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2022 IDEA Competition names 3 finalists

March 8, 2022 (Bemidji, MN) – Three finalists have been named for the 14th season of the IDEA Competition, which aims to grow the economy of Northwest Minnesota by supporting and rewarding local innovators.

The finalists are:
 •Cook Family Farm, LLC. Kenna, Chloe, and Rocky Cook, of Bemidji. This idea expands on their development and sale of dryer balls from alpaca fibers and organic soil enhancers from alpaca manure. The family operates Cook Family Farm and plans to grow their retail business that sells products made from their alpaca fiber and farm kitchen.

•Community Voice. Megan Pederson, of Fertile. This idea would develop a mobile app to serve communities, increase community engagement, increase transparency among community leaders, and connect people to services. By providing a landing place for community events and happenings, communication from community leaders, and access to community resources, the goal of Community Voice is to be an inclusive space and a

one-stop shop to communities.

•Motor-grader Debris Blower. Merlin Olson, of Lengby. This idea involves a debris blower that would be attached to a road grader, allowing debris to be quickly and easily cleared from roadways. Olson, who previously maintained a section of roads in Mahanomen County, developed the idea after struggling with debris while blading the roadways, particularly after townships mowed the ditches in the summer and fall, leaving clumps of long grass on the roads.

Sixteen participants competed in this year's IDEA Competition. Upon selection, they were sorted into four categories: Home, Technology, Restorative, and Outdoors, from which the judges selected the finalists. Cook Family Farms emerged from the Home category, Community Voice from Technology, and the Motor-grader Debris Blower from Outdoors. No finalist was chosen from the Restorative category, which included ideas promoting health, wellness, and social improvements.

Upon entry, each entrepreneur is registered with the

Northwest Small Business Development Center and is partnered with an SBDC consultant, who provides guidance and expert assistance in development their idea. The process also involves group learning, with the first round of judging completed in late February.

The IDEA Competition will now continue as the three finalists further develop and refine their business plans. Final presentations will be held in early April, with eventual winners named by May. Criteria for judging includes: business opportunity, business model, strength of the entrepreneur team, strength of financials, and strength of the marketing plan.

To date, the IDEA Competition has awarded more than \$450,000 in cash prizes and \$32,000 in in-kind awards.

This year's competition is sponsored by the Northwest Minnesota Foundation, Northwest Small Business Development Center, LaValley Industries, HSML Intellectual Property & Business Lawyers, Idea Works, Evolve Creative, and Minnkota Power Cooperative.



Mattracks Special Operations Coordinator & Original Concept Creator, Matt Brazier (Left) and Mattracks Founder & CEO, Glen Brazier (Right) stand next to one of their many track systems while interviewed by Enterprise Minnesota.

Mattracks Featured In Enterprise Minnesota Magazine

Karlstad, MN – March 10, 2022 – Mattracks, the world leader in rubber track conversion systems was recently the main subject of the featured story “Small Town, Worldwide” in the Spring 2022 Issue of Enterprise Minnesota Magazine. The magazine itself is a renowned quarterly manufacturing publication which tells the remarkable stories of leaders and innovators throughout Minnesota’s Manufacturing industry.

Captioned “From a plant in tiny Karlstad, Mattracks manufactures rubber track conversions for customers in more than 100 countries”, the article provides an in-depth look at how this International company got to where it is today. The story touches on a wide-variety of aspects including Mattracks Founder & CEO, Glen Brazier’s beginnings as an inventor, how Mattracks first caught the attention of the International market, and the many ways that the company gives back to the community in which it is headquartered – Karlstad, Minnesota.

Several of the community support initiatives listed include Mattracks involvement with Kick’n Up Kountry music festival (June 15-18) and its on-site ADVENTUREWORLD theme park, as well as Mr. Brazier’s support of the proposed FAA-approved airport taking ground in Karlstad.

“It’s an honor to be featured in publications that provides the public with an in-depth look into the world of manufacturing,” says Mattracks Founder & CEO, Glen Brazier. “We are proud of our beginnings and amazed at just how far we have come. I’m happy more people will get to learn the story of Mattracks.”

Mattracks history is covered in-depth throughout the article, plus the company’s extensive exponential growth which is projected to take place over the next several years. The article also features a side-story “Jack of All Trades” highlighting Mattracks Special Operations Coordinator & Original Concept Creator, Matt Brazier’s extensive contributions, experiences and Involvement

in the company.

The full Enterprise Minnesota featured story “Small Town, Worldwide” can be read at: <https://www.enterpriseminnesota.org/articles/spring-2022/small-town-worldwide>

Mattracks, located in Karlstad, MN, is an International company that designs, builds and markets wheel to rubber track conversion systems for virtually any multi-axle vehicle. They manufacture over 150 different models that have sold all over the world, on all seven continents – for the past 25 years. These innovative systems are utilized on ATV’s, UTV’s, trucks, tractors, agricultural equipment, construction equipment and military vehicles.

For additional information, contact Mattracks, Inc at: 218-683-9800, 877-436-7800 (toll-free US & Canada) or 218-436-7000. Visit us online at www.mattracks.com, follow us on Facebook, Twitter and Youtube or email us at sales@mattracks.com

Traveling Art Exhibit Visits Crookston Public Library

The Northwest Minnesota Arts Council (NWMAC) sponsors an annual Traveling Art Exhibit, which visits northwest Minnesota communities throughout the year. The exhibit includes 15 original pieces of art by regional adult and student artists, chosen from works submitted for our annual juried exhibit. The exhibit is currently at the Crookston Public Library until March 16. Please stop by to see these works of art. See below for the schedule for the year.

NWMAC Traveling Art Exhibit at Crookston Public Library

The 2021-2022 Artists and Artwork:

Aubree Bonham, Fertile, “No Evil” (Mixed Media) (student)
 Riley Moland, Fertile, “Unique Askew” (Acrylic) (student)
 Heidi Danos, Fosston, “Never Apologize” (Mixed Media)
 Peggy Branden, Lake Bronson, “Emerging” (Mixed Media)
 Glen Heppner, Warroad,

“Pelican” (Oil Painting)

Lucille Nelson, Argyle, “Lending a Hand” (Drawing)

Bert Foster, Thief River Falls, “Old Man Resting” (Photograph)

Christine Foster, Thief River Falls, “Bridge to the Past” (Oil Painting)

Brennon Collins, Greenbush, “Lake Lounging” (Print) (student)

Phyllis Kallikowski, East Grand Forks, “Amalfi Coast” (Watercolor Painting)

Dara Maunu, Warroad, “Whimsical Walks 1” (Acrylic Painting)

Cindy Kolling, Gully, “Snapping Turtle Laying Eggs” (Drawing)

