



Tri County Canary

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McIntosh Tractor Day Snapshots



Pete Anderson of Gully was a part of the Bartz Family tractor line in the McIntosh Tractor Day parade held last Saturday. Pete is the son-in-law of Clifford Bartz.



Out for a day of fun in McIntosh, Mary Steinbrenner from Fosston was a part of the Tractor Day parade driving one of her husband Earl's many tractors.



Don Ostenson was a part of the 2021 McIntosh Tractor Day parade held last Saturday on Main Street in McIntosh. The parade was followed by a tractor pull on the old football field.



Taking his tractor down Main Street in McIntosh during the McIntosh Tractor Day parade was Earl Roed of McIntosh.



Tractor pull at the Lake Itasca Pioneer Farmers show on Sunday, August 22 with over 191 various models going through the grounds. A new attraction this year was the toy building with Lloyd Holly's collection of toys.
Rodney and Lorraine Rhen were crowned as King and Queen of Lake Itasca Region Pioneer Farmers (LIRPF). They replaced the 2019 couple, Don and Glenda Fradenburgh. The event was not held last year due to COVID. The Rhens have been active members of LIRPF. They were married in September 1960 and have been active in Leonard Community organizations as well. Rodney was a bricklayer and Lorraine ran the Strand Store in Leonard for over 13 years. They have three children, two girls and one boy.



Tim Johnson, announcer for the Lake Itasca Pioneer Farmers Show that was held.



Marie Iverson at the food booth at the Lake Itasca Pioneer Farmers Show that was held.



NWMAC Director Mara Hanel, Artist of the Year Connie Nelson, NWMAC Board Chair Katya Zepeda.

Northwest Artist of the Year Award Given to Connie Nelson

The Northwest Minnesota Arts Council is pleased to announce that Connie Nelson of Hallock has been awarded the Northwest Artist of the Year Award. Nelson is a talented visual artist and performer in our area.

Connie has a strong history in the arts. She organized and exhibited at the Hallock Art & Wine Walk. She painted numerous murals including ones for the City of Kennedy, C&M Ford, the Hallock Telephone building, Two River Golf Clubhouse, the City of Hallock, personal commissions, and others in progress. She has exhibited art in many NWMAC exhibits and has an enhanced artist listing with the Northwest Minnesota Arts Council.

Connie has also been active in the theater arts. She acted, directed, or designed sets for numerous performances in the Hallock Community Theater, Stephen Community Theater, 42nd Street Theater in Kennedy, Murder Mystery Dinner Theater in Santa Rosa, California, Always Patsy, Sod House Production of Enemy of the People, and the Kittson Central One-Act Play.

Connie's community and regional involvement includes serving on the NWMAC Board of Directors, 42nd Street Theater Board of Directors, International Theater Festival Board of Directors, Hallock Community Theater Board of Directors, Cornerstone food pantry volunteer, City of Hallock Strategic Planning Committee, and Ladies Golf League Treasurer.

According to Hallock Main Street Board Member and Hallock Business Owner Cheri Reese, "Connie captures the quirkiness and warmth that IS Hallock - both in her art and her approach to making it. She brings something playful and unexpected to her projects that very much appeals to people across the spectrum -- she makes the familiar fun again."

The late Kay Rosengren, who served on the NWMAC Board with Nelson and lived

in Hallock described her as "an outstanding muralist. There are many places where Connie has brightened both interior and exterior surfaces. She approaches each endeavor with enthusiasm, originality and careful planning." She went on to say that Connie's stage presence is "a treat for her audience."

Fellow actor Tom Silewski said, "Connie is a ray of sunshine. You can have 100 people on stage and she's the one who will stand out. She has a glow about her that catches everyone's eye. There's only one Connie. She's unique - she's talented at art, singing, acting and she can climb a telephone pole."

When asked about the impact of the arts on individuals or society, Nelson explained that "the arts in general have a lot of purposes. There's the entertainment factor, but there are some things in visual arts, theater arts, or writing that can really make you stop and think about serious issues. The arts can make you more introspective and really enrich your life. They help you get to know who you are."

