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The flags of the 28 nations competing in the World Ploughing Contest at the event site south of Baudette. Photo by Mike Hovde, Northern Light Region

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"I have the pleasure of declaring the 66th World Ploughing Contest open and let the contest begin."

With those words at Thursday's Opening Ceremony, World Ploughing Organization (WPO) chair Collin Milar made it official. The long awaited and much anticipated event that Lake of the Woods Tourism officials began exploring as an option to host back in August of 2017 and officially nailed down in March of 2018 had begun.

Several hundred people attended those opening ceremonies held on a farm field about two miles south of Baudette.

Those fields would eventually see, by best estimates, between 7,000 and 8,000 people during the three-days of competition with 53 competitors from 28 countries vying for the world title in two divisions; conventional and reversible.

On the third day of competition, the United States teams would vie for the national title to determine who would go on to represent the nation in the worlds in St. Petersburg, Russia in 2020.

The opening ceremonies also included speeches by Lake of the Woods Tourism Director Joe Henry, General Secretary of the WPO Anna Marie McHugh as well as Milar.

Once Secretary McHugh had introduced the teams from the various nations to the crowd gathered, the flags of each nation were raised, the Cairn of Peace was unveiled and the national anthem of the host country was sung by Grammy-Award winning artist Clay Hess.

The Cairn, a symbol of peace and unity, is a tradition going back to 1953 as a way to commemorate the world ploughing



The Cairn of Peace, commemorating the 66th World Ploughing Contest at Lake of the Woods unveiled at the Opening Ceremonies will find a permanent home at the Lake of the Woods County Museum. Photo by Mike Hovde, Northern Light Region

event. The Cairns have been erected in communities around the globe and the one created to commemorate this 66th annual event will stay in the community, likely finding a home at the Lake of Woods County Museum.

Over the weekend, the fields were buzzing with activity, most notably competitors from around the world and their fans cheering them on, along with many attending to see just what the event was all about.

In addition, a tractor parade

started each day, there was a multitude of food wagons offering a variety of delicious options, a beer garden, draft horse demonstrations, antique tractor displays and more.

A variety of bands entertained the crowds all three days.

On Sunday morning, a non-denominational worship service also took place.

During the days prior to the weekend, competitors were busy practicing in the fields, while family members, friends

and other international guests enjoyed tours of International Falls, Roseau, Warroad and, of course, Baudette. Others ventured out on their own trying their hands at walleye fishing, picking up souvenirs at local shops and visiting with the locals.

A Blessing of the Ploughs Service and Dinner was hosted at First Lutheran Church on Tuesday evening and involved donations of money, time and talent from other churches and individuals from around the community.

In speaking with the NLR, Joe Henry was quick to point out that this international event was a huge undertaking and involved a lot of people.

"Hosting an event with 28 countries that hasn't been to the United States in 30 years, in a small community, is a great feat. It takes many to step up to pull this off," Henry said.

It indeed involved a lot of people to make this event a success.

Ed and Kay Arnesen stepped up early the process and donated the use of their farmland, farm and marshaling yard used for the event. Their generous donation also included planting certain crops in certain areas in a certain direction as early as last year.

The family also removed old buildings and erected a large, new pole barn for the event.

"For their efforts, they did not receive a penny," Henry pointed out.

When practice fields weren't ready as planned, the Hasbargen family, who owns land near the event site, allowed competitors to practice on their land.

Cenex Co-Op Services even donated diesel fuel at the marshaling yard at no cost.

Henry said, "The competitors were blown away. That kind of hospitality goes a long way."

Those examples certainly were not where the generosity ended.

Dozens of people stepped up in volunteer roles to sell tickets at the gate, serve as parking attendants, collect trash, host events, and much, much more.

"It's been said the greatest gift you can give is the gift of time as it's the only thing that cannot be replaced," Henry said.

"Thank you! Thank you to everyone who volunteered. We had many people from Baudette and Lake of the Woods. We had people from neighboring communities, generous folks from the USA Plowing Organization around Minnesota and even people from other states who took their vacation time to come up and assist. All incredible gestures of giving."

"There were many who stepped up," Henry added.

"Supporting an event coming to Lake of the Woods that you perhaps didn't know much about is appreciated. We know who you are and you will not be forgotten."

Several instances of new friendships and learning of other countries and cultures were evident and witnessed

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Lake of the Woods Ice Fishing Now on New Zealander's Bucket List

Story credit goes to Mike Hovde, Staff Writer-Northern Light Region

Amongst the crowds, between the north and south plots filled with competitors from 28 countries, Jeeny Woolley sat intently watching her husband Ian represent New Zealand on Saturday afternoon at the World Ploughing Contest just south of Baudette.

Alongside Woolley sat friend and wife of New Zealand's head coach, Alison Wills, supporting the team.

The two, along with their spouses, had spent about two weeks in Baudette prior to contest weekend.

Woolley told the NLR that her husband spends a lot of time back home in the fields practicing his art.

"He's been New Zealand's national champion for five consecutive years," Woolley said proudly.

Woolley, who has held the national title since 2014, is a grape grower in New Zealand.

There are about 13 competitions throughout the year in New Zealand with Woolley taking part in about seven of them.

Woolley and Wills both said they probably never would have come to Lake of the Woods had it not been for the competition, with both of them admitting they had never heard of the area until they were told the World Competition would be held here this year.

"When we heard it would be at Lake of the Woods, we started googling to learn about the area," Woolley said.

While learning about the area online, Woolley said, "The main thing that stuck out to me was the ice fishing. It seems incomprehensible."

"Very incomprehensible," Wills added.

Upon arrival at Lake of the Woods, both agreed that their first impression was the people. "They're just amazing," Woolley said.

"They've made me feel like I'm a local."

The two are used to traveling for these events and said they are usually located near large cities.

