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Flooding update: Highway 1 near Oslo now open to traffic

BEMIDJI, Minn. – (9:15 a.m.) The Minnesota Department of Transportation has reopened Highway 1 near Oslo. The highway was previously closed due to flooding. Motorists should reduce speeds on area highways due to flooding impacts. Use caution and obey road signs posted in the area.

Highways that remain closed:

- Highway 2B - Sorlie Bridge in East Grand Forks
- Highway 75 from Highway 171 to Canadian border
- Highway 92 between Highway 59 in Brooks and Highway 32

- Highway 175 from Kittson County Road 34 to North Dakota Border

- Highway 220 between Highway 1 and Highway 11

- Highway 317 between Highway 220 and North Dakota border

Highways that remain open, but currently have water over the road:

- Highway 59 south of Wing-er

Highways that have been opened and are clear of water:

- Highway 1 from Marshall County Road 17 into Oslo
- Highway 1 west of Red Lake

- Highway 2 Crookston (east of Jackson Ave)
- Highway 6 – three miles south of Highway 1

- Highway 92 north of Zerkel
- Highway 200 east of Mah-n-omen

- Highway 113- 4 miles east of Waubun

When a road is closed it is illegal to travel in that area. Motorists can be fined up to \$1,000 and/or 90 days in jail. In addition, if travelers need to be rescued from a closed road, other expenses and penalties will apply.

Check www.511mn.org before traveling for information on road conditions, closures and detour routes. For additional updates, 'like' MnDOT at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/mndotnorthwest/>, and follow @mndotnews on Twitter.

Migratory Bird Program May 14th at Fertile Nature Center

Spring migration is a fascinating time to observe not only birds returning to nest in our area but birds that are also passing through to nesting territories further north. Find out which birds are passing through and which ones are back to nest in our area at a Migratory Bird program on Saturday, May 14th at 10:00 a.m. at the Fertile Nature Center. Ornithologist Dr. Jeff Bell and Master Naturalist Laura Bell will share their extensive birding knowledge and experience.

Learn fun facts such as that some of our favorite birds such as hummingbirds, rose-breasted grosbeaks, and orioles are neotropical birds, returning from Central and South America. Hummingbirds often fly over the Gulf of Mexico which can be a 600 mile journey. They fly this nonstop at speeds up to 30 mph—amazing for a bird that only weighs 1/8 of an ounce!

Jeff and Laura will share experiences in tracking birds through their banding efforts. If weather conditions are favorable a mist net will be set up to see what birds we might catch and release. Many warblers are now passing through. An initial program will take place just outside the Nature Center with a short bird hike along the river trail to follow.

Essentia Health unveils nursing residency program

At Essentia Health, our nursing vision statement emphasizes “exceptional nurses delivering extraordinary care while advancing practice.”

Our new nursing residency program furthers that vision.

The residency program begins this week and is for new graduates hired by Essentia who have less than one year of nursing experience. In addition to unit-based orientation, these nurses will attend one four-hour session per month for 12 months. There are two cohorts — each with about 40 nurses — starting this spring.

Recent nurse grads will benefit from a series of learning and clinical work experiences designed to build their skills in a specific department and across both inpatient and outpatient settings. There are myriad benefits, with improved patient outcomes chief among them. A residency program of this kind supports nurses as they transition from school to a professional career.

“The nurse residency program further demonstrates Essentia’s commitment to supporting the professional development of nurses, and will assist in both recruitment and retention,” said Rhonda Kazik, Essentia’s chief nursing officer. “This is another way that we’re investing in our nurses.”

The residency program’s curriculum will incorporate evidence-based best practices and

Bring binoculars that you are comfortable with, but there will also be some binoculars available to use for the hike.

This program is part of World Migratory Bird Day, an annual campaign that celebrates the migration of birds across countries and continents with a special focus in 2022 on light pollution. This year’s campaign highlights the impact of light pollution on migratory birds with the theme “Dim the Lights for Birds at Night.”

Many birds migrate during the night. They do this for a variety of reasons. At night, the air is cooler which eliminates the need to stop as much to cool down in water. Similarly, at night there are fewer predators and visibility of these predators is low. Birds are more safe traveling when their predators are resting. This is not the case for all birds, as you typically see geese and cranes migrate during the day.

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.

the content will be presented by subject matter experts from Essentia — other nurses and leaders, for example. Each four-hour session will feature presentations as well as interactive components, including small-group projects and breakout groups for more in-depth analysis of certain topics.

Sessions will be conducted in-person at Essentia facilities in Brainerd, Duluth and Fargo. They will focus on leadership, quality outcomes, professional roles and building upon nursing-school experiences. Nurses who work in more remote locations can attend virtually.

“This residency program is designed to ensure our nurses have the resources they need to provide the kind of care our patients expect and deserve,” said Lana Helgeson, nursing professional development practitioner at Essentia and the residency program’s lead educator. “Ideally, at the end of the program, graduates will have transitioned from an advanced beginner to a competent professional in the clinical environment, strengthening his or her commitment to nursing as a professional career choice.”

Essentia’s residency program supports our Journey Towards Magnet Designation, a prestigious distinction that honors health care systems for creating and sustaining a culture of excellence among its nurses.



Altoz broke ground on Monday, May 2 on the 75,000 square foot expansion of their facility in Red Lake Falls, MN. Shovel holders (L to R): Matt Schaumburg, Production Manager; Mike Hugg, Director of Operations; John Burkel, MN State Representative; Terri Brazier, Owner; Dennis Brazier, Owner; Allen Bertilrud, Red Lake Falls Mayor; Eric Etherington, Finance Manager; Bruce Gagner, Shop Supervisor; Karl Bjorkman, Sales and Marketing Director.

Expansion Allows for Increased Production Capacity

Altoz, Inc. holds groundbreaking ceremony

RED LAKE FALLS, MN, [May 5, 2022] — Altoz, Inc. broke ground recently on its new 75,000 square foot facility which is expected to be completed by the end of 2022. This is the first phase of a multi-phase expansion project in Red Lake Falls, MN that brings the combined building space to over 412,500 square feet between the Red Lake Falls and Greenbush, MN locations.

