



Tri County Canary

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Area kindergarten and first grade students receive trick-or-treat bags from Garden Valley Telephone

These pictures are continued from last week's issue.
Garden Valley Telephone Company, in celebration of National Co-op Month, delivered trick-or-treat bags filled with a box of crayons and a color book to kindergarten and first grade students in 35 classrooms at 9 schools located within Garden Valley's service area.
More pictures on pages 5 & 6.



Plummer kindergarten class with their teacher Jami Hendrickson.



Win-E-Mac kindergarten class with their teacher Stephanie Frisk.



Goodridge 1st grade class with their teacher Ruby Sundberg.



Plummer 1st grade class with their teacher Mary Fore.

DNR to conduct a public hearing on Beaulieu Lake management

The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources will conduct a public hearing on a proposal to formally designate Beaulieu Lake in Mahanomen County for wildlife management.

The hearing will be held Tuesday, Dec. 8, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., at the Bejou Community Center, 523 S. Main St. in Bejou.

Located 6 miles northeast of Bejou, Beaulieu Lake is a 283-acre shallow basin that has a history of excellent migratory waterfowl use. Currently, Beaulieu Lake is in a degraded condition due to a nonfunctioning outlet weir. The DNR plans to partner with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and Ducks Unlimited to install a variable crest water control structure that will allow for water level management.

Designating Beaulieu Lake as a wildlife lake would give the DNR authority to conduct periodic temporary draw-downs using the proposed water control structure, and restrict minnow trapping, an activity that can disturb waterfowl. Temporary draw-downs can improve wildlife habitat by promoting sediment consolidation and re-establishment of aquatic plants.

Those unable to attend the hearing, but wanting additional information, should contact DNR wildlife lake specialist Tammy Baden, 218-846-8386. Written comments on the proposal will be accepted until Jan. 7. Written comments may be mailed to the Detroit Lakes area DNR office, 14583 County Highway 19, Detroit Lakes, MN 56501.

For more information on wildlife lake designations, visit www.mndnr.gov.

Northland Receives Certificate of Authorization To Fly Unmanned Aircraft Systems Regionally

Northland Community & Technical College (NCTC) and Northland Aerospace (NA) are pleased to announce that they received a Certificate of Authorization (COA) to fly small-unmanned aircraft systems (UAS) across the region. In October, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) granted the COA to NCTC to fly small UAS at a regional level under the guidelines directed by the FAA.

Northland has been conducting flights in Roseau County, under a previous COA since April 2014 for agricultural research purposes. Northland uses a hand launched SUAS to collect imagery of farm fields for use in Northland's Imagery Analysis (IA) and Geospatial Intelligence (GeoInt) Analysis programs in order to aid in precision agriculture activities. This imagery has been utilized to develop useful information for farmers to enhance their farming practices, such as crop health monitoring, pest detection, and increased precision in variable rate applications. With this COA, NCTC will be able to fly in many of the midwestern states.

The Minnesota Department of Agriculture saw the benefits of this cutting edge research and awarded Northland a \$250,000 grant in January 2015. Titled, Digital Imagery, Precision Agriculture, the grant utilizes the COA to allow Northland to continue this NextGen technology.

The ability to conduct flights across Minnesota and neighboring states will provide expansive benefits to many industries seeking to adopt the technology to help them better serve their communities.

Northland has proven the benefit of UAS in 21st century agriculture but this is simply the beginning of uses for UAS. Northland hopes to help Minnesota expand the use of UAS into many of the sectors that will inevitably see value in this evolving technology. With this approval to fly regionally, Northland hopes to find businesses and industry partners across the Midwest that would like to be on the forefront of utilizing this technology.

According to Associate Dean of Aerospace and Agriculture Curtis Zoller, "We are very pleased to have received the COA from the FAA and will utilize it to benefit many areas of business and industry across the region. We are interested in talking with anyone who sees the value of UAS in their field of work."

Students in Northland's Unmanned Aircraft Systems, Imagery Analysis, and Geospatial Intelligence, and Precision Agriculture Equipment Technician programs will see tremendous benefit from the COA. They will be able to leverage it to gain real world, boots on the ground experience with UAS and how to utilize the equipment and interpret the data that comes from their use.

Zurn receives American Agri-women Award "The Leaven Award"

The LEAVEN Award is presented annually during the national convention of American Agri-Women. "Leaven" (yeast) is a small element that can interact and influence everything around it. It permeates and raises the elements it's mixed with. Leaven multiplies its effectiveness for good. AAW presents the "LEAVEN AWARD" to those persons who, to an outstanding degree, have acted as "leaven", a truly feminine concept since "lady" means giver of bread. This award has been presented since 1977 to outstanding women advocates of agriculture.

Recognized efforts for agriculture and service to AAW, the state affiliate and being an advocate of agriculture at national, state and local levels. LEAVEN stands for:

- (L) Loyalty to the mission of American Agri-Women
- (E) Enthusiasm
- (A) Anticipatory (thinks and plans ahead; does not react to crises only)
- (V) Valiant (has courage; overcomes any natural timidity)
- (E) Effectiveness (exhibits ability to produce intended effects)
- (N) Nurturing (encourages and helps develop talents and skills of others)

Karolyn is the President of Minnesota Agri-Women, AAW National Chair of Government Affairs & Vital Issues, a board member of Minnesota Ag in the Classroom, a Commonground Volunteer, Past Director of Minnesota Soybean Assoc., Treasurer of Becker/Mahnomen County Corn Association, Past Chair of Northern Crops Institute but currently represents NCI for United States Soybean Export Council. Most recently the Team Lead for Minnesota Farmers Feed the World by Farm Journal Foundation. She is a huge advocate and chosen spokesperson in Minnesota for the "Safe & Accurate Voluntary Food Labeling Act."



