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The Northwest Minnesota Arts Council recognized and awarded three area artists at their program on April 30 at the Middle River Legacy Center. The three are shown from left to right: the Arts Advocate of the Year Award to Bonnie Stewart of Fosston, the NW Star Award to Cathy Erickson of Middle River and the Artist of the Year award to Debbie Dahl Aune of Gatzke.

NW Star Award Given to Cathy Erickson

Warren, MN. The Northwest Minnesota Arts Council is excited to announce that Cathy Erickson of Middle River has received the Northwest Star Award. The award was presented to Erickson on Sunday, April 30 in Middle River at the Middle River Legacy Center during the NW Art Exhibit Awards Reception and Program.

Erickson is a well-known musician and radio show host in the area. She has been entertaining professionally in northwestern Minnesota and beyond, playing music for almost 50 years. Cathy plays the accordion, piano, organ, guitar, and vocals. She also hosts her own radio show Cathy's Variety Show that airs every Monday night on the Northland Community and Technical radio station KSRQ Pioneer 90.1 FM. The live variety show consists of polkas, waltzes, classic country, bluegrass, gospel, and local artists. Additionally, she hosts two other live weekly radio shows – Country Church and Live from the Farm. In 2022, Cathy received the "Volunteer of the Year" award from AMPERS, the Association of Minnesota Public and Educational Radio Stations, for the volunteer work she has done in broadcasting and in promoting 90.1 FM community radio and old-time music.

Cathy has a two-year degree from Northland Community College, majoring in music and journalism. She completed a broadcasting class in 2007 to learn how to operate the sound board while on the radio. She worked as a reporter for the Middle River Record and became editor of the hometown newspaper for some time. Cathy taught music for three years at St Bernard's Catholic School in Thief River Falls. Cathy also acted in three Goose Festival Productions for the Middle River Community Theatre. She served as East Valley Township Supervisor for 25 years. She has been organist and song leader at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Middle River for 50 years and prior to that was organist at St. Ann's in Goodridge.

Cathy has received grants from the NWMAC making it possible for her to purchase the necessary equipment to broadcast her radio show "live from the farm" and still take phone call requests, and to increase its hours and to also share her old-time music with residents in nursing homes or senior apartments.

Cathy reflected, "Polkas, waltzes, and variety music is still as exciting for me today as it was before the band began years ago. It is happy music that can make you laugh or

cry. I feel the time on the radio reaches out to a lot of shut-ins and elderly people who wait for my shows each week and call-in requests. Most of them I have never met, but I recognize their voices. Some have even called outside of radio time just to talk because they are lonesome. I have standing invitations to visit listeners in Alabama, Arkansas, Virginia, Missouri, Texas, and Wisconsin.

Sharing the music of the piano and the accordion and the old-time music of polkas, waltzes, schottisches, and country music to residents of nursing homes, assisted living, senior apartments, and shut-ins and to my family and community has proven that music is therapy and is a very important part of a healthy living environment. I am still actively going to several nursing homes and senior apartments that include Thief River Falls, Warren, Greenbush, and a DAC in Ada."



Cathy Erickson and her daughter Mary Jo Sturman performed at the awards ceremony.



Cathy Erickson with albums and awards.

Cathy likes that you can express your feelings through music. She also appreciates the "joy that it brings on the receiving end of music. It makes people alert and feel good. You can see it on your audience. There is music for every mood. It can soothe and calm you. It's for all ages."

Cathy has advice for aspiring artists. "Don't give up. It's always good to visit with people who share the same interest as what you have. Share your emotions about art. Put in your time. It's a process. Parents, keep encouraging your kids to be involved. Don't let them give up too soon."

According to Mark Johnson, "Cathy's weekly variety show reaches over-the-air-listeners in 13 counties in Minnesota and North Dakota and is also heard worldwide through Pioneer 90.1's web stream. Her shows draw a growing number of calls, emails, and donations from several states. Each of her radio shows features recordings from a variety of local musicians, which makes Cathy an advocate and promoter of local artists.

Her programs also help our nonprofit community radio station meet its fundraising goals. In addition to donations from listeners, Cathy has organized several live concerts to raise money. Cathy's volunteer work has also brought Pioneer 90.1 several business underwriters who support the station with financial contributions."

Jason Rominski has worked with Cathy and hired her to perform at county fairs and events. He explained, "Cathy has established herself as one of this area's premier performers, and her audience continues to grow and support her at every event. Her professionalism and strong support of the arts through her performances are second to none."

Cathy's daughter and bandmate Mary Jo Sturman said, "Cathy's love for playing and sharing her music has been evident in everything she does. She is a talented and professional entrepreneur; a teacher; a mentor; and admired by all. My mother is an icon, a mentor, and truly my idol."

Congratulations, Cathy! The NW Star Award comes with \$5,000. Artists can only receive our Northwest Star Award once as a lifetime achievement award. Funding for the Northwest Star comes from The McKnight Foundation. Three awards are given each year to recognize artists and arts advocates within our seven-county region who stand out in terms of artistry or volunteerism in the arts. Of the Year Award winners were nominated by area residents.

Arts Advocate of the Year is Bonnie Stewart

Warren, MN - The Northwest Minnesota Arts Council is excited to announce that Bonnie Stewart of Fosston was awarded the Northwest Arts Advocate of the Year Award.

Stewart has been a champion of the arts in Fosston since the early 1990s. She has served on the boards of the East Polk Heritage Center, the Pine to Prairie Folk School, and the Firefly Center for Art and Wellbeing. She was instrumental in establishing the City of Fosston's Art and Culture Commission and continues to serve on it. She is the part-executive director for the Fosston Community Library and Arts Association. Through these positions and volunteering with other projects, she has led and initiated programming and education efforts, secured artwork for exhibition at the Sorenson Gallery and performing artists at the Fosston Community Library and Arts Center Theatre, written numerous grants and assisted area artists with grant writing. Bonnie's tireless commitment to the arts has made a tremendous impact in our region.

Stewart left her professional career as a non-profit administrator over fifteen years ago and still consults with non-profit organizations on a part-time basis. Five years ago, she obtained a Master of Liberal Arts at Minnesota State University Moorhead. In addition to her non-profit work, Bonnie also owned and operated two retail businesses in Fosston – Nellie's Attic and Good Things. She co-founded Sisters Sojourn in 2011, a two-day event held annually in Mentor, MN that featured women artists, entertainers, and speakers.

Other activities she enjoys are reading, writing, travel, and kayaking. She professes to be an "artist wannabe" and has dabbled in art that primarily includes watercolor and collage.

