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Receiving a Quilt of Valor during the Veteran's Day program at Win-E-Mac School was Allen Jensen. Allen is pictured here with his family that was in attendance.

Quilts of Valor presented at Win-E-Mac Veterans Day program

The staff and students at Win-E-Mac School honored area Veteran's last Friday, November 11th during a program held at the school. Many Veterans and community members attended the event.

During the event, two Quilts of Valor were presented to Travis Kolden and Allen Jensen. Our local Quilts of Valor ladies have now presented 30 quilts to honor area Veteran's.

Travis Kolden received one of the quilts presented during the program. Travis is currently a member of the New Hampshire Air National Guard assigned to the 260th Air Traffic Control Squadron, Pease Air National Guard Base as the Chief of Combat Airspace. He is a 2002 graduate of Win-E-Mac and the University of North Dakota in 2006 where he earned a commission as a Second Lieutenant after completing the Reserve Officer Training Program. His first active duty station was at Pease

Air National Guard base, New Hampshire where he obtained air traffic control and airfield management certifications. While stationed at Pease, he deployed in support of Operations IRAQI FREEDOM as the Airfield Operations Flight, Director of Operations in the 506th Expeditionary Operations Support Squadron, Kirkuk Regional Air Base, Iraq, where he supported the training of Iraqi Air Force pilots and managed the northern third of Iraq's airspace. Upon returning from deployment in 2009, he was assigned to the 71st Flying Training Wing at Vance Air Force Base, Oklahoma, as the Airfield Operations Flight, Systems Officer. While stationed at Vance, Captain Kolden deployed in support of Operation IRAQI FREEDOM/NEW DAWN as the Airfield Operations Flight, Director of Operations in the 332nd Expeditionary Operations Support Squadron, Joint Base

Balad, Iraq, where he managed the southern two thirds of Iraq's airspace and all combat flight operations in and out of Balad Air Base. Upon return from his second deployment he was sent to be the Airfield Operations Flight Commander in the 92nd Operations Support Squadron at Fairchild AFB, Washington. While stationed at Fairchild, he deployed to Kabul, Afghanistan in 2012 supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM as the Chief, Airfield Management Section for the International Security Assistance Force. While deployed to Afghanistan he was responsible for supporting the development of the Afghanistan equivalent of the FAA.

Allen Jensen graduated from Mayville in March 1971. As a graduation present, he was called by the USA to service in the Army. He was sent to Vietnam in August 1971. He attained the rank of Specialist 4. He served

in the Infantry. Some of the highlights of his tour were the Bob Hope Christmas Show in December 1971. Approximately 20,000 soldiers sat in a bowl shaped field, and were able to celebrate a little bit of Christmas. Another highlight was a short reunion with his long time neighbor and friend, Scott Hanson. He returned to the United States with his unit, the 101st Airborne Infantry Division in March of 1972. His homecoming was bittersweet as he found out that his brother had passed away the day before. He received an early out, and was honorably discharged in June 1972. He is currently a member of the American Legion Post 596 of Erskine, the McIntosh VFW and the Disabled American Veterans. He has been the gambling manager for the American Legion since August 2001.

Thank you to these Veterans and to all who have served to protect our Nation.



Alex Broadwell, a member of Boy Scout Troop 227 out of St. Mary's Church in Willmar, MN, presented his handmade flag cases for his Eagle Scout service project to Leroy Sundquist of the Gonvick American Legion Post 304. Alex is a senior at Willmar High School and is the son of Todd and Lyla Broadwell of Willmar and the grandson of the late Lyle and Sharon Lund of Trail, MN and grandson of George and Audrey Broadwell of Thief River Falls, MN.

Alex built wooden cases to display veterans flags in honor of his grandfather, Lyle Lund, who was a Korean war veteran and member of the Trail VFW.



Travis Kolden and his family. Travis received a Quilt of Valor during the Veteran's Day program at Win-E-Mac School on Friday, November 11th. Travis and his wife have 5 children, the 3 pictured were able to attend the program at school.

Great Crowd in Gully for Hunters Supper Event on Deer Season Opener!

Great food, great company and great weather brought a near-record crowd into Gully on the opening of Deer Hunting rifle season last Sat. November 5th. They came for the traditional Deer Hunters Supper Event hosted by the Lund Lutheran Church Congregation in Gully.

The annual fund-raising event has become a homecoming for Gully friends and families who've made it part of their deer season tradition to join the fun and lighten the workload. Extended family, friends and old neighbors come home Saturday to gather for fun visiting and to participate in setting up, serving and cleanup details of the event and to share in a good meal. Prep-day is attractive to the hunters because it is on the Friday before the season opens and doesn't interfere with the hunt.

The Hunters Supper Event in Gully also attracted the shopping folks. The Lund Ladies Aid Annual Fall Market has become a highly-anticipated, interesting and convenient pre-holiday shopping experience. Handicrafts, home-baked goods, garden produce and home-made preserves were presented alongside many other specialty gift items. Early birds got the worm this year as items flew to the cash table almost as fast as they could be put on display. (Note for next year: Non-hunters be early for the best shopping.)

