



Tri County Canary

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Clearwater County Breakfast on the Farm was held at the Strandlien farm near Shevlin on Saturday, July 6. The farm has been in the family since 1912. Craig Strandlien, the 4th generation to own the farm is shown just above the word Chalmers on the tractor. Craig's parents, Norris and Lila, the third generation to own the farm, are shown with Norris just to the left of the word Allis on the tractor with his wife Lila standing behind. The Strandlien Family Crew picture was submitted by Cara Strandlien Andersen.



Aerial view of the Strandlien farm for the breakfast last Saturday. Clearwater-Polk was there with their equipment to take many up to see what was going on at the farm.



Signing in at Breakfast on the Farm.



Going up in the bucket.



Four teams from Go and Whoa Club. This was a three team hook-up.



Gonvick Lions Club 34th Annual Rodeo will be held on Friday and Saturday, July 12 and 13. Events start at 6:00 p.m. each night. There will be a parade on Saturday at 2:00 p.m.

Brown Bag History Series is free

Join us on Thursday, July 18, at noon at the Beltrami County History Center, located at 130 Minnesota Ave. SW in downtown Bemidji, for a special program on the foundations of band music in Bemidji. The Beltrami County Historical Society is thrilled to welcome author Joy Riggs and members of the Bemidji Area Concert Band for this enriching event.

In her presentation, Joy Riggs will delve into the musical contributions her great-grandparents made to Bemidji's civic and cultural life in the early 1920s, including the organization of the Bemidji Boys' Band. She will also read excerpts from her non-fiction book, "Crackerjack Bands and Hometown Boosters," which explores the life and career of her great-grandfather, G. Oliver Riggs. Riggs was a pioneer in the development of Minnesota's band music programs. Following a family tragedy in Crookston, he moved to Bemidji in 1919 with his wife, Islea, who was an accomplished piano soloist and accompanist.

Joy Riggs grew up in Alexandria, Minnesota, and graduated from Drake University in Des Moines with a bachelor's degree in news-editorial journalism. She spent several years as a newspaper reporter before becoming a freelance writer and editor. In 2006, she embarked on a project helping her dad research his paternal grandfather's career as a longtime band director in St. Cloud. Over a decade later, that project culminated in her book.

Adding to the celebration, members of the Bemidji Area Community Band, which has been in operation for over 50 years, will play excerpts from

CRACKERJACK BANDS AND HOMETOWN BOOSTERS

The story of a Minnesota Music Man

JOY RIGGS

band concerts conducted by G. Oliver Riggs in Bemidji. This event is a wonderful opportunity to connect with Bemidji's rich musical heritage and enjoy live performances that reflect the community's ongoing dedication to band music.

This program is part of the Historical Society's FREE

Brown Bag History Series and is open to the public. For more information about the History Center's programs, please visit beltramihistory.org/calendar.

Don't miss this unique opportunity to learn about and celebrate the vibrant history of band music in Bemidji. We look forward to seeing you there!

Hope you had a great Independence Day!

By Eric Mickelson
After years of teaching there was always a saying that after the 4th of July the summer was about over. Actually it was not even half over but summer does seem to go into high gear after the 4th! Also during my years of teaching I tried to share my love of history and trivia with my students. So I decided while it is fresh in our minds we should do a little 4th of July trivia!

1. Who was the oldest person to sign the Declaration of Independence?
2. How many American flags are on the moon?
3. What is the message on the back of the Declaration of Independence?

4. At what Battle(s) did the shot heard round the world starting the Revolutionary War take place?
5. The Liberty Bell is tapped how many times on the 4th of July.
6. What state was the first to make the 4th of July a holiday on July 13, 1781?
7. What two former presidents both died on the 4th of July in 1826? They were political enemies in their careers.
8. True or False: The Fiftieth Star was added to the American Flag on July 4th, 1960.
9. Today there were about 332 million people living in the United States. In 1776 there were about _____ million

- people in the US.
10. The first 4th of July celebration that took place in the White House was 1801. Who was President at that time.

- Answers:** 1. Ben Franklin 2. 6 from Apollo 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17 3. "Original Declaration of Independence dated 4th July 1776." (it is not known who wrote this!) 4. The Battles of Lexington and Concord on April 19, 1775. 5. 13 for the 13 original states. 6. Massachusetts 7. John Adams and Thomas Jefferson 8. True: It was added to commemorate the 50th State Hawaii which became a state on August 21, 1959. 9. 2.5 million 10. Thomas Jefferson



June 27 marked a special event at the Marshall County Area Veterans Memorial Park, dedicating the addition of a bronze statue and memorial bench in honor of the military men and women who have had or are currently suffering the effects of Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD). The occasion took place to recognize the month of June as PTSD Awareness Month and June 27th as PTSD Awareness Day, designated by the US Senate in 2010 to raise awareness of the mental health issues that can develop after exposure to traumatic events.

Visitor's Day Scheduled at University of Minnesota North Central Research and Outreach Center

DiscoverU@NCROC
New date and time – Tuesday, July 23 from 2-6 p.m.
Mark your calendar! The University of Minnesota North Central Research & Outreach Center (NCROC) will host its annual Visitor's Day Tuesday, July 23 from 2-6 p.m. Tours, activities, informational booths and vendors will be featured throughout the event.
Visitors will be able to take wagon tours to NCROC's apple orchard, bog, and through various research areas. Two presentations featuring Helga the Hereford, a full-size cow model designed to simulate dystocia events (difficult calvings) will be held.
University of Minnesota specialists, Extension educators, Itasca County Master Gardeners and the 8th District Garden Club will be available to explain research programs and answer questions. Information booths will be in the Administration and Equipment buildings.
Activities for children will

include a scavenger hunt, a Bell Museum interactive booth, potato digging, and more.
The Horticulture program has planned several activities, including blueberry plant health and annual flower trials. Staff from the University of Minnesota mums, potatoes and organics programs will be onsite. The Itasca County Master Gardeners will conduct plant diagnostics and answer your questions about water quality and food preservation, and host planting for kids and compost demonstrations.
Itasca Waters returns this year with two displays – one indoor and the other outdoor.
For updated information, visit the following online platforms:
NCROC's website: <https://ncroc.cfans.umn.edu/>
Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/NCROC>
Twitter: https://twitter.com/ncroc_uofm
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NCROC was established in

