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Gary Senske and the team from 1981-82. It was the first team Gary Senske coached for UMC.

Red Lake celebrates first charter school set to open fall 2022

Photos by Annalise Braught / Bemidji Pioneer)

RED LAKE -- Spirits were high Monday morning as around 50 members of the Red Lake community, tribal council and state politicians took part in the groundbreaking of the Endazhi-Nitaawiging charter school set to open in Red Lake in fall 2022.

"It's a special day for us in Red Lake. This charter school has been a dream and I do see, one day soon, that (the school) will be a reality," Red Lake Tribal Treasurer Annette Johnson said prior to the groundbreaking.

The council, in collaboration with the Native American Community Academy Inspired Schools Network, set forth to build a school grounded in Ojibwe values as a way to immerse younger students in Indigenous knowledge and culture.



Treasurer Annette Johnson

Red Lake Tribal Council Treasurer Annette Johnson speaks during a groundbreaking ceremony on Monday, Oct. 18, 2021, for the new Endazhi-Nitaawiging charter school in Red Lake. (Annalise Braught / Bemidji Pioneer)

The Endazhi-Nitaawiging, or "the place where it grows," charter school will abide by the mission "to prepare each student for college with an enhanced knowledge of the Ojibwe language, culture, lead-

ership and environmental stewardship."

Its vision statement aims to "create confident leaders grounded in their true inherent identities and to ensure that they are academically, socially and spiritually prepared to positively change the community and world."



Nathaniel Taylor

NISN fellow Nathaniel Taylor, also a member of the Red Lake Nation, shared that the Anishinaabeg Indigenous people did not separate themselves from the land known as Mother Earth and that indigenized education is the restoration of who they are to the places they call home.

Using indigenized education and culture revitalization/preservation as its two core values, Taylor detailed the excitement of this new development and what it means to the Red Lake Nation and other tribal nations.

"The day is here where we no longer have to hide using (the Ojibwe) language," Taylor said. "The day is here where we hold our chests up with pride and embrace who we are, our core identity. The day is here where we know our ancestors are smiling down on us for what we are doing, for how we are going to carry ourselves into the future, and giving our children the true essence of who they are once again.

"The day is here where we can share the creator's love in our true original fashion for the plant world, the animal world,

UMN Crookston to Host Gary Senske Court Dedication November 23

CROOKSTON, Minn. - The University of Minnesota Crookston will hold an official dedication of Gary Senske Court at Lysaker Gymnasium Tuesday, November 23. Prior to the 2020-21 season, the court was named in honor of legendary Minnesota Crookston men's basketball Head Coach Gary Senske.

The official dedication will occur at halftime of the 6 p.m. men's basketball game against NSIC foe Bemidji State University. Senske and his family will be present, including current Bemidji State player Steele Senske, Jr., who is a junior for the Beavers. A social will be held starting at 5 p.m. at the Evergreen Grill on the UMN Crookston campus. All alumni of UMN Crookston who return to attend Tuesday's events

will receive free admission to the game against the Beavers. Alumni will need to provide their name and year of graduation to obtain entry.

Senske is the longest-standing coach to ever coach at Minnesota Crookston and has the most successful record in the program's history. He amassed 176 wins as head coach of the Trojans and Golden Eagle men's basketball squads from 1981-2002. Senske coached the team at three different levels, as he began when the team competed in the NJCAA, coached the squad through their transition as a four-year school in

the NAIA, and again during a transition to NCAA Division II in 1999. Senske's passion for the University of Minnesota Crookston was exemplary as he recruited numerous student-athletes to the campus in his 21 years representing the campus. His presence was very noticeable not only in the region, but also state-wide with coaches, recruits, parents and friends of the University. Senske's overwhelming success was evident with his 61 percent win-loss percentage that included 12-consecutive winning seasons, a division championships, four division runners-up,

a State Championship, and a Region XIII runner-up finish.

Senske retired in 2002 and currently resides in Perham, Minn. He was inducted into the UMN Crookston Athletics Hall of Fame in 2004. His son, Steele Senske, who played for his father from 1988-90, was inducted into the Hall of Fame in 2007.

The Lysaker Gymnasium floor was redone prior to the 2020-21 season and now has Gary Senske Court etched on the south sideline of the floor. The official dedication was postponed to this season due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Cathy Peck, Master Gardener Emeritus Assess Your Gardening

Watching the bare birch breeze raining golden leaves is a delight because, for once, our outdoor work is done except for picking them up and doing the last mowing before winter. That, however, is not the last task and one that I recommend doing.

Making an assessment of what grew well, what needs replacement, division, or simply roguing out of the perennial beds will give you a heads up on next spring's tasks. Looking at images of this past year's gardens will give you a clue to how well the sizes, colors, and textures enhanced the garden or clashed with it. You may see thuggish plants, that although lovely, need reduction. Other plants need the opportunity to show off and all need adequate air circulation to prevent disease and room for their roots to gain moisture and nutrients. What would have encouraged shorter, more shapely plants? List the good and not-so-good in your garden journal and put a copy in your calendar for next year!

Assessing is only part of the equation for more gardening success.

Keep track of your successes and the timing of when you did things that worked. Timing is critical. So are the watering techniques, the mulching, the fertilizer, plant placement in shade or sunlight, competition from weeds or trees. Did you leave enough room so you could get around your plants

for maintenance and enough so that they didn't get lost in the crowd? Maybe it be better to have fewer plants? Would some colorful annuals enhance an area better than perennials? Would blooming annuals in your vegetable garden bring in pollinators for better production as well as beautifying it? Ask yourself questions and make note of changes for next year. Make that garden journal as important a tool as your your other tools.

Assessing how much to garden is another issue. Do you need 40-11 tomato plants? How many green beans can you really eat? Would natural element like a tree root, a garden sculpture, a bench, a bird bath or a bird house enhance your gardening experience? Think about how sitting down to observe your plants, the bees and butterflies would rest your body and your soul.

Third ask yourself questions: Why did this happen? When is the best time to plant and when do I harvest this or that? Why did this plant do so well and that one so poorly? Why did some of my spring blooming plants and shrubs re-bloom? (An Oct. 4 entry in the Yard and Garden News in September explained this - It is called remontant behavior, and while not common, it occurs more frequently on some plants than others especially in a long fall such as we have experienced.) It is good to speculate but also to ask questions



Cathy Peck, Master Gardener, Emeritus

of experienced gardeners, Master Gardeners, and to read the Yard and Garden News section of the U of Minnesota Extension website for help in understanding your questions.

Aside from being a curious gardener, it is good for our minds and bodies to reflect on our gardens when there are only snow flowers outdoors. Our backs don't hurt, there are no weeds, and all is perfection.

This is the concluding article for this gardening season. New writers will be contributing next year. Also, this concludes the Voice Mail Q and A. Do look for information on the U of MN Extension site: <<https://extension.umn.edu/yard-and-garden>> and check our FaceTime offering for past articles and information: <<https://www.facebook.com/Beltramcountymastergardeners/>

2022 Cor PowerSports I-500 update

On every terrain racer's bucket list, the I-500 is an iconic race that even trail riders often dream of completing. Sled reliability and durability has to do a lot with this race as the high speeds for 500 miles can put a lifetime of wear and tear on any snowmobile. For 95% of all entrants, it's about finishing the race not just winning it.

Especially in the earlier years of the I-500 when race sleds were separated from a really good consumer trail sled with some reinforcements and shock packages. The I-500 is the only race over 500 miles that racers are not racing as a team of two sleds or a few racers sharing the work load on one sled. The original I-500 three-day race had racers start in Winnipeg, Manitoba and finishing in St. Paul, Minnesota. It has gone through a few changes over the years but it is still a race that is demanding and riders always trying to stay focused as the miles roll down to the days end. Today's version of the I-500 is the Goodridge-Grygla 500, which takes place over two days covering 500 miles filled with the same treacherously rough ditches, deep holes, rivers, woods and fields.

