



Tri County Canary

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Pictured above, front row, Fire Chief Shane Helstab accepts the 2023 Reaching Out to Serve award from RiverView President/CEO Carrie Michalski. Back, left to right: Crookston firefighters Derek Cox, Alex Prudhomme, Jim Perreault, Ethan Falcon, Matt Johnson (also Plant Services director at RiverView), and Chris Bruggeman, RiverView COO.

Crookston Fire Department Awarded RiverView's 2023 Reaching Out to Serve Award

There's peace of mind knowing that the Crookston Fire Department (CFD) is always available in case of fire, rescues, medical assistance, hazardous material responses, carbon monoxide emergencies, and more. For the department's unwavering dedication to public assistance, it was recently awarded RiverView Health's 2023 Reaching Out to Serve award.

RiverView Health has recognized individuals, groups, and programs with the Reaching Out to Serve award for over 30 years. The award goes to those who symbolize RiverView's mission of serving the region while demonstrating innovativeness and voluntary self-initiated efforts to improve healthcare access and quality.

The CFD was nominated for several reasons, including:

- National Fire Protection annual events
- The department's adopt-a-hydrant initiative to make fire hydrants accessible in neighborhoods
- Providing free in-home fire safety inspections to help families stay safe and healthy in their homes
- Participation in Safety Town to provide education to children entering kindergarten regarding home safety, when and how to dial 911, fire safety, electrical safety, and poisons

RiverView presented members of the department an award and check for \$500.

The Crookston Fire Department serves a population of approximately 12,000 people spread over more than 500 square miles. The department services the City of Crookston and a rural area of 14 townships. Should additional assistance be needed, the department can call for personnel and equipment from other fire departments in Polk County and some departments from neighboring counties through mutual-aid agreements.

Thank you, Crookston Fire Department, for reaching out to serve Crookston and the surrounding area.

Outstanding Media Service Award, Electronic Division: Jim Birkemeyer

During his junior year at Comfrey High School, Jim Birkemeyer was asked by his teacher and counselor, Mrs. (Carol) Hayes, if he had given any thought to a potential career path. He had not, which isn't unexpected from students that were busy with playing sports and growing up on a farm.

But Mrs. Hayes pressed on. She urged Birkemeyer, a 1981 graduate of Comfrey, to allow his passions and interests to be the guide in exploring a career that would be fulfilling, rewarding and of service to others. Mrs. Hayes, in her tiny office, began rattling off professions, vocations and service-oriented careers, but none struck a chord, until she mentioned one: Radio Broadcasting.

He let the idea swirl a bit. Afterall, he played every sport there was in the community and could talk about every player from the Vikings, Twins and North Stars, and debate their statistics. He'd listen endlessly to the way radio legend Jim Bartels from nearby New Ulm would call games in pristine tenor and vivid imagery that it seemed like a game jumped out at you from the radio dial.

"That was my moment where it all made sense," Birkemeyer says now. "She told me I was one of those few students that could remember names, dates, places and paid attention to current events. It is a passion, and as can happen in life, it was determined to be my path."



Jim Birkemeyer is the 2024 recipient of the Minnesota State High School League's Outstanding Media Service Award.

Birkemeyer's career path through radio over the past 37 years has been one that has ranged from on-air personality, sales, ownership and leadership through many roles, including the current chairman of the Minnesota Broadcasters Association. For his commitment to the member schools and communities his stations serve, Birkemeyer has been selected the recipient of the 2024 Minnesota State High School League's Outstanding Media Service Award in the electronic news-medium division.

He will be recognized on March 23 during the League's Boys Basketball State Tournament at Williams Arena on the University of Minnesota campus.

Birkemeyer, whose career journey includes two stints in North Dakota, owns 12 radio stations in northwestern Minnesota, serving the communities of Ada, Mahanomen, Fosston, Brainerd and International Falls.

"I really enjoy talking about the athletes, their communities and truly painting the picture of all of the good things that are happening," Birkemeyer said. "I am old-school radio. My mind and words work well together to share games and features. As a young kid, I was 9, I learned how to drive a farm tractor from a blind man. He did all of the controls, but he would tell me, 'you are my eyes, tell me where to go.' I became descriptive, in part, because of that experience."

Birkemeyer first became a station owner at age 24. He dived into ownership with zest and no worries about what the future might hold. He had learned about the sales side along the way and found a balance with business, and of course, the visible piece of the radio industry, being an on-air personality. He created coaches shows, awards banquets, featured athletes of the week and celebrated with communities during seasons of highs and lows.

As an influential leader with the Minnesota Broadcasters Association, Birkemeyer uses his experience and vision to ensure that radio remains vibrant, not only at the local and regional levels but also nationally.

"Radio is intended to serve the communities; that is who I am," Birkemeyer said. "I've been blessed in being able to create my own path. It truly is a joy."

The CARDINAL School Newspaper!

By Eric Mickelson

I recently was substitute teaching at RLCC Elementary School in Plummer. In the library I noticed a shelf of old yearbooks. But, toward the end was an old beat up looking folder. Now that really caught my eye! It was a folder containing the school newspaper that came out every couple of months. It was called the CARDINAL and this version was from 1942-43!

As I read I began to see this unique relation to history. We know that the world was dragged into WWII in 1939 and the United States became directly involved on December 7, 1941 with the bombing of Pearl Harbor. Reading the school newspapers made it obvious that this was a unique time to grow up and be a Senior in High School. I remembered my grandmother, Della Mickelson, and my dad talking about the war and rationing. My dad was an avid radio listener, as I suppose many people were at that time. He recalled hearing the FDR speech the day after the bombing. Like I said, a lot of us don't really have the real understanding of living through such an event.

Much of the school newspaper was either related to the senior class of 1943 or events of our nation at war. The cover of the April-May issue read "Good Luck to the Seniors" from the CARDINAL! Another page displayed a drawing of the American flag, with 48 stars, waving surrounded by the words, "Keep it Waving" and "Buy bonds and stamps!" Yet another page listed the Class Motto, "Launched, but not Anchored!" It was a fun read!

One of the pages contained a list of the class members and their future plans after leaving Pershing High:

Rose Torstveit,	Medical Secretary
Idora Bruer.....	Stenographer
Marjorie Hanson ..	Office Work
Rita Mornville	Nurse
Grace Anderson,	
.....	Stenographer
Mildred Gulsvig.....	Clerk
Joseph Jaeger.....	Army
Reino Nenonen	Farmer
Llewelyn Riendeau.....	Army
Clare Riendeau.....	Army
Dan Campbell.....	Army
Walter Gerardy	Doctor
Lois Hofins.....	Office Work
Rachel Hill.....	Dietician



New Report Sheds Light on Chronic Student Absenteeism

THE ALARMING RISE OF CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM IN MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

St. Paul, MN- A press conference will be held on Thursday, February 22 at 8:00am in the State Capitol Press Conference Room B971 to release a comprehensive report on the issue of chronic student absenteeism and proposed solutions for schools, districts, and state policymakers.

Participating in the press conference will be Representative Sencer-Mura, Jim Davnie, Executive Director of Minnesota Alliance With Youth, Meleah Follen, Youth Engagement and Northfield Community College Collaborative Director with Healthy Communities Initiative, Martha Lundin, Youth Engagement Coordinator with HCI, and Colleen Kaibel, Director of Student Retention and Recovery for Minneapolis Public Schools.

The report, released by Minnesota Alliance With Youth, underscores the gravity of the situation, emphasizing the national and local significance

of this growing problem. Of particular concern are the far-reaching consequences of chronic absenteeism, which not only affect student learning and engagement but also impact the likelihood of on-time high school graduation. Students from low-income backgrounds and communities of color are disproportionately affected by this issue.

Statewide data from the U.S. Department of Education indicates a dramatic increase in the percentage of Minnesota schools with high or extreme chronic absenteeism, rising from 34% in 2017/18 to a staggering 71% during the 2021/22 school year. The report also delves into the multiple factors contributing to chronic absenteeism, ranging from family issues to health concerns and academic struggles, and provides solutions such as family engagement, positive school climate initiatives, early warning systems, and mentorship

programs to enhance student engagement and reduce absenteeism.

"Chronic absenteeism has far-reaching consequences that extend beyond just missed days of school; they directly affect student learning, engagement, and the likelihood of on-time high school graduation. AmeriCorps Promise Fellows can be part of the solution for students disengaged from school and struggling with attendance. Passage of HF3535, supporting success coaching in schools, will be a positive step forward for Minnesota in tackling the absenteeism crisis," said Jim Davnie, Executive Director of Minnesota Alliance With Youth.

