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Faculty Feature: Christine Bakke

By Nan Thurston and Christine Bakke on Christine Bakke

In Northern Minnesota, it is not uncommon to have threads linking us together, and this story is one of them. It includes a faculty member, current students, alumni, and an area business working together to provide excellent educational opportunities for the University of Minnesota Crookston's software engineering students.

Department Chair, Venugopal Mukku, Ph.D., provided this insight on our featured faculty member.

Christine Bakke, Ph.D., joined UMN Crookston in 2015 after obtaining a doctorate in information technology from Capella University in 2013. Her dissertation focused on higher education and the importance of technology and engineering education. Currently, she is teaching courses in information technology management and software engineering. She is passionate about her advisees and is devoted to preparing them to graduate, ready to pursue their dreams. UMN Crookston acknowledged her dedication to student access and success by presenting her with the Access Achievement Award in 2017. In addition to her teaching, she takes on multiple active roles on campus, in the community, and abroad. Her passion for technology and engineering education for everyone has led to her role as director of robotics and technology camps at UMN Crookston. Bakke's expertise and interests are diverse and she describes her experience as 'all things IT'. She enjoys programming projects in the classroom and beyond, with special interests in creative works research. Some of her favorite projects with students include smart home devices with custom apps, game development, artificial intelligence chatbots, and accessibility software."

Because hands-on projects that require education and experience were something she missed, Bakke found ways to incorporate applied projects, including outside of class projects that afforded students opportunities to work on real software products. These projects have provided UMN Crookston software engineering students opportunities to gain professional experience prior to graduation.

The intersection of student dreams, the real life experience of our faculty, and the legacy of our alumni come together. Bakke says, "A few years ago, I noticed one of our new students, Christopher Lang 2020, frequently volunteering for projects in the software engineering lab. I began to learn a bit about him, his likes and dislikes." Lang had SpaceX emblazoned on his favorite sweatshirt and he often spoke of Mars and the stars. During a conversation about his goals, he mentioned he would like to work for SpaceX. Her thought was, "I knew of one former student, a family friend, who had experience in a space career. Ben Gunvalson had been offered a NASA internship after his robotics team won a national competition." Lang had a lot of robotics experience already, so Bakke recommended getting as much technical experience as he could to continue in the right direction to attain his goals of getting an internship at SpaceX.

With that idea in mind, Bakke knew projects became available through research grants, business requests, or as special requests from donors. It wasn't long after the conversation with Lang when Tim and Jenny Slukynsky of Lamplighter Hockey came to the business department with a project that involved redesign of their existing product, developing a custom app and custom wiring. The project redesign and custom app had a lot of interest, but only Lang was willing to take on the custom wiring of an arduino. Over the course of one school year, the team progressed to the point where they could offer the client direction and provide them with several app designs and an improved project design, but there was not enough time to learn everything needed to customize and program the arduino. Although the team was disappointed the project was not fully completed, the company was happy and Lang gained valuable real world experience.

Lang continued to grow his resume with involvement in more

projects that were available such as a custom Waste Watchers system for sustainability, working on the City of Crookston's website, and working in the Undergraduate Collaborative Learning and Experiential Applied Research (UCLEAR) Lab - an immersive computer visualization and informatics lab suite. He became a member of the programming and drone teams, and was able to work on custom 3D printing projects and the virtual reality outreach. He applied and obtained funding through the Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program (UROP) working with Associate Professor Katy Chapman, Ph.D.

During his junior year, and with a more robust resume, Lang applied for every space related internship he could find. That summer, he was awarded an internship with NASA. Later, Lang informed Bakke NASA hired him for his arduino experience.

The story and connections continued. During his senior year, Lang was asked to be a student speaker at Torch & Shield. During the banquet, Bakke visited with Ben Gunvalson's family of Gonvick, who had a special connection to Lang's story as their son had a similar experience at UMN Crookston. Bakke remembers, "Until attending the dinner, I had not realized Ben had a parent who was a UMC alum, and that Ben's brother also attended UMC. Small world! It was fun to introduce John 1975 and Cheri Gunvalson and their son, Jacob, to Lang and they had an enjoyable evening chatting through the program and dinner."

Lang brought Bakke a new client with a request for a project with many similarities to the one they had collaborated on with Lamplighter Hockey years before. Since Lang was near graduation, he could not participate as a student and requested to be part of the team and join remotely as a mentor. A sophomore student, Jacob Boothroyd, volunteered and university funding was secured through a UROP grant allowing Boothroyd to be funded while he worked to solve the new project.

Lang and Boothroyd met with Bakke regularly in the fall via Zoom. Boothroyd enjoyed a jump start because the project was similar to the original Lamplighter project. With Lang and Bakke's prior history on the project, Boothroyd built on their experiences. This time a working prototype was completed in a single semester.

As they worked through the new project Bakke would occasionally mention Lamplighter Hockey and wondered if they found someone to complete the electrical arduino portion of their project. With a prototype in hand, the team discussed the possibility of returning to the Lamplighter project next fall with both Boothroyd (currently a junior) and Lang expressing interest. Bakke contacted Slukynskys to determine if they were interested in continuing the students previous work. They quickly responded stating they would be willing to work with them once again.

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Christine Bakke, also a former teacher at Clearbrook-Gonvick.



Christopher Lang.



Two T-38's in a formation takeoff.

Eskeli in Pilot Training for the Air Force

Kaylee Eskeli, Plummer Resident, Lincoln High School Graduate in Pilot Training for the United States Air Force.

2nd Lieutenant Kaylee Eskeli is currently a student pilot at Air Force Undergraduate Pilot Training at Laughlin AFB, Texas.

During the 52-week training period, each student pilot flies nearly 200 hours in the T-6A and either the T-38 or T-1A aircraft. Flying is supplemented by almost 60 hours in aircraft simulators and more than 500 hours in the classroom.

In primary training, students fly the T-6A Texan II to learn the fundamentals of aircraft handling, instrument, formation, low-level, navigation and night flying.

Following primary training in the T-6, students are selected for either the airlift-tanker track flying the T-1A Jayhawk, the fighter-bomber track flying the T-38 Talon, or the helicopter track flying the UH-1 Huey at Fort Rucker, Ala.

Kaylee Eskeli was recently selected to continue training in the T-38C talon. The T-38C is a supersonic advanced jet trainer that travels at a top speed of 812 mph (Mach 1.08 at sea level) and produces 2,200 pounds of dry thrust; 3,300 with afterburners. In the T-38C, she will continue advanced flight training in contact, formation, acrobatics, navigation and instrument procedures for



Kaylee Eskeli after a solo flight in the T-6A.

fighter fundamentals.

After the completion of pilot training, T-38C students earn their pilot wings and are selected to fly either fighter or bomber type aircraft for the U.S. Air Force.