Owners Dennis and Terri Brazier opened the ceremony by welcoming and thanking everyone who attended, including special guests Minnesota Representative John Burkel and Red Lake Falls Mayor Allen Bertilrud. “In the past year we have grown the manufacturing workforce here by four times, and we are looking forward to

adding many additional careers in all areas, including manufacturing, management, and marketing,” said Dennis Brazier.

This expansion provides the opportunity to bring 150 careers to the community over time. Mayor Allen Bertilrud, thanked the Braziers for investing in the community and bringing new job opportunities to the area. Mike Hugg, Director of Operations said, “We have positions that are available now and will have more available in the near future.”

The over 12 million dollar expansion project will increase capacity and improve operational efficiency. The new manufacturing facility will accommodate state-of-the-art metal

fabrication equipment including an automated fiber laser cutting system, turret punch presses, press brakes, robotic welders, a powder coat automated paint system, assembly and a distribution center. “This new equipment, capacity and space will allow us to grow our production team to keep up with the demand for Altoz products,” said Matt Schaumburg, Productions Manager. In addition to the manufacturing facility, the site features a multi-story office building that will accommodate a growing workforce.

“Altoz retail sales have increased every year since our inception; we continue to add new dealers across the United States and are expanding dis-

tribution internationally. In June we will be revealing a new multi-purpose, multi-seasonal line of equipment that will be a first for the outdoor power equipment industry,” said Karl Bjorkman, Director of Sales and Marketing. The additional workforce and production capabilities will help prepare for and continue to meet the marketplace demand for Altoz outdoor power equipment. Currently, Altoz offers the only zero-turn mowers and stand-on mowers with tracks. Demand continues to grow as more consumers, commercial lawn care professionals and municipalities recognize the benefits of the tracked mowers and the value that Altoz equipment provides.

Red Lake County SWCD projects save topsoil, improve river’s water quality

With farmers eager to stop field erosion, a map of prioritized projects, and Clean Water Funds to support the work, the Red Lake County Soil & Water Conservation District is tackling gully fixes designed to improve water quality in the sediment-impaired Lower Clearwater River.

“They’re really trying to save their own land,” said SWCD Board Chairman David Miller, who also farms in the county. “They don’t want to lose their topsoil. They don’t want to lose their ability to drain their fields and lose acreage. They see these projects as a way to stop that erosion and improve the landscape.”

The Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources awarded the SWCD a Clean Water Fund grant in 2015 to complete survey work, rank potential projects, meet with landowners and install the first round of best management practices. Implementation grants followed in 2020 and 2021. The three grants total \$609,060 and support \$761,330 in work estimated to keep 1,139 pounds of phosphorus and 1,587 tons of sediment — the equivalent of 122 dump truck loads — out of the Clearwater River each year. The work will keep an estimated 3,918 tons of topsoil in fields.

To date, the SWCD has worked with nine landowners to implement 33 projects tied to those grants. Two more are in the works; six more are planned.

Joe Ste. Marie, who grows 480 acres of wheat and soybeans, is among those who signed on. In September 2021, he stood at the edge of 60 acres in Terrebonne Township where a gully once sliced into his field and sent topsoil down a cliff to a Clearwater River tributary.

“The water comes down here and it just kept eroding and eroding, and I was getting a big washout. Towards the end it was getting 20 feet deep and 8, 10 feet wide,” Ste. Marie said.

The Clean Water Fund-backed grade stabilization completed in October 2020 curbs erosion and treats runoff from a 100-acre watershed. A diversion and intake



From left: Red Lake County SWCD technician Bob Bohland, District Manager Tanya Waldo, landowner Joe Ste. Marie and SWCD Board Chairman David Miller visited the site of a Clean Water Fund-backed SWCD project on Sept. 9, 2021, in Terrebonne Township. The grade stabilization at the edge of Ste. Marie’s field fixed a 20-foot-deep, 8-foot-wide gully. Construction finished in October 2020. The project curbs erosion and treats runoff from a 100-acre watershed before it enters a tributary of the Lower Clearwater River. Photo Credit: Ann Wessel, BWSR.

channel the runoff, slow it down and allow sediment and the pollutants it carries to settle out. A 130-foot-long, 30-inch-wide pipe carries the water, which is then filtered before it reaches the river.

Ste. Marie contacted SWCD Manager Tanya Waldo after he saw similar projects working in neighbors’ fields. Visible results and available funds have prompted more landowners to visit the SWCD’s three-person office.

“She’s very good at working with landowners, and very successful at getting grants, too,” Red Lake Watershed District Water Quality Coordinator Corey Hanson said of Waldo, who has worked for the SWCD for 25 years. “I’m sure a lot of them know her and trust her, and she’s able to really get things done.”

The Red Lake Watershed District includes seven soil and water conservation districts, which it can provide with matching funds. In 2021, the watershed district contributed nearly

\$22,000 to the Red Lake County SWCD for its sediment reduction work affecting the Clearwater and Red Lake rivers.

Since 2011, the SWCD has received \$1.9 million in Clean Water Funds from BWSR to implement agricultural practices that reduce sediment, plus drainage ditch work and multipurpose drainage management.

“Without the Clean Water Funds, we wouldn’t be able to do these projects. These projects have really brought awareness to the SWCD — probably brought more awareness to landowners as far as erosion that is occurring on their land,” Waldo said, “giving them the desire to fix problems before they become worse.”

Miller said Red Lake County farmland is especially susceptible to erosion because the primary crops — wheat and soybeans — leave little residue. Topography is another factor. Without grade checks, the steep slopes from the beach ridges to the valleys of the Red River and its tributaries are

ripe for gully formation.

The lower reach of the Clearwater River, which joins the Red Lake River in Red Lake Falls, is impaired for total suspended solids. Hanson, whose duties include monitoring, said trend analysis in the Clearwater River Watershed Restoration and Protection Strategy report indicated that water quality conditions have been improving in the Clearwater River near Plummer and in Terrebonne Township.

“If we’re reducing sediment, we’re also reducing phosphorus, so we focus on the sediment,” Hanson said.

