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Newspapers are Renewable Energy for Democracy



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Print is dead. We've heard it too often.

We've heard dinosaurs mentioned in the same sentence as print. Buggy whips, too. Print is obsolete having outlived its usefulness in the face of the digital revolution, it is said. Social media – Facebook, Twitter, YouTube, and Instagram – are now the primary source of “news” for many youth. A fair number of older adults also turn to the internet for their “news.”

A friend of ours recently asked a group of young people if they read the local newspaper. The looks on the faces communicated a single message: “You are kidding, aren't you?” Facebook. That's where their news came from.

Obviously, we don't believe print is dead. Nor do we believe that a person can get the news needed to be an informed citizen through social media. What passes as news today is entertainment, gossip, rumor, and the latest crime news. Give a person who doesn't read the local newspaper a quiz on the most important news stories in their community and they will fail miserably – but they don't care.

Not all old technology is buried by innovation. In its simplicity the windmill remains relevant through refinement. At its core, it is the same but with enhanced productivity. Drive around the country and you will see giant windmill blades sweeping slowly in circles pushed by the wind creating clean energy that feeds into the nation's electric grid.

Standing windmills have been used for more than 800 years. They are an ancient technology that provided water for human consumption, for livestock and for crops. They were used to grind grain into flour. It was in 1888 that the windmill was first used to generate electricity.

As the nation turned to coal,

hydroelectric dams and nuclear energy, with a nationwide grid connecting their power to homes and businesses, windmills disappeared from the landscape. Why the resurgence of this ancient technology? Because its simple design has been improved to provide cheap, clean energy at a scale that allows it to replace more expensive and polluting sources of power.

We like to think of print newspapers as windmills. Print is still relevant. Print book sales continue to rise going up every year since 2013 while sales of digital books have flattened out. Even with significant price breaks on the digital books, people still want the print edition.

Studies have shown that while students prefer to get their textbooks digitally, they do better when their books are in print. Multiple studies have shown reading print increases a person's retention and understanding of what they have read while digital reading leads to shallow comprehension.

Then there are all those catalogues you get in the mail. There is a reason L.L. Bean sends a catalogue in the mail regularly. It knows that if it stops sending magazines and relies on emails or its website to try to get you to shop with them, you'll soon forget they are still around. Competitors like Eddie Bauer will then dominate the market.

They know they must constantly keep their brand fresh in your memory. They know you will page through their magazine and maybe see something you like, then go to their website to buy it. They know that constant reminder of the magazine sitting on your coffee table will prompt you to go to their website when you are sitting with your computer in your lap.

While the wind is free, the technology to turn it into renewable energy is not. Windmills cost money. They must be repaired when their generators or gears wear out. The powerlines that bring electricity to homes and businesses must be serviced.

Essential to our continuing to provide information fundamental to sustain citizen knowledge essential to an informed electorate, is revenue provided by advertising and subscriptions. They are the wind, the water, and the sun, that sustains us.

Now Google, Facebook and other internet sites hoard and block our sources of energy. They are a blight on democracy eroding our sources of news. Rather than creating a sense of community, they isolate and divide us.

The coronavirus' impact on newspapers has been devastating to newspapers in America at a time when they were already seriously wounded. As businesses have had to shut down, or dramatically cut back on expenses during the pandemic, they have eliminated or reduced their print advertising.

What has been happening underscores the imperative to separate newspapers from reliance on subscribers and advertising. Newspapers are a public good and must be financed with the help of citizens.

We are not self-sustaining in today's digital world though we remain the most important source of news gathering and reporting in America. In many of our communities, we are the only source of local news.

Like newspapers, democracy is not self-sustaining. “We also may have become too complacent, too sure of democracy's robustness or of its long-term viability,” Margaret S. Branson and Charles N. Quigley wrote in a piece for the Center for Civic Education. “History, however, teaches us that few countries have sustained democratic governments for prolonged periods, a lesson which we as Americans are sometimes inclined to forget.” They go on to paraphrase the writings of Alexis de Tocqueville, a French student of American democracy in the 1830s. “Each new generation is a new people that must acquire the knowledge, learn the skills, and develop the dispositions or traits of private and public character that undergird a constitutional democracy,” they write. “Democracy is not a ‘machine that would go of itself,’ but must be consciously reproduced, one generation after another.”

We are clean energy for democracy – we don't pollute citizen knowledge with false information. We don't print vitriolic rants filled with bitterness that polarizes friends, neighbors and fellow citizens. We inform, educate, entertain and hold power accountable.