Kaylee Eskeli, daughter of Steve and Andrea Eskeli and Becky Eskeli, is a 2016 graduate from Lincoln High School, and a resident of Plummer, Minnesota. She graduated from the U.S. Air Force Academy in 2020 with a BS in Political Science.

Sustainability: Global Problem with Local Solutions

CROOKSTON, Minn. - Within the last few weeks of winter, Sustainability Coordinator and Associate Professor of the University of Minnesota Crookston Katy Chapman along with Lindsay Peace (NW Research & Outreach Center) wrote and secured a grant from the Minnesota Department of Agriculture. With the help of farm cooperators Craig and Brian LaPlante, their efforts were rewarded as they secured the grant with their project titled Farming Practices for Improved Soil Health. With the bulk of the research taking place on the LaPlante farms near Fisher, Minn., the scope of Chapman's project was to find more sustainable agricultural practices while improving soil health and longevity.

With the abundance of nutrient rich lands in the Midwest, healthy soil has been taken for granted. Luckily, Chapman and Peace did not overlook the outlying issues that await the future of farm to table foods. "Ever since the invention of the plow, soil health has been declining. If we continue to let it decline, our ability to feed future generations will disappear. Preserving soil health is a really important thing to be working on" said Chapman. With the help of a couple outside perspectives, the research process will be focusing on tillage, herbicide applications, fertilizer use, and evaluating their impact on yield. Not only will this make soil more viable, says Chapman, but it will also improve the food being harvested and provided.

When asked about how this project came about, the future of agriculture was the main concern of the project team. Of



Pictured from left to right: Lindsay Peace, Craig LaPlante, Brian LaPlante, and Katy Chapman.

course the long term quality of soil was the centerpiece, but what was also mentioned was the technological advancements that are already among us. Autonomous tractors for instance, that are powered by solar energy that don't require manual operation, use shallow-tilling methods to avoid herbicide application. Which of course leaves healthier soil and in part more efficient agricultural operations. This project is really aimed at figuring out how to utilize this new technology when it becomes available and how we can implement these changes in traditional agriculture in a sustainable way to protect soil, says Chapman.

Starting this summer, with the help of a few on-campus students, Farming Practices and Improved Soil Health will be a 2-year funded project. En-

tering her 14th year with the Crookston campus, Chapman is more than eager to put her knowledge and experience to the task. Raised by biologists, Chapman has had a long draw-out career in plants and sustainability before gracing U of M Crookston with her expertise. Chapman found her niche while in her undergraduate program doing a number of projects and experiments. Phytoremediation being the gateway to her field of study (the process of using plants to clean up contaminated environments, how fitting.)

From water conservation efforts during graduate school at UMass Amherst, to learning about greenhouse gas emissions at the Agriculture Research Service in Auburn, Alabama. Chapman highlights the framework for sustainability across

the University of Minnesota and across the world. It all falls under the United Nations 17 Sustainable Development Goals in which the Farming Practices and Improved Soil Health project addresses quite a few. Zero hunger, good health and well being, quality education, and responsible consumption and production to name a few. Chapman states "This is the guiding framework to achieve maximum sustainability. If we can tie our project to these, it's a win."

Among the many classes Chapman teaches, Sustainable You, Sustainable World stands out the most. A course where students of any major can apply their field of study to the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals and find their own ways to create a more sustainable community.

MnDOT announces 2022 state construction projects

ST. PAUL, Minn. – More than 230 construction projects that will help maintain Minnesota's roads, bridges and transportation infrastructure; improve safety and mobility; and support jobs will be worked on across the state this year, the Minnesota Department of Transportation announced today.

The planned 2022 construction projects include 184 road and bridge projects, plus 51 multimodal projects that will improve airports, water ports and transit infrastructure.

"Minnesotans will soon see work zones popping up throughout the state," said MnDOT Interim Commissioner Nancy Daubenberger. "Each of these projects represents an investment in a more efficient and reliable transportation

system for all people. As always, safety is MnDOT's top priority – so we urge motorists to pay attention to signage in work zones, slow down, and put away distractions behind the wheel. Everyone, including our hardworking road and construction workers, deserves to get home safely."

The 2022 state construction program remains largely unchanged by the federal Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), as the federal appropriation bill was just passed by Congress in mid-March and the Minnesota State Legislature must still approve budget authority before MnDOT can spend additional federal funds.

For an overview of the 2022 state construction program, including maps and full project

lists, visit mndot.gov/construction. Individual project pages also include information about construction schedules, traffic impacts, maps, benefits and project costs.

Minnesotans can also stay informed about projects and other transportation topics by connecting to MnDOT via social media and signing up to receive email updates for specific topics or projects, and visiting mndot.gov.

Significant projects in northwest Minnesota this year include:

- Resurfacing and improving safety on Highway 71 north of Bemidji with eight redesigned intersections.
- Reconstruct Highways 75 and 175 in Hallock. The project will widen and improve

sidewalks, create boulevards, update pedestrian ramps to meet ADA requirements, and improve lighting.

•Resurfacing of the eastbound Highway 2 lanes between Fosston and Erskine and the westbound lanes in McIntosh. An additional seal-coat in Fosston will restripe Highway 2, in the city, from a four-lane to a three-lane section with a single-lane in each direction and a center turn lane.

•Replace 13 culverts and construct two right-turn lanes for eastbound traffic on Highway 1 near Redby to improve safety and drainage.

•The complete list of 2022 projects in District 2 can be found here: www.mndot.gov/d2/projects

Emergency medicine specialist Nina Bradfield joins Essentia Health-Fosston Clinic

The Essentia Health-Fosston Clinic is excited to welcome Nina Bradfield, a certified physician assistant specializing in emergency medicine.

"I chose to join Essentia because its values and mission align well with my own," said Bradfield. "I was drawn to Fosston due to the ru-



ral location and the welcoming nature of the team."

Bradfield received her education from the College of St. Mary in Omaha.

"My goal is to treat every patient as though they are family," said Bradfield. "I want to build relationships with my patients and provide them with high-quality individualized care."

Bemidji City Council to Host Red Lake Tribal Council for Dinner/Joint Meeting

by Michael Meuers

The Chairman of the Red Lake Band of Chippewa Indians, Darrell G. Seki, Sr. met with Bemidji Mayor Jorge Prince for a get acquainted dinner on February 15, 2022. Discussion items included a future joint meeting with both governmental bodies. The agenda would include, but not limited to, economic development and race/cultural relations. Mayor Prince informed Chair-

man Seki that Bemidji would be pleased to host as the city council is forbidden to meet as a council outside the city.

Then a month later, on March 17, Chairman Seki and the Tribal Council received a formal invitation from the Bemidji City Council signed by the mayor.

