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Congratulations to Chief Deputy Vern Wittenberg for completing all four phases of the Institute for Credible Leadership (ICLD). ICLD is an online certification course offered by the Minnesota Sheriff's Association. There are 47 courses for a total of 183 hours. This is a four-phase learning system that is designed to develop leadership skills which will benefit the organization and community we serve. Introduction to leadership, ethics, character, supervision, communication and self-development are all covered throughout the 47 courses. Chief Deputy Wittenberg joins Sheriff Halverson as the first two graduates of ICLD for Clearwater County

West and East Polk County FSA Office Encourages Producers to Attend 2018 Farm Bill Informational Meeting on January 14

The West and East Polk Farm Service Agency (FSA) Offices and the University of Minnesota Extension Service are hosting a 2018 Farm Bill Informational Meeting on Tuesday, January 14th, 2020, from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. at the Community center in McIntosh MN. Preregistration is not required, and the meeting is free and open to the public.

Meeting attendees will learn about Farm Service Agency (FSA) 2018 Farm Bill Programs including Agriculture Risk Coverage (ARC) and Price Loss Coverage (PLC).

The ARC Program is an income support program that provides payments when actual crop revenue declines below a specified guarantee level. The PLC Program provides income support payments when the effective price for a covered commodity falls below its effective reference price.

Learning more about ARC and PLC is extremely important for producers who must make a one-time decision about ARC or PLC election effective for 2019 and 2020, and a 2020 PLC yield update.

An FSA representative will be in attendance to present ARC and PLC policy and procedure and answer policy related questions.

Producers will need to communicate with landowners on program decisions. For instance, yield updates are landowner decisions, while other program decisions (ARC or PLC elections) are made by

the farm operator.

Other FSA & U of MN Extension Farm Bill Meetings being held in Northwest MN:

Bemidji – Wednesday, January 8 – 10:00 a.m. @ the Beltrami County Fairgrounds 4H Building

Newfolden – Tuesday, January 21 – 9:30 a.m. @ Newfolden Community Center

Hallock – Tuesday, January 21 – 2:00 p.m. @ Hallock City Hall

Ada - Friday, January 24 – 2:00 – 4:00 pm @ the Legion Recreation Center

Those interested in learning more but are unable to attend an in-person meeting are encouraged to view online presentations at farmbill.umn.edu. More information from Extension on the Farm Bill and events is available at <https://extension.umn.edu/business/abm-events>.

For more information about the meeting, please contact CED, Nathan Johnson (218) 281-2809 ext. 2 (West Polk) or (218) 563-3615 ext. 2 (East Polk).

AgCountry declares \$60 million in cash dividends

Fargo, N.D. – AgCountry Farm Credit Services is excited to announce that a record \$60 million in cash dividends will be paid to eligible member-owners in March of 2020. Since 2014, AgCountry patrons have received over \$195 million in cash patronage.

The Board of Directors is also announcing that going forward, it is the cooperative's intention to target payment of a one percent cash dividend on all eligible business barring unforeseen events and assuming AgCountry continues to meet its financial goals.

AgCountry's patronage program grants the Board of Directors the ability to distribute a portion of the association's net income to its member-owners when financial conditions allow for it. This marks the seventh

consecutive year AgCountry is paying a cash dividend.

"The Board is truly pleased to make these announcements," said Board Chair Ed Hegland. "In these trying times, it is great that we are in a position to deliver a record cash dividend to the people who have helped build this company."

"This announcement further demonstrates our deep commitment to serving agriculture and rural America," said AgCountry President and CEO Marc Knisely. "Our record cash dividend payment is the latest in a series of actions we have taken over the past few years to help better position our patrons, such as holding on interest rate hikes while rates were rising and then lowering rates once the Federal Reserve decided to make cuts."

The Healing Power of Pets

By Karin Haugrud

Throughout history and all over the world, animals have brought love, laughter and companionship to the people whose lives they share. Today, many doctors, social workers, and other health care professionals believe that companion animals are important in helping many people lead healthy, happy lives, especially elderly people. Many researchers are finding that the most serious disease for older persons is not cancer or heart disease -- it's loneliness. Love is one of the most important health tonics we have and pets are one of nature's best sources of love.

Dogs and cats help everyone overcome the pain of loneliness by supplying companionship and affection. For anyone who is consistently left alone pets can also supply a sense of security and protection. Pets can make you laugh and divert your mind away from troubles. They also broaden your circle of friends and encourage good health through exercise. Studies show that pets can aid relaxation, lower one's blood pressure, promote health, and prolong life.

Some pet programs at nurs-

ing homes are credited with enabling patients to reach out beyond their own pain and isolation and start caring about the world around them once again. A lot of these patients have many losses, personal as well as some physical health problems. It's important for them to have something like a puppy that's so accepting, that doesn't care if you are in a wheelchair or if you can't walk, or if you've had an amputation. The puppy loves everybody and it means a lot to the patients.

Many studies also show that pets are psychologically important to the elderly, as they help stimulate socialization by providing a topic of conversation with others where stories of happy moments with pets are shared.

Although animals make great companions for people of any age, pets can have important benefits for seniors. But before adopting a new companion, seniors need to understand the amount of dedication that goes into caring for an animal. Seniors need to be sure they have the time and the means to care for a pet, both physically and financially.

It's also important to consider the kind of pet to adopt. Animal care professionals often advise seniors to consider adopting an adult dog or cat. An older animal may be a better fit for their lifestyle than a puppy or kitten.

If you are thinking about owning a pet, think carefully about how it will affect your life. Know how you will provide for the animal before you bring it home. Be honest with yourself. Don't take a pet because someone else feels that you should have one. And don't let well-meaning but overly protective friends or relatives convince you that you should not have a pet.

You know better than anyone else what you want and what your abilities are. It's your decision!

This article is made possible with Older Americans Act dollars from The Dancing Sky Agency on Aging. The Senior LinkAge Line® makes it easy for older adults and their families to find services in their community. Call the Senior LinkAgeO at 800-333-2433 to speak with an information specialist, or check out our website at MinnesotaHelp.info



Megan Beck, UMN Crookston Staff Member and Artist, To Present Artwork

CROOKSTON, Minn. – Megan Beck, assistant director of student activities at the University of Minnesota Crookston, will be having an artist talk, that will be open to the public, on January 29, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. in the prairie lounge at the University of Minnesota Crookston.

Beck, with a Bachelor of Fine Arts from the University of Wisconsin Stout (2016), is passionate about her work. She has a degree in contemporary jewelry and metalsmithing with a minor in art history.