For more information on the report and the issue of chronic absenteeism in Minnesota, please contact Minnesota Alliance With Youth (jdavnie@mnyouth.net) or visit www.mnyouth.net.



Plummer School staff of 1943.

Plummer Class of 1943.



NORTH COUNTRY HEALTH NUGGETS

(Clearwater, Hubbard and Lake of the Woods Counties)

March is Multiple Sclerosis (MS) Month

What is MS?

Multiple sclerosis (MS) is an unpredictable disease of the central nervous system that disrupts the flow of information within the brain, and between the brain and body. MS symptoms can affect walking, vision, speaking, sensation and memory.

There are 4 types of MS each with their own special characteristics. For more complete information on the types go to: Types of MS | National MS Society

What causes MS: The cause of MS is unknown. The body's own immune system attacks the central nervous system.

For more information about this go to: What Causes MS? | National MS Society

For more information and support from our own state: Resources & Support for Navigating MS | National MS Society

National MS Society-MS Focus.org

Submitted by: North Country Community Health Services (Clearwater, Hubbard and Lake of the Woods Public Health)



Winter load increases end and spring load restrictions start in North-Central frost zone

ST. PAUL, Minn. — The Minnesota Department of Transportation ended winter load increases and started spring load restrictions in the North-Central frost zone on Wednesday, March 6, at 12:01 a.m.

Spring load restrictions have already begun in the South, Southeast and Metro zones. As already announced, winter load increases end and spring load restrictions will begin in the Central zone on March 1.

Seasonal load limit zones and restricted routes can be found on the MnDOT load limits map.

Start and end dates and other load limit information are shown at mndot.gov/load-limits.

Overweight permits for more than 80,000 pound gross vehicle weight will continue and new permits will be issued if all axle and group weights are legal (axle weight limits).

MnDOT will report start and end dates on its 24-hour automated message center at 1-800-723-6543 for the U.S. and Canada, and locally at 651-366-5400 for the Minneapolis/St. Paul area.

For questions about legal axle weight during SLR; Gross Vehicle Weight Schedule, call: Minnesota Department of Public Safety State Patrol – Commercial Vehicle Enforcement 651-350-2000

For questions about overweight loads/permit-

ting, call:

Minnesota Department of Transportation Freight and Commercial Vehicle Operations – Oversize/Overweight Permits 651-296-6000 ofcvo-permits.dot@state.mn.us

All changes are made with a minimum three-calendar-day notice.

For the most current information, go to MnDOT's automated 24-hour message center at 800-723-6543 for the U.S. and Canada, or 651-366-5400 for the Minneapolis/St. Paul area. This information is also published on the MnDOT seasonal load limits website at mndot.gov/loadlimits.

For updated road condition information, call 511 or visit www.511mn.org.

Driving Classes

The Minnesota Highway Safety Center will be offering classes in the with their driving skills as they age and ensure traffic safety awareness.

They are 4-hour refresher courses.

March 27 - 1 to 5 p.m. at the Fosston Embassy Community Center, 603, 3rd St. NE

April 29 - 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. at the Clearbrook Community Center at 200 Elm St. SW,

May 8 - Fosston Embassy Community Center 603 3rd St. SE

May 9 - 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Mahanomen High School Room #207, 209 1st St. - Use door #6 on the south side.

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Sons of Norway

The Sons of Norway Grand Lodge #240 will hold its monthly meeting on Thursday, March 14, at 6:30 in the evening at the Embassy Center in Fosston. After the 6:30 meeting and refreshments, the program will be "Show and Tell". Everyone in attendance, members and visitors alike, are invited to bring an item to show and tell about. Items can be of vintage and/or Scandinavian in nature. As usual, visitors are welcome.

College News

Northland Community & Technical College Announces Dean's List for Fall 2023

March 4, 2024 — The Office of the Registrar recently announced students named to the Fall Semester 2023 Dean's List. To qualify for a place on the Dean's List, students must have at least 12 earned credits as of the last day of the semester, and a semester grade-point average of 3.5 to 3.74 must be achieved.

Bagley, MN-Maria Melbo, Occupational Therapy Assistant

Goodridge, MN-Thor Henrikson, Auto Body Collision Technology

Local student selected to University of Minnesota Twin Cities Dean's List

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL, Minn. (March 6, 2024) - The following students have been named to the 2023 fall semester Dean's List at the University of Minnesota Twin Cities, the university announced today.

To qualify for the Dean's List, a student must complete 12 or more letter-graded credits while attaining a 3.66 grade point average.

Oklee, MN, Karena Melby, Senior, College of Liberal Arts

MnDOT and City of Thief River Falls to host Hwy 59 study public open house March 14

BEMIDJI, Minn.— The City of Thief River Falls and the Minnesota Department of Transportation invite the public to an open house on Thursday, March 14, from 4 to 6 p.m., to get more information about the corridor study. Residents, business owners, area visitors, and commuters are encouraged to learn more about the study and share their thoughts on how to improve this stretch of Hwy 59.

The open house will be held in the multi-purpose room of the Joint-Use Facility, 248 125th Ave NE in Thief River Falls. There are no formal presentations and people are invited to stop by at their convenience anytime between 4 and 6:30 p.m. City, MnDOT, and project staff will be available to answer questions about the study.

Members of the community who are unable to attend the in-person open house are encouraged to visit talk.dot.state.mn.us/hwy59-trf to learn more about the study, leave a comment on the interactive comment map, and sign up for project update emails.

Study overview

The City of Thief River Falls, in close collaboration with MnDOT, is conducting a corridor study to improve pedestrian and vehicle safety, highway access, address stormwater drainage issues, and the poor pavement condition, while maintaining traffic flow and creating a welcoming gateway to the City. The corridor study area runs from approximately 1st St. E. to the southern city limits (155th St. NE). The study will result in a vision for the corridor, anticipated for Fall 2024.

For more information, visit the project webpage at talk.dot.state.mn.us/hwy59-trf.

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Funding Available to Assist Minnesota Meat Processors

MDA grant aims to help hire and retain processing employees

St. Paul, MN: Minnesota partner organizations who serve meat and poultry processors are encouraged to apply for the Meat Processing Train & Retain Grant, a new funding opportunity available through the Minnesota Department of Agriculture (MDA).

The intent of the Meat Processing Train & Retain Grant is to award one-time funding to partner organizations that will work with small- to medium-sized meat and poultry processors in hiring and training new employees through the development of incentive projects like tuition reimbursements, sign-on and retention bonuses, and childcare stipends.

Eligible partner organizations include foundations engaged in economic development, community development financial institutions, federally recognized economic development districts, and community development corporations.

The MDA anticipates awarding up to \$544,000 in Train & Retain Grants using a competitive review process. The maximum award amount is \$250,000, and the minimum award amount is \$10,000. Projects must be completed by June 30, 2026.

This grant program prioritizes partner organizations working in partnership with Minnesota State Colleges and Universities; or whose efforts would target or serve meat or poultry processors that are owned by individuals in historically underserved communities, businesses that directly serve historically underserved communities, or individuals from historically underserved communities with interest in working in meat processing.

Grant applications will be accepted until 4 p.m. Central Time on Thursday, April 25, 2024. For further information and to submit your online application, visit the Meat Processing Train & Retain Grant web page.

Happy St. Patrick's Day!



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Qualifications: Flexible hours up to 20 hours a week. May be periodically required to work evening and weekends and to respond to emergency management situation outside of normal working hours.

Associate degree in emergency management or related area and three years of relevant work experience. Must possess a valid Minnesota driver's license. Must successfully complete a background check. Demonstrate a strong ability to coordinate and effectively communicate under stressful or extreme circumstances. Strong analytical skills and demonstrate ability to solve unstructured problems and effectively overcome obstacles.

Responsibilities: Responsible for planning, developing, implementing and manage all aspects of Clearwater County's Emergency Preparedness Program. Coordinate all operational activities and planning for emergency support functions. Ensure that Clearwater County is meeting all regulatory requirements for emergency preparedness. Assess needs on an ongoing basis and develop an action plan to fulfill define needs. Manage and coordinate the County's response to emergencies and natural disasters in accordance with the county's emergency operations plan. Coordinates the effort of Emergency Operations Center during a disaster collaborating with county, regional, state and national efforts to mitigate disaster effects. Administers the emergency management software systems. Ability to communicate effectively, orally and in writing, and have a strong positive public relations skill. Ability to maintain effective working relationships with outside and inside contacts to carry out organizational programs. Develop, conduct and evaluate disaster training exercise. Provide public information and news releases including maintaining social media. A full job description and applications can be pick-up at the Clearwater County Auditor-Treasurer's Office or on line at www.co.clearwater.mn.us. Applications will be received until position is filled.