James Johanneck, Red Lake Falls, “Buckthorn Root Ball Vase” (Wood Sculpture)

Eskyla Manriquez, Ada, “Air Jordan 1 Chicago Black Toe” (Sculpture) (student)

Trinity Walseth, Goodridge, “Titles of Trinity” (Print) (student)

NWMAC Traveling Exhibit in Crookston

The 2021-2022 Traveling Exhibit Schedule*:

August 27– September 22, 2021 Hallock Public Library, Hallock

September 22–October 14, 2021 East Grand Forks Campbell Library

October 15–Nov 17, 2021 Ada Public Library

Nov 17–Dec 16, 2021 Fertile Public Library

Dec 16, 2021– January 12, 2022 Thief River Falls Public Library

January 12 – February 16, 2022 Fosston Public Library

February 16 -- March 16, 2022 Crookston Public Library

March 16 -- April TBD**

Red Lake Falls Public Library
 *The start and end dates at each location are approximate, depending on weather, venue hours and other circumstances that may occur to prohibit travel. For specific library hours, please contact each location before planning your visit, especially if you are planning on bringing a group.

**Tentatively scheduled

Letter from Chancellor Mary Holz-Clause

Greetings from the University of Minnesota Crookston.

We are halfway through the semester and we certainly hope the majority of winter. Since it is a little chilly up here still, a number of our athletic teams have headed to warmer climates to compete. The men’s golf team is headed to North Carolina and the women’s is in Arizona. The equestrian team is in Tennessee. The baseball team is in Florida and the tennis and softball teams will be on their way to Florida soon. Mark your calendar as home games resume in April.

Hats off to the UMC Women’s Equestrian Jumping Seat Equestrian Team on earning their fourth-straight Intercollegiate Horse Show Association (IHSA) Regional Championship. The team now advances on to the IHSA Zone Championships April 9 and 10 in Lubbock, Texas, as do six individuals who qualified.

UMC Teambackers, the athletic fundraising arm of campus, has two upcoming Golf Tournaments, June 9 and 17. Let Michelle Christoperson (mchristo@umn.edu) know if you want to register a team, contribute financially to Golden Eagle Athletics, or donate door prizes for these events.

The campus relies on the beneficence of our community in serving students with scholarships, updated equipment, facility enhancements etc.. We thank you for the monetary support and your generosity of time and in-kind support.

Special thanks to the more than thirty businesses in the community who have provided sponsorships, hosting pregame socials and many game sponsorships at basketball, volleyball and hockey games, among other gifts. Our local corporate partners have contributed more than forty-five thousand dollars in services, in kind and financial contributions in the last six months.

The Crookston Baseball Association, a longtime community and University partner, has given Golden Eagle Athletics an impactful five-year commit-

ment to support scholarships for our Golden Eagle Softball team. Coach Weinmeister and the team are off to their best start of their season in history.

Engaging within the community and region has looked different this year, but that hasn’t stopped local and alumni support. Recently, one of our many agricultural partners has given a gift to hire a full time person to focus on regional student pathway programs creating awareness and exciting high school students about pursuing careers in science and agriculture.

Two Candidates Withdraw, One Ineligible

Candidates Certified for Red Lake Tribal General Election May 18, 2022

by Michael Meurers

Candidates for Red Lake Tribal Officers and District Representative were certified at the Tuesday, March 8, 2022 regularly scheduled tribal council meeting.

One incumbent, Tribal Treasurer Annette Johnson withdrew her candidacy before the candidacy withdrawal date of March 2, 2022. One non-incumbent candidate withdrew, and one candidate was deemed ineligible. Two incumbents from Ponemah and Redby opted to not seek reelection in addition to Johnson.

List of certified candidates are:

Tribal Chairman - Darrell G. Seki, Sr., Incumbent, Floyd

"Buck" Jourdain, Angela M. Chaboyea, Lydell J. Roberts, Darwin Sumner.

Tribal Secretary - Samuel R. Strong, Incumbent, Tim Sumner.

Tribal Treasurer - No Incumbent, Vernelle R. Lussier, Marian M. Beaulieu.

Red Lake District - Donald L. Good, Sr., Incumbent, Julie A. Stately, Michael W. Needham, Clem H. May, Sr., Nicole E. Desjarlait, David F. Desjarlait, Clayton D. Strong, Sr., Mark R. Kingbird, Sr., Martera F. Nelson, Cherilyn R. Spears, Mark A. Sigana, Robert L. May, Leland D. Lussier, Jr., Charles G. Martin.

Redby District - No Incumbent, Harold E. Graves,

Jr., Jeanne R. Thunder, Herman D. Donnell, Gary R. Auginash, Sr., Lester G. Loud, Sheldon W. Brown, Maureen K. Lyons.

Little Rock District - Adrian Beaulieu, Incumbent, Tashine L. Branchaud, Cheryl M. Thomas, James, J. Drouillard, Jr., Harlow S. Spears.

Ponemah District - No Incumbent, Randall W. Kingbird, Aaron W. Jones, Eugene R. Standing Cloud, Scott W. Perkins.

If no candidate receives 50% +1 of the vote on election day Wednesday, May 18, 2022, the top two vote getters go to a run-off in August. Absentee balloting begins on Monday, March 14th.



Red Lake Current Tribal Council. Left to right rear; Adrian Beaulieu and Michelle Barrett Cobenais, of Little Rock; Gary Nelson and Glenda Martin of Ponemah; Alan Pemberton and Julius “Toady” Thunder, Redby; Robert “Bob” Smith, Red Lake District. Front, Tribal Secretary Samuel Strong, Chairman Darrell G. Seki, Sr., Treasurer Annette Johnson, and Donald L. Good, Sr. of Red Lake district.

Deadline to remove ice shelters in northern Minnesota is March 21

Anglers should clean litter left on lakes



The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources reminds anglers the upcoming deadline to remove ice shelters from lakes in the northern one-third of the state is quickly approaching. Heavy snow and slush in some areas means conditions on the ice might be challenging, so the DNR urges anglers to plan ahead to ensure they're able to meet the deadline.

The removal deadline in the northern one-third of the state — which is defined as north of the east-west line formed by U.S. Highway 10, east along Highway 34 to Minnesota Highway 200, east along Highway 2 to U.S. Highway 2, and east along Highway 2 to the Minnesota-Wisconsin border

— is by 11:59 p.m. Monday, March 21. The removal deadline for Minnesota/Canada border waters is March 31.

Anglers are responsible for removing their shelters by the deadline and ensuring no trash is left behind. Commonly left items include bait, blocking material, bottles, cans, cigarette butts and plastic bags filled with waste. As use of wheelhouses has increased, there also have been additional instances of people dumping their sewage atop the ice.