This clearly was the smallest city, most rural and most remote location for the event that celebrated its 66th year here.

"I suppose that's the difference," Wills said.

While in the area, the two soaked up the local culture as much as possible, including a chartered walleye fishing trip on Lake of the Woods, and reported much success.

"We caught enough fish to feed our cabin twice," Wills said.

It was their first taste of walleye and when asked if they enjoyed it, both responded, "Most definitely!"

Both also took part in tours that were provided to the international guests which, in addition to a tour of Baudette, took them to Roseau, Warroad and International Falls.

When it came to the tours, Wills said that one thing really stuck out in her memory.

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Alison Wills and Jeeny Woolley, of New Zealand, sit down with the NLR on Saturday at the World Ploughing Competition. Photo by Mike Hovde, Northern Light Region

Honor America on Patriot Day

Let us not forget....

On September 11, 2001, at 8:45 a.m. on a clear Tuesday morning, an American Airlines Boeing 767 loaded with 20,000 gallons of jet fuel crashed into the north tower of the World Trade Center in New York City.

The impact left a gaping, burning hole near the 80th floor of the 110-story skyscraper, instantly killing hundreds of people and trapping hundreds more in higher floors.

As the evacuation of the tower and its twin got underway, television cameras broadcasted live images of what initially appeared to be a freak accident.

Then, 18 minutes after the first plane hit, a second Boeing 767—United Airlines Flight 175—appeared out of the sky, turned sharply toward the World Trade Center and sliced into the south tower near the 60th floor. The collision caused a massive explosion that showered burning debris over surrounding buildings and onto the streets below. It immediately became clear that America was under attack.

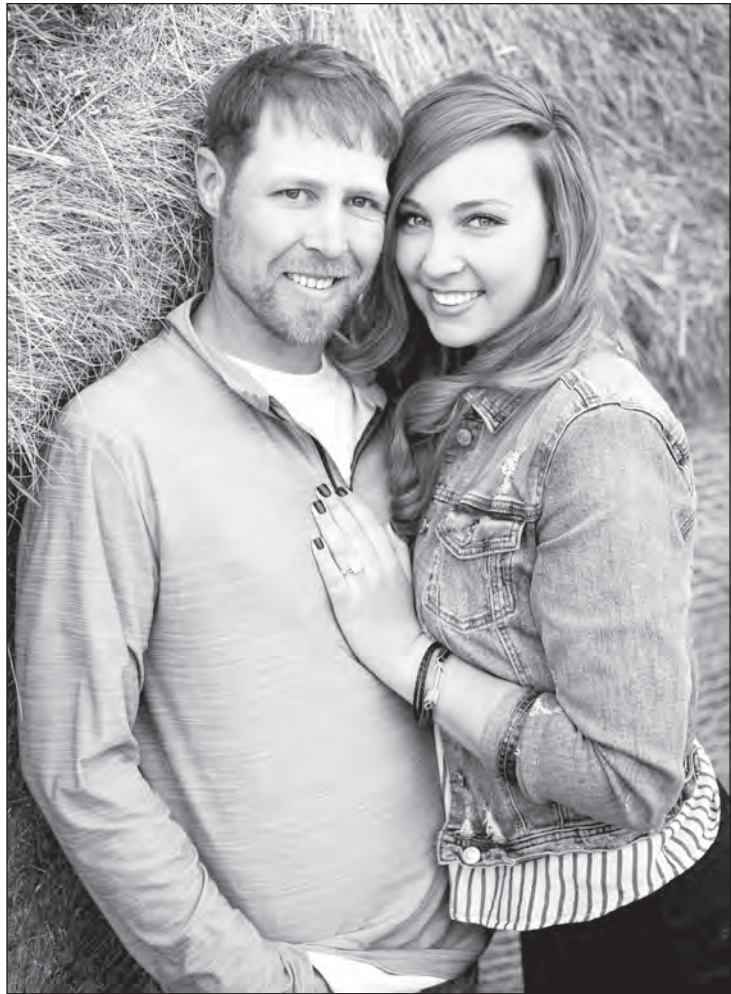
The hijackers were Islamic terrorists from Saudi Arabia and several other Arab nations.

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The Patriot Day celebrated on September 11 is a separate holiday from Patriot's Day, which is observed on the third Monday in April in Massachusetts.





Wedding Announcement

Brittany Wagner and Cole Kortan would like to announce their upcoming wedding on September 14, 2019 at 4pm. The couple will be getting married at The Wagner Farm, 131 W Myers Dr. Gully. Brittany is the daughter of Bob and Julie Wagner of Gully and Cole is the son of David and Tammy Kortan of Bagley.

There will be a reception following the ceremony at the Clearbrook Community Center (Old School) around 6pm. Everyone is welcome to come and help us celebrate!

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To the drivers who were able to make it! Thank you! We know many drivers were in the the fields getting their crops off before the rain came. We missed you this year, and hope next year will work out better.

To all the people who lined the streets to watch the antique beauties go by. Our crowds get bigger every year. Wow!

To the Club House children who rode on the hay wagon waving their flags proudly. You did an awesome job and made McIntosh proud! Great Job!

To the Firemen for having a pancake breakfast --- a nice turnout.

To the vendors who came and worked all day serving food and cold drinks.

To the Polarbear Snowmobile Club for having the Kiddy Tractor Pull. A huge success! Gets bigger every year!

To all the -- to the tractor drivers!! It was a great turnout and everyone enjoyed seeing your antique beauties. People & businesses who donate to see McIntosh continue this event each year... A very special thanks.

2019 Donors: Neil Bursheim, Carlins Funeral Home, Fosston Coop, Espeseth Ins., McIntosh Bank, Dennis & Diane Bousher, Jereds Grocery, Jason Plumbing, North Country Lumber, Farmchek, Dean Johnson, Ultima Bank, Lindfors Ins., McIntosh Fire Dept., McIntosh Community Club, Ag Country FCS

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NOTICE

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Bucket list...