Minnesota Agri-Women President Karolyn Zurn from Callaway, MN being awarded the Leaven Award at the National level in Portland, Maine on November 7, 2015.

Around the Tri County Canary area



“Spuds for Our Buds” was the theme of the Community Appreciation Day that was held at Ultima Bank Minnesota.

Thursday, November 19th was Community Appreciation Day at the banks in Winger, Fosston and Plummer locations.

The public was invited to join them for a baked potato with all the fixings and donuts, coffee, lemonade and more.

To the left, Mark Finseth president of Ultima Bank Minnesota greeted the many who attended the event.



Essentia Health-Fosston Receives National Recognition

Essentia Health-Fosston has been recognized by iVantage Health Analytics and the National Organization of State Office of Rural Health (NOSORH) for overall excellence in Quality and Patient Satisfaction. As top performers in these categories, Essentia Health-Fosston is in the top quartile among all acute care hospitals in the nation.

“These top quartile performers should take great pride in this recognition. It showcases their commitment to continuous performance analysis and improvement. It’s an honor to celebrate their achievement,” says Michael Topchik, senior vice president of iVantage Health Analytics.

The rankings have been designated by the Hospital Strength INDEX™, the industry’s most comprehensive and objective assessment of hospital performance. In partnership with NOSORH, iVantage

Health Analytics has developed a data-driven program designed to identify excellence across a broad spectrum of indicators relevant to hospital performance and patient care. The Hospital Strength INDEX™ captures performance metrics for more than 4,000 acute care hospitals, including more than 1,300 rural and Critical Access Hospitals.

“This level of award-winning performance is made possible through the combined efforts of our excellent medical providers and support staff,” says Kevin Gish, administrator of Essentia Health-Fosston.

“Being recognized in both the quality and patient satisfaction domains is evidence of a continual focus on our mission in Fosston and for all of Essentia Health; to make a healthy difference in people’s lives. I couldn’t be prouder of our team here,” he says.

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The Bemidji Symphony Orchestra presents “Home for the Holidays”

The Bemidji Symphony Orchestra presents its annual holiday concert, “Home for the Holidays,” Tuesday, December 8, 2015 at 7:00 PM at the Bemidji High School Auditorium. Dr. Beverly Everett conducts.

Guest tenor soloist Jace Erickson will perform “Bring Him Home” from Les Miserables, Franck’s “Panis Angelicus” and other selections. Also on the program are holiday favorites such as Let it Snow, Carol of the Drum, Sleigh Ride, A Charlie Brown Christmas and How the Grinch Stole Christmas. Rounding out the festive program will be Johann Sebastian Bach’s Jesu, Joy of Man’s Desiring and the Chorale Prelude: Wachet Auf, as well as a Handel’s Messiah and Christmas carol sing-along.

Jace Erickson is pursuing degrees in Music Education and Vocal Performance at University of North Dakota in Grand Forks. An active singer and

soloist, Jace is a member of the UND Concert Choir and the Grand Forks Master Chorale and has performed in several opera productions including Orpheus in the Underworld (Pluto) and Trial by Jury (Edwin The Defendant).

Tickets for the concert are available at the door, in advance at Lueken’s Foods North and South, or at brownpapertickets.com. Prices are \$20 for adults, \$15 for senior citizens 62+, and \$10 for college students with ID. Students grades K-12 are admitted free. All seats are general admission. Doors open for seating at 6:30 pm.

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Clearbrook-Gonvick school hosted Career Night in November

Career Night was held on November 12, 2015 at the Clearbrook-Gonvick school along with conferences. About 15 schools, military and businesses were represented.



Pictured at right is Nicki (Hole) Carlson with Northland Community and Technical College in Thief River Falls and East Grand Forks. Nicki is the daughter of Rob Hole, Publisher and Editor of the Erskine Echo. She is the Director of Enrollment Management and has been employed for 10 1/2 years. Getting information for her son is Sara Eck (left), who received her nursing degree from Northland. In the background is Kristine Bommersbach representing Oak Hills Christian College.



Above: Clearbrook-Gonvick Superintendent Wayne Olson visited the many displays for Career Night that was held at the school. Shown with Olson is Karen Konickson and Kelly Mapes representing Digi-Key in Thief River Falls.

Polk County Sheriff

On 11-26-15 the Polk County Sheriff's Office responded to a burglary received by 911 at 27180 237th Ave SW. Upon arrival the residence and surrounding area was searched by Polk County deputies. No suspect was located. The incident is under investigation. Anyone with any information is asked to please contact the Polk County Sheriff's Office. No further details are being released at this time.

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Country Music Jam in Fosston

There will be a Country Music Jam at The Embassy Community Center (603 3rd st. ne.) in Fosston on Sunday Dec.6th from 1:00-5:00 P.M. Any questions, call Russ at 435-6096. Everyone is welcome!

