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## Grievances with VenuWorks aired

VenuWorks founder and CEO apologizes

by April Scheinoha  
Reporter

VenuWorks Founder and Chief Executive Officer Steve Peters was on an apology tour at the Thief River Falls Committee of the Whole meeting Wednesday, Feb. 19.

Peters apologized numerous times to the Thief River Falls City Council and arena

users after numerous complaints were lodged after VenuWorks took over management of Ralph Engelstad Arena and the Huck Olson Memorial Civic Center. The firm began managing the arenas, the Multi-Events Center and Thief River Falls Tourist Park on Jan. 1. Prior to that time, the parties were working under a temporary agreement.

"I'm sorry we disappointed you," Peters told council members.

To rectify the situation, Peters said he would waive VenuWorks' fees for the first quarter of 2020. Those fees

total \$24,000. The parties are working under a three-year contract.

Peters' announcement was made at a meeting attended by the Thief River Falls City Council, city employees and about 20 other individuals. The meeting was called after council member Curt Howe raised numerous complaints regarding VenuWorks' management of the arenas. Those complaints had been relayed to Howe by arena users. Howe, who retired from the city Parks and Recreation Department in 2009, had earlier voted in

opposition to VenuWorks managing the four city-owned properties.

After a lengthy discussion regarding the complaints, council member Jason Aarestad suggested that the council should create a task force to advise VenuWorks. Mayor Brian Holmer said that Howe should serve on the task force if he were willing. Howe declined. Howe said he trusts department leaders to do their jobs and his job was to speak on behalf of the public. He added that certain council members have run all of the past managers out of the arena.

Howe noted that a non-voting task force may pick sides among the arena users. Peters replied that a task force would provide VenuWorks with feedback.

At some point later, Howe said if VenuWorks' operations manager knew anything about managing arenas, the groups wouldn't be sitting in this meeting. It was unclear whether Howe was referring to Acting Executive Director Brennan Mihalick or former Executive Director Terry Torkildson. He claimed that VenuWorks has mismanaged other facilities and

couldn't keep track of money, referring to online media reports regarding at least one former VenuWorks employee charged with theft. "How can we trust you?" he asked.

Holmer banged his gavel. Peters then cautioned Howe that the media also reports online what Howe has said at meetings.

In the end, no task force was formed. Council member Jerald Brown said Mihalick provided an update to city leaders at a recent Administrative Services Committee meeting. Representatives of the Thief River (Continued on Page 11)

## Frosty and warmer



For late February, temperatures were above average over the weekend and into the week. Conditions might even have been described as ideal for melting the snowpack and ice fishing. This picture was taken north of Thief River Falls

Monday morning. Weather conditions Thursday into the weekend, according to the National Weather Service, are expected to continue without moisture, and highs in the upper teens to low 20s.

## Plans progress for highway and trail projects in Thief River Falls

Three roundabouts and two multi-use trail plans proceed

by April Scheinoha  
Reporter

Plans are moving forward for the City of Thief River Falls' 2020 Street and Utilities Improvement Project. At its meeting Tuesday, Feb. 18, the Thief River Falls City Council approved ordering the improvements and calling for plans and specifications.

The project includes improvements to Highways 1 and 59 as well as the construction of a Franklin Middle School Safe Routes to School multi-use trail. Those improvements are estimated to cost \$1.5 million. Municipal State Aid, federal aid, a

Safe Routes to School grant, Electric Department funds and city funding are expected to cover the project.

The Minnesota Department of Transportation plans to improve Highways 1 and 59, and the city is responsible for an estimated \$1,354,000 of the project, which is included in the above total. The estimated \$7 million MnDOT project is expected to be completed in phases in the 2020 construction season.

The Highways 1/59 project includes:

The resurfacing of

Third Street/Highway 59 from Kinney Avenue to Highway 59 North;

The construction of three roundabouts (at the intersections with Brooks and Barzen avenues as well as Highway 59 North);

The extension of a frontage road from Ruby Avenue to Westside Motors;

The resurfacing of the existing frontage road on the south side of Third Street; and

The construction of a multi-use trail on the north side of the roadway.

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## Frosty Tines Deer Expo in TRF Sunday

The Frosty Tines Deer Expo, sponsored by the Northwest Minnesota Quality Deer Management Association, will be from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sunday, March 1, at the Ralph Engelstad Arena Imperial Room in Thief River Falls.

This year's family-friendly event will feature several presentations, including a question and answer session with Minnesota Department of Natural Resources Conservation Officer Jeremy Woinarowicz; a presentation on deer habitat by Habitat Pro Jake Blow; and a presentation on deer scent by Big Buck Adventures Jon

Molden.

There will be many product vendor booths at the show, information about quality deer management, and random raffles and drawings held throughout the day.

Visitors are encouraged to bring their mounts and become eligible for prizes. An official Boone & Crockett scorer will score bucks brought to the event. Northern Wild Taxidermy will also showcase their work throughout the show.

Other participants at the show include the Minnesota Deer Hunters Association. (Continued on Page 8)

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# TRF man charged with felony criminal sexual conduct

A Thief River Falls man has been charged in Pennington County District after he allegedly engaged in criminal sexual conduct with his children and possessed four pornographic images of his daughter. Some of the alleged contact dated back to 2012.

Benjamin Joseph Roggenbuck, 38, has been charged with two felony counts of first degree criminal sexual conduct and four felony counts of possession of pornographic work involving minors, according to online court records. He was arrested.

The charges stemmed from a Feb. 19 pubescent girl with her gen-



Benjamin Joseph Roggenbuck

report to the Minnesota Bureau of Criminal Apprehension. A CyberTip had come from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. The BCA classified the tip as a Level 1 as it was believed the alleged victims lived at Roggenbuck's home. That information was then forwarded to the Pine to Prairie Drug Task Force.

The CyberTip indicated that numerous images had been uploaded and transmitted through email. Many of the images involved prepubescent girls. Some of the photos showed a nude pre-

ituals exposed. Law enforcement noted that four of the images appeared to be the same child on the same chair or couch. Upon looking at Roggenbuck's Facebook profile, they realized that he had a 3-year-old daughter who was around the same age and looked similar to the girl in the picture. The images were uploaded on Valentine's Day at 3:38 a.m.

The NCMEC also received a CyberTip from Yahoo, which reported that six photos had been uploaded Nov. 19, 2012, of a boy under the age of 5. The photos depicted a man anally penetrating a boy. The complaint noted that the content may have been newly produced content. Looking at Roggenbuck's Facebook profile, law enforcement determined it appeared he had a son.

Law enforcement linked Roggenbuck to the crimes through emergency subpoenas issued to Yahoo, Facebook and Sjoberg's Cable.

Roggenbuck allegedly admitted that he engaged in anal penetration twice with his son in about 2012. The boy was 1 or 2 years old at the time. He said he had taken photos of those incidents and emailed those photos between his email accounts.



Roggenbuck also allegedly admitted engaging in similar contact with his 3-year-old daughter about a month before speaking with law enforcement. He said he had taken photos of the incident and they would be in his email and on his cell

phone.

Roggenbuck also allegedly admitted using Tumbler to look up pornographic material, which eventually led him to access "child pornography and age-questions material." He said he used his Yahoo account

to send images, including child pornography, to his Gmail account. Roggenbuck said he used the images to recall past experiences for his sexual gratification.

## TRF woman has charges pending after separate incidents

### Disorderly conduct and burning without a permit:

On Feb. 21 at 12:17 a.m., police received a report that it appeared someone was burning garbage on a sidewalk outside of 314 Fourth St. E. Jerika Ann Marie Haugen, 31, Thief River Falls, has been cited for disorderly conduct and burning without a permit. She was arrested. Haugen allegedly became loud and unruly with the officers. She didn't want to cooperate with their demands.

### Fourth degree assault:

On Feb. 21 at 6:32 a.m., the sheriff's office received a report of an assault in the Pennington County Jail. Jerika Ann Marie Haugen, 31, Thief River Falls, has charges pending for assault. She remained under arrest. Haugen, who was incarcerated at the time, allegedly punched a corrections officer.

**Vehicle tampering:** On Feb. 14 at 3:36 p.m., police received a report of vehicle tampering outside of 1110 Meadow St. Someone had pried open the gasoline cap on a vehicle, causing damage.

### Third degree driving while impaired:

On Feb. 15 at 2:49 a.m., police received a report that a vehicle was in a ditch in the 1700 block of Hwy. 59 S. Nodin Julian Azure, 32,

Grand Forks, N.D., has charges pending for third degree DWI. He was arrested.

**Theft:** On Feb. 23 at 1:15 p.m., police received a report of a theft outside of 421 Horace Ave. N. Someone had stolen license plates off of a vehicle. The license plates are ASN-361.

If readers have any information about the above crimes, they are urged to contact the Law Enforcement Center at 681-6161.

Thief River Falls media receive these reports from law enforcement officials. If these reports appear in online forums other than those owned by Thief River Falls media outlets, the information has been copied.

These reports include names of those charged, arrested or cited with various crimes and offenses. Depending upon the circumstances of a case, charges can be, and sometimes are, changed or dropped by law enforcement or attorneys even before the case reaches court.

Readers should also realize that under the American system of jurisprudence, those charged with crimes are innocent until proven guilty of those crimes in a court of law.

### NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF PENNINGTON COUNTY TOWNSHIPS

The Annual Meeting of all townships will be held on Tuesday, March 10, 2020. Election of one (1) Supervisor for a three (3) year term and one (1) Clerk for a two (2) year term and any unexpired or vacant position will be held. Any and all business properly presented will be considered.

The following is a schedule of places and hours that polls and meetings will be held for each Township:

TOWNSHIP	MEETING PLACE	MEETING	HOURS	ELECTION
Black River	Steiger Farms		8:00 P.M.	
Bray	Township Hall		8:00 P.M.	
Cloverleaf	Mavis Town Hall		8:00 P.M.	5:00-8:00 P.M.
Deer Park	Township Hall		8:00 P.M.	5:00-8:00 P.M.
Goodridge				
—Polls Open After Mtg.	Goodridge Sr. Center	4:00 P.M.		5:00-8:00 P.M.
Hickory	Township Hall	2:00 P.M.		
Highlandning				
—Polls Open After Mtg.	Township Hall	4:00 P.M.	5:00-8:00 P.M.	
Kratka	Township Hall	8:00 P.M.	5:00-8:00 P.M.	
Mayfield	Township Hall	4:00 P.M.	5:00-8:00 P.M.	
Norden				
—Polls Open After Mtg.	Township Hall	4:00 P.M.	5:00-8:00 P.M.	
North				
—Polls Open After Mtg.	Township Hall	4:00 P.M.	5:00-8:00 P.M.	
Numetal	Township Hall	7:00 P.M.		
Polk Centre	Township Hall	8:00 P.M.		
Reiner	Township Hall	4:00 P.M.	5:00-8:00 P.M.	
River Falls	St. Hilaire City Hall	5:00 P.M.		
Rocksbury	Val Hall	4:00 P.M.	5:00-8:00 P.M.	
Sanders	Township Hall	8:00 P.M.	5:00-8:00 P.M.	
Silverton				
—Polls Open After Mtg.	Town Hall	4:00 P.M.	5:00-8:00 P.M.	
Smiley				
—Polls Open After Mtg.	Township Hall	4:00 P.M.	5:00-8:00 P.M.	
Star				
—Polls Open After Mtg.	Township Hall	4:00 P.M.	5:00-8:00 P.M.	
Wyandotte	Township Hall	8:00 P.M.	5:00-8:00 P.M.	

**ATTENTION:** In case of inclement weather, the meetings will be held on the following TUESDAY, MARCH 17, 2020, at the same polling places and times.

Dated February 24, 2020 Pennington County Association of Townships

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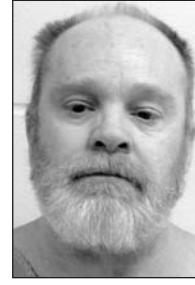
# St. Cloud man sentenced for felony

A St. Cloud man was sentenced Tuesday, Feb. 18 in Pennington County District Court for a felony drug charge.

Corey Michael Reed, 49, was sentenced for a felony charge of third degree possession of 10 grams or more of a narcotic drug other than heroin. Reed was sentenced to 44 months in prison to be served concurrently with another case. He was ordered to not use or possess firearms, ammunition or explosives. Reed was ordered to supply a DNA sample. He was also ordered to pay \$210 in fees and fines.

The charge stemmed from an arrangement made by a confidential informant to purchase methamphetamine from Reed and Richard Ward Lytton. The informant learned they would be traveling to this area from the Twin Cities in a Ford Econoline. On July 13 at about 7:49 a.m., a Pine to Prairie Drug Task Force officer observed the vehicle traveling northbound on Highway 59 through Brooks. He then began conducting surveillance on the van.

A Thief River Falls police sergeant soon observed the van drifting back and forth within its lane. He then conducted a traffic stop. Lytton was the driver and Reed was the passenger in the vehicle.



**Corey Michael Reed**

A Minnesota State Patrol trooper assisted at the scene. He noticed that Lytton had bloodshot eyes, constricted pupils and slurred speech. Lytton failed three field sobriety tests. A search warrant was obtained for his blood or urine; however, Lytton refused either test.

K-9 Max also responded to the scene. Upon walking around the van, he alerted his partner about the presence of narcotics. Inside the van, law enforcement found a total of 91.1 grams of meth in three baggies. The baggies were located under a plastic floorboard panel on the passenger side of the van. A digital scale was found under a dashboard panel below the steering wheel. Under the hood, law enforcement found two Minnesota license plates with different numbers and digits on them. Four cell phones were also found during the course of the investigation. The amounts of license plates and cell phones are indicative of drug trafficking.

Lytton denied being under the influence or knowing what was inside the van. He said he and Reed drove to the area to look for one of Reed's friends. Lytton said he didn't know the friend's name, but he drove since Reed doesn't have a driver's license.

The complaint indicated that both men have extensive criminal histories. Reed's criminal history included, but wasn't limited to, assault, theft and possession of a controlled substance. Lytton's criminal history included, but wasn't

limited to, check forgery, theft and possession of a controlled substance.

Lytton has since been sentenced for his role in the crime.

A dismissed felony offense is included in the latest edition of the Pennington County Citation Disposition Bulletin. The Times pays for copies of this public information. If it appears in an online forum other than The Times' website, it has been copied.

**Pennington County Sheriff's Office case:** Corey Michael Reed, 49, St. Cloud, felony charge of failure to appear in court dismissed.

**Thief River Falls Police Department cases:** David Michael Defever, 30, Thief River Falls, unregistered vehicle, \$185, 10 days in jail stayed for one year; Solymar Isabel Hernandez, 22, Thief River Falls, no insurance — owner, \$285; Nicole Victoria Wojciechowski, 32, Thief River Falls, charge of a calendar parking violation dismissed.

**Minnesota State Patrol cases:** Amy Jo Chanthavongsa, 34, Farmington, driving after revocation, \$285, vehicle registration violation, \$100; Katrina Jo Dearth, 26, Thief River Falls, violation of Hands-Free Law, \$135; Mark Christopher Dragich, 57, East Grand Forks, 60/55, \$125; Nathan Joseph Martinson, 20, Viking, failure to change address/name within 30 days, \$105, no seat belt worn, \$25; David Wayne Erickson, 41, McIntosh, no seat belt worn, \$110; Joseph Lee Peralta, 19, Pearsall, Texas, vehicle window tint violation, \$135; Nathan Adolph Sletten, 27, Wannaska, 60/55, \$125; Charles Earl Smith, 34, Red Lake, 65/55, \$125; Robert Peter Carlson, 50, Argyle, no seat belt worn, \$110; Chad Michael Carpenter, 49, Thief River Falls, no seat belt worn, \$110.

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## TRF speakers finish in medalist standings at EGF



Many Thief River Falls speakers ended the day in medalist standings at the recent East Grand Forks Greenwave Invitational. They included (from left) Madelynn Dakken, Olivia Wojahn, Amelie McCloud, Brigham Drevlow, Brynn Drevlow, Kevin Wappula, Lia Hanson and Amelie Heaton. (Submitted)

## Enbridge teams up with robotics conference

The Northern Minnesota Robotics Conference (NMRC) has announced a new partnership with Enbridge Energy.

Jesse Frost, president of the Northern Minnesota Robotics Conference, said, "As part of our ongoing efforts to support our member teams, we continually work with them to meet whatever needs they may have. Some of these include information sharing, parts sharing, joint fundraising, educational opportunities for students/coaches, and increased community awareness to name a few." He said one of the areas in which Minnesota struggles is getting and keeping students involved with robotics from underrepresented groups in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, & Math). These groups include students with special needs, women, and minorities. This is not only true in school but in the

workplace as well.

Frost said Enbridge Energy also sees this lack of involvement in STEM and robotics with these groups as a gap that must be closed.

"These students are the future of our work force and will lead the world as we tackle a variety of large scale problems our future generations will face," said Frost. "It is urgent that we reach these students and provide them opportunities to explore their creativity and develop a passion for STEM."

In an effort to close this gap and create more opportunities for area students, Enbridge Energy and the NMRC are working together on a new initiative to do just that. Focussed on reaching Native American students, Enbridge has awarded the NMRC \$23,500 to disperse to member teams who either represent area reservation

schools or have large percentages of Native American students in attendance near regional reservations.

This generous partnership is not limited to a one-time donation, but will likely continue well into the future in a variety of ways.

Frost said this specific round of funding is intended to be used for raw materials, parts, and equipment for teams. The hope is that much of what is purchased will be utilized by teams over the next several build seasons. This will leave a lasting impact and should also help teams free up internal funds to cover other costs, such as competition registration and travel expenses.

To learn more about the NMRC or its member teams, visit the NMRCConference.org website and read about teams under the "Members" tab.

Several speakers from the Thief River Falls Speech Team ended the day in medalist standings at the recent East Grand Forks Greenwave Invitational.

Senior Brigham Drevlow led the team with his first gold medal of the season. He placed first in Extemporaneous Reading. Drevlow also added to sweepstakes points with a next-in finish in Prose.

Silver medalists included Lia Hanson and Olivia Wojahn in Duo. Like Drevlow, Hanson also added to sweepstakes points with a next-in finish in Speech to Inform. A bronze medal went to Kevin Wappula in Original Oratory.

Other speakers earning medals as finalists were Amelie McCloud and Brynn Drevlow, both in Great Speeches; Amelie Heaton in Poetry and Madelynn Dakken in Prose.

Additional next-in finishes went to McCloud in Humor and Brynn Drevlow and Olivia Schmidt in Speech to Inform.

