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Sandy Kiddoo with Parker Jaques.

College aims to eliminate one more barrier to success

Northland Community & Technical College is proud to announce the launch of Pioneer Pantry, a new on-campus food pantry aimed to support students facing food insecurity. Pioneer Pantry joins the recently launched Northland Cares program to combat the many barriers to success students encounter as they work towards graduation and full-time employment.

Food insecurity is an often unspoken challenge for approximately one-third of all college students. While never having a formal program in place, Northland has always provided assistance to students who request it or connected students with local food pantries to help meet their needs.

Now, thanks in large part to a generous \$5,000 donation from Scheels via the United Way that covered the major start-up needs of Pioneer Pantry — refrigeration, shelving, etc. — Northland students have direct access to a food pantry stocked full of free, donated goods.

“From housing to groceries, transportation to technology, today’s students are seeing dramatically rising costs for virtually every basic need required for academic success,” said Dr. Sandy Kiddoo, President of Northland Community & Technical College. “We welcome many nontraditional students who are also responsible for families, part-time jobs and other demands that place an even greater demand on their resources, and our goal is to find creative yet effective ways to help them achieve their academic goals despite those challenges.”

A traditional community college devoted to meeting the employment needs of local industry, Northland has long been on the leading edge of innovation when it comes to student success, and students often play a big role in bringing innovative ideas to life.

“Little did we know that Dr. Kiddoo and the administration were also brainstorming the idea of an on-campus food pantry when we returned from another college visit with the same



Sandy Kiddoo with Ryan McGregor.

idea,” said Parker Jaques, Thief River Falls Campus Student Senate President.

“Pretty soon other campus organizations got involved, and the idea for Pioneer Pantry came to fruition,” explained Ryan McGregor, East Grand Forks Campus Student Senate President. “The pantry will be stocked with food donated from food drives and sourced from local pantries and donations.”

Pioneer Pantry is just the latest Northland initiative to bridge the gap for students who need extra support. The college recently launched Northland Cares, an emergency grant funded by the generous support of the Northland Foundation and the sales of Northland’s new Rocket Fuel coffee. Northland and Minnesota State have also partnered with United Way 211 to establish a statewide ba-

sic needs resource hub to give students 24/7 access to basic needs resources and support via phone, text, or chat.

“Pioneer Pantry is the type of program that just warms the heart of an educator, and that’s what we are at our core,” Kiddoo said. “We’re here to help our students achieve their dreams, but not even the most driven student can make it on an empty stomach. Pioneer Pantry embodies what a community college is all about.”

If you’d like to donate to Pioneer Pantry, contact Jeff Pool, Dean of Student Affairs, at (218) 793-2460 or jeff.pool@northlandcollege.edu.

To learn more about the Northland Cares program, contact Lars Dyrud, Foundation Executive Director, at (218) 683-8616 or lars.dyrud@northlandcollege.edu.

\$9.8 Million to Improve Grid Security and Reliability

U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Development State Director for Minnesota Colleen Landkammer today announced that USDA is investing more than \$106 million to help local electric cooperatives expand and modernize the state’s rural electric grid and increase grid security.

“Nearly 4,500 rural residents right here in Minnesota will be connected with affordable, reliable and efficient electric infrastructure,” Landkammer said. “When we invest in modern infrastructure, we invest in the local economy by making them viable and safe places to live and work – creating new opportunities for years to come.”

Funding is being provided through USDA’s Electric Loan Program.

USDA’s Electric Loan Program can help finance wind, solar and natural gas plants, as well as improvements to produce cleaner energy from coal-fired plants. Local utilities also use the loans to invest in infrastructure to deliver affordable power to millions of residential, commercial, and agricultural consumers.

The loans include nearly \$10 million to help rural utilities and cooperatives install and upgrade smart grid technologies. Smart grid can be a catalyst for broadband and other telecommunications services in unserved and underserved rural areas in addition to improving grid security and reliability.

In Minnesota:
•McLeod Cooperative Power Association is receiving a \$13 million loan to connect 288 consumers and build or improve 74 miles of line. The loan includes \$2 million for smart grid technologies. McLeod Co-

operative, headquartered in Manassas, serves 6,975 consumers over 1,921 miles of line in seven counties.

•Red Lake Electric Cooperative is receiving a \$9.1 million loan to connect 299 consumers and build or improve 54 miles of line. The loan includes \$104,000 for smart grid technologies. Red Lake Electric serves 5,704 consumers through 2,642 miles of line in six counties in northern Minnesota.

•PKM Electric Cooperative is receiving a \$13.4 million loan to connect 342 consumers and build or improve 119 miles of line. The loan includes \$1.1 million for smart grid technologies. PKM Electric serves 3,955 consumers over 2,298 miles in three counties of central Minnesota.

•South Central Electric Association is receiving a \$13 million loan to connect 188 consumers and build or improve 76 miles of line. The loan includes \$1.7 million for smart grid technologies. South Central Electric serves 5,928 consumers over 2,467 miles in eight counties.

•Minnesota Valley Electric Cooperative is receiving a \$35 million 1,846 consumers and build or improve 1,631 miles of line. The loan includes \$3.6 million for smart grid technologies. Minnesota Valley is headquartered in Jordan, Minnesota and serves 44,411 consumers across Blue Earth, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Le Sueur, Rice, Scott, Sibley, and Waseca counties.

•Beltrami Electric Cooperative is receiving a \$22.7 million loan to connect 1,480 consumers and build or improve 225 miles of line. The loan includes \$1.3 million for smart grid technologies. Bel-

trami Electric is headquartered in Bemidji, Minnesota. It serves 21,772 consumers in portions of Beltrami, Cass, Clearwater, Hubbard, Itasca and Koochiching counties with 3,500 miles of distribution line covering approximately 3,000 square miles.

Background:
Today’s investments are part of a nationwide investment of \$2.7 billion, recently announced by U.S. Ag Secretary Tom Vilsack, to help 64 electric cooperatives and utilities expand and modernize electric service for nearly two million rural people and businesses in 26 states. Nearly half of the awards will help finance infrastructure improvements in underserved communities.

In the coming months, USDA will announce additional energy infrastructure financing. The Biden-Harris Administration’s Inflation Reduction Act provided more than \$12 billion to USDA for loans and grants to expand clean energy, transform rural power production, create jobs and spur economic growth. This funding will help make energy cleaner, more reliable and more affordable.

Rural Development provides loans and grants to help expand economic opportunities, create jobs and improve the quality of life for millions of Americans in rural areas. This assistance supports infrastructure improvements; business development; housing; community facilities such as schools, public safety, and health care; and high-speed internet access in rural, Tribal and high-poverty areas. For more information, visit www.rd.usda.gov/mn.

To subscribe to USDA Rural Development updates, visit GovDelivery subscriber page.