Shortly after sunset, the whole event became a buzz of festivity. A mass of hungry hunters came for a hearty meal and to hear how others were doing in the hunt. Many came dressed in orange; some of course, because they came right in from the deer-stands,

and others, including non-hunters, wore orange just because it was the appropriate style of the evening. Even the kitchen workers were wearing new blaze orange hunters supper aprons made locally especially for the event. Lund's Congregation and Friends served up a hearty meal of meatballs, gravy, potatoes, wild rice, baked beans, corn, lefse, bread, dessert and many extra trimmings to the large crowd, and sent out many takeouts. Meal proceeds will support the General Operating Fund for Lund Church.

The fun didn't stop there. Each year, a huge highlight of the event is the Gift Basket Raffle held by the Gully-Trail Parish Youth Group. This year there were sixty fun and fancy gift baskets of all sizes and themes displayed for hopeful ticket-holders to preview and try to win. The baskets were made up by the Youth Group with items and novel containers that have been donated all through the year. Dollar tickets are dropped into a container next to the basket (s) that one would like to win. Drawings were held from those containers for each basket. This really has been an entertaining and exciting activity for all ages. It's a lot of fun even for very young participants. Hunters can hope to bring a nice gift basket back home, and many times people just try to win a little treat for themselves while supporting the Youth Group. Whether you win or not, it's great entertainment to pick your favorite baskets, and there have been various "strategies" adopted by some veteran basket bidders. One approach is to put all your tickets toward one carefully chosen basket, theoretically



Elizabeth Svor, Beth Podoll, Trinity Lee and Carlie Coulte were part of the kitchen crew at the annual Hunters Supper Event in Gully on opening Saturday of Deer Season. Lund Lutheran Church Congregation and Friends and Family were stylin' in festive new blaze orange aprons while they served up a meal fit for hungry hunters.

increasing your chance to win, but then, of course, this is just like putting all your eggs in one basket. Another popular method was to find the baskets with the least tickets in their container, again hopefully increasing one's chance of winning. Others prefer to look the choices over, choose favorites and just go back for more tickets if needed! Tons of fun, some of these amazingly creative baskets are whimsical, some are practical, some pretty, some themed for various holidays or activities.

Those who participated in this year's annual Gully Lund Church Hunters Supper Event know it was a great evening. Those who missed knowing they missed out. Anyone wishing to join in next year

and participate in the prep, set-up, serving or cleanup of the meal, contribute to costs or donate handi-work, bake sale or preserves items for the Lund Ladies Aid Fall Market, or any items that can be used in making baskets up for the Gully-Trail Parish Youth Gift Basket Raffle, please know that you will be welcomed and your help is really helpful!

The Gully Hunters' Supper Event, sponsored by Lund Lutheran Church in Gully, is held annually on Deer Season Opener serving from 5 to 8 p.m. It's always "Come as You Are" and everyone is welcome. So put the Hunters Supper in Gully in your hunting party's menu plans for next year! Make it part of your annual hunting opener tradition. See you there!



The Lund Ladies Aid Fall Market at the annual Hunters Supper Event in Gully offered a variety of beautiful preserves donated by members and friends. Funds raised from the Market will be put into service by the Lund Ladies Aid.

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Nyhus wins \$25,000

Steven Nyhus of Fosston won \$25,000 playing the Lottery's Stacks of Cash game. Nyhus claimed the prize on Nov. 7, 2016. LePiers West in Fosston, sold the winning ticket.

Sound Off, combat veterans support group at Sanford Bemidji

BEMIDJI, Minn. — Sanford Bemidji offers a support group, Sound Off, for combat veterans. It is held from 5 to 7 p.m. the first and third Tuesday each month at Sanford Bemidji Medical Center's Conference Room A, located immediately to the right through the hospital's main east entrance. The group will meet next on Nov. 15 and Dec. 6.

The group is free and open to men and women from all branches of service, regardless of conflict or disaster. It is facilitated by Billy Benso, United States Marine Corps (USMC) combat veteran, and Mike Sletta, behavioral health triage therapist at Sanford Bemidji.

The group provides members with a safe and confidential place to openly discuss personal issues and how their combat experience impacts their daily life.

"Post-traumatic stress disorder, or PTSD, is a condition many veterans struggle with after traumatic experiences such as combat or disaster," said Sletta. "What we want our vets to know is that it's real, you are not alone, and help is out there with groups like ours."

The support group can help veterans learn that:

- Combat did change them
- No matter what they do, they can't change what they've experienced
- Drugs, alcohol, isolation and denial don't work as coping behaviors
- With support of other combat vets, they can learn to live with PTSD

Any veteran interested in attending can simply show up at the scheduled meeting time.

Call (218) 333-5165 or (218) 333-2582 to learn more.



Our Lund Church community of Gully wants to thank all who came and participated in the annual Deer Hunters Supper Event on Saturday, November 5th. Thanks to all of you who joined us for supper and bought Ladies Aid Fall Market items and Gully-Trail Youth Group gift basket raffle tickets. Blessings to all who donated food and of themselves to help in many ways to make this a fun and successful evening. See you in Gully next year on Saturday Deer Hunting Opener!

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Customer Appreciation Day

Saturday, December 3, 2016

8:00am - 2:30pm

Lunch | Refreshments | Attendance Gift

Radio Shack Holiday Shopping Specials

Product & Service Displays

Adult & Children's Drawings

See you there!