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Application Closing Date: 4:30 p.m., December 15, 2015

General Description:

This position provides technical assistance to landowners, organizations, agencies, and other units of government under policies established by the Clearwater Soil & Water Conservation District for the protection and enhancement of the natural resources in Clearwater County. This is a regular full time hourly position. This position works under the supervision of the District Manager

District Operations and Other Duties

- Assist with implementation of SWCD State and Local Programs and Policies according to guidelines set by the SWCD Board.
 - Participate in education programs of the SWCD.
 - Work cooperatively with individuals as well as local, state and federal partners in implementing conservation practices as directed.
 - Assist with maintaining District property including the Conservation Farm buildings and structures planters & trailers, vehicle, survey equipment.
 - Assist with reporting of cost share and grant projects and activities in elink.
 - Assist with development and writing of grant proposals.
- ### Technical Duties and Responsibilities
- Develop conservation practice plans & maintenance plans.
 - Assist with cost share program activities and projects
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 - Assist with the District Tree Program including Nursery contacts and ordering, landowner education, tree planting contracts and tree sales and distribution.
 - Participate in field operations for NRCS, Forest Stewardship, Conservation Farm & other conservation programs.
 - Assist with SWCD WCA technical responsibilities
 - Provide technical assistance to landowners, organizations, agen-

- cies, and units of government
 - Other technical duties as designated by the District Manager
- ### Outreach and Education
- Assist with public information program which may include newspaper articles, newsletters, radio spots, presentations to public groups, tours etc.
 - Assist with district education programs
 - Coordinate and recruit volunteers to assist with district projects.

Minimum Qualifications:

- Four-year degree in Natural Resources or related field, or a two-year degree in natural resources or related field and equivalent combination of education and work experience.
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Applications Procedures:

Resume, cover letter, Clearwater SWCD Employment Application and a list of at least three professional references must be received at the Clearwater SWCD, 312 Main Ave N., Suite 3, Bagley, MN 56621 by **4:30 p.m., Friday, December 15, 2015**. Candidates invited for interview will be asked to supply a copy of their college transcripts. Additional information may be obtained by calling (218) 694-6845 ext 4.

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Fozzie's Smokin' BarBQ is selling snacks, lunch and drinks throughout the day.

PARKING: Please park in the Club's east gravel parking lot and on public streets. Do not park on the far southern edge of the lot facing away from the Club. That property is no longer available for Club use and vehicles that violate the parking ban there may be towed.

Annually, Boys & Girls Club of the Bemidji Area provides after-school and summer programs to over 575 youth, ages 6-18, plus teen nights year round. Nutritious snacks are served after-school as well as lunch, M-F, in the summer. For just \$15 a year, kids find a fun and safe place to build academic success, healthy lifestyles and good character & citizenship. The Boys & Girls Club of the Bemidji Area is located at 1600 Minnesota Avenue. For more information, see www.bgc Bemidji.org or call (218) 444-4171.



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Purpose

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Wednesday, December 2, 2015

that their energy can be better focused on increasing the quality and availability of the arts to their communities.

Eligible Organizations

Eligible arts organizations must be located in Minnesota's Beltrami, Hubbard, Lake of the Woods, Mahanomen or Clearwater counties and must have provided arts programming to



Grygla 1st grade class with their teacher Jean Schulz.



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CDC Advises Parents About Colds, Flu and Antibiotics

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has news for parents this cold and flu season: antibiotics don't work for a cold or the flu. Antibiotics kill bacteria, not viruses, and colds, flu and most sore throats are caused by viruses. It's a long-documented medical fact that antibiotics don't touch viruses. However according to public opinion research, there is a perception that antibiotics cure everything, and when we go to the doctor with the sniffles we expect to get a prescription. Taking antibiotics when they are not needed can do more harm than good. Widespread inappropriate use of antibiotics is fueling an increase in drug-resistant bacteria. Families and entire communities feel the impact when disease-causing germs become resistant to antibiotics. Taking antibiotics to treat a viral infection, such as a cold or flu, won't fight the virus, make the patient feel any better, or yield a quicker recovery or keep others from getting sick. Instead it gives a boost to drug-resistant disease-causing bacteria. Almost every type of bacteria has become

stronger and less responsive to antibiotic treatment when it is really needed. According to the CDC, antibiotic resistance is one of the world's most pressing public health problems. You can lower this risk by talking to your doctor and using antibiotics appropriately during the cold and flu season. So what should you do for colds and flu? Children and adults with viral infections recover when the illness has run its course. Colds caused by viruses may last for two weeks or longer. Some measures that can help a person with a cold or flu feel better include increasing fluid intake, using a cool mist vaporizer or saline nasal spray to relieve congestion, and soothing the throat with ice chips, sore throat spray or lozenges (for older children and adults). What is the best way to stay healthy during cold and flu season? Wash your hands, cover your nose and mouth when you cough or sneeze, avoid contact with sick people, and stay home if you're sick. And finally, a flu shot is your best prevention against the flu.

Bemidji Area First Friday, December 4, 2015

Events to Attend:
Watermark Art Center will hold its annual Holiday Open House December 4 and 5. There will be special one-weekend-only sales in the Gallery Shop, with 15% off any purchase for Watermark members and 10% off for the general public. The 4th annual Ornament Sale and fundraiser will also be launched during the Open House. The ornaments are a variety of styles and make great gift traditions for family and friends. Proceeds from ornament sales go towards next year's programming at the art center. Visit Watermark at 505 Bemidji Ave N or watermarkartcenter.org. Watermark is open weekdays 10 - 5 and Saturdays 10 - 2.

Gallery North will host a "Holiday Boutique" First Friday reception on Friday, December 4 from 2-5 pm. Featured Artist for December is Jeannie Fenner. Fenner enjoys making paper snowflakes, crocheting, knitting, sewing, twisting wire, and beading. She is constantly learning and striving to find new and improved ways of creating something from nothing, or something from something else. You can find Gallery North at 502 3rd Street NW or www.gallerynorthbemidji.com.