1896. It is part of a statewide network of research and outreach centers (ROCs) whose collective charter and vision is to conduct broad based, research and education programs in natural resources and agricultural systems that have direct impact on stakeholders and citizens of the region, state, nation, and world. Research programs at the NCROC include Agronomy, Beef Systems Management, Horticulture and Wild Rice.
Learn how University of Minnesota research impacts your life! Come early to enjoy the tours and see the wide range of activities happening at NCROC! All ages are welcome to attend this fun and educational event. Admission is free.
NCROC is located on the east edge of Grand Rapids at 1861 East US Highway 169.
For more information, contact NCROC at 218-327-4490 ext. 2001, or visit the above online platforms.

Beef's Nutrients and Farming Background Fuel High School Athlete's Track Success

The 2024 high school track season has wrapped up with the conclusion of the MSHSL State Track Meet. Amongst athletes who competed was Brynn Bakken, a student from Beaver Creek, Minnesota. Brynn attends Beaver Creek High School and just completed her 9th grade year.
Bakken advanced to the state meet in the 4x100 relay, 200-meter, and 100-meter dashes, placing 9th, 3rd, and 2nd respectively. For the 4x100 meter relay, Brynn was accompanied by Trinity Olson (7th grade), Ava Steinhoff (9th grade), and Brynn Rauk (12th grade).
One might wonder, "What makes a young athlete like Brynn so successful?" Besides talent, Bakken's success can be attributed to family, hard work, and dedication to proper diet and sleep habits. Brynn's brother has served as a motivator for her to get in the weight room and giving tips on how to build and maintain muscle. Her parents have also played a large part, finding trainers,

new opportunities, and providing equipment, motivation, and encouragement.

Being raised on a beef farm, Brynn not only understands the value of hard work, but also the importance of consuming beef for optimal sports performance. With 10 essential vitamins and minerals, beef is a powerful, protein-packed option for athletes.

"Beef is something that I eat daily as an athlete," Brynn stated. It provides me with the protein and nutrients needed to maintain the busy lifestyle I have. Eating a healthy meal before and/or after games or practice helps me prepare and recover for races."

The Bakken's family-owned farm, BLAC-X, was established in 2001. Richard Bakken, Brynn's grandpa, started farming in 1966 and is still farming to this day with his two sons. The farm raises angus and Simmental-cross cows as well as feeding angus cattle in their feedlot. Brynn continues to be involved in the farm, helping with chores that translate into greater muscle build and a strong work ethic for sports.

When asked what her favorite thing is about being raised on a beef farm, Brynn said, "Of course, the beef. Having steaks, burgers, roasts, or beef jerky is always something I enjoy. To top it all off, my dad does a fantastic job at preparing the meat. He is one of the best guys at cooking a steak to the perfect temperature."

There's no doubt that Brynn's future is a bright one. Through continued hard work in both the weight room and on the farm, coupled with a dedicated diet fueled by beef, Brynn Bakken is sure to run fast and go far.

About the Minnesota Beef Council

The Minnesota Beef Council was established in 1967 and is funded and managed by beef farmers and ranchers. Through the Beef Checkoff Program, \$1 is obtained for every head of cattle sold. The council utilizes promotion, research, and education to strengthen beef demand and improve the marketing climate of beef. To learn more about beef, visit mnbeef.org and follow us on Facebook and Instagram at Minnesota Beef.



Brynn Bakken

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Monthly MCCL Meeting July 18

The monthly meeting of the local Minnesota Citizens Concerned for Life Chapter #45 will be held on Thursday, July 18 at 7 p.m. at Mt. Carmel Lutheran Church in McIntosh. For more information about the Chapter, contact Eileen Hegg at 218-563-3152.



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How much is it worth?
Remember those metallic crown caps with a cork liner that adorned pop bottles years ago? Some caps can be worth up to \$500. The Kola caps shown here from the Chief Bottling Co in Bemidji are worth about two to three dollars apiece.

Why would anyone wish to collect bottle caps? If you are a collector of pop or soda bottles, you will need to add bottle caps to your collection. There was an equal number of bottle caps for every manufactured and sold bottle. Believe it or not, bottle caps are more scarce than bottles and can be worth more.

Bottle caps that were opened with traditional openers are less valuable than caps that are unused. Often, the name of the company and city are on the cap, which adds to the value.

If you are thinking of starting a bottle cap collection, you will have a ways to go to beat Mr. Pol Paulsen, who holds the world record for a collection of 101,700 caps.

Bottle cap collecting is fun and inexpensive. If you have a few old pop bottles, look for the caps. Make sure they have the cork liner. William Painter invented it in 1892 in Baltimore. Pepsi stopped using cork liners around 1960.

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SPECIAL EDUCATION PARAPROFESSIONALS

Wine-E-Mac Public School is seeking to hire special education paraprofessionals for the 2024-2025 school year. Applications available at wemschools.org/district/employment-opportunities. Please send a letter of interest and a completed application to Principal Casey Reiersen at creierson@wemschools.org or Wine-E-Mac School, 23130 345th St. SE, McIntosh, MN 56535. This will be open until filled. Phone: 218-563-2900. ISD #2609 is an Equal Opportunity Employer.



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Communication Specialist-North Country Community Health Services

North Country Community Health Services currently has an opening for a .8 -.9 FTE Communication Specialist. This position will provide communication services across all public health programs for North Country Community Health Services (CHS) of Hubbard, Clearwater and Lake of the Woods counties and Beltrami County CHS. Duties include development and implementation of communications including, health education, prevention and crisis communication to promote health. Applications are available at the Clearwater County Nursing Service office in Bagley at 212 Main Ave N., Bagley or online at [https://www.co.clearwater.mn.us/vertical/sites/%7BD1BE6F66-A19E-4CC1-ADD8-8DF38E31F1E3%7D/uploads/County_Employment_Application\(2\).pdf](https://www.co.clearwater.mn.us/vertical/sites/%7BD1BE6F66-A19E-4CC1-ADD8-8DF38E31F1E3%7D/uploads/County_Employment_Application(2).pdf)

Call 694-6581 for more information. No close date. Required/minimum qualifications: Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing, Public Health, Health Education, Communication or a related field OR an associate degree and two years' experience in community-based health promotion or communication. Must have a valid driver's license. We are an Equal Opportunity Employer.

