



Tri County Canary

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Pictured in the photo are (l-r): Cole Young, development officer for Sanford Health Foundation; Alice Stark-Anderson, activities and volunteer coordinator for Sanford Health WoodsEdge; Jenny Neubeck, director of Affinity Plus; and Lonie Anderson, team lead of Affinity Plus.

Affinity Plus supports local Sanford Health long-term care residents

BEMIDJI, Minn. – Monday, Oct. 12, was CU Forward Day. CU Forward is an annual celebration of credit unions spreading kindness in their communities. In honor of this, a group of Affinity Plus employees generously donated multiple items for the residents at Sanford Health's WoodsEdge long-term care facilities.

"At Affinity Plus, we believe that giving back moves people forward. Not only that, but helping people feels good," said Jenny Neubeck, director

of Affinity Plus Federal Credit Union, Bemidji. "It felt like a no-brainer to partner with Sanford Health Foundation and give back to our elderly friends. Given the pandemic, residents are experiencing an overwhelming feeling of isolation, and we wanted to make their days a little brighter. We encourage everyone to take a little bit of time out of their day and spread kindness; it really can make a difference."

The Sanford Health Foundation is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit

organization dedicated to supporting the enhancement and expansion of health care services, state-of-the-art technology and facilities to provide health and healing for our region.

Anyone interested in supporting the Foundation may do so by contacting the Sanford Health Foundation at (218) 333-5515. Partnering with the Foundation not only supports new services and technology, but also helps care for individuals within the community.

Minnesota Wheat Council Seeking Candidates for Board of Directors

The Minnesota Wheat Research and Promotion Council is seeking candidates for three positions on its board of directors. Members of the Minnesota Wheat Research and Promotion Council are elected to direct Minnesota wheat check-off dollars to benefit wheat producers.

Board members must be wheat producers willing to serve as leaders and advocates for the Minnesota wheat industry and to work to improve industry profitability and viability. To be considered, a person must have shared in the profits and risk of loss from producing wheat during the current or preceding marketing year.

Directors are elected to serve three-year terms, and the board meets approximately six times throughout the

year.

The following positions are open:

Area 1 Representative:

Two (2) Positions open

One (1) Incumbent: Rhonda K. Larson, East Grand Forks

Area 1 includes the counties of Beltrami, Clearwater, Kittson, Koochiching, Lake of the Woods, Marshall, Polk-West, Pennington, Red Lake and Roseau.

Area 2 Representative:

One (1) Position open

One (1) Incumbent: Scott Swenson, Elbow Lake

Area 2 includes the counties of Douglas, Grant, Otter Tail, Traverse, Wilkin, Aitkin, Becker, Carlton, Cass, Clay, Cook, Crow Wing, Hubbard, Itasca, Kanabec, Lake, Mahnomen, Morrison, Norman, Pine, Polk-East, St. Louis, Todd and Wadena.

To submit your name as a candidate, please visit <https://mnwheat.org/council/2020-candidate-election/>. Here you will find the necessary forms to complete. Completed candidate forms can be emailed to cherdahl@mnwheat.com by Wednesday, December 2, 2020.

Minnesota Wheat Research & Promotion Council elections will be held via mail ballot. To ensure you receive a mail ballot, eligible producers can verify they are on the mailing list by calling MN Wheat at 218-253-4311 ext 7 or request a ballot by emailing Christina Iliev, Minnesota Department of Agriculture, at christina.iliev@state.mn.us. Ballots must be requested by December 3, 2020.

Ballots need to be returned to MDA with a postmark by January 27, 2021.

Senator Cantwell Releases Report on Local News

The News Media Alliance commends Senate Commerce Committee Ranking Member Maria Cantwell (D-WA) for the release of her report, "Local Journalism: America's Most Trusted News Sources Threatened," outlining how changes in the information marketplace and the dominance of online platforms pose an existential threat to local news publishers. The report notes the vital importance of high-quality journalism to our communities and calls for the restoration of local journalism, including through Congressional action.