Annual Report Middle River Veteran’s Outdoors 2022

2022 has been a busy and rewarding year for the MRVO. We continue to enjoy bringing our Veteran’s to the great outdoors to hunt or to fish. At all our events, we have seen so much camaraderie with all our Veterans/families this year.

We started the year with our Annual Men and Ladies’ Ice Fishing trips to Lake of the Woods. It is usually extremely cold and windy. The number of fish isn’t always filling our coolers but we do have a lot of laughs and great food.

In February, we received a donation of our third track chair from MN DAV Outdoor Program. We have used them for most events. The Veterans enjoy riding on them at the events. They use them to go to a blind or down to the dock to get in the boat.

Russ volunteered to organize and conduct a “cash” raffle for us. He delivered brochures and displays to vendors/clubs all over northwest Minnesota. It was very profitable.

In July, the Combat Veterans Motorcycle Association stopped by to present us with a very nice donation. They can apply for a grant every three

years and we received it for 2022. Also, the American Legion Riders Post 444, gave us a donation at the same time. They had a motorcycle ride up to Warroad area which some of us participated in also.

We changed our location for the summer fishing trip. We are now at Ballard’s Resort on Lake of the Woods. Humana is a big sponsor for us at this resort. We had 28 Veterans this year. We caught our limit each day so they could enjoy a fish fry. The meals were provided by the resorts so we didn’t do any cooking this year. And of course, they get to take fish home also. We are headed there again this August.

We did have Youth goose hunting. They had so much fun harvesting those birds.

At the time of the Disabled Veteran’s goose hunt, there weren’t many birds around. We decided to cancel. The farmers were not done harvesting their crops also that we use.

Our deer hunt was another great experience for everyone. We had 9 hunters and they all got their deer. They came from all over the state and also from all branches of the ser-

vice. We provided transportation out to the deer stands by our volunteers. Plus, we field dressed, skinned and cut up the venison for each hunter. Breakfast, snack lunch and supper each day. We really appreciate all the landowners for letting us hunt.

Kelly Booge, 9th VFW District Commander presented us with a donation from his “Commander Project.” There are 22 VFW posts in the 9th District.

We have been to the ND DAV Chapter 2 meeting to explain our purpose. We participated at the “Veteran’s Benefit Fair” in Crookston. Also, at the County Veteran Service Officer conference in Nisswa and we went to the “Veteran’s Breakfast” at Camp Ripley.

Hardware Hank had a “big buck” raffle and gave us a donation also. We want to thank all our sponsors, volunteers, and the many donations we have received.

Humana, Border Bank, Middle River Sportsman Club, Red Lake Electric “Operation Round-up, DAV Chapters 7 and 41.

DNR opens application period for reimbursement of well interference costs

The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources encourages well owners, high-capacity water appropriators and water suppliers to apply for reimbursement of costs associated with the resolution of well interferences that occurred during the 2021 drought.

As part of a relief package to address impacts of the 2021 drought, the Minnesota Legislature provided funding to the DNR to reimburse people who paid for costs associated with restoring a water supply as a result of a well interference. A well interference happens when a high-capacity water user causes the water level in an aquifer to fall to a level that

adversely affects the availability of water to shallower wells. Dry conditions in 2021 caused some high-capacity water appropriators to pump groundwater more frequently in some areas of the state, resulting in numerous well interferences.

The DNR received \$300,000 from the 2022 legislature to reimburse eligible expenses for domestic well owners, high-capacity water appropriators and public and private water suppliers. Those who wish to apply to the DNR for reimbursement will need to provide copies of receipts for work performed.

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A logging truck lost its load on Friday February 3 at the junction of Highway 2 and 92 in Bagley. The load rolled up against a car at the gas pumps. There were no injuries reported. Orton’s is located at the only stop light in Bagley.
-Photo by Roger Crane

Petersen Reconfirmed as Minnesota Agriculture Commissioner

Unanimous support for continued ag leadership

St. Paul, MN: The Minnesota Senate today reconfirmed Thom Petersen as Commissioner of the Minnesota Department of Agriculture (MDA). The vote was 63-0. This marks the second term for Petersen, who was first appointed in 2019 by Gov. Tim Walz and Lt. Gov. Peggy Flanagan to serve as Agriculture Commissioner.

"Thom Petersen understands how policy directly affects farmers' daily lives," said Gov. Walz. "I look forward to continuing our work to support our farmers – from new farmers to the leaders of food and ag companies – while ensuring Minnesota remains a global leader in food and agriculture."

"From supporting emerging farmers to helping communities recover from drought, I'm proud to work alongside Commissioner Petersen to listen to our farmers and invest in the future of agriculture right here in Minnesota," said Lt. Gov. Flanagan.

"It has been an honor to serve as commissioner these past four years, and I look forward to continuing to work alongside Gov. Walz, Lt. Gov. Flanagan, and all the dedicated MDA employees to strengthen and improve our ag economy," said Commissioner Petersen. "Agriculture drives and shapes Minnesota, and I'm proud to represent our farmers, producers, and food makers in the four years to come."

Before being appointed Commissioner, Petersen served as the Director of Government Relations for Minnesota Farmers Union (MFU) from 2002 to 2019, working on behalf of MFU's farmer-members in both Washington, D.C., and St. Paul.

Commissioner Petersen is a long-time resident of Royalton Township near Pine City. He and his wife, Alana, have two sons. The Petersens show horses around the state and have competed at the Minnesota State Fair for over 25 years.



Thom Petersen.



The date has been set! Lund Lutheran Church Congregation of Gully turned 125 on January 16, and will be celebrating this big anniversary on July 16th, 2023. All members and friends, please mark your calendar! Event planning is underway. Participants welcome. Contact Lund Church members with your ideas and questions, or stay for coffee on the 1st Sunday of each month after 9 a.m. church services.

Scam warranty letters target homeowners in Minnesota, other states

The Department of Commerce is warning Minnesotans about a scam that relies on bogus warnings about home warranties. Homeowners in Minnesota and several other states have received letters in recent months urging recipients to purchase warranties and falsely implying a relationship with the homeowners' mortgage companies or with county deeds offices.

The letters carry company names like Home Warranty Direct or Home Warranty Solutions. They use the same language describing warranties that, "may be expiring or may have already expired" even if you have never had a warranty. The letters appear to be official documents but are simply fraudulent attempts, likely by criminals outside the United States, to collect your credit card or bank account information.

Promotions that use threatening language or unnecessary urgency are almost always fraudulent. In this case, the scam letters use bold type and exclamation points and urge recipients to respond immediately or risk financial liability. To appear legitimate, they also cite names of specific mortgage lenders or servicers – informa-

tion that is often public record and available online.

The Department of Commerce encourages Minnesota homeowners who are interested in purchasing a home warranty with a legitimate company to do research. "We recommend asking for referrals, checking the warranty company's website and understanding the coverage you need and possible warranty exclusions," said Jacqueline Olson, Commerce's Assistant Commissioner for Enforcement. "If you receive an unsolicited offer, definitely don't give out your credit card or bank account information until you're sure the offer is legitimate."