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ART TEACHER NEEDED

Clearbrook-Gonvick School District has an immediate open position for an Art Teacher. This is a full-time, grades 7-12 position and would be available for the remainder of the 2023-2024 school year, as well as for the 2024-2025 school year.

A MN Teaching License in Visual Arts is required for this position. Individuals with other licensure in lieu of Visual Arts, 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:



Clearbrook-Gonvick School
16770 Clearwater Lake Rd
Clearbrook, MN 56634
Attn: Melissa Weems, HR
Phone: 218-776-3112 Ext. 105
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COACHING POSITIONS

Clearbrook-Gonvick School has the following Coaching Positions available:

Assistant Track Coach for the upcoming 2023-2024 season beginning on March 18th. Requirements of the position include being present for all practices and track meets, teaching the fundamentals of running, and being a positive role model for our athletes. Must be able to pass a background check.

Junior High Baseball Coach for the upcoming 2023-2024 season beginning on March 18th. Requirements of the position include being present for all practices and games, teaching the fundamentals of baseball to junior high athletes, and being a positive role model. Must be able to pass a background check.

Head Coach Varsity Volleyball for the 2024-2025 season beginning fall of 2024. Requirements of the position include being present for all games and practices, have a strong background in coaching and/or playing volleyball, and being a positive role model to athletes. Must be able to pass a background check.

Applicants should submit a letter of interest and resume to:



Melissa Weems, HR
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Email: mweems@clearbrook-gonvick.k12.mn.us

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CURRENT JOB OPENINGS

OPEN POSITIONS

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

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

High School Math Teacher position opening fall of 2024. Proper Minnesota licensure is required.

Athletic Director .5 FTE position opening fall of 2024. Preference given to a Four-year college degree and experience in the field of education.

Elementary Art Teacher position opening fall of 2024. Proper Minnesota licensure is required.

High School Spanish Teacher position opening fall of 2024. Proper Minnesota licensure is required and experience is preferred.

Secondary Physical Science and Physics Teacher position opening fall of 2024. Proper Minnesota licensure is required and experience is preferred.

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

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

Successful candidates must pass a criminal background check.

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

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

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

*Application forms may be downloaded from the District Website bagley.k12.mn.us, picked up in the District Office or you may email nekre@bagley.k12.mn.us. For more information, please call Nichole Ekre at 218-694-6184. Successful candidates must pass a criminal background check. Positions will remain open until filled. *

Food Service Cook opening immediately - a high school diploma or GED is preferred but not required. This is a 6.5-hour position.

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

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

Food Service Cook opening fall of 2024 - a high school diploma or GED is preferred but not required. This is a 5.5-hour position.

*Application forms may be downloaded from the District Website bagley.k12.mn.us, picked up in the District Office or you may email nekre@bagley.k12.mn.us. For more information, please call Jennifer Hecht at 218-694-6184. Successful candidates must pass a criminal background check. Positions will remain open until filled. *

Full-Time Route Bus Driver and Substitute Bus Driver positions. Applicants must have or be able to obtain a school bus driver's license endorsement. The District is willing to help applicants obtain their school bus endorsement. New drivers will receive a \$200 stipend after six months of driving to help defray the cost of certification. For more information, please call Stuart Dukek at 218-694-6122. Successful candidates must pass a criminal background check. Positions will remain open until filled.

COACHING

Currently accepting applications for **Co-Head Varsity Dance Coach**

*Interested candidates should send a letter of interest, resume of coaching and playing experiences and three references to Nichole M. Ekre at 202 Bagley Ave. NW, Bagley, MN 56621 or nekre@bagley.k12.mn.us. Successful candidates must pass a criminal background check. Positions will remain open until filled.

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Applications may be obtained from the Clearwater County Service Center located on the 2nd floor of the Clearwater County Courthouse or on the website at www.co.clearwater.mn.us.

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A New Tickborne Syndrome is on the Rise: What Can You Do to Protect Yourself? Avoid "Alpha-gal Syndrome"

WEST DES MOINES, IA (03/11/2024) The past decade has seen an uptick, so to speak, in the number of cases of Alpha-gal syndrome, also known as the "red meat allergy." It's caused by the Lone Star tick, typically seen in the south-central and southeastern states, that recently has become more established in central states such as Iowa and Missouri and is currently working its way North, with cases even being reported in Minnesota.

With more than 90,000 suspected cases of AGS identified during a study from 2017 to 2022 by the Centers for Disease Control, speculation exists that a continued increase in cases of the syndrome will occur in coming years.

What is Alpha-gal syndrome?

Alpha-gal syndrome is a type of food allergy caused by the bite of a Lone Star tick that can result in a potentially life-threatening allergy to red meat including beef, lamb, pork and venison. Some individuals who develop AGS may have no symptoms, but others may develop an itchy rash, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea or swelling of the eyes, tongue and throat that could lead to difficulty breathing or, worse, anaphylactic shock. Symptoms typically do not occur until two to six hours after the consumption of red meat. These symptoms may also be random, meaning that they may not occur each time someone eats red meat.

It is recommended to consult a health care professional if you experience any type of allergic reaction after consuming red meat. Currently, the only treatment for AGS is to avoid ingesting any form of red meat.

Due to the increasing number of AGS cases, it is important to recognize the risk factors for tick bites and take measures to protect yourself from tick exposure.

What increases the likelihood of a tick bite?

Tick bites are more common than one may think. The more tick exposures someone has, the more likely they are to obtain a tickborne illness. Ticks are active any time that the temperature is above freezing and can be present year-round. The CDC reports that the activity of ticks is highest during the warmer months of April-September. The environments that ticks are drawn to are highly grassy, brushy or wooded areas. Individuals who spend more time outdoors such as farmers, hunters or campers are also at an increased risk of exposure.

How can I protect myself from getting a tick bite?

The most important method of preventing tickborne illnesses is reducing your chance of obtaining a tick bite. It is also important to check for ticks and promptly remove any attached ticks after spending time outdoors. The longer ticks are attached to the body, the more likely they are to transmit an infection. Listed below are a few of the more common ways to protect yourself from getting a tick bite:

- Typically applied insect repellents can play a key role in deterring ticks from the body. Repellents containing DEET 10-30%, permethrin, IR3535 or Picardin are a few examples that can be applied to the outer layers of clothing.
- Clothing choices can have a big impact as well. Wearing

Signs it's time to repair or replace your deck



Spring is a season of rejuvenation that compels millions across the globe to quit hibernating and get back to enjoying the great outdoors. Spring also marks a great time to assess a home's exterior, namely those areas like a deck where people will spend a lot of time in the warmer months to come.

Assessing a deck after winter can be eye-opening. Harsh winter weather can take its toll on a deck, and the following are some telltale signs that a deck could be in need of repair or replacement.

Wobbly underfoot and in hand: Wobbly planks and railings are one sign of a deteriorating deck homeowners won't recognize as they hide from winter weather indoors. But these tend to reveal themselves rather quickly when examining a deck after winter. Wobbly planks in the middle of the deck can be inconvenient, but wobbly steps and railings can be dangerous. According to the home improvement resource Angi, wobbly railings can be a byproduct of rot. A local decking professional can assess the extent of the rot in railings and elsewhere and determine the best course of action. If the rot is isolated to an area or two, a simple repair may be all that's necessary. Extensive rot may require a full replacement of the existing deck.

Faded paint: Many homeowners paint their wood decks, and that paint will not last forever. Faded paint can turn an otherwise lovely deck into an eyesore, and paint can fade over the winter. Thankfully, a local painter can address a

faded deck and may recommend some additional strategies to safeguard the deck against fading next winter and beyond.

Holes in the wood: Many a homeowner has encountered curious-looking holes in their deck. This could be a sign of insect infestation. Termites, carpenter ants and carpenter bees are among the various types of insects that can bore holes through wood. Homeowners who notice holes throughout their deck are urged to call a deck professional and/or pest control firm to assess the holes and offer a solution. Though small issues may be addressed with repairs, a deck littered with holes caused by insects may need a full replacement.

Rust: Wood decks may be made of wood, but they can still exhibit signs of rust, namely in the nails and metal connectors that hold the deck together. If screws have rusted to the point where they are no longer holding the deck together, a full-scale replacement could be in the cards, as the deck could have substantial structural damage. Like other issues that can reveal themselves during a springtime inspection of the deck, rust necessitates a thorough examination by an experienced decking professional.

Many people do not use their decks during winter, which only underscores the significance of a full deck inspection in spring.