According to Fosston Artist Heidi Danos, "Bonnie has been instrumental in supporting the arts in Fosston and the surrounding area in countless ways. She's been on boards, written numerous grants, been active in projects, and simply been a rock in our community. She isn't afraid to serve in any capacity. Most recently, Bonnie has been a huge instrumental force in propelling a new project forward, the Firefly Center for Art & Wellbeing. The Center is partnering with Alluma to create a mixed-use space that will serve the community by providing accessible access to mental health with a creative twist."

Stephenie Anderson said, "Bonnie has been a supporter of the Arts in Fosston for decades and is always willing to pitch in for the good of the community. I have known Bonnie to be a fantastic artist and arts advocate. Her quick wit, attention to detail, and loyalty to the art community have endeared her to the residents of Fosston. Bonnie has demonstrated an exemplary commitment to bring art and heritage to all the people in our community."

About the impact of the arts Bonnie said, "I think they are one of the most important things that a person can experience. Art is essential to our wellbeing, to how we look at the world and other people. I'm so grateful we have these opportunities in Minnesota. The Legacy funding has been incredibly important. Art is life is my mantra."

Bonnie's advice to aspiring artists is, "Step out of that comfort zone and just do something. Take the class. Meet the other artist. Stretch your boundaries a bit. Seek information about something you are interested in. I've witnessed young artists who have been transformed by trying out their idea."

This award was presented



Arts Advocate of the Year Bonnie Stewart.



Arts Advocate of the Year Bonnie Stewart with NWMAC Director Mara Hanel.

on Sunday, April 30 in Middle River at the Middle River Legacy Center. Three awards are given each year to recognize artists and arts advocates within our seven-county region who stand out in terms of artistry or volunteerism in the arts. Of the Year Award winners were nominated by area residents. Our Arts Advocate of the Year award is \$500 and includes arts from all disciplines. Funding for this award comes



L-R Hunter, Charlie, Noli, Camellia with Horace May staff standing behind the kids on the special Hippocampe wheelchairs and Amtrykes.

"Special Needs Kids are the Winners"

By Dennis Peterson

What happens when community comes together to help with our special needs kids in the Bemidji area? The kids are the winners.

Recently at Horace May Elementary School in Bemidji community members and groups heard the call for help from Physical Education instructor Deanna Hand. Hand brought together a list of needs for the special needs kids at Horace May and coordinated a fundraising project that surpassed the amount they initially requested allowing them

to purchase two Hippocampe all terrain wheelchairs, two Amtrykes, and one Creepster crawler. Hand expressed the need for the equipment to use on the many paved paths and trails near the school allowing the kids the opportunity to be outside and enjoy the fresh air. Initially the teachers hoped for just one Hippocampe chair but the generosity of the groups donating allowed the team to purchase two chairs, two Amtrykes and the Creepster crawler.

The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources has expanded the area subject to open burning restrictions as warm and dry weather spreads throughout the state. Beginning Friday, May 5, additional counties in which burning restrictions apply are: Becker, Beltrami, Cass, Clay, Clearwater, Crow Wing, Douglas, Grant, Hubbard, Kittson, Lake of the Woods, Mahanomen, Marshall, Norman, Otter Tail, Pennington, Polk, Pope, Red Lake, Roseau, Stevens, Traverse, Wadena, Wilkin The DNR will not issue permits for the open burning of brush or yard waste in these

counties until restrictions are lifted. "Wildfire danger is especially high in spring because dormant or dead vegetation from the previous year has dried out and there is no snow protection," said Karen Harrison, DNR wildfire prevention specialist. "Once the landscape 'greens up,' fire danger goes down – but until then, burning restrictions reduce the potential for wildfires."

If people need to dispose of vegetation or yard waste, Harrison said composting, chipping, or taking brush to a collection site are all good options. For more information,

Hand and co-workers wish to thank the many groups and individuals who donated to the cause. Bemidji Snowmobile Club, Men's Eagles Aire 351, Garfield Lake Ice Racers, Bemidji Education Foundation, Sanford Health/Community Relations, Bemidji Sunrise Rotary, First City Lions Club, Horace May PTO, Kate and Scott Pearson, David Knudson, Women's Eagles Auxiliary, and special thanks to Home Depot for providing a Shed to store the equipment in on the school property.

visit the composting for woodland owners page of the DNR website (mndnr.gov/wildfire/prevention/debris-composting.html).

People cause 90% of wildfires in Minnesota. If a fire rekindles or escapes, the person who set it is liable for any damage caused, as well as for wildfire suppression costs.

Burning restrictions will be adjusted as conditions change. For more information and daily updates on current fire risk and open burning restrictions, visit the statewide fire danger and burning restrictions page of the DNR website (mndnr.gov/burnrestrictions).

Gordy "Crazy Fingers" Linquist to perform May 17th

On Wednesday, May 17, which is the Norwegian Independence Day, Syttende Mai, the Sons of Norway along with the East Polk County Heritage Center, invite you to attend a concert at the Library Arts Auditorium featuring Gordy "Crazy Fingers" Lindquist. Gordy is a professional pianist and entertainer who has performed at the Minot Hostfest for over 30 years and has performed throughout Norway. Gordy has performed with entertainers such as Myron Floren and Bob Hope for audiences all around the USA and Canada. The public is invited to attend this free concert that is preceded by a Scandinavian Dessert Buffet from 6:00 - 7:00 when the concert begins. Please join in this entertaining evening on Wednesday, May 17, at the Fosston Library beginning at 6:00. This program is made possible by the voters of Minnesota through a grant to the East Polk Heritage Center from the Minnesota State Arts Board, thanks to a legislative appropriation from the arts and cultural heritage fund.



Senator Steve Green Minnesota Senate District 2

Friends,
This week we have taken up several finance and policy bills as the House and Senate get ready to finalize the budget. Education was Monday, and more aggravating than I thought it should be.



While working through spending \$18 billion dollars in surplus funding, democrats are boasting how heavy they are increasing the pupil formula for k-12 students. The "generous" increase is respectively 4% in the first year, and 5% the following.

However, the democrats deceptively tied the increase in education funding, and their new policy mandates, directly to a new increase in hourly pay and unemployment benefits to seasonal employee's.

Local school districts will be forced to cover all of the overages from their general fund for new mandated unemployment benefits for previously seasonal work, and will not be able to levy to make up the difference. (Ed Chair admits 2% swipe of Education Funding)

There are other issues with the bill, like ZERO dollars to secure our schools. Further a paltry amount of money has been offered for successful early literacy, and democrats completely missed the mark and are underfunding the special education cross subsidy with a roughly 45% increase, the Republican plan offers \$100 million for early literacy, and a 65% match of the cross subsidy.