The Least of These Gift Shoppe and Make & Take Studio presents independent artist Heather Harrom. Harrom takes emotions, positive and negative energy, and strategically transforms them into tangible and often useful creations. She uses a variety of earthly elements, such as fire or heat, wood, metals, stones and minerals, leather and wool to emphasize her love for nature. While utilizing different man-made materials like inks, polymer clay, acrylic paints and acrylic fiber, she makes a beautiful connection between organic and mechanical. Some of Harrom's latest creations have been hats, scarves, slippers, headbands, purses, water bottle carriers, various baby items, wire wrapped jewelry, wooden jewelry, drawings and prints. Come to The Least of These's First Friday Art & Acoustics reception on December 4th between 5:30 and 7:30. Refreshments will be served and live music will be performed by Crooke. The Least of These is located downtown Bemidji at 310 4th Street NW.

RailRiver Folk School will host Native American singer/songwriter Annie Humphrey from 5:30 - 9:30 p.m. on December 4. Humphrey was born and raised on an Ojibwe Indian reservation in Minnesota. She has released several regional albums. In 1989, she teamed with guitarist Don Robinson to make the album For the Children. In 1995, she made her first regional solo album, Justice Hunter. She also sang three songs on the various-artists album The Whispering Tree, released by the independent label Makoché. In 2000, Makoché signed her to a contract, giving Humphrey her first nationally-distributed release, The Heron Smiled. Come hear Humphrey perform at RailRiver, located at 303 Railroad St. SW.

Wild Hare Bistro and Coffeehouse will present "Ribbed Out: A Study in Rib-Style Construction in Baskets and Woven Vessels" by Eve Sumsky, December 4 through February 2. As the recipient of an Indi-

vidual Artist's Grant from the Region 2 Arts Council, with funding from the McKnight Foundation, Sumsky was provided the opportunity to attend the National Basketry Organizations Bi-Annual conference, "Tradition and Innovation in Basketry." The three day class was about free form weaving and a more sculptural shape in woven form, and inspired Sumsky to weave a more contemporary or "new" style of basket for this show. Sumsky lives in Tenstrike, and has been weaving baskets since 1995. Come to the opening reception on First Friday, December 4th, 3-5 p.m. at 523 Minnesota Ave.

Paul's Print Shop will hold a First Friday reception from 6-8 p.m. A group of local artist will be presenting their "Minnesota-ish" work. Stop in for milk 'n cookies and other refreshments. Paul's Print Shop is located at 216 Fourth Street.

Exhibits to View:
Watermark Art Center continues the 13th annual It's Only Clay exhibit, featuring work by ceramics artists from around the United States and guest juror, Butch Holden. This year's show features handmade mugs, platters, bowls, tea pots, and more for viewers to appreciate or purchase. The exhibit will be on display through December 22. Watermark is located at 505 Bemidji Ave N.

Neilson Place presents the beauty and power of the world around us through a photography display entitled "Nature, as Seen Through My Eyes" by Edward Hanson, which runs through February 29, 2016. Hanson started taking pictures as a youth because he enjoyed the creative aspect of photography. He loves the outdoors and capturing "God's beauty that surrounds us." Hanson's travels, as well as his life in Alaska and northern Minnesota, provide the subjects for his photography, which are displayed on prints, canvas, and metal. Neilson Place is located on the Sanford WoodsEdge campus, 1000 Anne Street NW.

The Beltrami County History Center, located at 130 Minnesota Ave SW, continues their display of art by Gallery North, featuring photos and paintings by Carol Hoyem, Kathy Sanders, Erma Stelter, Marion Caroline, and Elaine Netland. The History Center is open 12-4. Regular admission charges apply.

Bemidji Public Library features work by Kathy Sanders for their December First Friday art display. Sanders has had a lifelong interest in the arts and started painting about 40 years ago. Her favorite subjects are floral arrangements and flowers, as she is also an avid gardener. Sanders has been teaching classes in oil and acrylics for almost 20 years and most recently, started creating and teaching gourd art and lampworking. The public is invited to view Kathy's "Floral Views" collection throughout the month of December. The library is located at 509 America Ave NW.

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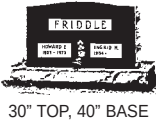
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Services held for Harold M. Fruetel

Harold M. Fruetel, 97 of Bemidji, MN died Sunday, November 22, 2015 at Gold Pine Home in Bemidji, MN.

Funeral services were 11:00 am Saturday, November 28, 2015 at the United Methodist Church in Bemidji, Minnesota with Rev. Rob Kopp officiating. Interment at the Greenwood Cemetery with military honors provided by the American Legion post # 14 of Bemidji.

Harold was born September 20, 1918 in McIntosh, MN, the son of Gerhard and Anne Marie (Schimmelpfennig) Fruetel. He was raised on a farm near McIntosh, where he graduated from high school in 1936. He attended Northern Business College in Bemidji; graduating in 1938. He was a bookkeeper for the Russell Creamery in Bemidji for 2 years before beginning his postal service career.

Harold served in the US Army from 1942-45, participated in the Battle of the Bulge with the 106th Infantry Division, and was honorably discharged. He married Erma Carlson on September 16, 1945 in Bemidji, MN.

Harold worked for the US Postal Service in Bemidji for 36 years and retired as Bemidji postmaster and regional manager in 1976. He was a member of Veterans of the Bulge, National Association of Postmasters, National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association, and a life-time member of the American Legion, DAV and VFW. Harold was a dedicated volunteer in many community organizations, including Rotary for 50 years (past president and a Paul Harris Fellow), American Legion for 70 years (past commander), Mississippi Headwaters Blood Bank, Bemidji Planning Commission, Cub Scouts and Bemidji United Methodist Church. He was a recipient of the Outstanding Beltrami County Senior Citizen award in 1994.