"I'm excited to tell people about the work I've created inspired by a historical Northwest MN building and how I've translated it into wearable artwork," mentioned Beck.

In the fall of 2018, Beck was awarded an artist fellowship grant of \$5,000. This activity is made possible in part by a grant provided by the Northwest Minnesota Arts Council through funding from The McKnight Foundation.



Through the grant Beck was able to purchase various materials and tools to have a safe and functioning metalsmithing studio and create a new body of work to build upon her skills and portfolio. Beck's new body of work is inspired by The Fournet building located in downtown Crookston.

Beck had the opportunity to

tour of the Fournet building in the fall of 2017 through Leadership Crookston.

"I knew that would spark my new body of work. I loved all the old peeling wallpaper and the pastel colors throughout the building. It was so unique and ornate and I couldn't wait to get started on some ideas," stated Beck.

Beck did not have a safe or working studio until she was able to rent one downtown. Through the grant, Beck was able to get equipment to make sure she had a studio with proper ventilation so she could ensure she was making her work safely.

Beck stated, "My current work is a reflection of my interactions with surfaces in surrounding environments. I am interested in how society translates surfaces, patterns and colors into intimate details and how they mirror identities. Much like the exterior of a wall, we seek nonverbal communication through what we put on our bodies. This investigation has led me to examine the preciousness of surfaces, and explore how they communicate to the viewer or wearer through their facade."

Some content shown during the open talk may not be suitable for all viewers (previous work will be shown that was photographed on nude models).



Many homes in the area were decorated for the Christmas season. This house located in Gonvick owned by Gary and Evon Quern had some beautiful lights.



Paul Nordby, who won the 55" LG Smart TV, donated by the Fourtown/Grygla Sportsman's Club.

Fourtown/Grygla Sportsman's Club annual holiday supper and raffle

Fourtown/Grygla Sportsman's Club held their annual holiday supper last Saturday night in Grygla. 150 steak sup-

pers were served with over 100 prizes given away, courtesy of many local businesses, organizations and individuals. 16 big-

ger prizes were also drawn for with folks buying raffle tickets for those items.



Steve Sparby won the Springsteel Resort & Marina fishing trip for four people (1 night/2 days, donated by Satre Farms) at the Fourtown/Grygla Sportsman's Club Holiday Supper last Saturday night.



Jeff Kuebelbeck was the winner of the Henry Golden Boy, donated by the Fourtown/Grygla Sportsman's Club. The gun is not pictured as he will take ownership of it after the necessary steps are taken!



Janelle Nelson was the winner of a duffel bag donated by Polaris at the event.



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Lake Agassiz Regional Library to Close January 20 for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

All Lake Agassiz Regional Library (LARL) branches and LINK sites will be closed on Monday, January 20 in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, with regular hours of operation resuming Tuesday, January 21.

LARL's branch libraries are located in Ada, Bagley, Barnesville, Breckenridge, Climax, Crookston, Detroit Lakes, Fertile, Fosston, Hawley, Mahanomen, McIntosh and Moorhead. LARL's LINK sites are found in Cormorant, Frazee, Gonvick, Halstad, Hendrum, Lake Park, Rothsay, Twin Valley and Ulen. Lake Agassiz Regional Li-

brary is a consolidated public library 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.

MCCL Meeting Scheduled

The January meeting of Minnesota Concerned Citizens for Life (MCCL) Chapter 45 will meet Tuesday, January 14th at 7:00 p.m. at the McIntosh Community Center.

All are invited and welcome to attend.

Annual Gift Exchange Brunch

You and your friends are invited to the "Annual Gift Exchange" brunch on Wednesday, January 15, 2020, 9:30 AM at New Journey Church (Fosston Baptist Church) 505 9th St. NW, Fosston.

Feature: \$10 Gift Exchange. **Speaker & Music:** Pastor Karl Anderson from McIntosh, MN.

Reservations due by Monday, January 13th, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. For reservations call Arlene 563-2085, Beverly 776-3897, Maxine Walter 687-3074, Judi Lindseth 563-2205 or 361-446-3218.

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Fosston women killed in Christmas Day crash

Naomi Steinmetz, 78, of Fosston was killed on Wednesday, December 25 when her vehicle collided with another vehicle on Highway 59.

The crash occurred at just before 11:15 a.m. on Highway 59 n Mahanomen County north of the Minnesota State Patrol, Stenmetz was driving a 1999 Ford Crown Victoria north bound on Highway 59 when she lost control and spun out into the southbound lanes, where she collided with a 2010 Dodge Caravan driven by Tisa Diana-Stenman Jones, 63 of Under-

wood, MN.

Steinmetz was wearing a seat belt but died at the scene, according to the Minnesota Highway Patrol report.

The driver of the Caravan and a passenger in the Caravan, Curtis Lee Jones, 63, also of Underwood were both taken to Fargo. Both occupants of the Caravan suffered nonlife-threatening injuries. Both were wearing seat belts and alcohol was not a factor, according to the report. The road was icy and snow-covered when the crash occurred.

Torgerson convicted of felony

Fifty-three-year-old Larry Gene Torgerson, of Independence (formerly of Leonard, MN), is charged with one count of second degree criminal sexual conduct, court documents filed in Hennepin County.

According to a criminal complaint, Torgerson contacted child protection services earlier this month, saying that he had molested a girl, who was now struggling to deal with the abuse.

The victim told child protection services that Torgerson inappropriately touched her between 2012 and 2014. She said Torgerson would let her play with an iPad while the abuse happened.

The victim, who is now 15, told her mother about the abuse last year. Officials say the child

was told to forget about what happened and forgive Torgerson, because that's what good Christians do.

She was also told not to tell anyone what happened.

Charges for Larry Gene Torgerson are as follows:

1. Criminal Sexual Conduct-2nd Degree-Significant Relationship-Under16-Multiple Act 609.343.1(h)(iii) Felony 07/10/2012, Convicted 12/14/2018 of a Felony, 9 year sentence.

2. Criminal Sexual Conduct-2nd Degree-Victim 13-15-Position Authority 609.343.1(b) Felony 01/01/2013, Convicted 12/14/2018 of a Felony, 5 year sentence.

Larry Torgerson was a 1983 graduate of Clearbrook High School.

Polk County Sheriff

Motor Vehicle Accident Mentor

On 01/01/2020 just after 0130 hours the Polk County Sheriff's Office responded to a single vehicle accident on County Rd 113 at US Highway 2 in Mentor. The vehicle had left the roadway and struck a power pole. The driver was the only occupant in the vehicle. He was transported to River View Hospital in Crookston via ambulance and was treated and released for non-life threatening injuries. The 36 year old male was arrested for suspicion of DWI.