It read: "On behalf of the City of Bemidji, my fellow city councilmembers, and our entire staff, I wish to extend an

invitation to you and the entire Red Lake Nation Tribal Council, Hereditary Chiefs, and staff to join our full council for dinner and shared conversation on April 11, 2022.

"It would be our honor to host you at the Sanford Event Center beginning with dinner at 5:30 pm and then shifting to a joint meeting at 6:00 p.m. As neighbors and fellow stewards of our region, we believe there are many topics that impact all people in our community, and it is our goal to engage in meaningful conversation with you to explore ways in which we might work together to seek improvement for the benefit of all."

The Red Lake Tribal Council responded in the affirmative with seven of eight district representatives from Little Rock, Red Lake, Redby and Ponemah to attend along with all three officers, Chairman Darrell G. Seki, Sr., Secretary Samuel R. Strong, and Treasurer Annette Johnson. Administrative and managerial staff will also attend from both Councils.

Legislative town hall meetings set for Park Rapids, Bagley

ST. PAUL — State Reps. Steve Green, R-Fosston, and Matt Grossell, R-Clearbrook, and Sen. Paul Utke, R-Park Rapids, will co-host town hall meetings in Bagley and Park Rapids this month.

Green and Utke will first host a town hall 6 to 8 p.m. Monday, April 11, at West Forty Restaurant, 906 First St., Park Rapids.

Green and Grossell then will conduct another town hall 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, April 14, at D&R Cafe, 27 Center St., Bagley.

No RSVP is required to attend, and the meeting will be conducted in an informal setting. Call Green's legislative office at (651) 296-9918 with any questions or for further details.

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Sons of Norway meeting scheduled

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After the meeting, the program will feature Jim Strandlien, presenting the story of Leonard Furseth of Thief River Falls. Leonard was a member of the specially trained Norwegian-speaking 99th Battalion of the U.S. Army. Jim will share Leonard's story of his participation in the liberation of Norway from Germany during World War II. Guests are welcome and encouraged to attend the meeting at 6:30 or come for the program which will begin at approximately 7:15. For questions, contact Wes Roland at 435-1230.

Polk County Sheriff

Beware of Scam!

The Sheriff's Office has received calls about a scam in our area targeting seniors.

It goes something like this: "Grandma, I need money for a bill." Or money for a medical bill, or some other kind of trouble. The caller says it is urgent and may tell you to keep it a secret.

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Here is what you can do:

1. Stop. Check it out. Look up your loved one's phone number yourself or call another family member.
2. Pass this information on to a friend. You may not have gotten one of these calls, but chances are you know someone who will get one – if they haven't already.

Please contact the Federal Trade Commission to report these scams at 1-877-382-4357.

These are real bad guys who want to take advantage of your love for your family and friends. By reporting the call and filing a complaint, you can help identify the imposters and stop them before they can hustle someone's hard-earned money.

Be safe,
Sheriff Jim Tadmam



Faculty Feature..

Continued from canary front

The start of every academic year brings new adventures. Challenging and uncertain projects provide opportunities for students to customize their education and chase their dreams allowing the University of Minnesota Crookston to set the stage for student success. Bakke knows that with support from businesses, alumni, and the University of Minnesota there will continue to be opportunities for students to explore projects that help them pursue their dreams.

A sincere thank you goes out from Bakke and her students to area businesses and alumni who have provided these opportunities, and to the university for providing grants to support experiential research projects. Bakke shares, "I find myself in a position where I am grateful to a community, to alumni, and to the University of Minnesota Crookston for providing connections and resources that allow our students to participate in real projects."

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R2-3C

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R31h

ELECTION CLERK (SEASONAL)

Polk County Taxpayer Service Center has a seasonal job opening for an Election Clerk. Duties include but are not limited to; operating office equipment such as scanners, copiers, phone systems and computers for spreadsheets, word processing, database management and other applications. Able to work flexible hours. A high school diploma or equivalent (GED) is needed. A valid driver's license or evidence of equivalent mobility is required. Wage for this position is \$15.33/hour. Interested individuals may contact the Polk County Administrator's Office at 218- 281-5408 or go online to http://www.co.polk.mn.us click on Careers to obtain an application and a full job description. Please mail your application along with a resume to the Polk County Administrator's Office, Polk County Government Center, 612 N. Broadway, Room 211, Crookston, MN 56716, or email alecia.helms@co.polk.mn.us. This position will remain open until filled. EEO.

R11fc

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

R511hC

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R2-3C

BAGLEY SCHOOLS FALL 2022 OPENINGS



Early Childhood Long Term Sub teaching position. Bagley Early Childhood has an opening for a long-term substitute teacher starting fall of 2022. Minnesota Long Term Substitute teaching licensure is required.

Elementary Special Education position, EBD. Bagley Elementary School has an opening for a Special Education Teacher starting fall 2022. Minnesota licensure in EBD is required.

Elementary Special Education position, ASD. Bagley Elementary School has an opening for a Special Education Teacher starting fall 2022. Minnesota licensure in ASD is required.

Secondary Special Ed position, LD/EBD. Bagley High School has an opening for a Special Education Teacher starting fall 2022. Minnesota licensure in LD/EBD is required.

Secondary Special Ed position, DCD. Bagley High School has an opening for a Special Education Teacher starting fall 2022. Minnesota licensure in DCD is required.

Secondary Math position. The Bagley High School has an opening for a Math Teacher starting fall 2022. Minnesota licensure in math is required.

Secondary Science position. The Bagley High School has an opening for a Science Teacher starting fall 2022. Minnesota licensure in Physics and Chemistry is required.

Secondary Science position. The Bagley High School has an opening for a Science Teacher starting fall 2022. Minnesota licensure in Physical Science/Physics, Earth Science is required.

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

R3-6C

BAGLEY SCHOOLS CURRENT OPENINGS



Secondary Physical Education/Health Long Term Sub Teaching position. Open immediately for the remainder of the 2022-2023 school year. Applicants should send a cover letter, resume, teaching license or substitute licensure with a 4-year degree, transcripts and three letters of reference to Nichole Ekre at 202 Bagley Ave NW, Bagley MN 56621 or nekre@bagley.k12.mn.us.

Substitute Teacher positions. Substitute teaching opportunities are available at Bagley Public Schools. Applicants should send a cover letter, resume, teaching license or substitute licensure with a 4 year degree, transcripts and three letters of reference to Nichole Ekre at 202 Bagley Ave NW, Bagley MN 56621 or nekre@bagley.k12.mn.us.

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. Applicants must have a high school diploma or equivalent. 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.

Special Ed Native American Home School Liaison, opening in the High School. 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. A type 3 and valid driver's license is required to assist with student transportation/IEP transportation.