What happens to democracy without us?



Fans enjoyed viewing the 2020 cars prior to the opening day of races on Sunday, July 12th.



The season opener at Bemidji Speedway got off to a festive start with brothers, Nathan and Blake Higginbotham of Bagley and the father and son race team of Blake and Doyle Erickson of Bagley carrying the colors.

2020 Season Opener at Bemidji Speedway!

By Dennis Peterson

Drivers, crews and fans have been waiting for this day, the 2020 Bemidji Speedway Season Opener. The gates finally opened for racing on Sunday July 12th following several weeks of practice time at the track. The opener actually started on Saturday with a car show held at the track and ended with a picture perfect night of racing action on Sunday with a good car count and plenty of fans social distancing and enjoying the show.

Track announce Mark Ricci returns for this 15th year of announcing at the track. Ricci is the general manager at RP Broadcasting and Paskwan Media. Cole Isensee returns once again as the track flagman with Conrad Schwinn and Lynn Johnson doing the teching.

Bemidji Mini Stock Feature:

The initial feature of the opener was the Bemidji Mini Stocks. Cory Nelson held the pole position with Connor Drewry to his right. Drewry powered into the lead followed by Nelson, John Current and Blake Erickson. Conrad Schwinn raced up from his fourth row starting position to challenge late for the win. In a wild three wide battle to the checkered flag Schwinn won by inches over Drewry and Current.

Wissota Pure Stock Feature:

Next on tap were the Wissota Pure Stocks. Austin Carlson and Kade Leeper led the field to the green flag with Leeper grabbing the lead followed by Carlson, Devyn Weleski and Josh Berg. A couple of cautions for spins slowed the action and providing Al Sadek Sr. the opportunity to work his way through the field from his 3rd row starting position to challenge for the lead passing several cars. A late caution sent Carlson to the infield and provided the restart Sadek needed to catch and pass Leeper for the win. It was Sadek's first feature win and clean sweep in many years coming out of retirement this summer to get behind the wheel once again. Leeper, Berg, Michael Roth and Devyn Weleski made up the top five.

Wissota Super Stocks Feature:

Tim Carlson and his son Dalton led the field of Wissota Super Stocks to the green flag with Dalton taking the bragging rights over dad to start the race. Tim Carlson, Nicholas Jacobson, Harley Kroening and Matt Sparby chased the leader into the back straight. Jacobsons fast start from his 3rd row starting position was impressive. Sparby and Nathan Higginbotham tangled in the 3-4 corner bringing out the caution flag with Higginbotham pitting. When racing resumed it was Dalton Carlson maintaining his lead over his dad with Jacobson challenging and taking 2nd down the front straight. Dalton Carlson kept his lead



Wissota Modified corner action with #99 Doyle Erickson of Bagley and #76 Keith Koski of Hibbing, MN. Photos by Dennis Peterson

and picked up his first feature win in 2020 with Jacobson, Tim Carlson, Sparby and Kroening in the top five.

Wissota Mod Fours Feature:

The Wissota Mod Fours streamed on track next with Dean Larson on the pole and Patrick Specht to his right. Larson took the lead with Blake Erickson, Trevor Voss, Specht and Conrad Schwinn trailing. Larson, the “Pennock, Mn. flyer” powered out to a sizeable lead over the field. The duel between Voss and Jamie Lenarz for 3rd was the race to watch as the two muscled back and forth around the track chasing Larson and Erickson far ahead. Larson continued with no mistakes and picked up the clean sweep victory. Erickson, Schwinn, Lenarz and Voss finished in the top five.

Wissota Hornet Feature:

The screaming Wissota hornets entered the track next led by Aidan Helwig of Bemidji on the pole with Jordan Thayer to his right. Helwig took the lead but lost it to Thayer after one lap. The first caution flag was waved for 15 year old Logan Bradford making his first race ever slipping up and over the turn three corner, he was forced to pit. The restart had Helwig, Thayer, Travis Olafson, Brennan Schmidt, Kurtis Huseth and Lucy LaValley trailing. Schmidt was on the move passing cars to challenge for the lead and in a photo finish with Helwig won the race to complete a clean sweep in exciting side by side action at the line. Huseth was 3rd, Olafson 4th and Thayer 5th, and making her first ever appearance in a race car Lucy LaValley took 6th in her first ever feature race.

