher of Crookston; brothers, Mike (Nancy) Person of Hendrum, and David (Jenny) Person of Oklee; many nieces, nephews, relatives, and friends.

He was preceded in death by his father, Arnold Person; sister, Leann Palmer; and his grandparents.

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Death Notice for Odell Johnson

Odell Johnson, age 84, of Fosston, MN, passed away on Thursday, October 4th, at McIntosh Senior Living in McIntosh, MN. There will be no services. The Carlin Funeral Home of Fosston assisted with arrangements and messages

of condolence may be sent at www.carlinfuneral.com.

Odell Sherwin Johnson was born on April 2, 1934 near McIntosh, Minnesota to parents Henry and Cora Halseth Johnson. He grew up in Erskine, Minnesota. Odell was diagnosed with schizophrenia when he was 18 years old and lived in different board and cares over the years. Currently he was a resident at McIntosh Senior Living where he passed away peacefully on Thursday, October 4, 2018 at the age of 84 years.

Odell was a kind man and loved his family.

He is survived by two sisters, Jean Johnson of Roberts, NY, and Mavis Berg of McIntosh; and one brother, Dennis. Several nieces and nephews also survive.

He was preceded in death by his parents; sister, Mary; brother-in-law, Curtis Berg; and niece, Pam Berg Bigelow.



Services for Edith "Sissy" Campbell

Edith Louise "Sissy" Campbell 81, of Bemidji, Minnesota passed away on Friday, October 5, 2018 at Sanford Medical Center in Bemidji.

Funeral Services will be held on Wednesday, October 10, 2018 at 1:00 p.m. at the Zion Lutheran Church rural Bagley with the Reverend Randy McGuire officiating. Visitation will be held on Tuesday, October 9, 2018 at the Cease Family Funeral Home Chapel in Bagley from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. with a prayer service at 6:00 p.m. Visitation will also be one hour prior to the service at the church. Interment will be at the Zion Lutheran Cemetery, rural Bagley, MN.

Edith Louise "Sissy" Campbell was born June 14, 1937 in Bagley, Minnesota, the daughter of Oliver and Edith (Lietz) Swenson. She attended school in Bagley. Sissy was baptized and confirmed as a member of Zion Lutheran Church in Bagley. Sissy was united in marriage on October 20, 1956 to Donald "Don" Campbell in Two Harbors, and they later returned to Sissy's hometown and made their home in Bagley for over forty years. She was the proud mother of eight children and a devoted grandmother to twenty-four grandchildren, thirty great-grandchildren, and one great-great grandchild.

Sissy grew up a country girl who loved going to church, singing hymns, and even learning to play the piano from her godmother Netty Anderson. Growing up, Sissy loved taking care of all of her younger siblings, which is where she got her nickname. Throughout her life, Sissy also took part in raising many of her cousins, nieces, and nephews, as well as any child who needed care or just a place to stay. Sissy was proudly a stay-at-home mom, but throughout the years she enjoyed taking on various jobs to "get out of the house." Sissy loved the summers working with her sister Pearl at Clearwater Nursery, and she took great pride in working as a dishwasher both at the Great Northern Bar and Grill

and later at the D&R Cafe. She took much pleasure and pride in working outside of the home and making friends with her co-workers and customers. Even after her stroke, one of her goals was to "get back to work washing dishes."

Family was number one in Sissy's life, and it was an ongoing joke that once you became a member of her family, you were always a member; she would embrace new members, too, with loving arms. Sissy loved being a grandma most of all, and she was always her grandkids' biggest cheerleader and supporter. Sissy had her passions and among them were her embroidery, country music, old hymns, Sunday dinners, camping, the Clearwater County Fair, family reunions, WeFest, and finding a reason to bring others together in celebration. Sissy loved to read, do Wordfinds, and to watch movies, especially if it meant she got to snuggle in with one of her grandbabies and watch. She loved to joke around and be "sassy" and would often leave people stunned by her surprisingly sharp tongue. Sissy always had the coffee pot on and homemade treats for family and friends, and her door was always open to company and anyone in need.

Sissy was an exceptionally devoted wife, mother, grandmother, and friend. She will be remembered as being a very caring, kind, giving, and spirited lady.