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.

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.

Cleaner-Sweeper/Custodian position. Bagley Independent School District #162 is accepting applications for a cleaner-sweeper/Custodian position. Applications can be picked up at the district office at 202 Bagley Ave. NW. For questions about the position, contact Nichole at 218-694-6184 or Dan at 218-694-6184 EXT 3272

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Ditch Inspector/ Engineering Technician II

Red Lake Watershed District is seeking applicants for a full-time position as a Ditch Inspector/Engineering Technician II.

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Requirements: Graduation from high school. Two-year technical college preferred in Civil Engineering Technology or 2 years' experience in Trimble GPS survey equipment and software, surveying and construction experience. Knowledge of agricultural practices, construction materials and methods, and simple engineering practices. Skill in use of field, office, laboratory equipment. Ability to tolerate and work safely in construction areas and inspect moderately difficult construction projects. Applicant must have no physical limitations in relation to tasks performed, must be able to lift 50 pounds. Knowledge of Microsoft Office (Excel and Word) and Introductory to AutoCad (CAD)/Civil 3D. Valid Minnesota Driver's License and knowledge of using all-terrain vehicles (ATV).

A complete job description is available at redlakewatershed.org. Please submit a cover letter and resume to the Red Lake Watershed District, 1000 Pennington Avenue South, Thief River Falls, MN 56701, or email RLWD@redlakewatershed.org

Application deadline: April 19, 2022

Salary Range: \$39,429 – \$56,028

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R1-3C

Clearwater County Department of Human Services

Are you interested in helping to improve the lives of your family, friends and neighbors? If so, CCDHS is interested in you!

We are looking for compassionate and dedicated people to fill the following positions:

2 Social Workers – You will provide case management to people who are aging, vulnerable adults and children with physical and/or developmental disabilities. Other duties may include, but are not limited to, adult general case management, intake, assessments and investigations. Positions will remain open until filled.

Fiscal Supervisor – You will complete functions to maintain all financial records, accounts and fiscal transactions for CCDHS; supervise a small number of accounting and clerical staff; prepare the agency budget, program budgets and financial statements; participate as a member of the agency's management team; and prepare multiple, complex fiscal/statistical reports; implement, modify, and manage accounting systems; establish and administer audit procedures; and performs related work as assigned. Application needs to be complete by 4:30 p.m. April 18, 2022.

Eligibility Worker – You will process applications, determine eligibility and complete reviews and renewals for multiple Income Maintenance programs such as Health Care, Food Support, Cash Assistance and Emergency Assistance. Other duties may include referring individuals to other agency and community resources. Application needs to be completed by 4:30 p.m. April 18, 2022 and the test must be completed by 4:30 p.m. April 22, 2022.

Clearwater County Department of Human Services offers a full benefits package and attractive wages. To review the position descriptions and to apply go online to:

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R3-4C

❖ OFFICE MANAGER ❖

The Polk County Attorney's Office located in Crookston, Minnesota, is seeking applications for the position of a full-time Office Manager.

This is a challenging and rewarding position with primary responsibilities including supervising and coordinating the administrative support staff, managing the office's delivery of legal services, and overseeing records management. The position also is responsible for coordinating and assisting in the areas of budgetary and fiscal management, grant support, office policy and procedure development, and technological support. Applicants must have an associate-level degree in office management, paralegal, criminal justice, information systems or a closely related field and five (5) years legal experience or full-time office experience, with advanced proficiency in computer applications; or an equivalent combination of education and experience sufficient to successfully perform the essential duties of the job.

Annual salary range for this position for 2022 is \$47,944 to \$60,945, depending upon experience and qualifications. The position also includes a highly competitive benefits package. This benefits package includes a monthly \$1,200 cafeteria plan contribution by the County; healthcare plans through BCBS with various deductibles and very attractive, low-cost premiums regardless of the number of dependents; dental, vision, life, long-term and short-term disability coverage; flexible spending accounts; PERA retirement with contributions made by the County; 10 paid holidays each year; paid vacation and sick leave; and access to other health and wellness programs.

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. Please mail your application and resume to the Polk County Administrator's Office, 612 N. Broadway, Room 211, Crookston, MN, 56716, or e-mail to alecia.helms@co.polk.mn.us Applications for this position will be received until 4:30 p.m. on April 8, 2022. EEO

R2-3C

SORT LINE OPERATOR I OR II – POLK COUNTY INCINERATOR

The Polk County Incinerator in Fosston, MN has immediate openings for full-time Sort Line Operators. Primary duties include sorting or separating recyclable or problem materials from the recyclables and solid waste delivered to the facility. Applicants must possess a high school diploma or equivalent. A valid MN driver's license and pre-employment physical exam are required. 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 \$15.33 - \$20.66/hour plus benefits, DOE and qualifications. Interested individuals may contact the Polk County Incinerator at 218-435-6501 or the Polk Administrator's Office at 218-281-5408. An application and job description can be obtained at <http://www.co.polk.mn.us> click on Careers. Please submit your application to the Polk County Administrator's Office, 612 N. Broadway, Room 211, Crookston, MN 56716, or the Polk County Incinerator, 708 8th St NW, Fosston, MN 56542. These positions will be remain open until filled. EOE

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G1-4C

RENTALS

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R2-5C

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R48-1fc

BIDS

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The RFP is also available on the district website www.clearbrook-gonvick.k12.mn.us.

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R1-3C

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Interested individuals may contact the Polk County Administrator's Office at 218-281-5408 to obtain an application or go to www.co.polk.mn.us and click on Careers. Please submit your completed application and resume to the Polk County Administrator's Office, Polk County Government Center, 612 N. Broadway, Room 211, Crookston, MN 56716 before **4:30 p.m., April 13, 2022**. Applications may also be emailed directly to alecia.helms@co.polk.mn.us EOE.

R2-4C

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CED	BW	WW	YW	Milk	Adj WW	Ratio	Reg #
+7	+1.1	+83	+145	+32	731	114	20157489

EEAR Gold Bunk 6001 x B/R New Frontier 095
H81 has 15 EPDs in the top 25% of the breed.
WW, YW, Doc, CEM & SW all top 5%

Lot 10 Skeeter Creek Box Cross 132

CED	BW	WW	YW	Milk	Adj WW	SM	Reg #
+6	+2.1	+75	+129	+31	727	71	20178160

Best Box Cross 620 x Mc Camber 1108 Bunka 5006
Good EPD profile with top 5% WW, 15% WW, YW, CW, Milk.

Lot 1 Skeeter Creek Impact 116

CED	BW	WW	YW	Milk	Adj WW	SM	Reg #
+12	-1.5	+57	+100	+30	669	35	20187086

C/C Patton 730P x Bunka Sire Deal
Angus GS ranks top 5% CED, 4% BW, 30% SC, 20% Milk, and 20% RE.