Wissota Midwest Modifieds Feature:

A field of 16 Wissota Midwest Modifieds roared on track led by Jason LaValley of Bemidji on the pole and Matt Schow outside. On the green flag local competitors Brandon Bahr and Jeff Reed connected from their second and third rows bringing out the caution flag. The restart went to LaValley with Jeff Nelson, Matt Schow, Blake Higginbotham, Reed and Bahr

trailing. Again a caution flag was waved this time in turn 3-4 with LaValley sent to the rear of the field and moving Nelson into the lead for the restart. Nelson quickly powered his #33 Bmod to a comfortable lead as Bahr powered up into third behind Schow. Another caution slowed the race for restart featuring Nelson out front, Matt Schow, Bahr, Ryan Schow and Higginbotham holding the top five spots. Ryan Schow powered up on the restart to pass Bahr for third as the #16 of Skyler Smith made his way into the top five for the first time from his sixth row start. Nelson cruised to the victory with Matt Schow, Ryan Schow, Bahr and Smith trailing.

Wissota Modified Feature:

The final race of the opening day races were the Wissota Modifieds led on track by Davey Mills of Bemidji and Ryan Gierke of Villard, Mn. The race didn't last long for Mills with mechanical issues forcing him into the infield. As the green flag waved Gierke took the lead over Keith Koski of Hibbing, Mn., Lance Schilling of Bemidji, and Ken Hron of Grand Rapids, Mn., 17 year old Tyler Kaeter started in the fourth row and was already making up ground on the field passing Hron on the back straight for 5th and then in the 3-4 corner took fourth and continued his assault to the front passing Schilling for 3rd. Out front Gierke had a huge lead over Koski in 2nd. Back in the pack Ricky Jacobson of Bemidji was making up ground moving into fifth. Fighting for the second spot a terrific race developed between Kaeter and Koski with Kaeter taking the back up spot. A caution flag waved minutes later and due to Gierke jumping the start of the race he was moved back to third for the restart by rule moving Kaeter into the lead followed by Koski, Gierke, Jacobson and Hron. With the green flag once again waving it was Jacobson once again using the highside to make the pass taking third from Gierke as Kaeter took the checkered flag and his first win in 2020. Koski, Jacobson, Gierke, and Hron filled the top five spots ending a terrific opening night of races at Bemidji Speedway.

Northland Community & Technical College Set to Welcome Students Back to Campus

Classes will begin as scheduled on August 24

July 13, 2020 — Northland Community & Technical College is open and ready to welcome students back to campus on August 24.

Many classes will be offered both on-campus and online as well as classes that have a hybrid format with some on-line, including real-time virtual lectures, and some on-campus instruction. Programs requiring hands-on components that cannot be fully replaced with virtual instruction or simulation such as Northland's trades programs will be held on campus exercising social distancing protocols to ensure safety.

Most programs will have the ability to adjust as the situation demands. “Most of our Liberal Arts programs have the distinct ability to immediately transition to a fully online delivery method should the necessity arise,” states Brian Huschle, Northland Provost, “Our technical/trades programs are, by and large, designed to be flexible if requirements tighten by reducing class sizes and utilizing



simulation equipment.”

“Northland has always been at the forefront of online education. With training and years of experience, our faculty who teach online are experts in the field.” Huschle expounds, “Our college-wide mix of online, hybrid, and in-person instruction, small class sizes, and social distancing protocols will allow for a safe learning environment while providing the quality hands-on experiences needed.”

Northland will continue offering student services both in-person and online. Academic advisors and other student service professionals are making appointments available through several modes of delivery—in person, via video conference, email, or over the phone.

“The advisors at Northland

are here and ready to help you select your courses, register, and answer any program questions you may have,” Northland Registrar Ben Hoffman affirms, “We recognize that an on-campus meeting might not be feasible and we have the ability to be flexible when scheduling appointments. We will set up a meeting in any format that best suits our students' needs. We look forward to seeing students return to our campuses this fall!”

In addition, Northland's Academic Success Center has transformed its services to accommodate the current climate by offering one-on-one video conference tutoring sessions during business hours and also through Tutor.com which is a 24-hour service.



Stop by and visit DeAnn and Jamie at the Mentor Farmers Market!!