The Polk County Sheriff's Office was assisted by Mentor Fire and Rescue and County EMS.

No further information will be released at this time.

Two Vehicle Crash

On 01-02-2020 at 0840 hours the Polk County Sheriff's Office, Minnesota State Patrol, Altru Ambulance, East Grand Forks Fire Department, Oslo First Responders responded to the intersection of CR 64 and CR 22 for a two vehicle crash with personal injury. Upon arrival deputies observed that a 2017 Chevrolet Equinox driven by Ordean Thompson age 81 was traveling north bound on CR 22 when it lost control on the icy covered roadway, entered the south bound lane and struck a 2018 Subaru driven by Lynne Olson age 46 of Oslo, MN who was south bound on CR 22. Both vehicles sustained heavy damage. Thompson was transported by ambulance to Altru Hospital in Grand Forks with serious injuries. Olson was treated and released at the scene. This investigation is active and ongoing. No further information will be released at this time.

Be Aware of Phone Scam

The Polk County Sheriff's Office received a report of possible phone scam going on in the area. A female caller advised she was with Essentia Health in Detroit Lakes, MN and was calling from phone # 218-314-7297. The phone was then given to a male who started asking victim for her name, date of birth and last 4 digits of social security number. When victim asked what they needed this information for the caller hung up.

The Polk County Sheriff's Office Investigator called the number back and the number is tied to a call board that directs calls for Essentia Health in Detroit Lakes. The call board advised they do not make calls from that number.

Please remember not to give out any personal information unless you can verify the caller. If you have questions call a friend, relative or law enforcement.



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Maintenance I- Facilities Management Department

The Polk County Facilities Department has an immediate opening for a full time, benefitted Maintenance I position. This position performs technical work performing building maintenance & remodel projects. Performs semi-skilled repair of electrical, plumbing, carpentry, boilers & HVAC systems. Primary work location is in a jail setting at the Justice Center. 1-2 years of experience in repairing & maintaining water pipe fixtures and other plumbing as well as upkeep of light commercial equipment and boilers. Applicants must have a high school diploma or GED and moderate experience in building maintenance, boilers and construction or equivalent combination of education and experience. A valid driver's license is required for this position. Wage range for this position is \$16.47 - \$20.94 / hour; DOE and qualifications. An application and job description can be found on Polk County's website: www.co.polk.mn.us click on Careers or contact the Polk County Administrator's Office at (218) 281-5408. Please send your completed application along with a cover letter and resume to the Polk County Administrator's Office, 612 N. Broadway, Room 211, Crookston, MN. Applications will be received until 4:30 p.m., January 22, 2020. All qualified applicants will be considered for employment. EEO M42-43C

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Family Engagement Coordinator: 40 hours a week, year round, office based in Oklee, MN, recruitment and engagement of families in program services, staff support and training, supervision of 6-8 staff; Bachelor's degree required in social services, human services, family services, counseling or related degree; preference for supervisory training; additional training will be provided. Must be able to pass a background check.

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For questions, call James Hardy at 218-935-2261. A copy of the purchase agreement is available for review by perspective bidders upon request.

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Get Registered for PorkBridge and SowBridge Programs

Sarah Schieck Boelke, Swine Extension Educator, U of MN Extension Regional Center, Willmar — (320) 235-0726 Ext. 2004, schi0466@umn.edu.

Registration for both PorkBridge and SowBridge distance education programs is now open. PorkBridge is aimed at those who own, manage or work in swine grow-finish facilities. SowBridge is for people involved in managing or caring for sows, and/or their litters, and boars, including operation owners, employees, technicians, managers and technical service providers. Both programs begin in early February 2020.

University of Minnesota Swine Extension Educator Sarah Schieck Boelke said the programs offer accurate and timely information on a variety of topics through a regular schedule.

"Producers and others in the industry can get the information they need without the hassle of traveling or giving up a whole day to attend a meeting," Schieck said. "Participants in the PorkBridge and SowBridge programs can take part where it works best for them whether at home, in an office or in the swine unit. And whether or not they can participate in the live session, all sessions are recorded and audio files are available for download from each session for later use."

To get a sample of each program people can view a PorkBridge and SowBridge session from 2017 at <https://z.umn.edu/PB-sample> and <https://z.umn.edu/SB-sample> respectively.

The PorkBridge program has six sessions generally offered on the first Thursday of every other month starting in February 2020. All sessions start at 11:30 a.m. Central Time and will last a maximum of 60 minutes, which includes time for questions. Cost for the series is \$100 for the first registration from an entity and \$50 for each subsequent registration from the same entity.

Registration information for PorkBridge can be found on the University of Minnesota Extension webpage under courses and events at z.umn.edu/PorkBridgeRegistration.

PorkBridge 2020 session dates, topics, speakers and their industry affiliation are as follows:

- Feb. 6 – "African Swine Fever and Secure Pork Supply" by Pam Zaabel, Iowa State University, Center for Food Security & Public Health

- April 2 – "Maintenance of Euthanasia Equipment" by Steve Moeller, The Ohio State University

- May 28 – "In-barn Impacts on Meat Quality" by Matt Ritter, ProVimi US

- Aug. 6 – "Tail, Ear, and Flank Biting: Reasons Why and How to Address" by Yuzhi Li, University of Minnesota

- Oct. 1 – "Proper Application of Disinfectants" by Jose Ramirez, Virox Animal Health

- Dec. 3 – "Precision Technologies for Commercial Pork Production" by Andy Brudtkuhl, National Pork Board

The SowBridge program has 12 monthly sessions throughout the year generally scheduled for the first Wednesday of the month. All sessions start at 11:30 a.m. Central Time and last no longer than 60 minutes, which includes time for questions. Cost for the series is \$200 for the first registration from an entity and \$100 for each subsequent registration from the same entity.