Women of the ELCA to gather

The Conference Two Women of the ELCA Fall Gathering will be held Saturday September 11th, 2021 at the Grace Lutheran Church, Grygla, Minnesota. Everyone is welcome. Registration will be held from 8:30 to 9 a.m. with morning coffee. The program begins at 9 a.m. The cost is \$10 per person, which includes morning coffee and noon lunch. A morning fellowship and inspiration has been planned. Connie Moe from Grygla, a retired teacher, and her husband, Tony, adopted two Korean children as infants. When they were older, their parents took on a trip to Korea so they could learn about their heritage. We also will be entertained with some special music. We hope you can join us for a fun morning

The Northwest Artist of the Year Award is given each year to recognize artists within our seven-county region who stand out in terms of artistry. This 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. "Of the Year" Award winners were nominated by area residents and comes with a cash award of \$500.00. Funding for the Northwest Artist of the Year comes from the McKnight Foundation.

Congratulations, Connie Nelson on being named the Artist of the Year!

Letter to the Editor

To the Editor:
Thank you to Matt Grossell for supporting police officers and public safety efforts during legislative session. On behalf of our state's police officers, corrections officers, and dispatchers, we're writing to publicly say 'thank you' to Representative Matt Grossell for his steadfast support of increased public safety efforts during the past legislative session in St. Paul.

With increased crime, it's especially important to stop all efforts to defund, demoralize, or demonize public safety officials who keep communities safe by deterring lawbreaking and aiding victims of crime.

Rep. Grossell is a tremendous advocate for our first responders and public safety officials and stood against attempts to defund and dismantle the police. He voted to promote public safety legislation such as pay raises for law enforcement officers and investments in training programs.

Thank you for supporting public safety and law enforcement.

Brian Peters
Executive Director
Minnesota Police and Peace Officers Association

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The Fosston Sportsman club would like to congratulate our winner of the August 25th calendar drawing. Judy Bartz of McIntosh is the winner of a Mossberg Patriot 25/06. Congratulations!

Sons of Norway meeting scheduled

The Sons of Norway, Grand Lodge #240, will hold its monthly meeting on Thursday, September 9, at the Embassy Community Center in Fosston at 6:30 pm. After the meeting, the program will feature Jim Strandlie, presenting the story of Leonard Furseth of Thief River Falls. Leonard was a member of the specially trained Norwegian-speaking 99th Battalion of the U.S. Army. Jim will share Leonard's story of his participation in the liberation of Norway from Germany during World War II. Guests are welcome and encouraged to attend. That is Thursday evening, September 9, at the Embassy in Fosston.

Polk County Sheriff

Counterfeit Currency

On 08/23/2021, the Polk County Sheriff's Office was advised of a counterfeit \$10 bill at LePiers West, located at 511 1st St Win the City of Fosston. Upon investigation, this appears to be an isolated incident.

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Artist Advocate Ann Novacek with NWMAC Board Chair Katya Zepeda and NWMAC Director Mara Hanel

Annethea (Ann) Novacek is Northwest Arts Advocate of the Year

The Northwest Minnesota Arts Council is pleased to announce this year's recipient for the Artist Advocate of the Year Award is Ann Novacek of Greenbush. Novacek received the award at a program in Warroad on August 26.

Novacek is a prolific painter from Greenbush and has encouraged many others in art. In the 1960s Ann joined Artists Unlimited, a group of artists from the region who she has learned with and shared her talents. She remains a member of this group today and serves as its secretary. She has displayed her work in numerous art shows hosted by the Northwest Minnesota Arts Council and Artists Unlimited and displays at the Roseau and Greenbush libraries.

According to fellow Artists Unlimited member Bernie Wilebski, Ann is an "extraordinary watercolorist. She has been active in the community, church, Ladies Auxiliary, as well as

worked on four large projects with our group - Lifecare Center in Roseau, Greenbush swimming pool, Hallock Senior Center, and the Kennedy Center."

Her sister Loreen Hanson of hief River Falls shared, "Ann is an encourager to everyone who has an interest in the arts. She has worked with many children, instilling the love of art and appreciation of the beauty that is all around us. Ann's influence has enriched and influenced so many."

Artist Margaret Anderson said that Ann has been promoting the arts for more than 35 years in her community and the region. "With Artists Unlimited, Ann has set up and taken down numerous shows and mentored new artists to create paintings. Ann is one of the quiet doers working behind the scene making a project, no matter what it was, proceed without a hitch. Without these quiet doers no project would succeed."