DeAnn Bruggeman became a vendor at the Mentor Farmers Market in 2014. She began with a few baked goods and has added more products every year, including salsa, dill pickles, strawberry/rhubarb jam, vegetable pickles and relishes. Her sister-in-law, Jamie Austin-Morvig joined her in

2018. Jamie retired and was looking for something to do, so she decided to bake pies and pastries. Her plan was to drop off the baked goods and leave. That happened twice, she's been there every Saturday since! She has expanded into selling layer cakes and cheese cakes by the slice. Both agree that it has

been a great experience working with the other vendors and meeting and getting to know their wonderful customers.

The Mentor Farmers Market is open every Saturday from 8 – Noon through Labor Day and 9 am – 11 am September 12th through September 26th.

Visitor Policy Updates for Essentia Health facilities

Essentia Health's visitor policy has been updated protect patients and staff from the transmission of COVID-19 while also keeping in mind the emotional well-being of our patients.

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In recent days the Polk County Sheriff's Office has received several Fraudulent bank deposit complaints. If you receive any solicitation to deposit unemployment checks or provide personal bank account information for funds to be electronically deposited for an independent third party, please do not release any personal information and report the incident to the Polk County Sheriff's Office.

Hit and Run

On July 7th, 2020 at approximately 9:06 pm, the Polk County Sheriff's Office responded to the intersection of Co Rd. 10 and 160th Ave SE for the report of a downed power line crossing the road. Upon investigation, the downed power line was due to an apparent motor vehicle accident and the vehicle appeared to have struck the power pole. The vehicle reportedly left the area after the crash.

Wild Rice Electric responded and tended to the damaged line. This case will be under investigation.

If anyone has any information about this incident, please contact the Polk County Sheriff's Office at 218-281-0431.

Structure Fire

On 7/07/2020 at approximately 1844 hours, the Polk County Sheriff's Office responded to a report of a residential structure fire in Section 3 of Woodside Township in rural Mentor. The Mentor Fire Department also responded.

The homeowners reported that the fire originated from a propane grill next to the residence and spread to the siding. They were able to extinguish the fire prior to the arrival of law enforcement. The fire department then conducted additional checks to ensure the fire was completely extinguished. There were no injuries reported.

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The Clearbrook-Gonvick School district is currently seeking applicants for a junior high volleyball coaching position for the 2020 season. Duties will include but are not limited to: teaching young players the fundamentals of the game of volleyball, being present at all possible games and practices, and being a positive role model to young student athletes. This position is conditional based upon the operation of athletic programs this fall.

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Substitute Teachers. Substitute teaching opportunities are available at Bagley Public School.
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Red Lake County Central Elementary School in Plummer, MN is seeking applicants for an **Administrative Assistant** position open for the 2020-2021 school year. Applicants must hold a high school diploma; two- or four-year degree preferred, but not required. **Interested candidates must submit the following:**

- District Application
- Letter of Application
- Copy of Official College Transcripts (if available)
- Resume
- Three (3) signed Letters of Recommendation

Applicants interested in the position, should submit their completed application to: Mr. Andrew Fougner, Principal, Red Lake County Central Elementary, PO Box 7, Plummer, MN 56748. 218-465-4222. Applications will be accepted until the position is filled. Application forms and job details are available at www.rlcc2906.org ISD #2906 is an equal opportunity employer. O17-18C

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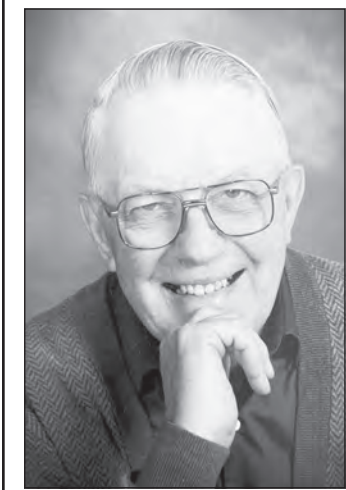
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OBITUARIES



Obituary for Hallie Potter
Hallie Cherise Potter, 35, of Bemidji, MN died Friday, June 26, 2020 at her parent's home in Bemidji.
She was born November

8, 1984 in Florida. Hallie and her family moved to Bemidji in 2001. After graduating from high school, Hallie worked at various jobs including MTM Video. She graduated from the Bemidji Professional Salon Academy in 2010. Many close friends (both co-workers and clients) were made during her salon employment.
Hallie is survived by her son - Michael, her partner of 9 years - Andrew Sundquist, her parents - Jeff and Janie (Norman) Potter, brothers - Vincent, Leo and Eddie, and in-laws - Stanley and DeeDee Sundquist, Uncles - Roger and Budd, Aunts - Pam and Lynne, and cousins - Josh and Stephanie.
A celebration of life will be held next spring/summer, 2021.