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RUMMAGE SALES

Missions Rummage Sale

July 13th, 2024

8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

at the Gathering Place in Clearbrook on Hwy 92
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Lunch: Concessions food.
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Silent Auction Items

Silent Auction Items will be posted on our Facebook page:
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LAST ROUNDUP!

Small amount of Clothing, (womens sm-3xlg, New Mens Jeans & Mens Med) mostly household and Misc. items. Little Tykes Toy Box (pink & white) Rocking chair, Office Desk, 7 ft Lighted Christmas Tree-New in the box, Pampered Chef Deluxe Electric Grill & Griddle, and much more. More items added daily. To many items to list them all!!

Friday, July 12
2:00pm to 5:00pm,
Saturday, July 13
9:00am to 2:00pm
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Rummage Sale

Multi-Family Rummage Sale

Roz Watnemo and Alyssa Raverty. Come to the Embassy Center Main Floor, corner of 3rd and Eaton in Fosston from 8 AM to 4 PM, one day only, Saturday, July 13. Household goods, lots of bedding, coffee table, clothing, shoes, purses, jewelry, books, computer keyboard, even a trap shoot thrower and so much more! Priced to sell!

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Household

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Deputy Sheriff Patrol I - II – Sheriff's Office:

\$30.03 – \$40.32/hr. Position Is Open Until Filled

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Dean of Students position opening anticipated in the Elementary. Applicants must have a Bachelor's degree in Elementary Education as well as a Teaching License. Preference given to applicants with 3-5 years school experience. Salary starting at \$67,153yr.

Director of Indian Education position opening immediately. Applicants must have a four-year Bachelor of Science Degree as well as a valid driver's license. Experience in Indian Education is preferred but not required.

*Interested applicants should send a resume, teaching credentials, letter of interest, three letters of recommendation and a copy of college transcripts to Nichole M. Ekre at 202 Bagley Ave. NW, Bagley, MN 56621 or nekre@bagley.k12.mn.us.
*Successful candidates must pass a criminal background check.
*Positions will remain open until filled.

Elementary Education Teacher position opening anticipated. Proper Minnesota licensure is required and experience is preferred.

Elementary Special Education Teacher position opening. Proper Minnesota licensure is required and experience is preferred.

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Substitute Teacher opportunities are available. Applicants should submit their teaching license (or substitute licensure with a 4-year degree) and resume.

Successful candidates must pass a criminal background check.

Native American Home Liaison position openings. Candidates must be highly qualified, which includes either two or more years of college, an AA Degree, or the ability to pass the ParaPro Exam.

Paraeducator position openings. Candidates must be highly qualified, which includes a High School Diploma or equivalent and either 2 or more years of college/an AA Degree, or the ability to pass the ParaPro Exam.

Substitute Para opportunities are available. Applicants must have a high school diploma or equivalent.

*Application forms may be downloaded from the District Website bagley.k12.mn.us, picked up in the District Office or you may email nekre@bagley.k12.mn.us. For more information, please call Nichole Ekre at 218-694-6184.

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Food Service Support Staff - a high school diploma or GED is preferred but not required. This is a 3-hour position.

Substitute Food Service Support Staff - a high school diploma or GED is preferred but not required.

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Full-Time Route Bus Driver and Substitute Bus Driver 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. For more information, please call Stuart Dukek at 218-694-6122. Successful candidates must pass a criminal background check. Positions will remain open until filled.

COACHING

Currently accepting applications for the following:

*Head Girls Basketball

*JV Girls Basketball

*JV Boys Basketball

*Head Varsity Hockey

*Interested candidates should send a letter of interest, resume of coaching and playing experiences and three references to Nichole M. Ekre at 202 Bagley Ave. NW, Bagley, MN 56621 or nekre@bagley.k12.mn.us

Successful candidates must pass a criminal background check.

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TOM NELSON ESTATE - ONLINE ONLY

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Online Bidding Starts Thurs. July 11th

Bidding Starts to Close Thurs. July 18th ~ 6PM

For More Information Go To: mcmullensales.hibid.com

Items to Include: 92 Dodge Power Ram 150, 91 Dodge Power Ram 250, 85 Dodge Power Ram 150 Prospector, 97 Jeep Grand Cherokee, Dodge Dynasty LE 4dr, 83 Pace Arrow Motor Home, 9 Total Vehicles, MF 65 Tractor, Ford Utility 4400 Tractor, Oliver 1850 Tractor, Belarus 520 Tractor, 2-Polaris ATV's, Polaris Big Boss 6x6, Bass Tracker V-17 Boat, 18ft. Car Trailer, 3pt. Equipment, Cattle Panels & Gates, Tillers, Snowblower, Generator, Tools, Shop Items, Household & Kitchen Items, Furniture, Lawn & Garden Items, Gun Safe, Guns, Ammo, Hunting & Fishing Items, Plus Many More Items



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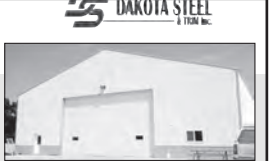
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Tractor Days.....in Sebek!a!

By Auctioneer Eric W. Mickelson

Last week I ran a couple pictures of the tractor ride held by the Tri River Pioneer, leaving from the Plummer Museum. I was sadly unable to attend the ride, but for the right reasons. Instead my wife and I were asked by my son and daughter-in-law to come and baby sit the grandkids....what do you think we said to that, YES, of course!!!

There was a little extra good news, just down the road from them, The Red Eye Tractor Club Tractor Show. Now I am not trying to sound selfish or greedy! Yes, you know I like tractors but, I have to add so does my grandson, Callan! Oh, and did I mention so does my granddaughter, Lola! So to the tractor show we went!