She is survived by her two sons: Steven Campbell and Scott Campbell, both of Bagley; five daughters: Denise (Tim) Anderson of Motley, Cynthia "Cyndi" (Phillip) Sunderland and Coreen (Rick) Kliner of Bagley, Donna Campbell of Fosston, and Elizabeth "Liz" (Dan) Iverson of Elk River; four sisters: Pearl (Lester) Beck of Bagley, Olga of Carlton, Linda (Warren) Bogert of Grafton, ND, and Joyce (Mike) Meyers of Bagley; two sisters-in-law: Marge Swenson of Bagley and Sally Swenson of Shelly; one brother-in-law: Raymond Umphrey of Inkster, ND; twenty-three grandchildren; thirty great-grandchildren; and one great-great grandchild; numerous nieces and nephews; and two special friends: David Miller of Fosston and Reva Anderson of Bagley.

Sissy was preceded in death by her husband Don, sons Jeffrey Campbell and Curtis Campbell, granddaughter Racheal Kliner, parents Oliver and Edith Swenson, parents-in-law Leonard Campbell and Myrtle Olson, brothers Duane Swenson, John Swenson, Pete Swenson, and Carl Swenson, and sister Florence Umphrey.

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Services for Gordon Olson

Gordon Olson, age 87, of McIntosh, MN, passed away on Tuesday, October 2nd, at Pioneer Memorial Care Center in Erskine, MN. Memorial services were held at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, October 6th, at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in McIntosh with the Rev. Gordon Syverson officiating. Family greeted friends for one hour prior to the service on Saturday at the church. Military honors were provided by the National Guard Honors Team. Arrangements with the Carlin Funeral Home, serving McIntosh, and messages of condolence may be sent at www.carlinfuneral.com.

Gordon's grandfather and great grandmother emigrated from Norway in the mid-1800s. They established their homestead in Gary, Minnesota, where Gordon began his life here on earth. He was born to Carl and Beatrice Flaaten Olson on November 6, 1930.

Gordon lived in Gary, Winger, and McIntosh Minnesota, and followed his military assignments through Georgia, Nevada, Texas, New Mexico, and California. It was in California that he made a life with his first wife of 46 years, Bess, and their two children Terry and Valli.

Gordon worked as an Airplane Mechanic for the U.S. Air Force and fell into teaching others his craft. He became the Chief Instructor for Aircraft Mechanics. He also held the position for the U.S. Army as Chief Inspector with

the Air Section of the Army. He used these skills to obtain a position of Quality Control in Roswell, New Mexico with those responsible for the installation of the new ICBM program.

Gordon continued his service in the reserves while obtaining a position with RCA teaching radar systems at the missile school for the Army.

After the RCA contract with the Army concluded, Gordon was hired as an instructor for International Business Machines (IBM) and worked for them for most of his career.

Gordon finished his teaching career at ITT as an Electronics instructor, starting out the careers of many, many students.

Widowed in 1998, Gordon was considering attending an upcoming High School reunion. During communications regarding the event, Gordon renewed a very special friendship with a very special girl, Jane Sayre-Hedman. They were married in 1999.

Returning to his roots in McIntosh, Gordon continued his life of service by pastoring the congregation of Salem Church for fourteen years. He completed the GIFTS Program for Theological Education through the Northwest Minnesota Synod of the ELCA and was recognized at a Synod Assembly.

Gordon spent many happy hours involved in his woodworking projects, building model airplanes, and reading everything he could get his hands on.

Gordon is preceded in death by his parents, Carl and Beatrice Olson, his brother, Byron, his many aunts and uncles, his son, Gary Brice, his first wife, Bess Olson, and his stepdaughters, Marilyn Peterson, Barbara Hedman, and Linda Knudson.

Gordon is survived by his brother Keith Olson, his children, Terry Olson and Val Geter, his grandchildren, Jacob, Matthew, Russell, Douglas, and Christie, his wife of 19 years, Jane Olson, his stepdaughter, Vionne Ellingson, his stepson, Kurt Hedman, along with many step grandchildren and step great grandchildren.



Services held for Boyd Bratager

Boyd Jerome Bratager, age 91, of Erskine, MN, died Thursday, October 4, 2018, at Country Place Assisted Living, Erskine, MN.

Boyd was born January 7, 1927, in Cummings, ND, the son of Bernt and Clara (Rensland) Bratager. As a young boy, the family moved to Winger, MN, where he attended country school. During World War II, at the age of 18, Boyd was inducted into the army. As a Sergeant, he proudly served much of his time as an armored personnel carrier commander and a messenger in Tokyo, Japan.