Our original plan for the 2022 I-500 was a 250-mile course from Goodridge / Grygla to Roseau and back but unfortunately there has been some logistic hurdles that arose late into this planning so for 2022 we will focus on the Goodridge / Grygla routes as has been run for the past couple I-500 events. We are extremely disappointed that we were unable to make this vision a reality but we want to thank the Roseau and Goodridge / Grygla groups for working hard this summer to try and make it happen.

The 500 continues to thrive in huge part to the support of former racers, club members, and enthusiasts from the Goodridge Grygla snowmobile club and we appreciate all the community does to make this event happen.

For 2023 Roseau will be hosting their own event and we look forward to bringing the pro national series to the home of Polaris Snowmobiles.

For 2022 the I-500 will return after a year hiatus due to lack of mother nature support, new for this year's event is two new 125-mile loops for each day! Day one will be the north loop; starting in Goodridge, MN the course will be routed to Skime, MN, refuel there then head back to Goodridge to close out the first 125-mile loop. Vintage and Jr 10-13 classes (run only on Saturday) will run this loop once but all the remaining classes will venture out to attack this loop again to complete

the 250 miles for day one. Day two will be the south loop; starting in Goodridge, MN the course will be routed towards Oklee, MN (location TBD), refuel there then head back to Goodridge to close out the first 125-mile loop. Classic class (run only on Sunday) will run this loop once but all remaining classes will continue on to complete another 125 miles for the two-day total of 500 miles.

With the recent announcement of the Canadian border opening next month we are excited to have all of our racers back together for the 21/22 Cor PowerSports season!

More information is to come as we continue working with the Goodridge / Grygla snowmobile club and Thief River community for the 2022 Cor PowerSports I-500.

Temporary off-highway vehicle restrictions begin with firearms deer opener forest roads.

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Recreational use of off-highway vehicles (OHVs) will be restricted in some areas where hunters may use rifles during the firearms deer hunting season, according to the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources.

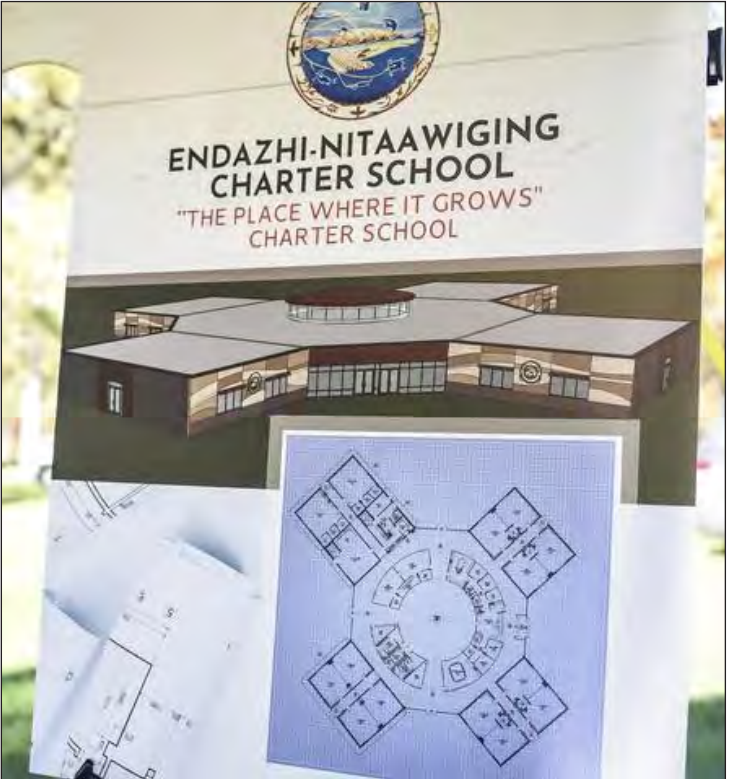
Vehicles affected by the restrictions include all-terrain vehicles, off-highway motorcycles and registered off-road vehicles such as four-wheel drive trucks that are not being used in conjunction with deer hunting by a licensed deer hunter.

The restrictions apply to designated OHV recreational riding trails on state land. These include grant-in-aid trails and state forest trails and access routes, but not state

Recent riding seasons have seen many new OHV enthusiasts hitting the trails for the first time, and many of them may not be familiar with these longstanding temporary closures," said Bruce Lawrence, recreational vehicle coordinator for the DNR Enforcement Division. "The goal of these closures is simple: To protect public safety and reduce potential conflict between riders and hunters."

Licensed deer hunters may still use these routes in conjunction with their hunting activity:

Road Restrictions..
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Red Lake's future Endazhi-Nitaawiging charter school is set to open in fall 2022 for grades K-5 and will expand to include an additional grade each year until the 2025-2026 school year, the point at which the school would remain open to grades K-8. (Annalise Braught / Bemidji Pioneer)



Creed Phoenix Anderson was born June 1, 2021, in Thief River Falls, MN. He is welcomed home by his parents Andrew and Noel, 3 brothers, Cael (17) Kane (14) Brett (9)) and 1 sister Brooklynn, all of Oklee. Grandparents are Ron and Cindy Stoneouse, Oklee and Rhonda Anderson, Oklee.

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A "Taste of Norway"

The Sons of Norway, Granelund Lodge #240, will hold its monthly meeting on Thursday evening, November 11th, at 6:30 at the Embassy Center in Fosston.

After the meeting the program will be the "Taste of Norway", which includes demonstrations and displays of several traditional Scandinavian foods such as lefse, rommegrot, potato klub, sweet soup, kranse kake and many more delectable treats! Traditional crafts on display include Rosemaling, wood carving and woodwork, Hardanger embroidery, weaving, paper quilling, and needle felting to name a few.

Visitors are invited and encouraged to attend the meeting or to just come at 7:30 for the Taste of Norway with samples offered for the many traditional foods being demonstrated or prepared ahead of time. Mark your calendars for Thursday evening, November 11th, at 7:30 at the Embassy Center in Fosston for the Taste of Norway event.

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Polk County Sheriff

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The residence was unoccupied and there were no injuries. The fire appears to have originated in an oil furnace located in the basement. There was no damage reported as a result of the fire. The owner of the residence, Northwest Minnesota Multi-County HRA, was in the process of replacing the furnace at the time of the fire.

No further information will be released.

Two-Vehicle Crash in Garden Township

On 10/29/2021 at approximately 1627 hours, the Polk County Sheriff's Office responded to a report of a motor vehicle accident involving a Toyota Tacoma and a Buick Enclave at the intersection of Polk County Road 10 and Polk County Road 41 in Garden Township south of Mentor.

Upon investigation, it appeared that the Toyota was northbound on County 10. After stopping for the stop sign at the intersection with County 41, the Toyota proceeded into the intersection, where it collided with the westbound Buick. Both vehicles sustained severe damage.

Grant Cassavant, age 38, was driving the Toyota. Jacque Flynn, age 39, was driving the Buick. Flynn sustained apparent minor injuries in the crash. She and a juvenile passenger in her vehicle were transported to RiverView Hospital by Polk County EMS.

Fertile Fire Department also responded.

No further information will be released.

Road Restrictions..

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- Before legal shooting time.
- From 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- After legal shooting hours.

Effective dates of the recreational riding restrictions are:

- Nov. 6 - 21 for the north-eastern Minnesota 100 Series deer season.
- Nov. 6 - 14 for the Minnesota 200 Series deer season, in those permit areas where hunters may use rifles.

The restrictions do not apply in the shotgun zone of the 200 Series of permit areas, or in southeastern Minnesota, where recreational OHV trails close by Nov. 1 each year.