A home warranty is a contract covering repairs and replacements on systems and appliances in your home, usually for a period of one year.

If you receive a letter from Home Warranty Direct or Home Warranty Solutions and wish to file a complaint, contact the Department of Commerce at consumer.protection@state.mn.us or 651-539-1600 or 800-657-3602. Otherwise the letters can simply be discarded. To report any type of suspected mail fraud, contact the U.S. Postal Inspection Service.

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Polk County Sheriff

Garage Fire

On 2-3-2023 at approximately 1430 hours, the Polk County Sheriff's Office received a report a garage fire at 18220 260th St SW, Gentilly. Deputies and Crookston Fire Department responded and discovered that the fire originated from a skid-steer that was parked in the garage. The garage was attached to a home on the property. The property owner, Duane Spear (82) was home at the time of the incident. Spear reported that an unknown good Samaritan stopped to help by pulling the burning skid-steer out of the garage with their pickup, preventing further damage to the garage and residence. The good Samaritan left prior to first responders arriving on scene.

The garage and skid-steer had moderate damage as a result of the fire. It is believed the fire was caused by a mechanical issue with the skid-steer.

No injuries were reported as a result of the fire.

Also assisting was Crookston Area Ambulance.

No further information will be released at this time.

Stolen Vehicle

On January 31, 2023 at approximately 6:51 PM, the Fosston Police Department was dispatched to Lepier's East gas station to take a report from a Doyle Taxi Cab driver who had went in to use the restroom and came back outside to discover his taxi had been stolen.

Upon arrival, it was discovered that the person who stole the van was actually a passenger in the taxi at the time the driver went in to use the restroom. The taxi was giving the passenger a ride from Essentia- Fargo to Cass Lake, MN.

The Doyle taxi was equipped with an active GPS and an active camera system. Doyle Cab Company was able to give us live updates as to where the vehicle was located. With the assistance of the Bemidji Police Department, they were able to safely stop the stolen taxi in the Bemidji area.

The suspect was identified as Mardee Jones, 34, from Cass Lake. Jones was placed into custody and transported to NWRCC in Crookston. Jones will be facing charges for the Theft of the Vehicle.

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The DNR will review the applications and determine eligibility for reimbursement.

The well interference situation must have happened between May 1, 2021 and Dec. 30, 2021 to be eligible for reimbursement.

Minnesota Statute 103G.265 requires the DNR to manage water resources to ensure an adequate supply to meet long-range seasonal requirements for domestic, agricultural, fish and wildlife, recreational, power, navigation, and quality control purposes. The Water Appropriation Permit Program exists to balance competing management objectives that include both development and protection of Minnesota's water resources.

The application period is now open. Applications should be submitted by 4:30 p.m. May 1, 2023. If applications for reimbursement exceed the total funding available, the available funds will be allocated proportionately to all eligible applicants based on their receipts submitted.

For more information, including how to apply, visit the well interference resolution process page of the DNR website.

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Anti-War Rally - Washington, D.C. **FEBRUARY 19**

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Join them at the Lincoln Memorial at 12:30 P.M. on Sunday, February 19th, on the anniversary of the United States Proxy war via Ukraine against Russia and Presidents Day Weekend, to Rage Against the War Machine! After the Rally, they'll march to the White House and deliver their demands to Warmonger-in-Chief Joe Biden. Check out their site, <https://rageagainstawar.com/>

Read about them and their demands and be with them by making a donation. The lineup of sponsors and speakers includes long term peace advocates along with ones from right, left and centrist perspectives and also includes veterans, musicians, comedians and just plain citizens who are fed up with war after war on behalf of profits for the WarDeFense Industry and their primary shareholder billionaires. The current administration has committed over 100 billion dollars in one form or another to the Ukraine effort. There is no positive return on this give away debt which could have been invested in our citizenship which would have had many positive returns. It is necessary to mention the almost complete disarray of world economic supply chains, the death, maiming, suffering, destruction and edging humanity to the edge of MAD (Mutual Assured (nuclear) Destruction) are all the result of the warmongers in our government, in our media ownership and our major industry leaders. Please take the time to check out the site and donate.

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planned" is based on the life story of former Planned Parenthood director Abby Johnson. MCCL Chapter #45 is the sponsor of this event and invites and encourages attendance of all who are interested. Feel free to invite your kids, grandkids, nieces, nephews, etc.

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MATHEMATICS TEACHER

Clearbrook-Gonvick School District has an open position for a Mathematics Teacher. This is a full-time position and would be available for the 2023-2024 school year. Courses currently include a variety of Math courses in the 7-12 grade levels.

Requirements: MN 7-12 Mathematics licensure required. Individuals with alternative licenses and those who are interested in extra-curricular or coaching activities are encouraged to apply. Position is open until filled.

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

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16770 Clearwater Lake Rd
Clearbrook, MN 56634



Attn: Melissa Weems, HR
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INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY

The Clearbrook-Gonvick School District has an opening for an Industrial Technology Teacher. This position is a full time position and would be available for the 2023-2024 school year. Current course offerings in our Industrial Technology Department include welding, woodworking, building trades, and varying automotive courses.

Requirements: MN Teaching License in Industrial Arts is required for this position. Individuals with alternative licensure and those who are interested in extra-curricular or coaching activities are encouraged to apply. Position is open until filled.

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

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ASSISTANT TRACK COACH

The Clearbrook-Gonvick School District is seeking an assistant track coach for the 2022-2023 season. Requirements of the position include being present for all practices and track meets beginning spring of 2023, teaching the fundamentals of running, and being a positive role model for our athletes. Must be able to pass a background check.

Applicants should submit a letter of interest and resume to:



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PARA-EDUCATOR NEEDED

The Clearbrook-Gonvick School has an opening for a full-time para-educator for the 2022-2023 school year. Wage is negotiable dependent on experience with a new minimum hourly wage of \$14.89 per hour. Requirements for the position include: Having passed or have the ability to pass a para pro test, enjoy working with children, and must pass a background check. Applications can be found on our school website or call Melissa Weems at 218-776-3112 Ext. 105 with any questions.

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FARM MECHANIC/OPERATOR POSITION

Gunvalson Farms, Inc. has an open position for a full-time Farm Mechanic/Operator at our wild rice farming operation 10 miles north of Gully, MN. Must be mechanically inclined with equipment repair experience and be able to competently operate farm machinery. Experience with combines, welding and fabrication is a plus. Must be willing to work long hours during the fall harvest season however we have flexible winter hours. Maintaining a healthy work-life balance for the team is very important to us.