Last year was the first annual tractor show and this year obviously this year the 2nd annual show. They sure did a good job of adding some new items and it was great. The show was held at Olson Ag. They had a horse on the grounds for the kids to pet and they had also turned an old gravity box into a basketball shoot. After you shot, make or miss, the ball would funnel back out of the gravity box into

a trough where you could grab the ball and shoot again!

They also had a kiddie pedal tractor pull. Now Callan is three years old. They let that age group have an exhibition pull. Ages 4-11 were part of the sanctioned kiddie pull and were eligible to advance to the state kiddie pull contest. Anyhow, I signed Cal up in the 3 year old group and he had a great time! Such a great time that when we returned home after the pull grandpa immediately put in an order for a pedal tractor!(Which has already arrived and was assembled!) More and more grandpa fun everyday!

After the pedal pull was walked around the grounds sitting on tractor after tractor. They even had a huge modern sprayer that was fun to climb up and sit on! We sat on a WD-6 McCormick, a Pony Massey Harris, a little Ford, a 1900 Oliver with a GM diesel, an A John Deere, a 44 Massey Harris, a ZTS MM, and the list goes on! I'm not sure who had more fun Callan, Lola, grandpa, or grandpa! I am so glad for tractor show season!



Callan on a Pony Massey.



Ford New Holland with Callan and Lola in the cab!

How about a little tractor trivia!

1. The Pony Massey Harris Tractor was manufactured from 1947-_____.
A) 1952 B) 1955 C) 1957 D) 1958

2. The Pony was manufactured in what town?
A) Brantford, Ontario B) Racine, WI C) Chicago IL D) Woodstock, Ontario

3. The WD-6 tractor was made from 1940-_____.
A)1948 B)1949 C) 1950 D) 1952

4. The WD-6 McCormick tractor was manufactured in _____.
Brantford, Ontario B) Chicago, IL C) Rock Island, IL D) Racine, Wisconsin

5. The 1900 Oliver was equipped with a 4-53 General Motors engine that developed _____hp on the PTO.
A) 90HP B) 100HP C) 110 HP D) 120HP

Answers:1. A. 1952 2. D. Woodstock, ON 3. D. 1952 4. C. Rock Island, IL 5. B. 100hp

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by Sgt. Jesse Grabow Minnesota State Patrol

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Theology in the Trenches

By Kathleen Kjolhaug

The Little Boy and the Shower Door

For two years I'd been drooling over the shower displays at a larger hardware store up the road. After all, who doesn't wanna "save big money!"

Drawn to one in particular, each time I entered, I'd walk over to it in hopes of opening the glass door. It never opened. I thought it unusual that a display model would not open, but in hopes of it doing just that, I'd try and try again pushing it this way and that. It did not budge.

This brings me to the a conclusion I erroneously made. I thought, in my wisdom, that the reason the door didn't open was because they didn't want people messing with their doors and wearing them out right there in the store. I thought the black latches upon it were locking the unit into place so people, like me, could admire it but not necessarily try it out at

the expense of those saving me all that money—big money—mind you.

One day, we decided that we could no longer delay our purchase and whether or not that door would open, I wanted it. I figured if I ordered it, it would open. Right? I mean, if one pays for it—it should work.

Just when I was placing my order and dragging the salesman over to show him the desired door to complete the project, a little boy dashed up, opened the glass shower door by swinging it wide and just as quickly closed it! The door I'd been admiring for so long was a hinged door that needed to be pulled open and not slid to the side! Immediately, I understood that which I hadn't.

Now, I bet you are wondering if I made the big purchase and saved big money. Well, as much as I'm still dreaming about having that door swing

as it did within my house, a completely different door was chosen based on the suggestion of the specialist—of which I am apparently not.

And if you are anything like me, after having made the purchase, you call several friends to gather their opinions in hopes of reinforcing the decision made. You then rethink it, and rework it in your mind for several more days before realizing that each and every bit of advice given was worth considering and you now wonder if you even made the right choice.

Yet, I am thankful. I am thankful for choices we have a plenty in this land of plenty. I am thankful for friends who give input and who know how much they are deeply treasured. And, I am thankful for little children who show me how to open doors. Last but not least, I am thankful for a husband who, upon receiving the invoice and seeing how much big money I saved him, was simply relieved a choice had been made.

Matthew 18:3 says, "Truly I tell you, unless you become like little children, you will not enter the kingdom of heaven."

Matthew 19:14 is another passage worth pondering. "Jesus said, 'Let the children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these.'"

No doubt He wasn't talking about shower doors. Yet, there is a link here from which we can learn. Children teach us much. Most of the time, they jump right in and do without hesitation of the price to be paid such as maybe getting it wrong, or getting dirty. They are active participants. They trust that which as they poke and prod with delight at that which is before them.

The child opened the door while I didn't even stop to ask because I figured it wasn't openable.

I suppose that brings us to the final verse for today from Luke 11:9. "So I say to you: Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you."

May we, like little children, continue to ask, knock, seek and pull open doors He places before us—so that others might walk on through. Amen.

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Bemidji Speedway “Driver Profile for Mason Smith”



Mason Smith kneeling with his dad Brandon standing behind him and uncle Skyler on the right.

7/2/2024

By Dennis Peterson

14 year old Mason Smith has some big shoes to fill. His dad Brandon raced Wissota Pure stocks and Midwest Modifieds for four years. His uncle Skyler is actively racing and is in his 17th year. Skyler has raced Wissota Mod Fours, Midwest Modifieds and A Modifieds. Currently he is in first place in points in the Midwest Modifieds.

He was Track Champion several times at both Bemidji Speedway and Grand Rapids speedways and ranked in the top five Nationally several times.

Mason is in his rookie year of racing in the Wissota Pure Stock class and is currently in the 11th spot in the standings. Mason said, “I plan on racing Bemidji Speedway, Grand Rapids Speedway and Greenbush

this year.”