Lot 31 FHF Legend 4247

CED	BW	WW	YW	Milk	Adj WW	SM	Reg #
2	+4	+72	+139	+29	689	1173	20237092

Angus GS- Bunka Top 1% Doc, Top 4% YW, Top 6% CW, MW, Top 12% WW

Lot 22 CLWTR Jacks 153

CED	BW	WW	YW	Milk	Adj WW	WDA	Reg #
+5	+1.4	+76	+131	+24	882	116	20175726

Moogare Crackerjack x Ellington Homestead 6018
Highest weaning weight bull out of the spring calf crop.

Lot 36 FHF Acclaim 131A

CED	BW	WW	YW	Milk	Adj WW	SM	Reg #
+6	+1.6	+68	+122	+31	836	1281	20238413

Indra Acclaim x S Chium 6175
Dam's Production: BW 7 @ 89, WW 7 @ 102, YW 6 @ 104

Lot 4 Skeeter Creek Rainfall 172

CED	BW	WW	YW	Milk	Adj WW	SM	Reg #
+12	-0.3	+51	+94	+25	77	70	20181117

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Ask a Trooper

by Sgt. Jesse Grabow Minnesota State Patrol

Q u e s - t i o n : I saw your recent article about flooded roads. Do you have any advice on what a person should do if their vehicle plunges into the water?

A n s w e r : The dynamics of such an incident are ever-changing, so there is no one answer that will cover it all. Having witnessed and responded to these types of situations, here is what I would recommend.

Most vehicles will float on the water's surface for 30 to 60 seconds. If your vehicle enters deep water, make every attempt to get out immediately. If possible, exit the vehicle through open windows before the water reaches the window level.

If your vehicle becomes submerged, try not to panic. Vehicle doors cannot be opened until water pressure inside the car is equal to that pressure outside. When the vehicle is completely filled, doors can be opened, if there is no structural damage.

The engine's weight will cause the front end of the car to sink first. The rear passenger compartment may provide an air pocket while you plan your escape strategy. If there are other people in the vehicle, determine their condition and try to exit the vehicle together.

I would advise everyone to take swimming lessons. This is a life skill that can save your life and the life of someone else.

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).

Theology in the Trenches

By Kathleen Kjolhaug

Who's "Putin" You Down?

The war in Ukraine is on everyone's mind. By the time this articles comes out, it will have taken on more twists and turns of deep concern. But the question running through my mind is this. Where do we see Putin type behavior on a smaller scale and how does it get to the world stage on full display?

Truth is, before something erupts, it has to have been brewing for a while. An item on the stove doesn't boil over before the steam has built up enough to make the tea kettle whistle.

Someone once said that until we see "them" in us by admitting we are all capable, we cannot honestly look at a situation accurately. I suppose as much as I hate to say it, this is truer than we'd care to admit. How do I know? My best guess is we've all visualized someone doing something to "take him out" and not feeling one bit bad about it. What makes some steam roll over the likes of all mankind without remorse, while others can't bring themselves to even think about carrying out revenge upon the vengeful?

I'm not sure I have any answers, but one thing I do know, it's more than a good idea to pray attention to those in our lives who demonstrate small behaviors before they turn into big ones.

I am, no doubt, oversimplify-

ing this as I'm not sure what this "leader's" issues are nor what they were. It behooves me there isn't a diagnostic test every leader on this planet has to take. If sadistic things show up on it, they should be removed. Serving others would be the plumb-line of choice along with honesty, accountability, and integrity. But then I suppose we'd have a world-wide debate about what honesty, accountability, and integrity are. To be sure, some would want to redefine that too, but let's get back to the topic at hand.

Now what do we do when this is in full swing upon the airwaves? "An eye-for-an-eye only makes us all blind" is what some much wiser have stated.

What then shall we do? What should our response be to the bully on the block? There are natural consequences to one's actions. I'm not sure he's winning any friends other than those who are like-minded. And, I might add, that oughta keep him up at night.

Perhaps we should consider voting in a grandma and grandpa duo in for the job...the kind who'd like to teach the next generation where real power is found....the kind who want to teach the next generation how to buddy-up and look out for one another...the kind who will teach others how to give a hand up to friends because one day, we all will need it...the kind who give and do not take.

Last but not least, let's vote in a duo who can teach well Matt. 28:18. "He said, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to Me.'"

You see, someone forgot to tell Putin, his authority on earth is only half the deal. The other half, which is in Heaven, is well fortified and the truth is, any power here on earth already has a higher power and it is not man.

Evil tactics destroy the very ones employing those tactics. Evil's coy ploy is meant to turn one in on oneself which will end in self destruction. Wisdom offers insight but when one merely leans on their own understanding, well then, it would reflect short sightedness. And the sad thing about this is that it doesn't have to be this way. James 1:5 says so. "Now if any of you lacks wisdom, he should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you."

"For Yours, Lord, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the splendor, for everything in heaven and earth is Yours" (1 Cron. 29:11).

May we elect those who not only teach compassionate kindness, but serve it up to those whom they serve while looking out for all of mankind. Amen.

Remember the Good Old Days

By Auctioneer Eric W. Mickelson

Saturday morning found Patty and I going to Gully to meet my mom, dad, and friend Joanne for breakfast. As we drove down the sloppy gravel road I looked across the country side and my eyes happened to stumble across an old abandoned house. I stared down the house, I have seen it before, to my knowledge it has been abandoned all of my life, but it is still standing. Whenever this happens my mind wanders, wondering who lived there, what kind of farm they had, did they have kids, how many..... and of course what kind of tractors they used!!

You see if I didn't have such a great life today, I would lament about how I was born 30 years too late! I think maybe it was growing up with the sound of two cylinder tractors, working with my mom and dad in the fields, looking at dad's tractor books... ..I'm not sure but I like to "Remember the Good Old Days!" I love to sit around the "round table" at the cafe a listen for one of those

"Good Old Days" stories. Most of them seem to transform into remembering some parts of those old days as "NOT SO GOOD!" Pitching bundles, making loose hay, milking by hand....yes, I guess some of it doesn't sound so good! But, I guess I am a romantic when it comes to the old days and the farm and I want the younger generation to know about it.