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More Speedway Results continued from page 8

Wissota Modified Feature: Davey Mills and Doyle Erickson led the pack of Modifieds to the green flag with Mills securing the lead followed by Josh Beaulieu, Erickson, Lance Schilling and Ricky Jacobson. Schilling raced inside to take third from Erickson on the super fast track. Jacobson raced up and passed Erickson for fourth as Fullerton and Erickson raced door to door for fifth. Mills picked up the win with Beaulieu second securing the season points championship.

Wissota Mod Four Feature: Pete Nelson and Conrad Schwinn led the Wissota Mod Fours on track with the green flag waving it was Schwinn into the lead followed by Blake Erickson, Skyler Smith and Dean Larson. Smith and Nic McCann dueled door to door for third on the back straight with Smith holding the position before the caution flag was waved. The race returned to green with Schwinn out front followed by Erickson, Smith, McCann and Dean Larson. Erickson raced up side by side with Smith for second as Schwinn flew to the feature win. Smith held of the charge of Erickson for second with Landyn Randy catching and passing Erickson for third. Dean Larson was fifth. Smith was named Season points champion for 2021.

Wissota Super Stock Feature: The final race of the regular season was the Wissota Super Stocks. Garrett Masurka and Brandon Bahr led the field of supers to the green flag with Masurka taking the lead over Nic Jacobson, Bahr, Dalton Carlson and Blake Higginbotham. Racing up from his

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Substitute Teacher positions. Substitute teaching opportunities are available at Bagley Public Schools. Applicants should send a cover letter, resume, teaching license, transcripts and three letters of reference to Nichole Ekre at 202 Bagley Ave NW, Bagley MN 56621 or nekre@bagley.k12.mn.us.

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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.

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by Sgt. Jesse Grabow Minnesota State Patrol

"Let's have one last celebration before summer ends!"

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If all of that sounds like a ridiculous way to spend Labor Day weekend, we agree. And yet that's what can happen if you don't find a sober ride, as a distressing number of people haven't this year. To be exact, as of Aug. 23, 15,657 DWIs were reported throughout the state compared with 14,871 at the same time in 2020.

The consequences of drunk driving are all undesirable at best. You can lose your license for up to a year, and it'll cost you thousands of dollars and possible jail time. Your insurance rates could increase significantly. Or, you could cause a crash and seriously injure or even kill yourself or someone else. All terrible ways to wrap up summer.

Yet on a five-year average, Labor Day has the third highest number of DWI arrests per hour compared with other major holidays (in case you're wondering, St. Patrick's Day and the Fourth of July are first and second, respectively).

So Minnesota law enforcement are acting accordingly. Troopers, deputies and officers

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are conducting extra patrols on the roads by stopping impaired drivers. The campaign includes awareness and education, too, and runs through Sept. 6. It's coordinated by the Office of Traffic Safety with funding from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

Over the long-term, drinking and driving has dropped significantly: DWIs decreased 23 percent from 2011 to 2020, and the number of motorists dying in drunk driving-related crashes dropped 42 percent over that time period. But post-pandemic, those numbers are starting to creep back up again, and that positive long-term change is beginning to slip away.

You can do your part to make sure we don't lose our momentum. Whether you arrange for a ride share, designate a sober driver, or stay the night at the party, the key is planning ahead while you can still think clearly. And if you see an impaired person try to get behind the wheel, get them a safe ride home. No matter whether you've been

partying or not, buckle that seat belt. It's your best defense against an impaired driver. And if you see impaired driving, call 911. Be prepared to tell the dispatcher what behavior you saw, along with your location and the license plate number.

Another Minnesota summer is drawing to a close, and you'll want to squeeze the last drops of fun out. Just make sure your celebrations don't include DWIs or catastrophic crashes. There are better ways to spend your Labor Day weekend.

Information shared on the Minnesota Department of Public Safety blog: <https://dps.mn.gov/blog/Pages/20210823-extra-dwi-patrols.aspx>

If you have any questions concerning traffic related laws in Minnesota, please send your questions to: Trooper Jesse Grabow – Minnesota State Patrol at 1000 Highway 10 West, Detroit Lakes, MN 56501. Or reach me at jesse.grabow@state.mn.us

Theology in the Trenches

By Kathleen Kjolhaug

Reflections

Attending a women's conference...I found Him there.