Mason is also active in Bemidji Hockey in the Bantam ranks and also plays golf. He will enter the 9th grade at Bemidji High School this fall.

One thing for sure, Mason has excellent teachers helping him in his rookie season of racing. He can be seen racing the #21s Pure stock each Sunday at Bemidji Speedway.

Participate in the "Weaving Water Workshop: landscape of creativity"

Minneapolis-based artist and botanist Sarah Nassif is collaborating with Watermark Art Center to bring an indigo dye and fiber community project entitled "Weaving Water Workshop: landscape of creativity" to the 56th Annual Watermark Art Festival's Family Art Activity Area from 10 to 5pm on Saturday July 20, and 10 to 4pm on Sunday July 21 in downtown Bemidji.

Nassif will guide festival-goers as they try their hand at spinning, folding, binding, and dyeing to create unique patterns in cloth and fiber. The many fragments produced during the festival will be woven into a new textile artwork piece to be displayed at Watermark Art Center after the festival.

What is the meaning of "Weaving Water" and how do landscapes and watersheds inspire creativity? The project explores the intersections of water, weaving and the shared experience of participating in public workshops. Similar to a watershed that encompasses all the streams and rivers that run into a common body of water, Nassif explains, "each of us channels the creativity of our ancestors, life experiences and cultural traditions."

The intention of this interactive project is to deepen humanity's connection to the land, water and one another.

There is no registration or fee required to participate in this drop-in project or attend the festival. Learn more about this workshop, the festival and the many activities offered throughout the weekend at WatermarkArtCenter.org. The festival grounds include Library Park and the outdoor spaces of Watermark Art Center. The center's galleries and gift shop will be open during the festival, as well.



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Minnesota DNR certifies 9 new record fish

After making changes to the record fish program, the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources has seen steady interest by anglers in documenting their largest catches, as evidenced by the nine new state record fish the Minnesota DNR has certified since March.

“Seeing all these new records is fantastic and we’re really pleased with how anglers have participated in the program so far,” said Mandy Erickson, fisheries program consultant. “We expect to keep posting more records as more anglers hear about how to certify a record and as more time passes.”

The Minnesota DNR in March expanded the catch-and-release record category to add additional species, and also made more space for records in the certified weight category by creating a separate category

for records established before a certified scale was required to document a fish's weight.

The Minnesota DNR has certified the following as new state record fish since March 1.

Certified weight category

- Coho salmon – 12 pounds, 5 ounces; June 1, Lake Superior, St. Louis County; caught by Austin Stoltenburg of Iron

- Black crappie – 3 pounds, 9 ounces; May 9, Cedar Lake, Rice County; caught by Nolan Sprengler of Plymouth

- Mooneye – 2 pounds, 1 ounce; May 11, Wabasha Creek, Redwood County; caught by Robert Tufts II of Franklin

- Yellow bass – 1 pound, 3 ounces; May 11, Clear Lake, Jackson County; caught by Dennis Dagle of Lakefield

Catch-and-release category

- Brown trout – 30 inches;

April 15, Lake Superior, St. Louis County; caught by Dan Zeleznikar of Duluth

- Lake trout – 42 1/2 inches; April 21, Lake Superior, St. Louis County; caught by Kelsey Vanderheyden of Stanchfield

- Shovelnose sturgeon – 34 1/4 inches; March 8, Mississippi River, Goodhue County; caught by Tyler Young of Lakeville

- Shovelnose sturgeon – 35 inches; March 12, Minnesota River, Scott County; caught by Elliott Feldman of Sturgeon Bay, Wis.

- Smallmouth bass – 22 3/4 inches; June 25, Basswood Lake, Lake County; caught by Xavier Bradley-Rael of Omaha, Neb.

Complete record information, and instructions for how to certify a state record fish, are available on the Minnesota DNR state record fish webpage (mndnr.gov/recordfish).

Grants Available to Improve Safety on Minnesota Farms MDA program reimburses up to \$2,400 per year per farm

St. Paul, MN: Minnesota farmers looking to add safety equipment to their on-farm grain storage facilities can now apply for the Minnesota Department of Agriculture's (MDA) Grain Storage Facility Safety Grant program.

The program reimburses up to 75% of the cost to purchase and install eligible safety equipment for on-farm grain bins or silos. Applicants are eligible to receive up to \$400 per bin or silo, with a limit of \$2,400 per farm per year. Grant funding comes from a legislative appropriation of \$75,000 for both the Grain Storage Facility Safety Grant and the Rollover Protective Structure (ROPS) Rebate programs.

“Handling grain comes with a high level of risk, and workers

should take every precaution possible to prevent potential tragedies,” said MDA Commissioner Thom Petersen. “I encourage farmers to make use of this grant opportunity to help themselves, their families, and their employees stay safe around their silos and bins.”

Examples of eligible safety equipment include, but are not limited to:

- Fall protection systems,
- Engineering controls that prevent contact with an auger or other moving parts,
- Dust collection systems that minimize explosion hazards,
- Personal protective equipment that increases the likelihood of surviving a grain-bin-related emergency,
- Grain silo air quality monitoring equipment, and

• Other grain storage facility safety equipment with prior approval from the MDA.

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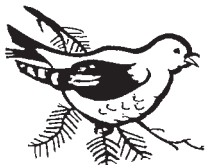
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Obituary for Lynde Joe Arnold

Lynde Joe Arnold, age 53, of Eagan, MN passed away on June 26th, 2024 after a 5 year battle with cancer. His mom and sister were by his side.

Lynde was born in Seoul Korea on December 4th, 1970. On November 18th, 1977 Lynde came to MN to join his forever family; Gene (Dad), Linda (Mom) and Jeanne (Sister) Arnold.

Lynde grew up in Clearbrook, MN where he enjoyed participating in sports, specifically football, track and baseball. Clearbrook is also

where he made many lifelong friendships: his hometown was truly home to him.

After high school, Lynde joined the Army Reserves and served four years while also attending Bemidji State University. At BSU, he obtained his Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration. Then, after college, Lynde moved to the St. Paul area where he worked for Menards for over 25 years.