Garden Valley
Headquarters Building
Erskine, MN

Civil War Jacket Makes Its Way Home To Thief River Falls With NCTC Ceremony

THIEF RIVER FALLS, Minn. — On Thursday, November 10, at 12 p.m. in the Gunderson Commons at Northland Community and Technical College, a Civil War jacket was presented to the City of Thief River Falls from the granddaughter of the soldier who once called Thief River Falls home. Sharon Quern of Grand Rapids, Minnesota donated her grandfather's Civil War uniform to Thief River Falls and to NCTC. Accepting the jacket on behalf of the City was Mayor Brian Holmer, and accepting on behalf of the college was Aliza Olson, Minnesota History Instructor who will place the uniform on display at the college.

Sharon Quern's grandfather, the late Thief River Falls resident Samuel T. Johnson, wore the uniform as a soldier from Maine on the side of the North in the Civil War. He was wounded at the Battle of Fair Oaks in Virginia. He was discharged from the army, and moved to Minnesota. There is no record if the land he resided on north of Thief River Falls was in partial payment for Civil War duties. There is reference to S.T. Johnson in the Thief River Falls Times on several occasions. One mentioned he operated a confectionary store and barbershop. Another article mentioned him as one who helped build the community and served as justice of the peace. He died in Thief River Falls on September 10, 1922.

Jim Strandlie, retired NCTC Minnesota history teacher, has worked with the City to arrange for Aliza Novacek-Olson, the current Minnesota History teacher at NCTC, to create and maintain the uniform and artifacts in a display so that the students and greater community can view and appreciate. The event on Thursday also featured Caleb Curfman, as speaker. Caleb was a student of history at NCTC and has visited Civil War sites this past summer.

Thank you to all who joined us in honoring the veterans of Minnesota, both present and past, by attending this presentation in preservation of local military history.

The local VFW and American Legion also attended.



Do you need help to heat your home?

Applications for the 2017 Energy Assistance Program are being taken by Inter-County Community Council. If you feel you may be eligible, either write to Inter-County Community Council/ P. O. Box 189/ Oklee, MN 56742, or phone (218) 796-5144 or 1-888-778-4008 and an application will be mailed to you. You may also access the energy assistance application form on our website: www.intercountycc.org Click on "Programs" and then "Energy" then "Application." Households may apply once during our program year of October 1, 2016 – May 31, 2017.

Energy Assistance eligibility is based upon household income and household size. Assets are no longer counted for this program. Both homeowners and renters may be eligible. Households who live in subsidized housing but pay either heat or electric costs may also qualify. Subsidized housing residents who have both heat and electric costs included in their rent do not qualify for energy assistance.

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The U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) is now accepting nominations for its 2017 National Small Business Week Awards, including the annual Small Business Person of the Year. Since 1963, National Small Business Week has recognized the outstanding achievements of America's small businesses for their contributions to their local communities, and to our nation's economy.

SBA Awards given at the national level include the following:

- Small Business Person of the Year
- Exporter of the Year
- Phoenix Awards for Disaster Recovery
 - o Phoenix Award for Small Business Disaster Recovery
 - o Phoenix Award for Outstanding Contributions to Disaster Recovery, Public Official
 - o Phoenix Award for Outstanding Contributions to Disaster Recovery, Volunteer
- Federal Procurement Awards
 - o Small Business Prime Contractor of the Year

- o Small Business Sub-contractor of the Year

- o Dwight D. Eisenhower Awards for Excellence (for large prime contractors who use small businesses as suppliers and contractors)

- o 8(a) Graduate of the Year
- Jody C. Raskind Lender of the Year

- Small Business Investment Company of the Year
- Awards to SBA Resource Partners

- o Small Business Development Center (SBDC) Excellence and Innovation Center Award

- o Women's Business Center of Excellence Award

- o Veterans Business Outreach Center of the Year

Information on all the national awards and instructions for applying can be found at <https://www.sba.gov/nsbw/nsbw>.

Each year the SBA's Minnesota District Office

participates in National Small Business Week by recognizing outstanding local small business owners and those who help them start and grow their businesses. The SBA Minnesota District Office will recognize individuals and businesses in the following categories:

- Encore Entrepreneur
- Family-Owned Business
- Minority Champion
- Minority-Owned Small Business
- Veteran-Owned Small Business
- Veteran Champion
- Women-Owned Small Business
- Women in Business Champion
- Young Entrepreneur

Details on who qualifies for each award and how to apply can be found at <https://www.sba.gov/content/minnesota-small-business-week-awards>.

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By the SHED

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Theology in the Trenches

By Kathleen Kjolhaug

From a Three Year Old's Perspective

"It's not nice for big people to not give stuff to little people when they ask for it."

"What?" was the only thing I could muster in response to the three year old who had been perched beside me in a car seat for the past six hours.

For melt down purposes, I had purchased several toy ponies. Each was a different color with long multi-colored manes to match. They were sure to come in handy at some point along the journey.

About three quarters through our nine hour trip, I decided to pull one out. The three year old was thrilled. She was engaged and quite content. She was content that is, until she caught sight of the others which were not in her possession. Suddenly, the one she'd chosen didn't quite satisfy.

Brilliant negotiator that she is, she decided to choose one

to give to her sister, and since her sister wasn't exactly along for the ride, she offered to be so kind as to hold it for her.

"Yes! The blue one!" she screeched and reached for it as grandma's boundaries all but melted. I passed it back so the pink one she'd been playing with would have a buddy. What else are grandma's for?