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- Web site maintenance
- Map development and spatial data analysis
- Assist teachers and students with the River Watch and River of Dreams Programs

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- Intermediate knowledge of ArcGIS/Spatial Analyst software and methods
- Familiarity with water quality or other electronic instrumentation
- Basic understanding of web site scripting (html, css) or related concepts
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Senate Republicans earlier in the day proposed their A+ Energy Plan and offered many amendments during the floor debate. The A+ Energy Plan would:

- Allow nuclear construction in the state
- Affordable renewable natural gas to continue to reduce emissions
- Always On natural gas and coal for reliability and affordability
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Answer: Congratulations to your grandson on obtaining his permit. My son also just received his permit. It is an exciting time that comes along with responsibility for all.

To answer your question,



Down the mountain they brought Oralia and into resting position she was placed after medical attention given her. As she lay in wait—waiting for her body to heal up—something gave way and Oralia died within days of the accident.

No doubt medical professionals could tell you the how and why, but all I know is, Oralia is no longer physically present. The stories we heard of her compassion and love will forever be woven into those who knew her and knew of her.

There are pieces of sad within this story that I will not speak of. Yet, the story I end with is one which reverberates within. Yes, the fasting and the prayer went up of which we knew nothing of and will forever remain within. However, the puzzle that puzzles is what happened to the little girl whom Oralia was walking with when she fell. This is what I know.

The little girl continued to

Ask a Trooper

by Sgt. Jesse Grabow Minnesota State Patrol

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Theology in the Trenches

By Kathleen Kjolhaug

Oralia Part II

(Continued from Oralia Part I which was in last week's paper.)

go to church and after church one day, while being driven home in the back of a truck, the truck rolled not only down the mountain, but off of it. It killed most of whom were in the vehicle including the little girl. Her twin remains.

The fruit is His business and obedience is ours. Oralia obeyed. What He was laying down through this mystery of faith is not my business, but I confess it is a puzzle which brings out a little sadness within. I can pray, "Jesus I trust in You," but it was not I who sacrificed my life. I merely get to be the teller of one who did.

Why do I speak of this? Perhaps it's because the price those pay who are in the cycle of poverty is often much higher than we realize. Areas we take for granted like health care, food, and shelter often escape those who do not have the financial resources available. No news flash there. However, the reminder that one needs those

basics in order to not compound problems is what we often do not see.

Perhaps I'm thinking aloud here that when we do give, it might be a bit of a sacrifice. And I wonder—how giving a bit more might relieve the pain of others whom we know nothing of. After all, giving without it being a bit of a sacrifice may not be truly giving at all.

I pray we will all ponder these things in our heart as He shows us where we might be able to give. I pray that when He reveals that to us, we will trust that He will use what we give for His glory.

May we, like Oralia, not only fast and pray but give all as unto the Lord. Acts 20:35 says, "It is more blessed to give than to receive." May you be duly blessed as you do. There are more—so many more stories to come. Thank you for tagging along—as unto the Lord. Amen.



Economy Tractors

By Auctioneer Eric W. Mickelson



goal was to provide farmers with reliable, low-cost, efficient machinery. Sometimes I wish I lived in the days where you could order a new "Economy" tractor from the Sears and Roebuck catalog!

How about a little tractor trivia!!

1. The Sears Economy Tractor was rated to pull a _____ bottom plow.

2. The 1939 Economy tractor would set you back \$_____.

A) \$495 B) \$595 C) \$695 D) \$795

3. T or F The open steering gear caused problem for the 1938 model.

4. T or F The Economy had a standard Model A 3-speed transmission.

5. Since I saw my first Economy at the State Fair. What is the record one day attendance at the Minnesota State Fair?
A) 255,000 B) 262,999 C) 260,374 D) 299,876

Answers: 1. 2 bottom 2. A. \$495 3. T- It would fill with dirt and grease and make for hard steering 4. T 5. C. 260, 374 was the record one day attendance from Saturday, Sept. 3, 2016.



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have received prior funding through the Governor's Emergency Education Relief Fund.

Proposals are due by Feb. 28. Details on how to apply can be found online at www.nwmf.org under "Open Grant Rounds".

Funding from this grant can help cover:

- Mental health services and supports
- Social-emotional and physical health supports

- Training and staff development to more effectively operate

- Learning enrichment programs, as well as distance-learning opportunities

- Activities that are necessary to maintain the operation of and continuity of services in early care and education prioritizing the needs of historically underserved groups

Applicants must serve children from birth to age 8 in the

NMF region, which includes Red Lake Nation, White Earth Nation, and 12 counties: Beltrami, Clearwater, Hubbard, Kittson, Lake of the Woods, Mahanomen, Marshall, Norman, Pennington, Polk, Red Lake, and Roseau.

For questions about the grant, contact Missy Okeson, Program Officer, by emailing missyo@nwmf.org.

Applications are now open for the Farm Bureau Sesquicentennial Farm

ST. PAUL – Applications are now open for the Minnesota Farm Bureau Sesquicentennial Farm program, honoring Minnesota families that have owned their farms for at least 150 years. The deadline to apply is March 6, 2023.

To qualify, the farm must:

- Be at least 150 years old this year (2023) according to the abstract of title, land patent, original deed, county land records, court file in registration proceedings or other authentic land records. Please do not send originals or copies of records.
- Demonstrate ownership

by the applying family for 150 years or more. "Family" is defined as parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, brothers, sisters, sons, daughters, first cousins and direct in-laws (father, mother, brother, sister, daughter, son-in-law).

- Have continuous ownership. Continuous residence on farm is not required.
- Consist of 50 or more acres and currently be involved in agricultural production.

A commemorative certificate signed by the governor of Minnesota, commissioner of the Minnesota Department of Agriculture and the president

of the Minnesota Farm Bureau Federation will be awarded to qualifying families, along with an outdoor sign. Recipients will be announced in April.

Applications are available at www.fbmn.org. For more information, contact Pam Debele at pam.debele@fbmn.org or 651-768-2111.

Century Farm program applications are also open. Information is available online at mnstatefair.org or fbmn.org; by calling the State Fair at 651-288-4417; or at statewide county extension offices. Applications are due by March 6, 2023. Recipients will be an-

Common respiratory ailments



Oxygen is essential to life. The respiratory system works tirelessly to provide fresh oxygen to the body and ensure that all metabolic activities can occur unhindered. The respiratory system is what makes the inhalation and exhalation of air possible, and it's a responsible for the distribution of oxygen throughout the body.

The respiratory system is a network of organs and tissues that help a person breathe. In addition to facilitating the absorption of oxygen from the air, the respiratory system cleans out waste gases like carbon dioxide. In a healthy person, the respiratory system functions like a well-oiled machine. But that same system is sometimes hampered by illness, allergies and infections, according to the

Cleveland Clinic. With so much riding on a healthy respiratory system, it can help to learn about some of the more common conditions that can affect it.

