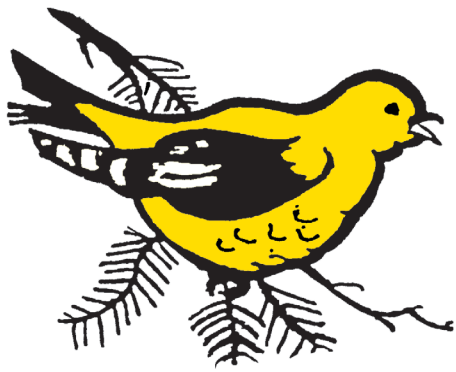




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The Northwest Minnesota Arts Council is Pleased to Announce “Of the Year” Award Winners

Three awards are given each year to recognize artists and arts advocates within our seven county region who stand out in terms of artistry or volunteerism in the arts. “Of the Year” Award winners were nominated by area residents.

Of the Year Award Winners include:

Rob Burkel of Thief River Falls will be awarded the Northwest Artist of the Year Award for theater arts. Rob has been involved in theater in the Thief River Falls area for 30 years. His dedication and talent is well known and admired. Our

Artist of the Year award can be given to any discipline artist including visual, performing, or creative writing who are emerging or at a mid-way point in their artistic endeavors. It is a cash award of \$500.00.

Bruce Piersol of Red Lake Falls will be awarded the Northwest Arts Advocate of the Year Award. Mr. Piersol is a musician and a strong advocate for the arts. He has performed and organized numerous musical groups bringing music to people who otherwise might not be able to experience it. Our Arts Advocate of the Year award

is \$500 and includes arts from all disciplines.

Joe Wavra of Red Lake Falls will receive the Northwest Star Award. Mr. Wavra is a self-taught wood carver, creating life-size animals, Vikings, and trolls with a chainsaw. His carvings can be found throughout the area. This award comes with \$5,000. Artists can only receive our Northwest Star Award once as a lifetime achievement award.

These awards will be presented on Tuesday, August 18 in Red Lake Falls. Unfortunately, due to COVID-19, our celebration of these wonderful artists and leaders in our area will be limited to close friends and family.

For more information about these awards, see our website: <http://www.northwestminnesotaartsCouncil.org/2020/07/of-the-year-award-winners-announced/>



NW Arts Advocate of the Year Bruce Piersol.

Funding for Northwest Star and Northwest Artist of the Year comes from The McKnight Foundation. Funding for Northwest Arts Advocate of the Year comes from the Minnesota State Legislature.



NW Artist of the Year Rob Burkel in “The Boys Next Door.”



2020 NW Star Award Winner Joe Wavra.

Governor Walz Authorizes State Disaster Assistance for Five Northwest Minnesota Counties

[ST. PAUL, MN] – Governor Tim Walz today announced the authorization of emergency assistance for five Minnesota counties that sustained damage during spring flooding between March 9 and May 7, 2020. Hubbard, Kittson, Marshall, Norman, and Polk counties experienced a combination of high soil-moisture levels from heavy rain and winter snowfall. Primary damage was to township and county roads.

“One Minnesota means we come together to provide support when we see a community in need,” said Governor Walz. “We will work closely with these counties to provide disaster assistance and ensure they quickly recover from this flooding.”

Spring flooding is a reoccurring issue in these counties. For the fourth time in two years, floodwaters cut off the city of Oslo in Marshall County. Polk County had the most

widespread damage, with 26 townships impacted. All five county boards of commissioners declared local emergencies and submitted requests for state disaster assistance for eligible costs. A state/county preliminary damage assessment on June 23 identified more than \$1.8 million in eligible damages across all five counties.

This authorization by the Governor allows the State Disaster Assistance Continuity Account to cover 75% of eligible costs, which totals an estimated \$1.4 million for all five counties. The individual counties would be responsible for the remaining 25%.

The Department of Public Safety division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management will work with Hubbard, Kittson, Marshall, Norman, and Polk County officials to provide assistance as directed by the Governor.

Attend U of MN Virtual Cover Crop Field Day: Setting up for Success, August 18

By Liz Stahl, Extension Educator in Crops

On August 18 at 1:00 p.m., U of MN Extension will host a virtual Cover Crop Field Day: Setting up for Success. Through this live webinar, researchers and educators will highlight U of MN research that provides management tips and considerations to help farmers and ag professionals successfully incorporate cover crops into Minnesota cropping systems.

The program will run from 1:00 to 2:30 p.m., with presentations from 1:00 to 2:00 followed by a cover crop roundtable from 2:00 to 2:30. Although there will be time for questions and answers after each presentation, the roundtable will provide an opportunity

for additional open discussion with attendees. Registration is free, thanks to support from the Minnesota Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education (MN SARE) program.

Topics & speakers include:

- Cover crops as a tool in waterhemp management? – Gregg Johnson, Associate Professor, Biomass Cropping Systems, Southern Research and Outreach Center, Waseca
- Balancing the pros and cons of planting green in Minnesota – Elizabeth Stahl, Extension Educator – Crops, Worthington Regional Extension Office, Worthington
- Strategies for interseeding

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Minnesota County Cropland Rental Rates Available

WORTHINGTON, Minn (7/20/2020) — Average, Median, Ten Percent Lowest Average Rents and Ten Percent Highest Average Rents are listed by county in the recently released publication titled “Cropland Rental Rates for Minnesota Counties”. The rental rates come from rents paid by farmers who participate in Adult Farm Management programs across Minnesota. This publication provides a historical perspective on rental rates paid by a group of Minnesota farmers and trends in those rental rates over the past five years. This information is meant as a guide and starting point. The information and data is not meant to establish, determine, set, fix, or even hint at what actual rents should be. It is simply a reporting of historical land rental rates in Minnesota.