It wasn't long before her little voice piped up once again as she made mention that perhaps she would like to hold yet a third toy pony. When I gently but firmly suggested that two were enough, her viewpoint was spot on...from the perspective of a three year old. And that's when her inner thoughts gave voice to the words mentioned above.

"It's not nice for big people to not give stuff to little people when they ask for it."

What ensued, I do not fully recall. I only know that three

year olds, as delightful as they are, are not in charge. Their perspective is worthy of note, but so too is the wisdom of the adults in their lives because after all, we are the big people. As nice as big people are...or not...they are always nicest when helping little people gain perspective.

What I do recall is that by the end of the nine hour journey, we had a happy three year old swinging several (yes more than two) little ponies playfully in the backseat. And, we had happy big people because when you are in the car with a three year old for nine hours...that too offers perspective.

Isaiah 55:8 breathes new insight for all ages and stages, "For My thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways My ways, declares the Lord." I simply trust His perspective. Amen.



Ask a Trooper

by Sgt. Jesse Grabow Minnesota State Patrol

Q u e s - t i o n : Do I need to have a mirror on the outside

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A n s w e r : Being that your pickup has one on the windshield and one on the driver's side, you are legal in Minnesota. According to the Minnesota Driver's Manual, all passenger vehicles must be equipped with rearview mirrors. Vehicles such as rental moving trucks, which are not designed to allow a view through the rear window, must be equipped with an additional side mirror. Pickup trucks, which are often used for hauling purposes, must also be equipped with an additional side mirror. The side mirror will provide the driver with a clear view when transported materials obstruct sight through the rearview mirror.

Vehicles equipped without or limited mirrors can result in a crash as the driver is unable to see behind them from different angles. Driver and passenger side mirrors help drivers see other vehicles when changing lanes, assist the driver in determining how close other vehicles are, and in the event an emergency vehicle approaches, a driver is able to slow down and safely pullover and yield the right-of-way.

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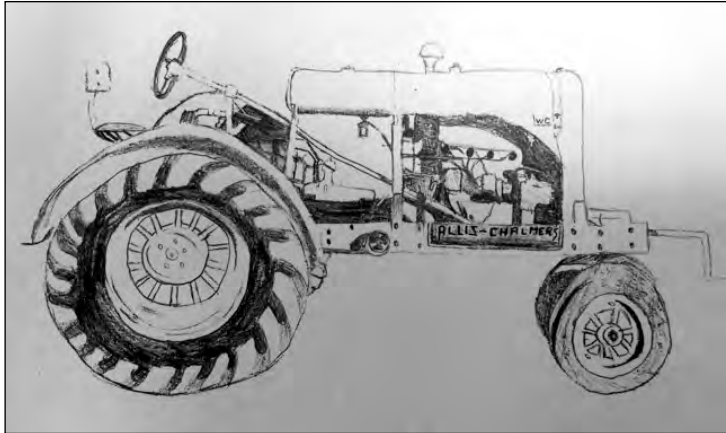
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Goodridge Fifth grade students Emilea Johnson (left), and Carter Lee Johnsrud (right). Emilea wrote the Allis Chalmers report and Carter Lee Johnsrud drew a WC Allis Chalmers picture.



How About a Little Tractor Trivia

Tractor Trivia by Auctioneer Eric Mickelson

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2. The WC was the first tractor tested in Nebraska with these?
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A) WS B) WF C) WC/Standard D) Wheatland WC
4. Did Allis Chalmers make a WC Road Patrol (Road Grader)?
5. Did the WC have foot or hand brakes?

Answers: 1. A) 1933 2. Rubber tires 3. B) WF 4. Yes 5. Hand

Major state highway projects wrap up as 2016 road construction season comes to an end

ST PAUL, Minn. — Motorists are starting to see the benefits of the 2016 road construction season as many of the state's 246 construction projects wrap up for the season, according to the Minnesota Department of Transportation.

Some of the big projects completed this year include the Dresbach Bridge in southeastern Minnesota; Interstate 494, I-35E, Highway 100 and Highway 610 in the Twin Cities Metro area; I-94 in central Minnesota; and the I-94 interchange at Highway 75 in Moorhead.

"We completed some very significant work this year," said Commissioner Charlie Zelle. "It was important work that improved safety and ensured that the transportation system will continue to support the state's economic progress."

For a complete list of 2016 projects and their status, see www.mndot.gov/roadwork/current.html; and for studies and plans for possible future projects, visit www.mndot.gov/roadwork/future.html.

Motorists can receive email updates about Minnesota highway projects. More than 74,000 Minnesotans are

currently signed up to receive updates.

Statewide project highlights in 2016 include:

- **Northern Minnesota**
 - Highway 53 relocation project - Crews continue to install the large steel girders that will support the roadway and pedestrian walkway on the bridge over Rouchleau Pit. Crews will continue to place beams through January and will begin the bridge deck construction next spring. The new roadway and bridge will open in November 2017. (Construction cost: \$156 million)
 - I-35 Pine County resurfacing and bridge replacement – MnDOT reduced the effect to motorists of this project by completing it in one construction season instead of two. This project included pavement resurfacing, new guardrail, new approach panels and a new bridge. (Construction cost: \$27 million)
 - Highway 217 resurfacing and bridge repair project – This project, south of International Falls, repaired the Highway 217 bridge at the Rat Root River and resurfaced 17 miles of highway. (Construction cost: \$4.8 million)
 - I-94/Highway 75 in

Allis Chalmers

By Emilea Johnson

Grade 5, Goodridge Public School

**Note: This is Eric Mickelson, and this week I have a guest writer for my tractor trivia article.*

She is one of my fifth grade students at Goodridge School. Her dad and brother attended the Orange Spectacular in Hutchinson, MN, this summer. When she wore an Allis Chalmers shirt to school I suggested she write a report on Allis, and being the good student she is, she wrote her report..... and here it is!!