- **Asthma:** Asthma is a chronic inflammatory disease caused by narrowed airways affected by inflammation. Asthma causes breathing difficulties, coughing, wheezing, and other symptoms. Most people need to take preventive medicines to control symptoms.
- **COPD:** Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease is comprised of chronic bronchitis and emphysema. Bronchitis is when the lining of the bronchial tubes become inflamed and irritated. Swelling may cause an abundance of mucus. Emphysema occurs when the tiny air sacs (alveoli) become damaged and

less flexible. This reduces the alveoli's ability to move oxygen and other gases, which adversely affects breathing, according to Verywell Health.

- **Influenza:** Influenza, also known as the flu, is a viral illness that can produce a number of symptoms. The flu viruses can be inhaled or brought into the body by touching items that contain the virus. Mild fever, runny nose, cough, fatigue, and sore throat are common symptoms of influenza. While most people recover, the Mayo Clinic warns that flu complications can be deadly.
- **COVID-19:** SARS-CoV-2 is the virus responsible for causing COVID-19, which was discovered in the winter of 2019. It is a highly infectious illness caused by a coronavirus. It is spread from person to person, and has caused millions of deaths around the world as well as lasting health problems, according to Johns Hopkins Medicine. Depending on the individual, the effects of COVID-19 can be mild or severe. Because the virus mutates easily, researchers continue to develop new vaccines to help boost defense against it. Symptoms appear within two to 14 days of exposure to the virus. A person infected with the coronavirus is contagious to others for up to two days before symptoms appear, and they remain contagious to others for 10 to 20 days, depending on their immune system and the severity of their illness.

- **Tuberculosis:** TB is a contagious and potentially life-threatening infectious disease caused by the bacterium mycobacterium tuberculosis, which is spread through the air. The

CDC says TB is preventable and treatable in most cases. Infection control practices can help reduce TB transmission.

- **Pneumonia:** With pneumonia, a virus, bacteria or another infectious agent causes alveoli to fill with fluid or pus, affecting breathing and gas exchange. Pneumonia symptoms may be mild and not affect daily activities, while others can be severe and require hospitalization.
- **Cystic fibrosis:** This is a genetic condition that creates very thick mucus in the body, which can cause both breathing and digestive problems. Blockages from thick mucus can trap harmful bacteria and lead to infections, says the Mayo Clinic.

Anishinaabe Arts Initiative Fellowship applications are due March 1

The Anishinaabe Arts Initiative (AAI) Fellowship provides unfettered funding to two artists, who are enrolled tribal members or descendants, to fuel their art in Beltrami, Clearwater, Hubbard, Mahanomen, Lake of the Woods, Becker, Cass, Itasca, and Roseau counties in Minnesota.

The goal of the AAI Fellowship Program is to assist the region's most talented Indigenous artists in furthering and innovating their work. Two \$5,000 awards will be granted in 2023. The funds can be used for, but not limited to, exploring new directions or techniques, creating new bodies of work or continuing work in progress; production or promotion costs, materials, supplies, or equipment; collaborative or community projects; travel, research or study to further your art.

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Garfield Lake Ice Racers back on the ice last Sunday

2/5/2023
By Dennis Peterson
The Garfield Lake Ice Racers were thrilled to be back on the ice on Sunday following last weeks cancellation due to the cold conditions. The weather cooperated and a record number of ice racers, crews and fans made the trek onto Garfield Lake in Laporte, Minnesota for the third race of the season. 22 B class cars and 15 A class cars filled the pit area.

This weeks featured winners were Chad Tabaka in the A class with two feature wins and two heat wins. Josh Seely and Bonnie Farrington won the other two heat races.

In the B Class Sam Delaney and Jim Geschwill each won one feature and one heat race. Bob Pawlitschek picked up two heat wins while Abe Forseman and Mike Moen each won a consolation race.

Racing will resume Sunday at noon on Garfield Lake in Laporte with two complete sets of racing. The public is welcome to observe the races free of charge in the designated viewing area on the west side of the ice track.

RESULTS

SET 1 A Class
Heat #1 1. Chad Tabaka, 2. Bonnie Farrington, 3. Fritz Myers, 4. Reid Watson, 5. Dan Riggs

Heat #2 1. Josh Seely, 2. Jon Geschwill, 3. Kalin Honer, 4. Deryk Weleski/Aaron Bitker, 5. Nate Zanter

Feature 1. Chad Tabaka, 2. Kalin Honer, 3. Bonnie Farrington, 4. Fritz Myers, 5. Nate Zanter, 6. John Farrington, 7. Josh Seely, 8. Deryk Weleski/Josh Bitker, 9. John Hadrava, 10. Dan Riggs, 11. Rick Semmler, 12. Reid Watson, 13. Dillon Lutgen, 14. Gordon Hunter, 15. Jon Geschwill

Set 2 A Class
Heat #1 1. Bonnie Farrington, 2. John Farrington, 3. Kalin Honer, 4. Nate Zanter, 5. Dan Riggs

Heat #2 1. Chad Tabaka, 2. Rick Semmler, 3. Fritz Myers, 4. Josh Seely, 5. John Hadrava

Feature 1. Chad Tabaka, 2. John Farrington, 3. Kalin

Honer, 4. Fritz Myers, 5. Josh Seely, 6. Nate Zanter, 7. Dan Riggs, 8. John Hadrava, 9. Dillon Lutgen, 10. Rick Semmler, 11. Reid Watson, 12. Deryk Weleski/Josh Bitker, 13. Gordon Hunter, 14. Bonnie Farrington

Set 1 B Class
Heat #1 1. Sam Delaney, 2. Jimmy Venum, 3. Hunter Weeks, 4. Tyler Johnson, 5. CJ Roller

Heat #2 1. Bob Pawlitschek, 2. Cam Labelle, 3. Faye Lewis, 4. Rob Martinson, 5. Rodney Rogers

Consolation 1. Abe Forseman, 2. Tim Goetze, 3. Tony Rohloff, 4.Emily Hegg, 5. Mike Moen

Feature 1. Sam Delaney, 2. Bob Pawlitschek, 3. Jimmy Venum, 4. Cam Labelle, 5. Tyler Johnson, 6. Abe Forseman, 7.

Hunter Weeks, 8. Tony Rohloff, 9. Faye Lewis, 10. Tim Goetze, 11. Rob Martinson, 12. Emily Hegg

Set 2 B Class
Heat #1 1. Jim Geschwill, 2. Cam Labelle, 3. Sam Delaney, 4. Hunter Weeks, 5. Kyle Davis
Heat #2 1. Bob Pawlitschek, 2. Jimmy Venum, 3. Tony Rohloff, 4. Nick Jessen/Robby Strand, 5. Mike Moen

Consolation 1. Mike Moen, 2. Tyler Johnson, 3. Rob Martinson, 4. Emily Hegg, 5. Faye Lewis

FEATURE 1. Jim Geschwill, 2. Bob Pawlitschek, 3. Jimmy Venum, 4. Cam Labelle, 5. Tyler Johnson, 6. Abe Forseman, 7. Hunter Weeks, 8. Tony Rohloff, 9. Faye Lewis, 10. Tim Goetze, 11. Rob Martinson, 12. Emily Hegg



#86 Chad Tabaka beat John Farrington by inches for the feature win.