Water quality projects affecting waters that drain north to Canada, including the Clearwater and Red Lake rivers, help with nutrient load reductions recommended by the International Joint Commission to address the chronic algal blooms in Lake Winnipeg.

SWCD projects...
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Do You Recognize These Men?



These seven young men all from Clearwater County went into service together. Please help identify them? Front row center is Duane W. Bergeson. Duane entered active service in the Army in 1953. If you can identify any of these men, please contact Corrine or Sue at 218-487-5225.

Gully Days Skål! Mark your calendar!

Gully is planning for a big celebration June 16-19th. There will be something for everyone!

The Gully 100! Committee has scheduled an event-filled celebration "Gully Days Skål!" beginning with a Whist Tournament on Thursday evening and ending with church services on Sunday morning.

Friday and Saturday there will be a focus on Gully's Scandinavian heritage. (Skål means cheers! in Norwegian). The Scandinavian focus include musical groups: Acoustifiddle, Skalmusic, Stony Brook Fiddlers, and local talent. Other Scandinavian features include: Viking Age (Vikings depicted in costumes

and demonstrations), U S Axe (competitive axe throwing), Scandinavian craft demonstrations and food, and even coloring of Scandinavian murals.

Other celebration events include a 5K run, a spelling contest, a hypnotist, a parade and a dance on Saturday evening, the Acoust Hicks.

Mark this on your calendar and begin thinking about an entry in the parade and preparing for the 5K. You may even win a prize! This is Gully's 110th year celebration two years late. Let's all have a good time and celebrate the Gully Community!

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SWCD projects.

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The Clearwater River flows 147 miles from its headwaters near Bagley to the Red Lake River in Red Lake Falls. Within Red Lake County, part of the river was channelized for drainage, and commercial wild rice paddies drew water from the river and then drained it back into the river after harvest. The river also draws paddlers and anglers to the county.

"Red Lake County doesn't actually have any natural lakes, so we rely on the rivers that come through the county — the kayakers, the tubers, people that count on the rivers to expand their weekends and just enjoy nature," said Red Lake County SWCD technician Bob Bohland, who has since left the SWCD. "We're keeping phosphorus, we're keeping nitrate, we're keeping potassium out of the river system. It's creating cleaner water, less algae growth, just better habitat."

Since a Red Lake River dam removal near Crookston restored fish passage, anglers have been catching Red River species such as catfish in addition to walleye, smallmouth bass and Northern pike.

Hanson fishes the river near Red Lake Falls, and said the stretch upstream to Plummer makes for a scenic paddle.

"It's a nice river, and I think the people that live in that area really appreciate it for recreation," Hanson said.

The Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources' mission is to improve and protect Minnesota's water and soil resources by working in partnership with local organizations and private landowners. Website: www.bwsr.state.mn.us

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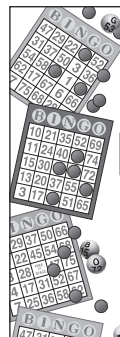
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Monday, May 16

• Movie: "The 12th Man" 7 pm at the Northland College Auditorium.

Tuesday, May 17

• Potet Klub: Viking Café in Viking, MN, Paradise Café in Strathcona, MN, Jeff's Kitchen at the Am. Legion in TRF, and Hugo's grocery store in TRF will be serving this Norwegian specialty.

Wednesday, May 18

• Smorgasbord Dinner: Torsk and pork chop buffet dinner. \$15. Serving 6-7 pm at the Eagles Hall. Reservations required by May 12 to 218-681-6368 or 218-686-0733. 150 tickets only.

Thursday, May 19

• Old Time Dance: Dance to the music of the Cathy Erickson Band from 7-11 pm at the Eagles Hall. \$7.50. Lunch will be served.

Friday, May 20

• Viking Scholar: Vikings: Weapons, Clothing, Jewelry, and More: 7 pm, Northland College Auditorium. Presentation by Viking scholar and re-enactor Luke Borsvold. He has a master's degree in medieval history from the University of Glasgow in Scotland.

Thursday, May 26

• 99th Battalion, WWII: 7 pm, Lincoln High School Auditorium. Dr. Kyle Ward presentation on the history of the 99th. Visiting dignitaries and families of the local 99th veterans introduced. Hall of Honor open from 6 - 9 pm.

Friday, May 27

• 99th Battalion, WWII: 10:40 am Lincoln High School. LHS assembly and presentation for the entire high school student body.

Saturday, May 28

• 99th Battalion, WWII: 10 am Dr. Kyle Ward presentation on the history of the 99th. Again, honoring the families of local 99th veterans. Hall of Honor will be open from 9 am Noon.

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R316

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

R516c

Prairie Pines Childcare Center Positions Available

Prairie Pines Childcare Center is a new childcare center located in Fosston, MN. We are opening in the spring of 2022 and are now accepting applications for the following positions. We are offering a \$2,000 sign on bonus paid after 90 days.



Lead Teachers: This position provides a successful, safe, and supervised educational setting for children while they are at the Prairie Pines Child Care Center. Responsibilities include working within a team, active child supervision, utilizing curriculum and child assessment, and building relationships with families. Must be able to pass a background check.

Assistant Teachers: This position works alongside the Lead Teacher to provide a successful, safe, and supervised educational setting. Responsibilities include working within a team, active child supervision, assisting to implement curriculum, and building relationships with families. Must be able to pass a background check.

Aides: This position assists and supports the classroom team in carrying out developmentally appropriate activities. Responsibilities include monitoring children in the classroom while other team members are on break, monitoring children while on the playground and field trips, and completing daily prep and cleaning. Must be able to pass a background check.