Edward P. Allis, a Native to New York, had dabbled in a number of different enterprises, managing to sell his most successful business in 1857, before the financial panic. He then purchased Reliance Iron Works, in 1861. With a rapid economic recovery the demands of the Civil War, the Edward P. Allis Company made a recovery. In four years, sales had reached \$100,000 and \$350,000 by 1870. After Edward died in 1889, the momentum kept up and in 1901, Allis joined with Fraser and Chalmers and Gates Iron works. Then Allis Chalmers was made.

Allis Chalmers was now a giant corporation, but the company became bankrupt in 1912. One of the receivers was General Otto Falk. General Otto Falk owned a farm in Waukesha, and he knew there was a great opportunity away from AC's tradition, TRACTORS!

One of Allis Chalmers most famous tractors was the WC. The WC Allis Chalmers was introduced in 1933 and was the first in the industry to use a so-called "square" engine. That means bore and stroke were both 4 inches.

Early advertising of 1934 talks about the WC as being a full 2-plow power tractor for \$825 with air tires. When production ended in 1948 this light weight 2-plow tractor had become one of America's most popular tractor models.

Moorhead – Work on I-94 and the I-94/Highway 75 interchange in Moorhead wrapped up in late October. The project included constructing auxiliary lanes on I-94 and reconstructing the I-94/Highway 75 interchange to a diverging diamond configuration. The project will improve safety and traffic flow in south Moorhead. (Construction cost: \$13.9 million)

- Highway 75 near Kent – Work on the Highway 75 realignment project near Kent is nearly complete. The new alignment removes the road from the flood plain and eliminated a low-clearance railroad bridge. Crews also constructed a new bridge over Whiskey Creek, which was weight restricted and in need of replacement. (Construction cost: \$9.8 million)

- Highway 11 in Baudette - This project was finished 17 days ahead of schedule. It resulted in the modernization of city utilities, improved drainage, enhanced pedestrian safety and extended the life of the Highway 11 pavement and Baudette Bay Bridge deck. (Construction cost: \$5.8 million)



Water Conservation: Our rivers are counting on you.

What if someone told you, you could only use 7 gallons of water per day? What changes would you have to make? Could you do it? On average, residents use 50 to 100 gallons of water per day. The World Health Organization recommends two gallons per person daily to meet the requirements of most people under most conditions – and around 5 gallons per person daily to cover basic hygiene and food hygiene needs.

The good news is we do have enough water in this moment, on this day and into the foreseeable future. But this is not always the case. Water is a finite resource and the supplies on Earth today are no more than what was here at the beginning of the planet. It is up to all of us to use the water we have wisely, and can be as simple as each of us making small daily changes. Make conserving water a daily part of your life.

Here are some useful facts from National Geographic about water usage that are important

to know when deciding how you can make a difference and conserve water in your home:

- 1994 was the year that federally mandated low-flow showerheads, faucets, and toilets started to appear on the scene in significant numbers.
- On average, 10 gallons per day of your water footprint (or 14% of your indoor use) is lost to leaks. Short of installing new water-efficient fixtures, one of the easiest, most effective ways to cut your footprint is by repairing leaky faucets and toilets.
- If you use a low-flow showerhead, you can save 15 gallons of water during a 10-minute shower.
- Every time you shave minutes off your use of hot water, you also save energy and keep dollars in your pocket.
- It takes about 70 gallons of water to fill a bathtub, so showers are generally the more water-efficient way to bathe.
- All of those flushes can add up to nearly 20 gallons a day down the toilet. If you still have a standard toilet, which uses close to 3.5 gallons a flush, you can save by retrofitting or filling your tank with something that will displace some of that water, such as a brick.
- Most front-loading ma-

chines are energy- and water-efficient, using just over 20 gallons a load, while most top-loading machines, unless they are energy-efficient, use 40 gallons per load.

- Nearly 22% of indoor home water use comes from doing laundry. Save water by making sure to adjust the settings on your machine to the proper load size.

- Dishwashing is a relatively small part of your water footprint—less than 2% of indoor use—but there are always ways to conserve. Using a machine is actually more water efficient than hand washing, especially if you run full loads.

- Energy Star dishwashers use about 4 gallons of water per load, and even standard machines use only about 6 gallons. Hand washing generally uses about 20 gallons of water each time.

Making a few changes in water usage can add up and make a difference. We all use water differently and have great ideas on how to conserve water. There are also many resources available to help you reduce your water usage. Good Luck!

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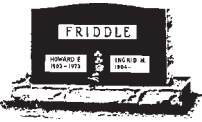
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Services for Winifred Mixon

Winifred Mixon, age 75, of Erskine, MN, passed away on Sunday, November 6th, at Pioneer Memorial Care Center in Erskine. A memorial service will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, November 19th, at the Pioneer Memorial Care Center Chapel in Erskine with the Rev. Timothy Lundeen officiating. Family will greet friends for one hour prior to the service on Saturday at the Pioneer Chapel. Arrangements are with the Carlin-Hoialmen Funeral Home of Erskine and messages of condolence may be sent at www.carlinhoialmen.com.