This session is almost over, Democrats have now spent all of the \$18 billion, and all we have to look forward to are new fees and higher taxes for the people, and flagrantly expensive and unfunded mandates.

We are now one week closer to wrapping the budget cycle portion of the legislative session.

Most policy and fiscal bills are now being discussed in conference committee and will be coming to the Senate floor for final votes.

Early next week we will be taking up another new bureaucratic expansion and tax on Minnesota citizens, this time for Paid Family Leave.

Last year Republicans had put forward a proposal that was more focused on a business/employee model and worked on the hopes of managing cost and cutting out government overregulation.

The proposed Democrat version that we will be hearing will be creating a new agency, with hundreds of full-time employees, with a brand new government software system, to help manage this new PAY-ROLL tax.

We have had repeated issues getting an accurate cost of managing this new program going forward, and the current price tag is \$1 billion in new government spending to operate this program.

On top of being extremely problematic for small businesses, especially in Greater Minnesota, one must also factor in that the requirement will impact all schools, counties, and cities, those entities may have to increase local taxes so

they can absorb their employer costs.

Minnesota finds itself in an interesting situation that despite coming into this year with an \$18 billion dollar surplus, we have now effectively spent every last dollar, with a new state budget coming in at \$70 billion, up from \$52 billion for the years of 22' and 23'. Hopefully we will be able to navigate all the new spending and programs without succumbing to any major deficits or reactive tax increases.

Sincerely, Steve Green
Minnesota Senate, District 2

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Monthly MCCL Meeting May 18

The monthly meeting of the local Minnesota Citizens Concerned for Life Chapter #45 will be held on Thursday, May 18 at 7 p.m. at Mt. Carmel Lutheran Church in McIntosh. All who are interested in pro-life issues are invited to attend. For more information about the Chapter, contact Eileen Hegg at 218-563-3152.

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Nordic Fest starts Friday

Nordic Fest is an annual event in Thief River Falls put on by Snorre Lodge of the Sons of Norway. Flags from Scandinavian countries, including the Sami, will be flying throughout downtown Thief River Falls from May 12 through May 22.

Saturday, May 13: Uff Da Day at Pioneer Village. 11 AM - 4 PM

Monday, May 15: Justin Spenner concert at the NCTC Auditorium. 7 PM

Tuesday, May 16: Debbie Miller speaking at the TRF Public Library. 7 PM

Wednesday, May 17: Smorgasbord dinner featuring torsk and pork chops at the Eagles Hall (only 200 tickets sold). Reservations required - 218-686-0733 6 PM

Thursday, May 18: Movie "The Lutefisk Wars" at the NCTC Auditorium. 7 PM

Friday, May 19: Dance at the Eagles to the Honky Tonk Troubadours Band. 7-11 PM

All programs are freewill offering, except for the smorgasbord and dance. Uff Da Day includes Norwegian foods, Viking reenactors. Justin Spenner and his Near Norse Band are from Mpls, were on

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Look who is turning 100!

Alice Forsberg will be 100 on May 18th! and a luncheon in her honor is planned for **Saturday, May 20th at the Gully Community Hall** beginning at 1:00 p.m.

Please join the celebration for Alice on her special day! We are coordinating her party with the Bergman annual gathering.

If you are unable to attend, cards may be sent to:
Alice Forsberg
Prairie Pines
900 Hillgoss Blvd SE
Fosston, MN 56542

stage for the welcome of Norway's Queen Sonja. Debbie Miller is a retired librarian at the MN Hist. Center, St. Paul. Spoke on "Immigration to TRF" in Hamar, Norway recently. Reservations must be called in by May 12 for the dinner at the Eagles on Syttende Mai - 218-686-0733. The dance on Friday includes lunch!

Mother's Day Buffet

Sunday, May 14th from 11 am - 1:30 pm

BUFFET MENU: Stuffed Pork Chop, Mashed Potatoes and Gravy, Chicken Cordon Bleu, Wild Rice, Vegetable, Dinner Roll, Salad Bar and Dessert

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Application deadline: May 12, 2023
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Please submit letter of interest, resume, credentials, and three letters of recommendation to:

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 16770 Clearwater Lake Rd
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08-10C

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Applications are available at www.co.red-lake.mn.us/employment Questions call the HR office at 218-253-2590 or email hr@co.red-lake.mn.us. Applications will be accepted until position is filled.

EOE

07-8C

COACHING POSITIONS AVAILABLE

The Clearbrook-Gonvick School has the following Extra-Curricular Coaching Positions Available for the 2023-2024 school year:

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Assistant varsity boys basketball coach- Duties will include but are not limited to: teaching players the fundamentals of the game of basketball, being present at all games and practices beginning in November, and collaborating with the varsity head coach.

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Applicants should submit a letter of interest and resume to:

Melissa Weems, HR
 16770 Clearwater Lk Rd.
 Clearbrook, MN 56634
 218-776-3112 Ext. 105
 Email: mweems@clearbrook-gonvick.k12.mn.us



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BAND TEACHER NEEDED

Clearbrook-Gonvick School District has an open position for a Band Teacher. This is a full-time position and would be available for the 2023-2024 school year. Courses currently include Concert Band, Symphonic Band, and Elementary Band. Course offerings are flexible based upon a candidate's interest and experience.

Requirements: MN Teaching Licensure in Instrumental and Classroom Music. Individuals with other music licensure in lieu of Instrumental and Classroom Music, 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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Clerk Typist Cashier III (WIC Care Coordination Clerk) (East Grand Forks) Public Health:
 \$18.04 - \$23.56/hr. Closes May 24, 2023, at 4:30 p.m.