Franklin Middle School speakers who added to team points with Superior Finishes included Bralynne Drevlow in Varsity Humor and Audrey Schmidt in Varsity Original Oratory.

Prowler speakers are back in Section 8AA this season with Varsity Coach Rachael Evenson pushing forward to the National Speech and Debate competition next month, and the Minnesota State High School Sub-Section/Section Finals later this year.

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Monday, March 2: Grand Forks

Tuesday, March 3: No service

Wednesday, March 4: Fargo/Moorhead



Students in the Native American Program at Lincoln High School in Thief River Falls were recently given the opportunity to work with Robert (Bob) Smith. Under his tutelage, students worked on a large mural that tells a story. Each student who participated also made a smaller version of the image on canvas. Students participating in the project included: (front row) Merysa Neadeau,

Hailey Beaulieu Neadeau, and Gerrek Neadeau; (middle row) Gerret Neadeau, Landon Lovejoy, Angel Rodriguez-Vondal, and Cruz Lovejoy; (back row) DreAnn Neadeau, Alicia Rodriguez-Vondal, Gage Carrier, Robert (Bob) Smith, Jade Defreece, Tristan Belgarde, and Aiden Koop. (Submitted)

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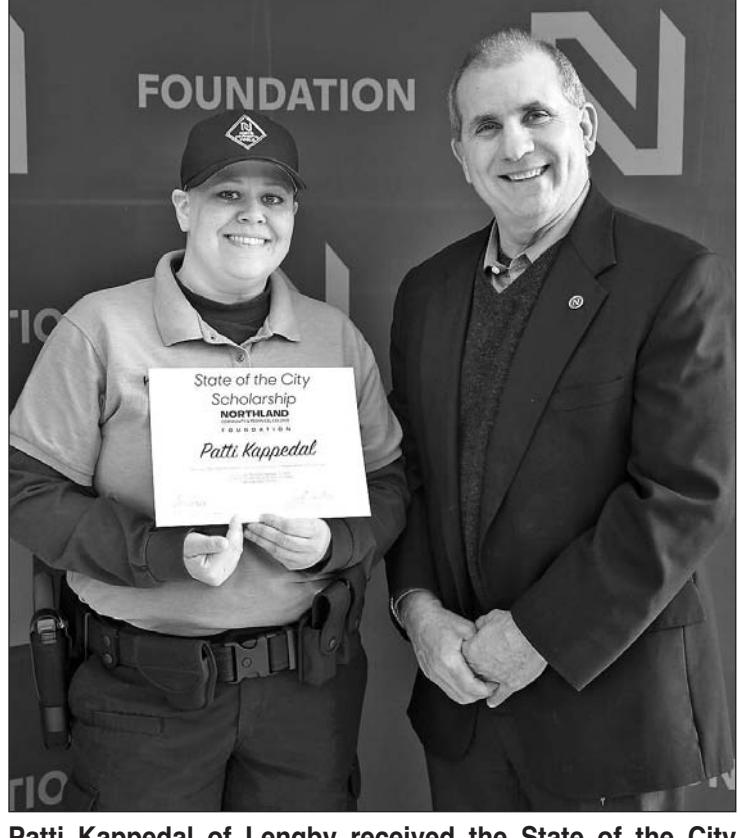
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Patti Kappedal of Lengby received the State of the City Scholarship during the Northland Community and Technical College 2020 Spring Scholarship Awards Ceremony held in Thief River Falls on Feb. 6. The scholarship was established from proceeds of the annual State of the City event. NCTC President Dr. Dennis Bona congratulated her.

## USXC Turtle River Rough Rider 100 recap

by Emily Wicklund

The sun finally decided to shine for a USXC event this year. On Saturday, Feb. 22, teams made their way to Manvel, N.D., for the Turtle River Rough Rider 100, the fifth USXC event this season. This is our only one day event of the 2019-2020 season, making the weekend fly by. Racing started at 10 a.m. on Saturday with riders given the option to go on a parade lap at 8:45 a.m. There was a total of five heat races with riders taking off in groups of two, 10 seconds apart. This was a timed event, so all results were based on total times and not who crossed the line first.

The first heat race of the day was made up of Pro Open, Semi-Pro Improved, and Masters 40 classes. These sleds ran four laps equaling 50 miles. Dustin Dohrn (Ski-doo) and Aaron Christensen (Polaris) were the first two sleds to take the green flag. Unfortunately, shortly into the Pro Open final, Aaron Christensen noticed his back injury was still an issue and paced his sled back to the pits to take a DNF. Christensen was currently sitting second in the Pro Open points standings. Herfindahl (Arctic Cat) showed his speed and made his way up to the lead quickly. Zach ended up taking the Pro Open win with Justin Tate (Polaris) in second and Taylor Bunke (Polaris) in third. Justin Tate remains the Pro Open points leader after five rounds. Nick Roehl took the win in the Masters 40 class over Craig Ritzinger (Ski-doo) and Eric Christensen (Polaris). In the Semi Pro

Improved class, Abe Olson was victorious with Cale Anseeuw in second and Paul Brown in third, all on Arctic Cat machines.

In heat race two, the Classic, Junior, and Vintage classes battled it out. These riders competed in three laps (about 40 miles). By heat race two, the Pros had made the ditches pretty rough for these riders. They had to ride smart in order to finish the race. Jesse Hallstrom took the lead quickly in the Junior 14-17 class and was unstoppable. Hallstrom plowed through the rough course and took the win in the Junior 14-17 class on his Arctic Cat. Maverick Broden came through second and Aaden Olson in third, both on Arctic Cats. In the Junior 14-17 Girls class, it was a close battle. McKenna Cloose and Danika Diesen swapped position on the track the whole race. Cloose came out on top, 10 seconds over Diesen, both on Arctic Cats. Dawson Darco took the victory in the Junior 10-13 class on his Arctic Cat and Reese Novacek won the Junior 10-13 Girls class on her Polaris. The Classic and Vintage riders had an even rougher ride with their minimal suspension. Ryan Derrick showed speed on his Polaris winning the Classic IFS class with a time of 52 minutes and 6 seconds. Doug Ruter hung on for the win in the Classic IFS 50+ class on his Arctic Cat. Ruter and second place runner John Griep have swapped first and second all season. In the Vintage class, Adam Leubner earned his first win of the season on his Arctic Cat. In the Vintage 50+ class, Dave Chambers hung on and fin-

ished the race. Being the lone entry in this class he took the win.

The next classes to take the green flag were Semi-Pro, Sport 600 Improved, and Women. These riders battled it out for 50 miles. Semi-Pro points leader Marshall Busse was unable to compete this weekend after sustaining an injury during testing on Friday. The first two sleds off the line were Arctic Cat riders Matt Feil and Abe Olson. For some of these riders, this is their second time racing on the course after already running the Semi Pro Improved class, so they knew what to expect. After starting 19th, Cale Anseeuw came out on top of the podium after showing speed in the rough. Thomas Junglen earned himself a second place but missed the podium picture due to having to race back-to-back heats. Nick Roehl claimed the third place spot, getting himself on the podium twice in Manvel. In the Semi-Pro points standings, Busse was able to hang onto his points lead, which is down to 10 points.

In the Women's class, Savannah Landrus (Polaris) earned herself another win this weekend over Lydia Sobeck on her Ski-doo.

In the Sport 600 Improved class, Cole Boyd (Arctic Cat) was victorious with Evan Peppel (Polaris) in second and Nicholas Nyquist (Arctic Cat) in third.

Heat race four consisted of Masters 50+, Sport 600, and Expert 600 Limited. After coming off the track in the Womens class, Lydia Sobeck was the first sled off the line in the Sport 600

class. The Sport class was filled with racing action with riders changing positions all throughout. Evan Peppel (Polaris) claimed his first Sport 600 win this weekend and took the points lead over Boe Bunke. Eight points separate these two Polaris riders in season points. Neil Jakubowski took second in the Sport 600 class on his Polaris and Cole Boyd came through third (Arctic Cat). In the Masters 50 class, Jim Sobeck took the win on his Ski-doo and Braden Sillerud (Arctic Cat) went home with the win in the Expert 600 Limited class.

The last race of the day was the Pro Stock final to do battle for 10 laps. Dillon Dohrn (Ski-doo) and Taylor Bunke (Polaris) were the first two sleds to leave the line for the main event. Springer (Polaris) and Herfindahl (Arctic Cat) started side by side in seventh and eighth and Tate in tenth. After one lap of 12.5 miles, Zach Herfindahl had already made his way to the front of the pack and even started to separate himself from the other riders on his Arctic Cat. Polaris rider Ryan Springer made his way to second and tried to keep Herfindahl in sight. Justin Tate (Polaris) finished lap one in third, battling closely with Springer. Laps two and three looked similar in running order with racers starting to take their mandatory fuel stop. During lap four, Tate got by Springer in a rough ditch section and ran with it. Racers continued to cycle through for fuel and before we knew it, Herfindahl had lapped a few riders and took the white flag. After a flawless run in Manvel, Herfindahl swept the Pro classes in round five by taking the checkered flag and win in the Pro Stock class. Justin Tate came through in second and Ryan Springer in third, both on Polaris sleds. Christensen, Lian, and Langaas unfortunately ended with a DNF in the Pro Stock class.

After five rounds of racing, Justin Tate is now leading the Pro Stock points with Herfindahl in second, trailing by seven points. Christensen manages to hang on to third, 11 points behind the leader.

USXC will be heading to Warroad on Feb. 29 and March 1 for the sixth round of racing. The Seven Clans Casino Warroad 100 is a highly talked about race of every season for both full-season competitors and local riders.

*Thank You to Krist Olson and the TRF Curling Club for hosting and teaching curling to the Goodridge Public School's 9th and 10th grade P.E. classes on several occasions this winter.*

*They thoroughly enjoyed it!*

*- Tom Loberg  
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North	North Town Hall	7:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.
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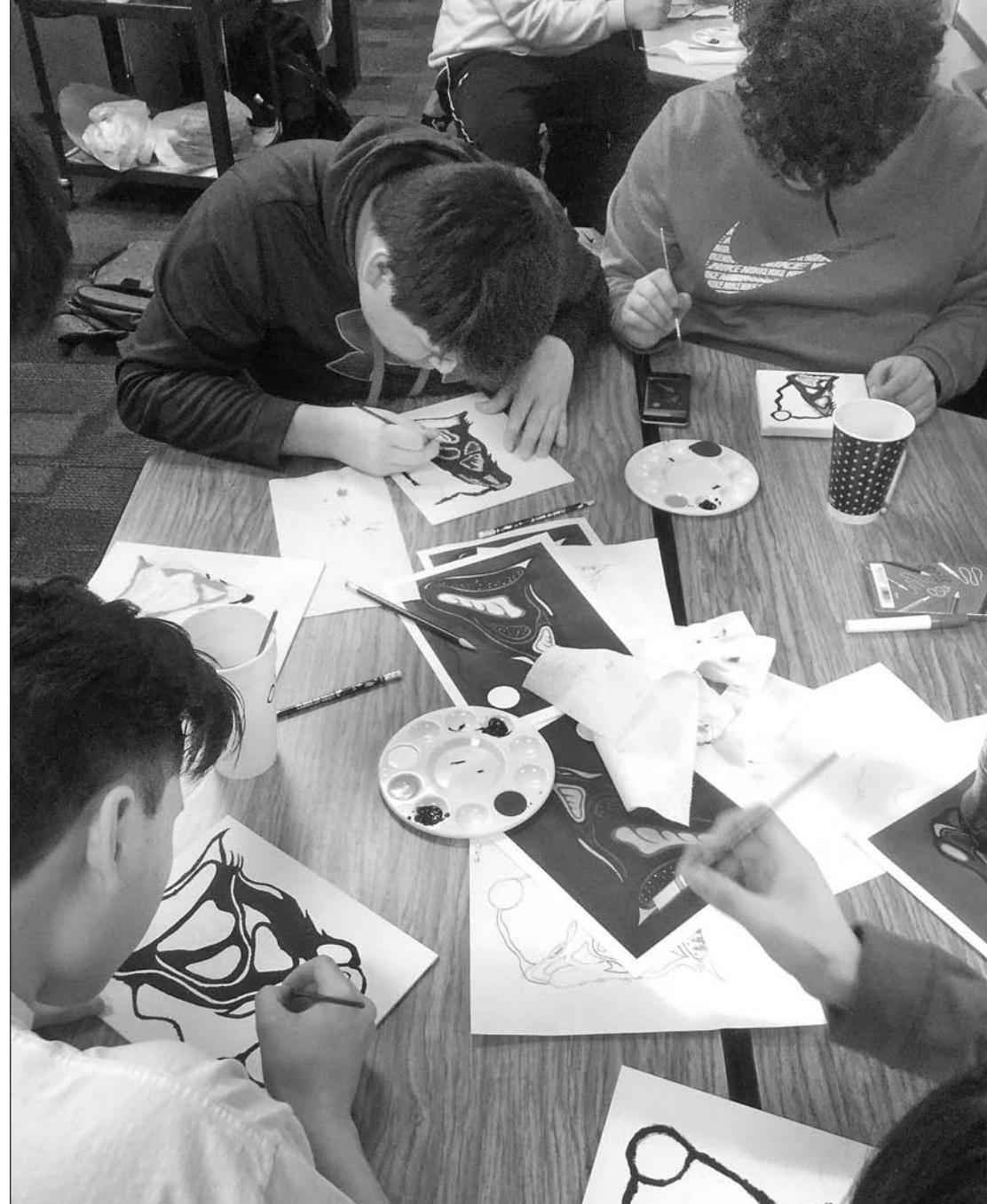
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The Pennington County Auditor-Treasurer's Office will be open for Absentee Voting on Saturday, February 29th, 2020 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., and also until 5:00 p.m. on Monday, March 2nd, 2020.



Several students in the Native American Program at Lincoln High School in Thief River Falls work on individual small canvases that tell a story. During the recent project, students worked with Robert (Bob) Smith to create a large mural and then on individual smaller versions of the mural.



Casey Goss of Browning, Mont., a student at Northland Community and Technical College, was one of the recipients of a \$1,000 East Grand Forks VFW Scholarship during the NCTC Foundation Spring Scholarship Awards Ceremony on Feb. 6 on the Thief River Falls campus. Nikkole Carver of Bagley was also a recipient, but was not present. She is with NCTC President Dr. Dennis Bona.



Tyrese Hicks of Orlando, Fla., received a \$350 John Michael Anderson Memorial Endowment Scholarship Feb. 6 during the 2020 Northland Community and Technical College Foundation Spring Scholarship Awards Ceremony held on NCTC's Thief River Falls campus. Dr. Dennis Bona, president of NCTC, congratulated Hicks.



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Why is learning about time so important? Because the typical child with serious learning problems also has serious problems organizing time. By providing regular routines in your child's day, you will be helping him/her to learn about time.

(Contributed by the Early Childhood Family Education Department of School District 564.)

### SOMETHING TO TALK ABOUT

Help your child to understand words like "before," "after," "first," and "now." For example, "After you pick up your toys, then you may go outside."

(Contributed by the Early Childhood Family Education Department of School District 564.)

### ACTIVITIES

#### Measuring

Give your child a ruler, yardstick, and a measuring tape. Walk around with

your child, finding things to measure. Point out the numbers on the measuring tools. Use the measuring tape to find out how tall your child is. If you wish, keep a record of all the things you measure to find out which one is the biggest and which one is the smallest.

### SCAVENGER HUNT

For next week's Activities feature, you will need eggs, ham and green food coloring.

(Contributed by Discovery Place Early Learning Center.)

### JOKE OF THE WEEK

Q: What has a foot on each side and one in the middle?

A: A yardstick.

### BOOK OF THE WEEK

There are thousands of books written for young children every year and many are available for you to borrow from a public library or can be purchased from a bookstore or online. Here are a couple of classic children's books that your family might enjoy:

Jenkins, Steve and Robin Page. **What Do You Do With a Tail Like This?** This is a wonderful book for sharing. Children will learn that lizards can completely break off their tails as a defense and that those tails will grow back. And, they'll find out that crickets' ears are on their knees. Most fish have two eyes, but some have four, the better to see above and below the water at the same time. Want to know more? Come to the library and check it out!

Scieszka, Jon. **Science Verse.** When the teacher tells his class that they can hear the poetry of science in everything, a student is struck with a curse and

begins hearing nothing but science verses that sound very much like some well-known poems.

### VIDEO VARIETY

In addition to the books that are available for your family, there are also many movies and documentaries that may make you laugh and inspire you, as well. Here is one classic choice:

**Sid the Science Kid: Now That's Using Your Brain.** I have muscles where? Sid's dad told him a funny joke and he laughed so hard that his face began to hurt - Sid's amazing lungs: Sid runs around frantically trying to get ready for school - How did my dog do that? Sid sees his dog Philbert scratching his ear with his hind leg and tries to do it himself - Now that's using your brain: The brain controls all kinds of things in your body including walking, thinking and getting ready for school.

### WONDERS OF THE WEB

The Internet has long been available to supplement your parenting knowledge and skills. This is one web location that your family might enjoy: Worksheets for preschool and kindergarten children on measuring things. [www.k5learning.com/free-preschool-kindergarten-worksheets/measurement](http://www.k5learning.com/free-preschool-kindergarten-worksheets/measurement)

Remember that you can also visit the website of your local public library to find out more about local library services. Libraries in much of northwest Minnesota are listed on the Northwest Regional Library website: <http://www.nwrlib.org/>

(With assistance from the Thief River Falls Public Library.)



Jade Defreece paints on a mural. Students in the Native American Program at Lincoln High School in Thief River Falls were recently given the opportunity to work with Robert (Bob) Smith, an individual with experiential working knowledge and practice of the Anishinaabe culture. Basically, this means students were immersed in a learning by doing experience that promoted reflection on that experience to develop new skills, new attitudes or new ways of thinking. (Submitted)

Prowler Proud ...

## In support of our Native American programming

by Sara Rogalla and  
Amber Neadeau,  
Native American Liasons  
for ISD 564

Boozhoo! Greetings from the Thief River Falls Public School Native American Program! The Native American education program offers a variety of services and programming to students and families in the Thief River Falls school district. Some of the programming offered includes cultural events, academic support, scholarship opportunities, and Native American family fun nights.

Recently, the district welcomed an individual with experiential working knowledge and practice of the Anishinaabe culture, Robert (Bob) Smith. Bob is a first language speaker of the Ojibwemowin Anishinaabe language. Students in the Native American Program at Lincoln High School were given the opportunity to work under his tutelage on creating a five-foot tall by four-foot wide mural. The subject of the mural is an

animal created in woodland style art. Woodland style art is a style of painting of Native American artists from the Great Lakes area, including northern Ontario and southwestern Manitoba. The painting students are currently working on derives from inspiration of this art style. This style is also known as Legend Painting or Medicine Painting. The oral history of the Anishinabe coupled with visions and dreams of an artist has often provided subject matter for this genre of painting.