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SowBridge 2020 session dates, topics, speakers and their industry affiliation are as follows:

- Feb. 5 – "African Swine Fever and Secure Pork Supply" by Pam Zaabel, Iowa State University

- March 4 – "What You Need to Know About Foreign Animal Diseases" by Justin Brown, Iowa State University, and Chelsea Hamilton, IDALS and ISU

- April 1 – "Feeding Strategies for Pre-farrow Females on Piglet Survivability" Kiah Gourley and Jason Woodworth, Kansas State University

- May 6 – "Impact of Drying Newborn Piglets" Mike Ellis, University of Illinois

- May 27 – "Porcine Circovirus type 3: What We Know" by Albert Rovira, University of Minnesota

- July 1 – "Capturing Value of Cull Sows" by Ken Stalder, Iowa State University

- Aug. 5 – "Maintenance of Euthanasia Equipment" by Steve Moeller, The Ohio State University

- Sept. 2 – "Gestation/Lactation Ventilation Do's and Don'ts" by Erin Cortus, University of Minnesota

- Oct. 7 – "Proper Disinfectant Application" by Jose Ramirez, Virox Animal Health

- Nov. 4 – "Induction Protocol Updates" by Rob Knox, University of Illinois

- Dec. 2 – "Upcoming Technology in Pork Production" by Andy Brudtkuhl, National Pork Board

- Jan. 6 (2021) – "Electronic Sow Feeding Management Tips and Tricks" by Tom Parsons, University of Pennsylvania

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Men	Scorchin' Girls	236	HARVEY CARLSON	252	DUSTY TRIPLE	235	PERRY GRUNDYSON
Scorchin' Girls	608	HARVEY CARLSON	579	REUBEN NETLAND	584	ANDY ANDERSON	
Handicap Girls	272	HARVEY CARLSON	382	DUSTY TRIPLE	354	PERRY GRUNDYSON	
Handicap Girls	689	REUBEN NETLAND	678	KEVIN JOHNSON	567	HARVEY CARLSON	
Women	Scorchin' Girls	222	JANET LANDVENSER	195	DARLINE ROUE	125	TERRY MATIAS
Scorchin' Girls	533	DARLINE ROUE	497	JANET LANDVENSER	349	TERRY MATIAS	
Handicap Girls	238	JANET LANDVENSER	258	DARLINE ROUE	188	TERRY MATIAS	
Handicap Girls	688	DARLINE ROUE	635	JANET LANDVENSER			

Last Week's Top Scores

Scorchin' Girls	624	DAILY TR CO-OP	586	MAIN STREET	498	THE WRECKING CREW	
Scorchin' Girls	1677	MAIN STREET	1456	THE WRECKING CREW	1437	FARMCHICK	
Handicap Girls	796	DAILY TR CO-OP	648	MAIN STREET	683	DAVE'S STANDARD SERVICE	
Handicap Girls	1834	THE WRECKING CREW	1791	DAILY TR CO-OP	1782	DAVE'S STANDARD SERVICE	
Men	Scorchin' Girls	256	HARVEY CARLSON	196	DUSTY TRIPLE	191	BYRAN LANDVENSER
Scorchin' Girls	680	HARVEY CARLSON	541	BYRAN CARLSON	527	PAT FARLAND	
Handicap Girls	381	HARVEY CARLSON	328	LARRY FROST	326	CHRIS SOULE	
Handicap Girls	674	HARVEY CARLSON	647	PAT FARLAND	629	CHRIS SOULE	
Women	Scorchin' Girls	149	JANET LANDVENSER	149	JANET LANDVENSER		
Scorchin' Girls	620	JANET LANDVENSER	585	JANET LANDVENSER			
Handicap Girls	134	JANET LANDVENSER					
Handicap Girls	555	JANET LANDVENSER					

Bowl Inn

Thursday 8:30 pm	High Avg	High Avg	High Avg				
Men	181.08	BYRAN LANDVENSER	174.63	DAVE'S STANDARD SERVICE			
Women	153.66	DARLINE ROUE	147.55	JANET LANDVENSER			
				187.81	DUSTY TRIPLE		
Men	29.5	REUBEN NETLAND	23	WESTON DAMSUD	24.5	TIM KASSELL	

League 1 - B

High Individual Match Points

THURSDAY TRIO'S 2019-20														
Bowl Inn														
Team Standings														
Place	#	Team Name	Score	Points	Wins	Losses	Draws	YTD	YTD	YTD	YTD	YTD	YTD	YTD
1	5	HARWOOD OIL	80.4	137%	38%			75.9	28.4%	90%	10%	20738	26057	
2	1	MAIN STREET	82.1	153%	33%			80.5	29.4%	71%	15	21694	26389	
3	2	DAVE'S STANDARD SERVICE	78.2	138%	28%			78.1	28.9%	76%	13%	20552	26124	
4	3	GULLY TRI CO-OP	74.3	133	46			74.4	26.8	92	14	20751	26364	
5	6	THE WRECKING CREW	68.3	114	53			55.5	15%	125	10	14114	19849	
6	4	FARMCHICK	64.2	102	57			78.1	25%	94	9	20885	25733	
7	7	TRIPLE 60'S	50.8	61%	58%			51.4	106%	4	4	1220	13684	
8	8	BYE	0	0	0			0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Monday Night Ladies * 2019-2020														
Bowl Inn														
Team Standings														
Place	#	Team Name	Score	Points	Wins	Losses	Draws	YTD	YTD	YTD	YTD	YTD	YTD	YTD
1	8	FARMCHICK	39	21	55%	35%	42414	25576	683	1930	1021	2944		
2	3	CARVER TRUCKING	36	24	54%	39%	42384	24969	668	1928	1049	3071		
3	7	OTTERTAIL	35%	24%	57%	38%	43009	26663	672	1930	1049	2989		
4	4	BOWLIN BABES	25%	25%	63%	32%	43472	26589	780	2144	1102	3089		
5	5	KNUSTON BRUSHING	19	41	56%	38%	42737	26258	671	1887	1037	2985		
6	6	THE CLINIC, BUCK TRAX LIQU	15	47	67%	28%	41104	24848	792	2251	1097	3145		

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Theology in the Trenches

By Kathleen Kjolhaug

Praying Attention

"It came upon a midnight clear...the glorious songs of old." I've heard it sung...but watched it play out as it rang out so near and dear.



now held. It seemed to embody that which her mama stood for. Page after page called...as all things sacred leapt from the pages of the Christmas book.

Properly, the proprietor set the book aside for the girl to gift her mama come Christmas. Little by little, paycheck by paycheck, she tucked just enough away to make the gift her own...to give come Christmas.

The book now sits in wait as each Christmas it is opened in the home of the girl now grown...since her mama left this earth. Funny thing is...the familiar is never far away. The sacred within little stores along main in small towns recycle memories well into the next generation. Because you see...

Once upon a time, there was a little girl who lived in a small town. Her mama loved Christmas and because her mama loved it, of course the little girl grew to love it, too. What's more, the little girl loved the shops along main...especially one.

Come Christmas, each year, this little girl made her way into the local jewelry store...and as she grew, found herself behind the counter helping out this time of year in the shop. Tradition it became as it offered stability to the cycles in life...and brought abiding joy within as she worked.

College breaks found her on main in the jeweler's shop come Christmas. Graduation came and went and as she found work far away, it did not deter her from making her way back home to work behind the counters come Christmas.