On December 14, 1957, Boyd was united in marriage to Sylvia Hassel at Norman Lutheran Church, rural Gary, MN. Shortly after their marriage, they built a home on Boyd's family farmstead where they continued to live for 57 years. Boyd's true passion in life was farming. He farmed alongside his brother, Kenneth, for many years and later continued the farming legacy with his sons.

Over the years, Boyd often had sheep around the farmyard which helped graze future cropland. He tediously worked the land and successfully turned many acres into production. When not working the fields, Boyd was often found driving around the countryside looking at crops, perusing implement dealerships, and watching area wildlife. He also enjoyed reading, watching the Vikings, and especially observing the many species of birds that would come to their feeders. And, in their younger years,

Boyd and Sylvia loved to square dance and spent many nights on the dance floor.

Boyd was a member of the American Legion, served on the Calvary Lutheran Church council, the Elevator Board, was President of the PTA, and enjoyed playing on the Winger Men's Volleyball League. He participated in several tractor pulls with his Allis Chalmers One-Ninety, and he loved the P-38 Lightning aircraft from the World War II era. Later in life, he tinkered in his garden, so he could enjoy fresh peas, raspberries, and tomatoes each season.

Above all else, Boyd cherished his family. He was a devoted husband, father and grandfather. Even with the busyness of farm life, he always took time to make memories with family. His devotion to Sylvia continued as her health declined and he served as her primary caregiver. In August 2018, due to his declining health, they moved to Country Place Assisted Living. Boyd's kindness and gentle spirit was known by all and will be greatly missed.

He is survived by his wife, Sylvia of Erskine; three sons: Bruce of Rochester, MN; Jeffrey (Julie) of Erskine, and Brian (Marilyn) of Greenleaf, MN; one sister, Shirley Salveson of Moorhead, MN; nine grandchildren: Jodie (Zachary), Jairo, Bernt (Rachel), Brittany, Tapanga, Tabitha, Heather (Chuck), Derek (Sandi), and Brandon (Brittany); 14 great grandchildren: Colten, Ellie, Hailey, Izayah, Riley, Annika, Tyler, Sawyer, Caleb, Sydney, Greta, Quincy, Vivian, and Stella; and several nieces and nephews.

Boyd was preceded in death by his parents, Bernt and Clara; two brothers, Lowell and Kenneth; one sister, Charlotte Bonde; and his granddaughter, Tenesha.

Funeral Services were held Monday, October 8, 2018, at 11:00 a.m. at Calvary Lutheran Church, Winger, MN. Visitation took place at Anderson Family Funeral Home in Mahanomen, Sunday, October 7, 2018, from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. and one hour prior to the service at the church. Interment at Calvary Lutheran Cemetery.

Services for Sylvia B. Jurgens

Sylvia Borghild Jurgens, 104, of Fergus Falls, formerly of Leonard, MN and Clearbrook, MN., died October 2, 2018 at Pioneer Care.

Sylvia was born October 19, 1913 to Julius and Ella (Walaker) Aaseng in McIntosh, MN. In 1931 she graduated from McIntosh High School and in 1935 from Bemidji State Teachers College with an Elementary Certificate. She then taught for a few years in one room rural schools.

On December 23, 1940, Sylvia married Fred Jurgens at McIntosh, MN. She then raised her family, worked on the farm and was very active at church, school, 4-H, and other community organizations. After her children were grown, she spent some years as an educational aide at Clearbrook Elementary School.

After her husband's death, Sylvia moved to Clearbrook, MN then in 2004 to Fergus Falls.

Sylvia enjoyed baking wedding cakes, bars, cookies and donuts. She baked wedding cakes for two generations in some families.

Sylvia was a member of Our Saviors Lutheran Church in Leonard; American Legion Auxiliary, 4-H Leader, Clearwater County Outstanding

Senior Citizen for 1999, Sunday School Teacher, one of the founders of Our Saviors meatball supper.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Julius and Ella; husband, Fred; sisters, Norma (Cliff) Olson; brothers, Belvin (Viola), Ronald (Florence); Fred's siblings and spouses; one infant great-grandchild; one infant great-great-grandchild

Sylvia is survived by three sons, Paul (Janet) of Owen, WI, Gene (Sharon) of Fergus Falls, MN, Allan (Rose Fohr) of Burlington, WI

10 grandchildren Jeff, Michelle, Milinda, Al, Kelly, Christina, Katrina, Heidi, Chad, Shawn; 25 great-grandchildren; 1 great-great-grandchild; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Visitation: One hour prior to the Service at PioneerCare Memorial Service: Friday, October 19, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. at PioneerCare Chapel, Fergus Falls

Clergy Chaplain David Strom

Interment: 1:00 p.m. Saturday, October 20, 2018 at Bagley City Cemetery, Bagley, MN with lunch and fellowship to follow at Our Saviors Lutheran Church in Leonard, MN.