Historical rental data is included for years 2015 through 2019. Weighted average rental rates are listed by county for each year. The 2019 data also includes the median cash rent and the 10th and 90th percentile range, explained under “data results”. There is really no way to statistically project future rental rates. Keep in mind the numbers listed are weighted averages. That means there are rents both above and below the numbers listed. Again, these numbers are merely a starting point.

Also included is the 2019 county rental data gathered by the USDA National Ag Statistical Service (NASS) in cooperation with the Minnesota Department of Agriculture. The USDA/NASS data is collected by mail-out survey and the 2020 results should be available in September 2020. This document will be updated to include the new NASS numbers at that time.

The land rental data shown in the publication is extracted from FINBIN, a database of farm record summaries of over

Cropland... continued on pg 7



Hegg Girls Getaway was held in Hawley, Minnesota with all eight attending the 18th year in a row. The action event this year was at the Escape House in Fargo. (Back: Kathleen Rustad, Meredith Hollcraft, Eileen Hegg, Stephanie Juve, Teresa Wendland; Front: Carrie Vetter, Nicole Welsch and Emily Sannes)

Hegg women celebrate 18th Anniversary Getaway

-Submitted by Eileen Hegg

For the 18th year in a row, Eileen Hegg and her seven daughters, Nicole, Teresa, Carrie, Stephanie, Emily, Meredith and Kathleen gathered at the home of Kathleen Rustad in Hawley on Friday, July 10th to renew their sisterhood. Kathleen and Carrie provided kabobs, fruit, veges and snacks as each sister shared recent experiences and family happenings.

Meredith Hollcraft came from Ohio, Emily Sannes from LaCrescent MN and Teresa Wendland from Balaton MN,

but the others (Eileen, Nicole Welsch, Carrie Vetter and Kathleen Rustad) are still within 1 ½ hours of Hawley, Kathleen's home.

Saturday morning each took the traditional brisk walk/run, and in the afternoon we took part in an adventure at the Escape House in Fargo. We managed to find all the clues and escape the locked door just seconds before the hour was up. It was a fun experience that all may like to repeat at some point.

Saturday afternoon we

stopped to visit Curt and Esther Nordhaugen in Fargo for a driveway visit. Several of the girls lived with the Nordhaugens during their June Fargo volleyball experiences, so our friendship with them spans over 30 years. With the Covid-19 quarantine they have been staying very close to home, so we visited outside. During the evening out at Granite City Restaurant in Fargo, Laura Nordhaugen Harris joined us for dinner to reminisce.

Sunday morning was brunch and Mass, and for lunch the

Hollcrafts, Grandpa Tom Hegg, Sannes girls, Rustads and the Vettters joined us before we all headed home.

Meredith's family had been in the area for two weeks, spending time at sister's homes and renewing friendships. The big celebration for the Getaway was the announcement that the Hollcrafts would be returning to the Fargo/Moorhead area in the fall.

Earlier in the week, a First Communion celebration was held in Red Lake Falls for Meredith's son, Dominic, so

members of his extended family in Minnesota could attend. The Sacrament was administered by Father Bob Schreiner, a long-time friend of the Hollcrafts.

This Hegg Getaway has become a very important tradition for our family, and the granddaughters would also like to be included. We may soon outgrow our homes and look for a venue that will accommodate all of us. At this unusual time in our world, family has become our most important gathering, and we will keep it as a top priority when making future plans.



Mentor Farmers Market Congratulates the Weiss Family

Stop by and congratulate the Weiss family. The Weiss Family of Red Lake County's "2020 Farm Family of the Year" by the University of Minnesota.

Ron and Sharon Weiss and their family have been Vendors with the Mentor Farmers' Market since 2010. They are known for their fresh and pickled asparagus. Lucille Weiss and her

family have been Vendors since 2013 and supply a variety of home grown vegetables for the market such as potatoes, peas, green beans, carrots, cucumbers, lettuce, beets, tomatoes, pumpkins, onions, and corn.

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

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Memorial for Judy Engebretson



There will be a Memorial Service to honor the memory of Judy Engebretson on August 8 at 1:00 p.m. at the Clearbrook Community Center. All are welcome to attend. R19-20C

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Area students awarded Workforce Development Scholarships

More than 40 students at Minnesota State Community and Technical College have been awarded Workforce Development Scholarships in the first round of awards for the 2020-21 academic year.

Scholarship winners include: East Grand Forks, **Kaylie Bies**; Hallock, **Alexander Lindergard**; Mahnomen, **Jeremy Londo**; McIntosh, **Connor Johnson**; Red Lake Falls, **Hayden Cardinal**; Warroad, **Salyna Norindr**; Waubun, **Christopher Podlak**

The \$2,500 scholarships are funded by the Minnesota Legislature to help ease the shortage of skilled workers in high-demand career fields. The scholarships target students enrolled in the program areas of advanced manufacturing, agriculture, early childhood education, health care services, information technology and transportation.