Harold enjoyed hunting, fishing, tomato gardening, wood-working, local and WWII history, dancing and old-time music, and spending time with his children and grandchildren.

He is survived by his daughters: Sharon Fruetel of Bemidji and Judy (Bob) Scottum of St. Croix Falls, WI; son: Jerry (Roz Johnson) Fruetel of Bloomington, MN; 5 grandchildren (Nils, Erika, Ellie, Peter and Andrea), and 5 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents and his wife Erma Fruetel 1993.

Condolences may be left at ceasefuneralhome.com. In lieu of flowers, memorials are encouraged to the donor's preferred charity.

Services held for Merle Jerome Sylstad

Merle Jerome Sylstad, 77, of Gonvick and Richfield, MN, died on November 21, 2015 at the Good Samaritan Society in Clearbrook, MN.

Memorial services were held on Monday, November 30, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. at the Cease Family Funeral Home Chapel in Bagley, MN. Interment at Samhold Lutheran Cemetery in Gonvick, MN. The Cease Family Funeral Home of Bagley assisted the family with the arrangements.

He was born in Bagley, Minnesota, the son of Henry and Anne (Kamrud) Sylstad. He was raised and educated in Gonvick, MN, graduating from Gonvick High School in 1956. He worked at Lametta Construction and the Minneapolis Water Department.

He is survived by his sister, Shirley (Earl) Evenstad of Richfield, MN; his ex-wife, Dolly Eastman of Minneapolis, MN; and nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Henry and Anne Sylstad.

Memorials preferred to Samhold Lutheran Church.

Messages of condolence may be sent to ceasefuneralhome.com.



Services held for Willis Duane Rossell

Willis Duane Rossell, 89, passed away on November 22, 2015 at his home under hospice care in Gonvick, MN.

Funeral services were held on Saturday, November 28, 2015 at 11:00 a.m. at Samhold Lutheran Church in Gonvick, MN. Interment at Samhold Lutheran Cemetery in Gonvick, MN. The Cease Family Funeral Home of Bagley assisted the family with the arrangements.

Willis was born September 28, 1926 in rural Clearbrook, MN, the son of Vernie and Clara (Swenson) Rossell. As a child, he attended the Taffin Country School. He worked different jobs around Clearbrook, Gonvick, and North Dakota until 1951 when he started work at the Hanna Mining Company in Keewatin, MN. In 1952, he was drafted into the U.S. Army and served in Korea. He was discharged in 1953 after two years of service and married Lavone Lien on January 1, 1954 in Trail, MN. They moved to Keewatin where he returned to work at Hanna Mining Company. He retired as a heavy equipment mechanic after 34 years. They then moved to their farm by Pine Lake in Gonvick where he farmed for several years.

Willis was a member of Samhold Lutheran Church, the American Legion in Gonvick, and the VFW in Lengby. He enjoyed restoring tractors, deer hunting, watching the news, and reading the paper.

He is survived by his wife Lavone of Gonvick, MN; his daughter Melissa (Jon) Brown and his grandchildren Nicole, Bryan, and Emily of Fayetteville, GA; his brothers Dennis Rossell of Fosston, MN and Frank (Nancy) of SanTan Valley, AZ; his sister-in-law Karleen Rossell of Nashwauk, MN; his brother-in-law Jim (Darlene) Lien of Erskine, MN; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents Vern and Clara Rossell; his brothers Omer, Charles, and Jim Rossell; and his sisters Virginia Edevold, Adeline Snobeck, and Clarice Johnson.

He is laid to rest with his comb and "papa" candy in his shirt pocket and his John Deere blanket on his lap.

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Ask a Trooper

by Sgt. Jesse Grabow
Minnesota State
Patrol

Question: How many of your patrol cars have been struck while at a crash scene?

Answer: Winter driving can be and is dangerous for all of us when the weather and road conditions become poor. The majority of the parked squads that are struck are in the winter season. I can speak from personal experience having been struck parked at a crash scene, while inside my squad car in December of 2013 and numerous other close calls from the past 17 years.

Here is the crash data from the past seven plus years that involved Minnesota State Patrol squad cars that were struck. The 2015 statistics are through July.

MSP PATROL CARS STRUCK

- 2008 – 22 squads struck while parked; 10 Troopers injured
- 2009 – 28 squads struck while parked; 10 Troopers injured
- 2010 – 27 squads struck while parked; 5 Troopers injured
- 2011 – 26 squads struck while parked; 9 Troopers injured
- 2012 – 17 squads struck while parked; 4 Troopers injured
- 2013 – 19 squads struck while parked; 3 Troopers injured
- 2014 – 25 squads struck while parked; 4 Troopers injured
- 2015YTD – 6 squads struck while parked; 2 Troopers injured



Most of these types of incidents can be avoided by using safe winter driving techniques, moving over to the other vacant lane when you are on a two-lane same direction roadway, or slowing down and providing room when you see any type of flashing lights. The law requires motorists to move over for emergency vehicles and tow trucks. Law enforcement is looking for motorists that fail to move over and will enforce the "Move Over Law".

MOVE OVER CITATIONS/ WARNINGS (MSP Only)

- 2008 – 419 citations, 1327 warnings
- 2009 – 622 citations, 2342 warnings
- 2010 – 618 citations, 2466 warnings
- 2011 – 975 citations, 2898 warnings
- 2012 – 703 citations, 2667 warnings
- 2013 – 713 citations, 2209 warnings
- 2014 – 816 citations, 2476 warnings
- 2015YTD – 350 citations, 1070 warnings (1/1-7/1)

Please slow down, pay attention, drive sober and move over when you see flashing lights, and use good safe judgement when traveling.