"There is simply no excuse for littering our lakes," said Capt. Robert Gorecki, DNR Enforcement Division regional manager in northeastern Minnesota. "Anything left on the ice ends up in our waters and

conservation officers will not hesitate to issue citations for littering."

If shelters aren't removed by the deadline, owners can be prosecuted, and structures may be confiscated and removed by a conservation officer. If conditions or other circumstances are making it difficult for people to meet the deadline, they should contact their local conservation officer to explain the situation.

The removal deadline does not mean anglers no longer can use shelters on the ice. After the deadline, shelters may still be on the ice, but they must be occupied if they're out between midnight and one hour before sunrise. Shelters may not be left or stored at public accesses.

Anglers always should keep in mind that ice conditions vary widely and that ice is never 100% safe. For more information, check out the ice safety page of the DNR website (mndnr.gov/IceSafety).

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MCCL meeting scheduled

The March meeting of MCCL (Minnesota Citizens Concerned for Life) Local Chapter #45 will be held Thursday, March 17th at 7:00 p.m. at Mt. Carmel Church in McIntosh. All interested persons are invited and welcome to attend.

NOTICE OF MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS OF FOSSTON TRI-COOP

Fosston, Minnesota

Notice is hereby given that the Annual meeting of stockholders of Fosston Tri-Coop will be held at Ventures Bar & Grill in Fosston, Minnesota on Friday, March 25, 2022. Meeting will start at 5:00 p.m. with a meal to follow.

The business meeting will include the presentation of the annual report and election of two directors, who will serve a term of three years.

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To all my family and friends who came to visit me, sent cards, texts and calls.

To all the people who prayed for me. I am so amazed at the outpouring of love. I am so blessed to live in this wonderful community. Thank you everyone and my God Bless each and every one of you.

"In my distress I called upon the Lord, and cried out to my God; He heard my voice from His temple, and my cry came before Him even to His ears." Psalm 18:6

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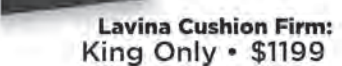
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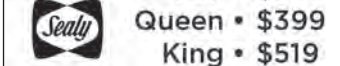
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Head Start Management & Classroom Positions Available



Inter-County Community Council is accepting applications for openings in our Head Start program.

Health Coordinator: 40 hours a week, year round, office in Thief River Falls, MN with travel to satellite offices, the first 4 weeks will be located in Oklee for training. Position supports staff serving families of children ages birth to 5 years to meet Head Start health requirements focusing on data monitoring, referrals, and staff training; Bachelor's Degree is required but will consider candidates with ability to complete within 1st year of employment. Experience in health field and with young children preferred. Additional training will be provided. Must be able to pass a background check. Open until filled.

Program Assistant: 40 hours a week, office in Oklee, MN with limited travel to satellite offices. Position supports staff serving families of children ages birth to 5 years. Primary duties include data entry, scanning, copying, organizing, etc. Minimum of high school diploma / GED. Additional training will be provided. Must be able to pass a background check. Open until filled.

Assistant Teacher: 40 hours a week, 10 month position, classroom located in Thief River Falls, MN. Work with a team to provide care and education to 4 years old's in a classroom setting; primary duties include assisting the teachers in the classroom with group activities, cleaning, assisting children with handwashing/toothbrushing, riding the bus, and transporting meals. Must be able to pass a background check. Position requires Child Development Associate or willingness to obtain within the first year of employment. Experience with children preferred, additional training will be provided. Open until filled.

Application and position specific information, including job duties, salary and educational requirements are available on our website at www.intercountycc.org. Send completed application and resume to Inter-County Community Council, Human Resources, PO Box 189, Oklee, MN 56742 or hr@intercountycc.org. Call 218-796-5144 x1028 for more information.

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Custodian I Facilities Management Department

The Polk County Facilities Department has 2 (two) immediate openings for a full time, benefitted Custodian I position. This position performs a variety of custodial duties including emptying trash, sweeping, mopping, and vacuuming floors, cleaning restrooms, and ordering and stocking supplies. This position will be assigned a primary location, however, will be required to work at multiple facility locations as needed and assigned, including the jail. Polk County offers a highly competitive benefits package including: affordable healthcare plans through BCBS including attractive low cost family healthcare plans, dental, vision, life, long-term and short-term disability coverage; flexible spending accounts; PERA retirement with contributions made by the County, vacation and sick leave, and access to many other health and wellness programs. Applicants must have a high school diploma or GED. Previous custodial experience is preferred but not required. A valid driver's license is required for this position. Wage range for this position is \$15.93 - \$20.25/hour DOE and qualifications. An application and job description can be found on Polk County's website: www.co.polk.mn.us - click on Careers or contact the Polk County Administrator's Office at (218) 281-5408. Please send your completed application and resume to the Polk County Administrator's Office, 612 N. Broadway, Room 211, Crookston, MN 56716, or e-mail directly to alecia.helms@co.polk.mn.us All qualified applicants will be considered for employment. **This position will remain open until filled.** EOE

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Environmental Technician Position

Polk County Environmental Services, Crookston, MN is seeking applicants for a full-time Environmental Technician. Duties include but are not limited to; performing intermediate technical work, providing information, clarification and assistance with solid waste, household hazardous waste & planning & zoning regulations, conducting inspections & making recommendations regarding enforcement of regulations, and related work as assigned. A Bachelor's degree in a related science field, or related field and moderate experience or equivalent combination of education and experience. Must have a valid driver's license. Polk County offers a highly competitive benefits package including affordable healthcare plans through BCBS including attractive low-cost family healthcare plans, dental, vision, life, long-term and short-term disability coverage; flexible spending accounts; PERA retirement with contributions made by the County, vacation and sick leave, and access to many other health and wellness programs. Wage range for this position is \$20.52 - \$26.08/hr. 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 directly to alecia.helms@co.polk.mn.us This position will remain open until filled. EOE

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Please submit letter of interest, resume, credentials, and three references to:

Clearbrook-Gonvick School
16770 Clearwater Lake Rd
Clearbrook, MN 56634

Attn: Melissa Weems, HR or email the materials to: mmccoy@clearbrook-gonvick.k12.mn.us

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QUALIFICATIONS:

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- Ability to comprehend complex programs and rules and be able to explain them to others.
- Self-motivated, able to work with a minimum of supervision.
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- Experience in design and installation of conservation practices or similar work.
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SELECTION PROCESS:

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Tanya Waldo, District Manager
Red Lake County SWCD
2602 Wheat Drive
Red Lake Falls, MN 56750
Tanya.Hanson@redlake.mnswcd.org

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"Tourism businesses have faced tremendous challenges throughout the pandemic – yet they have remained steadfast in helping Minnesotans and visitors enjoy the beauty of our state," said Governor Tim Walz. "As Minnesota's tourism economy takes strong steps toward recovering, I look forward to working with Minnesota's tourism industry to continue working to make Minnesota a top travel destination."