A total of \$265,000 is available for Workforce Development Scholarships at M State for the upcoming academic year, and students in more than 40 M State programs and on all four

M State campuses are eligible for the awards. M State anticipate awarding an additional 60 scholarships for the upcoming fall semester.

Scholarship recipients must be Minnesota residents, enroll in a minimum of nine credits per semester and maintain a minimum GPA of 2.0. For qualifying students, the scholarship can be renewed for a second year, bringing the total award to \$5,000.

The Workforce Development Scholarships have an incredible impact on the students who receive these awards," said M State President Carrie Brimhall. "These scholarship cover nearly half of the cost of full-time attendance at M State, greatly reducing the students' need to borrow or work while they're taking classes. We believe these scholarships mean students can be more successful in their studies."

For more information on Workforce Development Scholarships and eligible programs at M State, visit minnesota.edu/wdscholarships.



It's a Girl!

God has blessed the Edevold family with a new baby girl. Alma Andrea Edevold was born May 8th in Grand Forks. Her loving parents are Tiahna and Alex Edevold. Ecstatic grandparents are Mark & Jaci of Gonvick. Alma's great grandparents include Myra Coirer of Bemidji and Paulette & Ron Edevold of Gonvick.

Alma has been spending her time with mom and dad, eating, sleeping, cooing and kicking. Thanks be to God for her good health and happy disposition!

Bridal Shower

for **Michelle Eidelbes**
bride to be of **Michael Okstad**
Saturday August 8th
at 11am-1pm
at the Trail Pavilion. R19-20C

Polk County Sheriff

Death Investigation

On 7-24-20 at approximately 0754 hours the Polk County Sheriff's Office received a report that a male suffered a gunshot wound at 111 Albert Ave NW in Fertile, MN. Upon investigation it was determined that Gary Kiefert (DOB 5-14-55) was deceased. A firearm was recovered, no foul play is suspected, and the public is not at risk. This case is ongoing, autopsy pending. No further information will be released at this time.

Possible Law Enforcement Officer impersonator

On 7-26-2020 the Polk County Sheriff's Office received a report of someone impersonating a Law Enforcement Officer. The reporting party was traveling in Knute Township when they met an older style SUV on the road. The SUV made a U-turn and started following the reporting party. The reporting party then noticed a red bubble light on the roof of the car and red and blue flashing lights in the windshield. The reporting party pulled over and a white male described as being in his 50's or 60's, tall, skinny, and having a bald spot on top of his head and gray hair approached the vehicle. The male, who was wearing a mask over his mouth and nose, and advised the reporting party they did nothing wrong and that he was making sure people are doing okay during the Corona Virus Pandemic. The male was told by the reporting party that they needed to go and they left without any further issues.

If anyone has information relating to the person or vehicle please contact the Polk County Sheriff's Office.

If you believe someone who isn't a Law Enforcement Officer is attempting to pull you over call 911, explain what is going on and you will be directed on what to do.

Wednesday, July 29, 2020

Oklee Market Day

Saturday, August 1, 2020

Schedule of Events



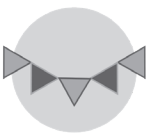
Oklee Quilting Supply's Virtual Quilt Show
Check out Oklee Market Day Facebook page for more information



8:00 am Find Da Rock
Find a painted rock, win a prize, one prize per person

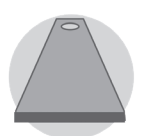
8:00 am Hero Hustle 5K registration
Oklee Veterans Memorial site, check out Facebook for preregistration

9:00 am Hero Hustle 5K starts
Oklee Veterans Memorial site, also Virtual 5k offered check out Facebook

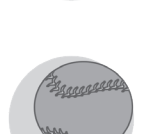


9:00 am Craft/vendors open at the hall
Until 2 pm

9:30 am Sidewalk chalk art contest starts
For all ages, along Main Street, judging at 1 pm



10:00 am Car show
If you're proud of it, show it. Cars will be lined up on Main Street.



11:00 am Street games
Main Street for adults and kids.

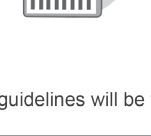
Noon Cornhole registration
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1:00 pm Cornhole tournament starts
South end of Oklee near Pickleball courts



1:00 pm Pickleball tournament
Preregistration required, check out Oklee Market Day Facebook page



4:00 pm Alumni softball game

8:00 pm Fun Pianos! Dueling Piano Show
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Rebel 5th-6th Football Moves to Spring

With the many uncertainties for school and sports due to COVID 19, it has been decided not to offer a fall contact football season for Red Lake County 5th and 6th grade students. Instead, these students will have an opportunity to have a one-year spring football season in April and May of 2021.

Between what is going to happen in school, varsity sports and transportation it has become evident that those challenges alone are enough. By moving the 5th-6th grade season we can eliminate a few of those challenges.

Details of how it will work

will be worked on between the communities between now and then. Hopefully we can start in mid-April, have a few weeks of football, and get together with a few other communities to play our games like in the past. By doing this we can ensure the 5th-6th graders of having a season, just not in the fall but in the spring. Then hopefully we can have our normal fall football in the fall of 2021 again.