Kneeling in the quietude with my sisters...I found Him there.

At the altar...I found Him there.

Dialing up a radio station...I found Him there.

Opening the doors of an old country church...I found Him there.

Listening to the voices of children...I found Him there.

Praying...I found Him there.

Working...I found Him there. Sitting beside still waters...I found Him there.

Strolling upon a country road...I found Him there.

Passing through the valley of the shadow of death...I found Him there.

Breaking bread...I found Him there.

Making bread...I found Him there.

Forgiving 70 x 70...I found Him there.

Phoning a friend...I found

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Reading His Word...I found Him there.

Loving my neighbor...I found Him there.

Turning the other cheek...I found Him there.

Dying on the cross...He found me here.

Rising...He'll take me there.

"Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened" (Matthew 7:7). He awaits your knock. Amen.

Love those Tractor Pulls

By Auctioneer Eric W. Mickelson

A week ago I was able to have a great time. On Sunday, August 22nd, at the Lake Itasca Region Pioneer Farmers show they had their "Old Time" Tractor Pull. I have never pulled at Itasca but always wanted to. You see I nearly always attend the show and often the pull because usually it is on or near my birthday! Hence, birthday present, going to the tractor pull! This year was a treat, I actually got to bring a tractor to the pull. A couple of years ago I bought my dream tractor, a model R John Deere. It came from the Norman Adams estate sale in rural Goodridge, Minnesota. I decided to bring the R to see how it would pull!

Unfortunately, I did not register for the pull in time but I was allowed an exhibition pull. I put the old R in low gear and off we went. I was the last pull of the day and one of the other exhibition pulls was an Oliver with front wheel assist. I knew that the Oliver probably had my number but at the end of the day the old R pulled pretty well. One of the people in the stands told me the Oliver and one other tractor were the only two that out pulled the R. Whether that it true or not the R pull well and I have wanted to participate in the pull for years. If you haven't attended the Lake Itasca Show, I would highly recommend it!

Fast forward one week and we have another great tractor day, McIntosh Tractor Day! Unfortunately, I had to ship some cattle and did not make it to the parade. I was told there were about 65 tractors in the parade. I wish I could have participated or at least seen it. Later in the afternoon is the McIntosh Tractor pull. After my cattle wrangling and some other chores I was able to sneak down to McIntosh and enjoy most of the pull with my mom and dad who were already there

watching. I had to cheer for the John Deere's of course but there were a variety of nice tractors there. One of my favorite pastimes watching tractor pulls! Thanks Itasca, and thanks McIntosh for a couple weekends of fun-for a tractor guy!!

How about a little tractor trivia about a few tractors I saw pulling!

1. The model R John Deere was made from 1949- _____

A) 1952 B) 1953 C) 1954 D) 1955

2. The Case DC tractor was made from 1939- _____

A) 1952 B) 1953 C) 1954 D) 1955

3. The UB Minneapolis Moline Tractor was made from 1953- _____

A) 1952 B) 1953 C) 1954 D) 1955

4. The 900 Case tractor was made from 1957- _____

A) 1958 B) 1959 C) 1960 D) 1961

5. The 4020 John Deere was made from 1964- _____

A) 1969 B) 1970 C) 1971 D) 1972

Answers: 1. C. 1954 2. B. 1953 3. D. 1955 4. B. 1959 5. D. 1972



Craig Torkelson Pulling his Case DC in McIntosh.



Eric Mickelson on his 1952 R John Deere at Itasca.

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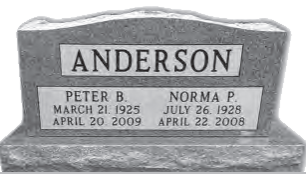
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OBITUARIES

Death notice for Susan Flermoen

Susan Flermoen, age 77, of Winger, MN, died Sunday, August 29, 2021 at Essentia Health in Fosston, MN.

Funeral Services will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, September 2, 2021 at Calvary Lutheran Church, Winger. Visitation will be held one hour prior at the church. Burial will take place in Gosen Cemetery, rural Winger.