If you have any questions concerning traffic related laws or issues in Minnesota, send your questions to Trp. Jesse Grabow – Minnesota State Patrol at 1000 Highway 10 West, Detroit Lakes, MN 56501-2205. (You can follow him on Twitter @MSPPIO_NW or reach him at, jesse.grabow@state.mn.us).

Holiday Gifts for the Senior in Your Life

By Karin Haugrud

During the Christmas holidays there is always a mad scramble by children and grandchildren to decide what gift or present to buy for grandma, grandpa and elderly parent. What do you buy for someone who seems to have everything? Let's start with these two tips: be sensitive to their individual needs & capabilities and be practical yet thoughtful.

- Framed family photo or digital photo frame.
- Gifts to warm the body such as a handmade quilt or slippers. While this may sound obvious, you can't go wrong with a cozy blanket or throw — and there are so many custom options available these days! Whether you're a talented quilter who can create a homemade masterpiece, or you prefer to go customize with a heartfelt photo throw, this is a gift option that will warm the soul along with the aging body.

- DVD collection of old movies to take them down memory lane. If there are eye site issues, maybe consider books on tape.
- Games & jigsaw puzzles to keep their mind sharp. To make it a more personal gift, you can even send one of your own photos in and make a custom puzzle with family portraits or pictures from a favorite vacation or place.

- Help your loved one around the house with housekeeping, cooking, lawn care or errand running. A book of "forever" stamps and some notecards. Large print calendars, books, note pads are also appreciated.
- Personalized gift basket filled with their favorite things. Let their hobbies guide you in putting together the perfect gift.

- Gift certificates to the local grocery store, favorite restaurant or senior congregate dining site. If your loved one is still independent, gift certificates to grocery stores and restaurants allows the senior to not only cut expenses grocery shopping, but also allows them an entertaining lunch or evening out for a special dining experience. A gift certificate to the hair salon would be appreciated, too.

When all is said and done what your loved one wants as a birthday, Mother's or Father's Day gift or for Christmas is sim-

ply to do an activity with you that they enjoy. They don't necessarily want the latest electronic gadget or flashy piece of jewelry. Spend time with your loved ones. It is more precious than gold.

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Theology in the Trenches

By Kathleen Kjolhaug

A Sight to Behold



They'd advertised across pulpits this past week; the announcement was simple. "Anyone interested in joining the community choir for the Thanksgiving service, please come." I thought about it. I can carry a tune, but I just don't like people staring at me when I do...so I don't...join a choir that is. And this time it would be no different.

I sat staring at them because someone had to listen and listen I did. Sure enough, I knew most of the members. After thirty years, you just do. My community stood before me and beholding was what I was, filled this eve with reflective thoughts.

Staring back at me was one saint who helped our children through the ranks of reading. Teacher was her trade, but heart captivator was her destiny. The hearts she captured were those who passed through her classroom and because they did, they now extend their hearts to others.

To her left was another who'd helped tape many an ankle of my own brood at sporting events. Private conversations whispered taught value to each and to this day, I hear kindness whispered about the love bestowed upon them from her genuine heart.

My eyes followed across the row of choir members, and I took note. The bank ladies who once upon a time had taken the time to help our little ones open accounts stood at attention. Just over a bit was a neighbor who equipped us with farm fresh eggs, and another who helped with piano lessons custom made for little fingers. Amidst the crowd was an acquaintance whose family supplied the source of heat to keep us all warm amidst the

cold winter months, and nearby stood the farmer who not only helped feed the world but nourished us with solos at weddings and funerals creating community within ours.

Before me were pastors who fed and nourished the souls

standing before them, tending gardens to help keep the weeds from getting too out of control. The presence of the young college student taking time to pour back that which had been given, offered strength that rejuvenated. In wisdom stood the church elder giving once again in voice, and the town's one and only Elvis impersonator singing holy hymns. Lo and behold there was the local band director who showed up to help build community although she lived an hour away and along with her in tow was her husband. They simply gave because they could.

Each pastor stood to do their part...to impart upon us the wisdom of the ages. They formed one body, one body in Christ. One Ecumenical covering was what this community choir gave us, and it was a sight to behold. In this sacred sanctuary, love showed up and all were blessed. The message rang true as His word united and bread broken filled those who partook.

"Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things. Whatever you have learned to receive or heard from me, or seen in me—put into practice. And the God of peace will be with you" (Philippians 4:8-9). Amen.

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When the Family Circle is Broken at Christmas

During this holiday season, which is a time of joy for most, our thoughts turn to the families of our community who are facing Christmas without someone they loved. We know many of them, and maybe you do, too. You may remember a year when you dreaded the holidays because a death during the year had broken your family circle. We know that grief is especially hard to bear during the holidays.

The thoughtful gesture of a compassionate friend can mean a lot to a bereaved individual or family. In this spirit, we encourage anyone who has experienced the loss of a loved one to attend the

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Gerald Drydahl Memorial races December 19-20, 2015

The United States Country Snowmobile Racing Association is again sponsoring the Gerald Drydahl Memorial Pine Lake 200. The two day event will be December 19-20 on Pine Lake south of Gonvick. The race headquarters will be Sportsman's Bar on Pine Lake.

Racing will start at 9:00 a.m. each day.

Participants can register online at usxcracing.com by December 18 at 8:00 p.m.

On site registration at Sportsman's Bar, Friday, December 18 from 4 to 7 pm.



Alex Evenson, 16, of Minnetonka, MN and David Wilmo of Warroad show off their matching 6-point bucks from the opening weekend of deer season. It was the first deer for Alex in his second year of hunting. David is the grandson of the late Thomina Wilmo of Berner and Dan & Clara Lien of Gonvick. The crew has been hunting on the home farm for more than 30 years.