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"When I was told we were going to tour a window factory (Marvin's), I thought; well I'm not sure how exciting that will be," she said.

"But when we learned the history, it was so interesting. The family just seems to love their communities so much, they do so much for it."

Both said they saw evidence of that throughout their time here.

"The people just do so much for their communities. It's very impressive," Woolley added.

Although the two hadn't heard of Lake of the Woods prior to making arrangements to attend the competition here, when asked if they thought they would ever return, the reply was pretty quick.

"I would like to come back and ice fish," Woolley said.

"Yes," Wills added. "Now that we know about it,"

"I don't know what -40 degrees feels like. I want to experience that," Woolley said.

Woolley continued, "It's something that has to be on your bucket list."

As the two reflected on their time here and started to realize they'd be leaving soon they expressed a similar and sincere message.

"I just want to say thank you for the hospitality and the friendship we've been shown," Wills said.

"We're really going to miss everyone," Woolley said.

"The people have made us feel like we're part of the family. They've made our stay here so enjoyable."

Polk County Sheriff

On 9-7-19 the Polk County Sheriff's Office was dispatched to Riverview ER in Crookston for a 18 year old male who had an apparent gunshot wound. Deputy's arrived and made contact with the male victim. He was being treated for minor injuries as a result of an accidental discharge of his firearm while hunting geese. No further information will be released at this time.

The Polk County Sheriff's Office wants to remind hunters to use proper firearm safety as we enter the hunting season. Remember the four basics to firearm safety,

1. Treat all firearms as if they are loaded.
2. Never point muzzle of the firearm at anything you don't intend to shoot.
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by Joseph Kesselring

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Wednesday, Sept. 18, 5:30-6:30 pm; Thursday, Sept. 19, 3:30-4:30 pm. Performances will be December 5-8, 2019 at Fosston Library Arts Center.

Please prepare a short monologue. Cold readings available as well. Questions, contact Abby 218-280-0595.

When to Step In

Written by Karin Haugrud

Your dad lives in another state and is recovering from a broken hip. You hear from his neighbor that despite his cheery "everything is just fine" attitude, he is unable to keep the house clean or do laundry. Or maybe you live across the country and worry about your aging parents. Are they still safe living in their own home?

Whether your parents are still in perfect health or are beginning to rely on you for day- to-day things, it may be wise to plan for their future care and welfare.

The challenges of caring for aging parents can be taxing for the in-between generation. Not only are families more dispersed than they once were, couples are waiting longer to have children. That means that when this generation's children are teenagers; their grandparents may be well into there 70's or 80's -when they need more help. This category of people even has its own term: The Sandwich generation. They are squeezed between the demands of their own children and the responsibility they feel to assist their aging parents.

How much should you do? Becoming involved in the care of your parents is not necessarily to take over all aspects of their lives or to physically take care of them.

Educate yourself first. Find out what kinds of services are available in the community that your parents live in and discuss with your parents what kinds of services they think they may need. Let your parents remain

in charge. Don't assume you know what your parents want or need. Listen.

Remember the intent here is communication, not control.

Getting organized to care for your parents is a multi-step process that requires time and energy as well as patience and sensitivity. It takes some time for you both to adjust to this new situation.

Despite your good intentions, your parents may not initially welcome probing questions regarding their personal documents and finances. Expect some resistance. This common reaction may have more to do with their personal pride, no one likes to lose control or feel like they are a burden. Gently explain that should they become sick or incapacitated, there is little you can do to help them without access to certain documents and information.

You will probably talk to many different people who can advise you on the kinds of assistance and long term care options available for your parents.

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1-800-333-2433 we can assist you in finding community resources to help your parents remain independent for as long as possible.

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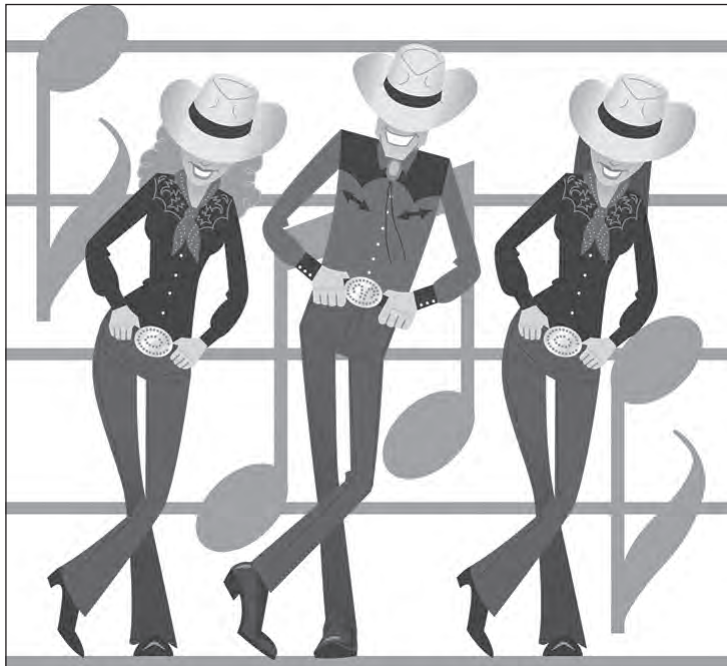
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The origins of line dancing

When attending a country hoedown, one is bound to encounter line dancing. Line dancing is popular in honkey tonks, bars, church basements, and just about anywhere folks are gathering for a good time.