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by Sgt. Jesse Grabow Minnesota State Patrol

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and the center island, slow the speed of all vehicles to around 15-25 mph.

For more information please visit: <https://www.dot.state.mn.us/roundabouts/>

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Theology in the Trenches

By Kathleen Kjolhaug

INABSENTIA!

sence of."

The professor stood before the throngs who were about to receive their diplomas. As the names were read, one word would be proclaimed sort of loud like—every so often. I hadn't heard it before and thought it to be quite profound. It resonated distinctly as if someone had just gained an honorary diploma of sorts. The word resonating over the stadium was INABSENTIA.

After having heard it several times, it finally dawned on me what it meant. As they read our son's name, followed with this word, I was now certain. You see, our son was clear across the ocean finishing up student teaching in a land far away, and he was not present.

Each time the giver of the degree mentioned this word, it were as if someone was being given credit for something fancy. Well, it was fancy alright—it was a fancy way of saying, "They aren't here." Another way to put it might be, "They didn't show up!" Or, "They're gone"—"not present"—"not here." On this very day when one was to be handed a diploma, they either didn't show, or for some reason couldn't be in attendance. Either way, INABSENTIA was simply another way of saying ABSENT.

It all adds up to put sort of a positive twist giving due dignity to the person to be honored. The definition of the term reads as follows. It's a Latin adverb meaning, "in the ab-

I got to thinking about this and what came to mind were my grade school years. There were days when a teacher handed over the duties of taking class attendance. When we were given this responsibility, we had to either place a "P" next to the little box next to the name, or an "A". It was one or the other. You were either PRESENT or you were ABSENT. There was no in-between. There were no fancy names for it as if you'd won an award for being sick or minimally for staying home and not getting everyone else sick.

One thought led to another and I began to wonder about the end of our lives and when we meet Jesus face to face. I wondered if He will be so kind as to merely say, "INABSENTIA" as opposed to "ABSENT!"

So bold we proclaim our love for Him and yet so often don't show up—we are absent in the midst of ministry. I need look no further than my own shortcomings, my own failures, my own lack of presence in the lives of my neighbor. I see my own lack of mercy, my laziness, my comfort and security with things around me.

However, knowing this is exactly why He came in the first place brings comfort. He came because of my shortcomings. He came that I might have life—because He gave His life for me and you and they and them. He came to proclaim that in our absence He is ever

present. So short we fall and that is why He fell, three times to be exact, while carrying the cross before He was nailed to it.

The best part? He didn't stay there. He showed up once again when He rose from the dead and the Good News spread—into all corners of the Earth. Can you not perceive it? Back in Isaiah 43:19 it was foretold. "See, I am doing a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert."

And the best part? He's not ever INABSENTIA. He is "God with us."

Matt. 1:23 says, "Look, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel," which means, "God is with us." The Good News is He will always show up at the mention of His name. It says so in Phil. 2:8-11. "And being found in human form he humbled himself and became obedient unto death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father."

And there you have it. Just mention His name and see how He is "God with us." Never "INABSENTIA" behind that name—ever! Amen.

Highway 2 West Manufacturers' Association To Host Membership Meeting On March 20, 2024, At DigiKey In Thief River Falls, MN

Grand Forks, North Dakota, March 5, 2024 – The Highway 2 West Manufacturers' Association is holding its next membership meeting at DigiKey in Thief River Falls, MN. The meeting will take place on Wednesday, March 20, 2024, and feature two speakers from

Katie Brommenschenkel Vilmo Scholarship Now Accepting Applications

February 27, 2024 (Bemidji, MN) – The Katie Brommenschenkel Vilmo Scholarship, a scholarship fund hosted by Northwest Minnesota Foundation (NMF), is seeking qualified applicants to apply for the 2024 scholarship round.

The annual scholarship supports students from school districts in NMF's service area including 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, as well as Hillsboro, North Dakota, who are pursuing a post-secondary education through a college, university, trade school, tech school or other accredited programs. The scholarship is intended for students who are majoring in agriculture, agriculture education or agri-related business.

The scholarship was established by the friends and family of Katie Brommenschenkel Vilmo to honor her memory and her passion for farm life. Katie enjoyed living a simple life of hard work and gratitude while she and her husband Mike worked simultaneously on their family's farms. Katie and Mike welcomed their daughter Kennedy as the perfect addition to their farm family in August 2018. One of Katie's favorite quotes states, "Each person is given the gift of time on this earth to live, to learn, to love, and to leave a legacy." The family feels this scholarship will honor her legacy for agriculture and life.

Applications for the scholarship are due by April 15. The applications are completed online through the NMF website www.nwmf.org by clicking "Scholarships" on the homepage.

If you are interested in learning about how you can establish a scholarship fund at Northwest Minnesota Foundation, or to support the Katie Brommenschenkel Vilmo Scholarship, please visit www.nwmf.org.

DigiKey. Shane Zutz, vice president of human resources, will present on the importance of leaders maintaining perspective, and DigiKey's senior director of IT, Kristin McKenzie, will discuss the need for companies to keep evolving and leveraging newer technologies in their business. DigiKey will provide an optional tour of their facility following the meeting.

This Highway 2 West Manufacturers' Association membership meeting will begin with registration at 11:00 a.m. Anyone interested in attending can register on the Highway 2 West Manufacturers'

Association's website at www.h2wma.com or email contact@h2wma.com for more information.

The Highway 2 West Manufacturers' Association is a group whose mission is to improve synergy among – and success for – businesses in northern Minnesota and North Dakota. The association is made up of more than 70 leading manufacturers located in the area it serves.

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Despite the warm temperatures, Cor Powersports headed back to Naytahwaush, Minnesota for the 56th annual Snodeo 200 March 2nd and 3rd, 2024. The ice held up well throughout the week and we were given the clear to go racing! Saturday morning welcomed us with 30 degree temperatures but a wind kept the air chilled. Racing was underway at 9 AM with the first race of the day being the two lap Pro Open and Semi Pro Improved qualifier. This would determine the order for the head up final later in the day. After two fast laps, Boe Bunke (Polaris) was the number one qualifier in Pro Open with a two lap time of 14:39.102 seconds. Qualifying second was Alex Hetteen (Polaris) 0.596 seconds behind Bunke. In third was Ross Erdman (Polaris) 0.743 seconds back, fourth was Paul Brown (Arctic Cat) 4.567 seconds back, and Zach Herfindahl (Arctic Cat) in fifth 9.710 seconds back. In the Semi Pro Improved class, Keagen Houser (Arctic Cat) was fast qualifier at 15:29.502. Cooper Kangas (Ski-Doo) came in second 4.884 second back. Third was O'Ryan Bosek (Polaris) 5.052 seconds back, fourth was Jon Arneson (Arctic Cat) 12.598 seconds back and Luke Van Lyssel (Polaris) was fifth quick 13.167 seconds back. The second race of the day was the Sport Improved two lap qualifier. Taking the top qualifying spot was Collin Grover (Polaris) with a two lap time of 15:36.898. Second quick was Brady Wadena (Arctic Cat) 5.780 seconds back. Third was Jakob Olson (Polaris) 9.500 seconds back, fourth was Anakin Bosek (Polaris) 11.382 seconds back and rounding out the top five was Draycen Byfuglien (Polaris) 17.955 seconds back. Race three was the first two day overall format classes. The next few classes would run both days with their results based on combined time after both days. In the Classic class, Collin Grover (Polaris) held the lead after day one by only 5.945 seconds! In the Junior 14-17 class, Brady Wimpfheimer (Arctic Cat) had a comfortable 25.746 second lead over second. In Junior 14-17 Girls, Katie Clark (Arctic Cat) also had a healthy lead of 26.266 seconds over second. In Masters 50+, Todd Severson (Arctic Cat) led by only 7.064 seconds over second. In Vet 30+, Adam Brandt (Arctic Cat) had a small lead of only 2.002 seconds over the second place sled. In race four, the Junior 10-13, Junior 10-13 Girls, and Junior Transition 8-12 classes battled it out on their first day of racing. In Junior 10-13, Luke Fredman (Polaris) held the lead by 15.150 seconds. In Junior 10-13 Girls, Kynsie Diesen (Arctic Cat) led after day one by 19.345 seconds. In Junior Transition 8-12, Mikey Roy Jr. led by 2 minutes 38.413 seconds! Race five was ran as a heads up race and scored with a motocross style format. These classes would run two heads up races, one each day, and the best average finish over the two races would be the winner. Each class started in their own line and got their own green light to start. First to get the green was the Pro Bet 35+ class. Then the Expert 600 Limited class was given the green and finally the Pro Factory Women's class. After an action filled race one,