We will keep people updated as things change, maybe if things are different in September we can offer our 5th-6th grade some flag football. We will figure that out at a later date.



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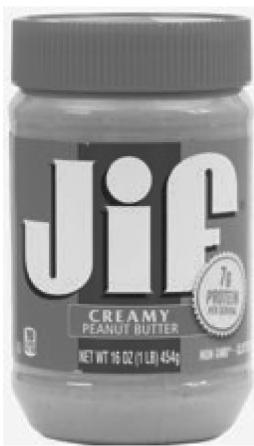
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Polk County Environmental Services, Crookston, MN has an opening for a full-time Transfer Station Operator. Primary duties include performing intermediate skilled trades work, coordinate the disposal of waste, purchasing functions, operate and maintain the transfer station and its equipment, assigns tasks and related work. Skill in vehicle and heavy equipment operation, including forklift, front-end loader, sweeper, tractor and pressure washer. Skill in repairing, servicing/maintaining mechanical equipment. Applicants must possess a high school diploma or GED in and up to one year of specialized or technical training beyond high school, or related field and minimal experience in mechanical repair or maintenance and disposal experience, or equivalent combination of education and experience, and a valid commercial driver's license with Class A endorsement. Must be able to obtain the following license/certifications: Transfer Station Operators Certification, Hazardous Waste Categorizing Certification, Landfill Operators License, and OSHA Safety Training. Wage range for this position is \$18.50 - \$23.52/hour, DOE and qualifications. Interested individuals may contact Environmental Services at **218-281-6445** or the Polk Administrator's Office at **218-281-5408**, to obtain an application and full job description or go to: <http://www.co.polk.mn.us> and click on Careers. Please submit your application and resume to the Polk County Administrator's Office, Polk County Government Center, 612 N. Broadway, Crookston, MN 56716 or to Polk County Environmental Services, 320 Ingersoll Ave, Crookston, MN 56716. **This position will remain open until filled.** EOE

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Full-time Elementary Music Teacher. Position starts in the fall of 2020.

Secondary Art Position. This is a 1-year position for the 2020-2021 school year.

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Substitute Teachers. Substitute teaching opportunities are available at Bagley Public School.

Applicants should send a cover letter, resume, teaching credentials, and three letters of reference to: Jenetta Weems, at 202 Bagley Ave. NW, Bagley, MN 56621, or e-mail: jweems@bagley.k12.mn.us Applications will be open until filled

Classified Staff

Two full time Native American Home School Liaisons. Position for the 2020-2021 school year. Candidates must be highly qualified, which includes two or more years of college, an AA Degree.

Special Education Language Facilitator position. Applicants should have knowledge and/or experience with hearing loss or impairments and American Sign Language (ASL). Knowledge of the needs of students with hearing impairments in an educational setting preferred. Minimum 2-year degree or equivalent.

Substitute Paras, Substitute para opportunities are available at Bagley Public School. Candidates must be highly qualified, which includes either 2 or more years of college, an AA Degree, or the ability to pass the ParaPro Exam.

Food Service

Head Cook, a high school diploma or equivalent and a Food Safety Manager Certificate or potential to obtain within one year. Previous food management experience including supervisory experience. Working knowledge of state and local food preparation and sanitation regulations.

Cook, a high school diploma or GED is preferred but not required. Currently accepting applications for a Cook at the High School.

Food Service Support Staff, a high school diploma or GED is preferred but not required. Currently accepting applications for a Food Service Support Staff at the High School.

Substitute Food Service Support Staff, a high school diploma or GED is preferred but not required. Currently accepting applications for substitute food service support staff. Application forms may be picked up in the District Office at 202 Bagley Ave NW, Bagley, MN 56621 or you may email jweems@bagley.k12.mn.us For more information, please call Jenetta Weems at 694-6184.

Transportation

Full-Time Route Bus Drivers and Substitute Bus Drivers, must have or be able to obtain a school bus driver's license endorsement. The District is willing to help applicants obtain their school bus endorsement. New drivers will receive a \$200 stipend after six months of driving to help defray the cost of certification.

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R16-19C

Sort Line Operator I or II – Polk County Incinerator

The Polk County Incinerator in Fosston, MN has an opening for a full-time Sort Line Operator I or II. Primary duties include sorting or separating recyclable or problem materials from the recyclables and solid waste delivered to the facility. Position also required to clean equipment and to perform basic maintenance on, as well as operate conveyors, & equipment. Applicants must possess a high school diploma or equivalent. A valid MN driver's license and pre-employment physical exam are required. Wage range for this position is \$14.66 - \$19.75/hour, DOE and qualifications. Interested individuals may contact the Polk County Incinerator at 218-435-6501 or the Polk Administrator's Office at 218-281-5408. An application and job description can be obtained at <http://www.co.polk.mn.us> click on Careers. Please **mail** your completed application and resume to the Polk County Administrator's Office, 612 N. Broadway, Room 211, Crookston, MN 56716. This position will remain open until filled. EOE

M14-4fn



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.