Explore Minnesota also shared highlights from its annual report. Since the onset of the pandemic, Explore Minnesota has supported hundreds of Minnesota communities with more than \$3 million in tourism crisis and recovery grants. The state's tourism businesses are recovering from pandemic impacts at different rates by sector and region. Some sectors, such as business travel, have been slower to recover, but according to a recent Minnesota tourism and hospitality industry survey, 39% of leisure travel businesses reported they were at or above pre-pandemic business levels, and demand for personal travel is expected to remain high in 2022.

"While we don't anticipate a complete return to pre-pandemic levels until late 2023 or early 2024, we are working our way back and anticipate stronger travel volume in 2022," said Lauren Bennett McGinty, state tourism director, Explore Minnesota. "Minnesota is a unique, four-season destination, and we have a major opportunity moving forward to position the state as a top 10 travel destination. After nearly two years of pandemic constraints, Explore Minnesota is ready to execute a new strategic direction to attract travelers from our state, around the country and across the globe who are eager to get back out, explore, and reconnect with the people and places they care about most."

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"The last two years have been challenging, but demand for travel is on the rise. While we can't forecast anything specific, we can be confident that we have a lot of exciting events like the 2022 NCAA Women's Final Four, 2022 MLS All-Star Game and 3M Open, and plenty of great ideas in place to build a bigger, bolder and brighter future for Minnesota's tourism industry," added Bennett McGinty.

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Theology in the Trenches By Kathleen Kjolhaug One Night's Stay Turned into Two "Can you help me make a hotel reservation?" said I to the tech guru in the family. "Just call to the hotel directly," was the prompt given. The still small voice within me knew better, but the directive made sense, so I did. Upon the computer I sought the number. There it was, all big and bold calling my name to call it. The price quoted was out of our range and as I grumbled aloud, the gal upon the phone reassured me she could find another hotel that was cheaper. Friendly people, I thought. How nice of her to make a reservation for me at a different hotel than the one she's working at. We arrived at our destination, and I was happy. I was happy until as happenstance would have it, our vehicle had a few screws loose, and we needed to spend an extra night. One need not be schooled in mechanics to know holding ball bearings in the palm of one's hand calls for an extra night's stay when it's a weekend. As luck would have it, our cheaper hotel was mere blocks away from the fix-it shop, and once again, we were happy. I made my way to the front desk to secure the extra night's stay, when out of my mouth tumbled our dilemma. No detail was too small to leave out, and I did all but bring the ball bearings for show-and-tell. In silence she listened. Once I finished, she told me we could keep our room for one more night. "How much will it be?" I asked. "I was certain the price would be higher and I was ready!" "For two nights it is showing it will be \$179." Only hearing the higher number, I began my arguments. "We paid \$132 for the first night and I insist we get it for the same price!" She stared at me with a blank expression as I rambled on. Soon, she gently interrupted me. "Excuse me, but perhaps we'd better take a look and see what happened here. It looks like you went through a third party when you initially booked this hotel. You see, our normal rates are only \$89 per night. It looks like you paid well over what we charge, but I can give you our normal rates for the extra night." Now, it was I who stood with blank expression upon my face. Not only had I presupposed they were going to take advantage of our situation, but now realized I had already been taken advantage of by a third party booking agency! The clerk before me chose to do the right thing even after I had insisted on paying for the second night at a much higher rate than normal. She was honest. She was living out James 3:17. "But the wisdom that comes from heaven is first of all pure; then peace-loving, considerate, submissive, full of mercy and good fruit, impartial and sincere." Her mercy given was not only much needed at the moment, but it was deeply felt. For all of her grace extended, I was and still am most grateful. Amen.

Ask a Trooper by Sgt. Jesse Grabow Minnesota State Patrol Question: The horn of my vehicle no longer works. Do I need to have one? Answer: Yes, every motor vehicle when operated upon a highway must be equipped with a horn in good working order and capable of emitting sound audible under normal conditions from a distance of not less than 200 feet. However, the horn or other warning device must not emit an unreasonably loud or harsh sound or a whistle. The driver of a motor vehicle shall, when reasonably necessary to insure safe operation, give audible warning with the horn, but shall not otherwise use the horn when upon a highway.

Gathering of the Green By Auctioneer Eric W. Mickelson years and is currently the Director of Customer Solutions for True North Equipment in Grand Forks, ND. Yes, I will miss you Gathering of the Green, but hopefully the sun begins to shine brighter and stronger and we will enjoy some spring and summer weather.....and hopefully some tractor shows! How about a little tractor trivia! (Here is a little 830 John Deere trivia as some of my favorite memories of tractor pulling was Don Dufner on his model 830!) 1. The model 830 was made from 1958-_____. A) 1959 B) 1960 C) 1961 D) 1962 2. The 830 replaced the model _____. A) R B) 80 C) 820 D) 840 3. The 830 had ____ forward speeds and ____ reverse. A) 4,1 B) 5,1 C) 5,2 D) 6,1 4. The model 830 was tested with _____ drawbar horsepower. A) 65 B) 67 C) 70 D) 75 5. T or F The 830 was offered with a starting (pony) motor or electric start. Answers: 1. C. 1961 2. C. 820 3. D,6,1 4. B,67 5. True Here is a picture of Don Dufner's 830 Special!

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Death Notice for Christopher Wang

Christopher Wang, age 62, of Gillette, WY, and formerly of Winger, MN, passed away unexpectedly on Sunday, March 6th, at his home in Gillette. No services are planned at this time. Arrangements are with Carlin Family Funeral Service of Fosston and messages of condolence may be shared at www.carlinfuneral.com.

Obituary for Roger C. Johnson

A longtime resident of Wayzata and Plymouth, Roger passed away on March 6, 2022 from complications of Alzheimer's disease and diabetes.

Born on 8/22/1927 and raised in Clearbrook, MN he was the youngest of eight children. He graduated from Clearbrook High School in 1945. After serving in the US Navy, he graduated from Bemidji State College in 1951. While employed at General Mills for 34 years, Roger met the lovely Ramborg, who became his wife of 68 years. Sadly, she passed away in November.

In retirement, Roger became an avid birdwatcher, traveling to Costa Rica and the Galapagos Islands with fellow birders. As the Johnson family historian, Roger visited Scandinavia and also enjoyed trips with Ramborg to her homeland of Germany. Spending the winter months in Sarasota and Naples Florida enabled them to enjoy their daily walks year-round.

Roger is survived by sister-in-law Pat Johnson of Clearbrook and numerous nieces and nephews. Preceded in death by parents Martin and Christine Johnson; siblings Doris, Marvella, Iva, Lester, Frances, Marian, Lowell.