Application and position specific information, including job description, and educational requirements are available on our website at www.prairiepineschildcare.org, or call 612-314-0094 for questions. **Please submit application and resume to director@prairiepineschildcare.org.**

R8-10C

PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATOR

The Polk County Sheriff's Office in Crookston, MN has a full-time Public Safety Telecommunicator position available. This position performs the following but not limited to, intermediate protective service work, provides a single point of contact for 24-hour voice/radio communications for Polk County and the cities located within Polk County, including law enforcement, fire, and emergency medical services. Provides emergency and 911 services to citizen for immediate and direct access to law enforcement, fire, and medical personnel/services; and responsible to monitor, operate and test a variety of communications systems/equipment, and related work. A High school diploma or GED and minimal experience, or equivalent combination of education and experience is needed. Associates/Technical degree preferred with specialized or technical training. MNJIS/PsPortals Certification or ability to obtain within 6 months of hire; APCO or similar certification, or ability to obtain within 6 months of hire; CPR/AED certification within 1 year of hire, and 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 \$23.05 - \$29.31/hour, DOE, and qualifications. An application and full job description can be obtained at <http://www.co.polk.mn.us> click on Careers. Please mail your completed application and resume to the Polk County Administrator's Office, 612 N. Broadway, Room 211, Crookston, MN 56716. (218-281-5408) or e-mail directly to alecia.helms@co.polk.mn.us Applications will be received until 4:30 p.m., May 25, 2022. EOE.

R8-10C

McIntosh Senior Living is currently looking for a FULL TIME MDS RN COORDINATOR

The MDS Coordinator is responsible for the completion of all necessary MDS's of the residents and conducts and coordinates ongoing resident assessments. This position is required to work every fourth weekend as the Charge nurse. The RN will also need to provide direct supervision to the direct care staff and have good communication and documentation skills with positive interaction with residents, families and coworkers. McIntosh Senior Living offers PTO, holiday pay, 401k, free single health insurance, family health insurance, HSA account (\$1,500 facility contribution yearly) dental, life, retention/incentive bonus, scholarship funds for schooling or loans and competitive wages. Interested persons should send resume to 600 Riverside Ave NE, McIntosh, MN 56556 or contact Tricia Hove, Director of Nursing at 218-563-2715.



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R8-10C

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Red Lake County Central Elementary School in Plummer, MN is seeking applicants for an Administrative Assistant position open for the 2022-2023 school year. Applicants must hold a high school diploma; two-or four-year degree preferred, but not required. Interested candidates must submit the following:

- District Application
- Letter of Application
- Resume
- Copy of Official College Transcripts (if available)
- Three (3) signed Letters of Recommendation

Applicants interested in the position, should submit their completed application to:

Mr. Andrew Fougner, Principal
Red Lake County Central Elementary
PO Box 7,
Plummer, MN 56748
218-465-4222



Applications will be accepted until the position is filled. Application forms and job details are available at www.rlcc2906.org.
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07-8C

Red Lake County Seasonal Tar Crew Laborers

Position will assist in tar-patching and various road maintenance operations, and occasionally assigned to other seasonal job duties within the Highway department.

Applicants must be 18 years old as of the date of hire, possess a valid Minnesota Class D driver's license, and be able to do manual labor. The applications received will be valid for the entire 2022 hiring season. Position will approximately start the end of May, works 4-10 hr. days, and wage is \$17.44/hr.

Applications are available online at www.co.red-lake.mn.us or at the Red Lake County Highway Department, 204 7th St SE, Red Lake Falls, MN, (218) 253-2697. Applications accepted until positions are filled.

EOE

07-8C

Temporary Construction Worker 2022 Construction Season

Primary duties will include, but are not limited to:

- Installation and maintenance of underground copper and fiber optic cables
- Use of plowing and digging equipment
- Must be at least 18 years of age
- Preference may be given to those with prior experience with cable splicing and locating, as well as telecommunications and construction equipment
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ASSISTANT COUNTY ATTORNEY

The Polk County Attorney's Office located in Crookston, Minnesota, is seeking applications for the position of a full-time Assistant County Attorney to represent the State of Minnesota and Polk County in criminal and civil proceedings.

This is a challenging and rewarding position with primary responsibilities including prosecuting felony, gross misdemeanor, and misdemeanor cases, handling child delinquency and CHIPS proceedings, representing the county in other court and administrative proceedings, and providing legal advice to county departments. The emphasis of this position will be criminal prosecution, with the successful candidate's duties mainly encompassing representation of the State of Minnesota in criminal proceedings is district court. The caseload will involve extensive court hearings and appearances, as well as jury and court trials, with an emphasis placed on courtroom skills, legal research, and legal writing abilities.

The hourly salary range for this position for 2022 is \$38.95 - \$49.51, depending upon experience and qualifications, with annual step increases. 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.

Applicants must possess a Juris Doctorate and be admitted to practice law in the State of Minnesota in order to successfully perform the essential duties of this position. Legal experience in a County Attorney's Office or other Prosecutor's Office preferred but not required. 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 (218) 281-5408. This position will remain open until filled. EEO

R416c

Communication Coordinator Job Position Available

North Country Community Health Services (CHS) currently has an opening for a .9 FTE Communication Coordinator. This position will coordinate public facing communications across all public health programs for North Country CHS (Hubbard, Clearwater and Lake of the Woods counties). Duties include development and implementation of communication policies, health education, prevention and crisis communication to promote health.

Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing, Public Health, Health Education or a related field and two years' experience in community-based health promotion or communication preferred. Must have a valid driver's license.

Applications are available at the Clearwater County Nursing Service office in Bagley at 212 Main Ave N., Bagley or online at <http://co.clearwater.mn.us/>. Call 694-6581 for more information. We are an Equal Opportunity Employer.

R8-9C



Media Communications Specialist

Polk County has a full-time opening for a **Media Communications Specialist** in the MIS Department. Applicants must have two years post high school training and/or education in web design, public relations, journalism, communications or related field or a combination of two-year degree with required experience; and 2 years' experience in digital marketing or social media analytics, experience with website content management software or website design. 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 & sick leave, & access to many other health & wellness programs. A valid driver's license is required. An application and job description 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. Wage range for this position is \$23.05 - \$29.31/hour DOE and qualifications. 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., May 25, 2022**. Applications may also be emailed directly to alecia.helms@co.polk.mn.us EOE.

R8-10C

SCIENCE TEACHER, 7-12 GRADE, FULL TIME, WIN-E-MAC PUBLIC SCHOOL

Win-E-Mac Public School is seeking a full time 7 - 12 grade science teacher. Earth Science, physical science, life science and Chemistry certification is preferred but not required. Win-E-Mac Schools is located in northwest Minnesota, one hour north of Detroit Lakes on 59 and Highway 2. We are a K - 12 building housing approximately 430 students.