A few years ago I joined the Tri River Pioneers. If you don't know of the Tri River Pioneers give me a call and I will tell you what I know. The Tri River Pioneers built an absolutely wonderful museum in Plummer, Minnesota, that keeps some of these good old days alive. Later a "barn" was built by the Tri River Pioneers where some old tractors, threshing machine, and other implements are stored for safe keeping. So you can see why I would think this is a good organization to belong to! A few years ago we did some threshing and invited the kids from RLCC Elementary School to come over and watch. I even brought my class from Goodridge down to watch. It was fun to show some of the kids what threshing was like in the "Good Old Days!" The Pioneer hope to do it again in the future. It is fun to watch the machines at work, but even more important is to let the students know that the men who pitched bundles, made loose hay, and milked by hand are the backbone of agriculture and what we have today and deserve honor and respect for their labors. You see I was born 30 years to late, I wasn't in that generation, but I have GREAT respect for those people....that's why I wish I was a member of the generation that I admire so much!

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The supervisors of each town board and the mayor of each city shall act as local weed inspectors. They shall examine all lands, including highways, roads, alleys, and public grounds within their respective municipalities and see that the control or eradication of noxious weeds has been carried out.

A list of the plants that are designated as noxious can be obtained from the Polk County Ag and Drainage web page at www.co.polk.mn.us/agdrainage or by contacting the County Agricultural Inspector, Richard Sanders at 218-470-8253.

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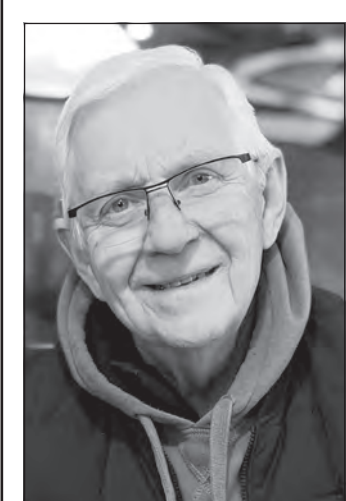
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OBITUARIES



Obituary for Neil L. Hendrickson
Neil L. Hendrickson 83, of Cambridge passed away peacefully on Friday, April 1, 2022 at Stony River Assisted Living in Ramsey.

Neil Leon Hendrickson was born on September 1, 1938 in Fosston, MN to Norman and Alice (Birkeland) Hendrickson.

He was raised on a farm outside Gonvick, MN where he and his three siblings attended school. After graduating from Gonvick HS in 1956, Neil attended Bemidji State University for one year. He took a break to work and save money for one year, then transferred to the University of North Dakota and graduated with a degree in Accounting in 1962. While at University, Neil met and began dating the love of his life, Myrna Bakke.

After graduation from UND, Neil and Myrna were married and the couple moved to Minneapolis, MN where Neil accepted a job with an accounting firm and Myrna got a job as a pre-school teacher. Lots of changes were in store, as Neil accepted a staff position, joining his brother Oris at Bonhiver, Anfinson, Hendrickson & Co, in 1964, their first son Brent was born in 1965, a second son Wray was born in 1967. Then the couple bought their first home in Golden Valley in 1968 and their daughter Sheila was born later that same year. While in Golden Valley Neil and Myrna made many lifetime friends. Both were involved in church, softball, bowling, and golf.

In 1972, the family moved to Cambridge, Minnesota, where Neil's firm opened an office. Both Neil and Myrna LOVED Cambridge and embraced the city wholly. Both were active in their church, civic responsibilities, and school activities. Neil was involved in the Chamber of Commerce, Jaycees, the Memorial Hospital Board, the Cambridge Development Committee, other professional pursuits, and of course... The Purple Hawk.

Neil was raised on a modest farm and remembered the rural electrification of his area. He grew up in a home

without indoor plumbing or an HVAC system other than a wood stove. Money may have been lean, but his family was rich with love and they remained tight to the very end. The experiences of his youth played heavily on all decisions Neil made, he was calm, level headed, measured, kind, and very smart. After accomplishing all he set out to as a CPA, he accepted a new challenge as a minority partner and CFO at Motek Engineering (later TEAM Industries) in 1985. He absolutely loved that job and his employees/coworkers, and he continued to be proudly affiliated with TEAM Industries long after his retirement.

While he was the consummate professional, everyone knew Dad's true passions were golf, Bluejacket athletics, and kicking anyone's butt in a game of cards...no prisoners. He must be in the top 10 for most rounds ever played at the Purple Hawk, having been a member and regular since 1973. And the High School never had a more dedicated booster. But more than anything else, our Dad, Neil Hendrickson, will be remembered as the kindest human any of us have ever known. His patience and temperament, grace, guidance, humbleness, and mentoring skills were always on point and legendary. Every day he demonstrated quite clearly how a faithful spouse and servant is supposed to conduct himself. He handled everything with grace, including a slow descent into dementia which impacted only the last few months of his time with us. We're able to remember the great man he was, without the fog created by a slow torturous descent into a disease from which there is no cure. He was loved by everyone who knew him and I can't think of an exception.

Neil is survived by, and already greatly missed by, sons Brent (Catherine) and Wray (Robyn), and daughter Sheila (Tom) Larson, a sister Jean, grandchildren Wesley, Vanya, Julia, Mason, and Rheanna Hendrickson, Aubrey Larson, Kellen Larson, great grandson Danny Hendrickson, and too many awesome cousins to mention individually. He is preceded in death by his wife Myrna, his parents Norman and Alice, brothers Oris and Clyde

The family wishes to thank everyone for the overwhelming outpouring of support during this difficult time. Memorial Service 11AM, Saturday, April 9, 2022 at Cambridge Lutheran Church. Visitation one hour prior to the service. Interment will be in Cambridge Lutheran Cemetery. Condolences at www.carlson-lillemoen.com. Arrangements by the Carlson-Lillemoen Funeral and Cremation Services of Cambridge.



Obituary for Jerome C. Arnold
Jerome C. Arnold, 74, of Bagley, MN passed away on Friday, April 1st, 2022 peacefully at his home.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday, April 9, 2022 at 11:00 a.m. at the Cease Family Funeral Home Chapel in Bagley, Minnesota. Visitation will be held on Friday, April 8, 2022 from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. at the Cease Family Funeral Home Chapel in Bagley. Interment will be held the Gran Cemetery at a later date.

Jerome was born on April 28, 1947 in Bagley, MN to Jacob and Marcella (Huschle) Arnold. He grew up in rural Bagley and attended Bagley Public School. Jerome grew up helping on the family farm. In the late 70's, he purchased the family farm from his parents. Farming was in his blood, and it was his passion for many years. In the fall of 2011, due to some health problems, Jerome decided to retire by his definition. He sold the family farm to his two sons, where he continued to work side by side with them. Jerome also worked at Bagley Livestock, and Headwaters Meats, where many great friendships and memories have been made. Jerome married Linda Drellack, on

September 27, 1975 in Fosston and together they had three children; Chris, Matt and Katie. His second greatest passion was fishing, he particularly favored ice fishing. Jerome would get excited when his family, especially his grandchildren, were able to accompany him on the ice and sometimes on the water. He enjoyed making his rounds to the neighbors and giving them a meal of fish and having a good visit. When Jerome was not farming or fishing, you could find him playing solitaire in the dining room. If he wasn't at home, he would be with his brothers and good friends playing cards. He was always looking for a good card game! Jerome also enjoyed deer hunting with his farm-ers permit that he got from his father. He always looked forward to seeing the hunting crew every year and playing a card game or two!