Soon, the girl, now a young woman, was to be married. Come Christmas, into the jeweler's shop her young man went...into the quiet...to gather what he desired to bless her with. A true gem of a jeweler the proprietor was for such a time as this...to create for the little girl...the young woman...the desire of her heart.

And thus it was in the beginning...it all seems to fit...lest we forget...He goes before us always in ways everlasting.

Come to the quiet. As you pray attention ... "Be still and know that I am God" (Psalm 46:10). Amen.

Ask a Trooper

by Sgt. Jesse Grabow Minnesota State Patrol

Question: It seems like I am seeing so much more truck traffic. Can you talk about what people should be doing when sharing the roads with these larger vehicles?

Answer: This is a great topic and I will share what we recently posted on the Department of Public Safety's blog.

A lot of us had trouble with math and physics in school. Some of us didn't even take physics in the first place. So we wouldn't necessarily know that, in ideal conditions, an 80,000-pound vehicle traveling at 55 miles per hour needs 335 feet (that's more than a football field) to stop. Crank the speed up to 65 miles per hour and that truck will need 525 feet to stop. But knowing that can save lives.

Why? Because if you pull out in front of that semi on, say, a county highway without giving it enough room, it doesn't matter how alert that driver is. It doesn't matter how quick their reflexes are or how recently their brakes were replaced. If they don't have enough room to stop, there's going to be a crash. In fact, statistics for Minnesota in 2018 show that in about half of crashes involving a commercial motor vehicle (CMV) and a passenger vehicle, the passenger vehicle driver was at fault; in the other half, the CMV driver was at fault.

Minnesota's definition of a CMV includes vehicles that either weigh or are rated to carry at least 10,000 pounds. Knowing this, it's not really surprising to learn that in a crash between a CMV and a passenger vehicle, the passenger vehicle will almost always come out worse. Of the 44 people killed in multiple-vehicle fatal crashes involving a CMV that happened in 2018 here in Minnesota, only four were in the CMV.



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I am a Happy Farmer

By Auctioneer Eric W. Mickelson

I have always enjoyed trying to follow my family tree. A couple summers ago my son, Nick, wanted to check out a car that was for sale in McVile, ND. So I got to along in case he needed a driver for the way home. As we went I said let's stop at the cemetery, because I had heard that my great, great, grandfather was buried in McVile. Sure enough we followed a country road twisting up a hill. Once to the top of the hill we discovered a beautifully well kept cemetery. After a few minutes of searching we came to the grave of Torger Mickelson and his wife, Gertrude. Like I said I think it is pretty fun to check out the family tree.

Many times over the years I have asked my dad about his tractor family tree! Yes, all the tractors they have owned over the years. It started in 1946 with and F-20 Farmall on steel. That was traded for a 1925 D John Deere also on steel with a spoked flywheel. Later they sold the spoker D and bought a 1939 D John Deere. Next was an H John Deere that was later traded for a 1949 B John Deere. Sometime later they bought a U MM and later traded the B John Deere for a UB Minneapolis Moline. Next a 70 John Deere, R John Deere..... there is more so you see what I mean? I know my family's tractor family tree!!

Over the Christmas Holiday I spent some time with my father-in-law Leonard Follmann. He grew up on a farm in Iowa. I knew some of the details but I asked a little more information about his family's tractor family tree.

Leonard's father Clifford farmed with horses. He had 4 horses. In about 1942 one of them died. His brother (Clarence) talked the rationing board into letting him buy a 1942 A John Deere so Clifford bought his F 14 Farmall because he knew that horse farming was on it's way out. Clifford later sold the F 14 and bought a 1946 B John Deere, but he kept the little genius plow because he liked it. At some point after that one of Clifford's brothers had trouble with his A John Deere so Clifford sold him his

46 B and he turned around and bought a new 49 B John Deere in Bridgewater, Iowa. The 49 B had rollamatic. Clifford's brother Russell Follmann was intrigued with the rollamatic and would throw clods of dirt in front of it to watch the rollamatic work. In 1951 Clifford bought a 39 B. The B had been reconditioned and high compressed at Bridgewater and also had a mechanical lift added. Later Clifford thought he would like something with power steering so he bought a model 50 John Deere. When Clifford passed away in 1979 he still had the '49 B, '39 B, and the 50. The family kept the '39 B which Leonard's brother Russel still owns and has had restored. He brings in to show in Iowa where he lives. So my advice to all of you. Remember your family and ask about people in your family tree, you won't be disappointed that you did. But, if you have time.....ask about your TRACTOR Family Tree too!

How about a little tractor trivia:

1. T or F More B John Deeres were produced than any other JD tractor.
 2. The B John Deere was introduced in _____.
A) 1930 B) 1933 C) 1935 D) 1937
 3. The early unstyled model Bs were rated at 16 belt hp. By the end of their production the late styled Bs were rated at _____ hp.
A) 22hp B) 25hp C) 28hp D) 31hp
 4. What model replaced the Model B in the John Deere line up?
A) Super B B) B Special C) Model C D) Model 50
 5. What is the rollamatic front end?
- Answers:** 1. True (about 300,000) 2. C. 1935 3. C. 28hp 4. D. Model 50 5. The rollamatic was an invention allowing the front wheels to individually pivot up and down on rough terrain.



This picture was taken of Clifford Follmann's 1939 B John Deere. Left to Right: Russell Follmann, Leonard Follmann, their brother-in-law Steve Frese, and Patty (Follmann) Mickelson. Taken August 3, 2014 in Bridgewater, Iowa.

Word Search Answers

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OBITUARIES



Services for Cheryl Plante

Cheryl Rae Plante, 73, of Bemidji, MN died Wednesday, January 1, 2020 at her home.

Memorial services will be held at 1:00 pm Friday, January 10, 2020 at Cease Family Funeral Home in Bemidji with Pastor Mike Naylor officiating. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service. Interment will be at the Lund Lutheran Church Cemetery in Gully, MN in the spring.

Cheryl was born May 1, 1946 in Fosston, MN, the daughter of Raymond and Grace (Bergh) Brekke. She attended Gully grade school through the eighth grade and then went to Gonvick High School. Her family moved to Richfield, MN in 1962 where she attended one year of high school and then she finished

her senior year back at Gonvick in 1964. She attended Bemidji State College for a year and then moved back to the Cities where she attended the University of Minnesota. After living in the Cities for a number of years, she moved back to Gully. She then managed the VFW in McIntosh, where she met Dan Plante and on July 10, 1976, they married in the Gully Park. They moved to Bemidji in 1977, where Dan had his business. Cheryl attended the Bemidji Vocational School where she learned Retail Management. She started working for Lady Slipper Designs until 1993, when she opened up her own store-Lady Slipper Outlet which she had until 2010. From there she went to Grandma's Attic where she sold gift items and cards. She loved retail sales and merchandising and was very good at it. She loved spending time with her grandchildren and especially having them read to her.