Winifred was born on March 18, 1941 in Silver City, New Mexico and was lovingly adopted by Mario and Ruth (Orendorff) Galassini. She grew up in Roswell, New Mexico and attended Roswell High School. Winnie was married to Robert Zaccardi and a daughter, Tanya, was born. Winnie was a teacher at a Christian school in Salt

Lake City, UT and worked for several years as an airport security guard in Salt Lake City as well as Pensacola, Florida. As a result of her work in airports, Winnie had the opportunity to meet, get to know, and share friendship with several celebrities.

Stan and Winnie moved to Oklee, Minnesota in 2007 to be near their daughter, Tanya. They both entered the Pioneer Memorial Care Center in Erskine in 2011 and Stan passed away on December 31, 2012.

Winnie was a dedicated volunteer during her lifetime. She volunteered as a youth softball coach, Girl Scout leader, with the Humane Society, and ran a POW/MIA office out of her home in Roswell. She was also a Rainbow Girl with the Masonic Lodge.

Winnie had also been a race car driver and loved watching NASCAR events. She was also a big Denver Broncos fan and enjoyed listening to Dwight Yoakam.

She continued to reside there until her passing on Sunday, November 6, 2016 at the age of 75 years.

Survivors include her daughter, Tanya (John) Kimball of Oklee; son, Larry Mixon of Salt Lake City, UT; grandchildren and great grandchildren, Mikey and Dallas Mixon, Steven (Karrie) Stinnett and their children, Kaitlyn and Ethan, Shawn (Kaitlyn) Ringeisen and their children, Cheston and Abigail, and Cory Montoya and his children, Koda Lynn, Sean Michael, Leah, Trinity, and Amberlynn. Siblings also survive.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Stan; and her parents.



Services pending for Wallace Porch

Wallace Hugh Porch, of Williams, passed away on November 4, 2016, at the age of 90.

He was born April 12, 1926 to Elza and Gladys (Wadsworth) Porch in the Three Mile area of Montana. His family moved to Florence, Montana on the Thorton Ranch. His father passed away when he was twelve years old.

Wally went to school at Florence and graduated from High School. During Wally's younger years he loved to swim, boat down the Bitterroot River, ice skate and was a great basketball player. He made sure his children knew how to swim. Wally worked at different farms as a farm hand. Worked at the American Crystal Sugar factory. Worked at Boeing Aircraft building B-29's planes in Seattle, Washington.

Wallace met Vernie Martin and she was his school sweetheart. They married on April 12, 1947. They are proud parents of a son and three daughters.

They lived in the Bitterroot Valley of Montana for some years. Wally owned his trucks and hauled milk for the Community Creamery in Missoula, Montana. He logged for a few years until he got hurt. The family moved to the Flathead Lake to Polson, Montana for 7 years farmed and worked at Dupius Lumber Mill. Moved to Deer Lodge, Montana and was a saw filer for L.P. Pacific Mill. He was a dairy supervisor at Deer Lodge prison on Montana.

In 1969 Wallace and his family moved to Grygla, MN and farmed, raised cattle, sheep, pigs, grain and hay. Moved to Oklee, MN and retired. Wally and Vernie have lived in Williams, MN with their son Roger and daughter-in-law Barb for the last year.

Wallace is survived by his wife of 69 years, Vernie, of Williams; four children, Roger (Barb) Porch of Williams, Loretta (Joe) Brooks of Ronan, Montana, Linda (Lyle) Nelson of Grygla, Debbie (Bill) Carr of Brainerd, MN. 9 grandchildren, 21 great grandchildren and 5 great-great grandchildren; and one sister Patricia (Porch) Kidder of Missoula, Montana.

Wallace is preceded in death by his parents, 2 brothers, 3 brother-in-law's, and 4 sister-in-law's.

Cremation was taken care of by Helgeson Funeral Home of Baudette, MN. Burial will take place at the Porch family plot at the Sunnyside Cemetery of Stevensville, Montana. Services for Wallace and Vernie will be held at Oklee Lutheran Church, in Oklee, MN at a later date, after Vernie's passing.



Services pending for Irene Ferden

Irene Ferden, age 94, of Fosston, MN (long-time piano and elementary school music teacher) passed away on Tuesday, November 8th at Essentia Health First Care Living Center in Fosston.

A celebration of Irene's life will be announced and held

at a later date. Arrangements are with the Carlin-Hoialmen Funeral Home of Fosston and messages of condolence may be sent at www.carlinhoialmen.com.

Irene was born in McIntosh, Minnesota on August 4, 1922 to parents Carl and Alpha Torgerson. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Maurice; son, Bruce; and siblings, Frances and Wallace Torgerson.

She is survived by her son, Maurice Jr. (Ruth); daughters, Pam Hagen (Mars), and Joni Ferden Precht (Bill); grandchildren, Katie Hagen (Pat), Christopher Hagen (Suzanne), Lindsey, Chandler and Madison Precht; great grandchildren, Anja, Nora, Timothy and William. Also survived by sisters, Joyce Wahlin (Joe) and Marilyn Weeding.