The publication of the report comes ahead of the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation's hearing on Wednesday, October 28 examining Section 230 of the Communications Decency Act, as well as the impact of big tech platforms on local news and consumer privacy.

Cantwell's report explores both the history and current challenges facing news publishers. It highlights the ways in which Google and Face-

book abuse their dominant positions as intermediaries between news publishers and their readers to prevent adequate monetization of quality news content. The report frequently cites the News Media Alliance's White Paper, "How Google Abuses Its Position as a Market Dominant Platform to Strong-Arm News Publishers and Hurt Journalism," published in June, for substantiated examples of such abuse.

News Media Alliance President & CEO, David Chavern, stated, "As Senator Cantwell's report notes, local news is an essential part of the fabric that keeps our communities informed and connected. But right now, local news is in crisis. Two companies, Google and Facebook, effectively regulate news publishers by determining how (and whether) journalism is distributed and monetized. The tech giants have refused to return real value back to the creators of quality news and information, even though they pay to license music and many other forms

of content. Meanwhile, these companies also benefit from special, broad liability protections under federal law. We applaud Senator Cantwell for her unwavering focus and support of local news, and we hope she will raise these during the hearing on Wednesday."

Among other recommendations in her report, Cantwell supports the ability of news publishers to collectively negotiate for better terms with the tech platforms, which would be made possible through passage of S. 1700, the Journalism Competition and Preservation Act.

Witnesses at the October 28 hearing will include the CEOs of Google, Twitter and Facebook, and will offer the Committee an opportunity to examine legislative proposals to reform Section 230, which shields the online platforms from liability for the content they publish, exacerbating the existing power imbalances in the digital ecosystem and facilitating other online harms.

Sportsman's Lodge at Pine Lake Halloween Fun





Cornerstone Residence of Bagley is excited to announce that another one of our employees has received over \$1500.00 in a Scholarship Grant to pay for Nursing Assistant education and training! Tara Paulson started at CRB as a Personal Assistant and has decided to further her knowledge and career by applying for a scholarship through Cornerstone. She was approved by the scholarship committee and will soon be a Certified Nursing Assistant! Congratulations Tara!

UMN Crookston Receives \$1.35 Million in Upgrades From HEAPR Funding

CROOKSTON, Minn. - The University of Minnesota Crookston received \$1.35 million dollars of High Education Asset Preservation and Replacement (HEAPR) funding in a capital investment bonding bill signed Wednesday by Governor Tim Walz. The bonding bill includes \$38.5 million worth of HEAPR improvements to the University of Minnesota system campuses, research and out-

reach centers and field stations.

UMN Crookston will utilize the funding for electrical and water main infrastructure upgrades on campus, exterior facade upgrades, fire suppression and code upgrades to Owen Hall. The commitment by Governor Tim Walz and Lieutenant Governor Peggy Flanagan, the state legislature, and the University of Minnesota to UMN Crookston will make a lasting

impact and improve iconic campus buildings so they can be available for future generations.

"The HEAPR funding allows us to make those needed improvements to provide our students and faculty with state-of-the-art infrastructure that is needed to be world-class and provide our students with access to technologies and tools they need in today's competitive marketplace," said Mary Holz-Clause, chancellor of the University of Minnesota Crookston campus.

The capital investment bonding bill was passed during a four-day special session of the Minnesota legislature beginning Monday, October 12. In total, the bill includes over \$104 million in funding for the University of Minnesota system.

HEAPR funding is available to maximize the effectiveness and life of the University of Minnesota's 29 million square feet of infrastructure. The University of Minnesota allocates HEAPR funding in four categories: health, safety and accessibility; building systems; utility infrastructure; and energy efficiency.

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Today In Banking

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A Salute To America's Military Heroes



Northern State Bank will be closed Wednesday, November 11th in honor of Veterans Day

Veterans Day is November 11th. This holiday was originally called Armistice Day when it was established in 1926 to commemorate the end of World War I and to honor those who sacrificed their lives.