Custodian I:
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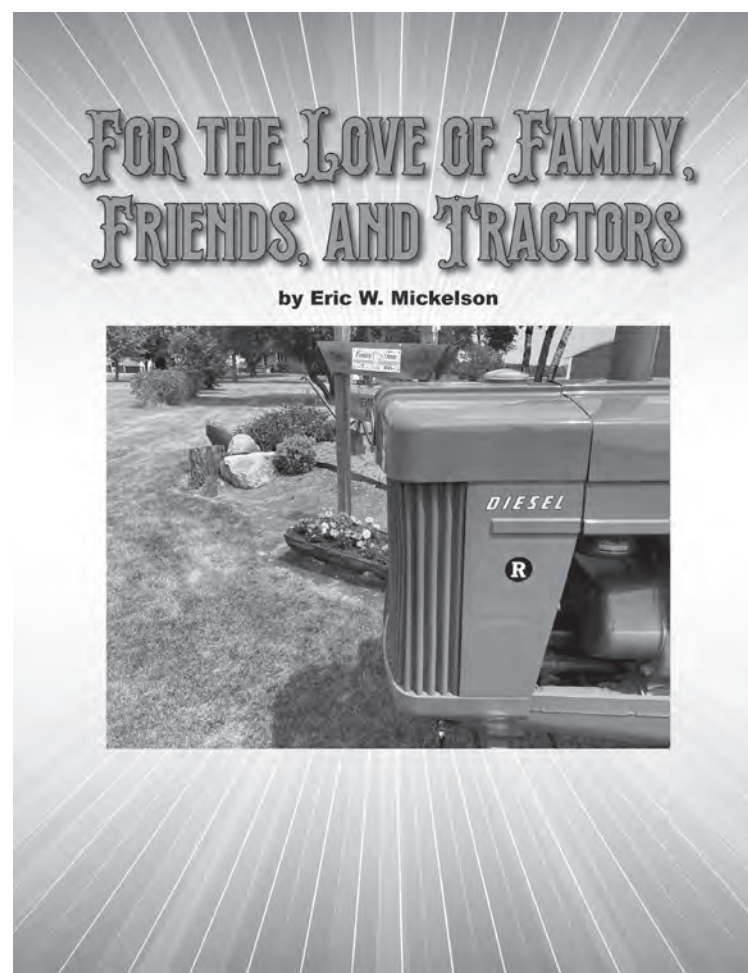
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Theology in the Trenches

By Kathleen Kjolhaug

A Writer's Thoughts

I suppose writers sort of write down their thoughts in order to pass them on, and bring clarity as to what's spinning within. Like the spin cycle on a washer, we sort of get rid of the excess so we can air dry the washed up product to be used all over again—by others.

That's what happened this week. I was listening to a broadcast and heard something different coming through the airwaves than what I'd heard before. Let me explain.

A man was giving an account of how he came to believe in the Christian faith and it caught my attention because it seemed so logical. He said something like this. "When I thought about people who shared their faith with me, I realized one thing. There was nobody else sharing anything without wanting something that was in it for them. These people sharing their faith, longed to invite me into it. They wanted me to have the same thing they did."

The man on the radio went on to give various examples. I remember the gist of what he was trying to convey. Thus, these words are my own spin on it if you will.



Ask a Trooper

by Sgt. Jesse Grabow Minnesota State Patrol

Q u e s -
tion: Now that spring is finally here I am

seeing a lot of tractors, sprayers and other large equipment on the highways. A number of them didn't appear to be using their flashing lights, slow moving signs and escort when required. I am concerned this could cause a bad crash. Can you write about this in your "Ask a Trooper" column?

Answer: Motorists traveling on Minnesota highways need to be aware of large farm equipment as there is a lot of field activity, and everyone needs to do their part in sharing the road. Farm equipment is large and heavy, making it hard for operators to accelerate, slow down and stop. The machines also make wide turns and sometimes cross over the

center line. In addition, farm vehicles can create large blind spots, making it difficult for operators to see approaching vehicles. All of these factors can cause serious crashes.

Farm equipment may be driven or towed to the left of the center of a roadway only if it is escorted at the front by a vehicle displaying hazard warning lights visible in normal sunlight. The equipment also must not extend into the left half of the roadway more than is necessary.

Farm equipment operators should:

- Use lights and flashers to make equipment more visible.
- Use slow-moving vehicle emblems on equipment traveling less than 30 mph.
- Consider using a follow vehicle when moving equipment, especially at night.
- Properly secure your load.

Motorists should:

- Slow down and use caution when approaching farm equipment. Don't assume the operator can see you.
- Watch for debris dropped by trucks. It is safer to brake or drive through debris than to veer into oncoming traffic or off the road.
- Wait for a safe and legal place to pass.

A portion of state statutes were used with permission from the Office of the Revisor of Statutes. 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 @MSPPPIO_NW or reach him at, jesse.grabow@state.mn.us).

2. The smallest was the SD-1, a small 5hp tractor. What was the most popular model?
A) SD-2 B) SD-3 C) SD-4 D) SD-5

3. The SD-3 featured a _____ cylinder engine.
A) 2 B) 3 C) 4 D) 6

4. The SD-2 and SD-3 had Timken Detroit final drive, same as _____ tractors.
A) Case B) Ford C) Allis Chalmers D) Cockshutt

5. True or False Sheppard Company makes power steering units for trucks and buses today?

Answers: 1. C) 4 models 2. B) SD-3 most popular 3. B) 3 cyl. 4. D) Cockshutt 5. True, today Sheppard makes power steering units.



Here is a rare SD-3 Orchard Tractor!

SBA Minnesota Celebrates 2023 SBA's National Small Business Person of the Year

Nine Minnesota Businesses, Organizations Awarded for Resilience and Powering America's Economic Recovery

MINNEAPOLIS – The U.S. Small Business Administration's Minnesota office has named nine small business owners and SBA resource partners as Minnesota award winners for National Small Business Week. Held this year April 30-May 6, National Small Business Week annually recognizes the critical contributions of America's 33 million small business owners and entrepreneurs.

"With more than 500,000 small businesses in Minnesota, we are excited to celebrate the efforts of Minnesota's hard-working, innovative businesses and resource partners who boost the economy and create jobs this week," said Brian McDonald, District Director of SBA Minnesota District Office. "It's the first time in SBA history that a Minnesota Small Business Person of the Year has also won the 2023 SBA National Small Business Per-

son of the Year. Abdirahman Kahin of Afro Deli Inc., was selected from more than 50 winners from U.S. states and territories as SBA's national winner. He and all the Minnesota winners also go above and beyond to give back to their communities."

SBA Great Lakes Regional Administrator Geri Aglipay notes, "Since 1964, National Small Business Week is the most important week of the year for the SBA. The Biden-Harris Administration is proud to be investing in America. We're spotlighting the resilience of America's entrepreneurs who help build an economy from the middle out and bottom up, versus an economy that trickles from the top down."

The 2023 SBA Minnesota National Small Business Week award winners are:

1. National Small Business

Person of the Year and Minnesota District Office Small Business Person of the Year, Abdirahman Kahin, Afro Deli, Inc., St. Paul and Minneapolis.

2. Family-Owned Small Business of the Year, Heather Hoffman and Andrew Leach, Commercial Drywall INC, Blaine

3. Minority-Owned Small Business of the Year, Jose Carrasco, West Oakland Auto Repair, LLC, Austin

4. Veteran Small Business of the Year, Dr. Kenneth Dodge, Falls Optical and Pierz Eyecare, Little Falls and Pierz

5. Young Entrepreneur of the Year, Garrett Larson, Ronnings, INC, International Falls

6. Woman-Owned Business of the Year, Adelle Starin, Baby's on Broadway, Little Falls

7. Encore Entrepreneurs of the Year, John Cariveau, Bradley Klatt and Mark Skoglund, Uncommon Loon Brewing, Chicago City

8. Women Business Center of the Year for Excellence, Women's Business Alliance, Central, Little Falls

9. For the ninth award, Northland SBDC in Duluth is the SBA Great Lakes Regional Office winner for SBDC Excellence and Innovation Center of the Year award. They received this award out of 121 SBDCs across the SBA Region V states of Minnesota, Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio, and Wisconsin. Northland was also the winner of the SBA Minnesota District Office award for this same category.