To apply, please submit a letter of application, resume, transcripts, licensure held, 3 letters of recommendation.

Kevin McKeever

23130 345th st SE

Erskine, MN 56535

Or by email to: kmckeever@win-e-mac.k12.mn.us

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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 \$16.25 - \$20.66/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

R71fc

Red Lake County Mechanic/Equipment Operator

Position is responsible for performing maintenance and repairs for all Highway equipment and vehicles. Duties include purchasing and maintaining parts/supplies inventories for the shop; documenting and maintaining all vehicle/equipment maintenance records performed in the shop; and assists in the development of equipment and mechanical specifications for bid purchases. This position will also operate maintenance equipment given the needs of the department. Principal location is Red Lake Falls shop. Wage range is \$46,571-\$60,549 + benefits.

Applicants must have a high school diploma or equivalent, Vocational Certificate/Degree in Gas/Diesel repair maintenance and minimum of 1-3 years in heavy equipment operation and repair. State of Minnesota Class A CDL combination driver's license. Ability to obtain Truck Inspection Certification, Air Conditioning Certification and Forklift Safety Certificate within 6 months of hire.

Knowledge of vehicle/equipment repair/maintenance and warranty policies, practices, procedures and administrative issues, safety inspections/certification requirements and regulations and OSHA requirements. Skilled in making various electrical repairs, engine repairs, hydraulic system repairs, air brake systems, and building maintenance repairs. Maintaining shop records relating to repair and maintenance tasks and to purchasing and inventory control.

Applicant must pass a pre-employment drug screen and is subject to random drug screens during employment.

A complete job description and application are available at www.co.red-lake.mn.us. Questions or to apply call the HR office at 218-253-2590 or email hr@co.red-lake.mn.us. Applications may also be picked up at the Red Lake County Highway Department, 204 7th St SE, Red Lake Falls. Position is open until filled. EOE

O7-8C

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



Clearwater County 4-H Foodstand Manager and Assistant Manager Positions Available

Manager

Managers have the ability to work up to 150 hours at \$12.50-\$17.08/hour (based on experience). See full manager job description at z.umn.edu/ClearwaterCountyFoodstandManager. Duties will include, but are not limited to:

- Work with Food Stand Committee to establish menu and prices
- Manage youth and adult volunteers and assistant managers
- Cover fair hours in the food stand
- Supervise food preparation, holding, and storage to ensure safe practices are being used
- Ensure equipment, preparation and storage areas are kept clean and garbage is being emptied

Assistant Manager

Assistant managers have the ability to work up to 120 hours at \$13.00/ hour. See full assistant manager job description at z.umn.edu/ClearwaterCountyAssistantFoodstandManager. Duties will include, but are not limited to:

- Assist with set-up of all Food Stand operations
- Work with manager to cover fair hours for the food stand
- Provide orientation to shifts and assign duties to volunteers
- Maintain cleanliness of operation and equipment
- Monitor food preparation, service and storage

To apply, please fill out the application at z.umn.edu/ClearwaterCountyFoodstandManagerApplication and return to the extension office at 213 Main Ave N Dept 106 Bagley, MN 56621 or nyeg0007@umn.edu

R5-8C

Transport Deputy – Polk County, MN

The Polk County Sheriff's Office is seeking applications for a full-time Transport Deputy position. Applicants must have an Associate's/Technical degree in Criminal Justice or Law Enforcement or equivalent combination of education and experience. State of MN (POST) License or (POST) license eligible by date of hire, and a valid driver's license is required. The primary duty for this position is to transport inmates to and from courts, jail/detention centers, medical facilities, and other locations as directed. Additional duties include but are not limited to: court and building security, bailiff duty, and proper execution of various civil process and criminal warrants. 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 \$ \$23.05 - \$29.31/hour, DOE, and qualifications. An application and full job description can be obtained at <http://www.co.polk.mn.us> click on Careers. Please mail your completed application and resume to the Polk County Administrator's Office, 612 N. Broadway, Room 211, Crookston, MN 56716. (218-281-5408) or e-mail directly to alecia.helms@co.polk.mn.us Applications will be received until 4:30 p.m., May 27, 2022. EOE.

R8-10C

BAGLEY SCHOOLS FALL 2022 OPENINGS



R7-10C

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 Music position. Bagley Elementary School has an opening for a Music Teacher starting fall 2022. Minnesota licensure in Music 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.

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

Food Service position. The Bagley High School has an opening for a 6.5 hour Cook.

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.

BAGLEY SCHOOLS CURRENT OPENINGS



R7-10C

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 and 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. 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

R7-10C

JOB OPENING COUNTY OF CLEARWATER

JOB TITLE: Full-time Sentence to Serve Crew Leader (STS)

JOB DUTIES:

- Leads, directs and monitors sentence to serve inmates or offenders to ensure projects are completed timely, efficiently and to meet court ordered obligations.

- a) Works alongside offenders/inmates to model appropriate behaviors and demonstrate positive work values and work ethics.
- b) Monitors safety and work practices and assure safety equipment needs are provided in accordance with OSHA requirements.
- c) Evaluates inmates' abilities and assigns tasks/projects accordingly.
- d) Monitors behaviors of crew and provides progressive disciplinary procedures, if necessary to ensure appropriate behaviors.
- e) Transports inmates/offenders to work sites.
- f) Administers first aid or arranges for medical care, if necessary.
- g) Maintains and documents activities, logs and records in accordance with Department of Correction requirements.

- Interacts with and collaborates with local correctional agencies, courts, probation officers and law enforcement to ensure services are provided and courts are informed of offender status.

- a) Provides oral, written and computer reports to probation officers and restitution coordinators regarding performance, attendance, problems and completions of program participants.
- b) Makes recommendations on offender discharge from program and/or other alternatives.
- c) Advise local justice officials of program issues.

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Theology in the Trenches

By Kathleen Kjolhaug

Did You Hear About This?