In 1954, the day was renamed Veterans Day to honor all American men and women who have served in the military during war and peacetime. We thank all veterans for their service and sacrifice for our country.

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Hospice of the Red River Valley offers free virtual grief support programs for adults

Hospice of the Red River Valley is offering free virtual educational workshops for adults who have recently experienced the death of a loved one. All classes will be held virtually/online and are free and open to the public. Registration is required.

grieving during the holidays. Participants will also learn important self-care strategies. This is virtual class is free and open to the public. Registration is required one day prior to the class date.

TWO CLASS DATES AVAILABLE

- Tuesday, Nov. 10 from 1-2 p.m. or
- Monday, Nov. 16 from 6-7 p.m.

Register for classes online at www.bit.ly/griefclassregistration, call (800) 237-4629 and ask for the grief support department, or email grief@hrrv.org. To view the complete class listing, visit www.hrrv.org.

Grief During the Holidays

Managing grief in times of celebration can be overwhelming. Suffering the loss of a loved one is difficult any time of the year, but the holiday season can intensify feelings of loss. This virtual presentation will enable attendees to identify and learn how to manage the mixed emotions that can surface when

Jerrold Shermoen appointed to fill Ninth Judicial District vacancy

[ST. PAUL, MN] – Governor Tim Walz announced the appointment of Jerrod Shermoen as a District Court Judge in Minnesota's Ninth Judicial District. Mr. Shermoen will be filling the vacancy that occurred upon the retirement of the Honorable Charles M. Leduc. The seat will be chambered in International Falls in Koochiching County.

"Mr. Shermoen will be an excellent addition to the Ninth Judicial District," said Governor Walz. "Mr. Shermoen has a wealth of legal experience and has developed the temperament and management skills necessary to serve the people of the Ninth Judicial District well."

"As a lifelong Northern Minnesotan, Mr. Shermoen brings a necessary perspective to the Ninth Judicial District," said Lieutenant Governor Flanagan. "His outstanding experience, compassion, and deep commitment to his community will make him an excellent addition to the bench."

About Jerrod Shermoen
Mr. Shermoen is an attorney and president at Shermoen-Jaksa Law, PLLC. In these roles, he manages the firm and handles a wide range of litigation and administrative law matters, including plaintiff's personal injury, wrongful death, and workers compensation cases. Mr. Shermoen also has experience litigating a vast array of other disputes, includ-

ing contract, commercial, real estate, probate, family law, and criminal matters in Federal, State, and Tribal Courts across Minnesota. Previously, he was a managing partner at Shermoen & Jaksa PLLP, and a partner at Shermoen, LeDuc & Jaksa, PLLP. Mr. Shermoen's community involvement includes serving on the board of the Rainy River Community College Foundation, the Koochiching County Law Library Board, and the Minnesota Association for Justice Diversity and Inclusivity Task Force. He has also been a board member for the Volunteer Attorney Program, the International Falls Bass Championship, and the ISD 361 Blue Ribbon Panel, and he has served as a volunteer for Junior Achievement and as a youth hockey coach.

Mr. Shermoen earned his A.A. from Rainy River Community College, his B.S. from the University of Minnesota, Carlson School of Business, and his J.D., with distinction, from the University of North Dakota School of Law.

Minnesota's Ninth Judicial District consists of seventeen counties in northwest Minnesota: Aitkin, Beltrami, Cass, Clearwater, Crow Wing, Hubbard, Itasca, Kittson, Koochiching, Lake of the Woods, Mahanomen, Marshall, Norman, Pennington, Polk, Red Lake, and Roseau.

Polk County Sheriff

Burglaries

At about 7:10 AM on Saturday, October 24th, 2020 the Crookston Police Department responded to a report of a burglary at Best Used Trucks, 635 Marin Ave. and Valley Plains Equipment, 723 3rd Ave SW. The initial investigation indicates a person(s) forced entry into both businesses. It is likely a vehicle was used to transport stolen items.