The history of line dancing is extensive, though there is debate as to its origins. According to the Grizzly Rose club in Colorado, some believe that country line dancing can be traced back to the round and square dances of Europe. Others say it originated with 19th century social settlement movement folk dancing. Settlers of towns had their own songs and sounds that evolved into modern country music. In

turn, dances were modified to go along with the tunes. Contra dancing, which is a form of American folk dance in which the dancers form two parallel lines and perform a sequence of dance movements with different partners down the length of the line, likely played a hand in the evolution of country line dancing as well.

As its name suggests, line dancing involves people dancing in lines to music. The dances are choreographed with a repeating series of steps that are performed in unison. Dancers all face the same direction, although there may be multiple lines. Dance Poise also says that there is almost no physical contact between dancers, unlike other country western dances, though hand-holding may occur.

Country line dances are made up of various steps to a number of counts, which coordinate to the beat. They often feature catchy names, such as "The Texas Two-Step," "The West Coast Shuffle" and the "Boot Scootin' Boogie."

Some find line dancing so appealing because it does not require a partner, making it ideal for singles, couples or those who feel they aren't the strongest dancers.

Line dances are not limited to country music. Popular music has given rise to many different line dances, including the "Charlie Brown," the "Macarena" and the "Cha-Cha Slide," among others.

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So This Happened

I am a fan of connecting with people. No surprise there, but one of the means by which I connect is through Facebook. I enjoy reading encouraging words from others and viewing pics about what's going up or down in the lives of my friends in order to better support them. A new phrase, has been coined which expresses what's going on at times in the lives of others. It reads, "So this happened." When the pic is posted, there is something they want you to notice.

So what is it that I want you to note as I write this article? Let me tell you.

In the corner of my husband's office sits a huge Bible. Many times I've had it in the giveaway pile only to take it back out. Why did I have it in the pile to give away in the first place if I was only going to take it back out?

Well, it was in the pile to give-away because like I said, it is huge. It's not exactly lap size friendly. Rather, it is podium size...the kind you leave lying open upon an altar...that kind of big. And as it's made of heavy

weight paper, it is very heavy!

So why have I removed it from my giveaway pile year after year? I will tell you why.

You have heard it said that we should rejoice when our names are written in the Lamb's Book of Life...right? Although I haven't exactly seen that book, I can tell you that I've sure conjured up an image or two in my mind of what it might look like. Although this one perhaps isn't quite that big, it's gotta come close.

Yes, so this happened alright. It happened over thirty years ago. Our hometown bank gave us this Bible as a wedding gift. When we opened it, we were surprised that anyone would gift us something of such value. They let us know that they valued us. They valued us enough to pass on their values in this form.

That's what people do you know. When they value something, they tend to pass it on.

I have to continue my confession because there is another reason that lingered in the back of my mind each time I went to give it away. You see, our name

was written not only IN it but ON it! In reflective shiny golden letters it reads, HOLY BIBLE ... The Kjolhaug Family.

And there you have it. I did not give it away because after all..."What will people think" if they thought we did not value such an item and merely wanted to give it away. But wait! When it comes right down to it, isn't that what we are supposed to do?

As I page through the pages of this beauty, I am forever grateful that the value of His Word was valued enough for others to not only pass it on but give it away to us. After all, that's why it was spoken to begin with.

John 1:1 points out. "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God."

In John 1:14, we are reminded that our Heavenly Father also desires to pass on that which He values. "And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth."

And because this happened... I will be forever grateful. Amen.

Ask a Trooper

by Sgt. Jesse Grabow Minnesota State Patrol



Question: I was told the fine for passing a school

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Answer: In 2017, the fine for a school bus stop arm/red lights violation increased from \$300 to \$500 here in Minnesota.

Motorists must stop at least 20 feet from a school bus that is displaying red flashing lights and/or its stop arm is extended when approaching from the rear and from the opposite direction on undivided roads.

Red flashing lights on buses indicate students are either entering or exiting the bus.

Motorists are not required to stop for a bus if the bus is on the opposite side of a separated roadway (median, etc.) — but they should remain alert for pedestrians.

Motorists also need to watch for school crossing patrols and pedestrians. Reduce speeds in

and around school zones and watch and stop for pedestrians in both marked and unmarked crosswalks at all street corners.

Students can do their part in helping the bus driver focus on the road and help keep themselves safe outside and inside the school bus.

When waiting for the bus: be patient, stand back from road and no running or rowdy behavior.

When on the bus: stay seated, listen to the driver and use quiet voices.

When getting off a bus, look to be sure no cars are passing on the shoulder.

Before crossing the street, take five "giant steps" out from the front of the bus, or until the driver's face can be seen and wait for the driver to signal that it's safe to cross.

Look left-right-left when coming to the edge of the bus to make sure traffic is stopped. Keep watching traffic when crossing.

In Minnesota, school buses make at least 10,000 school bus trips daily. According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, school buses are the safest mode of transportation for children and they are eight times safer riding in a bus to school than any other vehicles.

From years 2013 - 2017, there were 3,451 school bus crashes in Minnesota, resulting in seven deaths.

Here is a video link about school bus safety: <https://youtu.be/TS-4aRELaA8>

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Kind of Like those Olivers

By Auctioneer Eric W. Mickelson



As I mentioned last week Labor Day Weekend means the last hurrah of summer to many of us. Once again it is back to school. For some of us it means time to make our yearly pilgrimage to Rollag, MN, for the Western Minnesota Steam Threshers Reunion. This year the feature was Case, as I mentioned last week. But something besides Case was able to catch my eye.

A year ago we departed Friday,morning, for Rollag, and we came across a rummage sale just north of Rollag. Next to the rummage sale was a line up of Cockshutt and Oliver tractors. While Patty was rummaging I had to take a look! The owner of the tractors is Stewart Aakre. I was sorry I missed him but, this year when we stopped again at the same rummage sale there was a sweet Oliver 77 in the yard. Once again Stewart was not home but this did not stop me from getting to take a look at the 77. I got a picture of his granddaughter Ashalynn Aakre sitting on the 77! Then we were

off to Rollag.