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Young Innovators Gear Up For Local Vex Robotics Competition In Bemidji

36 teams will compete in Dream It. Do It. Northern Minnesota VEX Robotics Tournament

Bemidji, MN – More than 200 leading middle and high school VEX Robotics students and mentors from Minnesota will unite at the Dream It. Do It. Northern Minnesota VEX Robotics Tournament on December 5 at the John Glas Fieldhouse at Bemidji State University. The tournament is hosted by Bemidji State University. The action-packed tournament will feature 36 teams who will compete with and against other teams in a series of back-to-back robot challenges. The public is invited to attend, with qualification rounds scheduled to start at 10:15 a.m. and final rounds scheduled to start at 3:30 p.m.

Participants will compete for the championship title by strategically executing the VEX Robotics Competition "Nothing But Net" game, driving robots they designed, built and programmed from the ground up using the VEX Robotics platform. VEX Robotics Competition's "Nothing But Net" game is played by scoring colored balls in high and low goals and by elevating your robot in a designated climbing zone. The "Nothing But Net" game was developed by VEX Robotics, Inc. and the Robotics Education & Competition (REC) Foundation, leaders in educational and competitive robotics.

The Dream It. Do It. Northern Minnesota VEX Robotics Tournament is one of a series of VEX Robotics Competitions taking place internationally throughout the year, including three other Dream It. Do It. Minnesota regional tournaments and the Dream It. Do It. State VEX Robotics Tournament. VEX Robotics is the world's fastest growing competitive robotics program for elementary schools, middle schools, high schools and colleges around the world, with more than 12,000 teams from 33 countries that participate in more than 1,000 VEX Robotics events worldwide. The competition season culminates each spring, with the highly-anticipated VEX World Competition,

uniting top qualifying teams from local, state and international VEX Robotics events.

"It is great to see so many students building robots and competing in VEX Robotics tournaments," said Lyle Meulebroeck, tournament coordinator and professor in the Technology, Art and Design department at Bemidji State University. "We are excited to offer this STEM (science, technology, engineering, and mathematics) opportunity and expose youth and their parents to related educational and career opportunities in advanced manufacturing."

Dream It. Do It. Minnesota and 360 Manufacturing Center of Excellence has led VEX Robotics in Minnesota, helping youth connect their interest in robotics to career opportunities in modern manufacturing.

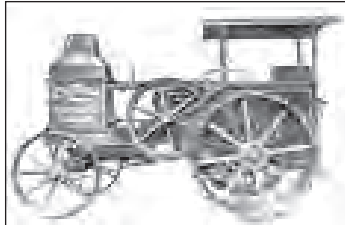
The VEX Robotics Competition is managed by the Robotics Education & Competition Foundation and serves as a vehicle for students to develop critical life skills such as teamwork, leadership and project management, honed through building robots and competing with like-minded students from the community in an intense and exciting environment. VEX EDR was built from the ground up and designed to be an affordable, accessible and scalable platform used to teach science, technology, engineering and math education worldwide.

To learn more about the Dream It. Do It. Northern Minnesota VEX Robotics Tournament, contact Lyle Meulebroeck at 218-755-2733 or lmeulebroeck@bemidjistate.edu. To learn more about Dream It. Do It. Minnesota, visit dreamitdoitmn.com. More information about the VEX Robotics Competition is available at RoboticsEducation.org or at RobotEvents.com.



Sam Lavin has been named to the Minnesota 9-man High School All-State football team. Sam, a Clearbrook-Gonvick Bear Senior received honorable mention for his playmaking. He rushed 136 times for 1,376 yards and 13 touchdowns. He made 32 of 70 for 394 passing yards and six touchdowns. He also played on defense where he made 67 tackles. He is the son of Sarah and Matt Lavin of Clearbrook.

What's In a Name??



In the early 19th century many inventions such as the reaper and thresher stimulated the need for mechanical power on the farm. The answer was steam power. Companies began building portable engines. This meant a team of horses, the real horse power of the time, would be hitched to a steam engine mounted on wagon wheels to be pulled to where ever the "steam power" was needed. The steam engine would be used to power the thresher, or grinder or whatever needed to be used.

One of the first successful engines was the "Forty-niner". This had nothing to do with the California football team. The engine was simply released in 1849 by a man named Archambault from Philadelphia, PA. Gaar Scott released on carrying his name in 1852. In 1863 it was Rumley and then as you can see most of the companies were named for their founder. This seemed simple. I can see these pioneers of agriculture being proud to place their own name on their product.

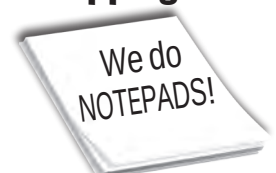
Names can often help us identify something, even if it is not a tractor company. Most people who are familiar with legend and folklore around Oklee would surely know what I mean if I told them to find my place by traveling east on the "O'Neil" tar. A native the mysterious land lying between Oklee and Plummer would be able to identify the whereabouts of something located in the Huotari Swamp. Every community has those roads and places named for someone that has held that title for generations. The sign in my yard reads "Mickelson-Ellickson Farm". It is not the name of a huge agricultural corporation. It is simply there because I am proud to be living in Equality township, where my Grandfather Clarence Ellickson farmed. It is also there because my grandfather Ames Mickelson and father Mickey Mickelson decided Barnes Township was a place to settle and farm since 1952. That's what's in a name to me!