Jerome is survived by his sons - Christopher J. Arnold, Matthew J. Arnold of Bagley, MN; his daughter- Katie M Arnold (Lon Vettleson) of Trail, MN; grandchildren - Logan, Landen, Loryn, and Levi Vettleson; sisters - Lu-Verne Yocum, Joan Benson, Zelda (Keith) Avery and Kathleen Lansford; brothers - Ronnie (Melinda) Arnold, Ralph (Jan) Arnold, Leo (Kathy) Arnold, Alvin (Denise) Arnold and John (Brenda) Arnold; sisters-in-law - Linda Arnold (Richard) and Linda Arnold (Gene), many cousins and 48 beloved nieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his parents, brothers - Richard Arnold and Gene Arnold; infant brother -Lawrence Arnold; brothers-in-law - John Yocum and Gordon Benson. His niece - Carol Arnold and great nephew - Trandem Kappedal.

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

Tips on getting your garden in order after the VERY LONG WINTER

By Helenruth Schuette
Below are some steps that make sense right now and other steps that must just wait a bit.

1. Consider the work left undone from last year. Are your tools ready, pots cleaned, soil amendments purchased? Even these chores will get your garden juices flowing. A visit to your favorite local green houses for seeds and to get your fix on colors or trendy plants will do this as well.

#2. Even if the garden areas are still too wet to work you can tip toe out there and inspect them for spring clean-up. You can take a soil test and send it in if needed. Support trellises can be hauled to the sites where they are needed. The garden soil will warm faster by placing black plastic on garden beds. Try not to use heavy equipment on saturated ground. Do a little at a time to get those unused muscles moving. Take advantage of sunny days for a Vitamin D upload and lifting of your spirits-just do not overdue.

#3. Once your lawns are dry enough to walk on without leaving a footprint start to rake leaves or mulch away from perennials as it can pack down growth. The soil will warm faster exposed to the sun. Use a plastic leaf rake when you remove mulch as metal rakes with sharp tongs can rip tender foliage from emerging plants. If the weather forecast continues cold do not overexpose your perennials. Leave some mulch for protection.

#4. Cut back last years growth on perennials. In my reading for this article it said there are two thoughts on this. Some gardeners who are interested in helping beneficial insects say it is best to leave last years plant growth until well into May. If you do cut back stems of sedum and other pe-

rennials you can leave them on the ground to provide shelter for insects until the temperature has warmed more.

#5. There is likely no need to water early perennials as they do not need regular watering. If the soil is dry 4-5 inches down or plants seem droopy give them a good drink. This is a good "rule of thumb" all year.

#6. Get ready to divide some perennials as spring is a good time to divide to reinvigorate the plant and share divisions. You will know if a perennial needs dividing if the growth is in the shape of a doughnut. If there is a hole in the center of the planting as it comes up in the spring it indicates a need to divide.

#7. Not all perennials need annual fertilization. Prairie plants such as coneflowers, rudbeckia, and blazing star do best in a lean soil. others do well with just a light sprinkling of slow release fertilizer. When buying fertilizer look at the 3 numbers on the package. If the first number (nitrogen) is largest that will promote leaf growth. The second number (phosphorus) will promote more blooms. You can over fertilize so consider how rich your soil is and never exceed the package recommendations. I take pictures of my perennials in their prime and take a look at them in the spring-this jolts my memory for what plants may need a fertilizer boost.

AND...keep in mind that even the best area gardeners can be fooled by MOTHER NATURE at this time of year. Ask others what they are planning and planting. Have plastic or old sheets, light blankets ready to cover exposed plants if the weather warrants. Above all enjoy your time in your garden. It is so worth the effort for inner peace and physical health.

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The University of Minnesota Crookston women's basketball team announced the signing of Dana Melby a senior at Clearbrook-Gonvick High School, to a National Letter of Intent. She will be attending the University of Minnesota Crookston and playing on the women's basketball team. Watching her sign the letter were her two coaches at the school, Head Coach Ross Faldet and Coach Bob Westrum.

Minnesota Crookston Women's Basketball Signs Gonvick-Native Melby

CROOKSTON, Minn. — The University of Minnesota Crookston women's basketball team announced the signing of Dana Melby (G, 5-10, Gonvick, Minn./Clearbrook-Gonvick H.S.) to a National Letter of Intent. Melby is the seventh signee for the Golden Eagles, joining Emma Dudycha (G, 5-5, Austin, Minn./Austin H.S.), Hope Dudycha (G, 5-5, Austin, Minn./Austin H.S.), Taryn Frazer (G, 5-4, Cass Lake, Minn./Cass Lake-Bena H.S.), Emma Miller (G, 5-1, Albertville, Minn./St. Michael-Albertville H.S.), Natalie Mikrot (G, 5-6, Willow River, Minn./Moose Lake-Willow Riv-

er H.S.), and Janie Tormanen (F/C, 6-0, Menahga, Minn./Menahga H.S.).

"I really like Dana's length and her ability to shoot the three," said Head Coach Mike Roysland. "She has a very pure shot and I really like her upside as a collegiate player. I really look forward to working with her and helping her develop as a player. It is always nice when we can get a student-athlete from our backyard, and we can't wait to have her on campus."

Minnesota Crookston has stayed in-state with their entire recruiting class thus far. Melby stays with a commit-

ment to find the best talent in the area.

The Golden Eagles have a young nucleus returning for the 2022-23 season after going 4-19 (3-14 NSIC). Minnesota Crookston played their best basketball in their last five games, winning three-consecutive and hanging with No. 7/16 St. Cloud State University. The Golden Eagles will look to continue to build on their core heading into the 2022-23 slate. Minnesota Crookston has five players who started games in 2021-22 returning to the fray.

The student-athlete listed as having signed a National Letter of Intent or Offer of Admission to play women's basketball at the University of Minnesota Crookston have been verified by the Minnesota Crookston compliance office once they sign the National Letter of Intent or once the student-athlete has accepted an Offer of Admission for Minnesota Crookston.

Dana Melby (G, 5-10, Gonvick, Minn./Clearbrook-Gonvick H.S.)

Melby was a First Team All-Northwoods Conference pick as a senior and junior. She earned Second Team All-Conference accolades as a sophomore. Melby was a co-captain for Clearbrook-Gonvick H.S. She was a four-year Team Academic All-State pick. Melby secured over 850 points, and 600 rebounds. She notched a triple-double and numerous double-doubles in her career. Melby set the school-record with 24 rebounds in a game.