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CLERK TYPIST CASHIER III POLK COUNTY AUDITOR-TREASURER

The Polk County Auditor-Treasurer's Office has an opening for a full-time Clerk Typist Cashier III position. Duties include but are not limited to: Performing various office duties. Cross-training with other County departments to develop a skill set and knowledge base to address common citizen requests. Process various forms, applications, documents, and receipts. Provide information and responds to inquiries for the general public regarding licensing, property documents, and tax statements. Assist in organizing and monitoring election centers; operating election works-knowledge of computer applications in MS Office Suite-specifically MS Word and Excel. A high school diploma or GED and moderate experience, or equivalent combination of education and experience is needed. Wage range for this position is \$16.88 - \$21.46 per hour, DOE and qualifications. To obtain an application and job description go to: www.co.polk.mn.us and click on Careers. **Applications for this position must be received by 4:30 p.m., November 5, 2021.** Please submit your completed application to the Polk County Administrator's Office, Polk County Government Center, 612 N. Broadway, Room 211, Crookston, MN 56716. (218) 281-5408. Applications may also be emailed directly to alecia.helms@co.polk.mn.us EOE. R32-33C

DISPATCHER

The Polk County Sheriff's Department in Crookston, MN has a full-time Dispatcher position available. Applicants must possess excellent computer skills, have the ability to speak clearly and concisely, and have the ability to exercise independent judgment, using all information available in critical and emergency situations. Provides a single point of contact for 24-hour voice/radio communications - emergency and 911 services to citizens. High school diploma or GED is required. Post-secondary education preferred. Wage range for this position is \$22.59 - \$28.72 per hour, DOE and qualifications. An application and full 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. (218-281-5408) or e-mail Alecia.Helms@co.polk.mn.us. This position will remain open until filled. EOE. R30ffc

ASSISTANT COUNTY ATTORNEY POLK COUNTY, MINNESOTA

The Polk County Attorney's Office located in Crookston, Minnesota, is seeking applications for the position of a full-time Assistant County Attorney to represent the State of Minnesota and Polk County in criminal and civil proceedings. This is a challenging and rewarding position with primary responsibilities including prosecuting felony, gross misdemeanor, and misdemeanor cases, handling child delinquency and CHIPS proceedings, providing legal advice to county departments, and delegating work to support staff. **However, the emphasis of this position will be criminal prosecution.** Applicants must possess a Juris Doctorate and be admitted to practice law in the State of Minnesota in order to successfully perform the essential duties of this position. Legal experience in a County Attorney's Office or other Prosecutor's Office preferred. A full position description and application can be obtained by contacting the Polk County Administrator's Office at 218-281-5408 or online at <http://www.co.polk.mn.us> and click on Careers. Salary range for this position is \$38.17 - \$48.53/hr. depending upon experience and qualifications. Please mail your application and resume to the Polk County Administrator's Office, 612 N. Broadway, Room 211, Crookston, MN, 56716 or e-mail alecia.helms@co.polk.mn.us. This position will remain open until filled. EEO R28ffc

EMPLOYMENT NOTICE ENGINEERING TECHNICIAN

Clearwater County will be taking applications for an Engineering Technician position in the Clearwater County Highway Department. This position will include construction inspection, material testing, surveying, computer aid design, plan preparation, and other Department functions. **Education and Experience:** Preferred qualifications are for completion of a two-year college or vocational civil engineering curriculum, or experience related to civil engineering in surveying, inspection and drafting plans, and experience in using computers. Applications are available at the Clearwater County Highway Department Office, 113 7th St. NE, Bagley, MN 56621 (218) 694-6132, or from our County website at www.co.clearwater.mn.us. Applications will be received until position is filled. **Clearwater County is an Equal Opportunity Employer** R32-34C

CLERK TYPIST CASHIER III SHERIFF'S OFFICE

The Polk County Sheriff's Office has an opening for a full-time Clerk Typist Cashier III position. This position performs the following duties/ but not limited to intermediate technical work processing gun permits, records requests and civil process files, updating office inventory and training records, data entry and clerical support activities to assist in maintaining records and reports. High school diploma or GED and moderate experience, or equivalent combination of education and experience. A valid driver's license is required. Wage range for this position is \$16.88 - \$21.46/hour DOE and qualifications. To obtain an application and full job description go to: www.co.polk.mn.us and click on Careers. **Applications for this position must be received by 4:30 p.m., November 12, 2021.** Please submit your application and resume to the Polk County Administrator's Office Polk County Government Center, 612 N. Broadway, Room 211, Crookston, MN 56716. (218) 281-5408. Applications may also be emailed directly to alecia.helms@co.polk.mn.us EOE. R32-34C

PARAPROFESSIONAL OPENING



The RLCC High School in Oklee has an immediate opening for a paraprofessional for the school year 2021-22. Contact the School for an application or with questions at 218-796-5136. Position open until filled. ISD 2906 is an equal opportunity provider and employer. O27ffc



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Paraeducator positions. Paraeducator position openings in the Elementary, candidates must be highly qualified, which includes either 2 or more years of college, an AA Degree, or the ability to pass the Para Pro Exam. Application forms may be downloaded, picked up in the District Office or you may email nekre@bagley.k12.mn.us.

Substitute Para positions. Substitute para opportunities are available at Bagley Public Schools. Application forms may be downloaded, picked up in the District Office or you may email nekre@bagley.k12.mn.us.

Food Service Support Staff - a high school diploma or GED is preferred but not required. Currently accepting applications for Food Service Support Staff at the High School and Elementary. Application forms may be downloaded, picked up in the District Office or you may email nekre@bagley.k12.mn.us.

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.

Native American Home School Liaison positions. Full-time positions open for the 2021-2022 school year. Candidates must be highly qualified, which includes either two or more years of college, an AA Degree, or the ability to pass the Para Pro Exam. Application forms may be downloaded, picked up in the District Office or you may email nekre@bagley.k12.mn.us.

For more information, please call Nichole Ekre at 694-6184.

Full-Time Route Bus Drivers and Substitute Bus Drivers positions. Applicants 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. Application forms may be downloaded, picked up in the District Office or you may email nekre@bagley.k12.mn.us. For more information, please call Stuart Dukek at 694-6122.

Junior-High Girls Basketball Coaching position. For more information email Greg Norum at gnorum@bagley.k12.mn.us

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Theology in the Trenches

By Kathleen Kjolhaug

Broken Pieces

The small earth toned rock stood solid amidst the other cobble stones upon the road. This particular day I was looking for heart rocks, but as I bent down to pick one up, my eye caught sight of another little gem. Etched within this small rock was a darkened cross... making it unmistakable.

As I began to dig into the dirt to loosen it...it moved. Just one more little tug and it would soon be out. Tug I did and soon the small cross etched rock came out alright and promptly split into pieces! Seven to be exact is what the little rock split into.

Like a puzzle before me it sat within the palm of my hand. Some pieces were narrow, some were rounded, while others had a sharper edge. Each and every piece had come from the rock I'd initially spied along the gravel road, and I was determined to put them together again in order to see the cross etched within.

A smile came across my face as I discovered the first two pieces went hand-in-hand so-to-speak. The third piece was found moments later and the fourth creviced in shortly thereafter. The fifth nestled in as did the sixth and soon, thereafter, the final piece wedged itself into the mix as the puzzle was now

complete.

Had I not rescued the little rock puzzle along life's path, I suppose it would now be lying in parts along the gravel road supporting the foundation upon which I walk.

As I still, thoughts begin to form. In pieces my thoughts come together but this time, I'm marveling at THE Rock. He, too, was drawn to the cross and was broken...broken for all. Much like the small rock puzzle, His pieces remain foundational...giving us a path upon which to walk more sure footedly.