This is an active investigation with limited details available. No other information is being released at this time. The CPD is requesting the public's help in providing any information related to these incidents. If anyone observed a vehicle or people at or near these businesses during the time of these burglaries, or if you have heard or learned of any details related to these incidents, please call the Crookston Police Department at 218-281-3111.

Kidnapping in McIntosh

On 10-28-20 at approximately 1303 hours the Polk County Sheriff's Office received a report of an assault at 325 2nd St lot 7 in McIntosh. The victim, whose name is not being released at this time, was treated and released at Essentia Hospital in Fosston. Eric Daniel Roger Berg (2-6-84) of McIntosh was arrested. On 10-30-20 a criminal complaint was filed charging Berg with Kidnapping-commit great bodily harm/terrorize. The investigation is ongoing and no further information is being released. There is no safety risk to the public.

MOTOR VEHICLE OFFICE, IN FOSSTON, WILL BE CLOSED Nov. 11, 12, 13

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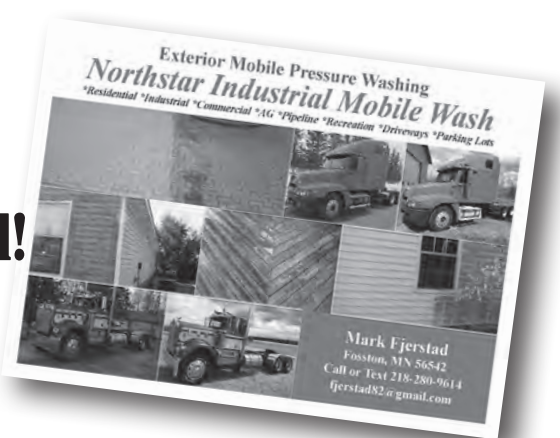
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Each day of the week has a hazard topic. Monday is Winter Weather Overview. Minnesota experiences a vast variety of inclement weather conditions during the winter months. In Polk County we are especially prone to experiencing brutal cold, heavy snowfall, and extreme winds. A number of different watches, warnings, and advisories are issued during the winter season. Winter Weather Advisories are issued when winter weather will cause travel difficulties. Winter Storm Warnings are issued for heavy snowfall, or the combination of dangerous blowing and drifting snow. A combination of blowing or falling snow, cold temperatures, and windy conditions can prompt a blizzard warning. Polk County is covered by the National Weather Service's Grand Forks Office. You can get additional weather information by visiting their website at: www.weather.gov/fgf.

Tuesday's topic addresses Outdoor Winter Safety. Whether you are out enjoying the snow, or forced to work in it, it is important to dress adequately. During brutally cold weather exposure to the elements can lead to hypothermia or frostbite. It is also important to consider the dangers of venturing onto



thin ice. Remember that there should be at least four inches of fresh, clear ice before attempting to walk onto a frozen body of water. Wednesday's topic addresses Winter Fire Safety. During the winter season there is usually an increase of structure fires. Reasons for the increase in structural fires includes holiday lights, holiday displays, and using alternative heating sources. To help prevent fires, keep decorations at least three feet from heating sources, and remember to check your furnace and chimney's to ensure they are operating properly.

Thursday's topic addresses Indoor Winter Safety. Some common indoor safety concerns that occur during the winter are monitoring carbon monoxide levels, managing moisture conditions to prevent mold and mildew growth, and minimizing chemical and environmental exposure. Friday's topic covers Winter Driving. It is important to ensure that your vehicle has been serviced and is ready to take on the cold weather. A win-

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The John Deere Model C or GP?

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October 9, 2020, an addition was made to the family! My son, Heath, and his wife, Kaylee, had a bouncing baby boy, my second grandson! His name is Callan Heath Mickelson. When my first grandson was born his name was Archer-so grandpa bought him a toy model A John Deere Tractor. So, now when Callan was born grandpa had to go looking for a toy. I considered a Farmall C toy but really wanted a John Deere. You don't hear much about a model C John Deere, but I found one on ebay and TA DAH! My grandson has his first toy John Deere! But what is a John Deere Model C?