Following all Covid-19 safety protocols, and CDC guidelines, social distancing will be practiced.

Please feel free to sign the guestbook, send condolences and view other opportunities which may be available.

A full obit will be in next week's Canary.



Funeral Service for Joan Morey

A Funeral Service for Joan Morey of Wannaska, MN was held on Friday, August 27, 2021 at 11:00 AM Helgeson Funeral Home in Roseau, MN. Visitation was held on Thursday, August 26, 2021 from 5-7 PM at Helgeson Funeral Home in Roseau, MN with a prayer service at 7PM. Interment was held at Salem Cemetery.

Joan was born September 14, 1943 at the homestead in Badger, to Daryl (Cole) and Aaron Davidson. She grew up and attended Badger High School. She married Floyd Morey on November 26, 1960. In addition to her 14 year career at Polaris she also spent many years at Machinewell. She enjoyed sewing, quilting, camping, baking, Lefsa season, ceramics and bingo. She also enjoyed all the time she could with her eight grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren. Joan loved visiting everyone over a cup of hot coffee and cookies. She loved her family and was a wonderful wife, mom and grandma.

She is survived by her children, Wayne (Deb) Morey of Wannaska, Pauline (Roger) Ignaszewski of Wannaska and Daron (Tami) Morey of Roseau; sisters, Rose Fredrickson, Daryl MacDonald, Clara Robb and Joyce Davy; brother, John Davidson; eight grandchildren, Jessie, Tyler, Eric, Brandon, Matia, Shawntel, Bailey and Dylan; 12 great-grandchildren and three great-great grandchildren; many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Floyd; parents, Daryl and Aaron; sisters, Georgene Sellen, Betty Sulland and Barbra Robb; brother, David Davidson and several aunts, uncles and in-laws.



Obituary for Shelley Steva

Shelley Steva was a committed teacher, civic leader, friend, and mother known for her love of birds, nature, reading, singing, faith, and adventure. Shelley Steva died August 23, 2021 peacefully in her sleep after courageously facing ALS for three and a half years, living her life to the fullest even as ALS limited her mobility and transformed her daily life.

She leaves behind her daughter, Erin (Andy) Steva of Chicago, IL, her son, Leland (Sara) Steva of Apple Valley, two grandchildren, Quinton and Ethan, and former spouse Keith Steva. She is also survived by her father, Bill Carhart of Medford, OR, her brother, Doug (Patty) Carhart of Santa Rosa, CA, nephew Gabriel Carhart, and many other beloved relatives, friends, and neighbors. She was preceded in death by her mother, Joan (Savage) Carhart, her grandparents, Walter and Regina Savage and Bill and Almo Carhart and other relatives.

Shelley was born May 3, 1952 in Orange, New Jersey. Shelley's childhood was filled with many schools and moves to New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Virginia, New Jersey, and Illinois. Shelley graduated from Wheaton Central High School in Illinois in 1970. Shelley went to the University of Iowa where she joined Alpha Xi Delta sorority. On June 2, 1973, Keith and Shelley were married at St. Augustin Church in Des Moines, Iowa.

She then moved to Dinkytown in Minneapolis where Shelley received her Bachelor's degree. Always a scientist, Shelley later worked at Purdue University School of Pharmacology injecting rats with Benzene compounds.

Shelley moved to Thief River Falls in 1978. Over the next 40 years in Thief River, Shelley raised two children, was active with Redeemer Church, Agassiz Audubon Society, American Association of University Women, book clubs, scrapbooking, and at the schools where she taught including leading River Watch and representing her colleagues in the union. She discovered her calling, becoming a teacher (in Thief River Falls, Plummer, and Oklee) after completing a second bachelors in education at Bemidji State University in 1999. Shelley was diagnosed with ALS on March 22nd, 2018 and completed the rest of the school year before retiring in May of 2018. Shelley loved trying new things, including going to space camp, trying new food, and traveling across the continent and globe (England, Australia, Mexico, British Columbia and Canadian Rocky Mountains) and just about every corner of Minnesota to track down new bird sightings. After her ALS diagnosis, she did not miss a beat, traveling to Iceland, Yellowstone, and Nebraska to see sandhill cranes. No one ever said she liked to clean her home. She especially cherished her children and grandchildren.