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Services for Lorina Vettleson

Lorina S. Vettleson 92 of Oklee, MN passed away on Saturday, October 6, 2018 at Pioneer Memorial Care Center at Erskine, MN.

Funeral Service will be held 11:00 AM Friday, October 12, 2018 at Oak Park Lutheran Church, rural Oklee, MN with Rev. Jeffery Merseth officiating. Burial will follow at Oak Park Cemetery.

Visitation will be held on Thursday, October 11, 2018 5 – 8 PM with a 7:00 PM prayer service at Oak Park Lutheran Church, rural Oklee, MN. Visitation will also be held for one hour prior to the funeral at Oak Park Lutheran Church.

Lorina Selvina Torske was born September 28, 1926 on a farm in Mayfield Township, Pennington County, MN the daughter of Henry and Inga (Warstad) Torske. She was baptized into the Lutheran faith and confirmed at Salem Lutheran Church in Garnes Township, rural Oklee, MN. She attended country school in Garnes Township and graduated from Oklee High School in 1944.

Following school, Lorina moved to Thief River Falls, MN where she worked at the Fountain Café. At a dance that summer in Oklee, Lorina met her future husband, Herbert Vettleson Sr. The couple was married on June 1, 1946 at the Lutheran parsonage in Oklee by Rev. Lie. They made their home on a farm

in Deer Park Township, Pennington County, MN. They raised their five sons, Herb Jr., Louis, Loren, Glen and Alan. Their farm consisted of dairy and beef cattle, chickens, small grains and hay.

Lorina enjoyed her days as a homemaker raising her family. She liked her flower garden, vegetable garden and was an excellent cook. She always had fresh bread, canned sauces, vegetables, homemade cheese buns, chocolate chip cookies and in her spare time enjoyed embroidery. Lorina was a gentle, kind woman who dearly loved her kids and grandkids.

She was a member of Oak Park Lutheran Church where she was active with the Ladies Aid.

Survivors include her five sons, Herb (Janice) Vettleson, Jr., Thief River Falls, Louis (Linda) Vettleson, Thief River Falls, Loren (Vicky) Vettleson, Trail, MN, Glen (Annette) Vettleson, Oklee and Alan (Christine) Vettleson, Oklee; grandchildren, Sheri, Cindy, Will, Jared, Joey, Lisa, Travis, Trent, Heidi, Thor, Shane, Laura, Jessica, Seth, Susan, Holly and Matthew; numerous great-grandchildren and great-great grandchildren; sister-in-law, Shirley Vettleson, Thief River Falls; and many other relatives and friends.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Herbert on July 1, 1980; brother, Alton Torske; brothers-in-law, Wilton Vettleson, Myrl Vettleson, Lealand Vettleson, Walter Vettleson and Joseph Vettleson; sister-in-law, Myrtle Howard; and her parents.

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Solo: Holly

Accompanist: I'm But a stranger here, The old rugged cross, How Great Thou Art, Behold the Host, What a Friend

CASKETBEARERS: All of Lorena's grandsons

HONORARY CASKET BEARERS: All of Lorena's granddaughters.

Peterson Statement on Renegotiated NAFTA

WASHINGTON (October 1, 2018) – Following the announcement of a renegotiated North American Free Trade Agreement this week, House Agriculture Committee Ranking Member Collin Peterson of Minnesota issued the following statement:

"I am pleased to see the NAFTA renegotiation take one step closer to a possible conclusion, and I look forward to reviewing the agreement in full as Congress takes up its passage. Dairy and poultry are huge concerns for me, and I am encouraged with the access and provisions it appears we've secured in this agreement. While this agreement does not end Canada's supply management policies, this agreement includes provisions that will help dairy farmers in Minnesota and nationwide with less trade distorting exports during the current downturn in the farm economy. I hope the administration will use the momentum from this NAFTA deal to make progress in bringing the trade war with China to a productive end."