Special thanks to the North Memorial Hospice and the care team at The Birches Trillium Woods in Plymouth. No services will be held at this time, Roger is a member of the U of Minnesota Anatomy Bequest Program.

Obituary for Lowell H. Stevens

Lowell H. Stevens passed away Monday, March 7, 2022 at his home, in Clearbrook, MN, surrounded by family.

An interment service will be held at 1:30 P.M. March 29, 2022 at Fort Snelling National Cemetery, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Lowell was born March 29, 1933 in Hudson, Wisconsin to Lyle and Harriet (Little) Stevens. He was the 3rd of 7 children. He grew up in Wattertown, South Dakota. He also spent some of his childhood years in Pinewood, Minnesota. He joined the United States Air Force February 8, 1950. While home on leave he met Margaret Cunningham. They were married December 1, 1955. While they were stationed in England the couple welcomed their daughter Edie in 1957 and son Lowell in 1958. They were transferred to Colorado, where they welcomed their daughter Dani in 1959.

In 1960 he transferred from the United States Air Force to the United States Army. They were stationed in Georgia and welcomed son Richard later that year. The family was then transferred to Germany where they welcomed daughters Gyne in 1962 and Shelly in 1964. During Lowell's time in Germany he served as First Sergeant. His troops would refer to him as "#1". While Lowell was serving in Korea, Margaret welcomed daughter Vali in 1967. In 1969 Lowell served in Vietnam. After serving 22 years in the military, First Sergeant Stevens retired on May 31, 1972.

Lowell's dream was to be a farmer in Minnesota. In 1973

Lowell and Margaret moved their family to Clearbrook, Minnesota. His mother always said that Lowell and Margaret didn't need anybody but each other, their kids and the cat. He started farming and worked multiple jobs. He spent many years as a meat cutter at Hartz Grocery in Bagley. He worked at B and M Supply lumber yard. He graded roads and wrote fire permits for Holst Township. Lowell was the Commander of the local American Legion Post #256. He also put in many hours volunteering at the Senior Center in Clearbrook.

He took great pleasure spending time with Margaret, his children, grandchildren and great grandchildren. He was known to them as Grandpa-the-Great. Lowell and Margaret spent many Saturday nights square dancing in Gonvick and Bagley. He also enjoyed woodworking. He made many projects for family from coat racks to potty chairs and rocking dinosaurs for the grandkids. Lowell's dream of farming brought a love for John Deere. He spent time at tractor shows, fixing his tractors and eventually restored his favorite 1935 Model B.

Lowell is survived by his wife of 66 years Margaret, children Edie Stevens-Breckon, Skiatook, OK; Lowell E Stevens, Hillsboro, ND; Dani (Roger) Sebenaler, Grand Forks, ND; Richard (Liz) Stevens, Osage, IA; Gyne (Kevin) Guthe, Daytona Beach, FL; Shelly (Rock) Rayl, Great Falls, MT; Vali Hamilton, Clearbrook, MN; 13 Grandchildren, 14 Great Grandchildren, his sister Sharon Stevens Jacksonville, NC; many nieces and nephews and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, brothers LaVerne, Marion, Charles, Leonard, Doug, grandchildren Michael and Nathan Sebenaler, and sons-in-law Harold Hamilton and Jim Breckon, several brothers-in-law and a special sister-in-law Evalyn Swenson and her husband Curt.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks donations be directed to the Clearbrook American Legion Post #256 Scholarship Fund, PO Box 32, Clearbrook, MN 56634.

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

Death Notice for Evelyn Halvorson

Evelyn Halvorson, age 103, of Fosston and Bagley, MN, passed away on Saturday, March 12th, at McIntosh Senior Living. Arrangements are pending with Carlin Family Funeral Service of Fosston.

Obituary for Bruce McWilliam

Bruce McWilliam, age 76, of Winger, MN, passed away on Tuesday, March 8th, at Essentia Health Hospital in Fosston. Funeral services will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, March 13th, in the Fosston High School (New Gym) with Pastor Seth Johnson officiating. Interment will be in Fairview Cemetery, rural Erskine, in the spring. Visitation will be held from Noon until 2:00 p.m. on Sunday afternoon in the high school. The service will be live-streamed on the Carlin Facebook page and recorded for viewing later on the Carlin website. Military honors will be provided by the National Guard Honors Team. Arrangements are with Carlin Family Funeral Service of Fosston and messages of condolence may be shared at www.carlinfuneral.com.

Bruce Alexander McWilliam was born October 23, 1945, in Crookston, Minnesota, to parents John & Margrette (Hanson) McWilliam. He was baptized and confirmed at Calvary Lutheran Church, Winger, Minnesota where he was a member his entire life and currently serving as a deacon. He grew up on the family farm two miles southeast of Winger. He attended grade school in Winger and graduated from McIntosh High School, McIntosh, Minnesota in 1963. He attended Colorado State College, in Greeley, Colorado for his freshman year of college to live with his oldest sister, Jean's family along with his older sister Susan. He then transferred to NDSU in Fargo where he graduated with his BS degree majoring in Social Studies with an English minor.

His first teaching job was in Green Isle, Minnesota for one year, the second position was in the Erskine High School teaching English and Social Studies along with his start in directing plays. As he was teaching, directing, and being the yearbook adviser, he also was dairy farming. He affectionately earned the name "Mr. Mac". He taught for two years before being drafted into the Army and sent to Vietnam just before Christmas in 1969. He was stationed with the 47th Transportation Company that delivered fuel to outlying companies. During his service, he was awarded a Bronze medal and was chosen soldier of the month. In 1970, he was sent to Ansbach, Germany. During his time there, he wrote many poems, short stories, took pictures, and was able to cultivate his creativity. Being away from his family, friends, and his cows was difficult, but it gave him the opportunity to travel to various countries where he met relatives in Portsoy Scotland. He was able to visit the nearby

homestead in the Parish of Keith Banffshire, the village his great-grandparents emigrated from. He returned home to Minnesota in February of 1972.

One of his life-long passions was cows. He could always remember the names of the cows he had over the years. He showed dairy cattle in 4-H, as well as into adulthood, showing at the Red River Valley Fair, county fairs in Mahanomen Bagley, Fosston, Fertile, and at the Minnesota State Fair. He was a 4-H leader for over 30 years, and he would lease his cattle to any youth who were interested in showing dairy animals and continued being a leader while his two daughters were in the 4-H program. The yearly vacation was to attend the MN State Fair.

He was an important member of the community being part of the Fosston School system for almost thirty years. His students were all very important to him and he was excited to start school last Fall in hopes it would be a better year for students even though COVID still loomed over their school year. He never officially retired, and always thought his time was well spent helping others.