Services were held on August 28 at 2:00 p.m. Bradshaw Funeral Home 1078 Rice Street, St. Paul; join an ALS walk on 9/11 (Eagan Community Center); and share a memory through Bradshaw Funeral Homew website (<https://www.bradshawfuneral.com/>). In lieu of flowers, please donate to one of her favorite charities (Nature Conservancy or the ALS Association). Your love and support made Shelly's life rich and is greatly appreciated as we reflect on her impact on our lives.

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Wednesday, September 1, 2021



Obituary for Arlene H. Hoie

Arlene H. Hoie, 92, of Bagley, Minnesota died on Saturday, August 21, 2021 at the Sanford Bagley Medical Center with her family present.

Memorial services will be held on Thursday, September 2, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. at Faith Lutheran Church in Bagley, Minnesota with a visitation one hour prior. Interment will be held at the Nora Township Cemetery in Bagley, Minnesota. The Cease Family Funeral Home of Bagley assisted the family with arrangements.

Arlene was born on October 20, 1928, the daughter of Arvid and Hilda (Bjerke) Engberg. She was united in marriage to Almer Hoie in Bagley on August 2, 1947. She had various waitress jobs along with raising five kids. She loved the outdoors. She enjoyed camping, fishing, and feeding the birds in her yard. She always had an amazing garden. She liked to can vegetables from her garden. Arlene was a member of Faith Lutheran Church in Bagley. She liked to sew and did quilting with the other lady members. She enjoyed family and friends. She had a great sense of humor.

She is survived by her five children- Dallas (Kay) Hoie of Niceville, FL; Dennis Hoie of Bagley, MN; Darrell Hoie (Faye Fraley) of Shevlin, MN; Gail (Dan) Garland of Shevlin, MN; and Wayne Hoie of Bagley, MN. Nine Grandchildren- Brenda (Daryl) Cooper, Bryan (Brooke) Hoie, Michelle (Chuck) Hamilton, Jason Moen, April (Danny) Cranstons, Alicia (Tommy) Rolfson, Tiffany (Jessie) Bushelle, Jessica Hanson, and Justin Garland. Twenty-five great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Almer Hoie, her parents Arvid and Hilda Engberg, her sisters Ethel Fisher, Florence and her brothers Mike and Glen.

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



Obituary for Thomas Gunderson

Thomas Warren Gunderson, 71, died peacefully on Tuesday, August 24, 2021, in Cloquet, MN.

Tom was born to Warren and Hannah Gunderson in Bagley, MN. He graduated from Clearbrook High School in 1968 and attended college at Moorhead State. Tom married Linda Molden on August 5, 1972. They had three children, Andrea, Vanessa, and Kyle.

Tom was a very talented carpenter and worked in the industry into the 1980s. He built their home in Esko, MN and was always working on the shack in Shevlin, MN. He was always willing to lend a hand to anyone who needed help, and he volunteered his time on many projects.

Tom worked with BMA Insurance and then Moose Lake Independent Agency for many years. He helped many with their insurance needs and made many friends along the way.

Tom loved the outdoors. His favorite times were driving the Bronco up north to be at the shack with his son and so many friends. He enjoyed fishing at Lake Winnie and taking fishing trips to Canada.

He is survived by his devoted wife, Linda, who took amazing care of him for many years after his brain aneurysm; his children, Andrea (Wade) Abrahamson and children Will and Bella, Vanessa (Ryan) Abrahamson and children Aidan, Nadia, and Gunnar, and Kyle (Kai) Gunderson and child Paul – and one on the way; his three sisters, Mary Lee, Robin Olsen, and Terry Gunderson; and many nephews and nieces.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Warren and Hannah Gunderson, and one granddaughter, Olivia Gunderson.

Tom's hope for the future was to see the earth restored to paradise conditions – and we can't wait to see him there, happy and healthy.

Special thanks to REM House on James Street in Cloquet and St. Croix Hospice for making Tom comfortable to the end.

The funeral will be held on Zoom at 2:00 Central Standard Time, September 4th, 2021.