Today I remember what I'd forgotten. Returning to the pile upon my desk of memory joggers for things to write about, I grabbed the top stack of notes and there it was. Out the window the snow was coming down full force and it all but triggered the memory.

The small town newspaper spoke big time as the picture upon the pages was devastating. Loss of life at any time is solemn but today, deep within, it sickened.

I've heard of stories about immigrants crossing borders under dangerous circumstances, but not one like this. This was different. It was different

because it happened a couple hours from where we live. The story noted a family of four died while making their way across a field as the temps had plummeted well below survivable conditions. Need I say more.

Most around this area know the danger of traveling in such conditions. But this family would not have known. You see, they were not from here and perhaps it's one of the reasons it was close to home, so to speak. The family was from India. Our two daughters recently returned from their homeland, India. Thus, my heart went out. A family coming from this part of the world would not understand the danger they were in when it came to weather. How

could they?

So how did something like this happen? I dug further and discovered they'd made arrangements to enter into the country by means of a trafficking ring. It wasn't intentional on their part, this family merely trusted. They had been victimized by lies sold and promises made.

I could presuppose much but as I stared at the picture of the 39 year old father, the 37 year old mother, the 11 year old little girl and their 3 year old little boy, I ached. Everything within me wanted to lash out at the evil. I wanted to call the grieving parents on the other side of the world and apologize for those who falsely lead their

loved ones away from them... forever.

The information I read mentioned that it had been a sacrificial dream to come to the United States. The parents of the man who died help them with the exorbitant price charged. Once they had entered Canada, they were eventually dropped off in the dark of night near a field... and just across the field, lay all their hopes and dreams. With little regard for human life, the trafficker had now not only taken their money, but their lives by leaving them where he did.

In an attempt to understand this, let's ask a few questions. Can border crossing issues be improved upon? I suppose most agree the answer would be yes. Are there ways to improve the immigration policies? Again, most would certainly agree on that as well.

But the bigger question to ask is if there is a way to improve the human heart that wants to prey upon others with little disregard? What does one do when there are people living here legally who choose to treat others inhumanely for self gain? I have a few thoughts of my own as to what's I'd do...and I'm sure you do too.

Those thoughts are exactly why He is God and I am not. I've always said without reservation that the world is lucky I am not God because I am not nearly as grace-filled, nor merciful as He.

Thus, in my weakness, I have occasion to boast. I will boast of 2 Cor. 12:9-10. "But He said to me, 'My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.' Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ's power may rest on me."

As I recount the story I pray. I pray for the hardened hearts that put money before the dignity of man. I pray for the family across the ocean who lost their son, daughter and grandkids because of man's greed. And last but not least, I ponder and wonder at the same time. I wonder when man will start to protect man instead of looking at them as victims to fill their own need and greed.

The root problems are not policies. Those can be changed. Those can be improved. The problem lies within the human

heart. Even policies are used as dice, tossing them like weapons as a means of manipulation. Heaven forbid we solve a few of our problems. If we do, we might not have a platform from which to deflect blame onto others...creating more chaos which simply veils the real issues. Accountability might mean actually confessing our sins and admitting we all have a part to play in the deaths of this family.

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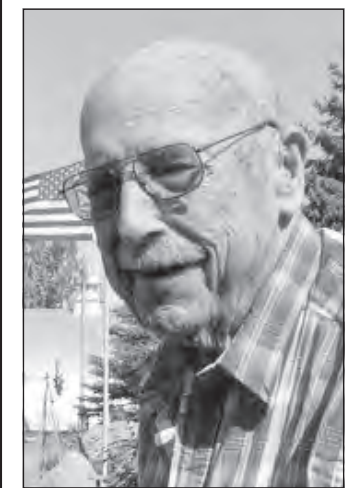
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Obituary for Lee Nielson

Lee Nielson, age 91, of Erskine, MN, passed away on Thursday, April 21st, at Essentia Health Living Center in Fosston. A memorial service will be held at 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 14th, at Grace Lutheran Church in Erskine with Pastor Mike Sletto and Pastor Randy Reimer officiating. Interment will be in Rosehill Cemetery, Mentor, MN. Family will greet friends from 1:00 p.m. until the time of service at the church. The service will be live-streamed on the Carlin Facebook Page and also recorded for later viewing on the Carlin website. Arrangements are with Carlin Family Funeral Service of Erskine and messages of condolence may be shared at www.carlinfuneral.com. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorials be given to the maintenance of the Rose Hill Cemetery. Donations can be mailed to: Rose Hill Cemetery, P.O. Box 32, Mentor, MN 56736.

Lee William Nielson was born on July 13, 1930 to James and Bessie (Crosby) Nielson in Poplar River Township, MN. Lee was raised with his older brother Wilbur and sisters, Nellie and Bess.

Lee was passionate in his relationship with his Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Daily, Lee and Lorna would read and meditate with devotions, Bible study, and prayer, seeking deeper understanding of God's love and promises through His Word.

Lee met the love of his life, Lorna Marie Norrell and they married September 28, 1952, in Bemidji, MN. He loved and cherished his wife of nearly 70 years.

An avid sportsman and horseman, Lee spent many hours riding his favorite horse, Banner, he enjoyed water skiing, his Harley Davidson motorcycle, his black Plymouth convertible, hunting in Montana, and while in high school, played football.

Lee was an incredible craftsman, becoming expert as a welder and woodworker, created many amazing tools, equipment improvements, custom furniture, and cabinetry.

His custom cabinetry, furniture, and velvet-lined jewelry cases are cherished by Lorna, his daughters, and friends.

Lee personally remodeled and expanded the entire home that he and Lorna lived in for almost 70 years. His incredible touch remains visible everywhere in the farm home

they love.

Lee had an unending passion to serve his family and community.

He worked his farm with his father, incorporating dairy into the family business. Lee instilled strong work and moral ethics within his family.

His community service included his participation in the Erskine School Board. This stewardship enabled him to present each of his children their graduation certificates.

His served in several churches as a Sunday School teacher. He taught confirmation for many years, including his children, and the book of Revelation during their senior year.