Bob Pawlitschek won two B class heat races on Sunday.



A class winner of two features and two heat races on Sunday Chad Tabaka.



Jim Geschwill was the B class set 2 feature winner.



Josh Seely was a A class heat winner.



Sam Delaney won the B class Feature and also a heat race.



Bonnie Farrington won the A Class heat race.

FARMLAND FOR SALE ON BIDS
Rollis Township
Marshall County, Minnesota

Legal Description: Gov't Lots 3&4 Section 01, Township 157N, Range 40W. The Ruud Property.

Parcel Identification Number: 35-0003-000; This parcel contains approximately 81.56 acres.

BID PROCEDURE: Sealed Written Bids will be received by Rokke, Aandal & Associates, PLLC, Law Office, P.O. Box 159, Warren, MN 56762, until 5:00 p.m. on March 13, 2023. Bids should be for the total dollar amount, and not per acre. Those submitting qualifying bids will be invited to participate in a final oral bidding to be held at Rokke, Aandal & Associates, PLLC in Warren, Minnesota.

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FARMLAND FOR SALE ON BIDS
Rollis Township
Marshall County, Minnesota

Legal Description: N½S½ & SW¼NE¼ Section 13, Township 157N, Range 40W. The Ruud Property. (Subject to lease on house through May 2023).

Parcel Identification Number: 35-0067-000; This parcel contains approximately 200 acres.

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OBITUARIES

Services for Brenda Rongstad

Brenda Rongstad, 56, of Leonard, Minnesota passed away on Sunday, February 5, 2023, at Cornerstone Senior Living in Bagley, Minnesota after a courageous battle with Picks Disease. Services will be held on day, . 2023 at 11:00 a.m. at the Church in, Minnesota with a visitation one hour prior. Interment will be held at, Minnesota. The Cease Family Funeral Home of Bagley assisted the family with arrangements.



Obituary for David Bergman

David Carl Bergman, 60, of Gonvick, Minnesota died on Sunday, January 29, 2023, at his home in Gonvick, MN. Memorial services were held on Saturday, February 4, 2023, at 11:00 a.m. at the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Clearbrook, Minnesota. Visitation was held one hour prior to the services at the church. Interment will be held Augustana Cemetery in the spring.

The Cease Family Funeral Home of Bagley assisted the family with arrangements.

David was born on December 4, 1962, at Bagley, Minnesota, the son of Carl and Dolly (Anderson) Bergman. He was baptized at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church on July 20th, 1971 and was also confirmed at Good Shepherd. David graduated from Clearbrook High School in 1981. In 1982, he married Dana Joy Haugen at Gonvick, MN. They lived in Minneapolis, MN and that is where they welcomed their first son Darin. David worked for Ceco in Minne-

apolis. He and his family moved to Canton, Georgia, where their second son Dylan was born. David worked for United Forming in Georgia as Superintendent for 25 plus years. In 2014, after retiring from United Forming, David moved back to his home state of Minnesota.

David enjoyed the outdoors. He loved hunting, fishing, and woodworking. Over the past few years, he cherished spending his time with Terri. They enjoyed going out to eat, having coffee, driving around the area together and watching wildlife. He went for a drive every morning and every night. Four-wheeling with friends always made for a great time. David loved gardening and canning, especially fish. He also made very tasty jerky. David was a soft-spoken man, with a dry sense of humor. His family meant a lot to him.

He is survived by sons: Darin (Doran) Bergman of Lillington, North Carolina; Dylan Bergman of Fort Collins, Colorado.

Grandchildren – Tanner, Lilly, Chase and Hailey.

Companion–Terri Vorderbruggen of Clearbrook, MN

Siblings: Sharon (Lee) Hassert; Glen (Kathy) Bergman; Janice (Dean) Ulrich; Steve (Darlene) Bergman; Rick (Teresa) Bergman; Bruce (Donna) Bergman; Sue (Ricky) Bergman.

Aunt-Alice Forsberg.

Numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one grandson; one niece; one nephew; and many aunts and uncles.

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



Obituary for Mimi Jo Parker

Mimi Jo Parker, 55, of Duluth, MN, passed away on November 5, 2022 at home, surrounded by her family, after a difficult battle with ovarian cancer. Services were held on November 10 in Duluth.

Mimi was born on September 15, 1967, in Bemidji, MN, to parents Bob and Joy Parker. She joined two sisters, Cindy and Wanda, and the family lived on a farm 10 miles outside of Clearbrook. She loved living in the country, where she put up with the unpleasant chore of egg gathering, but loved taking care of her pigs. The family often sang old country standards together, Mim providing harmonies, while Joy accompanied on the guitar or accordion. Mim was a great cook, who learned from the best–Joy regularly made delicious food for their friends, using ingredients she either had on hand, grew on the farm, or sourced from the local area. (Believe it or not, fried snapping turtle is awesome!)

Mimi attended school in Clearbrook from kindergarten through high school, graduating in 1986 in a class of 31. She was an avid athlete, breaking school records in shot put, discus, and most points scored in a single basketball game. She also played volleyball, ran sprint relays, and played percussion in the band—a skill she took into her career as a drummer in the Duluth-based band, Low, which she formed with her husband, fellow Clearbrook alum, Alan Sparhawk. (The two met in 4th grade.)

Mim graduated in 1986, after which she moved to Duluth to attend the U of M majoring in history and graduating in 1990. Mimi and Alan married on March 2, 1990, and started their band in 1993. As one music writer eulogized, "Her ethereal, calming voice provided a soft cushion to her husband's stormier output and the wild noise of the grunge era from which their band emerged. For three decades, she steadily, humbly co-hermed one of Minnesota's most celebrated rock groups of all time."

Over nearly 30 years, Low performed in dive bars and notable venues all over the world, from CBGBs to Royal Albert Hall, Madison Square Garden, and Radio City Music Hall. The band released

13 studio albums, with the group's latest record, "Hey What" earning them a spot on Rolling Stones "50 Best Albums of 2021" and a nomination for best engineered album (nonclassical) at the 64th annual Grammy Awards. One of their songs, "Just Like Christmas," off the band's popular 1999 *Christmas* album, is featured in 2022's *Guardians of the Galaxy Holiday Special*.

Mimi was diagnosed with ovarian cancer in December of 2020. She managed her treatments with courage and grace and enjoyed a short-lived return to health during the fall of 2021 and winter of 2022, which allowed her to tour with Low throughout the -U.S., Europe, and Scandinavia. Her last show, at the Water is Life Festival on the banks of her beloved Lake Superior, was September 4, 2022.