Paintings, vivid in color that emphasize bold outlines and x-rays of animals, plants and people, are depicted in this style.

Each student who participated also made a smaller version of the image on a canvas while taking turns working on the larger mural. The mural tells a story and has many smaller images within the larger image. By the completion of the project, all students will have specific understanding about the piece, which they will be able to share. A cele-

bration will be held with a feast and unveiling when the students have completed the artwork. The story of the mural will be shared at that time with audience members.

"Omaa, kikino'a-matigamigong nimaami-gaachisamin gekina ashiataawad omaa odenaakoong i'iw wewini widoonkodaadewaad apani-go. Ingiw sago kikino'a-maawaaginag gewiichi-dawaad, apichi minosamaa-gadinin anookadamowaad gichi-maazinab'iigan. Onizhizhin ewi-gik-endamawaad odizhidaway-nawaa azhi-Anishinabeyewaa."

As a district, we are very fortunate and appreciative of the willingness of community members to share their knowledge with our students and staff. We look forward to continue working with our Anishinaabe communities, building connections, understandings and supporting a strong cultural background in our students.

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## HARVEST FOR HUNGER CHS Ag Services/Northland Grain Events

~March 3~

*Thief River Falls Family Bowl*

**Bowling Tournament** – 3:00 pm

We will have teams of 4 people, each paying \$25 for the entry fee



~March 5~

*Oklee Fire Hall*

**Corn Hole Tournament** – 1:00 pm

**\$20 entrance fee per person**

*Oklee TJ's Tavern*

**Smear Tournament** – 4:00 pm

**\$20 entrance fee per team**

(Free-will offering ham & scalloped potato lunch at Oklee Community Center – 11:00 am – 2:00 pm)

~March 10~

*Warren American Legion*

**Corn Hole Tournament** – 1:00 pm

**\$20 entrance fee per person**

(Free-will offering spaghetti supper – 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm)

Stop at your local CHS office to  
donate or to purchase a raffle ticket!

~March 5~

*Crookston Eagles Club*

**Corn Hole Tournament** – 2:00 pm

**\$20 entrance fee per person**

**Smear Tournament** – 2:00 pm

**\$20 entrance fee per team**

(Free-will offering pulled pork supper – 5:00 pm)

~March 12~

*Roseau Sparetime Bowl & Arcade*

**Bowling Tournament** – 10:00 am

**We will have teams of 4 people,**

**each paying \$25 for the entry fee**

**\$5 Raffle Prizes**

Prize 1: 55" Hisense Roku TV

Prize 2: Meat Bundle with Cooler

Prize 3: Set of Corn Hole Boards

Prize 4: Home/Kitchen Basket valued at \$180

Prize 5: Grilling Basket valued at \$170

Prize 6: \$100 Scheels Gift Card

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Theology in the Trenches ...

# Praying for those who are doing the prosecuting



by Kathleen Kjolhaug

As I normally write my columns a month ahead, they do not necessarily line up seasonally as to when you read them. For example, by the time you read this, it will be February. But the reality is, I'm writing this the final day of the year and thus my thoughts flow randomly and randomly you receive them. Today, as I made my way downstairs, wondering how the final day of the year would play out ... a question began to form.

If it were the final day of writing to you, what would my words hold?

What prompted this

thought was my reading about St. Stephen, the first martyr of the Christian faith. When he woke that day, little did he know it would be his last.

Those who may not know, Stephen was stoned to death. He was discussing his faith openly to those who didn't like what he had to say. That's about it. What he said angered them and thus, they did away with him because they could.

Stephen was a persuasive preacher with an impressive grasp on the Hebrew Scriptures (Acts 7). He had the faith to perform miracles, the sensitivity to care for poor widows, and the talent to manage community finances. But most important, he was highly regarded as a man "filled with the Spirit and wisdom" (6:3). The Sanhedrin who did the condemning saw light shining through him, which the author of Acts

interpreted as a sign of his holiness (6:15) (Elliott, Kathryn, "Bringing Heaven to Earth." The Word Among Us, Advent, 2019.)

"Stephen was unlike the other apostles, who were Aramaic-speaking Palestinian Jews. He was likely a Jew of the Diaspora—meaning that he spoke Greek. This made him a natural choice to help out the newly baptized Jews who had come to Jerusalem from Greek-speaking regions outside of Palestine. In the earliest days of the Church, the Greek-speaking believers tended to lead separate lives from the Hebrew-speaking majority—mostly due to language and cultural barriers" (Elliott).

Because of this gap in language, many Greek speaking widows were left out of the Jerusalem church's distribution of alms at the end of the year.

This problem was brought to the attention of the 12 apostles and they appointed Stephen to help "fill-the-gap" so to speak.

His stoning took place because of a courageous sermon he gave about the passing nature of the great Jewish Temple (Acts, 7:48-49). This sealed his fate.

When we think of Stephen, what is it we focus on? Do we focus on the great divide between Stephen and his accusers? Do we focus on who was right or who was wrong? In the end, Stephen, like Jesus, focused on something else. They both chose to focus on the persecutors by praying for them. Jesus and Stephen went a step further in prayer by asking that those who were doing the persecuting be forgiven. That was new to the thought process in that day ... and perhaps just as rare today.

The words of Jesus we

remember well, "Father, forgive them, they know not what they do." (Luke 23:34)

But most don't remember that Stephen prayed likewise, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them." (Acts 7:60)

So what would my parting words be to all who read this if this were the final column? My words would come in the form of questions.

Do I persecute? Am I able to pray like Jesus for those who persecute to be forgiven? How am I called to proclaim the Gospel, and in what form has he gifted me to do that? Am I living surrounded by community that will help spur me on while reaching out? What stones have I thrown by way of mere murmuring that takes away life? Am I, like Jesus, praying upon bended knee within whatever garden he has placed me? Knowing that his word brings life and

light to a world that would rather not hear, am I listening?

In the end, may our prayers be Christlike as we pray, "Forgive them Father for they know not what they do." (Luke 23:34)

And we are only able to pray as such because of Galatians 2:20, "I am crucified with Christ, and I no longer live, but it is Christ who lives in me." Amen.

On the  
Other Hand ...  
**My plans  
for next  
year?**

by  
Ava  
Sturgeon

On the Other Hand is written by students attending Lincoln High School in Thief River Falls.

As the third quarter of my senior year comes to an end, the number of times I will get asked what my plans are for next year will double, if not triple. There are 95 days left until graduation, and I still have yet to come up with an answer.

Living in the small town of Thief River Falls, what comes next is always a toss up. Some of us want to get as far away as possible and see what bigger cities have to offer. While others enjoy the comfort of being close to the things that they grew up with and know, I'm stuck between both.

As a kid, I always told my family I was going far away for school and would never look back, but as I got older, I learned to appreciate that little things Thief River Falls has to offer. The support of the community is never-ending, and holds no boundaries for such things as our amazing sports facilities like the Ralph Engelstad Arena, and the best breakfast money can buy at Biff's.

College puts a lot of pressure on kids to not only decide where to go or what to major in, but also whether a four-year degree is the right path for you. I am thankful that living in Thief River Falls has taught me many things. I have learned from some amazing teachers at Lincoln High School to put forth the effort in my education and from previous hockey coaches to never get discouraged from a challenge.

I think the one thing that has impacted me the most growing up here, and that will influence my answer, is all the different activities I got to experience. Some may say that it's a little boring here, but when I look back on all I have done, from going to hockey games, snowmobiling, and ice fishing in the winter, to rodeo, golfing, and maybe or maybe not a time or two bridge jumping, I have experienced a lot and have found the things I love in life.

I don't have an answer to what my plans will be next year, but I know wherever I end up, I will be able to succeed because of where I came from and the lessons I've learned.

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Positive Thoughts ...

## Cheating hearts



by Dan Bartsch

could hit any ball for a base hit or a home run.

Now, some folks have said that stealing signs has always been a part of baseball, from Little League to the majors, but you and I know that this is just plain cheating.

This applies to other sports as well. Awhile back in football, the New England Patriots were accused of videotaping the practices of the New York Jets, so they would know the plays when they played together. Basketball players have been known to make fewer points, or "shaved points" in games in which they would get kick backs from gamblers. And of course, Wrestler Hulk Hogan lost his title to Ric Flair because he used brass knuckles, and the referee didn't see that he had cheated (Well, they always cheat in the WWE, but you get the idea).

This month is the 40th anniversary of the "Miracle on Ice" when the U.S. Hockey Team beat the Soviets 4-3. But imagine if the Soviets had tried to cheat to win. It would be a different story. Thank goodness those guys played their hearts out and won that game. So, don't cheat or I'm tellin'. God bless.

Well, with all this white stuff around here, I'm happy that the Boys of Summer -the Minnesota Twins - are in Fort Myers, Fla., getting ready to play baseball again. But this week's column is about what has been going on in the news - cheating in baseball.

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**Doris A. Smeby, 89**

Grygla - Doris Smeby, of Grygla, passed away on Sunday, February 23, 2020 at the Thief River Care Center in Thief River Falls at the age of 89.

The funeral service will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, February 27, 2020 at Grace Lutheran

Church in Grygla, with Pastor Nathan Satchwill officiating. Interment will take place in the spring at Valle Cemetery, rural Grygla.

Visitation will take place from 5 until 7 p.m. with a 7 p.m. prayer service on Wednesday, February 26, 2020 at Johnson Funeral Service in Thief River Falls. Visitation will also take place one hour prior to the funeral service on Thursday at the church.

Doris Arlene (Teigland) Smeby was born on July 6, 1930 in Waukegan, IL to James and Signe (Hylland) Teigland. They moved to their farm near Grygla when Doris was a baby. Doris was the third of ten children. She attended the Sandmark School through the 8th grade. After that she did a lot of the cooking, canning, gardening, and child care for the family.

On December 10th, 1950 Doris married John Smeby. They lived with his parents, Even and Randi Smeby before building their house in the same yard. After their first 4 children had filled their home, they moved it across the field to their own family farm, where 2 more children were squeezed in.

Doris was a hard working farmer's wife, mother, housewife, gardener, and of course - a great cook. In addition to keeping her family well fed, Doris worked for many years as a cook/waitress at the Pool Hall. After that she became a cook at the Grygla School for many years. Some of the foods that she was best known for were her donuts, lefse, potato salad, buns, flatbread, and potato dumplings.

John and Doris enjoyed 56-years of marriage and lived the life of dairy farmers; staying close to home the majority of the time. They enjoyed sharing lunch in the field on the tailgate of the pick-up, or a Sunday drive to the Jackpines. Many memories were made during Sunday afternoon picnics at Red Lake or Hayes Park, and at family

ball games. They got the camping bug when they bought their first camper, and enjoyed many weekends camping with the grandkids. They were able to make a couple of major trips together. Their first flight was to visit Nancy's family in Sierra Leone. They were also able to spend time with relatives in Norway and around the United States.

After the death of Doris' life-long sweetheart, she filled the void by becoming an avid reader, spending time with friends at Senior Meals, and had a special relationship with each of her grand-kids and great grand-kids. She looked forward to spending time with Oliver after school each day.

Doris was a devout Christian and a long-time member of the Community Bible Church. She believed that the reason she lived on after John's death was to pray for her family. She prayed for each one by name every day.

Doris is survived by her children: Jim (Eileen) of Fertile, Lowell (Rochelle) of Grygla, Paul (Marie) of Thief River Falls, Pam (Tim) Mostrom of Grygla and JoAnn (John) Orpen of Battle Lake; son-in-law, Perry Hubbard of Panama City; grandchildren: Shane (Erin), Kyle, Jay Smeby, Nick (Lisa), Gretchen Smeby, Sarah and Kelly Smeby, John (Val), Jeff (Heather), Jessica Hubbard, Randi (Cole) Privett, David (Amber), Ben (Kallie) and Laura Orpen; great-grandchildren: Athena, John, Sam, Maddy, Violet, Oliver, Jersey, Jazmyne, Jackson, Zane, Donovan, Tobias, Maverick, Evan, Emmitt and baby girl Orpen; sisters: Marian Ostby of Minneapolis, Mavis (Robert) Smeby of Grygla, Gloria (Richard) Ness of Viking, Carol (Andy) Wells of Bemidji; brother, Sheldon (Lucy) Teigland of Barrow, Ak; She will also be missed by her dear friend Arlette Ruud and extended family and friends.

Doris was preceded in death by her husband, John; her parents; daughter, Nancy; daughter-in-law, Patti; siblings and spouses: Joyce, Wallace and Carole, Glenn and Donna, Carl Gene and Nancy, Evelyn and Walt Reiger, Clayton Ostby and Albert Smeby.

Doris lived to the age of 89 years, 7 months, and 17 days. May her memory be blessed and her prayers and wishes for her family be honored.

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**Technology surcharge refunds issued**

About 150,000 Minnesotans will see a \$2.25 check in their mailbox from the Minnesota Department of Public Safety Driver and Vehicle Services division in the coming weeks.

The refund is being sent to Minnesotans who were charged a registration technology surcharge twice when they transferred their title and renewed their vehicle registration at the same time. They should have only paid one surcharge.

"It's important that we return the fee to anyone who paid more than they should have," said Minnesota Department of Public Safety Driver and Vehicle Services Director Emma Corrie. "We are also taking steps to make sure no one else is overcharged in the future. We will also be tracking these types of transactions so that we can correct the situation as quickly as possible."

The \$2.25 title technology surcharge and a \$2.25 registration technology surcharge fee is set in Minnesota law. DPS-DVS collected both fees when customers transferred a vehicle title and renewed their registration in one transaction. After reviewing the statutes, DPS-DVS determined that only the title technology surcharge should be collected when a registration is renewed at the same time.

DPS-DVS has identified approximately 150,000 people who paid the additional \$2.25 fee, a total of approximately \$337,500. The additional fees have been col-

lected during the past five months.

Minnesota Management and Budget began issuing refunds Wednesday, Feb. 19, to anyone who was overcharged. MMB will process up to 5,000 refunds each day, Monday through Friday, until all of the refunds have been mailed.

DPS-DVS updated the vehicle services system on Jan. 13, allowing deputy registrars to waive the second \$2.25 fee for all future transactions and sent information to deputy registrars about the process, so more Minnesotans are not overcharged.

DPS-DVS will continue to track this issue in case anyone is overcharged in the future and ensure they receive a refund as soon as possible.

The new vehicle title and registration services system, scheduled to launch in November 2020, will correct this situation by removing the additional fee from these types of transactions.

DPS-DVS set up a direct informational phone number for anyone receiving these checks. The phone number, 651-296-0118, will be listed on the refund checks, and the following message will play anytime someone calls:

"Driver and Vehicle Services issued refunds to vehicle owners who paid the \$2.25 technology surcharge twice when they transferred their title and renewed registration. Only one technology surcharge should have been charged. If you received your refund, please accept it with our apology."

**TRFACT hosts Fargo-Moorhead Opera**

For the second year, the Thief River Falls Area Community Theater is set to host the Fargo-Moorhead Young Performers Opera on Thursday, March 5 in Thief River Falls. The performers will conduct workshops for area schoolchildren during the day.

At 7 p.m. that day, the performers will perform a concert at St. Bernard's Catholic Church in Thief River Falls. Admission is \$10 or free with a 2020 Thief River Falls Concert Series ticket. Admission is also free of charge for all youth ages 18 and under.

The evening concert will

include a variety of musical selections, from opera to musical theater, with possibly some pop tunes thrown in. This concert is an excellent way to discover opera, and is appropriate and enjoyable for the entire family.

The Gate City Bank Young Artist Program was founded in 2013. The goal of the Young Artist Program is to enrich young artists through training and stage experience that will enhance their performing abilities from guest artists, stage directors and FM Opera General Director David Hamilton. Performers are selected by audition nationwide.

Now in its seventh year, this program is the first of its kind in the region, bringing groups of young professionals to the area from mid-January through April of each year. The Young Artists will also be featured in two Fargo Moorhead Opera productions in the 2019-20 season: lead roles in Michael Ching's "Speed Dating Tonight!" and roles in Mascagni's "Cavalleria Rusticana."

For more information about TRFACT, go to [www.trfact.org](http://www.trfact.org) or check it out on Facebook.

This activity is made possible, in part, by a grant from the Northwest Minnesota Arts Council with Legacy Amendment funding through the vote of Minnesotans in 2008.

**Roundabouts and trails in TRF** /Continued

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The 2020 Street and Utilities Improvement Project also includes the construction of an FMS Safe Routes to School multi-use trail. The majority of that \$185,000 project will be covered by a Safe Routes to School grant.

As part of that project, a 10-foot-wide multi-use trail will be constructed in the County Ditch 1 easement from Greenwood Street to Edgewood Drive. From there, it will traverse through a pedestrian easement to the east side of FMS. A second trail will be constructed from Edgewood Drive to Spruce Avenue along the south side of Gulf Street (near the baseball fields). In an earlier report to the council, Public Works Director Mark Borseth noted that about 12% of the school's 488 students walk to school and pedestrian access is limited east and southeast of the school.

At the meeting, council member Rachel Prudhomme raised concerns about the trail traversing between two Edgewood Drive properties. She noted snow would pile up at that location and additional lighting would be needed there. Prudhomme advocated constructing the trail across a nearby vacant lot.

The city doesn't own an easement there and has no plans for additional lighting in that area, Borseth replied. He added that the plans may be discussed further in the future as the project becomes closer to reality.

The city has constructed trails in other parts of the city. Mayor Brian Holmer said that the city hasn't installed any additional lighting along other city trails.

Mike Cerny owns a property adjacent to the proposed location of the trail. Council member Steve Narverud has spoken to Cerny. Narverud said Cerny thought it was the best place for the trail and Cerny told him that he has waved people through that area as a shortcut. Narverud added that city leaders would like to construct the trail at this specific location since it will be close to the proposed site of a future baseball field that the school district may construct.

The council held a first reading for an ordinance to amend city code related to living quarters in the General Business District (C-2). If approved, "owner occupied residential use with a maximum of 330 square feet on the ground floor" would be allowed as a conditional use in areas zoned C-2. Any larger residential use would be required to be above the ground floor.

Borseth noted an unidentified business owner wanted to build a clinic with living quarters in an area zoned C-2. Borseth added that C-2 zoning covers such locations as areas near McDonald's as well as Northern Motors.

The council is expected to consider the ordinance at an upcoming meeting.