1 Corin. 11:24-25 gives proof. "And giving thanks, He broke it,

and said: "Take and eat. This is my body, which shall be given up for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

He gave thanks. Before he broke it and before He was broken, He gave thanks. For you it was broken, and for you He was broken.

It was while we were yet broken He died for us (Rom. 5:8). He did not wait for us to put the pieces back together but it was while we were yet sinners.

And so I confess and He who is faithful and just forgives. (John 1:9).

All because the Rock, Christ Jesus, was broken for you...for me. Amen.



I am thirty. Thirty weeks old. My eyes are fully developed and when it's light I can focus on things really close to my face, like my fingers. I like to watch them flutter. Say, Mom—what was that yummy lunch yesterday? It tasted a little tangy but I really liked it. It reminded me of a salad but it wasn't lettuce. Did I hear you say, "coleslaw?" Let's have it again, today—and for the rest of the week. That's made with carrots and cabbage right? Mom, what a coincidence! Because this week I am almost three whole pounds and around the size of a head of cabbage. -a.m.opdahl www.speaklife139.com



Ask a Trooper

by Sgt. Jesse Grabow Minnesota State Patrol

Q u e s -
t i o n: I heard somewhere that proof of insurance

does not need to be in paper form and can be maintained electronically. Does that mean that each family member and myself who drives can photograph current insurance cards for our vehicles that they drive on a cell phone and that is acceptable, or does the electronic version need to be something sent by insurance company?

Answer: Every driver must keep in their possession proof of insurance while driving. They also must produce that proof of insurance to an officer when

requested during a traffic stop or an incident on the road such as a crash.

Proof of insurance can be in an electronic form, meaning text-based or imaged-based content in a form that can be shown on a computer or other digital devices.

So yes, a photograph of the actual insurance card or screen shot of the format is sufficient. Keeping a printed copy of the card in the vehicle of is also a good idea in case your phone doesn't have service at the time an officer makes the request. The information that is required for proof of insurance is:

- (1) the insured's name;
- (2) the policy number;

(3) the policy dates of coverage;

(4) the make, model, and year of the vehicle being covered;

(5) the vehicle identification number or at least the last three digits of that number; and

(6) the name of the obligor providing coverage.

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 @MSPPIO_NW or reach him at, jesse.grabow@state.mn.us

My Grandson, Callan! One year Old!

By Auctioneer Eric W. Mickelson

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 come 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 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.

John Deere's C/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. I am glad I was able to find a Model C for Callan! I am already looking for another model for his first birthday! Being a grandpa is awesome!

Well now Callan is a year old, so he had to have another tractor. I got him a Model H since his middle name is Heath. Not only did I find a model H but a model H with a single front wheel-just like his great grandpa Mickey had back in the 40's! Wow! Grandsons are fun to shop for!

How about a little tractor trivia!

1. The GP was tested in Nebraska on Dec. 10, 1928. The max belt horsepower was _____.

A) 15.51hp B) 21.9hp C) 24.97hp

2. The GP had a _____ speed transmission.
A) 2 B) 3 C) 4

3. The maximum rated speed of a GP in "Road Gear" was _____ mph.
A) 11.50mph B) 9.33mph C) 4.33mph

4. Why was the crawler design popular in the west?
A) steep orchard slopes B) added traction C) easy maneuverability

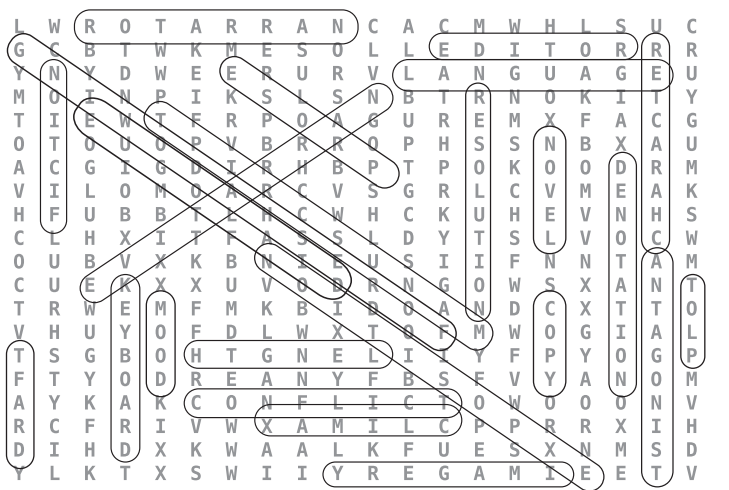
5. Lindeman company made 24 GP-O tractors with tracks. What John Deere model replaced the GP as the next tractor to be fitted with tracks?
A) Model AR B) Model BR C) Model G

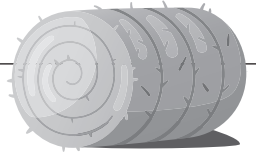
Answers: 1. C. 24.97hp 2. B. 3 speeds 3. C. 4.33 mph 4. A. steep slopes 5. B. Model BR



Here is an H John Deere with a single front wheel!

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Obituary for Lois Goering

Lois (Hauge) Goering; beloved wife, mother, grandmother, and friend; went to be with her Savior Jesus Christ on October 24, 2021 at the age of 68.

Lois Goering is survived by her husband; Curby Goering of North Newton, KS; her children; Carmen (Jason) Weller of Walton, KS and their five children; Chastity (William) Barnett of West Columbia, TX and their five children; and Christopher (Ashley) Goering of Branson, MO and their three children; her siblings; Barbara Hinrichs and Sharon Gunafson; and several nieces and nephews. Lois is preceded in death by her parents; Inga and Helbert Hauge; her sister, Doreen Porter; and her brother, Loren Hauge.

Lois was born on August 21, 1953 on her mother's birthday in Mahanomen, MN, as the youngest of 5 children. Her family resided on a farm near Winger, MN before moving to town when Lois was a teenager. She graduated high school in 1971 and attended Bible School in Fergus Falls, MN. She took an adventure to Alaska where she married her husband, Curby Goering, in 1978. After the birth of their first child, Carmen, in 1980, the young family moved to Minnesota to be closer to Lois's family. While living in Fergus Falls, Lois and Curby welcomed Chastity in 1981 and Christopher in 1983. Lois and her family realized their dreams in 1990 with the purchase of a small hobby farm near Becker, MN. In 1997, the Goering fam-

ily moved to Moundridge, KS to be closer to Curby's family. Over the next several years, Curby and Lois became beloved in-laws and grandparents. They have 13 grandchildren.

Lois was an active part in her church, Bible studies, community groups, and political organizations, but the joy of her life was being a Grammy. She loved spending time with her grandchildren and took every opportunity to support them and her children. Faith and family meant the world to Lois.

Lois will be remembered for her hospitality, genuine spirit, compassion, joyful laugh, passion for animals, love for her family and friends, and strong faith in her Savior Jesus Christ. She leaves behind a sweet legacy that will live on in all

who knew her.

A public viewing was held on Monday, November 8 at Petersen Funeral Home in Newton, KS from 5-9 p.m. There was a graveside service at Eastlawn Cemetery near Newton on Tuesday, November 9 at 8:30 a.m. with a Celebration of Life service following at 10:00 a.m. at Kingdom Life Ministries in Hesston, KS.

Donations may be made in Lois's honor to Caring Hands Humane Society; 1400 SE 3rd St, Newton, KS 67114; and Kingdom Life Ministries; 505 S Ridge Rd, Hesston, KS 67062. Flowers may be sent to Petersen Funeral Home; 215 N Main St, Newton, KS 67114.