Justin Tate (Polaris) took the win in the Pro Vet 35+ class with Jon Arneson (Arctic Cat) in second and Craig Ritzinger (Ski-Doo) in third. In the Expert 600 Limited class, Brady Wimpfheimer took the win in race one over Bennett Iverson in second and Axle Amsden in third all on Arctic Cat. In Pro Women, Unity Gausen (Polaris) won race one with McKenna Cloose (Arctic Cat) in second and Leah Bauer (Polaris) in third. All three of these classes ran their second moto on day two for an over average result. Race six was back to the two day timed format. In the Masters 50+ class, Jon Arneson (Arctic Cat) led after day one by 19.506 seconds. In the Trail class, Kyle Grover (Polaris) held a healthy lead of 1 minute 15.056 seconds. Race seven of the day was the heads up Sport Improved final who ran four laps. These results were based on who crossed the line first. After four laps of nail biting action, the classic sled pulled off the win over all the modern sleds! Collin Grover took the win on his Polaris with a four lap time of 31 minutes 20.141 seconds. In second place was Jakob Olson (Polaris) only 2.755 seconds out of the first place position. Rounding out the podium was Brady Wadena on his Arctic Cat 4.824 seconds out of the lead. In fourth was Tyler Brown (Polaris) 9.093 seconds back and rounding out the top five was Draycen Byfuglien (Polaris) who had a tip over while leading earlier in the race. Race eight of the day was the heads up Semi Pro Final. These racers battled it out for six laps. Luke Van Lyssel took the early race lead but the top five sleds swapped positions every lap! After six laps of tight racing, Jon Arneson was able to claim the win on his Arctic Cat with a total time of 46 minutes 27.707. Finishing second on his Arctic Cat was Keagen Houser only 3.712 seconds out of first. Coming in third was early race leader, Luke Van Lyssel on his Polaris 9.943 seconds back. In fourth was O'Ryan Bosek on his Polaris 15.371 seconds back and in fourth was Cooper Kangas on his Ski-Doo 32.103 seconds back. The final race of the day was the ten lap Pro Open heads up final. Sleds lined up in rows of five based on their qualifying times. All racers had to take a mandatory fuel stop before the white flag taking a minimum of two gallons of fuel. B. Bunke, Hetteen, Erdman, P. Brown, and Herfindahl took their positions on the front row and the green light flashed. Alex Hetteen took the early race lead on his twin pipe Polaris machine with Boe Bunke on his single pipe Polaris buggy on his tail. Erdman, Christensen, Herfindahl, and Paul Brown didn't let this duo out of sight. As Hetteen and B. Bunke slowly pulled away from the field, Boe Bunke made his way into the lead putting Alex Hetteen into second. Sleds began to fuel, mixing up the pack but the two front running waited until lap eight. Bunke and Hetteen pulled into the fuel area together. Hetteen had a quick-fuel stop and regained the race lead. Bunke followed him out of the fuel area but wasn't able to reclose the gap. After ten laps of chasing and being chased, Alex Hetteen earned the Pro Open win on his Polaris mod with a total time of 1

hour 12 minutes 53.937 seconds. Coming in second was Boe Bunke on his Polaris single pipe machine only 4.394 seconds back. Rounding out the podium on his Polaris mod was Aaron Christensen 1 minute and 23.837 seconds back. In fourth was Paul Brown on his Arctic Cat 1 minute 38.525 seconds back and in fifth was Ross Erdman 1 minute and 49.104 seconds out of the lead. Sunday brought overcast skies but the win had died down. Racing got underway at 9 AM with race one being the Pro Factory Stock and Semi Pro Factory Stock two lap qualifier. After two quick laps, the defending Pro Stock champ, Zach Herfindahl, was the top qualifier on his Arctic Cat with a total time of 14 minutes 53.514 seconds. Qualifying second was Polaris racer Marshall Busse only 2.586 seconds off of Herfindahl. In third was rookie, Evan Peppel (Polaris) 3.705 seconds off the lead. Dan Revering (Polaris) qualified fourth 3.734 seconds back and Gunner Arlaud (Arctic Cat) fifth 6.691 seconds back. All 18 racers were within one minute of each other! In the Semi Pro Factory Stock class, Keagen Houser (Arctic Cat) was the top qualifier with a time of 15 minutes and 14.047 seconds. Qualifying second was Brandon Wolter (Polaris) 10.043 seconds back. In third was O'Ryan Bosek (Polaris) 13.699 seconds back, fourth was Cooper Kangas (Ski-Doo) 15.286 seconds back and in fifth was Lucas Vaadi (Polaris) 18.028 seconds back. The second race of Sunday was the Sport Stock qualifier. After two laps, all 25 sleds qualified within one minute of each other! Coming out on top was the Arctic Cat of Brady Wadena with a time of 15 minutes 24.488 seconds. In second was Jon Arneson (Arctic Cat) 6.177 seconds back. Qualifying third was Collin Grover on his classic Polaris sled 10.160 back. In fourth was Jakob Olson (Polaris) 12.902 seconds back and in fifth was Tyler Brown (Polaris) 13.879 seconds back. The third race brought the Junior 14-17 classes, the Vet 30+, Masters 50+, and Classic classes back on the track for their second day of racing. After a solid two days of racing in the Classics class, Collin Grover took the overall win on his Polaris with a total time of 47 minutes and 5.096 seconds. Coming in seconds was Kyle Grover and in third was Glen Arlaud. In the Junior 14-17 class, Brady Wimpfheimer put together a strong showing and took the win on his Arctic Cat with a time of 50 minutes 11.169 seconds. In second was Bennett Iverson on his Arctic Cat and in third overall was Axle Amsden making it an all Arctic Cat podium. In the Junior 14-17 Girls class, Katie Clark showed speed and took the overall win with a time of 51 minutes 1.603 seconds. In second was Taylor Cloose and coming in third was Rachel Wimpfheimer making it another Arctic Cat sweep. In the Masters 50+ class, Jeff McKay took the win on his Polaris with a time of 48 minutes 15.997 seconds. In second was Tommie Quam and taking third was Paul Votava. In Vet 30+, Adam Brandt took the win on his Arctic Cat with a total time of 49 minutes 39.184 seconds. Coming in second was Jared Christensen on his Polaris. Race four was back to the Junior classes with the 10-13 and 10-13 Girls along with the Transition 8-12 class. The young Polaris racer of Luke Fredman had a strong running this weekend taking home the Junior 10-13 class. Coming in second was Rielly Clark (Arctic Cat) and in third was Cole Prusak on his Polaris. In the Junior 10-13 Girls class, Kynsie Diesen took another win this weekend on her Arctic Cat with Charlie Kangas in second on her Ski-Doo and in third was Madysen Landin on her Polaris. In the Junior 8-12 Transition class, Brently Iverson took the win on his Arctic Cat with Aidan Jurina in second and Gavin Gruhot in third on his Polaris. Race five was the second moto for the Pro Factory Women's, Pro Vet 35+, and Expert 600 Limited class. In the Expert 600 Limited class, Brady Wimpfheimer went 1-1 for a first overall on his Arctic Cat. Bennett Iverson went 2-2 on his Arctic Cat for a second overall and going 3-4 for a third overall was Axel Amsden on his Arctic Cat. In the Pro Vet 35+ class, it was pretty straight forward. Justin Tate went 1-1 on his Polaris for first overall. Jon Arneson went 2-2 for second overall on his Arctic Cat