City Council rescinded a Sept. 3 resolution related to the city's Safety Footwear, Winter

**Safety Footwear and Temporary Employee Safety Footwear Program.** The rescinded resolution had called for the reimbursement of up to \$100 every two years for such footwear for eligible employees and up to \$25 for eligible temporary employees. With the rescindment, the program now goes back to the original resolution whereby there was no time limit.

In order for the employee to be reimbursed, a department leader needs to approve the request, the footwear needs to comply with Occupational Safety and Health Administration requirements, and a receipt is needed.

The matter was brought forward after a grievance was filed by a member of the Teamsters Union. Union and city representatives met several times before this solution was reached.

As part of its consent agenda, the council adopted the Northern Minnesota (Duluth) meal reimbursement schedule and the 2020 federal mileage rate. For travel outside of Pennington County, meals will now be reimbursed at \$18 for breakfast, \$19 for lunch and \$34 for dinner. Alcohol and tips won't be reimbursed. Those reimbursement rates also match the Minneapolis/St. Paul reimbursement schedule. A standard rate, according to the U.S. General Services Administration, is \$13, \$14 and \$23, respectively.

The federal mileage rate is currently 0.575 cents per mile, which the city has followed in the past.

Holmer signed a proclamation for Nordic Fest: A Celebration of All Things Scandinavian, which will be observed May 7-17. Nordic Fest was previously known as Norwegian Heritage Week and includes Syttende Mai or May 17, Norwegian Independence Day.

Sons of Norway Snorre Lodge 70 is planning a series of community events to highlight the strong Scandinavian heritage of this area.

**Frosty Tines Deer Expo** /Continued

(Continued from Page 1) White Tail Properties, Northwoods Mapping, and others. The Thief River Falls Archery Club will offer a SAFE archery setup for youth.

Since 1988, QDMA has worked to promote sustainable, high-quality deer populations, wildlife habitats and ethical hunting experiences through research, education, advocacy, and hunter recruitment. QDMA teaches deer hunters how to improve local deer populations, habitat and hunting experiences.

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## School Lunch - Week of March 2-6

### Challenger Elementary School

#### Thief River Falls

Milk is served with all meals. Fruit choice and juice served for breakfast. Salad Bar offered daily. Alternate entrees: Pizza or build your own chef salad. Breakfast prices: Students \$1.50; reduced Free. Lunch prices: Students \$2.80; reduced Free.

#### Breakfast

Mondays: Sausage or egg breakfast pizza

Tuesdays: French toast sticks with sausage patty

Wednesdays: Breakfast sandwich

Thursdays: Pancake wrap poppers

Fridays: Cinnamon roll

#### Lunch

Monday: California burger on a bun, seasoned potato wedges, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, mixed up fruit salad

Tuesday: Cheese quesadilla, chuck wagon corn, tomatoes, cheese, onions, olives, apple-sauce

Wednesday: Harvest pork chop, mashed potatoes with butter, peas, dinner roll, apple slices

Thursday: Spaghetti and meat sauce, green beans, breadstick, pineapple tidbits

Friday: Fish patty on a bun, tartar sauce, baked beans, Sun Chips, apple slices

### Franklin Middle School

#### Thief River Falls

Milk is served with all meals. Fruit choice and juice served for breakfast. Salad bar available for every lunch. Alternate entrees: Pizza, chef salad, sub sandwich or bagel meal. Breakfast prices: Students \$1.60; reduced Free. Lunch prices: Students \$2.75; reduced Free.

#### Breakfast

Mondays: Sausage or egg breakfast pizza

Tuesdays: French toast sticks with sausage patty

Wednesdays: Breakfast sandwich

Thursdays: Pancake wrap poppers

Fridays: Cinnamon roll

#### Lunch

Monday: Chicken patty on a bun, sidewinder fries, peas and carrots

Tuesday: Soft shell taco, tortilla, taco meat with salsa, Spanish rice, tomatoes, onions, olives, sour cream

Wednesday: Meatballs in gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, dinner roll

Thursday: Chicken chunks, baby baker potato, baked beans

Friday: Fish patty on a bun, crinkle cut fries, cucumber coins, apple slices

### Lincoln High School

#### Thief River Falls

Milk is served with all meals. Fruit choice and juice served for breakfast. Breakfast prices: Students \$1.65; reduced Free. Lunch prices: Students \$2.80; reduced Free. Grill line options available as alternatives are: cheeseburger, hamburger, chicken patty, spicy chicken patty, rib patty & pizza.

#### Breakfast

All items offered every day: Bacon/egg pizza, breakfast sausage pizza, cream cheese bagel, mini-minis, burritos, chocolate chip, maple and strawberry pancakes.

#### Tuesdays

Tuesdays: Pancake dog on a stick

#### Fridays

Fridays: Cinnamon roll

#### Lunch

Monday: French dip, sour cream potato wedges

Tuesday: Chicken quesadilla, black bean fiesta

Wednesday: Harvest pork chop, mashed potatoes with butter, peas, dinner roll

Thursday: Salisbury steak in gravy over egg noodles, green beans, breadstick

Friday: Lasagna cheese rollups, Italian sauce, golden corn

### Goodridge Schools

#### Goodridge

Milk is served with all meals. Fruit and juice is served with all breakfasts. Salad bar served at every lunch.

#### Breakfast

Monday: Toast, cereal

Tuesday: Breakfast sandwich

Wednesday: Pancakes, sausage

Thursday: Granola bar, cereal

Friday: Long john

#### Lunch

Monday: Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes and gravy

Tuesday: Taco in a bag, cookie

Wednesday: Pulled pork on a bun, Sun Chips, baked beans

Thursday: Tator tot casserole, bread

Friday: Baked potato bar with toppings

### Marshall County Central School

#### Newfolden

All breakfast and lunches served with juice, low fat/fat-free milk and fruit. All bread products served are whole grains. An alternative of cereal is available every breakfast.

#### Breakfast

Monday: Biscuit and gravy, orange

Tuesday: Toast, cereal

Wednesday: Long john, hard boiled egg, mixed fruit

Thursday: Scrambled eggs, applesauce

### Friday: Poptart or granola bar

#### Lunch

Monday: Brat on a bun, baked beans, chips, tropical fruit

Tuesday: Chicken alfredo, noodles, peas, dinner roll, peaches

Wednesday: Sub sandwich, lettuce, tomatoes, chips, apple

Thursday: Hot ham and cheese, broccoli, pears

Friday: Pizza, corn

### Viking Elementary School

#### School

All breakfast and lunches served with juice, low fat/fat-free milk, and fruit. All bread products served are whole grains. An alternative of cereal is available at every breakfast.

#### Breakfast

Monday: Toast, peanut butter, jelly, butter

Tuesday: French toast sticks, syrup, hard boiled egg

Wednesday: Muffin, sausage

Thursday: Long john, yogurt or Greek yogurt

Friday: Banana or pumpkin bread, hard boiled egg

### Lafayette High School

#### Red Lake Falls

cheese

Wednesday: Corn dogs, mac and cheese, vegetable

Thursday: Chicken nuggets, cheesy potatoes, vegetable, chocolate chip cracker

Friday: Cheese pizza, lettuce salad, cottage cheese, carrots and celery

### Lafayette High School

#### Red Lake Falls

All meals are served with fruit and milk. All breakfasts are served with juice. All lunches are served with fresh vegetables and fruit choice.

#### Breakfast

Monday: Toast, peanut butter, jelly, butter

Tuesday: French toast sticks, syrup, hard boiled egg

Wednesday: Muffin, sausage

Thursday: Long john, yogurt or Greek yogurt

Friday: Banana or pumpkin bread, hard boiled egg

### Red Lake County Central Elementary School

#### Plummer

Milk and fruit is served with all meals. Bread, cereal and juice is served with breakfast.

#### Breakfast

Monday: Egg omelet

Tuesday: Pancakes

Wednesday: Scrambled eggs with ham, biscuit

Thursday: Breakfast pizza

Friday: Long john roll

### Red Lake County Central High School

#### Red Lake Falls

Milk and fruit is served with all meals. Bread, cereal and juice is served with breakfast.

#### Breakfast

Monday: Breakfast pizza

Tuesday: Cereal choice, toast

Wednesday: Egg omelet, toast

Thursday: Pancakes, sausage links

Friday: Cereal choice, toast

### St. Bernard's

#### Thief River Falls

Milk and fruit is served with all meals. Juice is served with breakfast.

#### Breakfast

Monday: Breakfast pizza

Tuesday: Cereal choice, toast

Wednesday: Egg omelet, toast

Thursday: Pancakes, sausage links

Friday: Cereal choice, toast

### Red Lake County Central High School

#### Red Lake Falls

Milk and fruit is served with all meals. Bread, cereal and juice is served with breakfast.

#### Breakfast

Monday: Breakfast pizza

Tuesday: Cereal choice, toast

Wednesday: Egg omelet, toast

Thursday: Pancakes, sausage links

Friday: Cereal choice, toast

### St. John Lutheran School

#### Thief River Falls

Milk is served with all meals.

#### Lunch

Monday: Chicken patty on a bun, sidewinder fries, peas and carrots

Tuesday: Soft shell taco, tortilla, taco meat with salsa, Spanish rice, tomatoes, onions, olives, sour cream

Wednesday: Meatballs in gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, dinner roll

Thursday: Chicken chunks, baby baker potato, baked beans

Friday: Fish patty on a bun, crinkle cut fries, cucumber coins, apple slices

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#### Red Lake Falls

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Thief River Care Center staff and residents voted on the 2020 royalty, who were crowned on Valentine's Day. Royalty included (front row) Blueberry Queen Lottie

Sistad, Evergreen Queen Dolly Shetler; (back row) Blueberry King Jeff Mercil and Evergreen King Terry Olson. (Submitted)



Miss Thief River Falls Shelby Erickson, a past employee of Thief River Care Center, visited with 2019 royalty Donald Harbott

and Phyllis McIntosh on Valentine's Day. Their successors were crowned at an event that day. (Submitted)



Kathryn Brown of Williston, N.D., received the Dr. Anne Temte Endowment Scholarship on Feb 6 during the Northland Community and Technical College Foundation Spring Scholarship Awards Ceremony. Northland President Dr. Dennis Bona congratulated her.



Receiving the Coya Knutson Memorial Scholarship, which was established by Norma Hanson and friends in honor of Minnesota's first female member of the U.S. Congress, Coya Knutson, was Amber Mielke of Becker. The scholarship was presented to her during the 2020 Northland Community and Technical College Foundation Spring Scholarship Awards Ceremony Feb 6. Northland President Dr. Dennis Bona congratulated her.



The Northland Foundation Memorial Endowment Scholarship was presented to Kathryn Brown of Williston, N.D. The scholarship was established by combining the following funds: Madelyn and Robert Robarge Education Scholarship, Rich Lytle Academic Scholarship, Dalquist Journalism Scholarship, Anita Carlson Memorial Scholarship and Longren Scholarship. The scholarship was presented to Brown during the 2020 Northland Community and Technical College Spring Scholarship Awards Ceremony in Thief River Falls on Feb. 6. She was congratulated by Northland President Dr. Dennis Bona.



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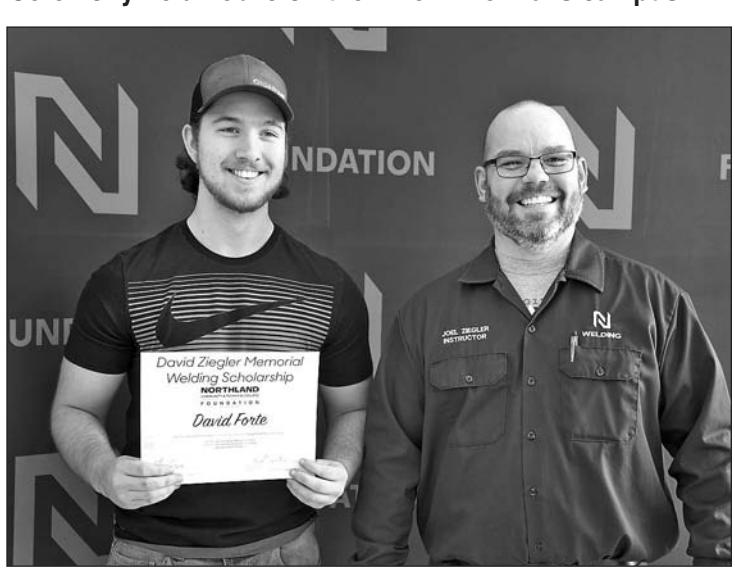
Jason Wells of Fair Haven, Vt., received a \$250 John Steidl Memorial Scholarship. The scholarship was established in memory of John Steidl, a former Northland Community and Technical College instructor. The scholarship was presented to Wells during the 2020 NCTC Foundation Spring Scholarship Awards Ceremony. NCTC President Dr. Dennis Bona congratulated him.

#### CORRECTION

Lincoln High School inadvertently omitted junior Ethan Lunseter from the Straight A honor roll. The LHS second quarter honor roll was featured in the Feb. 12 edition of The Times.



Dakota Peterson of Kenmare, N.D., received the Carl Reed Memorial Scholarship established by Polly Reed in memory of her husband Carl, an aviation instructor at Northland Community and Technical College. The scholarship was presented by the Reed's grandson, Nathan Hruby, during the 2020 NCTC Foundation Spring Scholarship Award Ceremony held Feb. 6 on the Thief River Falls campus.



David Forte of Bemidji received a \$325 David Ziegler Memorial Welding Scholarship established in memory of David Ziegler by Joel Ziegler. He received the award during the 2020 Northland Community and Technical College Foundation Spring Scholarship Awards Ceremony on Feb. 6 on Northland's Thief River Falls campus. The scholarship was presented by Joel Ziegler.

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# Grievances with VenuWorks aired

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 Falls Amateur Hockey Association and VenuWorks, as well as Prowler boys hockey head coach Tim Bergland and Prowler boys hockey assistant coach Scott Bergland, were invited to the next committee meeting. That meeting is scheduled Tuesday, March 10 at 4:30 p.m. at City Hall.

Brown, who chairs the Administrative Services Committee, said it was time for the screaming and blaming to stop.

Brown's comments came toward the end of the 90-minute meeting about VenuWorks' management of the arenas. Peters noted the complaints centered on scheduling events, unclean locker rooms, full trash cans, dirty floors, Zamboni driving, and food and beverage issues. He said he believed VenuWorks was making great strides, adding that he hoped that VenuWorks would be able to bring its next executive director candidate to Thief River Falls in the next week or two weeks to meet the city's standards.

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Throughout the meeting, Peters apologized to various individuals for his company's failure to meet the city's standards.

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Past issues with the arena liquor license were also discussed. Council member Rachel Prudhomme, who voted in favor of VenuWorks, said people weren't being carded when buying alcohol at the arena in the past.

Prudhomme was interrupted by Sollom, leading Holmer to pound his gavel.

Sollom later asked whether the city or the liquor license holder was responsible for carding people. City Attorney Delray Sparby informed him that liquor license holders were responsible.

Prudhomme later noted the council had zero control over the alcohol being served at REA in the past. Now, she said, the council had control over the alcohol being served there. She added that the council had a responsibility to make sure

people weren't so intoxicated that they harmed themselves or others.

Prudhomme's comments led Mattson to respond. Mattson drew offense to Prudhomme's claim that liquor license holders continue to serve intoxicated individuals. Mattson noted that liquor license holders watch everyone who buys alcohol from them to ensure they aren't intoxicated.

"I don't mean to say something negative," Prudhomme replied.

"Well, you did," Mattson responded.

Prudhomme then noted she was aware there were also issues with alcohol being served after hours at REA.

That led to a response from Holmer, who cautioned Prudhomme that generalizations wouldn't be made and he was planning to hold his gavel tighter.

## Somerset Park remains a park

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In 2007, Somerset Park was listed as a lower-priority park in a city park survey. The 2040 Comprehensive Plan removed Somerset Park from the city's list of parks in the future. Public Works Director Mark Borseth indicated that an R-2 zoning designation would have included the possibility of single-family homes, twin homes or up to four attached townhomes on the property.

City leaders began considering the rezoning and sale of Somerset Park after a pickleball group sought funding from the city. The group would like to build a pickleball court near Franklin Middle School. Howe said all of the Park Improvement Fund money had been used to buy playground equipment for Florentine Park, which was formerly known as Annie Street Park. In order to provide a donation to the pickleball group, Howe said, the rezoning and sale of Somerset Park was discussed.

Rezoning and selling the park would have consequences. "We don't want anything across the street from us other than the park," said Merlin Schroeder, who noted they would move if the city rezoned and then sold the park.

Many of the neighbors weren't thrilled with that prospect. They shared their views at a public hearing held about a week before the council meeting. After apparently reading the minutes from that hearing, Lorenson noted that about 75% of the individuals didn't want to lose the park and many don't have kids living with them. Lorenson represents Ward 3, where Somerset Park is located.

Merlin and Lori Schroeder live across the street from Somerset Park. They spoke at the council meeting. "One of the reasons we like to live there is a park across the street," said Merlin Schroeder, who added that the park gets used more often than people realize.

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And not necessarily in

Thief River Falls, said Lori Schroeder.

Joyce Brekke lives adjacent to the park. Like the Schroeders, she listed various activities for which the park is used. Brekke believed eliminating the park would devalue nearby properties.

Howe, who retired as a member of the city Parks and Recreation Department in 2009, responded that he doesn't recall seeing people using the park when he mowed it. He said his former coworkers told him the same thing.

Brekke countered that people use the park and it only takes the city 30 to 45 minutes to mow Somerset Park every week and a half. She added that it doesn't cost the city a lot of money to mow the property.

Rezoning and selling Somerset Park may have been like history repeating itself. Aarestad reminded fellow council members about the battle for Florentine Park, which was formerly known as Annie Street Park.

Regarding this latest

potential sale, Aarestad said, "To me, it's just important to have that green space. It really is."

In 2012, D.W. Jones Inc. sought to build a 24-unit townhome complex on vacant Florentine Park. The 2012 City Council initially supported developing that park into townhomes and later rescinded its support after objections from neighbors, including Aarestad, who wasn't on the council at the time. He helped raise funds to install playground equipment there. The playground equipment was installed in 2019. Aarestad's involvement in that project led to a disagreement between Prudhomme and Holmer about who deserved more credit for the playground — Aarestad or the full council.

With regard to Somerset Park, Sollom had the opposite mindset than Aarestad. Sollom said, "We need to sell the green space, so we can get some finances going."



Derek Druse is the director of the Lincoln High School and Franklin Middle School orchestras. He has been working with the students in preparation of the Mid-Winter Concert,

which will be at 7 p.m. on Monday, March 2, in the Lincoln High School auditorium.