The 2023 national and Minnesota award winners were recognized last week at a luncheon that SBA Administrator Isabella Casillas Guzman, Governor Walz and Lt. Governor Flanagan also spoke and attended.

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That's right — Minnesota DNR Days are back at Twins games this season, through a partnership between the Twins and the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources.

The Minnesota DNR Days partnership includes six games this year:

- Friday, May 26 vs. Toronto Blue Jays, 7:10 p.m.
- Tuesday, June 13 vs. Milwaukee Brewers, 6:40 p.m.
- Sunday, July 23 vs. Chicago White Sox, 1:10 p.m.
- Saturday, Aug. 19 vs. Pittsburgh Pirates, 6:10 p.m.
- Saturday, Sept. 9 vs. New York Mets, 1:10 p.m.

License holders can purchase a discounted game ticket online and receive a special Twins cap at the game. Ticket prices vary by game. License holders must purchase their tickets ahead of time through the DNR's special Twins page

(twins.com/dnr) in order to receive the hat at DNR Days. The person who purchased the tickets must show their hunting or fishing license, or a photo of it, at the game when they pick up the hats. This is a high-demand promotion with a limited quantity of hats. Instructions for purchasing tickets are on the Minnesota DNR Days page (mndnr.gov/twins). People can buy fishing and hunting licenses at any DNR license agent, online with a mobile or desktop device (mndnr.gov/buyalicense), or by phone at 888-665-4236. Mobile license buyers receive a text or email that serves as proof of a valid fish or game license to state conservation officers.



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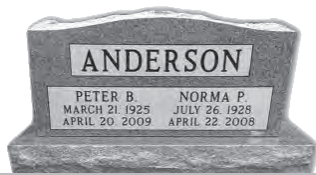


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Obituary for Catherine (Johnson) Stolan

Catherine Ann (Johnson) Stolan, 71, passed away unexpectedly the morning of April 17 from a cardiac event in the memory care facility where she was residing. She was preceded in death by her parents Bennie and Bernice Johnson of Gonvick. She is survived by her daughter Andra Stolan of Gonvick; three

grandsons David, Christopher and Elijah, one great grandson Anthony; her sister, Dr. Mary Johnson of Zimmerman and her brother Dave Johnson of Warroad. While her passing is deeply painful for us, we are comforted by the knowledge that she is now at peace. She will be intuned later this year.



Obituary for Daryl Hinrichs

There will be a memorial service for Daryl "Bucky" Hinrichs of Shevlin, MN who passed away at home, November 20, 2022, at the age of 83.

The service will be held May 20, 2023, at the middle shelter of the Bagley City Park at 11:00 a.m.

Daryl was born Novem-

ber 17, 1939, to Deitrich and Marie (Wilson) Hinrichs in Shevlin, MN.

He joined the Navy in December 1957 serving on the USS Aldebaran (AF-10) until November 1961. He married Judith Wallace in February 1961, and they had six children, Daryl (Lorie) Hinrichs, Leslie (Don) Heinonen, Kenneth Hinrichs, Rita (Steve) Halvorson, William 'Joe' Hinrichs and Cassandra (Dave) Newman.

Bucky worked grain elevator construction for several years, traveling across Minnesota, Iowa and Kansas moving back home to Shevlin in 1972. Once back home, he started logging and farming, and enjoyed helping and spending time with family and friends. He is greatly missed by his wife, children, nieces, nephews, grandchildren and great grandchildren.



Obituary for Victor Rude

Victor August Rude of Gonvick, Minnesota, age 83, died under Hospice Care at the Sanford Bagley Medical Center of Bagley, Minnesota on March 6, 2023.

Memorial services will be held on Saturday, May 13, 2023 at 2:00 p.m. at the Samhold Lutheran Church in Gonvick, MN with a visitation one hour prior. Interment will be held Bethlehem Lutheran Cemetery in Gonvick, MN. The Cease Family Funeral Home of Bagley assisted the family with arrangements.

He was born in rural Clearbrook, Minnesota in Eddy Township on December 27, 1939. He was the son of Olaf and Anna (Anderson) Rude, one of six children, baptized at Bethlehem Lutheran Church in rural Gonvick, Minnesota. He served in the Army during peace time from December of 1959 until he was honorably discharged in January 1963. After the Army, he began his truck driving career where it brought him to Missoula, Montana. There he met the love of his life, Carolyn Scherer, and they were united in marriage on June 28, 1969. Together they celebrated 53 years of matrimony. He was a loving father of three children, Vivian, Vernon, and Valerie, along with being a loving grandfather to his

four granddaughters, Anastasia, Ashley, Monica, and Sarah, along with his great granddaughter, Paisley.

In early years after his children were born, he enjoyed large family camping trips, spending hours with his children and his nieces and nephews. He also enjoyed gardening and mowing his yard, and cutting wood along with deer hunting. In his later years after retiring from trucking, he spent his time wood working and taking his loving wife on trips out West to Montana. He enjoyed watching his granddaughters while their parents worked, and they had numerous sleepovers. On occasion, Victor would even put up a tent in the house to fulfill his granddaughters' wishes to go camping with grandma and grandpa. He went to numerous events to watch his granddaughters throughout the years, even giving them a ride in his semi-truck before he retired. He was a wonderful father, uncle, and grandfather. He always enjoyed teasing and having fun with all, but would help anyone who needed help without hesitation. His love and kindness will be cherished and missed by all who knew and loved him.

Victor is survived by his loving wife, Carolyn; his children, Vivian (Martin Lumbreras) Rude, Vernon Rude, and Valerie (Ray) Reichert; his four granddaughters, Anastasia Boyd, Ashley (Dirk Fultz) Reichert, Monica (Daniel) Johnson, and Sarah Reichert; his great granddaughter, Paisley Johnson; his siblings, Norman (Rosie) Rude, Karen (Howard) Sjulestad, Larry Rude, Wendall (Diann) Rude; sister-in-law, Merrylee Payne; and brother-in-law, Mell Scherer.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Olaf and Anna Rude; and his sister, Evon Rude.