Services for Carolyn Mae Hill

Carolyn Mae (Lussier) Hill, age 75, of Grand Rapids, MN, passed away Friday, November 4, 2016 at her home, after a long courageous battle with cancer. She was 10 days short of celebrating her 55th wedding anniversary with Jim.

A service was held on November 10th in Grand Rapids, MN at St. Andrews Lutheran Church.

Carolyn was born on April 30, 1943 to Leon and Evelyn Lussier in Brooks, MN. She graduated from Grand Rapids High School in 1961. She was united in marriage to James Hill on November 14, 1961 in St. Paul, MN, where

they lived for 14 years before moving back to Grand Rapids. Carolyn worked at Dairy King and later was employed at Gordy's in the Deli Dept. She was a member of the Eagle's Auxiliary and enjoyed camping, gardening and baking.

Preceding her in death are her parents, Leon and Evelyn; 3 grandchildren, Nathan Henderson, Derek Henderson and Brett Siem.

Carolyn is survived by her husband, James; daughter, Kari (Eino) Johnson of Grand Rapids; sons, Jamey (Sarah Hintz) Hill of Calumet and Michael Hill of Deer River; sisters LaRae (Gary) Cunningham of Irvine, CA and Wanda (Daryl) Kastenson of Oak Creek, WI; brothers, Larry (Lois) Lussier of Cohasset, Gerald (Kathy) Lussier of Grand Rapids, and Ronnie (Linda) Lussier of Hugo; 11 grandchildren; 12 great grandchildren; and from the Oklee area, her aunt Jeannie (Larry) O'Neill of Oklee; cousins, Violet Cote of Oklee, Gloria Benedick of Erskine, David (Lola) Plante of Erskine, and Virgil (Jan) Plante of Mentor.



Services held for Richard Bluemke

Richard Robert Bluemke passed away on November 10, 2016 at the LakeWood Health Center in Baudette, MN at the age of 68.

Richard was born on October 18, 1948 in Thief River Falls, MN to Alice (Robidoux) and Robert Richard Bluemke. He grew up and attended school in Oklee, MN, graduating from Oklee High School in 1967. He entered the U.S. Army in April of 1968 and served during the Vietnam War until his honorable discharge in April of 1970. He and Sandra (Martell) were married on May 1, 1971; and to this union, two children were born, Deanna and Robert.

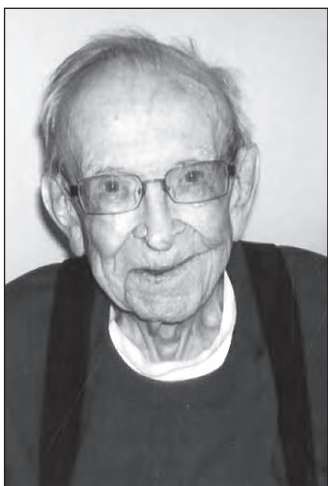
Richard worked as a

plumber for Lee Plumbing and Heating, starting in 1970 until his retirement after 40 years. He and Sandra later retired at Arnesen's Rocky Point. Richard enjoyed spending time with his grandkids, fishing and his morning coffee time at the Lodge. He will be remembered as a hard worker with a determined spirit, his infectious smile and someone with a "big heart." He was a member of the Thief River Falls Eagles, American Legion, and the V.F.W. Blessed be his memory.

He is survived by his wife, Sandra Bluemke of Roosevelt, MN; daughter, Deanna (Marty) Peterson of Plummer, MN; son, Robert Richard (Lisa) Bluemke of Albertville, MN; mother, Alice Bluemke of Fosston, MN; grandchildren, Skyler, Savannah, Richard, and Ella; brother, Allen Bluemke of Meadowlands, MN and sister, Audrey Martell of Sioux Falls, SD. He was preceded in death by his father, Robert; sister, Yvonne Altendorf; and in-laws, Benedict and Margaret Martell.

A mass of Christian Burial was held on Monday, November 14th at 11 AM at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Warroad. Interment at the St. Mary's Cemetery. Military Honors by the

Warroad American Legion. Online guest book at: www.helgesonfuneralhome.com



Services for Elmer Dahl

Elmer Dahl, 88 of Argyle, MN formerly of Gatzke, MN died peacefully on Sunday, November 13, 2016 at Sanford Hospital in Thief River Falls, MN with his family at his side.

Funeral service to celebrate his life will be 11:00 AM on Thursday, November 17, 2016 at United Lutheran Church in Gatzke, MN with Rev. Vicki Saude-Worthington officiating. Burial will follow at Moose River Cemetery, Gatzke, MN.

Visitation will be held from 5:00 PM until 7:00 PM with a 7:00 PM prayer service on Wednesday, November 16, 2016 at Johnson Funeral Service in Thief River Falls, MN. Visitation will also be held for one hour prior to the funeral on Thursday at United Lutheran Church.

Elmer Perry Dahl was born on May 1, 1928 to Emil and Polly (Wolden) Dahl at Gatzke, MN. He was baptized and confirmed at United Lutheran Church in Gatzke.

Elmer attended the Cloverlawn Country School through eighth grade. As a young boy, he worked at the Gatzke Creamery. He rode his bike to his job, which was about 3 miles one way. He helped his dad on the farm and when he got older, Elmer worked for area farmers.

Elmer and his brother Arvin ventured off to the cities, hoping they could get better paying jobs. Then Uncle Sam caught up with them and they were both drafted into the U.S. Army in 1952. It was very hard for their dad to see this happen.