## TRF school orchestras to perform

**Lincoln High School Orchestra:**

**First violin** - Rebekah Alemanyehu, Macie Brekke, Morgan Hickerson, Jonah Kalsnes, Ashleigh Kruse, Coral Mattison, Dylan Philipp, Anthony Profitt, Ben Van Schaick and Trista Spears; **Second violin** - Hailee Eidelbes, Gweneth Ellingson, Danielle German, Tucker Harding, Amelie Heaton, Aurora Hesby, Nolan Lubarski, Abby Quick, Aeris Thistle and Addison Whitlow; **Viola** - Ellie Delage, Cole Derosier, Jeanne Olson, Keagan Rux and Ivy Wiggs; **Cello** - Tage Grahn, Abrianna Hanson, Shelby Hensrud, Richard Philipp, Daniel Quick, Kylene Stroble and Brandon Zuniga; **Bass** - Bethany Crandall and Akilah Grahn.

**Seventh and Eighth Grade Orchestra:**

**First violin** - Morgan Larson, Tiera Bugge, Jordan Larson, Lainey Dicken, and Carlie Casavan; **Second violin** - Javyn Eidelbes, Nevaeh Messner, Lillian Tate, Danielle Yonke and Ryan King; **Cello** - Ethan Lane, Ayden Zinter, Sienna Gregerson, Alex Krein and Jack Krein; **Viola** - Marek Rux, Emily Hanson, Menkayla Kruah, and Kaylen Hoglo; **Bass** - Bralynne Drevlow, Jayden Whitlow and Ethan Eidelbes.

**Trombone** - Sam Zaviska and Emma Fagerstrom; **Trumpet** - Jacob Leitch and Brigham Drevlow; **French Horn** - Chloe McKee; **Oboe** - Shelby Hensrud; **Flute** - Shayla Halvorson and Brynn Drevlow; **Tuba** - Shawn Miller; **Timpani** - Olivia Larson and Yasmine Vondal-Gayden;

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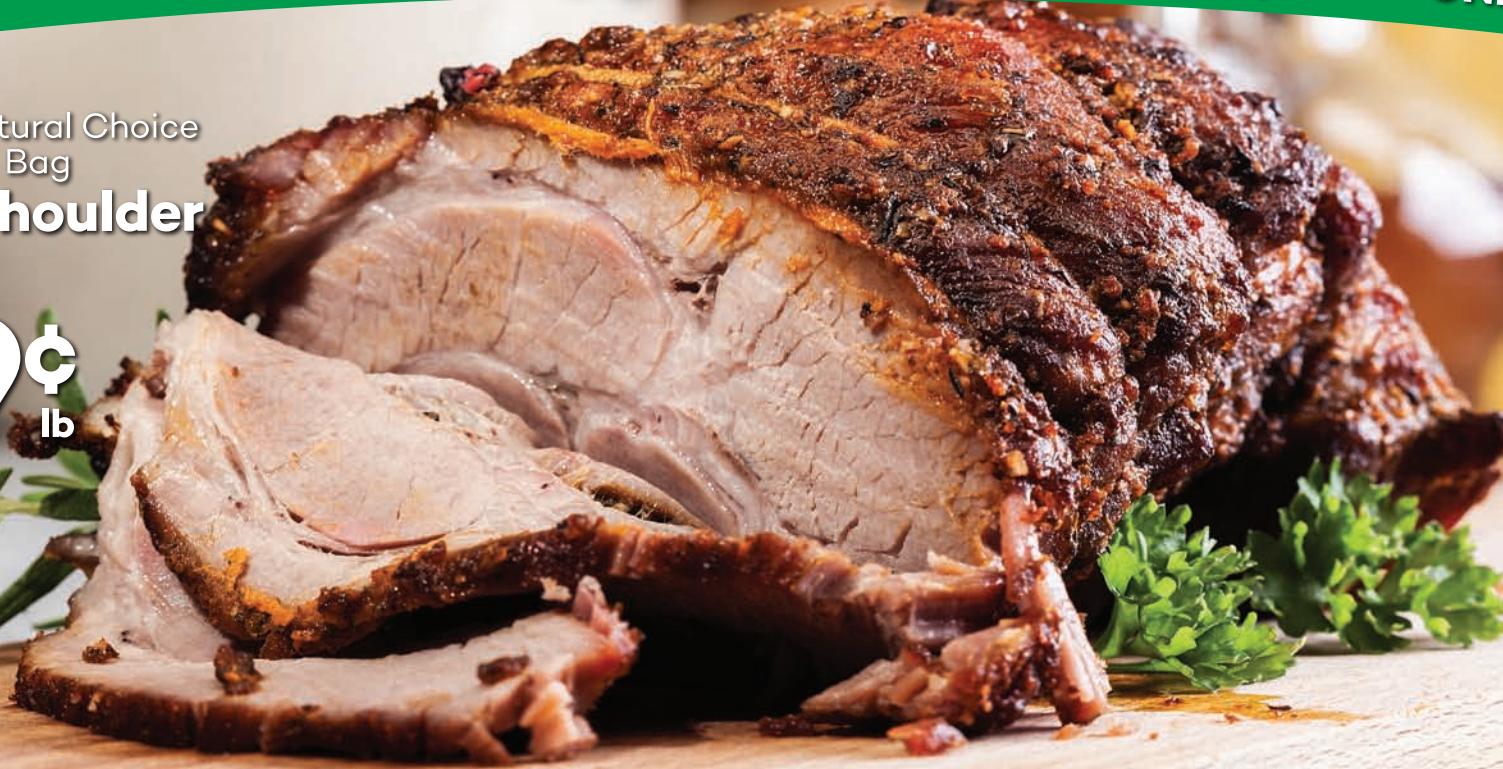
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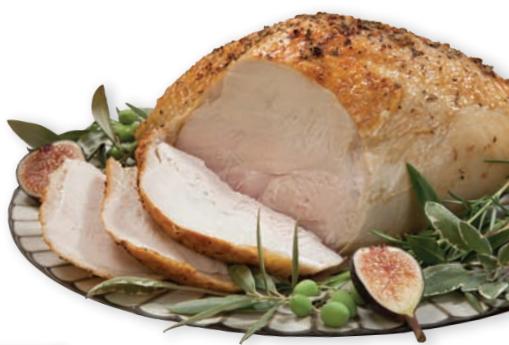
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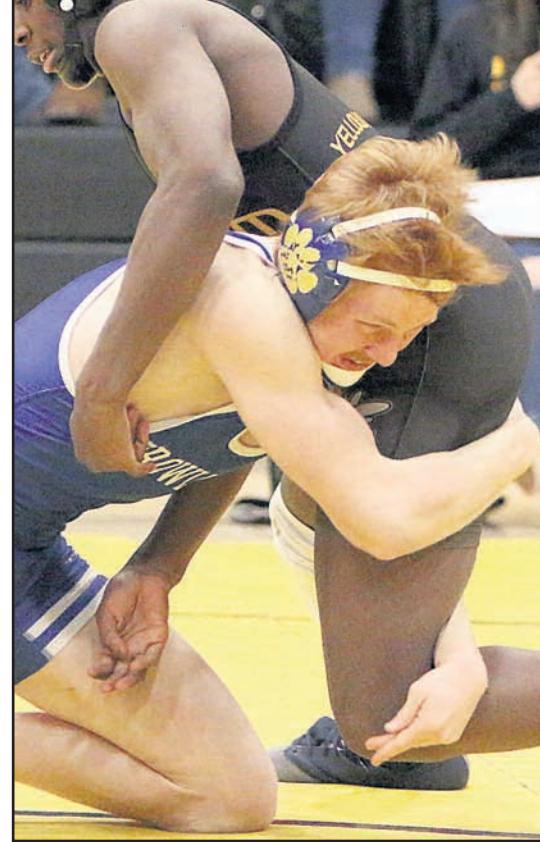
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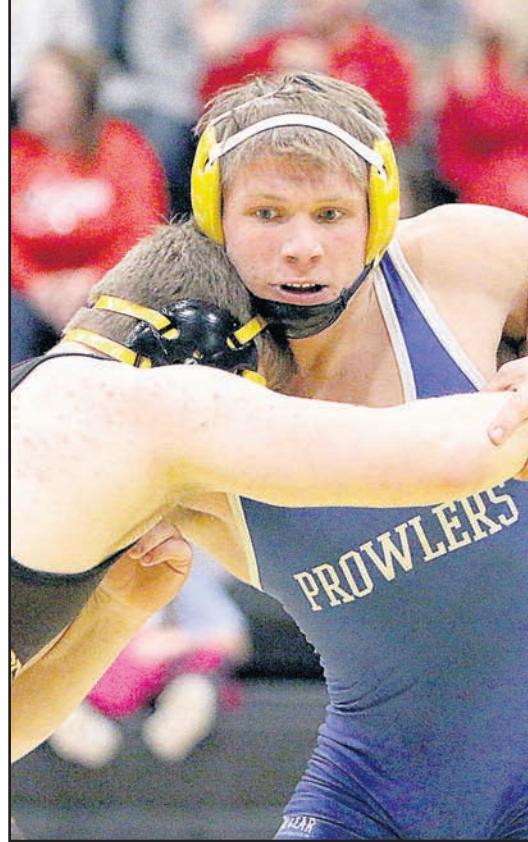
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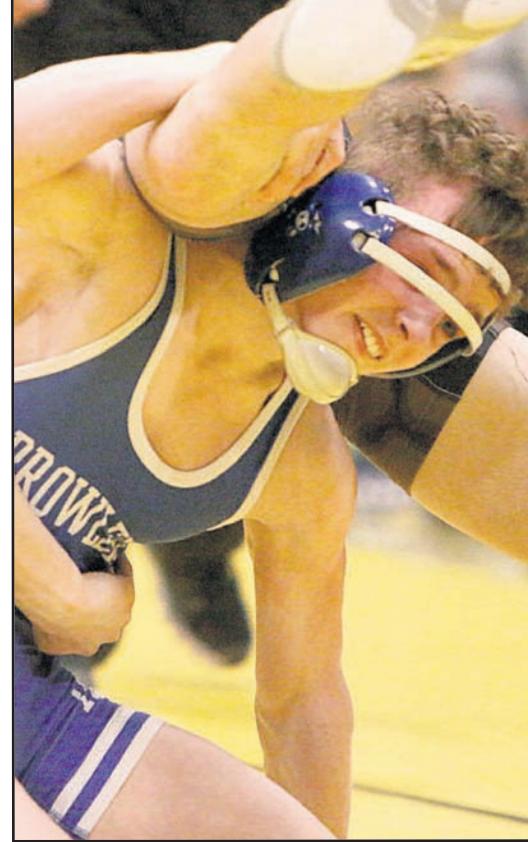
## Davis, Johnson, Wienen and Lundeen win section titles



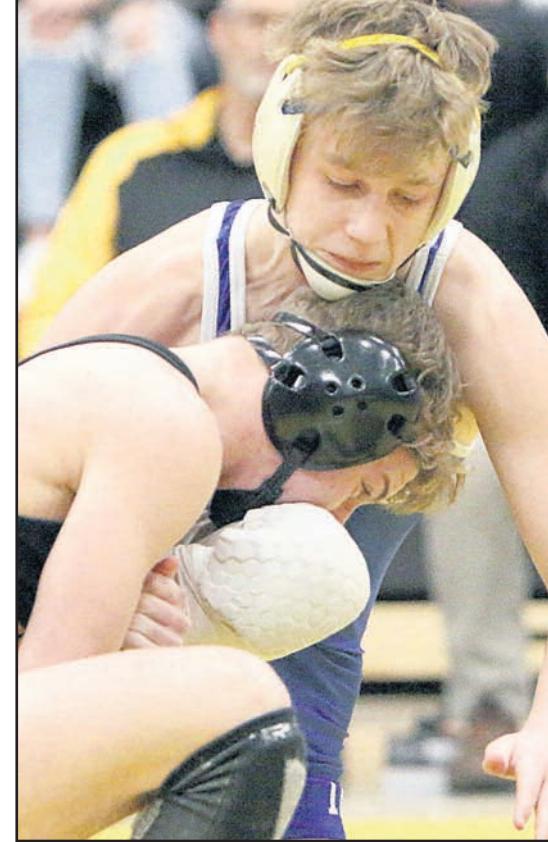
Jake Davis



Cole Johnson



Griffin Lundeen



Cody Wienen

## Prowlers qualify seven for state wrestling tournament

Seven Thief River Falls wrestlers will represent the program at the state wrestling tournament later this week after earning top-two finishes at their respective weight classes Saturday at Pequot Lakes High School.

Griffin Lundeen, Cody Wienen, Jake Davis and Cole Johnson won section titles for the Prowlers, and Kale Geiser, Brady Kasprik and Mason Iverson were section runners-up.

Seven state qualifiers is the most of any team in Section 8AA this season and the

most for Thief River Falls since the program qualified nine wrestlers for state in 2013.

"We opened up our offense and scored points," said Head Coach Kenny Geiser. "This team is firing on all cylinders and wrestling with a purpose."

The section championship was the second consecutive for senior Cole Johnson and second in three years from senior Jake Davis, who earned his third career trip to state.

Johnson pinned his way to

the finals before defeating Carter Schmidt of Dilworth-Glyndon-Felton by 9-2 decision in the 160-pound championship match.

"Cole's physicality and aggression were on display again," Geiser said. "He's working so hard to score points and pin guys - it's just a joy to watch and coach."

Davis got to his offense early and often, racking up a pair of bonus point wins in the preliminary rounds. In the championship, he bested Connor Tulenchik of Pequot Lakes/Pine River-Backus 11-6 to claim the title. Davis recorded his 200th win in the 145-pound championship match.

"Jake continues his dominance," Geiser said. "In a tough finals match, he found ways to get takedowns. It just shows the consistency and the time that Jake has put into this sport."

The section championships were the first for Lundeen and Wienen.

Lundeen came close to qualifying for state as a seventh grader in 2019, but dropped close matches in

both the semifinals and the true second match. This year, Lundeen wasn't going to be denied. Trailing 2-0 early in the second period, the normally conservative Lundeen gambled with a headlock and pinned Alexandria's AJ Sparr to claim the title.

"Griffin's consistency and ability to score points and keep winning against tough competition has been fun to watch," Geiser said. "Griffin opened up in the finals with a beautiful headlock and earned his section title. We've been looking for Griffin to open up his offense. He picked a great time to do it."

For Wienen, the section tournament was the continuation of the best wrestling of his high school career. Wienen entered the tournament on an 18-match winning streak, and after defeating Ryan Borris of Alexandria Area by a 9-7 score, the streak has been pushed to 21 straight wins.

"What he's doing is impressive," Geiser said. "He's willing himself to win. He's improved so much on his feet and he's so dangerous on the

mat that he is a tough out right now for anyone."

Kasprik is making his first trip to state following a runner-up finish at 138 pounds. It was Kasprik's first time competing in the section tournament after injuries and illness prevented him from competing in previous seasons.

Kasprik dropped a 4-2 decision to Brody Ulyott of Detroit Lakes in the championship match, but kept his state tournament spot with a 6-3 win over Perham's Blake Lorentz in the true second match.

"I am just so thrilled that Brady was able to compete this weekend," Geiser said. "He wrestled a great finals match and lost a close one to kid who had majored him the week before. Then, he came back in the true second match against a tough kid and got it done. Brady getting to the state tournament was so rewarding because of all the time he's put in."

Iverson punched his first ticket to state with a runner-up finish at 195, after finishing third at 220 last season.

"Mason is another wrestler who I am very happy for, because of the time he has put in and the year he's had. Mason seemed very nervous, so it was good to see him get it done. His dominance from the top position got him to state."

Rounding out the state qualifiers is Kale Geiser, who came through the wrestle backs to earn a true second match against Owen Carlson of Pequot Lakes/Pine River-Backus.

Carlson built a 14-3 lead through two periods in the true second match, but he couldn't seal the deal, with Geiser winning by fall 31 seconds into the third period.

"It hasn't sunk in yet," Geiser said of his son's win. "A lot of people have come and asked if we've had something like this happen before. No it hasn't. To be down by 11 and get a win is epic. I credit Kale for always fighting. He's never giving up and that can put you in a position to win."

Also placing for the

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Thief River Falls senior Ayden Leake appeared to score a goal during the second period of Thursday's Section 8A quarterfinal game against Red Lake Falls. The goal was waved off due to the net being dislodged. Thief River Falls defeated Red Lake Falls 6-1 to advance to Saturday's semifinal game against EGF.

## Northland finishes second at NJCAA North District Tournament

### Pioneers qualify school-record six wrestlers for national tournament

Andre Baguma won a championship at heavyweight, and Austin Thompson, 125, Payton Jackson, 133, Jeremiah Pierre, 149, and Kaven Blazek, 165, added runner-up finishes to lead the Northland wrestling team to a second place finish at the NJCAA North District National Qualifier Wrestling Tournament Sunday at Itasca Community College in Grand Rapids.

Also qualifying for nationals is Raul Chavarry, Miami, Fla., with a third place finish at 157 pounds. Six national qualifiers is a new record for the Northland wrestling program that is in its seventh season after being established in fall 2013.

Baguma, Fargo, N.D., won his second consecutive NJCAA North District/MCAC Tournament championship with a win by

fall over Itasca's Cole Walsh in the semifinals, before surviving a 3-1 overtime win over Rochester's John Noll in the championship match.

Thompson, a freshman from Grafton, N.D., began his day with an 18-3 technical fall victory over returning MCAC champion Chris Romero of Minnesota West, before falling to Rochester's Francis Fuenfnger by 16-3 major decision in the champion-

ship match.

Jackson, a sophomore from Detroit Lakes, battled and came up short in a 20-4 technical fall loss to Parker Dobrocky of Rochester in the 133-pound championship.

At 149, Pierre, a freshman from Lawrenceville, Ga., pinned Chase Dorman of Minnesota West in the semifinals, before losing by 16-0 technical fall to Rochester's Brandon Kidd in the championship match.

Blazek, a sophomore from Deerwood, Minn., effectively punched his ticket to nationals with a win by fall in the semifinals over Itasca's

Green Wave.

"We hadn't had a lead on them this year. It would have been nice to play with a lead on them."

Bergland felt like his team got a little more passive in the second period as East Grand Forks established its forecheck.

The Green Wave took a 2-0 lead on a goal by Carson Schlenk with 11 minutes left to play in the second period.

The Prowlers picked up the pace in the third period and finally found the net on a Tucker Skime goal with 1:10 left to play.

The Prowlers worked the puck into the East Grand Forks zone late in the third period but they weren't able to get any decent shots off before the final buzzer.