He enjoyed spending time with his family, visiting friends, hosting card parties, reading a good book, acting in community theatre, and the Winger Variety Shows. He liked to cook and bake and could be found sharing his creations like hot-dish or strawberry dessert with others.

Most importantly, he was a large part of the family he created when he married LaVonne (Moteberg), in 1989. He was blessed with two girls, that he cherished and they fulfilled his dream of being a dad. He loved sharing his passion for

Obituary for Marland E. Rue

Marland E. Rue, age 85, of Fosston, MN, passed away on Thursday, March 3rd, at his home. A memorial service will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, March 16th, at Kingo Lutheran Church in Fosston with the Rev. John Ragan officiating. Interment will be in Kingo Lutheran Cemetery, Fosston, in the spring. Family will greet friends for one hour prior to the service on Wednesday, March 16th, at the church. The service will be live-streamed on the Carlin Facebook page and also recorded and available for viewing later on the Carlin website. Military honors will

be provided by the National Guard Honors Team. Arrangements are with Carlin Family Funeral Service of Fosston and messages of condolence may be shared at www.carlinfuneral.com.

Marland E. Rue, 86 of Fosston, Minnesota died Thursday, March 3, 2022 at his home in Fosston. Celebration of Life will be on Wednesday, March 16 at 11:00 a.m. at Kingo Lutheran Church in Fosston, with a visitation prior to the service at 10:00 am. Lunch and sharing of memories following the service.

Marly was born on February 6, 1936 in Fosston, Minnesota to Moritz and Clara (Berglund) Rue. He was raised on the family farm, which later became Lakeview Farms. He lived his entire life there, which was homesteaded by his grandfather in 1883.

He graduated from Fosston High School in 1954, worked on the farm until he was drafted into the US Army in 1958. He served in the Army from 1958-1960, where he was stationed in Korea. Upon honorable discharge from the Army, he returned to Fosston. Marly married the love of his life, Cheryl Hanson, on August 26, 1967 in Fosston, Minnesota. Marly and Cheryl were blessed with

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four children: Todd, Melanie, Mitchell, and Kristopher.

Throughout his life, Marly enjoyed his family, his life on the farm, was an avid outdoorsman, and an active member of Kingo Lutheran Church and the Community of Fosston. During this time, he farmed with his dad, brother, sons, nephews, and often included his grandchildren in the daily activities. He touched and influenced five generations of farmers at Lakeview Farms. He loved to tell stories of hunting & farming, and took the grandkids in the deer stand or in the tractor when he had the chance. He also shared with his family his passion for the outdoors. Marly and his brother Rolly loved and respected wildlife and were given the honor of being Minnesota Outstanding Farmer Sportsmen of the Year in 1985. They were instrumental members of Ducks Unlimited, Minnesota Waterfowl, and the Fosston Area Sportsmen's Club. Marly was also a Production Credit Association Board member for several years, where he helped support his rural farming community. His life was based on his faith and that played out in how he lived his life. He was a member of Kingo Lutheran Church Choir, served on the church council, and was past-president of the congregation.

Marly is survived by wife Cheryl, children Todd (Tamie) Rue, Melanie (Dan) Paulson, Mitchell (Becca) Rue, Kristopher (Gwen) Rue, Grandchildren Brook (David) Burggraf, Anika, Jack and Gunnar Paulson, Hayden & Braylee Rue, Maxwell & Charles Rue. Great grandchildren Claire, Camille, Callie and Cora Burggraf.

He was preceded in death by his parents; Clara & Moritz Rue; brothers Rolly, Darryl, Ralph; and sister Cheryl.

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Bruce is survived by his wife of 32 years, LaVonne of Winger; daughters Marissa (Karl) Donner and granddaughter Emmie, of Winger, MN, MarJenna (Brady) Koehler of Fargo, ND; brother-in-law Orrie Flermoen of Winger; sister-in-law Darla McWilliam of Rindal, MN; nieces Shelley Hartnett and her children, Jacqueline and Eddie III, of Broomfield, CO, Stephanie (Kevin) Harvey of Grand Junction, CO, and her children, Tylor (Kristina) Weston, Craig, CO and Elise (Lewis) Rucker, Sioux Falls, SD, along with great-nieces and nephews. Mother-in-law, Lyla Moteberg, sister-in-law, LaDawna Anderson, both of Erskine, Brothers-in-Law, Butch (Bonnie) Moteberg of Grand Forks, ND, and Punky (Ellen) Moteberg of Sherwood, OR; his nieces, nephews and great nieces and nephew, and his Godson, Alex Budd of Bloomington, MN

He was preceded in death by his parents, his older sisters Jean Hagen and Susan Flermoen, and his younger brother, Jan.

Blessed be the memory of Bruce Alexander McWilliam.

In his retirement, he loved working on the Hove farm and helping out at the Johnson's. He also enjoyed following Fosston High School Greyhound activities, and watching his grandchildren play sports when he could. One of his favorite things to do was to have morning coffee and conversation with "the guys" in town. Oh, the stories one could tell if their conversations were heard. In true farmer fashion, he was a jack of all trades. He had incredible resolve in helping his friends and neighbors whenever they needed him, and possessed the quality of quiet strength that those that knew him will not soon forget.

Marly is survived by wife Cheryl, children Todd (Tamie) Rue, Melanie (Dan) Paulson, Mitchell (Becca) Rue, Kristopher (Gwen) Rue, Grandchildren Brook (David) Burggraf, Anika, Jack and Gunnar Paulson, Hayden & Braylee Rue, Maxwell & Charles Rue. Great grandchildren Claire, Camille, Callie and Cora Burggraf.

He was preceded in death by his parents; Clara & Moritz Rue; brothers Rolly, Darryl, Ralph; and sister Cheryl.

Obituary for Marian Haugen

Marian Haugen, age 88, of Fosston, MN, passed away on Thursday, March 3rd, at Essentia Health Hospital in Fosston. A memorial service will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 17th, at Calvary Free Lutheran Church in Fosston with the Rev. Mark Richardson officiating. Interment will be in Calvary Free Lutheran Cemetery, Fosston, in the spring. Visitation will be held from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. with a 6:00 p.m. prayer service on Wednesday, March 16th, at the Carlin Funeral Home in Fosston. Family will also greet friends for one hour prior to the service on Thursday,

March 17th, at the church. The service will be live-streamed on the Carlin Facebook page and recorded for viewing later on the Carlin website. Arrangements are with Carlin Family Funeral Service of Fosston and messages of condolence may be shared at www.carlinfuneral.com.