Applicants should submit a letter of interest and resume to: Kyle Christianson-Activities Director, 16670 Clearwater Lk Rd., Clearbrook, MN 56634 or email info to: kchristianson@clearbrook-gonvick.k12.mn.us

R17-20C

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Maintenance I - Facilities Management Department

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R18-19C



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R19-20C

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Applications may be obtained, in person, from the City Clerk's office at 115 Broadway NW McIntosh. Return applications to City Clerk either in person, by mail: City of McIntosh P.O. Box 97 McIntosh, MN 56556 or by email macclerk@gvtel.com. Applications will be accepted until September 1, 2020. For further information call: 218-563-3043

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Op-Ed: Was Your Operation Impacted by the Coronavirus Pandemic?

Apply for the Coronavirus Food Assistance Program Today

By Joe Martin, State Executive Director in Minnesota, USDA Farm Service Agency

Farmers and ranchers feed our state, our nation, and in fact, our world. You work long hours to provide essential resources for us all, and in these

challenging times, I want you to know that USDA is here to support you and your operation through our Coronavirus Food Assistance Program, or CFAP. Whether you farm one acre or many more, grow food for local markets or big supply chains,

CFAP can help. We're accepting applications through August 28 and encouraging producers to apply now.

In Minnesota, we have already approved 26,316 applications and disbursed \$418 million as of July 27, 2020. I

know many of you have applied for CFAP already, but the numbers indicate that some who are eligible have not. If you're still unsure about CFAP and your operation, I encourage you to take five minutes today to visit farmers.gov/cfap or call your county FSA office to learn about eligibility and options to apply. Whether you've worked with FSA for years or this will be a first, we're here to help you every step of the way.

CFAP provides direct relief to producers who faced price declines and additional marketing costs due to COVID-19. A range of commodities are eligible for CFAP, including malting barley, canola, corn, millet, oats, potatoes, soybeans, sorghum, sunflowers, durum wheat, hard red spring wheat, hogs, cattle, and sheep. You can access the full list of eligible non-specialty, specialty, livestock, dairy, and wool commodities by visiting farmers.gov/cfap.

We know you're busy, so we've outlined options to apply at the top of farmers.gov/cfap. We offer a CFAP Application Portal where those of you with eAuthentication accounts can submit your application online. Don't have an eAuthentication account? You can enroll at farmers.gov/sign-in. We also offer a manual application option, and a CFAP Application Generator and Payment Calculator that allows you to input information specific to your operation to determine estimated payments and populate the application form.

You can apply now for the commodities that are currently eligible, and if any other commodities you produce are added to the program, we will happily amend your application.

If you have questions, please let us know. As always, the FSA office at your local USDA Service Center is there to help you prepare your application.

Farmers and ranchers continue to be the backbone of our nation. I know Minnesota's agricultural producers are facing unprecedented challenges with the coronavirus pandemic, and I want to make sure we at USDA are doing all we can to provide critical support. We thank our farmers and ranchers, and we encourage you to apply for CFAP today.



7 Tips to Help You Provide Dignity While Caring for Another Person

by Renda Brooks, LPN

Dignity is a basic human need; it's our sense of self-worth, respect and esteem. Preserving dignity in another person means respecting their whole self and caregiving in a way that respects their preferences and individuality. One of the most rewarding aspects of being a caregiver is to know you've provided dignified care.

So, how do we know what to do? It's helpful to think about the person as you have always known them and what they may like or dislike.

Practical tips also can guide you on your caregiving journey:

1. Approach the person with respect.

Introduce yourself, if needed. Address them by their name. Always announce yourself when you enter a room. Even if you are taking care of a loved one, you may have to remind them of who you are. If they are your loved one, call them by the name you've always used. Be intentional and attentive.

2. Remember the person has the right to make their own decisions (unless there is a significant brain injury or cognitive impairment).

Allow the person to make choices. We all need to feel in some type of control over our lives. If the person is unable to make decisions, give them simple options, like the choice between two different shirts, etc. People like their own styles and no one wants to wear something that isn't "them." Something as simple as not allowing a person to choose their own clothing can affect their dignity.

3. Involve the person in conversations.

Do not talk over the person as if they are not there. Include the individual in decision-making and ask their opinion. It will help them feel appreciated and respected. Involve the person in any discussions concerning their care.

In addition, talking with the person provides them with social interaction and can lift spirits. Allow them to lead the conversation as much as possible and actively listen and be engaged in the conversation.

4. Tell them what you are doing. Ask their permission.

Before doing anything, we should always ask permission. It can be as simple as, "I want to help you with a bath. Is that okay?" Show that you are interested and ready to help. Be compassionate and respectful at all times.

5. Always respect their privacy.

When providing care, close the door (even if they are in their own home). Most of us

get dressed/undressed, shower and go to the bathroom with the door closed. This doesn't change as our ability to care for ourselves changes. Always knock on closed doors, this is respectful and can avoid embarrassing situations. Protect their privacy and modesty.

In addition, it is important to respect their privacy in their home. Knock on the door before entering and wait for a response. If the person is non-verbal or unable to give a response, knock on the door, wait a minute and announce yourself as you enter.

6. Keep the person's body covered as much as possible while providing care.

This is an extension of maintaining a person's modesty, especially when providing a bed bath or even while a person is using the bathroom. It is important to drape a towel or sheet over parts of the body that aren't being washed.