"They are a very good hockey team," Bergland said of East Grand Forks. "Over-

all, our team played very hard. It's always tough to finish those games and lose. We worked hard, we just didn't finish our opportunities."

Noah Rupprecht played another solid game for us in the net. Hats off to all the seniors."

**Scoring**

	1	2	3	T
Thief River Falls.....	0	0	1	1
East Grand Forks.....	1	1	0	2
First period - EGF, Logan Spencer (Jaksen Panzer, Mason Poolman) 13:02.				
Second period - EGF, Carson Schlenk (Jaksen Panzer, Logan Spencer) 6:00.				
Third period - TRF, Tucker Skime (Brockston Masseh, #10 Blake Biermaier) 15:50.				
Shots - TRF 2-4-6 - 12; EGF 12-14-13 - 39.				
Power plays - TRF 0/2; EGF 0/1.				
Penalties - TRF 1 (2 minutes); EGF 2 (4 minutes).				
Goalie saves - TRF, Noah Rupprecht 37; EGF, Austin Cooley 11.				

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**NJCAA North District Team Scores**

1. Rochester Community & Technical College 115.5; 2. Northland Community & Technical College 74.5; 3. Itasca Community College 66.0; 4. Minnesota West Community & Technical College 53.0; 5. Ridgewater College 26.5.

**Northland results**

125: Austin Thompson (1-1) placed 2nd and scored 9.5 team points. Semifinal-Austin Thompson (Northland Community College) 1-1 won by tech fall over Chris Romero (Minnesota West Community and Technical College) 1-1 (TF-1.5 6:22 (18:3); 1st Place Match - Francis Fuenfnger (Rochester Community

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Pictured from left to right are members of the Thief River Falls PeeWee A team that finished third at last week's district tournament: front row - Noah Gonzales; second row - Parker Lundgren, AJ Rogalla, Gannon Gonsorowski, Paul Anderson, Joe Kelly, Rylan Leake, Jameson Hurst; third row - Owen Bushy, Bennett Borgen, Jackson Boyer, Alec Dalager; on net - Jaxon Hams, Logan Kriel; background (sisters) - Grace Gonzales and Addyson Hurst. (Submitted)



Thief River Falls Squirt B Blue team placed 4th out of 80 teams at the recent Squirt B Internationals held Feb. 14-16 in Fargo, N.D. Squirt B Blue was placed in the top bracket after bracketing was completed Friday night. The team advanced through the bracket to fourth place after winning four of six games through the weekend. This was the farthest any Thief River Falls Squirt B Team has made it in Squirt Internationals. Pictured from left to right are: front row - Easton Gonsorowski, Brody Radniecki, Luke Brown, Anthony Larson; back row - Paul Gonsorowski (coach), Michael Rowe, Brody Arlt, Beckem Johnson, Karsen Rybak, Logan Weets, Leif Spears (coach). (Submitted)

## Northland men clinch two-seed in region

The Northland men's basketball team defeated Lake Superior College 70-51 to improve to 17-10 overall and 11-5 in the MCAC Northern Division. The Pioneers took a 31-28 lead into the locker room after a back and forth first half, before pulling away in the second half for the 19-point win.

Brennon Alteme led all scorers with 22 points off the bench for the Pioneers.

The win gives Northland the number two seed in the

MCAC Northern Division and a berth in the NJCAA Region 13 Tournament. The Pioneers will open tournament play Thursday, Feb. 28 against Riverland (11-3 division, 23-4 overall), the number three team in the MCAC Southern Division.

### Scoring

	1	2	T
Lake Superior	28	23	51
Northland	31	39	70
Lake Superior - Jarves Hunt 12, Jacob Easty 11, Matthew Hey 10, Branley Previl 6, Brandon Barbee 6,			

	Division	Overall	
W	W	L	
Central Lakes	16	0	23
Northland	11	5	17
Rainy River	10	6	15
Hibbing	10	6	12
Lake Superior	9	7	13
Itasca	7	9	13
Mesabi Range	5	11	6
Vermilion	4	12	6
Fond du Lac	0	16	0
	16	0	21

### MCAC Southern Division Men

	Division	Overall	
W	W	L	
St. Cloud	12	2	23
Riverland	11	3	23
Rochester	11	3	22
Ridgewater	8	6	16
Anoka-Ramsey	5	9	12
Minnesota West	4	10	11
MS-Fergus Falls	3	11	7
Western Tech	2	12	7
	16	0	21

### MCAC Southern Division Men

	Division	Overall
W	W	L
Don't Mess Up	12	4
Fitness Team	9	7
The Carebears	8	8
Killer Unicorns	8	8
ZMB	4	12
Bye	0	0
High Game Girls - Lilly Kenner	12	4
Jade DeFreece 123.	12	4
High Series Girls - Lilly Kenner	334	286
Kasen Muzzy 95, Chase Anderson 94.		
High Series - Kasen Muzzy 153.		
Ramsey Kenner 148, Chase Anderson 148, Kaleb Gregory 148.		

### Junior/Senior

Lone Wolf	14	2
The Highlanders	11	5
Lucky Strikes	7	9
Bye	0	0
High Game Girls - Jade DeFreece 123.	12	4
High Series Girls - Jade DeFreece 318.	318	286
High Game Boys - Kevin Wappula 173, Richard Philipp 164, Brody Vennes 111.		
High Series Boys - Kevin Wappula 464, Richard Philipp 419, Brody Vennes 306.		

### Service League

	W	L
Zutz Farms	64	20
Demolition	55	29
TRF Times	51	33
Beito Repair	29	55
Mo Town	27	57
Lords of Pinterell	26	56
High Game - Chad Eckstein 28, Darren Wagner 279, Jason Olson 267.		
High Series - Jason Olson 743, Darren Wagner 708, Chad Eckstein 666.		

### Sunset League

	W	L
State Farm-The Winers	26	10
Digi-Key Fire & Ice	24	12
TRF Mini Storage	22.5	13.5
CHS	20	16
Split Ends	20	16
HPK Strikers	20	16
Custom Spray Foam	18	18
Cocktails & Dreams	17	19
Border State Bank	11.5	24.5
High Game - Cori Bregier 231, Mandi Nelson 191, Millie Reiverson 177.		
High Series - Cori Bregier 508,		

### Commercial League

	W	L
R&G Ag Service	179	77
Farmers Insurance	144	112
Budget	138	118
CSP Delivery	129.5	126.5
Bray Construction	127.5	128.5
TRF/Universal	119.5	136.5
Sorter/Rude Const.	110	146
Get-R-Done Taxidermy	76.5	179.5
High Game - Roy Unbehau 290, Jason Olson 279, Mike Casteel 279.		
High Series - Kent Wagner 732, Mike Casteel 726, Scott Muzzy 706.		

### Elks League

Horns	18	2
Antlers	14	6
Bean Counters	12	8
Steam Rollers	11	9
Bulls	10	10
Elk-Oholics	9	11
Pocket Pounders	6	14
Bye	0	0

### Scouting

High Game - Logan Kalinowski	248	Jim Barry 246, Dave Onkka 227.
High Series - Logan Kalinowski	634	Jim Barry 601, Robbie Blankenfeld 593, Dave Onkka 593.
Service League	18	2
Elks League	14	6
Commercial League	12	8

### TRF BOWLING LEAGUES

Mandi Nelson	476	Millie Reiverson	475.
Bumper	Princess and the frog	6	2

### Scouting

ET	4	4
The Golden Girls	4	4
MS-Fergus Falls	3	12
Western Tech	2	12

### Bantam

Pokemon Gold	10	2
Bowling Ninjas	8	4
Mermaid and Cyclops	3.5	8.5
Bowling Crushers	2.5	9.5

### Junior/Senior

## Prowlers qualify seven for state wrestling tournament/Continued

[Continued from page 1] Prowlers were Brandon Zuniga, third at 152; Aaron Bruggeman, fourth at 170; Jolson Sargent, fifth at 285; and Kirby Kilen, sixth at 220.

### Section 8AA Results

106: Kale Geiser (37-15) placed 2nd. Champ. Round 1 - Kale Geiser (Thief River Falls) 37-15 received a bye; Quarterfinal - Kale Geiser (Thief River Falls) 37-15 won by tech fall over Mason McGrane (Alexandria Area) 5-18 (TF-1.5 6:00 (18-2); Semifinal - Aaron Lorentz (Perham) 30-8 won by decision over Kale Geiser (Thief River Falls) 37-15 (Dec 11-5); Cons. Semi - Kale Geiser (Thief River Falls) 37-15 won by fall over Kassten Hartwell (Fergus Falls) 8-14 (Fall 0:23); 3rd Place Match - Kale Geiser (Thief River Falls) 37-15 won by tech fall over Mason McGrane (Alexandria Area) 5-18 (TF-1.5 6:00 (18-2); Semifinal - Aaron Lorentz (Perham) 30-8 won by decision over Kale Geiser (Thief River Falls) 37-15 (Dec 11-5); Cons. Semi - Kale Geiser (Thief River Falls) 37-15 won by fall over Brandy Swiers (Detroit Lakes) 19-14 (Fall 4:36); 1st Place Match - Jake Davis (Thief River Falls) 43-1 won by tech fall over Gregory Weiers (Sauk Centre-Melrose) 8-16 (TF-1.5 2:56 (25-9); Semifinal - Jake Davis (Thief River Falls) 43-1 won by fall over Brandy Swiers (Detroit Lakes) 19-14 (Fall 4:36); 1st Place Match - Jake Davis (Thief River Falls) 43-1 won by decision over Connor Tulenchuk (Pequot Lks-Pine River-Baccks) 44-4 (Dec 11-6).

152: Brandon Zuniga (21-11) placed 4th and scored 0.0 team points. Champ. Round 1 - Brandon Zuniga (Thief River Falls) 21-11 received a bye; Quarterfinal - Jordan Summers (Dilworth-Glyndon-Felton) 8-6 won in tie breaker - 1 over Brandon Zuniga (Thief River Falls) 21-11 (TB-1 5:4); Cons. Round 2 - Brandon Zuniga (Thief River Falls) 21-11 won by fall over Delvin Roberts (Fergus Falls) 8-17 (Fall 2:48); Cons. Round 3 - Brandon Zuniga (Thief River Falls) 21-11 won by decision over Austin Staricha (Pequot Lks-Pine River-Baccks) 24-8 (Dec 6-4); Cons. Semi - Brandon Zuniga (Thief River Falls) 21-11 won by fall over Thad Schlauderoff (Detroit Lakes) 16-30 (Fall 5:41); 3rd Place Match - Riley Hoskins (Pequot) 26-16 won by major decision over Brandon Zuniga (Thief River Falls) 21-11 (MD 14-3).

160: Cole Johnson (39-2) placed 1st. Champ. Round 1 - Cole Johnson (Thief River Falls) 39-2 received a bye; Quarterfinal - Cole Johnson (Thief River Falls) 39-6 won by fall over Josh Brinkman (Sauk Centre-Melrose) 18-20 (Fall 3:02); Semifinal - Griffin Lunde (Thief River Falls) 45-6 won by decision over Gareth Covington (Perham) 21-18 (Dec 5-2); 1st Place Match - Griffin Lunde (Thief River Falls) 45-6 won by fall over AJ Spar (Alexandria Area) 31-11 (Fall 3:09).

132: Cody Wienen (36-12) placed 1st. Champ. Round 1 - Cody Wienen (Thief River Falls) 36-12 received a bye; Quarterfinal - Cody Wienen (Thief River Falls) 36-12 won by fall over Kaden Kroll (Pierz) 1-10 (Fall 0:26); Semifinal - Cody Wienen (Thief River Falls) 36-12 won by fall over Blake Weber (Detroit Lakes) 32-6 (Fall 3:04); 1st Place Match - Cody Wienen (Thief River Falls) 36-12 won by decision over Ryan Borris (Alexandria Area) 29-6 (Dec 9-7).

138: Brady Kasprick (36-6) placed 2nd. Champ. Round 1 - Brady Kasprick (Thief River Falls) 36-6 received a bye; Quarterfinal - Brady Kasprick (Thief River Falls) 36-6 won by fall over Colton Zutz (Dilworth-Glyndon-Felton) 4-22 (Fall 1:47); Semifinal - Brady Kasprick (Thief River Falls) 36-6 won by decision over Evan Koering (Pequot Lks-Pine River-Baccks) 30-15 (Dec 14-9); 1st Place Match - Brady Ulloty (Detroit Lakes) 39-3 won by decision over Brady Kasprick (Thief River Falls) 36-6 (Dec 4-2); 2nd Place Match - Brady

Kasprick (Thief River Falls) 36-6 won by decision over Blake Lorentz (Perham) 32-12 (Dec 6-3).

145: Jake Davis (43-1) placed 1st. Champ. Round 1 - Jake Davis (Thief River Falls) 43-1 received a bye; Quarterfinal - Jake Davis (Thief River Falls) 43-1 won by tech fall over Gregory Weiers (Sauk Centre-Melrose) 8-16 (TF-1.5 2:56 (25-9); Semifinal - Jake Davis (Thief River Falls) 43-1 won by fall over Brandy Swiers (Detroit Lakes) 19-14 (Fall 4:36); 1st Place Match - Jake Davis (Thief River Falls) 43-1 won by decision over Connor Tulenchuk (Pequot Lks-Pine River-Baccks) 44-4 (Dec 11-6).

152: Brandon Zuniga (21-11) placed 4th and scored 0.0 team points. Champ. Round 1 - Brandon Zuniga (Thief River Falls) 21-11 received a bye; Quarterfinal - Jordan Summers (Dilworth-Glyndon-Felton) 8-6 won in tie breaker - 1 over Brandon Zuniga (Thief River Falls) 21-11 (TB-1 5:4); Cons. Round 2 - Brandon Zuniga (Thief River Falls) 21-11 won by fall over Delvin Roberts (Fergus Falls) 8-17 (Fall 2:48); Cons. Round 3 - Brandon Zuniga (Thief River Falls) 21-11 won by decision over Austin Staricha (Pequot Lks-Pine River-Baccks) 24-8 (Dec 6-4); Cons. Semi - Brandon Zuniga (Thief River Falls) 21-11 won by fall over Thad Schlauderoff (Detroit Lakes) 16-30 (Fall 5:41); 3rd Place Match - Riley Hoskins (Pequot) 26-16 won by major decision over Brandon Zuniga (Thief River Falls) 21-11 (MD 14-3).

160: Cole Johnson (39-2) placed 1st. Champ. Round 1 - Cole Johnson (Thief River Falls) 39-2 received a bye; Quarterfinal - Cole Johnson (Thief River Falls) 39-6 won by fall over Wyatt Dingmann (Pierz) 2-7 (Fall 0:16); Semifinal - Cole Johnson (Thief River Falls) 39-2 won by fall over Finnegan O'Dell (Pequot Lks-Pine River-Baccks) 22-13 (Fall 2:23); 1st Place Match - Cole Johnson (Thief River Falls) 39-2 won by decision over Carter Schmidt (Dilworth-Glyndon-Felton) 36-7 (Dec 9-2).

170: Aaron Bruggeman (14-17) placed 4th. Champ. Round 1 - Aaron Bruggeman (Thief River Falls) 14-17 received a bye; Quarterfinal - Aaron Bruggeman (Thief River Falls) 14-17 won by decision over Mason Zajac (Pierz) 9-26 (Dec 11-5); Semifinal - Brian Ramos (Perham) 32-5 won by tech fall over Aaron Bruggeman (Thief River Falls) 14-17 (TF-1.5 3:17 (19-3); Cons. Semi - Aaron Bruggeman (Thief River Falls) 14-17 won by major decision over Jolson Sargent (Thief River Falls) 16-30 (MD 15-5); 5th Place Match - Jolson Sargent (Thief River Falls) 16-30 won by fall over Logan Carlson (Pequot Lks-Pine River-Baccks) 9-12 (Fall 1:06).

182: Dakota Fellman (6-10) placed 8th. Champ. Round 1 - Cody Richardson (Alexandria Area) 20-17 won by fall over Dakota Fellman (Thief River Falls) 6-10 (Fall 2:33); Cons. Round 1 - Dakota Fellman (Thief River Falls) 6-10 received a bye; Cons. Round 2 - Dakota Fellman (Thief River Falls) 6-10 won by decision over Nolan Mann (Detroit Lakes) 20-19 (Dec 13-6); Cons. Round 3 - Gordon Envert (Perham) 10-6 won by fall over Dakota Fellman (Thief River Falls) 6-10 (Fall 0:36).

195: Mason Iverson (44-6) placed 2nd. Champ. Round 1 - Mason Iverson (Thief River Falls) 44-6 received a bye; Quarterfinal - Mason Iverson (Thief River Falls) 44-6 won by decision over Andrew Annette (Detroit Lakes) 18-10 (Dec 3-0); 1st Place Match - Dawson Kellogg (Perham) 28-3 won by decision over Mason Iverson (Thief River Falls) 44-6 (Dec 7-0); 2nd Place Match - Mason Iverson (Thief River Falls) 44-6 won by no contest over Andrew Annette (Detroit Lakes) 18-10 (NC).

220: Kirby Kilen (21-23) placed 6th. Champ. Round 1 - Kirby Kilen (Thief River Falls) 21-23 received a bye; Quarterfinal - Josie Pettit (Pequot Lks-Pine River-Baccks) 35-12 won by fall over Kirby Kilen (Thief River Falls) 21-23 (Fall 1:44); Cons. Round 2 - Kirby Kilen (Thief River Falls) 21-23 received a bye; Cons. Round 3 - Kirby Kilen (Thief River Falls) 21-23 won by fall over Axe Dahl (Roseau) 9-26 (Fall 0:48); Cons. Semi - Hunter Fischer (Dilworth-Glyndon-Felton) 29-11 won by fall over Kirby Kilen (Thief River Falls) 21-23 (Fall 1:25); 5th Place Match - Dominic Gottwald (Perham) 16-22 won by fall over Kirby Kilen (Thief River Falls) 21-23 (Fall 2:50).

285: Jolson Sargent (16-30) placed 5th. Champ. Round 1 - Jolson Sargent (Thief River Falls) 16-30 received a bye; Quarterfinal - Rowdie Lindquist (Perham) 23-7 won by fall over Jolson Sargent (Thief River Falls) 16-30 (Fall 0:34); Cons. Round 2 - Jolson Sargent (Thief River Falls) 16-30 received a bye; Cons. Round 3 - Jolson Sargent (Thief River Falls) 16-30 won by fall over Will Sjogren (Sauk Centre-Melrose) 10-23 (Fall 2:33); Cons. Semi - Carter Steen (Dilworth-Glyndon-Felton) 14-7 won by major decision over Jolson Sargent (Thief River Falls) 16-30 (MD 15-5); 5th Place Match - Jolson Sargent (Thief River Falls) 16-30 won by fall over Logan Carlson (Pequot Lks-Pine River-Baccks) 9-12 (Fall 1:06).