On Thursday, March 3, 2022, the life of Marian Levina Haugen came to a peaceful end. Her 88 ½ years were filled with an abundance of love and joy and she was ready to meet her Savior. Marian was born on September 5, 1933 to Victor and Hulda Colsen at their home in Columbia township east of Fosston, Minnesota. Her early years were spent on that farm. At the age of 13, after her father died, she needed to find other living accommodations. For the next 5 years, until she graduated from Fosston High School in 1952, Marian stayed with various family members and finally shared a rented room in Fosston.

The fall after graduation, she married Norval Haugen and they began their 61 years of marriage. After living in a few different places in or around Fosston, in 1961 they bought the house in which Marian lived out her life. Together they built a home filled with love and welcomed their five children to share it. Susan, Bruce, Daniel, Amy, and Brian

were all the grateful recipients of that haven of nurturing love.

After her children had all reached school age Marian began her long school bus driving career. Ultimately she ended up driving for over 40 years and she never lost the feeling that she was not alone while she drove. She would say, "No matter what kind of weather or situation, Jesus is always with me. I feel His presence." She considered her time in her bus more of a ministry than a job and cared for her "bus kids" as her own. She was proud of the fact that in all of those years she had never had an accident.

A devout Christian and member of Calvary Lutheran Church of Fosston, she was, in many ways, a true example of a Proverbs 31 woman. She cooked, sewed, quilted, gardened, canned, upholstered, refinished furniture, and painted pictures. Her home was always open to others and was often filled to overflowing with guests. Genuine hospitality and the ability to love others with open arms were her greatest gifts. Although she would have been the last person to think this, she was truly an amazing woman who had a zest for life that stayed with her until she died.

She is survived by her children; Susan (John) Berg of New York Mills, MN, Bruce Haugen of Fosston, Dan Hau-

gen of Renton, Washington, Amy (Alan) Kachel of South Padre Island, Texas, and Brian (Karen) Haugen of Elk River, Minnesota. She is also survived by eight grandchildren; Jason (Jen) Haugen, Chrissy Munter (Ryan Norberg), Sarah (Tim) Jahnke, Carl (Laura) Berg, (Robin) Berg, Rachel (Christopher) Fencil, Kayla Kachel (Derek Scheuermann), Mariah (Jake) Kerr. Sixteen great grandchildren; Karey, Madison, Christian, and Chloe Haugen, Gabe, Selma, Caleb, and Seth Jahnke, Wyatt, Axel, Owen, and Charlie Munter, Natalie Scheuermann, Odin and Indigo Berg, Bergen Fencil and four great-great grandchildren. She is also survived by sister-in-law Gladys (Harold) Vig, many nieces, nephews and friends whom she loved dearly.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Norval Haugen, her parents, Victor and Hulda Colsen, her brothers, Edward and Roy Colsen and sisters Alice Johnson, Ethel Johnson, and Viola Larsen; and grandson, Erik Berg.

Grand Forks, ND, and Punky (Ellen) Moteberg of Sherwood, OR; his nieces, nephews and great nieces and nephew, and his Godson, Alex Budd of Bloomington, MN.

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Obituary for Olive Wiskow

Olive Wiskow of Goodridge, MN passed away on Thursday, March 10, 2022 at Oakland Park Community surrounded by her loving family.

Funeral services will be held at 10:00 AM on Monday, March 28, 2022 at Faith Lutheran Church in Goodridge, MN with Reverend Kristin Ostercamp officiating. Burial will be at the Goodridge Community Cemetery in Goodridge, MN.

Visitation will be held from 3-6 PM with a prayer service at 5:00 PM at Faith Lutheran church in Goodridge. Visitation will also be One hour prior to the service on Monday at Faith Lutheran Church.

Olive Elvina Olson was born October 13, 1942 daughter of Gilbert and Beatrice (Johnson) Olson at home in Marshall County, near Middle River, MN. She attended country school for one year and then attended school in Middle River. Olive worked at Hartz in Thief River Falls in 1960.

On October 22, 1960, Olive was united in marriage to Eugene Wiskow at the Faith Lutheran Church near Greenbush, MN. On November 8, 1960, the couple purchased a resettlement farm from Bill and Olive Rehm in Goodridge Township near Goodridge, MN. They raised small grains on their family farm and their three sons, Darrick, Darrell and Dean.

Olive enjoyed hunting, fishing, camping, visiting, playing bingo, and spending time with family and friends. She enjoyed making cakes for weddings, confirmations, and birthdays. She taught Sunday school and was Sunday School Superintendent, she was Den Mother for Cub Scouts and worked for the Goodridge School and for 14 years worked at the Goodridge Hartz store and Digi Key for 10 years.

She was a member of Faith Lutheran Church in Goodridge, MN. Ole and Olive were Rain Gauge Monitors for Pennington SWCD for 35 years.

Survivors include sons, Darrick (Cindy) Wiskow of Thief River Falls, MN, Darrell (Janet) Wiskow of Red Lake Falls, MN and Dean (Sheila) Wiskow of Goodridge, MN; grandchildren, Troy, Travis, Brandon, Mikayla, Jeremy and Amy Wiskow; in-laws, Clarice Wiskow of Roseau, MN, Arnold (Eunice) Wiskow of Thief River Falls, MN, Elvina Shimpa of Greenbush, MN, Lorraine Kvien of Roseau, MN, Loretta (Wally) Walz of Karlstad; Arla Wiskow of Thief River Falls, MN and Richard Sannes of Holt, MN; many nieces, nephews, relatives and friends; and special family friends, Tom (Stephanie) Pederson of Thief River Falls, MN, Kendra (Andy) Rook of Bemidji, MN and Grady (Haley) Pederson of East Grand Forks, MN.

Olive is preceded in death by her husband Ole in 2015, parents, sisters Sylvia Sannes, Margaret Swenson, Gloria Olson, brothers Harlen Olson, Peter Olson, Verlin Olson.

CASKET BEARERS; all of Olive's grandchildren, Troy Wiskow, Travis Wiskow, Brandon Wiskow, Mikayla Wiskow, Jeremy Wiskow, Amy Wiskow.

HONORARY CASKET BEARERS; Faith Mission Quilters.

Condolences may be sent at www.johnsonfuneralservice.com

Garfield Lake Ice Races

3/13/2022

By Dennis Peterson

2022 Champions were crowned on Sunday afternoon at the Garfield Lake Ice Races in Laporte, Minnesota. With several drivers in tight points races in both the A and B classes it came down to the final day of racing to determine the overall season points champions in each class. In the A class Nate Zanter picked up the title and in the B class Josh Bitker claimed the crown.

9 different winners highlighted a very competitive day of racing with Jimmy Venem winning two features in the B class. Skyler Smith and Nick Jessen each won one. In the A class Justin Miller and Nate Zanter won the feature races. Winning heat races were Jimmy Venem, Josh Bitker, and Bob Pawlitschek in the B class. A class heat winners were Bonnie and John Farrington.