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Red Lake County Central and Red Lake Falls Volleyball Teams played in their annual preseason Volleyball scrimmage on Wednesday, August 25th. The Varsity, Junior Varsity, and C Teams all scrimmaged for 40 minutes each. The teams had a great time on the court! Following the scrimmage, players from both schools teamed up together to play 4 on 4 Queens of the Court of Red Lake County!



The 2021 4 on 4 Queens of the Court in Red Lake County are (from left to right in) Brooklyn Cardinal, Gabby Casavan, Jamie Flatgard, and Shawna Majeres.

Bemidji Speedway “Track Championships”

8/29/2021

By Dennis Peterson

The final race of the 2021 season for points was held on Sunday night at Bemidji Speedway with track champions crowned in all seven classes. Season points champions in each class are; Conrad Schwinn in the Bemidji Mini Stocks, Travis Olafson in the Wissota Hornets, Michael Roth in the Wissota Pure Stocks, Skyler Smith in the Wissota Mod Fours, Jeff Reed in the Wissota Midwest Modifieds, Matt Sparby in the Wissota Super Stocks, and Josh Beaulieu in the Wissota Modifieds. Also joining the races on Sunday were the Outlaw Mini Mods.

Rains over night made a quagmire of the track but steady efforts by drivers, crews and track workers had the track race ready by the 4:00 PM starting time for the makeup features from last Sunday's four rain delayed features.

The racing season will come to a conclusion later in September with the 42nd Annual Paul Bunyan Stampede beginning on September 24th with the Pre-Stampede Cornhole tournament. Racing starts up on Saturday the 25th featuring the Northern Renegade Sprints at 4:00 PM and the stampede concludes on Sunday the 26th with a 2:00 PM starting time

8/22 Makeup Features

Wissota Modified Feature: Doyle Erickson and Matt Fullerton led the first feature of Wissota Modifieds on track. Erickson grabbed the early lead with Josh Beaulieu charging up into second and Lance Schilling third. Erickson pulled out to a several car length lead and never looked back in picking up his second feature win of the season. Beaulieu was second with Schilling, Fullerton and Weston Ramsrud in the top five.

Bemidji Mini Stock Feature:

Waylon Current and Travis Klein led the Bemidji Mini Stocks to the green flag with Klein out front followed by Conrad Schwinn, Current, and Kalin Honer. Several spins and crashes sent Current to the pits and when racing finally resumed it was Klein out front with Schwinn racing up door to door with the leader. Schwinn took the lead in turn two when Klein raced up high. Schwinn won the race with Klein, John Current, Honer and Ashton Schwinn in the top five.

Wissota Super Stock Feature:

Dalton Carlson and Kevin Bahr held the front row for the Super Stock feature with Carlson racing to the lead followed by Matt Sparby, Doug VanMill and Bahr. John Farington passed Bahr on the back straight taking over fourth as the field spread out around the track. Carlson cruised to his first feature win of the season with Sparby, VanMill, Farington and Garrett Masurka trailing.

Wissota Mod

Four Feature:

Nicole Feda held the pole position for the start of the Wissota Mod Four feature but it was Dean Shaver who took the lead with Skyler Smith behind him along with Conrad Schwinn, Blake Erickson and Feda. Smith raced low in turn two and grabbed the lead. He was followed by Erickson in to second with Schwinn and Erickson battling door to door for the back up position as Smith built a strong lead. Smith picked up the win with Erickson, Dean Larson, Schwinn and Nick McCann trailing ending the makeup features from last Sunday's rain delayed features.

9/29 TRACK CHAMPIONSHIP FEATURES:

Outlaw Mini

Mod Feature:

The Outlaw Mini Mods made their first appearance of the season at the track on Sunday with many drivers coming from Minnesota, Iowa and Wisconsin. Jerry Larson of Grand Rapids, Mn. was on the pole with Ben Kraus of Kanawha, Iowa to his right. Charging up to the front of the field were Levi Randt of Siren, Wisconsin and Michael Bryant of Mason City, Iowa racing side by side for the lead with Randt on the high side. The two traded leads for many laps but the one that counted was the last one with Kraus out front taking the checkered flag. Randt was second followed by Larson, Michael Bryant, and Dan Kline.