141: Isaiah Arredondo (1-2) placed 4th and scored 10.0 team points. Quarterfinal - Isaiah Arredondo (Northland Community College) 1-2 won by forfeit over Danny Eastman (Ridgewater Community College) 0-2 (For.); Semifinal - Austin Hall (Rochester Community and Technical College) 2-1 won by tech fall over Isaiah Arredondo (Northland Community College) 1-2 (TF-1.5 6:37 (20-4).

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## Nolan Smith

Current Sport: Swimming

Events: 50, 100 and 200 yard freestyle, and the 200 and 400 yard relays.

Favorite Sports Team: I don't really know enough about professional or college sports to pick one.

Favorite Food: Smoked trout

Favorite Movie/TV show: The Lord of the Rings Trilogy

Career Highlight/favorite memory: Honestly, I joined the swim team because I just loved swimming, but after being on the team a little while, my reason for swimming has changed. My favorite part about swimming are the guys on the team. They've been a whole lot of fun to get to know. We're not really one of the better teams in the area, but we have a lot of fun swimming. I definitely would not trade the Thief River Falls team for any of the other teams in the region.

Other Sports/Activities: None really.

Plans After High School: I'm still unsure about that, but I've been considering going to school to be a teacher.

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## Evan Bushy

Current Sport: Hockey

Position: Defenseman

Favorite Sports Team: Minnesota Wild/St. Cloud State

Favorite Food: Sushi

Favorite Movie/TV show: Step Brothers/Game of Thrones

Career Highlight/favorite memory: Playing in the state hockey tournament and Hockey Day Minnesota.

Other Sports/Activities: Golf

Plans After High School: Play juniors for Sioux City before playing for St. Cloud State.



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## Noah Rupprecht

Current Sport: Hockey

Position: Goalie

Favorite Sports Team: Wisconsin Badger Football

Favorite Food: All kinds of food.

Favorite Movie/TV show: Home Alone 1 & 2.

Career Highlight/favorite memory: Watching Brockston Masseth trip on the blue line for starting lineups.

Other Sports/Activities: Tennis, National Honor Society, 4-H, Archery League.

Plans After High School: Play junior hockey, followed by a career in sports administration.

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# Northland's Dietetic Program fully accredited

Northland Community and Technical College's Dietetic Technician A.A.S. program was granted full accreditation on Feb. 10, from the Accreditation Council on Education in Nutrition and Dietetics (ACEND). This fully online degree program was granted candidacy for accreditation in February of 2016. Candidacy for accreditation lasts for a period of four years. Candidacy status

does not translate into automatic conferment of accreditation.

The first cohort of dietetic technician students was accepted fall semester 2016. The program is a 67 credit track that trains professionals to work in a wide variety of settings, including health care, public health, food service, and research. Graduates of this program are eligible to take the registration examina-

tion from the Commission on Dietetic Registration (CDR). Northland currently holds a 100% pass rate for graduates sitting for the CDR exam.

In February 2019, the Dietetics Program underwent a site visit from ACEND following an application process and self-study report completed by Northland. The ACEND board met in January 2020 to review the findings from

the site visit and subsequently granted full accreditation for the maximum term of seven years.

"I am so excited that our hard work towards full accreditation has paid off. It is so rewarding to now help others meet their goals through Northland's fully online dietetic technician program," said Northland Dietetic Program Director Angela Brekken. "Our students' success translates

into our success as a program and institution of higher learning. I am so proud of our dietetic technician program, but most of all, our students!"

Online learning can be a very important tool to help working adults pursue a degree. Brekken shares of her own experience that online learning was the only viable option while pursuing her own dietetics career. "Without online education

options, I may have never met my educational goals. Many students in the program are returning to school after being away for some time. In addition to this, most are working full-time jobs and managing a household." Brekken completed her master's degree online and is currently pursuing her PhD in the same manner.

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Parsonage: (218) 449-3431

**Wednesday, February 26:** Bethlehem Bible study at 10 a.m., Bethlehem office hours 10 a.m. to noon and 1 - 3 p.m., Confirmation from 3:30 - 4:30 p.m., Ash Wednesday service at Bethlehem at 7 p.m.

**Thursday, February 27:** Senior meal at Nazareth, Nazareth office hours from 10 to 11:30 a.m., Annual Conference meeting at Zion - TRF at 7 p.m.

**Sunday, March 1:** Bethlehem Worship at 9 a.m., Sunday school at 10 a.m.; Nazareth Worship at 11 a.m., Sunday school at 9:45 a.m.

**Monday, March 2:** Basement angels with Bible study at Bethlehem at 9 a.m.

**Tuesday, March 3:** Noon text study, afternoon parish visitation.

### BLACK RIVER LUTHERAN CHURCH

Frank Ehling, Pastor  
Sheila Michaels, Pastor  
15952 110th Street SW, Red Lake Falls  
**Sundays:** Worship at 8:30 a.m.; Sunday School at 9:15 a.m.

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Sheila Michaels, Pastor  
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Father George Noel, Pastor  
Phone: (218) 289-1735  
[gnoel8@gmail.com](mailto:gnoel8@gmail.com)

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Jeff Merseth, Pastor  
Rt. 1, Box 156C, Oklee  
Phone: (218) 796-5130

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**Thursday, February 27:** Mt. Olive Ash Wednesday service with Communion at 5 p.m.

**Saturday, February 29:** Mt. Olive Worship at 9 a.m.

**Sunday, March 1:** St. Petri Worship at 8 a.m., Sunday school at 9:15 a.m.; Nazareth Brunch at 9 a.m., Worship at 9:45 a.m., Sunday school at 8 a.m.; Oak Park Worship with Communion at 11 a.m., Sunday school at 9:45 a.m.

**Tuesday, March 3:** St. Petri Lenten service followed by Bible study at 6:30 p.m.

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Curtis Jacobson, Senior Pastor  
Highway 1 East, Thief River Falls  
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Pete Lee, Discipleship Pastor  
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**Monday, March 2:** Faith Quilting for Missions at 9 a.m., Ekelund WELCA at 1:30 p.m.

**Wednesday, February 26:** Bible study at 4:15 p.m., Home Church at 5:30 p.m.

**Thursday, February 27:** Conference gathering at Zion - TRF at 7 p.m.

**Sunday, March 1:** Bethany Worship at 8:30 a.m., Sunday school at 9:30 a.m.; Ekelund Worship at 9:45 a.m., Sunday school at 8:30 a.m.; Faith Worship at 11 a.m., Sunday school at 9:45 a.m.

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Darrel Cory, Pastor  
1300 Nona Street East, Thief River Falls  
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## Do we value everyone?

Do we value everyone in our community? It's an odd question, I know. My brother Doug passed away on Dec. 24. During his funeral, I was trying to keep it together when I thought I heard Father Bill Zandri talking about being an inclusive community and accepting people for where they are in life, and value to the community. Through the fog of emotions, I was wondering where he was going with this.

My brother was what people today describe as developmentally and intellectually delayed. Sometimes people like Doug are marginalized. I don't see that so much in this community. I see the dedicated and professional staff in our schools, people in Special Olympics, Falls Diverse Abilities Corporation, Occupational Development Center and supportive organizations like NorsKids, which is led by Tim and Michelle Benton. Perhaps though, I see them because my eyes were opened by my own experiences.

Sometimes we have to have a personal experience to see.

In any event, near the end of his speech, Father Zandri reached into his robes and pulled out a light bulb, which confused most of the people at the service. We laughed and laughed.

A word or two in explanation: My mom insisted Doug be instructed on and receive communion. I have to admit, and I think most of my family would, too, that Father Zandri was "persuaded" to take on this challenging task.

Empathy helps us understand how others are feeling so we can respond appropriately to situations. It shouldn't be hard for most of us. We all face challenges in our personal lives that many may know nothing about. No one is immune.

Father Zandri succeeded in his mission to help Doug understand and appreciate the meaning of communion. However, during one

communion, Doug reminded him of his uniqueness and it led to something else.

Another word in explanation: Doug had a thing about burned out lights. If he saw a burned out light bulb, he would bother you until you fixed it. Apparently, he had seen a light out in the church that needed a light bulb replaced, and wanted the matter addressed immediately. So, during a communion, he presented a light bulb to Father Zandri just as Father was saying, "The body of Christ ...." We were as surprised and just as unprepared for this as Father Zandri.

Sometimes we take things for their literal value, and sometimes we believe events have greater value and deeper meaning. Sometimes these events open our eyes to new opportunities. Father Zandri saw the deeper meaning and he said it changed his life and focus. And, he remembered it more than 30 years after it happened.

If you open your eyes to the value of those who sit on the fringe of our society, you, too, might be surprised by the contributions and the opportunities. Please discover these gifts. It will strengthen our community and deepen relationships.

### Take trash with you

It's that time of the year when anglers ... and just about everyone else ... can really enjoy being outside. It's been an especially difficult winter for ice fishing as ice conditions have been less than ideal. Because the weather was as close to ideal as possible for anglers this past weekend, there were a lot of anglers on the ice in Thief River Falls. Even non-anglers could appreciate why anglers would be out on the ice on days like this. So it's kind of sad that shelter removal deadlines are fast approaching. The DNR is also reminding anglers to take their trash with them. Remember, please protect this valuable resource.

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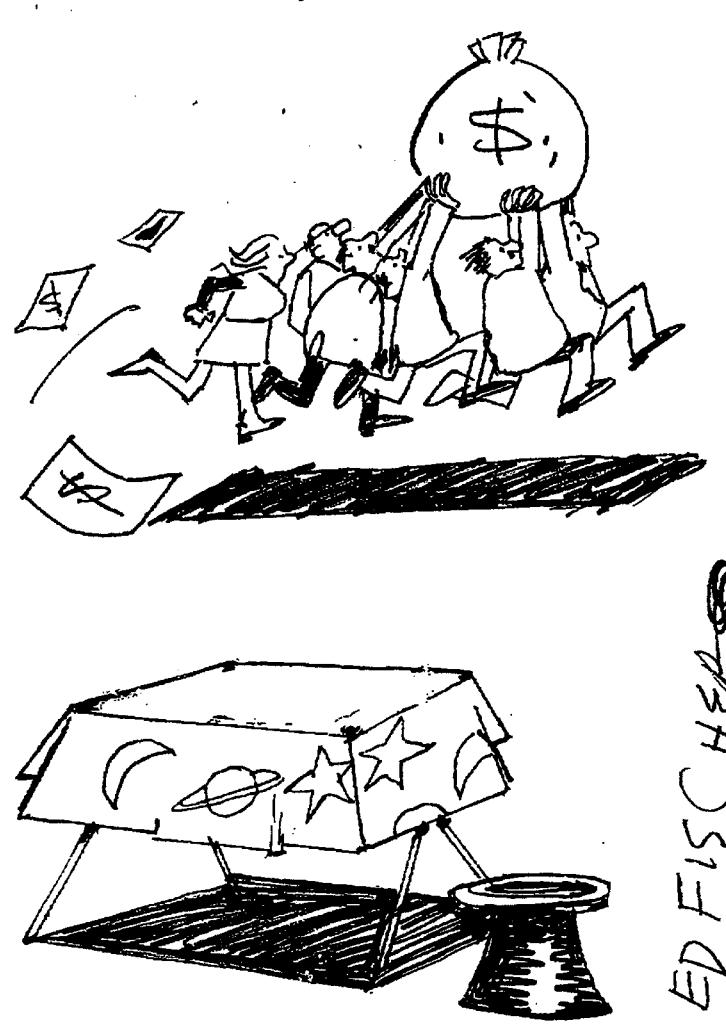
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## Support for Younger-Onset Alzheimer's Act

To the Editor:

Recently, the U.S. House passed the Reauthorization of the Older Americans Act, including key elements of the Younger-Onset Alzheimer's Act of 2019 (H.R. 1903/S.901), critical legislation that will improve the health outcomes of people living with dementia.

According to the Alzheimer's Association, an estimated 200,000 Americans under the age of 65 are living with the disease and I am one of them. I want to thank Rep. Collin Peterson for supporting the House passage of this important piece of legislation.

Because of their young age, people living with Younger-Onset Alzheimer's are not eligible for support

and service programs available to older Americans. The Younger-Onset Alzheimer's Act would fix this. Through the Act, individuals under the age of 60 living with the disease would have access to nutritional programs, respite services for family caregivers and other services to enhance the quality of life.

Please join me in thanking Rep. Peterson for his support and in asking Senators Amy Klobuchar and Tina Smith to urge their Senate colleagues to take action on this important legislation.

Dale Rivard  
East Grand Forks

## Thanks to Curling Club

To the Editor:

Thank you to Krist Olson and the Thief River Falls Curling Club for hosting and teaching curling to the Goodridge Public School's ninth and tenth grade physical education classes on several occasions this winter. They thoroughly enjoyed it!

Thanks,  
Tom Loberg  
Superintendent  
Goodridge Public School

## If FDA doesn't know where to go on fake dairy, we've got a map

by National Milk Producers Federation

More than one year after comments closed on the Food and Drug Administration's request for information on fake-milk labeling, with health organizations warning against inappropriate consumption of plant-based beverages; with a rising number of lawmakers asking why nothing has been done; and with a new FDA commissioner who seems to understand the problem, FDA still hasn't resolved the public-health issue of mislabeled plant-based products using dairy terms that imply nutritional equivalence to consumers.

The petition would clarify that milk from animals other than cows, such as sheep, goats and water buffalo, are acceptable for dairy labeling because milk only comes from mammals.

It explains why terms like "Peanut Butter" and "Milk of Magnesia" are compatible with current FDA rules, while calling an almond-based beverage "milk" isn't. (Short answer: It has to do with a product's established use — these products aren't marketed as substitutes for dairy.)

It even reaffirms circumstances under which plant-based products could still use dairy terms, and it clearly does not ban the use of those dairy terms if used in a way that fits with decades-old federal regulations that are consistent with the First Amendment. Words such as "alternative," "imitation" and "substitute," properly administered, can give consumers the information they need and maintain nutrition and labeling integrity, while allowing plant-based purveyors the leeway to market their heavily processed, flavored sugar waters largely how they'd like.

Finally, the road map contains a detailed analysis of relevant case law to address First Amendment concerns over labeling terms. It surveys the legal landscape to ensure that solutions on disclosure requirements are narrowly tailored to improving labeling transparency and promoting informed consumer

choice. It emphatically does not propose a blanket ban on the use of dairy terms by plant-based products.

Dairy farmers understand the FDA has a lot on its plate. But after more than 40 years of non-enforcement — and a nearly two-year-old pledge to act — let's get real. The path is clear, the road map exists. All that's left is action — by FDA, Congress, or both — to do what's right for consumers. We won't be quiet until it's done.

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## Supporting veterans in workforce

U.S. Senators Amy Klobuchar (D-MN) and Marco Rubio (R-FL) announced that their bill to support veterans re-entering the workforce has been signed into law. The bipartisan Supporting Veterans in STEM Careers Act will assist veterans re-entering the workforce by directing the National Science Foundation to encourage veterans to pursue careers in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM).

"Our servicemembers come from all different professions to serve our nation — and they bring with them a wealth of experience when they return to civilian life. Now that the Supporting Veterans in STEM Careers Act has been signed into law, we can provide veterans with the tools to secure well-paying jobs in science, technology, engineering, and math through STEM career training. Our bipartisan

legislation will not only help veterans to succeed, but also enable employers to better meet their hiring needs and strengthen our economy and our nation," Klobuchar said.

"I thank my colleagues in the Senate and House for unanimously supporting this bipartisan effort to ensure our nation's veterans have the skills and opportunities to succeed in STEM careers, and I applaud President Trump for signing it into law," Rubio said. "Veterans who are returning to civilian life are uniquely qualified to excel in STEM roles, and the 21st century workforce will be dominated by these jobs. This bipartisan bill will ensure the skills our veterans attain during their service to our nation are put to good use for decades to come as they successfully transition back to civilian life."

The Supporting Veterans

in STEM Careers Act also requires the Office of Science and Technology Policy to establish an interagency working group to develop a strategic plan to address the barriers that veterans face when reentering the workforce and in pursuing STEM careers. The bill is supported by The Manufacturing Institute, Samsung, TechNet, Verizon, and the Consumer Technology Association.

## State of the State March 23

Gov. Tim Walz announced he will deliver his second State of the State Address to a joint session of the Minnesota State Legislature on Monday, March 23, 2020, beginning at 7 p.m. The address will be delivered in the Minnesota State Capitol House Chamber.

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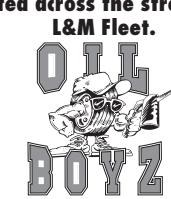
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February 19, 26, March 4, 2020

**NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS**

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received at the office of the Middle Snake Tamarac Rivers Watershed District, at 453 North McKinley Street, Warren, Minnesota 56762, until 1:00 p.m., March 13, 2020 for the rental of fully operated excavation equipment, for the 2020 construction season. Proposals are being requested for tractors, mowers, draglines, dozers, scrapers, blades and crawler mounted draglines or backhoes.

Proposal Forms and Bidding Requirements are available at the District Office, by calling 218-745-4741 or on the District website: [www.mstrwd.org](http://www.mstrwd.org).

All quotes must be submitted in a sealed envelope marked "Quotes for Equipment Rental 2020". Current Certificates of Workmen's Compensation and Liability Insurance are required. No fixed proposals will be allowed. Incomplete proposals will not be considered.

The Middle Snake Tamarac Rivers Watershed District reserves the right to reject any and all quotes and to waive irregularities therein.

Dated this 3rd day of February, 2020.

/s/ Roger Mischel,  
Secretary

February 19, 26, March 4, 2020

**STATE OF MINNESOTA  
COUNTY OF PENNINGTON  
DISTRICT COURT****NINTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT**

Court File No. 57-CV-20-85

Case Type: Other/quiet Title Action

**SUMMONS**

Florence Gjerstad, Harold Arneson, Joyce Arneson, Ruth Hed, also known as Ruth Had, Keith Hed, Ralph Lian, Virginia Lian, Lowell Gjerstad, Lance Gjerstad, Barbara Gjerstad, Plaintiffs,

vs. Bonita Arneson, Robert Arneson, Thomas Anderson, Marty Anderson, Mike Nordgren, Richard Lian, Ross Lian, Rebecca Lian, Robert Anderson, Randall Lian also known as Randy Lian, Chad Lian, Charity Nelson, Margaret Lian, Liesel Gjerstad, their spouses, if any, and the unknown heirs, and assigns of the above-named defendants if deceased, and all other persons unknown claiming any right, title, estate, interest, encumbrance, or lien in the real estate described in the Complaint herein, Defendants.