By the mid-1920's the John Deere model D had propelled the company into race as far as tractor sales. Henry Ford's Fordson was first followed by International Harvester. Third was John Deere followed by Case. John Deere only had one tractor on the market at this time, the Model D, while IH had three tractors(the 10-20, 15-30, and the Farmall Regular).

Since Farmall had came out with the popular tricycle design and multipurpose tractor, Deere and Co. engineers went searching for a tractor more suited for row crop farming. Their answer was the Model C. Smaller than the D, with an arched front axle, the C was able to cultivate or plant three rows at a time instead of two(like the Farmall).

Soon phone conversations made distinguishing between D and C difficult. In August of 1928 the decision was made to change the name of the C to GP(General Purpose). The GP was the only John Deere tractor with a horizontal engine to use the L head design.

Deere officials soon found the three row design was a failure. The GP's also had some trouble in the field so engineers looked to repeat the success of the Farmall tricycle tractor. Their answer was the GPWT (General Purpose Wide Tread). The narrow front tricycle design of the GP became a success in areas where the cultivation of crops like cotton and corn was necessary. By this time Henry Ford had left the tractor business, now Deere was running second in tractor sales behind only International Harvester. Interestingly a couple of other special versions of the GP were adapted for market needs. In 1930 a special Series P was built for potato farmers in Maine. Others were fitted with tracks by the Lindeman Company of Yakima, Washington. They were called

GP-O (orchard) crawlers.

Recently my friends Don and Alma Stenberg shared a newspaper article with me..... in Springfield, IL, a man donated a model GP tractor to his Church and School. The GP was a 1928 model. This was quite a nice donation!

The school was happy to have such a donation. But, surprisingly the donated tractor was more than he bargained for. The model GP was a piece of history.

Its serial number is 200211..... the first GP ever made. It is estimated by Aumann Auction company, who is selling the tractor, that is should bring at least \$80,000 and could surpass the \$100,000 mark.

John Deere's GP had relatively short production run, but the GP and GPWT met the needs of many farmers. This kept John Deere in the "race" as far as tractor production was concerned.

Tractor Trivia

- The GP was tested in Nebraska on Dec. 10, 1928. The max belt horsepower was _____.
A). 15.51hp B) 21.9hp C) 24.97hp
- The GP had a _____ speed transmission.
A). 2 B) 3 C) 4
- The maximum rated speed of a GP in "Road Gear" was __ mph.
A) 11.50mph B) 9.33mph C) 4.33mph
- Why was the crawler design popular in the west?
A). steep orchard slopes B) added traction C) easy maneuverability
- Lindeman company made 24 GP-O tractors with tracks. What John Deere model replaced the GP as the next tractor to be fitted with tracks?
A). Model AR B) Model BR C) Model G

Answers: 1. C. 24.97hp 2. B. 3 speeds 3. C. 4.33 mph 4. A. steep slopes 5. B. Model BR



Heath, Kaylee, and Callan with his Model C!

GAME & PUZZLE WORD SEARCH

P	Z	L	O	C	B	S	A	Y	S	D	K	H	V	K	P	N	A	C	T
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GAME AND PUZZLE WORD SEARCH

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ACTION	BRAIN TEASER	CROSSWORD	PUZZLE
ADVENTURE	CARDS	CRYPTOGRAM	SCORE
ANAGRAM	CHARADES	CUBE	SIMULATION
APPLICATIONS	COMPUTER	GAMES	SUDOKU
ARITHMETIC	CONSOLE	MAZE	TRIVIA
BOARD	COSPLAY	PLAYERS	VIDEO

Theology in the Trenches

By Kathleen Kjolhaug

Dead Fish Go With the Flow

I've been nibbling on a book for the past year. My friend and I decided to read aloud "The Confessions of St. Augustine." She lives in Michigan and I in Minnesota, and so a phone call book club seemed to be a way to connect. I came across a few nuggets I'd like to share.