After our fun day of exploring we were off again for home when low and behold my wife saw another rummage sale sign. I guess if she spent the day at Rollag with me the least I could do is stop at a rummage sale for her. We pulled up to the house and garage where the rummage sale was taking place and an Oliver tractor caught my eye. Yes, the lady answer we have quite a few around here. About then the wheels started turning in my head. I remembered back to last year that Stewart Aakre's wife had told me the "family" had a lot of Olivers. So I asked the lady at the rummage sale what her name was. She said Aakre! I responded by asking if they were related to Stewart, and she said yes. Now I was excited I knew while my wife was rummaging I could probably take a look at some more Olivers! I was directed to a shed where I met a nephew Greg, and his father, and my tour began.

We went from shed to shed checking out some of the "other" green tractors. We saw several family tractors and as you know, I like tractor pulling, so I got to see a couple of the Aakre's pullers. What a great end to a fun day at Rollag! How can you beat stopping and getting to see even more tractors? I want to thank all the members of the Aakre family that I have briefly got the chance to meet for all the hospitality! A guy like me can never get to see too many tractors. Next year, Aakre's, please have another rummage sale..... heck even if you don't I might just stop in to look!

How about a little tractor trivia!

1. The Oliver 77 was made from 1948-_____.
A) 1952 B) 1954 C) 1956 D) 1958

2. The Oliver 77 was replaced by what model?
A) 770 B) 77 Deluxe C) Super 77 D) 1750

3. How many cylinders did the Oliver 77 have?
A) 2 B) 4 C) 6 D) 8

4. The model 77 Oliver had 6 forward speeds and _____ reverse.
A)1 B)2 C)3 D)4

5. Apparently over the years there were a few changes to the shade of the Oliver green. Most commonly it was referred to as _____ green.
A) Forest B) Dark C) Clover D) Meadow

Answers: 1. B.1954 2. C. Super 77 3. C.6 4. B.2 5. D.Meadow



Ashalynn Aakre on the Oliver 77.

3 signs of sun-damaged skin

The summer sun beckons many people outdoors. Soaking up some rays on a warm summer day can be a great way to unwind and get a little color.

It's not always easy to recognize signs of sun damage when spending time outdoors in the summer, especially for people who lay out in the sun hoping to get a tan. Such damage may be overlooked or more evident in the fall, when people begin spending more time indoors. But sun-damaged skin should not be taken lightly. In fact, the Skin Cancer Foundation notes that the vast majority of melanomas, the most dangerous form of skin cancer, are caused by the sun. The SCF even notes that one study from researchers in the United Kingdom found that 86 percent of melanomas can be attributed to exposure to the ultraviolet, or UV, radiation from the sun.

Sun-damaged skin will not necessarily lead to skin cancer. However, the American Academy of Dermatology notes that sun damage can lead to skin cancer. Going outdoors without adequate protection makes skin vulnerable to sun-related damage. Learning to recognize three of the more common types of sun damage may compel people visit their physicians and take potentially life-saving steps to prevent future damage.



1. Wrinkles

Wrinkles aren't always a byproduct of aging. While the Mayo Clinic notes that skin becomes less elastic and more fragile as it ages, increasing the likelihood that wrinkles will develop, wrinkles also can indicate sun-damaged skin.

2. Age spots

According to the AAD, age spots, which are flat brown, gray or black spots on the skin, appear on areas of the body that are most often exposed to the sun, including the face and hands. The AAD notes that what looks like an age spot could actually be skin cancer. If any such spots are detected, men and women should see a board-certified dermatologist for a thorough skin exam.

3. Loose skin

Loose skin is sometimes a byproduct of aging, but it also can be indicative of sun damage. Various products claim to treat loose skin, but the AAD notes that facelift-like results likely won't come from any product sold in a jar. For example, the AAD says results from skin-firming creams will be subtle at best. Products that contain a retinoid like retinol, which can help the body make more collagen, might produce minor results.

Sun-related skin damage can affect peoples' appearance and even suggest the presence of something more serious, such as skin cancer. Learn more by visiting the American Academy of Dermatology at www.aad.org.

Things to consider before warming up next to your first fire this winter

A warm fire can make even the coldest winter day more enjoyable. Fireplaces may not get much use in spring or summer, but come late fall and throughout the winter, the fireplace can be a great place for families to gather.

Before fireplace season hits full swing, homeowners might want to brush up on a few fireplace facts so they can safely enjoy nights spent sitting by the crackling flames.

The Chimney Safety Institute of America advises homeowners with fireplaces to hire a CSIA-certified chimney sweep to clean their fireplaces. After a lengthy period of non-use, various issues could be affecting the chimney, many of which might not be noticeable to an untrained eye. Professional, certified chimney sweeps have extensive knowledge of fireplaces, making them valuable resources who can let homeowners know if any safety issues developed since fireplaces were last used. The National Protection Agency recommends that chimneys be swept at least once per year.

A full inspection of the chimney might be in order as well. Chimney service technicians will conduct thorough examinations of readily accessible portions of the chimney exterior and interior and accessible portions of the appliance and the chimney connection. The CSIA recommends that homeowners who plan to use their chimneys as they have in the past request a Level 1 inspection, which will examine the soundness of the chimney structure and flue as well as the basic appliance installation and connections. Technicians also will verify if the chimney is free of obstruction and combustible deposits.



Homeowners also should inspect their chimney dampers before lighting their first fires of the season. Dampers should open and close smoothly. If not, a service technician can help fix or replace the damper.