Obituary for Dennis Winkelmann
Dennis Winkelmann, age 77, of Fosston, MN, passed away on Tuesday, July 7th, at Essentia Health Hospital in Fosston. Funeral services will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 15th, at Calvary Free Lutheran Church in Fosston with the Rev. Alan Arneson officiating. Interment will be in Calvary Free Lutheran Cemetery, Fosston. Visitation will be held from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. with a 7:00 p.m. prayer service on Tuesday, July 14th, at the Carlin Funeral Home in Fosston. There will also be reviewal for one hour prior to the service on Wednesday at the church. Mask wearing is recommended. Please bring your own mask if you have one. Arrangements are with Carlin Family Funeral Service of Fosston and messages of condolence may be shared at www.carlinfuneral.com.
Dennis Isidor Winkelmann was born in Sleepy Eye, MN on October 9, 1942, to Isidor and Dorothy (Melchert) Winkelmann. Until the age of seven, his family moved multiple times to communities in southern Minnesota, until the family moved to Fosston, MN to build their home and their farm. Dennis grew up feeling that farming was what he always wanted to do. He worked on the family farm, and took care of many of the day to day activities that were necessary. He also loved to hunt when he had time, and often went to the woods near the farm to hunt with his faithful dogs. Dennis graduated from Fosston High School in 1960 and attended a technical school in the Twin Cities for computers. However, farming still called to him. In Fosston, Dennis was an employee for LePier's Oil Co. and worked with tire change and repair. He always enjoyed the opportunities to meet people as they were driving through town and be able to hear stories that they had to share. As time went on, some of Dennis' cousins introduced him to a pretty laboratory technician named Naomi (Rokke) from Newfolden, MN. She just happened to be best friends with one of Dennis' cousins. While it wasn't a match made in heaven nor love at first sight, after knowing each other for

years and a quick four months of dating, Dennis and Naomi were married at Bethania Lutheran Church of Newfolden on October 19, 1974. They moved to their home and farm three miles north of Fosston, where Dennis continued to work for LePier's and farm. His love for farming the land and raising animals was always plain to see. The heart of a farmer is only understood by those willing to work from dawn until dusk, to stay with an expectant ewe in freezing cold temperatures late into the night, to combine as quickly as possible before the storm, and to never give up even when market prices barely support your efforts. Although Dennis was never trained as an engineer, he had an extremely sharp mind to build and repair machinery that would be most useful for him. He also used these skills when he worked for his brother for K & L Inc. for many years.
Dennis and Naomi also became members of Calvary Free Lutheran Church in Fosston, where he was involved in various roles. One of his favorite and challenging roles was teaching Sunday school. He taught senior high and adults, and loved most to teach of God's creation of the world, the Flood, and also the book of Revelation. Many people can recall his preparation and thought-provoking questions that inspired them to learn more. He also loved music. He spent time in the church choir, enjoyed singing hymns and worship songs, and listening to the pianists as they played. Most of all, Dennis will be remembered for his love of his Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, who took his sinful heart and changed and shaped it to one that would follow Jesus in spite of the discouragements and challenges of life. Dennis will also be remembered for his intense love of his wife, Naomi, and his two daughters, Katrin and Dulcie.
In the last few years, Dennis had been diagnosed with dementia. While there were aspects of the disease that were evident, there was never a day when he didn't remain kind and still kept a smile on his face. His humor and kindness toward anyone and everyone won't be forgotten. His laugh always rang clear as he made some joke. He also tried to show and express his thankfulness at every opportunity.
Dennis is survived by his wife of 45 years, Naomi. Daughters, Katrin and Dulcie Winkelmann. Sisters Donna Mae (Hank) Domek and Karen Gades, and brother Kerry (Cheryl) Winkelmann. He is also survived by many nieces, nephews, and extended family. He was preceded in death by his parents, Isidor and Dorothy, and brother-in-law, Jerome Gades.