In his free time, Lynde enjoyed taking road trips on his motorcycle, golfing, going on annual fishing trips to Canada, playing in softball leagues, and visiting with family and friends whenever possible. He loved to "relive" the good old days.

He is survived by his mother Linda, sister Jeanne (Steve) Anderson, nephew Leif (Emma) Anderson, niece Malin Anderson, his beloved dog Ragnar, as well as many aunts, uncles and cousins.

He is preceded in death by his father Gene Arnold.

A Celebration of Life will be held on Sunday, July 14th, 2024 at 11:00 am at the American Legion in Bagley, MN.

Thank You

I would like to thank all those who contributed to the Memorial for my sweetheart, Myrtle Woods.

Thank you to Pastor Jonathon Dodson for officiating the service and also to organist Linda Olson.

A big thank you to those who provided special music; Ashley Woods, Hannah Wood, and Shania Senske. Thanks to Shawn and Sawyer Carlson for reading scripture and the remembrances from brother, Carl Frazier. Thank you to the ladies of Zion Church for the preparations and the delicious meal. Thanks to all of the people who helped with organizing the service and decorating the church and helping in anyway!

Thank you sincerely,
Ordean Nelson

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Did you know?

Falls pose a significant threat to the senior population. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention says someone age 65 or older suffers a fall every second of every day in the United States. This makes falls the leading cause of injury and injury death among this demographic. The National Council on Aging says one in four Americans fall each year. In fact, the NCOA notes that falls result in more than three million injuries treated in hospital emergency rooms each year, including more than 800,000 that lead to hospitalization. The financial toll of falls among older adults also is significant, and estimates suggest falls will cost \$101 billion annually by 2030. That cost is only expected to increase as the population ages.



Obituary for Keith Barcus

Keith Dee Barcus, 76, of Bemidji, Minnesota passed away on June 29, 2024 doing what he loved in the great outdoors - trapping his gophers.

Funeral services were held at 11:00 am, Friday, July 5, 2024 at Evangelical Covenant Church in Bemidji. Interment at the Shevlin City Cemetery in Shevlin, under the direction of the Cease Family Funeral Home in Bemidji.

Keith was born on September 6, 1947 to Douglas and Jennie (Wobbema) Barcus in Grand Rapids. In 1956, they moved the family to Shevlin. Keith was baptized and confirmed at the Clearwater Lutheran Church in Shevlin. Keith attended Shevlin Elementary School and Bagley High School graduating in 1965. In 1966, Keith was drafted into the United States Army and served his country with honor during the Vietnam War from 1967 to 1968 as a tank commander and Sargent. After serving his Country, Keith attended the VoTech in Bemidji for carpentry. His first job was with Nu Ply. Keith then worked for Northwestern Bell, and retired from Quest Telephone in 2004. Keith married Linda (Clemenson) Barcus on January 21, 1983 in Nashville, Tennessee. Together they joined their loving families. He was a shining example of what it means to be a loving husband, dad, father-in-law and grandpa!

Keith loved the great outdoors! He was known as "Rambo" by all his family and friends. He had the most loving heart and was a friend to everyone he met. In the fall, he would spend time hunting on his family farm in Shevlin with his kids and grandkids. Montana was another favorite spot to hunt with his hunting buddies. After retirement, he spent many years traveling to Colorado, elk guiding for Beaver Creek Outfitters. Most recently, he hunted at his son's farm in Pinewood from his Taj Mahal deer stand. During the winter months, Keith would be the first one to brave the ice to set up the spear house on Lake Bemidji while the rest of us were bringing in our docks. Besides spearing northern, he was the self-appointed lake road crew making sure all the roads were plowed for everyone to get to their fish houses. In the

spring and summer months he spent endless hours at his Family Resort - Wildview Lodge on Little Island Lake in the Bovey area. His kids and grandkids have amazing memories, great life lessons, hunting and fishing, driving the golf cart, gardening, swimming with the cousins, and visiting with all the resort guests. Recently, Keith became known as the "King of Gopher Trapping," rising at dawn to tirelessly control the critters plaguing local farmers. Known for his incredible luck, Keith seemed to win a gun at every banquet he attended. Keith had simple pleasures too; he found joy in watching Wheel of Fortune and spent his evenings checking his gopher traps.

Keith was truly like no other. His loyalty to his family and friends was unparalleled, a testament to his generous spirit and kind heart. His bond with veterans was deep-rooted and meaningful. Throughout his life, Keith demonstrated immense strength and resilience, particularly in his journey to overcome the scars of war. His active participation in the Vietnam PTSD group not only provided him with a support network, but also played a crucial role in his life. Keith found solace and companionship in his fellow veterans, as they shared their experiences, hardships, and triumphs. Additionally, Keith was an avid member of the In Country Vietnam Motorcycle Club. Keith's involvement in these groups not only brought him joy and purpose but also served as a testament to his unwavering resilience and determination. Every year, he eagerly participated in the Ride for the Troops, always riding behind the group to assist anyone whose bike encountered engine trouble.

Keith is survived by his beloved wife Linda and leaves behind a cherished legacy in his children and grandchildren: Sheila (John) Eckman and their children Kendra (Cameron) and Caden of Foston, Minnesota; Mandi Fontaine (Jarrod) and her children Brendyn (Alex) Scouton and Sean (Rylee) Fontaine, great-grandchildren Carter and Luca of Wrenshall.; Eric (Jana) Norgaard and their children Addie & Gunnar of Bismarck, North Dakota. He is also survived by his siblings Kent (Connie) Barcus and Dee Christopherson, and remembered fondly by his brother and sister-in-laws: Dennis (Harriet) Clemenson, Sharon (James) Solien, Cindy (Jerry) Erickson, and Sandy (Ken) Charpentier plus numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Keith has now been reunited with his parents Douglas (Georgine) Barcus, Jennie (Herman) Lepley, his sister Janice Parson, sister-in-law Susan Paulson, brother-in-law Cleo Christopherson, brother-in-law Dick Watne and nephew Chad Westrum.