For example, if providing a bed bath, keep a sheet or towel over the lower half of the body while washing the upper half. Cover as much as you can until it needs to be uncovered to provide care. When a person is sitting on the toilet, a towel draped over their legs can provide privacy and maintain dignity.

7. Respect their possessions and personal space.

When providing care or cleaning, remember to ask permission before moving something. Asking is a simple act you can do to show the person you respect them and their possessions. It also often instills trust. After you're done with your tasks, always return items to their original place.

So often a person's dignity is lost as they lose their ability to function and as the disease progresses. If we remember to "treat others as we would like to be treated" and put ourselves in our loved one's position, we often can help maintain their dignity.

Renda Brooks is a licensed practical nurse with Hospice of the Red River Valley.

About Hospice of the Red River Valley

Hospice of the Red River Valley is an independent, community-based, nonprofit hospice serving more than 30 counties in North Dakota and Minnesota. Hospice care is intensive comfort care that alleviates pain and suffering, enhancing the quality of life for patients with life-limiting illnesses and their loved ones by addressing their medical, emotional, spiritual and grief needs. For more information, call toll free 800-237-4629, email questions@hrrv.org or visit www.hrrv.org.

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ing over a snowy village, vintage oval arched glass wooden picture frame, "Call of the night" 1927 print by THEO BOEHLING, Mallards by David Maass, Ruffed Grouse by David Maass, Whitetail by Ken Kylanen 1995, Goldeneye by Maass, vintage oval frame convex glass picture frame, The River Challenge by Terry Daughty 763/1800, River Bottom Buck by Jim Hensel '92 3077/10,000, Whitetails by Cinthie Fisher, Back Bay Farm by Ken Smallwood DU 1987 comparison artist 2442/4500, Autumn Leaves Woods, by Robert Wood 1959 Lithograph. **SPORTING & RIFLE:** 2002 Polaris HO Sportsman 500 4x4 w/gun scabbard only 2405 mi., 1981 Honda 185 S runs good, Remington 7600 pump action rifle .270 cal, sling, Tasco 1.75x5 scope; nylon cot, fish spear, cardboard goose decoys, bag full of screw-in tree steps, 12 place gun or fishing rod rack, regulation ping pong table paddles and balls, woman's 10 spd bicycle, vintage steel tackle box loaded w/ tackle, steel tilt bed 2 person snowmobile trlr no title, vintage small log hauler. **SHOP:** Craftsman 37 gal 4.0 cpm, 1.5 hp 150 psi vertical air compressor new, Powermate 5500 gas pwr generator w/ 7 hours on it, rolling mechanic's stool, 2 12v elec chain saw sharpeners, propane torch kit, new workshop table top clamp jig, pair of collapsible steel saw horses, vintage gas cans, jumper cables, tin flex funnel, new 8 pc file set, various hatchets, axes, dbl bit axe, brands, Zenith, Marshall wells, True Temper, Craftsman, Black & Decker polisher, loads of extension cords, miter box, swede saw, new pop rivet kit, Craftsman 10" table saw, antique monkey wrenches, box full of 3/8ths dr Craftsman and Stanley ratchets and sockets, Fleet brand socket set, new drill bit set, SK 3/8ths dr ratchet and socket set, Buffalo 1/2" S.A.E. Socket set, S-K 1/2" dr S.A.E socket set, Craftsman 3 drawer portable tool box and various tools, Craftsman stripped nut removers, organizers full of hardware.

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Obituary for Jerome Hruby

Jerome Allen Hruby passed on July 20th, 2020 at Sanford Bemidji Medical Center surrounded by family. Jerome was born on June 10, 1960 in Fosston, MN, to Rudolph and Marie(Dessellier) Hruby. Raised in Oklee, MN. He was baptized and confirmed at St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church Oklee. In 1978 he graduated from Oklee High School and attended Bemidji State University earning his Bachelors Degree in 1983.

On September 3, 1983 he married Bernadette Paradis at St. Anthony's Catholic Church in Terrebonne, MN. Jerome worked for Maynard Construction, First National Bank, Goldpine Home, Pamida, TEAM Industries, Wells Technology, and MN Services of the Blind Vending.

Jerome was a loving and wonderful father, husband and grandfather. Even though he lost his sight in 2015 he still enjoyed traveling by train, going to auctions, collecting coins, American flags, black panther figurines, and pink flamingos. He also got great joy from his garden and especially his many Christmas carvings.

Survived by wife of almost 37 years Bernadette, daughter Olivia (Jeremy Ditzler) Hruby, and granddaughter Klaire Abigail of Big Lake, Alaska. Son Xavier Hruby of Bemidji. Sister Rosetta Hruby of Oklee. Dog Luna and Cat Tamiyo. Best friend Kevin Bergeron. Sister-in-laws Dava, JoAnn, Brenda, Mary Beth, Kristi and families. Preceded by parents Rudolph and Marie Hruby, Brothers Leroy, Gary, Robert and Mark.

The family has chosen not to have a funeral service at this time. Arrangements are with the Cease Family Funeral Home of Bemidji. They will be scattering Jerome's ashes at his favorite fishing places in Alaska, and his ancestral grounds in Nova Scotia. Please remember Jerome listening to the Pink Floyd Dark Side of the Moon album, and spreading kindness through your actions. A memorial page titled Remembering Jerome has been set up via FB.