Tractor Trivia

- _____ Rumley started the Rumley Tractor Corp.
- _____ McCormick invented the reaper.
- J.I. Case started the Case company. What does J.I. stand for?
- _____ P. Allis Company merged with Frazier and Chalmers in 1901.
- B. F. Avery founded the Avery Plow Company. What do the letters B. F. stand for?

Answers: 1. Minot 2. Cyrus 3. Jerome Increase 4. Edward 5. Benjamin Franklin

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Knights of Columbus Gift Winter Coats to Ponemah Kids

Story by Michael Meurs

Members of the Knights of Columbus Council #1544 (KC's) of Bemidji traveled to the Ponemah Elementary School and the Head Start Program in Ponemah on Wednesday, November 25, 2015, to distribute 60 new winter coats to kids who needed them.

A delegation made up of KC's, law enforcement and elected officials participated in the gifting. Red Lake Tribal Officer Alea Richardson, joined Beltrami County Sheriff Phil Hodapp (also KC Grand Knight), Beltrami County Commissioner Tim Sumner, KC and Mix 103.7 station manager Dan Voss, and Ponemah Elementary School Community Liaison Ashley Johnson took part.

"The Knights and law en-

forcement committee were warmly received by school officials and teachers and the children were thrilled to get their Thanksgiving gifts," said Hodapp. "The children were all smiles after receiving their new jackets."

"I had a great time this morning visiting with students and faculty in Ponemah, Minnesota," said KC Chancellor Dan Voss (also RP Broadcasting 103.7 FM station manager). "We were able to distribute 60 winter jackets to children at the school courtesy of the Knights of Columbus. There were a lot of smiling faces. During the hustle and bustle of the holiday, it's great to be able to do something for others."

Beltrami County Commissioner and Red Lake member

Tim Sumner thanked the KC's, "The kids were excited and greatly appreciated it. Thanks, guys!"

Thanks to the Supreme Council of the Knights of Columbus who shipped the coats to the local council for distribution.

The Knights of Columbus is the world's largest Catholic fraternal service organization. Founded by Father Michael J. McGivney in New Haven, Connecticut, in 1882. Originally serving as a mutual benefit society to low-income immigrant Catholics, it developed into a fraternal benefit society dedicated to providing charitable services, promoting Catholic education and actively defending Roman Catholicism in various nations.



Sheriff and KC Grand Knight Phil Hodapp and County Commissioner and Red Lake member Tim Sumner.



KC and Mix 103.7 station manager Dan Voss, Red Lake Tribal Officer Alea Richardson, and Beltrami County Sheriff Phil Hodapp (also KC Grand Knight).



Red Lake Tribal Officer Alea Richardson and KC Chancellor Dan Voss pose with happy kids.

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1	3	TEAM INDUSTRIES	85.0	51	9		78.9	198	53	3	15709	17935
2	6	JOURDAIN GUIDE SE	72.1	37½	14½		74.5	159½	54½	2	14780	17747
3	8	FIRST STATE BANK	71.2	37	15		59.8	112½	75½	5	14291	17012
4	2	GULLY TRI CO-OP	71.4	35	14		65.1	138	74	4	15330	17529
5	1	NAPA	67.4	31	15		66.7	110	55	2	11869	14161
6	4	MAINSTREET	69.0	29	13		63.8	122½	69½	3	14617	17593
7	7	DAN'S STANDARD SE	56.5	26	20		69.4	152	67	2	14143	17015
8	5	FARMCHEK	48.7	18½	19½		72.7	163½	61½	3	14174	17158

Season High Scores

Scratch Game	626	TEAM INDUSTRIES	614	FARMCHEK	606	DAN'S STANDARD SERVIC
Scratch Series	1687	TEAM INDUSTRIES	1674	NAPA	1636	JOURDAIN GUIDE SERVIC
Handicap Game	717	DAN'S STANDARD SERVIC	707	FARMCHEK	701	TEAM INDUSTRIES
Handicap Series	1938	NAPA	1913	DAN'S STANDARD SERVIC	1912	TEAM INDUSTRIES

Men

Scratch Game	256	CHAZ DOBIAS	247	PERRY GRUNDYSON	246	ROBERT LANDSVERK
Scratch Series	683	CHAZ DOBIAS	653	DARLENE ROUE	652	CODY GOODWIN
Handicap Game	291	ROBERT LANDSVERK	276	PERRY GRUNDYSON	274	JANET LANDSVERK
Handicap Series	744	ROBERT LANDSVERK	742	CODY GOODWIN	731	DARLENE ROUE

Last Week's Top Scores

Scratch Game	568	TEAM INDUSTRIES	539	MAINSTREET	538	GULLY TRI CO-OP
Scratch Series	1603	TEAM INDUSTRIES	1574	GULLY TRI CO-OP	1560	FIRST STATE BANK
Handicap Game	641	NAPA	638	TEAM INDUSTRIES	633	MAINSTREET
Handicap Series	1817	GULLY TRI CO-OP	1814	DAN'S STANDARD SERVIC	1813	TEAM INDUSTRIES

Men

Scratch Game	223	CODY GOODWIN	220	DEAN EVJE	218	CHAZ DOBIAS
Scratch Series	594	CODY GOODWIN	580	DEAN EVJE	573	CHAZ DOBIAS
Handicap Game	256	JANET LANDSVERK	251	DEAN EVJE	244	TIM KASSEL
Handicap Series	673	DEAN EVJE	645	CODY GOODWIN	629	TRENT VETTLESSEN

High Individual Match Points

Men	20	JANET LANDSVERK	19.5	TRENT VETTLESSEN	18	CODY GOODWIN
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Individual High Averages

Men	200.13	CHAZ DOBIAS	182.70	CODY GOODWIN	179.30	BEN BAGGAASON
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