St. Augustine was one naughty boy. His mother, Monica, was a woman of prayer and credited for his return to the faith because of those prayers.

Reading his confessions is like entering a time warp of words as they were written long ago. His story doesn't flow with all sorts of juicy details as to what was said or done. Rather, his confessions are philosophical in nature and from the womb to the tomb, he owns it. He owns what part he had to play in his transgressions rather than laying blame by shaming others into believing they were responsible. Any true confession consists of, ownership of one's actions.

It's a good read, but I needed help in understanding it so splurged on yet another book written by Peter Kreeft who helps unpack Augustine's confessions.

Peter Kreeft writes, "Augustine, like ourselves, lived in a pagan culture, and there-fore in order to be Christian, he had to be counter cultural. Whether this is normal or even inevitable, or whether a Christian culture is possible and called for, is not the question here. Our pressing

problem is practical: in our post-Christian culture, as in Augustine's pre-Christian one, we must question 'established custom' and swim against the current, upstream, like salmon. Only live fish can swim upstream; dead ones can only 'go with the flow'. The next time you hear someone argue against Christian morality by noting that 'this is the twenty-first century, not the first', remember you are listening to a dead fish."

I'd never likened pre-Christian struggles as being similar to post-Christian struggles. Perhaps that is why I find the writings of the saints who have gone before us so compelling. They've not only lived many of the same struggles, but did not compromise their faith while doing so. I'm thankful for the documentation of many of their struggle as they encourage those of us who have come after. Knowingly or unknowingly, it not only helps me press in but to press on.

One final burst of points Peter Kreeft makes about Augustine is fascinating.

"He thirsts for goodness and yearns to escape from sin and immorality, but that is not his most fundamental thirst. He thirsts for beauty and yearns to feast on it, but that is not his most fundamental thirst. His most fundamental thirst is the thirst for being, for reality. He longs to exchange emptiness for fullness, unreality for reality. He wants to escape error because it is the mind's fake food, the mind's

unreality. He wants to escape sin because sin is the will's fake food, the will's unreality. He wants beauty for the same reason he wants truth and goodness: because it is the mark of being. For whoever has being also has truth and goodness and beauty because these are three properties of all being."

These words of Augustine's which I read no less than ten times to grasp a portion of what they meant...resonated within as I look out onto the world in which we live . "It was no wonder that I fell away into vanity and went so far from thee, my God, seeing that men were held up as models for my imitation who were covered with shame if, I relating some acts of theirs in no way evil, they fell into some barbarism or grammatical solecism yet were praised, and delighted to be praised, when they told of their lusts, provided they did so in correct words correctly arranged...With that anxious care the sons of men observe the rules of letters and syllables..., while they neglect the eternal rules of everlasting salvation."

Sort of reminds me of Isaiah 5:20. "Woe to those who call evil good and good evil, who put darkness for light and light for darkness, who put bitter for sweet and sweet for bitter."

I pray you ponder as have I. I pray you enjoy feasting upon the words of those who have gone before us. Their wisdom demonstrates what the Almighty can do, has done, and is doing. Amen.



Ask a Trooper

by Sgt. Jesse Grabow Minnesota State Patrol

Q u e s - tion: How can someone drive without a seat belt on? Doesn't the dinging annoy them?

Answer: This is a good question as I've observed numerous ways some folks have tried to get around wearing their seat belt.

Around the mid-'70s, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) added a seat belt reminder signal to the Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards. The new standard required vehicles to have a seat belt reminder (SBR) system that gave an audible signal after the driver turned on the ignition and hadn't fastened their seat belt. In 2001, Congress directed NHTSA to

study the benefits of technology meant to increase seat belt use. NHTSA found that seat belt usage had increased to 73% since the initial introduction of the SBR system.

As of October 27, there have been 80 fatalities involving an unbelted motorist on Minnesota roads compared with 58 this time last year.