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Cropland... continued from front

2,000 Minnesota farms. The farmers participate in the Minnesota State College Farm Business Management program as well the Southwestern Minnesota Farm Business Management Association. The rental rates are based on analysis of the financial records of participating farmers and represent the actual rents paid for the years listed.

To compile this report, rental rates are extracted for cash rented land. All row crop acres, small grain acres, canning crop acres, etc. are included in the data analysis. Not included in the analysis are acres allocated to pasture, aftermath grazing, hay and haylage acres, CRP acres, fallow, and prevented planted acres. Data is organized by county. Counties with a minimum of 10 farms with cash rented acreage are included. If a given county does not have rent data listed for 2015-2019, there were not enough farms reporting data.

The publication can be found at: <https://www.cffm.umn.edu/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/MN-Land-Rental-Rates-2019-final-7-15-20.pdf>

Regional numbers are included in the publication and listed below indicate the total percentage change in land rental rates for the last five years from 2015 through 2019 and the last column is the change from 2018 to 2019. As shown in table, 2 of the 8 regions had increased in the last five years, and one region had increased from 2018 to 2019. Minnesota as a whole declined by 7.5 percent over five years and declined 0.4 percent from 2018 to 2019.

Percent Change in Land Rental Rates	2015-2019	2018-2019
Northwest	-0.2%	-0.2%
West Central	2.5%	-1.7%
Central	-8.4%	-2.3%
East Central	21.2%	6.3%
Southwest	-7.6%	-0.7%
South Central	-9.3%	-1.6%
Southeast	-8.4%	-2.1%
State	-7.5%	-0.4%

Crop Field Day... continued from front

cover crops into corn – Axel Garcia y Garcia, Associate Professor, Cropping Systems, Southwest Research and Outreach Center, Lamberton

• Cover crop roundtable – Anna Cates, Extension Soil Health Specialist, Department of Soil Health, Water, and Climate, St. Paul (in addition to our speakers above)

We hope you will join us! For more information and to register, go to: <https://z.umn.edu/covercropVFD>. If you cannot attend in person, a recording of the session will be made available through the above website at a later date.

Did you know?

Dog owners often find that having a fenced-in space gives pets an opportunity to run around off-leash and enjoy time outdoors and can make it easier for pets to go out on bathroom breaks. Still, pet owners must recognize that inquisitive dogs can get into trouble even in seemingly safe yards. One potential danger is ingestion of potentially toxic mushrooms. It is essential for homeowners to check their yards for mushrooms all year long, but especially during wet springs and in the fall. Mushrooms can pop up overnight. Depending on the type of mushroom and the size of the dog, ingesting even a small amount can result in gastrointestinal distress or more dire circumstances, like liver failure. Certain mushrooms give off a fishy smell and they may entice dogs who are prone to indiscriminate eating. According to the animal care resource Preventative Vet, signs of mushroom toxicity include vomiting, salivating, yellowing of the skin and "whites of eyes," coma, seizures, and loss of balance. Other dogs may experience diarrhea or refuse to eat. Any pet owner who has suspected a dog has eaten wild mushrooms should consult a veterinarian. Early treatment can help and prevent more serious organ damage or death. Pet owners who cannot trust their dogs unattended in the yard should bring their pups out on leashes or keep careful watch on them while they're outdoors.

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Theology in the Trenches

By Kathleen Kjolhaug

It's All About the Editing

My husband and I like watching old episodes of the TV sitcom, "Everybody Loves Raymond."

It's easily relatable, slow paced, and brilliantly funny. At least we think so.

In each show there is always a big to-do about family relationships. Raymond's parents get in trouble for their bluntness. Raymond is often in trouble with Debra, his wife. Debra's in trouble with her mother-in-law. And on it goes. Sooner or later, relationships are restored and amends are made, but perspective seems to be the main theme of each show.

Our favorite line ever is when Raymond says these words at the close of one of the shows,

"It's all about the editing."

In the episode from which it was taken, Raymond's parents offend relatives who gathered for a funeral. His mom blurts out a few private thoughts, and everyone is ticked. As the show ends, everybody gathers to retell stories of the good things they remember about the one who died...at which point,



Ask a Trooper

by Sgt. Jesse Grabow Minnesota State Patrol

Q u e s - tion: Did I hear there was some new information that was put out on what to do if stopped with a firearm?

Answer: The Minnesota Driver's Manual update includes input from community advocates and law enforcement. It helps set clear guidance for drivers and law enforcement to help both parties know what to expect when a traffic stop occurs.

This recommendation is also part of the Minnesota Working Group on Police Involved Deadly Force Encounters, which asks the state do more to educate the officers and the public on what to expect during traffic stops, especially if there is a firearm in the vehicle.

The updated Minnesota Driver's Manual information advises motorists with firearms to:

- Keep their hands on the steering wheel as the officer approaches.
- Let the officer know they have a firearm.
- Tell the officer the firearm's location.

Drivers should not:

- Reach around inside the vehicle.

• Get out of the vehicle unexpectedly or approach the officer. The updated language also outlines what drivers can expect from law enforcement during a traffic stop. While every traffic stop varies based on the circumstances, drivers can generally expect the officer to:

- Greet the driver.
- Identify themselves as a law enforcement officer.
- Obtain the driver's license and proof of insurance.
- Inform the individual of the reason for the stop and explain the circumstances for issuance of the citation or warning.
- Check both the validity and authenticity of the driver's license.