Mimi was a respected and beloved member of the global music community. Chrissie Hynde of The Pretenders tweeted, "So sad to hear my favorite singer Mimi Parker no longer with us," and Robert Plant of Led Zeppelin dedicated his performance to her on the evening after she died. "We've been drawn to the music of the great duo Low from Duluth, Minnesota," he said from the King's Theatre stage in Glasgow. "And sadly tonight we know that unfortunately, we've lost one of those two people. So we dedicate our songs tonight to Mimi."

Mimi pronounced her name "MIM ee," but never corrected anyone who got it wrong. She loved animals and was the kind of person who wouldn't squash a bug, preferring to scoop it up and set it down gently outside. She was an avid reader who was sad to miss the next installment in *The Outlander* series, an excellent baker known for her cakes, cookies, and kouign-amanns, and a championship puzzler who cut through advanced Sudokus like butter. She wasn't one to brag, but was pretty proud of her 964-day gold-star New York Times Crossword Puzzle streak and fought to keep it going even through her sickest days. She was not one to let a hard-won streak go. She never thought of herself as a public figure, merely a working musician who preferred the comforts of home and family to the rigors of touring. Given her innate humility, she would have marveled at the fact that she was recognized by the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame in 2022's "In Memoriam" section, along with music icons like Loretta Lynn, Olivia Newton John, and Jerry Lee Lewis.

She is survived by her husband and musical partner Alan, daughter Hollis, and son Cyrus of Duluth, mother Joy Parker of Clearbrook, and sisters, Cindy (Don) Elam and Wanda (Tom) Larson.

greatly. She enjoyed baking, spending time with her family, trips to Caribou Coffee and especially Rice Krispy treats. She was always game to take a trip, whether it was to see her family, attend a birthday party or to go shopping in Bemidji. Above all she loved Jesus and desired that everyone knows and love him too. She will be deeply missed by her family, friends, and all who knew her.

Sue is survived by her children: Leisa (Brian) Stricker Jablonski, Kimberly (Wayde) Crist, Patricia (Kevin) Mathison, Jeremiah (Sarah) Shegrud; her grandchildren Jacob (Alicia) Crist, Stephanie (Todd) Lewis, Zachary (Jasmin) Crist, Amanda (Adam) Harmon, Cassandra (Ryan) Hoberg, Seth Mathison, Madison Stricker, Colton Shegrud, Olivia Shegrud; her siblings Joan (Alvin) Brusewitz, Kae (Wayne) Olson, Gary Kvande, Beverly Lindgren, her ten great grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents Severt and Crystal Kvande and her sister-in-law Charlene Kvande.

A funeral service is scheduled for 1:00 pm on February 11 at the Faith Hill Assembly of God Church in Bagley. Visitation to reminisce, grieve, and support each other will be Friday, February 10 from 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm at Cease Family Funeral Home in Bagley, MN with family service at 6:30 pm.



Obituary for Susan Shegrud

Susan Joyce Shegrud passed away in peace surrounded by her family February 1, 2023.

Sue was born December 23, 1948, to Severt and Crystal (Evje) Kvande. In 1966 she graduated from Bagley High School. She married Troy Shegrud November 26, 1966, in Bagley. They later divorced. She worked briefly as a court administrator, before becoming a mother. In 1991 she returned to college to earn a legal secretary certificate. She worked over twenty years as an administrative secretary in the Clearwater County Extension Office.

Sue was a devoted mother, grandmother, and great grandmother with everyone lovingly calling her Granny. If you knew Sue, she was always humming a happy tune with a song in her heart. Her laugh, smile and happy demeanor will be missed



Obituary for Florence Hanson

Florence Hanson, 96 and one month, of Bagley, died on Saturday, February 4, 2023 at Cornerstone Memory Care in Bagley, Minnesota.

Funeral Services will be held on Friday, February 10, 2023 at 11:00 a.m. at the Cease Family Funeral Home in Bagley, Minnesota with a visitation one hour prior. Interment will be held at United Lutheran Cemetery in Berner, Minnesota. The Cease Family Funeral Home of Bagley assisted the family with arrangements.

Florence was born on January 4, 1927, at home in Gonvick, Minnesota, the daughter of Oscar and Anna (Offerdahl) Erie. She attended and was Confirmed at Samhold Lutheran Church in Gonvick. She attended Gonvick School, graduating as Valedictorian in 1945. After graduating, she would take the train back and forth from Gonvick to Bemidji for Business College. She would come home most weekends. The train fare at that time was 25 cents one way! Albert Kaiser offered her a job at the First National Bank of Bagley. During this time she married Forrest D. Hanson on June 26, 1948 at Samhold Lutheran Church. The newlyweds moved to Oakland, CA where she worked at the Bank of America in San

Francisco, CA. One year later they were back in Bagley and she worked at the Social Service Office until 1957. In 1966, Florence returned to work at the First National Bank in Bagley, where she worked up until her retirement in 1988.

Florence and Forrest enjoyed traveling in their Class C Motor Home. Highlights for them were bringing their granddaughter, Carrie Ann, along with them on their travels, to almost all the "Polka Fests" and "We Fests" though out Minnesota, North Dakota, Iowa, and Canada.

Florence was saddened when Forrest passed in 1994. Florence thrived on schedules. So when her great-grand children started coming along, it got to be a "Regular Occurrence", every Saturday morning to meet with Carrie and ALL of her growing family at the local café.

Florence is survived by her sons, Ronald F. (Adrienne) Hanson of Gully and Bruce A. (Carol) Hanson of Bagley; granddaughter, Carrie A. (Bradley) Binder; great grandchildren, Stephen, Macy, Kate, Haylee, and Brayden Binder; sisters, Margaret (Clyde) Hare of Chickasha, OK, Beverly (Duane) Ambuhl of Brainerd, MN, Donna Schwab of New Brighton, MN, and Janet (Glenn) Osmonson of Anoka, MN.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Forrest D. Hanson; her parents, Oscar and Anna (Offerdahl) Erie; her sisters, Doris Sather and Carol Tollefson; brothers, Harvey Erie and infant brother, Orvin Erie; sisters-in-law, Marilyn Erie, Clarice Campbell, Francis Hanson, and Ramona Hanson; and brothers-in-law, Floyd Sather, Ralph Schwab, Merrill Campbell, Chester Hanson, and Kenneth Hanson.

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Factors to consider when buying furniture

Buying furniture can be an exciting prospect. The opportunity to breathe new life into a home with the addition of different furnishings inspires many people. However, at the same time, searching for furniture can be a tad overwhelming, especially when homeowners do not know where to begin.

Statistics Canada reports that Canadians spend an average of \$934 on furniture each year. The Bureau of Labor Statistics reported that, in 2017, Americans spent an average of \$2,484 on furniture. While furniture may not be the most costly investment, it's also not the cheapest, which is why getting it right is important.