View from a local hunter's game camera (The "Deer Man" in background, lurks in a field near Gully, MN on August 15th 2012)

"Deer man" spotted south of Gully

By Louis Casiano,

The sighting of a man dressed in a crudely made deer suit in a field south of Gully, MN is causing great concern among state wildlife officials and citizens of that small town, the Associated Press reported. The man, who remains unidentified, was spotted by a local resident on August 15th while checking his fall hunting grounds which are located about 5 miles south of Gully in northern Minnesota.

The local resident who is an avid hunter told the AP he saw the "Deer Man" through a set of binoculars trailing behind several whitetail deer on his hands and knees. When the man or "Deer Man" noticed he had been spotted, "he just stopped in his tracks and stood up," The "Deer Man" then sat on a hill for several minutes with his body remaining perfectly still except for an occasional ear twitch. He finally got back down on his hands and knees and hurried to catch the rest of the herd as they entered a

soybean field. What the local had witnessed was very odd and thankfully his game camera had snapped a picture earlier in the day of the wannabe antler man which goes a long way towards verifying this strange story. (see picture at top of page)

Top officials have said what the "Deer Man" is doing is not illegal but they're concerned as the hunting season approaches that he could be mistaken for a deer or attacked by an aggressive buck. Authorities have speculated that "Deer Man" might have been some sort of extreme wildlife enthusiast who just wanted to get as close as possible to the deer. A few days after the spotting, state wildlife authorities received an anonymous call from an "agitated man with a Norwegian brogue" who simply said, "Leave dat deer man alone. He's done nuthin wrong."

If you have additional information on the so-called "Deer Man", please contact local Gully, MN officials.



Obituary for David Klein

David Klein, 53, of Thief River Falls, MN, passed away at his home on Wednesday, October 27, 2021, as a result of a seizure related incident.

Funeral Services were held at 11:00 AM on Wednesday, November 3, 2021 at Johnson Funeral Service in Thief River Falls, MN, with Pastor

Pete Lee officiating. Lunch was served after the service. Interment followed at Salem Lutheran Cemetery, rural Oklee, MN.

Visitation took place from 5:00 PM until 7:00 PM, with a 7:00 PM Prayer Service on Tuesday, November 2, 2021 at Johnson Funeral Service in Thief River Falls, MN. Visitation will also take place one hour prior to the funeral service on Wednesday at the funeral home.

David Lyle Klein was born on October 19, 1968 in Milwaukee, WI, the son of Laura Klein. He was baptized and confirmed in the Lutheran faith. David graduated from Lincoln High School in Thief River Falls, MN, in 1987. He attended Northland Community College for general studies and Computer Programming. Again in 2013 David attended NCTC, receiving his certificate as a massage therapist, which he was able to practice on a part-time basis.

David worked several jobs throughout his life, including

Arctic Cat, Oakland Park Nursing Home, Northern Pride, the Seven Clans Casino, Valley Home, School District 564, and was most recently employed by Digi-Key.

In 1996 a son, Steven Marshall Klein was born to David and Heather Wheat. Although their relationship ended, they remained good friends. David was very proud of the man Steven has become.

David married his high school sweetheart, Jill Lindholm on December 12, 1997. Although their marriage was dissolved, they were good friends who supported each other.

On July 4, 2008 David married Melanie Smith and to this union was born a daughter, Elliana Marion-Esther Klein. His daughter became the center of his life.

From his teen years he pursued his passion for music, performing weekends as a guitarist and vocalist in several bands. Before his daughter was born, he stopped traveling weekends

in order to be home with his new daughter. He later concentrated on home studio music production with other musicians.

David is survived by his son, Steven Klein; daughter, Elliana Klein; parents, Clyde and Laura Moen of Thief River Falls, MN; siblings, Kelly Moen of Dodge Center, MN, Jason (Shannon) Moen of Oklee, MN, and Daren Moen of Thief River Falls, MN; and many other relatives and friends, and his kitty family, Bear and Ruthie.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Fred and Esther Klein; uncles Vern, Arlo and Carl Klein, Bruce Moen and Bjarne Kvasager; aunts Roberta Klein, Viola Kvasager and Jeanette Klein; very dear friends Bubs Dargon and Kelly Monsrud.

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Obituary for Janis Wikstrand

Janis Wikstrand, age 82, of McIntosh, MN, gained her angel wings on Wednesday, October 20th, at her home with her family by her side. A memorial service will be held at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in McIntosh, with Jeanne Rains officiating at 1:00 p.m. on Friday, November 5. Interment will be in Salem Lutheran Cemetery, McIntosh, following the memorial service. The family will greet friends for one hour before the service on Friday at the church. Arrangements are with Carlin Family Funeral Service of McIntosh, and

messages of condolence may be shared at www.carlinfuneral.com.

Janis Faye (Klemmetson) Wikstrand was born on February 12, 1939, at home north of McIntosh, Minnesota, to Oscar and Edith (Enerson) Klemmetson. She was baptized at the Rev. C.M. Westermoe's home, confirmed at Salem Lutheran Church both in McIntosh. She grew up in McIntosh and graduated from McIntosh High School in 1957.

Janis was married to Webb Duane Fullmer on September 6, 1958. They began their life in Blaine, Minnesota, and three children were born to this union, Pam, Penny, and Webb, Jr. Tragically, Webb, Sr. passed away on October 27, 1963. After his death, Janis and the children moved back to her hometown. On July 20, 1967, Janis married Marvin Wikstrand. To this union, one daughter, Wendy, was born. Together, she and Marvin lived and raised their family in McIntosh. Janis and Marvin were married 53 wonderful years. Marvin passed away on December 4, 2020 with his wife and family by his side.

Janis always had fond memories from her working years. She loved her job at the Cozy Theater in McIntosh during high school, serving popcorn

and selling tickets. In the summers, she could be found picking rocks on the potato harvesters for area farmers. She worked at the McIntosh Bakery, Sylvia's Pool Hall as a server/cook and at the Variety Village Store as a sales associate. For most of Janis's life, she was a painter, often painting alongside friends Carole Burslie and Charles Svalen. Still to this day, you could find these three together.

Janis' faith was always an important part of her life. She was an active member of Salem Lutheran Church until its closing and was currently a member of Our Savior's Lutheran Church. She had an unwavering faith that she demonstrated by how she lived each day. Her love of the Lord was most evident in how she cared for her family.

Janis was a dedicated mother, first and foremost. She treasured her children and embraced every moment with them. She especially loved her role as Grandma. She was a favorite to the great-grandchildren with her good sense of humor, loving nature, and always being a kid at heart with them. Children were truly the light of her life.

Janis was talented in so many aspects of her life. She was famous for her pickles, her lefse was a holiday staple,

and she made the best potato salad. She had the most giving heart and opened her home to so many over the years. We all looked forward to stopping for a visit, where a cup of coffee was always ready and never complete without sugar cubes and a fresh-baked treat. She blessed so many with her quilting and sewing talents making many beautiful blankets to be cherished. She also enjoyed spending time in her garden and was a proud member of the VFW Auxiliary.

Survivors include two daughters, Pam (Steven) Hopperstad of Red Lake Falls, MN, and Wendy (Thomas) Reitmeier of Leavenworth, KS; 7 grandsons; one granddaughter; and 16 great-grandchildren. Also, surviving is one sister-in-law, Deanne Klemmetson of Fosston. She is also survived by her nieces, nephews, and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husbands (Webb and Marvin); daughter, Penny; son, Webb, Jr; and brother, Marvin Klemmetson.

All who loved her dearly will never forget her tenacity, humor, charm, and undying love for them.



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Obituary for Elwood Higdem

Elwood Higdem, 82, of Clearbrook, Minnesota died on Tuesday, October 26, 2021, at his home in Clearbrook, MN, surrounded by his loving family.