Firewood is another thing homeowners must consider before lighting their first fires of the season. The CSIA says that well-seasoned firewood works best, noting that wood that is not well-seasoned will produce more smoke than heat. In addition, the home improvement resource This Old House recommends using dense wood that's been split and stored in a high and dry place for at least six months. Oak is an example of dense wood that, when stored properly, can make for an en-

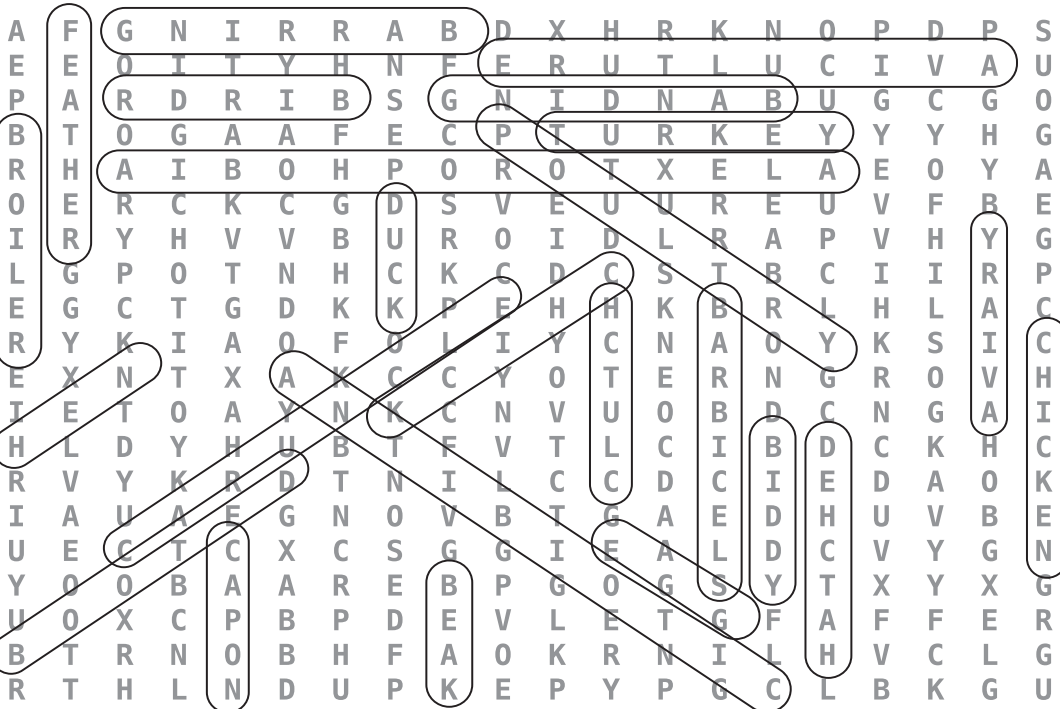
joyable fireplace experience. Avoid softwoods like pine. Pine can produce a lot of creosote, which is a byproduct of wood combustion. Creosote is highly flammable, and as it builds up in a chimney, the risk for a chimney fire increases. Choosing the right wood, making sure it's well-seasoned and having a chimney professionally cleaned can reduce the risk of a creosote-related chimney fire. A Level 1 inspection should determine if there are potentially dangerous levels of creosote deposits in the chimney.

Before nestling up to a fireplace this winter, homeowners should consider a host of factors and safety measures to ensure their fireplaces are safe and ready for the season ahead.

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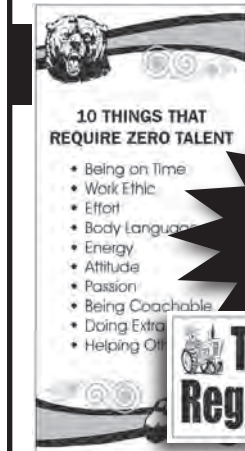


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Services held for Randy Stavenes

Randy Stavenes, 59, of Thief River Falls, MN passed away suddenly on Wednesday, September 4, 2019 at his residence.

The funeral service to celebrate Randy's life was held at 11:00 AM on Tuesday, September 10, 2019 at Grace Lutheran Church in Grygla, MN with Rev. Vicki Saude-Worthington officiating. Burial at Our Saviors Lutheran Cemetery, east of Grygla, MN.

Visitation was held 5:00 PM until 8:00 PM with a 7:00 PM prayer service on Monday, September 9, 2019 at Johnson Funeral Service in Thief River Falls, MN. Visitation was also held one hour prior to the service on Tuesday at Grace Lutheran Church.

Randy Len Stavenes was born July 16, 1960 in Roseau, MN the son of Basil Raynold and Eunice Loretta (Haugtvedt) Stavenes. He was baptized and confirmed at Our Saviors Lutheran Church, rural Grygla, MN. Randy attended school in Grygla and graduated with the class of 1978. Following school, Randy farmed with his father in Spruce Grove Township, Beltrami County, MN.

Randy worked at Polaris in Roseau, MN from 1988-2000 where he met the love

of his life, Kathy Brateng. The couple started dating in 1997 and were married on June 17, 2000 at Grace Lutheran Church in Grygla and made their home in Thief River Falls. At this time Randy became a proud step-father to Annea and Ishara Harmon. Together they raised quarter horses for several years and later purchased a mammoth jack which produced two mules.

From 2000-2002, Randy along with his brother Terry made cattle panels which they sold to farmers throughout the upper Midwest. From 2002-2008 he worked at Arctic Cat and later worked at Town & Country Meats in Newfolden, MN and Biff's Kitchen in Thief River Falls.

He enjoyed raising horses, cattle, chickens, hunting, spending time at the cabin in Golden Valley Township, traveling, and spending time with family. Randy was a stubborn, hard-headed, fun-loving, caring man who would do anything for anybody in need.