She is the daughter of Jacob and Cynthia Melby. Melby is undecided on her major. She has been on the Honor Roll and is a National Honors Society member.



Dana Melby, working her way down the court for the Clearbrook-Gonvick basketball team.

MPCA recognizes 45 wastewater facilities in northwestern Minnesota for operational excellence

The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) recognized 45 wastewater treatment plants (WWTP) in northwestern Minnesota for outstanding permit compliance. To receive this recognition, facilities were

required to demonstrate consistent compliance with monitoring, operations, and maintenance requirements, submit all reports to the MPCA correctly and on time and employ staff certified by the MPCA in

wastewater operations.

The following facilities in northwestern Minnesota have received the award (facilities are listed alphabetically by city):

- Alberta WWTP
- Ashby WWTP
- Bagley WWTP
- Battle Lake WWTP
- Blackduck WWTP
- Callaway WWTP
- Chokio WWTP
- Clearbrook WWTP
- Climax WWTP
- Deer Creek WWTP
- Dent WWTP
- Oklee WWTP
- Dumont WWTP
- Elbow Lake WWTP
- Frazee WWTP
- Garfield WWTP

- Glenwood WWTP
- Gonvick WWTP
- Greenbush WWTP
- Hallock WWTP
- Halstad WWTP
- Hancock WWTP
- Hawley WWTP
- Herman WWTP
- Hitterdal WWTP
- Hoffman WWTP
- Lake Bronson WWTP
- MDNR Lake Bronson
- State Park (Lake Bronson)
- Lancaster WWTP
- Lowry WWTP
- Millerville WWTP

- Miltona WWTP
- Moorhead WWTP
- Nielsville WWTP
- Thumper Pond WWTP (Ottertail)
- Parkers Prairie WWTP
- Perham WWTP
- Red Lake Falls WWTP
- Saint Hilaire WWTP
- Starbuck WWTP
- Stephen WWTP
- Vergas WWTP
- Warroad WWTP
- Williams WWTP
- Winger WWTP

treatment facilities."

A total of 273 wastewater treatment plants across Minnesota are being recognized for the award. Minnesota has approximately 1,600 municipal and industrial wastewater treatment facilities. Community, institution, or treatment plant size were not factors in awarding the certificates.

A complete list of winners

is available on the MPCA's Wastewater Treatment Facility Operations Award webpage.

About the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA)

The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency is a state agency committed to ensuring that every Minnesotan has healthy air, sustainable lands, clean water, and a better climate.

Star Party April 8th at Fertile Nature Center

The Agassiz ELC is excited to partner with the Bell Museum of Minnesota for their third annual Statewide Star Party! All are welcome to join Agassiz ELC's Star Party starting at 7 p.m. on Friday, April 8th at the Fertile Nature Center. Several activities will take place in the Nature Center, followed by after dark viewing of the night skies with provided binoculars. Dr. Jeff Bell, Astronomy Professor at Northland Community and Technical College will help point out the constellations, signature stars, and other night sky phenomena.

"We will start in the Nature Center with some hands-on activities to familiarize people with constellations and stars of our night sky," notes Agassiz ELC Executive Director Wayne Goeken. "Everyone can make a

3D Mobile that they can take home with them to visualize how stars in a constellation may look if visualized from a different angle than what we see here on Earth."

Another activity will focus on a single star in the Big Dipper and use glow-in-the-dark yarn to show how it is connected to constellations from seven cultures. This year's Star Party theme, "Shared Sky, Open Mind," reminds us that while we know many easily recognizable constellations from Greek or Mesopotamian origins taught in Western education, it is important to keep in mind that astronomy is part of nearly every culture and constellations or similar concepts show up in all of them.

Learn more about Statewide Star Party activities including

a virtual Star Party kickoff on Thursday, April 7th at 7 p.m. at: z.umn.edu/swsp2022. The virtual kickoff will include a conversation with astrophysicist, artist, and Director of Native Skywatchers, Dr. Annette S. Lee, and project director of We Are Still Here Minnesota, Ramona Kitto Stately, followed by live viewing of the night sky streamed from the Bell Museum planetarium's telescopes.

This free community program is being provided by the Agassiz ELC. To get to the Fertile Nature Center/Agassiz ELC, go 3/4 mile west of MN Hwy 32 on Summit Ave. If you have any questions about the program, contact Agassiz ELC Executive Director Wayne Goeken at 218-280-0516.

Arts Legacy Grants Up to \$10,000

May 1 Deadline -- Apply Now. Grant Information Training Session April 13

Warren, MN. An additional deadline has been added for Arts Legacy Grants. Applications are open for Arts Legacy Grants and due May 1. Grants are awarded to nonprofit arts organizations, communities, schools, individuals and other nonprofit organizations. Applications are being accepted from our seven county Minnesota service area including Kittson, Marshall, Norman, Pennington, Polk, Red Lake and Roseau counties.

Arts Legacy Grants is a main category for funding artistic activity within the seven-county service region. Funding can be used for Arts Projects, Arts Equipment, General Support, Public Art Projects and Arts Events in northwest Minnesota.

Applications funded through this very important grant opportunity include

festivals, community theatre projects, folk music entertainment, sponsorship of visual demonstrations, creative writing workshops and many other activities that improve the quality of life of people in our communities.

Need assistance? We are offering a grant info training session on Wednesday, April 13 at 11:00 AM. Let us know if you'd like to participate in person or virtually. Or you can set up a time to work one-on-one with our director on the grant writing process. You are welcome to come to our office in Warren to work on your grants in our new setting or virtually. Please email Mara at director@nwartsCouncil.org or call 218-745-8886.

Schools in our seven-county region can also apply now for an Artist Residency grant of \$2,600 plus an additional \$400 if the residency needs supplies. Our teaching artist roster is online on our website and is a

great resource to view artists available to teach in our area. Go to www.NorthwestMinnesotaArtsCouncil.org. Another resource to view artists available to enhance curriculum is COMPAS.

Also available on a first come-first served basis are Quick Turn Around Grants for \$500. These grants can be used for missed gigs and income due to the pandemic. Use the Quick Turn-Around application in the Individual Artist grants. See our website for more information and to apply!

To learn more about grant programs and start an application visit www.NorthwestMinnesotaArtsCouncil.org. The grant application process is completely online and NW-MAC's Director Mara Hanel can help walk you through the process of using the grants portal to get accustomed to it. Please contact her at director@NWArtsCouncil.org or call 218-745-8886.

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1 P.M.
Presented by Curt Quesnell, NCOR Fishing Guide

COLD HARDY FRUIT FOR ZONE 3
2:30 P.M.
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