Funeral services were held on Monday, November 1, 2021, at 11:00 a.m. at the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Clearbrook, Minnesota, with the Reverend Mark Olson officiating. Visitation was held one hour prior to the services at the church. Interment at Greenwood Cemetery at Clearbrook, MN. The Cease Family Funeral Home of Bagley assisted the family with arrangements.

Elwood was born on April 13, 1939 at Fosston, Minnesota, the son of Floyd and Elsie (Sletto) Higdem. He was baptized at Zion Lutheran in Fosston on July 19, 1939 and confirmed at Good Shepherd Lutheran in Clearbrook on March 28, 1981. He grew up and attended school in Gonvick. Elwood started driving truck in 1959 at the age of 20. He worked for various trucking companies through the years. For the last 30 years, he was an owner-operator with Wille Transport out of Cohasset, MN. Elwood was the proud father of Curt and Carla Higdem. He married Joan Barbara Faldet on June 28, 1980 in Clearbrook, MN. At that time, he gained a bonus family of four children.

In 2014, Elwood had the great honor of transporting the United States Capitol Christmas tree from the Chipewewa National Forest in Cass Lake, MN to Washington D.C., along with his wife Joan. It took several weeks with many celebratory stops along the way. Elwood had a passion for trucking and helping his stepsons farm. His love of work kept him from retiring, and he delivered loads into

his 80s. He loved his Kenworth truck and treasured keeping it up to date. Elwood liked to keep things local and could be found visiting and telling stories at the local businesses and parts stores while picking up supplies to repair farm equipment and vehicles. Elwood loved to stop by the day care which his wife and stepdaughter ran and became known as Grandpa Elwood to many daycare children throughout the years. He thought the world of all of the children and became especially attached to Gunner Olson, who enjoyed coming over to talk trucks and tractors with Grandpa Elwood. Elwood was a member of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church. Family was very important to Elwood. He enjoyed family Sunday meals and watching the Vikings games. He adored his grandkids very much and was always teasing them and telling them stories. Elwood would make phone calls to them and his lovely wife daily while he was on the road. He knew every road by heart and was like a walking road atlas. He loved to laugh, had a great sense of humor, and was quite the jokester, with a comeback for everything. He will be greatly missed.

He is survived by his wife – Joan Higdem of Clearbrook, MN

Daughter - Carla (Jeff) DeVries of Austin, Texas

Son – Curt (Paula) Higdem of Fairfax, MN

Step-daughter – Tracy (Tim) Wold of Savage, MN

Step-son – Ross (Jennifer) Faldet of Clearbrook, MN

Step-daughter – Shannon (Gary) Matthews of Clearbrook, MN

Step-son – Ryan Faldet of Clearbrook, MN

Grandchildren – Cody and Ashley Higdem; Cohl (Alyssa) and Ethan DeVries; Kaia and Andrew Wold; Madelynn (Anthony Ahrens), Jonah and Danielle Faldet; Taylor Faldet (Taylor Parker); Willie, Zach (Alyssa) and Carter Matthews. Step-great grandson – Razzier Matthews; Sister-in-law – Kathy Higdem.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his son – Douglas Higdem; 3 Brothers – Gerald, Carroll, and Floyd Clifford Higdem, his grandmother who raised him (Bertha Sletto), his father- and mother-in-law George and Olga Hagen.

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Obituary for Deborah Halvorson

Deborah Halvorson, age 58, of McIntosh, MN, passed away unexpectedly on Wednesday, October 27th, at her home. Memorial services will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 13th, at the McIntosh Community Center with the Rev. Gordon Syverson officiating. Family will greet friends for one hour prior to the service on Saturday (November 13th) at the community center. Arrangements are with Carlin Family Funeral Service of McIntosh and messages of condolence may be shared at www.carlinfuneral.com.

Deborah Lynn Thomas Halvorson was born on January 8, 1963, in St. Paul, Minnesota to parents Richard and Helene (Wycoskie) Thomas. She moved to Texas with her family where she graduated from John Marshall High School in San Antonio in 1981.

She married Kevin Westall in 1983 and they had two daughters, Stephanie and

Rebecca. The family moved to Fosston and Kevin and Debbie later divorced. In 1992, she was married to Arlen Halvorson. This union lovingly brought together two more children from Arlen's first marriage, Jason and Chad. As the years went on, two children were born to Debbie and Arlie, Benjamin and Nicole.

Debbie worked at several places in the area over the years, including Molly's Paint Pot, the American Legion, Customer Traac, and most recently as a Personal Care Assistant. While she loved all of them, one of her favorites was Molly's Paint Pot. Growing up she wanted to be an artist and enjoyed bringing beauty and color to the world.

She loved taking care of plants and flowers; and always enjoyed having her furry friends nearby. Deborah especially enjoyed spending time with, and feeding, her family especially her grandchildren. She will be dearly missed.

She is survived by her loving husband, Arlen, of McIntosh; six children, Stephanie Westall of McIntosh, Becca (Mitch) Johnson of Grand Rapids, MN, Jason (Jody) Halvorson of Minneapolis, MN, Chad Halvorson of WI, Benjamin Halvorson of McIntosh, and Nicole (Kameron) Anderson of Bagley, MN; several grandchildren; three sisters, Lori (Bob) Lecuyer, Erin (Ryan) Solberg, and Ashley Tofsky; nieces, nephews and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her parents and grandparents.



Obituary for Dennis Hyde

Dennis Ray Hyde, 75, died peacefully October 21, 2021, at Sanford Hospital, Fargo, ND. Born July 2, 1946, in Altona, Manitoba, Canada, son of Mervin Howard and Edna Mae (Blair) he was raised in rural Brooks, MN.

A 1964 graduate of Pershing High School Plummer, MN he attended Moorhead State University (MSUM) and graduated with a marketing degree in 1969. June 15, 1968, he married Colleen Beth Tinkham at Fisher, MN. They settled in Moorhead, MN and Dennis began his 50-year career in insurance sales. In 1980 he and Don Johnson formed Red River Brokerage in Fargo, ND. Dennis continued the business, later moving it to Minnesota.

Dennis had a passion for sports, especially baseball and in his youth excelled as a pitcher. Later, he was heavily involved in the Fargo-Moorhead Babe Ruth youth baseball program. He remained a lifelong fan of Major and Minor league ball. He enjoyed attending his grandchildren's music and sporting events and was rarely seen without his team favorite MN Twins cap and the Twins ringtones played loudly on his phone.

Dennis loved the lake and being by the water. He was especially fond of his time

with friends and family at the cabin on Turtle Lake. Later, he resided year-round on Bad Medicine Lake where he lived, worked, cut wood, and entertained grandkids for 15 years before moving to Detroit Lakes, MN. He enjoyed living in Detroit Lakes including time drinking coffee and visiting with friends around town.

Due to continuing health issues he moved to Heritage House Apartments in Fargo, ND and recently to Serenity Assisted Living in Dilworth, MN.

He loved flowers, collecting antique tools and baseball cards, car trips and visiting with everyone he met, remembering them all by name.

Dennis is survived by daughters Stacey Swanson and Stephanie Deitz both Moorhead, MN and son Corey Hyde, Dilworth, MN; seven grandchildren: Amy (Gavin) Gottwalt Lake Park, MN, Erica and Katie Swanson, Jonny, Jorgen, Josiah, and Jack Deitz, all Moorhead MN, a great grandson; Morrison Gottwalt, who brought him great joy, and his dear friend Luan Schuman.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brothers Gerald Karel and Roger Hyde.

A Celebration of Life Service will be held on Saturday, November 13 at 1:00 p.m. at United Methodist Church at 906 1st Ave S, Fargo, ND 58103. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that memorials be given to The Boys and Girls Club of Detroit Lakes in honor of Denny; he enjoyed selling raffle tickets at WeFest for this charity for many years.