MDH alerting people around Thief River Falls who had contact with rabies- positive puppy

Minnesota Department of Health concerned that some people who were exposed may be unaware of the risk and the need for quick preventive treatment

After laboratory tests confirmed rabies in a 16-week-old puppy from the Thief River Falls area, health officials are alerting people who may have had contact with the dog at the PushTurbo shop in Thief River Falls between Sept. 2 and Sept. 14. The dog, which tested positive for rabies in late September, frequently had contact with people at the business.

In early July, a skunk attacked the puppy (a male Blue Heeler/Black Labrador Retriever) while the puppy was living at a breeder's house in Roseau County. The breeder shot the skunk but did not submit it for rabies testing. The puppy recovered from the attack but developed a lameness and fever on Sept. 12 and it was brought to a veterinarian for evaluation. The puppy was examined at a second veterinary clinic on Sept. 14, at which time the veterinarian learned about the skunk attack. The puppy was isolated at the clinic and its condition deteriorated. Two days later, the puppy was euthanized and rabies was confirmed on Sept. 21.

Upon learning of the case, MDH contacted 35 people who were potentially exposed to the puppy between Sept. 2 and Sept. 14. MDH recommended 25 of those people receive post-exposure treatment as a precaution. However, MDH remains concerned that there may be other people who were exposed but remain unaware of the risk. While rabies in humans is very rare, it is fatal once symptoms appear. For this reason, getting swift preventive treatment is an important protective measure for people who had contact with a rabid animal. There is no ongoing risk at the shop at this time and MDH is only concerned about people who were exposed between Sept. 2 and Sept. 14.

The Minnesota Board of Animal Health conducted follow-up site visits to assess animal exposure. This case is an important reminder for animal owners to report abnormal observed interactions between wildlife and domestic animals immediately to a veterinarian and the Minnesota Board of Animal Health.

For additional information on rabies in animals and to view a map of positive cases in Minnesota, visit the BAH website. For questions about rabies exposure to domestic animals, call 651-201-6808. For questions about rabies exposure in people, contact MDH at 651-201-5414



First flight winners at the Clearwater Hospice annual golf scramble on September 21st at the Twin Pines Golf Course was the Gustafson and Goudge team of Brennan Bakke, Paul Gustafson, Dylan Goudge and Chris Westrum.

Clearwater Hospice Golf Scramble

Clearwater Hospice held their annual golf scramble on September 21st at the Twin Pines Golf Course. The weather cooperated, though a bit windy, to make an enjoyable afternoon on the greens. 39 golfers came out to support the hospice program with the scramble raising about \$8,000. The winners of the first flight were the Gustafson and Goudge team of Brennan Bakke, Chris Westrum, Paul Gustafson and Dylan Goudge. Winners of the 2nd flight were: Aaron Kaiser, Joel Hood, Kermit Erickson and Steve Berry of the RiverWood Bank team. The 3rd flight winners were Debbie Olson, Greg Olson, Adella Eidsmoe and Denny Trandem. Paul Gusta-

fon was the Closest to the Pin winner. Debbie Olson captured the Longest Putt as well as the Longest Drive for Women title, and Canaan Ricke won the Longest Drive for men. Adella Eidsmoe won the two tickets for the December 16th Vikings game which were generously donated by Gerald and Terri Nelson of Clearbrook.

They send thank yous out to the sponsors for their donations, business places who donated door prizes for the golfers and lunch items. To Sybil Bergman of Clearbrook who worked diligently to recruit donations for hospice and helped the day of the scramble. Jim Trucke helped to keep them on track, helping with the signs, getting

the scramble started and to Eli Ricke for making sure the course was ready. Leroy Riewer blew off the pine needles off the greens and Denny Trandem helped as well. Barb Brooks was again a great help getting the lunch prepared. Ruth Halvorson volunteered to be the "Spotter", sitting at Hole #6 patiently waiting to witness a golfer make a hole in one to win the \$10,000, which didn't happen, but they did appreciate her time. Thanks to Twin Pines for having the course in top condition and for Margaret and Yvonne leading assistance. They also thank the community for supporting the Clearwater Hospice program in our county.



2nd flight winners at the Clearwater Hospice annual golf scramble on September 21st at the Twin Pines Golf Course were: Aaron Kaiser, Joel Hood, Steve Berry and Kermit Erickson and of the RiverWood Bank team.



The 3rd flight winners at the Clearwater Hospice annual golf scramble on September 21st at the Twin Pines Golf Course were: Denny Trandem, Adella Eidsmoe, Debbie Olson, and Greg Olson.

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