The end of the season awards night celebration will be held on Saturday March 19th at the Wood Shed Bar and Grill in Laporte starting at 6:PM with a happy hour and dinner served at 7:PM. The Awards will follow ending the Garfield Lake Ice Racing season.

RESULTS

Set 1 B Class

Heat #1

1. Jimmy Venem, 2. Abe Forseman, 3. Hunter Weeks, 4. Tony Rohloff, 5. Mike Moen

Heat #2

1. Josh Bitker, 2. Dennis Clark, 3. Gordon Hunter, 4. Skyler Smith, 5. Bob Pawlitschek

Set 1 Feature #1

1. Skyler Smith, 2. Josh Bitker, 3. Hunter Weeks, 4. Dillon Lutgen, 5. Gordon Hunter, 6. Nick Jessen, 7. Jerry Moen, 8. CJ Roller

Set #1 Feature #2

1. Jimmy Venem, 2. Tony Rohloff, 3. Sam Delaney, 4. Bob Pawlitschek, 5. Dennis Clark, 6. Mike Moen, 7. Abe Forseman, 8. Tanner Asplund

Set #1 A Class

Heat #1

1. John Farrington, 2. Nate Zanter, 3. Kalin Honer, 4. Bonnie Farrington, 5. Justin Miller,

Set #1 A Class Feature

1. Justin Miller, 2. Bonnie Farrington, 3. John Farrington, 4. Kalin Honer, 5. Reid Watson, 6. Fritz Meyers, 7. Nate Zanter, 8. Nick Lewis

Set #2 B Class

Heat #1

1. Josh Bitker, 2. Sam Delaney, 3. Hunter Weeks, 4. Jimmy Venem, 5. Tanner Asplund

Heat #2

1. Bob Pawlitschek, 2. Abe Forseman, 3. Dennis Clark, 4. CJ Roller, 5. Mike Moen

Set #2 Feature #1

1. Nick Jessen, 2. Josh Bitker, 3. Hunter Weeks, 4. Tony Rohloff, 5. Skyler Smith, 6. Dillon Lutgen, 7. CJ Roller, 8. Tanner Asplund

Set #2 Feature #2

1. Jimmy Venem, 2. Bob Pawlitschek, 3. Mike Moen, 4. Abe Forseman, 5. Sam Delaney, 6. Jerry Moen, 7. Dennis Clark, 8. Gordon Hunter

Set #2 A Class

Heat #1

1. Bonnie Farrington, 2. Kalin Honer, 3. John Farrington, 4. Nate Zanter, 5. Justin Miller, 6. Nick Lewis, 7. Reid Watson, 8. Fritz Meyers

Set #2 Feature

1. Nate Zanter, 2. Justin Miller, 3. Bonnie Farrington, 4. Nick Lewis, 5. Kalin Honer, 6. John Farrington, 7. Reid Watson, 8. Fritz Meyers



A class feature winner Justin Miller.



B class feature winner Skyler Smith.



B class feature winner Jimmy Venem.



A class feature winner Nate Zanter.



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A class feature winner Justin Miller.



B class feature winner Nick Jessen.

Beltrami County Historical Society closes the Women in Winter Sports Exhibit with special Curling Programs

Beltrami County Historical Society reminds community members that the Beltrami County Women in Winter Sports exhibit is open through April 9 at the History Center at 130 Minnesota Ave. SW, Bemidji.

In celebration of this exhibit and our local curling athletes, the Historical Society is proud to partner with Lakeland PBS to offer a screening of the documentary Curling Minnesota: Bemidji on Wednesday, March 23, at 2:00 pm at the History Center.

This documentary explores the history and tradition of this unique sport in northern Minnesota and the impact it has had on the Bemidji area. Join us after the screening to explore the Women in Winter Sports exhibit on display in the History Center's East Gallery. This program is made possible by the Minnesota Legacy Amendment, George W. Neilson Foundation, and members

of Lakeland PBS. Registration is FREE and encouraged; seating is limited to 20 participants.

On Friday, March 25, at 6:00 pm, the Historical Society and Bemidji Curling Club invite you to a Curling Open House and Exhibition at Bemidji Curling Club, 1239 23rd St, NW, Bemidji. Meet Olympic and World Champion Curlers Jamie Johnson Haskell, Kari Liapis Erickson, and Teresa Bahr Trepanier! You'll have the opportunity to try curling, and watch curling demonstrations. Grab an autograph and stay for door prizes! Donations will be accepted to benefit the Historical Society and Bemidji Junior Curlers.

For more information or to register for these and other events, please visit the Beltrami County Historical Society website: <https://www.beltrami-history.org>.

New sunfish regulations in effect on 52 lakes

Anglers will find this and other changes in the updated fishing regulations booklet

Sunfish anglers need to closely check the 2022 Minnesota Fishing Regulations booklet and signs at water accesses for new sunfish limits in effect on 52 lakes and connected waters starting March 1.

The new regulations lower limits on specific waters as part of a Minnesota Department of Natural Resources initiative to protect and improve sunfish sizes. These changes are in response to angler-driven concerns over the declining sizes of sunfish in Minnesota.

"This is the final batch of new sunfish regulations that will be part of the Quality Sunfish Initiative. We're pleased to be at our overall goal of 200 to 250 lakes with these special regulations," said Dave Weitzel, Grand Rapids area fisheries supervisor. "We've had an impressive amount of public support all along for these regulations. Anglers spoke up that they want large sunfish in our lakes."

The new regulations modify daily limits on the affected waterbodies. Anglers can keep only the prescribed number of fish per day but can return the next day for another limit if they don't exceed the statewide inland water possession limit of 20 sunfish per angler. Beginning in 2022, nearly all lakes with special regulations for sunfish will use the same reduced daily limit approach where the statewide possession limit still applies. There

are a few exceptions so anglers should read the regulations book carefully.

These regulations are designed with sunfish biology in mind. Sunfish spawn in large nesting colonies during the spring and early summer. Parental male sunfish build and defend nests. Females select a male, lay eggs, and leave the eggs for the male to protect. The largest sunfish often get the best spawning sites. These nest-building male sunfish play an important role in regulating the population's size structure.

When anglers keep the largest sunfish, the remaining small males don't need to compete with large males to spawn. With the large males gone, the small males devote less energy to growing, mature and spawn at smaller sizes, and fail to grow to the size preferred by anglers.

Minnesota fishing regulations use sunfish as the generic name for bluegill, pumpkinseed, green sunfish, orange-spotted sunfish, longear, war-mouth and their hybrids. More about the Quality Sunfish Initiative is available on the DNR website (mndnr.gov/fish/sunfish).



Word Search Answers This week

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