Wissota Pure Stock Feature:

The 2021 Season points championship in the pure stocks was up for grabs as Billy Binkley and Al Sadek led the pures on track 18 cars strong. It took several tries to get the race running but once racing it was Sadek and Kade Leeper side by side for the lead. With Sadek out front Leeper, Deryk Weleski, Josh Berg and fifth row starter and current point leader Michael Roth trailing. Roth quickly raced up on the back straight and passed Weleski for fourth. Leeper had taken over the lead as Roth passed both Berg and Sadek for second and continued forward using the inside line to pass Leeper for the lead and take the win and the Season Points Championship.

Wissota Hornets Feature:

14 Wissota Hornets buzzed on track next with Haley Jones and Brooke Vernlund leading the way. Vernlund raced to the lead followed by Jones, Ellen Lange, Lucy LaValley and Travis Olafson. Vernlund led the entire race until on the last lap she slid up high in turn two and LaValley was on the spot to grab the lead and race to her first ever feature win. It was a clean sweep for LaValley with Vernlund, Olafson, Lange and Megan Vernlund in the top five. Olafson was crowned the Season points champion.

Wissota Midwest Modified Feature:

A 17 car field of Wissota Modifieds drove on track with

Chad Puschinsky on the pole and Connor Drewry to his right. Aaron Blacklance raced up to challenge Puschinsky for the lead racing door to door before securing the lead. Joey LaValley made a run early racing into second before slipping sideways in turn 2 and creating a caution and was sent tailback. The restart was held by Blacklance with hard charging Jeff Reed and Alan Olafson each making advances towards the front. Following two cautions Blacklance continued to lead with Reed and Puschinsky on his tail with the top five bumper to bumper. Blacklance held his line and picked up win number 75 in his career with Reed, Puschinsky, Brandon Bahr and Olafson in the top five. Reed picked up the season points championship.

Bemidji Mini Stock Feature:

The mini stocks were on track with Gordon Hunter on the pole and Cory Nelson to his right. Hunter took the lead followed by Nelson, Brandon Hunter, Kalin Honer and Ashton Schwinn. Schwinn worked his way into third as Nelson slowed and dropped back. John Current was on the move racing up to challenge Schwinn for third and then up to take the lead racing high and low. Conrad Schwinn followed the leader up into second as Current picked up the feature win. For Conrad Schwinn, he was named Season points champion.

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Dream Come True at Bemidji Speedway

by Dennis Peterson

There are times during the summer months of racing that one forgets what the sport is truly all about. On Sunday at Bemidji Speedway we all were reminded. Micheal Fullerton is a 12 year old boy who has SATB

2 Genetic Syndrome who happens to love racing. Michael is unable to speak but shares his love for racing by his yells, screams and motions of his hands and arms in delight at the site of race cars and his favorite drivers including his dad Matt Fullerton. He and his family have followed his dad over the years to race tracks and last week during the box car races Michael with his dad at his side ran on the track with a smile from ear to ear. Sunday, Michael's dream came true as family, friends, fellow drivers and Bemidji Speedway officials created the perfect gift for this special young man. Josh Berg, Wissota Pure Stock racer put a helmet on Michael and put him in his race car. Michael has many times sat in a car and even has done a few laps on the track but never in a race setting. Alex Johnson modified driver, Ricky Jacobson modified driver, Kevin Bahr Super Stock driver, Brandon Bahr Midwest Modified driver and Josh Berg with Michael in the pure stock drove on track with flagman Tim Jackson waving the green flag the race was on, sort of. The drivers drove side by side with Michael at times pulling ahead but Michael and Josh would come charging back to take the lead in the green, white, checkered race. Michael took the checkered flag and Josh drove into Victory Lane where Michael and all the drivers celebrated his victory to a wild



Micheal Fullerton (12) is helped in the box car races recently at Bemidji Speedway by his dad Matt Fullerton and Karen Puschinsky.



Michael and Josh Berg celebrate with raised hands in Victory Lane on Sunday.

cheering teary eyed grandstand full of fans. Race fans, drivers and crews were all reminded of what it means to be a race car fan, driver, or crew member as they watched this young boy

race his hands in the air with the checkered flag signaling victory....yes, Victory for sure for all who witnessed this amazing scene. A Dream Come True for Michael.



Michael is joined in Victory lane by all the drivers who he "raced" with along with his grandparents.

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