Death Notice for Duane Bergerson

Duane Leonard Bergerson, 90, of Gonvick, Minnesota died on Tuesday, July 2, 2024, at Cornerstone Assisted Living in Bagley, MN.

Memorial services will be held on Friday, July 12, 2024, at 2:00 p.m. with visitation beginning one hour prior at United Lutheran Church in Berner, with Pastor Mark Kindem officiating. Visitation will be held on Thursday, July 11, 2024, from 5:00-7:00 p.m. with Pastor Kris Snyder giving a prayer service at 6:30 p.m. at the Cease Family Funeral Home Chapel in Bagley. Interment will be held at the Bethany Cemetery in Gully. A complete obituary will be in next weeks paper.

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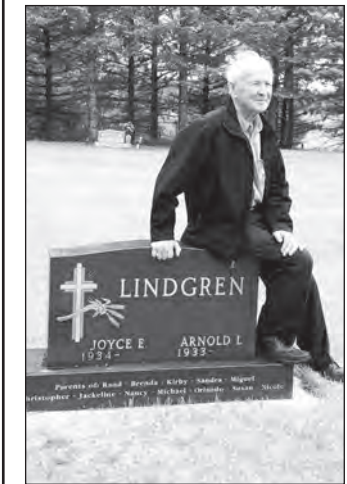
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Obituary for Rev. Arnold Lindgren

Rev. Arnold Lloyd Lindgren (1933-2024)

Arnold Lloyd Lindgren, born on July 4, 1933, in Eddy Township, Minnesota, to Oscar and Sally (Nordlund) Lindgren, passed away on April 27, 2024, after battling prostate cancer. Arnold was baptized and confirmed at Oak Park Lutheran Church in rural Clearbrook, MN. A 1952 graduate of Clearbrook High School, Arnold attended Lutheran Bible Institute in Minneapolis and Concordia College in Moorhead, MN, where he graduated in 1957. At Concordia, he met his future wife, Joyce Larson, and they married on June 8, 1957, at Elim Lutheran Church in Robbinsdale, MN. Arnold's theological journey continued at Luther Seminary, and Augustana Seminary, receiving his Master of Divinity degree from Chicago Theological Seminary.

Before his ordination in 1961, Arnold served multiple parishes in Alberta, Canada (Czar and Hughenden), Michigan (Cadillac, Gilbert, and Grand Rapids), North Dakota (Sheyenne and Underwood), and Minnesota (Clearbrook, Leonard, Oak Park, Pelican Rapids, Battle Lake, and Amore). Following his ordination, he served faithfully as Lutheran Pastor (E.L.C.A.) in various parishes, including Underwood, ND; Pelican Rapids, MN; Olivia, MN; and Minneapolis, MN.

Arnold's life was marked by a profound commitment to

faith, family, and community. He cherished his pastoral roles, often serving multiple small parishes simultaneously. As a father of 12, he instilled in his children the values of faith, hard work, integrity, and humor. After retiring, Arne and Joyce spent many peaceful years on Jewett Lake in Fergus Falls, MN, before returning to Minneapolis. An avid gardener, Arne also enjoyed caring for pets, walking, and playing games like Farkle, Aggravation, and Solitaire. His final months were spent at home, cared for by his children and hospice services, where his faith, sense of humor, and grace remained ever-present. He will be deeply missed and forever remembered.

He is survived by his children: Rand (Donna) Lindgren, Kirby (Diane) Lindgren, Sandra Lindgren, Miguel (Monica) Lindgren, Christopher Lindgren, Jackeline (John) Krech, Nancy Shannon Lindgren, Michael (Amy) Lindgren, Orlando Lindgren, Susan (Scott) Minder, and Nicole Lindgren; 13 grandchildren: Trinity, Blake, Lexy, Kaylie (DJ), Emily (Kyle), Mitchel (Autumn), Shonia (David), Nico (Tonisha), Tsergio (Zoe), Taylor, America, Samuel, and Camila; and 11 great-grandchildren. He is also survived by his sister, Nora Johnson; in-laws Audrey Miller and Paul Thorson. He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Joyce E. Lindgren (1934-2016); daughter Brenda Sue Lindgren (1960-1978); siblings Fritz, Norman, and Adele; in-laws Jim Johnson, Roland Miller, and Joan Thorson.

Memorial services will be held at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, (4100 Lyndale Ave, Minneapolis) on July 12, 2024 —visitation at 10 am, service at 11 am. Interment will follow at 1:00 pm on July 14th at Oak Park Lutheran Cemetery, in Weme, MN (12739 440th St, Clearbrook, MN 56634). MN. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to: St. Joseph's Indian School, St. Jude's Children's Hospital, or Sharing & Caring Hands.

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Bemidji Speedway “First Responders/Salute to Service Night”

7/7/2024

By Dennis Peterson

The “Off Grid Armory, First Responders/Salute to Service Night” was a huge success on Sunday night at Bemidji Speedway. 92 cars filled the pits and provided fans with a perfect way to show their appreciation on the final day of the Independence Day weekend. All first responders—Law Enforcement, EMS, Fire, Military & Veterans received free admission to the races.

Next week will be the “Unified Special Olympics Night” with the Michael Fullerton 500 race. One of the truly special highlights of the racing season at the speedway. All Unified athletes will receive free admission to the race and will be introduced during intermission. Races get the green flag at 5:PM.

Bemidji Mini Stock Feature:

The initial feature of the night brought the Bemidji Mini Stocks on track with Justin Honer on the pole and Cameron Schwinn outside. Honer grabbed control at the green flag with Nick McCann and Cody Bush trailing. Joining the leaders Hayden Engen powered up doo to door with McCann forcing McCann to race forward to challenge Honer for the lead in door to door mini stock action. The leaders quickly began to lap slower traffic as fifth row starter Ashton Schwinn came charging up into the top five and eventually fourth. Honer and McCann put on a show for the crowd fighting for the win with Honer claiming the victory, his first ever. McCann, Engen, Schwinn and Conrad Schwinn were top five finishers.