and Craig Ritzinger went 3-3 for a third overall on his Ski-Doo. In the Pro Factory Women's class, the results were a lot tighter. Leah Bauer was the first to cross the line on day two (moto two) but she missed a marker on the course which is a one minute penalty. This put Leah Bauer from first to fourth which made her overall results a 3-4 for a fourth overall. After having a solid day two of racing was Reese Novacek (Polaris) going 5-2 for a third overall. Placing second overall was Unity Gausen (Polaris) going 1-3 in her motos. And taking the overall win in the Pro Factory Women's class was McKenna Cloose going 2-1 on her Arctic Cat. The final race that was based on time for the weekend was the Masters 40+ and Trail class. After two days of racing, Jon Arneson (Arctic Cat) took the win with a time of 47 minutes 52.326 seconds. In second was Jeff McKay (Polaris) and in third was Glen Arlaud (Arctic Cat). In the Trail division, Kyle Grover (Polaris) took the win with a time of 47 minutes 59.685 seconds. In seconds was Paul Votava (Arctic Cat) and in third was Paul Sillerud (Arctic Cat). Race seven on the day was the heads up Sport Stock final. This class has been competitive all weekend long with the top sleds all being within seconds of each other. Wadena, Arneson, Grover, Olson, and Brown all took their starting spot on the front row. Brady Wadena got out to the early race lead on his Arctic Cat with a slew of sleds behind him. Wadena held the lead after one lap with Arneson in tow. It didn't take long for Collin Grover to make his way into third place on his classic Polaris sled which showed speed all weekend long. While Arneson chased Wadena around the course, Grover was closing in on the duo. After six laps, Jon Arneson was able to get by the youngster of Brady Wadena to take the Sport Stock win with a total time of 30 minutes 32.6 seconds. Wadena finished second both on Arctic Cat only 1.637 seconds out of first and rounding out the podium was Collin Grover on Polaris only 4.082 seconds back. In fourth was Draycen Byfuglien (Polaris) 26.745 seconds back and in fifth was Tyler Brown (Polaris) 46.304 seconds back. The next race on the schedule was the Semi Pro Factory Stock Final. They ran six laps with a heads up start, no fuel stops. Houser, Wolter, Bosek, Kangas, and Vaadi started on the front row of this one. The light flashed green and they were off across the lake. Van Lyssel, Bosek, Wolter, Kangas, and Houser were all duking it out up front throughout the entire race. Van Lyssel worked his way to the front with Bosek, Kangas, Wolter, and Houser all in tow. These five did not give each other much breathing room and kept the battle tight making for great racing to watch! After six laps, Luke Van Lyssel captured the win on his Polaris with a total time of 45 minutes 28.6 seconds. Crossing the line second was O'Ryan Bosek (Polaris) but due to hitting a course marker, he was penalized 30 seconds. With how tight the top sleds were, this put Bosek back to eighth place. Keagen Houser (Arctic Cat) was bumped into second 2.923 seconds out of first and Cooper Kangas (Ski-Doo) into third 3.314 behind the leader. In fourth was Brandon Wolter (Polaris) 4.202 seconds back and in fifth was Derek Kloety

Death Notice for Roger Buchholz

Roger Buchholz, age 77, of McIntosh, MN, passed away on Sunday, March 10th, at his home with his family by his side. Funeral arrangements are pending with Carlin Family Funeral Service of McIntosh and messages of condolence may be shared at www.carlinfuneral.com.



(Arctic Cat) 18.954 seconds back. The final race of the weekend was the Pro Factory Stock Final. This race was 10 laps, heads up, with one mandatory fuel stop taking a minimum of four gallons. Herfindahl, Busse, Peppel, Revering, Arlaud, and Hallstrom took their starting spots on the front row. Pro rookie Jesse Hallstrom took the early race lead with Marshall Busse running second. Gunner Arlaud and Evan Peppel ran fourth and fifth early. It didn't take long for round one's winner Jesse Hallstrom to form a gap over the rest of the field. Busse was the only one who had Hallstrom in sight but he was pulling away quickly. Herfindahl, who was running seventh early, was running similar lap times to Hallstrom but was not running in clean air and trying to make passes through the pack which is never an easy feat. Sleds began to pull in for fuel while Hallstrom and Busse both stayed out until near the end. On lap eight, Hallstrom pulled into pit lane with Busse following him in. Busse had a quicker fuel stop than Hallstrom and the two pulled out of pit row almost side by side. This is what Busse needed to close the gap! Busse did get around Hallstrom for the lead but Hallstrom was able to get back around him. Coming into the checkered the two were neck and neck and it was anybody's race! However, just like

last weekend, the Ski-Doo crossed the line first and the Pro Rookie, Jesse Hallstrom, is now a two time Pro Factory Stock winner. Hallstrom's total time was 1 hour 19 minutes 15.298 seconds. Marshall Busse (Polaris) finished with a strong second place only 0.567 seconds behind Hallstrom. Zach Herfindahl crossed in third, however, Herfindahl and both Bunke boys were penalized one position for not taking the minimum amount of fuel during their pit stop. This bumped Pro Rookie Evan Peppel (Polaris) into the third place position 8.164 second out of first, Herfindahl (Arctic Cat) into fourth 6.071 second back, and Dan Revering (Polaris) took fifth 27.319 second out of first. The next round of racing was supposed to take place in Ironwood, Michigan on March 15-17th but unfortunately, the area was hit with a large amount of rain and thunderstorms this past weekend and melted the entire base layer of snow. This forced us to cancel the last race of the season and call it a year for this rollercoaster of a season. We would like to thank the community of Naytahwaush for allowing us two host two rounds of racing in 2024! We are excited to be back in 2025. Stay tuned for the release of the 2025 schedule Stay tuned for the release of the 2025 schedule March 15 at High Noon!!!

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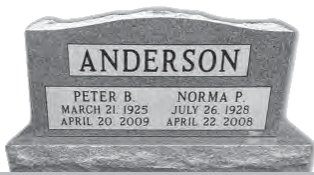
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**Obituary for
Germaine Berglund**

Germaine Yvonne Berglund passed away peacefully on March 8th, 2024, surrounded by the love of her family. A devoted mother of five, cherished grandmother of 16, and selfless friend to many, Germaine's life was a testament to love, kindness, generosity, and deep faith.

Born on May 7th, 1926, in Fargo, North Dakota, Germaine graduated from Bagley High School with the class of 1945. She embarked on a journey of love and companionship when she married the love of her life, Jennings Berglund. Together, they established their home in Minneapolis before settling in Fosston, Minnesota, where they raised their five children.

Gerry, as she was affectionately known, led a life filled with passion and purpose. Her days were spent

nurturing her family and cultivating her many interests, including baking, gardening, sewing, and volunteering. She approached each day with boundless energy and an unwavering commitment to those she loved.

Gerry is preceded in death by her beloved husband, Jennings Berglund, and her daughter, Linda Nyland. She is survived by her children Gary (Pat) Berglund, John Berglund, Sheri Berglund, and LouAnn Berglund.

Her legacy lives on through her adoring grandchildren: Shanna (Nyland) Hein (Ben), Helmer (Sara) Nyland, Kristine Nyland, Jason Kelly (Liberty), Eric Berglund, Kelsey Berglund (Ariel), Nicole Shelton (Peter), Matthew Berglund, Yvonne Powers, Gracie Haaf and Jacob Haaf. She also leaves behind great-grandchildren Amanda Nyland, Tristan Nyland, Declan and Jack Kelly, Kaylee, and Jace Bautista, and a grandchild expected in June.

In remembrance of Germaine's life, a funeral service will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, March 16th, at Kingo Lutheran Church in Fosston with the Rev. John Ragan officiating. Interment will be in Rosehill Cemetery, Fosston. Friends and family are invited to celebrate her life and honor her memory. Gerry will be dearly missed, but her spirit will forever remain in our hearts, a beacon of love and inspiration to all who knew her.

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**Obituary for
Henry Dunrud**

Henry Dunrud, age 98, of Fosston, MN, passed away on Thursday, March 7th, at Essentia First Care Living Center in Fosston. A memorial service will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, March 23rd, at Hope Lutheran Church in Fosston with Dawn Hanson officiating. Interment will be in Zion Lutheran Cemetery, Gully. Family will greet friends for one hour prior to the service on Saturday (23rd) at the church. Arrangements are with Carlin Family Funeral Service of Fosston and messages of condolence may be shared at www.carlinfuneral.com.

Harry Dunrud was born on November 7, 1925 to Selmer and Hulda (Tverberg) Dunrud on the farm in rural Gully MN. Harry was baptized and confirmed at Zion Lutheran Church. Harry grew up on the farm north of Fosston and attended Willowside Country School through 8th grade. After completing school Harry remained at home with his parents to help with the farming and milking. Upon Selmers death in 1972 Harry became the third generation to own and operate the homestead farm. Harry was so kind to his animals and very aware if one of them was under the weather and needed a shot or some medication to make them better. He always struggled to sell his cattle for fear that someone would be mean to them.

Harry continued to farm and milk cows until he lost his eyesight to Macular Degeneration and had to retire and rent the farm out. Harry sold the farm in 2016 ending the generational family ownership of the homestead farm after 132 years. Harry was the favorite uncle to all of his nieces and nephews who all begged to go for sleep overs at Grampa and Harrys. Harry would make peanut brittle, popcorn, root beer floats and stay up late with us watching the Sonia Henie movies on the Red Owl Theater on TV and still get up very early the next morning to milk cows. Harry was a good cook and would bake bread often so we could have cream on bread with sugar. Harry moved into the Prairie Pines assisted living in 2009 and continued to cook for himself and bake bread. The staff loved the smell of fresh baked bread wafting from his room.