Survivors include his loving wife, Kathy of Thief River Falls; step-daughters, Annea (Dale Evans) Harmon and Ishara Harmon all of Indiana; step-grandchildren, Delana & Mark Harmon, Eli Bainbridge, Derrick & Octavia Evans; siblings, Wayne (Geri) Stavenes of Thief River Falls, Joyce (Brad) Barth of Goodridge, Terry (Becky) Stavenes of Thief River Falls; sister-in-law, Sandra Stavenes of Thief River Falls; many nieces, nephews, Brateng Family; and many friends.

He is preceded in death by his parents; brother, Rodney; mother-in-law, Joann Brateng; sisters-in-law, Jennifer Shepard and Wendy Sandmark.

Condolences may be sent at www.johnsonfuneralservice.com



Services for Milton Carlson

Milton Carlson, age 98, of Winger, MN, passed away on Friday, September 6th, at his home. Funeral services were held at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, September 10th, at Calvary Lutheran Church in Winger with the Rev. Gordon Syverson officiating. Interment in Calvary Lutheran Cemetery, Winger. Visitation was held from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. with a 7:00 p.m. prayer service on Monday and for one hour prior to the service on Tuesday. All visitation was held at Calvary Lutheran Church in Winger. Arrangements are with Carlin Family Funeral Service of Fosston and messages of condolence may be sent at www.carlin-funeral.com.

Milton Pharis Carlson was born to Arthur and Minnie (Benson) Carlson on August 30, 1921 in his Grandparents farm home west of Erskine, Minnesota. His paternal Grandmother Anna Carlson served as the midwife during his birth. When Milton was 3 years old his family moved to Fosston, Saskatchewan, Canada where they bought a farm. Milton attended Fosston Rural School there. In 1939, when Milton was 18 years old, they moved back to the United States onto a farm south of Erskine. Milton farmed with his Dad on the farm.

On June 11, 1947 Milton

married Fern Marie Johnson at her Grandparents home in Mentor, Minnesota. They began their married life on the farm Milton had farmed with his Dad south of Erskine. They were blessed with three children, Paul, Wanda and Judith. Milton and Fern lived by Erskine until April 1, 1966 when they bought a farm southwest of Winger where they farmed and eventually went into partnership with their son Paul in the farming operation. Milton enjoyed working with and riding horses throughout his life. He was always active in his church and served on many boards throughout his lifetime. He truly loved the Lord.

Milton is survived by his children, Paul (Donna Rae) Carlson of Winger, MN, Wanda (Richard) Donovan of St. Francis, MN, and Judith (Lonny) Gieseke of McIntosh, MN. Grandchildren, Chad (Michelle) Carlson, Brent (Jennifer) Carlson, Kristin (Monte) Erickson, Sheila (Christopher) Benesh, Adam (Jessica) Carlson, Dustin (Nickie) Carlson, Brittney (Timothy) Holmes, James (Roxanne) Peterson, Mark W (Melinda) Peterson, Joseph (Laura) Peterson, Lisa (Roy) Schaumburg, Kari Ann (Michael) Keller. Step Grandchildren, Christopher (Amy) Donovan, Shannon (Christopher) Hovanec, Jayme (Henry) Gruden, Mark E Peterson, Bryan Peterson and 37 Great Grandchildren and 1 Great Great Grandchild. Also surviving are his brother and sister-in-law, A. Merlin (Marilyn) Carlson of New Ulm, MN.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 69 years and 4 months, Fern; his parents; Brother and sister-in-law, Allan (Elaine) Carlson, Sister and brother-in-law, Lila (Gordon) Lerfald, Step sister and brother-in-law, Shirley (Ed) Pryor, Step sister-in-law, Ramona (Neil) Prescott, Grandchildren, Ryon Dale Gieseke and Jill Michelle Gieseke; and Great Grandchild, Jamie Michelle Peterson.

Let's Make Minnesota the Education State

By Governor Tim Walz

As a former public school teacher and a dad, the back-to-school season is a meaningful time of year for me. This year, it's also full of change. My daughter, Hope, starts her first year of college at the University of Minnesota and my son, Gus, heads back to middle school. This will also be the first year in nearly thirty years that neither my wife, Gwen, nor I will be starting September in a school.

While I am not in front of a classroom this year, I approach every day in my job as a "teacher-governor." That's because the education of our children determines the future of our state. Every student in Minnesota deserves the opportunity to learn in the best schools in the country with caring, qualified teachers.

But as I travel around the state, I see how the quality of a student's education is too often dependent on their race or zip code. I recently met a grandmother who lives with a deep anxiety. Her fear is that her grandchild in Le Crescent won't receive the same opportunities, or have as bright of a future as her grandchild in Woodbury. Disparities in our educational system based on geography, race, or economic status hold back not only our students, but our entire state from reaching its full potential.

We must make Minnesota the "Education State" for all children—no matter who they are or where they live. This past legislative session, we achieved many victories for education. Together, we increased the general education formula for the next two years, giving schools more flexibility to meet the

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Patriot Day...

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Reportedly financed by the al-Qaida terrorist organization of Saudi fugitive Osama bin Laden, they were allegedly acting in retaliation for America's support of Israel, its involvement in the Persian Gulf War and its continued military presence in the Middle East.

As millions watched the events unfolding in New York, American Airlines Flight 77 circled over downtown Washington, D.C., before crashing into the west side of the Pentagon military headquarters at 9:45 a.m.

Jet fuel from the Boeing 757 caused a devastating inferno that led to the structural collapse of a portion of the giant concrete building, which is the headquarters of the U.S. Department of Defense.

All told, 125 military personnel and civilians were killed in the Pentagon, along with all 64 people aboard the airliner.

Less than 15 minutes after the terrorists struck the nerve center of the U.S. military, the horror in New York took a catastrophic turn when the south tower of the World Trade Center collapsed in a massive cloud of dust and smoke.