Unfortunately, with the benefits of technology also come the opportunities to counter the means to make a person safe. I've heard countless excuses why a person shouldn't wear their seat belt. However, not one of them will save your life.

A portion of state statutes were used with permission from the Office of the Revisor of Statutes. If you have any questions concerning traffic related laws or issues in Minnesota, send



your questions to Trp. Jesse Grabow – Minnesota State Patrol at 1000 Highway 10 West, Detroit Lakes, MN 56501-2205. (You can follow him on Twitter @MSPPPIO_NW or reach him at, jesse.grabow@state.mn.us).

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2020 Minnesota Football Showcase Postponed to June 2021

The Minnesota Football Coaches Association (MFCA) has announced that the 2020 Minnesota Football Showcase (48th Annual MFCA All-Star Football Game), scheduled for December 5, has been postponed to June 2021. The exact date and game location will be announced at a later date.

The Minnesota Football Showcase is sponsored by the Minnesota Vikings and the Minnesota Football Coaches Association (MFCA).

The MFCA made the decision to postpone the All-Star

Game due to public health concerns associated with COVID-19. The health and safety of the All-Star players, coaches, officials, game management personnel and spectators led to the postponement decision.

The 48th Annual All-Star Football Game will feature outstanding senior players from the 2020 Minnesota high school football season (class of 2021 student athletes).

Last Year

In the 2019 game, the South All-Stars defeated the North All-Stars 13-3 on December 7,

2019 at U.S. Bank Stadium. The South All-Stars lead the current North-South series 8-2. The South also leads the overall North-South series 16-10-1 after 27 games.

All-Star Game History
The Minnesota Football Coaches Association is proud of this game and its history. The first All-Star Football Game was played in 1945. The All-Star Game has been an annual event since 1974.

Through the years, over 4,600 players and 489 coaches have participated in this game. A total of 95 participants from the All-Star Football Game have played or coached in the National Football League, including current Minnesota Vikings players Adam Thielen (2008) and CJ Ham (2011).

The US Department of Health and Human Services Awards \$500,000 to White Earth Tribal and Community College in Partnership with UMN Crookston for Educational Opportunities

CROOKSTON, Minn. – The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families has awarded White Earth Tribal and Community College (WETCC) a \$500,000.00 grant per year for five years.

WETCC will be partnering with White Earth Head Start and the University of Minnesota Crookston to offer educational opportunities for Head Start Staff to obtain their associate of arts (AA) degree with WETCC or a bachelor's degree from the University of Minnesota Crookston.

This grant award with WETCC will further expand on a current partnership, created in 2016, with the University of Minnesota Crookston (UMN Crookston) by offering an Early Childhood Education 2 + 2 student pathway program emphasizing a developmental approach to teaching and learning.

"This grant will provide those interested in pursuing early childhood education an opportunity to receive resources to make it easier for them to attend classes. Oftentimes there are many impediments

to obtaining a degree. We hope this grant will help to address the chronic challenge of having qualified early childhood educators for our region," said Chancellor Holz-Clause.

"The grant project is timely when rural Minnesota is facing challenges in employing qualified early childhood teachers in Head Start and Early Head Start programs serving communities of Native American children and families. We are excited to have the opportunity to partner with White Earth

Tribal and Community College, and not only the ability to increase qualified indigenous teachers, but also the workforce to reflect the demographics of ethnically diverse populations of students in the community" added UMN Crookston professor Soo-Yin Lim.

The grant will provide tuition expenses, computers, and equipment for Head Start Staff to attend classes through a HyFlex model of delivery in a culturally relevant setting. This collaborative partnership

between White Earth Tribal & Community College, White Earth Head Start, and the University of Minnesota Crookston is anticipated to start in October.

The Administration for Children and Families (ACF) is a division of the Department of Health & Human Services. They promote the economic and social well-being of children, families, individuals and communities with leadership and resources for compassionate, effective delivery of human services.

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