He served as a Red Lake County Commissioner, for many years, improving safety, security and multiple infrastructure within the tri-county area and the state.

Lee was always there to help neighbors in their time of need, either with their cattle herds, during seeding and harvest seasons, or repairing their equipment, and lending a strong, skilled hand.

Lee is survived by his wife Lorna, five children (and spouses): son Randy and Yongsuk Nielson of Owens Crossroads, AL, Anthony Nielson, (Christian, Jesse), Michelle Nielson; son Brian and Mary Nielson of Burnsville, MN, Michael and Jessica Nielson (Ava, Owen, Collins, and Murphy); Eric Nielson (Anna, and Emily); Tim and Ashlie Nielson (Hunter, Delaney and Remy); daughter Wanda and Del DeKrey of Grand Forks, ND, Neil and Laiel DeKrey (Micah); Lee and Caroline DeKrey (Asher, Cadence and Scarlett); daughter Debra and Nicholas Neibauer of Fertile, MN, Nicholas, Jr. and Brandon Neibauer, Dustin and Katherine Neibauer (Elise and Charles), and Casey Neibauer; daughter Brenda and Scott Krueger of Boise, ID, Katherine and Daryl Lambert (Lucia, Theo, and Arlo); Scott Krueger and Charolette Dugoni.

Lee is also survived by his sister Nellie Field, of Norco, CA, sister-in-law Judith Bylkas, brother-in-law Dennis and Pamela Norrell, brother-in-law Larry and Janice Norrell, brother-in-law/son Dwight (Skip) and Patty Norrell, several nieces, nephews, and many special friends.

Lee and Lorna are also blessed with their special "sons" (and spouses), Steve and Naomi Foldoe and Doug and Paula Foldoe of Mentor, MN.

Lee was preceded in death by his father, mother, brothers Wilbur and Duane, sisters Bess and Sarah Elsa, his mother- and father-in-law, Thelma and Ed Norrell, numerous brothers- and sisters-in-law, other cherished relatives, and friends.

He was well cared for and loved by the staff of Essentia Health Living Center, Fosston, MN.

On April 21, 2022, Lee went home and is now in the arms of Jesus, his Lord and Savior.



Obituary for Chad Nelson

Chad Nelson, age 48, of Bagley, MN, passed away on Wednesday, May 4th, at Altru Hospital in Grand Forks, ND. A memorial service will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, May 17th, at Zion Lutheran Church of Eddy Township, rural Bagley, MN, with the Rev. Randy McGuire officiating. Interment will be in the church cemetery. Family will greet friends for one hour prior to the service on Tuesday (17th) at the church. Arrangements are with Carlin Family Funeral Service of Fosston and messages of condolence may be shared at www.carlinfuneral.com.

Chad Matthew Nelson was born on October 6, 1973, in Bagley, Minnesota to parents Gary and Maxine (Solheim) Nelson. He was baptized and confirmed at Zion Lutheran Church in Eddy Township and graduated from Bagley High School in 1992.

After high school, Chad began his career in trucking by hauling grain in the Bagley area. Then, he and his father went into business together, purchasing their own trucks. Chad hauled hot oil for the next 6 years. Currently he was driving for FreightEx where he had worked for many years. He and his fiancé were living in Goodridge, Minnesota.

Chad liked driving nearly anything that had a motor. Whether it was a lawn mower or a big rig or anything in between. He especially loved riding motorcycle. He also enjoyed fishing.

Chad had a good sense of humor and loved to tease (especially his nieces and nephews). He will be remembered as a kind soul who would lend a helping hand to anyone in need. He will be dearly missed by his family and many friends.

Survivors include his fiancé, Nichole Glenn of Goodridge, MN; two daughters, Nitasha Worley of Plymouth, and Cassie Nelson (Tyler Marty) of Bagley, MN; two step children, Paige (Emmie) Fenney of Kennedy, MN, and Tyler Smith of Thief River Falls, MN; grandchildren, Isaac Grondin and Josiah Karst.

Also surviving are Chad's siblings, Rhonda Nelson of Bagley, MN, and Erick (Wendy) Nelson of Bagley, MN; five nieces and nephews; aunts, uncles and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his infant brother, Darin; his maternal and paternal grandparents; and one aunt, Corrine Solheim.



Obituary for Lorraine Lee

Lorraine Lee, age 96, of McIntosh, MN, passed away on Wednesday, May 4th, at Essentia Health Hospital in Fosston. Funeral services will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Monday, May 16th, at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in McIntosh with the Rev. Keith Zeh officiating. Interment will be in Lima Cemetery, near Union Lake, rural Erskine. Visitation will be held for one hour prior to the service on Monday (16th) at the church. Arrangements are with Carlin Family Funeral Service of McIntosh and messages of condolence may be shared at www.carlinfuneral.com.

Lorraine Joyce Johnson was born on January 1, 1926 at home in rural Winger, Minnesota in Woodside Township. Her parents were Oscar and Ida (Lind) Johnson. She grew up on the family farm where she milked cows, picked potatoes and trapped gophers and attended country school near Union Lake. She was baptized and confirmed in the Lutheran faith at Union Lake Church.

Lorraine grew up speaking Swedish and when she started school she then learned to speak English. As a young adult, she moved to Chicago to be with her sister, Olive Williams and attended the Salon School of Cosmetology in 1946. After graduating, she moved back to Winger and married Maurice "Mush" Nornes on August 2, 1947. To this union four children were born, Lynn, Bruce, Gail and Mary Beth. They made their home in McIntosh, Minnesota and she opened a beauty shop in her home in 1959. Her sister, Olive Williams, operated with her at that time for a year. In 1965, she managed part-time at Sande's Beauty Salon in Erskine, Minnesota. A few years later, she managed Diane's Golden Comb in Fosston. Lorraine also worked part-time at Ruthella Westlake's Beauty Shop in McIntosh and at the Mac Manor Beauty Shop. In the later years, as the customers grew older and didn't have transportation, she provided a ride for her customers for their appointments, warmed up their car in the winter and brought them back home again, carefully walking them on the icy sidewalks.