Messages of condolence may be sent to ceasefuneralhome.com



Obituary for Diane Kappedal

Diane Kappedal, age 72, of Lengby, MN, passed away peacefully on Monday, May 1st, at her home with her family by her side. Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 9th, at Hope Lutheran Church in Fosston with the Rev. John Ragan officiating. Interment was in Fridhem Lutheran Cemetery, rural Lengby. Visitation was held for one hour prior to the service on Tuesday at the church. Arrangements were with Carlin Family Funeral Service of Fosston. Messages of condolence may be shared and a live-stream of the service viewed at www.carlinfuneral.com.

Diane Valerie Aspen was born on February 1, 1951, in Mahnomen, Minnesota to Lorentz and Edith Aspen and raised by Ed and Annie Volker. She grew up in Fosston attended Fosston High School. While in school, she worked at the Cozy Café and The Little Café in Fosston that Volker's owned.

Diane was united in marriage to Berendt Kappedal on September 15, 1969, at Hope Lutheran Church in Fosston. They lived in town Lengby for a short time before moving to their home just west

of Lengby where they have resided since.

Diane did housekeeping and cleaning for many years. She first worked for Daisy Hagen at the Daisy Motel in Fosston, for Intercounty Community and then as an independent cleaner. She also worked the potato harvest for many years. After retirement, Diane and Berendt liked to spend a couple of the winter months in Arizona.

Diane liked hunting, swimming, camping at Pine Lake, 4-wheeling, planting and tending to her flowers, embroidery and crocheting. Her favorite times were spent with her family.

Survivors include her husband of 53 years, Berendt Kappedal, Jr. of Lengby; her children, Shawn Kappedal (Connie Arnold) of Fosston, Dawn Iverson (Rudy Martinez) of Rock Springs, WY, and Melissa (Shane) Sundquist of Gonvick, MN; grandchildren, Tiffany Benson (fiancé Marshall Jesme) of Thief River Falls, MN, Brianna Benson of Bemidji, MN, Shania Christianson of Fosston, Chantel (Seth) Rupprecht of Thief River Falls, MN, and Kaden Kappedal (fiancé, Rebeka Ware) of Fosston; great grandchildren, Landen Benson and Brayden Benson of Bemidji, MN, Ava Sharp of McIntosh/Thief River Falls, MN, Trexen Olson of Bagley, MN, Hudson Christianson of Fosston, Valerie Benson of Thief River Falls, MN, Clayton Rupprecht & Baby Boy Rupprecht due August of Thief River Falls, MN, and many other siblings and extended family she loved very much.

She was preceded in death by her parents Lorentz Aspen and Edith Sherer, and Ed and Annie Volker; her two sisters, Elouise Olson and Anita Klink; and her grandson, Trandem Kappedal.



Obituary for Janice Sheridan

Janice Sheridan, 85, of Thief River Falls, MN, passed away on Wednesday, May 3, 2023 at Sanford Medical Center, Fargo, ND with her loving family by her side.

Visitation will be held from 5:00 PM until 7:00 PM with a 6:30 PM Prayer Service on Friday, May 12, 2023 at Johnson Funeral Service in Thief River Falls, MN. The service to celebrate Janice's life will be held at 2:00 PM on Saturday, May 13, 2023 at the Nexus Church, 246 Kendall Avenue North, Thief River Falls, MN with Pastor Luke Stavos and Pastor Daniel Cole officiating. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service. Burial will be at Ft. Snelling National Cemetery in Minneapolis, MN.

Janice Maomi Teigland was born September 12, 1937 the daughter of Allan Herbert and Marjorie Alice (Stephenson) Teigland on the family farm in rural Grygla, MN. She attended the Benville School near Grygla. Following school, Janice worked as a nanny for the Pastor Rasmussen Family in Grygla. Janice honed her homemaking skills at this time and also learned to play the piano and mandolin from Mrs. Rasmussen.

At a church street meeting in Goodridge, MN, Janice met the love of her life, David Sheridan. On October 27, 1956 the couple were married at the Grygla Gospel Tabernacle. They made their home 11 miles east of Thief River Falls on the Sheridan Family Farm. On July 4, 1960 they bought a small home in Thief River Falls and later that year, built an addition. To this union five children were born: RaeLynn, Renae, Timothy, Tammy and Scott.

She worked for Fuller Brush for a short time, for Tony's Pizza Factory in Minneapolis, later volunteered to work at the Community

Church School to provide for her grandson's tuition and also did some daycare.

Her purpose in life was to live a Godly life. She did that selflessly by doing anything she could for everyone. Janice was a member of the Grygla Gospel Tabernacle for over 20 years and then a member of the Assembly of God in Thief River Falls.

For many years, Janice loved to volunteer by leading Bible Study and music at Oakland Park Nursing Home in Thief River Falls. She also loved cleaning and volunteering at the Assembly of God Church. Janice started teaching Sunday School class when she was 16 years old and she continued for many, many years.

Janice felt the need to feed any family and friends that ever came to the house. Her grandson said, "you can't leave Grandma's house without eating!" She was famous for her chocolate chip cookies, potato dumplings, fork made milkshakes and caramel rolls! Her favorite color was purple. In the last month, when she and David would go to bed at night, Janice would sing and pray in the spirit.

Survivors include her loving husband of 66 years, David of Thief River Falls, children, RaeLynn Sheridan of Brooklyn Park, MN, Renae Hanson of Fosston, MN, Timothy (Anne) Sheridan of Oak Park Heights, MN, Tammy (Kenny) Stevenson of East Grand Forks, MN and Scott Sheridan of Thief River Falls; grandchildren, Reuben Solomon (Rebekah) Hanson, Gabriel Hanson, Kalieb Hanson, Levi (Karrie) Hanson, Noah Hanson, Bree Sheridan, Stefan Sheridan, Hannah (Kevin) Moderer, Oliver Porter, Samantha Sheridan, Micah (Molly) Sheridan, Hailey Sheridan, Jace Sheridan; great-grandchildren, Lydia, Maggie, Lenora, Finley, Dawson, August, Henry, Sophia, Emerie, Ensley, Evelyn; sisters, Beverly Doss and Sandra Anderson; sister-in-law, Irene Teigland, Darlene Stewart; and many other relatives and friends.

She is preceded in death by her parents; sons-in-law, Kenneth Hanson and Glen Brickzen; siblings, Dale Teigland, Ronnie Teigland, Ramona Teigland, Wendell (Audrey) Teigland, Sharon (John) Flom, and Gerald Teigland.

