

SPORTS

SENATHLETES

Who is...  
Brady Walls

The 18-year-old International Falls High School senior competes on the Bronco boys golf team. He qualified for the Class AA State Golf Tournament last year.

**Birthday:**  
October 11, 1995

**Future plans:**  
Go to college to be an electrician

**What's on TV:**  
Duck Dynasty

**Favorite music:**  
Anything new

**Favorite movies:**  
Happy Gilmore, Miracle

**What do your drive:**  
2002 Chevy Silverado

**Favorite Web sites:**  
Twitter

**Favorite meal:**  
Chipolte burrito

**Biggest superstition:**  
Shower with my clubs before meets

**Biggest pet peeve:**  
Guys with long fingernails

**Talent I'd most like to have:**  
Be able to sing

**Favorite athlete to watch:**  
Phil Mickelson

**Dream date:**  
Sadie Robertson

**Favorite team as a kid:**  
Minnesota Golden Gophers

**Favorite city to visit:**  
Myrtle Beach, South Carolina

**Favorite attribute about yourself:**  
Hand-eye coordination

**Least favorite attribute:**  
Very slow

**Favorite holiday:**  
Christmas

**Top three things on your bucket list:**  
Go to the Masters  
Meet Phil Mickelson  
Visit family in Tulsa, Oklahoma

**Your motto:**  
If you obey all the rules you miss all the fun.

**Favorite memory about your high school career:**  
Getting a hole-in-one and advancing to the state golf tournament

**Favorite thing to do that has nothing to do with sports:**  
Hunt, fish and spend time with family and friends

**Dream job:**  
PGA golfer

**Favorite person to follow on Twitter:**  
Not Dany Heatley



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**DEAN BLAIS**  
Blais, a Falls native, has an extensive hockey coaching career, including his present position as head coach of the University of Nebraska Omaha men's team, having been in charge of the Mavericks' program since 2009. His collegiate coaching career has also included being the head coach for 10 seasons at the University of North Dakota from 1994-2004, appearing in seven NCAA tournaments and winning Division I national championships in 1997 and 2000. Prior to becoming the head coach at North Dakota, Blais was the head coach of Falls' boys hockey team for two seasons from 1992-94, compiling a 32-15 record. He previously was a high school head coach at Minot, N.D., and at Roseau, where he led the team to the Minnesota state championship during the 1989-90 season.

His various assistant coaching positions included serving on the U.S. Olympic Men's Ice Hockey Team that took fourth place in the 1992 Winter Olympics in Albertville, France. He played college hockey for the University of Minnesota from 1969-73. In 124 games, he had 56 goals and 83 assists for 139 points. Blais then played three seasons of pro hockey with the Chicago Blackhawks' development team in Dallas, Texas, before becoming an assistant college coach at Minnesota in 1976-77. His nephew, Falls native Willie Corrin, recently completed his sophomore season as a defenseman playing for the University of Minnesota Duluth men's hockey team.

**KEITH CHRISTIANSEN**  
Christiansen played for UMD from 1963-67 and led the team in scoring for four years, tallying 196 points in 102 collegiate games. A first-team All-American in 1966-67, his No. 9 jersey was retired upon his graduation. He was inducted into UMD's

Hall of Fame in 1991 and the U.S. Hockey Hall of Fame in 2005. Following college, Christiansen played on the U.S. National Team for three years and was also part of the U.S. Hockey Team that won a silver medal in the 1972 Winter Olympics in Sapporo, Japan. Two other players on the 1972 Olympic Team from the Falls, forward Tim Sheehy and goalie Mike "Lefty" Curran, were previously inducted into the Bronco Athletic Hall of Fame. Christiansen played high school hockey for the Broncos in the early 1960s and was part of the 1962 state champion team.

**OSCAR MAHLE**  
Mahle, a forward who was part of Falls' boys hockey team that won the school's first state championship in 1957, later attended the University of Minnesota under a full athletic scholarship in hockey and played on the U.S. National Team. He also played semi-pro hockey for the Rochester Mustangs. The Minnesota Hockey Hub ranked Mahle in 2011 as the 79th

greatest player in the state's high school history. Mahle also lettered in track in high school and played baseball.

**1954 FHS FOOTBALL TEAM**  
The 1954 Bronco football team had a perfect 8-0 record when it outscored opponents 343-57, won the Iron Range Conference championship and was voted the state champion. All of Falls' victories that season were by 20 or more points with the closest game being a 33-13 win over Grand Rapids, the team the Broncos scored the fewest points against in 1954. The Falls' head coach, Frank "Butch" Larson, and two players, Bronko K. Nagurski and Jim Crotty, have already been inducted into the Bronco Athletic Hall of Fame. Tickets for this year's induction banquet will be on sale through April 24. The banquet tickets are \$25 each and are available at City Drug, County Market and the Espresso Lane in Super One. They may also be purchased by contacting Timm Ringhofer at (218) 324-3053.


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**BSU Aurora Borealis**

**GIRLS**  
**Team scores:** Pequot Lakes 86, International Falls 85, Grand Rapids 75, Bagley/Fosston 38, Thief River Falls 36, Cromwell 31, Roseau 31, Pillager 30, United North Central 20, West Marshall 20, Walker-Hackensack-Akeley 18, Bertha-Hewitt/Verndale 16, East Grand Forks 15, New York Mills 14, Wadena-Deer Creek 13, BGMR Freeze 12, Bemidji 10, Nevis 7, Deer River/Northland 7 20) Frazee 6, Red Lake County 4, Hibbing 4, Northome/Kelliher/Blackduck 4, Chisholm 2.

**BOYS**  
**Team scores:** Pequot Lakes 77.5, Grand Rapids 69, Hibbing 54, Bagley/Fosston 47, Northome/Kelliher/Blackduck 45, Thief River Falls 39, Walker-Hackensack-Akeley 37, East Grand Forks 35, Roseau 30.5, West Marshall 19.5, Bertha-Hewitt/Verndale 19, International Falls 16, Cromwell 15, Red Lake County 14, Chisholm 14, BGMR Freeze 10, Deer River/Northland 9, Grand Forks Red River 9, Wadena-Deer Creek 7, Pillager 5, Lake of the Woods/Rainy River 4.5, New York Mills 4, United North Central 3, Frazee 2.

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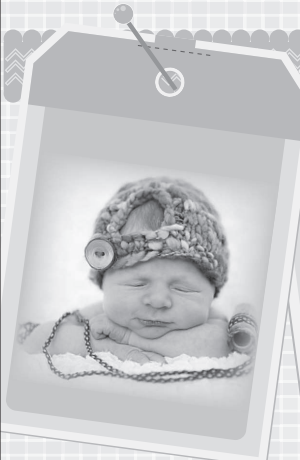




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IT'S A BOY



Big Sister Neva,  
announces the birth  
of her brother  
Keller Cruz Kokesh,  
born on  
February 26, 2014.  
He weighed  
7lbs 13 oz and  
was 20 1/2 inches.

Proud Parents are  
Brad and Jessica Kokesh.  
Proud Grandparents are Stephen and  
Diane Kokesh and DuWayne and the  
late Jacqueline Olson.

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