She is survived by her husband Dan Plante, daughter Chantal Plante, Grandchildren Savannah and Alexander Ghosn, all of Bemidji, brother Rob (Patty) Brekke of Gully, sister Melaine (Gary) Evje of Bemidji.

She was preceded in death by her parents and a brother Wayne Brekke.

Condolences may be left at ceasefuneralhome.com.



Obituary for Mildred Drey

Millie Drey of Mendota Heights, Minnesota passed away on December 29, 2019. She died in her own bed with her daughter Mary by her side. She died from complications from a fall. At 95 she was just too worn out to fight anymore.

Millie was born Mildred Gladys Churness on December 28th, 1924 in Clearbrook, MN to Guy and Maude Churness. Upon completing Clearbrook High School class of 1942 she moved to Minneapolis, Minnesota where she worked mostly as a waitress at John's Chinese Restaurant. In 1945 she met Raphael Pezalla and in June of 1946 married. Together they had five children, Patricia, Jeffrey, Timothy, Mary and Charles. Ray and Millie raised their children in Moorhead, Minnesota.

Millie is preceded in death by her parents, Guy and

Maude Churness, her brothers Gerald and Raymond as well as her first husband Raphael Pezalla, her son Timothy and her second husband Joseph Drey.

Millie is survived by her daughter Patricia Kjol, Green Bay, WI; son Jeffrey Pezalla, Minneapolis, MN, daughter Mary (Tom) Galetich, South Saint Paul, MN, son Charles Pezalla, Aurora, CO, daughter's through second marriage, Sally (John) Woodford, Minneapolis, MN and Jean (Curt) Wiggins, Minneapolis, MN. She also leaves behind her grandchildren, Kristina, Timothy, Kendra, Anna, Suzanne, Daniel, Joseph, Peter, David and Kristen and eleven Great-grand children.

Having spent the last 40 years living in San Diego, CA Millie enjoyed walking nine holes of golf; spent time volunteering at the VA Hospital in San Diego where in 2016 she received recognition as the Volunteer of the Year. She was also actively involved in Al-anon groups in the San Diego area. For a time she did deliveries for Meals on Wheels and when she had a chance would make a quarterly trip to Laughlin, NV. She has many beloved and dear friends across the country.

Millie's last request was that her body go to Anatomy Bequest Program at the University of Minnesota. Millie loved to love people and always wanted to help so it didn't stop at the time of her death.

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Services for Lester Johnson

Lester L. Johnson, 92, of Clearbrook, MN, died on Thursday, January 2, 2020 at First Care Living Center in Fosston, MN.

Funeral services will be held on Wednesday, January 8, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. at the Cease Family Funeral Home Chapel in Bagley, MN with a visitation one hour prior. Interment will be at Greenwood Lutheran Cemetery in Clearbrook, MN. The Cease Family Funeral Home of Bagley assisted the family with arrangements.

Lester was born on May 31, 1927 in Clearwater County, Minnesota to Gustave and Clara (Knutson) Johnson. He grew up around the Clearbrook area, attending country school. Lester worked at Ges-sel Concrete. He was united

in marriage to Delores Marion Bratvold on April 25, 1948. Lester later went to work for Burlington-Northern Railroad, where he worked for 42 years, retiring in 1987 at the age of 60.

Lester loved to keep busy and was always whistling through his projects. He sawed lumber at his own saw mill and built a cabin in 1985 in Big Falls. He loved to go up there and hunt and cut wood. He was a jack of all trades and even built his daughter Denise's house, sawing all the wood himself. Lester was a good man, through and through.

He is survived by his children, Brad (Ferol) Johnson, Darrel (Kristine) Johnson, and Denise (Roland Lund-mark) Bealhen; his grandchildren, Jared (Christine) Johnson, Barton (Bethany) Johnson, and Randa Johnson; 7 great grandchildren; his sister, Jean (Lester) Sundquist; and many other family and friends.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Delores Johnson; his parents, Gust and Clara Johnson; his grandson, Chanan Johnson; his son-in-law, Gary Beahlen; daughter-in-law, GeeGee Johnson; and his siblings, Willmer Johnson, Muriel Grotte, Devona Ot-ness, Dennis Johnson, and Marlin Johnson.

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



Services held for David Holzer

David Holzer, age 47, of Fosston, MN, passed away on Saturday, December 28th, at Essentia Health Hospital in Fosston. A Mass of Christian Burial was held at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, January 3rd, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Fosston with Father Dave Super presiding. Interment in St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery, Fosston. Visitation was held from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. with a 7:00 p.m. prayer service on Thursday, January 2nd. There was also reviewal for one hour prior to the service on Friday. All visitation was held at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Fosston. Arrangements were with Carlin Family Funeral Service of Fosston and messages of condolence may be shared at www.carlinfuneral.com.

David "Dave" Eugene Holzer was born March 20, 1972 in Perham, Minnesota to parents Joseph and Sherry-lyl (Jezewski) Holzer. Dave was baptized in the Catholic faith in St. Henry's Catholic Church in Perham. He attended St. Henry's Catholic School through the sixth grade and graduated from Perham High School in 1990. He continued his education at Moorhead Technical College in Moorhead, Minnesota, graduating with a degree in Air Conditioner and Refrigeration. After college, he worked in his field of study for two years.

Following in his brother's footsteps, he began to work with ABT (Advanced Business Telephone) in Fargo, North Dakota. He worked there for three years before being hired by Garden Valley Technologies, where he has been working for the past 21 years. He served as Union President of Garden Valley and Paul Bunyan Telephone since 2009. He was proud to be the President of Local 7272 and did all he could to serve

and represent the members. After his regular work day, Dave would help do seasonal work on the Landsverk farm, enjoying the change of pace and the friendships that grew so very deep.

On June 14, 1997 he married Valarie Stanislawski, and they celebrated 22 years of marriage. Their lives were completely blessed when they became a family of three, welcoming home their handsome baby boy Darien through the gift of adoption on March 12, 2010.

Dave loved spending time with his wife and son, which you could tell by the sparkle in his eyes. He loved nothing better than sharing every moment he could with his family, taking them on family vacations and going with them to cheer on the Minnesota Vikings! He loved sharing his passion for the Vikes with Darien, and there was always plenty of football talk going on. Dave and Darien spent much of their time talking about and playing all kinds of sports, and it shows in the love Darien now has for sports.