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Interment will be at a later date in Walhalla, ND.



Obituary for Ray McMillin

Ray McMillin, 92 of Grygla, MN passed away on Wednesday, October 20, 2021 surrounded by his loving family at his rural residence.

Public visitation will be held on Thursday, November 4, 2021 at Johnson Funeral Service in Thief River Falls, MN from 10:00 AM until 12:00 PM.

Private family service will be held at 1:00 PM at Johnson Funeral Service in Thief River Falls with Reverend Timothy Lundeen officiating.

Public graveside service will be held at 3:00 PM at Landstad Cemetery near Gatzke, MN.

Ray D. McMillin was born July 3, 1929 at the farm near Gatzke, MN, son of Harold and Olga (Aune) McMillin. He was baptized and confirmed at United Lutheran Church in Gatzke. He attended school in Gatzke and Middle River.

Ray was united in marriage to Eleanor Ann Aamot on December 11, 1948 in Thief River Falls, MN. The couple made their home on a farm in Rollis Township, rural Gatzke, MN and later made their home in Veldt Township, rural Grygla, MN, where Ray farmed. Their sons, Gary and Duane, were born while they resided in Minnesota. The family moved to Goodland, FL in 1953, and in 1960 moved to Chokoloskee, FL where Ray made a living as a commercial fisherman. In 1962 their son, Randy, was born in Florida.

Ray played a large part in advancing the stone crabbing industry in southwest Florida. He put his farm knowledge to use on his boat and helped make the stone crab harvest much more efficient. He also trapped blue crabs until he was almost 80 years old.

In 1976 Ray built a log home on his farm in Minnesota and worked during the

summers opening his farmland again. He also pursued his love of horses by raising Percheron draft horses for a few years. Ray and Eleanor spent their summer months in Minnesota and returned to Florida in the winters. After 58 years of marriage, Eleanor passed away May 28, 2007.

After Eleanor's passing, Ray was united in marriage to Alethia "Midge" Weeks on July 25, 2015 at his farm near Grygla. Ray and Midge continued to travel between Minnesota and Florida until it became too difficult for them. They remained on the farm until his passing. Midge extended Ray's life many years with her love, care and companionship.

Ray enjoyed hunting, fishing, horses, and raising a garden to share with everyone. He was also a loyal Barn Boy fan. Above all, he loved farming and passing on his wisdom and stories to his children, grandchildren, and anyone who would listen. He kept a close watch over the farm from the comfort of his chair up until the end. Ray was a charter member of the Organized Fishermen of Florida, of which he was the 1st secretary/ treasurer. He was also a member of United Lutheran Church in Gatzke and the Grygla Lions Club.

Ray is survived by his wife Midge of Grygla, MN; children Gary (Lynn) McMillin of Chokoloskee, FL; Duane (Cecelia) McMillin of Chokoloskee, FL; and Randy (Janelle) McMillin of Grygla, MN; Stepchildren Glenda (Daniel) Smith and Cliff Weeks; grandchildren Corey McMillin, Mallory McMillin, Allen McMillin, Nicole Norris, Heather McMillin, Hailea (Trevor) Page, Hunter (Karlee) McMillin, Hudson McMillin, Jared (Ashley) Schaefer, Brenna (Isaac Olson) Schaefer; 14 great-grandchildren; 3 great-great-grandchildren; brother-in-law Leonard (Avis) Aamot; and many nieces and nephews.

Ray is preceded in death by his parents, Harold (Olga) McMillin; wife of 58 years, Eleanor McMillin; granddaughter, Ashley McMillin; brother, Donald (Betty) McMillin; and sisters, Faye (Floyd) Brandt and Maxine (Kenny) Grondahl.

Ray will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved him.

Condolences may be sent at www.johnsonfuneralservice.com



Obituary for Edna Helgaas

Edna Helgaas, age 90, of Winger, MN, died Tuesday, October 26, 2021, at Pioneer Memorial Care Center, Erskine, MN.

Edna June Rude was born on June 14, 1931, at home, rural Fertile, MN, to Henry and Ida (Lewis) Rude. She was baptized into the faith at Faaberg Lutheran Church in Rindahl, MN. As a child, Edna walked and skied to her country school, and when the family moved to rural Winger, she attended McIntosh High School, graduating as class Salutatorian in 1949. In 1952, Edna married Ervin Helgaas at Gosen Church. They lived in California for the beginning of their marriage as Ervin was in the Air Force. They settled in 1954 on the farm west of Winger, where they farmed and raised dairy cattle for many years. They sold the cattle when Edna was 63. She then went to work at the Fair Meadow Nursing Home in Fertile. Edna worked at several jobs during her lifetime, including the Farmer's State Bank in Winger. Ervin passed away in 1994 and Edna remained on the farm until a few days before her passing.

Through the years, Edna went to her children's, grandchildren's, and great-grandchildren's games and activities. She liked keeping up with the relatives. Dancing, especially with Ervin, was one of her favorite things to do. Often old-time music was playing at her house. Edna enjoyed listening to Ervin play the accordion and the keyboard. She took a bus trip to Hostfest many times. She liked to sing, read books, and do word search puzzles. Edna liked sitting outside in her yard and sewing outfits. Her favorite food was ribs, chicken and french fries from Moran's Supper Club. She'd jump at the chance to get out on the lake. Edna liked to visit with people, tell jokes, hand out Halloween money and candy, and watch the deer out her window. If the Vikings or the Twins were playing, she was watching them. She especially liked living at home.

Edna was always up for going for a drive and taking trips. She took oil painting classes and created several paintings. When sending cards, she always wrote a personal note or letter with it. Edna was a catcher on the Winger softball team when she was younger. She played volleyball with the Winger women every Wednesday night. She enjoyed riding her bike and walking for exercise. Edna was a wonderful mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother.

She was a member of Calvary Lutheran Church in Winger. She participated in Ladies Aid, Circle and the quilting group at church. Edna was a long-time member of the American Legion Auxiliary, enjoying the Halloween parties they put on.

Edna was preceded in death by her parents, Ida & Henry Rude; husband, Ervin Helgaas; son, Randy Helgaas; daughter, Kathy Perry; grandsons, Dylan Wang and Travis Cook; great-grandson, Steven Wang-Leavitt; siblings: Alvin (Dorothy) Rude, Mylen (Hermina) Rude, Erwin Rude, Blanche Rude, Irene (Arnold) Anderson; in-laws: Kenneth Helgaas, Palma (Rueben) Higdem, and Julian (Bernadine) Helgaas.

Edna leaves behind daughters, Cheryl (Ron) Wang of Winger and Eileen (Terry) Cook of Erskine, MN; son, Rodney Helgaas of Winger/Costa Rica; grandchildren: James (Roxey) Peterson, Jennifer Wang, Sheila (Luke) Kramer, Jarrid (Megan) Wang, Aaron (Nicole) Cook, Logan (Courtney) Cook, and Marisa Perry; great-grandchildren: Jocelyn, Jamie, Justin, and Jayden Peterson, Jordan and Hannah Davidson, Kallie Hand, Laila and Christopher Roragen, Blake Audette, Aubrey and Addylann Wang, Brody, Kolby, Sawyer and Gemma Cook; several cousins, nieces and nephews.

Funeral Services were held on Saturday, November 6, 2021, at 2:00 pm at Calvary Lutheran Church in Winger. Visitation was held one hour prior to the funeral. Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery, Winger.

Following all Covid-19 safety protocols, and CDC guidelines, social distancing was practiced. Masks were strongly encouraged. The funeral was recorded and available for viewing the following day on our website.