Determine your needs

The first step in purchasing new furniture is to decide what is needed. Assess current furniture and think about what works for certain pieces and what doesn't. Then you can gear purchases around desired features. For example, if you've determined chenille fabric holds on to too much pet fur, the next couch may be leather or microfiber.

Measure more than once

Measure your room multiple times and create a mock floor plan. This will help when figuring out if certain pieces can fit into the space. Some retailers even offer floor plan software on their websites so that you can upload the dimensions of your room and see how certain items will fit in your spaces. In addition, be sure to measure the width of doors to ensure that it's easy to get the furniture into the home when delivered.

Determine your style

Figure out which style best fits your personality and lifestyle. This may be traditional, transitional or modern. Incorporate pieces accordingly, or mix and match to create a look that is completely unique.

Confirm materials

Consider your budget when choosing the construction materials for the furniture. Solid wood tends to be more expensive, but often more durable than engineered products. In addition, check to see how items are built. Pull out drawers and check hinges to ensure the quality is there.

Save money on sales

Furniture can be expensive, but there is room for savings. Shop when retailers offer seasonal sales. Consider warehouse retailers, which often sell select items at a discount.

Read reviews

Before taking the plunge, be sure to read reviews of items and retailers. While items may appear perfect, reviews can shed light on how pieces stand up to wear and tear.

Shopping for furniture means taking steps to measure, match style, read reviews, and find pieces that fit homeowners' lifestyles.

6 signs your pet has dental issues

Pets use body language and other cues to let their owners know how they are feeling. While certain actions, such as a vigorously wagging tail signaling that a dog is quite happy, are easy to read, it's not always so easy to determine how a pet is feeling.

Pet parents who are trying to provide the best care possible recognize that pets may make them aware of certain health issues. Diseases of the mouth may cause issues elsewhere in the body if left untreated. Fortunately for pet owners, dental issues are often easily recognized.

- 1. Halitosis**
Bad breath is a strong indicator of a dental problem. Halitosis may stem from tooth decay and gum issues, as well as gastrointestinal problems. In either case, it's best to address a pet's bad breath with a veterinarian.
- 2. Visible problems**
Take a peek inside of the pet's mouth. Animal Wellness magazine says that if there's a significant accumulation of tartar (yellow or brown patches on the tops of teeth along the gum line), or if the gums are inflamed and red, periodontal disease may be to blame. Traces of blood in the mouth also can indicate that there is a problem. Pets don't always like their mouths touched, so if your pet is being difficult, have a vet conduct a comprehensive oral health and treatment appointment (COHAT).
- 3. Refusing to eat**
There are many reasons a pet may not want to eat, and a dental problem may be one of them. Painful teeth and gums can make eating challenging, so the animal may avoid food. Refusing to eat can lead to weight loss and malnutrition, so it's best to nip this issue in the bud.
- 4. Sensitive mouth**
Your pet may yelp, bite or scratch if you touch around the mouth area when there is a dental problem at play. Drooling excessively or dropping food from the mouth also are signs that things are awry.
- 5. Less grooming**
Cats spend around 10 to 15 percent of their days grooming. Dental pain can make grooming challenging. Therefore, if your cat is grooming less or looks unkempt, it may be due to dental problems. Great Vet says 85 percent of cats over the age of three have some form of dental disease.
- 6. Overgrowth**
Rodents' incisors (front, gnawing teeth) grow continuously throughout their lives. Typically the incisors receive continuous wear as the upper and lower incisors contact each other. However, if incisors are misaligned, they may not wear down effectively. Some incisors can grow out of control, piercing the roof of the mouth and into the nasal cavity. If a rodent's teeth look long, that could warrant a vet check.

Pets can experience periodontal disease and other dental conditions. Staying aware of signs of dental issues can keep pets healthy.

Word Search Answers for this week

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Wednesday, February 8, 2023

TRI COUNTY CANARY 7



Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears hosted the Lake of the Woods Bears on Friday, February 3. The afternoon game was played so that all students could watch. The visiting Bears won the contest 58-47. Alison LaVine drives the ball to the basket in the game. LOW Bears in white are Bailey Husbands #2, Julisa Matthias #24 and Brooklyn Hasbargen #12.

2023 \$1000 College Scholarship for Students Majoring in the Area of Natural Resources

College students majoring in the Natural Resource areas of wildlife sciences, natural resource management, or closely related fields of environmental sciences, ecology, forestry, fisheries or conservation biology are encouraged to apply for a \$1000 scholarship granted through the Minnesota Prairie Chicken Society.

Glyndon, MN, February 6, 2023— The Minnesota Prairie Chicken Society (MPCS) is offering a \$1000 scholarship

available to college students who have completed at least three semesters in the Natural Resources areas. This scholarship will be awarded directly to the student upon completion of at least their third semester to help allay the costs of college studies. Applicants can secure a copy of the scholarship application at <https://prairiechickens.org> or emailing Terrylydell@qualityci.us. The deadline to submit applications is March 15, 2023.

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For Immediate Release February 6, 2023

Century Club Dennis Doeden

The youngest of Lawrence and Eleanor Doeden's five sons, Dennis lived on a farm near Caledonia, N.D., until age 6, moved to Crookston, Minn., for grades 2-8 and then spent his high school years in Shoreview, graduating from Frank B. Kellogg High School in Little Canada in 1970. He credits Ann Goodwin, his high school journalism teacher, with inspiring his career. He earned a B.A. in communications management from Metropolitan State University.

He was hired as a sports-writer for Sun Newspapers based in Bloomington in 1972, then spent November 1972 to July 1977 as a reporter, then managing editor, at Lillie Suburban Newspapers based in North St. Paul. The next month, he began publishing his own weekly sports newspaper, F-M Sports, in Fargo-Moorhead, running the business until mid-1979.

July 1979 to June 2001, Doeden worked at The Forum of FargoMoorhead as sports copy editor, assistant sports editor, business editor, sports editor and deputy editor, then was named publisher at The Bemidji Pioneer, a division of Forum Communications Company, serving as publisher until 2019 and features reporter from 2019 to present.

He has been married to Sue Doeden for 50 years, sharing two sons and seven grandchildren. He enjoys performing music, playing golf, watching sports and walking. He has served as chair of the Bemidji Area Chamber of Commerce and the Joint Economic Development Commission.

Red Lake County over Clearbrook-Gonvick

The Red Lake County Rebels won over the Clearbrook-Gonvick Bears 70-53 to get to 9-7 on the season. The Bears are 6-11.

Bagley at Lake Park-Audubon

Lake Park-Audubon won over Bagley 80-54.

Win-E-Mac at Norman County East/Ulen-Hitterdal

The Win-E-Mac Patriots improve to 11-9 with their 66-65 win over NCE/U-H. They fall to 6-11



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