Dave was an all-around nice guy, with a smile and a laugh that was contagious. You knew he was in the room by his boisterous sound of life! He was an avid outdoorsman, golfer, hunter, fisherman, and snowmobiler, activities that he loved to do together with his family and friends. He enjoyed sharing his stories and experiences, as he recently shared with his nephew Maguire, laughing about the fun times he had in the mountains snowmobiling.

The spirit of his joyful, loving life will continue on through his wife Valarie and son Darien; his parents Joe and Sherry; his brother Steve and fiancée Michelle and family; his nephew Jeremy and wife Jessica, and great-nephew and great-niece Knox and Dakota; his niece Taylor and fiancé Kirk Spilde; his father- and mother-in-law John and Connie Stanislawski; his brother-in-law Tim and sister-in-law Jill Stanislawski; his nephew Maguire and niece Macie; his brother-in-law John Stanislawski and girlfriend Brittany Moulds; and his only living grandparent, Grandma J.

Greeting him into the arms of love on the staircase of Heaven are his grandparents, aunts, uncles and cousins.

Dave's life will always be celebrated with an ice-cold Coors, laughter, and the speed of his silver bullet car!



Services for David Myklejord

David Myklejord, age 79, of Fosston, MN, passed away on Thursday, January 2nd, at Essentia Health Hospital in Fosston. Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, January 11th, at Hope Lutheran Church in Fosston with the Rev. Jane Ekholm officiating. Interment will be in Brandsvold Cemetery, rural Fosston. Visitation will be held from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. with a 7:00 p.m. prayer service on Friday, January 10th, at the Carlin Funeral Home in Fosston. There will also be reviewal for one hour prior to the service on Saturday at the church. Military honors will be provided by the National Guard Honors Team. Arrangements are with Carlin Family Funeral Service of Fosston and messages of condolence may be sent at www.carlinfuneral.com.

David A. Myklejord was born on May 31, 1940 at Fosston, MN to parents Oscar and Viola (Kindem) Myklejord. He was a resident of Fosston and attended Cloverdale school near his home for 8 years and then attended high school in Fosston for 2 years.

He was baptized and confirmed in the Lutheran faith and was a member of Zion Lutheran Church of rural

Fosston.

He worked for several area farmers until he entered the U.S Army in December 1961 and was honorably discharged in December 1963. In 1965, he began sailing career on the Great Lakes with United States Steamship and later continued to sail with the Interlake Steamship Co. and retired in July of 2000. He returned to the Fosston area where he has resided ever since.

In his younger years, he loved riding motorcycles and owned several motorcycles and scooters. He enjoyed spending time with his dogs over the years and made sure they were indoors during the cold weather. During his lay-off in the winter months, he enjoyed cutting wood and heating his home and shop with wood furnaces that he built. He completely remodeled He enjoyed watching sporting events on T.V.

David was united in marriage to Viola June Olness on August 28th, 1971 at the Mt. Olivet Lutheran Church in Minneapolis.

He is survived by his wife, Viola. Three children: daughter Jenell (Mark) Strandberg of Clearbrook, son Sterren Myklejord of Fosston, and son Vance Myklejord of Fosston. One grandson, Tyler Strandberg of Clearbrook. One brother, Duane (Ruth) Myklejord of Fosston.

He was preceded in death by his only sister, Janet (Myklejord) Bain in 1977, his mother, Viola in 1981, his father, Oscar in 1987, his grandparents, 8 aunts and 8 uncles.

Interment will be at Bransvold Cemetery.

David planted all of the spruce trees on the north side of the cemetery in memory of his parents.



Services for Jerald "Jerry" Berg

Jerald "Jerry" Berg, age 78, of Fosston, MN, passed away unexpectedly on Thursday, January 2nd, at his home.

Funeral services will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Friday, January 10th, at Kingo Lutheran Church in Fosston with the Rev. John Ragan officiating. Interment will be in Kingo Lutheran Cemetery, Fosston, in the spring. Visitation will be held from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. with a 7:00 p.m. prayer service on Thursday, January 9th, at the Carlin Funeral Home in Fosston. There will also be reviewal for one hour prior to the service on Friday at the church. Military honors will be provided by the Naval Honors Team and arrangements are with Carlin Family Funeral Service of Fosston. Messages of condolence may be sent at www.carlinfuneral.com.

Jerald Lee Berg was born on December 17, 1941 in Mankato, Minnesota to parents Emil and Mabel (Dyr-dahl) Berg. He graduated from Fosston High School in 1959. In the summer following graduation, Jerry worked as a hired man for his uncle, Hjalmer Berg.

In November of 1959, Jerry and his friend, Joe Bauer, joined the United States Navy under the buddy system. After Boot Camp he attended Engine Man A School. From there he was stationed in San Diego, California on a sea going tug. During this time he made a west-bound voyage to the Orient, where he visited the Philippines, Hong Kong, Japan, Okinawa, and Hawaii. After that trip, he was stationed in Kodiak, Alaska in the U.S. Special Forces as an Engine man overseeing equipment. In December of 1961, he received his honor-

able discharge from the Navy.

Jerry came home for about nine months and later that year began working for Deward Motors in Crookston, Minnesota as a mechanic. He worked there for four years. In 1963, he enrolled in the General Motors Institute in Minneapolis. Shortly after completing the course work at the institute, Deward Motors became Nelson Motors and a short time thereafter, Jerry left the dealership.

Jerry then went to the Twin Cities where he worked road construction for a season. In August of 1967, he moved to Duluth, Minnesota and got a job as a wiper on the S.S. Irving S. Olds for U.S. Steel Corp. He continued to work on various vessels for U.S. Steel Corp. until 1972.

In 1972, he enrolled in Marine Engineer School to upgrade his license. In March of 1973 he wrote his license for the Third Engineer. Over the years, he continued to attend various schools to upgrade his license to Chief Engineer. In 1991 he received his Chief's License.

In 1976, he married Darlene (Bergh) Blasus and inherited two sons, Tory and Shannon Blasus. In 1982, they became foster parents to a Native American child, Kieron "Duffy" Brown.

In retirement during the winter months, he continued to work as a Maintenance Engineer on various ships traveling between Green Bay and Superior, Wisconsin for Central Marine Logistics. The rest of his retirement was spent gardening, traveling, playing cards and completing his "Honey-Do List".