Harry is survived by his nieces and nephews, Marlo & Sharon Roland of Tucson Az, Anna Marie Anderson of Lewiston Id, Wesley & Susie Roland of Fosston, Harvey & Sandy Roland of Wahpeton ND, Harriet & Dave Erck-enbrack of Frazee, Cathy & Chuck Castle of Pleasanton CA, Carolyn Lange of Badger, Valerie Dunrud of International Falls, Danny & Sis-sy Dunrud of Badger, Tom & Chris Dunrud of Staples, Beverly Nelson of Monticello, Virginia & Larry Siverson of Bemidji, Maxine Sorgaard of Fosston, Charles Algaard of Bemidji, and many great and great great nieces and nephews.

Harry was preceded in death by his parents Selmer & Hulda Dunrud, sister Alice & Alf Roland, sister Adele & Jim Jasper, brother Kenneth & Verna Dunrud, Sister Opal & Earl Algaard, nephew David Algaard, niece Sandy Carlton, niece Julie Watson, nephew Mark Dunrud, niece Sue Ellen Dunrud, nephew Jim Jasper Jr., Dwight Lange, Cecil Nelson, Lloyd Anderson, Darlene Algaard, Dean Sorgaard. Blessed be his memory.



Services for Linda Hagen

Linda (Browne) Hagen, age 71, of Fosston, MN, died on Friday, March 8, 2024, at her home.

Funeral Services will be held at 1:00 pm on Friday, March 22, 2024, at Dovre Free Lutheran Church, Winger, MN. Burial with Military Honors will take place at Union Lake Cem-

etery, rural Winger.

Please feel free to sign the guestbook, send condolences and view other opportunities which may be available on the website.

Arrangements entrusted to Anderson Family

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**Obituary for
Wanda La Voi**

Wanda Fay La Voi, 83, of Bemidji, MN died Saturday, February 24, 2024 at her home.

Memorial services were held at 1:00 pm, Tuesday, March 12, 2024 at Cease Family Funeral Home in Bemidji, MN. Visitation was held one hour prior to the service.

Wanda was born November 14, 1940 in McIntosh, MN, the 4th child to Jessie (Morgan) Thompson and Lloyd Russell Thompson. She was baptized in Trinity Lutheran Church in McIntosh. She was confirmed at Our Saviors Lutheran Church in McIntosh. She attended school in McIntosh and graduated in 1958. After graduation Wanda worked at the ASC office during the summer. She then began working at Sessions Drug Store in Fosston, MN where she worked until

1960. She married Richard Earl Omer La Voi on August 26, 1960 in Our Saviors Lutheran Church in McIntosh.

After Wanda and Dick were married, they moved to Crookston, MN. Wanda worked as a proof reader for the Crookston Times until 1961. They moved to Bemidji after Dick was transferred to Brent's Music Center where Wanda also worked. They worked for Brent's until 1970 when they decided to move to Alaska. Wanda worked for J.C. Penney in the parts department from 1970 until 1983. She also worked two seasons at Bell's Nursery in Anchorage. In 1986 they returned to Minnesota and they bought Camp Faribo at Faribault, MN which they owned and operated until 1996 when they retired. Wanda volunteered at St. Philip's Thrift Store in Bemidji. They also were volunteers at nursing homes. Wanda enjoyed riding bicycle on the trails in Bemidji, painting, doing crossword puzzles, and spending time with her Deep Rock neighborhood family.

Wanda is survived by her sister, Audrey Holm of Fosston, MN, brother, Noel Thompson of McIntosh, MN, and nieces, nephews, and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Dick, and her brother, Lyle Thompson.

Condolences may be left at ceasefuneralhome.com.



**Obituary for
Larry Broin**

Larry Carroll Broin, age 88, of New Rockford, ND, passed away on Sunday, March 3rd, 2024, at the Lutheran Home of the Good Shepherd. After a long fight with cancer, he died peacefully with his loving family by his side.

Larry was born to Leander and Cora (Clausen) Broin on August 1st, 1935, at their farmstead outside of Gonvick, MN. Larry was the second of six children.

After graduating from Gonvick High School in 1953 he worked at various jobs including at a taconite mill on the Minnesota north shore and at a smelter in Great Falls, MT.

Larry joined the US Marine Corps at age 18 in May 1954. He attended basic training in San Diego. After basic training he was stationed at Camp Pendleton, where he drove military semi-trailer trucks. During his two years of active duty, Larry was stationed on the Japanese island of Okinawa where he was assigned to assist collecting insect samples and testing for insect-borne disease.

After eight years in the Marine Corp, he moved back to Minneapolis. It was in Minneapolis in 1963 that he met the love of his life, Beverly Arneson. They were married on January 3, 1964, and were blessed with three children- fraternal twins Jeanette and Annette in 1964 and Darrin in 1967.

In the early 1970s they moved to Billings, MT, where Larry worked repairing semi

tanker trailers and forklifts. Larry later began his first job as a member of the Teamsters Union, driving cement mixer for Quality Concrete.

While in Billings, Larry joined the local Naval Reserve unit of the Seabees. In 1979 Larry served his annual two-week training on the Pacific Island of Midway.

In 1979 Larry and the family moved to New Rockford, ND to be closer to family. He drove grain semi-trailers for Farmers Equity Elevator.

In 1985, after their children graduated from High School, Larry and Beverly moved back to Billings. Larry returned to work repairing road oil tankers. Then with Interstate Brands (aka Sweetheart Bakery) as a transport driver to areas in North Dakota, Montana and Wyoming.

When Larry retired in 1997, he and Beverly moved back to New Rockford. During his retirement, he enjoyed spending time with his family (especially his grandchildren) and doing various woodworking projects from building furniture to making lawn ornaments. He was a proud Marine and in his later years could always be seen wearing his Marine Corp hat and jacket. He also loved playing games and spent many hours playing cards, Aggravation and Farkel (dice) with his family. He was deeply loved and will be missed by us all.

Larry was preceded in death by his eldest sister Gloria (infant), parents Leander and Cora Broin, sister Darlene (Dennis) Haugen, brother Gerald "Mickey" (Shirley) Broin and sister-in-law Shirley (Gerald) Broin, sister Ardell (Dickey) Maple, and grandson Levi Duda.

Larry is survived by his wife Beverly, sister Pat (Al) Santos, daughters Jeanette (Brian) Perleberg and Annette (Duane) Duda, son Darrin (Melissa) Broin, grandchildren Jayme (Ross) Martell, Miranda Broin, Kori (fiancé Eric Eckdahl) Duda, Alex (Brooke) Perleberg, Demetri Broin, Alecia Hagen, Sasha Hagen, and great-grandchildren Maxx, Jaxon, and Brooks Martell.

On-line condolences may be sent at www.EvansFuneralHomeND.com



**Obituary for
Randy Finseth**

Randy Finseth, age 64, of Trail, MN, passed away on Saturday, March 2nd, at Essentia Hospital in Fargo, ND. A memorial service was held at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 9th, at Vernes Lutheran Church, rural Trail, MN with the Rev. Lee Laaveg officiating. Interment in Vernes Lutheran Cemetery. Family greeted friends for one hour prior to the service on Saturday at the church. Arrangements with Carlin Family Funeral Service of Fosston and messages of condolence may be shared at www.carlinfuneral.com.

Randy Dean Finseth was born December 10th, 1959, in Fosston, Minnesota to Darrell Finseth and Patricia (Lund) Finseth and was the third of eight kids. He was baptized and confirmed at Vernes Lutheran Church in McIntosh, Minnesota. He attended McIntosh school, graduating in 1977. Randy never took life too seriously and would often bring humor to any conversation. You would often meet him with a smile or grin on his face, and he never turned down anyone needing help.

Randy had many talents and was not afraid to tackle any project whether it was construction, automotive, cutting wood or making home im-

provements. In his free time, Randy enjoyed playing cards and occasionally watching the Minnesota Vikings win. He enjoyed visits from his family and friends and would often host family and holiday gatherings. Rarely did anyone hear Randy complain. He was a positive influence on those around him and will be greatly missed. Randy had various careers throughout his life, with one of his first jobs after high school of installing irrigation systems, which took him to Georgia, where he met Janel Steile. Randy was united in marriage to Janel in Athens, Georgia in October 1987 and to this union their son Derrick Thor was born. Janel passed away in 1989. Randy moved to Fargo where he was employed as a backhoe operator with the 49ers pipeline for over 10 years. While working in Fargo, Randy purchased his home farm in Trail, while commuting back on weekends. It was during this time that he met Tracy Peterson and found they shared a love for outdoor activities such as hunting, fishing and 4-wheeling. They were united in marriage on April 16th, 2010 and raised two daughters, Michelle and Erin. For the last several years Randy worked at DigiKey in Thief River Falls until his recent retirement.