Additional advice for drivers during a traffic stop includes:

- Stay calm.
- Slow your vehicle and activate your turn signal.
- As soon as safely possible, pull to the right shoulder; or if on a multi-lane road and closer to the left shoulder, move to the left shoulder if there is a full lane to park.
- Avoid stopping on a bridge, curved part of a roadway, or within the lane of traffic.
- If the traffic stop is made

after dark, turn on your vehicle's interior light.

- Keep all doors shut, and remain in the vehicle unless directed otherwise by the officer.
- Keep your hands on the steering wheel so they are easily observable.
- Give the officer your full attention.
- Do not make sudden movements or search for your driver's license or vehicle documents; wait for the officer to give you instructions.
- If you have a weapon or firearm in the vehicle, inform the officer upon your first interaction with them.

For more information please visit: https://dps.mn.gov/divisions/dvs/forms-documents/Documents/Minnesota_Drivers_Manual.pdf

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Finding Treasure

By Auctioneer Eric W. Mickelson

Arrrrggghhh!! No, I am not a pirate but I did find a treasure. It all started about 70 years ago when my grandmother, Della Mickelson, took a picture of my dad and grandpa on the Sheep Ranch near Clearbrook where they lived. I thank my grandma in my mind often for every once in a while she would take out the Brownie Six-16 camera and take pictures on the farm. So thankfully today we have some of those memories.

I love farming, especially tractors and milking cows so once in a while I like to take a stroll down memory lane looking at old photos. So probably about 30 years ago while I lived in rural Newfolden, Minnesota, I borrowed a few of those pictures from my mom and dad to look at and make copies. Well 28 years ago my family moved from Newfolden back to Oklee with my grandmother Gertrude Ellickson's farm. That was the last time I remember seeing those pictures I borrowed and no I apparently had not made any copies yet. For these past 28 years I have occasionally and very intentionally searched for these pictures, to no avail. This is always a sad thought losing those treasures.

This summer my wife and I had embarked on a remodeling project. Most of the work is being hired but we have a lot of prep work to do on our own. Cleaning, and cleaning out cupboards, emptying shelves, and getting rid of things so the floor can be redone. In this process we took out an old shelving unit. It had many shelves and 3 drawers. For once it came in handy that I am a saver. Those three drawers contained what I would call-junk. I almost brought over the garbage and dumped out the contents, but I didn't. I went through all the envelopes and cards and saved and threw. Suddenly I stumbled across an old weathered envelope and I said to my wife, "If what I think is in this envelope

Raymond says, "It's all about the editing."

As of late, I've had time to do a little editing myself. Spring house cleaning has come and gone which uncovered treasures from our six adult children. Along with the items found came the memories. I snap and send a picture through my phone to "said" child and within minutes, I hear back...or not.

The one whose taken on the role of first responder is predictable...and just as predictable is the one who will not respond at all. Then there is the one with the one-word response, and one who will reply within the week if at all. One engages in conversation of appreciation, and one complies with a thumbs-up symbol leaving you wondering if you've become a mere nuisance.

As I made the executive decision that our home is not longer a museum, I began sorting these personal treasures to gift back to the rightful owners.

So, how was this idea of "giving back" received? The responses came swiftly...in no particular birth order.

#1. "What am I supposed to

do with that?"

#2. "I don't want it! I don't have room!"

#3. "Shouldn't that stuff stay there so I can enjoy it when I come home?"

#4. "I don't even remember making that stuff!"

#5. "Just leave it so I can sort through it myself."

#6. Still waiting for a response.

As we've learned, "It's all about the editing" and what you choose to hold on to or let go of. The effort to hold on to and gift back was filled with intentional love but so to is the letting go of the hopes that it might mean something to each. Though it may not, letting go of the expectation that it might be also worthy of gift not only to them...but to self.

Romans 15:13 reminds us where our true hope lies. "May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope."

May we respond in kind to the true Giver as we edit well the responses given unto Him. Amen.

Winton Mickelson and Ames Mickelson with their new Surge Milkers!!

I am going to do a backflip!!" It was....it was the envelope of pictures I have been searching for 28 years, since we moved from Newfolden!!

The most treasured picture that I found was a picture of dad and grandpa posing outside the barn at the M Ranch Dairy with their new Surge milking machines. Also were a few random photos, one of dad milking and a few of machinery lined up at the farm when they first moved to Oklee. So you see digging around the house I found treasure, but I did not actually perform the backflip, only in my mind and heart!! Thanks again grandma for the pictures!!!

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How about a little trivia!!

1. The Surge milker was invented by a man named Herbert McCormack in _____.
A) 1912 B) 1917 C) 1922 D) 1929

2. The Surge milker was designed to hang under the cow. What did they call the strap and steel spring rod it hung from?

3. Surge milker moved back and forth as it hung under the cow mimicking the sucking of a calf. Surge company advertised this back and forth motion as _____ and _____.
4. The Surge, Babson Brothers Company was out of what town?
A) Chicago, IL B) Fort Atkinson, WI C) Minneapolis, MN

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