Lorraine married Bob Lee on November 29, 1975 and continued to live in their home in McIntosh. Lorraine took in many stray cats throughout the years and she gave them much love and care. Lorraine passed away on Wednesday, May 4, 2022 at Essentia Health Hospital in Fosston at the age of 96 years.

Lorraine is survived by her caring husband, Bob; her children, Bruce Nornes of Big Sugar Bush Lake, Gail (Steve) Knudson of Big Sugar Bush Lake, Mary (Brian) Espeseth of Thief River Falls, MN, and Mike Lee of Mentor, MN; 11 grandchildren, Garrett, Rachel, Nick, Leah, Tyler, Missy, Jason, Ben, Jordan, Trevor and Brooke; and 14 great grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; son, Lynn Nornes; brothers, Albin Johnson and David Johnson; and sisters, Irene Helling, Olive Williams and Alice Vesledahl.

Vi älskar dig för alltid mamma (we love you forever mom).

May her memory be blessed.



Obituary for Richard Vinje

Richard Duane Vinje, 87, of Gonvick, Minnesota died on Thursday, May 5, 2022 at the VA Hospital in Fargo, North Dakota.

Memorial services will be held on Tuesday, May 17, 2022 at 2:00 p.m. at Samhold Lutheran Church in Gonvick, Minnesota with a visitation one hour prior. Interment will be held at Samhold Lutheran Cemetery in Gonvick, MN. Military rites will be accorded by the Gonvick American Legion post No. 304. The Cease Family Funeral Home of Bagley assisted the family with arrangements.

Richard was born in Gonvick, MN on December 11, 1934, the only son of Sven Oscar and Christine (Bakum) Vinje. He grew up in Gonvick area and graduated from Gonvick High School in 1953 before attending school to learn to be a bus mechanic. Over the years, Richard worked at the gas station, hauled lefse, drove semi, made Scandinavian furniture in Florida, and worked at Marvin Windows. Throughout all his work endeavors, he was a farmer, starting on his family's farm, working at Worrel's in Montana, and coming back to farm in Gonvick. On September 26, 1959,

Richard married the love of his life, Charlene Kay Kokkeby in Gonvick. Together they made a home, wherever Richard's wandering feet lead them throughout the United States, but always coming back to Gonvick. For a time, starting in 1976, they owned "The Clubhouse" in Gonvick, a highlight for them both together. Richard also had the honor of being appointed town cop for about a year after the Gonvick at the time retired, until a permanent replacement was hired.

Richard always was helping people, whether it was giving people rides in his car (one of the very first cars in Gonvick) or helping plow at the Lefse factory and others' driveways. He lived for a good joke and loved to make people laugh. He always had a twinkle in his eye, and you could tell he was up to something. Richard loved Westerns and playing cards, from cribbage to solitaire. He had a fondness for his garden, and especially loved growing tomatoes. He could be seen around town in Gonvick, especially at the café in the morning at the round table, getting a cup of coffee with the guys. Richard had a strong faith, and was a proud member of the Gonvick Legion, Lions Club, and the Volunteer Fire Department. He was very intelligent and became a bit of a town historian, and always had a story to tell.

Richard is survived by his daughter, Tammy (Mike Olson) Rice; his daughter-in-law, Jeane Vinje; his grandchildren, Bennie (Amber) Rice, Quill Vinje, and Erik Vinje; his great grandchild, Joseph; and many cousins and other relatives.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Charlene Kay Vinje; his son, Rick Vinje; and his parents, Oscar and Christine Vinje; and his special friend, Ariel Larson.

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Twin City

By Auctioneer Eric W. Mickelson



Three companies provided the start of one of my favorite companies. The Moline Plow Co., Minneapolis Threshing Machine Co., and the Minneapolis Steel and Machinery Co. merged in 1929, to form a single company that could find success. The Minneapolis-Moline Power Implement Co. was the result. As they moved to the future the continued the Twin City tractors that had been produced by the Minneapolis

Steel and Machinery Co. The "gray" tractors were now called Minneapolis-Moline Twin City tractors.

John Deere, Massey Harris, Case, International Harvester, and Allis Chalmers all produced a full line of equipment and were part of very competitive industry at this time. The new merger hoped that using each companies strengths could catapult Minneapolis-Moline into a spot of leadership in this market.

Although they were trying to develop their own tractor, Minneapolis-Moline kept the Twin City name and gray paint job. The Twin City models FT, KT, and MT were updated. In 1934 the new model JT was released, and sported the "new" pneumatic rubber tires. Eventually the new tractor the ZT was introduced. It was a big change with stylish sheet metal and a new yellow paint scheme! The gray model J sort of disappeared. The J was the Minneapolis Molines first gray tractor, and it's last gray tractor!

Many years ago I attended a sale and there was an old KTA Twin City tractor on it. It had been literally drug out of the woods. The tires were rotten and several parts were missing and I think it sold for \$40! I don't know why I didn't bid!!

drawbar HP.

A) 18hp B) 22hp C) 25 hp D) 29 hp

4. The model JT tractor had rubber tires. This was a good addition because of its _____ speed transmission capable of speeds of 12 mph.

A) 3 speed B) 4 speed C) 5 speed D) 6 speed

5. The model ZT has a new paint job. The yellow paint was called _____.

A) Mustard Seed B) Honey Bee Yellow C) Prairie Gold D) Flambeau Red

Answers: 1. B) 4 cyl. 2. B) Waukesha 3. A) 18hp 4. C) 5 speed 5. C) Prairie Gold



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by Sgt. Jesse Grabow
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When people call, text, or chat 988, they will be connected to trained counselors that are part of the existing National Suicide Prevention Lifeline network. These trained counselors will listen, understand how their problems are affecting them, provide support, and connect them to resources if necessary.

The current Lifeline phone number (1-800-273-8255) will always remain available to people in emotional distress or suicidal crisis, even after 988 is launched nationally.

The Lifeline's network of over 180 crisis centers has been in operation since 2005, and has been proven to be effective. It's the counselors at these local crisis centers who answer the contacts the Lifeline receives every day. Numerous studies have shown that callers feel less suicidal, less depressed, less overwhelmed and more hopeful after speaking with a Lifeline counselor.

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