Randy is survived by his loving wife, Tracy; his son Derrick Finseth; his step-daughters Michelle and Erin Sundquist; his mother Patricia Finseth; his siblings Becky Melcher, Danny (Mary) Finseth, Beverly (Nick) Fenko, Janet (Jenny) Rand, Jill (Vici) Finseth, Richard Finseth, Michael (Roxanne) Finseth; mother-in-law, Sonja Steile of Gully, MN; many nieces and nephews and other relatives.

He was preceded in death by his father, Darrell Finseth; and father-in-law, Ronald Steile.



**Obituary for
Prestan Marquis**

Prestan Marquis passed away on Saturday, March 2, 2024 at Altru Hospital in Grand Forks, ND surrounded by his family and friends.

On Friday, March 15, 2024, a visitation will be held from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM with a 7:00 PM prayer service at Zion Lutheran Church in Thief River Falls, MN. Visitation will also be held one hour prior to the service at the church on Saturday.

On Saturday, March 16, 2024, a Celebration of Life Service will be held at 10:30 AM at Zion Lutheran Church in Thief River Falls, MN with Pastor Curtis Johnson officiating.

Prestan Gabriel Marquis was born on August 14, 1991, at Northwest Medical Center in Thief River Falls, MN, the youngest of 6 children born to Arlen and Joani (Jensen) Marquis of Trail, MN. Prestan was dedicated to the Lord at Bethel Assembly in Fosston, MN, in 1991 and in 2000 he accepted Jesus as his personal Lord and Savior and was baptized at River of Life Church by Pastor Troy Bates.

Prestan was a fun loving, curious, busy, and active little boy who kept his siblings on their toes, especially his older sisters. He was witty, comical and had a great memory for reciting lines from his favorite movies and cartoons. He loved to dress up in his Superhero costumes while watching cartoons. On November 1, 1996, Prestan was diagnosed with Type 1 diabetes.

He was homeschooled, then later attended the Community Church Christian School in Thief River Falls where he made many friends and played soccer. In 2002-2003, he entered Goodridge Public School in Goodridge, MN, in the 5th grade. He joined Tae Kwan Do, attended Bible Camp and Camp

Sioux in ND during the summer. Prestan participated in Jr. High basketball, football, band, and school plays. In 2009, he traveled to Europe with People to People. In 2010, he graduated from GHS and attended NCTC. Prestan regularly attended church with his family and was involved in Children's Ministry, audio/video, ushering and singing with the Praise and Worship Team.

Some of Prestan's favorite topics centered around politics, history, comics, movies, tv series, Wild Hockey, video games, and wrestling. He had a great memory for dates and events. He loved singing, learning random facts, researching history, experimenting with spices in the kitchen, folding laundry with nice crisp lines, parties, teaching people new things, doing impressions of celebrities and politicians, making people laugh, and any time he could hang out with friends and family.

Prestan was employed at various jobs including Northwest Medical Center, TRF Care Center, Pennington Main, Arctic Cat Enterprises, Spee-Dee delivery, and the USPS. He was currently employed at Digi-Key Corp.

In 2017, Prestan met Lillian Fox and they became engaged in 2019. Prestan and Lillian were married on September 5, 2020, at River of Life Church in Thief River Falls, MN. Their son, Eli Jerald Marquis, was born on May 24, 2023, in Fargo, ND.

Prestan is survived by and will forever be missed by his loving wife, Lillian, their son, Eli, his parents Arlen and Joani, siblings, Tera (Stuart) Carter, Ridley and Griffin of Aurora, CO; Garrett (Christina) Marquis, Andrew, Caleb, and Owen of Detroit Lakes, MN; Averre (Erica) Marquis, Peyton and Sloane of Detroit Lakes, MN; Shandrae (Nick) Kazmierczak, Damian and Mason of St. Hilaire, MN; and Britanne (Justin) Edelvold, Jackson and Cyrus of Red Lake Falls, MN. His maternal grandmother, Bonnie Jensen of Oklee, MN and many aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends. Also, his two fur babies, DeeDee and Kaz.

He is preceded in death by his grandparents Dick and Marian Marquis and Alvin Jensen. His aunt Sharon Jensen, cousins Lilliann Jensen, Seth Marquis, Gabriel Knudson, and friend John Ewens.

Condolences may be sent at johnsonfuneralservice.com

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Minnesota State Capitol, St. Paul, Minnesota. File photo.

Women in Ag Day at the Capitol on March 25

ST. PAUL, MN (3/7/2024)—Women from the breadth of Minnesota's agriculture community are invited to share their stories with legislators and key leaders at the Minnesota State Capitol for Women in Ag Day on Monday, March 25.

Organizers seek to celebrate the role of women in agriculture and raise awareness of issues and challenges they face in their work. All involved with agriculture are encouraged to attend.

"We want to work with legislators and other leaders to help inspire more women to pursue dreams of farming and other ag-related work," said Susanne Hinrichs, University of Minnesota Extension ag business educator.

The Day at the Capitol on March 25 includes viewing the Senate floor while in session, as well as attending the Senate Ag Committee meeting at 3 p.m. A reception for networking with other participants and leaders will follow. Registration is requested to help organizers plan. For more information,

go to this website: z.umn.edu/DayAtTheCapitol2024.

Participants are encouraged to schedule appointments with their legislators during the day. Further information can be found at the website above.

This event is being hosted by the Minnesota Department of Agriculture, Minnesota Office of Farm Service Agency, and University of Minnesota Extension. A reception is sponsored by Minnesota Farmers Union, Minnesota Farm Bureau, and Minnesota Corn Growers. Participants do not need to be affiliated with any of the host organizations. This event is open to all regardless of gender identity or expression.

For more information, contact Susanne Hinrichs at susanneh@umn.edu or visit the Women in Ag Day site at: z.umn.edu/DayAtTheCapitol2024

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Northland Community & Technical College nursing instructor wins Dale P. Parnell Distinguished Faculty Award

EAST GRAND FORKS, Minn., March 7, 2024 — Northland Community and Technical College recently achieved national recognition for excellence in higher education. In February, Karen Znajda, a nursing instructor at Northland, was informed that she would receive the Dale P. Parnell Distinguished Faculty Award from the American Association of Community Colleges (AACC) for her outstanding teaching contributions. The award will be presented at the upcoming AACC annual conference in Louisville, Kentucky.

The annual award is named after former AACC President and CEO Dale P. Parnell. It was established in 2018 as a way to recognize teaching professionals who make a significant impact on student success through the skills and innovations they bring to the classroom. Specifically, award winners demonstrate a passion for the students in the classroom and a willingness to support their students both inside and outside the classroom.

For two decades, Znajda has gone beyond her job description to ensure her students succeed in academics and are well-prepared for the demanding healthcare field.

"Karen is most deserving of the Dale P. Parnell Distinguished Faculty Award," said Dr. Sandy Kiddoo, president of Northland Community &

Technical College. "She has shown dedication to her students, the college, and her profession. The entire region has benefited from her excellent teaching skills, as her students have successfully filled highly in-demand nursing positions throughout the area. As a community college, it is our mission to support our local economies, and Karen has played a central role in helping Northland fulfill that mission for over two decades."

Znajda has been teaching full-time for the Northland nursing program since 2004. She teaches classes both on campus and online, as well as in the skills lab for the Practical Nursing Program and the Registered Nursing program. Her extensive experience in the nursing field allows her to make a significant impact in the classroom.

"I am deeply honored and humbled by this national recognition," said Znajda. "Teaching nursing students has been a rewarding experience, and I feel privileged to witness their growth and dedication as they pursue their educational goals in Practical Nursing, Registered Nursing, and beyond. I have thoroughly enjoyed my time here at Northland, and I consider myself fortunate to be able to bring my passion for nursing into the classroom. My ultimate goal is to inspire and encourage my students to achieve their full potential



Karen Znajda brings decades of real-world experience to the classroom, delivering well-rounded healthcare professionals to the region.

in the nursing field. It is my pleasure to work with such wonderful students who have gone on to excel in their nursing careers. For me, teaching is not just a job, it is a passion, and the success of Northland nurses is my reward."

Before her career in academia, Znajda worked in various healthcare settings, including long-term care, home health care, rural hospital settings, and a surgical nursing department for 15 years. She also has 14 years of experience as an EMT.



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