At 10:30 a.m., the north building of the twin towers collapsed. Only six people in the World Trade Center towers at the time of their collapse survived. Almost 10,000 others were treated for injuries, many severe.

Meanwhile, a fourth California-bound plane—United Flight 93—was hijacked about 40 minutes after leaving Newark Liberty International Airport in New Jersey. Because the plane had been delayed in taking off, passengers on board learned of events in New York and Washington via cell phone and Airfone calls to the ground.

Knowing that the aircraft was not returning to an airport as the hijackers claimed, a group of passengers and flight attendants planned an insurrection.

One of the passengers, Thomas Burnett, Jr., told his wife over the phone that "I know we're all going to die. There's three of us who are going to do something about it. I love you, honey." Another passenger—Todd Beamer—was heard saying "Are you guys ready? Let's roll" over an open line.

Sandy Bradshaw, a flight attendant, called her husband and explained that she had slipped into a galley and was filling pitchers with boiling water. Her last words to him were "Everyone's running to first class. I've got to go. Bye."

The passengers fought the four hijackers and are suspected to have attacked the cockpit with a fire extinguisher. The plane then flipped over and sped toward the ground at upwards of 500 miles per hour, crashing in a rural field near Shanksville in western Pennsylvania at 10:10 a.m.

All 44 people aboard were killed. Its intended target is not known, but theories include the White House, the U.S. Capitol, the Camp David presidential retreat in Maryland or one of several nuclear power plants along the eastern seaboard.

A total of 2,996 people were killed in the 9/11 attacks, including the 19 terrorist hijackers aboard the four airplanes. Citizens of 78 countries died in

New York, Washington, D.C., and Pennsylvania.

At the World Trade Center, 2,763 died after the two planes slammed into the twin towers. That figure includes 343 firefighters and paramedics, 23 New York City police officers and 37 Port Authority police officers who were struggling to complete an evacuation of the buildings and save the office workers trapped on higher floors.

At the Pentagon, 189 people were killed, including 64 on American Airlines Flight 77, the airliner that struck the building. On Flight 93, 44 people died when the plane crash-landed in Pennsylvania.

9/11 Anniversary and Memorial

On December 18, 2001, Congress approved naming September 11 "Patriot Day" to commemorate the anniversary of the 9/11 attacks. In 2009, Congress named September 11 a National Day of Service and Remembrance.

The first memorials to September 11 came in the immediate wake of the attacks, with candlelight vigils and flower tributes at U.S. embassies around the world. In Great Britain, Queen Elizabeth sang the American national anthem during the changing of the guard at Buckingham Palace. Rio de Janeiro put up billboards showing the city's Christ the Redeemer statue embracing the New York City skyline.

For the first anniversary of the attacks in New York City in 2002, two bright columns of light were shot up into the sky from where the Twin Towers once stood. The "Tribute in Light" then became an annual installation run by the Municipal Art Society of New York. On clear nights, the beams are visible from over 60 miles away.

A World Trade Center Site Memorial Competition was held to select an appropriate permanent memorial to the victims of 9/11. The winning design by Michael Arad, "Reflecting Absence," now sits outside the museum in an eight-acre park. It consists of two reflecting pools with waterfalls rushing down where the Twin Towers once rose into the sky.

The names of all 2,983 victims are engraved on the 152 bronze panels surrounding the pools, arranged by where individuals were on the day of the attacks, so coworkers and people on the same flight are memorialized together. The site was opened to the public on September 11, 2011, to commemorate the 10-year anniversary of 9/11. The National September 11 Memorial & Museum followed, opening on the original World Trade Center Site in May 2014.

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Snapshots from the 2019 World Ploughing Contest August 30-September 1 at Lake of the Woods



Ploughing... Continued from front

by many throughout the event and the days leading up to and after it.

"There was a message that we heard over and over again. Competitors and visitors from across the globe would purposefully pull me aside and tell me how the people here are so welcoming, nice and friendly," Henry said.

He added, "On the flip side, I heard dozens of people in the community comment on how incredibly awesome it was to meet and interact with so many people from around the world right here in our area. Whether it was sharing a beverage together, running into each other at a local Baudette business or maybe grabbing a bite at a local resort or restaurant, the interactions had a positive impact on both sides."

"I feel confident to say, anyone who took part in the event or had the opportunity to spend any amount of time with our international guests will forever be changed for the better. The same is true for all who visited."

By all accounts, those sentiments were expressed by people the NLR staff members had the opportunity to take.

"Our main goal in hosting the 2019 World Ploughing Contest is a long term strategy. We know Lake of the Woods resorts, hotels and outfitters are a very good fit with people in farming and companies involved in agriculture. They like coming to our area and do so during slower farming times throughout the year," Henry explained.

"The publicity created and distributed across the region, U.S. and globe about Lake of the Woods and Baudette hosting this event was impressive. We feel this exposure pays dividends in many ways. We had national television shows, articles, publications, digital media, radio, talk shows, and more covering the event."

"The mantra of the World Ploughing Organisation" is a Latin phrase, Pax Arva Colet. Translated, it means 'Let Peace Cultivate the Land.' It certainly did," said Henry.



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Ivy Watts

Former Division II All-American track athlete Ivy Watts to speak at UMN Crookston

CROOKSTON, Minn. – Mental health empowerment speaker Ivy Watts, a former Division II All-American track athlete who struggled with anxiety, self-worth and depression will share her story of hope on Wednesday, September 11, 2019, at the University of Minnesota Crookston. The event, which begins at 7 p.m. in Kiehle Auditorium, is free and open to

the public.

Watts is dedicated to promoting mental wellness and reducing the stigma around mental illness. Vulnerable and transparent about her struggle with anxiety, depression and suicidal thoughts, Watts shares how she has grown to love herself in order to help others tell their story.

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