Survivors include his wife, Darlene, of Fosston; two sons, Tory Blasus (Felicia White) of Treasure Island, FL, and Shannon Blasus of Fort Collins, CO; grandchildren, Kaitlyn Blasus, Brittany Blasus, Christian Blasus, Amber Brown (Jeremy Rhode), Dustin Brown, Trevor Brown, Cheyenne Brown (Jeffrey Lacey), and Kennedy "Ethan" Brown; and great grandson, Carter Rhode.

He is also survived by one brother, Dean (Beverly) Berg of Duluth, MN; and two sisters, Jennifer (Terry) Sylvester of Oklahoma, and Karla Curfman of Fosston. Many nieces, nephews and cousins also survive.

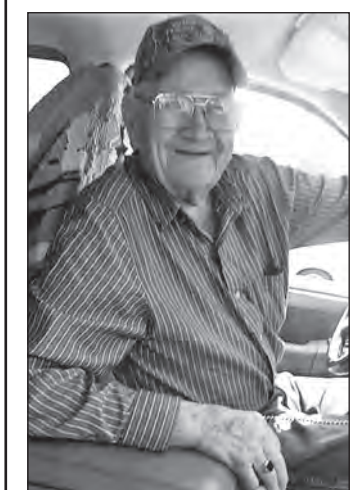
He was preceded in death by his parents; stepson, Kieron "Duffy" Brown; and two sisters, Kathy Smith and Karen Evenson.

Thank you

We weren't ready to let her go, but God had other plans. We are thankful and blessed that He let us have her for so many wonderful years. Our dear, sweet mama filled our lives with so much love and joy. She was our "rock," our "shelter from the storm." We will deeply miss her. We want to thank you for your kindness, thoughts and prayers through this difficult time of our dear mama's passing. Blessed be her sweet, precious memory.

With love and gratitude,
Claudine Walton's family
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Claudine Walton



Services for James Walker

James "Jim" Walker, 99, of Bagley, Minnesota died on Friday, January 3, 2020 at the Cornerstone Senior Care Assisted Living Facility.

Per Jim's wishes there will be no formal funeral, flowers, etc. However, please join the family for coffee, cookies and a little "conversation" at the table. Reva's "Round Table" isn't big enough to accommodate Jim's family & friends. So, a time of reminiscing will be held on Sunday, January 12, 2020 from 1:00-3:00 pm at the Bagley American Legion Auditorium. The Cease Family Funeral Home of Bagley assisted the family with arrangements.

laxed by working! He enjoyed motorcycles, and bicycles, in fact he rode his pedal bike until he was 98 years old. He got a thrill out of trapshooting with his buddy Bob Lawrence and grand-daughter Aricka. He took pride in reloading his own shells, collecting guns, knives, and traveling to gun shows with his dear friend Duffy Norlander. In 2017, his grandson Dustin and great-grandson Kyle took him to the gravel pit for a "Round" of shooting clay pigeons. Jim had just recovered from a crushed hand and he still out shot both of them, even when they combined their clay pigeons together. He took joy in cutting firewood until 2016. When he no longer welded, he took interest in making birdfeeders, bluebird houses and diamond willow canes. Making his trips out to "the Ranch" to see what his son was doing on the farm was always a delight.

He was "certified" in charge of replacing the chairs before the morning rush at the D & R Café. "Story" has it he was the "Ring-leader" of the table of knowledge. Enjoying a good political argument over a cup of coffee, and think about this "what if there were no NRA?" (by the way he was a REPUB-LICIAN.)

Jim lived an independent life until December 5, 2019 when he moved to the Cornerstone Senior Care Assisted Living Facility, along with care from the Clearwater County Hospice Staff, where he lived until his passing. Jim drove his own car, and took the stairs, never the elevator, until just 1 month shy of his 99th birthday. Jim said, "I lived a good life, a long life." And that he did. Jim was very proud of children and grandchildren, he treasured their visits and was always up to tell a story or two.

He is survived by his 3 sons- Larry (Louise) Walker; Bradley (Marcia) Walker; Bruce (Debbie) Walker.

2 daughters- Janie (John) Jordahl; Jo (Tim) Aery.

Daughter-in-law- Jackie Rogers.

14-grandchildren, 34-great grandchildren and 7 great-great grandchildren.

1 brother- Alton (Adeline) Walker.

1 sister- Delores "Toots" Saul.

Numerous nieces and nephews.

"The Guys" at the round table, owner and staff and the D & R Café, and his "Fish"

He was preceded in death by his parents; son-Leslie Duane; siblings-Chuck, Hazel, Camilla, Peggy, Opal, and O'donna along with their spouses; 2 great grandsons- Chaz Andrew Walker, and Lane Leslie Eglund.

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Alex Dawson scored 16 points as the Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears hosted the Northome Kelliher Mustangs last Friday night. He also had 10 defensive rebounds and 2 blocked shots for the 72 to 48 victory.



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Basketball: From small town to big time

When the weather cools, the action heats up on basketball courts across the country. Basketball is a popular winter sport that has been ingrained in North American culture since its inception in the late 19th century.

Basketball is believed to have originated at Springfield College (once known as the International YMCA Training School) in Massachusetts. Male students were restless once football season ended and needed a sport that could provide exercise and help them work off steam. A physical activity instructor named James Naismith was tasked with coming up with a game that students could play indoors under artificial light without the roughness of football, soccer or rugby.

Naismith came up with a game that employed peach baskets nailed to the lower rail of the gymnasium balcony - one at each end. He then came up with the initial 13 rules of moving a ball across the court and getting the ball in the baskets and what constituted fouls, according to Springfield College.

The first game consisted of nine players on each team because Naismith's class included just 18 students. The final score



of the inaugural basketball was just 1-0, but over time players began to excel at basketball, and the game gradually became more popular.

Basketball is now popular across the globe. The National Basketball Association has opened 12 international offices and has started broadcasting games to more than 200 countries and territories. NBA Commissioner Adam Silver said in 2018 that he believes that basketball can be the No. 1 sport

in the world (soccer currently holds that ranking). Young people are increasingly playing the sport, and rapid growth in China and India also has fueled basketball's popularity.

Total NBA revenue hit \$8 billion last season, according to Forbes, and it shows no signs of slowing down. Little did James Naismith know when he put up peach baskets and tossed a soccer ball that his sport would one day become a global phenomenon.

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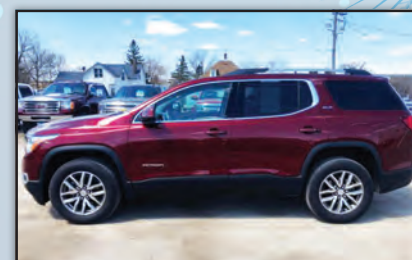


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