Condolences may be sent at www.johnsonfuneralservice.com



Obituary for Chris Engebretsen

Chris Engebretsen, age 79, of Erskine, MN, passed away on Thursday, May 4th, at Essentia Health Hospital in Fargo, ND. A memorial service will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Friday, May 12th, at Grace Lutheran Church in Erskine with the Rev. Pam Thorson officiating. Interment will be in Fairview Cemetery, rural Erskine. Family will greet friends for one hour prior to the service on Friday at the church. Arrangements are with Carlin Family Funeral Service of Erskine and messages of condolence may be shared at www.carlinfuneral.com.

Chris was born on May 20, 1943, in Fosston, Minnesota to parents Hans and Irene (Wicken) Engebretsen. He grew up in Clearbrook, Minnesota and spent a lot of time as a teenager in the summers on the family homestead near Itasca State Park. He graduated from Clearbrook High School in 1961.

He was united in marriage to Joan Larson on January

19, 1963 at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Clearbrook. After their marriage, they lived in Clearbrook for a year before moving to Hopkins and Coon Rapids, Minnesota. Chris worked in the cities 12 years where he perfected his welding skills. They moved to Erskine, Minnesota in 1976, opened Erskine Welding and raised their family. He retired from Erskine Attachments in 2010. Chris enjoyed hunting, fishing, and camping. After retirement, Chris and Joan enjoyed spending the summer months at Morris Point at Lake of the Woods.

Chris passed away on Thursday, May 4, 2023, at Essentia Hospital, Fargo, ND at the age of 79 years.

Survivors include three children: Jeff (Lorie) Engebretsen of Horace, ND, Mike (Lynn) Engebretsen of Erskine, MN, and Joann (Pat) Greendahl of Bemidji, MN; six grandchildren: Katelynn (Dylan) Kutter, Kortney (Brady) Clarke, Hailley Engebretsen, Ryan (Larissa) Greendahl, Alexa Greendahl, and Will Greendahl. Four great grandchildren: Kroix Kutter, Kallen Kutter, Emma Greendahl, and Odin Greendahl.

Also surviving is one sister, Eileen (Russ) Rhen of Thief River Falls, MN; and sisters-in-law Lois (Ken) Bjerke and Margaret Larson. Nieces, Nephews, and cousins also survive.

He was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Joan; father and mother-in-law, Vern and Jo (Efraimson) Larson; brothers-in-law Bill Larson and Tom Larson; niece Sharon Bjerke Stoller; and nephew Steve Bjerke.

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MSUM expects more than 800 students to graduate May 12

Moorhead, Minn., May 3, 2023 – Minnesota State University Moorhead will award degrees to more than 800 students during its spring commencement program Friday, May 12, in the university's Nemzek Fieldhouse. This includes 185 graduate students.

The 10 a.m. ceremony will include undergraduate and graduate students from the College of Business, Analytics & Communications and the College of Science, Health & the Environment. The 10 a.m. student speaker will be Sami Farrell, a political science graduate from Harrisburg, S.D.

The 2 p.m. ceremony will include undergraduate and graduate students from the College of Arts & Humanities and the College of Education & Human Services. The student speaker will be Sejla Dervisic, a history and political science graduate from Fargo, N.D.

Stephanie Ballard will be the commencement speaker at both ceremonies. She is a 2014 elementary inclusive edu-

cation graduate who earned special education licensures in specific learning disabilities and emotional/behavioral disorders. While a special educator at Camelot Intermediate School in Brookings, S.D., she was awarded Camelot Intermediate School Teacher of the Year. She now teaches 7th-grade math at Mickelson Middle School in Brookings. Ballard received the George S. Mickelson Middle School, Brookings School District, SD Region 1 Teacher of the Year in 2021, going on to be named the 2022 South Dakota Teacher of the Year. Additionally, she was recently named one of five national finalists for the 2023 NEA and Horace Mann Teaching with Excellence Award.

Audrey Soderstrom, Criminal Justice (BA), Bagley High School, Gonvick

Karen Stish, Educational Leadership (MS), Bagley High School, Solway

Karen Stish, MS Educational Leadership, Bagley High School, Solway

Hope Springs Eternal

After months of snow and winter cold, we got a delicious taste of warmer temps. I put my coat and long underwear away and found my sunglasses and short-sleeved shirts just in time for a second April blizzard. As I write this article, after another cold weekend, it looks like maybe we are finally going to warm up.

Spring will come, but it is likely to be a short hop away from summer sun and summer temperatures this year. However short it is, do not let down your guard until the last frost dates are behind you.

It must be in our biology that when we feel that warm spring sun for a few days, we want to plant things. As the saying goes, hope springs eternal, but watch out that you don't let it kill the new plants you bought at the greenhouse! Check your temperature for spring fever and don't let it keep you from following planting recommendations for our area. Despite the fact that it is sunny, warm and 75 on a mid-May day, do not fall for it. There will be at least one more frost, and a freeze or two are still possible.

When looking at frost dates for the Bemidji area, the average last frost date is between May 31-June 2. Remember that an average means that there are frosts before and after this date. Also, nighttime low temperatures can vary quite a bit depending on whether your garden is located on a hill, in a low area where the cold air settles, or near a lake..

The good news is that there are some seeds that can tolerate frost and you can start planting them now, even if you have to clear off snow to do it: Beets*, Radishes, Carrots, Peas, Spinach and Onions.

Many of the vegetable and flower seedlings that are bought from a greenhouse or started from seed indoors will be burned or killed by frost. Do not plant them in the ground until the following conditions are met:

1. It is at least May 28 and the forecast for overnight lows in the extended forecast are above 40.

2. You are prepared to cover them at night if there is a chance of temperatures below 40 degrees.

Another common mistake

Medal presented to Retired Chief Warrant Officer 3 Brett Brandon

On Monday, May 1, Congresswoman Michelle Fischbach visited Warren, MN to meet with area County Veterans Service Officers (VSOs) about solutions to veteran's care. During this visit, Congresswoman Fischbach had the honor of presenting Marshall County VSO and Retired Chief Warrant Officer 3 (CWO3) Brett Brandon with the Afghanistan Campaign Medal with Combat Star.

"It was an honor to present this medal to Brett. In all the opportunities I have had in Congress, this was one of the most significant moments," said Fischbach. "Our service members and veterans deserve all the recognition and support we can provide."

CWO3 Brandon served over 17 years in the United States Army and was deployed to Afghanistan for 12 months in 2005. While he qualified for Afghanistan Campaign Medal with Combat Star, his unit inadvertently failed to award it to him. Therefore, it was never

on his military record despite proof that he had served in Afghanistan. The Congresswoman's office was able to help correct his military record. Brandon originally started the process to update his records and receive the medal in August 2022. In February 2023, Congresswoman Fischbach's office was contacted for assistance and within a month, the medal was approved.