Elmer stayed state-side and never did go overseas. After his time in the army, Elmer returned to Minneapolis to work. Through his brother-in-law Smitty, Elmer got a job at General Mills. He worked there for many years.

Elmer was very good to make trips back home to visit his mother and the rest of the family. He especially enjoyed it when he was driving his 1957 red and white Chevy.

On July 1, 1960, Elmer married Donna Floding at the Little Brown Church in the Vale in Iowa. Their attendants were JoJean Lian and Orlan Dahl. They lived in Columbia Heights, MN. To this union, three sons were born: Ricky Perry, Delray Elmer, and Mark Emerson. Life was busy and later Elmer and Donna divorced.

In the 1980's, Elmer moved back to the Gatzke-Grygla area. He stayed with the Lians for several years and helped on the farm. He also spent some time with his sister Cora in Phoenix, AZ. Then he worked at Marvin Windows and lived with his son, Delray. He lived in Baudette, MN for a short time.

After he retired, Elmer met Loretta Kostrzewski from Argyle, MN. He lived with her for over twenty years. In 2015 both Elmer and Loretta moved to nursing homes at the time of his death, Elmer was residing at the Thief River Care Center.

Elmer is survived by his sons: Delray (Jodie) of Baxter, MN and Mark of Coon Rapids, MN; three granddaughters: Bethany, Jenna, and Abigail; stepson, Larry (Cory) Floding of Hermantown, MN; sister, Janet (Duane) Lian of Grygla; brothers, Arvin (Marvel) Dahl and Larry (Erma) Dahl both of Middle River, MN. He is also survived by many nieces, nephews, and other relatives.

Preceding him in death were his parents; his son, Ricky who died in infancy; his brother, Orlan Dahl; his sisters and brothers-in-law: Anna (Evert) Westberg, Esther (Edward Schmidt) & Joe Wiedholz, Cora (Bill) Massof, and Mavis (Norman) Roppe.

Condolences may be sent at www.johnsonfuneralservice.com

Community Remembrance Service planned

BEMIDJI, Minn. – Sanford Bemidji Hospice, Cease Family Funeral Home and Olson-Schwartz Funeral Home are once again co-sponsoring the annual Community Remembrance Services from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 29 at Calvary Lutheran Church, 2508 Washington Ave. S., Bemidji. The service will include a remembrance tribute, readings and special music. One of the gifts to be most

thankful for during this time of year is remembering a loved one who has passed away. In the spirit of love and remembrance, the community is invited to attend this annual service. This service will help provide peace and comfort and an opportunity to remember and celebrate the lives of loved ones during this holiday season.

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Lori (Johnson) Wolden of Wadena, MN shot this 185 lb. 8 point buck Saturday morning, November 5th on the family's land north of Gully.

Minnesota's elk hunts successful

The 2016 elk hunts in northwestern Minnesota wrapped up on Sept. 18 with another successful season in the Kittson County area, according to the Department of the Natural Resources. Five of seven hunters harvested bulls.

Two zones were open to hunting and all permits were bull only. In the Caribou-Vita herd (Zone 30), which migrates between northern Kittson County and Manitoba, two permits were issued and both hunters successfully harvested 6x6 bulls, meaning each bull had six points on each side. One bull was harvested on private land and one on the Caribou Wildlife Management Area.

In the Kittson-Central herd (Zone 20), located near Lancaster in Kittson County, three of five permits were filled with 5x6, 6x6 and 6x7 bulls, all on private land.

"We are excited to be able to offer elk hunters the opportunity to take part in these once in a lifetime hunts in northwestern Minnesota," said Ruth Anne Franke, Karlstad area wildlife supervisor. "The large tracts of public land and willingness of landowners to allow elk hunting on their properties make Minnesota an excellent elk hunting destination. We are grateful to local landowners for their support."

The elk season was timed to coincide with the elk rut (breeding season) and elk were actively bugling. This gave hunters the opportunity to locate the bulls by listening for their bugles, and test their bugling (calling) and stalking skills.

Once again, a hunting season was not offered in the Grygla area where herd numbers remain below the population goal of 30-38 elk. The Grygla herd survey last winter recorded 21 elk. Previous estimates are 18 in 2015, 20 in 2014 and 28 in 2013. This herd hasn't been hunted since 2012.

Welcome to the family

Cheryl White, MD
Family Medicine
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Dr. Cheryl White, a family medicine physician, has joined the Essentia Health-Fosston Clinic. Dr. White also cares for patients at Essentia Health's clinic in Bagley, MN.

As part of the family medicine team, Dr. White cares for adults and children, and offers comprehensive obstetrics services for women who are pregnant. "I wanted to practice in a rural area because I think it's important to bring health care close to home for people in these small communities," she explains.

Dr. White earned a medical degree from Trinity School of Medicine in St. Vincent and the Grenadines. She completed a residency in family medicine at Forbes Family Medicine-Allegheny Health Network in Monroeville, PA. She is certified by the American Board of Family Medicine in family medicine.

Dr. White has a special interest in preventative medicine. "I encourage my patients to keep up with regular check-ups and to make healthy choices in their daily lives," she says. "I enjoy talking with them to ensure that I understand what their individual needs are, and we work together to reach their goals."

To schedule an appointment with Dr. White at the Fosston Clinic, call 218.435.1212, or at the Bagley Clinic, call 218.694.6281.

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