Wissota Pure Stocks Feature:

The Wissota Pure Stocks roared on track next with 21 cars looking for victory. Leading the way up front we’re heat one winner Alexa Sparby with Aaron Bitker to her right. With the green flag waving it was second row starter Brandon Puschinsky taking the lead with Sparby, Justin Barsness, Bitker and Austin Carlson in the top five. Barsness raced inside on the back straight into second before the caution flag came out setting up a restart. The restart had Puschinsky, Barsness and Sparby leading the way but on the move from his sixth row starting position Kade Leeper was flying racing on the high side. Carlson made advances as well and was challenging Puschinsky for the lead as Dustin Puffe raced up into contention. Puschinsky faded back as the Carlson, Leeper and Puffe battle trio faced off. Leeper drove his #3 pure inside in turns 1-2 and came out in the lead and picked up another checkered flag. Incredible race for Leeper with Carlson, Puffe, and Deryk Weleski trailing.

Wissota Super Stocks Feature:

Maxwell Dondelinger and Brandon Bahr led the field of 13 Wissota Superstocks down the front straight to the green flag with Dondelinger taking the lead in turn one followed by Bahr, Cameron Labelle, Dexton Koch and Matt Sparby. Koch raced to the high side and passed Labelle for third down the back straightaway. Dondelinger was building a huge lead out front as the field fought for position behind him. Sparby and Doug Koski raced side by side for fifth while another side by side duel developed with Bahr and Koch for second. Labelle finished in the fourth spot. But Dondelinger was the big winner taking the checkered flag feature win in a flag to flag feature race.

Wissota Hornet Feature:

The Wissota Hornet feature moved on track with two talented young ladies leading the way. Mateja Dreyer on the pole and Megan Vernlund to her right led the pack of hornets down the front straight with Vernlund taking the lead followed by Travis Olafson and Jayme Gordon. Vernlund had mechanical issues and slowed into the infield out of the race finishing a disappointing feature for her. Olafson took over the lead with Gordon, Dreyer, Chase Pourrier and Cade Johnson in the top five. Olafson built a four car length lead while Gordon attempting a high side move slid to high and over the top bringing the caution flag out setting up a restart. The restart had Olafson, Dreyer, Pourrier, Ryker Larson and Johnson in the top five. Olafson controlled the restart and picked up the feature with Dreyer taking an impressive second followed by Pourrier, Larson and Gordon.

Wissota Midwest Modifieds Feature:

14 Wissota Midwest Modifieds entered turn four led by McIntosh, Mn driver Ryan Schow on the pole and Cory Peterson of Red Lake, Mn to his right. Schow powered into the turn one in the lead with Gary James Nelson, Peterson, Landon Gross and Skyler Smith in the hunt. Smith raced inside to take fourth but the caution flag waved in turn four setting up a restart and moving Smith back a few spots. With the green flag once again waving Schow and Nelson led the charge with Gross moving up to take over third as Doyle Erickson raced into fourth with Scott Thompson of International Falls in fifth. Once again the yellow flag was waved as Peterson slid up and over the turn 1-2 corner sending him tailback. Smith was attempting to regain his top five position as the restart green flag came out racing topside. Erickson and Gross duelled door to door with the veteran Erickson winning that duel for third. Smith continued to work his way forward with an inside move to the fifth and then beat Gross for fourth as Schow cruised to victory, his first of the summer at Bemidji Speedway. Nelson, Erickson, Smith and Gross were top five finishers.

Wissota Mod Four Feature:

The Wissota Mod Four feature was a battle of 18 Mod fours led by Luke Erlandson of Brainerd on the pole and Brooke Erickson of Bagley, Mn on the outside. Several cautions opened the feature with many laps not counted in a crash filled start to the race sending several cars to the pits. Once the drivers settled down the race went green with Erlandson, Ashton Schwinn, Casey Traxler, Blake Erickson and Tyler Larson in the top five after one lap. Traxler attempted a high side pass and dropped back several positions moving Tommy Bawden into the top five. The two number 13’s up front were in a tight battle for the lead. Erlandson and Schwinn raced side by side for the lead with Erlandson holding the advantage. Bawden again moved up high and passed Erickson for third as Erlandson claimed the victory. Schwinn, Bawden, Erickson and Tyler Larson finished in the top five.

Wissota Modified Feature:

Making a return to the track in the Wissota Modifieds Ricky Jacobson was on the pole with John Farrington outside. Jacobson blasted into the lead with Lance Schilling making strong moves from his third row starting position into second. Alan Olafson, Farrington and Josh Beaulieu held the top five spots. Jacobson was fast and quickly had a sizeable lead. The yellow flag was waved creating a restart situation sending Jonathon Feda to the rear.. Jacobson, Schilling, Olafson, Beaulieu and Jeff Reed led the top five to the green flag in a tight field. Reed looked inside as Beaulieu drove into the infield with obvious mechanical issues. Jacobson was out to a five car length lead as Schilling tried the high side and dropped back to fifth. Reed and Olafson duelled door to door with Reed down low and Olafson up high. Reed, Olafson and Farrington were collected in a crash in turn three bring the caution flag out once more. Again, Jacobson flew away from the pack on the restart. Using the restart to his advantage Schilling made several passes from his fifth position to gain second racing inside down the back straight. Jacobson won his first of the season with Schilling, Reed, Farrington and Feda in the top five.



Caylyn Binkley #15, Nate Zanter #38 and Chad Tabaka #26 racing out of corner 2.



Modified Feature Winner - Ricky Jacobson.



Sam from Off Grid Armory carrying the flag for the National Anthem, Off Grid Armory sponsored the First Responders/salute to Service Night.



Mod Four Feature Winner - Luke Erlandson.



Pure Stock Feature Winner - Kade Leeper.



Landon Gross #15 and Joey LaValley #11 race side by side.



Doyle Erickson carrying the Flag for the National Anthem.



#7J Ricky Jacobson and #2R Jeff Reed racing down the backstretch in the Modified class.



Hornet Feature Winner - Travis Olafson.



Midwest Modified Feature Winner - Ryan Schow.



Mini Stock Feature Winner - Justin Honer.



Super Stock Feature Winner - Max Dondelinger.