**THIS SUMMONS IS DIRECTED TO THE ABOVE DEFENDANTS****1. YOU ARE BEING SUED.** The Plaintiffs have started a lawsuit against you. The Plaintiffs' Complaint against you is attached to this summons. Do not throw these papers away. They are official papers that affect your rights. You must respond to this lawsuit even though it may not yet be filed with the Court and there may be no court file number on this summons.

**2. YOU MUST REPLY WITHIN 20 DAYS TO PROTECT YOUR RIGHTS.** You must give or mail to the person who signed this summons a written response called an Answer within 20 days of the date on which you received this summons. You must send a copy of your Answer to the person who signed this summons located at: **Stephen D. Larson, Reynolds, Harbott, Knutson & Larson, PLLP, 201 North Broadway, Ste. 2, P.O. Box 457, Crookston, MN 56716**.

**3. YOU MUST RESPOND TO EACH CLAIM.** The Answer is your written response to the Plaintiffs' Complaint. In your Answer you must state whether you agree or disagree with each paragraph of the Complaint. If you believe the Plaintiffs should not be given everything asked for in the Complaint, you must say so in your Answer.

**4. YOU WILL LOSE YOUR CASE IF YOU DO NOT SEND A WRITTEN RESPONSE TO THE COMPLAINT TO THE PERSON WHO SIGNED THIS SUMMONS.** If you do not Answer within 20 days, you will lose this case. You will not get to tell your side of the story, and the Court may decide against you and award the Plaintiffs everything asked for in the complaint. If you do not want to contest the claims stated in the complaint, you do not need to respond. A default judgment can then be entered against you for the relief requested in the complaint.

**5. LEGAL ASSISTANCE.** You may wish to get legal help from a lawyer. If you do not have a lawyer, the Court Administrator may have information about places where you can get legal assistance. Even if you cannot get legal help, you must still provide a written Answer to protect your rights or you may lose the case.

**6. ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION.** The parties may agree to or be ordered to participate in an alternative dispute resolution process under Rule 114 of the Minnesota General Rules of Practice. You must still send your written response to the Complaint even if you expect to use alternative means of resolving this dispute.

7. This lawsuit may affect or bring into question title to real property located in Pennington County, State of Minnesota, legally described as follows:

--The North Half of the Northwest Quarter (N 1/2 NW 1/4), Section Thirty-two (32), Township One Hundred Fifty-three (153), North of Range Forty-two (42), West of the Fifth Principal Meridian.

AND

A tract of land situated in the Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter (SW 1/4 NW 1/4) of Section Thirty-two (32), Township One Hundred Fifty-three (153), Range Forty-two (42), described as follows: Commencing at the Northwest corner of the Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter (SW 1/4 NW 1/4) of said Section Thirty-two (32), thence south a distance of two (2) rods; thence east and parallel with the boundary line between the Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter (SW 1/4 NW 1/4) of Section Thirty-two (32); thence north along said boundary line a distance of two (2) rods to the boundary line between the Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter (SW 1/4 NW 1/4) and the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter (NW 1/4 NW 1/4) of Section Thirty-two (32) to the west boundary line of the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter (SE 1/4 NW 1/4) of Section Thirty-two (32); thence north along said boundary line to the place of beginning.--

The object of this action is to determine the Plaintiffs' title and all their adverse claims to the above-described real property; adjudging that the Plaintiffs own said real property subject to no other interest; adjudging that Plaintiffs are entitled to exclusive possession of said real property; and adjudging that each of the Defendants in said action have no right, title, estate, interest, or lien in the real property. The Plaintiff asserts no personal claims.

Dated: February 11, 2020.

**REYNOLDS, HARBOTT, KNUSTON & LARSON, PLLP.**

By: /s/ Stephen D. Larson

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February 19, 26, March 4, 2020  
**ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS**

Sealed Bids for the construction of the Thief River Falls Westside Flood Damage Reduction Project will be received by the Red Lake Watershed District at **1000 Pennington Ave. South** until **10:00 AM** local time on **March 20, 2020**, at which time the Bids received will be publicly opened and read. The Project, located in and near the city of Thief River Falls, MN, consists of constructing ditches, installing culverts, installing storm sewer pipes and associated structures, installing a force main, grading, repairing roadways, and stabilizing soils with vegetation.

Bids will be received for a single prime Contract. Bids shall be on a lump sum and unit price basis, with additive alternate bid items as indicated in the Bid Form.

The Issuing Office for the Bidding Documents is:

**Red Lake Watershed District  
1000 Pennington Avenue South,  
Thief River Falls, MN  
218-681-5800  
RLWD@redlakewatershed.org**

Prospective Bidders may examine the Bidding Documents at the Issuing Office on Mondays through Fridays between the hours of 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM.

Bidding Documents may be viewed and obtained online through the Quest Construction Data Network (QuestCDN.com) with the QuestCDN eBidDoc number 6462115. Complete sets of Bidding Documents may be downloaded from the QuestCDN website portable document format (PDF) files.

A pre-bid conference and site visit will be held at 2:00 PM local time on February 26, 2020 at the Red Lake Watershed District Office located at 1000 Pennington Avenue South, Thief River Falls, MN. Attendance at the pre-bid conference is highly encouraged but is not mandatory.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all Proposals or to waive any informality or technicality in any Proposal in the interest of the Owner. The Owner reserves the right to hold all bids for a period of ninety (90) days after the date of opening thereof. The right to adjourn the letting of the contract to a time and place other than noted herein, or to reject any and all bids, is reserved.

The Project is made possible in part by a grant provided by the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, through an appropriation by the Minnesota State Legislature. Funding is also being provided by the Red River Watershed Management Board, the Red Lake Watershed District, City of Thief River Falls, Pennington County, Minnesota, Department of Transportation, and the Water Management District.

Representatives from HDR are available to address questions concerning the project design. They can be reached at (218) 681-6100 (213 LaBree Ave N, Suite 203, Thief River Falls, MN).

Bid security shall be furnished in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders.

Owner: **Red Lake Watershed District  
By: Myron Jesme  
Title: Administrator  
Date: February 17, 2020**

January 29, February 5, 12, 19, 26, March 4, 2020

**NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that default has occurred in the conditions of the following described mortgage:

**DATE OF MORTGAGE: September 21, 2016**

**ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: \$281,730.00**

**MORTGAGOR(S): Zachary D Lee, and Tina M Lee, Husband and Wife**

**MORTGAGEE: PennyMac Loan Services, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for Mortgage Research Center, LLC dba Veterans United Home Loans, its successors and assigns**

**DATE AND PLACE OF RECORDING:**

Recorded: September 28, 2016

Pennington County Recorder

Document Number: 208764

**ASSIGNMENTS OF MORTGAGE:**

And assigned to: PennyMac Loan Services, LLC

Dated: February 22, 2018

Recorded: March 19, 2018

Pennington County Recorder

Document Number: 212268

**Transaction Agent: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.**

**Transaction Agent: Mortgage Identification Number: 1003502-9100636181-9**

**Lender or Broker: Mortgage Research Center, LLC dba Veterans United Home Loans**

**Residential Mortgage Servicer: PennyMac Loan Services, LLC**

**Mortgage Originator: Not Applicable**

**COUNTY IN WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED: Pennington**

**Property Address: 2007 Washington Ave, Thief River Falls, MN 56701-4009**

**Tax Parcel ID Number: 25.11003550**

**LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY:**

Lot 8, Block 5, in Elementary

First Addition to the City of Thief River Falls, Pennington County, Minnesota, according to the Plat thereof on file in the office of the County Recorder within and for Pennington County, MN, and recorded as Document No. 185382

**AMOUNT DUE AND CLAIMED TO BE DUE AS OF DATE OF NOTICE:**

\$280,917.28

THAT all pre-foreclosure requirements have been complied with; that no action or proceeding has been instituted at law or otherwise to recover the debt secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof.

PURSUANT to the power of sale contained in said mortgage, the above-described property will be sold by the Sheriff of said county as follows:

**DATE AND TIME OF SALE: March 17, 2020 at 10:00 AM**

**PLACE OF SALE: Sheriff's Main Office, Law Enforcement Center, 104 West 1st Street, Thief River Falls, Minnesota**

TO pay the debt secured by said mortgage and taxes, if any, on said premises and the costs and disbursements, including attorney fees allowed by law, subject to redemption within six (6) months from the date of said sale by the mortgagor(s), their personal representatives or assigns.

IF the Mortgage is not reinstated under Minn. Stat. \$580.30 or the property is not redeemed under Minn. Stat. \$580.23, the Mortgagor must vacate

the property on or before 11:59 p.m. on September 17, 2020, or the next business day if September 17, 2020 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday.

Mortgagor(s) released from financial obligation: NONE

**THIS COMMUNICATION IS FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.**

THE RIGHT TO VERIFICATION OF THE DEBT AND IDENTITY OF THE ORIGINAL CREDITOR WITHIN THE TIME PROVIDED BY LAW IS NOT AFFECTED BY THIS ACTION.

THE TIME ALLOWED BY LAW FOR REDEMPTION BY THE MORTGAGOR, THE MORTGAGOR'S PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES OR ASSIGNS, MAY BE REDUCED TO FIVE WEEKS IF A JUDICIAL ORDER IS ENTERED UNDER MINNESOTA STATUTES, SECTION 582.032, DETERMINING, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THAT THE MORTGAGED PREMISES ARE IMPROVED WITH A RESIDENTIAL DWELLING OF LESS THAN FIVE UNITS, ARE NOT PROPERTY USED IN AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION, AND ARE ABANDONED.

DATED: January 27, 2020  
**ASSIGNEE OF MORTGAGEE:**  
PennyMac Loan Services, LLC  
Wilford, Geske & Cook P.A.  
Attorneys for Assignee of Mortgagee  
7616 Currell Blvd; Ste 200  
Woodbury, MN 55125-2296  
(651) 209-3300  
File Number: 043334F01

February 12, 19, 26, 2020  
**PENNINGTON COUNTY, MN**

**ROUNDAUBT, GRADING BASE, BITUMINOUS PAVING**

**LIGHTING AND DRAINAGE**

**CLOSING DATE**

**11:00 AM, MARCH 9, 2020**

**THIEF RIVER FALLS, MN 56701**

**NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS:**

Sealed bids will be received until 11:00 AM Monday, March 9, 2020 by the Pennington County Auditor at the Courthouse in Thief River Falls, MN on behalf of the Pennington County Board of Commissioners for the following:

The major items of work are:

SAP 057-608-010

Common Excavation

Aggregate Base

Concrete Pavement

Type SP 12.5 Wearing Course Mix (3,C)

RC Pipe Sewer Design

Concrete Curb and Gutter

Lighting

Turf Establishment

Plans and Specifications can be viewed and obtained through Quest eBidDocs (Quest Project #6831571).

They may also be examined and obtained at the Office of the County Highway Engineer, 250 125th Avenue NE (behind Westside Motors) or by mail 250 125th Avenue NE, Thief River Falls, MN 56701.

The Counter price for a complete set of all required contract documents is \$70.00 (non-refundable). Add \$10.00 for shipping and handling, if requested to be mailed.

All bids must be accompanied by a certified check or bidders bond made payable to the Pennington County Treasurer for not less than five percent (5%) of the amount of the proposal.

**ALL BIDS MUST BE DELIVERED TO THE PENNINGTON COUNTY AUDITOR AT THE COURTHOUSE.**

The right is reserved to accept or reject any or all bids and to waive any defects.

February 26, March 4, 11, 2020

FUEL SUPPLY

BIDS CLOSE

11:00 AM, March 24, 2020

Thief River Falls, MN 56701

Sealed bids will be received until 11:00 AM Tuesday, March 24, 2020 by the Pennington County Auditor at the Courthouse in Thief River Falls, MN, on behalf of the Pennington County Board of Commissioners to supply Pennington County Highway Dept. for a one year period with Unleaded Regular Gasoline and/or Gasohol, and No.1 Low Sulphur, No. 2 Low Sulphur, Premium Fuel with Diesel Additive, Low Sulphur.

All grades are to be delivered to the five maintenance depots in Pennington County and also be available at the dealer's pumps.

The bid price may be firm or otherwise for a supply period of April 1, 2020 to March 31, 2021.

Bidders may obtain bid sheets from the County Highway Engineer, 250 125th Avenue NE (behind Westside Motors), Thief River Falls, MN or by mail by calling (218) 683-7017.

The County Board reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any defects.

Ken Olson

County Auditor

## Area students on dean's list at U of M Twin Cities

Several area students have been named to the 2019 fall semester dean's list at the University of Minnesota Twin Cities. 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.

Students on the dean's list included:

**Gatzke** - Crystal D. Kolden, junior, College of Liberal arts;

**Red Lake Falls** - Brandon C. Kolstoe, senior, College of Science and Engineering;

**Thief River Falls** - Kathryn Kruta, sophomore, College of Science and Engineering; Michael B. Magnusson, senior, College of Liberal Arts; Juliet J. Tunberg, senior, College of Education and Human Development; Jenna Von Holtum, sophomore, College of Liberal Arts.

## More counties designated natural disaster areas

Gov. Tim Walz announced that the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) has designated 11 more Minnesota counties as primary natural disaster areas in addition to those announced on Feb. 5, 2020. Due to multiple disasters in 2019, including high winds, hail, excessive rain and snow, flash flooding, and

drought, producers in Cottonwood, Grant, Jackson, Kittson, Koochiching, Lake of the Woods, Nobles, Norman, Roseau, Stevens, and Traverse Counties will be eligible to apply for assistance from the USDA Farm Service Agency. This assistance includes FSA emergency loans.

"We saw firsthand how extreme weather dramatically impacted the livelihood of Minnesota's agricultural producers this last year," said Walz. "I am encouraged to see that the USDA has stepped up their response to the severity of

these events by including 11 more counties in their designation. These primary disaster declarations will provide much-needed support to our farmers as they recover in the wake of devastation."

Contiguous counties (to

the primary counties) in Minnesota, Iowa, North Dakota, and South Dakota are also part of this disaster declaration.

Farmers should contact their local Farm Service Agency office for more information.

## LAND AUCTIONS

Wednesday, March 11, 2020 • 10:00 a.m.

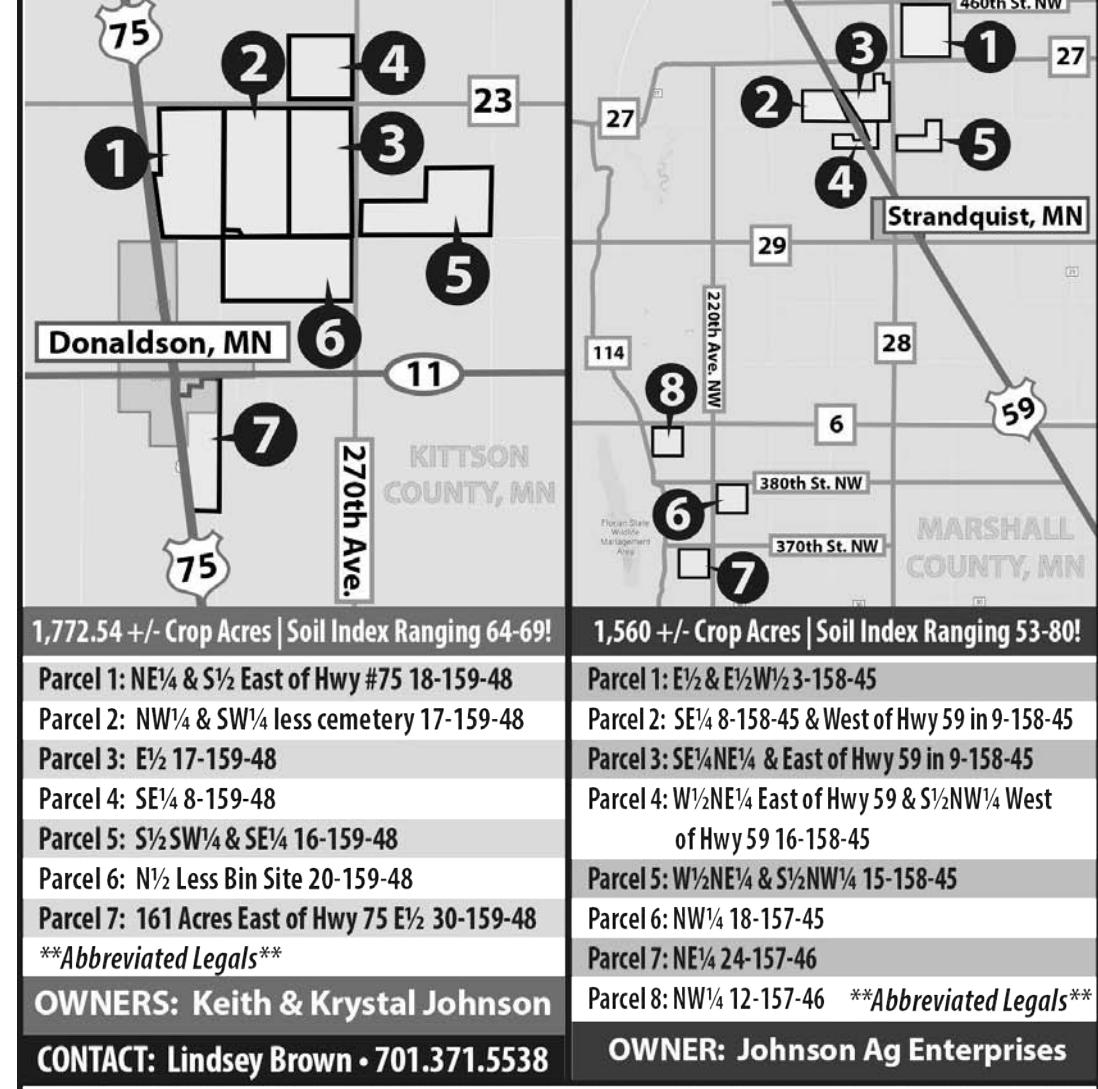
AUCTION LOCATION: H.G. Johnson Memorial Hall • Drayton, ND

1,838.38 +/- Acres

Kittson County, MN

1,756.97 +/- Acres

Marshall County, MN



This sale is managed by Pifer's Auction & Realty. All statements made the day of the auction take precedence over all printed materials. The seller reserves the right to reject or accept any bid or all bids. Pifer's Auction & Realty, 1506 29th Ave S, Moorhead, MN 56560. Kevin Pifer, MN #14-106. Subject to prior sale.

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