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Obituary for Lois Peterson
Lois Ann Peterson, nee' Eck, 83 passed away July 4, 2020 at Sanford Medical Center in Fargo, ND.
The funeral service to celebrate her life was at 11 AM on Tuesday, July 14, 2020 at Johnson Funeral Service in Oklee, MN with Rev. Linda Molitor officiating. Burial followed at Valle Cemetery, rural Oklee. Visitation was one hour prior to the service.
Lois was born to Leonard and Freda (Lee) Eck on October 23, 1936 in Fosston, MN. She attended grade school in Trail, MN and graduated from Gonvick, MN. On May 11, 1957 she married Orville Herbert Peterson, six children came of this union: Daniel, Bruce, Steven, Mark, Renae, and Vicki, and their family home was a farm west of Trail, MN.
Lois was a Mother and homemaker. She raised her 6 children, meeting them after school every day with a

pleasant smile and her children's favorite "after school snacks". She loved spending the holidays with her family and parents, brought meals out to her family working in the fields, and she always made sure that no one ever went hungry, and that everyone in the family always had transportation and money.
Lois loved country-life and country-living, long walks, riding bicycle, scenic drives in Polk and Clearwater County, visiting with her sisters, Donna & Delores, playing the piano, reading the newspaper, baking, and especially spending time with her daughter, Renae Ann. She also enjoyed spending time with her grandchildren and great grandchildren, often sneaking them \$1 bills before they left for home. Lois was a tremendous example to all who met her: she was generous & kind, she was also very independent, having no debts, and she treated everyone fairly.
She is survived by her 6 children: Daniel, McIntosh, MN, Bruce (Denise), Oklee, MN, Steven, Grand Forks, ND, Mark, Grand Forks, ND, Renae, Crookston, MN, Vicki, San Francisco, CA; sister, Delores (Don) Strommen, 7 grandchildren; and 14 great grandchildren; and many other relatives and friends.
Lois is preceded in death by her mother and father; brothers, Lorenzo & Ronald; sister, Donna & an infant sister.
Condolences may be sent at www.johnsonfuneralservice.com



Obituary for Bruce Brovold
Bruce Brovold, 78 of Gully, Minnesota, passed away on July 7, 2020 at the Essentia Hospital in Fosston, MN.
Opportunities to remember Bruce were held on Saturday, July 11th, at the Samhold Lutheran Church in Gonvick, MN. Because of space limitations due to Covid-19, people participated in one of the following: 2:30 pm visitation with family and viewing at the church, funeral service at 3:30 pm and at approximately 4:15 pm for a time of casual memory sharing at the Clear Waters Life Center, Tuscany room, in Gonvick. Bruce will be buried at the Lund Lutheran Cemetery in Gully in a private ceremony. Arrangements were with Carlin Family Funeral Service of Fosston and messages of condolence may be shared at www.carlinfuneral.com.
Bruce was born on May 15, 1942 to parents Elmer and Millie (Fossum) Brovold at the Bagley hospital. Bruce grew up on the family farm north of Gully in Johnson township with one younger sister, Brenda. Bruce was a farmer at heart and worked alongside his father from the time he was very young. He was great at tackling equipment problems and was often found under a tractor with parts scattered around repair-

ing something. Those abilities and his love of farming also equipped him to be an active member and employee of the Gully Coop, working at both the gas station and later at the fertilizer plant.
On October 5, 1963, Bruce married his childhood sweetheart, Sonja Thoreson. Together they had children, Stacy and Scott. Bruce continued working with his father raising beef cattle, hay and other farm crops. Together the family enjoyed many trips to Pine Lake fishing, waterskiing in the evenings and short trips camping with friends.
After Sonja's death in March 1988, Bruce married Mary (Stenberg) Brovold on July 17, 1994. Bruce was welcomed into Mary's family by her daughter Ginger, and Mary's parents Harry and Evelyn Stenberg and siblings. Together they worked to build a new home south of Gully and enjoyed going on trips and family gatherings. Bruce and Mary would have been celebrating their 26th wedding anniversary in a couple of weeks.
Bruce is survived by his wife Mary, children: Stacy (Gary) Nordlund of Clearbrook, Scott (Lisa) Brovold of Omaha, NE and Ginger, (Christian) Von Niederhauser of Vergas, MN, grandchildren: Nathan (Charis) Nordlund, Bemidji, Nolan (Alexandria) Nordlund, Grand Forks, ND; Angel Brovold (Daniel Beardmore), Ann (Orrie) Milberger all of Omaha, NE, Will Brovold, Lincoln, NE and Lukas Volstad, Vergas, MN; great grandchildren: Raya, Ahna, Kason, Kamden and Kira; sister, Brenda (David) Odegaard, Minneapolis, MN and several brothers and sister in laws, nieces, nephews, aunts, and cousins.
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