VSOs and other officials who participated in the meeting were Marty Howes, Roseau County Veterans Services Officer (CVSO); Domita Mack, Marshall CVSO; Kurt Ellefson, Polk and Red Lake CVSO; Curt Cannon, Clay CVSO; John Nelson, Mahnomen CVSO; Rolland Miller, Marshall County Commissioner; Scott Peters, Marshall County Auditor-Treasurer; Jeff Burth and Aline McDonough, Minnesota Department of Veterans Affairs. Brandon's family was also present for the medal presentation.



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Official donation platform announced to benefit the family of Pope County Deputy Josh Owen

(St. Paul, Minn.) – Minnesota statewide law enforcement organizations are partnering to collect financial donations for the family of Pope County Deputy Josh Owen who was killed in the line of duty on April 15, 2023. This is the official and only public donation platform. All proceeds will go directly to the Owen family. Deputy Owen leaves behind a wife and son.

The effort is being coordinated by the Minnesota Police and Peace Officers Association (MPPOA), Law Enforcement Labor Services (LELS), and the Minnesota Fraternal Order of Police (MNFOP).

Deputy Owen was tragically killed in the line of duty on April 15, 2023, while making a domestic assault arrest in Cyrus, Minn. He served the Pope County Sheriff's Office for nearly 12 years. Those that know Deputy Owen best de-

scribe him as "having a heart as big as his stature." He loved his family, brotherhood, and community.

Information and to donate:

• Donate online through the LELS Benevolent Fund www.LELS.ORG/benevolent-fund

• Donate online on through the MN Fraternal Order of Police www.mnfopfoundation.org

• Visit any Wells Fargo location – Account name "Funds for Heroes" with the MN Fraternal Order of Police. More information: Routing #091000019, Account# 6068458352Minnesota Police and Peace Officers Association (MPPOA)

Executive Director Brian Peters said, "When a police officer is killed, it's not just department that loses an officer, it's an entire community and state. Our law enforcement family is deeply saddened by the heartbreaking loss of Deputy Owen."

Join us for University of Minnesota Extension Strategic Farming: Field Notes!

Worthington, MN (May 4, 2023)— Crop producers and agricultural professionals face a host of challenges, including pests and pest resistance concerns, agronomic issues and soil fertility questions. The UMN Extension Strategic Farming program addresses your crop-related concerns through research-based webinars with specialists in the field.

Strategic Farming: Field Notes features live weekly webinars with interactive discussions addressing in-season cropping issues as they arise. The 2023 season begins Wednesday, May 10, and continues through August 23 on Wednesday mornings from

8 to 8:30 a.m. Topics will be announced the week of the program in response to needs throughout the season, and may include issues related to soil fertility, agronomics, pest management, cover crops, equipment and more.

Join us for the launch of Strategic Farming: Field Notes on May 10th when we welcome Dr. Dennis Todey, Director of the Midwest USDA Climate Hub, for a weather outlook for the 2023 growing season. Dr. Jeff Coulter, UMN Extension corn agronomist, will also be on hand to address corn planting concerns.

You need to register only once for the season at z.umn.edu/strategic-farming. You can

Fish biodiversity and habitat facts

As fishing season ramps up, media are invited to use this information for story ideas or to include as part of longer articles, and are encouraged to contact the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources to get connected to subject matter experts:

• All fish have value whether or not anglers typically pursue them. Native fish species benefit their ecosystems and the DNR is bringing more attention toward, and focus on, responsibly managing native fish species.

• Although not every kind of fish lives everywhere, 162 species of fish can be found in Minnesota waters. Walleye are the most sought-after fish in Minnesota, followed by crappie, then sunfish, northern pike and bass, and all these are native to Minnesota. But there is a whole array of other fish that anglers try to catch, or sometimes catch accidentally. Lesser known, native fish include species such as:

o Longnose and shortnose gar

o Redhorse (greater, shorth-eared, river, black, silver, golden)

o Suckers (white, northern hognose, longnose, spotted, blue)

o Bowfin

o Buffalos (bigmouth, small-mouth, black)

o Carpsuckers (highfin, quillback, river)

o Freshwater drum, also called sheepshead

o Lake sturgeon

o Paddlefish

• Culvert improvements, dam removals and habitat restorations have major benefits for fish populations across watersheds and major rivers like the Minnesota, Mississippi, Red, St. Croix and St. Louis. Since 2015, the DNR and its partners have restored fish passage at 26 dams, replaced 33 culverts and completed 19 habitat restorations. In total, these projects have improved fishing opportunities over thousands of miles of streams.

• Protecting and restoring fish habitat supports the millions of naturally reproduced fish caught by anglers each year. For example, roughly 85% of the walleye caught and kept by anglers are the product of natural reproduction, from lakes where walleye grow naturally.

• Improving opportunities for fish habitat connectively also makes the fishing better, as fish are allowed to move into additional habitats. Some migratory native fish like paddlefish, blue sucker and black buffalo are threatened or of special concern and directly benefit from increased habitat connectivity.

• The aquatic resources, including fish, in our lakes, rivers, and streams reflect both natural and human influences. Important influences include those directly affecting the waterbody in question and those present further away within the watershed (i.e., the land and water that flow to that waterbody). Better water quality and diverse, intact plant communities support a greater diversity of fish, birds, frogs and other aquatic animals.

Bemidji Chorale performing

The Bemidji Chorale will present its annual spring concert on Sunday, May 14 at 3pm in Thompson Recital Hall at Bemidji State University. The concert is entitled,

"American Journey: Choral Music of America" and will feature arrangements of folksongs in a variety of styles. The chorale is conducted by Dr. James Bowyer and accompanied by Wayne Hoff. The concert is free and open to the public.

Marshall County Sheriff



On April 29, 2023, the Marshall County Sheriff's Office received a call about a domestic assault in progress. The caller stated that Jeremiah Anderson (her husband) was in the house with a shotgun. Jeremiah was not supposed to be at the residence in Warren, MN for there is an active Order for Protection against him from the victim.

Jeremiah entered the house with a shotgun and pointed the gun at his wife, his wife's two children, and his wife's sister. He stated that he was going to kill them and then he fired the shotgun through the ceiling of the house.

Marshall County Deputies surrounded the house along with the Minnesota State Patrol, Minnesota DNR, and a Pennington County Deputy . Jeremiah eventually walked out the back of his house and a Marshall County Deputy ordered him to the ground. He would not comply and was brought to the ground gently. Jeremiah was arrested without incident.

Jeremiah was charged with (4) counts of Felony Second Degree Assault, (1) count of Domestic Assault, and (1) count Order for Protection Violation.

Jeremiah is being held at the Marshall County Jail on a \$10,000,000.00 bond.

Wednesday, May 10, 2023



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