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

Arrangements entrusted to Anderson Family Funeral Home in Mahanomen. Online website: www.andersonfamilyfh.com



Obituary for Gayden Stenseng

Gayden Stenseng, 79, of Bagley, Minnesota died on Friday, October 29, 2021 at Pioneer Memorial Care Center in Erskine, Minnesota.

Visitation was held on Tuesday, November 2, 2021 from 5:00-7:00 p.m. with a prayer service beginning at 6:30 p.m. at the Cease Family Funeral Home Chapel in Bagley, MN. Funeral services were held on Wednesday, November 3, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. with visitation 1-hour prior at Grace Chapel South of Bagley, MN with Pastor Chris Conger Officiating.

Gayden Michael Stenseng was born on October 13, 1942 in Bagley, MN the son of Russell and Violet (Sivers) Stenseng. Gayden was baptized and confirmed in the Lutheran Faith. He graduated Clearbrook High School in 1961 and went to College in Thief River Falls, MN graduating in 1963 with a degree in welding. Gayden worked various jobs such as E.M.T. (Emergency Management Training) in Emmitsburg MD in 1981 for Civil Defense Director of Clearwater County, Dahl Plumbing and Heating for 8 years, J & G Repair and was self-employed for several years, retiring in 2012.

Gayden married Connie (Gordon) on December 11, 1965. In 1974 they took a trip

to Norway and ate dinner in the house where his grandfather Fredrick L. Stenseng was born. Gayden's faith was very important to him; he was a member of Grace Free Lutheran Church, and Grace Chapel South of Bagley. He went on a mission Trip with his son Leese to Panama. Gayden was on the board of Northern Lutheran Mission in Red Lake, MN for many years. He was a past President for 2 years on the Lake Itasca Region Pioneer Farmers and served on the Bagley Fire Department for 21 years, serving as Fire Chief for 2 years.

Gayden was big into storytelling, music, metal work fabrication, woodworking, old antique gas engines and tractors. He was a great dad and grandpa and he will surely be missed. For the past 7 years, he enjoyed spending time with his special friend Margaret Shereck.

He is survived by his sons- Leese (Lori) Stenseng of Franksville, WI.

Jade (Trina) Stenseng of Bagley, MN.

Duane (Teresa) Bolduc of Bagley, MN.

Grandchildren-Shane (Desiree) Stenseng, Kailee Stenseng, Kari Stenseng, Bryantt (Ellen) Bolduc, Tyler (Brittany) Truman, and Marni (Brandon) Wastweet. Sister-Winnie Rholl of Fertile, MN.

Brothers-Russell Jr. (Sherry) Stenseng of El Dorado, KS. Daniel Stenseng (Annie Granitz) of Bagley, MN.

Rubin Stenseng (Sue Wilmes) of Duluth, MN.

Beloved Sisters-in-law- Kathy (Edward) Brakob and Lynda Stenseng.

Numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his wife - Connie Stenseng; parents Russell and Violet; and nephew Scott Nelson

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

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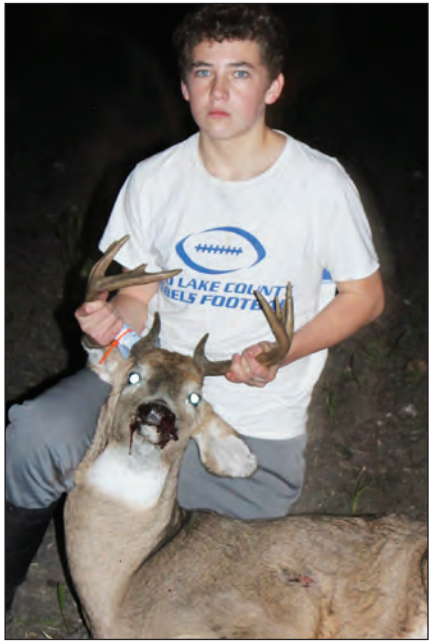
Grant (13) with grandpa Rocky Eck of Gonvick shot this 9 point buck north of Gonvick on opening morning of youth hunt.



Peyton Wittenberg of Gonvick shot this 9 pointer in the afternoon on Friday October 22nd. She was in the 2021 youth hunt.



Carlee Whalen of Oklee shot this 13 point buck during the youth rifle hunt after it eluded her during bow season. Carlee is the daughter of Terry & Sarah Whalen, and the grand daughter of Linda Whalen, Oklee and Audrey Olson, Mentor.



Gavin Thomas of Oklee shot his first buck, a 10 point during the youth season. Gavin is the son of Kippy Thomas & Gil Thomas, and the grandson of Jake Martell, Oklee.



Lucas Bakken shot this 9-point buck on Friday, October 22, 2021, Clearbrook, Minnesota.



Kaydence Jorgenson was very successful in the youth hunt! She shot her 10 point buck at 158 yards while hunting with her Grandpa Jeff Jorgenson in Leon township!



Avery Graftaas shot this 10-point buck on Thursday, October 21st during the youth hunt in Shevlin, MN. Avery is 11 years old and this is her first deer. She lives in Carlton, MN. Grandparents are Brad and Bonnie Eck of Gonvick and Ray and Kay Graftaas of Barnum.

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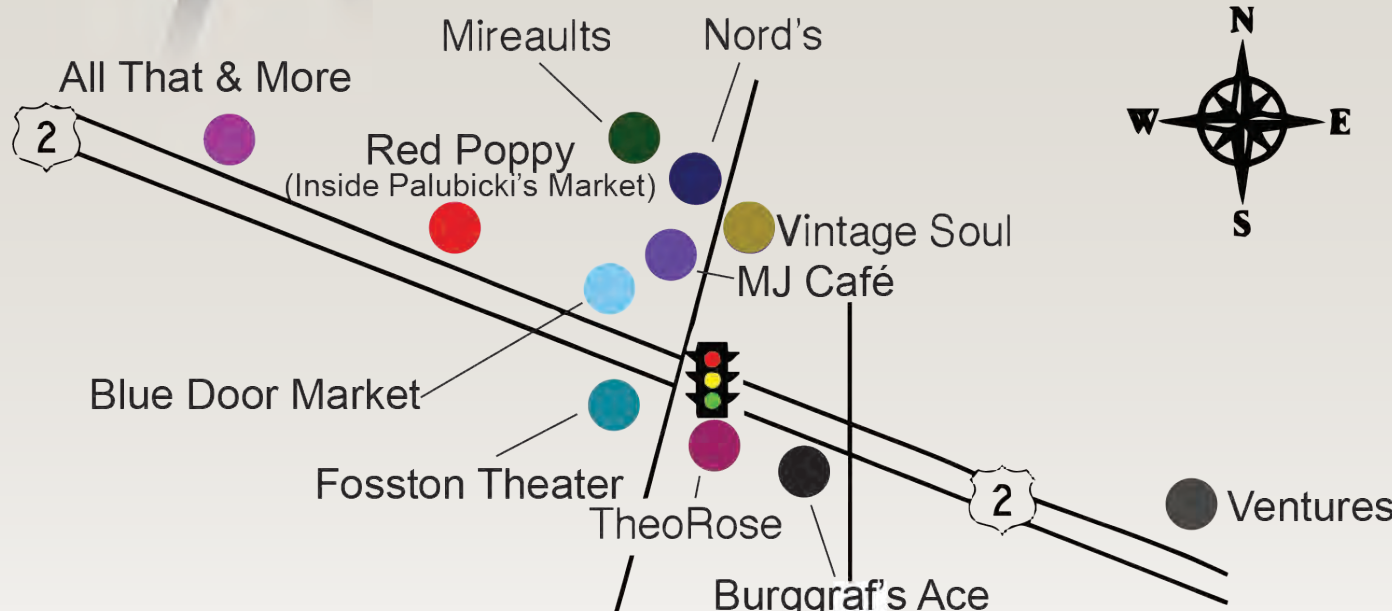
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